

Beep trades horses at Ken. Stables

BY COLIN MIXSON

Say “hay” to your new neighbor!

A developer proposing to erect a nine-story, mixed-use building next door to Kensington Stables must consider the beloved barn in its plans, according to the borough president, who implored the builder to work out a land-use agreement with its neighbor in exchange for the city signing off on a rezoning request necessary to construct the mostly residential high-rise.

“I believe that the Kensington Stables are such a unique asset to Brooklyn, especially because of their close proximity to Prospect Park,” Adams said in written recommendations given as part of the city’s Uniform Land Use Review Procedure. “These were crafted in pursuit of broader community considerations, in particular the preservation of an invaluable resource that is one of our borough’s most treasured amenities.”

Adams’s request — part of a 13-page set of purely advisory recommendations on the project sent to Council, which will ultimately decide whether or not to approve the rezoning — asks developer 57 Caton Partners LLC to reserve Ocean Parkway-facing land on its Caton Place parcel between E. Eighth Street and Coney Island Avenue for the barn, and work out a deal to sell or cede that portion of the property to Kensington Stables’s new owner John Quadrozzi, Jr., so that the concrete magnate turned equestrian entrepreneur can use it in his planned makeover of the riding facility.

Providing Ocean Parkway-fronting land to the stables would benefit the business and

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BOATHOUSE BACK IN BIZ

After chef ghosts, new caterer settles in at P’Park venue

BY COLIN MIXSON

Hopefully this one won’t dine and dash!

A new caterer recently set up shop inside Prospect

Park’s Boathouse after another chef sent stewards of Brooklyn’s Backyard scrambling to fill its kitchen when he abruptly vanished in the

heat of wedding season last summer.

A director of Purslane, the latest outfit tapped to serve guests at the land-

marked Beaux Arts-style building on Prospect Park Lake, promised she would never leave potential clients at the altar — and said if she did, they would know where to find her.

“We’re part of the community, so that’s not something they have to worry about,” said Amanda Braddock, who oversees events for the company.

Braddock’s outfit — which she operates with colleagues who include a partner in such buzzy local restaurants as Boerum Hill Italian eatery Rucola, Cobble Hill wine bar June, and Fort Greene South American restaurant Metta — in May won an exclusive contract to serve food at the Boathouse, which meadow keepers at the Prospect Park Alliance conservancy rent out for weddings and parties at price tags between \$4,500 and \$7,000 from April to November.

And for an additional \$175 a head, Purslane will provide everything that goes on your table at any given function, including linens, tableware, drinks, and food — with the cuisine focused on so-called farm-to-table, Northern Italian fare similar to that served at Rucola, Braddock said.

The caterer said park

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We have some wieners!

Incomparable eaters Miki Sudo and Joey “Jaws” Chestnut showed off their championship belts after devouring the competition at this year’s Nathan’s Hot Dog Eating Contest, where they again took first place in their women’s and men’s competitions. For more, [see page 14](#).

Photo by Paul Martinka

Sound the alarm!

FDNY: Foul play likely caused blaze at Hook warehouse

BY JULIANNE CUBA

Call it a burning suspicion.

Fire Marshals suspect some pyromaniac purposely lit a vacant Red Hook warehouse on fire last month, weeks after a group of locals proposed land-marking the building, according to a spokesman for New York's Bravest.

"It's being treated and investigated as a suspicious fire, not an accident," Jim Long said on Monday.

Preservationists quickly cried claims of arson after late-night flames tore through the Smith Street structure built in 1886 — known then as the S.W. Bowne Grain Storehouse — on June 14, and wondered if its owner, developer the Chetrit Group, may have been behind the blaze, because some residents glimpsed a sneak doing possibly illegal work on the warehouse's roof earlier that month.

But the Fire Department is still investigating the inferno by examining the site in its aftermath and talking to witnesses, according to Long, who couldn't say when the probe will wrap, and noted that Marshals have the power to cuff a suspect accused of arson if they deter-



BAD ACTOR: The Fire Department suspects someone purposely started the inferno that engulfed a vacant Red Hook warehouse on the banks of the Gowanus Canal last month. File photo by Jason Speakman

mine that is the cause.

"Marshals are taking their time, doing forensics, following up with interviews, and canvassing the area," he said.

Meanwhile, members of the Gowanus Landmarking Coalition — the group that pressed the Landmarks Preservation Commission to preserve the warehouse on the banks of

the Gowanus Canal, near the Gowanus border, ahead of the city's planned rezoning of that neighborhood — are now offering a cash reward of \$300 to any good Samaritan whose tip or proof of foul play inside the ancient building leads to an arrest, according to one of its leaders.

"We are sad to have our

strong suspicions confirmed, but are not deterred from continuing to advocate for the protection of important sites in the Gowanus area — including the S.W. Bowne Grain Storehouse," said Brad Vogel. "In light of the upcoming Gowanus rezoning, these historic buildings must be protected."



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NYPD: Man knocks out MTA conductor

BY COLIN MIXSON

He got clocked on the clock.

Police are hunting for the brute who they said slugged a conductor for the Metropolitan Transportation Authority in a Prospect-Lefferts Gardens subway station last month.

The transit employee aboard a Q train drove his Coney Island-bound subway into Lincoln Road's Prospect Park station on June 19 at

11:51 am, when the suspect socked the engineer from the platform as he looked out the open window of his conductor's cabin, knocking him out cold, authorities said.

The tough fled the station following his unprovoked attack, and was last spotted by a security camera strolling along Flatbush Avenue, according to footage police circulated on Tuesday.

The victim, meanwhile, re-

ceived treatment for scrapes and bruises at Kings County Hospital following the incident, and was subsequently released, cops said.

Anyone with information about the incident is asked to call Crime Stoppers at (800) 577-8477. The public can also submit tips via the Crime Stoppers website at www.nypdcrimestoppers.com or by texting tips to 274637 (CRIMES) then entering TIP577.



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TOO MUCH?: Federal officials claim the city is proposing an unnecessarily costly and large design for a water-filtration facility along the banks of the Gowanus Canal required as part of the waterway's ongoing scrub. Department of Environmental Protection

BIG SPENDER

City proposing excessive cost, size for Gowanus filtration facility, feds claim

BY JULIANNE CUBA

Talk about government waste!

City officials want to spend unnecessary cash to make a water-filtration facility required for the cleanup of the toxic Gowanus Canal bigger than it needs to be, according to the Feds overseeing the cleanse.

"Why build bigger and more expensive if you don't have to?" said Environmental Protection Agency project manager Christos Tsiamis.

In May, leaders of the city's Department of Environmental Protection presented draft plans for the so-called headhouse they want to build on the Butler Street lot currently occupied by the ancient Gowanus Station building, following Council's approval for the agency to use eminent domain to seize that canal-adjacent property and a neighboring Nevins Street parcel so one of two massive sewage-storage tanks also required for the canal cleanup can be buried beneath the land.

The plans, which also call for creating an open-air public space next to the headhouse, could come with a price tag as high as \$1.2 billion once final costs for construction, land acquisition, and the tanks' installation are tallied, city officials said at the time.

The agency employees claimed the headhouse, which will filter poo and other waste from canal water destined

for the cistern underneath it, would stand no more than seven-stories tall, and incorporate elements salvaged from the Gowanus Station they intend to demolish — even though many locals argued the two properties boast enough area between them to build the new structure without destroying the old.

And now Tsiamis and his colleagues are doubling down on the locals' arguments, agreeing that it's possible to create a smaller filtration facility without compromising its function.

"What we have been trying to do is produce a design for the headhouse in a manner that carries out the engineer functions, and has the least visual impact on the community," said the federal agency's attorney, Brian Carr.

Tsiamis sent the city a letter last month suggesting cost-saving ways to shrink the building so it better blends in with neighbors, and asked officials to respond by June 18, but the deadline came and went with no feedback, he said.

And the city's silence showed a blatant disregard to Tsiamis and his agency's authority over the scrub, a chain of command that was established back in 2010 when federal officials designated the Gowanus Canal a Superfund site.

"What we have is a non-

cooperating party," he said. "New York City is laughing right now at this, but we have a legal document, and if you don't follow this directive, you're forced to remedy, or pay penalties."

But reps for the city's Environmental Protection Department denied Tsiamis's accusation that the agency ignored his missive, claiming its leaders responded suggesting a meeting be set up about the letter, and argued it hasn't done anything wrong because designs for the headhouse are only preliminary, and hinge on an in-the-works agreement the Feds are drafting with the state's Historic Preservation Office that would require preserving two facades of the 1913 Gowanus Station exactly where they stand.

"It's really in flux right now," said Alicia West, who conducts community outreach for the city environmental agency.

Plans for the headhouse, however, will need to go back to the drawing board entirely if the city does not seize the Nevins and Butler Street properties or work out a private deal to buy them by 2020, at which point the Feds will proceed with their original plan to stick the sewage-storage tank in the grave of Gowanus's beloved Double-D pool, which must be removed and replaced as part of the cleanup of the canal.

There's a catch

State: Signs can't ban angling in Canal without data on how water affects fish

BY JULIANNE CUBA

It's a fishy situation.

State officials cannot sign off on placards that ban all fishing in the fetid Gowanus Canal, which past federal studies found filled with life-threatening chemicals, because they lack any actual data on how those toxic substances taint species that swim inside the channel itself, a bigwig from New York State's Department of Health recently told Gowanusians.

Locals pushed for signs that ban angling in the federal Superfund site outright after the state revealed draft signs that warned fishers about the dangers of consuming marine life caught in it earlier this year. But the state data used to produce the draft placards pertains to fish in all of New York Harbor, not just Brooklyn's Nautical Purgatory, and without doing specific tests in the latter, officials claimed they could not entirely prohibit the sport there.

"Part of the problem is that we actually don't have any data for the Gowanus Canal, and in order for the Department of Health to set a fish advisory, we must have data," said Audrey Van Genechten during a June 26 meeting of the Gowanus Community Advisory Group.

The Environmental Protection Agency leaders overseeing the canal's cleanse in March presented the preliminary signs they created with the state, which noted the dangers of consuming fish that may contain chemicals, and listed around 15 aquatic species — including the American eel, gizzard shad, striped bass, and blue crab — with warnings about how much of each could be safely consumed if caught in the channel.

For instance, the placards — written in English and Spanish, and set to be placed at points on 15 streets near known fishing spots — cautioned that men older than 15 and women older than 50 could munch on up to six blue crabs from the Gowanus Canal per week, but that females younger than 50, especially those who are pregnant, and kids younger than 15 should not risk taking a bite, according to a draft copy our sister



TOO SOFT: The state Department of Health presented this draft sign to locals on June 26, but the Gowanusians panned it because they want placards that simply ban fishing altogether.

CNG / Julianne Cuba

publication the Brooklyn Paper obtained.

Locals at the time demanded a simpler sign that axed the list of species and just showed a fish on a hook with an "X" through it, but state Health Department officials instead returned last month proposing another draft that generally warned locals not to fish, crab, swim, or boat specifically when the canal is being dredged — such as during the hours that work for the current dredging-and-capping pilot program in the Fourth Street Turning Basin takes place.

But Gowanusians on the advisory group, as well as federal officials, said the redesigned sign's warning is not strong enough, and that the placards must forbid people from casting lines altogether because of the noxious sludge — and tampons, dead cats, and poo — contaminating the canal.

"It's not the dredging that impacts the situation of the fish, it's the condition of the canal as it is right now," said Environmental Protection Agency project manager Christos Tsiamis, the man leading the waterway's ongoing scrub.

The state's advisories on consuming creatures swimming throughout New York Harbor, where the Gowanus Canal's water flows in and out of, however, are rigorous

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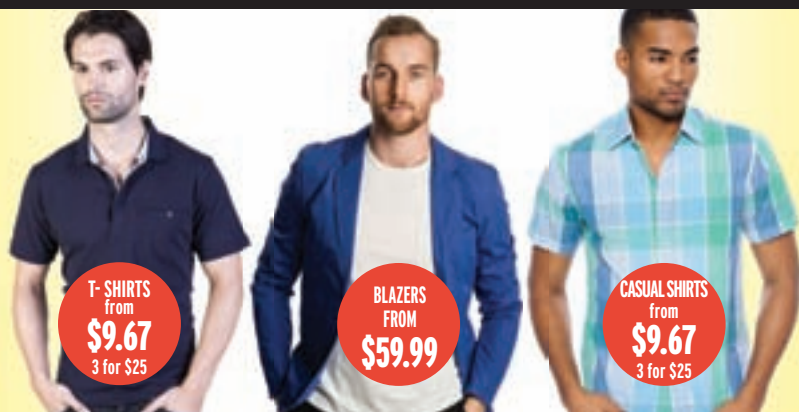
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GONE: Cops on Tuesday towed a car jam-packed with garbage, the sight of which infuriated residents of the Sixth Avenue block it was parked on since June 29.

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Police dispose of trashy car in Slope

Removal followed our report on officials' refusal to tow despite locals' complaints

BY COLIN MIXSON

Talk about cleaning up the streets!

Officers with the 78th Precinct towed a graffiti-covered, trash-stuffed sedan from the Sixth Avenue parking space it occupied for more than a week on Tuesday — roughly 24 hours after the Brooklyn Paper was first to report on neighbors' frustration with officials over their refusal to remove the dump on wheels, and days after local police told one Sloper they couldn't get rid of the ride.

A neighborhood-coordination officer from the precinct oversaw the car's removal after police on Monday gave its owner a day to move it herself and she did not, according to a resident of the Sixth Avenue block between Fourth and Fifth streets where the vehicle sat for days, who requested anonymity after he tipped this newspaper off to the junk-packed jalopy.

And now that authorities hauled away the vehicle, every item within it must be catalogued per department policy, according to the resident.

"I was told that if the police had to resort to that, they would have to voucher all the contents of the car," he said. "They were excellent. Some neighbors claim they took too long, but not me. I think they did a great job."

The local first spotted the four-wheeled landfill — which was legally parked, and bears a valid license plate — on June 29, and another neighbor said the rumor was that a tow truck dragged the thing there in the dead of night.

"Another neighbor saw it towed here Friday night, I'm guessing it's

a private towing company somebody paid off," said Arnold Sitruk.

And that would make sense, considering the driver's seat — and every other inch of the nasty Toyota's interior — was full to bursting with spent cans, empty bottles, bulging garbage bags, rotten rugs, two pairs of crutches, at least one copy of Anne Frank's "The Diary of a Young Girl," a broom, and some old luggage, along with whatever else lays on the floor of the gas-powered dump — which another block resident described as "a crime scene."

A third block resident said he sought cops' help in getting rid of the trashy ride days before they resorted to towing it, but police initially told him there was little they could do aside from continue to ticket it under alternate-side parking rules, because it occupied a legal parking space and had current plates. The car's only violation is a seemingly expired inspection sticker, which can result in fines and tickets, according to state law.

"They basically said there's nothing they can do," said Steve Kabacinski, a 65-year Slope resident.

And as long as vehicles have valid license plates, they cannot be towed by the city's Department of Sanitation either, according to a spokeswoman.

Before cops carted away the car, a missing front-passenger-side window made it a garbage fire waiting to happen, according to Sitruk, who said all it would take is one vandal with a lit match to turn the quality-of-life issue into something far worse.

"Anybody can throw a match in there," he said.

Drive for answers

Cops confronted about fatal B'wick hit-and-run

BY JULIANNE CUBA

They're still in the dark.

Demonstrators swarmed the 83rd Precinct station house on Knickerbocker Avenue in Bushwick on July 5, demanding authorities explain why the hit-and-run driver who fatally ran over a 4-year-old on a nearby sidewalk on June 24 has yet to be arrested or charged, even after cops stopped her fleeing the scene.

Officers, who addressed crowd members for the first time since they began daily marches through the neighborhood 12 days before, said the case now rests with prosecutors, and that the driver may still be cuffed despite previous Police Department claims that she will likely not be arrested due to lack of evidence and probable cause.

"What happened was horrible. It takes time. It doesn't mean that the lady is free — she's entitled to due process," said 83rd Precinct Executive Officer Capt. Hugo Dominguez, whose comments

made in Spanish were translated into English by staff at this newspaper.

The group — which included family and friends of young Luz Gonzalez, whose first name means "light" in Spanish — began their demonstration at the Clean City Laundry Center on the corner of Wyckoff Avenue and Hart Street, where, more than two weeks ago, motorist Jeanette Maria backed out of what the Department of Buildings on July 6 ruled an illegal parking spot perpendicular to Hart Street, turned, and drove into Gonzalez and her mother, killing the girl and injuring her parent as the mom bent down to tie the youngster's shoe.

Cops stopped Maria shortly afterward on Hart Street between Irving and Knickerbocker avenues, but let her go, prompting Gonzalez's relatives and their advocates to stage regular marches through the neighborhood, the latest of which featured participants chanting "jus-

tice for Luz" in Spanish, and waving flags of Mexico — Gonzalez and her parents' native country.

Video footage of the horrific incident shows Maria's car visibly bounce up and down while she rolled over the mother and daughter — proof that it is impossible for her to claim she didn't know she hit the pair, according to one demonstrator, who argued his 20 years of experience driving a cab makes him knowledgeable about what can be felt while behind the wheel.

"That excuse is really stupid. As soon as you hit a pothole, you feel the car stumble," said Jimmy Orellana, who lives in Bushwick.

Attendees also pressed authorities about claims spreading on social media that allege Maria's brother is a police officer, and that she threatened to call immigration officials on the Mexican family if they pressed charges.

Neither Police Department nor district attorney's office



SEEKING JUSTICE: Yoe Vargas, Geovanna Jerez, and other demonstrators brought signs to the station house. CNG / Julianne Cuba

reps responded to multiple requests for comment on the allegations that Maria is related to one of New York's Finest.

But cops from the 83rd Precinct told the demonstrators that those claims are irrelevant to the investigation, and that authorities assured Gonzalez's family of their safety, regardless of their immigration status, immediately after the tragedy occurred.

"After it happened I met with [Gonzalez's mom] with others that spoke Spanish. She came asking for help, and I said whatever you need, we are here to help," Sgt. Anna

Serrano told the crowd, speaking in English. "I told her, 'You are in a safe place here. The NYPD policy is we do not enforce immigration laws.'"

Meanwhile, the laundromat's owner must now remove the facility's parking lot following the Buildings Department's ruling, according to a rep, who said that barriers must also be installed to block vehicle access to the lot, and that the agency may crack down on the business even more pending further inspections.

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A helping handlebar

More Citi Bikes, some with batteries, ahead of L-pocolypse

BY JULIANNE CUBA

They're wheel-y trying to improve what will be one L of a commute!

The city is giving strap-hangers who need to cross the East River during the impending closure of the L train's Brooklyn-Manhattan tunnel more rental bicycles to hop on, some of which are equipped with batteries that will help power the two-wheelers when riders get fatigued, officials recently announced.

The additional human-powered and new pedal-assist-electric Citi Bikes will go a long way toward helping the roughly 250,000 L-train commuters who cross the river daily do so — with minimal pollution — when its underwater Canarsie Tube closes for 15 months of repairs in April 2019, a Williamsburg state pol said.

“When the L train tunnel shuts down next year, hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers will have to find a new way to get back and forth be-



ROLLING IN: Citi Bike parent company Motivate, which celebrated five years of local service earlier this year, will deploy more than 2,000 bikes — some equipped with batteries — before the L train stops running beneath the East River.

File photo by Stefano Giovannini

tween Brooklyn and Manhattan. Every mode of transportation, from buses to ferries to carpools, will be used,” said state Sen. Brian Kavanagh, a Democrat who also represents a swath of the distant isle. “Expanding bike-share options will not be a cure-all, but it will offer another greener option when getting around.”

Department of Transportation officials last week de-

clared they are amping up their partnership with bike-sharing outfit Motivate, which runs the Citi Bike rental program, by bringing 1,250 more two-wheelers and 2,500 more individual docking slots to stations in Williamsburg and the outer borough before transit workers get to work fixing the superstorm Sandy-ravaged infrastructure.

The news came months after cycling advocates began hosting weekly group bike commutes across the Williamsburg Bridge to promote pedaling as a viable way to commute during the closure.

Motivate leaders will also debut a temporary “shuttle service” that includes a fleet of 1,000 new pedal-assist-electric bikes — which feature batteries that cyclists can turn on when they need help propelling across hillier ground — at a pair of to-be-determined docking stations in Williamsburg, and two others in Manhattan, Mayor DeBlasio said. The battery-powered bicycles,

however, can only be picked up and dropped off at their four dedicated stations, not at other docking locations in the boroughs.

And during the tube's closure, Motivate will also staff 10 of what it expects to be the most heavily used Citi Bike docking stations — some of which are in Williamsburg — with valets, who will corral bicycles and stock docks in an effort to keep the system's gears spinning flawlessly.

Riders can hop on any of the two-wheelers for \$3 a ride, or by enrolling in one of Citi Bike's memberships, which include subscriptions offering unlimited rides annually for \$169; within a three-day period for \$24; and within a 24-hour period for \$12.

Late last year, city transit leaders unveiled other plans to aid displaced L-train straphangers during the closure that included a dedicated ferry shuttle; increased service on some Brooklyn-Manhattan subways; amped up service on some bus routes; installing a high-occupancy vehicle lane on the Williamsburg Bridge; and new infrastructure — including so-called protected bike lanes running from the edge of Newtown Creek at Grand Street

down to Driggs Avenue.

Hizzoner's announcement that the newest fleet of Citi Bikes would be rolling in came weeks before a new citywide rule permitting cyclists to cruise local streets on pedal-assist-electric bikes that travel at speeds under 20-miles-per hour takes effect on July 28. Entirely electric bicycles that do not require any pedaling and can move faster than 20-miles-per hour, however, are forbidden by state law.

The city also tapped Motivate to bring 200 human-powered, dockless bicycles — rides available to rent via a cell-phone app that can be found and parked at any standard rack or on sidewalks — to Coney Island later this year in a scheme to gauge the feasibility of the dockless technology.

Earlier this month, car-hailing company Lyft bought Motivate, following its competitor Uber's April purchase of Brooklyn-based bike company Jump, which also hawks dockless and pedal-assist-electric models, and will be bringing both to the outer boroughs of Staten Island and the Bronx this summer as part of the same program the city is testing out in the People's Playground.

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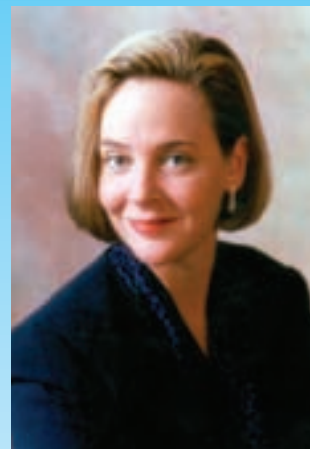
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78TH PRECINCT

PARK SLOPE

Beat it

Cops busted a 17-year-old kid accused of buying headphones with counterfeit cash at an Atlantic Avenue electronics store on June 30.

An employee told police he caught the suspect trying to purchase Beat headphones with bogus Benjamins at the store near Flatbush Avenue at 5 pm.

Officers cuffed the kid that day, charging him with criminal possession of a forged instrument, cops said.

Punch drunk

Some brute slugged a drunken man on Fifth Avenue on June 30.

The victim told police he was between Berkeley Place and Union Street at 12:35 am, when the goon socked him good, opening up a nasty gash over his left eye.

When cops arrived on the scene, they found the victim drunk and uncooperative — refusing to share his phone number with investigators — and he was taken to Methodist Hospital for treatment.

No arrest has been made, and the case has been closed, according to police.

Eye for crime

Some crook nabbed several vials of eye drops from a Flatbush Avenue drug store on June 2.

An employee told cops he spotted the suspect prowling the aisles of the store between Prospect Place and Seventh Avenue at 2:15 am, seemingly looking for a good opportunity to nab some loot.

Sure enough, the man snatched seven vials of eye drops and stuffed them in his dress shirt before slinking past the register and fleeing into a nearby subway station.

No arrests have been made, and the case has been closed.

— Colin Mixson

88TH PRECINCT

FORT GREENE-CLINTON HILL

Cook out

Some burglar stole cooking equipment from a Myrtle Avenue diner sometime between July 1 and 5, police said.

The victim told cops she opened the doors of the restaurant near Adelphi Street on July 5 around 7 am then walked down to the basement, where she noticed a meat slicer and induction burner were missing. The thief left the eatery's door that leads to an alley open, and cameras in the kitchen were turned upwards, according to authorities.



POLICE BLOTTER

Train thief

A good-for-nothing swiped a teen's wallet while on a train near Nevins Street on July 3, cops said.

The 18-year-old told police he was on a Manhattan-bound 4 train near Flatbush Avenue and Fulton Street a little after noon when he felt some creep lift up his back pocket.

The teen then checked the pocket, and his wallet containing his social-security card and school ID cards was gone, officials said.

Un-welcome home

Some criminal stole a wad of cash from a woman's Clermont Avenue apartment while she was away between July 3 and 8, authorities said.

The victim left her apartment near Myrtle Avenue on July 3, and when she returned five days later around noon, she noticed some baddie had snatched \$7,000 from a drawer by her bed, cops said.

The victim's daughter and boyfriend were staying in the apartment while she was away, according to a report.

84TH PRECINCT

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS-DUMBO-
BOERUM HILL-DOWNTOWN

Gone tomorrow

A thief stole a woman's car parked near Willoughby Street sometime overnight on July 7, cops said.

The 30-year-old woman told police she parked her four-wheeler near Duffield Street around 11:30 pm, and when she went to pick it up the next day at 9 am, it was gone.

Shutterbug

Some crook hopped into a guy's truck on Schermerhorn Street on July 5 and stole his company equipment, police said.

The victim was making a delivery near Hoyt Street and left the truck unlocked and its windows down around 2:15 pm, when the malefactor climbed in and stole his bag and handheld camera device, officials said.

The baddie dropped the bag near State Street, but got away with the camera, according to authorities.

Grab and go

A pilferer swiped a woman's wallet from her bag inside a Hoyt Street

eatery on June 30, police said.

The 23-year-old victim told cops on July 2 that she was eating dinner inside the restaurant near Atlantic Avenue around 9 pm when she put her purse on a chair, and someone stuck their hand in and swiped her wallet containing her Chinese credit and debit cards, cash from Hong Kong, and a pack of birth-control pills, according to officials.

Bye, bye, bicycles

A crook stole two bikes parked on Fulton Street on July 3, authorities said.

The victim said he locked up the pair of leader single-speed Giant women's bikes near Bond Street around 1:30 pm, and when he returned at 5 pm, they were both gone, cops said.

— Julianne Cuba

72ND PRECINCT

SUNSET PARK-WINDSOR TERRACE

No joy ride

Police arrested a man who they said drove a black 2016 Nissan Altima while drunk on the Gowanus Expressway on July 2.

The man was allegedly driving the car in the center lane at nearly 90-miles-per hour — roughly 40 miles above the area's speed limit — near Fourth Avenue just before 2:30 am, police said.

When officers stopped the car, they smelled alcohol on his breath and noticed he had bloodshot and watery eyes, a flushed face, and an unsteady gate, according to a report.

His blood-alcohol concentration was nearly double the legal limit, police said.

Rude awakening

Cops cuffed a man who allegedly hit another man in the head and stomach with his knee while he was sleeping on Fifth Avenue, before stealing his personal belongings and threatening to shoot him on the sidewalk on July 3.

The alleged assault took place between 41st and 42nd streets just before 5 am, cops said. Officers said the suspect stole the man's iPhone, phone case, a pair of sneakers, shorts, MetroCard, and keys. Police arrested him that same day.

One-two kick-punch

Police arrested a man who they said punched and kicked a man, and

stole \$200 plus his bank card, passport, gym bag, and phone, in Sunset Park near a Sixth Avenue park on July 3.

The alleged assault took place in the park at 41st Street just before 6:30 am, and emergency-medical personnel transported the man to Lutheran Medical Center with a laceration to his face, a swollen eye, and a swollen left hand, according to authorities.

Packing

A lout flashed a knife at a man and stole his backpack on 39th Street on July 3.

The threat and theft occurred between Fourth and Fifth avenues around 8:15 pm, and the perp fled on 39th Street towards Third Avenue after stealing the stuff, officials said.

Drunk doze

Police arrested a man who was allegedly drunk while sleeping in a car with the keys in the ignition and the engine running on Fourth Avenue on July 4.

Officers spotted the man sleeping in the car at 52nd Street just before 10 pm, and when they approached him, they noticed that he had watery eyes and slurred speech, according to a report.

The man's blood-alcohol level was allegedly nearly double the legal limit, according to police.

No holiday here

Cops cuffed a man who they said broke into a Fourth Avenue home on July 4 and threatened a woman with a knife.

The suspect broke into the residence near 52nd Street around 9 pm, and threatened the victim with the blade before punching her in the face — causing bruising and lacerations — as well as slugging a wall, police said.

Block this number

A pack of perps annoyed and alarmed a Seventh Avenue resident when they called him and demanded his personal info while pretending to be Chinese police officers on July 6.

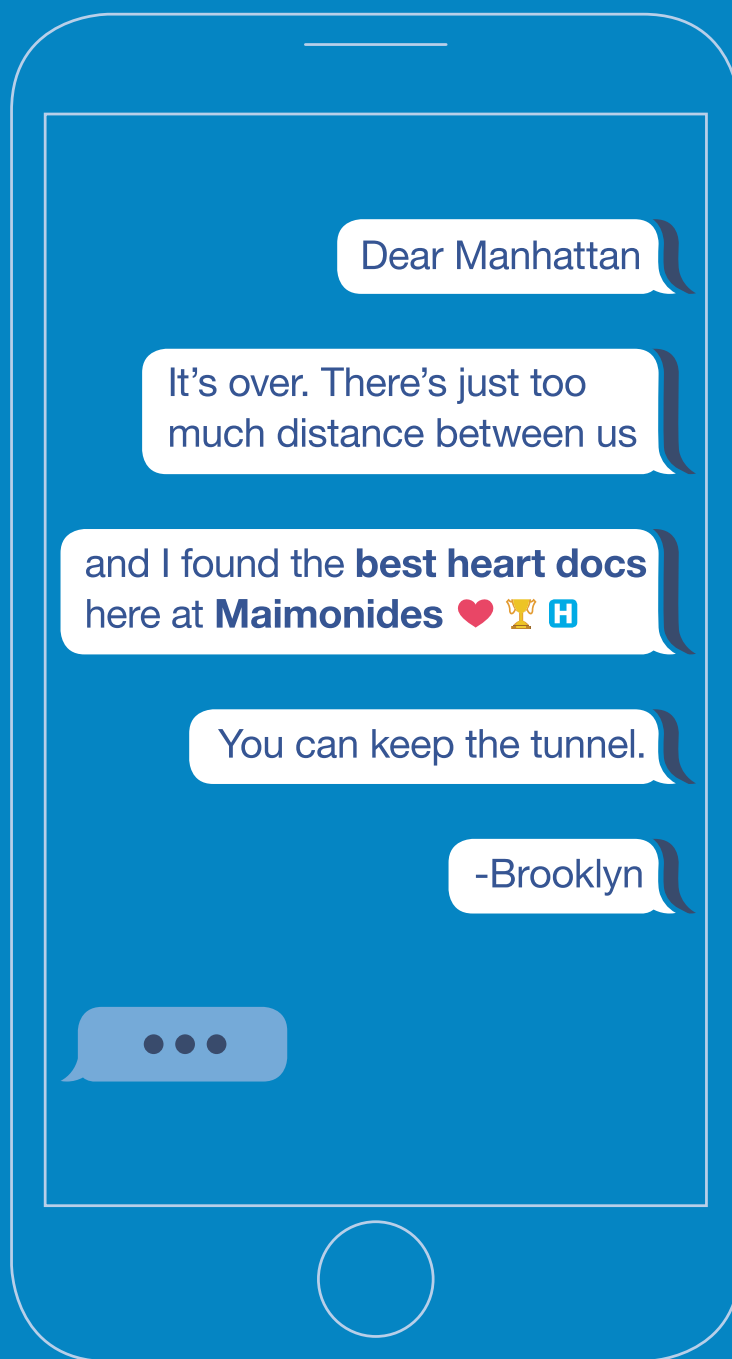
The man, who lives between 49th and 50th streets, received the call just after 2 pm, authorities said.

Summertime assault

Police arrested a man who punched another man — and caused facial trauma and bleeding to his brain, according to a doctor at Lutheran Medical Center — on Fifth Avenue on July 7.

The alleged assault occurred at 41st Street just before 3 am.

— Julianne McShane



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Pier 3 lawn opens at B'Bridge Park

BY JULIANNE CUBA

Brooklyn Bridge Park's final pier is here!

Stewards of Brooklyn's front yard opened the last of its six piers-turned-parkland to guests on Tuesday, snipping a ribbon at Pier 3 before inviting guests to sit back and soak up some sun on the latest addition to the lush waterfront lawn.

The new swath of East River-facing green space features plenty of room to sprawl and a landscaped maze for those looking to get lost in nature, making it a perfect place for park-goers to plop or peruse, according to the meadow's chief.

"We're so excited to provide even more space for people to play and relax this summer," said Eric Landau, president of the semi-private Brooklyn Bridge Park Corporation, which governs the green space. "With Pier 3's large central lawn and amazing labyrinth for children of all ages, Brooklyn Bridge Park just

keeps getting better!"

Meadow keepers funneled \$26 million towards transforming the Furman Street pier between Montague and Clark streets from a concrete slab into the 85-acre park's newest play space, work on which started back in 2016.

The five-acre jetty now boasts a manicured labyrinth — whose circuitous paths are surrounded by plants and dotted with mirrors and items salvaged from the area's days as an industrial port, including bollards, old cleats, and railroad tracks — as well as a grassy stretch furnished with Adirondack chairs and picnic tables.

And now that it's open, 90 percent of the waterfront park is complete, according to meadow leaders, who will next turn their attention to the hilly land near Pier 2, where a project to create a sloped lawn with terraced seating — that officials said can be rearranged to accommodate sledding come colder months



GET LOST: The landscaped maze features plant-lined pathways dotted with salvaged items from the waterfront's old industrial days.
Brooklyn Bridge Park

— and a so-called water garden that sprays wet stuff at passersby is expected to begin this fall, and wrap in 2020.

Park stewards also plan to turn the empty space beneath the Brooklyn Bridge into a public plaza that can

host summer concerts and ice skating in the winter, despite some locals' concerns that such a facility will draw massive crowds to the area.

And just above the lawn, Brooklyn Bridge Park bigwigs are building a new permanent

pool inside the city-owned Squibb Park on Middagh Street — a terminus of the zig-zagging Squibb Bridge to the meadow — after the beloved Pop-Up Pool gets drained for good at the end of this summer.

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On-duty cop takes bullet, survives

BY JULIANNE CUBA

This Boy in Blue will live to serve another day.

A Brooklyn police detective shot in the line of duty on July 6 left Kings County Hospital that afternoon surrounded by members of New York's Finest, who cheered his recovery and thanked him for his service.

Patrol Borough Brooklyn North Det. Miguel Soto's willingness to take a bullet is a reminder of the selflessness he and fellow officers show every day, according to the city's top cop, who said many in his ranks, including an on-duty detective shot and killed in the Bronx last year, make the ultimate sacrifice to protect New Yorkers.

"This morning's incident highlights the extremely dangerous work the men and women of the NYPD perform on a daily basis in every neighborhood," said Commissioner James O'Neill. "We should all be grateful for the outcome today, particularly as we come off yesterday's one-year anniversary of the murder of Det. Miosotis Familia in the Bronx."

Soto, whose command oversees 10 North Brooklyn precincts, and his part-



CRIME SCENE: Police arrested the suspect following the incident. Photo by Caroline Ourso

ner were riding in an unmarked police car on Fulton Street between Kingston and Tompkins avenues around 6:40 am when they spotted a 33-year-old man they recognized as a suspect wanted for a domestic-violence-related armed robbery, O'Neill said.

The pair of officers pulled a U-turn, and the suspect took off on foot towards Tompkins Avenue, hanging a right on Decatur Street, according to the top cop.

The police duo then hopped out of the car and chased the man, telling him they are officers and asking him to show his hands, but the suspect

fired at Soto, hitting him in his right leg, O'Neill said.

Soto, a seven-year veteran of the Police Department, fired back, and the man fled, but other officers caught up with him inside a Kingston Avenue apartment building near Herkimer Street.

Paramedics transported the suspect to a nearby hospital, where doctors treated him for a gunshot wound before cops cuffed him, according to O'Neill, who said authorities recovered the firearm he blasted at Soto in a garbage can near the apartment complex.

FISHING SIGNS

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enough to protect area anglers, according to Van Genechten.

"Essentially they felt that the current advisory for the Upper Bay was strict enough based on the fish data that was provided to the Department of Health," she said.

And because much of the marine life moves freely between the harbor and Brooklyn's Nautical Purgatory, conducting a specific study on species from the canal itself would be difficult and costly, according to an attorney for the federal environmental agency.

"To come up with very specific, detailed information on the fish just in the canal, as opposed to those in New York Harbor, would require a very extensive and expensive study," said Brian Carr.

Still, one clean-water advocate at the meeting blasted the state for not doing enough to protect neighborhood fishers, who are known to regularly cast in the canal and from the nearby Valentino and Columbia Street piers in Red Hook, in its designs for the signs.

"I don't get why the Department of Health has to hold back from what's on these signs," said Mike Dulong, a lawyer for environmental group Riverkeeper. "Why aren't we just trying to protect the community?"



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Vets sweep Coney dog binge

BY BOBBY KIRSCHENBAUM
This contest was, frankly, amazing.
The defending men's champion of the Coney Island Hot Dog Eating Contest, Joey Chestnut, devoured 74 hot dogs on July 4 during this year's event, breaking the 72-dog record he set while competing last year.
Thousands of Coney Islanders and tourists packed the streets around Nathan's Famous's flagship frank shop to

watch Chestnut and others inhale the wieners in the 10-minute face-stuffing face-off.
Festivities began at 10 am with a variety of musical acts and dance routines, followed by the women's competition at 11 am, and the men's at noon.
The annual dog-devouring display has occurred each Fourth of July in Coney Island since 1916, according to Major League Eating, which organizes the event.
This year, a total of 21 men and 17 women competed — all winners of prior qualifiers, where they gained eligibility to gorge on the big stage — eating their hearts out in the sunny 83-degree weather.
And for the third year running, Chestnut, from California, and New Yorker Miki Sudo won their respective contests, with Sudo swallowing an impressive 37 dogs — half the amount Chestnut managed to gobble down in the same amount of time.

TOP DOGS: (From left) Joey Chestnut hoisted his championship belt after his third-straight win in the men's division of the Coney Island Hot Dog Eating Contest. Competitors chowed down during the 10-minute face-off. Miki Sudo walked away with her fifth belt after taking the top prize in the women's division.
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leaders chose her company following a rigorous selection process that she said seemed tailor-made to root out any bad actors following the disappearance of her predecessor.

"Based on the ones we've done in the past, this one felt strenuous," Braddock said.

Meadow officials worked with a catering consultant and reviewed applicants' finances "very carefully" while selecting a vendor, according to Alliance spokeswoman Deborah Kirschner, who described the process as normal otherwise.

Last July, caterer Jackson Berson ceased his company The Moveable Feast's operations at the Boathouse when he skipped town amidst a divorce from his wife, according to a Gothamist report, which said the chef's vanishing act left several brides and grooms worried that the deposits they paid for his services — some in excess of \$12,000 — would be lost.

The Alliance, however, waived the venue's pricey booking fees for the cheated couples and helped arrange new contracts with three stand-in caterers for their



File photo by Elizabeth Graham

KITCHEN RESTOCKED: Local caterer Purslane won an exclusive contract to provide food and drink at events inside the Prospect Park Boathouse after its previous chef vanished last year.

events, according to another rep, who declined to comment on how many, if any, people cancelled their celebrations due to the phantom food-and-drink provider. The conservancy's leaders — who oversee Prospect Park in conjunction with the city — also told clients to contact their credit-card companies to reclaim any cash Berson stole when he disappeared, the rep said.

And its contract with Purslane includes a new term that requires clients pay the Boathouse's booking fee directly to the Alliance, not the caterer as stipulated by previous agreements, Kirschner said, eliminating the possibility that a rogue chef could run away with those funds.

STABLES

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— by extension — the larger community in two ways, according to Adams.

Firstly, it would cut down on horse riders' trips from the facility to Prospect Park, because they could exit the stables directly onto Ocean Parkway and make a much shorter trot to Brooklyn's Backyard than they do from the barn's current staging area on Caton Place, which requires riders to navigate their horses down E. Eighth Street and then Ocean Parkway before reaching the lawn.

And secondly, such a deal would allow Quadrozzi to keep the aging stables — where the roof partially collapsed late last year, forcing the city to issue a partial vacate order that has since been lifted, although other violations remain, records show — open throughout the two or so years it will take for him to transform the facility into an eight-story building with new residences above the renovated barn, a project in need of its own city-approved zoning.

The beep didn't offer the



GOOD NEIGHBOR: Borough President Adams is calling on the would-be developer of a nine-story building on Caton Place to negotiate a land swap to benefit the Kensington Stables riding business located next door.

Photo by Caleb Caldwell

developer any carrots in exchange for playing nice with Quadrozzi, but urged Council to think twice about approving the rezoning without first ensuring negotiations take place.

"[Adams] urges Council, as part of its consideration of the requested rezoning, to seek disclosure of the status of such negotiations from 57 Caton Partners, LLC," his recommendation read.

Councilman Brad Lander, whose Council vote on the rezoning will likely seal the project's fate as it sits in his district, could not be reached for comment on Adams's rec-

ommendations because he is on vacation, a rep said.

Quadrozzi, who bought Kensington Stables last year when long-time owners the Blankenship family put it up for auction to relieve debts on the property, also called on the city to move forward with a stalled plan to spruce up Prospect Park's riding infrastructure — including the construction of a new arena — as part of his grand scheme for the barn's future.

Neither Quadrozzi nor a rep for developer 57 Caton Partners LLC returned messages requesting comment by deadline.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Lucas MacDonald helping teens live healthy lifestyle

BY CAMILLE SPERRAZZA

When he was in the eighth grade, Lucas MacDonald was bullied terribly because of his weight.

He was 5-foot-7 and about 245 pounds.

Tired of the bullying, MacDonald woke up one morning and made the decision to change his life. He went to the store, purchased a paper calendar, and recorded his weight. This would be the first day of his life transformation.

He spent the next three months running five miles a day on the treadmill before school started. He gave up candy, ice cream, and all junk food. He eliminated bread and pasta from his diet. Each morning he enjoyed eggs for breakfast. For lunch he had grilled chicken and broccoli, just about every day. For dinner, he ate steak or chicken, and he says, "I drank tons of water." But he never starved himself, sometimes eating six pieces of chicken at once.



Lucas MacDonald.

Photo by Trey Pentecost

It was all clean protein.

At the end of three months, he weighed 154 pound. It was incredible.

MacDonald is now 17, and has shared his story with other young people for years. At 6-foot-2 and 178 pounds, he continues his healthy lifestyle. He still doesn't eat bread, pasta, or sweets. Friends who have witnessed his transforma-

tion call to ask him, "Is it okay to eat this?" His example has inspired many, and his advice has helped others.

Recognizing the impact he has had on his peers, MacDonald decided to form a charitable organization and a business: C.A.N.I. — Teens From Fat to Fit. He knows obesity is a huge problem for young people,

and his goal is to help them turn their lives around.

The charitable portion will help underprivileged kids who can't afford to eat healthy, since the sad reality is that fast food is less costly. The organization will pay for better, healthier food for children. Then, it will assist with buying clothing once the kids lose weight, says MacDonald.

The second component will focus on a coaching business. MacDonald is a high school junior who has shown leadership skills by serving as president of the Michael Finance Club and as president of an entrepreneur and investment club at his school, Xavier High School in Manhattan.

His mother, Brooklyn chiropractor Dr. Melinda Keller, says that her son has mentored many young people.

"He helps kids attain goals, teaches them to visualize, and helps build self-esteem."

In the works is a program that will allow kids to earn gift cards when they read from a list of 12 books on positive attitudes and goal setting. They will be expected to write a page on how to incorporate this information into their lives. The objective is for them to lose weight and maintain it.

MacDonald says some of his motivation to assist others comes from his mom, who has helped so many people overcome physical pain at her chiropractic practice. Dr. Keller mentions that he told her something else: When he volunteered to work in Tennessee for Habitat for Humanity, this had a huge impact. "He saw how small gestures made a huge difference in people's lives."

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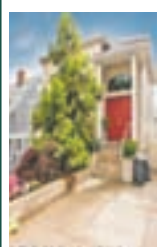


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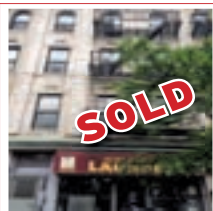
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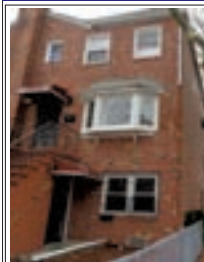


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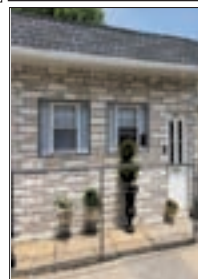
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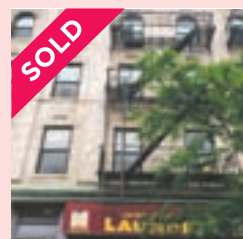


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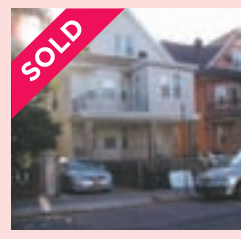


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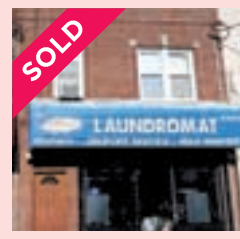
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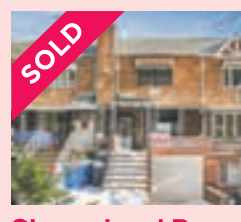
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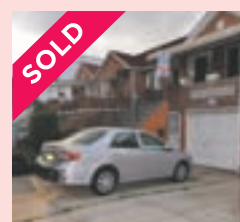
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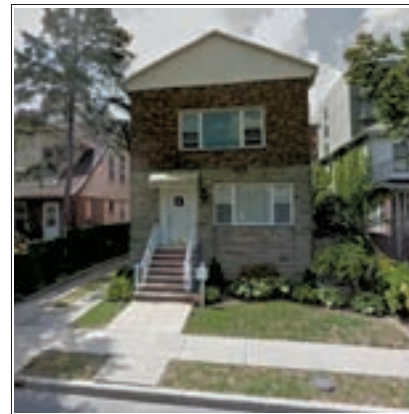


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Some say Golden's image is tarnished

A Park Slope mother whose son was killed by a reckless driver recently spent 24 hours protesting outside a Bay Ridge state senator's local office because she claimed the pol backtracked on a personal promise to her that he'd push the passage of a bill to double the number of speed cameras citywide, which his Republican party blocked in the state Senate. ("Mom: Golden promised me more speed cameras after my son's death, then changed his tune," by Julianne McShane, online July 6).

Amy Cohen, who stood vigil with other safe-street activists, claimed Sen. Marty Golden has the power to get the legislation passed before the city's speed-camera program expires on July 25 — but is choosing not to.

Our readers' opinions varied widely on this hot-button issue:

The speed-safety cameras are unfair because they give \$50 fines — but a chance to save a life probably worth much more. **MJ**

from Bay Ridge

Bay Ridge: Don't send this guy back to Albany. Vote for one of his challengers this fall. Time for Marty's career in politics to end.

Resident from Brooklyn

A Park Slope mother whose son was killed by a reckless driver. Seriously? Boy, talk about revisionist history. Her son chased a soccer ball into the street on PPW, a street that had already received a DOT "safe streets makeover."

Zero charges were filed against the driver, yet he (not the victim's) behavior was reckless?

Truth from NYC

"Truth from NYC": the driver was almost certainly speeding. Collisions at or under the speed limit of 25 miles per hour rarely result in death. Also, the child had the light when he ran into the road. The lights changed as he slipped on the wet surface and a van slammed into him. That driver was almost certainly speeding and not paying attention.

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LETTERS AND COMMENTS FROM OUR READERS

Just because the lights change it does not mean you have a blank check to mow down whomever might remain on the crosswalk.

Jason from LES

Marty really stabbed his constituents in the back. Especially in the 68 Precinct, where the top law enforcement priority is to issue summons to parked cars, and moving violations are routinely ignored because the patrol cars can't be bothered to enforce the law, and the precinct commanders just don't care.

We need speed cameras, red light cameras, and stop sign cameras. Lots of them. Obey the rules and you won't get a ticket. It's pretty simple.

John from Bay Ridge

Jason from LES, you aren't taking into account how fast the child was running. Even if a car is only travelling at 25 mph, when a child runs into it at 25 mph it's the same as a 50 mph collision. That's how they die.

Kelly from Park Slope

I was at the New York City Council Transportation Committee meeting where Ms. Cohen, the mother, testified for the first time publicly after the tragic death of her son. She was quite brave and moving. The chairman was in tears at the end. I felt it, all present were moved.

Truth From NYC: You really know how to hurt with words. Jason: Let's not argue again the circumstances here and now. Many versions have been presented. I have my own thoughts but I just concluded it was truly an accident without malice.

Everyone would wish it never happened. **Tom from Sunset Park**

Fort Hamilton Army Base must release the waiver that officials claim an undocumented pizza delivery man signed to allow a background check before Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials detained him at the base on June 1, the man's lawyers are demanding. ("Papers please! Detained delivery man's lawyers demand to see disputed waiver," by Julianne McShane, online July 6).

Pablo Villavicencio-Calderon's lawyers filed a Freedom of Information Law request for the waiver on June 12, the New York Daily News reported, and if they do not receive the document — or if it turns out not to exist — they

plan to argue he was racially profiled at the base while making the delivery.

This latest development drew some impassioned reactions:

He is not undocumented. He has plenty of documents. It's just that they come from another country, not here.

Mustafa Khant from Atlantic Ave

So nobody can be arrested now unless they sign a permission slip first? What an interesting new law!

Ms. Me from Bay Ridge

Was he driving a car or on a bike when he made this delivery? I've read both.

If he was driving a car without insurance, I'm not on his side...and his employer (the pizza place) should be fined for using unlicensed drivers as delivery boys.

Joey from Clinton Hills

Does it even matter? They're grasping at straws. Whatever the procedure, this man had an outstanding warrant and was residing in violation of the law. His situation is undefensible.

His wife is even from the same country as he is, so they could easily settle there. He's under no threat there, and is working in a field with no shortage of replacements. Making a mountain out of a molehill.

William from Brooklyn Heights

The city is giving straphangers who need to cross the East River during the impending closure of the L train's Brooklyn-Manhattan tunnel more rental bicycles to hop on, some of which are equipped with batteries that will help power the two-wheelers when riders get fatigued, officials recently announced. ("Helping handlebar: Citi Bike growing fleet with more bicycles, some battery-powered, and docks ahead of L-pocalypse," by Julianne Cuba, online July 6).

The additional human-powered and new pedal-assist-electric CitiBikes will help the roughly 250,000 L-train commuters who cross the river daily do so — with minimal pollution — when its underwater Canarsie Tube closes for 15 months of repairs in April 2019, said Williamsburg state Sen. Brian Kavanagh.

This is what some of our readers thought:

I hope they plan on enforcing cycling and pedestrian laws on the bridges. It's already a complete [mess] on the [Williamsburg] Bridge and will get worse once the train is shut down. People seem to think "I remember how to ride a bike from when I was a kid" equals, "I am qualified to ride a bike in NYC traffic."

Vision Zero from Zero Vision

This is not George Orwell's "Animal Farm": Everyone from drivers to cyclists to walkers must follow the same laws of the road, even with the most extreme circumstances.

RThe Hunkster from Bed-Stuy

It's nice that Sen. Kavanagh had mildly positive things to say, but the "greener" aspect of biking is the least important part. Cars are not going to be a viable option and bikes are much faster.

Mike from Williamsburg

Better be some winter treads on those dockless bikes from December to April.

bkmanposeur from nubrucklyn

Unfortunately, not everyone can ride a bicycle, and that has more to do with what their build is. Also, why pay to ride a bicycle from CitiBike when the possible shuttle buses given by the MTA are free and can serve more?

I can understand how difficult it will be for some to get around the East River with the L train out of service, but I feel that it's important to provide for transportation that serves a greater population, not a lesser one.

On a side note, talking about driving and parking isn't something racist, but that's the anti-car fanatics for you.

Tal Barzilai from Pleasantville, NY

Hey Tal, How is Motivate expanding CitiBike service changing the MTA's service? Did they cancel bus service? Cancel the ferry plans? Tell me, oh wise Tal, how providing an additional transportation option that puts very little 'stress' on the city's infrastructure a bad thing?

How is expanding CitiBike service taking anything away from people who can't ride a bike?

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How to win at soccer without really trying

Why didn't the American men's soccer team qualify for the World Cup?

Simple: Because kids in America grow up playing soccer in shoes.

Oh, that's not the whole answer, of course. But after literally decades of coaching youth soccer, Carlo Celli and Nathan Richardson (language professors by day) had a revelation. It came on a morning when they were about to put some talented 9-year-old boys through the usual drills.

But that day a couple of the boys happened to bring along their kid sisters. Another one had a friend with him who hadn't played soccer before. The coaches' plans went out the window. Instead, they threw up their hands and told the kids, okay, just play.

They thought it would be a wasted session.

Instead, it was Edison flipping a switch.

The kids did "just play." And in amazement, the coaches watched them becoming more creative in their moves than ever before. They were concentrating better.



RHYMES WITH CRAZY

Lenore Skenazy

They were energized and excited. And when the hour was up, they didn't want to leave.

It was difference between practicing scales and jamming with friends.

That morning changed everything, as the coaches write in their new book, "Shoeless Soccer: Fixing the System and Winning the World Cup." After a few of these free-form sessions, "We no longer needed to set up goals or even pick teams," they write. "The

kids arrived, organized themselves, and started to play and create their own games. A couple of parents stood to the side, in case we were needed, which rarely occurred."

Celli realized that he should never spend "another minute lecturing the kids about strategies or running drills. As coach, I should let the kids play."

His goal was not just to see kids have more fun. He's a coach, after all. He believes in the game, not just messing around. But through fun, the kids were getting the lessons he couldn't teach them formally. "As the kids were left alone, the quality of play actually increased."

I spoke to Celli from his summer home in Italy last week. He grew up bouncing between there and the States.

"When it comes down to it, I'm still that kid playing soccer in the street with my friends," he said. "That's where I really learned all I know about the game."

Playing on asphalt or a patch of scratchy grass far from any parent or coach is how most of the world's kids

start playing soccer.

But in America, Celli has seen the rise of what he calls the soccer-industrial complex.

At age 3 or 4 or 5, kids are already in a league. As they grow older, the distances grow, too.

"The amount of travel kids do to play in sports is insane. The kids are spending more time in the car than playing the game, and that's just wrong."

In many American youth soccer leagues, he said, the price tag can reach \$700 for a season. There are the uniforms to buy. The shin guards. The trophies. The team photos. The membership fees. And then there are the shoes, which Celli and Richardson have come to distrust.

"Pele learned to play barefoot. His name was 'The Shoeless One,'" says Celli. Not that he really expects kids to ditch their shoes, but when you are barefoot and kick the ball with your toe you don't keep doing that for long, because it hurts. It's basically stubbing your toe. Instead, you instinctively learn to kick the ball correctly.

But the less-is-more approach teaches kids skills that they can take off the field, too, like leadership, and self-control.

"If you have a referee it kind of makes people think, 'The game will be controlled. I don't really have to behave myself,'" says Celli.

When the kids have to decide among themselves whether someone fouled, they become the adults.

Organized soccer is also strictly stratified by age, which makes no sense.

In a gaggle of neighborhood friends, the younger kids copy the older ones. It's a lot easier to try to keep up with a friend than to concentrate on a lesson.

Even in Italy, Celli fears the old, free-form, spontaneous street soccer disappearing.

"I went back to my elementary school and we saw all these after-school programs for kids," he said. They're run by adults. The kids are wearing shoes.

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Lenore Skenazy is president of Let Grow.

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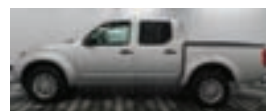


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Man sentenced for 1994 rape

Case kept open via former top prosecutor's controversial 'John Doe' indictment

BY COLIN MIXSON

A Bedford-Stuyvesant man will spend as many as two decades in prison for raping a teenage girl in 1994, a judge ruled on July 6, closing a case that remained open for more than 20 years — largely thanks to a controversial legal tactic a now-disgraced top prosecutor used to skirt statute-of-limitation rules before state lawmakers revised them.

A Supreme Court justice sent Franklin Gardner, 48, to the slammer for forcing the 15-year-old onto the roof of a building in the public Glenwood Houses complex in Flatlands and raping her at gunpoint.

The teen immediately reported the assault to a neighbor and her parents, and sought treatment at Brookdale Hospital, where doctors administered a rape kit that recovered Gardner's semen.

His DNA didn't register any matches with govern-



File photo by Elizabeth Graham



District Attorney Eric Gonzalez

HYNES CATCH-UP: A judge recently convicted Franklin Gardner (right) on a 24-year-old rape charge thanks to DNA evidence that allowed former District Attorney Charles Hynes (right) to file a controversial John Doe indictment in 2004.

District Attorney Eric Gonzalez

ment databases, however, and the case, lacking any suspects, was set to lapse in 2004 under New York State's then 10-year statute of limitations on first-degree rapes where an offender's whereabouts

and identity are unknown.

But that year, to keep the case alive, District Attorney Charles Hynes — who city ethics watchdogs slapped with a record fine earlier this year for abusing his office during

his failed 2013 reelection bid — took advantage of a little-used prosecutorial tactic allowing anonymous, so-called “John Doe” indictments to be filed against unknown suspects whose DNA evidence has been collected to the satisfaction of a grand jury.

That move — which effectively brought charges against Gardner using his then-unidentified semen — paid off more than a decade later when, in 2015, the man by law was forced to provide a separate DNA sample after serving a 20-year stint for carjacking in a New Jersey prison, and investigators later found his genes matched those from the sample taken off the 15-year-old victim more than two decades prior, according to a spokesman for District Attorney Eric Gonzalez.

Opponents of John Doe indictments, including members of civil-rights group the New York Civil Liberties

Union, blasted the tactic when disgraced former Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver introduced a law permitting it in Albany back in 2002, arguing it impaired defendants' ability to legally challenge the legitimacy of DNA collected via rape kits or other methods as time passed after the initial samples' retrieval.

“Mistakes in collection, labeling, testing and analysis do occur and samples may be contaminated,” the union wrote in objection to the law on its website. “Ten, 15, 20 or more years after the fact, a defendant will be severely hampered in any effort to challenge those procedures: lab technicians will have forgotten the details of a particular test, or may have moved away or died.”

But the state's passage of a 2006 law lifting the statute of limitations for first-degree rapes has since largely eliminated the use of John Doe indictments in those cases.

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Using mobile phones

Leading the list of the top distractions behind the wheel are mobile phones. Phones now do more than just place calls, and drivers often cannot pull away from their phones, even when driving. According to the California Department of Motor Vehicles, studies have shown that driving performance is lowered and the level of distraction is higher for drivers who are heavily engaged in cell

phone conversations. The use of a hands-free device does not lower distraction levels. The percentage of vehicle crashes and near-crashes attributed to dialing is nearly identical to the number associated with talking or listening.

Daydreaming

Many people will admit to daydreaming behind the wheel or looking at a person or object outside of the car for too long. Per-

haps they're checking out a house in a new neighborhood or thought they saw someone they knew on the street corner. It can be easy to veer into the direction your eyes are focused, causing an accident. In addition to trying to stay focused on the road, some drivers prefer the help of lane departure warning systems.

Eating

Those who haven't quite mastered walking and

chewing gum at the same time may want to avoid eating while driving. The majority of foods require a person's hands to be taken off of the wheel and their eyes to be diverted from the road. Reaching in the back seat to share some French fries with the kids is also distracting.

Try to eat meals before getting in the car. For those who must snack while en route, take a moment to pull over at

a rest area and spend 10 minutes snacking there before resuming the trip.

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New recruit in the Naval Academy

PARK SLOPE

Ahoy and congratulations to **Teresa Collins**, the valedictorian of the Class of 2018 at **Saint Saviour High School**, who is currently enrolled in the U.S. Naval Academy.

The Windsor Terrace teen, the first student to enter the Naval Academy directly in the 100-year history of the school, has had an amazing experience at Saint Saviour. She was the president of the **National Honor Society**, president of the **Instrumental Ensemble**, president of the **Gospel Choir**, captain of the **Varsity Track Team**, acted in various drama productions, and a member of **Student Government**.



Teresa is also an ace outside of the school environment, in that she participated in the **ACE Mentor Program**, is an active member in the **Youth Ministry at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish**, and a **Liturgical Minister**.

Accolades include **National Honor Society**, **Société Honoraire de Français**, **General Excellence Award**, **Excellence in Latin Award**, **Excellence in Mathematics Award**, **Latin Exam summa cum laude**, **Saint John's University Women in Math and Science Award**, **George Washington University Engineering Award**, **Varsity Track Dedication Award**, and the **IHM Pope Saint John Paul II Youth Award**.

Standing O wishes Teresa much success in her future.

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Budding gardeners

Green thumbs up for the students at **P53K District 75**, who won a 2018



OPEN FOR BUSINESS: Staff at First National Bank of Long Island's new Cobble Hill branch snipped the ribbon on June 22. Photo by Caroline Ourso

Banking that knows your name

COBBLE HILL

The welcome mat is out for **First National Bank of Long Island**. The mega banking institution (there are more than 52 locations overall), has opened its second borough location in Cobble Hill, joining its sister branch in Bay Ridge.

The gang, joined by **Michael Vittorio**, chief executive officer, snipped the ribbons on June 22 along with invited guests and staff, and offered fab gifts and promotional rates to customers who opened accounts.

"We anticipate the opening of two more Brooklyn locations in the not

too distant future," said Vittorio.

The branch boasts a fireplace, a living room-styled lobby, and, of course, automated teller machines.

The branch is open Monday through Thursday from 9 am to 4 pm, Friday from 9 am to 7 pm, and Saturday from 9 am to 1 pm.

According to its website, the bank's motto is "*Where everyone knows your name*," and now everyone in Cobble Hill knows its name, too!

First National Bank of Long Island [227 Smith St. between Douglass and Baltic Streets in Cobble Hill, (718) 942-3777].

Budding Botanist Grant.

Keepers of the school garden learn about vegetables, eat more fruits and vegetables, and get more exercise.

The grant is sponsored by the **Klorane Botanical Foundation** in partnership with **KidsGardening**, and is open to educators in urban and inner city, low-income schools across the US to help provide much-needed resources for creating and expanding gardens with their students.

P53K District 75 was chosen as the winner for its commitment to teaching students about environmental sustainability and biodiversity.

The school will use the funds to create a fully accessible garden space for students of all abilities to learn from and enjoy. They plan to integrate garden activities into an adaptive science curriculum that they hope will result in sustainable gardening becoming an integral part of their everyday learning environment and school culture.

According to Principal **Heather Leykam**, "I believe the new garden

will afford our students the best opportunity for successful teaching and learning about their environment and the impact it has on all aspects of their day-to-day living."

Standing O says, "Keep it green."

P53K District 75 [544 Seventh Ave. in Park Slope, (718) 832-563].

CLINTON HILL

A jolly good Fellowship

Hip, hip, hooray to **William Mason**, who was awarded the prestigious **Summer Fellowship by the Ashbrook Center at Ashland University** in Ohio.

Mr. Mason teaches at **Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School**.

Teachers chosen as Summer Fellows participate in a rigorous week-long graduate-level summer course with other students enrolled in Ashbrook's Master of Arts in American History and Government program. The program is the nation's only master's degree program developed specifically for history and government teachers.



FLATLANDS

She's No. 1

Three homers and a grand slam to **Connie Cincotta**, owner of **Glenwood Mason Supply Company** and now an **MCU Winning Woman**. Brooklyn's Boys of Summer, the **Cyclones**, honored her community dedication at a home game on July 5, before squaring off against the **Aberdeen Ironbirds**, where Connie threw out the first pitch.

The borough daughter is on the A list when it comes to going above and beyond in her community, and the MVP when it comes to her company. Despite the company's large size, Connie runs it as a family business, hiring like-minded folks with strong traditional values, integrity, loyalty, and dedication.

She also hits it out of the park when it comes to the arts, history, and philanthropy, and serves as an advisory board member of the **National Bank of New York City**, an honorary board member of the **Flatbush YMCA**, a board member of the **American Board of Historic Royal Palaces**, a member of the **President's Club at Colgate University**, the **Pelican Society of the Packer Collegiate Institute**, as well as established scholarships in memory of both her parents and most recently, the "**Marion and Joseph Cincotta Kitchen**" at the **Mary Brennan Inn of Interfaith Nutrition Network**.

The Cyclones' Winning Woman award is bestowed on ladies in the community who go above and beyond, have positively impacted their network or place of business, and fostered success in their given field — of which Connie is truly deserving.

Glenwood Mason Supply [4100 Glenwood Rd. at E. 42nd Street in Flatlands, (718) 859-6500].

cifically for history and government teachers.

"During their week at Ashbrook, the Summer Fellows study the ideas that motivated the people who have shaped our nation's history by reading what these individuals said and wrote at the time," said **Chris Pascarella**, program director.

Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School [357 Clermont Ave. at Greene Avenue in Clinton Hill, (718) 857-2700].

Getting the lay of Quay

Pier 6 tower offers views, perks, for a pretty penny

BY JULIANNE CUBA

They say this tower's views are pier-less!

Developers of the fast-rising condo building at Pier 6 in Brooklyn Bridge Park recently took this newspaper on an exclusive tour of the 28-story, East River-facing high-rise, touting vistas that they advertised as breathtaking whether you're looking through its ground-floor windows or penthouse panes.

"We really wanted to create a building that took advantage of the incredible location and views, and yet offered a great lifestyle," said David Wine from Oliver's Realty Group, the firm constructing the tower and its shorter 15-story neighbor in partnership with builder RAL Development Services. "The skyline is really quite sensational."

Contractors started erecting the two waterfront towers roughly one year ago, in the middle of a years-in-the-making lawsuit over their legality that ended in February when a judge ruled the buildings could rise.

And now, future homeowners are lining up to purchase the 126 units — which include two-bedrooms that start at \$1.9 million and five-bedrooms that start at \$5.5 million, among others — inside the taller high-rise dubbed Quay Tower, according to Wine, who declined to say how many of the in-construction condos have been snatched up since sales began in June.

"We've made some sales, but are not giving really specifics," he said.

Buyers of the building's river-facing units, as opposed to those looking towards Dumbo, Red Hook, or Brooklyn Heights, receive an extra perk with their Marmol Radziner-designed space — use of a private elevator that opens directly into the residences, offering their occupants more

intimacy, Wine said.

"Privacy is a really important factor. We created a separate elevator lobby down in the entrance of the building," he said.

Condos overlooking the river offer unobstructed glimpses of the Statue of Liberty and Manhattan skyline, while those gazing through windows in units facing Brooklyn Heights and Downtown can see the landmarked Williamsburgh Savings Bank tower jutting into the clouds — a sight that could be lost if the city green-lights builder Alloy Development's application to rezone land in Boerum Hill for a massive five-building complex with towers that would obscure the architectural icon.

A model unit inside Quay Tower's sales showroom — where the developers forbade photos — featured the condos' luxe trimmings, which include bathrooms with his-and-hers vanities, mud rooms, and kitchens stocked with all home chefs' necessary appliances, according to Wine's business partner.

"It's the full package of appliances, plus custom hardware," said RAL Development Services bigwig Robert Levine.

The developers also teamed up with retailer Amazon to outfit every unit with so-called smart technology that allows buyers to sync their heating and cooling systems with hands-free Amazon Echo speakers, according to Levine, who said the tower is Brooklyn's first with such a partnership, and that a concierge service will be on hand to help residents set up the systems.

"We are providing Echos and the basic components with every apartment, and people can expand or utilize what we give them," he said.

And outside their private residences, all Quay

Tower residents can kick back and relax at its two separate communal roof lounges also designed by the Los Angeles-based firm that's dreaming up the interiors for the condos themselves, the developer said.

"One is more of a casual, daytime space —

we're calling that the cabana lounge, because our interior designers are from California and we're bringing a kind of indoor-outdoor living to it," Wine said. "The sunset lounge is more nighttime, or formal."

Other amenities inside the high-rise at the



Photo by Caroline Ours

GOING UP: Quay Tower is now topped out, and builders are working on its interior.

corner of Furman Street and Atlantic Avenue include a pet spa, gym, music room, children's play area, and bike-storage facility, he said.

The developers tapped the tower's architect — Eran Chen, from firm ODA New York — to design Pier 6's shorter rental high-rise filled with 140 units, 100 of which are below-market-rate, and expect to reveal more details including its interior designer and name in the fall, according to a rep.



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Show boat



Water works: The "Flow Separation" art exhibit in Brooklyn Bridge Park is also a fully functional historic fireboat. Nicholas Knight

Colorful craft ready to hit the waves

By Ben Verde

It is sure to dazzle!

A fireboat painted in crimson camouflage is currently floating off of Brooklyn Bridge Park's Pier Six, and it will begin taking visitors on short trips along the East River this weekend. From July 13 to Aug. 12, Brooklynites will be able to ride a floating piece of art and history titled "Flow Separation."

Artist Taura Auerbach coated the ship in a "razzle dazzle" pattern, a type of colorful camouflage used by the British during World War I, intended to confuse the enemy about a ship's position or speed, instead of hiding it completely. Auerbach said that using the bright red

and white of the fireboat's original paint job not only honors its history, but also emphasizes the flashy cleverness of the pattern designers.

"The palette also exaggerates that 'dazzle' was more about confusing and outsmarting, than about hiding," Auerbach said. "I like those instances when cleverness is an antidote to brute force."

The project is a blend of art and history, said a curator at the Public Art Fund, which sponsored the art piece in partnership with 14-18 Now, a British organization dedicated to World War I education.

"The origin of dazzle itself is connected to an art historical discourse,

paying homage to early European avant-garde movements," said Emma Enderby. "'Flow Separation' connects a New York audience back to this little known history by literally exploring the concepts and technique behind dazzle."

Visitors can view the vessel from land at any time, and may step aboard on Saturdays from noon to 4 pm, and on Sundays from 3 pm to 7 pm. Brooklynites can also sign up for free, hour-long trips on the colorful craft, on Saturdays at 4:30 pm and 6 pm; and on Sundays at noon and 1:30 pm. The trips are first-come, first-served, and can be reserved at www.publicartfund.org, although many of the trips have already sold out.

After Aug. 12, the boat will move to Hudson Park on the distant isle of Manhattan for the rest of the summer.

In a past life, the vessel was the fireboat "John J. Harvey," first launched in 1931. The ship served New York Harbor until it was decommissioned in 1994, and gained national attention Sept. 11, 2001 when it helped to rescue people from lower Manhattan. After the exhibition, the ship will be restored to its original, historic paint job.

"Flow Separation" at Brooklyn Bridge Park's Pier Six (Atlantic Avenue at Furman Street in Brooklyn Heights, www.publicartfund.org). On display through Aug 12. Free.

TRAIN LINES

Comics exhibit celebrates the subway

By Alexandra Simon

These drawings have been given a new platform!

A new exhibit literally illustrates the growth of the city's transit system over the last 150 years, as shown in cartoons and comic books. "Underground Heroes: New York Transit In Comics," on display at the New York City Transit Museum, tracks the parallel development of comic strips and the city's transportation options, said its curator.

"You could say that New York's transit system and comic books grew up together," said Jodi Shapiro. "Mass media such as newspapers were gaining popularity just as the elevated lines were being built in the city in the mid-1800s."

The exhibit features the work of 120 artists and writers, including editorial cartoons, advertisements, newspaper strips, and comic books, ranging from the 19th century to a graphic novel published last month. A few of the pieces emerged from the Transit Museum's archives, said Shapiro, including a few charming guides to using the subway by an artist who should be better known.



Commuter life: In Alisa Harris's comic series "Urban Nomad," featured in the "Underground Heroes" exhibit, she illustrates her life in New York City, often including her adventures on the subway.

Alisa Harris

"There was also some work in the museum's collection that more people needed to see, like that of Amelia Opdyke Jones," said Shapiro. "She had a long career in comics and illustration, but her most recognizable work was for the Subway Sun, an information campaign that was in buses and subway cars. And she's credited with coining the word 'litterbug.'"

Other highlights in the show,

said Shapiro, include work by "Little Nemo in Slumberland" creator Winsor McCay, "Zippy" comic strips by Bill Griffith, and a series of autobiographical comics by Alisa Harris.

Harris, who depicts her day-to-day life in New York City in the comic "Urban Nomad," often draws her commute and frustrations with fellow passengers. She said she is thrilled to be part of the exhibit, and to see how each artist has their own spin on the subway system.

"I'm very excited to have my work included in this show," said Harris. "I just like the variety and seeing many different styles of work — because everyone's looking at similar things but we all have our own view of it, through our own filters of what we see."

Many of the comics show how attitudes to the subway have remained constant. For instance, a comic from 1909 complains about overcrowding, while another from 1933 grumps about passengers who crowd too close, even when the car is empty. Showing how concerns have both changed and stayed the same is one of the goal of the



Get the F out of here! In Carroll Gardens cartoonist Dean Haspiel's comic "The Red Hook," superheroes battle along the F train tracks.

Dean Haspiel

exhibit, said Shapiro.

"Visitors can learn about how people's attitudes towards public transportation changed in some ways over the years, and how it stayed the same in some other ways," she said.

"Underground Heroes" at New York City Transit Museum [99 Schermerhorn St. at Boerum Place Downtown, (718) 694-1600, www.nytransitmuseum.org]. Tue-Fri, 10 am-4 pm; Sat-Sun, 11 am-5 pm. \$10 (\$5 kids, teens, seniors).



Soul of the party: The band John the Martyr, led by 70-year-old singer Bill Hudson, will play Brooklyn Bowl on July 20.

Griffin Lotz

Some young soul

By Bill Kopp

This band is old and new and something blues!

A 10-piece collective of mostly 20-something musicians from New Orleans will serve a gumbo of gospel, blues, and jazz at Brooklyn Bowl on July 20. And John the Martyr's singer, 70-year-old Harlem vocalist Bill Hudson, gives the outfit a seasoned, soulful voice.

Hudson says his loves singing with John the Martyr, and that creating new songs with the band — including the band's latest single "Feeling Good," which he wrote with guitarist Kyle Ridley — keeps him going.

"I'm motivated by being around talented, creative people," he says. "To be part of a song's birth is very gratifying for me. So things like that keep you raring to go!"

Some advice from his grandfather many years ago set Hudson on the musical path he follows today.

"He told me, 'You can fail at something that you don't love, so you might as well take a shot at something you do love,'" he says.

John the Martyr at Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369, www.brooklynbowl.com]. July 20 at 8 pm. \$10.

The summer, seen

Rooftop bar offers views, seasonal sips

By Julianne McShane

This bar has plenty of breathing room.

A new rooftop bar in Williamsburg is now offering simple, summery drinks and small plates for locals and tourists alike. The fifth-floor, vowel-free bar RFTP, atop the Pod BK Hotel, offers an easygoing place for Kings County visitors to mingle with Williamsburgers and sip on drinks they can actually decipher, said the bar's director of operations.

"Sometimes you go to rooftop bars and they've got these fanciful cocktail lists — but you don't want to read an encyclopedic menu," said James Stuart. "The idea was to have a very relaxed, laid-back kind of rooftop, as opposed to the pretentious scene."

The bar, which opened on July 12, serves a modest menu of five \$14 fruity cocktails, including a frozen rosé, rum punch in a plastic flamingo cup, and a paloma variation named for English songwriter Paloma Faith. Tippers can also opt



Drinks with a view: The new rooftop bar at the Pod Hotel in Williamsburg offers simple summer drinks overlooking the trendy neighborhood.

Photo by Caroline Ourso

for \$12 wines, Pacifico draft beer for \$7, and red and white sangria on tap for \$9. RFTP also offers thin-crust pizzas and shareable plates, including avocado hummus with pita chips, crudites, and a meat and cheese plate.

The bar will stay open through the fall — but only until 9 or 10 pm nightly, Stuart said, in order to keep the neighbors happy.

"We wanted a place to genuinely fit with the neighborhood, where people can have a quiet early drink and watch the sunset," he said.

RFTP at the Pod BK Hotel (247 Metropolitan Ave. between Driggs Avenue and N. Third Street in Williamsburg, www.thepodhotel.com). Open Mon-Wed, 3-9 pm; Thu-Fri, 3-10 pm; Sat, noon-10 pm; Sun, noon-9 pm.

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OPENING MIC

Brooklyn gets a full-time comedy club

By Julianne Cuba

They have cleaned up a dirty joke joint!

A decade-old comedy club is upgrading from the distant borough of Manhattan to Brooklyn this month. The Eastville Comedy Club will hold a grand opening at its new Boerum Hill location on July 19, and the new digs are a step up from the grungy basement where comedians performed on the other side of the East River, said its owner.

"The East Village place is an old divey kind of piece of crap. It was cool in the East Village 10 years ago, but our new place is going to be industrial modern with a hint of like a retro thing to it," said Park Sloper Marko Elgart, who co-owns Eastville Comedy Club with his wife Tia. "It's a brand new building as opposed to the beat up old basement."

In addition to upgrading the joint's aesthetics, Elgart plans to add new events at the Atlantic Avenue location that will appeal to the family-heavy neighborhood — including magicians and comedians with PG-rated jokes, he said.

"We're going to have shows for kids during the day — magicians, kid-friendly comedians, [and we're] also going to have storytelling shows," said Elgart.

When it opens, the stand-up place



Lotta laughs: Eastville Comedy Club owners Marko and Tia Elgart have moved the Eastville comedy club from Manhattan to Boerum Hill in Brooklyn, and will host its grand opening on July 19.

Photo by Caleb Caldwell

will stand alone as Brooklyn's only full-time comedy club, and Elgart hopes that will mean a packed house most evenings, especially since the chuckle hut is in the heart of America's Downtown, right next to a mass transit hub, he said.

"That's why we chose it on purpose. I do hope we're gonna be busier but it's hard to predict these things," he said. "It's right by the Barclays Center — kind of like the new Times Square, just not

douche. There's a lot going on in that area."

The opening night is sure to feature a lot of laughs, with an all-star lineup that includes comedians Janeane Garofalo, Todd Barry, and Christian Finnegan, said Elgart.

Eastville Comedy Club opening night at (487 Atlantic Ave. between Nevins Street and Third Avenue in Boerum Hill, www.eastvillecomedy.com). Opens July 19 at 8 pm. \$12 plus two-drink minimum.

Friday the 13th is the Ridge's lucky day!

By Julianne McShane

Have a lucky, action-packed weekend in Bay Ridge, beginning on Friday the 13th!

Start the weekend by wandering to Third Avenue for the first **Summer Stroll** of the season. Starting at 6 pm on Friday, you can mosey along the car-free avenue from 68th to 80th streets, where music, dance performances, face painting, and games will take place until 10 pm. Plus, you can grab an al fresco dinner at many of the avenue's eateries, so you can nosh and people-watch at the same time.

If you are willing to ditch the Summer Stroll early, then go on safari to the **Narrows Botanical Gardens** (Shore Road at 71st Street) to join Simba, Timon and Pumbaa on their problem-free odyssey, at a free screening of the Disney musical "The Lion King," beginning around 8:45 pm.

There is another option, if you



want to hear some upbeat tunes without leaving Third Avenue — just stroll inside the **Brooklyn Firefly** (7003 Third Ave. between Ovington Avenue and 72nd Street), where jazz vocalist Cristina Gatti

will belt out hits from Beyonce and Sam Smith during a free, two-hour set starting at 8 pm.

On Saturday night, march to the **Greenhouse Café** (7717 Third Ave. between 77th and 78th streets) and brace yourself for a British invasion: rock band London Fog will play classic hits from the Beatles, the Rolling Stones, and the Buckingham's at a free show beginning at 10 pm.

And on Thursday, get ready for the weekend with a free art show at the **Owl's Head** (479 74th St. between Fifth and Fourth avenues). Artist Carl James Ferrero will show off his paintings, which incorporate surreptitious photos of Goldman Sachs businessmen into abstract landscapes, at a reception that lasts from 7 pm until midnight. The wine bar will donate part of the proceeds from purchases of both the art and the wine to the Gay Men's Health Crisis and other queer causes.

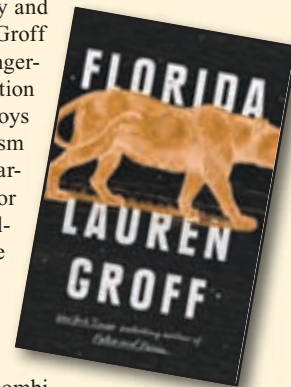
Book Bites

The best reads — handpicked by some of the best Bklyn bookstores

Greenlight Bookstore's pick: "Florida" by Lauren Groff

With cascading imagery and compact plotting, Lauren Groff unravels a dazzling, dangerous world in this collection of short stories. She employs an uncanny sort of realism replete with floundering parents, kids left to fend for themselves, luckless travelers, and desperate people on the brink, driven mad by the buzzing, subtropical environment, which becomes its own unpredictable character. This combination makes for a variety of heroes fighting insurmountable odds; a racing heartbeat runs throughout as Groff's characters strive for moments of calm while the world breaks and storms around them.

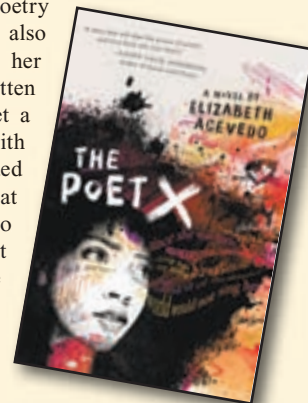
— Ben Hoffman, Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246-0200, www.greenlightbookstore.com].



Word's picks: "The Poet X," by Elizabeth Acevedo

Xiomara discovers poetry when she is 16. That is also the year she discovers her voice. In this novel, written entirely in verse, we get a chance to fall in love with a character that reminded me a lot of who I was at 16 — a loud Latina who spoke up, but never felt heard, unless she wrote her words down.

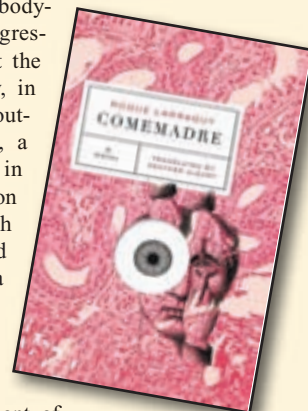
— Yadira Aguiar, Word [126 Franklin St. at Milton Street in Greenpoint, (718) 383-0096, www.wordbookstores.com].



Community Bookstore's pick: "Comemadre" by Roque Larraquy

Larraquy's novel is a body-horror satire where transgression is the only law. At the turn of the last century, in a sanatorium on the outskirts of Buenos Aires, a group of doctors engage in merciless experiments on their patients to establish the line between life and death. Decades later, a conceptual artist known for extreme high-endurance performances pushes his body in ways strangely reminiscent of the sanatorium. Larraquy's clever, surreal novel blends institutional critique with subtle observations on vulnerability and our fumbling attempts at transcendence. A unique work.

— Samuel Partal, Community Bookstore [43 Seventh Ave. between Carroll Street and Garfield Place in Park Slope, (718) 783-3075, www.communitybookstore.net]



No better summer dining than South Fin Grill

BY CAMILLE SPERRAZZA

The beach and boardwalk offer majestic views while you dine enveloped inside the comfort of the restaurant's open canopy. Jumbo shrimp are served hooked over martini glasses of cracked ice; towers of oysters and clams on half shells are brought to tables as you sip cold sangria and people-watch.

It's not the Caribbean — it's the South Finn Grill on Staten Island — a beautiful escape that's just across the Verrazano Bridge.

This stunning restaurant offers several dining options: on the deck facing the beach where the clear canopy can be unzipped to let the sunshine in, or zipped to keep the elements out; indoors in the air-conditioned luxury of the dining room; or the option to enjoy drinks and appetizers at the outdoor Blu Bar and lounge that faces front.

There is live evening entertainment Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, weather permitting.

The food is delicious, presented to be as appealing as the venue itself. One signature appetizer is the lobster grilled cheese. It's no ordinary sandwich — it's extraor-



The restaurant offers several areas for patrons to dine.

dinary. Perfectly cooked chunks of lobster meat — absolutely no mayo needed, and none provided — are layered on toasted brioche with melted gruyere and white cheddar cheese. The sandwich is cut into four nice-sized pieces, and as the bread is thick, it's able to cradle the contents in place. The lobster combined with the cheese makes for a nice sweet flavor.

Another pleaser is the crackling calamari — tiny, tender calamari rings are fried with slivers of cherry peppers so when you bite into both at the same time, there's a

hint of heat with each crunch. The peppers aren't overwhelming, so if you're not looking for something spicy, you're still good to go. Carrot shavings add color and texture. Rather than dunking in tomato sauce, a cup of teriyaki condiment is served on the side, which makes it light and flavorful.

Mussels in a white wine and garlic broth, a lump crab cake with corn salad, and charbroiled octopus are other seafood appetizers. Yes, the menu is laden with seafood; the restaurant is called "fin." But beef sliders, crispy chicken lollipops,

and Mediterranean dips provide alternatives for those not interested in treasures from the ocean.

A generous portion of Chilean seabass with a soy glaze makes a luscious main course. It's cooked perfectly, so the fork glides through the tender fish. Accompanying it is baby bok choy, a mound of sticky rice, and ginger slaw. Wasabi vinaigrette seasons it all.

The pan-roasted salmon is served atop a pile of spinach; with it, cauliflower that has been mashed with truffle — delicious. Also popular is the ahi tuna — it's crusted with sesame, and adorned with julienne vegetables and lemon-grass scented teriyaki. A butter-poached lobster is de-shelled, and served with whipped potatoes and sautéed greens.

Land lovers aren't forgotten, and they will not be disappointed. The peppercorn-crusted filet mignon is very popular, with its chive-mashed potatoes, grilled asparagus, and blackberry demi-glaze. Pork chops, grilled hanger steak, and South Fin's burger with pancetta crisp, roasted tomato, grilled onion, provolone, and arugula is a good choice. It comes with mouth-watering parmesan-herb fries,

which you can also order as a side.

Thick sushi rolls and salads are other possibilities. Pasta includes Pappardelle with gulf shrimp, wilted arugula, roasted mushroom truffle, mascarpone, adorned with toasted bread crumbs. Also — far-falle with roasted red and yellow tomatoes, arugula, garlic, basil, and creamy burrata.

Yes, dessert is often the best part, especially when it is this: A chocolate fondue brought right your table. The waiter lights the flame beneath the pot of sweet liquid, and you get to dip fresh strawberries, pineapple chunks, blackberries, pound cake, Rice Krispy treats, and marshmallows to your heart's content.

Chef Paul Molina comes around asking, "How is everything?"

It's absolutely perfect.

South Fin Grill [300 Father Capodanno Blvd. on Staten Island, (718) 447-7679, www.SouthFinGrill.com]. **Open Mondays - Fridays, 4:30 pm - 9 pm; Fridays, 4:30 - 11 pm; Saturdays 11:30 am - 3 pm for lunch and 4 - 11 pm for dinner; Sundays, 11:30 - 3 pm for brunch; 4 pm - 9 pm for dinner. Happy Hour, Mondays - Fridays, 4 - 7 pm.**

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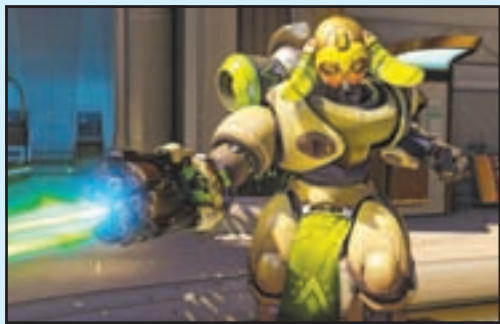
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MUSIC, TITO ROJAS AND ANDY MONTAÑEZ: Free. 7 pm. Ford Amphitheater (3052 W 21st St. in Coney Island), fordamphitheater-coneyisland.com.

MUSIC, MALA RODRIGUEA: With Ana Tijoux and Girl Ultra. Part of the Bric Celebrate Brooklyn! Festival. Free. 7 pm. Prospect Park Band Shell [Prospect Park West and Ninth Street in Park Slope, (718) 965-8900], www.bricartsmedia.org/cb.

NIGHTLIFE, A NIGHT AT NIBLO'S GARDEN: Bindlestiff Family Cirkus presents a night of 19th-century showmanship, with fire eaters, musicians, contortionists, performers on floats, and much more. \$40. 7 pm. Greenwood Cemetery [Fifth Avenue and 25th Street in Greenwood Heights, (718) 210-3080], www.greenwood.com.

THEATER, "A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM": This Smith Street Stage production of the giddy magical comedy about fairies, lovers on the run, and incompetent amateur actors is set in modern New York City. Free. 7:30 pm. Actors Fund Arts Center (160 Schermerhorn St. between Hoyt and Smith Streets in Downtown), www.smith-streetstage.org.

THEATER, "WENDY DARLING AND PETER PAN": An adaptation of J.M. Barrie's classic tale, featuring sword-wielding pirates, brave flowermen, chuckle-headed lost boys, and malicious mermaids. Free. 8 pm. The Old Stone House [336 Third St. between Fourth and Fifth avenues in Park Slope, (718) 768-3195], pipetheatre.org.

MUSIC, "BURNING BODY OF LOVE": A mutant project between Julia Santoli and double bassist Zach Rowden. \$10 suggested donation. 8 pm. Issue Project Room [22 Boerum Pl. at Livingston Street in Downtown, (718) 330-0313], issueprojectroom.org.

THEATER, "MARIE AND BRUCE": Wallace Shawn's 1978 comedy about a divorcing couple get a hilarious new production. \$18. 8 pm. Jack (505 Waverly Ave. between Fulton Street and Atlantic Avenue in Clinton Hill), www.jackny.org.

FILM, "THE LION KING": A young lion is orphaned after his uncle usurps the throne. Free. 8:30 pm. Narrows Botanical Gardens (Enter on Shore Road between Bay Ridge Avenue and 72nd Street in Bay Ridge).

OUTDOORS, FRIDAY NIGHT FIREWORKS: The boardwalk ignites every Friday night at dusk! Free. 9:30 pm. Coney Island Boardwalk (Boardwalk between W. Eighth Street and Stillwell Avenue in Coney Island), www.coney-islandfunguide.com.

NIGHTLIFE, BURLESQUE ON THE BEACH: Boys Night: \$15. 10 pm. Sideshows by the Seashore (1208 Surf Ave. at W 12th St. in Coney Island).

WHAT TO DO SEVEN EVENTS



We're Hooked!: The boy who wouldn't grow up faces off against Captain Hook in the swashbuckling adventure "Wendy Darling and Peter Pan," at the Old Stone House in Park Slope, Thursdays through Saturdays until July 21. Photo by Caleb Caldwell

SAT, JULY 14

SPORTS, QATAR AIRWAYS NEW YORK CITY E-PRIX: 10 teams and 20 drivers in electric vehicles will race along the waterfront. \$30-\$80. 11 am. Brooklyn Cruise Terminal [72 Bowne St. in Red Hook, (404) 775-1570], info.fiaformulae.com/en/new-york-city.

TALK, DAVID BOWIE'S LEGACY: Scholars Daphne Brooks and Jack Halberstam explore the world of Bowie and his worldwide impact on popular culture. \$16 includes Museum admission. 2 pm. Brooklyn Museum [200 Eastern Pkwy. at Washington Avenue in Prospect Heights, (718) 638-5000], www.brooklynmuseum.org.

ART, "BLOCK PARTY" OPENING RECEPTION: A group exhibition inspired by neighborhood block parties. With music by DJ April Hunt and BBQ by Chef Omar Tate. Free. 5-8 pm. Jenkins Johnson Projects [207 Ocean Ave. between Parkside Avenue and Lincoln Road in Prospect Lefferts Gardens, (212) 629-0707], jenkinsjohnsongallery.com.

SPORTS, BROOKLYN CYCLONES VS. WILLIAMSPORT CROSSCUTTERS: Grateful Dead Night. \$12-\$19 (\$10-\$17 in advance). 6 pm. MCU Park [1904 Surf Ave. at W. 17th St. in Coney Island, (718) 449-8497], www.brooklyn-cyclones.com.

THEATER, "TWELFTH NIGHT": The Gallery Players perform Shakespeare's comedy about twins separated by a shipwreck. \$25 (\$20 seniors and children). 7:30 pm. Gallery Players [199 14th St. between Fourth and Fifth avenues in Park Slope, (212) 352-3101], www.galleryplayers.com.

MUSIC, KRONOS QUARTET: With Malian supergroup

Trio Da Kali. Part of the Bric Celebrate Brooklyn! Festival. Free. 7:30 pm. Prospect Park Band Shell [Prospect Park West and Ninth Street in Park Slope, (718) 965-8900], www.bricartsmedia.org/cb.

THEATER, DAVID BLAINE: The death-defying magician brings his act to Brooklyn. \$29-\$125. 8 pm. Kings Theatre [1027 Flatbush Ave. between Beverly Road and Tilden Avenue in Flatbush], www.kingstheatre.com.

MUSIC, "SWING IT OUT!": Professor Cunningham & His Old School swing band performs as part of the Hot Summer Nights concert series. Free. 8 pm. Lighthouse Bandshell at Kingsborough Community College [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Oxford Street in Manhattan Beach], www.onstageatkingsborough.org.

TALK, FAMILY CAREGIVER EXPO: Brooklynites who care for a family member or a friend can learn about Medicare Savings Plans, meditation techniques, New York State Paid Family Leave Act, and PSS Circle of Care's free services. A free lunch will be provided. Pre-registration is required by calling (718) 802-3717. Free. 10 am-4 pm. Brooklyn Borough Hall [209 Joralemon St. at Court Street in Downtown].

SUN, JULY 15

FUND-RAISER, LUSTGARTEN WALK: A short walk to raise money for pancreatic cancer research. The route is handicap and stroller accessible. \$50 (kids \$15). 8 am. Carmine Carro Community Center [3000 Fillmore Ave. between Madison Place and Marine Parkway in Marine Park, (516) 737-1550], www.lustgarten.org.

SPORTS, WORLD CUP FINAL

IN THE DUMBO ARCHWAY: Watch the World Cup's Final Match on a giant screen beneath the Manhattan Bridge. Food and drinks will be for sale. Free. 11 am. Archway Under Manhattan Bridge [Water Street between Anchorage Place and Adams Street in Dumbo, (718) 237-8700], www.dumbo.is.

TALK, "GANGS OF GOWANUS": Historian Joseph Alexiou discusses the neighborhood's history of organized crime. Free. 3 pm. Parklife (636 Degraw St. between Third and Fourth avenues in Gowanus), www.parklifebk.com.

SPORTS, BROOKLYN CYCLONES VS. WILLIAMSPORT CROSSCUTTERS: Bark in the Park. \$12-\$19 (\$10-\$17 in advance). 4 pm. MCU Park [1904 Surf Ave. at W. 17th St. in Coney Island, (718) 449-8497], www.brooklyn-cyclones.com.

MON, JULY 16

SPORTS, BROOKLYN CYCLONES VS. WILLIAMSPORT CROSSCUTTERS: \$12-\$19 (\$10-\$17 in advance). 11:30 am. MCU Park [1904 Surf Ave. at W. 17th St. in Coney Island, (718) 449-8497], www.brooklyn-cyclones.com.

SPORTS, R-U-N 5K: The New York Road Runners go on an evening run in Prospect Park, followed by lawn games. \$15-\$37. 6:45 pm. Prospect Park [West Drive at Lincoln Road in Prospect Lefferts Gardens, (855) 569-6977], www.nyrr.org.

FILM, "BRIDESMAIDS": A free outdoor screening of the 2011 comedy. Free. 8:30 pm. Parklife (636 Degraw St. between Third and Fourth avenues in Gowanus), www.parklifebk.com.

COMEDY, ED SULLIVAN ON ACID: A long-running, free stand-up comedy show hosted by Calvin S. Cato. Free. 9 pm. Freddy's Bar [627 Fifth Ave. between 17th and 18th streets in Greenwood Heights, (718) 768-0131], www.freddysbar.com.

TUES, JULY 17

MUSIC, ON A GOOD RUN: Free. 7 pm. Shore Road Park (Shore Road at 74th Street in Bay Ridge).

COMEDY, GRANDBABY COMEDY: Join Mary Cella, Cara Weinberger and Brian Bahe on Tuesdays for their weekly comedy showcase. Free. 8 pm. Baby Grand Brooklyn [55 McGuinness Blvd. South at Newton Street in Greenpoint, (347) 463-9106], www.facebook.com/GrandbabyComedy.

WED, JULY 18

FILM, "WHEN HARRY MET SALLY": A free outdoor screening of the comedy classic, with live music before the show, and food and drink from local vendors. Free. 6 pm. McCarran Park (Berry St. and N 12th St. in Williamsburg).

OUTDOORS, YOGA AT OWL'S HEAD PARK:

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SWB Parks Task Force Concerts In The Park 2018

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- June 26** Head Over Heels Brooklyn's #1 Party Band.....79th St & Shore Road
- June 27** Brooklyn Keys Doo Wop, Disco & Rock n Roll.....Marine Park (Fillmore Ave.)
- July 10** Radio Daze '70s & '80s Party Music...79th St & Shore Road
- July 11** Alive N Kickin' Hit song "Tighter & Tighter".....Marine Park (Fillmore Ave.)
- July 17** On A Good Run Classic Rock.....79th St & Shore Road
- July 18** London Fogg British Invasion & Much More.....Marine Park (Fillmore Ave.)
- July 24** Frankie Marra Band Classic Rock.....79th St & Shore Road
- July 25** Uncle Jack Rock N Roll '60s thru the '90s.....Marine Park (Fillmore Ave.)
- July 31** Full Disclosure Classics to Current Top Tunes..Dyker Park at 86th St.
- Aug. 1** The Fellas Fabulous Motown Review.....Marine Park (Fillmore Ave.)
- Aug. 14** Back To The Fillmore Sounds from the Fillmore East.....79th St. & Shore Road
- Aug. 15** Carl Thomas Sinatra, Martin & Darin.....Avenue U & Van Sicklen St.
- Aug. 21** The Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Parade presents "Irish Night on Shore Road" Featuring the "Canny Brothers"....79th St. & Shore Road
- Aug. 22** Sha Doobie Rolling Stones tribute band.....Marine Park (Fillmore Ave.)

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BY CAMILLE SPERRAZZA

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www.OnStageAtKingsborough.org (718) 368-5596**MUSIC, ANOUSHKA SHANKAR:** The sitar master melds Indian classical raga with electronica beats. My Brightest Diamond opens. Part of the Bric Celebrate Brooklyn! Festival. Free. 7:30 pm. Prospect Park Band Shell [Prospect Park West and Ninth Street in Park Slope, (718) 965-8900], www.bricartsmedia.org/cb.**COMEDY, ROBOT HOSPITAL:** Featuring comedians Carmen Lagala, Amy Shanker, Alyssa Limperis, and more. Free. 9:30 pm. Freddy's Bar [627 Fifth Ave. between 17th and 18th streets in Greenwood Heights, (718) 768-0131], www.freddysbar.com.**DOGGY FASHION PARADE:** Four-legged fashionistas strut their stuff, showing off the latest in canine couture. Free. 5 pm. Freddy's Bar [627 Fifth Ave. between 17th and 18th streets in Greenwood Heights, (718) 768-0131], www.freddysbar.com.**MUSIC, CHITTLIN' COOKERS:** The down-home blues band plays as part of the Creekers Jamboree concert series. Free. 5 pm. Gowanus Canal Dredgers Canoe Club Boathouse [165 Second St. between Bond Street and the canal in Gowanus Canal, (917) 777-15689], www.gowanuscanal.org.

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Erica Ginger leads a yoga session on Wednesday nights. Bring your own mat. \$5 suggested donation. 6:30pm to 8pm. Owl's Head Park (68th Street at Colonial Road in Bay Ridge), www.yogaginger.nyc.**MUSIC, LONDON FOGG:** British invasion cover band. Free. 7 pm. Marine Park (Fillmore Avenue at Marine Parkway in Marine Park).**FILM, SUNDANCE SHORT FILMS:** A free screening of weird, wild shorts from the 2018 Sundance Film Festival. Free. 8 pm. Fort Greene Park Visitor Center [Enter park at Myrtle Avenue and Washington Park in Fort Greene, (718) 722-3218].**FILM, "THE WIZARD OF OZ":** Get lost in the Land of Oz with Dorothy, Toto, and the rest of the gang. Beginning at 7 pm, High-line Chamber Ensemble's jazz trio will play 1930s and 40s standards and songs from the soundtrack. Free. 8:30 pm. Prospect Park Long Meadow North (Enter at Grand Army Plaza at Eastern Parkway in Prospect Park), www.prospect-park.org/summermovie.**ART, "THE FENCE" WALKING TOUR:** Take a guided tour of the photo exhibit that stretches the length of Brooklyn Bridge Park. Reception to follow. Free. 6:30 pm. Meet at Jane's Carousel (Old Dock Street, between Water Street and the water in Dumbo), fence.photoville.com.**MUSIC, JOE RUSSO'S ALMOST DEAD:** The Grateful Dead cover band plays to benefit the Bric Celebrate Brooklyn! Festival. \$45. 7 pm. Prospect Park Band Shell [Prospect Park West and Ninth Street in Park Slope, (718) 965-8900], bricartsmedia.org/cb.**COMEDY, AIRPLANE MODE:** A free stand-up comedy show hosted by Rohan Padhye and Raghav Mehta. Free. 8 pm. Cherry Tree (65 Fourth Ave. between Bergen Street and St. Marks Place in Park Slope).**MUSIC, DOLLYLUJAH!** A celebration of Dolly Parton, featuring the cover band Doll Parts, burlesque performer Darlinda Just Darlinda, and more. \$10. 8 pm. Industry City (220 36th Street between Second and Third Avenues in Sunset Park).

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File No. 2015-597/A

CITATION
SURROGATE'S COURT,
KINGS COUNTY

THE PEOPLE OF THE
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TO: New York State
Department of Taxation
and Finance

New York City Human
Resources Administration
New York State Attorney
General

The spouse, if any, and
any and all unknown
distributees and creditors
of Sylvia Skolnick,
deceased, whose
whereabouts are
unknown and if any of
the aforesaid persons be
dead, to their heirs at
law, next of kin and
distributees whose
names and places of
residence are unknown
and if the persons died
subsequent to the
decendent herein, to their
e x e c u t o r s ,
administrators, legatees,
devisees, assignees and
successors in interest
whose names and places
of residence are
unknown and to all other
heirs at law, next of kin
and distributees of, Sylvia
Skolnick, the decedent
herein, whose names
and places of residence
are unknown and cannot
after due diligence be
ascertained,

A petition and an
accounting having been
duly filed by Public
Administrator Kings
County, whose office is at
360 Adams Street Room
144, Brooklyn, New York
11201, United States.

YOU ARE HEREBY CITED
TO SHOW CAUSE before
the Surrogate's Court,
Kings County, at 2
Johnson Street, Room
319, Brooklyn, New York,
on August 2, 2018, at
09:30 o'clock in the fore
noon of that day, why the
account of Public
Administrator Kings
County, a summary of
which has been served
herewith, as
Administrator of the
estate of Sylvia Skolnick,
should not be judicially
settled.

[X] Further relief sought
(if any):

(a) Why the Public
Administrator of Kings
County should not be
paid his commissions in
the amount of \$6,456.89
as set forth in Schedule I
of the Account, or such

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other amount as the
Court may fix and
determine;

(b) Why the Public
Administrator of Kings
County should not be
paid his administrative
expenses in the amount
of \$1,364.22 as set forth
in Schedule J of the
Account, or such other
amount as the Court may
fix and determine;

(c) Why the Court should
not fix, determine and
approve the legal fees of
Lewis & Fiore Esqs
counsel to Petitioner, in
the amount of \$7,797.93
as shown in Schedule J
of the Account, or such
other amount as the
Court may fix and
determine;

(d) Why the claim of the
New York State
Department of Taxation,
if any, should not be fixed
and determined or if not
so fixed and determined,
deemed rejected;

(e) Why the claim of the
New York City Human
R e s o u r c e s
Administration, if any,
should not be fixed and
determined, in the
amount of \$450,601.29
or if not so fixed and
determined, deemed
rejected;

(f) Why the Petitioner
should not be permitted
to distribute the net
estate to the decedent's
distributee(s), as now
known or hereafter
determined, as their
interests may appear,
and to deposit any
amount not so distributed
with the Commissioner of
Finance of the City of
New York to be held for
the benefit of decedent's
unknown distributees or
for the benefit of any
distributees of the
decedent who are under
disability for whom no
guardian of the property
has been appointed;

(g) Why process should
not be issued to all
necessary parties who
have not appeared to
show cause why the
relief requested should
not be granted; and that
an order be granted
directing the service of
process pursuant to the
provisions of SCPA
Article 3 upon such
persons named in
Paragraph (6) whose
names or whereabouts
are unknown and cannot
be ascertained or who

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may be persons on
whom service by
personal delivery cannot
be made.

(h) Why the Petitioner,
upon fully complying with
the Decree to be made in
this proceeding, should
not be released and
discharged of and from
any and all liability,
responsibility and
accountability with
respect to the Petitioner's
acts and proceedings as
Administrator as set forth
and embraced in said
account and the Court
grant such other and
further relief as it deems
just and proper.

(i) Why the Petitioner
should not be authorized
to reserve, such amount
as counsel recommends
for the preparation of
Federal and/or state
fiduciary income tax
returns and for the
payment of any tax that
may be due.

Dated, Attested, and
Sealed, HON John G.
Ingram, Surrogate

Charles G. Fiore
Attorney Name
Lewis & Fiore
Firm
(212) 285-2290
Telephone
225 Broadway Suite
3300, New York, New
York 10007
Address

NOTE: This citation is
served upon you as
required by law. You are
not required to appear. If
you fail to appear it will
be assumed that you do
not object to the relief
requested. You have a
right to have an attorney
appear for you, and you
or your attorney may
request a copy of the full
account from the
petitioner or petitioner's
attorney.

22NYCRR §207.7
Proof of service of
process shall be filed on
or before the second day
preceding the return
date.
SUMMARY

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT
CHARGES:
Schedule A Principal
Received: 131,990.89

Schedule A-1 Realized
Increases in Principal:
0.00

Schedule A-2 Income
Collected: 4,431.60

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Total Charges
\$136,422.49
\$136,422.49

CREDITS:
Schedule B Realized
Decreases in Principal:
0.00

Schedule C Funeral and
Administration Expenses:
2,035.99

Schedule D Creditor's
Claims Actually Paid:
0.00

Schedule E Distributions
of Principal: 0.00

Total Credits: \$2,035.99
\$2,035.99

Charges Minus Credits:
\$134,386.50

.. PRINCIPAL BALANCE ON
HAND:

Schedule G Principal
balance on hand:
\$134,386.50

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CLOWN CAR LLC. Arts.
of Org. filed with the
SSNY on 10/11/17.
Office: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of the LLC upon
whom process against it
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shall mail copy of
process to the LLC, 593
Jefferson Avenue,
Brooklyn, NY 11221.
Purpose: Any lawful
purpose.

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**DH 51 Jay Street 10
LLC,** Arts of Org. filed
with Sec. of State of NY
(SSNY) 5/11/2018. Cty:
Kings. SSNY desig. as
agent upon whom
process against may be
served & shall mail
process to The LLC, 250
Park Ave S, 3rd Fl., NY,
NY 10003. General
Purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
RABEARD CO LLC.
Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 04/04/2048. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
RABEARD CO LLC 509
DECATUR STREET
BROOKLYN, NY 11233.
Purpose: any lawful
purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
MOMMY CAKES LLC.
Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 01/11/2017. Office
location: Kings County.
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agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
IVELISA BLACK 2951
WEST 33RD STREET,
APT. 8G BROOKLYN, NY
11224. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
HAIR BY RAE LLC.
Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 05/23/2017. Office
location: Kings County.
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agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to: C/O
UNITED STATES
CORPORATION AGENTS
INC 7014 13TH AVENUE
SUITE 202 BROOKLYN,
NY 11228. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
6GCA LLC. Articles of
Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on May 7,
2018. Office location:
Kings County. SSNY
designated as agent of
LLC upon whom process
against it may be served.
SSNY shall mail copy of
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FLYNN & KNOWLTON
PLLC 142 W 57TH
STREET, SUITE 4A NEW
YORK, NY 10019.
Purpose: any lawful
purpose.

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**EHSP CONSULTING
LLC,** Arts. of Org. filed
with the SSNY on
07/02/2018. Office loc:
Kings County. SSNY has
been designated as
agent upon whom
process against the LLC
may be served. SSNY
shall mail process to: The
LLC, 2547 W. 2nd St.
#6H, Brooklyn, NY
11223. Reg Agent:
Regina Wipper , 2547 W.
2nd St. #6H, Brooklyn,
NY 11223. Purpose: Any
Lawful Purpose.

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Notice of Formation of
DELVIN LLC Arts. of Org.
filed with Secy. of State
of NY (SSNY) on
05/17/18. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
process to c/o Zukerman
Gore Brandeis &
Crossman, Delvin LLC,
Eleven Times Sq., NY, NY
10036. Purpose: Any
lawful activity.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
ROSERY92 L.L.C. Articles
of Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on
03/16/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
KATHERINE ROSE
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ST APT 1D BROOKLYN,
NY 11221. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
STRONGTOWERPOWER
LLC. Articles of
Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on
06/13/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
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agent of LLC upon whom
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copy of process to:
GRIFFIN HAMERSKY LLP
420 LEXINGTON AVENUE
SUITE 400 NEW YORK,
NY 10170. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

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company (LLC). Name:
BALDWIN COLSULTING
LLC. Articles of
Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on
05/29/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
LEGALINC CORPORATE
SERVICES INC. 1967
WEHRLE DRIVE SUITE 1
#086 BUFFALO, NY
14221. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

Notice of Qualification
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Princ. bus. addr.: THE
LLC 261 SACKETT ST
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11231. LLC formed in
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11/06/2017. NY Sec. of
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LLC upon whom process
against it may be served
and shall mail process to:
THE LLC 261 SACKETT
ST APT 2 BROOKLYN, NY
11231. 16192
COASTAL HIGHWAY
LEWES, DE 19958 Cert.
of Form. filed with
DELAWARE SECRETARY
OF STATE 401 FEDERAL
STREET, SUITE 4 DOVER,
DE 19901 Purpose: all
lawful purposes.

Rooted Retreats, LLC, Arts
of Org. filed with
Sec. of State of NY
(SSNY) 5/29/2018. Cty:
Kings. SSNY desig. as
agent upon whom
process against may be
served & shall mail
process to 726 Sackett
St., 1R, Brooklyn, NY
11217. General Purpose.

Solv Holdings LLC, Arts
of Org. filed with Sec. of
State of NY (SSNY)
5/3/2018. Cty: Kings.
SSNY desig. as agent
upon whom process
against may be served &
shall mail process to 588
5th St., Brooklyn, NY
11215. General Purpose.

Talkbox Holdings LLC, Arts
of Org. filed with
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(SSNY) 5/30/2018. Cty:
Kings. SSNY desig. as
agent upon whom
process against may be
served & shall mail
process to Tavia Gilbert,
320 Second St., Apt. 2,
Brooklyn, NY 11215.
General Purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
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SERVICES LLC. Articles
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York (SSNY) on
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location: Kings County.
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2 BROOKLYN, NY 11236.
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purpose.

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File No.2014-4847/C
CITATION
SURROGATE’S COURT,
KINGS COUNTY
THE PEOPLE OF THE
STATE OF NEW YORK,
By the Grace of God Free
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TO: New York State Dept
of Taxation and Finance
New York City Human
Resources Administration
New York State Attorney
General
Richard Bruce Liroff
Marian Liroff Levinsohn
Stephen Liroff
Mark David Joseph
Michael Joseph, Executor
of post-deceased cousin
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Samuel Wordie
Marla Beatrice Hawkins
Wallie Lamarr Hawkins
The spouse, if any, and
any and all unknown
distributees and creditors
of Allan Botshon,
deceased, whose
whereabouts are
unknown and if any of
the aforesaid persons be
dead, to their heirs at
law, next of kin and
distributees whose
names and places of
residence are unknown
and if the persons died
subsequent to the
decendent herein, to their
e x e c u t o r s ,
administrators, legatees,
devisees, assignees and
successors in interest
whose names and places
of residence are
unknown and to all other
heirs at law, next of kin
and distributees of, Allan
Botshon, the decendent
herein, whose names
and places of residence
are unknown and cannot
after due diligence be
ascertained,
The unknown distributees
and creditors of the
estate of Lydia
Weissman, of the
persons interested in this
proceeding who are
required to be cited, or
concerning whom the
Court is required to have
information of Lydia
Weissman, deceased,
and if the aforesaid
person be dead, her
respective husbands or
wives, if any, legal
representatives, heirs at

law, next of kin,
distributees and
successors in interest
generally, all of whose
names and places of
residence are unknown
and cannot, after diligent
effort, be ascertained,
The unknown distributees
and creditors of the
estate of Gertrude
Guardian, of the persons
interested in this
proceeding who are
required to be cited, or
concerning whom the
Court is required to have
information of Gertrude
Guardian, deceased, and
if the aforesaid person be
dead, her respective
husbands or wives, if
any, legal
representatives, heirs at
law, next of kin,
distributees and
successors in interest
generally, all of whose
names and places of
residence are unknown
and cannot, after diligent
effort, be ascertained,
The unknown distributees
and creditors of the
estate of Ruth Haberg, of
the persons interested in
this proceeding who are
required to be cited, or
concerning whom the
Court is required to have
information of Ruth
Haberg, deceased, and if
the aforesaid person be
dead, her respective
husbands or wives, if
any, legal
representatives, heirs at
law, next of kin,
distributees and
successors in interest
generally, all of whose
names and places of
residence are unknown
and cannot, after diligent
effort, be ascertained,
The unknown distributees
and creditors of the
estate of Ruth Garber, of
the persons interested in
this proceeding who are
required to be cited, or
concerning whom the
Court is required to have
information of Ruth
Garber, deceased, and if
the aforesaid person be
dead, her respective
husbands or wives, if
any, legal
representatives, heirs at
law, next of kin,
distributees and
successors in interest
generally, all of whose
names and places of
residence are unknown
and cannot, after diligent
effort, be ascertained,
The unknown distributees
and creditors of the
estate of Aaron Garber,
of the persons interested
in this proceeding who are

required to be cited, or
concerning whom the
Court is required to have
information of
Aaron Garber, deceased,
and if the aforesaid
person be dead, her
respective husbands or
wives, if any, legal
representatives, heirs at
law, next of kin,
distributees and
successors in interest
generally, all of whose
names and places of
residence are unknown
and cannot, after diligent
effort, be ascertained,
Independent Social
Journalism, whose
whereabouts are
unknown and whose
names and places of
business are unknown
and cannot after due
diligence be ascertained,
Institute for Social and
Economic Studies, whose
whereabouts are
unknown and whose
names and places of
business are unknown
and cannot after due
diligence be ascertained,
An amended petition and
an amended Accounting
having been duly filed by
Public Administrator
Kings County, whose
office is located at 360
Adams Street Room 144,
Brooklyn, New York
11201, United States.
YOU ARE HEREBY CITED
TO SHOW CAUSE before
the Surrogate’s Court,
Kings County, at 2
Johnson Street Room
319, Brooklyn, New York,
on August 23, 2018, at
09:30 o’clock in the fore
noon of that day, why the
account of Public
Administrator Kings
County, a summary of
which has been served
herewith, as
Administrator of the
estate of Allan Botshon,
should not be judicially
settled.
[X] Further relief sought
(if any):
(a) Why the Public
Administrator of Kings
County should not be
paid his commissions in
the amount of
\$27,974.84 as set forth
in Schedule I of the
Account, or such other
amount as the Court may
fix and determine;
(b) Why the Public
Administrator of Kings
County should not be
paid his administrative
expenses in the amount
of \$7,991.61 as set forth
in Schedule J of the
Account, or such other
amount as the Court may
fix and determine;
(c) Why the Court should
not fix, determine and

approve the legal fees of
Lewis & Fiore Esqs
counsel to Petitioner, in
the amount of
\$46,165.24 as shown in
Schedule J of the
Account, or such other
amount as the Court may
fix and determine;
(d) Why the claim of the
New York State
Department of Taxation,
if any, should not be fixed
and determined or if not
so fixed and determined,
deemed rejected;
(e) Why the claim of the
New York City Human
R e s o u r c e s
Administration, if any,
should not be fixed and
determined, or if not so
fixed and determined,
deemed rejected;
(f) Why the claim of
Samuel Wordie should
not be deemed rejected;
(g) Why the Petitioner
should not be permitted
to distribute the net
estate to the decendent’s
distributee(s), as
known or hereafter
determined, as their
interests may appear,
and to deposit any
amount not so distributed
with the Commissioner of
Finance of the City of
New York to be held for
the benefit of decendent’s
unknown distributees or
for the benefit of any
distributees of the
decendent who are under
disability for whom no
guardian of the property
has been appointed;
(h) Why process should
not be issued to all
necessary parties who
have not appeared to
show cause why the
relief requested should
not be granted; and that
an order be granted
directing the service of
process pursuant to the
provisions of SCPA
Article 3 upon such
persons named in
Paragraph (6) whose
names or whereabouts
are unknown and cannot
be ascertained or who
may be persons on
whom service by
personal delivery cannot
be made.
(i) Why the Petitioner,
should not upon fully
complying with the
Decree to be made in
this proceeding, be
released and discharged
of and from any and all
liability, responsibility and
accountability with
respect to the Petitioner’s
acts and proceedings as
Administrator as set forth
and embraced in said
account and the Court
grant such other and
further relief as it deems

just and proper.
(j) Why the Petitioner
should not be permitted
to reserve subject to
court approval such
amount as counsel
recommends for the
preparation of Federal
and/or State fiduciary
income tax returns and
for the payment of any
tax that may be due.
(k) Why the document on
file with the court dated
September 27, 1989
purported to be the Last
Will and Testament of the
decendent should not be
denied probate.
Dated, Attested, and
Sealed,
June 25, 2018
Seal
HON. John G. Ingram,
Acting Surrogate
John G. Ingram, Acting
Surrogate
Doreen A. Quinn, Chief
Clerk
Charles G. Fiore
Attorney Name
Lewis & Fiore
Firm
(212) 285-2290
Telephone
225 Broadway Suite
3300, New York, New
York 10007
Address
NOTE: This citation is
served upon you as
required by law. You are
not required to appear. If
you fail to appear it will
be assumed that you do
not object to the relief
requested. You have a
right to have an attorney
appear for you, and you
or your attorney may
request a copy of the full
account from the
petitioner or petitioner’s
attorney.
22NYCRR §207.7 Proof
of service of process
shall be filed on or before
the second day
preceding the return
date.
SUMMARY
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT
CHARGES:
Schedule A. Principal
Received 722,915.48
Schedule A-1. Realized
Increases in Principal
56,480.54
Schedule A-2. Income
Collected 19,765.04
Total Charges
799,161.06
799,161.06
CREDITS:
Schedule B. Realized
Decreases in Principal
0.00
Schedule C. Funeral and
Administration Expenses
7,155.72
Schedule D. Creditor’s
Claims Actually Paid 0.00
Schedule E. Distributions
of Principal 0.00

Total Credits \$7,155.72
\$7,155.72
Charges Minus Credits
\$792,005.34
Balance on hand shown
by Schedule G
\$792,005.34

Notice of formation of
limited liability company
(LLC). Name: MKJSF,
LLC. Articles of
Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on May 25,
2018. New York office
location: Kings County.
Principal business
location: 140 Cadman
Plaza West, Apt. 12J,
Brooklyn, New York
11201. SSNY is
designated as agent
upon whom process
against the LLC may be
served. SSNY shall mail a
copy of any such process
to: c/o Matthew Frey,
140 Cadman Plaza West,
Apt. 12J, Brooklyn, New
York 11201. LLC is to be
managed by one or more
members. LLC is
organized to engage in
any lawful act or activity
for which limited liability
companies may be
organized under the
Limited Liability Company
Law.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
T O T A L
TRANSPORTATION &
TOURS LLC. Articles of
Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on
04/26/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
T O T A L
TRANSPORTATION &
TOURS LLC 1223 E.
48TH ST. BROOKLYN, NY
11234. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
DF&PR ONLINE LLC.
Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 02/09/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
LEGALINC CORPORATE
SERVICES INC. 1967
WEHRLE DRIVE SUITE 1
#086 BUFFALO, NY
14221 Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
THIRD CULTURE
PICTURES LLC. Articles
of Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on
06/14/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
THIRD CULTURE
PICTURES LLC 606 10TH
STREET BROOKLYN, NY
11215. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
JUNIOR’S PROMISE, LLC.
Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 04/20/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
UNITED STATES
CORPORATION AGENTS,
INC. 7014 13TH
AVENUE, SUITE 202,
BROOKLYN, NY 11228.
Purpose: any lawful
purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
STACKSWELL LLC.
Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 05/17/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
STACKSWELL LLC 634
10TH ST., APT. 4F
BROOKLYN, NY 11215.
Purpose: any lawful
purpose.

Notice of formation of 5
Fives Tutoring, LLC
Articles of Org. filed with
NY Secretary of State
(NS) on 02/01/2018
office location: Albany
County, NS is designated
as agent upon whom
process may be served,
NS shall mail service of
process (SOP) to NW
Registered Agent LLC @
90 State Street Suite 700
Office 40, Albany, NY
12207, NW Registered
Agent LLC is designated
as agent for SOP at 90
State Street Suite 700
Office 40, Albany, NY
12207, purpose is any
lawful purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE

File No.2015-596/A

CITATION
SURROGATE'S COURT,
KINGS COUNTY
THE PEOPLE OF THE
STATE OF NEW YORK,
By the Grace of God Free
and Independent

TO: New York State
Department of Taxation
and Finance New York
City Human Resources
Administration New York
State Attorney General
The spouse, if any, and
any and all unknown
distributees and creditors
of Kristine Olsen,
deceased, whose
whereabouts are
unknown and if any of
the aforesaid persons be
dead, to their heirs at
law, next of kin and
distributees whose
names and places of
residence are unknown
and if the persons died
subsequent to the
decedent herein, to their
e x e c u t o r s ,
administrators, legatees,
 devisees, assignees and
successors in interest
whose names and places
of residence are
unknown and to all other
heirs at law, next of kin
and distributees of,
Kristine Olsen, the
decedent herein, whose
names and places of
residence are unknown
and cannot after due
diligence be ascertained,
An amended petition and
an amended accounting
having been duly filed by
Public Administrator
Kings County, whose
office is located at 360
Adams Street Room 144,
Brooklyn, New York
11201, United States.

YOU ARE HEREBY CITED
TO SHOW CAUSE before
the Surrogate's Court,
Kings County, at 2
Johnson Street room
319, Brooklyn, New York,
on August 9, 2018, at
09:30 o'clock in the fore
noon of that day, why the
account of Public
Administrator Kings
County, a summary of
which has been served
herewith, as
Administrator of the
estate of Kristine Olsen,
should not be judicially
settled.

[X] Further relief sought
(if any):

(a) Why the Public
Administrator of Kings
County should not be
paid his commissions in
the amount of
\$11,011.14 as set forth
in Schedule I of the
Account, or such other
amount as the Court may
fix and determine;

(b) Why the Public

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Administrator of Kings
County should not be
paid his administrative
expenses in the amount
of \$2,502.78 as set forth
in Schedule J of the
Account, or such other
amount as the Court may
fix and determine;

(c) Why the Court should
not fix, determine and
approve the legal fees of
Lewis & Fiore Esqs
counsel to Petitioner, in
the amount of
\$14,356.04 as shown in
Schedule J of the
Account, or such other
amount as the Court may
fix and determine;

(d) Why the claim of the
New York State
Department of Taxation,
if any, should not be fixed
and determined or if not
so fixed and determined,
deemed rejected;

(e) Why the claim of the
New York City Human
R e s o u r c e s
Administration, if any,
should not be fixed and
determined, or if not so
fixed and determined,
deemed rejected

(f) Why the Petitioner
should not be permitted
to distribute the net
estate to the decedent's
distributee(s), as now
known or hereafter
determined, as their
interests may appear,
and to deposit any
amount not so distributed
with the Commissioner of
Finance of the City of
New York to be held for
the benefit of decedent's
unknown distributees or
for the benefit of any
distributees of the
decedent who are under
disability for whom no
guardian of the property
has been appointed;

(g) Why process should
not be issued to all
necessary parties who
have not appeared to
show cause why the
relief requested should
not be granted; and that
an order be granted
directing the service of
process pursuant to the
provisions of SCPA
Article 3 upon such
persons named in
Paragraph (6) whose
names or whereabouts
are unknown and cannot
be ascertained or who
may be persons on
whom service by
personal delivery cannot
be made.

(h) Why the Petitioner,
upon fully complying with
the Decree to be made in
this proceeding, should
not be released and
discharged of and from
any and all liability,
responsibility and

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accountability with
respect to the Petitioner's
acts and proceedings as
Administrator as set forth
and embraced in said
account and the Court
grant such other and
further relief as it deems
just and proper.

(I) Why the Petitioner
should not be authorized
to reserve, such amount
as counsel recommends
for the preparation of
Federal and/or state
fiduciary income tax
returns and for the
payment of any tax that
may be due.

Dated, Attested, and
Sealed,

June 18, 2018
Seal

HON. John G. Ingram,
Acting Surrogate
John G. Ingram, Acting
Surrogate

Doreen A. Quinn
Chief Clerk
Charles G. Fiore
Attorney Name
Lewis & Fiore
Firm

(212) 285-2290
Telephone

225 Broadway Suite
3300, New York, New
York 10007
Address

NOTE: This citation is
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required by law. You are
not required to appear. If
you fail to appear it will
be assumed that you do
not object to the relief
requested. You have a
right to have an attorney
appear for you, and you
or your attorney may
request a copy of the full
account from the
petitioner or petitioner's
attorney.

22NYCRR §207.7 Proof
of service of process
shall be filed on or before
the second day
preceding the return
date.

SUMMARY
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

CHARGES:
Schedule A Principal
Received 248,114.08

Schedule A-1 Realized
Increases in Principal
0.00

Schedule A-2 Income
Collected 2,164.54

Total Charges
\$ 2 5 0 , 2 7 8 . 6 2
\$250,278.62

CREDITS:
Schedule B Realized
Decreases in Principal
0.00

Schedule C Funeral and
Administration Expenses
4,482.45

Schedule D Creditor's
Claims Actually Paid 0.00
Schedule E Distributions
of Principal 0.00

Total Credits \$4,482.45

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\$4,482.45
Charges Minus Credits
\$245,796.17
PRINCIPAL BALANCE ON
HAND:
Schedule G Principal
balance on hand
\$245,796.17

184 Concord Street, LLC, Arts of Org. filed
with Sec. of State of NY
(SSNY) 5/4/2018. Cty:
Kings. SSNY desig. as
agent upon whom
process against may be
served & shall mail
process to Gerald Meyer,
381 2nd St., Brooklyn,
NY 11215. General
Purpose.

468A 17TH Street, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with
Sec. of State of NY
(SSNY) 5/14/2018. Cty:
Kings. SSNY desig. as
agent upon whom
process against may be
served & shall mail
process to Gerald Meyer,
381 2nd St., Brooklyn,
NY 11215. General
Purpose.

5R 651 Washington Avenue, LLC, Arts of
Org. filed with Sec. of
State of NY (SSNY)
5/11/2018. Cty: Kings.
SSNY desig. as agent
upon whom process
against may be served &
shall mail process to
Gerald Meyer, 381 2nd
St., Brooklyn, NY 11215.
General Purpose.

996 Atlantic, LLC, Arts of
Org. filed with Sec. of
State of NY (SSNY)
8/18/2004. Cty: Kings.
SSNY desig. as agent
upon whom process
against may be served &
shall mail process to 996
Atlantic Ave., Brooklyn,
NY 11238. General
Purpose.

Far East Market LLC, Arts of Org. filed with
Sec. of State of NY
(SSNY) 6/8/2018. Cty:
Kings. SSNY desig. as
agent upon whom
process against may be
served & shall mail
process to 52 15th St.,
Brooklyn, NY 11215.
General Purpose.

DR. GOLDFARB DENTAL, PLLC. Arts. of
Org. filed with the SSNY
on 06/04/18. Office:
Kings County. SSNY
designated as agent of
the PLLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to the
PLLC, 7713 13th
Avenue, Brooklyn, NY
11228. Purpose: For the
practice of the profession
of Dentistry.

Kiersten Cunningham Cooke LLC, Arts of Org. filed
with Sec. of State of
NY (SSNY) 6/13/2018.
Cty: Kings. SSNY desig.
as agent upon whom
process against may be
served & shall mail
process to 322 6th St.,
#1, Brooklyn, NY 11215.
General Purpose.

The Objects Conversation Studio, LLC, Arts of Org. filed
with Sec. of State of NY
(SSNY) 10/29/2018. Cty:
Kings. SSNY desig. as
agent upon whom
process against may be
served & shall mail
process to 183 Garfield
Pl., Lower Level,
Brooklyn, NY 11215.
General Purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
TNCs BUSINESS, LLC.
Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 05/14/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to: TNCs
BUSINESS, LLC 1623
FLATBUSH AVE #161
BROOKLYN, NY 11210.
Purpose: any lawful
purpose.

Notice of Formation of
DTIT 2018 LLC Arts. of
Org. filed with Secy. of
State of NY (SSNY) on
06/18/18. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
process to Dennis
Thompson, 697 Sackett
St., Brooklyn, NY 11217.
Purpose: Any lawful
activity.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
OF A LIMITED LIABILITY
COMPANY Notice of
Formation of Brooklyn
Phoenix II, LLC (LLC).
Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 2/25/2013. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent for service of
process. SSNY shall mail
process to: Insiders
Success Ventures, LLC,
216 Greene Avenue,
Brooklyn, NY 11238.
Purpose: Any Lawful
Purpose.

Louisa G Roeder LLC, Arts of Org. filed with
Sec. of State of NY
(SSNY) 6/20/2018. Cty:
Kings. SSNY desig. as

agent upon whom
process against may be
served & shall mail
process to 600 Carlton
Ave., 2nd Fl., Brooklyn,
NY 11238. General
Purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
ROBOTIC FROGURT LLC.

Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 02/27/2018 Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
ROBOTIC FROGURT LLC
2812 WEST 15TH
STREET BROOKLYN, NY
11224. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
BORN KICKERS, LLC.
Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 06/21/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
CORPORATION SERVICE
COMPANY 80 STATE ST.
ALBANY, NY 12207.
Purpose: any lawful
purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited partnership
(LP). Name: FUNBERRY
LP. Articles of
Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on
05/31/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to: THE
PARTNERSHIP 2035
EAST 16TH STREET
BROOKLYN, NY 11229.
Purpose: any lawful
purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
TOM'S HARBOR
TRADING LLC. Articles of
Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on
06/06/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to:
TOM'S HARBOR
TRADING LLC 365A
14TH ST BROOKLYN, NY
11215. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
LACED BY LACEY LLC.
Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 04/17/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to: THE
LLC 140 EINSTEIN LOOP
APT 14C BRONX, NY
10475. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
FAY DESIGN LLC. Articles
of Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on
06/11/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to: ARON
FAY 5 SOUTH OXFORD
ST. APT. D1 BROOKLYN,
NY 11217. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited partnership
(LP). Name: FUNBERRY
LP. Articles of
Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on
05/31/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to: THE
PARTNERSHIP 2035
EAST 16TH STREET
BROOKLYN, NY 11229.
Purpose: any lawful
purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
TOM'S HARBOR
TRADING LLC 365A
14TH ST BROOKLYN, NY
11215. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

MA & GA Associates LLC, Arts of Org. filed
with Sec. of State of NY
(SSNY) 5/10/2018. Cty:
Kings. SSNY desig. as
agent upon whom
process against may be
served & shall mail
process to P.O. Box
150591, Van Brunt
Station, Brooklyn, NY
11215. General Purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
LACED BY LACEY LLC.
Articles of Organization
filed with Secretary of
State of New York (SSNY)
on 04/17/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to: THE
LLC 140 EINSTEIN LOOP
APT 14C BRONX, NY
10475. Purpose: any
lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of limited liability
company (LLC). Name:
FAY DESIGN LLC. Articles
of Organization filed with
Secretary of State of New
York (SSNY) on
06/11/2018. Office
location: Kings County.
SSNY designated as
agent of LLC upon whom
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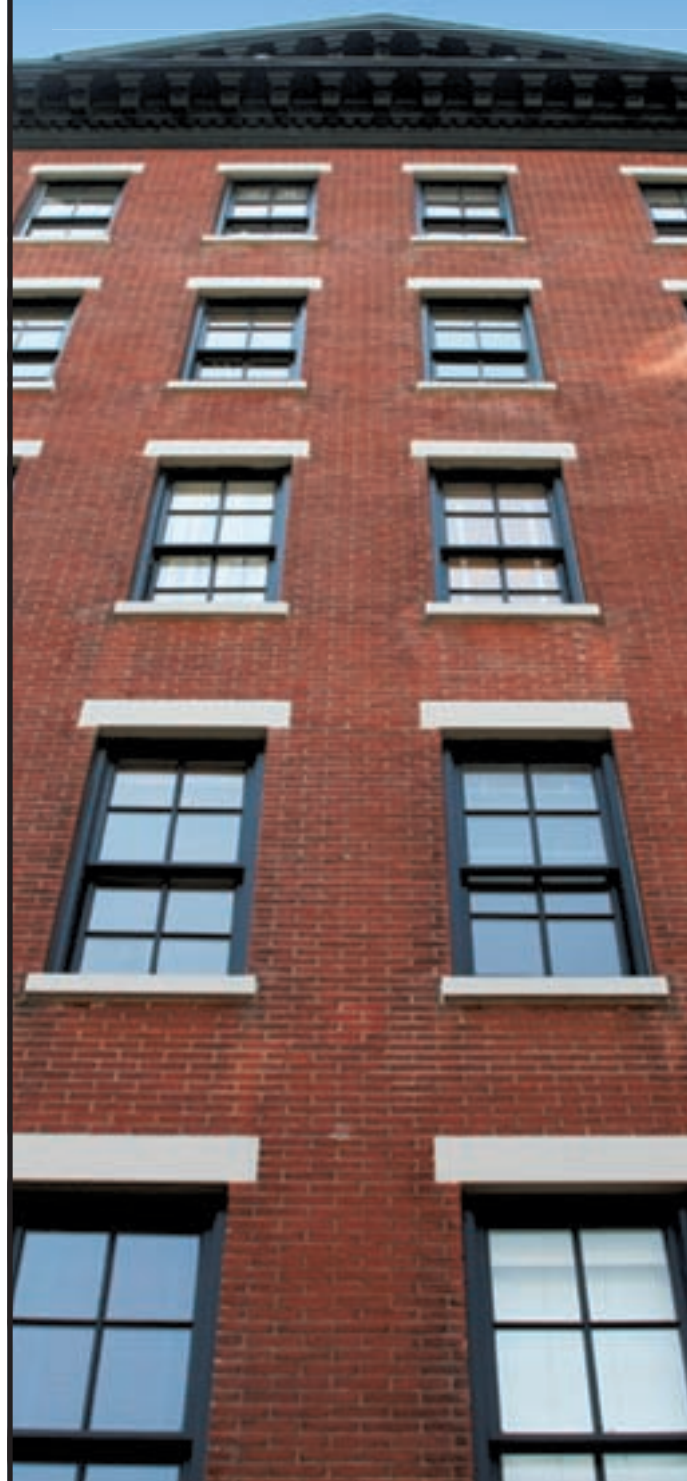
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