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18th Ave. feast *is* cancelled

BY DANIEL BUSH

Organizers have pulled the plug on this year's 18th Avenue Feast, quashing a decades-old tradition with a surprise Facebook post last Thursday that blamed the city for the festival's demise.

"I am sad to inform you that there will be no Feast this year," organizer Joe DeMarco wrote on a Facebook page dedicated to the annual street fair, which draws thousands of Brooklynites and hundreds of vendors to an eight-block stretch of 18th Avenue between 67th and 75th streets.

DeMarco claimed that the city dragged its feet in issuing the permits for the Feast — not giving organizers enough time to set everything up for its scheduled Aug. 25 kickoff.

"There is no time to get the 250 vendors [and] entertainers to make the feast happen and [we] are just fed up and tired," DeMarco wrote. "Sadly, another Bensonhurst tradition dies along with the 13th Avenue Feast and the Harway Avenue Feast."

But city officials are refuting DeMarco's allegations, claiming that a conditional permit — which would have allowed organizers to go ahead with their plans — was sent to the organizers two weeks ago.

"We sent that letter on Aug. 5,"

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Sliding into summer

Four-year-old Anasja Thomas is all smiles as she slips down an inflatable slide during the fourth annual Youth Fair on E. 49th Street in Flatlands. See page 30 for more.

Photo by Elizabeth Graham

STUART 'SNIPER' SLAPPED

Alleged shooter indicted; could get 25 years in jail

BY THOMAS TRACY

The "Stuart Street sniper" — the man arrested for opening fire on a group of Marine Park teens in June, wounding two of them — is facing up to 25 years in prison, prosecutors announced on Aug. 16 as indictment charges were officially filed against 30-year-old Thomas Dunikowski.

Police say Dunikowski was arguing with a group of teens walking by his home near Fillmore Avenue at 11:30 pm on June 18 when he allegedly punched one of them in the face. He then ran into his home where, seconds later, he ap-

peared at his second floor window armed with a Bushmaster semi-automatic rifle.

District Attorney Charles Hynes claims that Dunikowski fired around 20 shots at the teens, hitting 17-year-old Midwood resident Francis Ruan — the teen he had punched earlier — in the neck. Bullets also ricocheted off the concrete, hitting a 15-year-old boy and one of Dunikowski's neighbors.

Police say when they arrived at the scene, Dunikowski jumped into bed, and pretended to be

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LOBSTROCITY!

See a monster lobster in Coney Island



THAT'S A BIG LOBSTER!: Josiah Outten looks on with amazement at the New York Aquarium's newest addition: a 75-year-old, 18-pound lobster. Photo by Steve Solomonson

BY DANIEL BUSH

An 18-pound lobster that was saved from the pot by a kind-hearted seafood company will live out its golden years at Coney Island's New York Aquarium.

The ancient crustacean — at 75, one year younger, than our own Carmine Santa Maria — was captured off the Canadian coastline earlier this month and shipped to the New England Lobster Company in San Francisco. A worker amazed at its size launched an online search for a home for the lucky lobster, before it could get sold to the hungriest bidder.

The New York Aquarium

replied right away.

"The lobster has a certain presence, a certain gravitas," said John Dohlin, the aquarium's director, who arranged to bring the age-defying sea dweller to Coney Island, where it went on display last week in a separate tank in the lobster exhibit.

The behemoth is male, lives off of shrimp and tiny fish and boasts claws as big as catcher's mitts. And unlike humans, it'll continue to grow as long as it lives.

"Check back in 25 years and see how he's doing," Dohlin said. "This guy could live for ages."

That may be true, but he

now won't end up on a plate, and experts we spoke to at the borough's top seafood spots agree that's a good thing.

"It would taste tough," said Prini Randazzo, the co-owner of Randazzo's Clam Bar, whose chefs have cooked up nine-pound lobsters. "It'd have to cook for a long time."

Coney's newest attraction isn't the first mega-lobster to wash ashore in Brooklyn.

In 2009, a 20-pound lobster named Craig was "saved" from a Dyker Heights restaurant by volunteers with People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals. Craig was eventually set free in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Maine.



A brick chimney collapsed in the Red Hook Houses, one of the only tangible evidence that an earthquake had hit Brooklyn on Tuesday. Photo by Paul Martinka

EARTHQUAKE!

BY KATE BRIQUELET AND VINCE DIMICELI

Yes, that *was* an earthquake, and we are not alone.

A 15-second-long tremor rocked Brooklyn at about 1:50 pm on Tuesday, sending literal shockwaves from Canarsie to Downtown, where sleepy skyscraper-confined workers were jolted into the streets.

Columbia University seismologists said the quake's epicenter was in central Virginia, and it had a magnitude of 5.9 on the Richter scale.

The quake rattled the nation's capital and the East Coast from North Carolina to New England. But it caused only minor damage to buildings — including a collapsed chimney atop a 14-story building in the Red Hook Houses. A Housing Authority spokeswoman said that there were no injuries.

Cellphone and land-line service was briefly overwhelmed as residents rushed to talk to friends and relatives and find out what happened.

This being 2011, most of the immediate reaction came in on Twitter.

"The Department of Education building just shook, and everyone is evacuating," tweeted MsLoveBomb.

Things even got a little hectic in Bensonhurst, where people ran out of stores on 86th Street seconds after the quake hit.

"I was sitting in my car on 86th and 15th Avenue when all of a sudden I felt some shaking," said Carmine Santa Maria, the unofficial mayor of the Hurst. "I thought someone was shaking my car! But then, I saw people running out of the stores screaming. That's when I figured something was up."

Historically Brooklyn has had little seismic activity.

In June, 2010, Brooklynites experienced tremors from a 5.0-magnitude earthquake originating from Canada.

— with Aaron Short and Gersh Kuntzman



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Gillibrand takes stand for Fort Ham

Senator seeks more federal agencies to turn quiet base into national security hub

BY DAN MACLEOD

Fort Hamilton should be transformed from a sleepy Army base best known for its private swimming pool into the city's national security hub, politicians and base officials said last week.

In a preemptive strike against an upcoming round of federal base closures, Army brass and Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand demanded that federal agencies such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Department of Homeland Security relocate to the 180-year-old Bay Ridge base.

"New York remains the number one target for terrorists around the world," said Gillibrand, a Democrat who is on the Senate Armed Services Committee. "Fort Hamilton must be in the absolute strongest possible position to withstand any cuts."

The fort is the only Army post in New York City, and one of two in the whole state — but it hasn't actually defended the city in decades.

The fort handles tests and physicals for new recruits before sending them off to their first post. It also



Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand favors transferring some federal agencies to Fort Hamilton rather than closing down the quiet Army base.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

houses a recruitment office and the Army Corps of Engineers — though the Corps spent much of the year trying to move away from the fort.

"It's more administrative," said base spokesman Bruce Hill of the fort's ten-

ants. Roughly 1,500 people live there, he said, but, "there aren't a lot of active duty soldiers here."

As such, locals were confused as to what actually goes on at Fort Hamilton and why it needs to be saved.

"They keep troops there? Actually, I have no idea," said Maria Petsini, 40, of Bay Ridge.

The fort's commander joined Gillibrand on Aug. 17 in calling for a new strategy for the base, saying it has potential to become an

important hub for national security agencies to meet in case there is an emergency.

The commander, Col. Michael Gould, maintained that Fort Hamilton plays a role in defending the city.

"We certainly provide the federal government the capability to bring resources if asked," he said.

But no one is asking.

The Army Corps, the fort's biggest tenant, tried to pull up stakes for Manhattan earlier this year before Rep. Michael Grimm (R-Bay Ridge) put the kibosh on the plan by adding language to an appropriations bill barring it from moving.

Without the Corps, it would have been even harder to justify the fort's existence, and with the Pentagon looking to shave \$400 billion off its budget over the next decade, base closings will likely make up part of the savings.

Fort Ham was on the chopping block when the federal base closing panel last met in 2005, but was ultimately spared — partially because of the presence of the Army Corps of Engineers.

Gillibrand said having anti-terrorist agencies on the base would help justify its role.

"To have Homeland Security here would actively keep New York safe," said Gillibrand.

Homeland Security — a massive network of 22 separate federal agencies — already has offices across the river. Gillibrand did not explain how a move to far-flung Bay Ridge could keep the city safer. The agency did not respond to requests for comment.

An FBI spokesman confirmed that his agency had discussed moving some national security operations to the fort, but plans were preliminary. If it did move, it would likely only be one department — not the whole headquarters.

"It works for us now, so I'd be a little surprised if we moved a bulk of our operations to Brooklyn," said spokesman Jim Margolin, adding that his office is already centrally located. "Part of the reason we're in lower Manhattan is our proximity to federal courthouses."

— with Alfred Ng

So what does happen at Fort Hamilton?

Local politicians want to keep Fort Hamilton from being closed — but what actually happens there? We sent legendary intern Alfred Ng to the neighborhood to ask locals if they know.



"What do they do? Protect the country. Probably do some training."

— Al Renzi, 85,
Bay Ridge

(Truth: A matter of opinion. There is no training at Fort Ham, but the existence of the base could be construed as protecting the country.)



"My father was a sergeant there, when the United States was in Panama. That was a long time ago, though. I don't know what they do now."

— Michelle Perez, 19,
Staten Island

(Truth: Yes, the base was more active decades ago.)



"The servicemen of Brooklyn live there! And they let them shop there, there's two restaurants, and a pool!"

— Claire Nelson, 82,
Bay Ridge

(Truth: Some servicemen do live there. And they do shop there. For the record, the pool is not public.)



"I have no idea. They keep the troops there?"

— Maria Petsini, 40,
Bay Ridge

(Truth: Sort of. Some troops do live at Fort Hamilton.)



"I don't know. I'd say it's important for building an army though."

— Alex Truvan, 37,
Bay Ridge

(Truth: New recruits are often processed through Fort Ham, though that job could be done elsewhere.)



"I think they protect Brooklyn."

— Joseph Martna, 53,
Staten Island

(Truth: Not true.)

Not all library branches equal

BY THOMAS TRACY

The Brooklyn Public Library has added hundreds of additional hours to its branches throughout the borough — but many Southern Brooklynites won't see significant changes.

When the new hours go into effect next month, several branches in the outer-borough will receive fewer extended hours and not have Saturday hours reinstated when compared to their counterparts.

When we closely compared the current schedules to the ones starting on Sept. 10, we found that branches in Brooklyn Heights, Kensington, Ditmas Park and Carroll Gardens will receive between eight and 16 additional hours.

Yet library hours in Mill Basin, Sheepshead Bay, Co-



Keri Cooney-GaNun and her son Timothy GaNun (above left) are super excited that the Gerritsen Beach branch will now be open on Saturdays.

ney Island, Gravesend and Flatlands will be extended by fewer than six hours — the only exception being the Canarsie branch, which received 17 additional hours.

The disparity continues

when comparing Saturday schedules: the Jamaica Bay and Gerritsen Beach branches will be open on Saturdays as of Sept. 10, while the Coney Island, Gravesend and Mill Basin branches will remain shuttered on that day.

Patrons at the Mill Basin branch were less than pleased by the imbalance.

"It's not good," said Jennifer Eppolito, who took her son, Justin, to the branch last Friday. "Everybody wants our kids reading but then they shut the libraries on Saturday's so we can't get access to the books."

The additional hours came after the Brooklyn Public Library hammered out a rule change that would allow union employees to do paperwork and stock shelves while



Jennifer Eppolito and her son, Justin, are upset after learning that while other branches are getting extra hours, the Mill Basin branch isn't.

Photos by Steve Solomonson

the library was actually open, rather than during overtime. At the time, the Brooklyn Public Library said that each branch should receive an average of eight hours a week and that 32 of the library's 60 branches would be open six days a week.

When asked about the

library lopsidedness, a spokesman said branches with more foot traffic got more hours.

"Circulation and attendance were the key factors," said Jason Carey. "We wanted to make sure that when the doors were open, people were going to come in. We put the hours

where we were seeing the demand."

Though there would be plenty of demand in Mill Basin, said Eppolito, if the library was open to meet it.

"If the library was open on Saturday, a lot more children would be coming here to get books," she said.



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This may have been the flight of Brooklyn's elusive gray-hooded gull?

Gull sightings reported!

BY AARON SHORT

Coney Island's elusive gray-hooded gull may have dropped down in Canarsie.

Two Bay News readers say they spotted the elusive gray-hooded gull near Jamaica Bay this week after birders lost its trail off the Coney Island Boardwalk two weeks ago.

Canarsie resident Linda Cross believes the bird landed in her 108th Street building's courtyard near Avenue J last Wednesday morning at 7:15 am, when she fed it breakfast.

"I throw the bread out in the middle of the complex and it was eating the bread with other little birds and pigeons," said Cross. "Then, I didn't see him in the rest of the day."

And on Sunday, Richmond Hill resident Jillian Mulvihill noticed an unusual shorebird on a small island near Canarsie while she was on a wildlife boat tour of Jamaica Bay.

"One of the tour guides said, 'Look over there, there's a very rare gray-hooded gull!'" said Mulvihill. "She said, 'It looks like a bird in a tuxedo smoking a carrot.'"

The mysterious gull, boasting gray markings on its throat, red feet, and a yellow eye, made headlines last month after a birder identified it near an outdoor shower near W. 15th Street and sent a photograph to several ornithological websites.

Birders from throughout the east coast flocked

to Coney Island to witness the immigrant gull playing with scores of Brooklyn seagulls for several days until the bird disappeared.

"It seems to have vanished," said ornithologist doctoral student Morgan Tingsley. "There have been no reports."

An Audubon Society official confirmed the wild bird's identity as a gray-hooded gull and guessed that it likely came from Chile, Argentina or South Africa, but could not be sure whether it traveled on a cargo ship or flew here on its own.

"It is pretty typical for rare birds to only linger for a short time," said New York City Audubon Society director Glenn Phillips.

There have been several alleged sightings of the elusive bird in recent weeks.

Three readers of the Courier and Brooklyn-Daily.com have sent blurry, bigfoot-esque photos of what they believed to be the missing gull, but due to the poor quality of the images, we can not confirm if the bird photoed is the real thing. In fact, the photos are so bad, we won't even print them or put them online.

But Cross thinks the gull she saw is the right one.

"I just hope I find it tomorrow," said Cross, even though she does fear that if her bird is the rare one, she might find some unwanted visitors in her yard. "Don't even tell me I'm going to wake up to photographers."

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Police say that a young man was stabbed twice following a brawl outside of a Gerritsen Avenue laundromat shortly after 1 am last Thursday. Several hours later, the victim's brother, who was also involved in the fight, turned up dead in Plumb Beach Channel.

Photo by Paul Martinka

FIGHT ENDS IN DEATH

Marine Park man killed, brother wounded

BY THOMAS TRACY

One person was killed and another gravely wounded following a Gerritsen Beach bar fight on Aug. 18 — but the death remained a mystery by late Tuesday.

An autopsy performed on 28-year-old E. 34th Street resident Timothy Murray could not determine how exactly the Marine Park resident died after he and his brother Ryan, 25, were attacked following a night of drinking on Gerritsen Avenue. Further tissue tests were required before

an exact cause of death could be determined, Ellen Borakove, a spokeswoman for the city's Medical Examiner, explained.

Police sources said that Murray was beaten, but there was no apparent cause of death.

He and his brother Ryan were involved in an argument inside a Gerritsen Beach Avenue bar near Everett Avenue shortly after 1 am. The violent clash spilled out into the street and a group of three males chased them down, attacking Ryan Murray outside

of the White Wave Laundromat on Gerritsen Beach Avenue — stabbing him in the back multiple times and leaving him with cuts to his forehead and lip. The assailants raced away on bicycles, witnesses said.

TheblogGerritsenbeach.net reported that Ryan Murray stumbled across the street and collapsed on the grass. Responding paramedics rushed him to Kings County Hospital, where he was in stable condition after treatment.

So far, no one knows what exactly happened to

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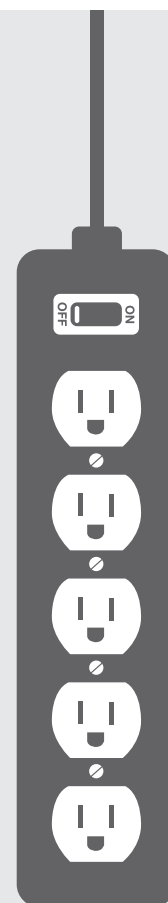


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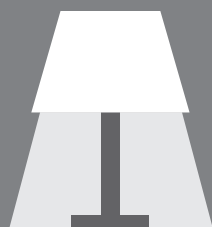
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Gunpoint robbery

A thief held up a man at gunpoint on Avenue T on Aug. 20 — but was arrested before he could enjoy the loot.

The victim was nearing E. 33rd Street at 4:45 pm when the 16-year-old suspect approached, jamming a firearm into his chest.

The thug ran off with his iPod and cell-phone, but cops nabbed him a few minutes later, charging him with robbery in the first degree.

Slap happy

A 16-year-old was arrested on Aug. 20 after he jumped another teen on Avenue J — slapping his victim until he gave up his cellphone.

The victim was nearing E. 36th Street at 4:40 pm when the suspect approached, smacked the teen, and forced him to hand over his phone.

Busted for robbery

A man who was connected to a harrowing June 27 heist on Flatlands Avenue that left one man injured has now been arrested.

That day the victim was driving his 2006 Infiniti toward E. 58th Street at 2:17 pm when the suspect and an accomplice jumped in front of his car, said police.

When the victim stopped his car, the two men reportedly pulled him out and



beat him until he gave up his cash and wallet.

Boxed in

Three people were arrested on Aug. 21 after they were caught trying to scam employees at the Macy's in the Kings Plaza Mall.

The thieves, including a mother and a daughter, reportedly entered the store at 6:30 pm and opened a box containing an iron. The trio removed the iron, putting it in an empty box that they had with them.

They then went to the cashier, claiming that they had bought the iron and wanted to return it for a full refund.

They didn't get the cash, however: store security, who watched them swipe the iron on a security feed, held the suspects until police could charge them with petit larceny and criminal possession of stolen property.

Pallet pains

An enterprising thief swiped a pallet full of merchandise from a Nostrand Avenue store on Aug. 9.

The thief snuck into a store driveway on Nostrand Avenue at 10:30 pm and took portable platform — which had more than \$6,900 worth of merchandise on it.

Earring swipe

A thief palmed a pricey pair of earrings from a jewelry store inside the Kings Plaza mall on Aug. 14.

He distracted workers at 2:51 pm — long enough to pocket the goods.

Car looted

A thief looted a 2011 Ford parked on Stuart Street on Aug. 21, taking \$600 in assorted tools.

The victim left the car parked near Fillmore Avenue at 10:30 am, forgetting

that the back door had been left unlocked. When he returned at 9:30 am the next day, his cabin had already been looted.

Shoplifter grab

A 45-year-old woman was arrested on Aug. 21 after she was caught trying to sneak more than \$900 worth of property out of an Avenue U Walgreens.

Workers at the store, near Bragg Street, had seen the woman place the items in her shopping bag during her 1:30 pm visit. But when she tried to walk out of the store without paying, employees called the cops, who charged her with petit larceny.

Bike swipe

A thief grabbed a bike left unsecured on Kings Highway on Aug. 21.

The owner of the bike left it outside of a store near Ocean Avenue at 4 am. When he came back a few minutes later, it was gone.

Block party bilk

A thief took a woman's wallet out of her bag during a July 31 block party on Stuart Street.

The 57-year-old victim said that she was enjoying the party between Avenue R and Fillmore Avenue at 6:30 pm, and felt comfortable enough to leave her bag on the stoop when she went inside.

— Thomas Tracy

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Pill pusher loses fight to drop charges

The California man accused of supplying Adderall and Vicodin to borough pill pushers tried to weasel out of a criminal charge — and the 25-year prison sentence that goes with it — by claiming that he couldn't be tried in a Brooklyn court when he's never stepped foot here.

Attorneys for Mischa Pinchuk asked that the drug dealing charges against the 22-year-old be dropped on jurisdictional grounds on July 29. Since he's never visited Brooklyn, he shouldn't be tried in a Brooklyn court, they claim.

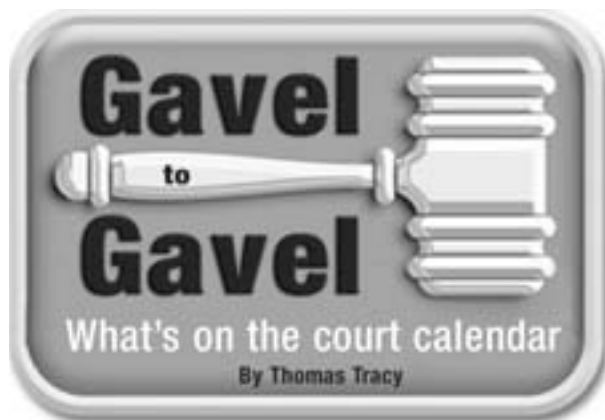
Brooklyn District Attorney Charles Hynes claims Pinchuk was part of a nation-wide conspiracy to sell more than \$1 million worth of pills to Brooklyn students and young professionals.

Prosecutors said that between March, 2009, and June, 2010, Pinchuk supplied amphetamines and other drugs to Brooklyn resident Pinchas Goldshtein, as well as several others. Pinchuk would allegedly Fed Ex pills to Brooklyn on a monthly basis, using his cellphone to text package tracking numbers to Goldshtein and his other alleged clients.

In return, Goldshtein deposited money into a bank account that Pinchuk had access to, prosecutors said.

Goldshtein, Pinchuk and four others were arrested in July, 2010. At the time, Hynes compared Pinchuk's pill distribution business to the heroin trade.

"This criminal enterprise does not produce dirty needles or crack pipes or addicts lying wasted in alleys and doorways, but it is nonetheless a very serious threat," Hynes explained. "Much like professional athletes who once believed steroids could improve their performance and were not harmful to them, these young people are



abusing pharmaceuticals not simply to get high, but often to improve their performance at work and at school, and while it may be viewed by them as clean and safe — make no mistake, they are as addicted and often as at risk, as anyone pumping heroin into a vein."

But Pinchuk claims that he should have never been arrested — at least not by prosecutors from Brooklyn.

"Because he was never in New York, this state has no jurisdictional predicate for charging him with selling and possessing drugs or with money laundering in New York," his attorneys wrote in court papers.

Yet Judge Mark Dwyer disagreed. After reviewing the court papers, Dwyer threw out Pinchuk's motion to have the charges dismissed.

Feds: Agent bilked \$50 million

A real estate agent is looking at 30 years in a very small condo — the prison cell awaiting him for allegedly bilking \$50 million from more than 10 banks he swindled over the last 14 years, Brooklyn federal prosecutors said this week.

A federal grand jury indicted Edul Ahmad on Aug. 19 with participating in a mortgage fraud scheme that targeted banks and lending institutions.

Prosecutors claim that between 1995 and 2009 Ahmad, a licensed real estate broker and loan officer with ties to Rep. Gregory Meeks (D-Queens), and his co-conspirators padded loan applications and other paperwork to make it appear that his clients were more creditworthy than they actually were. He did this so he could profit from the real estate commissions and loan fees he received from mortgage deals he hammered out with the banks, prosecutors claim.

But the mortgage crisis brought an end to his plans: Many of the homeowners he represented were forced to foreclose on their loans because the borrowers could not afford to make their mortgage payments, U.S. District Attorney Loretta Lynch claimed.

"Mortgage loans allow millions of Americans to turn the dream of home ownership into reality," Lynch said in a statement.

"The system must be based on the accuracy of its information and the integrity of its members. [Ahmad] allegedly brought neither to the table, abusing the trust of the financial institutions who relied upon him."

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MUSSEL MADNESS: Canarsie residents will soon be seeing these contraptions in Fresh Creek as the city introduces mussels to help improve the waterway. Source: Department of Environmental Protection

It's mussel beach

City hopes aquatic clam traps will save Bay

BY THOMAS TRACY

A new mussel beach is coming to Canarsie — and it promises to give Jamaica Bay quite a workout.

The city is attempting to increase the population of ribbed mussels in the bay by the thousands in hopes of cleaning the notoriously

dirty backwater using the little critters' ability to filter H2O.

The city hopes that strategically placed underwater nets in Fresh Creek behind E. 108th Street between Flatlands and Seaview avenues will improve water quality by capturing the creatures — which spawn on the bay's shore and float through its channels — allowing them to reproduce in larger numbers.

The ribbed mussels will then work their miracle, city officials said, removing bacteria and other substances that pollute the ecosystem from water when it passes through them as they breathe.

Since they either float along with the tide — ultimately ending up on the banks of the creek — they presently do little to help clean the bay.

That's why the city wants to "trap" them in the middle of the creek: Department of Environmental Protection staffers have set up five sets of the nets that look like underwater fences. As mussels float by, some will latch onto the netting and multiply.

"Within a year we hope to have anywhere between 30,000 and 50,000 mussels attached to each net," Department of Environmental Protection spokesman Angel Roman explained.

Once the mussels are

in the center of the creek, they'll begin scrubbing the water that passes through them. Over time, the clean water will spread out to the entire bay, said Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Cas Holloway.

"We are well on our way to restoring Jamaica Bay to its rightful place as a recreational destination for New Yorkers and tourists," Holloway said. "Building a ribbed mussel habitat to filter water in Jamaica Bay will give us critical information on the long-term viability of using natural techniques to restore and strengthen the bay's ecosystem."

Holloway said that the \$350,000 mussel project is part of the city's plan to reduce nitrogen discharges in Jamaica Bay by 50 percent in the next 10 years.

Jamaica Bay has been getting a lot of attention as of late. Earlier this year, the city flicked the switch on a brand new \$404-million sewage treatment facility that will protect Jamaica Bay and Paerdegat Basin from noxious sewage overflows.

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WEEKEND WATCH

BY DAN MACLEOD

Read on for all the transit news that affects your weekend plans. (Saturday, August 27 at 12:01 am to Monday, Aug. 29 at 5 am unless otherwise noted):

A, C: Brooklyn-bound trains run on the F from W. Fourth Street in Manhattan to Jay Street-Metrotech.

D: Manhattan-bound trains run on the N from Stillwell Avenue to

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Q: Manhattan-bound trains skip Avenues H and M. Coney Island-bound trains skip Avenue U and Neck Road.

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BY MOSES JEFFERSON

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and, of course, your insights.

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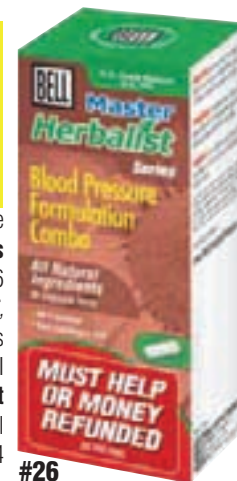
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Perfetto tells his tale

In his letter to editor, the former District Leader talks

Former Bay Ridge District Leader Ralph Perfetto was convicted of impersonating a lawyer on May 26 and sentenced to 70 hours of community service. He was assigned to swab out prisoner holding pens in the Supreme Court building on Jay Street. Here, in his own words, are his experiences:

To the editor,

New York's Boldest: That's the nickname of Department of Correction personnel. While it implies their strength, it also gives a connotation of insensitivity. I found out that this is not so, when I reported to perform my court-mandated community service.

I was convicted of practicing law without a license, and was given a sentence of completing 10 days of community service. For a man who spent a lifetime of volunteered community ser-

vice, 51 of those years documented by different forms of the media, I was looking forward to this challenge.

I was to report to the Supreme Court Building at 320 Jay St. under the jurisdiction of the Department of Correction. Our team of community service detainees — which numbered not more than 11 or less than six on different nights (except on the last night) — was to clean some four dozen holding pens of inmates who had to appear in court on their respective hearing dates. We were to wait until the prisoners were transported back to Rikers Island before cleaning the cells under Department of Correction supervision. I had until Sept. 19 to complete my 10 days, but I did it on the initial 10 days assigned to me.

Each day I would show up promptly and ready to work. My fellow detainees

ranged in age from 21 to 33 years in age.

On my first night there, a strong young African-American named "Jay" quietly said to me, "Don't worry Pop, we'll cover for you." I winked at him facetiously and said, "Thanks Jay, but I've been practicing all of my life for this. You just watch Pop work." And that is the way it was throughout my 10 days there.

Among my fellow detainees I saw some who will only exist from incident to incident as long as they remain under the yoke of drug addiction. Conversely, I saw young people who began life with two strikes against them, but if they only had been more favored in life, could go on to a good and productive life.

However, my best experiences were with Department of Correction person-

nel, who up to this time were faceless, nameless people in uniform. I found that they were only bold when prisoners challenged their authority. I found them to be humane in their approach to doing their job. In my 10 days there, I interfaced with a score of the men and women of the Department of Correction, and was treated fairly by every one of them.

There were two officers in particular: the officer in charge, A. Ward, who would quickly get to know each detainee and explained to each of us how to do our assigned task. And then there was Officer Clarence Lewis, who is truly one of the finest uniformed officers in the city.

On the nights Lewis supervised us, he would check us out by size and age to give us our assignments. His first night with



Former District Leader Ralph Perfetto File photo by Tom Callan

us he wanted to give me a lighter assignment and was surprised when I picked up a large push broom.

My two young Hispanic buddies, Georgie and Mike, said to him, "You haven't seen Pop work." I said to him, "How old do you think I am?" and he answered, "You have to be 62 or 63." I said, "How about 77?" He said, "I don't believe you." I had to show him my driver's license with my age on it.

On my last night there, my earlier teammates had finished their community service, and I was left with two new fellows. There were

only three of us to clean all the cells. I suggested to Mr. Lewis if I could use the garbage pails with the bags in them, instead of bagging the garbage in loose bags, it would save someone from having to hold them.

As we were finishing up I began to roll the dumpster stacked with tied garbage bags to the compactor room.

Mr. Lewis said, "I'll get these young guys to dump the bags." I said, "How about getting James to put all the equipment away, and Kevin to mop his way out, while I dump the bags?" He said, "OK, I'll get some work gloves to help you dump the bags." When he came back I was flipping the last bag over the seven foot high compactor wall. He shook his head and said, "77?"

As he was signing us out he extended his hand and said, "You gained the respect of everyone here." I thanked him while extending my hand to him in respect and said, "This assignment gave me an opportunity to see first-hand the work of the Correction officers, and you can add 'Humane' to the 'Boldest.'"

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More trash pains for Fourth Avenue

City plans on adding more garbage bins to strip despite civic group's complaints

BY DAN MACLEOD

Members of a local civic group say trash is piling up on the corner of Fourth Avenue and 69th Street since the city re-installed two garbage cans there, but the Department of Sanitation says the new bins have helped keep the area so clean that it plans on adding even more cans to the area.

Public garbage cans were removed by the city at the request of Community Board 10 earlier in the year as part of a study to determine if getting rid of the cans would make the area cleaner. Members of the board claimed that the bins attracted household trash and quickly became overfilled. But nearly as soon as the cans were gone, new baskets with smaller holes on top to deter mass dumping appeared — at the request of state Sen. Marty Golden (R-Bay Ridge).

Now, the city says the streets are cleaner, the small-mouthed cans are here to stay, and that there are more to come.

"We will be adding two more baskets across the street," said Sanitation Department spokesman Matthew LiPani. "Overall, the streets are cleaner, and there is less household waste being placed on the corners."

But Greg Ahl, chairman of CB10's environmental committee, disagrees, saying trash is again piling up on the corners.

"It's just the way we thought it would be," he said. "I guess they're just ignoring us."

Household and commercial trash piles up on the corners near the baskets "several times a week," he said. "The city does not pick up enough. And the cans do attract dumping."



Trash cans are once again overflowing on the corner of Fourth Avenue and 69th Street after the city flip-flopped on a plan to remove the bins in hopes of reducing litter. Photo courtesy of Greg Ahl

CB10 District Manager Josephine Beckmann backed him up, saying that trash has long been a problem on Bay Ridge Avenue, and the removal of cans had

helped improve the situation.

"I forwarded this to Sanitation and said we need to look at this in the fall," said Beckmann. "In many ways,

69th Street looked better without [the trash cans]."

The idea of removing trash cans from streets started three years ago in Bensonhurst, where Com-

munity Board 11 successfully lobbied the city to remove cans along 86th Street. But the movement really picked up when the city cut collections from public trash cans from up to three times a day to once or twice a week.

In May, Bay Ridge requested that the Department of Sanitation remove 14 trash cans from Fourth Avenue between Ovington Avenue and 68th Street as part of a test to see if the removal of the cans — which had become magnets for household trash — reduced waste.

At first, litter increased. But in June, CB10's environmental committee said it had finally started to see a difference.

The city soon replaced cans by the 69th Street R station after Golden sent a letter to the city requesting it put the cans back.

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IS THIS WORTH SAVING?

The feds may close Fort Hamilton to save money — but locals oppose the move. Why? Here are two opinion pieces on the future of the city's lone Army base.

Why Fort Hamilton's worth saving

Fort Hamilton has been an important part of the Brooklyn community for almost two centuries. That is why when I heard that the Army Corps of Engineers North Atlantic Division was thinking of moving its personnel from Brooklyn to a costly space in Manhattan — making the base more susceptible to closure — I put up a fight. Fortunately, it appears we have won this battle and are now ready to move on to the next challenge to strengthen both the base and the services Fort Hamilton provides for the city.

First, Fort Hamilton plays an important role in the security of the city. As the city's only active military base, its location is key to preventing and providing immediate support in the event of a terrorist attack. The simple truth is that New York City remains the number one terrorist target in America, so keeping Fort Hamilton strong is crucial to the safety and security of all New Yorkers.

Second, Fort Hamilton is essential to America's military processing and recruitment efforts. As the nation's second largest Military Entrance Processing Station, it handles approximately 16,000 new recruits per year. Without Fort Hamilton, those seeking to join our nation's Armed Forces would have to travel to West Point or New Jersey's



BY MICHAEL GRIMM

Fort Dix. For many who rely solely on public transportation this can be costly or simply not feasible.

Finally, Fort Hamilton has been a vital part of the Brooklyn community for generations. This unbreakable bond between the fort and the surrounding communities will be recognized next month when community and fort leaders gather to sign the Army Community Covenant.

Last week, I announced my support for the establishment of an interagency facility at Fort Hamilton. The concept would establish a new facility at the base that would host employees from a variety of agencies currently located in Manhattan.

The interagency plan could add several thousand new jobs, will improve security for everyone throughout the city, and will save taxpayer funds in the long run by reducing the amount the federal government pays for renting Manhattan office space.

Looking ahead, I envision Fort Hamilton's importance to our borough and city will continue to grow. There is still a lot of work ahead of us in this process, but rest assured I will keep fighting for Fort Hamilton and do everything in my power to make this plan a reality.

Rep. Michael Grimm, a Republican, represents Bay Ridge.

This is a viable military installation

I had the great — and solemn — honor of chairing the citizens group which erected the first 9-11 memorial in the city — the "Beacon Memorial" on Veterans Memorial Pier at 69th Street, which faces lower Manhattan. It reads: "Brooklyn Remembers ... For Those Lost on September 11, 2001." I pray, and would prefer, not to have to do that again.

For that reason, the Fort Hamilton Citizens Action Committee is committed to keeping Fort Hamilton — the only active military base in our city — as a viable military installation. Yes, that's right, the only one in a city primarily targeted by terrorists.

Recognized as an official military installation in 1839, the Fort's site dates from July 4, 1776, as an optimal military location — an American gun battery symbolically fired on a British warship steaming through the Narrows. From then to the War of 1812, to the Civil War, to two World Wars and to today's unconventional warfare, Fort Hamilton consistently has demonstrated its military worth in advancing the interests of America and its citizens by adapting its strategy, not by forfeiting its core mission — military preparedness. The Fort's capacity to reinvent itself to meet current and potential threats is no less viable today than it was over 170 years ago.

The Citizens Committee recognizes the



BY WILLIAM GUARNELLO

fiscal issues currently facing our country and the consequences of ignoring them. So too, the committee sees the incredible results of the positive efforts of our noble military personnel, both overseas and at home, that ease, not add to, our financial woes. No wonder the cover story of this week's Time proclaimed them "The Next Greatest Generation," concluding with, "[T]hey're very disciplined, and really ... serious about

their work." Our brave men and women have transformed their military training and leadership skills into constructive programs for disaster victims, for returning vets and for youngsters in need of guidance and direction. At Fort Hamilton, the evolving military mission and that constant capacity to adapt, evidenced by matching military expertise with community needs, already exists.

Fort Hamilton must remain a military installation. If you doubt that, ask Homeland Security, ask the FBI, ask the National Guard and Army Reserve, ask NYPD and FDNY, ask the Coast Guard, ask 40,000 veterans and ask average citizens. They all use — and need — Fort Hamilton. The Fort Hamilton Citizens Action Committee is committed to that goal.

William R. Guarinello is president of the Fort Hamilton Citizens Action Committee.

Something stinks

To the editor,
 Can anyone tell me why every year when my husband and I go to the West Indian Day Parade on Eastern Parkway the aroma in the air makes us so hungry, we just can't stop eating? It also gives us dry mouth, bloodshot eyes, and a feeling of calm — we get giggly. I don't really recognize the smell, it's a little tangy but almost stinky like a skunk's spray. But it sure gives us the munchies.

Millie and Stu Gotts
 Kensington

Eyes on Marty

To the editor,
 Borough President Markowitz is doing a great job in Brooklyn and should not take advantage of travel perks for his wife. His

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

perks should only be for himself and only when he is conducting his duties for Brooklyn ("Marty: Change the law!" Aug. 4).

Because of the many officials that take advantage of free travel for their spouses and family, there is an unfair burden put on all taxpayers.

A job is a job and his is in Brooklyn.
 Name withheld upon request

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To the editor;
 So Marty Markowitz does not believe that his \$20,000 fine for ethics violations was fair ("Beep fined for Jamie's freebies," July 29). He didn't even receive a fine. He is only being made to repay expenses for his wife that the Ethics Board ruled he should have paid in the first place. He even promised the board that he would pay his wife's expenses prior to his 2007 trip to Turkey. Not only did he lie about paying some of her expenses, he isn't even receiving any punishment for his actions.

Yet he is still angry.
 During the past 10 years, he admitted to having visited the Netherlands, Turkey (twice), Japan, China and some small countries — all at the taxpayer's expense. Since when is the purpose of his office to serve as a goodwill ambassador around the world? What other borough president does this? In 2009 he accepted more free travel than any other city official. We pay his salary to

serve Brooklynites, not so he can vacation yearly around the world with a little work thrown in and yell "Brooklyn is great!"

His Transportation Advisory Committee has been inactive for about seven years presumably because he didn't believe it was important enough to retain. It served as a liaison between his office and the MTA. I was a member of it and we were able to ask questions and get some answers from the MTA. It served a useful purpose.

It is doubtful if the cost of spreading Markowitz's goodwill around the world even generated enough tourism to Brooklyn to cover his expenses. We don't need a Borough President whose prime interest is to enrich himself at taxpayer expense by taking yearly international trips and wanting to build a memorial to himself that no one else wants, and for photo-ops and free concerts. Maybe we don't even need the office of borough president at all.

Allan Rosen
 Manhattan Beach

Weprin in Washington?

To the editor,
 With the current economic crisis facing America, I'm not surprised the recent Siena College Poll puts David Weprin (D-Corona) up 48-42, or six points, in the Ninth Congressional District to replace Anthony Weiner. This is terrible news for Weprin when you consider he has been an

enrollment advantage of more than 100,000 Democrats versus Republicans, several \$100,000 more in campaign dollars and has been actively campaigning for more than 10 years running for various public offices including councilman, council speaker, city comptroller, assemblyman and now Congress. This doesn't include independent expenditures by liberal political action committees and labor unions along with more than two dozen local Democratic Council, state Assembly, state Senate and other Congress members propping him up every week in their portions of the Ninth CD via press conferences and local political clubhouse visits. Perhaps voters have no confidence that he will stay in Congress long enough to develop the experience and seniority necessary to represent constituents.

Intelligent readers of the Brooklyn Courier will be looking for guidance from your paper and its potential editorial endorsement.

It is one thing for Weprin to serve as one of 51 councilmembers playing a role in the management of a \$60-billion budget. It is another to do the same as one of 150 members of the state legislature managing a \$130-billion budget. It is quite another matter to consider sending David Weprin to Washington as one of 435 members of Congress playing a role in the management of a \$3.7-trillion budget. This is the

Stan says the cost of living is getting costly



IT'S ONLY MY OPINION

Stanley P. Gershbein

Friday night, Juan Williams, substituting for Bill O'Reilly, said that there is no inflation. Somebody please find out where Juan lives, because I want to shop there.

One year ago, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the annual rate of inflation was 1.14 percent. The current rate is triple that — 3.56 percent. Even that number has me wrinkling my forehead. I don't know who these people who compute the numbers are and how they arrive at their results.

The United States Department of Agriculture recently announced that the cost of important staple food items such as milk and eggs have increased by at least 10 percent in one year. Coffee and gas seems to have doubled. I cordially invite the Washington heavy-hitters to join me in a walk through the aisles of Waldbaum's and Key Food, where strolling through the

meat department is like browsing at Tiffany's. Pretty soon, we will be forced to raise the debt ceiling on our Mastercards.

I have a hard time believing the Bureau of Labor Statistics. If the three percent number was accurate, most of us would barely be aware of the change. A 77-cent head of lettuce would be 79 cents. A \$1.29 pound of apples would be \$1.32. Hardly noticeable. A Rasmussen poll taken early this month tells us about a new high. At this moment, 93 percent of Americans are shouting that they are paying more for groceries than they did a year ago.

How much more? A lot more than three percent. Enough to be noticed.

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Everybody knows that the United Nations is a wonderful tourist attraction for visitors to New York City. What most of us don't know is that Uncle Sam pays 22

percent of the regular U.N. budget and 27 percent of its peace-keeping costs. Add to that the expenses of the quasi-independent U.N. organizations and we find that American taxpayers shelled out more than \$6 billion — that's billion with a capital "b" — last year. Is the cost worth it? Mr. Raisman, in these trying economic times, do you think we are getting our money's worth?

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In the first five months of this year, there were a total of 262,282 illegal immigrants deported from the United States. Maybe if we had more border controls, they wouldn't have been able to cross over in the first place. We are told that there are more troops guarding the Korean borders than there are on the American borders. Now we know where to put our troops when they come home from Afghanistan.

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In 2001, F. Lee Bailey was found

guilty on seven counts of misconduct by the Florida Supreme Court and was disbarred. In 2003 the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, using the state's reciprocal agreement, also disbarred the noted attorney. That same year Robert Kardashian was diagnosed with esophageal cancer. The 59-year-old attorney passed away eight weeks later. Brent Shapiro, son of Robert Shapiro, died in 2005 of a drug overdose.

Also in 2005, Johnnie Cochran died of brain tumor. The common thread among Messers Cochran, Kardashian, Bailey and Shapiro is the famous O.J. Simpson murder trial.

The four attorneys have become victims of what has come to be known as the O.J. curse.

Do you believe in karma? I am StanGershbein@Bellsouth.net wondering if Casey Anthony's defense team does.

A 9-11 family copes with its loss

equivalent of promotion from the Brooklyn Cyclones to the New York Mets.

Many voters clearly do not believe that Weprin is equipped to graduate from the minor leagues of city and state government and go on to the big leagues in Washington. Even if serving as a caretaker member of Congress for 15 more months before his district is gerrymandered out of existence, the damage he could do to our civil and economic liberties through legislation he might sponsor or vote on concerns many.

The Brooklyn Courier editorial endorsement carries a great deal of weight with intelligent voters. Brooklyn voters could make the difference in this close election.

Larry Penner
Great Neck

Ralph's the best

To the editor,

I am writing to you about former District Leader Ralph Peretto, who was unfairly convicted when found guilty of impersonating a lawyer in 2008.

I am a senior citizen who had the good fortune to meet many fine, decent, public-spirited people. I must say in good faith and truthfulness that I have never met the equal of Ralph Peretto. He lived his life according to the teachings of the Good Book, to help his fellow man in every way he could. He was always there with a helping hand and an open checkbook, even though in many cases he could ill afford to do so and to the detriment of his personal life.

His life stands as a beacon for all to aspire to and I for one consider it an honor and a privilege to call him a friend.

Lawrence Genger
Georgetowne

Ed Henry's last conversation with his 25-year-old son, Joey, was a typical exchange between a doting parent and his adult child.

"He said, 'Dad, could you lend me \$20?'" recalls Ed, a retired FDNY battalion chief from Bensonhurst, who needled good-naturedly, "Whenever I lend you money, Joey, I never see it again!"

"Don't worry, Dad, you'll get it back," quipped the jolly probie, known for his elbow-tickling humor, before pocketing the cash with a grin and dashing out of the door to make his 24-hour shift at Ladder Company 21 in Manhattan.

As Ed saw his son disappear into the street, he yelled out a phrase that was a standing joke in their close-knit family, which boasted three generations of firefighters: "See you at the big one!"

"We don't go to any big ones!" hollered back Joey who, like most new smokeeaters, relished the prospect of someday swashbuckling with "the big one."

Their brief chat on that breezy afternoon on Sept. 10, 2001 is seared in Ed's mind like a deep scar engraved with the chilling memories of the next day when most of the Henry clan — including Joey's brothers Michael and Eddie, both of them firemen, and Danny, a Port Authority cop — rushed to tame "the big one" as terrorists exploded plane after hijacked plane into the World Trade Center.

The calamity ripped through their lives like a tornado.

Ed — trapped for hours beneath colossal chunks of rubble from the crumbling



A BRITISHER'S VIEW

Shavana Abruzzo

towers — and his son, Michael, were forced to retire because of their 9-11 injuries. Eddie, Jr. followed suit a few years later after breaking his neck battling a vicious blaze in Brooklyn.

Their kid brother, Joey, who had finally realized his wish to tackle "the big one" after less than a year on the force, was less fortunate: he perished on 9-11 alongside his entire unit of seven men, all of whose remains were never found.

The last 10 years have been arduous and anguish-filled for the heartbroken family, which has coped with its devastating loss by keeping Joey's memory alive — at home and in the community.

His 11 nephews and nieces — most of them born after the disaster — have been schooled in the antics and heroics of strapping, friendly, engaging, hilarious, lovable "Uncle Joey," a certified Emergency Medical Technician who was to have returned to college on the week of the attacks.

Nor has he been forgotten.

Memorials to Joey abound in front of his building and at his alma mater, Lafayette High School, where the dyed-in-the-wool Yankees' fan was on the baseball team. He is also honored on the Brooklyn Wall of Remembrance in Coney Island, and there is a street sign im-

mortalizing him at the corner of his block — Bay 44th Street and Shore Parkway — which remains a source of comfort for his mom, Alice, who walks by "Firefighter Joseph Patrick Henry Lane" most days, and routinely refreshes it with wreaths, bows and flowers.

She also makes sure that Joey stays close to her by wearing a locket with a photograph of him in his work uniform, while her husband wears a St. Florian medal — he's the patron saint of firefighters — in honor of his son.

The couple's two daughters have coped with the catastrophe by pursuing pro-active careers: Kathleen, who was a teen on 9-11, is a guidance counselor at PS 249 near Prospect Park, and Mary teaches autistic children at the Bay Academy.

Yet, nothing has eased the pain of losing Joey, says Alice, who received an urn of dirt from Ground Zero — a place she calls "a cemetery" — as a pitiful keepsake of the family's shattering bereavement.

"You don't have to remind me where he is," she declares.

The retired school secretary, who last saw her son on the Sunday before 9-11 for what would tragically be his last family dinner, is practical about her grief.

"You have to live with it, it's not easy ... living with it," she says, her voice petering off. "I know that right now Joey is in a better place, but it took me a long time to realize that."

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When you have nothing to write about, write about it



NOT FOR NUTHIN'

Joanna DelBuono

For the past five years, I have written a weekly column about anything and everything — and I must admit there were times when I couldn't figure out what to write about in advance of the dreaded deadline. As it came closer and closer, I fretted more and more about what I was going to discuss when I finally put pen to paper.

Thankfully, and just in the nick of time, as the pages were being laid out, I managed to pull a topic out of my hat and manufacture a column that I was comfortable with. No, I wouldn't win a Pulitzer, but it would be in my comfort zone.

Unfortunately, as this week's deadline approached, I found that this was one of those weeks.

Hard to believe, ain't it? Af-

ter all, I'd been on vacation for one whole week, away from the four walls, the mundane office routine, the hustle and bustle of a lengthy daily commute, and my mind should have been filled with all sorts of great ideas, which should spill out like a bougainvillea over a trellis. But nary a rant or a rave was spilling anywhere. The ninth hour had come and gone and all I could do was stare at a blank screen, without one blessed, single, solitary thought.

So what do you write about when there's nothing left to write?

Writer's block.

It happens to every writer who has ever written.

But what's the cause? What must it have been like for the

first writer to experience it? And exactly when was it discovered?

After a bit of research I uncovered the truth.

The condition called writer's block first appeared when the first writer faced a deadline and couldn't find a single solitary thought to write.

As that first chronicler of the human existence sat by his rock with flint and chisel in hand, and an anxious editor laying in wait, he stared at the blank face of his stone tablet and couldn't figure out what the heck to put down. He thought and he thought, and still nothing presented itself.

What to do? Being an imaginative fellow, that first chronicler of the human experience came up with the concept of Writer's Block.

It was reasonable. His stone tablet was blank and his chisel was blocked. "Eureka," he thought. "I shall call it writer's block."

Don't knock it, because his editor bought it (they all do). Even the angriest of angry old editors eventually feel sorry for writers and put down the club they hold over the head. "Don't worry," they say. "We can hold your column for this week."

As the relief set in, the writer took a deep healing breath and all at once, ideas, words and thoughts began spilling out like bougainvillea over a trellis and his writer's block was cured.

Okay, it's a bit far fetched, but Not for Nuthin™, that's my story and I'm sticking with it.

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The Screecher faces Sophie's Choice!

I'm madder than a kid in a candy shop without a dime in his pocket over the fact that my column is running on not one, but two competing websites at the same time — and nobody told me about it!

Look, you guys all know that I'm an ink and mortar man, so you can imagine how surprised I was when I learned through e-mails from friends that my weekly screech was appearing in two places at once — and I wasn't seeing any extra coin!

That's right, the greatest column in the world was being absconded with by this new "BrooklynDaily.com" — on Saturday nonetheless — stealing the thunder of my beloved "Sunday Screech" on BrooklynPaper.com, which features one of the best logos you'll ever see with me in a cape, riding atop my trusty scooter, *Tornado*.

But when I brought up this disceptioncey with my



BIG SCREECHER

Carmine Santa Maria

editors, Vince DiMiceli (at BrooklynDaily) and Gersh Kuntzman (at BrooklynPaper.com), they just brushed it off.

"Carmine," they said (In

unison! We had one of those fancy conference calls going on!) "Your column has got to be in both places, because all our readers love it." (They must have been working off a script!)

Well, that wasn't a good enough answer for me, because I think that if they are going to run it twice, I should be paid twice! It's only fair!

But they explained that, between the two of them, they can't rub two nickels together!

So they told me if I didn't want the column in both places (or if I wanted some extra doe-ray-me for its encore appearance), then I should decide where it goes myself.

So I did what any god-fearing columnist would do when faced with such a difficult choice: I flipped a coin!

And you're not going to believe this, but it landed on its side!

Look, Gertz Kuntszman

is an old friend of mine who, many years ago, was a guest speaker at my Bensonhurst West End Community Council.

But on the other side of the coin is DiMiceli. He is a very dynamic young guy who has worked side-by-side with Gertz until the Community Newspaper Group took over the two entities and made them part of the New York Post chain.

Now, I don't have to tell you that both of them are terrific editors, even if they don't know how to spell their own names, and I wouldn't have any problems working with either of them.

Vince is my main editor now, and I enjoy working with him, even if he is a bit of a taskmaster, occasionally giving me tough topics to screech about ... such as this one.

And Gertz is also great, even though his name reminds me of some kind of X-rated muppet. Heck, I'm sure he has something to do with that awesome logo! Man, I would hate to lose that. It makes me look thin! I want to make up t-shirts with it on it. And a baseball hat. And a cape!

Look, you know as well as anyone that I'm not one to rock the boat, and I certainly don't want to make my esteemed columnist colleagues jealous of the fact that I am in two places

at once. Cripes, I've seen Stanley Gershbein angry, and it's not a pleasant site. And Joanna DelBuono? Not for Nuthin'™, but she might write a disparaging column about me. I also would never want to upset Shavanna Abruzzo, or the Dean of Brooklyn Columnists, Lou Powsner (well, it might be OK if I upset one of them, but put them together, and you've got a powder keg!).

So I've decided that the only reasonable thing I could do is let you, dear reader, decide where you read my column — and on what day — every week online! That's right, we're going to do one of those fancy polls like they have on the 6 pm news, where they ask people their opinion on some important matter of the day, then report on how they voted on it.

So take the poll on both websites, and let me know where you think I should go! And everyone is allowed to vote — from old friends, to new readers, to avid fans to, believe it or not, all those new critics out there that can't stomach the Screecher! (Ouch! You guys hurt! Carmine's skin is only so thick!)

So take a minute and vote away, and remember, "To be or not to be" was Shakespeare's contribution to literature. Screeching is mine.

Hey Gertz, don't stuff

the ballot box!

Now's the point in my column where I'm forced to bring you some sad news: Bensonhurst has lost two great community activists these past couple of weeks. First I learned of Sammy Grasso, who helped get the Narrows Verrazano Youth Fields built along Shore Parkway. Sammy was a POW during the big one (World War II) and a strong supporter of our American ideals. When he retired from his insurance business, he volunteered at the VA Hospital for many years. My deepest condolences to his wife, Mary, and his daughter, Debbie, and the rest of the Grasso family. Bensonhurst lost a great, great man.

Our second great loss is Adele Michaels: the shock of losing her stunned all those who knew her. Adele started the Concerned Citizens of Bensonhurst with her husband, Charlie. She became very involved with environmental issues and was an avid St. Finbar's Parishioner and active community activist. She also chaired the environmental committee for the Bensonhurst West End Community Council.

Bensonhurst lost two of its greatest citizens. Sammy and Adele will be sorely missed. Rest in peace!

Screech at you next week.

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Who's the strongest of all?

Performers to show Coney Island their feats of strength

BY DANIEL BUSH

Coney Island's old-school spirit will be more powerful than ever when a group of seven "strongmen" put their superhuman strength on display at Sideshows by the Seashore on Aug. 29, when they'll bend steel, hammer nails with their bare hands and tear phone books in half (OK, that last one is admittedly not as tough as it used to be).

By all accounts it's the first show of its kind at the People's Playground since the days before World War II, when legendary strongman "Mighty Atom" entertained crowds on the boardwalk with daredevil feats of personal strength.

The double-header performance will feature muscle mongers who can con tort metal, rip card decks in two and dead lift massive piles of brick. The acts sound tough to pull off, but organizers said it's all in the mind.

"We're going to show

things that the human body can do if the mind will allow it," said renown steel bender Chris Rider, who can twist steel tools into "S" shapes and pull small aircraft with his ponytail.

Dick Zigun, the unofficial mayor of Coney Island and the man behind Sideshows by the Seashore, said he cleared the venue's schedule to make way for the one-and-a-half-hour shows, set for 3 and 8 pm.

They'll "pay homage to the old Coney Island tradition," Zigun said.

The Olde Time Coney Island Strongman Spectacular is the brainchild of Rider — who cobbled together a crew of powerful performers with colorful nicknames like "Stanless Steel" and "The Brick Man" — and Adam Rinn, a producer and the owner of a Coney sideshow school that trains aspiring freaks and entertainers.

The event will take place two days after amateur

strength junkies display some muscle of their own at the Brooklyn-Kingsboro Arm Wrestling Championships on Aug. 28 at 1 pm.

(Luckily for contestants, Rider and his gang of pro strongmen are not planning to enter the arm wrestling competition).

The Olde Time Coney Island Strongman Spectacular at Sideshows by the Seashore (1208 Surf Avenue in Coney Island) on Aug. 29 at 3 pm and 8 pm.

Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door.

For more information visit www.coneyisland.com.



Strongman Chris Schoek does the impossible by using his bare hands to bend a piece of steel. He'll be one of the performers on Aug. 29.

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Chris Rider displays his strength by tearing right through a phone book. He'll be on hand Aug. 29 to show off his skills in The Olde Time Coney Island Strongman Spectacular. Courtesy Chris Rider

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Feast

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city spokeswoman Evelyn Erskine explained. “[The letter] allowed them to hold their festival.”

The conditional permit, however, was contingent on organizers giving the city several “documents” that included the festival’s non-profit status and liability insurance. It was unclear if those documents were produced before the Feast’s cancellation.

As of Aug. 19, organizers hadn’t told the city that they weren’t holding the Feast, Erskine said.

Nor has anyone contacted the 62nd Precinct, which assigns more than 20 cops to the festival each day.

“There’s a campaign online to blame the city, but that’s not true,” an NYPD source told this paper. “The permit for the feast was absolutely filed — they’re just not doing it. But since they never told us that they’re cancelling it, we still have to plan as if it’s going to occur.”

The source said many



Organizers announced last week that the 18th Avenue Feast, which transforms 18th Avenue into a 10-day party each year, has been canceled.
Photo by Steve Solomonson

wondered if the Feast was going to happen since organizers hadn’t put up the lights, banners and advertisements that are usually in place a week before the festival begins.

Attempts to contact DeMarco were unsuccessful by press time.

The cancellation, first

reported by the blog Bensonhurst Bean, was announced just two days after the city confirmed that the festival would go on as planned for the full 10 days. A typo on a city website had many believing that the festival would go on, but only for one day.

Residents responded an-

grily to news that the festival had been shut down.

“All of a sudden it’s canceled?” said a stunned Joe Maffei, the owner of Gino’s Focacceria, which relies on the yearly boost in business the festival brings. “This is tradition we’re talking about!”

—with Thomas Tracy

Sniper

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asleep.

He fought off the cops as they took him into custody, charging him with attempted murder and assault. The rifle was found inside its plastic case, police sources said.

Jay Schwitzman, Dunikowski’s attorney, contends that Dunikowski shot at drugged-up teens in self defense.

“The people of Stuart Street were scared for their lives,” Schwitzman explained. “These teens were not just kicking cars and turning over trash cans — they were trashing everything they could find and would not stop, even when the police were being summoned.”

Yet friends of the victims claim that Dunikowski was the unhinged, drunken thug — not the children walking by his house.

Marine Park mom Rose Ballentonio, whose child managed to flee

the shooting scene unscathed, claims that Dunikowski and his neighbors were drunk when they threw a beer can at the teens as they walked down Stuart Street on their way to the Marine Park basketball courts.

“One of the [kids] had the audacity to throw the can back,” she told us in a letter. “Dunikowski could not let this threat pass without retaliation. So ‘brave’ Mr. Dunikowski picks out the closest [teen] and punches him, knocking off his glasses.”

None of these allegations were made last Tuesday when Dunikowski, who has been incarcerated since June, was produced and the indictment charges were formally read to him.

His \$500,000 bail was continued, Judge Martin Murphy ordered.

Dunikowski said nothing as the case was adjourned to Sept. 16, when pre-trial hearings are expected to begin.

Calls to Schwitzman for comment were not returned by press time.

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Nostrand Avenue stores face same fate as closed

BY DANIEL BUSH

Three small businesses that relied on foot traffic from a shuttered supermarket on Nostrand Avenue have closed their doors since the grocery store went under, joining a growing list of vacancies on the once-busy Sheepshead Bay strip.

The domino effect took down a pair of hair salons and a shoe repair one block from the vacant Pathmark, which anchored a strip mall between Avenues Y and Z before closing in April.

"A big supermarket like that brings people to the neighborhood," said Steve Blackburn, a partner at Premiere Properties, which is working to land a new grocery store for the site. "People aren't buying as much" at other stores as a result, he said.

The slowdown has also spelled trouble for several businesses that closed in the year before Pathmark's col-



The Pathmark on Nostrand Avenue in Sheepshead Bay has been vacant since April.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

lapse, according to Robert Altschuler, a real estate broker who represents two vacant stores that sit directly across from the empty supermarket.

Property owners "just

don't know what's coming in," he said. "Nobody wants to pull the trigger."

Residents and nearby stores still open for business are concerned the trend will

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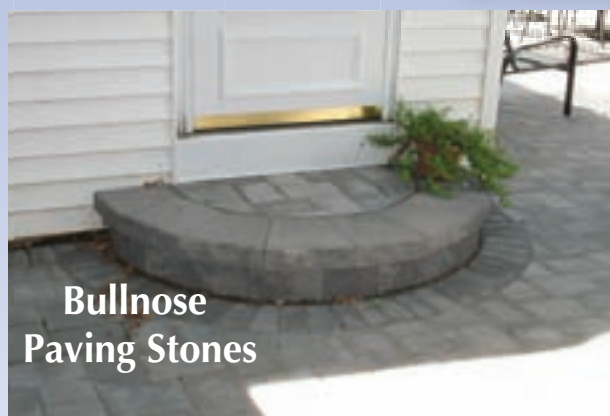
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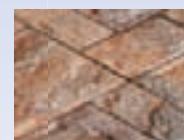
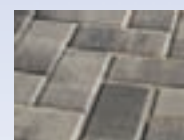
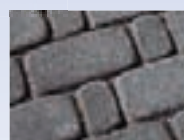
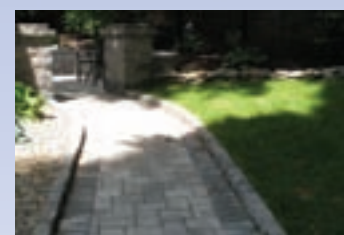
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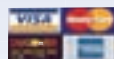
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Dark corner of Brighton Beach gets streetlight turned on

BY THOMAS TRACY

Let there be light! Brighton Beach's unlit streetlight saga came to a happy conclusion last Wednesday evening — thanks to Courier Life Publications and BrooklynDaily.com — as the city and Con Edison finally got together to turn on a light that had left the neighborhood in the dark for months.

The utility and Department of Transportation had been quibbling over who was responsible for fixing the broken streetlight at the corner of Brighton Third Street and Brighton Second Lane, and residents cheered when the light finally lit up on Aug. 17 — a few hours after the story about the dark corner of our borough appeared on BrooklynDaily.com.

"We were very happy to see the light on," Brighton Beach resident Judd Fischler, who had been trying to get the light fixed since the beginning of the year, told us. "With your paper's efforts, we got this thing done pretty fast and now everyone is seeing the light."

Fischler said the streetlight started flickering last year and completely died this past January.

After repeated calls and complaints, a private construction company was called to the corner to pull out the dead streetlight and replaced it with a new one. But the saga was far from over: the streetlight remained inoperable because Con Edison hadn't hooked the new light up to the city's grid.

That's when this paper got involved: upon hearing of the light's plight, we called Con Edison on Aug. 8. The next day, the utility company began the process of hooking up the new streetlight to the elec-



Brighton Beach resident Judd Fischler is dancing in the very well-lit street now that the city — thanks to some nudging by this paper — has fixed a light at Brighton Third Street and Brighton Second Place.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

tric grid.

Yet the saga continued: Con Edison completed its work by Aug. 16, but the light was still out. When asked why, a Con Edison spokeswoman said that the responsibility now lied in the hands of the Department of Transportation.

"The light pole is alive and the base of the pole is electrified, but now it's up to the city to complete the job," said spokeswoman Joy Farber.

When we called the city on Aug. 16 to find out what was going on, a Department of Transportation

spokesman said he would look into it. Shortly after the story went online the next day, the light was suddenly on.

Fischler, a former president of the 60th Precinct Community Council, was dancing in the street — under the new, now working streetlight — when our photographer caught up with him last week.

"This is a quiet, desolate area so something like a streetlight is a critical thing," Fischler said. "We've had some burglaries down here, so we needed something to light up the area."

More bike lane pain

Foes of Prospect Park West path threaten new suit

BY NATALIE O'NEILL

Opponents of the Prospect Park West bike lane — whose case against the world's most controversial cycle path was thrown out last week — are now demanding that the city remove the bike route entirely or face another lawsuit.

On Friday, lane foes issued the ultimatum to Transportation Commissioner Janette Sadik-Khan because Supreme Court Judge Bert Bunyan's ruling required the group to "exhaust administrative remedies" before it may file a new lawsuit against the city.

To Neighbors for Better Bike Lanes — the group that has been fighting the lane ever since its installation last year — that means that the city must remove the cycle path entirely or else a second suit will be filed.

A new case can only go ahead if lane foes can prove that the city never intended the bike lane to be a permanent alteration because suits against such perma-

nent changes must be filed within four months.

That's why Bunyan tossed the suit last week, avoiding the foes' larger argument that the city turned Prospect Park West into a danger to pedestrians when it improperly removed a lane of car traffic to create a two-way protected bike lane.

Neighbors for Better Bike Lanes intends to prove the path was actually a temporary project — an argument that would allow the group to skirt statute of limitations.

Their case was bolstered last month, when Borough President Markowitz swore under oath that Sadik-Khan told him that the lane was merely a "trial" project, not a permanent change.

On Friday, a spokeswoman for the city's legal team declined to comment on the threat of a new lawsuit, saying only that the Law Department had received the letter.

The city has long maintained that it installed the

traffic-calming project after extensive analysis and a process that was "rational and reasonable in all respects."

What's more, most of the neighboring community also supports the bike lane, according to two surveys.

One of those supporters is Transportation Alternatives director, Paul Steely White, who called the new letter, "a desperate quest for headlines."

"These malcontents had their day in court," he said. "The people of Park Slope have endured this reckless PR stunt long enough. It's time to move on."

For her part, Sadik-Khan had called the case "frivolous" last week — but Walden thinks the commissioner is the one who is being self-serving.

"We intend to address the condescension and high-handed manor in which she has dealt with this case," Walden said. "I have never seen a public servant with such hubris."

Stores

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"It's been a downward trend," said Cliff Bruckenstein, a member of Community Board 15 and lifelong Sheepshead Bay resident who shopped at the Pathmark. "Traffic is definitely less than it has been in the past."

Viktor Bunin said business has lagged at Rainbow Shops, next door to the Pathmark.

"Our clothing sales are down" since the supermarket closed, said Bunin, the store's manager.

The Pathmark replaced a Waldbaum's supermarket that went out of business in 2002.

Its closure drew outrage from local shoppers who now have to schlep 15 blocks away to the nearest supermarket, and vows from elected officials to bring another grocery store to the site.

Blackburn said a handful of supermarkets are



Two empty stores are among the many vacant properties on Nostrand Avenue, where a shuttered Pathmark has reduced foot traffic in the area to a trickle.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

looking into the site, which is owned by Lefrak Organization.

Lefrak did not return a request for comment.

CB15 District Manager Pearl Burg said a decision could be made "before the end of the year."

"Every strip mall needs an anchor," Burg said.

Choosing the right fit could be tricky, however, given the site's bad history with supermarkets.

A small-sized Walmart has been floated, but the idea was panned by pols who say the company's poli-

cies are anti-union.

Shoppers disagreed over what kind of store they'd like for the site — though nearly everyone we spoke with wanted a supermarket.

"We want Walmart," said Michael Harris, a Sheepshead Bay resident. "Walmart would employ a lot of people."

Marjorie Flicker, who shops on Nostrand Avenue, said she wants something more upscale.

"I'd like to see a Whole Foods," Flicker said. "They have nice, organic produce."

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Boro**beat**

KIDS GET BOOKBAGS – AND HAVE FUN DOING IT!

BY THOMAS TRACY

No one has had this much fun getting school supplies!

More than 150 children celebrated the end of summer — and picked up backpacks and other necessary school equipment — during a fun-filled Aug. 20 Youth Fair on E. 49th Street in Flatlands.

Organizers from Matrix Auto Collision turned E. 49th Street between Avenues N and O into a xanadu of inflatable slides, pony rides, magic shows, kids games and grilled eats provided by Boar's Head.

Saturday's event was the fourth Youth Fair to be held on the block — and the celebration gets bigger and bigger with each passing year, coordinator Sheran Brunson explained.

"We started this as a way to give back to the community that welcomed our business," Brunson said. "Now we do it every year because everybody loves it. It started with just local kids, but people started putting out fliers so whoever wanted to come showed up."

Brunson added school supplies to the mix, knowing how difficult it is for families to stock up on such important items. The success of Saturday's Youth fair showed that, she said.

"I had 200 bookbags to give out and by the end of the day they were all gone," she said.



MAKING FRIENDS: (Above) Firefighter Chris Kopchinski of Ladder 159 introduces himself to Avery Smallwood, 3, during a special Youth Fair held on E. 49th Street in Flatlands. (Top right) Good food added to the fun of the fair. (Below right) Zانavia Williams, 7, takes a tour of the E. 49th Street Youth Fair on her trusty steed.

Photos by Elizabeth Graham



EXCELLENT! JOHN KUSE BRINGS DOO WOP TO MARINE PARK

BY THOMAS TRACY

Doo Wop lovers sock-hopped over to Marine Park on Aug. 17 to be taken back in time for a few hours during a special concert featuring John Kuse and the Excellents.

Armed with beach chairs and lindy-hop dance moves, dozens grooved to the dulcet doo-wop tunes belted out by the band responsible for "Coney Island Baby" — Brooklyn's unofficial anthem.

John Kuse and the Excellents's visit to the Fillmore

Avenue side of the park — the last concert to be held in Marine Park this summer — was hosted by state Sen. Marty Golden (R-Marine Park), who said he wanted his constituents to "get out of the house and enjoy some fun-filled evenings of entertainment."

"This community is home to some of the greatest parks in the City of New York," Golden said. "I host these events to give everyone a chance to grab their chair and blanket and head to the park."



(Left to right) King and queen of the dance floor: John DeRosa and Ronni Mendelson trip the light fantastic. John Kuse belts out a neighborhood favorite as he and his band The Excellents perform. Canarsie residents Holly Weiss and Joe Schultz get close.

Photos by Steve Solomonson

Boro**beat**



(Top left) Eight-year-old Silvester Gonzalez shows off an autograph baseball signed by Mets pitcher Pedro Beato. (Above, left to right) Ari Johnson of Sportsnet New York, Coach Victor Bautista and Mets Pitcher Pedro Beato present a check for \$5,000 to the Youth Service League. (Center right) Mets Pitcher Pedro Beato shows Youth Service League Player Jose Acevedo how to throw a major league fastball.

Photos by Steve Solomonson



BROOKLYN METS' STAR GIVES BACK TO YOUTH LEAGUE

BY DANIEL BUSH

Mets rookie pitcher Pedro Beato hit a home run with kids from Canarsie's Youth Service League last Thursday when the Xaverian HS graduate helped give something back to younger ball-players.

The 24-year-old right-hander visited the league's fields on Seaview Avenue, where he helped present a \$5,000 check to a sandlot organization that gives many neighborhood kids — himself included — their start in baseball.

The donation, made by the Sports Authority, a sporting goods chain, and SNY, the cable network of the Mets, will help pay for equipment and field maintenance.

SNY President Steve Raab said it's part of the network's initiative to support youth leagues in the tri-state area.

Beato said the funds would go a long way.

The money will "give these kids a chance to become something in life," he said before sign-

ing baseballs for some of the kids.

And the kids think it will help them get a leg up.

"I want to follow his route," said Justin Pacheco, 11. "I'm a pretty good pitcher, too."

Jonathan Fonseca, 12, said meeting a real-life Mets player was a thrill.

"I'm a really big Mets fan — it was really cool," the Bensonhurst native said.

Beato immigrated from the Dominican Republic at 13 and played in the league — among others in the borough — when he got here.

"I started playing in the Parade Grounds and all over Brooklyn," he said.

Little leaguers at Canarsie's baseball complex picked up on the message.

After graduating from Xaverian, the Baltimore Orioles selected Beato in the 2006 amateur draft. He was picked up by the Mets last year and has posted a 2-1 record with a 4.10 ERA for the big club this season.



Blow out the candles for St. Saviour

PARK SLOPE

Hooray! **Saint Saviour HS** is 95 years young. When the school opened in 1917 there was no McDonald's, no Macs, no cellphones, not even television. How did we survive?

MB But survive we did, and so, too, did Saint Saviour. Over 6,500 young women have graduated since then, with many entering the medical, law enforcement and education fields. This year alone, 100 percent of the graduating class received Regents Diplomas — and more than half of those with Advanced Designation. What a batting average. “We are not as large as many high schools, but we continue to achieve exceptionable results,” Principal **Sister Valeria Belanger** told us. Standing O sends out many happy wishes for many years to come.

Saint Saviour HS [588 Sixth St. between Sixth and Seventh avenues in Park Slope, (718) 768-4406].

BENSONHURST

Pose it, vogue it, snap it

Two years running! Wow, **Megan Cusack of Bishop Kearney HS** is a two-time winner of the Astoria Federal Savings “Teen Photo Contest.” Last year our pal Megan snapped up first prize for her shot of a neighborhood scene. This year, she won first prize for her photo of her dad and the family pooch watching a Yankee game. Fellow Kearnian **Jasmine Laraichi** also won for her shot of a young man on a park bench. The budding Anne Geddes won \$250 each and \$100 grant toward classroom use for their school.

BOROUGH WIDE

Drop the goal

Gain a line and take the advantage. **The Brooklyn Rugby Team** has partnered with the Francesco Loccisano Memorial Foundation for the upcoming fall season. For every “try” (the rugby equivalent of a touchdown), the club will be soliciting pledges. The team hopes to score enough to make a change in the lives of young people who are suffer-



Judd Fischler wishes Louise Edelman a happy 103rd Birthday. Photo by Steve Solomonson

L'chiam – 103 and counting

CONEY ISLAND

Longtime resident **Louise Edelman** turned 103 years young on Aug. 11 with cake, candles and friends abounding at Scheuer House. “Louise is a good person, she keeps up with the local news by reading your paper every week (of course it's the best read in town) and without any glasses,” said fellow member and community activist **Judd Fishler**. “She's very active, knows what's go-

ing on and visits the center every day for a game of BINGO, lunch and dinner.” When Standing O asked the birthday girl what her secret to a long life was, she just shrugged her shoulders and said, “I don't know, I live, I just live.” Standing O wishes Louise another 100 years, we need all the fans we can get. *JASA Scheuer House of Coney Island [3601 Surf Ave. at W. 37th Street in Coney Island, (718) 373-3650].*

ing from cancer. Frankie's mission aims to lessen the hardships endured by victims of pediatric cancer and their families. “We'd been looking for a way to become better involved in the community,” said Rugby Team President Jorge Quintana. That's the team spirit.

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BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

Meet the new boss

Carter Strickland has been appointed as the new Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection by hizzoner, Mayor Mike. As head of the DEP, our Brooklyn Heights pal Carter is now in charge of keeping our water, the best in the world, clean, tasty and safe. His department also ensures that surrounding bodies of water like Jamaica Bay, continue to improve and provide family activities for us city folk. “It is an honor to be selected to lead this talented and dedicated agency,” Carter told Standing O.

days from 12:30 to 4 pm. Appetizers include crab bisque soup, salmon tartar and blue crab fajitas, with main entrees tantalizing the taste buds with Eggs Benedict, waffles, and Fushimi's special grilled chicken salad. All Standing O can say is “Yummo.” If you can't make the brunch, then you can help your self to Fushimi's new \$10, five-course, pre-fixed luncheon, Monday through Friday from 11:30 am to 4 pm. Reservations are required for parties of six or more for the brunch. And you'll need one — because with these prices, you'll be fighting Standing O for a table.

Fushimi [9316 Fourth Ave. between 93rd and 94th streets in Bay Ridge, (718) 833-7788].

MARINE PARK

Snip, snip hooray

Eye spy a great new place for specs. **Optical Showroom** opened on Aug. 13 on one of our preeminent shopping venues offering a vast selection of designer frames and lenses. From Burberry to Jimmy Choo (yes he designs specs, too), Optical Showroom provides “fast, accurate and pleasant service.” says owner Kay Chan, who brings five years optical experience into her first venture in retail. She also has two optometrists on staff — doctors Effie Tatakis and Lily Chin — to examine your peepers and prescribe the right lenses for perfect sight. So the lenses will be great, the frames second to none — and the price is right, too: Until the end of August, everything is 25-percent off.

Optical Showroom [2194 Flatbush Ave. between Quentin Road and Avenue R in Marine Park, (718) 252-2928].

BACK TO SCHOOL

FALL 2011



Find the right after-school activity for kids

METRO CREATIVE CONNECTION

Today's kids are busier than ever before. Be it the increasingly competitive nature of scholastic life or the increase of two-income households, where kids need something to do other than come directly home after school, children today are much busier than their school-aged counterparts of yesteryear.

While it can be fun and beneficial for kids to participate in extracurricular activities, finding the right fit isn't as easy as it sounds. When helping kids find an extracurricular activity, it's best to consider a host of factors. Keep in mind that all kids do not have the same interests — what was enjoyed by their parents won't necessarily be enjoyed by them.



Getting started
The best place to start is to speak to kids about their interests. Just because Dad loved playing football doesn't mean his son is destined to be a gridiron great. Kids have their own interests, and those interests can be cultivated with the right extracurricular activity. For example, a creative child might enjoy an after-school art class a couple of times a week. Parents should also consider extracurriculars that can help kids grow as people. For instance, a child who's shy in

public but loves hamming it up at home might embrace an after-school theater program.

Once options have been discussed with kids, take in a session or two before committing to anything. The shy youngster might visit the local theater program and enjoy it thoroughly, or she might decide against it. Either way, a visit will give kids and parents a sense of what the program is like and whether or not it's the right fit. When visiting, observe the nature of the program. Is it an encouraging, vibrant environment? Do the adults and kids involved appear to be having fun?

Get the 411

Parents want their kids to be as safe after school as they are during it. When looking for an extracurricular activity, inquire about the staff-to-child ratio and about the staff's professional background. Any staff-to-child ratio that is greater than 12 to one likely indicates that the program is understaffed, which could mean kids won't get the attention they need. Also, ask for the staff's references and work history in the field of child care. If certification is necessary or recommended, make sure the staff meets all requirements.

Parents should also inquire about program costs.

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You go, girls!



Action! Angela Carucci, a senior at Bishop Kearney High School, wants nothing more in this world than to be a broadcast journalist. Now, thanks to a partnership with MSG Varsity, she'll have a fighting chance.

Photo by Haru Coryne

Bishop Kearney, MSG, team up to put women in the press box

BY HARU CORYNE

Let's go to the videotape!

Bishop Kearney is the first all-girls high school in the borough to partner with MSGVarsity to mentor aspiring journalists through their first foray into sports broadcasting — a profession that, if you watch just about any five minutes of ESPN's programming you'll quickly learn, is dominated by men.

But Bishop Kearney is a sound choice, thanks to its extensive broadcasting curriculum, which boasts a hi-tech media room decked out with green screens, digital video cameras, and audio recording gear. The

school even has its own closed circuit television station.

"They're a logical, no-brainer school to make this connection with, because broadcasting is already something of interest to them," MSGVarsity spokesperson Jennifer McIntosh said.

So starting this fall, professionals from MSGVarsity will lead workshops at Bishop Kearney, teaching students all the tools of the trade, including editing, news writing, and camera work.

The goal is for students to create polished video segments and articles for publication online, on MSG-

Varsity's two cable stations, and in the organization's magazine.

And at least one Bishop Kearney news nut can't wait until class is in session, excited as she is to represent her school, her teams, and her gender.

"Our sports teams are all strong women," said Angela Carucci, 17, a senior at Bishop Kearney and the president of the school's closed-circuit television station, WBKS. "If men can do it, we can do it."

And do it better, perhaps — Carucci, a Bergen Beach resident, was more than willing to take time

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BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS

make sure they can read the chalkboard

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PEARLE VISION

Eight ways to save on school expenses

METRO CREATIVE CONNECTION

Every year, parents spend significant amounts of money on school expenses. While there's not much parents can do about tuition, there are ways to save on additional expenses, including clothing. Restocking a student's wardrobe can be costly, but savvy parents can lessen the blow in a variety of ways.

Although students may not yet be ready to head back to class, both parents and children may not be looking forward to school shopping for a number of reasons.

•**Expenses:** Statistics posted on Chiff.com indicate that \$7.2 billion were spent on school clothing in 2009 for American students. In Canada, statistics show that nearly \$450 million were spent on boys' and girls' clothing and accessories in 2008. Shopping for school items can be a big expense, one that's especially tough to handle after paying for a summer vacation, or financing kids' stays at camp.

•**Time:** Crowded stores can make shopping stressful, especially when kids (and adults) would rather be spending time elsewhere.

•**Intimidation:** Facing a store full of stocked racks and shelves can make even the most avid shopper feel a little anxious. Parents face decisions about choosing



Getting children ready to head back to school often entails supplementing their wardrobes with new items.

clothing that is both acceptable to the school and trendy enough for their kids. This can put added pressure on shoppers.

•**Cranky kids:** While some children may relish the idea of picking out a new wardrobe, others may become disgruntled by heading to the store, having to try on different things, and spending time away from friends.

Whether school shopping is fun or feared, it's a necessity for parents and kids alike. Here are eight tips to make the process a bit easier and help you save some money as well.

•**Assess what is already on hand.** Shopping doesn't have to mean creating an entirely new wardrobe from scratch. It often means supplementing existing clothing with new pieces that can make things look fresh. Unless a child has entirely outgrown pants and shirts from last year, chances are there will be a number of pieces that are still usable and appropriate. Take a day or two to go through kids' wardrobes and set aside items that can be used for school. Make a list of new items to purchase.

•**Establish a budget.** Set a limit as to how much will be spent on each child, and don't stray over that limit. Around \$150 to \$200 may be adequate to pick up a few basics. Taking out cash from the bank and spending only what is in hand may make shoppers less likely to overspend or turn to credit cards for purchases.

•**Stock up on the basics.** New undergarments and socks will be needed. Aim for about 10 to 12 pairs of each. This also may be a good time to purchase pre-adolescent girls a training bra or sports bra to provide some support.

•**Buy new shoes.** Shoes are one element of a wardrobe that may need to be entirely new. Active children tend to wear out shoes quickly. One pair of sneakers and one pair of dressier shoes, like oxfords, or ballet flats for girls, may be adequate.

•**Shop sales.** If the weather is warm, it's possible to save money on clearance T-shirts and shorts that stores are putting on sale to make room for next season's items. Don't fill a student's wardrobe with heavy sweatshirts or sweat-ers at this juncture. Layer-

ing options are good because students can adjust accordingly to feel comfortable.

•**Mix designer with discount.** Not every item in a child's wardrobe has to be trendy. Layering items, such as T-shirts, can often be picked up for a discount in stores like Target, Walmart, or Old Navy. Outer items, like jeans and some shirts, can be picked up from the trendier stores. Shop their sales and see if they offer coupons by signing up to loyalty websites.

•**Go early in the day.** Although it may be a challenge to get the kids up and dressed to visit stores when they're in vacation mode, arriving early means thinner crowds and refreshed children.

Kids who are tired or hungry can be prone to meltdowns. Pack snacks and drinks to be on the safe side. Some stores offer early bird special sales, which can make shopping once the doors open even more advantageous.

•**Shop online.** Once the children have gone to bed for the evening, do some uninterrupted online shopping. Comparison shop and figure out if buying online is a good deal after factoring in shipping costs.

School shopping signals the end of vacation time. Make the most of the opportunity to save and reduce stress when shopping.

Supplies for the 21st-century student

METRO CREATIVE CONNECTION

School supplies have evolved significantly over the years. Items that appear on today's school-supply lists may be quite different from yesteryear.

It used to be that teachers required a relatively standard set of supplies for classroom and homework use. Folders, pencils, and spiral-bound notebooks were often the items of

choice. As more schools embrace the digital age, school supplies tend to evolve to meet the demands of new technology.

•**Dry erase markers:** Schools are increasingly moving away from traditional chalkboards, which tend to be messy. In classrooms that contain computer equipment, dry erase boards are often the preferred choice for teachers. As such, teachers tend to

ask students for a steady supply of dry erase markers to use on the large whiteboards. Some classrooms also employ individual dry erase boards.

•**Laptop computers or tablets:** A personal computer can store a wealth of information and connect students with tons of information through the Internet. Instead of spreading school budgets thin equipping classrooms with

computers, some schools encourage students to purchase their own devices for use at school and at home.

•**Flash or thumb drives:** Students who want to transfer files from school to home can use convenient thumb drives. These small storage devices can hold a significant amount of information.

•**Copy paper:** Tightened school budgets may



Some of the devices that were once convenience items for students are now becoming mandatory for use in the classroom and at home. Laptop computers are proving important for research, assignments, reports, and many other purposes.

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BACK TO SCHOOL

MAINTAINING A GYM LOCKER

A few tips can keep
gym lockers safe,
clean, and sanitary.

METRO CREATIVE CONNECTION

Students often find that middle school or high school is their first foray into a structured physical education class that requires changing into a gym uniform or workout clothing. With this comes the responsibility of outfitting and maintaining another locker on campus.

A gym locker is different from a regular hallway locker in that it is often smaller and less frequently used. While some students may have gym every day of the week, others might have it two or three times a week. Even if it is visited daily, it's only during the one gym period.

Gym lockers can be breeding grounds for some unsavory things, including bacteria, fungi, and odor. That's because students store clothing that is often damp from perspiration in tight quarters. It also may be easy for lice or bedbugs to spread through the close contact of gym lockers.

Students can ensure their belongings are safe and secure by following a few safety and hygiene practices:

- Find out the wardrobe policy. Some schools require an issued uniform. Many others indicate the use of T-shirts, shorts of a specific length, and sweatpants. There also may be requirements on footwear.

Stock up on these items so you'll have a few changes of clothes as necessary.

- If a combination lock has not been issued to you, purchase one to keep items safe. While potential thieves may not be interested in dirty socks or gym shorts, they may be interested in the digital devices, watches, clothing, and other items stored in gym lockers while you're participating in gym class.

- Keep toiletries — such as antiperspirant, powder, sanitary pads, soap, shampoo (if there are showers), and a pair of water-resistant sandals — handy.

- Because many microscopic organisms breed with warmth and moisture, something that is often in abundance in locker rooms, investing in some antibacterial spray, a desiccant product that absorbs moisture, and an air freshener can keep your locker more sanitary.

- Depending on how dirty gym clothes become, you'll want to bring them home at least once a week for laundering. Take dirty socks home daily, because they can fester inside the gym locker.

- A large zipper-top bag or a recycled grocery bag is a good way to tote home dirty gym clothing inside of your backpack.

- Be aware that the locker room floor may be teeming with bacteria, so

avoid changing with bare feet on the ground.

The locker room can dredge up feelings of inadequacy and embarrassment when changing in front of fellow students. Once you have all of your supplies set, keep in mind some locker room etiquette:

- Respect personal space and take turns so that you have adequate room for changing comfortably.

- Keep your eyes to yourself. Be sure that your eyes are at eye level with others. Nothing elicits feelings of anger or embarrassment faster than a student catching another student checking out a naked or nearly naked body. Few people feel comfortable in such situations, so respect their privacy.

- Change clothes in stages. Take off a shirt and replace it with another. The same can be said for shorts and pants. Avoid walking around in your undergarments.

- Be quick about changing. Don't dally in the locker room. This way, if someone wants a little more privacy, most of the other students will have cleared out.

Keep in mind that these formative years are times when your body and the bodies of other students are changing at a great pace. Locker rooms tend to make even the most self-secure person a little bit modest.

Alleviating first-day-of-school jitters

METRO CREATIVE CONNECTION

The first day of school can create butterflies in the stomachs of parents and children alike. However, following a few tips can alleviate feelings of nervousness.

August and September are prime months for the return to school. Whether this is a child's first time entering the classroom, or he has done the back-to-school thing multiple times, it's not uncommon for feelings of anxiety to arise.

There are expectations and unknowns with each and every school year for both students and their parents. Pivotal years, such as kindergarten, sixth grade for middle-schoolers, freshman year of high school, or the start of college, can create added levels of jitters because these years mark entry to a new school or new



routine. But keeping a few pointers in mind can alleviate some of the fears.

•**Keep a routine.** It is important for parents and students to get back into the school swing of things a few weeks prior to the first day of school. Start setting alarm clocks for the hour at which kids will have to wake up, and get them in the habit of rising from bed and starting the day. Try to schedule something to do each day that will be the inspiration for getting moving, such as school supply shopping. Take the carpool route to school, or find out where the school bus stop may be. These practice sessions will enable your family to decide how much time is needed to get ready in the morning and make changes accordingly.

•**Mention school frequently.** Begin talking about school and what is

necessary to prepare. Be sure to talk about the more enjoyable aspects of school, such as seeing friends, participating in extracurricular activities, and even the change of scenery school provides. Mention the things your child may expect. Hearing about school frequently can reduce feelings of anxiety.

•**Visit the school.** If this is your child's first time entering the school, you can take advantage of orientation days for new students, or schedule an individual visit to the school. A tour and a meeting with the principal will also assuage some fears of the unknown. This can also calm any apprehension you may have, because you, too, will know the layout of the school, its policies, and who will be watching over your child.

•**Don't be nervous.** Children often look to their

parents for guidelines on how to behave. If you're overly nervous or sad about the first day of school, you could make your kid nervous, too. Put on a brave face and keep any anxiety hidden until kids have left for school.

•**Be prepared.** Gather supplies, practice the driving route, lay out clothes, make lunch the night before, get a good night's rest, and set the alarm clock. Knowing all of the controllable factors are handled can ease the mind of both parents and students.

The first day of school can be a time of uncertainty for students and parents. Adults are facing a new stage in their lives, and children are awaiting a classroom of new faces and requirements. Preparing can alleviate some of the anxiety about heading off to school for a new year.



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High school sports seasons

METRO CREATIVE CONNECTION

Participation in high school sports programs is a favorite activity among many high school students. In many instances, scholastic sports seasons mirror the schedules of professional sports leagues, although the school seasons are often shorter.

Thousands of students participate in the different athletic programs offered by schools every year. The following scholastic sports schedule applies to most school districts, but athletes in waiting might want to consult their schools just to be sure.

•**Football:** Just like the NFL, football tends to be a fall/winter sport. The season may begin shortly after the start of school and last through November.

•**Baseball:** This is a spring sport that will start around late March or early April and continue through the rest of the school year. Some teams even play after school is out for the year.

•**Basketball:** This is another fall into winter sport. It could start in October and stretch to February if the school makes it into the playoffs.

•**Outdoor track and field:** Seasons traditionally start in the early spring,



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such as March. The season will run into May or the end of the school year.

•**Hockey:** This is a winter sport, which usually begins around November and may run through March of the following year.

Many other scholastic sports are scheduled according to the school and may not have designated seasons. These include volleyball, swimming and cheerleading. In general, these sports will be coordinated based on when funding is available.

These sports season are approximate. It's best to check with athletic departments for clarification.

Supplies

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force teachers to ask for donations of supplies, like reams of paper. These will be used to print out the different worksheets and notes sent home to parents and students.

•**Cable television:** In many classes, particularly those that deal with history or current events, teachers assign homework assignments that require watching certain programs and then reporting back what they learned. Although cable or satellite television is largely universal in today's homes, it may require a few people who don't have the service to sign up.

•**Newspaper subscription:** The same way assignments are given to watch shows on TV, some teachers prefer to utilize newspapers when teaching current events. Having a weekly subscription, or at least purchasing the paper a few days of the week, enables students to keep abreast of what's going on in the world.

•**Graphing calculator:** Although computers can perform many of the tasks of handheld calculators, it's easier to carry graphing calculators around school than it is to cart around a laptop. Graphing calculators perform many different types of math. They may be required for algebra, calculus, and geometry. They are also useful for plotting lines. Once purchased, a graphing calculator can be used for years.

•**Planner:** Students once wrote down assignments in a paper planner or on a calendar. Although many choose to do it the same way today, some opt to go the digital route, entering reminders and tasks into a digital planner or a phone with these capabilities.

•**E-reader:** Students taking a foreign language or avid readers may opt to invest in an e-reader. This way, they can store a dictionary, thesaurus, or even some of their favorite books in one place.

•**Scanner:** A scanner can be an invaluable tool for copying material from books or scanning in photos and

other items for use in projects. Many scanners come in all-in-one printer/fax/scanner machines, which can be a good investment.

•**Printer:** A desktop printer will enable students to print out homework assignments or reports.

•**Internet access:** The Internet has proven an invaluable resource for today's students. Students frequently have to go online to do assignments. Many teachers also have websites where they post a syllabus or assignments. Some teachers prefer students contact them through e-mail.

•**Standard supplies:** Pens, pencils, staples, folders, binders, notebooks, rulers, protractors, compasses, and the other traditional school supplies are still in demand.

School supplies have evolved over the years. Parents and students may have to adjust accordingly to get the items they need to do well in the classroom. Considering some of these supplies can be costly, some parents may want to investigate refurbished devices that are often backed by warranties.

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Activities

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Though many programs are up front about fees, some have hidden fees that can add up. Such fees can be for uniforms, equipment, class trips, etc. Extra fees don't have to exclude a program from consideration, but it's better to know about them in advance than to have them come as a surprise.

Consider a child's grade level

A child's age and grade level should also be con-

sidered when choosing an extracurricular activity. Consult teachers about finding an age-appropriate extracurricular activity. For example, less competitive activities that emphasize fun might be more appropriate for kids in kindergarten and the first grade. For second graders, activities not offered at school, like learning to play an instrument, can help cultivate a child's interest in a noncompetitive environment. As kids reach third grade and beyond, consider more rules-

based activities, including team sports, as kids at that age are more capable of understanding rules and handling losing than younger kids. As children get older and move on to middle school, look for activities that reinforce learning and help develop a young person's character, including his ability to interact with others.

When looking for an extracurricular activity for kids, make sure you consider a host of factors, including the child's interests and age.

Kearney

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away from her summer vacation to talk about her unrelenting passion for the newsroom.

"I love journalism, and I love to write," she said. "That's the reason why I came [to Bishop Kearney]."

MSGVarsity first approached the school about

the program last spring, attracted to it because of its broadcasting background.

Of course, as MSGVarsity's vice president for public relations, McIntosh said that she found the insinuation that there is little female presence in the sports news business to be a bit irksome.

Even still, it looks like she'll be seeing a few more ladies behind the camera —

and at the news desk — in the years to come.

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On the road to kindergarten

Getting kids ready for the big day

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For many children, kindergarten will be their first foray into school. Their experiences in kindergarten can set the scene for a lifetime of learning. To start laying the foundation for your child's entrance into formal education, consider the following tips.

- Identify the school your child will attend. You can call your county school board or simply ask other parents in the area. Some communities assign schools, while others allow parents to choose their child's school. When determining which case applies to your community, inquire about bus service as well.

- Some schools have full-day kindergarten programs, while others offer half-day. This may be district-specified, or the choice of the parent.

- Visit the school to find out about registration requirements. You'll likely have to fill out forms

and provide proof of residence. The school also will inform you of any rules it has, including whether copies of health records, screenings, or placement testing will be necessary.

- A routine physical exam and a copy of immunization records will most likely be required. Visit your child's pediatrician to ensure that he is up-to-date with shots, and receives a health check-up. Proof of dental visits may be required.

- If your child will be attending a private school, the school may have registration fees, supply fees, uniform requirements, and other expenses. It's important to find out about these costs ahead of time.

- Visit the school with your child ahead of time. Attend a kindergarten open house or school tour. This way kids can become familiar with the premises and won't be caught off guard the first day of school. A tour will provide



Kindergarten brings with it new experiences for children, such as riding a school bus. Be sure new students are ready by preparing them for the adventures that lay ahead.

an example of the school's layout and overall atmosphere.

- Make friends with parents whose children attend the school. Set up a play date so your child will see some familiar faces on the first day of school.

- Talk about attending school in a positive way. Let kids know that school is something to look forward to. Some children get excited about kindergarten just because they get to ride the bus.

- Shop for a backpack and a lunch box early on so that your child will be excited for school.

Five ways to pack a 'green' lunch

METRO CREATIVE CONNECTION

Many parents of school-aged children are interested in packing a healthy and environmentally-friendly lunch for their children each day. However, they may have questions regarding how to do just that.

This is the time to start thinking about school lunches, as your student will soon be heading back to the classroom — and the lunchroom. For those who will be bringing a lunch from home, there are ways to make it healthy for the body and the planet.

- Choose foods that the child will eat.** Nothing is more wasteful than a lunch that ends up in the trash rather than the stomach. Instead of experimenting with foods that one would hope a child will eat, select healthy items that have a past track record for success.

- Skip the brown bags.** Certain children may relish the idea of bringing in a character-themed



lunch box. Older children may scoff at the idea. But the fact is that disposable paper bags are wasteful and reusable lunch carriers are much more eco-friendly. Today, there are lunch bags that are subdued in color and style and are often insulated to keep food at the right temperature.

- Select organic foods.**

Whether the child is bringing in a peanut butter and jelly sandwich or a pizza on a pita, choose foods that are organically grown or local. Supermarkets now stock the shelves with plenty of organic options that are free from pesticides and harmful growing practices. These foods are healthier and more sustainable.

- Buy favorite foods in bulk.**

If the child loves cereal treats or whole-grain granola bars, buy the big box and store it in the pantry. This saves on packaging and extra trips to the store, both of which are wasteful.

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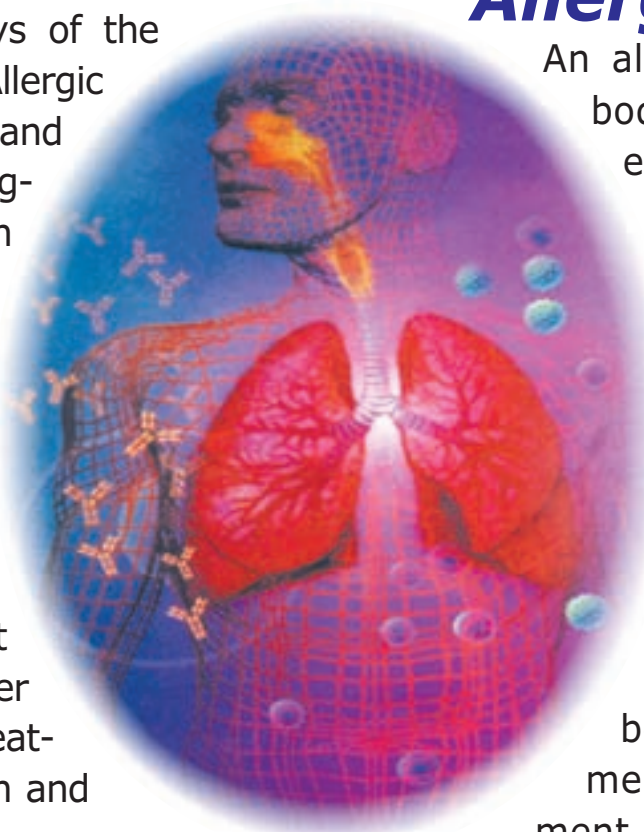
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to provide the utmost safety to passengers. While catastrophic accidents involving school buses are very rare, buses are built to handle much more than the occasional run-ins with passenger cars and light trucks.

Maintaining school bus safety is a team effort. Students need to do their part while riding the bus. Here are the safety precautions that should be followed:

- Walk to the bus, don't run.
- Always use caution when crossing roadways.
- Walk on the sidewalk whenever possible. If no sidewalk is present, walk in the opposite direction of traffic to be aware of on-coming traffic.
- Don't fool around at the bus stop. Accidents can happen when individuals are unaware of their surroundings or are distracted.
- Stand at the bus stop in a safe location. Do not enter the street.
- Arrive at the bus stop early so there is no need to rush and be distracted.

• Wait for the school bus to come to a complete stop and for other traffic to half before approaching the bus.

• Promptly take a seat, and remain seated throughout the entire ride. If there are safety belts present, use them.

• Do not distract the bus driver with loud yelling, music, etc.

• Don't throw anything around on the bus.

• Keep the aisle clear to avoid tripping hazards.

• Follow the driver's instructions in the event of an emergency.

• Remain seated until the bus has stopped at a particular drop-off location.

• When exiting the bus, take three steps away from the bus so that visibility of the driver is improved.

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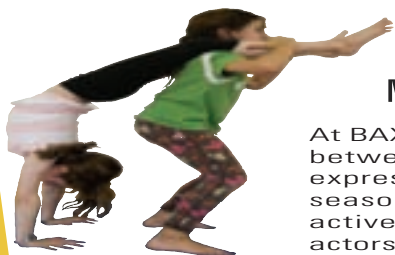


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Time management tips for college kids

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In addition to the need to work, college students are also embracing extra-curricular activities in an attempt to make themselves stand out in an increasingly competitive post-college job market.

While that ability to multi-task might one day prove attractive to prospective employers, it's an ability many students must learn. Time is often a commodity for college students, and managing time effectively can make the difference between a successful student and one who is overwhelmed by stress.

•**Learn to prioritize.** For some college students, the weekend is the ultimate priority. Though this might be a recipe for fun, it's not a recipe for success. Prioritizing both academic and social commitments is a very important step for students looking to manage time more effectively.

First and foremost, school should be a student's top priority. After studies, it's



Time management is a skill all college students must learn in order to ensure their success.

up to a student to choose what's the next most important priority. This is often very difficult, as colleges typically offer a bevy of activities to students. Socializing is an important aspect of college life, but students must be careful not to place socializing too far up on the totem pole of their priorities. When prioritizing, it's best to keep in mind that edu-

cation comes first. Keep school and school-related activities high on the list of priorities.

•**Don't over-extend.** Many students love college for the very reason that there is so much to do. In an effort to ensure all students make the most of their college experiences, colleges and universities provide many different avenues by which students can express themselves and become a part of the college community's fabric. However, with all those activities, it's easy for college kids to go overboard and over-commit themselves. Attempting to do too much can lead to feelings of stress and burnout, often resulting in poorer academic performance. When managing time, college students should schedule some daily time to relax and take a breather.

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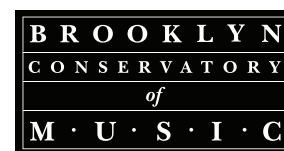


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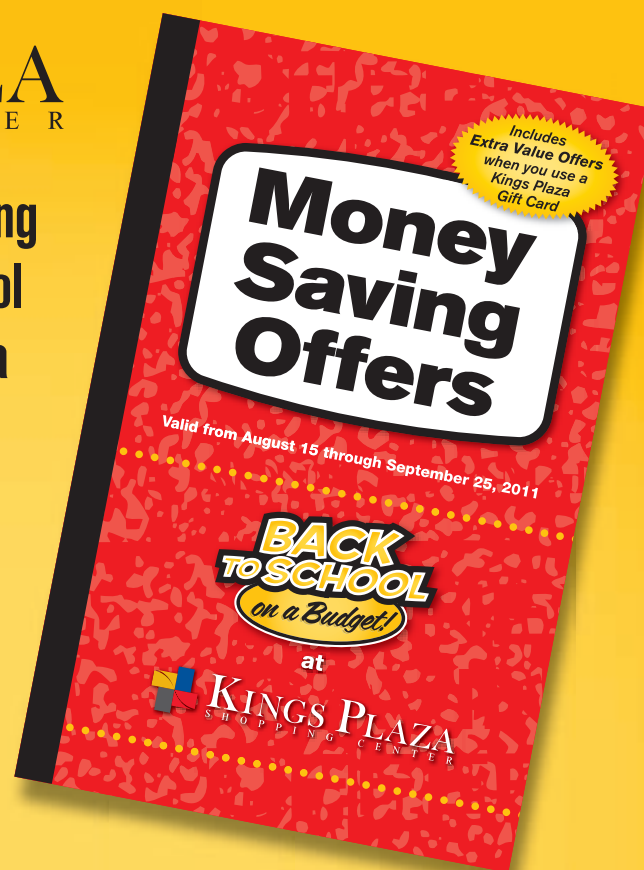
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● 'Working out got me stronger, it helped my ball handling and I got quicker.'

— Lincoln's Isaiah Whitehead

● 'There's no denying Travis [Gill] has Division I ability.'

— Xaverian coach Jack Alesi

Lincoln sophomore's recruitment on the rise

BY ZACH BRAZILLER

Save for a trip to Las Vegas near the end of the July recruiting period, Isaiah Whitehead hardly left Coney Island. Lincoln's standout rising sophomore instead relentlessly worked out and caught up with a few classes.

His recruiting hasn't suffered, however.

After picking up scholarship offers from St. John's, Rutgers and Syracuse previously, Pittsburgh recently offered Whitehead. Arizona has gotten into the mix, along with interest from Miami, North Carolina and Kentucky.

The 6-foot-4 combo guard spent mornings in class, taking an English and science course, afternoons working out with Lincoln coach Dwayne (Tiny) Morton at New York Sports Club and evenings playing in local leagues or in older pickup games.

"I was gonna take the summer off anyway, to get



Lincoln's Isaiah Whitehead recently picked up a scholarship offer from Pittsburgh.
Photo by An Rong Xu

better so for next year I could be a better leader," he said. "Playing a lot of AAU could've made me better, but working out got me stronger, it helped my ball handling and I got quicker."

He showed off those improvements off in the Battle of the Boroughs, scoring nine points for Brooklyn in a 66-61 loss to eventual champion Harlem. Whitehead threw down a crowd-pleasing tomahawk slam in the first half, flew by highly ranked Kyle Anderson with a spin move later and blocked a few shots.

"He's gained a little bit more confidence in his skills," Morton said. "He's been working on his athletic ability, getting stronger."

Whitehead took an unofficial visit to Rutgers in early August and said he enjoyed the visit and liked the coaching staff. He was scheduled to see Syracuse on Saturday, but pushed

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Xaverian's Travis Gill has signed with College of St. Rose.

Photo by Christina Santucci

Xaverian's Gill chooses St. Rose

BY ZACH BRAZILLER

Travis Gill has a unique relationship with his grandmother, Carmen Gill. She attended virtually every one of his games at Xaverian and still calls him 10 times a day.

"I live with my mom, but since I was little, we had a close relationship," he said.

If not for Carmen Gill, Travis Gill may be headed to prep school with an uncertain future. Instead, he has signed with Division II College of St. Rose, may start as a freshman and has a full scholarship awaiting him at the Albany school.

Carmen Gill and her husband, Glyme, went along with Travis Gill during his visit to St. Rose on Sunday. He was hung up most of the summer on playing Division I basketball, but she didn't want to hear any of it, emphasizing the free education over basketball.

"She was on my back," the 18-year-old said with a laugh. "I said, 'Grandma, it's my decision.' But she kept pushing me. I sat back and thought, she was right."

On Aug. 17, Travis Gill made the decision,

committing and signing with the city-heavy program and longtime coach Brian Beaury. He joins former adversaries, Dominick Milka and Kareem Thomas of Christ the King and Chris Dorgler of Archbishop Molloy.

Xaverian coach Jack Alesi called his commitment "a home run." The versatile wing was dynamite for the Clippers as a senior, scoring inside and out, often guarding the opposition's top scoring threat, and making plays for his teammates.

"There's no denying Travis has Division I ability and what he also has is tremendous character and tremendous work ethic," Alesi said. "There's not a better kid on the planet than Travis Gill. He's about respect, he's about commitment, he's about loyalty — all the things that make a student athlete today."

Above all else, Travis Gill said he chose St. Rose because of Beaury, who has won over 500 games in 24 seasons, been to the Division II NCAA Tournament 11 times and is a member of the New York State Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame.

Nazareth's Ali ends up at Kentucky

BY MARC RAIMONDI

Nazareth grad Bra'Shey Ali has enrolled at the University of Kentucky despite initially committing to West Virginia. Kentucky announced that Ali would be eligible to compete for the Wildcats this coming season on their website Friday.

Ali said she was more comfortable at Kentucky, where she'll play alongside former St. Michael Acad-

emy teammate Jennifer O'Neill.

"Jenn motivates me on and off the court," Ali said. "She's a good person to be around. We work good together."

The 6-foot Ali had perhaps the biggest basket of the entire season for Nazareth, catching a Darius Faulk pass in transition and making a layup to tie the CHSAA Class AA state semifinals game against St.

Anthony's (L.I.) in the closing seconds. Naz went on to win that contest and its first-ever New York State Federation Class AA championship. Ali was instrumental all season with her rebounding and tireless play.

"Bra'Shey is an explosive athlete who fits in well with our style of play," Kentucky coach Matthew Mitchell told ukathletics.com "I expect her to come

to Kentucky and give us tremendous effort and energy. Our staff looks forward to working with her and helping her become an excellent student-athlete at the University of Kentucky."

Kentucky advanced to the second round of the NCAA tournament this past season. O'Neill, a former McDonald's All-American, scored 5.1 points in 12.4 minutes per game. She

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This 'Court' is in session

People's Court brings down the gavel on the competition

BY AARON SHORT

The Brooklyn Kickball League's playoff picture is as muddled as its ball fields.

A second straight weekend of sloppy weather and even sloppier play did little to separate more than a dozen teams vying for a first-round bye in next month's playoffs.

The John Cougar Mellencamps have appeared to secure itself the top seed after posting resounding wins against an unappealing mash-up of the Kikiablies and Divine Sisterhood, 10-0, and Recession Aggression, 12-2.

"We are looking forward to the second annual 'Bye a Run Week' on Sunday after a team retreat this weekend at an undisclosed location with trust falls and all," said "Shirtless" Tom McDonough, the Mellencamps' captain.

But the playoff outlook is uncertain for teams such as the sixth-ranked Mathletes, who have subtracted a cohesive game plan from their earlier inspired play, now stumbling badly in the second half of the season.

Not to mention ninth-ranked Baywatch, 10th-ranked RamRod, 11th-ranked Booze on First, and 12th-ranked Bacon Bits — all who are battling for a

final playoff bye against eighth-ranked People's Court.

But if Sunday's match play was any indication, court is now in session.

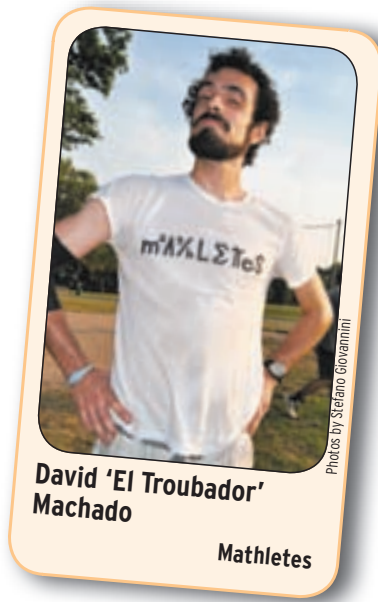
People's Court administered swift and conclusive justice to the Pony Boys, 7-6, in Sunday's most dramatic game behind Thomas "Don" Ho's walk-off single, scoring Hannah "Sandra" Bernhardt amid a downpour.

But the team will be without its beloved former captain and guiding spirit, Courtney "Jeff" Danielson, who is moving to Wisconsin for a new job next month.

Court spokesman Jeremy "Surrogate Judge" Medanich said her absence will create a hole "in both the outfield and our hearts," while League Commissioner Kevin "Commish" Dailey acknowledged there would be "less gossip" in the dugout.

In other games, Saved By the Balls downed Booze on First, 10-6, but lost to Recession Aggression by one run, while Bacon Bits pummeled Hot Mess, 15-10, in a slippery laughter.

And fifth-placed Never Scared allowed only one run on Sunday, shutting down Ramrod, 4-1, before sending Booze on First to rehab with a 10-0 win, while Ramrod butchered the Bacon Bits, 9-3.



David 'El Troubador' Machado

Mathletes

Photos by Stefano Giovannini

Dailey says teams should keep their eye on the veteran Never Scared squad, which has amassed a quietly impressive season, and Ramrod, which he believes is mostly likely to leapfrog its competition and steal a bye next weekend.

"Ramrod is inches away from ascending to one of the best teams in the league," said Dailey. "They have good kicking, good fielding, decent base running — they just need a little more seasoning."

Bra'Shey

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started three games for the Wildcats. Ali and O'Neill were teammates during St. Mike's 2008-09 state Federation championship season, but Ali didn't play due to a torn ACL.

Ali initially committed to West Virginia in Febru-

ary. She also was considering Rutgers and Louisville. In early July, Ali said, she decided the Mountaineers would not be the right fit. She will leave her Plainfield, N.J., home for Lexington, Ky., next week.

"At first I was scared to go that far from home, but now it's OK to me," Ali said. "Now I just want to win a national championship."

Whitehead

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back the trek upstate until early September. He may also take a visit to Pittsburgh before school begins.

His mother Ericka Rambert isn't sure how worthwhile the unofficial visits are at this early stage, but said they will definitely go to Syracuse, the alma mater of Whitehead's favorite player, Carmelo Anthony. She thinks the time off this summer was good for her son, who went from a busy summer last year to a hectic first varsity season that culminated with him leading the Railsplitters to the PSAL Class AA title game at Madison Square Garden.

"Basically, it's a mental rest of doing the same

thing all the time," Morton said. "It's always good to get a rest from the norm. A lot of guys that are in his position, when they get to be a senior they are already worn out, playing so many tournaments in so many years."

Whitehead did get an opportunity to get out of the city once, flying cross country with the Juice All-Stars to Las Vegas for the Las Vegas Fab 48 event. Juice went 3-3, but Whitehead left an impression on several big-name coaches, including Kentucky's John Calipari, according to sources, in a loss to the nationally ranked Oakland Soldiers.

"He needed a rest, he was overwhelmed," Rambert said. "It was good for him because the next two summers he's not gonna get a break."

City women's basketball trio chases Olympic dream

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Adeola Olanrewaju quickly learned this was going to be a different go around with the Nigerian women's national basketball team.

At the team's tryouts in July, the former all-city standout at Bishop Loughlin, who made the squad for the third time, was approached by one of her new teammates. Rosalyn Gold-Onwude, a former Archbishop Molloy and Stanford star, recognized Olanrewaju and told her she was a fan growing up.

"I was like when I was in junior high school my mom use to take me to watch your games," Gold-Onwude said. "I was actually between Archbishop Molloy, Christ the King and Bishop Loughlin. I was really thinking

about it and my mom was like there is this nice Nigerian girl and she is doing well."

Olanrewaju graduated from Xavier University in 2005 after starting her career at N.C. State. The 6-foot-3 center competed in the FIBA World Championships in 2006 and in 2009 tried to qualify for the World Championships. Her interaction with Gold-Onwude quickly showed she was going to be one of the squad's veterans this time and also one of three New York City players on the roster. Former Gauchos teammate Mayoya Onikute, who played at Park West HS in Manhattan, also made it after missing the cut in 2009. Both she and Olanrewaju were born in Nigeria, while Gold-Onwude's father

is a native.

"When she came on the team she kept saying I know you," Olanrewaju said of Gold-Onwude. "I'm like, 'how?' We are like years apart. It was so cute and it was almost embarrassing."

She and her fellow New Yorkers and nine other teammates will try to lead Nigeria back to the Olympics for the first time since 2004. Olanrewaju had a chance to try out for that team, but was coming off microfracture knee surgery and didn't want to risk the rest of her career, which has taken her overseas to Turkey and the Ukraine.

With some of the 2004 team back and the new additions she thinks this year's squad has a chance to get them to London in 2012. They left their Or-



Former Bishop Loughlin standout Adeola Olanrewaju (left) plays in a championship match as part of the Nigerian women's national basketball team. She and her teammates are vying for the Olympics.

AP Photo/ Andrew Penner

lando training facility this week for Belgium and Italy to play exhibition games. The African Olympics, for

continent bragged rights, start Sept. 2 in Mozambique as a final tune up for the FIBA World championships

from Sept. 23 to Oct. 2 in the Mali.

"I think this team has a really, really good chance," Olanrewaju said. "All the aspects and all the positions are covered."

The journey to this point was much different for Gold-Onwude and Olanrewaju. Gold-Onwude, a 5-foot-10 point guard, chose a career in broadcasting over a chance to play overseas. But when members of the team reached out to her through e-mails and Facebook she couldn't give up the opportunity to compete and possibly be an Olympian. It didn't conflict with her covering the women's college basketball season for ESPN and Fox Sports.

"Here is a chance for me to be able to do both," she said.



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Hey, the bat boy is a dog!

BY DAN MACLEOD

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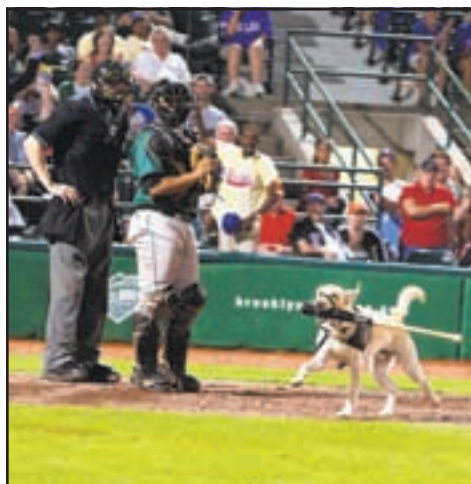
The official “spokesdog” for the Canines for Veterans played fetch with the Cyclones at last Wednesday’s game against the Jamestown Jammers, retrieving bats for two players and giving Brooklyn bat boys Mark Ross and Jordan Torres a run for their money.

“It was crazy. I thought he was going to go out and bite the shortstop,” said second baseman Carlos Leyva. “It was fun to watch.”

Titus, a Labrador mix, who is about 4, probably has as good a chance of hitting a pitch as the Clones do right now, but his training has given him plenty of other skills, his owner said.

“They can pick up things as small as the backs of earrings; they can pull wheelchairs, turn on and off lights using single words commands,” said Rick Hairston, the president of Carolina Canines for Service, a group that saves dogs from shelters and trains them to be service dogs for veterans. “They can load a washing machine and unload the dryer.”

Titus is also a bat dog for the Charleston River Dogs and made an appearance at MCU Park on a night that honored local veteran



Atta boy! Special guest Titus retrieves centerfielder Chase Greene’s bat at last Wednesday’s game against the Jamestown Jammers.

Photo by Tom Callan

Leslie Smith before the 5-2 Cyclones win.

Titus retrieved bats for center-fielder Chase Greene and shortstop Danny Muno.

Walk-off extra-inning homer keeps ‘Clones alive

BY GERSH KUNTZMAN

It was a bit of an up and down week for the Cyclones, who are chasing not only the hated Staten Island Yankees for the McNamara Division crown, but are also trying to remain close to the pesky Williamsport Crosscutters, who hold a slim lead in the race for the New York-Penn League’s lone wild-card berth.

After dropping two games to the Tri-City Valley Cats — including falling in a one-hitter last Saturday night — the Cyclones stormed back in what we are calling the Game of the Week.

Here’s how the action went down.

Cyclones 3 Valley Cats 2 (8 inns.)

Aug. 22 at MCU Park

A walk-off extra-inning homer provided the Cyclones with a big win — and kept the team’s slim playoff chances alive.

Clone pitchers kept the Cats at bay all night, with starter Marcos Camarena giving up all three Tri-City hits in his five innings. Camarena was solid, though Tri-City jumped ahead to a 2-0 lead.

The Cyclones tied the game in the fifth. Ismael Tijerina led off with a single, Tillman Pugh walked and T.J. Rivera singled to load the bases.

Javier Rodriguez then doubled home

two runs, but the rally fizzled when Richard Lucas was called out on strikes (then ejected for arguing the call).

“You saw the frustration tonight,” said manager Rich Donnelly. “That’s what pennant races are all about. Guys get upset more now than they do in June. You’re playing for something, and you know it, so you get irritated. That’s baseball.”

The Cyclone bullpen was solid, yielding no hits over the final three frames. Jack Leathersich, who had struck out 20 in his prior 8-2/3 innings, pitched two shut-out innings, striking out two more.

“He’s done great all year,” Donnelly said. “He’s on a strict two-inning limit, but he’s got a great arm.”

When his innings were done, Leathersich was relieved by Todd Weldon, who pitched a one-two-three eighth.

That set up Amauris Valdez’s heroics, sending a shot to left that just cleared the fence to win the game.

“That home run salvaged the night,” Donnelly said.

The win kept the Cyclones within one-and-a-half games of Williamsport for the league’s lone wild-card berth. The Cyclones could win the McNamara Division outright — if they could close a three-and-a-half-game gap with the Yankees with just 14 to play.

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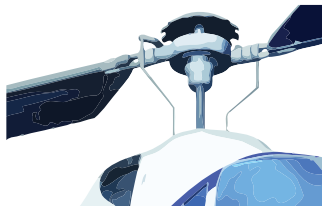


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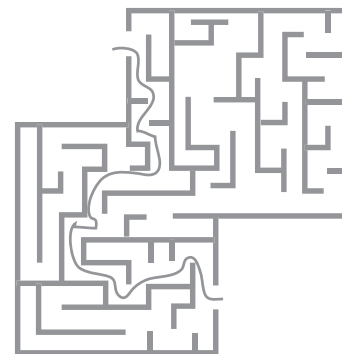
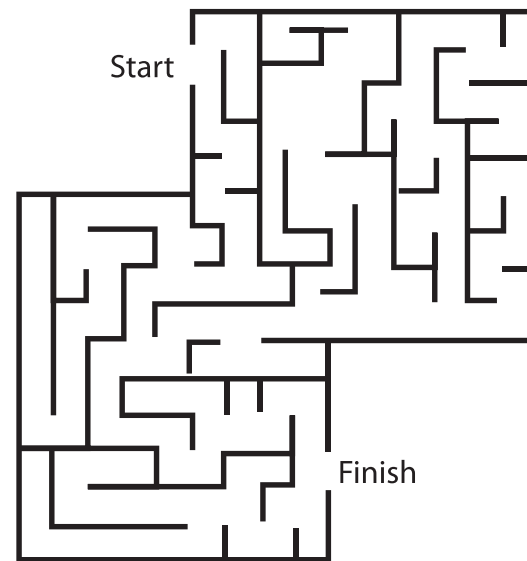


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Gowanus couple two of the best arm wrestlers in the city

By Meredith Deliso
Talk about a power couple. Two of the best arm wrestlers in the state are not only from Brooklyn — but they're also boyfriend and girlfriend. Joyce Boone and Harry Wilson have been together longer than they've been handily taking down competitors from Long Island to Niagara Falls. The two met 18 years ago — literally crossing paths while working as messengers.

It wasn't until a few years later that Wilson spontaneously joined in an arm wrestling competition during the Atlantic Antic. He won. Later, Boone gave it a shot while accompanying Wilson to a match. She won, too.

The Gowanus couple has been mostly winning ever since, and look to take down their respective genders at this Sunday's Brooklyn-Kingsboro Arm Wrestling Championships, held during the Brighton Jubilee Festival.

Boone is the returning female champion, and the 44-year-old is the clear favorite to take home the \$100 prize.

"She is no less the best arm wrestler in Brooklyn and New York State and maybe the world right now," said Gene Camp, founder of the New York Arm Wrestling Association.

Wilson agrees. He is Boone's biggest fan, gladly giving her the spotlight and even deferring to her responses during an interview.

"I don't think anybody in the city can beat her right-handed," said Wilson. "She wins every tournament."

Well, not every tournament. During a regrettably memorable match in 1997, Boone broke her arm after slipping into the aptly named "broke arm position."

"I definitely lost that one," said Boone. That experience has stuck with her at every match since. "I hope I don't break my arm and just go up there and do my best," she said.

It seems to work — Boone is the best female arm wrestler in the state, after winning last year's Empire State Championship.

Her boyfriend's no slouch himself — the 49-year-old righty's won 25 championships, including the Long Island Championships last month, and has an arm like Popeye's on spinach.

During this Sunday's match, Wilson will look to beat Giorgi Gelashvili of Sheepshead Bay, who won last year's Brooklyn-Kingsboro Arm Wrestling Championships.

Arm wrestling is hardly king of sports in this city — this competition, for instance, is occurring during a block party. So besides the modest cash prizes and free sponsor T-shirts, what's the draw?

"I like the excitement and the attention," said Boone. "And the people are very friendly."

As for Wilson?
"The exact same thing," he said.

Brooklyn-Kingsboro Arm Wrestling Championships [3264 Coney Island Ave. near Brighton Beach Avenue in Brighton Beach, (718) 891-0800], Aug. 28 at 1 pm. Free to watch. Contestants must register between 9:30 am and 12:45 pm.

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Harry Wilson and Joyce Boone are the favorites in this Sunday's arm wrestling championship at Brighton Beach. Let's meet them:

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By Dan MacLeod
Let's get down to grummmmmblillllle: I got beaten by a girl.

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She and fellow arm-wrecker — and boyfriend — Harry Wilson stopped by our Downtown offices to give us a preview of Sunday's Brooklyn-Kingsboro Arm Wrestling Championships in Brighton Beach.



Joyce Boone triumphed over reporter Dan MacLeod using an Ali-esque rope-a-dope strategy. By the way, the dope was MacLeod. Referee Gersh Kuntzman called a fair contest. Photo by Tom Callan

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Gender bender

This pageant is one gender-bender. The second annual Mr. Transman competition returns to the Knitting Factory in Williamsburg on Aug. 28 for a celebration of female-to-male beauty.

“What these performers and contestants come up with and how they express gender blows me away — and I’ve seen a lot in my time,” said host Murray Hill, who knows what he’s talking about, having hosted the city’s Miss Lez Pageant for a decade. “Last year’s event was such a blow-out that we had to do it again.”

Drag contests, gay pageants and transwoman competitions have been happening for years, but transmen had been without a pageant of their own until Hill created it last year.

Five contestants will compete in Platform, Swimsuit, Interview, Talent and Evening Wear as they vie for a cash prize and photo spread in the seminal transman magazine, “Original Plumbing.”

The night will also feature some appropriate entertainment, including Schmekel, an all-Jewish and trans punk band; Princess Tiny and the Meats, a political performance art electronica band; and Kit Yan, a spoken word poet and last year’s Mr. Transman, who’ll be returning to also reclaim his title. It’s his-tory in the making.

Mr. Transman 2011 at the Knitting Factory [361 Metropolitan Ave. at Havemeyer Avenue in Williamsburg, (347) 529-6696], Aug. 28 at 8 pm. Tickets \$18, \$15 in advance. For info, visit www.mrshowbiz.com.

— Meredith Deliso

Opera outside

Experience a Viennese tradition, without the nine-hour plane ride.

The Vienna Music Film Festival, a two-month long outdoor classical music and opera event in the Austrian capital, comes to the city for one day this month, on Aug. 29 at Brooklyn Bridge Park.

The park’s iconic skyline views were one of the main draws for festival organizers.

“We’re looking forward to providing a glimpse of what Austrian and European opera houses have been presenting within the last few years at such an astoundingly beautiful location,” said Ruth Pfletschinger, the executive director of the International Music and Media Centre, which is making its North American debut.

The evening will feature screenings of classical concerts and opera performances, including excerpts from “Carmen,” “Rigoletto,” “La Bohème,” and “Don Giovanni,” recorded at Austrian venues this past year. There will also be traditional Austrian cuisine, which pretty much begins with wienerschnitzel and ends with Linzer torte.

Vienna Music Film Festival NY at Brooklyn Bridge Park (Pier 1 at the foot of Old Fulton Street in DUMBO), Aug. 29 at 7 pm. Free. For info, visit www.imz.at.

— Meredith Deliso

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BEST BETS

Brooklyn’s one love

Dozens of unicyclists will take to the Brooklyn Bridge next month — but no, the circus isn’t in town.

The curious sight is courtesy of the second annual New York City Unicyclist Festival, a weekend-long celebration of the one-wheel wonder.

“The idea was to create a fun and exciting event that brought together hundreds of unicyclists,” said festival founder Keith Nelson, the ringleader of the Bindlestiff Family Circus.

It all kicks off on Sept. 2 with a ride across the Brooklyn Bridge, where most of the riders will then skillfully ride the 13 miles down to Coney Island. Last year, about 50 riders tackled the bridge, with about half then trekking the rest of the ride.

“You get laughs and stares,” said Nelson. “One or two unicycles and it’s kind of cute, but when you see 20 people, it goes beyond cute to something really intriguing. People wonder, ‘Is the circus in town?’”

The three-day festival also includes events on Governors Island and at Grant’s Tomb in Manhattan.

Enough people turned out over the weekend last year to rival the annual National Unicycle Convention, the largest such gathering of its kind in the US, though Nelson has his sights set on other records.

“I’d love to see 100 people on unicycles crossing the Brooklyn Bridge,” said Nelson. “I don’t think that number has ever been

Friday
9/2



For Keith Nelson, it’s all about the unicycle. He’s organized a 13-mile unicycle ride on Sept. 2, beginning at the Brooklyn Bridge and ending in Coney Island.
Photo by Stefano Giovannini

achieved before.”

Unicycle ride to Coney Island begins on the Manhattan side of the Brooklyn Bridge [east side of City Hall Park on Park Row, (877) 246-3537], Sept. 2, 2 pm. For info, visit www.nycunifest.com.

— Meredith Deliso

The Governator, with glitter

Arnold Schwarzenegger may be the ultimate macho movie star, but that doesn’t mean he couldn’t do without some feathers and glitter.

And on Sept. 1, burlesque troupe Casino O’Fortune Cookie Productions hosts a leather and pasties-filled tribute to Ahnald at the Coney Island Sideshow.

“We do tributes to über-male movie and rock stars that inspire us, and he’s the ultimate male macho movie star,” said producer and performer Clams Casino, whose previous shows have included tributes to Bruce Campbell, Patrick Swayze and Van Halen. “We like mixing über male testosterone with glitz and glamorous burlesque.”

Indeed, the night will feature lots of leather, tank tops and jeans, as well as sexy strip-tease inspired by pumping iron, the Governor’s recent nanny scandal, and the films “Conan the Barbarian,” and, of course, “The Terminator,” the feature that spawned a thousand imitators — and one liners — but surely none that included two half-naked women undressing each other.

“I don’t want to give away the act,” said Casino, who’ll perform the act with Anita Cookie. “But

Thursday
9/1



Clams Casino (left) and Anita Cookie channel their campy tough side in preparation for a sexy burlesque tribute to the ultimate macho movie star — Arnold Schwarzenegger.
Photo by Stefano Giovannini

the scene where the Terminator makes the regular guy give him his clothes was really a point of inspiration for us, it’s safe to say.”

“Hasta La Vista Baby: Schwarzenegger Burlesque!” at Sideshows by the Seashore [1208 Surf Ave. between Stillwell Avenue and W. 12th Street in Coney Island, (718) 372-5159], Sept. 1 at 9 pm. Tickets \$12. For info, visit casinoofortunecookie.com.

— Meredith Deliso

This rocks!

Who says old school print newspapers are good for nothing?

On Aug. 28, the fledgling Red Hook Star-Revue, published by local drummer and all-around good guy, George Fiala, will host an all-day music (and free pizza!) festival at Urban Meadow Park.

The concert is an extension of the weekly Thursday night jam at the Union Street venue, also hosted by Fiala.

“We have a lot of very good musicians that come here,” said Fiala. “It’s been a great way to build musical relationships.”

The festival will include acoustic folk from Jay Tanner, jazz from Amanda Cole, indie rockers The Middle Eight, folk rock from The Rusty Hooks, and drummer Fiala’s own rock band, Union.

Besides taking in the music, you can have as much pizza and hot dogs as you like.

“It’s my way of giving back,” said Fiala. “Plus, it’s just a lot of fun to have a music festival.”

So show up on Sunday and take advantage of one newspaperman’s largesse. Our largesse? We covered Fiala’s event, didn’t we?

Red Hook Star-Revue Music Fest at Urban Meadow Park (Van Brunt and President streets in the Columbia Street Waterfront District, no phone), Aug. 28, noon–6 pm. Tickets \$10. For info, visit www.redhookstar.com.

— Meredith Deliso

Accent piece

Does Brooklyn tawk the tawk? Fuhgeddaboutit!

Brooklyn Heights filmmaker Heather Quinlan is getting to the bottom of the New York accent in her unfinished documentary, “If These Knishes Could Talk” — and lets native speakers tell it like it is!

“The accent captures the public’s imagination all over the world,” Quinlan said. “A lot of people have told me that when they travel, it’s not necessarily cool to be an American, but it is to be a New Yorker. The image is that we’re a city of Serpico and Godfathers!”

To explore how the accent is evolving — or disappearing — amid the city’s rapid gentrification, Quinlan picks the brains of famous scribes Pete Hamill and James McBride, TV personality Joe Franklin, and comedian Pat Cooper.

But the charming film is also a hodgepodge of average Joes. There’s a deaf New Yorker who contends that people here use sign language faster and with more cursing. And then there’s a Korean sanitation worker who grew up on Staten Island and sounds like Robert DeNiro. One woman is training to erase her accent altogether so she can be on TV, and a retired Brooklyn maintenance worker who is fed up with people mistaking him for a mobster.

A 25-minute version of the film is showing at the Art of Brooklyn film festival on Saturday, but Quinlan is still fundraising on Kickstarter so that she can finish a full version of the documentary.

“If These Knishes Could Talk” at St. Francis College [180 Remsen St. at Court Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 522-2300], Aug. 27 at 4:30 pm. Tickets \$15 (\$12 in advance).

— Kate Briquetel

Summer Dining in Brooklyn

SPECIAL ADVERTISING SECTION

Il Fornetto still shines on Emmons Ave.

By Camille Sperrazza

Let the sun shine. Waterfront dining is one of the great appeals of summer, and Il Fornetto Italian restaurant is still treating Brooklynites to the incredible view of the bay — and some fine food to enjoy it with. Dining there is the perfect way to spend a summer afternoon or evening.

The restaurant recently made changes that make it even more appealing. The main dining room, the Pavilion, has been renovated, giving the place a more sophisticated and elegant look. The view of the bay is better than ever.

The cuisine has evolved with the addition of new chef, Camillo Bassani, from the Hasseler Hotel in Rome. Bassani features upscale pan-Italian cuisine with fresh pasta, meat, and fish dishes, all inspired from the sea.

For example, gamberoni vestiti, a new entree, features fillet of sole, jumbo shrimp, prosecco wine sauce, and the vegetable of the day. A new pasta dish, tortelli di arragosta, is a lobster-stuffed ravioli, served with grape tomatoes, garlic, and white wine sauce.

As always, house specialties and individual pizzas are baked in an 800-degree wood burning oven. That's one of the signature appeals of Il Fornetto. The names means "little oven," and it's the wood fire brick oven that gives the dishes their unique and alluring flavors that cannot



Il Fornetto's main dining room, the Pavilion, has been renovated to give it a more sophisticated and elegant look.

Photo by Bess Adler

be duplicated in traditional ovens. New to the pizza menu, and prepared in this special oven, is tartufo, a pie made with fresh mozzarella and black truffle cream.

A new appetizer, tagliere misto, is a cutting board of imported cured meat and cheese, accompanied by olives, grapes, walnuts, sliced apples, and chestnut honey. A new salad, indivia, combines Belgium endive with oven roasted beets, toasted pine nuts, and a red beet dress-

ing. For those who prefer meat dishes, stinco di agnello, another new entree, is a slow-roasted lamb shank in a red wine and balsamic vinegar reduction, served with truffle oil scented mashed potatoes.

Also new to the pasta menu is fettuccine al funchetto — served with cremini, shitake and oyster mushrooms, garlic, and extra virgin olive oil.

Cooking in that wood oven, perfect for summer dining, is branzino arrosto — a baked

Mediterranean sea bass, prepared with fresh herbs and vegetables. From the sea, too, is aragosta nel fornello — a Maine lobster, adorned with shallots, brandy cream sauce, and Gnocco fritto fried dough, flavors fused together as can only be done in that wood oven.

The restaurant's signature dish — rigatoni al fornello with fresh mozzarella, eggplant, and tomato sauce — gets its perfect crispy crust from the wood oven. Not to be missed is another favorite — calamari fritti, served with a spicy red sauce.

You can enjoy it all, despite the recession. Come for lunch, Mondays through Fridays, from noon until 4 pm, and feast on an appetizer and entree for \$13.95.

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Private parties and business functions are always welcome, and a banquet menu is offered. No doubt all who attend will be impressed with the view, as well as the food. Valet parking at the restaurant's own side lot makes it convenient for your guests, too.

Il Fornetto [2902 Emmons Ave. in Sheepshead Bay, (718) 332-8494]. Open Sundays through Thursdays, from noon until 11 pm; and on Fridays and Saturdays, noon until midnight. For more information, visit www.ilfornetterestaurant.com.



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Simply the best burger in New York City!

By Joe Raiola

A few weeks ago, I was asked to compete in the Macy's annual "Battle of the Burger" in Herald Square. I never really considered myself a burger aficionado, so I wanted to come up with something that was different.

Oh, by the way, I won.

This may come as a surprise to my readers, given that earlier this year, I gave you what I then considered to be my "perfect" burger recipe. Don't get me wrong, it's a great burger. But when I go toque-to-toque with some of the best burger restaurant chefs in the city, I want to bring my A+ game.

Who knew it would all revolve around cream cheese? Hey, don't laugh — it won!

Let's talk about the burger first. There are many different blends of meat, but a mix with brisket and/or short rib gives you that real burger flavor.

But to each his own, right? If you want more of a chopped steak flavor, go with ground chuck or chopped sirloin.

But whatever taste you're going for, use a blend that's 80 percent meat and 20 percent fat. This will give you the perfect amount of fat so the burger does not dry out.

People think they can fudge this mix, but you can't: Any more meat and it's too dry; any less fat and the juices will all cook out and you'll get a small burger.

And it doesn't matter if you are grilling outside, cooking in a frying pan, or broiling, the



Our Joe has created the best burger ever. But you don't have to believe us — it just won a city-wide award (though you can believe us, too, because we ate this burger seconds after snapping this picture).

Photo by Gersh Kuntzman

same principles apply: Start with really high heat to seal in the juices, then lower the heat as you cook. You do not want to have to keep flipping the burger because it may break, letting the juices escape like Frank Morris from Alcatraz.

Another trick is to add an egg to the chopped meat mixture to hold it together better during the cooking process.

Now, let's cook:

The Best Burger in the City!

Yields four burgers

INGREDIENTS

- 2 lbs. prime chuck roll, 80-20 blend
- 3 ounces tomato juice
- 1-1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. black pepper
- 6 ounces cream cheese
- 4 tbs. scallions, sliced thin
- 1/2 cup soy or canola oil
- 3 large jalapenos, sliced 1/8 inch thick on a bias and deseeded
- 1 cup flour
- 4 ounces pasteurized eggs
- 1/2 cup coarse grain yellow cornmeal
- 8 slices bacon
- 4 brioche rolls
- 4 tbs. whole unsalted butter
- 1 head Boston lettuce

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 375. Mix the first four ingredients together in a bowl. Set aside. In another smaller bowl, work the cream cheese and scallion together with your hands. Set aside. Scale out roughly nine ounces of meat for each burger. Mold them just a bit larger than the bun, then make a crust-like rim around the burger so it resembles a small pizza shell. The "crust" should be about a half-inch wide. Now take 1/4 of the cream cheese mixture and form a disk and place it on your burger. Fold the "crust" over the cream cheese very gently until the cream cheese disk is in the middle of your burger. Make sure there are no cracks in the

burger and it is a uniform shape. Repeat three more times. Put your four burgers in the fridge to set, about 10 minutes or so.

Meanwhile place the bacon on sheet pan in the oven. Pour the oil in a medium sauté pan over medium heat. While that is going, coat your sliced jalapenos with about three tablespoons of flour. Mix the remaining flour with the cornmeal. Drop the dusted jalapenos in the eggs, then in the cornmeal. The jalapeno slices should now be covered completely with the cornmeal mixture. Pan fry them for about a minute or so on each side. You are looking for a golden brown color. Place them on a paper towel and set aside. Take the crispy bacon out of the oven and place it with the jalapenos.

Gently place the burgers on a hot, oiled grill or broiler and cook for three to four minutes on each side. Do not press down too hard on the burgers during cooking because this will cause the cheese to run out. While your burgers are on the grill, slice the buns in half, butter the cut side, and put them on a sheet pan butter side down on the bottom of your oven and toast them till they are browned.

Lastly, place a piece of the bib lettuce on the bottom bun followed by the burger, another piece of lettuce, three jalapeno slices and then the bacon.

Eat.

Give yourself an award, because you've just made the best burger in the city!

Joe Raiola is the executive chef at Morton's The Steakhouse [339 Adams St. between Willoughby and Tillary streets in Downtown, (718) 596-2700].

Slope's Purbird ain't no chicken little

By Sarah Zorn

Do you feel like chicken tonight?

Antibiotic and hormone-free poultry enthusiasts are well advised to fly on over to Purbird, Park Slope's newest addition to the consciousness raising, "slow fast food" movement.

The free-roaming chicken hut boasts a concise menu — flame-grilled chicken, chicken thigh wraps, chicken burgers, chicken sausages, and chicken pie — and made-to-order sides, salads and sauces with all-natural and organic ingredients.

"The people in this neighborhood are incredibly discerning about their food," said owner Christina Lekkas, who, along with husband Peter, also runs the acclaimed Elia restaurant in Bay Ridge.

"It's something I prepared myself for before we even opened," she said. "Park Slope people want to know where the ingredients are from, how you're cooking them, who's cooking them. Luckily the response has been good — they've been pleased with my answers, and the product!"

It's no wonder, considering Purbird has been almost 10 years in the making.

The ultimate chicken aficionado, Lekkas has long dreamt of opening a restaurant where poultry was more than an overdone, underwhelming afterthought.

"More often than not, when you order chicken, it's dry, greasy, or a below-average bird to begin with," said Lekkas. "For me, the idea was to create a menu where every single item is made with



A chicken burger at Purbird is pure bird.

Photo by Stefano Giovannini

perfectly cooked chicken."

Elia chef, Ivan Martinez, has helped her realize her vision, creating an elaborate brining system for the chickens, mixing white and dark meat to form the perfect burger, and whipping up a frequently changing roster of house-made sauces and condiments, like quince chutney, jalapeno/caper puree, and cherry ketchup.

"The food is simple and accessible, yet interesting and unique at the same time," said Purbird customer Martin Doyle of St. Johns Place. "Kids and their parents can both really enjoy themselves here."

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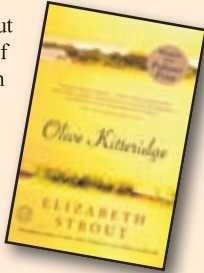
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**The BookMark Shoppe's pick:
'Olive Kitteridge'**

"Olive Kitteridge" by Elizabeth Stout is ... all about Olive Kitteridge. Half told thru the eyes of the small town neighbors who know her best, readers get a perceptive, accurate portrait of a woman sometimes patient, sometimes stern. The other chapters of filled with Kitteridge's thoughts and feelings on life in Crosby, Maine. This fictional story celebrates the joy and tragedies of a very human character.

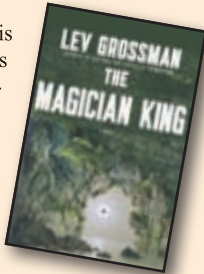
— *Bina Valenzano, co-owner, The BookMark Shoppe [8415 Third Ave. between 84th and 85th streets in Bay Ridge, (718) 833-5115].*



**Greenlight's pick:
'The Magician King'**

Lev Grossman's epic follow-up to his bestselling novel "The Magicians" brings back Quentin Coldwater, his directionless Brooklyn hero. He's found his place as a king of the magical land of Fillory, but goes questing for more adventure. His story is told alongside that of his high school friend Julia, who took a more dangerous, back-streets route to magicianhood. Their respective journeys take them to European mansions, dingy safehouses, and alternate worlds, through encounters with old friends, dragons, and gods — but their awkwardness and struggles are painfully realistic. Grossman's irreverent hero's quest delivers, action, suspense, philosophy, and some really wonderful magic.

— *Jessica Stockton Bagnulo, co-owner, Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246-0200].*



**WORD's pick:
'Rules of Civility'**

Manhattan, New Year's Eve, 1938: A time where men eagerly lit a woman's cigarette and heated debates over art and literature were the norm. Two twenty-something girls out on the town looking for adventure meet Tinker Grey, a young man of means, and their lives are changed forever. I'm a sucker for New York City nostalgia as it is, but Amor Towles's book had me completely hooked from the start. The characters are vibrant and alive, and the descriptions of New York are poetic, so much so that the city is a character in and of itself. I loved every minute of it. (Editor's note: This is the second appearance of Towles's novel in book picks, so that should tell you something.)

— *Christine Onorati, owner, WORD [126 Franklin St. at Milton Street in Greenpoint, (718) 383-0096].*



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EVENTS

FRI, AUG. 26

FARMERS MARKET: Fresh fruits and veggies and reasonable prices. **Free.** 8 am–4 pm. Coney Island Hospital (Ocean Pkwy. between Shore Road and Avenue Z in Coney Island), www.nyc.gov/hhc.

MUSIC, QUATRO NA BOSSA: 7 pm. Barbes [376 Ninth St. at Sixth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 965-9177], www.barbesbrooklyn.com.

THEATER, "ALICE 2: Through the Looking Glass": A quirky original adaptation continuing where "Alice in Wonderland" leaves off. \$15. 7 pm. The Block Institute [376 Bay 44th St. off Shore Parkway in Gravesend, (347) 492-0534], www.genesis-repertory.org.

MUSIC, AMY STEINBERG, JACLYN DIMA, RANDY JOHNSTON'S PURSUITS UNKNOWN, ANDI RAE AND THE BACK RIVER BULLIES: **Free.** 7 pm. Freddy's Bar [627 Fifth Ave. between 17th and 18th streets in Greenwood Heights, (718) 768-0131], www.freddysbar.com.

DICK ZIGUN'S STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS: The "mayor" of Coney Island delivers his annual address, dubbed "Part performance-art, part playful people's politics." \$5. 8 pm. Coney Island Museum [1208 Surf Ave. at W. 12th Street in Coney Island, (718) 372-5159], www.coneyisland.com.

MUSIC, BUFFALO STANCE, CHANDELIERS: \$10. 8:30 pm. Knitting Factory [361 Metropolitan Ave. at Havemeyer Street in Williamsburg, (347) 529-6696], ny.knittingfactory.com.

MUSIC, THE RIDGE: **Free.** 9 pm. Greenhouse Cafe [7713 Third Ave. near 77th Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 833-8200], www.greenhousecafe.com.

SAT, AUG. 27

MUSIC, BROOKLYN LOVES MICHAEL JACKSON: Celebrate the King of Pop's birthday at this Spike Lee joint. **Free.** Noon–6 pm. Prospect Park [16th Street and Prospect Park Southwest in Park Slope, (718) 965-8951], www.prospectpark.org.

MUSIC, SURF BANDS: Bands play as part of the Deno's Wonder Wheel Music Marathon. **Free.** 2–8 pm. Deno's Wonder Wheel [3059 W. 12th St. at the Boardwalk in Coney Island, (718) 372-2592], www.wonderwheel.com.

THEATER, "ALICE 2: Through the Looking Glass": 5 pm. See Friday, Aug. 26.

MUSIC, TIFFANY CHANG'S FREE ASSOCIATION, MEAGHAN BURKE, CHRIS MICHAEL, SUN

SHOWERS, THE SKY CAPTAINS OF INDUSTRY: **Free.** 8 pm. Freddy's Bar [627 Fifth Ave. between 17th and 18th streets in Greenwood Heights, (718) 768-0131], www.freddysbar.com.

MUSIC, FRANKIE MARRA: **Free.** 9 pm. Greenhouse Cafe [7713 Third Ave. near 77th Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 833-8200], www.greenhousecafe.com.

SALES AND MARKETS

GREENMARKET: Fresh seafood, baked goods, and seasonal fruits and veggies. **Free.** 8 am–3 pm. Parking Lot- Walgreens Pharmacy [Third Avenue at 95th Street in Bay Ridge, (212) 788-7476], www.grownyc.org.

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PRISON SHIP MARTY'S MEMORIAL: The 103rd commemoration, sponsored by the Society of Old Brooklynites. 10 am. Monument in Fort Greene Park [Enter at Myrtle Avenue and Washington Park in Fort Greene, (718) 833-4928], www.prisonshipmartyrs.com.

PEACE RALLY: Speakers address violence and bullying in the community. 11 am–6 pm. [55th Street and Church Avenue in Flatbush, (347) 998-2689].

FILM, "IF THESE KNISHES COULD TALK": A preview of a documentary on the New York accent. \$15. 4:30 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St., between Court and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 489-5200].

SUN, AUG. 28

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MON, AUG. 29

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WED, AUG. 31

READING, "THE NEW KIDS: Big Dreams and Brave Journeys at a High School for Immigrant Teens." Author Brooke Hauser answers questions. **Free.** 7 pm. Brooklyn Historical Society [128 Pierrepont St. at Clinton Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 222-4111], www.brooklynhistory.org.

READING, MYLA GOLDBERG: Author of "The False Friend." **Free.** 7:30 pm. Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246-0200], greenlightbookstore.com.

THURS, SEPT. 1

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Arms race!

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The preview consisted of them kicking my ass.

At least I can say I got beaten by the best. According to Gene Camp, the founder of the New York Arm Wrestling Association, Boone, 44, of Gowanus, is possibly the greatest arm wrestler in the world.

And my torn supraspinatus can testify to this.

Her tactic was genius. After her beau quickly and easily beat me, she took advantage of my exhaustion and held my arm in place, waiting for my quivering, flabby appendage to give out under the pressure of her massive arm, which had the power of a garbage truck's compactor, and partially dislocated my shoulder in the process.

Wilson, 49, had muscles in places that I didn't even have places. It's no surprise that he won the Long Island Championship last month.

You may think arm wrestling is all about wearing armless shirts and quickly

slamming down someone's arm, but the real pros win by wearing down their opponents.

In the end, it came down to the training. Wilson does a daily regimen of weight lifting and pullups, whereas I train by eating barbecue, chasing after the G train and watching Stallone films.

That said, there may be something to my technique.

After the bout, Wilson told me, "Kid, you had something there. I felt something."

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With fewer city pickups, 86th Street merchants shell out big bucks for solar compactors

BY DAN MACLEOD

Businesses on 86th Street think they can use the power of the sun to help keep their street clean.

The 86th Street Business Improvement District has installed a pair of solar-powered trash compactors near Fourth and Fifth avenues as a high-tech — and costly — solution to a trash problem that intensified when the city severely cut public trash pickups last year.

The businesses hope to cut down on the amount of bags needed take away trash collected by street cleaners whom the BID has hired to keep the avenue free of litter.

"We have private contractors sweeping the street from 7 am to 7 pm," said John Logue, president of the

BID and owner of Hinsch's on Fifth Avenue near 86th Street. "By the end of the weekend, the corners are loaded with garbage in bags that the guys have swept up."

By using the compactors, which cost \$4,000 each, "instead of having 10 bags on every corner, were hoping to have two bags," he said.

The cans, called "Big-Bellies," use solar power to squash garbage. A sensor detects when the packed trash reaches the top and sends an e-mail to its owner that it's time to change the basket.

BigBellies are popular in Philadelphia, but they haven't caught on here — partially because the city says they don't work.

Department of Sanita-



Michael Ozbek tries out a new BigBelly solar-powered trash can on Fourth Avenue between 86th and 87th streets. The 86th Street Business Improvement District put in a pair of the receptacles last month to consolidate trash. The bins hold four to five times as much garbage.

Photo by Dan MacLeod

tion spokesman Matthew LiPani told us last month that people were confused by the bins when the city tested them in other parts of the borough.

"People weren't sure what to make of them," he said. "Some even thought it was a mailbox."

But the neighborhood so far seems to like them.

"I would love to sponsor one," said Justin Brannan, who owns a children's art school on Third Avenue near 87th Street. "Not sure how glamorous or enticing having your name or business emblazoned on a garbage can would be to most folks. But it could be a good way to raise funds to get a few of them strategically installed around the neighborhood."

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It's the 21st century Navy Yards

BY KATE BRIQUELET

Curved buildings with mushroom roofs! Giant 3D printers spewing out ships! Swarms of high-tech workers making electric cars!

It's all part of "Super Dock," a futuristic science park designed by radical eco-architect Mitchell Joachim.

"There are no walls," he said. "We're merging architecture and land into the water. The entire area becomes a ballast for Brooklyn, so it can absorb water, clean it and filter it back into New York."

Joachim and two other architects at Terreform One, an urban design firm on Flatbush Avenue, believe that their 12-by-8-foot prototype is not too ahead of its time.

In fact, the project's wave-like structures are comparable to Yale's Ingalls hockey rink or JFK

Airport's 1960s-era TWA terminal.

Comparable, except that the Navy Yard buildings would be topped with fungi and blend into an undulating landscape.

"On one hand, we will have a building," said architect Nurhan Gokturk, "But its roof slants further and further down until it becomes part of the dock."

In this work in progress, Super Dock consists of five dry docks in the heart of the Navy Yard. At one port, big machines would fashion entire fleets based on digital instructions.

Another dock would be a testing ground for scientists, who would flood the site with river water multiple times a day. Nearby, clean technology factories would churn out electric scooters and solar panels.

"This is a large, heavy manufacturing site," said

architect Maria Aiolo. "We want to preserve it, but bring in startups to share resources and experiment with new technologies."

That might sound too fantastical for some Brooklynites, but it does fit in with the current vogue. Last month, Mayor Bloomberg announced that he was seeking engineering campuses for Governors Island, Roosevelt Island or the Brooklyn Navy Yard in exchange for the real estate. The city will select a winner by the end of this year.

But the Terreform designers said they won't bother to bid.

"We'll come out with some very strong opinions after our research is finished," Joachim said, suggesting that his proposal is more academic than practical. "For us, this is the freedom to create and

think."

Joachim, a dreadlocked scientist who was named among the "15 People the Next President Should Listen To" by *Wired* in 2008, is responsible for a slew of avant-garde prototypes.

He once dreamed up a house made of laboratory-grown animal flesh — with sphincters for windows and doors.

He also created a 53-story model building made of a day's worth of trash in New York City, a car body made of soy pillows, and bricks and insulation made of mushrooms.

The Navy Yard is just the latest of his schemes that herald how we will all live someday.

Currently, the yard uses the docks for ship repair and a Con Edison steam plant.

"Everyone loves the Navy Yard and wants it



The idea is that the Navy Yard would become a science park featuring curved buildings that will have mushroom roofs (and tangerine trees and marmalade skies, too?).

Photo by Stefano Giovannini

to become something," Joachim said. "This will be an essay about what should or shouldn't happen there."

Anyone who wants to see the model, glue pieces

together or give input can visit Terreform One [33 Flatbush Ave. between Fulton Street and Lafayette Avenue in Downtown, (617) 285-0901]. For info, visit www.terreform.org.

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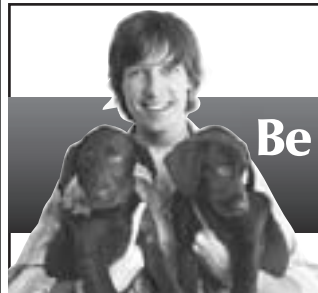
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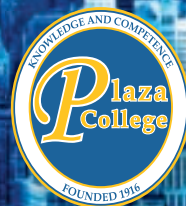
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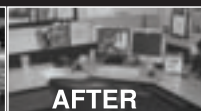
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(At Flatlands Ave.) 1
Family Mint 3 BR duplex
with wd flrs customized
indoor patio. New kitchen,
ceramic floors & panoramic
view of park.
718-922-2200 FIN 008052

**MIDWOOD
CONDO
SUN. 1-3**
1544 East 13th St, #2B
Luxury 2.5 BR condo w/
almost 300 sq. ft. terrace.
A definite must see!
718-253-9600 FIN 119012

**OLD MILL BASIN
SUN. 1:30-3:30**
1339 East 54 St. Wow!
Completely renovated 2
fam, from head to toe! New
kits, new walls, polished
wdfirs, internal stairs - Exits
to back yard on two flrs,
Balcony from main apart-
ment - private drvway and
gar or den.
718-253-4040 FIN 101047

**SEAGATE
THURS. 5-7**
3871 Nautilus Ave.
Newly listed custom-built
ocean view luxury 2 fam.
being used as 1, 5 BR,
5 bths, fin. bsmt. & much
more.
718-253-9600 FIN 119075

**SHEEPSHEAD BAY
SUN. 2-4**
2165 East 16th St.
(bet. Ave. U & V)
2 fam, w/full fin base,
6/6/4, w/terr., 6 BR, 2 bths,
2½ bths Ask \$900K
718-332-8800 FIN 107063

**SHEEPSHEAD BAY
SUN. 2-3:30** 3021
Ave. Z #5G
(bet. Ford & Coyle)
GREAT DEAL! Bright
& airy, Jr 4 Coop, kit &
bth w/wind, LOW maint
includ G&E & cable! Ask
\$129K
718-332-8800 FIN 107050

**SHEEPSHEAD
BAY
SUN. 12-2**
2308 East 21st St.
(bet. Neck Rd. & Ave. W)
SD, 1 fam dup, 3 BR,
MIC, lg yard, shared
Drive Ask \$599K
718-332-8800 FIN 107023

**SHEEPSHEAD
BAY
SUN. 1:30-3:30**
2213 East 21 St.
(bet. Ave. U & V)
1 Fam, SD, 3 BR, Dup,
EIK, fin base, shar drv,
walk to all! Ask \$550K
718-332-8800 FIN 107059

**SHEEPSHEAD
BAY SUN. 1-3**
3025 Ocean Ave
SHOWINGS BY APPT
ONLY Large 3 B/R 1st
fl. southwest exposure.
Large Closets, con-
venient to shopping,
schools, houses of
worship. A MUST SEE!
Qualified Buyers only
please!
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**BENSONHURST
SAT. SUN. 1-3**
1561 West 5th St. #3A
(Bet Ave O & P)
Beautifully updated 3bed
& 2bth Condo, H/W flrs,
tax abated. ASK \$425K
718-332-8800 FIN 107011

**QUEENS
OPEN HOUSES
WAKEFIELD
SAT. 2-4**
SUN. 3-5
149-41 121st St.
(bet 149th Ave. & 150th
Ave.)

Newly renov. fully det. 2
fam. expanded cape on a
lg lot with det. gar Lg
drv and bkyd. Full fin.
basement.
718-615-2007 FIN 126036

**PROPERTY FOR
SALE
MARINE PARK**
1 fam + store w/full bth.
& kitch. hookups. A
definite must see!
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GEORGETOWN
Gorg. 3 BR condo
recently renov. and feat.
very spac. LR with beaut.
Bamboo wd flrs. Lg BR
with lots of closet space.
Front and back balcon-
ies. Approx. 1,086 sq.
ft. on top floor (3rd) in a
quiet bldg and desirable
blk. Located close to
shpng areas. CC: \$224/
mo.
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**OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY 8/28, 2-4 PM
3702 AVE S**
2 family brick semi-det,
3BRs/ 2BRs, prvt drv
& 2 car garage.

**JUST
REDUCED
TO \$595K.**

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MIDWOOD



**OPEN HOUSE SUN. 8/28 11:30-1:30 PM
940 E.15th ST. (Aves I & J)**
1 family det 5 bedrm triplex, full bsmt, 1.5
baths. Price Reduced \$585K

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OLD MILL BASIN

**MUST
SEE !!!
OPEN HOUSE**

Sun. 8/28, 12 - 4PM, 6423 AVE N
1 family semi-detached, solid brick
2 bedroom, possible mother/ daughter,
new windows, vaulted ceiling in living room,
eat-in kitchen, garage, fully finished
basement w/ kitchen & bath,
walk to all. \$475,000.

By Owner 917-439-0771

CANARSIE



2 OPEN HOUSES

**THURS., 8/25, 5-8PM & SUN. 8/28, 3-6PM
15 Paerdegat 11 St. (Paerdegat Ave. & 80th)**
Unbelievable, totally renov. 2 fam. brick split-lvl. 6 BRs, 2
granite island kit, parquet flrs, 5 marble bths (jacuzzi), laun-
dry rm, 20x20 fin bsmt, 2 car gar, 2 new boilers & 2 new
HW heaters. Vacant. Only \$20K down
Call Owner: 718-382-1700

MARINE PK NORTH



**OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY 8/28
11-2:30 PM,
1312 E.35th ST
(Kings Hwy
& Ave L)**

Totally renovated
det 1 family
w/ prvt drv,
3BR duplex,
hdwd flrs, large
fin bsmt, Vacant
**\$500's.
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MILL BASIN (OLD)



New to Market! Det 1 Family
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2 OPEN HOUSES

**THURS., 8/25, 5-8PM & SUN. 8/28, 3-7PM
2162 E. 27th St. (bet. Aves. U&V)**

OWNER MUST SELL \$459,000
Totally renovated brick, 2 BR duplex w/3 baths, parquet
floors, granite kitch, fin bsmt, garage.

By Owner: 718-382-1700

GRAVESEND



2 OPEN HOUSES

**THURS., 8/25, 5-8PM & SUN. 8/28, 3-7PM
2162 E. 27th St. (bet. Aves. U&V)**
OWNER MUST SELL \$459,000
Totally renovated brick, 2 BR duplex w/3 baths, parquet
floors, granite kitch, fin bsmt, garage.
By Owner: 718-382-1700

MIDWOOD



**Sat. 8/27 1-4pm & Sun. 8/28 1-4pm
707 East 21st St. (bet. Foster Ave. & Farragut Rd.)**

\$869,000 Flexible. HUGE Great Cond. 1 fam. Victorian house! Hdwd flrs, 3 kits,
granite, 8 BRs, 4 BAs, fin. bsmt, laundry rm, pvt drv, 2 car gar., gazebo, garden &
paver stones, 50x100 lot, over 4,600 sq. ft. living space.

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www.JBuzzRE.com/707e21**

SHEEPSHEAD BAY



**2 OPEN HOUSES
THURS., 8/25,
5:30-7:30 PM
SUN., 8/28,
1-4 PM
1941 E. 16th St.
(S&T)**

Unbelievable ultra mod,
totally renov, 1 fam. SD,
4 lvs, super lg. custom
granite ELK. On 1 lvl
3 BR dup w/jacuzzi &
master suite, bth on 4th
lvl, fin bsmt w/full bth, 2
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Bath Beach
Open House
Sunday August 28th
12-2pm
94 Bay 25 Street
1 Family Brick,
attached 6 Rooms,
3 BR's, 1.5 bths +
Full Bsmt.
Asking \$549k

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SAT-SUN 8/27-8/28
1-4 PM
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Condos, C/A, Kitchen w/
Window, Granite Counter-
tops, Stainless Steel
Applis, Parquet & Granite
Flrs, Balcony, Prvt Roof,
Tax Abatement.
Priced From \$259K
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Alex 917-334-3183

► BROOKLYN OPEN HOUSE

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OPEN HOUSE
SUN 8/28, 1-4 PM
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Avenue
c/s 15th Avenue
Large 2 bedroom co-op,
granite/ stainless kitchen,
hardwd floors, washer/
dryer. Owner says sell!
Present all offers.
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EAST FLATBUSH
OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY 1-3 PM
3923 Clarendon Rd
(E.40th St)
Spacious 1 fam semi-det
brick hi-ranch. Corner prop.
LR, EIK, 2 bdrms, full bth
over walk-in full bsmt w/ 2
rms, 3/4 bth, kit, laundry
area, sep. ent. Side &
back yard. Prvt parking.
\$349,000


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► BROOKLYN OPEN HOUSE

Gerritsen Bch Open Hse
SUN. 8/28 From 1-4 PM
60 BEACON COURT
(Btwn Seba & Cyrus Ave)
Det 1 family, needs TLC,
new kitch, FDR, 3 bdrm
& full bsmt w/ high ceil-
ings. Owner wants to
hear all offers. Asking
\$299,000


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► BROOKLYN OPEN HOUSE

Gravesend
OPEN HOUSE
SAT. 8/27, 12-3PM
2627 HUBBARD ST.
(Ave Z & Shore Pkwy)
1 family brick duplex w/
2 bdrms & 2 bathrms.
Very good condition. New
kitchen & bathrms. X-Irg
concrete deck. Prvt drwy
& garage. Nice prvt bkryd.

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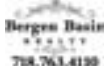
BENSONHURST OPEN HOUSE

SAT-SUN 12-2 PM
1662 71st ST.
(16th & 17th Aves)
ESTATE SALE
Under market value- Sold
as is. 1 fam 3 bdrm duplex
w/ bsmt. Needs TLC. Rear
yard. Prvt prking, garage.
\$449,000


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BERGEN BEACH SAT. 8/27, 12-2 SUN. 8/28, 12-2

7212 Ave W
SWEET PETITE AND
MOVE IN boasts this det
1 fam sitting pretty on a 40
x 100 lot, new kit, 1.5 bths,
could be used as 4 brs,
family friendly backyard,
new roof, HWH & 2 car
private drive & more!
Asking \$659,000 BB1609
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Bergen Beach OPEN HOUSE

SUN. 8/28, 2-4 PM
2246 EAST 72nd ST.
Detached 2 family on
40x100 lot. 5 over 5
+ pool with full deck.
Price Reduced \$769K
REF. #AD001


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BERGEN BEACH Sun August 28th, 1-3pm

2348 East 73rd St
(Ave W & Ave X)
Just arrived mint condition
custom 2 fam featuring
ranch style 2 bdrm w/ LG
LR, FDR, EIK & sliders to
yard, tenants apt. is 2nd flr
duplex featuring 1 bdrm &
huge fin attic, fin bsmt fea-
tures 1 bed, full bath & sep
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Prime Mill Basin, Price Reduced!

1 Fam - B. Beach (x 8010)
Beautiful Det, 3Bdrms Dupx, 3 Baths,
Full Fin., Bsmt, Prime Location

1 Fam - Belle Harbor (x 8004)
Semi-det Brick, 3 Brs duplex,
2.5 baths, fin. Bsmt

3Bdr - Kensington (x 8003)
1st Floor coop, 2Bd +1Bedroom apt.
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Studio converted to 1 bdrm, coop
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8/25 • 5-7pm
8/28 • 12-5pm

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2 BR co-op w/ 200 sq ft back yard
Asking \$500K
700 sq.ft. living space

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SUNDAY 1-3 PM
657 E.26th ST, #3V
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Spacious 2 bdrm co-op in
pre-war bldg. Lrg LR, EIK
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nets, dinette. Mstr bdrm
13 x 17. Parquet flrs, lots
of closets. Walk to train/
shopping.


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Gerritsen Bch Open Hse SUNDAY 8/28 From 1-4 PM

61 BARTLETT PL.
(Frank Ct & Noel Ave)
WATERFRONT
1.5 lots, custom brick,
beaut inside & outside. 2
fam can be used as 1 fam,
4 bdrms, 2 baths, Euro
heating units in both apts.
New dock for 2 boats, prvt
drv & yard. Asking \$625K.
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Marine Park OPEN HSE SUNDAY 8/28 From 1-4 PM

2612 FILLMORE AVE
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1 family att brick, 3BR dplx
& bsmt w/ 3/4 bath. Prvt
drv & garage. Asking
\$514,999


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Gravesend CO-OP OPEN HOUSE

SUN 8/28, 12-2PM
1802 Ocean Pkwy
Apt. A-19
(Corner Avenue R)
1 bdrm co-op, 750 sq ft,
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Reduced to \$349,000

45 Dare Ct. - Ultra modern, 1 fam, det, 3 bdrm duplex, open floor plan, beautiful EIK with sliders to deck, vaulted ceilings 3 baths full fin bsmt with heated floors. Central air, too many extras to mention. Walk to beach.

Asking \$549,000

29 Lois Ave - Spacious 2 family brick Ranch, located on a corner dbl lot, 2 new baths, Xtra LG Mstr bdrm, FDR. New roof, deck, dwy, full fin bsmt w/ sep entrance

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Mill Basin

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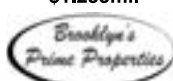
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2:00pm-4:00pm

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\$1.255mil



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MILL BASIN

OPEN HOUSE

SUN, AUG. 28, 1-3PM

2216 EAST 57th PL.
(Mill & Strickland Aves)

"ESTATE SALE"

2 Family Semi-Det 7.5 Over 5.5, 4 Car Driveway, All New Separate Air & Heating Systems.



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MILL BASIN

Sun August 28th, 1-3pm

2428 East 64th Street
(Off Mayfair Dr N)

Estate Sale!!! De-

tached 47X100

Waxman Split, 7.5

over 3.5, finished

bsmt with 1/2 bath,

large bkdy, pvt drive,

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Sheepshd Bay/Marine Pk OPEN HOUSE

SUN. 8/28, 1-3 PM

2251 KNAPP ST, #2C

1 BR, 1 Bath 700 sq ft Co-op, new EIK w/window, LR, 4 closets, foyer, new carpeting & paint thruout, walk to shopping, transp & houses of worship.

Reduced \$105,000.

REF. #BC667



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Sheepshead Bay Condo Sun August 28th, 1-3 pm

2569 Ocean Ave

Apt # 4A

(Ave U & Ave V)

1,593 sqft Modern Estate Sale, 3 bdrms, 2 baths, gorgeous eat in kitchen, granite & wood flrs, 2 terraces, loads of closets, 2 car parking in indoor garage, near all forms of transportation

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SHEEPSHEAD BAY

Sat. 8/27, 11-2PM

2620 East 13th St
(cross St Ave Z)

Co-Op Apt 4D

"FANTASTIC" Spacious 2 br apt, approx 1024 S/F. HW flrs, renovated EIK & bthrm both w/windows. Extra closet space. Large LR, spacious foyer. Storage unit. Excellent loc, 2 blocks to B&Q subway. Maint incl G, H & E.

Asking \$249K.

Owner 718-755-0886

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SHEEPSHEAD BAY

Sun. 8/28, 1-4

1625 Emmons Ave
Broker Will Be Out Front

The Viking

2 bdrms 2 bths, JR4 & 1 bdrm & in luxury bldg on the Bay, water view balcony & Terrace. Nice size rms, lots of closets, FDR. Newly renovated lobby. New elevators. Security system. Door-man, in-ground pool. Great Prices

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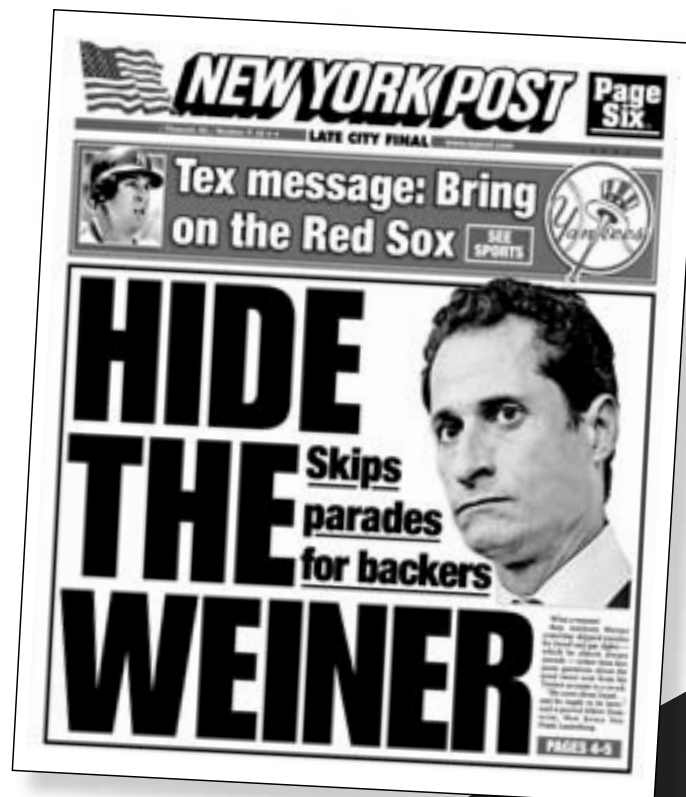
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B'Ridge - 4 Rms, 6 fam home, top flr, has refr.....\$1200
B'Ridge - 4 Rms, 70s/4th Ave Pvt. home, EIK, sm pet OK.....\$1450
B'Hurst - 4 Rms, Benson Ave. Absentee landlord. Has ref. \$1100
Bay Ridge- 4 rms 86th St/3rd Ave., painted, has ref, hdwd flrs... \$1300
Dyker- 5 rms, 10th Ave., all mod, has DR, pntd, hdwd flrs.....\$1500
Dyker- 5 rms, 80s/12th Ave. All mod EIK, ceramic tile, AC.....\$1500
B'Hurst-5 rms, 63rd St/20th Ave. New K&B, has refr, abs LL over store \$1200
B'Ridge-5 rms, 90s/3rd Ave. Newly renov. Pvt. hse, 2nd flr. oak flrs...\$1800
B'Ridge-6 rms, 90s/Colonial Rd. All mod, has terr/abs LL.....\$1600
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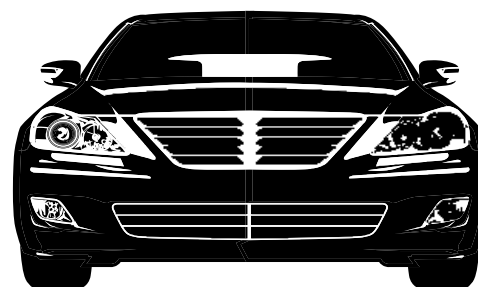
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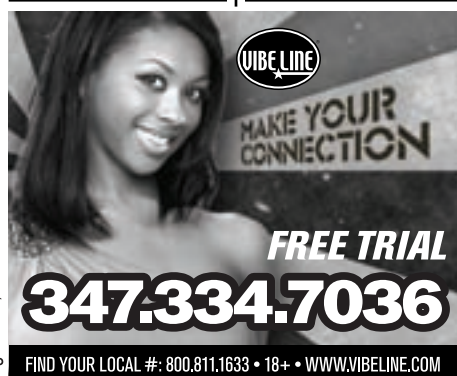
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