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Brooklyn rebuffs 'JoePa Way'

BY DANIEL BUSH

A community panel sacked a plan to rename a Sheepshead Bay street after a native son: scandal-scarred Penn State coach Joe Paterno.

Fans of Paterno, who died of lung cancer in January, proposed renaming E. 23rd Street between Avenues S and T — the block where he grew up — after the gridiron great, but Community Board 15 blind-sided the request last Tuesday.

Chairwoman Theresa Scavo said the late icon's legacy fell short of the goal line: street renamings only go to residents who leave a lasting impact on their communities, she explained.

Paterno may have done great things in Pennsylvania, but he did nothing in Brooklyn, Scavo claimed.

"What kind of impact did he have here?" Scavo said. "His career was at Penn State. The street renaming should take place in Pennsylvania."

But the Hall of Famer affectionately known as "JoePa" wasn't the only person who got snubbed.

The community board also unanimously rejected proposals to rename streets after Rabbi Samuel Fink, the

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A GROWING DISCONTENT



NERVOUS GARDENERS: Gardeners Christine and Bressel are worried that the proposed pipeline extension, scheduled to weave its way through Floyd Bennett Field, could put their precious garlic and tomato harvests in jeopardy.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

Planters fear Floyd Bennett gas pipeline

BY COLIN MIXSON

A group of green-thumbed Marine Park residents say a proposed gas pipeline and metering station slated to be built within 50 yards of their beloved greenspace in Floyd Bennett Field will kill their crops if the fuel is ever accidentally released.

"If there's any kind of accident, natural gas immediately kills any living organic material," Old Mill Basin gardener Ed Bressel said. "For instance, if there's a gas leak in a house and there's a tree between it and the road, it will kill the tree."

Bressel and his Community Garden Association are outraged over the construction plans for the Transco Pipeline, which will

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A passion for toys

Canarsie collector shares his antique trinkets online

BY COLIN MIXSON

Brooklyn's biggest toy museum is offering free tours — just don't expect to get your foot in the door.

Canarsie native Alan Brody has amassed more than 1,000 vintage toys, some more than a century old, but he's spent so much money on the antique playthings, he can only show them off online.

"I don't have the finance or the backing to have a physical toy museum," said Brody. "Maybe one day. But everybody has computers today. It gives me a chance to give it away for free. I want people to go there and enjoy it, and that gives me enjoyment."

The mostly WWII-era toy collection — altogether worth more than \$100,000 — took Brody nearly seven years to accumulate and features some rare finds, including the original Monopoly Board and the first ever Mickey Mouse clock, which could easily fetch \$1,000 each on the antique toy market.

One benefit of the online-only museum — aside from the low up-



TOY MAN: Canarsie native Alan Brody, owner of the Brooklyn Toy Museum, with his 1966 Remco "Lost in Space" Robot — batteries not included. Photo by Steve Solomonson

keep — is that it allows Brody to dedicate space on his website to the prized antique toys of other collectors, many of which have an inter-

esting story of their own. "There's a woman in Brooklyn with a toy horse, a little ride-on horse she'd owned as a child, and

her family had given it away," the collector explained.

"But, she found the very-same one on Coney Island Ave. and repurchased it for \$60. So I dedicated that photograph with her story on the website. How many other museums will do that for you?"

But antique toys aren't Brody's only passion — he's been collecting everything from comics to coins since he was a 12-year-old kid in Canarsie.

"When I was 12 I collected comic books. Then, from comic books, I went to baseball cards, then I went to American coins. Then, from American coins, I went back to baseball cards. Eventually I started collecting horror dolls. I have about 600 action figures and dolls never opened.

"After that, I bought one toy off of eBay, I believe it was a Barclay lead tank, and that's where I started for some reason. I bought another item, and another item — I don't know how I've ended up where I am now."

Where Brody's fancies will turn next, not even he could say. One thing, however, is certain — his collections aren't growing any smaller.

"I'm always getting new toys," he said. "It never ends."

Brooklyn Toy Museum, www.brooklynmuseum1.com

Brody's playthings of yesteryear

BY COLIN MIXSON

With more than a thousand toys, Alan Brody's collection is so massive that we thought we would point out five trinkets, gadgets, knickknacks, or gizmos that the depression-era kid in all of us can appreciate.

The original Mickey Mouse clock: Made by Ingersoll in 1933, Brody nabbed this antique timepiece at a Detroit auctionhouse for just \$300. The reason it was so cheap? The Motor City was hit by two feet of snow that day and Brody ended up the only bidder. Today, the original Mickey Mouse clock could be worth \$1,000.

The Lifesavers truck: Made by the Hubley Toy Company in 1930, this toy is actually a pint-

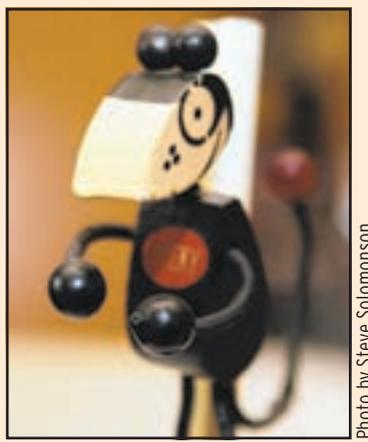
sized replica of an actual Lifesavers-shaped truck, once used to sell the mint-flavored candy. Because of a marketing error, the toy was never featured in store catalogues, making it a particularly rare piece — by Brody's estimates, the mini-model could sell anywhere from \$1,000 to \$3,000. The best part? It's a shoe-fit for an actual roll of Lifesavers!

The King Kong knockoff: This wind-up simian gizmo is NOT King Kong, thanks to copyright laws, but you wouldn't know that by looking at it. This 1950s "King Kong," made in Japan by the Marx Toy Company, may be a knockoff, but it walks, beats its chest, and roars just like the genuine article. In its original box, this

piece could fetch \$800.

Mr. Peanut: This wooden-jointed rendition of the Planters Peanut Corporation's timeless mascot, Mr. Peanut, hit store shelves in 1930 and was one of the first toys that Brody entered into his collection six years ago. With all of its original strings, this piece could sell for around \$300.

Proto Micky: With an Aug. 13, 1926 patent, this woden spool toy, named Micky Mouse, was made by the Performo Toy Company in Middleton, Mass., and predates Walt Disney's Mickey Mouse by about two years. To this day, historians still argue about who came first, Micky or Mickey. Whatever the case may be, Mickey lives on and Micky can only be found in a



PROTO MICKY: This woden spool toy predates Disney's Mickey Mouse by about two years. Photo by Steve Solomonson

few unique locations, like Brody's Brooklyn Toy Museum. This wooden spool mouse could go for up to \$1,000 in mint condition.



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Ex-state senator's highs and lows

State Sen. Carl Kruger's fall from grace had many twists and turns. Here's a rundown of some of them:

February, 1994

Carl Kruger is elected to the state Senate in a special election.

For the next 14 years, he maintains an office on Avenue U and puts forth a litany of bills, such as forcing one to shut off their iPod when preparing to cross the street.

Kruger is a Democrat, yet manages to fit in well with the GOP leadership in the state Senate, and becomes the first Democrat to be given a committee chairmanship in a Republican-run house.

November, 2008

Kruger forms a "Gang of Three" with a handful of other legislators and threaten to abandon the thin Democratic majority which had just taken control of the chamber, giving the power of the senate back to the GOP.

The Democratic leadership buckle under his threats and make Kruger the powerful chair of the Finance Committee.

July 12, 2010

A Sheepshead Bay businessman tells an FBI informant that Kruger would fix his problems with the state if he threw a fund raiser for the pol.

After a week of tight-lipped silence, Kruger finally spoke out about the FBI's probe into his campaign practices, claiming that he's an innocent patsy.

"All I know is that I'm a victim in this whole thing," Kruger said.

The business owner is charged with lying to investigators after he claims that he had lied to the informant about Kruger's alleged "pay to play" tactics.

April 19, 2011

Kruger is arraigned for pocketing nearly \$1 million in bribes from well-heeled lobbyists, including lobbyist and developers

including Richard Lipsky, Aaron Malinsky, and hospital CEO David Rosen. Assistant U.S. Attorney Bill Harrington told U.S. District Judge Jed Rakoff that he has 100,000 documents and 30,000 recorded phone conversations to establish his case.

Prosecutors say that Kruger used the bribe money to pay for a multi-million dollar home in Mill Island that he shares with longtime companion Dorothy Turano, the District Manager of Community Board 18, and son Michael Turano, who the FBI outed as Kruger's lover.

Dec. 21, 2011

Kruger resigns from the state Senate so he can keep his pension. He then tearfully pleaded guilty to federal corruption charges in Manhattan federal court, ending months of speculation over whether he had accepted the bribes.

The normally brash Brighton Beach Democrat, who professed his innocence for nearly a year, agreed to pay back \$450,000 of his ill-gotten gains as part of the plea deal hammered out with federal prosecutors.

Jan. 11, 2012

Gov. Cuomo announced that the disgraced ex-pol's vacant seat will be filled in a March 20 special election, setting the stage for a showdown between Councilman Lew Fidler (D-Marine Park) and Brighton Beach attorney David Storobin.

Jan. 27, 2012

State GOP leaders unveiled their proposal to redraw the borough's nine state senate districts, but their new map doesn't include Kruger's old stomping grounds — a swath of real estate between Brighton Beach and Mill Basin.

KRUGER GETS SEVEN YEARS

Disgraced pol sentenced for taking \$1 million in bribes

BY DANIEL BUSH AND COLIN MIXSON

A federal judge sentenced disgraced state Sen. Carl Kruger to seven years in prison on April 26, claiming that the pol's scheme to accept close to \$1 million in bribes was a "dagger into the heart of good government."

Kruger accomplice Michael Turano — the former lawmaker's alleged lover and son of Community Board 18 District Manager Dorothy Turano, Kruger's longtime companion — received two years in prison for his role in the political corruption scandal.

A choked-up Kruger, who pleaded guilty to accepting payoffs from deep-pocketed lobbyists, told Manhattan federal court Judge Jed Rakoff that he'd learned his lesson.

"My actions will forever overshadow whatever legacy I intended to achieve," he said. "My sentencing hasn't begun, but my punishment is well underway."

Yet Kruger, who once led the state senate's powerful Finance Committee, wasn't as contrite in an interview with this paper moments before he stepped into court.

"If there's anything I can say about this is don't stay at the table too long," Kruger said. "If you stay at the table too long, you lose."

Dorothy Turano, who prosecutors say benefitted from Kruger's bribe-taking, didn't show any remorse over what Kruger and her son had allegedly done as she watched the court proceedings from behind a pair of dark sunglasses.

"The streets of Brooklyn are safe now," Turano said sarcastically to a friend as she left the courtroom. "Really good."

Both Kruger and Michael Turano were able to leave court free men: their prison sentences are scheduled to begin on June 26.

Federal prosecutors say Kruger used his bribes to finance a lavish lifestyle that included a super luxury English-made Bentley automobile and the garish seaside mansion on Mill Island he shares with the Turanos.

"Year after year Kruger accepted bribes to help the Turano family," said U.S. Attorney Michael Bosworth.



WALK OF SHAME: (Above) Disgraced former state Sen. Carl Kruger leaves Manhattan federal court after being sentenced to seven years in prison for bribe receiving. (Right) Michael Turano, Kruger's accomplice and alleged lover, walks his mother, Community Board 18 District Manager Dorothy Turano, out of court.

Photos by Tom Callan

"For what? They weren't impoverished. They lived in a million-dollar mansion with a movie theater."

The case against Kruger unfolded a web of deceit and lies last March, when federal prosecutors charged him with offering his political clout to the highest bidder.

Prosecutors claim lobbyists funneled thousands of dollars in payoffs to a dummy corporation that Michael Turano founded so Kruger could help them on a litany of legislative matters, including:

- Delaying the expansion of a bill that included a five-cent deposit on



bottled water.

- Altering the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law so grocery stores could begin selling wine with expanded hours,

- Go to war with American Indian reservations to demand that they pay a state sales taxes on cigarettes.

CONDO WARS

Mill Islanders: Six-story condo project will be a neighborhood eyesore

BY COLIN MIXSON

For residents of Mill Island, six stories is three too many.

Residents blasted a developer's plan to build a six-story condominium on Mill Avenue near Strickland Avenue, claiming that the leafy neighborhood should have one- and two-family homes — or none at all.

"We'll accept nothing other than one- or two-family homes," said Councilman Lew Fidler (D-Marine Park) at a recent Community Board 18 meeting, where developer Mark Scharf's plans were presented. "We rezoned this property 15 years ago in order to make sure the character of the community was maintained. We're not going to allow this aberration



to go in."

Attorney Joshua Rinesmith, representing Scharf, showed off blueprints for the proposed 84-unit building, which will feature commercial space appropriate for a small retail outlet or restaurant.

Rinesmith also came armed with a sob story, telling CB18 members that

various hardships in remediating the contaminated property, which was used for various manufacturing purposes over the years — including gun powder manufacturing and petroleum storage — left an environmental quagmire that requires more than \$1 million in rehabilitation.

Because of these hard-



NOT IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD: (Above) Mill Avenue houses, like these one, may soon be in the shadow of a massive, six-story condo planned to be built on this plot of land (left). Photo by Steve Solomonson

ships, building low-density, one- and two-family homes just isn't worth the expense, Rinesmith explained.

"It's infeasible to build one- and two-family homes," he said. "You have to remember, [this property] was originally zoned for the most obnoxious and intense manufacturing purposes in the city, so the cost of clean-

ing up the site is going to be difficult to offset the cost with single family homes."

Yet board members weren't moved by Rinesmith's tale of woe.

"The profit wouldn't be as large, but he would definitely make a profit," said Dorothy Turano, CB18's district manager. "It doesn't belong there and the landlord

is not sincere in looking to further the whole neighborhood concept."

Board members agreed, claiming that a six-story condo would drastically conflict with Mill Island's landscape.

"I think it would be the biggest eyesore I've ever seen," board member Barbara Beaver said.

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On his way to Barclays

BY WILL BREDDERMAN
Next stop: Barclays Center.

A Bensonhurst-born boxer snatched a World Boxing Association title belt from the Ukraine Master on Sunday, paving the way for a defending bout at the Barclays Center this fall — the first fight to be held at the Brooklyn Nets' new home.

In a near-repeat of the end of "Rocky IV," Paulie "Magic Man" Malignaggi pounded undefeated Welterweight Champion Vyacheslav "Ukraine Master" Senchenko for nine rounds in Senchenko's hometown of Donetsk.

He pulped the Ukrainian's face so badly that the referee finally stopped the carnage and declared Malignaggi the winner by technical knock-out.

The referee said Senchenko couldn't see out his left eye.

Sunday's victory marked the fifth title win for the Southern Brooklyn scrapper, as well as his 31st win in a 35-fight career.



PUT UP YOUR GLOVES: Bensonhurst-born Paulie Malignaggi will be defending his World Boxing Association title at the Barclays Center this fall.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

But it also means that one of Malignaggi's dreams will now come true: he will get his first match in Brooklyn since he made his professional debut in an under

card fight at the former Keyspan Park in 2001.

"I've always wanted to have a big fight in Brooklyn," Malignaggi told this paper before the fight. "I had my first fight 11 years ago in Coney Island, and I've always had a sour taste in my mouth because I never had another fight here. The Barclays Center promised me that if I win against Senchenko, the first fight there will be my defense of the title."

Malignaggi, whose face appears in banner ads for the new arena, said his next battle will be his shot at the history books.

"I want to be the answer to the trivia question, 'Who had the first fight at the Barclays Center after it opened?'" he said. "Paulie Malignaggi."

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Showdown on Fifth Avenue

Food cart, restaurant square off at 86th Street

BY DANIEL BUSH

The simmering cold war between Bay Ridge's food vendors and Fifth Avenue's brick-and-mortar businesses boiled over on Monday morning when merchants occupied two prime pieces of sidewalk used by popular neighborhood gyro sellers — sparking a heated standoff that could last well into the night.

Local merchants from a new group called Save Our Streets, led by Lone Star bar owner Tony Gentile, set up folding tables on both Fifth Avenue and 86th Street at 7 am — taking over the food vendors' spots — and sold newspapers and cookbooks. They also handed out T-shirts and literature about how food carts destroy



WE WON'T GO: Middle Eastern Halal Cart workers said they will stay day and night.

neighborhood businesses.

But the irate vendors have vowed to reclaim their turf — escalating war for control on the busy intersection — with one food cart operator promising to circle the block until merchants break down their table and go home.

"I'm going to wait and go back as soon as they leave," said Sammy Kassen, manager of the Middle Eastern Halal Cart, who was forced to move further down the avenue in March when a pair of benches were illegally placed on his usual spot.

Yet Gentile says he will meet Kassen's waiting game head on, and plans to stay put until the vendors leave Bay Ridge.

"I'll be out here every night as long as I need to be until they're gone," said Gentile. "I pay \$10,000 a month in rent — these guys don't pay anything."

Islam Bauomy, who lost his longtime spot on 86th Street, complained that the food carts are constantly



STREET FIGHT: Lone Star Bar owner Tony Gentile (center) has formed a group called Save Our Streets and set up a table blocking a spot normally used by the Middle Eastern Halal Cart.

under attack.

"We don't bother anyone," Bauomy said. "I'm here to work. I have a family and we have to eat."

Police said they won't remove Gentile's folding tables because its legal to hand out literature on the street.

Many residents defended Gentile's gambit.

"They're not paying rent," resident Michael Kerrignon said. "The hard-working people here pay

rent and contribute to the community."

The standoff is only the latest skirmish in a long-simmering feud between the two sides.

Business owners have long complained that food carts pollute the sidewalk and attract rowdy drunks. Kassen, who pays \$200 for a two-year permit allowing him to sell on the street, cried foul, claiming he and his fellow vendors have done nothing wrong.

Things got messy after the benches were mysteriously put in: Kassen was backing into his new spot a few feet from the benches when he hit Gentile with his cart, when the bar owner blocked his path. No charges were filed. Gentile suffered minor injuries.

Last month the manager of the 86th Street Business Improvement District refused to remove the rogue benches.

— with Will Bredderman

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Dewey, Sheepshead Bay High to close

Schools will change names, lose half of their staff, and be infused with federal dollars

BY DANIEL BUSH

Two storied but struggling Southern Brooklyn high schools will be closing come June, the city Panel for Education Policy decided on April 26.

The panel agreed to overhaul both Sheepshead Bay High School and John Dewey High School by enrolling them into a turnaround program that will flood each institution with more than \$1.5 million in federal funds — as long as they fire their principals and half of their teachers and administrators by July 1.

The school buildings will reopen in September under new names in exchange for federal aid, Department of Education officials said.

Supporters urged the panel to reconsider closing Dewey, which received a C grade on its city-issued report card last year, and save Sheepshead Bay High

— which got a D grade in 2011, but has improved its graduation rate by 17 percent since 2003 — in the weeks leading up to last Thursday's vote.

"We've been improving every year," said Sheepshead Bay High School's Parent Coordinator Salvatore Shipone. "We've come a long way."

But the education panel voted 8-4 to close the schools after a five-hour hearing at Brooklyn Tech's Prospect Heights Campus — despite opposition from some panel members who said there was no proof that the turnaround program could actually work.

"Money is driving this decision," said panel member Dmytro Fedkowskyj, who voted against the plan. "I'm extremely disappointed."

The Department of Education has long argued that new teachers and staff will



CLOSING TIME: John Dewey High School will be shut down at the end of June.

help put failing schools on the road to recovery.

Sheepshead Bay High was founded in 1959. Dewey was formed 10 years later

on Avenue X near Stillwell Avenue in Gravesend.

In January, prominent Dewey alum Councilman Domenic Recchia (D-Coney

Island) waded into the fight to keep Dewey open by demanding that the city spare his alma mater but fire its principal.

A new principal was picked to lead Dewey last month.

A Department of Education spokesman said the new principal will be allowed to say on, but up to half of the school's teachers will still have to be laid off.

It remained unclear if Sheepshead Bay High School's current principal will be let go at the end of June.

The city will overhaul 24 schools, in addition to Dewey and Sheepshead Bay High schools, which found themselves on a state list of persistently low-achieving schools this year.

Seven schools on the list with A or B grades, including William E. Grady Career and Technical High School in Brighton Beach and Franklin D. Roosevelt High School in Borough Park, were spared from enrolling in the program.

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BERGEN BEACH**Sharp suspect**

A knife-wielding thug slashed a woman on Flatlands Avenue on April 28.

The victim told police that she was near E. 56th street at 4:50 pm when the wacko drew his knife and cut her left bicep and the left side of her torso.

Easy pickings

Two crooks robbed a child of his cellphone on Avenue H on April 24.

The 11-year-old victim told police that he was waiting for the bus near Utica Avenue on at 4:15 pm when the two thugs forced the victim's Dart cellphone out of his hands and fled.

Pint-sized

Cops arrested three boys between the ages of 13 and 14, for allegedly beating and attempting to rob a kid on Avenue M on April 27.

The victim told police that he was near Ralph Avenue at 8:15 am when the teens knocked him to the ground and went through his pockets. The victim didn't have anything of value and the suspects fled empty-handed.

Apple picking

A crook robbed a 13-year-old kid of his iPhone on Avenue U on April 27.

The victim told police that he was near Ryder Street at 3:45 pm when the thief approached him. "Give me your phone," the thief demanded, and the pint-sized victim handed over the pricey cellphone.

Anger issues

A 51-year-old man was arrested for allegedly beating a woman inside an Avenue K apartment on April 25.

The victim told police that she was inside the home between E. 36th and E. 37th streets at 8 am when the man began punching, kicking, and choking her.

Would-be killer

A gun-wielding thug fired shots at a cop on E. 38th Street on April 25.

The officer reported that he was between Avenues I and J at around 7 pm when the goon fired four shots in his direction. Fortunately, the officer wasn't hit and the thug fled down an alley.

Laptop lost

Two 21-year-old men were arrested for allegedly robbing an E. 69th Street house on April 23.

The suspects entered the victim's home between Avenues N and T through around 7:41 pm, taking various electronics — including a laptop and TV — cops said.

HP perp

A thief stole electronics from an Avenue K apartment on April 25.

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Cops said the crook entered the apartment between E. 36th and E. 37th streets through the front door around 6:20 am, and took an HP computer and a watch before fleeing.

Clothing crook

Someone took clothes from a Royce Place apartment on April 24.

The crook broke into the apartment between E. 72nd and Royce streets through a front window around 12:30 am — and took clothes and sneakers before fleeing — cops said.

myPhone

Two crooks robbed a woman on E. 58th Street on April 23 — taking her iPhone.

The victim told police that she was near Avenue K at 5:10 pm when the crooks snatched the expensive phone from her hand.

69TH PRECINCT

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Countertop crook

A 32-year-old man was arrested for allegedly beating another man and destroying property inside his E. 92nd Street apartment on April 24.

The victim told police that he was inside his apartment between Avenue D and Foster Avenue at 8:10 am when the suspect destroyed three of his marble countertops. The suspect then allegedly beat the victim with a wooden board.

Slap happy

A 27-year-old man was arrested for beating a woman on Avenue L on April 29, cops said.

The victim told police that she was between E. 93rd and E. 94th streets at 1:15 am when the man began repeatedly punching and slapping her in the face.

Ticket to jail

Cops arrested a 22-year-old man for allegedly robbing another man on 94th Street on April 27.

The victim told police that he was near Farragut Road at 4:43 pm when the suspect approached, punched him in the face, and took a \$50 bill out of his pant's pocket. Cops arrested a man in possession of a \$50 note.

Knife maniac

A 51-year old man was arrested for al-

legedly stabbing a man multiple times on Farragut Road on April 23.

The victim told police that he was between E. 105th and E. 108th streets at 5:26 am when the suspect plunged two knives into his back and slashed him on his thigh, forearm, hands, and wrists.

70TH PRECINCT

FLATBUSH-MIDWOOD

Dirty deeds

Cops arrested a 53-year-old man for allegedly threatening a Sanitation worker with a pistol on Church Avenue on April 28.

The victim, a street cleaner, told police that he was preparing his equipment between Flatbush and Bedford avenues at 9:10 am when the suspect left a nearby parked car and approached him. The suspect told the victim that he had just washed his car and that he didn't want the street cleaner to mess it up again.

When the city worker told the suspect that he should move his car, the suspect lifted up his shirt to display the pistol he had tucked in his pants, and allegedly said, "You're not going to get my f----- car dirty."

Quarter hunt

A 24-year old man was arrested for allegedly stealing quarters from a woman's car, which was parked along E. 21st Street, on April 26.

The victim told police that she saw the man inside her 2008 Cadillac Escalade, while it was parked between Avenues J and K at 2:30 am. After the man left the victim's vehicle, she gave it the once over and found that she was missing two rolls of quarters.

Mad meter maid

A 39-year-old man was arrested for allegedly shoving a meter maid while she was writing him a traffic summons on Glenwood Road on April 27.

The victim told police that she was between E. 29th Street and Nostrand Avenue at 5:20 pm and was in the process of issuing the summons when the man began to push and shove her, saying, "You're not going to write that ticket."

Naughty neighbor

A 22-year-old woman was arrested for robbing a E. 15th Street apartment on April 27, taking a computer and TV, cops said.

A witness told police that she saw two the suspect and a man enter the victim's apartment between Avenues I and J at 8 pm, and leave with a TV and Dell computer.

The witness claimed she saw the victim's electronics lying outside of the suspect's apartment, which is in the same building.

61ST PRECINCTSHEEPSHEAD BAY-HOMECREST-
MANHATTAN BEACH-GRAVESEND**Workplace misconduct**

The 38-year-old assistant manager of a Nostrand Avenue business was arrested for allegedly stealing cash from his employer on April 23.

Another employee at the business between Avenues X and Y told police that the assistant manager was responsible for transferring money from the register to a safe located in the facility.

According to the employee, more than \$16,000 was found to be missing from the safe — and the missing funds disappeared during the worker's shift.

Peer pressure

An 18-year-old man was arrested for allegedly robbing an Ocean Avenue apartment of an iPhone, a watch, and a Playstation Portable on April 26.

The suspect admitted to police that he entered the apartment between Gravesend Neck Road and Avenue W sometime after 7 am with another man to steal the victim's valuables.

"He forced me, because he said if I don't assist him, he's going to tell my mom I'm back into using pills," the suspect allegedly told police.

Walk around

Cops arrested a man for allegedly stealing a wallet from an E. Third Street home on Nov. 17 of last year.

The victim told police that the suspect knocked on the door of his apartment between Kings Highway and Avenue S at 7:30 pm. The victim let the man inside and they talked while he walked around the victim's apartment.

When the suspect left, the victim noticed that his wallet and Chase credit card were missing from his living room table. Later, surveillance footage from a Duane Reade drug store showed the suspect purchasing a gift card worth \$105.95, and \$12.07 worth of cigarettes with the victim's credit card, according to court papers.

Hopping fences

Cops arrested a 24-year-old man for allegedly trespassing on and damaging another man's property on Beaumont Street on April 24.

The victim told police that he saw the suspect climb over his fence near Oriental Boulevard at 11:30 am, and then throw a bicycle into the victim's car.

— Colin Mixson

Alleged hit man refuses to go to court

The reputed Columbo crime family associate accused of a slew of murders — including the assassination of a Sheepshead Bay police officer — didn't show up in court last week, claiming that he was too sick to leave his cell.

Or maybe he was just getting used to the surroundings.

Federal prosecutors outlining their case against Thomas "Tommy Shots" Gioeli were about to give their summation when their murder suspect refused to leave his cell on April 25.

Defense attorney Adam Perlmutter blamed the absence on a litany of ailments Gioeli claims to have suffered over the years, but wouldn't tell reporters what the exact problem was.

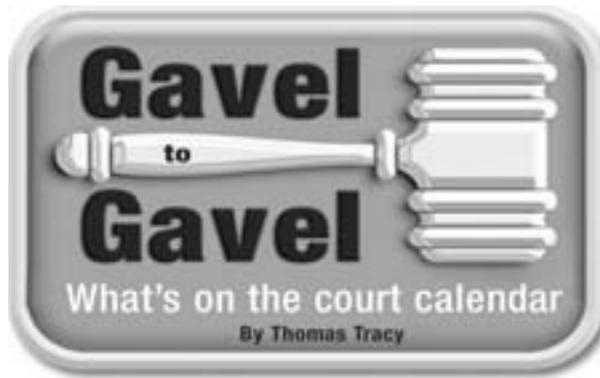
Perlmutter told Judge Brian Cogan that his client was upset with the verdict sheet — the list of particulars about the case jurors will have to consider before rendering a decision.

After nearly a day of discussions with both Cogan and Gioeli, the alleged mobster showed up last Thursday, where federal prosecutors wrapped up their case.

Gioeli, a reputed mob button man, has been accused of committing several murders, including the slaying of Sheepshead Bay cop Ralph Dols.

Prosecutors claim that Gioeli killed Dols after opening fire on the off-duty cop as he left the apartment he shared with Kimberly Kennaugh, the ex-wife of then-Colombo acting boss Joel Cacace.

Cacace ordered the hit against Dols — even though he was an NYPD housing cop — because he felt disrespected that his ex-wife was sleeping with a police officer, prosecutors told the jury.



But Gioeli's attorneys swatted away the testimony about the Dols killing — most of which came from turncoat mobsters who had set separate deals with prosecutors — claiming that they were trying to save their own skin.

Several mobsters agreed to testify against Gioeli after hammering out deals with federal prosecutors to get a light sentence on murders they have committed, the defense claimed.

Rape charges dismissed

Two men accused of raping an Orthodox teenager were set free from prison last week after the victim recanted her statement — 10 months after the men were incarcerated.

Damien Crooks and Darrell Dula were both set free after their would-be victim said she hadn't been attacked, but prosecutors from District Attorney Charles Hynes's of-

fice said they were still looking into the case.

"We are conducting a reinvestigation of this matter," Rackets Bureau Chief Michael Vecchione told a judge in Brooklyn Supreme Court on April 26.

Dula and Crooks were arrested for allegedly abusing and pimping out an Orthodox Jewish girl for eight years — since she was 13 — but attorneys for the two men told the New York Daily News that the charges against their clients were completely fabricated.

"Every single incident alleged in the indictment is completely contradicted by documents prepared by the police, the DA, and medical staff," said Crooks's lawyer Elliot Kay, who pointed at a police report that said the victim "does in fact like Damien [Crooks]."

Both men are expected to return to court in June, when the charges will be dismissed.

The DA's office declined to comment about the arrest or prosecution, which was used to promote the DA's Sex Trafficking Task Force.

At the time, prosecutors claimed that Crooks, Dula, and suspect Jamali Brockett had met the Orthodox girl when she was 13 and "raped her in a neighborhood park."

"After the encounter, Crooks and Brockett began forcing her to have sex for money and beating her, raping her, and forcing her to perform sexually humiliating acts when she refused," according to court documents.

"They threatened to harm her family if she went to police," prosecutors claimed in court papers. "On one occasion, Crooks, Brockett, and Brockett's brother raped her on the roof of a building, while her brother waited outside, unaware of the attack."

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'Queens Marine' now top cop at 63

Captain John Rowell takes command of station house, admits he's 'gotta learn Brooklyn'

BY COLIN MIXSON

There's a new sheriff in Marine Park — and he's from Queens!

Captain John Rowell, a 19-year veteran of the NYPD, has been tapped to replace Deputy Inspector Michael Deddo as commanding officer of the 63rd Precinct. Deddo was reassigned to lead the 66th Precinct in Borough Park in April.

Introducing himself to the 63rd Precinct Community Council for the first time last Wednesday, Rowell admitted that he had some pretty big shoes to fill.

"The inspector did groundbreaking work in the 63rd Precinct, especially with the community. I hope to follow in his footsteps," Rowell said, claiming that his knowledge of Brooklyn was limited.

The Captain said he

spent most of his time with the NYPD in Queens — so much so that his officers jokingly refer to him as "the Queens Marine."

He spent nearly a year heading operations at the 108 Precinct in Long Island City before being asked to head a crime analysis unit at police headquarters in Manhattan.

"I've gotta learn Brooklyn," the Captain said. "But I'm learning it pretty quickly."

Following the attacks on 9-11, Rowell spent four years in the NYPD's Counter Terrorism Unit, learning skills that include risk assessment and identifying community threats.

The attacks on the World Trade Center happened more than a decade ago, but Rowell said residents must continue to remain vigilant, even in leafy neighborhoods like



THE OLD AND THE NEW: Deputy Inspector Michael Deddo (left) shakes hands with his replacement at the 63 Precinct, Captain John Rowell.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

Marine Park and Mill Basin.

"We need to stay fo-

cused," he told council members. "Let's not forget about our responsibility to

report. Counterterrorism is near and dear to my heart, I lost my cousin at the World

Trade Center."

Captain Rowell is coming into a precinct where major crimes — including robbery, burglary, and car thefts — are down from last year, a trend which he attributes to Deputy Inspector Deddo's efforts.

"I kind of walked into that success," he said.

"I walked into a great crime reduction program that the inspector put together and I want to keep that going."

Yet Rowell admitted that his officers have to focus on property crimes, which in Marine Park typically comes in the form of tire and rim thefts, and crimes of opportunity — thefts the community can help defend against, he said.

"Keep your property on your person, don't leave it in your car," said Rowell.

"We definitely need your help with that."

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Bensonhurst's newest immigrants

Italian teens visit 21st Avenue school

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

Italians in Bensonhurst — whoever heard of such a thing?

Brooklyn Studio Secondary School on 21st Avenue in Bensonhurst — once considered the Little Italy of Brooklyn — welcomed 11 newcomers from the toe of the boot on April 24: exchange students attending the Liceo Classico Campanella di Reggio Calabria.

The European teens shadowed Studio students around the school between 83rd and 84th streets for one week, explained Italian language teacher Adriana Caruso, who organized the exchange.

Caruso said she first formed a relationship with Liceo when she was a student at Edward R. Murrow High on Avenue L.

"They used to send exchange students to Murrow and New Utrecht, and I became close with them," Caruso said.

"When I started teaching, I said to a teacher there, 'Send them here, I work here,'" Caruso said.

Caruso said she wanted students at Brooklyn Studio Secondary School to have the opportunity of interacting with foreign-born students.



NUOVI AMICI: Francesca Chila of Italy and Matteo Sgroi of America buddied up for the week at the Brooklyn Studio Secondary School.

"Teaching Italian in the classroom, teaching the culture, is one thing," she said. "Actually learning about Italy from someone who lives there, getting to hear about the differences in music and schooling and lifestyle from someone their own age, is a completely different experience."

The exchange program also gave Studio students the chance to reconnect with their roots.

"A lot of my students are

Italian-American, and it's interesting to have them tell the exchange students where their parents and grandparents are from, and have the exchange students say 'Oh, I know where that is,'" said Caruso, who is herself the daughter of a Sicilian immigrant.

The Studio kids and their new friends will cap off the week with a visit to Ellis Island, the historic gateway for Italians coming to America from 1892 to 1954.

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City says athletic club is unhealthy

BY COLIN MIXSON

The Parks Department is a dumbbell for turning a blind eye to mice, dangerous play areas, unpaid bills, and other sanitary and financial infractions at a Canarsie fitness center it was supposed to have cleared up years ago, blasted the city's money watchdog.

Last month, Comptroller John Liu found that the Parks Department hadn't flexed enough muscle over Fitmar Management to remedy a number of sanitary and financial infractions at the Paerdegat Basin Athletic Club, despite a similar review in regarding almost identical issues.

"The Parks Department can, and should, do more to monitor the operations of its concessionaires, especially when the facility



WORKOUT BUDDIES: The Comptroller's office claims it found this pile of cockroaches during their visit to a Canarsie athletic club. Source: Comptroller's Office

serves our youth," Comptroller Liu said.

"These problems should have been corrected a long time ago."

Liu's office also claimed that Fitmar under-reported its receipts for last year by more than \$123,000, and failed to estimate the loss of revenue from employee

theft, as recommended in its previous review.

The concessionaire now owes the city \$177,736 in unpaid license fees and late charges, according to the new audit.

Fitmar, which inked a 20-year deal with Parks in 2004 to run and maintain the athletic facility in

"first class condition," also failed to fess up about income earned from special events, the report said.

Fitmar says there were no special revels held at the club, but Liu's office found that it hosted three dance parties between July and September in 2011.



AUDIT-ROCITY: The Paerdegat Basin Athletic Club received a scathing review from Comptroller John Liu's office. Photo by Steve Solomonson

Back in 2009, auditors found mushrooms sprouting from under the club's indoor track, and last summer, health inspectors found evidence of mice, in addition to exposed metal edges in a children's play area, torn gymnastic mats, and filthy carpeting.

Fitmar did not return calls for comment. The Parks Department disputes the Comptroller's audit.

"We completely disagree with the comptroller's characterization of Parks' oversight of this concession," the agency stated in a release, adding that it

would comply with Liu's recommendations to ask Fitmar to pay up and then ship out.

"We are requiring that Fitmar pay the outstanding license fees," it stated. "Parks is also considering the solicitation of new vendors."

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PANEL SEEKS BOOZE BAN

Slams request for permit at troubled bar

BY DANIEL BUSH

A local panel shot down a controversial Avenue U businessman's watered-down proposal to serve beer and wine at his new Sheepshead Bay restaurant Galaxy, claiming that rowdy boozefests would still break out even if patrons couldn't get their hands on hard liquor — a decision that left the restaurateur so mad, he was seeing stars.

"It's stupid!" Galaxy owner Mark Shteynshlyuger screamed as he slammed Community Board 15's unanimous April 24 decision to deny his beer and wine application for Galaxy, which opened last month between E. Eighth

and E. Ninth streets, the same spot where his vilified Pleasure nightclub once stood. "They're basing their opinion on what happened six years ago."

Shteynshlyuger promised that he wouldn't sell booze, and would close Galaxy at 2:30 am on weekends — instead of keeping the place open until 4 am — but board members said that Galaxy would be just as disruptive as Pleasure was.

Residents agreed, claiming that if Galaxy sells booze of any kind, it will draw the same rowdy clientele.

"They're trying to pull a fast one on us," said Gravesend resident Morris Ha-

rary. "There's more emphasis on drinking than on the restaurant."

Shteynshlyuger opened Pleasure in 2006, and closed it two years later after neighbors complained of underage drinking, noise, and bar brawls that spilled out onto the street.

He tried to reopen his embattled club under the name Pleasure Island in December, 2010, but his dreams of reopening died when CB15 petitioned the State Liquor Authority to deny his application for a new license.

The Board's recommendation is only advisory, but the state took the request to heart and rejected



THUMBS DOWN: Community Board 15, led by Chairwoman Theresa Scavo, rejected a nightclub owner's request for a beer and wine license at a shuttered bar on Avenue U. Photo by Elizabeth Graham

Shteynshlyuger's application last November.

Shteynshlyuger came back to CB15 with his beer and wine idea for Galaxy, which he says is a restaurant, not a club, but that was shot down faster than his previous liquor license requests were.

George Karp, Shteynshlyuger's attorney, said

he would submit Galaxy's wine and beer application to the state anyway.

State Liquor Authority spokesman William Crowley said last year's liquor license denial was influenced by Shteynshlyuger's inability to bring CB15 on board — and the letters of opposition the state received from residents and elected offi-

cials.

Ilya Novofastovsky, a spokesman for Assemblyman Steven Cymbrowitz (D-Sheepshead Bay), a staunch critic of Shteynshlyuger's club, applauded the board's newest rejection.

"Gilligan's Island, Galaxy — the name doesn't change the owner or the restaurant's history."



HOLE IN ONE: Dan Luffredo, a member of the Coney Island "Warriors," sizes up his rivals at the contest.

It's the sewage games!

City sludgemen slug it out in annual wastewater contest

BY AARON SHORT

It's the wide world of wastewater sports!

Five teams of city sewage workers competed against each other in feats of skill and strength during the 25th Annual Operations Challenge at the Owl's Head wastewater plant last Tuesday to earn bragging rights over their brainy and brawny brethren.

Department of Environmental Protection workers fixed leaky pipes, tested wastewater for pollution, repaired heavy machinery, and showed off how they would rescue team members from confined spaces during the first day of the two-day competition at the Bay Ridge plant.

But Brooklyn's teams endured a frustrating morning.

Owl's Head's "Sludge Fellas, the home team and winner of last year's sewage games, finished the day in fourth place, edged out by the Coney Island "Warriors" and the Jamaica "Sludge Hustlers," who came in third and second, respectively.

The day belonged to the North River "Harlem Pump Trotters," who emerged in the lead and are in a good position to sweep the games with only the sewage trivia portion remaining on May 1.

It could be a redemptive victory for the Harlem-based sewage workers, whose plant caught fire and flooded millions of gallons of raw sewage into the city's waterways last July, forcing the closure of several beaches.



RESCUE ME: Coney Island sewer worker Dan Luffredo harnesses his strength at the 25th Annual Operations Challenge, where teams of wastewater treatment compete against each other.



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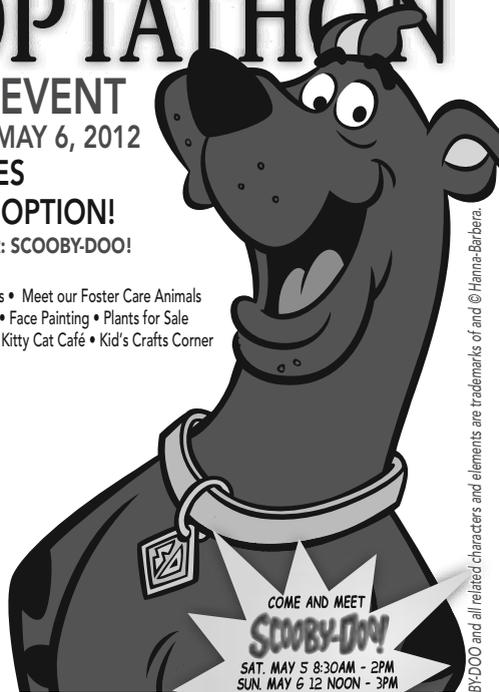


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Everyone has a blast at the annual Church Avenue street fair!

BY ELI ROSENBERG

Church Avenue is the place to be!

Or at least it was on April 29, when the neighborhood came together to throw a huge street fair on the thoroughfare between E. 10th Street and Argyle Road, which included some

of the best food and attractions that the eclectic neighborhood has to offer.

"My son's favorite was the belly dancers," said Lena Gluck, who came with her 6-year-old, Eli. "It was really nice when we were there because the street was all sunny."

In addition to the sunshine and belly dancers, attendees were treated to free pony rides, face-painting, sing-alongs, and yoga, as well as food from businesses like Am-Thai and Shayna's, which made its famous roti.

Kids weren't the only

ones having a good time, however.

"I had a blast," said Gluck. "The guy at the blow-up jumping thing was like, 'your son's gone in 10 times, do you want to go in?' He let me in even though I was a big person!"

CHURCH PARTY: (Above) Oshun Hunter performs a show-stopping belly dance at the Church Avenue street fair on April 29, while (right) Kuri Avila, 7, enjoys his candy apple and (far right) Wendy Rodriguez, 10, goes for a ride. Photos by Elizabeth Graham

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longtime leader of Young Israel of Bedford Bay on Brown Street, and Daniel Sabatino — a former governor of the Kiwanis Club's Brooklyn chapter, Elks Lodge member, and owner of Sabatino Funeral Home on Avenue U in Gravesend.

Scavo said that the city has accepted fewer and fewer street renaming recommendations ever since Councilmembers were vilified for rejecting a proposal to rename a Bedford-Stuyvesant street in honor of black activist Sonny Carson in 2007.

Paterno went to Good Shepherd School in Marine Park and worked as an usher at Ebbets Field.

He won a record 409 college football games over 46 seasons with the Penn State Nittany Lions before the 85-year-old was forced to retire in the wake of a child sex scandal.

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supply more gas to National Grid.

Gardeners claim the pipeline is so close to their beloved fields that it could pose a threat.

"If something goes wrong, I've got 400 gardeners I will have to take care of," said Floyd Bennett Garden Association President Adriann Musson. "Who do I call, how fast do I have to get them out, and how do I know when something's gone wrong?"

Gardeners left their rakes and shovels at home, but came to an April 25 community input meeting about the project armed with a list of questions on how the pipeline's construction will them.

Bressel said he was worried that a terrorist might try to destroy the pipeline — and his precious tomatoes in the process.

"I asked if the pipeline would be a target for terrorists," Bressel said. "The pipeline is right next to the garden, but these engineers just kind of blew off

any thoughts that security would be a concern. They don't know how precious a garden is in Brooklyn."

The Transco Pipeline wouldn't be the first pipeline to be targeted in Brooklyn. In 2010, Kareem Ibrahim and Russell Defreitas were convicted of plotting to blow up a pipeline that runs underneath Bay Ridge that funnels gas to JFK airport. Federal prosecutors said the attack would have claimed numerous lives and caused untold damage to the airport's infrastructure if it was ever put into motion.

Representatives from Williams Companies, which will build the proposed pipeline with National Grid, were mowed down by Bressel's questions.

"I'm not sure we anticipated the level of interest from the gardeners," said Williams Companies spokesman Chris Stockton. "The reason why we're putting [the metering station] in the hangers is to avoid and minimize the impact to the public. Unfortunately, we do have the community garden there."

Williams Companies

reps said the pipeline extension is far from a done deal. The project still needs the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to sign off on National Grid's application, which the company is planning to submit this fall.

If everything is approved, National Grid will begin laying a two-foot wide pipeline along Flatbush Avenue from Avenue U to the metering station by the end of next year. The pipeline, which will be buried 30 to 80 feet below ground, would tap into a major natural gas supply line off the Rockaway Peninsula run by Williams Companies.

Williams Companies reps also explained that it will need an act of Congress to dig up Floyd Bennett Field, which is part of Gateway National Recreation Area, to lay their pipeline. So far, the House of Representatives has given their approval, although Republican Bay Ridge Rep. Michael Grimm was slammed for taking \$3,000 in campaign donations from Williams Companies and National Grid after sponsoring the bill that will allow them to dig up Floyd Bennett

Field.

The Senate is expected to make its decision sometime over the summer.

But gardeners aren't the only ones upset with the pipeline plan: bird lovers also said a natural gas pipeline would be a horrific use of Brooklyn's only

national park.

"Any major construction project in or near natural areas has a risk of damaging those places in the process," said Glenn Phillips, the executive director of the New York City Audubon Society.

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Breezy Point Surf Club – a Brooklynite's cool escape

By Camille Sperrazza

Long before we ever heard the term, "staycation," generations of Brooklynites spent their summers at local cabana clubs.

Here, the kids would be amused with activities all day, and the adults would spend time chatting with their peers,



poolside, perhaps playing a game of Mahjong. In the evening, a band performed, and families would have a great time dancing the night away. It was a wonderful way to spend the summer because it was all about family bonding and creating memories.

Eventually, many of the cabana clubs closed, or lost their luster.

But not this summer. Family-bonding

time is back. Two of those cabana clubs, The Breezy Point Surf Club and The Silver Gull Beach Club, are under new management, and are better than ever.

Both are part of the National Parks Service, and have contracted with Ortega National Parks, a family-owned enterprise that operates retail stores, park concessions, restaurants, and hotels. The company has made a huge investment in these properties. One of its owners, Tanya Ortega, says, "We're bringing them back to their golden days."

At the same time, they are also being brought right into the 21st century, as the clubs will have WiFi in public areas, healthier food, updated gyms, and playgrounds. The Ortega family says it takes great care to be progressive stewards of the environment, "thinking green" in all of its business operations.

Kids will enjoy the new day camps, baseball fields, and planned activities. Adults can look forward to night time entertainment, such as live music and comedy. These events are expected to take place during the week and on weekends.

The party continues with a full bar of favorite brands and spirits. Cabana boys and girls can bring dinner right to your cabana. It all adds up to one heck of a

"staycation."

Make time for relaxation, too, because spa services, such as massages, will be offered at Silver Gull. Next year, an incredible spa facility is expected to open on the premises.

For those who may find walking to the beach a bit challenging these days, transportation will be provided.

The Ortegas are very excited about this new venture, noting that this historic area has been featured in movies such as "The Flamingo Kid," and "Goodfellas." Ortega calls the area, "a community gem," and takes pride in the restoration.



The best part for many Brooklynites is that all this fun is a short car ride away, making it a convenient and affordable



way to spend the summer. Season passes and day passes are available. Cabanas are available for rent, from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.

Ortega National Parks has been operating National Park Service concessions for 16 years, and is currently managing sites within the Bandelier, White Sands, Muir Woods, Carlsbad Caverns, Death Valley, and Hawaii Volcanoes National Parks.

Breezy Point Surf Club [1 Beach 227 St. in Breezy Point (718) 634-2500]. Silver Gull Beach Club [1 Beach 193 St. in Breezy Point (718) 634-1500]. Open houses at both beach clubs are taking place Saturdays and Sundays, 1 - 4 pm, until Memorial Day weekend.

Concrete Boardwalk a good thing for Coney

To the editor,

I have been living in Coney Island and running on the Boardwalk for more than 30 years. I have enjoyed every moment of it and would not trade it for anywhere else in the world.

There are, however, a few exceptions, and the poor condition of the Boardwalk is one of them that most disturbs me. I do not blame the Coney Island maintenance workers, who do a great job of cleaning and maintaining the beach. But it is just the sheer volume of traffic, cars, trucks, and people that makes it impossible to keep the boards down and not sticking up, and causing a tremendous number of accidents to beach-goers running, walking, and bike riding.

I do not know anyone who prefers the concrete to the wood, but when safety is included in the formula, the choice is obvious. There are those who romanticize about how beautiful the Boardwalk is when it is all wood, but they are seriously fooling themselves. They have seen the same accidents I have seen and experienced, and are just closing their eyes and ears to it. That does not make them bad or evil people, but just dreamers. I love to dream also, but if you have been a regular on the Boardwalk and have not seen accidents from wooden planks sticking up, well, maybe you have been on some other boardwalk in some faraway place.

I deceived myself a few years back and signed a petition requesting the city keep the Boardwalk, and not turn it to concrete. I have since come to my senses and now know it's safety first and foremost. I also like how the light and textured concrete looks and how it lightens up the area, and I think that is a good thing for a beach resort.

How would you like to trip while eating a Nathan's hot dog that cost \$3.75 and have no money left to buy another one? Now that is what I call a serious problem — a tragedy even!

Ron Kriegel
Coney Island

Creep shoot!

To the editor,

I understand completely how Cronin

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Miller feels about the gun crimes in the city ("Citizen 'vigilante' sez: Make my day," Letters to the Editor, April 27).

He is right! Desperate times call for desperate measures. Unfortunately, I'm afraid it might become like the Wild West here for a while — and it might get worse before getting better.

Although I agree something must be done about the bad guys with guns, I don't see this solution as viable, even though these bottom feeders need to pay dearly for their actions. Most of the time these lowlifes have been in and out of jail for most of their life, with rap sheets as long as your arm. The judges must stop being so lenient with them, and keep them in jail, and let them rot there.

There is something really wrong when a \$2 million bail is set for a madam in the city, while thugs with illegal guns are running free committing crimes, shooting at cops, and terrorizing the public. Either give all the good citizens of our great city a weapon to protect themselves, as Cronin Miller suggests, or keep the creeps locked away.

Franklin Forte
Sea Gate

Cop presence

To the editor,

The presence of a uniformed transit cop might have stopped the thieves who mugged a woman on the R train ("Train robbery," Police Blotter, April 26).

The 95th Street station is deserted in the afternoons, and is a place that should be avoided if possible.

It would be more comforting for the riding public to see the police now and then.

Let's call or write to the Transit Authority to protect us, if only in the afternoons, when most robberies are occurring at this station.

Joan Cicorio
Bay Ridge

Apples and plums

To the editor,

It is not "Plumb" Beach, it is "Plum Beach" ("Plumb beach fixed blasted," April 26). It was named that because of the sand plums that grew there. Can we finally get it right?

I am happy it will be cleaned up. It's a haven. Even a bronze plaque there refers to it as "Plum" beach.

Please correct this error!

Rita Nanes
Plumb Beach

Gotts: 'gotcha'

To the editor,

Thomas DePrisco, I can assure you my surname — Gotts — is not a pseudonym, as you suggest ("The 'Gotts' got it," Letters, April 26).

It was shortened by my great-grandfather many years ago to make it more Americanized after immigrating to New York from Mecklenburg, Germany. I was named Stuart after him, and thankfully the last name had already been changed to Gotts from Gotzenghooler.

Anyway, I am happy that you appreciate the letters from my wife, and I will certainly try to keep it up.

Stu Gotts
Flatbush

Legal quagmire

To the editor,

Ignorance of the law is no excuse to the layman. However, ignorance of interpretation of the law is an excuse for lawyers and judges to be deadlocked in appeals, and in certain instances result in a reversal of the case.

Skillful lawyers are excellent at rehearsals.

Elliott Abosh
Brighton Beach

Teacher troubles

To the editor,

People don't realize the ramifications of closing more and more schools. Those teachers who will not be rehired shall be placed in the Absence Teacher Reserve pool. In other words, they will be glorified substitutes.

These pedagogues did not earn master's degrees to be relegated to substitute status. Right now, we have well over a thousand teachers in this situation. These are duly licensed teachers, many of whom have been teaching for 15 years or even longer. Instead of using these teachers in regular classrooms to lower class sizes, the Department of Education makes them do substitute work so that they will become disillusioned and leave the system.

The point here is that the mayor and his stooges are trying to circumvent the union contract. The union has only itself to blame for giving up seniority rights in the 2005 contract with the city. These teachers will now be shifted from school to school on a weekly basis.

No matter what anyone says, senior teachers are the core of the school system. They act as mentors to novice teach-

ers in many schools, especially since far too many principals have never taught themselves.

Ed Greenspan
Sheepshead Bay

Banking 101

To the editor,

Banks should replace statements in the mail with passbooks. It would save on paper and postage.

Makes sense to me!

Joan Mangano
Mill Basin

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Cheers and jeers greeted our story, "CB10: 93 Lounge must go," (BrooklynDaily.com, April 25). We raise a glass to some of the best comments the story received:

Ninety-three is fine, there is no drug dealing going on inside. It is now an older, bottle-service type crowd.

Matt from Bay Ridge

This place is a cesspool. They say it's an upscale crowd, but all the pictures I ever see are of the hoodlums in the neighborhood who have just gotten a little older. These are bad kids who are more than likely doing bad things. They are smoking pot and it really makes the neighborhood look down. I have to say though, the establishment is nice, but the clientele is not a "bottle-service type crowd." Just because you spend the money to buy a bottle does not mean you are of a higher class.

Frank from Bay Ridge

I used to DJ for quite a while at 93 Lounge and have never seen one drug incident or one fight.

Jerry from Bay Ridge

As a 35-year resident of 93rd Street, take it from me: this place has always been bad news. Unless it is no longer licensed to serve, it always will be, no matter who owns or operates the space.

El from Bay Ridge

This is absolutely ridiculous. Ninety-three lounge is an upscale neighborhood venue. When people get drunk, they get rowdy — this is anywhere you go, not one specific place. I've been a DJ for 12 years now, and I personally know the owners and staff at this establishment. They are good people. Don't blame the place for some idiots that want to start a fight.

Danny Dare from Bay Ridge

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In an election year, think energy and gas

On March 8, 2012, the Bloomberg National Poll asked 1,002 American adults to list what they believe are the most important concerns facing the country right now. Two of the top three were unemployment and gas prices. But I would like to know where my president lists these issues.

In the fall of 2008, Nobel Prize winner Steven Chu said, "Somehow, we have to figure out how to boost the price of gasoline to the levels in Europe."

After being inaugurated, President Obama appointed Dr. Chu to the position of Secretary of Energy. I have to wonder why my president would want someone who wishes to see large increases in the price at the pump in that position, unless my president also wants to see large increases as well.

We learned recently that Mr. Chu has since withdrawn those thoughts, but in an election year, I give little credence to his new views.

When asked what he intends to do about the pain at the pump, President Obama replied, "As I've said publicly, there are no silver bullets when it comes to gas prices."

Assuming he is correct and that there really is nothing that he can do about the prices, he certainly can help the economy by putting people to work. He can favor drilling in the eastern half of the gulf, Alaska, and offshore in the Pacific and Atlantic coasts. He would also see improvements in the job situation by approving construction of the Keystone pipeline. If nothing else, many thousands of Americans would have the opportunity to bring home a paycheck.

A member of congress recently referred to the president as "stupid." No, no, no. I do not care for what that man is doing to my country and I agree with very little that's been coming from the White House, but I still believe that he is smart. One doesn't get to be elected to the highest office in the land by being stupid. He is clever, cunning, and has a wonderful way with words. With jobs being such an important issue, especially in an



IT'S ONLY MY OPINION

Stanley P. Gershbein

election year, why do we still not have the Keystone Project up and running? It's Only My Opinion is the name of this column and here it is:

Right now, Mr. O is receiving re-election contributions from the energy people who are in favor of construction and the environmentalists who are against it. As long as he does not make a decision, the bucks will still be coming in from both sides. Sometime before the election he will have to make a decision. Knowing that the employment situation can affect the outcome in November, I predict that the smart one will sign on. He will save face by approving an altered route. Now that's my opinion. If you disagree, please tell me why without being nasty. Ronald Reagan said that one can disagree without being disagreeable.

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A friend is someone who never says "no" when you ask for a favor. A good friend is someone who doesn't wait for you to ask. I lost someone a short time ago who, on his deathbed, said these final words to the members of his family who were gathered by his side: "Tell my good friend Stanley that I love him." Those were his exact final words as told to me by several who were there.

I am **StanGershbein@Bellsouth.net** looking up at the sky and saying, "I love you too, Jerry. And I miss you very much."

Carl-amity for crooked Kruger

Swindling ex-lawmaker Carl Kruger is a common crook with an all-too-common story: a mediocre politician, high on his own hubris, becomes a legend in his own mind. Then he abuses the public faith, gets caught, and arrogantly continues to profess his innocence until the undeniable facts catch up to him. Then, he claims his innocence some more — remember, he thinks he's invincible — until he realizes time is ticking, and resigns just before pleading guilty to keep his lucrative pension intact. For an encore, he wallows in the mud of self-pity like a wounded hippo.

Corrupt Carl knew the high-stakes game of doing big, bad wrongs, but he played it to the shady hilt like the hustler he was. He resigned as state senator last December, and then confessed to accepting more than \$1 million in bribes for political favors — a cunning move to retain his retirement package, estimated to be upwards of \$65,000 a year. Only then did he turn on the waterworks to gain public sympathy. That's more the act of a sly fox who couldn't give a toss about his vices, than a repentant man hoping to reverse the error of his ways.

Crafty Carl's chutzpah was in fine form at his sentencing last week, too,



A BRITISHER'S VIEW

Shavana Abruzzo

when a federal judge slapped him with a seven-year prison term for being a greedy and corrupt little piggy, who dumped his demons at the doorstep of honest government, while living it up on the public's dime as one of the most powerful lawmakers in Albany. He didn't apologize either for pretending to be an upstanding legislator, although he did warble the blues on his own heartstrings.

"I am broken, destroyed, and disgraced, I have no one else to blame, this will haunt me for the rest of my life," whined the ex-chairman of the powerful Senate Finance Committee, and past member of the Senate Crime Victims, Crime and Correction Committee — ironic, no?

Dishonorable Carl still didn't see fit to apologize to the voters who had placed their trust in him for the 16 years he held office. The least he could have said was, "Sorry folks, for being a rotten, wicked, treacherous, hypocritical, two-faced, unprincipled, sleazy, two-bit cheat." A little agonized hair-pulling and apoplec-

tic chest-thrashing on bended knee wouldn't have hurt either. What does he have left to lose, after all, but his disgrace?

Shamed Carl was lucky to get a reduced sentence from the judge

for his "good works." That puny repertoire includes reputedly publishing the only Russian-language newsletter by an elected official in the city (woo!), attempting to ban the use of electronic devices in crosswalks (woo-woo!), and voting against same-sex marriages while he allegedly carried on an affair with the son of the district manager whom everyone thought was his ladyfriend (woo-woo-woo!). Confused? Join the club.

Judge Jed Rakoff hit the nail on the head when he told the lawbreaker, "We have only to look at other countries to see that once corruption takes hold, democracy itself becomes a charade, and justice becomes a mere slogan camouflaging a cesspool of self-interest."

Conniving Carl has tarnished America's reputation and exposed himself to be a megalomaniac of the worst type for using his public position to promote his bottom line. He's poised to discover that jailbirds worship murderers — but corrupt politicians? Not so much.

Serendipity, then such sweet sorrow

"Men, men, men, manly men, men, men..." Ah, — if only for a moment.

Serendipity, as defined by Dictionary.com, is "an aptitude for making desirable discoveries by accident." So it was with serendipity that I caught the one shining moment on "Two and Half Men" this past Monday, (I actually did read that Charlie was coming back, but had forgotten about it until I saw it on the tube).

While channel-surfing during commercials of "Eureka," I happened to land on CBS and viewed the one noteworthy scene in the whole season — Charlie Harper's return, albeit only in the form of Berta, the housekeeper, ably portrayed by Conchata Ferrell.

Alan, the deceased Charlie Harper's brother and current roomie of Walden Schmidt, is recovering from a mild heart-attack and is in the hospital. As Alan lay in bed, he gets a visit from big bro Charlie. But it's not Charlie Sheen, it's Berta, dressed in Charlie's black and white striped bowling shirt and tan baggy shorts, smoking Charlie's cigar and dishing



NOT FOR NUTHIN'

Joanna DelBuono

out Charlie's usual brand of brutal but oh-so-funny honesty. Charlie-Berta blasts Alan for being a parasite and tells him it's time to move on and get a place of his own. Farrell was so spot-on that, just for a second, I actually imagined that it was Charlie Sheen, fresh from hell, dropping his ashes in Alan's hand and showing

off his who-who before blinking out. If the shining moment only lasted longer, but alas the four-minute byte blipped out and faded into memory faster than the Lady Morgaine passing through the "Mists of Avalon" in Marion Zimmer Bradley's book of the Arthurian legend. Such sweet sorrow — never to be seen again.

Bitter, bitter sadness and bile. Not even returning to "Eureka" with Jack saving the crew with the help of Dr. Beverly Barlow, no less, could lift the pall, lighten my spirits, and brighten my heavy heart.

Serendipity, what cruel fate to bring me to such heights, only to drop me into the abyss of despair and smash my reverie. As I returned to Jack, I was forced to accept the unavoidable fact that tiger blood no longer flowed through the set of "Two and Half Men." The life force has been replaced by watered down plasma leaving only an empty shell in its wake. Oh, how I miss Charlie.

Not for Nuthin™ please disconnect life support. It's long past-due. Watching this sham of a show, even for a brief, bright moment, was just too much to bear.

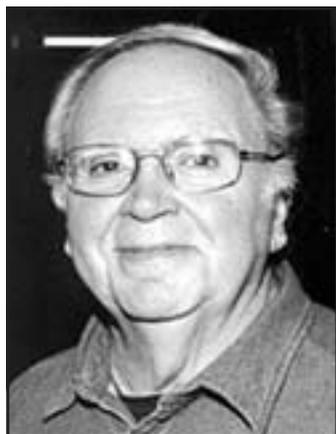
Carmin says not all teens are juvenile delinquents

I'm madder than Spiccoli when Mr. Hand started handing out all his slices of pizza in "Fast Times at Ridgemoor High" over all the bad press teenagers are getting these days — especially since there are kids out there who ought to get mentioned in the papers for the great things they do.

Look, you all know that Carmin is as old-school as it gets when it comes to gathering information about what is going on in our neighborhoods, and the fact that I call it the "press" instead of something more hip and trendy like "media" or "interweb," certainly shows my age.

But for me, it's important to get my information from the source — and to block out all that interference that could get in the way of true understanding and enlightenment. So you won't catch me catching up on things through the Facebook or the Tweeter, because, quite frankly, I don't believe anything unless I see it with my own lying eyes.

So when I read about all those juvenile delinquents out there in the police blotter every week,



BIG SCREECHER

Carmine Santa Maria

I feel bad for all those good kids who don't get their names in the paper for doing something great.

Now, I'm not saying that I don't understand why newspapers do what they do: look, I know as much as the next guy that if it

bleeds it leads, bring out the conflict, bring in the context, I get it.

I mean, people won't necessarily pick up a paper that only tells them good news. And if they did, and that was all they wanted, I would be out of a job.

But that doesn't mean we shouldn't shine a light on the good kids out there at least once a year.

So, without further ado, I'm going to do just that, just like I did last year.

This week's column is dedicated to the hard work of one such teenager: Priscilla Consolo, who also works for my boss, Assemblyman Bill Colton.

This 18-year-old powerhouse has done more good than her years should have allowed, most recently during the Colton-sponsored Earth Day clean-ups that have helped make our neighborhoods as squeaky-clean as humanly possible.

Look, I don't need to tell you that Priscilla has done her part to keep our streets clean, because you can look right outside and see it for yourself.

But if you don't believe your

own lying eyes, let me tell you how it happened.

The Midwood HS senior put together an army of teenagers, broke them up into platoons, and sent them out to the streets to pick up things like wrappers from Snickers bars and the like.

This was Priscilla's army's fourth campaign cleaning up various areas of the Gravesend, Bensonhurst, and Dyker Heights communities.

Needless to say, her army has grown 10-fold these past eight months.

Priscilla recruited more than 440 kids from various schools, organizations, and community groups, set them up into platoons, and then sent them out to sweep designated streets and avenues, collecting the filth and debris and bringing it to Department of Sanitation collection points. And now, 18th Avenue between Bath Avenue and 82nd Street, and 86th Street between 18th and 23rd avenues are as good as new.

But the kids didn't just clean, they talked a good game, too.

She and her teen co-leaders spoke to shopkeepers, explain-

ing to them why keeping business streets clean is essential and makes the community attractive for everyone.

They even had the businesses sign "Awareness Pledges."

Priscilla Consolo is a role model to follow because of her selfless examples of giving back to the community that is really making a difference!

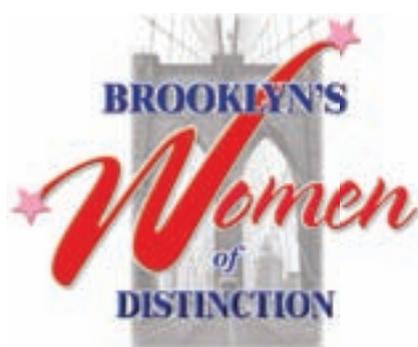
Because of her success with these neighborhood clean-ups, Assemblyman Colton has put Priscilla in charge of another — the campaign to get Bensonhurst's B64 bus, which was severed south of 25th Ave along Harway Ave to Stillwell, back.

Priscilla has been speaking at Community Board 11 and 10 meetings, as well as other civic meetings, informing everyone of the half-billion dollar windfall the MTA has, which should be used restoring the service cuts that occurred these past two years.

Hopefully, the drastic cuts that have paralyzed the area will be restored so that the community can survive the MTA's gross stupidity. Go get them Priscilla!

Screech at you next week!

Each woman's unique accomplishments will be highlighted in a keepsake publication on May 24, 2012.



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Help for thyroid at NY Methodist

Park Slope medical center can test for and treat Brooklynites' thyroid conditions

BY EDMUND GIEGERICH

Have you been trying to gain or lose weight, but found that the pounds don't seem to budge? Have you looked in the mirror after months of intense exercise and a healthier diet, only to see the exact same reflection you did before? If that's

the case, you may want to ask your doctor about a possible thyroid disorder. New York Methodist Hospital can help.

The thyroid is a gland located in your neck just below your voice box. The hormones it secretes help to control the body's metab-

olism, so if your body produces abnormal amounts of these thyroid hormones, you may gain or lose weight as a result. Two of the most common thyroid conditions are hypothyroidism and hyperthyroidism.

Hypothyroidism prevents your body from pro-

ducing enough thyroid hormone. It often causes inexplicable weight gain. In addition, early signs may include increased sensitivity to cold, constipation, low heart rate, and fatigue. If hypothyroidism is not detected early on, it is possible that it will cause slow speech, chronic low body temperature, depression, and in women, abnormal menstrual cycles.

Conversely, hyperthyroidism is the term used when the body produces too much thyroid hormone. It is usually accompanied by inexplicable weight loss. In addition, those with hyperthyroidism may find their hearts racing, or experience symptoms like frequent bowel movements, hand tremors, difficulty

sleeping, intolerance of heat, and for women, light menstrual cycles.

Thyroid conditions are unrelated to lifestyle choices and can sometimes be genetic. Because symptoms do not always present themselves immediately, the conditions are often confused with a host of other health problems.

To identify a thyroid condition, your doctor will test the levels of thyroid hormones found in your blood. The good news is that both hypothyroidism and hyperthyroidism are often treatable with common prescription medications. However, in rare cases, more potent treatments or surgical procedures may be necessary. If you believe you have a thy-

roid condition, it is important to get tested as soon as possible. Left untreated, these illnesses can lead to life-threatening conditions such as cancer and heart disease.

An estimated 60 million Americans have a thyroid condition, so if you find that you're one of them, there's no need to despair. With quick action and dedication to a treatment regimen, hypothyroidism or hyperthyroidism can be just a small bump on the road to a long and happy life.

For more, call New York Methodist Hospital at (718) 780-3000.

Edmund Giegerich, MD, is the chief of Endocrinology at New York Methodist Hospital.

Thinking 'FAST' can save a life

Know these signs to recognize a stroke

Quick thinking and prompt action can help keep you and yours from being among the 700,000 strokes that occur in the U.S. annually and result in 160,000 deaths.

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It is sometimes difficult to know if someone is having a stroke. The National Stroke Association recommends this simple test to determine if someone is having a stroke:

Think FAST

•Face: Ask the person to smile. Does one side of her face droop?

•Arms: Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?

•Speech: Ask the person to repeat a simple phrase. Does his speech



Taking the time to answer a few questions may help to reduce your risk of stroke.

sound slurred or strange?

•Time: If you observe any of these signs, it's time to call 9-1-1.

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Study: Women underestimate stroke



A study shows that 40 percent of women said they were only somewhat – or not at all – concerned about experiencing a stroke in their lifetime.

A national survey conducted by HealthyWomen, the nation's leading independent health information source for women, found that many women may be dramatically underestimating their risk of stroke.

According to the survey of 2,000 women, 40 percent of women said they were only somewhat — or not at

all — concerned about experiencing a stroke in their lifetime.

“The results of the survey underscore what we see too often with women when it comes to dealing with their unique health issues,” said Elizabeth Battaglino Cahill, RN, executive director of HealthyWomen. “As they put the health of

family members and everyone else first, they often underestimate their own risks and ignore warning signs of serious health problems, like stroke.”

An acute ischemic stroke occurs when an obstruction, such as a blood clot, blocks blood flow to the brain. The obstruction deprives the brain of blood and oxygen,

destroying valuable nerve cells in the affected area within minutes.

“Stroke knows no gender and can happen to anyone at any age,” said Marilyn Rymer, MD, director of the Brain and Stroke Institute at Saint Luke's Hospital in Kansas City.

For more, visit www.healthywomen.org.

“When I had my stroke, I was afraid life would never be the same.”

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Kingsbrook offers diabetic care

Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center's diabetes treatment program was recently certified by the National Committee for Quality Assurance's Diabetes Recognition Program. This means that the diabetes program's clinicians have met the highest standards of quality care, an honor given to only a few Brooklyn hospitals. Kingsbrook has also established a diabetic registry that tracks improvement.

A crucial component of diabetes care is teaching patients self-management. Patients are taught diabetes techniques for medication, nutrition, how to read food labels, and dealing with depression.

Patients who are diagnosed are examined and treated for complications of diabetes, including eye and foot problems, circulation problems, and kidney disease. Related services include:

Vascular

Diabetes causes blood vessels in the legs and feet to narrow and harden, leading to poor circulation that can result in damaged nerves. Hardening of the arteries caused by high blood sugar can lead to heart disease and stroke.

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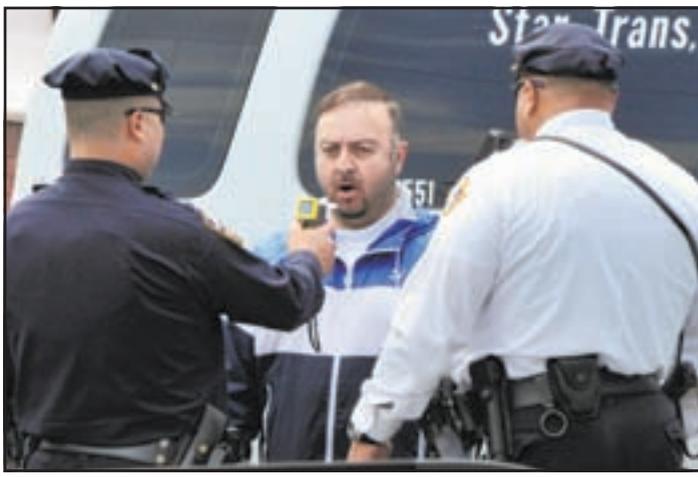
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Foot problems in people with diabetes are often caused by nerve damage, or neuropathy, which causes a loss of feeling in the feet. Kingsbrook's podiatrists use the newest technologies, such as bio-engineered skin grafts and new healing substances.

Dialysis

Patients admitted to Kingsbrook for dialysis treatment meet with a team consisting of a doctor, nurse, dietician, and social worker, to plan for the dialysis, medication, and nutrition.

For more info, call (718) 604-5000.



GETTING TESTED: The driver who struck an elderly woman is given a Breathalyzer test by cops. He was not charged. Photo by Paul Martinika

75-year-old killed

BY DANIEL BUSH

An elderly woman was killed last Wednesday morning in Homecrest when an ambulance driver rammed into her, police said.

Horrified witnesses told responding officers that the 75-year-old was crossing E. 15th Street at Avenue S at 12:40 pm when the private ambulance struck her.

Emergency responders rushed her to New York Com-

munity Hospital on Kings Highway, where she died. Nothing was left at the scene, save for the woman's shoes, which flew off her upon impact, and a mangled shopping cart, witnesses said.

Cops did not identify the woman as they continued to track down family members.

The ambulance driver remained at the scene, but wasn't arrested after passing a Breathalyzer test, police sources said.

CB12 boss takes over

Perlstein: I want board to be more community minded

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

Community Board 12 Chairman Yidel Perlstein — the board's first Chasidic leader who was elected into office last month amid questions over his eligibility — said he wants to be the people's chairman and push the board to interact more directly with all the communities it represents, from Borough Park and Bensonhurst to Midwood and Kensington.

"I want the board to be much more involved than before," Perlstein told the board during his first meeting as chairman on April 24. "I intend on being very active and be in the office every day."

Perlstein unseated 19-year board chairman Alan Dubrow in March, despite claims that he hadn't been a board member long enough to lead. The panel's bylaws stipulate that board members with a year or more on the attendance rolls can be elected chairman, but Perlstein has only been a board member for nine months.

Questions about Perlstein's



MEET THE NEW BOSS: Yidel Perlstein, the recently elected chairman of Community Board 12.

eligibility sparked an intense exchange between Dubrow and Councilman David Greenfield (D—Bensonhurst), who, armed with a legal interpretation of the bylaws that said the Chasidic board member could run, convinced the board to vote on Perlstein's eligibility. Greenfield, who has the power to put people on the community board, but cannot

vote, then encouraged the panel to elect him chairman.

Board attendees were stunned by Greenfield's determination in getting Perlstein elected, calling it an unprecedented act of intimidation by an elected official.

Perlstein won the election by a 28-14 margin.

Greenfield wasn't at last week's meeting. Neither was any of the tension felt before the vote.

Instead, board members praised Perlstein, who said he wanted board members to be more involved in the community.

"He wants to get his hands wet and I think he'll do a good job," said CB12 member Joe Jacobs.

Aaron Tyk, a 20-year veteran of CB12, was even more enthusiastic about Perlstein's reign.

"He did a crackerjack job," said Tyk. "Even before the meeting, he reached out personally to every one of the board members. We wanted to be a more active board, and under his leadership, we will be more active, which is an improvement."

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BATTER UP: Taylor Clemente, 15, couldn't wait to get her first plate appearance of the season on Opening Day.



LET'S PLAY: Softball players took to the field, while (right) Vito Dimola, 11, practiced his swing.



Photos by Steve Solomonson

Baseball season kicks off with a bang

BY DANIEL BUSH

Play ball!

Gravesend's Our Lady of Grace Athletic Association kicked off its baseball and softball seasons with an Opening Day parade on April 28 that drew more than 500 players, parents, and fans to Monsignor Sclafani Field on Gravesend Neck Road.

The association's vice president, Steve Peskin, said the festivities — which included four games to get the season started — are a rite of pas-

sage for neighborhood players who harbor dreams of someday turning pro.

"The kids were really excited," Peskin said. "For some, it's the first time they've put on a uniform, so it's a big deal."

But Peskin said the games teach youngsters life skills that extend beyond the baseball diamond.

"Baseball is really secondary," he said. "Players learn the value of teamwork, camaraderie, and work ethic."

Roughly 340 baseball and softball players aged 4 to 16 compete each year in the 20-team league, which also boasts six travel teams that take on squads from other neighborhoods across the borough.

Our Lady of Grace founded the athletic association in 1956. In 1992, the group took over the Gil Hodges Little League, which started as a sandlot organization in the 1950s but was later renamed after the Brooklyn Dodgers icon.



READY FOR ACTION: Brian Diaz, 11, gets into position.

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FOLKIN' AROUND!

Three-day festival hits Downtown Brooklyn



Banjo man: Eli Smith, the founder of the Brooklyn Folk Festival, is ready for the event's fourth year, which starts on May 18.

Photos by Elizabeth Graham

By Eli Rosenberg

Everybody is jumping on the banjo-wagon!

Brooklyn's annual homegrown folk festival is back and still growing in its fourth year, evidence of a steadily expanding folk resurgence that has made Brooklyn — not that other borough to the west — the city and perhaps country's folk capital.

"The modern folk music movement in New York City started in the 30s and it never really died out," said Eli Smith, the festival's founder, who teaches banjo and hosts the Down Home Radio Show. "But it is back in a major way now — and instead of being located in the Village it's centered in Brooklyn now."

The Brooklyn Folk Festival will take place this year in an old hardware store on Jay Street, which will be dressed up as a 1940s streetscape, and will feature such straight-shooting musical groups as the Blind Boy Paxton, the Whiskey Spitters, and legendary bluegrass singer Alice Gerrard, who will be coming in from North Carolina.

Despite a few far off zip codes like Gerrard's, Smith said the majority of performers in the festival's three nights of

music will be from the vibrant scene here in New York.

"In the South there's a lot of old-time music and bluegrass, but the place where a large scene of diversity and talent in terms of American folk is located — it'd have to



Folks frolicking: The Brooklyn Folk Festival is sure to be a foot-stompin', banjo-pickin', slow-talkin', square-dancin' and perty singin' good time.

be here," said Smith.

Folk may be a traditional and seemingly antiquated style of music, but its appeal strikes upon something distinctly modern, the festival's organizers say.

"There's a desire to go back to the roots of everything right now," said Lynette Wiley, the co-owner of Red Hook's Jalopy Theater. "People are making their own

clothes and building their own bicycles and there's a real interest in studying what went before. So people are looking for the music of the past to put their own take on it."

Not that music is the only thing the festival is offering.

Last year's banjo toss — in which participants competed to chuck a banjo furthest into the East River — is out, but this year's festival will include an entire banjo-themed carnival, a harmonica battle-off, a reading and a workshop or two, and a tribute to onetime Coney Island resident and folk legend Woodie Guthrie, who would have turned 100 this year.

And it might be the thing you need to take the edge off your hyper-New York mind.

"Folk is straight up music that gives us a certain feeling of ease in our crazy modern world here in New York," said Smith. "Just seeing some down home, homemade music makes people feel good!"

The Fourth Annual Brooklyn Folk Festival in Downtown Brooklyn [345 Jay street, between Metrotech Roadway and Willoughby Streets, (718) 395-3214]. May 18 - May 20, \$20 day pass or \$45 weekend pass. Visit www.brooklynfolkfest.com

Borough Bayou!

If you're more of a fan of the fiddle than the banjo, you probably should head to Bayou 'n Brooklyn festival instead of or in addition to the folk festival.

This year's Louisiana-themed event, held at the Jalopy Theater will include three days of ragin' cajun music from groups such as Dr. Zsa's Powdered Zydeco Band, Forest Huval & Al Berard, and others, between May 11 and 13.

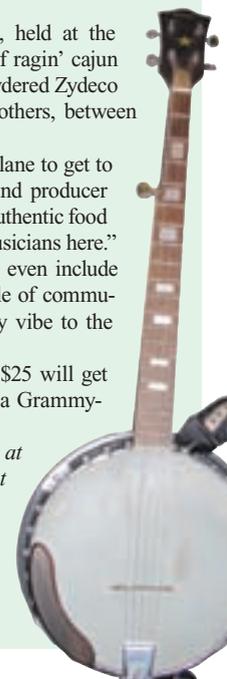
"You won't even have to jump on a plane to get to Louisiana," said the festival's founder and producer Deborah Monlux. "We're going to have authentic food and dance because we're bringing the musicians here."

The festival, the second annual, will even include workshops on cajun fiddlin' and a couple of community jam sessions to bring that Big Easy vibe to the big city.

And as a creative fundraising stunt, \$25 will get you the chance to jam out with Berard, a Grammy-nominee, on Saturday night.

Bayou 'n' Brooklyn Music Festival at the Jalopy Theater [315 Columbia St. at Hamilton Avenue in Columbia Waterfront District, (718) 395-3214] May 11-13, various times. Day pass \$15. For info, visit www.bayou-n-brooklyn.com

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Brooklyn slaves

It's said that history often repeats itself and it most certainly will this month in Fort Greene. The Irondale Ensemble's theatrical production "In Pursuit of Freedom" will bring the abolitionist movement back to life in the first public history project on the anti-slavery movement in Brooklyn, but sit tight, because history is never as neat and tidy as it is remembered.

After winning a \$2 million grant from the city of New York for a project that would celebrate Brooklyn's abolitionist past, the producers of Irondale said they spent three years uncovering the anti-slavery efforts in Brooklyn — and were shocked at what they found.

"One of the eye openers is that Brooklyn actually came to abolition late," said Terry Greiss, the executive director of the theatre troupe. "Brooklyn itself was built on a slave economy. Emancipation was in 1827, but the commercial structure of Brooklyn was very much tied to slavery — the banks owned mortgages on slaves and sugar was big here."

Greiss said that while the show focuses on history — he promises the past is never antiquated, even in such a forward-leaning place as Brooklyn.

"One of the things we're trying to show in our theater piece is that the struggle is not over," said Greiss. "If you look at the stuff going on in Arizona around immigration, or the gay rights movement — the past isn't over."

As part of the grant, Irondale, the Brooklyn Historical Society and the Weeksville Heritage center will unveil permanent exhibitions around the borough to denote spaces involved in issues around slavery in 2013.

Irondale Ensemble's In Pursuit of Freedom: Color Between the Lines at the Irondale Center [85 South Oxford St. between Lafayette Avenue and Fulton Street in Fort Greene, (718) 488-9233] Tuesdays at 7 pm, Wednesday-Saturday at 8 pm. \$35, \$10 on Tuesdays. For info, visit irondale.org
— Eli Rosenberg

Quick finishes

Hyperactive? Try these one-acts. A Park Slope outdoor performance space is featuring a series of ten-minute plays that cater to the modern, attention deficit-swamped mind.

The showcase offers five mini-plays — including a mystery, a dark comedy and coming of age story — some of which reach their dramatic climax in the time it takes to brush your teeth.

"They're a snapshot of a human relationship or society," said producer Carter Spurrier. "You get snippets."

The quick-hit performances include two ship-wrecked teens, a small-town murder, and a fighting mom and daughter.

The art-form — which is the "short story" of the theater world — also embraces improvisation and is a chance for emerging actors, directors and writers to network, Spurrier said.

"It's a great way to see new talent and it's cheaper than a movie ticket," she said. *Ten Minute Plays at Cocoa Bar [228 Seventh Ave. near Third Street in Park Slope, (718) 499-4080] May 14, 7 pm. \$5.*

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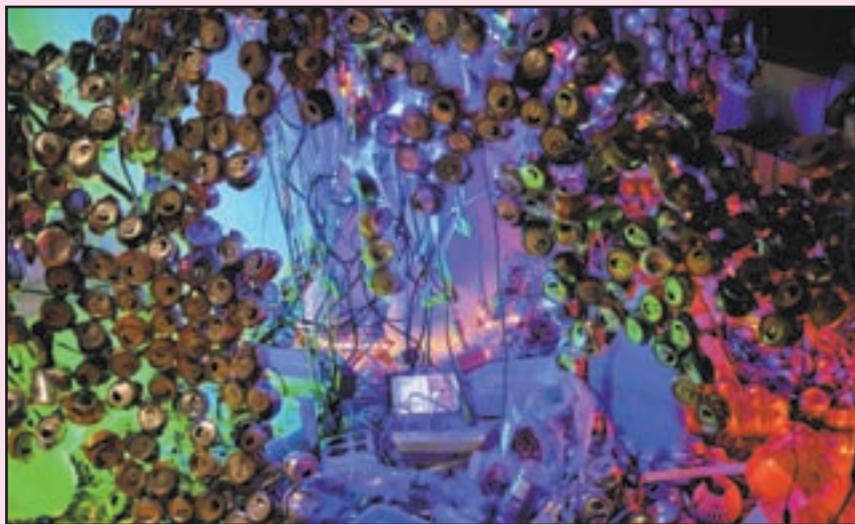
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— Natalie O'Neill

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Dirty deeds, done for art



Reuse, recycle: Artist Chin Chih Yang's "Comissioned Installation," is made entirely of recycled industrial scraps, like hospital masks and oxygen tubes, at FiveMyles gallery.

Garbage has never looked this good.

Crushed cans hang from the ceiling above mounds of industrial junk — all of it illuminated by a rainbow colored lights in artist Chin Chih Yang's solo show "Comissioned Installation," which opens at Prospect Heights's FiveMyles gallery on Saturday.

The artist picked through hundreds of plastic oxygen tubes, used hospital masks, aluminum cans, industrial cables, and other scrap to build a floor-to-ceil-

ing installation that has all the charm and ambience of Wall-E's apartment — if he lived in Park Slope.

"Yang has done fabulous practical palaces built out of recycled aluminum cans and puts lights inside so they transcend their usage, so they become luminous gorgeous environments," said curator Hanne Tierney.

The indoor landfill actually feels welcoming — and the accumulation of artfully arranged garbage alludes to the aesthetics of manufactured products, while

also calling attention to the sheer volume of waste created every day.

The installation is open to the public on May 5, but those who drop in before then can see the artist at work, said Tierney.

"The process is as interesting as anything else," the curator said.

Chin Chih Yang "Comissioned Installation" at Five Myles [558 St. Johns Pl. between Classon and Franklin avenues, Prospect Heights, (718) 783-4438]. Opens May 5, 1-6 pm.

— Aaron Short

Opening
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Harsh soap for a new season

Cleanliness is next to artfulness.

Park Slope's Open Source Gallery will smell like an industrial laundromat this month thanks to Artist Patrick Cadenhead's fresh installation "Spring and Renewal," opening on May 5.

The works include wooden panels caked in Tide, fabric softener, and borax crystals, while a speaker emits the rhythmic droning sounds of your corner laundromat. The centerpiece is a sculpture that resembles a washing machine that spurts soapy suds from a pump.

The art space will keep its windows open, but a whiff of the show might catch some visitors by surprise — or remind them it's time to do the laundry.



It stinks: You can't smell it but this piece gives off a really strong odor.

"I'm trying to hit that line where it's slightly uncomfortable and you don't know if you're going to stay or go," said Cadenhead. "I added the fountain element to up the smell factor. There was some con-

cern that it might not smell enough."

Open Source's Monika Wuhrer insists the scent of detergent won't be strong enough to make guests leave, claiming the works evoke the "religious cleansing process" of getting rid of one's burdens.

"He thinks very much about life and death and religion, he doesn't want this to be obvious, but he said that's something in the back of his head that is permanent," said Wuhrer.

"Spring and Renewal" at Open Source Gallery [306 17th St. between Fifth and Sixth avenues, Park Slope. (646) 279-3969] Opens May 5. 7-9 pm.

— Aaron Short

Opening
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Kafka and pappa



The metamorphosis: For one hour, actor Michael Guagno becomes the great Czech author Franz Kafka in "Letter to My Father."

Fans of Oedipal anxiety and existential terror rejoice!

"Letter to My Father," an hour-long solo show that resurrects Czech writer Franz Kafka, puts him behind a desk, and has him read an unsent message he wrote to his father while on his deathbed, opens May 10 at Magic Futurebox Theatre on 33rd Street between Second and Third avenues in Greenwood Heights.

"Basically it says, 'You have emotionally abused me my entire life and because of that I am a shell of a human being, but it's not you, it's me. It's my fault I'm so sensitive,'" said James Rutherford, the director. "Kafka's father was like a god to him, and the piece by being so personal for Kafka is also so personal for anyone who hears it."

Rutherford decided to bring the letter's intensity closer to the audience by piping it directly into the their ears through headphones linked to a microphone on the desk where actor Michael Guagno — an old friend of Rutherford's and a Park Slope resident, now making his Brooklyn debut — sits and speaks.

"Kafka talks ad nauseum about the barriers between his father and himself, so it adds to the piece to have this barrier between the audience and myself," said Guagno, who will also use a laptop to cue atonal music and play sound bites whenever the author quotes his father's words.

Rutherford said that he found Magic Futurebox — a 20,000 square foot warehouse — to be the ideal location to put on such a neurotic and cerebral piece.

"It's an incredible space, really wild. I think of it as being like the inside of a human mind. And it's a great challenge to create a sense of claustrophobia in such a huge place," said Rutherford.

If all this sounds a little odd, and, well, a little uncomfortable, then Rutherford accomplished his goal.

"This isn't the kind of play where the lights go down and the audience forgets they exist for a couple hours. It's an overwhelming sensation and it's impossible to not step back a little bit and consider your own relationship to your father," the director said.

"Letter to My Father" at the Magic Futurebox Theatre [55 33rd St. between Second and Third Avenues, Greenwood Heights. (646) 470-6321] May 11, 7pm. Visit www.brownpapertickets.com.

— Will Bredderman

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BROOKLYN EATS

FROM NOWHERE BUT HERE

Restaurant tries to define Hudson Valley cuisine



From the northeast: Evan Hanczor is bringing Hudson Valley ingredients to Parish Hall on North 3rd Street in Williamsburg. Photo by Bess Adler

By Sarah Zorn

The American South is known for fried chicken, collard greens and shrimp and grits. The West Coast claims fish tacos, cioppino, cobb salad, and sourdough bread. The Great Lakes region chows down on fried cheese curds, deep-dish pizza, and Cincinnati chili. So what's the defining cuisine here in the Northeast?

"That's what we're trying to figure out," said George Weld, owner of beloved Williamsburg breakfast spot, Egg, and now the recently opened, Hudson Valley region-inspired Parish Hall.

"A lot of amazing food grows and grazes in Northern New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and the Northeast of New York, yet there are no dominant, cultural traditions to tie it all together," he continued. "We want to strip away the idea of imposing French technique, say, or Southern cuisine upon these ingredients, so we can discover what they want to be on their own. The dishes that express themselves will help us draw upon the truth of the Northeast."

To Weld and his Parish Hall chef, Evan Hanczor, that means bare-bones amalgams of local dairy, grains, proteins and produce, like in a roast chicken over Cayuga barley, storage vegetables and wild mustards (\$17), lamb with flax and nettle pesto, carrot sauce, and chickweed (\$26), and a salt-aged duck

with parsnip, beet sauce, and braised leeks (\$25).

And although Weld is first to admit that the streamlined menu and seasonal/local mission statement isn't exactly earth shattering at first glance, he hopes a dogged refusal to imitate established culinary practices will take Parish Hall where no restaurant has gone before.

"Basically, we're trying to avoid doing anything that pulls out of another area's tradition. We're not turning our Hudson Valley duck into an Italian bolognese sauce, for example," he said.

"Look at California — the cuisine that developed there is basically an extension of their natural resources," he added. "And if it happened in California, why couldn't it be here, where the food we grow is every bit as interesting?"

Of course, it doesn't hurt that Weld has his own farm in upstate New York to furnish such an exploration — sending truly homegrown fruits and vegetables straight to the dinner plates of Parish Hall's patrons.

"I want to treat my guests just as I would if they came for dinner my apartment," he said, "and that means serving food from places I feel good about."

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AROUND TOWN

'REBEL' BINGO TAKEOVER

By Daniel Bush

Don't bring your grandma to this bingo party.

Fans of the Underground Rebel Bingo Club — which puts on secretive, bingo-themed boozefests run by Williamsburg residents Freddie "Fortune" Sorensen and James "Flames" Gordon — will dust off their score cards at the Bell House's upcoming math bash on May 5.

"We're taking bingo back from the grannies," said Gordon. "This is all about having fun and letting go of your inhibitions."

In Gordon's modern take on the classic senior center game, scantily-clad dancers announce the winning numbers to hundreds of participants who compete for mirrored disco balls, megaphones and other party prizes.

"The atmosphere is a lot like the Roman Coliseum," said Gordon. "It's very gladiatorial."

Gordon and Sorensen launched the club in 2008, after stumbling across unused bingo equipment in a church basement in London.



Numbers game: The secret society's version of the classic senior center contest involves an old-school bingo cage, music and plenty of dancing.

The British TV producers and childhood friends brought the concept to Glasslands Gallery on Kent Avenue after moving to Brooklyn two years later. Since then, the club has spread to cities around the world, including Los Angeles, Madrid, and Beijing.

Gordon said the Brooklyn shows, which are staged at different venues every two months, draw up to a thousand revelers.

But he warned older bingo enthusiasts to steer clear of the raucous late-night shindig at the Bell House.

"This is not something you should come to for regular bingo," he said. "Leave that to your grandmother."

Underground Rebel Bingo Club at the Bell House [149 Seventh St. between First and Second avenues, Gowanus (718) 643-6510] May 5, 10 pm. \$3-15. Visit www.rebelbingo.com.

Brooklyn's best bingo spots

By Daniel Bush

Twenty-something partiers can't get enough of the Underground Rebel Bingo Club, which hosts wild bingo-themed soirees in Williamsburg and Gowanus every two months. But Brooklyn still has plenty of high quality, traditional bingo contests for the purists out there. Here are some of the most popular bingo spots across the borough:

• **Swinging Sixties Senior Center:** The Williamsburg center's tri-weekly bingo games are friendly, laid-back and attract up to 50 players during the summer months. It's more exciting than taking a tour of the Brooklyn Brewery or shopping on Bedford Avenue.

211 Ainslie St. between Manhattan and Graham avenues. Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1:30 pm. (718) 963-3793.

• **The Moxie Spot:** Who said bingo is an old person's game? The Brooklyn Heights community center runs the borough's premiere kid-friendly bingo contest. Children aged four to 10 compete for toys, books and other prizes.

81 Atlantic Ave. between Hicks and Henry streets. Sunday at 6 pm. (718) 923-9710.

• **Fifth Avenue Bingo Hall:** One of the most competitive bingo halls in the borough. Hardcore gamers at the Park Slope venue square off six nights per week. Crowds are bigger here than they are at nearby Union Hall.

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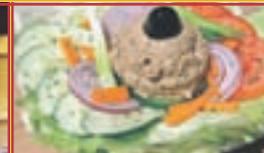
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"ONCE UPON A STORY": Tall tales and legends to music and shadow puppetry. Show includes Johnny Applesseed, Big Annie and Native American tale, The Growing Rock. Suitable for children in pre-k to third grade. \$10 (\$15 at the door). 10:30 am. The Bedford Village School [50 Jefferson Ave. at Franklin Avenue in Bedford-Stuyvesant, (212) 724-0677], www.shadowboxtheatre.org.

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CINCO DE MAYO STORIES AND CRAFT TIME: Children ages 5-12 will make maracas and hear tales about Mexico. Preregistration in person or by phone is required. Free. 2-3 pm. 125th Street Library [224 E. 125th St. at Third Avenue, (212) 534-5050], www.nypl.org/locations/125th-

street.

READING IS FUN: Teens read for free books. Free. 2:30 pm. Homecrest Public Library [2525 Coney Island Ave. between Gravesend Neck Road and Avenue V in Homecrest, (718) 382-5924], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

ART EXHIBIT KICK-OFF: SFC Studio Art Showcase. Free. 3 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St., between Court and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, 718-489-5272], www.sfc.edu.

READING IS FUN: Teens and tweens enjoy books, games and music. Free. 3:30 pm. Sunset Park Public Library [5108 Fourth Ave. at 51st Street in Sunset Park, (718) 965-6533], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

TEEN TIME: Get together with friends and read books, play games and listen to music. Free. 4 pm. Greenpoint Public Library [107 Norman Ave. at Leonard Street in Greenpoint, (718) 349-8504], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

WORKSHOP, FUN FRIDAYS: Children get together with friends and play video games, anime and reading. Free. 4 pm. Eastern Parkway Public Library [1044 Eastern Pkwy. at Kingston Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 778-9330], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

NERD NIGHT: Join your fellow nerdy New Yorkers for a night of trivia, presentations and prizes! Featured Presentations Include: The Construction of Alien Worlds, By Joel Green Atlantic Yards: Why Brooklyn's Biggest Controversy is as Noir as Chinatown, By Norman Oder The Internet is Totally Screwed, Let Me Show You How, By Erik Cabetas. 7 pm. Galapagos Art Space [16 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 222-8500], www.galapagosartspace.com.

GILBERT AND SULLIVAN: The ballet is presented by Dances Patrelle featuring favorite Gilbert and Sullivan selections, from the Pirates of the Penzance to the Mikado. Appropriate for all ages. \$35. 7:30 pm. Dicapo Opera Theatre (184 E. 76th St. in East Side), https://www.dancespatrelle.org.

THEATER, "A COMEDY OF ERRORS": Family friendly production of Shakespeare's play about mistaken identity, love and marriage. Theater 2020 uses actors and puppets in this fast paced 90 minute version of the classic. \$18. 8 pm. The Cranberry Street Theater Space [55 Cranberry St. between Henry and Hicks streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 624-3614], theater2020.com.

THE FIREWORKS ENSEMBLE: Celebrate National Chamber Music month with this amplified and contemporary band. \$5-\$10. 8 pm. Brooklyn Conservatory of Music [58 Seventh Ave. between Lincoln Place and Seventh Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 622-3300 or email: rfrank@bqcm.org], www.bqcm.org.

SAT, MAY 5

TOUR, BIRD WALK: Visit the park and see dazzling birds before they fly away. Led by the Brooklyn Bird Club. Free. 8-10 am. Prospect Park Audubon Center [Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue in Prospect Park, (718) 287-3400], www.prospectpark.org/audubon.

TOUR, NAVY YARD TOUR: Tour Brooklyn's Navy Yard with the well-read folks from Urban Oyster, because one of the only



Brain food: Elizabeth Jones, a masters student at NYU's food studies program, is the organizer of the first Food Book Fair, which runs from May 4 to May 6, at the Wythe Hotel.

places history has stopped repeating itself is the Navy Yard. \$18 and up. 1 pm, 2:30 pm. Brooklyn Navy Yard Center [63 Flushing Ave. in Navy Yard, (718) 907-5992], bldg92.org.

THEATER, "LITTLE WOMEN": \$10. 2:30 and 7:30 pm. Fontbonne Hall Academy [9901 Shore Rd. at 99th Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 857-4816], www.townsquareinc.com.

DANCE, PAUL TAYLOR: Taylor 2 features the artistry of the world-renowned choreographer. \$25. 8 pm. Kingsborough Community College [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Oxford Street in Manhattan Beach, (718) 368-5596], www.onstageatkingsborough.org.

THEATER, "A COMEDY OF ERRORS": 8 pm. See Friday, May 4.

PARK SLOPE FLEA MARKET: Peruse antiques, collectibles, vintage, crafts, and furniture. 8 am-6 pm. PS 321 [180 Seventh Ave. between First and Second streets in Park Slope, (917) 991-7807], www.parkslopefleamarket.com.

GREENWOOD-STOCK! Greenwood Playground's third annual spring shindig will be filled with music, goodies and bargains. Free. 9 am-5 pm. Greenwood Playground (East fifth street and Ft. hamilton parkway in Windsor Terrace), www.friendsofgreenwoodplayground.org.

ARTS AND CULTURE FEST: The Creative Side launches a one-of-a-kind market for artists, craft makers and designers. Free. 10 am-4 pm. Parkside Plaza (Parkside Ave. at Ocean Avenue in Flatbush), www.artsculturefest.com.

CARTOON EXHIBIT: 10 am-6 pm. See Friday, May 4.

COVENANT BALLET THEATRE RESCUETHON: A fun opportunity for dogs and their owners to walk and raise money for two great causes! • CBT Dance Academy is the official school of Covenant Ballet Theatre of Brooklyn, a non-profit arts organization dedicated to providing excellent, professional dance instruction and performances. • Sean Casey Animal Rescue aids unfortunate animals in the interest of a higher quality of life. \$25. 10 am. Marine Park [Avenue U and E. 33rd Street in Marine Park, 718-891-6199], www.covenantballet.org.

PLANT SALE: Fundraiser benefiting the gardens. There will be a wide variety of rare and interesting species and shrubs. Rain date 5/6. Free. 10 am-3 pm. Narrows Botanical Gardens [Shore Rd. between Bay Ridge

Ave. and 71st Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 748-4810], https://www.narrowsbg.org.

GO GREEN: Earth day festival. Free. 11 am-5 pm. McCarren Park [Union Avenue between Driggs Avenue and N.12th Street in Greenpoint, (347) 559-1410], www.townsquareinc.com.

SPRING MARKET: Local products with many vendors, both old and new. Free. 11 am-6 pm. Brooklyn Lyceum [227 Fourth Ave. at President Street in Park Slope, (718) 857-4816], www.brooklynlyceum.com.

CONSERVATORY GARDEN TOUR: See tulips, daffodils, twin crabapple allees, and more. Free. 11 am-12:30 pm. Central Park's Conservatory Garden [Fifth Ave. at East 105th Street, (212) 860-1370], www.centralparknyc.org.

FOOD BOOK FAIR, FOOD + PORN: Discussion and book signing featuring novelist and restaurant critic for 44 years, Gael Greene, author of "The Insatiable Critic." Also appearing, Danyelle Freeman, author of "Try This: Traveling the Globe Without Leaving the Table," and Alyssa Shelasky, author of "Apron Anxiety" and editor of Grub Street. \$15 per panel. 3-day pass, \$215. Day pass: Friday, May 4: \$65, Saturday, May 5: \$65, Sunday, May 6: \$65. 11:15 am. Wythe Hotel (80 Wythe Avenue at North 11th Street in Williamsburg), www.foodbookfair.commonspacestudio.com.

CAROUSEL: Noon-5 pm. See Friday, May 4.

NEW YORK CITY MENTAL HEALTH FILM FESTIVAL: The theme for this eighth annual event is Crisis Intervention-Interacting with the Police and features seven films with a Q&A to follow with filmmakers, and a free lunch. \$5 (\$10 at the door). Noon-5 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St., between Court and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 489-5200], https://www.sfc.edu.

"THE JUNGLE BOOK": Rudyard Kipling's charming story, with Mowgli, Kikki and Tikki and Shere Khan, comes to life with puppets, songs, beautiful scenes and costumes. Recommended for children 4 years and older. \$8 (\$7 for children; \$6 group rates). 12:30 and 2:30 pm. Puppetworks [338 Sixth Ave. at Fourth Street in Park Slope, (718) 965-3391], www.puppetworks.org.

FLAX WEEKEND: Sow the soil and sew some clothes and try on reproduction clothes made of linen. Free. 1-4 pm. Lefterts Historic Homestead [452 Flatbush Ave. between Empire Boulevard and Eastern Parkway in Park Slope, (718) 789-2822], www.prospectpark.org.

TRANSPORTATION INVENTIONS: Amos Vogel's beloved book How Little Lori Visited Times Square is the featured story. Suitable for children 6 and older. Free with museum admission. 1:30 pm. New York Transit Museum [Boerum Place at Schermerhorn Street in Downtown, (718) 694-1600], www.mta.info/mta/museum.

NATURE'S HELPERS: help keep the park and the waterways clean and enjoy the day. Free. 2-3 pm. Prospect Park Audubon Center [Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue in Prospect Park, (718) 287-3400], www.prospectpark.org/audubon.

RACE AROUND THE YARD: Participate in potato sack races spoon races, stilts and other old-fashioned games. Free. 2-3 pm. Lefterts Historic Homestead [452 Flatbush Ave. between Empire Boulevard and Eastern Parkway in Park Slope, (718) 789-2822], www.prospectpark.org.

GILBERT AND SULLIVAN: 2 and 7:30 pm. See Friday, May 4.

"ZORA RETURNS TO HARLEM": 2 pm. See Friday, May 4.

LITTLE WOMEN: A stage adaptation of Louisa May Alcott's classic novel. \$10. 2:30 pm. Fontbonne Hall [Fontbonne Hall Academy 9901 Shore Rd. (718) 748-2244].

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM: Give your time and learn how you can give back to the community, from office help to working with children. Free. 3-4 pm. Litchfield Villa (95 Prospect Park W. between Fourth and Fifth Streets in Park Slope), www.prospectpark.org/volunteer.

FILM SCREENING: The Loving Story with filmmaker Nancy Buirski: This documentary film tells the dramatic story of Richard and Mildred Loving, an interracial couple living in Virginia in the 1960s, and their landmark Supreme Court Case, Loving v. Virginia, which changed history. 3 pm. Brooklyn Historical Society [128 Pierrepont St. at Clinton Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 222-4111], www.brooklynhistory.org.

YOGA: For individuals 18 years and older. Free. 3:45 pm. Greenpoint Public Library [107 Norman Ave. at Leonard Street in Greenpoint, (718) 349-8504], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

"THE AMAZING MAX AND THE BOX OF INTERESTING THINGS": The magic show with a mind of its own. Magician Max Darwin makes objects appear out of thin air. \$29.50 (\$49.50 VIP seating). 4:30 pm. The MMAC Theater [248 W. 60th St. between Amsterdam and West End avenues in Central Park West, (212) 239-6200], www.telecharge.com.

ART, MARK TRIBE, RARE EARTH: Solo exhibition of works by Mark Tribe, video and print artist and performer, featuring photographs of lush landscapes found in contemporary video games and a video of a militia training ground in Upstate New York. Free. 6 pm - 9 pm opening reception. 12 pm - 6 pm. Momenta Art [56 Bogart Street in Bushwick, (718) 218-8058], www.momentaart.org.

READING, EGAN IN BK: Jennifer Egan reads in a "messiah"-themed evening in Cobble Hill as part of the PEN's World Voices of International Literature festival. \$15 / \$10 for PEN members and students. 8 pm. Invisible Dog Art Gallery [51 Bergen Street in Cobble Hill, (347) 560-3641], www.theinvisibledog.org/about.

SUN, MAY 6

TOUR, BROOKLYN HEIGHTS WALKING TOUR: Check out New York City's first landmark district with the Brooklyn Historical Society and Big Onion walking tours. \$18. 11 am. Brooklyn Historical Society [128 Pierrepont St. at Clinton Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 222-4111], www.brooklynhistory.org.

TOUR, NAVY YARD TOUR: 1 pm, 2:30 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

THEATER, "LITTLE WOMEN": 2:30 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

THEATER, "A COMEDY OF ERRORS": 3 pm. See Friday, May 4.

MUSIC, CONCERT: Broadway show tunes featuring selections from "The Music Man," "Showboat," and "Carousel". \$12 (\$5 Teens; Free for children). 3 pm. Regina Hall [1210 65th St. at 12th Avenue in Dyker Heights, (718) 259-2772], https://www.reginaopera.org.

MUSIC, SOUNDSCAPES: The Grammy Award-winning Brooklyn Youth Chorus performs a set of indie-classical pieces by Bryce and Aaron Dessner of The National, Shara Worden of My Brightest Diamond, and composer Missy Mazzoli. Free. 8 pm. Roulette [509 Atlantic Avenue, between Third Ave and Nevins St. in Downtown, (917) 267-0363], roulette.org.

PARK SLOPE FLEA MARKET: 8 am-6 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

FUNdraiser: New and gently used items. Vendors needed. Hosted by the Sisterhood. Free to customers (\$36 per vendor table). 9 am. Congregation Beth Shalom of Kings Bay [2710 Ave. X at E. 27th Street in Sheepshead Bay, (718) 891-4500].

BINGO NIGHT: Prizes and fun for the whole family. Free. 6. The Moxie Spot [81 Atlantic Ave. between Hicks and Henry streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 923-9710], themoxiespot.com.

FOOD BOOK FAIR, DR. MARION NESTLE: Why food? Why now? Dr. Marion Nestle will address the interaction of nutrition practice in culture, science and society. Marion Nestle is Paulette Goddard Professor in the Department of Nutrition, Food Studies, and Public Health at New York University and is the author of "Why Calories Count: From Science to Politics." \$15 per panel. 3-day pass, \$215. Day pass: Friday, May 4: \$65, Saturday, May 5: \$65, Sunday, May 6: \$65. 8:45 am. Wythe Hotel (80 Wythe Avenue at North 11th Street in Williamsburg), www.foodbookfair.commonspacestudio.com.

CARTOON EXHIBIT: 10 am-6 pm. See Friday, May 4.

HISTORIC BROOKLYN HEIGHTS WALKING TOUR WITH BIG ONION: Explore the neighborhood's agricultural roots, its emergence as the country's first suburb, and its twentieth-century decline and dramatic regeneration. Stops could include: The Hotel St. George, Plymouth Church of the Pilgrims, and sites associated with Seth Low, George Washington, Arthur Miller, WEB DuBois, and Gypsy Rose Lee. This tour ends at BHS with a behind-the-scenes tour of the building and free admission to the museum. \$18. 11 am. Brooklyn Historical Society [128 Pierrepont St. at Clinton Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 222-4111], www.brooklynhistory.org.

CAROUSEL: Noon-5 pm. See Friday, May 4.

SUNDAY SINGALONG: Come sing, clap, dance or just watch. Free. 12:15 pm. The Moxie Spot [81 Atlantic Ave. between Hicks and Henry streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 923-9710], themoxiespot.com.

TRANSPORTATION INVENTIONS: 1:30 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

SINGLES, FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE: Women ages 48 to 65 to meet

Nobody does Mexican and Spanish cuisine like Casa Pepe

By Camille Sperrazza

Casa Pepe has been serving the finest Spanish food in Brooklyn for 32 years.

Everything is always fresh at this Bay Ridge restaurant because owner Jimmy Sanz makes sure only the finest ingredients go into every dish.



For a taste of traditional Spanish and Mexican fare, head to Casa Pepe on Bay Ridge Avenue between Narrows Avenue and Colonial Road.

Start with the popular guacamole dip, prepared tableside. You can order it as mild or as spicy as you wish because the ingredients — onions, cilantro, toma-

Another favorite starter is gambas al ajillo — shrimp sauteed with garlic, virgin olive oil and white wine, a wonderful combination of flavors. It's presented straight from the oven, so it's still sizzling.

Try ravioli frito — fried homemade lobster ravioli in a creamy chipotle sauce is another tempting possibility. Likewise, you can't go wrong with chorizo Espanol — grilled Spanish sausage.

Don't miss the ensalada de remolacha y aguacate — a delicious salad of slow-roasted beets, sliced avocado, and greens, topped with Fresco cheese, which is a white cheese from Mexico. It's all dressed with a tantalizing citrus vinaigrette.

Entrees are extensive, and cover just about anything you might want — paella, chicken, beef, pork, and fish dishes that include lobster, salmon, and striped bass. One notable choice is the chuleta de cerdo a la parrilla, a boneless double-cut pork chop, marinated in a garlic brine, then grilled with ancho pepper adobo.

"It's marinated for three days to loosen the meat," says Sanz. This unique dish is served with creamy, garlic-laced mashed potatoes.

Take advantage of Casa Pepe's lobster celebration. For \$30, enjoy a choice of soup or salad, a lobster, and a dessert of cheesecake or flan, plus a steaming cup of coffee. Lobster can be prepared a number of ways, including baked with garlic and olive oil; broiled with lemon and butter; or served in a creamy lobster bisque. The

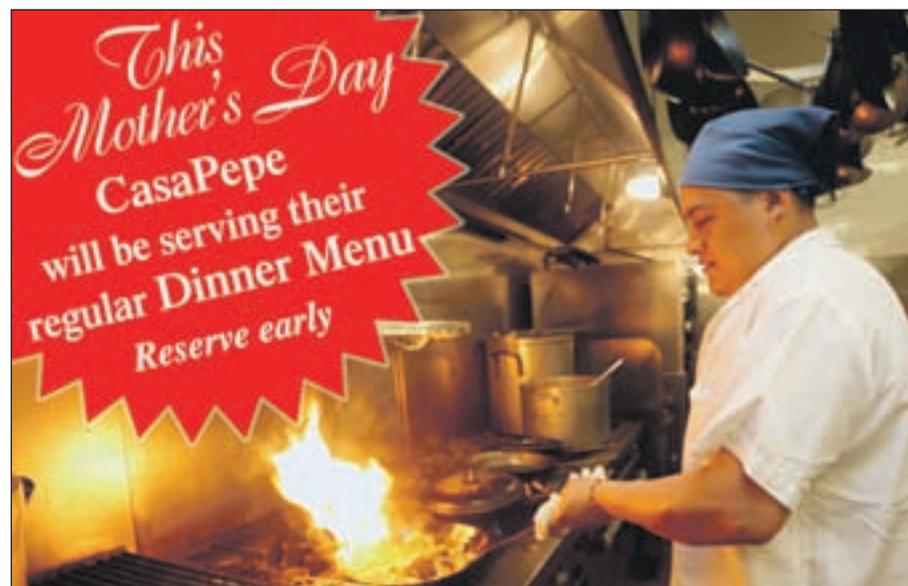


What traditional Spanish restaurant wouldn't be complete without a tapas bar?

toes, and jalapenos — are added by the server, as you watch it prepared. Scoop it up with colorful green, black, yellow, and red tortilla chips. Of course, it's best enjoyed with a tall glass of Sangria or a frothy Margarita, and both are expertly prepared here.

latter is an excellent choice, a blend of bold flavors. Not to miss a drop, scoop the rest of that creamy sauce over saffron rice. Delicious.

And during the summer take advantage of the new "Fridays under the stars," during which the outdoor garden



On fire: Casa Pepe sous chef Juan Romero makes paella with saffron rice, lobster, calamari, mussels and clams.

becomes a dining area with extra tables, plus an outdoor bar with a bartender making your favorite drinks. The atmosphere is relaxing and is a perfect way to end your work week.

Another summer treat is fiesta Friday drink specials, with frozen margaritas, pina colodas, sangria, and Mexican beer available for \$3.50 per drink. Get there early, though, it's only available from 4 to 7 pm.

Another entree, mariscada en salsa verde, combines clams and mussels, peeking out of their shells, with shrimp and lobster in a green sauce of garlic, parsley, and white wine — another tasty blend. It's served with Spanish rice to soak up those luscious liquids.

End a meal with Casa Pepe coffee, because doing so means everyone seated near you will appreciate the fine presentation. The "show" starts when a cart is wheeled tableside, and stemmed glasses are warmed over a flame. Next, the rims of the glasses are brushed with lemon, then coated with sugar. Taking care to continue to warm the glasses, the server adds brandy, and now flames fly from the glassware. He rocks the mixture back and forth, then adds Kahlua. Still heating the mixture, coffee is added, then whipped cream. When it's topped with cinnamon, sparks fly. Finally, it's wrapped in a white napkin, and presented to enjoy. What a treat.

Flan, a traditional Spanish custard, is always delicious, served with a mound of whipped cream. The creme brulee arrives, flaming. Put out the fire when you deem the topping to be crisp enough for your taste.

Casa Pepe's atmosphere is relaxed and inviting. Sit in the garden room, a bright area in which natural light shines through

huge windows that overlook the outdoor garden. Or, sit inside the area that houses the huge bar, which is a bit darker, and allows for more intimate dining.

A weekend brunch menu includes a mimosa or Bloody Mary, with entree choices such as shrimp, salmon, steak, and chicken. It's all a very reasonable \$12.50.



Casa Pepe bartender Erubiel Ramirez shows off the restaurant's paella with saffron rice, lobster, calamari, mussels and clams in the outdoor patio. The eatery is known for its traditional Spanish cuisine.

Casa Pepe [114 Bay Ridge Ave. in Bay Ridge, (718) 833-8865]. Open Mondays through Thursdays 4 from 11 pm; Fridays, 4 pm to midnight; Saturdays and Sundays, noon to midnight. For more information, visit www.casapepe.com

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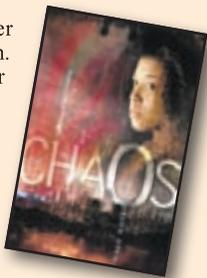
Who can you always count on when you're in a bind and need a good book? Your neighborhood bookstore, of course, whose employees read all the newest books before you do. That's why we're running this semi-regular column featuring must-reads, handpicked and written about by the staff at some of our favorite independent bookstores in Brooklyn.

WORD's pick: "The Chaos"

by Nalo Hopkinson

Hopkinson's *Midnight Robber* changed the way I read science fiction. She makes the world bigger, and her writing is so precisely descriptive that when I think of her books, I see the settings, not the pages. *The Chaos*, her first young adult novel, is a glorious mix of Russian and Jamaican folklore, crazily inventive imagery and the coming of age story of Scotch, whose path through adolescence gets really complicated when a supernatural force turns Toronto into a mishmash of dreams and nightmares come to life.

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



The BookMark Shoppe's pick: "The Shoemaker's Wife"

by Adriana Trigiani

Adriana Trigiani is my MOST favorite author. Not only because she supports my Shoppe, not only because our families come from the same small town in Italy, but because I LOVE her writing. When I read a story by Trigiani, I am transported to the place, the smells, the feel of each of her books. The "Shoemaker's Wife" is no different. The story starts in the Northern Italian Alps during the 1920's and stretches across a generation all the way to Mulberry Street, New York. Fan's will not be disappointed; expect to laugh, expect to cry and expect to be sad when you've turned the last page. (Signed Copies available at The BookMark Shoppe at no additional cost.)

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

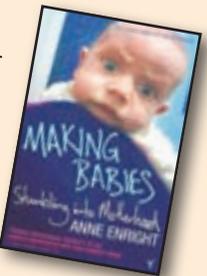


Greenlight's pick: "Making Babies"

by Anne Enright

Anne Enright is a Man Booker Prize-winning novelist, so when she writes about pregnancy, birth, infants and toddlers it's far from a sappy mommy memoir. Enright's is a darkly humorous Irish sensibility — before I had my daughter I thought too dark, but afterward, in the chaos of crying and sleeplessness, it seemed just right. It's wonderful to wander through her pithy and philosophical vignettes on becoming someone's mother, and on who those little people are becoming: a truly literary sensibility turns what's often sentimental into a meditation on the essence of humanity and the joyful and mysterious rhythms of life.

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



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SUNDAYS FOR LUNCH, DINNER, TRIPS, SHOWS AND MORE. Pre-registration required. Sorry no walk-ins. **Free.** 2 pm. El Greco Diner [1821 Emmons Ave. at Sheepshead Bay Road in Sheepshead Bay, (718) 336-7908].

NATURE'S HELPERS: 2-3 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

RACE AROUND THE YARD: 2-3 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

GILBERT AND SULLIVAN: 2 pm. See Friday, May 4.

SPRING FAIR: Children 6-12 along with parents enjoy a day filled with music, dance, art and animals. To kick off the event, in the company of animals, conductor and composer Adam Glaser presents *The Composer's Paintbrush: Painting the Animal Kingdom* following the performance strolling actors in animal costume encourage children how to explore music, a photo shoot, dancing, singing and mask making workshops. \$8 (\$6 members; \$2 children). 2-5 pm. The Morgan Museum [225 Madison Ave. in Midtown, (212) 590-0393], <https://www.themorgan.org/public>.

LITTLE WOMEN: 2:30 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

DISCOVER TOUR: Take a walk with a naturalist and watch for animals while investigating little known facts about the park. **Free.** 3 pm. Prospect Park Audubon Center [Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue in Prospect Park, (718) 287-3400], www.prospect-park.org/audubon.

CLUB, CHESS CLUB: Club forming for children 6 to 10 to meet and play; A coach will be on hand to help students hone their game skills. Admission fee provides for the coach, supplies and hopefully tournament costs. Sponsored by Town Square. \$100 (for whole six months). 4 pm. Call for location, (917) 957-1714.

ART, MARK TRIBE, RARE EARTH: 6 pm - 9 pm opening reception. 12 pm - 6 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

MON, MAY 7

TEEN DOCENT PROGRAM: 9 am - 4:30 pm. See Friday, May 4.

CARTOON EXHIBIT: 9:30 am-5 pm. See Friday, May 4.

"LITTLE MISS MUFFET'S MONSTER SITTING SERVICE": 10:30 am and noon. See Friday, May 4.

STORYTIME: Noon. See Friday, May 4.

WORKSHOP, COMPUTER BASICS: Adults learn basic skills. No experience necessary. **Free.** 1 pm. Eastern Parkway Public Library [1044 Eastern Pkwy. at Kingston Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 778-9330], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

TEEN TIME: Children 13 and up read books, play games and listen to music. **Free.** 4 pm. Ulmer Park Public Library [2602 Bath Ave. at 26th Avenue in Bath Beach, (718) 265-3443], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

"BARBAPAPA": Children's classic cartoon movie. \$7. 4 pm. Cobble Hill Cinema [265 Court St. between Butler & Douglass streets in Cobble Hill, (718) 596-9113], www.cobblehilltheatre.com.

LEGAL SERVICE: Assistance offered in housing court cases in Kings County for Spanish speaking individuals. By appointment. 4-6:30 pm. City Tech (Law & Paralegal studies) [300 Jay St. in Downtown, (718) 260-5597].

ART, MARK TRIBE, RARE EARTH: 6 pm - 9 pm opening reception. 12 pm - 6 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

BINGO NIGHT: Bring your luck. \$3. 6:45 pm. St. Columba RC Church - Auditorium [2245 Kimball St. Avenue U and Avenue V in Marine Park, (718) 338-6265].

ART, PAPER MADE: Crafting night with new author Kayte Terry as she launches her new crafty book *Paper Made* with Etsy in DUMBO. **Free.** 7 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhouse-arena.com.

TUES, MAY 8

SINGALONG: Come clap, dance, sing or just watch! \$2.50. 11:00. The Moxie Spot [81 Atlantic Ave. between Hicks and Henry streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 923-9710], themoxiespot.com.

TEEN DOCENT PROGRAM: 9 am - 4:30 pm. See Friday, May 4.

LITTLE LEARNERS CLUB: Storytime, playtime and arts and crafts for children 2 years old and their moms/caregivers. \$125 per month. 9:30-10:45 am. St. Anselm's Church [365 83rd St. between Third and Fourth avenues in Bay Ridge, (718) 745-7643].

CARTOON EXHIBIT: 9:30 am-5 pm. See Friday, May 4.

"LITTLE MISS MUFFET'S MONSTER SITTING SERVICE": 10:30 am and noon. See Friday, May 4.

"ONCE UPON A STORY": 10:30 am. See Friday, May 4.

BINGO NIGHT: 11 am. See Monday, May 7.

READING RIF: School age children earn free books by reading. **Free.** 2:30 pm. Ft. Hamilton Public Library [9424 Fourth Ave. at 94th Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 748-6919], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

READING IS FUN: 3:30 pm. See Friday, May 4.

STORY AND PLAY: Infants to five years old hear stories and listen to songs. **Free.** 4 pm. Leonard Public Library [81 Devote St. between Manhattan Avenue and Leonard Street in Williamsburg, (718) 486-3365], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: For children 6-12 years old who are grieving the death of a loved one. Pre-registration required. **Free.** 4:30-6 pm. St. Joseph's High School for Girls [80 Willoughby St. at Bridge Street in Downtown, (646) 739-1005], <https://www.calvaryhospital.org>.

ADOPTION SEMINAR: Talking to children about adoption. **Free.** 6-7:30 pm. Union Temple [17 Eastern Parkway in Crown Heights, (212) 558-9949], www.jccany.org/ametzcaldar.

ART, MARK TRIBE, RARE EARTH: 6 pm - 9 pm opening reception. 12 pm - 6 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

READING, ALEXANDRA MOSCA: The author discusses cemeteries as a gathering space and cultural site. **Free.** 7 pm. Old Stone House [336 Third St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 768-3195], www.theoldstonehouse.org.

WED, MAY 9

TEEN DOCENT PROGRAM: 9 am - 4:30 pm. See Friday, May 4.

CARTOON EXHIBIT: 9:30 am-5 pm. See Friday, May 4.

"LITTLE MISS MUFFET'S MONSTER SITTING SERVICE": 10:30

am, noon and 2:30 pm. See Friday, May 4.

"ONCE UPON A STORY": 10:30 am. See Friday, May 4.

TODDLER TIME: For children birth to five years. **Free.** 11 am. Gravesend Public Library [303 Ave. X between West First and West Second streets in Gravesend, (718) 382-5792], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

STORYTIME: Noon. See Friday, May 4.

STORY TIME: Children 3-5 years old enjoy classic songs and books. **Free.** Noon. Ulmer Park Public Library [2602 Bath Ave. at 26th Avenue in Bath Beach, (718) 265-3443], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

"THE VOW": Film showing. **Free.** 2 pm and 6 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St., between Court and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, 718-489-5272], www.sfc.edu.

WORKSHOP, TANGO LESSONS: For adults and youngsters interested in ballroom dancing - No experience and no partners necessary. Sponsored by the FIAO Beacon program. Pre-registration for youngsters required. **Free.** 6-9 pm. IS 96 [99 Ave. P at W. 11th Street in Bensonhurst, (718) 232-2266].

DANCE, TANGO TIME: Ballroom program with the Federation of Italian American Organizations of Brooklyn. "Free". 6-9 pm. Beacon Community Center at IS 96 [99 Ave. P at 11th Street in Gravesend, (718) 232-2266], fiao-brooklyn.org.

WORKSHOP, TANGO LESSONS: Learn the one, two, three, dip from instructor Carmine Santa Maria. Presented by the Federation of Italian Organizations of Brooklyn. **Free.** 6 pm. Seth Low Intermediate IS 96 [99 Ave. P, between W. 12 and W. 13th streets in Gravesend, (718) 232-2266].

SCREENING: "Something borrowed, something brewed". **Free.** 6 pm. 61 Local [61 Bergen St. between Smith Street and Boerum Place in Cobble Hill, (347) 618-8687], www.eatthisny.com.

ART, MARK TRIBE, RARE EARTH: 6 pm - 9 pm opening reception. 12 pm - 6 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

MUSIC, CHAMBER CONCERT: Brooklyn Philharmonic performs spirituals, rags and strings, featuring the works of HT Burleigh, Scott Joplin, Dvorak and Bermler. **Free.** 6:30 pm. Brooklyn Public Library's Central branch [Flatbush Ave. at Eastern Parkway in Grand Army Plaza in Park Slope, (718) 230-2100], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/branch_library_detail.jsp?branchpageid=265.

MUSIC, SOUNDSCAPES: 8 pm. See Sunday, May 6.

THURS, MAY 10

THEATER, "A COMEDY OF ERRORS": 7 p.m. See Friday, May 4.

DANCE-AROUND: For children. \$2.50. 11. The Moxie Spot [81 Atlantic Ave. between Hicks and Henry streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 923-9710], themoxiespot.com.

TEEN DOCENT PROGRAM: 9 am - 4:30 pm. See Friday, May 4.

LITTLE LEARNERS CLUB: 9:30-10:45 am. See Tuesday, May 8.

CARTOON EXHIBIT: 9:30 am-5 pm. See Friday, May 4.

"LITTLE MISS MUFFET'S MONSTER SITTING SERVICE": 10:30 am and noon. See Friday, May 4.

CAROUSEL: Noon-5 pm. See Friday, May 4.

ART, MARK TRIBE, RARE EARTH: 6 pm - 9 pm opening reception. 12 pm - 6 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

FUND RAISER, STAND-UP TO CANCER: Come to this pre-mothers day shopping event and support a good cause. Shop with over 25 vendors, bring your hubby and dance to the tunes by Spinner Extreme Rhythm DJ Entertainment and enter to win lots of prizes. Proceeds benefit

St. Judes Children's Hospital and Relay for Life by Theresa's Hearts foundation, Inc. \$25. 6:30-10:30 pm. Garfield's Lounge [274 Fourth Ave. at First Street in Park Slope, (347) 739-9342].

FRI, MAY 11

SPRING SHOWCASE: presented by the Chinese American Planning Council, students sing, dance and entertain. **Free.** 4 pm. PS 153 [1970 Homecrest Ave. at Avenue T in Homecrest, (718) 627-6373].

ART, MARK TRIBE, RARE EARTH: 6 pm - 9 pm opening reception. 12 pm - 6 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

THEATER, "A COMEDY OF ERRORS": 8 pm. See Friday, May 4.

SAT, MAY 12

TOUR, NAVY YARD TOUR: 1 pm, 2:30 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

THEATER, "A COMEDY OF ERRORS": 8 pm. See Friday, May 4.

PARK SLOPE FLEA MARKET: 8 am-6 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

ARTS AND CULTURE FEST: 10 am-4 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

OPENING DAY: Celebrate the re-opening of the market with a performance by children's group The Rockdoves. **Free.** 10 am-5 pm. Artisan-Market [DeKalb Ave. at Washington Park in Fort Greene, (718) 855-8175], artisan-market.org.

CARTOON EXHIBIT: 10 am-6 pm. See Friday, May 4.

CONSERVATORY GARDEN TOUR: 11 am-12:30 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

EZRA JACK KEATS FAMILY FESTIVAL: This year's event is named after the Caldecott Award winning book, "A Snowy Day" and features the more than 120 winning books from the Ezra Jack Keats Bookmaking competition, as well as a performance by the Brooklyn Youth Choir, a reading of the book, workshops and a book signing by author/illustrator Melanie Hope Greenberg. 1-4 pm. Brooklyn Public Library's Central branch [Flatbush Ave. at Eastern Parkway in Grand Army Plaza in Park Slope, (718) 230-2100], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/branch_library_detail.jsp?branchpageid=265.

ART, CELEBRATE: Opening reception for installation of various artists, including works by Audrey Frank Anastasi. **Free.** 1-6 pm. Brooklyn Waterfront Artists Coalition [499 Van Brunt St., near Reed Street in Red Hook, (917) 655-2980], www.bwac.org.

TRANSIT TIME CAPSULE: Two bluebird cars traveled to the World's Fair, in 1939 and again in 1964. Learn all about the fairs. For children 5 and older. Free with museum admission. 1:30 pm. New York Transit Museum [Boerum Place at Schermerhorn Street in Downtown, (718) 694-1600], www.mta.info/mta/museum.

NATURE'S HELPERS: 2-3 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

RACE AROUND THE YARD: 2-3 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

YOGA: 3:45 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

"THE AMAZING MAX AND THE BOX OF INTERESTING THINGS": 4:30 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

FAMILY DISCO NIGHT: 6 pm. See Saturday, May 5.

FUNDRAISER, CONCERT: Pre-mothers day musical fundraiser for the Society for the Advancement of the Caribbean Diaspora. Entertainment by Braata Folk Singers, Jazzberry Jam. \$20. 6 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St., between Court and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, (917) 771-7935], <http://www.eventbrite.com>.

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371 MANHATTAN AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/29/12. Office

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location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 97 Greenpoint Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11222. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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674 GKY Realty LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 1/30/12. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to Bao Hua Ye, 674 56th St., Brooklyn, NY 11220. Purpose: any lawful activities.

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of limited liability company (LLC). Name: 4204 REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/10/2012. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: THE LLC 546 E 9 ST BROOKLYN, NY 11218. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 6105 17th AVENUE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/09/12. Office location: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Gary Casale, 6105 17th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11204. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

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BAY RIDGE

Grab your Torah and say hello to **Rabbi Dina Rosenberg**. The newly ordained native daughter just received her *semicha* a few months ago from the **Jewish Theological Seminary of America** and is coming home to preach. Standing O pal Rabbi Dina has already dipped both feet into the water



and has begun working with locals to revitalize and welcome newcomers to the flock. The congregation welcomed Rabbi Dina at an official ceremony held at the synagogue on April 29. Posting on

Facebook, Rabbi Dina said she was "Feeling so blessed to be a part of such an amazing community." Standing O says, "Mazel Tov and welcome home!"

Bay Ridge Jewish Center, [405 81st St. between Third and Fourth avenues in Bay Ridge; (718) 745-4365].

They're the tops

It's the real thing for this virtual creation. Students from **Fort Hamilton High School** aced the competitors in the "National Business Plan" competition, sponsored by the **New York Life Foundation**, that challenged budding entrepreneurs across the country to demonstrate their understanding of global business by writing and implementing a business plan. A panel of judges handed out high marks to **Ricardo Espinoza, Alan Oms, Benjamin Zhao, Lily Kuong, Tiffany Low** and **Selina Zhang** for their "Bon Voyage Travel" submission.

Fort Hamilton High School [8301 Shore Rd. between 83rd and 86th streets in Bay Ridge; (718) 748-1537]

GERRITSEN BEACH

We love you, Daddy Rocker

Rock it, roll it 'n' amp it up for **Tom Moran (AKA Daddy Rocker)**. Tom told us he is always asking himself, "How often does my world center on my problems and I forget to help others in need? I'm in a great position to give back to those in need." And does he know from giving back. The Canarsie native is now a mentor and teacher. Not only a brilliant lyricist and gifted musician — check out "Into the Sun" and "Starling Over" — but he is also a recovering alcoholic. After some pretty rough patches, Daddy Rocker got it together and, in his debut album, paid tribute to the power of second chances. Today, after completing his second album, "Ain't Gonna Give



Photo by Steve Solomonson

MAN OF THE HOUR: Police Officer Patrick Terlonge was named Cop of the Month for single-handedly apprehending four thieves while patrolling Marine Park in an unmarked vehicle.

Hip, hip, hooray!

FLATLANDS

Their motto is "To protect and serve," and **Police Officer Patrick Terlonge**, of the 63 Police Precinct, certainly does. One of our borough's finest was on patrol in an unmarked vehicle on April 4 when he spotted a robbery in process. The victim was on E. 56th Street near Ave. M when four miscreants attacked. She was koshed over the head by one, whilst another took her cellphone and the other two nefarious villains acted as lookouts. Three of the four were no match for PO Patrick, who leapt from his car, jumped into the fray, and single-handedly ap-

prehended three of the crooked crooks before running down the fourth after a brief chase.

No good deed goes unpunished, so with fanfare and jubilation Officer Patrick was named Cop of the Month at the **63rd Precinct Community Council's** monthly meeting on April 25 for his expert use of tactics, and was presented with a plaque from **Commanding Officer Captain Rowell**. Standing O feels safe knowing Officer Patrick is out there.

63rd Police Precinct [1844 Brooklyn Ave., between Avenues I and J in Flatbush, (718) 258-4411].

Up," Daddy is again thanking sobriety and second chances and giving back in a big way when he hosts a benefit for **Autism Speaks**. Together with fellow rockers, the **Meyer Rossabi Band** and **Off the Record**, Daddy Rocker will rock out the rafters at the Tamaqua, performing a selection of jazz, blues, country, and rock and roll numbers on May 5.

Standing O says, "Come on down to the Tamaqua from 6 to 10 pm and give a little bit of your love along with a lot of your time and a bit of cash for this great cause. Hey, you enjoy a great concert, too. How rockin' is that?" Tickets are \$20 for

adults and \$10 for children under 12. **Tamaqua Bar and Marina**, [84 Ebony Court between Channel and Bijou avenues in Gerritsen Beach, (718) 646-9212].

BOROUGH WIDE

Broadway, here I come

Oy vey, is there a playwright in the house? Yes there is, it's **Jake Ehrenreich**. Borough born and raised, Standing O pal Jake is taking his comedic tale of growing up in Brooklyn, "A Jew Grows in Brooklyn," to the **Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Theater** in that other borough, Manhat-



MILL BASIN

Miss Pre-Teen New York

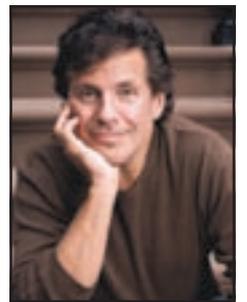
Lauren Molter is no ordinary pre-teen. No-siree-Bob. Not only does she draw, in-line skate, and sing in an off-Broadway show ("Mama I want to Sing"), but she was recently selected to participate in the **Miss Pre-Teen New York Pageant** competition to represent our fair city. This sensational 11-year-old, who aced her studies in sixth grade at PS 207 in Marine Park, also aced her interview to gain acceptance to this year's preliminary selection round. If she wins the coveted title of Miss Pre-Teen New York, she stands to win lots of dough, prizes, and goodies, as well as a chance to compete in Orlando (that's in Florida near Mickey Mouse) and compete in the national competition for the crown. "There's a lot of hard work ahead," says proud mom **Lise Abdalla**. "But I'm looking forward to all the excitement to come." The pre-selection pageant takes place on May 19, but if you want to catch a great show, you can see Lauren singing her little heart out during a performance at the **Oberia Dempsey Center** on May 18. Tickets are a bargain at 35 buckeroos, and you get to see a star-in-the-making. Standing O will be cheering from the sidelines.

Oberia Dempsey Center (127 W. 127th St. between Malcolm X Boulevard and Seventh Avenue in Harlem) May 18 at 7:30 pm.

tan. After a smash national tour of over 25 cities, our *gutt boychick* is finally coming home for an extended run as we speak. Performances are Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays until who knows when. It should only be forever.

Standing O says, "So nu? What are you waiting for? Go get the tickets already."

Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Theater [120 W. 46th St. in Manhattan; (866) 811-4111].



First casualty in War on Brunch

Greenpoint bistro Lokal hit with summons as conflict escalates

BY AARON SHORT

A Greenpoint restaurant received a shot across the bow in the War on Brunch when city inspectors slapped it with a court summons for serving outdoor diners on Sunday morning.

Department of Consumer Affairs regulators issued a citation to the Lorimer Street bistro Lokal at 9:35 am for violating a little-known rule that bars eateries from operating sidewalk cafes before noon on Sundays.

The violation comes after members of North Brooklyn's Community Board 1 mounted an aggressive front against brunch-serving scofflaws and urged the city to take action against law-breakers.

But the owners of the Nassau Avenue cafe, who will defend themselves and their brunch menu be-



Community Newspaper Group/Aaron Short

THE GENERAL: Community Board 1's Tom Burrows has been leading the charge against brunch scofflaws – and he says Lokal is a major target.

fore a judge on June 11, say they are being unfairly targeted.

"In New York everybody is operating their sidewalk cafes before noon," said Lokal co-owner Serkan Uzel. "We're the only ones

so far that got the ticket. We're going to go to court first and we're going to try to solve the problem."

A Department of Consumer Affairs spokeswoman confirmed that Lokal was the only restaurant in Greenpoint and Williamsburg that received a violation last weekend, but noted that Sunday's rainy weather may have deterred other businesses from serving outdoor brunch.

The summons is a victory for CBI's public safety general Tom Burrows, who vowed to shush noisy restaurants and move diners indoors by campaigning against restaurants that serve mimosas, bellinis, and french toast to sidewalk crowds on what some consider a day of rest.

The board, under Burrows's leadership, has pushed back against several popular eateries in-

cluding Five Leaves and Pies 'n' Thighs for installing illegal wooden benches in front of their establishments that encourage customers to mingle outdoors while waiting for tables.

Burrows and other board members say the summons issued to Lokal proves the city is rightfully defending a policy that's on the books.

"If it's a city law, then people should be following it," said Monsignor Joseph Calise, pastor at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and a CBI member.

Some of North Brooklyn's Sunday morning diners have been taken aback by the city's show of force, retreating to their apartments until the afternoon.

"That's a bummer," said Williamsburg resident and avid bruncher Jordan James. "I do think it's sad that it's not happening anymore."



Photo by Stefano Giovannini

UNDER ATTACK: Lokal, a Mediterranean bistro, broke the law by serving sidewalk brunch at 9:35 am last Sunday, the city claims.

Elected officials who represent the front lines in the conflict are remaining neutral.

"The law is the law —

but I'm open to having a dialogue as to how the law is written," said Councilman Steve Levin (D-Williamsburg).

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● 'We're taking this division, definitely. No one is catching us.'

— Xaverian's Louis DeAngelis

● 'I had to make sure I was stronger, and I am.'

— Poly Prep's Ciara Schirripa

Bernardi to learn under former Knicks coach

BY ZACH BRAZILLER

Basketball shooter Brian Bernardi got out of class one day last week and figured something terrible had happened: his phone was flooded with hundreds of text messages and voice mails.

But it was actually some good news for the Xaverian hoop star — the best news he's received in months.

"Everyone was telling me Larry Brown was going to be my coach," the dead-eye shooter recalled. "It was crazy."

After Bernardi and his parents spoke to the Hall of Fame coach on April 26, he made it official: he would be playing for the newly hired Brown at Southern Methodist University this winter.

Bernardi plans to head to Dallas at the end of July for the second summer school session.

"All the things he's done, winning an NBA championship and National Collegiate Athletic Association championship, I'll be able to learn a lot from him," Bernardi said of Brown, who was last with the Charlotte Bobcats, briefly coached the Knicks, led the Pistons to the 2004 NBA championship, and led Kansas to the national title in 1988. "I'm definitely excited to meet him and learn all the new things I know I can learn from him. He's going to help me in my overall game."

After Southern Methodist University fired head man Matt Doherty on March 13, Bernardi briefly toyed with backing out from his agreement with the college, even though he signed his National Letter of Intent last November. Once Brown was hired, that notion went away.

"Once they got Larry Brown, I couldn't turn that down," he said. "I love the school, too — it's a great school."

Xaverian coach Jack Alesi thinks it's a perfect match: a coach who always talks about "playing the right way" and a player Alesi said is one of the hardest workers he's ever been around.



COACH COMMITMENT: Xaverian's Brian Bernardi said he will stick with Southern Methodist University now that Hall of Fame coach Larry Brown (inset) is there. Photo by Denis Gostev

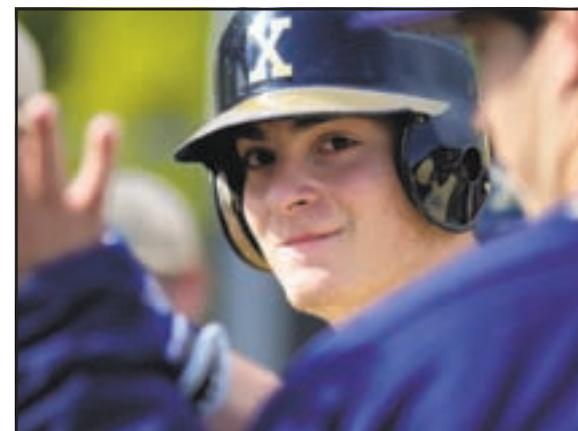
"Brian is very conducive to what Larry Brown has done wherever he's coached. It's a great fit." Alesi said. "There's nobody better than Larry Brown. He's not only a Hall of Fame coach, he's an active Hall of Fame coach."

Bernardi said he and Brown talked in general terms when the coach called him: Brown told Bernardi he's heard great things about him, from his work ethic to shooting range, and

was looking forward to building a relationship with him and changing the program, which went 13-19 last year.

Bernardi is thrilled that his uncertainty about Southern Methodist University is gone. After Doherty's ouster, Bernardi ignored the rumors about who was interviewing and who may get the job. Then his phone blew up.

"When I finally learned it was Larry Brown," he said, "it was great."



BAT BROTHERS: Xaverian's John DeAngelis celebrates a home run the same day his brother Louis did. Photo by Lauren Marsh

Sibling sluggers win for Xaverian

BY MARC RAIMONDI

Call them the home run hermanos.

John and Louis DeAngelis made the only two runs in Xaverian High School's 2-1 victory over rival Archbishop Malloy last Wednesday in Catholic High School Athletic Association Brooklyn-Queens 'AA' baseball action at Stanner Field in Briarwood.

After running the bases and putting his team up by two, Louis DeAngelis received a few high-fives from his teammates. He also received some playful ribbing: just three innings earlier, his older brother John hit a much longer home run.

"That was pretty far," Louis said. "I was joking with the guys that mine was about 300 feet and his was like 400."

Yet John DeAngelis was quite proud of his little brother, even though his ball went further.

"It was awesome," John said of he and his brother homering in the same game. "It's one of the first times we've been on

the same team."

It wouldn't have happened had John not injured his leg in the pre-season. With him out, Louis got a chance in right field — the two play the same position — and performed well. The younger DeAngelis made a huge, game-saving catch against John Adams in Monroe Tournament semifinals two weeks ago.

"He got some at bats, maybe it helped him," John said. "It felt great having him come in."

Now that John is back, coach Lou Piccola has jostled the lineup around a few times. Last Wednesday, he had Louis play right field and hit ninth with John as the designated hitter in the five-hole. John is still favoring his leg, so Louis provides a little better defense now, Piccola said. And they both provided some power.

"What am I, a genius?" Piccola said jokingly. "Tomorrow I'll make a move and it'll be the wrong move."

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'Sopranos' no hit girl

Schirripa scion strikes out seven in game vs. Riverdale

BY MIKE SMOLLINS

She's the daughter of a famed "Sopranos" actor — but she isn't a fan of hits.

Poly Prep's softball star Ciara Schirripa — scion of Steve Schirripa — took to the mound against Riverdale on April 28, pitching a complete game while giving up only three runs on six hits and striking out seven.

The sophomore pitcher is striving for a great year after a stress fracture in her back sidelined her for almost all of her freshman season.

Schirripa was solid in aiding her defending New York State Association of Independent Schools Athletic Association champion Blue Devils to a 5-3 victory.

"I couldn't just come back and give them what I had before," Schirripa said. "I had to make sure I was stronger, and I am. I had to come and give them 150 percent of what I had."

Schirripa gave up three runs over the first two innings, but was solid the rest of the way.

The Blue Devils trailed 3-2 until the bats came to life for a two-out rally in the third inning. With two outs and nobody on, Breanna Sarubi hit a single to center off Riverdale pitcher Nicole Cornet and then stole second. Jacquie Kennedy then drove her in the tying run on a base hit and came around to score when Kerri Saputo hit a single to leftfield that was misplayed by Rosemary Leahey. Saputo then scored on an error by Sarah Ben Ezra to cap the three-run inning.

Kennedy drove in the tying run before scoring what eventually proved to be the game-winning run and went 2-for-3 with two singles.

"We knew it was gonna be a tough go," Kennedy said. "Our warm-up put us in the mindset to keep the energy up and it stayed throughout the entire game and we didn't let it go. Ciara has been stepping up."

The game didn't start off too well for Poly Prep as Riverdale was able to scratch across one run in the first inning on an RBI double by Harlie Silver, and then added two runs in the top of the second on a double by Ben Ezra with the bases loaded. On the double, Madison Kahn tried to score from first, but leftfielder Claire Regan fired the ball to shortstop Lindsay Holcomb, who gunned out Kahn at the plate on a bang-bang play.

Trailing 3-0 in the bottom of the second, Poly Prep took advantage of sloppy defensive plays by Riverdale.



TAKE A WHACK: Ciara Schirripa, the daughter of "Sopranos" star Steve Schirripa (inset), struck out seven in Poly Prep's game against Riverdale. Photo by An Rong Xu

After Amanda Schnell and Leahey both dropped fly balls on back-to-back plays, Lauren Klehammer dropped down a bunt that scored Saputo, and Regan then hit an RBI double that plated Lily Seibert to cut Poly Prep's deficit to 3-2.

"We had too many errors," Riverdale head coach Sue Fleming said. "A team like Poly, you can't give them that or they're gonna capitalize and that's what they did."

Cornet got the loss for Riverdale and lasted four innings while strik-

ing out three and giving up five runs, two earned, on four hits. Kahn then took over and pitched two scoreless innings in relief. After Schirripa was staked to a 5-3 lead, she cruised to victory.

It was a hard-fought victory for Poly Prep, and Schirripa will hope to continue her success after missing all but two innings last season.

"Ciara's been improving every game," Poly Prep coach Mildred Piscopo said. "She gets stronger with every start."

Midwood sticks it to Hunter

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

It's been a different kind of season for Midwood's stick men in many ways.

The Hornets are used to being Public School Athletic League's defending Class A boys lacrosse city champions. But, with 16 seniors graduated, this year, the team has gotten off to a much slower start.

Building early momentum this season was hampered by the fact that renovations are being done on the Hornets' home field, limiting practice times and routines.

"It was tough on the kids," Midwood coach Andrew Shipman said. "They are used to going to the field, having the locker room. When that normalcy is disrupted, it affects them."

The second-year coach joked that he carries their practice around in his car after a 10-7 win over Hunter in Public School Athletic League Championship division boys lacrosse on April 26 at Aviator Sports Complex.

Stuffed in his back seat and truck are cones, tarps, water, portable creases, and a medical kit, along with other things. His team was doing conditioning in the gym for much of the preseason and now practices regularly at Marine Park. Last Thursday's win moves Midwood to 4-3 and into sole possession of fourth place.

"We had to build that chemistry," senior midfielder Desean Abraham said.

That was on display from late in the first quarter and into the third. The Hornets settled down and ran their offense. They scored five straight goals to take a 7-2 lead 12 seconds into the third when Abraham



STICK SENSATION: Midwood's Desean Abraham had three goals against Hunter last Wednesday. Photo by Lauren Marsh

scored his second of three goals. He also added an assist and Nick Dopyera scored four times. Daniel Marroquin had two goals and an assist and Louis Barbaro added two goals of his own.

"We haven't been shooting as much as I would like," Shipman said. "I told them, 'let the hands fly,' and they did."

Hunter (2-5), which was coming off a win over division leader Totenville, didn't go quietly. It pulled within 7-5 on a Nick Mietkowski score with 5:15 left in the third and 8-6 on a Cameron Scott goal late in the quarter.

The Hornets put the game away with two straight goals. Midwood senior keeper Billy Ardamis, the hero of last year's title game, didn't let them get closer. He made 21 saves, including two in the final seconds of the first half and two more after Hunter was within 7-5.

"I believe confidence comes off any save," Ardamis said.

The Hawks, who won the Public School Athletic League Class B title last season, got four goals from Mietkowski and a goal and an assist out of Max Baren.

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Get ready to play 'ball!

Rookie teams will shape Brooklyn Kickball's 10th season

BY AARON SHORT

The Brooklyn Kickball League will crown a new champion this year after last year's title-winners disbanded — putting the game on the brink of what could be its greatest transition since the advent of the rubber ball.

The purple players who took the field last summer as Never Scared swept the dynastic John Cougar Mellencamps and promptly retired, leaving the league riddled with uncertainty as North Brooklyn's boys and girls of summer prepare for the season's May 6 kickoff.

Never Scared isn't the only club to call it quits. Gone, too, are a number of other McCarren Park stalwarts, including Brooklyn United, Dolls Kicking Balls, Diddy's White Party, and Ramrod, whose star kickers have signed up with other squads.

The demise of these storied kickball clubs has opened the door — perhaps, just a bit — for a handful of experienced teams and a few eager newcomers that want nothing more than to stake their claim on the 2012 Chuck D trophy at Greenpoint's dusty fields.

Longtime observers are putting money on the Math-



HAVING A BALL: Anthony Politi, Stephen Kreick, Mike Stee, Matt Pozorski, and CJ James, of the rookie team, Last Licks, is ready for the new season to start. (Right) Hillary Kaylor, of Space Rabies, can't wait to play kickball.

letes, who tackled a tough schedule and an injury-plagued season last year until the Pony Boys knocked them out of the round robin playoffs.

But this year, many insiders say the Mathletes have solved their problems. The team returns with captain Kiley "Algebra" Edgley and a slew of wily kickers who also defend well.

Other veteran teams that have faltered in past playoffs — including the plaid-clad New Frontiersmen, the scrappy Pony Boys, and the spirited People's Court — are also in the hunt for a first-round bye.

And despite the critics who say the two-time champion Mellencamps are in a

rebuilding year, the team claims it has merely reloaded, signing Brooklyn United's Justin "Anarchy" Taylor and adding a few rookies of its own — enough new talent to put it in the league's

upper echelon, according to Andrew "W.B." Yates

"I'd be surprised if this is a competitive season," Yates said. "There may only be four or five good teams. The rest are mediocre."



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where it's a shorter porch.

The pitching took care of the rest. John Pena started and gave up one run on three hits and five walks in five innings to pick up the win for Xaverian (8-0). He got out of a bases-loaded jam in the fifth by getting Mike Lipovac to ground out to second. Blaise Scerbo, the team's ace who is coming back from a sore arm, closed it out with two domi-

nant innings.

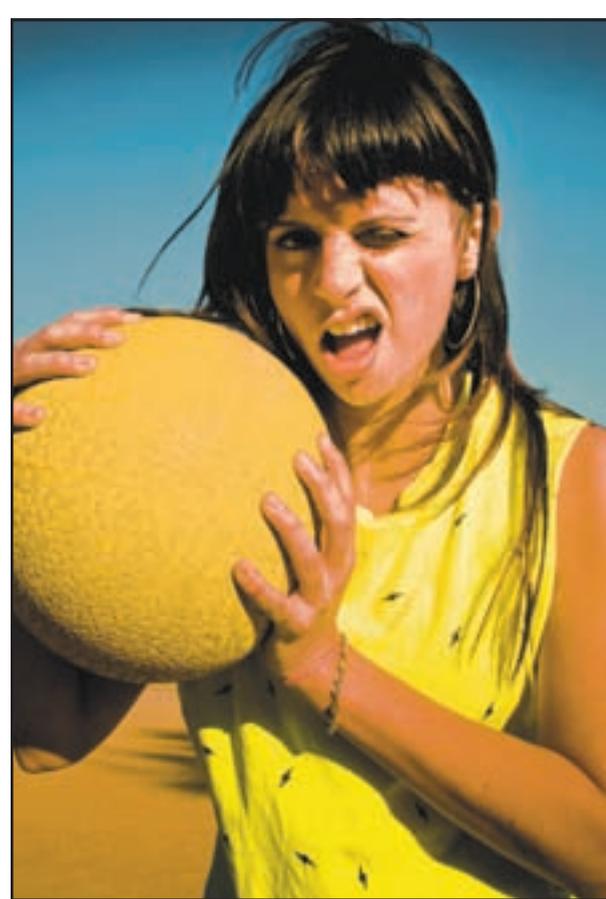
"He's had even better stuff than he did today and he still only allowed one run," Louis DeAngelis said of Pena.

Chris Piteo drove in Donovan Armas with a double in the fifth for Molloy (4-3), which has now lost two straight after falling to Monsignor McClancy last Tuesday. The Stanners are still without Evansville-

bound third baseman and pitcher Jonathan Ramon (pinched nerve), who is still a week or two away from returning.

Xaverian, meanwhile, is now three games in the win column, ahead of everyone else in Brooklyn/Queens.

"We're undefeated and not looking back," Louis DeAngelis said. "We're taking this division definitely. No one is catching us."



But even the most casual fan of kickball knows that newcomers should never be overlooked.

No rookie squad has received as much buzz as Milk Believe, a team of former college athletes led by MVP-hopefuls Mike "Big Baby" Scott in the outfield and Priest "Marathon" Fontaine on third base.

"Without a doubt we're definitely a dark horse favorite to win it all," said Scott, a former Mellencamp who is nothing if not self-confident. "I think the Mellencamps are going to be really bad. It's bad when you can't keep your best players."

Other new teams, including Last Licks and Perfect Strangers, were temper-

ing their expectations and spent the preseason focused on fundamentals.

"We're trying to learn the game," said Last Licks's Matt "Lucky Licks" Pozaroski. "Most of us have never played before."

Scott's teammate Ariella "Hasn't Signed On Just Yet" Schwerd will rely heavily on the skills she acquired 20 years ago during recess — and she thinks that should be enough.

"There's no school you go to learn kickball, except elementary school," she said. "And if you told your teacher you wanted to be a Williamsburg kickball champion when you grew up, you'd probably get tested for something."

Brothers

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John crushed a Rosario DiLorenzo offering in the third inning over the high fence in left center and it carried across the street near the doorway of an apartment building. Louis had a more modest blast off DiLorenzo, clearing the tall chain-link fence to left

not making that extra effort," Wong said.

It's been a season of working out of a comfort zone for Midwood. The hope is things are starting to come together heading into playing the division's top teams the second time around.

"Early on we were sluggish," Shipman said. "We are definitely making strides."

Midwood

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Hunter coach Johnson Wong saw his team again suffer from a slow start, something he's seen happen after long bus rides.

"If you look at that third quarter compared to other quarters, it's just a matter of being lazy and slow to the ball

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If you're graduating soon and seeking career opportunities, here are some employment trends to be aware of to stay on top of the career market:

•First, expect to change jobs numerous times in your career. In today's career world, job stability does not always equal job security. Employees change jobs about every five years, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Reasons differ for many people, but could be due to changes in the industry, restructuring in the company, or because of lack of job growth within one company.

“The U.S. economy is fundamentally changing, and employees can no longer expect to work their way up the company ladder,” says Brad Kuchenreuther, campus president at Everest Collegen Vancouver.

•Second, know where the jobs are. “Our nation is experiencing huge demographic and economic changes, which are creating major shifts in the types of jobs available today,” says Mary Durall-Dupree, academic dean Everest. “Students should prepare themselves for a changing job market.”

Current careers in need of employees include information technology, engineers, and accounting and finance, according to Fortune 500 magazine.

•Third, consider going back to school for additional career training. Today's job market requires that employees keep their skills current, and as a result, more and more adults are going back to school. “Students come to us to keep their skills up-to-date or get the credentials they need to advance in their careers,” says Durall-Dupree. “They find that it is increasingly necessary in today's changing job market.”

Careers that require education higher than a bachelor's degree are expected to have the fastest employment growth by 2020, according to the BLS. But several occupations in the medical field and the marketing industry which require associate or bachelor's degrees are also projected to grow rapidly through 2020. Going back to school for additional training, or earning a degree while already in the job are options for employees.

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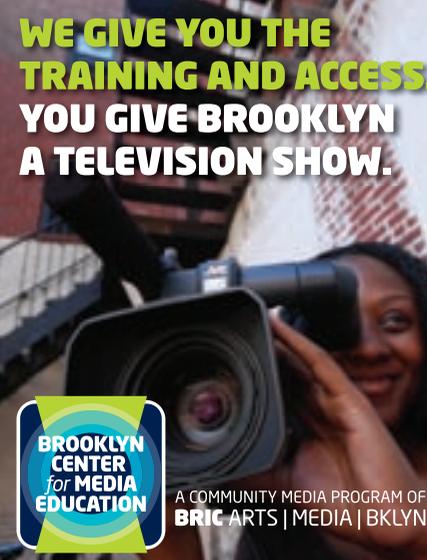
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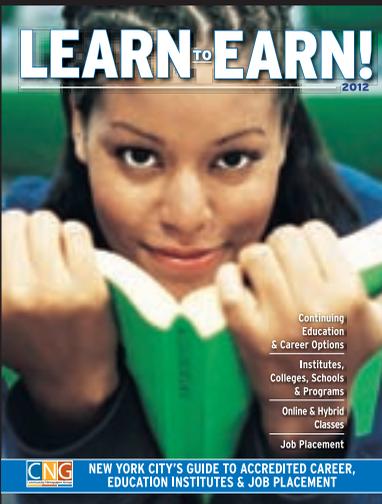
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 Bdrms, Granite & Stain-
 less State of the Art
 Kitchens, 2 Designer Baths
 & Den & Lrg 2 Bdrm Rntl,
 Bkyrd & 4 Car Parking.


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Mill Basin
Sun 5/6/12 1-3 pm
160 Whitman Drive
E66th St & Bassett
Ave
 Location, Location! 1 fam
 oversized 54X100 water
 view dover split, 4 beds, 3
 new bths, new granite EIK,
 LG lr, formal dining rm,
 fam rm, fin bsmt, new
 hrwd flrs throughout,
 alarm, c/a, new roof,
 private prking, garage,
A must see!!!
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► BROOKLYN OPEN HOUSE

Mill Basin
Sun 5/6/12 1-3 pm
2315 East 65th Street-
off Mayfair Dr N
 Custom 50X100 1 family,
 4 beds including master
 suite with jacuzzi, 3.5
 granite baths, radiant
 heated flrs, top of the line
 granite EIK, skylights, fin
 bsmt with family rm, laun-
 dry rm, loads of closets,
 private drive
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Mill Basin
Sun 5/6/12 1-3 pm
2323 East 66th St
Strickland Ave &
Whitman Dr
 1 fam detached
 40X100 High Ranch, 4
 bdrms, 3 new bths,
 new EIK, beautifully
 finished walk in with 2
 fire places & doors
 leading to huge bkyd,
 garage & private drive,
\$900's
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Mill Basin
Sun 5/6/12 1-3 pm
2603 E 63rd St-
corner Mayfair Dr S
 2 fam brk, 6.5 duplex
 over 5.5 walk in, huge
 fin bsmt, walk in
 closets, lg yard, lg pvt
 parking, walk to hous-
 es of worship, **\$600's**
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Mill Basin
Sun 5/6/12 1-3 pm
2732 Mill Avenue -
National Drive
 2 family duplex with 3
 bdrms, brand new
 kitchen with sep. laun-
 dry rm, 1.5 baths, Lg
 L.r./D.r., parquet flrs,
 sundeck, 1 bdrm walk
 in w/ 1 full bath & EIK,
 fin bsmt sep ent,
\$629,000, Owner
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► BROOKLYN OPEN HOUSE

Mill Basin
Sun 5/6/12 1-3 pm
6409 Avenue T-E
64th St & E 65th St
 Semi det 2 family, 6.5
 rm duplex with 3 beds,
 1 full bath, EIK, living
 rm, formal dining rm,
 studio finished bsmt
 with 3/4 bath, bkyd,
 detached garage,
\$400's
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OLD MILL BASIN
OPEN HOUSE
SATURDAY 5/5, 12-3PM

1760 EAST 53RD ST.
(Bet. Ave. O & Fillmore)
2 family brick, 4.5 over 3.5,
features: large bedrms each
apt, modern kitchens &
baths, prvt drwy/garage,
large yard, MIC. 1st Offering
Low \$400's.



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OLD MILL BASIN
Open House
1072 East 57 St
Sun. 5/6, 2-4PM
 Redone extra large
 FUTURAMA semi
 detached brick 6.5, 6.5,
 plus finished basement,
 built-in garage. Interior
 stairs to all apartments.
 Home offers 3 kitchens,
 6 large bedrooms, extra
 large living rooms and
 dining areas, 3 baths.
 Asking \$599K



Old Mill Basin
OPEN HOUSE
SAT. 5/05, 1-3 PM
1827 EAST 52ND ST
(Near Ave O)
Custom One-of-a-Kind!!
 Det1 family, 7.5 rm dplx
 w/ prvt drive, gar, 3 bdrms
 (2 kingsize bdrms approx
 17x20),parquet flrs, den,
 3 baths, full fin bsmt w/ 3/4
 bath & sep ent. Tons of
 closets! Lrg prvt bkyrd.
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 Move-in cond. \$498,000.
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R.E. 917-807-9181

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Sat. & Sun. 2-4pm
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 daughter w/ 2 bedroom
 over 1 bedroom. Pri-
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 All Large Bdrms, Formal
 Dining Rm, Central Air,
 Garage & Backyard.


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SUNDAY 5/06
FROM 1-4 PM
1559 EAST 58TH ST.
(Btwn Aves O & T)
Excl: Handyman Special!
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 1 bath, hdwd floors, new
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#1 PROPERTIES LLC
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OLD MILL BASIN
OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY 5/06
FROM 1-4 PM
1265 EAST 59TH ST.
(Btwn Aves L & M)
 Att 1 fam, 2BR dplx, 1.5
 baths, full finished bsmt
 w/ laundry rm, community
 drive. Asking \$319,999


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 Dining Rm, Central Air,
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Michael 917-940-2212

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Sheepshead Bay
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1-3 PM
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