

28th Annual Senior Volunteer Luncheon Celebration at Leonard's



IN STEP Lucia Guzman of Union Avenue in the Bronx joined an old friend on the dance floor at Leonard's.

By Ming Fearon

THE NEW YORK CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY (NYCHA) CELEBRATED ITS SENIOR RESIDENT VOLUNTEERS FOR THE 28TH YEAR IN A ROW WITH AN ELEGANT LUNCHEON AT LEONARD'S IN GREAT NECK, LONG ISLAND. The 781 senior attendees of the Annual Senior Volunteer Floor Captain Recognition Luncheon were greeted by water fountain statues, chandeliers, and waiters in tuxedos serving meals on lace-covered tables. However, while the glitz and glamour of the event was ever-present, it could not overshadow the services of the seniors who were being honored for their contributions.

Department of Social Services Director Nora Reissig-Lazzaro presided over the event. "We couldn't do what we do without you," she told the room full of seniors, as she stressed the importance of community involvement. "You're promoting that feeling of community and that makes all the difference."

The three unique programs highlighted throughout the ceremony were the Senior Resident Advisor (SRA)/Service Coordinator Programs, the Elderly Safe At Home Program, and the Senior Companion Program, all of which rely on volunteer action.

The SRA/Service Coordinator Programs assist in maintaining independent living for elderly and non-elderly

disabled residents. Through home visits, telephone check-ups, a buddy system, assistance accessing public entitlements, and teaming up with service providers, this program strives to maintain the well-being of residents.

Meanwhile, the Elderly Safe At Home Program focuses on crime prevention, offering crime prevention services and crime victim assistance to the elderly and non-elderly disabled residents in the South Bronx.

The 33 Senior Companions chosen by the Henry Street Settlement make up the Senior Companion Program. It is a Senior Companion's duty to both provide needed assistance to residents and to pay

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REDFERN COMMUNITY CENTER REOPENS

By Eileen Elliott

SENATE MINORITY LEADER MALCOLM SMITH HOSTED A PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE REDFERN COMMUNITY CENTER IN FAR ROCKAWAY ON THE MORNING OF JULY 7TH TO CELEBRATE THE CENTER'S GRAND RE-OPENING. Closed since May, the Senator has allocated \$80,000 to keep the Redfern Community Center open for the months of July and August for the Summer Day Camp program, and through September for an evening teen program.

The Redfern Community Center was one of several Community Centers that NYCHA has consolidated primarily because of inadequate Federal funding, which has led to an overall budget deficit of \$170 million for the current fiscal year.

"Your elected officials don't just talk the talk, they walk the walk," said NYCHA Chairman Tino Hernandez to the residents gathered at the Community Center's entrance that hot muggy morning. "When Malcolm called me about this I knew we were going to have a rough time trying to figure out how to maintain our Community Centers."

Along with Redfern Resident Association President Doris Jacobs, the Chairman was joined by Congress Member Gregory Meeks, Assembly Members Audrey Pheffer and Michele Titus, City Council Members James Sanders, Jr. and Michael Liu, Queens District Attorney

Richard Brown, and New York City Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly.

A spate of gun violence at or near the Redfern Houses back in May had led many in this same group to come together to find ways of protecting residents by ending gun violence in the community. The answer—Operation SNUG.

"Today is the official kick-off of Operation SNUG," said Senator Smith. (SNUG is "GUNS" spelled backwards.) The letters in the acronym stand for the strategy behind the operation. "S" for Street intervention and stopping the violence; "N" for National, state and local funding support; "U" for the Use of celebrities and centers; and "G" for Gangs, guns and gainful employment.

"Operation SNUG is a pilot that will be replicated in Buffalo, Rochester, the entire state of New York," Senator Smith promised.

"If we invest in these young people today it means there will be less people that Commissioner Kelly and District Attorney Brown will have to see tomorrow," said Congress Member Meeks. "What we have done out of a tragedy is put together a program that will benefit not only Redfern, but the State of New York, and serve as a national model."

"I thank Senator Smith and all the elected officials who have heeded the call of our community on a regular basis," said Marq Claxton of 100 Blacks in Law Enforcement, who was also at the conference. "After the shooting death of 15-year-old Brandon Bethea we came out here to encourage people, to breathe life back into the projects—and the community came out in force."

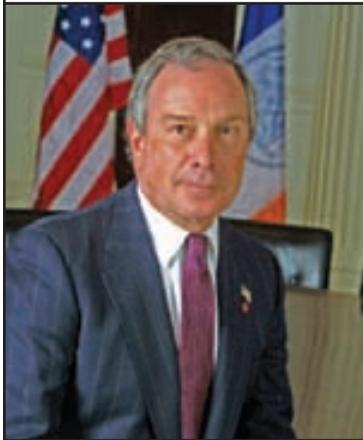
"Reopening this Center is very important," added Senator Smith. "It signals that we are all working together."



WORKING TOGETHER Senator Malcolm Smith (center) shakes Queens District Attorney Richard Brown's hand at the Redfern Community Center Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony. Also shown here (left to right) are Assembly Member Michele Titus, City Council Member Michael Liu (back row), NYCHA Chairman Tino Hernandez (to the left of Senator Smith) and Congress Member Gregory Meeks standing next to the District Attorney.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Another School Year Is Just Around the Corner: Is Your Child Registered?



SEPTEMBER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER AND MANY PARENTS IN NEW YORK CITY WILL BE REGISTERING THEIR CHILDREN FOR ADMISSION TO ONE OF NEW YORK CITY'S ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS FOR THE FIRST TIME. Here is some information from the Department of Education's web site to help make the process easier. This information also applies to students who have left school and are returning.

Who Can Attend New York City's Public Schools?

Your child is entitled to attend New York City public schools free-of-charge if he or she is older than 5 years old and less than 21 years of age, is a resident of New York City and has not received a high school diploma.

Kindergarten is not mandatory in New York City public schools, but if you wish to have your child attend a New York City public school kindergarten, he or she must turn five years old by December 31st of the year he or she will enroll.

When and Where To Register

For elementary or middle school: Register at your zoned school. Your zoned school is determined by your home address. If you don't know your zoned elementary school, call 311 or visit www.nyc.gov. If you don't have a zoned school, please visit a Borough Enrollment Office in your borough of residence. You can find the nearest Borough Office by calling 311 or visiting www.nyc.gov. For high school: register at a Borough Enrollment Office.

Documents You Will Need To Register

- To register your child, you will need the following documents:
- Verifiable proof of your home address: utility bill (gas, electric, or water), or a document from the New York City Housing Authority, such as your monthly rent statement, or the Human Resources Administration. Other proofs of address include a medical or insurance card with home address or a statement that verifies your address from an employer, a social service agency, community-based organization or a religious institution. A telephone bill or driver's license is not acceptable proof of address. A lease by itself is not acceptable.
 - Your child's birth certificate or passport.
 - Your child's immunization history.
 - Your child's transcript or most recent report card.
 - Your child's Individualized Education Program (IEP) (if applicable).

School Buses

Yellow school bus service is provided for eligible general education children in kindergarten through the sixth grade. Eligibility is determined at the time of registration and is generally based on a student's grade level and the distance between the student's home address and school. In addition, students of all ages may be eligible for free or reduced public transportation fare depending on the distance between their home address and school. Please visit <http://www.opt-osfns.org/opt/> or call the Office of Pupil Transportation (OPT) Customer Service Hotline at 718-392-8855 for additional information.

Accompanying Your Child On The First Day

You must accompany your child on the first day of school if your child is an elementary or middle school student. It is strongly recommended that you accompany your child if your child is a high school student who is new to New York City public schools.

To all of the students reading this, have a great school year!

Michael R. Bloomberg

**PROPOSED TARGETED RENT INCREASE
What NYCHA Residents Need To Know...**

Chronic Federal underfunding and rising non-discretionary costs are forcing the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) to once again propose rent hikes for those 49,374 families, or 28% of all NYCHA households, with the highest incomes. The vast majority of NYCHA households, 124,728 families or 72%, will not be affected. This proposed targeted rent increase has been included in NYCHA's Draft Annual Plan for 2009 and a letter describing the proposal has been sent to all NYCHA residents. A Public Hearing will be held on August 13th to solicit comments on the proposed rent increase as well as any other aspect of the Draft Annual Plan, before submitting the final Annual Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for approval. (See page 7 for details.)

Staggered Implementation

The households affected by the rent increase will be divided into three categories: households earning less than 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI); households earning between 60% and 80% of AMI; and households with an income over 80% of AMI. Rents will be raised 5%, 10% and 15%, respectively, each year for a two-year period beginning in 2009.

The increase is expected to bring the Housing Authority an additional \$13.5 million in 2009, \$34 million in 2010, \$54.5 million in 2011 and \$61 million in 2012. Currently, NYCHA is projecting a budget gap for 2009 of approximately \$200 million. The budget deficit for 2008 is \$170 million.

Community and Senior Centers at Risk

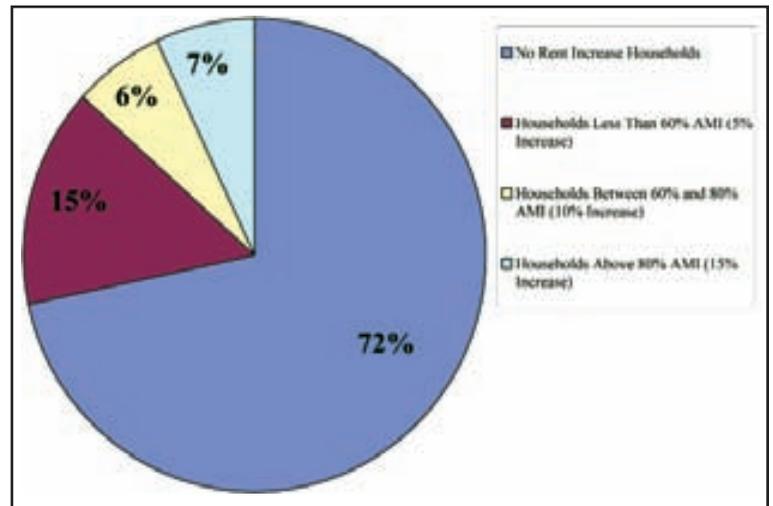
An allocation by the City of \$18 million in its Fiscal Year 2009 budget (which began on July 1st) is allowing the Housing Authority to partially maintain its network of community and senior centers and programs for the time being. NYCHA continues to work with stakeholders to ensure that essential core services for public housing are maintained.

Spending Reductions

NYCHA has already implemented over a half-billion dollars in budget reductions to address its structural budget deficit, caused primarily by six years of underfunding by Washington and increases in non-discretionary costs such as fuel and employee benefits like pensions and health care.

Actions taken include consolidating administrative functions and streamlining services, raising rents and fees, reducing head count by 2,500 positions since 2002, and consolidating management offices and underutilized community centers.

Percent of Households Impacted by Rent Increase



Household Income By Family Size and Area Median Income

Family Size	60% of AMI	80% of AMI
1	\$32,280	\$43,000
2	\$36,840	\$49,150
3	\$41,460	\$55,300
4	\$46,080	\$61,450
5	\$49,740	\$66,350
6	\$53,460	\$71,300
7	\$57,120	\$76,200
8	\$60,840	\$81,100

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Highlights of the Draft Agency Plan for Fiscal Year 2009



THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE NEW YORK CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY'S (NYCHA'S) DRAFT AGENCY PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009 WILL BE HELD THIS MONTH ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13TH, FROM 5:30 TO 8:00 PM AT THE MANHATTAN CENTER AT 311 WEST 34TH STREET. The Revised Draft Agency Plan is available for review at a number of locations, including NYCHA's Website at nyc.gov/nycha. (See "Notice" page 7.) As many of you are aware, the Public Hearing is the culmination of a process that

includes five town hall-style meetings, one in each borough, to solicit comments from the public on the Plan, which covers NYCHA's major initiatives for the year. Here are a few of the highlights of the Draft Plan.

Achieving Fiscal Stability

In an effort to help close our structural budget gap and preserve public housing in New York City, NYCHA must continue to generate revenue and reduce expenses going forward. To this end, NYCHA is proposing a Targeted Rent Initiative to increase rent for a small segment of NYCHA's households who have the highest household incomes. As a part of NYCHA's Annual Plan process, the Draft Annual Plan for FY 2009 has been revised to include the Targeted Rent Initiative. You can read more about this in the article on page 2 of this *Journal*, as well as in the Revised Draft Annual Plan. Each NYCHA resident has been sent a letter describing the initiative.

Preservation of Existing Housing Stock

On average, over 60% of NYCHA's 2,636 buildings are over 40 years old, which means that NYCHA is constantly faced with the challenge of maintaining the systems and infrastructure of these older buildings. Through a plan announced by Mayor Bloomberg in 2005 to modernize and preserve thousands of units of public housing, NYCHA will sell up to \$700 million in bonds to finance and accelerate vital construction initiatives. In May of 2005 NYCHA issued \$300 million in bonds in conjunction with the City's Housing Development Corporation to address capital needs. NYCHA anticipates issuing a second round of bonds totaling \$400 million.

NYCHA's capital program is focused primarily on repairs to building exteriors such as brickwork, concrete repairs and roof replacements. Highlights of NYCHA's \$2.7 billion Five Year Capital Plan also include major renovations at Randolph Houses, apartment and elevator renovations at Whitman/Ingersol, and kitchen renovations at Jefferson and Riis Houses.

CCTVs

Through the innovative use of technology, police resources and the cooperation of local government, NYCHA has created a highly successful program to install small-scale closed circuit television systems (CCTVs). CCTV security systems have been instrumental in improving the safety, security and quality of life for NYCHA residents by reducing loitering and vandalism and assisting the NYPD in apprehending criminals as well as serving as evidence in court. For FY 2008, City Council Members allocated \$9.9 million in funding for installation of CCTVs at 30 NYCHA developments within the five boroughs. The goal in 2008/2009 is to administer and complete installation of approximately 1,300 cameras in 130 buildings utilizing the most current technology for video recording and system management.

Please refer to the Revised Draft Annual Plan for more information on any of these topics, as well as other major initiatives. I encourage everyone to review the Plan, come out to the Public Hearing and let your voice be heard. Following the hearing, NYCHA will revise the Plan and the final will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in October. HUD will then have 75 days in which to review and approve it.

Tino Hernandez

BOROUGH DIGEST

The Bronx: The Melrose I "I Have A Dream" (IHAD) Class of 2008 high school graduation celebration was held on June 12th at the elegant Terrace in the Sky Restaurant in the Morningside Heights neighborhood of Manhattan. The national I Have A Dream program provides special educational and support services to young "dreamers" from low-income backgrounds to help them complete their educations through high school, then guarantees college tuition assistance once they graduate. "Adopted" into the program in the second grade, thanks to Melrose sponsor Sharon Kaufman, 17 of the 21 Melrose Community Center "dreamers" have already been accepted into colleges. Speakers at the event included NYCHA Vice-Chairman Earl Andrews, Jr., who encouraged the graduates to continue working to make their dreams come true, Ms. Kaufman and IHAD's New York Metro Executive Director Kara Forte.

Brooklyn: On June 14th Congress Member Edolphus Towns hosted his 13th Annual Resident Association President Brunch for the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) Resident Association Presidents in his district which includes the neighborhoods of Bedford Stuyvesant, Brooklyn Heights, Brownsville, Canarsie, Crown Heights, East New York, Flatland, Fort Greene, Greenpoint, Prospect Heights and Williamsburg. NYCHA Chairman Tino Hernandez joined approximately 30 Resident Association Presidents at the Bed-Stuy Restoration Community Center on Fulton Street for the affair. Mr. Towns promised to continue to support NYCHA and thanked all of the Resident Association Presidents for the work they do on behalf of area residents.

Manhattan: Three hundred NYCHA resident artists from all five boroughs were honored in early June for their contributions to NYCHA's 28th Annual Resident Art Show at the Rutgers Community Center on Manhattan's Lower East Side. The 300 pieces for the exhibit were selected from a total of 800 submissions created at 75 Community and Senior Centers in workshops led by staff and consultants from NYCHA's Harborview Visual Arts program. The work

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MING'S MEMO

By Ming Fearon

Editor's Note: Summer Intern Ming Fearon has taken over Deborah's Diary for the month of August.



Young Filmmakers Tyrell Brown, Lea-Sym Feyjoo, Bryan Martin, and Marcus Underwood have been given a chance to fulfill their story-telling aspirations through a mentorship program with Antoine Fuqua, director of the movie "Training Day." After having written essays about why they wanted to make films, the four lucky participants, ranging in age from 16 to 19, were chosen from a pool of 50 applicants from the Van Dyke Houses in Brooklyn for the Van Dyke Youth Film Project. In an initiative to encourage young people to try their hands at filmmaking, Fuqua and John Langley (producer of the TV show "Cops") created the Film Project as a way of giving back.

Fuqua's upcoming production, "Brooklyn's Finest," which is being shot at Van Dyke, will be the site of the mentorship for the four budding filmmakers. Over three months, Brown, Feyjoo, Martin, and Underwood will write, shoot, and edit films of their own under the guidance of Fuqua and the "Brooklyn's Finest" crew, with a cast including Richard Gere, Don Cheadle, Wesley Snipes, Ethan Hawke, and Michael Kenneth Williams. The presentation ceremony for the Film Project was held at the Van Dyke Community Center on June 16, during a break in production.

Congratulations to the lucky members of the Van Dyke Youth Film Project! What a great, once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to learn so much and hone your skills. And thanks to the Mayor's Office of Film, Theatre and Broadcasting for featuring this story in their online newsletter.

Can you spell WINNER? Twenty-four young residents from the five boroughs tested their wits in NYCHA's 2008 Citywide Spelling Bee Competition held on the evening of June 17th at the Manhattanville Community Center. The fourth-, fifth- and sixth-graders had already beat out everyone in their age groups in their boroughs to compete in the Citywide Competition. All of the Citywide competitors received trophies, but the lucky first-place winners also received \$500 savings bonds, sponsored by Affinity Healthcare. The Fourth Grade First-Place Winner is Pierrio Jean Charles of Brooklyn's Ocean Hill Community Center, who won with the word "wireless" and the Runner Up is Flora Hodge of Ft. Independence Community Center in the Bronx. The Fifth Grade First-Place Winner is Travis Brown of Boulevard Community Center in Brooklyn, who won with the word "partner" and the Runner Up is Kiarra Christian of Sedgwick Community Center in the Bronx. The Sixth-Grade First-Place winner is Elizabeth Grace of Queens' Ocean Bay Community Center who won with the word "obsession" and the Runner Up is Diosomi De los Santos of Ft. Independence Community Center in the Bronx.

To all of the winners of the spelling competitions, good job! It's great to show that important competitions aren't just limited to sporting events. All of you should continue to nurture and show off these essential thinking skills that you will need for the rest of your life. Keep up the good work!

Musical Theater Congratulations to the cast and crew of NYCHA's fifth Annual Teen Musical, "JUNK," staged on June 26th at John Jay College's Gerald W. Lynch Theater. A production of NYCHA's Citywide Musical Theater Program for teens and young adults, "JUNK" dealt with the topics and issues accompanying the path from adolescence to adulthood—school, relationships and the struggle for independence. The Citywide Musical Theater Program has served as a means for NYCHA youth to showcase their talents for the past five years.



THE NYCHA NOT WANTED LIST

In this issue we continue our editorial policy of publishing the names of individuals who have been permanently excluded from our public housing developments. This list is part of NYCHA's effort to keep residents informed of the Housing Authority's ongoing effort to improve the quality of life for all New Yorkers in public housing and to allow for the peaceful and safe use of our facilities. Here follows a list of the people excluded after hearings were held on April 11, 18, and 25, and May 2, 2007. **Please note: These exclusions are based on NYCHA's Administrative Hearing Process and should not be confused with the Trespass Notice Program under Mayor Bloomberg's Operation Safe Housing Initiative.**

REMEMBER, IF YOU SEE ANY OF THESE INDIVIDUALS ON HOUSING AUTHORITY PROPERTY, PLEASE CALL YOUR MANAGEMENT OFFICE OR NYCHA'S SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT AT (212) 306-8595.

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Jerome Greene	Case 2211/07 formerly associated with the tenth floor of 2660 8th Avenue, Drew Hamilton Houses, Manhattan.
Allen Castro	Case 2248/07 formerly associated with the first floor of 3784 Tenth Avenue, Dyckman Houses, Manhattan.
Jerry Adams	Case 2250/07 formerly associated with the fourth floor of 2007 Surf Avenue, Carey Gardens Houses, Brooklyn.
Claudio Suero	Case 2176/07 formerly associated with the ninth floor of 2410 8th Avenue, Saint Nicholas Houses, Manhattan.
Daniel Morales	Case 2376/07 formerly associated with the sixth floor of 65 Bush Street, Red Hook West Houses, Brooklyn.
Joseph Mitchell	Case 2549/07 formerly associated with the second floor of 2971 8th Avenue, Polo Grounds Houses, Manhattan.

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Ashaun Brinson	Case 2464/07 formerly associated with the fifteenth floor of 545 West 126th Street, Manhattanville Houses, Manhattan.
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Fred Scott	Case 211/06 formerly associated with the thirteenth floor of 1010 East 178th Street, Murphy Consolidated Houses, the Bronx.
Anwar Amari	Case 2646/07 formerly associated with the fourth floor of 360 Williams Avenue, Unity Plaza Houses, Brooklyn.
Kareem Holmes	Case 2655/07 formerly associated with the third floor of 178 Avenue D, Jacob Riis Houses, Manhattan.
Kevin Fortune	Case 2769/07 formerly associated with the fourth floor of 257 West 114th Street, King Towers, Manhattan.
Rajee Briggs	Case 202/07 formerly associated with the seventh floor of 75 Hill Street, Stapleton Houses, Staten Island.

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Christopher Cruz	Case 2976/07 formerly associated with the third floor of 151a Richards Street, Red Hook West Houses, Brooklyn.
Paul Baker	
David Daughtry	Case 2977/07 formerly associated with the fourth floor of 500 Stone Avenue, Brownsville Houses, Brooklyn.
Elliot Camacho	Case 2982/07 formerly associated with the fourteenth floor of 50 Avenue D, Wald House, Manhattan.
Tysean Bell	Case 3190/07 formerly associated with the sixth floor of 2304 West 8th Avenue, Marlboro Houses, Brooklyn.

BOROUGH DIGEST

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included sculptures, paintings, prints and photographs, and was on exhibit during the month of June.



Shown above is Harborview Arts Coordinator Wylie Lucero with resident artist Madeline Figueroa from Manhattan's Metro North Community Center.

Queens: Fresh organic fruits and vegetables are being delivered weekly to the Jacob Riis Community Center at Queensbridge Houses through the end of October thanks to a collaboration by a number of organizations including the New York Coalition Against Hunger, the Hunger Network of New York State, Just Foods, the East River Development Alliance and the United Way. In this Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program, low-income families are eligible to buy shares or half-shares in the harvest so that they can receive the fresh produce each week. This typically amounts to from seven to ten vegetables, which are grown upstate in Miller's Crossing and delivered to Jacob Riis. Members can also purchase shares of food with food stamps. Shares are priced on a sliding scale. To find out how you can participate, contact Carrette Perkins at the New York City Coalition Against Hunger at: (212) 825-0028, extension 217. Deliveries are also made to Astoria Houses. If you are hungry and need food, call the Hunger Hotline at 1-866-888-8777.

Staten Island: Clove Lakes Park is the location for NYCHA's Annual Fishing Contest this year on August 18th, and Kidswalk on August 19th. Both events are open to young NYCHA residents from all boroughs. See the Education Through Sports Summer Schedule on page 8 of this Journal for more information.

Senior Volunteer Luncheon

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friendly home visits to the elderly in areas as far and diverse as the Bronx River to Red Hook East.

Vice-Chairman Earl Andrews, Jr., who represented the NYCHA Board, pointed out that, "This luncheon is really to thank people who volunteer, taking time that could have been used to be with grandchildren or great-grandchildren to help others." Mr. Andrews touched on the budget deficit and how a lack of funds was reducing the quality of life for the elderly who deserve better in their golden years.

Afterwards, certificates were handed out to recognize the sites in each borough. Ms. Reissig-Lazzaro announced that the floor captains with a 100% captain meeting attendance rate would be presented with a special gift. The 31 captains stood up to receive specially engraved watches so that they could, as Ms. Reissig-Lazzaro put it, always be on time.

Various performances followed, from singing and yodeling to dancing. The performances finished with

seven ladies from Harlem tap-dancing in silver-sequined caps, white shirts, black pants, and silver tap shoes. As the participants enjoyed the catered lunch, the volunteers stood up to dance everything from the Macarena to the Electric Slide. The energy and appreciative applause throughout the luncheon demonstrated its overall success.

"I think the event was very nice," remarked Carolyn Harris, a member of the Morris Elderly Safe At Home Site. "I enjoyed it and the food was a one. I've been to the event several times. I think the first time I came my granddaughter was four, and she's going to be 12 tomorrow."

"I've been in the program for five years and I love it," said Clara Jones, a senior companion and resident of Ravenswood Houses. "The lunch was beautiful. I've been coming for three years and every year it gets better and better."



SENIORS HELPING SENIORS Senior Volunteer Floor Captains from Brooklyn's Kingsborough Extension with Service Coordinator Raymond Toussaint (back row, left).

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August 21st - International Day

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Brown Rice Family • Asian-American Reggae Band

Mireya Ramos & Movimiento Latin Jazz

Earthman Experience Featuring: DJ Hard Hittin' Harry • World Dance Music

August 28th - Gospel

St. Lukes Choir • Gospel For Teens • Sionettes
Steven Gant • Hezekiah Walker

September 4th - Jazz

Phil Young Trio • Ghanniyya Greene
Seleno Clarke

September 11th - Rock The Plaza

"Battle Of TheDJ's"

• Guest Artists

ARTISTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT FUTHER NOTICE

Prior to the start of the concerts there will be the NYC Housing Authority's Citywide Amateur Talent Contest



Mighty Sparrow



Dance Theater of Harlem



Mireya Ramos



Hezekiah Walker



Phil Young



Ghanniyya Greene

West Nile Virus Mosquito Treatment

The New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) will be treating all of the catch basins located in NYCHA developments to reduce the mosquito population in an effort to minimize the transmission of the West Nile Virus. These applications will take place between June and October of 2008. The larvicide being used is:

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Contact names and numbers for this application are:

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Cal Bruno, Deputy Director
718-707-5281 available from 9 am - 5 pm

Jamal Rashid, Technical Resource Advisor,
718-707-5808 available from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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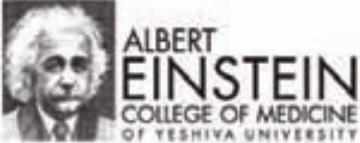
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REVISED NOTICE

New York City Housing Authority REVISED Draft Agency Annual Plan for FY 2009

The New York City Housing Authority ("NYCHA") is revising its Draft Agency Annual Plan for FY 2009.

Availability of the REVISED Draft Agency Annual Plan for Public Inspection

The public is advised that the REVISED Draft Agency Annual Plan for FY 2009 will be available for public inspection at NYCHA's principal office, located at 250 Broadway, 12th Floor, Reception Area, New York, NY, from June 30, 2008 through August 22, 2008, between the hours of 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The REVISED Draft Agency Annual Plan for FY 2009 will also be available at the following locations:

- On NYCHA's webpage, which is located on <http://www.nyc.gov/nycha>
- At the Management Office of each NYCHA public housing development during regular business hours
- At the Community Centers/site listed below during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.:

Campos Plaza Community Center 611 East 13th Street New York, New York	Fort Independence Community Center 3350 Bailey Avenue Bronx, New York	Atlantic Terminal Community Center 501 Carlton Avenue Brooklyn, New York
King Towers Community Center 2 West 115th Street New York, New York	Latimer Gardens Community Center 34-30 137th Street Flushing, New York	Breukelen Community Center 715 East 105th Street Brooklyn, New York
St. Mary's Community Center 595 Trinity Avenue Bronx, New York	Ocean Bay/Bay Side Community Center 57-10 Beach Channel Drive Far Rockaway, New York	Staten Island Community Operations Borough Office 140 Richmond Terrace Staten Island, New York

Public Comment

The public is invited to attend any of the five scheduled Town Hall meetings at which the public may raise questions regarding the *Draft Annual Plan for FY 2009*. These meetings will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the dates and locations shown below:

The public is also invited to comment on the REVISED Draft Annual Agency Plan for FY 2009 at a public hearing to be held on WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2008 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at:

Tuesday, June 3, 2008		Thursday, June 5, 2008	
Manhattan Fashion Institute of Technology Haft Auditorium 7th Avenue & 27th Street New York, New York		Brooklyn New York City College of Technology Kleitgord Auditorium 285 Jay Street at Tillary Street Brooklyn, New York	
Wednesday, June 11, 2008		Monday, June 16, 2008	
Staten Island IS 49 Dreyfus Intermediate School 101 Warren – Gordon Street Staten Island, New York		Queens Elechester Industrial Center 67-35 Parsons Blvd.– Jewel Avenue Flushing, New York	
		Thursday, June 19, 2008	
		Bronx Classic Center at Melrose 286 East 156 Morris Avenue Bronx, New York	

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Written comments regarding the REVISED Draft Annual Agency Plan for FY 2009 are encouraged. To be considered, **submissions must be received via United States Postal mail no later than August 22, 2008**. Faxed submissions will not be accepted. Comments may be sent to the following address:

**New York City Housing Authority
Public Housing Agency Plan Comments
Church Street Station
P.O. Box 3422
New York, New York 10008-3422**

Michael R. Bloomberg, Mayor

Tino Hernandez, Chairman

EDUCATION THROUGH SPORTS PROGRAM SUMMER SCHEDULE

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2008	CITYWIDE CARNIVAL	TRACK & FIELD	SPORTS EDUCATION SPORTS CHALLENGE	KIDS WALK TUESDAY, AUGUST 19 AT CLOVE LAKES PARK
BRONX	TUESDAY, JULY 29 AT CENTRAL PARK	WEDNESDAY, JULY 23 AT VAN CORTLANDT PARK	THURSDAY, AUGUST 7 AT VAN CORTLANDT PARK	DATES FOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE JULY: 14, 21, 22, 28 AUGUST: 4, 11, 18, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29
BROOKLYN EAST	FRIDAY, AUGUST 8 AT PROSPECT PARK	THURSDAY, JULY 10 AT RED HOOK PARK	WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13 AT RED HOOK PARK	
BROOKLYN SOUTH/WEST	FRIDAY, AUGUST 8 AT PROSPECT PARK	FRIDAY, JULY 11 AT RED HOOK PARK	THURSDAY, AUGUST 14 AT RED HOOK PARK	
MANHATTAN	TUESDAY, JULY 29 AT CENTRAL PARK	THURSDAY, JULY 24 AT RIVERBANK STATE PARK	THURSDAY, JULY 31 JEFFERSON PARK	
QUEENS	WEDNESDAY, JULY 16 AT BAISLEY PARK	FRIDAY, JULY 18 AT CORPORAL THOMPSON PARK	TUESDAY, AUGUST 5 AT BAISLEY PARK	
STATEN ISLAND	WEDNESDAY, JULY 16 AT BAISLEY PARK	FRIDAY, JULY 18 AT CORPORAL THOMPSON PARK	TUESDAY, AUGUST 5 AT BAISLEY PARK	
FISHING CONTEST	MONDAY, AUGUST 18 STATEN ISLAND FISHING CONTEST AT CLOVE LAKES PARK		CITYWIDE OLYMPICS	THURSDAY, AUGUST 21 AT RIVERBANK STATE PARK

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Baychester 1220 E. 229 th St. Bronx, NY 10466	Marble Hill 210 West 230 th St. Bronx, NY 10463	303 Vernon/Sommer 303 Vernon Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11211	Madison 2249 Stillwell Ave. #1H Brooklyn, NY 11223	Amsterdam Ave. 830 Amsterdam Ave. New York, NY 10023	Strom 344 E. 28 th St. #2F New York, NY 10016
Bronx River 5185 E. 174 St. Bronx, NY 10472	Mitchell 360 East 137 th St. Bronx, NY 10454	572 Warren/Wyckoff 572 Warren St. Brooklyn, NY 11217	O'Dwyer/Groveend Canal 3146 Bayview Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11208	Baruch 605 FDR Drive New York, NY	Wilson To be announced 212 306 3358
Butler 1330 Webster Ave. Bronx, NY 10456	Morris 1790 Story Ave. Bronx, NY 10473	Brooklyn 234 Stanley Ave. #1D Brooklyn, NY 11236	Park Rock Canal 1636 Park Pl. Brooklyn, NY 11233	Carver 1481 Madison Ave New York, NY 10029	Wise Towers 117 W. 90 th St. New York, NY 10024
Castle Hill 615 Castle Hill Ave. Bronx, NY 10473	Morris 360 E. 137 th St. Bronx, NY 10454	Brownsville 295 Osborne St. Brooklyn, NY 11212	Pink 1258 Loring Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11208	Douglas Rehab 241 West 101 st St. New York, NY 10025	QUEENS Carlton Manor 75-15 Beach Channel Dr. Rockaway, NY 11692
Claremont Canal, I 1128 Findley Ave. Bronx, NY 10435	Morrisania Air Rights 3131 Park Ave. Bronx, NY 10456	Brooklyn 24 Humboldt St. Brooklyn, NY 11206	Prospect Plaza 281 Dumont Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11207	Dyckman 3782 106 th Ave. New York, NY 10034	Hammel 85-10 Rockaway Beach Blvd. Rockaway, NY 11691
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Claremont Canal, III 1020 College Ave Bronx, NY 10439	Matt Haven 373 East 141 st St. Bronx, NY 10454	Cropper Park 275 Jackson St. Brooklyn, NY 11211	Red Hook East 167 Bush St. #1H Brooklyn, NY 11231	Fred Samuels 2401 Adam Clayton Powell Blvd. New York, NY 10030	Woodside 50-37 Newtown Rd. # 1D Woodside, NY 11377
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Eastchester 1216 Burke Ave. Bronx, NY 10469	Somerset 1704 Seward Ave. Bronx, NY 10473	Howard Ave. Rehab 583 Howard Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11212	Roosevelt To be announced 212 306 3358	Harlem River 291 W. 131 st St. New York, NY 10019	Stapleton 75 Hill St. Staten Island, NY 10304
Ederwald 1154 E. 229 St. Bronx, NY 10466	Union Avenue 834 Eagle Ave. Bronx, NY 10473	Hylan 131 Moore Street Brooklyn, NY 11206	Tilden 340 Dumont Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11212	Jacob Riis 468 E. 10 th St. New York, NY 10009	Tox Hill 204 Schmida Ln. Staten Island, NY 10314
Ganhill 3444 White Plains Rd. #1E Bronx, NY 10454	University Ave. 1934 Harrison Ave Bronx, NY 10453	Ingersoll To be announced 212 306 3358	Tompkins 65 Tompkins Ave Brooklyn, NY 11206	Johnson 165 East 112 nd St. New York, NY 10029	
Ft. Independence 3340 Bailey Ave. #8L Bronx, NY 10463	Webster/Morrisania 1285 Webster Ave. Bronx, NY 10456	Kingsboro 135 Kings 1 st Walk Brooklyn, NY 11233	Tompkins/Berry 71 Berry St. Brooklyn, NY 11201	Lehman Village 1595 Madison Ave. New York, NY 10029	
	Linden Houses 195 Corline Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11208	Louis Armstrong 415 Lexington Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11221	Unity Plaza 580 Blake Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11207	Lower East Side Group 5 89-97 Ave. C #3D New York, NY 10009	
			Wyckoff Gardens 185 Nevins St. #14K Brooklyn, NY 11217	Seward Park 64-66 Essex St. New York, NY 10002	

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DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND
CITYWIDE PROGRAMS

NEW YORK CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY Board Meeting Schedule

Notice is hereby given that the New York City Housing Authority's Board Meetings take place every other Wednesday at 10:00 A.M. (unless otherwise noted) in the Board Room on the 12th Floor of 250 Broadway, New York, New York. The remaining meetings for Calendar Year 2008 are as follows:

August 6, 2008
August 20, 2008
September 3, 2008
September 17, 2008
October 2, 2008 (Thursday)
October 16, 2008 (Thursday)
October 29, 2008
November 12, 2008
November 26, 2008
December 10, 2008
December 24, 2008



Any changes to the schedule above will be posted on NYCHA's Website at nyc.gov/nycha and in the *NYCHA Journal* to the extent practicable at a reasonable time before the meeting.

These meetings are open to the public. Pre-registration of speakers is required. Those who wish to register must do so at least forty-five (45) minutes before the scheduled Board Meeting. Comments are limited to the items on the agenda. Speakers will be heard in the order of registration. Speaking time will be limited to three (3) minutes. The public comment period will conclude upon all speakers being heard or at the expiration of thirty (30) minutes allotted by law for public comment, whichever occurs first.

For Board Meeting dates and times, and/or additional information, please visit our Website at nyc.gov/nycha or contact us at (212) 306-6088. Copies of the agenda can be picked up at the Office of the Secretary at 250 Broadway, 12th floor, New York, New York, no earlier than 3P.M. on the Friday before the upcoming Wednesday Board Meeting.

Any person requiring a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in the Board Meeting, should contact the Office of the Secretary at (212) 306-6088 no later than five (5) business days before the Board Meeting.

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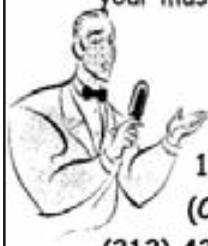


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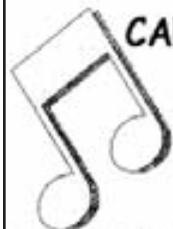
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NYCHA Offers Youth Many Opportunities For Summer Fun

THE NEW YORK CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY'S (NYCHA'S) RECREATION PROGRAMS ENCOURAGE YOUNG PEOPLE TO GET OUTDOORS, HAVE FUN AND GET FIT. There are a wide variety of programs and events for youth to choose from for the rest of the summer, including carnivals, overnight camping trips, fishing contests and the annual Kids Walk.

NYCHA's Community Centers also offer summer day camp and selected centers operate evening programs for teens. The Education Through Sports Summer Programs Schedule listed on page 8 highlights the summer events that are available to day camp participants. Check it out, then stop in at your local Community Center or contact NYCHA's Community Coordinators at (212) 306-3341, 3388, or 3342 to sign up. Here are some highlights of what NYCHA has to offer through the end of August.

Fresh Air Fund Country Day Program

The Fresh Air Fund gives New York City children a chance to experience a country environment. NYCHA and the Fresh Air Fund developed the Country Day Program, a series of ten one-day trips during the summer for 1,000 NYCHA youth between the ages of six and 13. The trips to Fresh Air Fund Camps in upstate New York are a unique opportunity for children to enjoy the natural environment and experience life outside of the City.

Gateway Overnight Camping Program

The Gateway Overnight Camping Program is a two-day tent camping experience at Gateway's Floyd Bennett Field in Brooklyn. Every summer, this program offers young people ages eight to 14 the opportunity to learn about composting and recycling at Ecology Village. Participants also explore the natural and cultural resources of Floyd Bennett Field. The program is an outdoor experience stressing the importance of environmental awareness and group cooperation. Through ranger-led activities and the exploration of uplands and the marine environment, young people discover the joys of camping and the great outdoors.

Summer Fishing Contest

This event is offered during the summer to youth of all ages residing in NYCHA developments. The catch and release fishing event is held at Clove Lakes Park in Staten Island. Each participant is provided with a fishing pole and bait for the day. The day includes opportunities to take part in educational topics including fish identification, bait and tackle, rules and regulations and casting. The event is a one-day contest offering trophies and various prizes to the participants.



Kids Walk

The annual Kids Walk event gathers youth from summer camp programs in all five boroughs to participate in a mile-and-a-half walk-a-thon to promote healthy living. Before the event, participants make banners which they carry during the walk. Following the walk everyone enjoys a healthy lunch and prizes are awarded for the best banners.

Police Athletic League, Play Streets (PAL)

The Police Athletic League provides Play Streets at 40 NYCHA developments for seven weeks each summer. This year it's from July 2 to August 22nd. Through the Play Street Program, NYCHA provides recreational activities that are intellectually stimulating and build social skills in a safe environment during the summer months. Each Play Street is a secure play site located in the streets or playgrounds around NYCHA developments and staffed by adult recreational and educational counselors.

Young NYCHA residents and residents of the surrounding communities should take advantage of everything that NYCHA has to offer. It's one of the best ways to make sure to have a great summer!



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