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COMMUNITY BOARD # 8 NEWSLETTER

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Mark Lefkof – CHAIR, Dr. Robert Block, Howard A. Fried, Marc A. Haken, Michael Hannibal, Jesse Rosenbaum, Harbachan Singh and Martha Taylor

Community Board 8, Queens Board Meeting held on Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. Hillcrest Jewish Center, 183-02 Union Turnpike

Minutes of February 13, 2013 were approved: 35 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

Guest speakers:

Will Sweeney, Member of the Fairness Coalition of Queens, gave a presentation opposing the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center Strategic Vision Project.

Daniel Zausner, CEO – USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center., gave a presentation on the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center Strategic Vision Project.

Committee Report:

Street Renaming of 78th Road adjoining Parsons Boulevard and 160th Street to Dr. Rabbi Joel Laks was unanimously approved.

34 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

Resolution Against the T-Building's Comunilife Proposal as submitted.

32 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained with cause

ULURP No. 130155PPQ – USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center Strategic Vision Project was approved with conditions.

26 in favor, 8 opposed, 0 abstained.

*** Minutes of the Board Meeting are available on our website: www.queenscb8.org

NEXT COMMUNITY BOARD 8 MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2013

A Word from the District Manager ...

Dear Resident:

*Our Annual Health Fair is swiftly approaching. This year, it will be held on **Thursday, June 27, 2013**. It will be held at Cunningham Park in the parking lot located at Union Turnpike and 196th Place. It will start at 2 p.m. and end at 6 p.m.*

Here are some of what we have planned for the day:

- *We will offer free health screenings as we did last year.*
- *You will have the opportunity to visit a fire house. This will teach you the dos and don'ts of fire safety.*
- *You will be able to join a zumba session (exercise while dancing to Latin music).*
- *There will be a musical performance by a jazz band.*
- *There will be family entertainment.*

....and much more.

*If you are a health care provider or vendor and would like to sponsor the event, please contact Community Board 8 at 718-264-7895. You may also email us at qn08@cb.nyc.gov. There is **no fee** to participate; however, sponsors must provide a **free health service, entertainment or freebies**. What a great way to promote the services that you offer!*

Sincerely,

Marie Adam-Ovide

P.S. If you would like an email version, please contact us at 718-264-7895 and provide your email address.

This information is also available on our website: www.queenscb8.org

The Department of Transportation (NYCDOT) is currently accepting applications to the **Neighborhood Slow Zone program**.



What is a Slow Zone?

Neighborhood Slow Zones reduce the speed limit on residential streets from 30 mph to 20 mph.

Who can apply?

Community boards, civic associations, BIDs, elected officials or other community institutions such as schools or churches can apply.

What can qualify as a Slow Zone?

- Pick a primarily residential area about 5 blocks by 5 blocks in size
- Avoid including wide streets, industrial sites and major commercial areas within the Slow Zone
- Pick an area with strong boundaries (e.g. Slow Zone borders can be major streets, highways, large parks or elevated train tracks)

How do I apply?

Download the application at http://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/downloads/pdf/slowzones_application.pdf (or contact Community Board 8) and follow NYCDOT's application instructions. Applications must demonstrate local support. Applications that include letters of support from key community stakeholders will be prioritized.

Applications are due May 31st.



LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

- **Red House Asian Fusion**
192-03 Union Turnpike in Fresh Meadows, *renewal of its Wine and Beer License*
- **Wei's DJC Inc. (d/b/a Annie Chan's Restaurant)**
190-11 Union Turnpike, *renewal of its Wine and Beer License*

Any complaints about establishments with liquor licenses should be sent to Community Board 8 in writing. Unless a signed, written notification is received at our office, we cannot follow up. You must also include your address and telephone number.



Finish Your GED in 2013

The New York City 2013 GED Campaign to Finish focuses on 17-24 year olds who have taken the GED test and hope to pass in 2013. For free help, call (718) 557-2525, text GED to 30644 or visit www.GEDCompass.org.

CITY PARKING RULES

The City suspends alternate side parking regulations, for both street cleaning purposes and traffic flow, on these legal and/or religious holidays in **April 2013**.

Passover.....April 1-2

Parking meter regulations remain in effect.
(For more information, call the 311 Hotline)



Street Activity/Block Party Permit Request Received by Community Board 8 for April 2013:



Lag Baomer Festival - April 28, 2013 - **Noon to 8 p.m.**
77 Ave. between Main St. and 147 St.

The above was approved by CB8 and awaits the Street Activity Permit Office (SAPO)'s approval.

Community Tax Aid

This organization provides **free** tax services to individuals with income up to \$25,000; families with income up to \$50,000; and no more than \$3,200 of income from interest, dividends and capital gains.



Visit the Flushing YMCA, **138-46 Northern Boulevard**, on **April 6 and 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** CPAs and/or lawyers will be on site to review all work.

HRA's 24th Annual Celebration Queens Community Resources Awareness Day York College

94-20 Guy R. Brewer Boulevard
Jamaica, New York
Tuesday, April 2, 2013 (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.)

Free admission and parking - program includes: Childcare, Employment, Homeless Prevention, Education, etc.

Notice of Public Hearing

Proposal to amend the Department of Transportation's bicyclists posters rules to align with Local Laws 52, 54, 55 and 56 enacted on October 25, 2012. This is in regards to commercial bicyclists. This proposal would make posters more user friendly.

Contact: Kim Wiley- Schwartz
Assistant Commissioner, Education
and Outreach

NYCDOT
59 Maiden Lane, 34th Floor
New York, NY 10038
212) 839-4778



Written comments must be submitted by **April 19th**.
Individuals seeking to testify are requested to notify Assistant Commissioner Kim Wiley-Schwartz at the address stated above.

Request for Comment

The owner of 160-05 Hillside Avenue has applied for alteration or demolition of a single room occupancy multiple dwelling. To do so, the owner must obtain a Certification of No Harassment.

Occupants, former occupants and other interested parties who lived there from **February 1, 2010 to present** are asked to submit any comments or evidence of harassment at this building to HPD at CONH Unit, 100 Gold Street, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10038 by April 11th.



If you owe property taxes and/or other charges to the City of New York, your property may be on the 60-Day Lien Sale list. This list is available at the following link:

http://www.nyc.gov/html/dof/html/property/property_bill_taxlien.shtml

You must pay your debt or enter into a payment agreement by **Thursday, May 16, 2013**.

Please call the Community Board if you have any questions.



April 2013

Community Board 8, Queens

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 	2 Last Day of Passover	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. Hillcrest Jewish Center 183-02 Union Turnpike	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 	23	24 	25	26	27
28	29	30				