COMMUNITY BOARD # 8 NEWSLETTER

June 2015

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BOARD MEMBERS BY AREA

Area 1 – Kew Gardens Hills
Dr. Allen J. Bennett – CHAIR, Susan D. Cleary, Florence Fisher,
Joshua Glikman, Bright Limm, Mitch Lisker, Jennifer Martin,
Rabbi Shlomo Nissanov, Simon Pelman, Michael Sidell and Jacob Weinberg

Area 2 – Briarwood
Seymour Schwartz - CHAIR, Carolyn Baker-Brown, Allen Eisenstein,
Elke Maerz, Charlton Rhee, Douglas Sherman and Albert Willingham

Area 3 – Hillcrest Estates & Jamaica Hill
Kevin Forestal - CHAIR, Dilafroz Ahmed, Fakrul Islam Delwar,
Paul Lazauskas, Frances Peterson and Samuel Rodriguez

Area 4 – Flushing Heights, Flushing Suburban, Hillcrest
Jagir Singh Bains—CHAIR, Kenneth Cohen II, Steven Konigsberg and
Alvin Warshaviak

Area 5 – Georgetown Mews, Pomonok, Electchester, Flushing
Mary Maggio Fischer – CHAIR, Monica Corbett, Carolann Foley, Sylvia
Hernandez, Frank Magri, Steven Sadowsky and Stanley Weinblatt

Area 6 – Utopia, Fresh Meadows, West Cunningham Park
Maria DeInnocentii – CHAIR, James Gallagher, Jr., Robert Harris,
Tami Hirsch and Tamara Osherov

Area 7 – Jamaica Estates & Holliswood
Mark LeKof – CHAIR, Dr. Robert Block, Edward Chung, Howard A. Fried,
Marc A. Haken, Michael Hannibal, Jesse Rosenbaum, Harbachan Singh,
Martha Taylor and Mohammed Tohin

COMMUNITY BOARD 8, Queens
Hillcrest Jewish Center
183-02 Union Turnpike (Auditorium)
Fresh Meadows, NY 11366

♦ The Minutes of the April 15, 2015 Board Meeting were unanimously approved (with corrections) by 37 members.  
♦ Chairman Warshaviak asked all in attendance to observe a moment of silence for fallen NYPD Detective Brian Moore, who died in the line of duty.  
♦ Captain Paul Valerga of the 107th Precinct addressed the Community Board.  
♦ In accordance with the By-Laws of Community Board 8, elections were held for officers of the Board:

1. Alvin Warshaviak was unanimously reelected as Chairman  
2. Stanley Weinblatt was unanimously reelected as 1st Vice Chair.  
3. Martha Taylor was unanimously reelected as 2nd Vice Chair.  
4. Seymour Schwartz was reelected as 3rd Vice Chair.  
5. Carolyn Baker-Brown was unanimously reelected as Executive Secretary.  
6. Harbachan Singh was reelected as Treasurer.  

♦ Stephen Everett of the Department of City Planning reported on the Jamaica Now Initiative.  
♦ Chairman Warshaviak assigned Steve Konigsberg and Martha Taylor the task of initiating the review of the Community Board 8 By-Laws.

Next Community Board 8 Meeting will be on WEDNESDAY, June 10, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

*** Minutes of Board Meetings are available on our website: www.nyc.gov/queenscb8
A Word from the District Manager …

Dear Resident:

While you are planning your summer vacations, thieves, burglars and scam artists are not. They are always working hard to take your hard earned possessions. The Police Department needs your help to stop them. There are things that you can do to prevent being a victim.

- Be alert and aware of your surroundings at all times. Criminals often target people who are distracted.
- If possible, stay in designated waiting areas or in view of the station booth clerk while awaiting your train. Never walk or stand near the edge of the subway platform.
- Travel on populated, well lit streets. If possible, travel with a friend.
- When driving, keep your doors locked and the windows closed. Make sure the gas tank is full. Maintain your car in good working order to avoid breakdowns.
- Always lock your car. Before getting into your car, check the back seat to make sure no one is hiding there.
- Avoid leaving valuables in your car. Whenever possible, place items out of sight in the trunk of your vehicle prior to reaching your destination. Never leave packages in the passenger compartment unattended.
- Plan your purchases in advance and carry only the amount of cash or number of credit cards necessary to make the purchase. If you must carry a large sum of money, divide the cash between your purse, pockets and wallet.
- Cancel credit cards you don’t use and keep a record of the account numbers for each credit card you possess. This will facilitate reporting the theft or loss of the cards.
- Carry your purse close to your body. Place one end of the purse in the palm of your hand and the other in the bend of the elbow. Never wrap the strap around your body.
- If you are carrying a wallet, carry it in the breast pocket of your jacket or in your side pants pocket. The rear pants pocket is the easiest to pick.
- When in a restaurant, don’t leave your handbag over the back of your chair or on the floor. Don’t leave your belongings unattended.
- Don’t wait until you have reached your front door to look for your keys. Have them ready in your hand. If a stranger is standing near your door, it may be a good idea not to go in until the situation feels safer. Lock your front door immediately upon entering your home.

According to the 107th Precinct, you must also beware of people calling on the telephone and asking you to wire money. The target victim of this scam is called by someone claiming to be a relative who needs bail money to get out of jail. Or they may claim your family member has been kidnapped and will demand that the ransom be paid via a money transfer service such as Western Union. Keep in mind that anyone calling and asking you for money MUST be considered suspicious. The Police Department NEVER solicits funds.

Here are some steps to take if this occurs:

- Hang up the phone.
- Remain calm and contact your loved ones to verify their safety.
- Never wire money in a panic.
- Never give your personal or financial information to the caller.
- CALL 9-1-1

I urge you to use these safety tips from the New York Police Department. Please share them with your friends, neighbors and members of your organization. It takes more than City Hall to make New York City great, it takes us all!

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.nyc.gov/queenscb8. Remember to “Like” us on
Community Board 8, Queens’
FIFTH ANNUAL HEALTH FAIR!
JOIN US FOR:
Free Health Screenings
Free Healthy & Nutritious Snacks
Fun Activities for Children - Bouncee House, etc…
Healthy Teeth/Gums Information & Free Dental Care Samples
Smoking Cessation Information and Samples
Health Insurance Information
Learn how to do CPR
… and much more!

Eat Greens To Stay Lean!

CB8 is always on the Move. Get on the Move With CB8!

WHEN: Friday, June 26, 2015
(Rain or Shine)
TIME: 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
WHERE: Cunningham Park’s Parking Lot
196th Place / Union Turnpike

Call us at 718-264-7895 for more information

Please support our sponsors
Our Sponsors for the Health Fair are:

Bike New York
CUNY Queens College
Flushing Hospital Medical Center
Foodtown of Hollis
Friends of Cunningham Park
Grace O & P Med Supplies
Healthfirst
Hillside Manor Adult Day Health Care Center
Honorable Leroy Comrie, New York State Senator
Honorable Rory Lancman, New York City Council Member
Honorable Grace Meng, Member of Congress
Honorable Nily Rozic, New York State Assembly
LIJ Medical Center
Live On NY
My Gym Fresh Meadows
NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene
NYC Fire Department
NYC Police Department
Pilates Bodies NY
Queens Animal Health
Queens Hospital Center
Queens Public Library
Queens Community House
Silvercrest
SNAP
Sol-Center Chiropractic—Dr. Ara Bagdassarian
Union Medical Urgent Care

[This is a running list.]

If you would like to participate, please contact us no later than June 12th at 718-264-7895 or via email at qn08@cb.nyc.gov - SPACE IS LIMITED
Queens Immigration Task Force Directory

Borough President Katz has a directory of services for immigrant services. This directory is available online at:

www.queensbp.org/policy/immigrant-affairs-intercultural-relations/

This directory was compiled by the Borough Presidents’ office of Immigrant and Intercultural Affairs.

Printed copies may be obtained by calling Borough President Melinda Katz’s office at (718) 286-2741 or by writing the office at 120-55 Queens Blvd. Kew Gardens, NY 11424.

Events at Cunningham Park

June 22, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. - New York Philharmonic with Fireworks.
June 29, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. - Puppet Show for Children.
Main Shakespeare Program at 8:00 p.m. Children’s Workshop at 7:30 p.m.
July 30, 2015 - Shakespeare in the Park, Hip to Hip Theater Co.

Merry Wives of Windsor, District 23 City Council Funds

August 16, 2015 - Rain Date

Concerts at the Park
August 20, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. - Just 60's, Council Member Rory Lancman
August 21, 2015 - Rain Date

Movies under the stars programs begin at 8:00 p.m.
August 3, 2015 - Dead Poets Society, PG, District 23 City Council Funds
August 4, 2015 - Rain Date
August 10, 2015 - Raiders of the Lost Ark, PG, District 23 City Council Funds
August 11, 2015 - Rain Date
August 17, 2015 - Mr. Holland’s Opus, PG, District 23 City Council Funds
August 18, 2015 - Rain Date
August 24, 2015 - Big Hero 6, PG, District 23 City Council Funds
August 25, 2015 - Rain Date
August 31, 2015 - Lagaan, Indian Business Association, Inc. begins at 7:30 p.m.
September 1, 2015 - Rain date
As New York City Residents we must obey a gamut of regulations. We realize that most residents want to do the right thing and obey the rules. However, they often break them, as they are unaware of their existence. So…

Did you know???

Fines are higher for Repeat Sanitation Violators
Any person who has pled or been found guilty or in default by the Environmental Control Board (ECB) for 12 or more Notices of Violation within a 12-month period will be deemed a repeat violator. Repeat violator designation applies even if the penalties are paid. Repeat violators may plead by mail; they do not have to appear in person. The violations that are included in this Repeat Violator program are:

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Claim against The City of New York
Pursuant to an update to New York State General Municipal Law, Section 50(e), the New York City Comptroller’s Office must now provide for the electronic filing of claims against the City of New York. This on-line application (the eClaim system) will allow you to file an electronic notice of claim.

- By law, claims generally must be filed within ninety (90) days of the incident and eClaim will allow you to file at any time of the day
- Only Personal Injury and Property Damage claims can be filed electronically using the eClaim system.
- Electronic filing offers more flexibility in filing options to both attorneys and self-represented parties. Anyone with access to an internet connection can file a claim at any time using the eClaim system. It allows for a quick filing of a notice of claim, with no postage expenses or handling costs.
- After submitting a claim using the eClaim system, a message confirming receipt will appear on screen that the filer should print for their records.
- Forms can be found on the Claims forms section of the New York City Comptroller’s website:

For more information go to:
LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

- **164-02 Pizza Corp.** d/b/a Napoli restaurant & Pizzaria
  164-02 69th Avenue in Flushing, **Renewal application for a Wine, Beer and Liquor License.**
- **Melodya & co Inc.**
  157-09 72nd Avenue in Flushing, **Renewal application for a Wine, Beer and Liquor 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.

DEMOLITION/VACATE NOTICE

- 61-42 168th Street - Demolition
- 162-21 86th Avenue - Demolition (partial)
- 68-04 147th Street - Demolition
- 68-03 172nd Street - Demolition (garage only)
- 75-48 180th Street - Demolition
- 71-22 166th Street - Demolition (building & garage)
- 77-36 169th Street - Demolition (building & garage)
- 150-45 73rd Avenue - Apt. 1G - Vacate Order

CITY PARKING RULES

There are no scheduled suspensions of alternate side parking regulations for street cleaning purposes, traffic flow for the month of **June 2015.**

NYC Recycles

At the DSNY Safe Disposal event, you can recycle your electronics, and safely discard potentially harmful household products, including motor oil, paint and unwanted medications.

Cunningham Park - Ball field Parking Lot
**Saturday, June 20, 2015**
10:00 a.m.

**Remember** - you can be fined $100 for illegally discarding your electronics.

LiveOn NY

Formerly Council of Senior Centers and Services of NYC, Inc.

Free SNAP and SCRIE application assistance

**Thursday, June 11, 2015**
12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Briarwood Library
85-12 Main Street
Briarwood, NY 11435

Call AARP hotline for an appointment at:
1-877-926-8300
Call-ins are welcome too!
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