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March 2019 COMMUNITY BOARD & COMMITTEE CALENDARS

BOARD MEETING

WHEN: Tuesday, March 12th

TIME: Preliminary Budget Responses for FY2020 7:00pm followed by Board Meeting at 7:30pm

WHERE: Riverdale YM/YWHA 5265 Arlington Avenue

**BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8 MEETINGS
MARCH 2019**

***PLEASE CHECK WEBSITE FOR UPDATES (www.nyc.gov/bronxcb8)**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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4	5 JOINT MEETING Economic Development & Environment & Sanitation Land & Sea Restaurant 5535 Broadway 7:30PM	6 Executive Committee Board Office 5676 Riverdale Avenue Suite 100 7:30 PM	7	8
11 Law, Rules & Ethics Board Office 5676 Riverdale Avenue Suite 100 7:30PM	12 PUBLIC HEARING Preliminary Budget Responses for FY 2020 Riverdale YM/YWHA 5625 Arlington Avenue, Multipurpose Room 7:00 PM (please note time) Board Meeting Follows Public Hearing 7:30 PM	13 Health, Hospitals & Social Services 50 th Precinct 3450 Kingsbridge Avenue 7:30 PM	14 Traffic & Transportation Riverdale Neighborhood House 5521 Mosholu Avenue (make a left after you enter the building) 7:00PM	15
18	19 Aging Time and location to be determined ----- Public Safety 50 th Precinct 3450 Kingsbridge Avenue 7:00 PM	20	21	22
25 Housing Location to be determined 7:30 PM	26 Education, Libraries & Cultural Affairs Board Office 5676 Riverdale Avenue Suite 100 7:30 PM	27 Parks and Recreation Location to be determined 7:00PM	28 Youth Board Office 5676 Riverdale Avenue Suite 100 7:30PM	29

*Dates & locations are subject to change. If you do not receive a meeting notice, please verify with the Board Office 718-884-3959

PUBLIC GALLERY SESSION: Each month the General Board meeting begins with a Public Gallery Session. If you wish to address the Board, contact the office at 718-884-3959. Please note there is a limit of five speakers, who are allotted 3 minutes each.

BOARD COMMITTEE CALENDARS

Please go to www.nyc.gov/bronxcb8 for an update of our calendar.

The next Bronx Community Board No. 8 meeting will be held on April 9th, Horace Mann (231 W. 246th Street)

Daylight Savings Time begins at 2 a.m. on Sunday, March 10, 2019!

Do you know what this means? It means...

Spring is just around the corner!

Don't Forget!
Change Your Clocks...
Change Your Batteries!



NEWS:

o **Be a Clean Water Advocate!**

The Environment and Sanitation Committee of Bronx Community Board 8 announces a new community initiative to help clean our waterways. Be a Clean Water Advocate! It's as easy as 311.

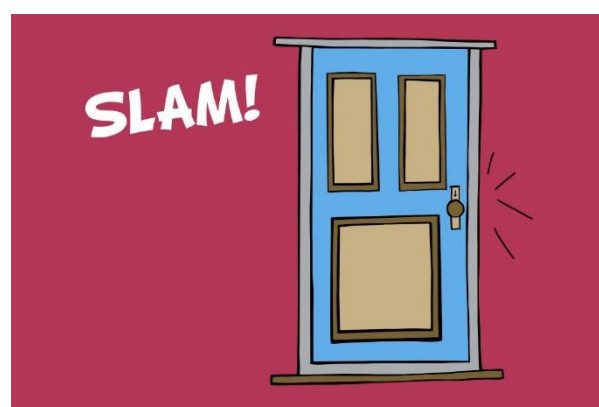
Garbage in streets clogs sewer grates and catch basins. A clogged catch basin causes flooding, and sends dirty water and garbage from our streets into our waterways.

But you can help. When you see clogged catch basins or flooded street, just follow these 3 steps:

1. Call 311 and report the location of the flooding or sewer grate.
2. Call or email Bronx Community Board 8 with the 311 number so we can follow up.
3. If you have not received an email resolving your call in two weeks, call the Community Board office.



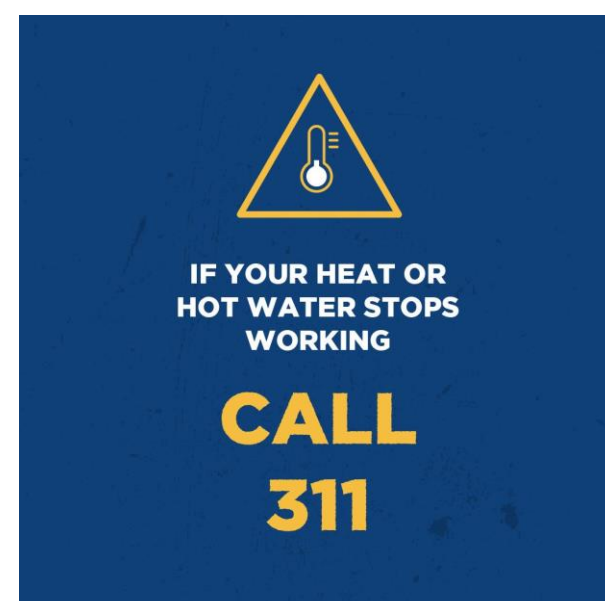
o **Fire Safety Tip**



If you leave a building during a fire, close all doors as you exit. This will keep the fire inside. This includes the stairwell door. A lot of things can catch on fire such as furniture, carpeting, decorations and more. If doors are left open the flames and smoke can travel more quickly.

o **Heat & Hot Water Complaints**

Residential building owners in New York City are legally required to provide heat and hot water to their tenants. You can make a complaint about a residential building that does not have enough heat or hot water.



Residential Heat and Hot Water Requirements

Between October 1 and May 31, the NYC requires building owners to provide tenants with heat according to the following rules:

- Between 6 AM and 10 PM, if the outside temperature falls below 55 degrees, the inside temperature must be at least 68 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Between 10 PM and 6 AM, the inside temperature must be at least 62 degrees Fahrenheit at all times. There is no outside temperature requirement.

Hot water must be provided 365 days per year at a constant minimum temperature of 120 degrees Fahrenheit.

Before filing a complaint, you should try to resolve the issue with your landlord, managing agent, or superintendent.

Call 311 to make a heat or hot water complaint for your apartment. NYC requires you must provide your contact information.

- **Freeze Your Rent SCRIE Application Forms Available at Bronx Community Board No. 8**

The Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE) program offers eligible tenants an exemption from rent increases. To be eligible for SCRIE, you must be 62 or older, have a household income of \$50,000 or less after allowable deductions and lease a rent controlled apartment, rent stabilized apartment or rent regulated hotel/SRO that costs at least one third of your monthly household income.



- **MTA Bronx Bus Redesign Update**



Bronx bus service has not changed in decades, despite rapid change and development throughout the borough. The Bronx has a weekday ridership of 515,000. There are 57 routes, but Bus speeds in the borough average 6.9 miles per hour. The Bronx has the second slowest bus speeds in NYC. MTA is taking a holistic, clean slate approach on tackling this issue, and they are listening to Bronxites! After months of workshops, public meetings and surveys, the MTA released an existing conditions report. To download the report [click here](#) and to receive updates on the Bronx Bus Redesign [click here](#).

Take MTA's Online Customer Survey [Here](#) for the chance to win free rides!

- **Henry Hudson Bridge Rehabilitation**

The Henry Hudson Bridge Pedestrian Walkway is closed for construction. Free shuttle service is offered seven days a week on thirty minute intervals from 7:00am – 5:00pm. For more information on this shuttle, please call (212) 304- 5001. Sign up for MTA e-mail or text alerts at www.mta.info and check the Bridges and Tunnels homepage or Facebook page for the latest information.



- **NYC DOT Updates**

For an interactive map of DOT permits throughout our community [click here](#).

- **Reconstruction of Water Mains & Replacement of Combined Sewers: Waldo Ave. Project #HED573 (November 2018- Spring 2020)**

The New York City Department of Design and Construction (DDC) is reconstructing Water Mains and replacing Combined Sewers along Waldo Ave and segments in surrounding area. This project also includes installation of Fire Hydrants, Catch Basins, Chute connections, sidewalks and curbs as needed, pruning of street trees, and restoration of roadway affected by the construction work within the project area.



DDC has assigned Manzur Alam, as the Community Construction Liaison (CCL) for this project. Please contact Mr. Alam for any project related inquiries/concerns you may have or, to be added to the project's email distribution list.

Phone: 718-543-2601 Fax: 718-543-2656
Email: waldoavenueccl@gmail.com
Field Office: 11 Dash Place, 2 fl. The Bronx, NY 10463

WEEKLY CONSTRUCTION BULLETIN

03/04/19 - 03/08/19

RECONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAINS & SEWER REPLACEMENTS IN WALDO AVENUE PROJECT #HED573 BOROUGH: The Bronx DATE ISSUED: 03/01/19

The following is an anticipated work schedule for the upcoming week. However, due to unforeseen field and weather conditions, it may become necessary to change some scheduled work locations, operations and dates. **Please note, there are in effect "No Parking" Restrictions within the project area.**

DATE	WORK HOURS	LOCATION	OPERATION
03/04/19 - 03/06/19	7:00 am - 3:30 pm	W. 259 St b/w Delafield Ave and Riverdale Ave;	Continue Installation 12" Water and 24" Combined Sewer (No Curbside Parking on W. 259 St b/w Riverdale & Delafield)
03/04/19 - 03/08/19	7:00 am - 3:30 pm	Waldo Ave b/w W. 236 St & Dash Place	Install Combined Sewer & Catch Basin (No Curbside Parking on Waldo Ave & Dash Pl intersection)
03/04/19 - 03/06/19	7:00 am - 3:30 pm	Riverdale Ave b/w W. 258 St & W. 259 St	Continue Installation 20" Water Main
03/04/19 - 03/07/19	7:00 am - 3:30 pm	Riverdale b/w H. H. Pkwy & W. 238 St	Install 20" Water Main (No Curbside Parking Riverdale Ave (west) b/w H.H Pkwy & W.238 St)
03/04/14 - 03/07/19	7:00am - 3:30pm	W. 236 St b/w Riverdale & Greystone	Install 12" Water Main (No Curbside Parking on W. 236 St b/w Riverdale & Greystone Ave)

WATER SHUT-OFF NOTIFICATIONS: In addition to a 72-hour Advisory from DDC, a prior 24-hour notification by the contractor will be distributed / posted to any / all affected location(s) as and when required.
NO PARKING SIGNS: Will be posted by the contractor 24 hours before imposing temporary restriction of street parking in construction area. **Please observe posted parking regulations in construction area(s).**
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Manzur Alam, the Community Construction Liaison at (718) 543 2601 # or waldosvenueool@gmail.com.

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o Trash It. Don't Flush it.

ONLY flush the four P's: Pee, Poop, Puke and toilet Paper.

NEVER flush wipes or other trash down the toilet, even if the box is labeled as flushable.

NEVER pour grease down kitchen sinks or toilets. Instead, place grease in sealed non-recyclable containers and discard with regular garbage.

TOSS dirty baby, makeup and cleaning wipes, tampons, sanitary pads and condoms in the trash.

REDUCE AND REUSE by using compostable or reusable makeup applicators (such as cotton balls) and cleaning supplies (such as paper towels or rags).

RECYCLE finished toilet rolls, cardboard packaging from toothpaste and brushes, and plastic packaging from shampoos and shower gels.

o NYC Culture Pass

NYC's three library systems launched **Culture Pass**, a program that will enable cardholding library patrons to check out free day passes to over 30 cultural institutions across the City, including MOMA, Wave Hill, Brooklyn Botanic Garden, the Children's Museum of the Arts and many more!



o Voter Registration

Register to vote. You can obtain a Voter Registration Form from the New York City Board of Elections by visiting the Board Office, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100 or by [clicking here](#).

o ID NYC

Get your IDNYC identification card. This is a free resource for all New York City residents. This is a government-issued photo identification card that secures the peace of mind and access to City services that come from having recognized identification. For more information and to book an appointment [click here](#).



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UPCOMING EVENTS:

○ **Toddler Storytime: Toddler Time with Ms. Becky**

Riverdale Library – 5540 Mosholu Ave
Tuesdays: March 5, March 12, March 19 & March 26
11:00 am- 11:30 am



Toddlers (walking to 36 months) and their parents/caregivers can enjoy interactive stories, action songs, and finger plays, and spend time with other toddlers in the neighborhood.

○ **Dept. of Social Services Tabling Event**

Spuyten Duyvil Library – 650 W. 235th St.
Monday, March 11
2 pm

New York City's Dept. of Social Services will be here to distribute literature and answer questions about the Source of Income law. The law prevents discrimination against people who use government assistance to pay for rent.



○ **Stay Well Exercise**

Kingsbridge Library – 291 W. 231 Street Bronx, NY
Fridays: March 8, March 15, March 22, March 29
11:00 am

Stay Well volunteers certified by the NYC's Department for the Aging will lead participants in a well-balanced series of exercises for seniors of all ability levels. Please wear loose, comfortable clothing. Exercise equipment will be provided. Those participating in the exercises must sign an activity release form.

○ **Ewin Park Public Meeting**



Adult Fitness Equipment Coming to Ewin Park

Public Meeting
Wednesday, March 6, 2019
7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**New York Public Library—
Kingsbridge Branch**
291 W 231st Street
Bronx NY, 10463

Please join us to share your input on the construction of a new adult fitness area in Ewin Park.

Light refreshments will be served.
Register on Eventbrite:
<https://bit.ly/2Dm8Py2>

For more information, contact Mike Ortiz at michael.ortiz@parks.nyc.gov, call 718-430-1802, or visit nycgovparks.org and search for **Capital Project Tracker**.
For accessibility information, contact Nate Heffron by March 1st at nathan.heffron@parks.nyc.gov.



o **Tibbets Brook Clean- Up**

Van Cortlandt Golf House
Saturday, March 23, 2019
10:00am

The Friends and VCPC are celebrating World Water Day a day late by cleaning up Tibbetts Brook and the riparian zone that surrounds it. Meet in the “free lot” of the Van Cortlandt Golf House to grab some waders and supplies before heading out to clean up Tibbetts. All equipment will be provided. For more information [click here](#).



o **Brust Park Clean Up**

Brust Park (Manhattan College Parkway & W 242nd Street)
Sunday, April 14

Join the Stewards of Brust Park on Sunday April 14th for a post winter clean up of Lower Brust Park.

o **It's My Park: Henry Hudson Park**

Date/Time: Saturdays, rain or shine, 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Palisade Avenue, Kappock Street, Independence Avenue
Contact: For more information, contact dp.reynolds@verizon.net

o **Jerome Park Neighbors and Friends: Clean Up Days**

Date/Time: Sundays , rain or shine, 9:00am- Noon
Location: Fort Independence Park
Contact: For more information, contact jeromeparkfans@gmail.com



Community Snapshot

The Stewards of Brust Park

Brust Park, located at W 242nd Street and Manhattan College Parkway is split by Greystone Avenue, which defines a "lower" section and "upper" section of the Park. The quaint Brust Park offers beautiful garden spots, an area of native forest and a small playground. The Stewards work closely with the NYC Parks Department and Partnership for Parks to keep it beautiful. This dedicated group regularly garden, mow, seed, plant, weed, scrape and paint. Its members are neighbors, students, local schools and organizations.



Feel free to contact the Stewards of Brust Park at stewardsofbrustpark@gmail.com if you have any questions or are interested in joining them.

Upcoming Projects:

<p>Sunday April 14th (rain date April 28th) What: post winter clean up Where: lower section of Brust Park</p> <hr/>	
<p>Saturday April 27th (rain date May 5th) What: post winter clean up Where: upper section of Brust Park</p> <hr/>	
<p>Saturday May 4th (rain date May 11th) What: new garden planting Where: upper section of Brust Park</p> <hr/>	

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