



May

COMMUNITY BOARD # 8 NEWSLETTER

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EXEC. SECRETARY: Carolyn Baker-Brown
TREASURER: Harbachan Singh

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Honorable Barry Grodenchik - 23rd District
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BOROUGH PRESIDENT

Honorable Melinda Katz

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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 Nisanov, Simon Pelman and Jacob Weinberg

Area 2 – Briarwood

Seymour Schwartz - CHAIR, Carolyn Baker-Brown, Allen Eisenstein, John Gebhard, Elke Maerz, Charlton Rhee, Douglas Sherman and Albert Willingham

Area 3 - Hillcrest Estates & Jamaica Hill

Kevin Forrestal - CHAIR, Dilafrooz Ahmed, Bhithara-Martha Fulton, Fakrul "Dehwar" Islam, Paul Lazauskas and Frances Peterson

Area 4 – Flushing Heights, Flushing Suburban, Hillcrest

Jagir Singh Bains—CHAIR, Kenneth Cohen II, Steven Konigsberg, Dilip Nath and Dr. Penny M. Stern

Area 5 – Georgetown Mews, Pomonok, Electchester, Flushing

Mary Maggio – CHAIR, Monica Corbett, Carolann Foley, Frank Magri, Rachele Van Arsdale and Stanley Weinblatt

Area 6 – Utopia, Fresh Meadows, West Cunningham Park

Maria DeInnocentiis – CHAIR, James Gallagher, Jr., Robert Harris, Tami Hirsch and Tamara Osherov

Area 7 – Jamaica Estates & Holliswood

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

Our Annual Health Fair will be on Friday, June 29, 2018. Save the date!

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

- The Minutes of March 14, 2018 Board Meeting were unanimously approved by 36 members.
- **Chairperson Martha Taylor:**
Sent best wishes to Dr. Allen Bennett and Stanley Weinblatt who are both recuperating. She introduced Dilip Nath, who has been appointed as a new Community Board 8 Member.
- **Mark J. Lefkof – Chair of Nominating Committee:**
 - * *Martha Taylor was nominated to serve as Chairperson*
 - * *Stanley Weinblatt was nominated to serve as 1st Vice Chair*
 - * *Seymour Schwartz was nominated to serve as 2nd Vice Chair*
 - * *Michael Hannibal was nominated to serve as 3rd Vice Chair*
 - * *Harbachan Singh was nominated to serve as Treasurer*
 - * *Carolyn Baker Brown was nominated to serve as Executive Secretary*

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Next Community Board 8 Meeting will be on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.
Minutes of Board Meetings are available on our website: www.nyc.gov/queenscb8 within two weeks.

• **Committee Reports:**

Mark J. Lefkof, Area 7 Chair

185-24 80th Road – Services for the Underserved (S:US)

An Informational Hearing was held on March 28, 2018 for an Application to establish a Community Residence for six (6) adults, both male and female. *CB8 sent a letter to the State documenting SUS's commitments to the Board.*

Steven Konigsberg, Zoning Committee Chair

* **ULURP Appl. # C180241PCQ – Brinckerhoff Cemetery – (Block 7135/Lots 54 and 60)**

A Public Hearing was held on April 9, 2018 regarding the acquisition of Brinckerhoff Cemetery by the City of New York through NYC Department of Parks. The landmarked property would be preserved and maintained by the Parks Department. *A roll call vote was taken. The motion was passed unanimously.*

In Favor: 36

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

* **BSA Calendar No. 55-97-BZ – 73-36 164th Street, Fresh Meadows, NY**

A Public Hearing was held on April 9, 2018 to approve a request for an Extension and Continuation of a Variance for the operation of Brendan's Service Station. *A roll call vote was taken. The motion was passed unanimously.*

In Favor: 36

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

* **BSA Calendar No. 194-97-BZ – 84-12 164th Street, Fresh Meadows, NY**

A Public Hearing was held on April 9, 2018 to approve a request for an Extension of Term of a previously granted Special Permit for the continued operation of Quick Stop Auto Repair, Inc. *A roll call vote was taken. The motion was passed unanimously.*

In Favor: 36

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

A Word from the District Manager ...

Dear Community Board 8 Resident:

The Department of Transportation just started to resurface our streets in Community Board 8. You may wonder why does DOT mill (removing the top layer of the road surface) the street and wait many weeks before coming back to pave. You may also wonder why the street parallel to yours is being resurfaced while yours looks just as bad and it is not being resurfaced. Let me explain.

After milling the roads, DOT allows time for the utility companies (i.e. Con Edison, National Grid, Verizon, Spectrum etc.) time to make repairs while the street has been disturbed. Once that time elapses, the street is now protected for five years. During that time, street opening permits are only allowed for emergency work or as allowed by the Commissioner.

At times, the DOT does not resurface a road that appears to be in the same condition as another street due to another agency's plan to disturb the road bed. It could be that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) or the Department of Design and Construction (DDC) has a sewer or water main replacement project in the near future. It could be that your gas company is planning on installing gas valves to be in compliance with Local Law 30. The same principal remains that the department would rather wait for all work to be performed ahead of resurfacing the street. This ensures that we all enjoy a smooth driving surface for a longer time.

*If you find this information useful, please help spread the word by sharing it with your friends and neighbors. **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

facebook



April 2018

Dear Friend:

In Governor Cuomo's 2018 State of the State, he announced the launch of a Long Term Care Planning Council to prepare for the emerging needs of New York State's growing aging population. The charge of the Council is to examine New York's long term care system. Specifically, the Council will:

- Analyze, evaluate, and identify the existing service gaps in New York's long term care system;
- Determine the most cost-effective evidence-based interventions; and
- Prepare a strategic plan to meet the emerging needs of New York's aging population over the next decade.

The New York State Department of Health and the New York State Office for the Aging are requesting that you complete a brief anonymous survey to assist the Planning Council in this effort. For the purpose of this Council, the "long term care system" should be broadly interpreted to include a variety of services and supports that help meet both the medical and non-medical needs of individuals with a chronic illness, disability, or functional need, and includes services and supports for caregivers.

This survey is the first step toward creating a State strategy to help meet the needs of our aging population now and in the future.

In addition to completing the survey yourself, we encourage you to send the link below to anyone who comes into contact with the long term care system. We welcome all comments and concerns from providers, organizations, caregivers, and care recipients. The results from this survey will be used in the deliberations of the Long Term Care Planning Council.

To access the survey, please visit this [link](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HM9DM97) or copy and paste the address below into your browser. Please respond **by June 18, 2018**.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HM9DM97>

We look forward to working with you as we examine our system and enhance services for older New Yorkers.

Sincerely,

Howard A. Zucker, M.D., J.D.
Commissioner of Health

Greg Olsen, Acting Director
New York State Office for the Aging



REDUCED FARE METROCARD MOBILE SALES BUS

Courtesy of

Assemblymember Daniel Rosenthal

MTA Reduced Fare MetroCard Mobile Sales Bus Event

MTA representatives will be on site to assist qualified individuals obtain a half-fare MetroCard.

Event Details

Thursday, May 31 2018
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

158-11 Jewel Ave, Fresh Meadows, NY 11365
Joint Industry Board of the Electrical Industry

Who should attend?

- ✓ Seniors citizens age 65+
- ✓ People with qualifying disabilities

What should I bring?

- ✓ Valid photo ID
- ✓ Medicare Card for disabled applicants
- ✓ Disabled applicants without a Medicare Card should bring written information from their doctor detailing extent of disability

Please note, you CAN add fare to existing MetroCards at this event

For more information about this event or any community concern, contact:

**Office of Assemblymember
Daniel Rosenthal**

159-06 71st Avenue
Flushing, NY 11365
718-969-1508



Community Farmers Markets Local Food



MAY 6
thru
NOV 18

**EBT,
WIC Checks
WELCOME**

**Health Bucks
Available**

Cunningham Park Farmers Market

Sundays, 9AM-2PM

**In the parking lot off Union
Turnpike near the tennis courts**



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to
Earth**
FARMERS MARKETS

George J. Ryan Middle School 216Q!

Parent & Community

Walk-A-Thon

Friday, May 18, 2018

9:00AM

FREE

FREE

FREE



*Please wear
comfortable,
clothes and
sneakers.*

ALL ARE WELCOME!

*Join us as the Parents of Ryan
utilize our beautiful walking track!*

Walking.....

Strengthens the Heart

Lowers disease risk

Lowers risk of Dementia

Boost vitamin D

&

Helps you stay fit!


Refreshments will be provided

For more information contact

Mr. Nichols at 718-358-2005 ext.1172

Jnicholshillian2@schools.nyc.gov


It's time to come and pick out a free suit for prom...



NYPD


**The Patrol Boro Queens South
Young Men's**

PROM DRIVE 2018



**SATURDAY MAY 05, 2018
10 AM - 3 PM
P.O. EDWARD BYRNE
PAL CENTER
116-25 GUY R. BREWER BLVD**

**For more info contact
Sgt. Clarke, PBQS
(917) 681-5426**





*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???

New York City Department Traffic Rules

Title 34 § 4-08 (6) (m)(1)

Wrong way parking is prohibited. **Except where angle parking is authorized, every vehicle** stopped, standing, or parked partly upon a roadway **shall be** so stopped, standing or **parked parallel to the curb or edge of the roadway.** On a one-way roadway such vehicle shall be facing in the direction of authorized traffic movement; on a two-way roadway such vehicle shall be facing in the direction of authorized traffic movement on that portion of the roadway on which the vehicle rests.

Sidewalk Obstruction

(Excerpt from §16-118(2)(a))

Sidewalk areas must be kept free from any obstruction that could impede pedestrian traffic. Obstructions may include, but are not limited to, refuse, refuse containers, merchandise, bins, racks, coin-operated rides, sandwich or A-frame signs, over-extended sidewalk displays/stands, ATMs, ice machines and acrylic enclosures, etc.

Stores are permitted to have outside displays of merchandise. The items displayed must consist of goods which are available for sale inside the store and all sales must occur inside the premise. Structures for merchandise displayed outside the store may extend **no more than 3 feet into the sidewalk from the building line and no higher than 5 feet.** However, streets that are designated "zero sidewalk display streets" *may not have* any displays placed on the sidewalks. To find out if a street is a "zero sidewalk display street," please call 311.

FINE: \$100-\$300

LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION (S)



- ♦ **Rubsub Inc. d/b/a Kin'd**
192-03 Union Turnpike in Fresh Meadows, **New Full 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.

CITY PARKING RULES

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



Solemnity of the Ascension.....Thu, May 10th
Shavuot.....May 20th and May 21st

Remember, parking meters are still in effect.

DEMOLITION NOTICE



- **84-19 Kent Street** - Garage/house demolition and excavation work
- **76-28 Parsons Blvd.** - Demolition and excavation work
- **199-46 Keno Ave.** - Demolition

Street Activity/Block Party Permit Request



There are no Street Activity/Block Party scheduled for the month of May.



NYC DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Bring old bank statements, paystubs and all documents with identifying information.

Saturday, May 19th

FMCP - Parking Lot

111th Street

Bet.: 54th & 56th Avenues

Sunday, May 20th

Stop & Shop Plaza

Springfield Boulevard

Bet.: Merrick Blvd. & 135th Avenue



May 2018

Community Board 8, Queens

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Lag B'Omer	4	5 CINCO DE MAYO
6	7 Public Hearing BSA 539-66-BZ 61-19 Fresh Meadow Lane CB8 Office 197-15 Hillside Ave 7:30 p.m.	8 Liquor License Committee Mtg. CB8 Office 197-15 Hillside Avenue 7:30 p.m.	9 Board Meeting Hillcrest J.C. 183-02 Union Turnpike 7:30 p.m.	10 Ascension	11	12
13 MOMS ARE THE BEST	14 Public Hearing Co-naming of 169th Avenue (bet. Hillside Ave. & Homelann Street) CB8 Office 197-15 Hillside Ave. 7:30 p.m.	15	16 Ramadan	17	18	19
20 Pentecost 	21 שבועות SHAVUOT	22	23	24	25	26
27 MEMORIAL DAY	28	29	30	31 Corpus Christi 		

“Ma-ma does everything for the baby, who responds by saying Da-da first.”

~ Mignon McLaughlin