



# Mid-Summer

## COMMUNITY BOARD # 8 NEWSLETTER

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### OFFICERS

**CHAIRPERSON:** Martha Taylor  
**DISTRICT MANAGER:** Marie Adam-Ovide  
**1st VICE CHAIR:** Stanley Weinblatt  
**2nd VICE CHAIR:** Seymour Schwartz  
**3rd VICE CHAIR:** Michael Hannibal  
**EXEC. SECRETARY:** Carolyn Baker-Brown  
**TREASURER:** Harbachan Singh

### CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Honorable Barry Grodenchik - 23rd District  
Honorable Rory Lanman - 24th District

### BOROUGH PRESIDENT

Honorable Melinda Katz

### STAFF

Alma Karassavidis  
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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

**Howard Fried – 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 May 9, 2018 Board Meeting were unanimously approved by 34 members.
- ◆ Congratulations to Board Member Kenneth Cohen II who had a son about a week ago and named him Kenneth Cohen III.
- ◆ Community Board's Internal Budget has been increased by approximately \$43,000 this year. The funding is only for Fiscal Year 2019. These funds can only be used for technology and to sponsor community events.\*
- ◆ Local Laws 245 and 247 of 2017 came into effect on June 15, 2018. District Manager, Marie Adam-Ovide will serve as the Agency's Privacy Officer (APO).
- ◆ Chairperson Martha Taylor announced that Howard A. Fried is the new Area 7 Chair., replacing Mark Lefkof who recently retired.
- ◆ **Committee Reports:**

#### Kevin Forrestal – Area 3 Chair

**169<sup>th</sup> Street Co-naming** – Request for Co-naming of 169<sup>th</sup> Street between Hillside Avenue and Homelawn Street in honor of Ramesh Kalicharran: **Ramesh Kalicharran "Kali" Way.**

**In Favor: 27**

**Opposed: 6**

**Abstained: 1**

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**Next Community Board 8 Meeting will be on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.**

Minutes of Board Meetings are available on our website: [www.nyc.gov/queenscb8](http://www.nyc.gov/queenscb8) within two weeks.

**Committee Reports:** (Continued on from Page 1)

**Mary Maggio – Executive Committee Member**

**New York State Nursing Association (NYSNA) Resolution** – The Resolution was presented to Community Board 8’s Executive Board by the New York State Nursing Association (NYSNA) to support safe staffing for nurses.

**In Favor: 25**

**Opposed: 9**

**Abstained: 0**

*\* We have learned in July that the additional funds can be used for all OTPS items, not just technology and event.*

***A Word from the District Manager ...***

*Dear Community Board 8 Resident:*

*New rules for used car dealerships came into effect on **June 24, 2018**. This was done to ensure that customers are aware of their financial options and terms of their contract of sales.*

*According to the Department of Consumer Affairs, the following are now required disclosures that used car dealerships must issue:*

- **Consumer Bill of Rights**, which must also be posted in any area or office where customers negotiate or execute sales contracts.
- **Financing Disclosure Form**, which must include the lowest annual percentage rate (APR) offered by any financing company for a loan with the same term, number of payments, collateral, and down payment.
- **Contract Cancellation Option**, which would allow consumers to cancel the contract within **two weekdays**. In addition, it allows them time to review contract and any financing agreement away from the dealership, without pressure.

*Most importantly, these disclosures must be provided in the language that the contract was negotiated. If consumers have any problems with a used car dealership, DCA encourages them to file a complaint by visiting [www.nyc.gov/dca](http://www.nyc.gov/dca) or by contacting 311.*

*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. The Financial Empowerment Centers offer free appointments for one-on-one financial counseling. You may wish to get your finances in order before buying a car or for help in tackling debt. Call 311 or book an appointment online at: <https://booknow-dca.appointment-plus.com/#/>!*

*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](http://www.nyc.gov/queenscb8). Remember to “Like” us on*

**facebook**

## **Thank you to all who participated at our Health Fair!**

Acupuncture Is My Life  
Advanced Cardiovascular Diagnostics  
Carl's Butterflies  
Catholic Charities Southwest Queens Friendly Visiting Program  
Cunningham Tennis  
Emergency Medical Rescue of NYC  
FDNY - Fire Safety Education  
Friends of Cunningham Park  
Flushing Hospital Medical Center  
Foodtown of Hollis  
Hillside Manor Rehabilitation & Extended Care Center  
Honorable Leroy Comrie, State Senator  
Honorable Barry Grodenchik  
Honorable Daniel Rosenthal  
Honorable Nily Rozic  
Honorable David Weprin  
HRA / Get Covered  
Humane Society of the United States  
NYC Commission on Human Rights  
NYC Human Resources Administration  
NYC Department for the Aging  
NYC Department for Environmental Protection  
NYC Department of Parks and Recreation  
NYC Department of Transportation  
NYP/Queens Community Health Initiatives  
New York Life  
Northwell Health  
Ohel Children's Home & Family Services  
Purple Fish Healing  
Queens College - Jazz Duo  
Queens Library & Queens Mobile Library  
Schwartz Brothers/Forest Chapels  
Selfhelp Community Services  
Silvercrest Senior Housing  
Trips for Kids Metro New York  
Visiting Nurse Services Choice Health Plan  
Visiting Nurse Services



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If you have a library card, you can reserve a pass and get free admission to dozens of cultural institutions. Save money and discover more about your city!

**Bklyn**  
Public Library



New York  
Public  
Library

**Queens Library**

To view participating organizations  
and reserve a pass, visit us online:  
**[culturepass.nyc](http://culturepass.nyc)**



## DESCUBRA SU CIUDAD CON CULTURE PASS

Explore los museos y las atracciones de la ciudad de Nueva York con Culture Pass (Pase cultural). Si tiene una tarjeta de la biblioteca, puede reservar un pase y recibir acceso gratis a docenas de Instituciones culturales. ¡Ahorre dinero y descubra más sobre su ciudad!

Para ver las organizaciones participantes y reservar un pase, visítenos en línea: [culturepass.nyc](http://culturepass.nyc)

## ОТКРОЙТЕ ДЛЯ СЕБЯ СВОЙ ГОРОД С ПОМОЩЬЮ МУЗЕЙНОГО ПРОПУСКА CULTURE PASS

Пропуск Culture Pass откроет для Вас двери музеев и достопримечательностей Нью-Йорка. Если у Вас есть читательский билет, Вы можете зарезервировать пропуск и получить бесплатный доступ к десяткам культурных учреждений. Сэкономьте и продолжайте исследовать свой город!

Список организаций-участников и возможность зарезервировать пропуск по адресу: [culturepass.nyc](http://culturepass.nyc)

## CULTURE PASS 让你畅游你的城市

文化通行证 (Culture Pass) 让你畅游纽约市的博物馆和景点。如果你有图书馆卡，你可以预定一张通行证，享受免费游访数十个文化机构。既省钱又可进一步了解你的城市！

查看参与组织并预定通行证，请访问我们的网址：  
[culturepass.nyc](http://culturepass.nyc)

## اكتشف مدينتك مع CULTURE PASS

اكتشف متاحف مدينة نيويورك ومناطق الجذب السياحي بها مع Culture Pass. إذا كان لديك بطاقة مكتبة، يمكنك حجز جواز مرور والحصول على إمكانية وصول مجانية لعشرات من المؤسسات الثقافية. ادخر المال واكتشف المزيد بشأن مدينتك!

لعرض المنظمات المشاركة ولحجز جواز المرور، قم بزيارتنا عبر الانترنت على: [culturepass.nyc](http://culturepass.nyc)



# 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

**Wednesday, August 29, 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 71<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
Flushing, NY 11365  
718-969-1508





*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???

### LOCAL LAW 30

The City of New York recently mandated that there be an external safety gas cut off valve at each property by December 2019. The utility companies are in the process of working to meet this deadline. They will be coming to the Community Board 8 District in the future. *CB8 will add the timeframe on its Newsletter as soon as this information becomes available..*

Notices will be given out and will be available in seven (7) languages. National Grid plans to do Community Outreach by:

1. Sending a letter about the appointment.
2. Sending a letter once they are working on the site.
3. Sending a final letter before they leave the site.

As of July 9, 2018, they had approximately 16,000 homes on the list and will get to every single one by December 2019. If there is an existing device on your property, you will not be on the list. The devices are round and they are most likely located on the sidewalk near the curb.

It is important to know that the homeowners **have options**. The contractor is **required** to inform you that you have the option of having the device located one of these three locations:

1. On the sidewalk,
2. On the grass,
3. On the street.

Please be aware of unscrupulous individuals who may use this as a way to illegally enter your home. Please confirm that they are from the utility company by calling them directly.

## LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION (S)

♦ **Tokyo Steak & Sushi, Inc.**

184-14/16 Horace Harding Expressway in Flushing, *Renewal of Full Liquor License*



♦ **Jin Sushi NYC, Inc.**

181-24 Union Turnpike in Flushing, *New Wine, Beer and Cider 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.



Feast of the Assumption.....August 15th  
Idul-Adha (Eid Al-Adha).....August 21-23  
**Remember, parking meters are still in effect.**

### DEMOLITION NOTICE



61-11 172nd Street - Demolition  
61-15 172nd Street - Demolition  
75-55 185th Street - Demolition  
80-15 188th Street - Demolition  
61-15 165th Street - Demolition

### Street Activity/Block Party Permit Requests



Main  
Street

**Festival - August 26th**  
(10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.)

Main Street bet. 72nd Avenue and 72nd Drive

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

### THE CENTRAL QUEENS Y WORKFORCE PROGRAM PRESENTS

### **Beginner and Intermediate ESL Classes**

Beginner Level: Mondays & Wednesdays  
**Starting August 20, 2018**  
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Intermediate Level: Fridays  
**Starting August 24, 2018**  
Noon - 3:30 p.m.




Central Queens Y  
67-09 108th Street  
Forest Hills, NY 11375

Call Courtney Wiggins to register (718) 268-5011 Ext. 187



# Summer 2018

## Community Board 8, Queens

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Feast of the Assumption 	16	17	18
19	20	Eid Al-Adha 21 	22	23	24	25
Women Equality Day 26  It was never a dress.	27	28	29	30	31	

*"No one can make you feel inferior without your consent."* ~ Eleanor Roosevelt