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COMMUNITY BOARD # 8 NEWSLETTER

DISTRICT OFFICE

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OFFICERS

CHAIRMAN: Alvin Warshaviak

DISTRICT MANAGER: Marie Adam-Ovide 1st VICE CHAIR: Stanley Weinblatt 2nd VICE CHAIR: Martha Taylor 3rd VICE CHAIR: Seymour Schwartz EXEC. SECRETARY: Maurice Braithwaite

TREASURER: Robert Van Pelt

BUDGET DIRECTOR: Maurice Braithwaite

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Honorable Mark S. Weprin Honorable James F. Gennaro

BOROUGH PRESIDENT

Honorable Helen Marshall

STAFF

Barbara McKeon and Jamise Jones

BOARD MEMBERS BY AREA

<u> Area 1 – Kew Gardens Hills</u>

Dr. Allen J. Bennett – CHAIR, Susan D. Cleary, Florence Fisher, Joshua Glikman, Mitch Lisker, Simon Pelman, Michael Sidell, Norma Stegmaier and Jacob Weinberg

<u> Area 2 – Briarwood</u>

Seymour Schwartz - CHAIR, Carolyn Baker-Brown, Allen Eisenstein, Elke Maerz, Virginia Rallis, Charlton Rhee and Albert Willingham

<u> Area 3 - Hillcrest Estates & Jamaica Hills</u>

Kevin Forrestal - CHAIR, Dilafroz Ahmed, Frances Peterson, Samuel Rodriguez and Anna Sawchuk

<u> Area 4 – Flushing Heights, Flushing Suburban, Hillcrest</u>

Robert Van Pelt - ACTING CHAIR, Jagir Singh Bains, Maurice Braithwaite, Kenneth Cohen II, Steven Konigsberg, Annie Salvatore and Alvin Warshaviak

Area 5 - Georgetown Mews, Pomonok, Electchester, Flushing

Mary Maggio Fischer – CHAIR, Monica Corbett, Carolann Foley, Frank Magri, Steven Sadofsky and Stanley Weinblatt

Area 6 – Utopia, Fresh Meadows, West Cunningham Park

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

<u> Area 7 – Jamaica Estates & Holliswood</u>

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, January 9, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. Hillcrest Jewish Center, 183-02 Union Turnpike

Minutes of December 12, 2012 were approved: 29 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

Memorial for Staff Member Jennifer Phillips Brosowsky

- Jennifer worked at Community Board 8 for 8 ½ years. She was a delight to work with. She was always eager to please and was courteous to everyone at the other end of the phone. The Board will suffer greatly with her loss.
- Chairman Alvin Warshaviak, Stanley Weinblatt, Martha Taylor, Marc A. Haken, Robert Harris, Cheryl White, Diane Cohen (*Retired District Manager*) Staff Member Jamise Jones spoke loving words about Jennifer. Jamise Jones read a statement from District Manager Marie Adam-Ovide and presented a beautiful memorial video celebrating Jennifer's life. Chairman Warshaviak requested a moment of silence.
- Councilman Mark Weprin attended the Community Board meeting. He commented the members for their unity, civility and friendly atmosphere. "CB8's people are really like a family for our community," says Weprin.

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

A Word from the District Manager ...

Dear Resident:

I took a leave of absence to run for the Special City Council election in February for my neighborhood. While on leave, I have been in touch with the office on a regular basis ensuring that the Community Board's residents

are not negatively affected by my absence.

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

QED-1000 Update!

On/about the week of February 4, 2013 the NYC Department of Design and Construction (DDC) will begin a capital construction project to install and replace water mains and fire hydrants at various locations within Community Board 8.



Locations include: Homelawn Street—From Hillside Avenue to Charlecote Ridge; Gothic Drive—From 166th Street to Homelawn Street; Highland Avenue—From 166th Street to Kingston Place; Cedarcroft Road—From Homelawn Street to Wexford Terrace; 166th Street—From Highland Avenue to Hillside Avenue; Grand Central Parkway South/SR RD—From 170th Street to 173rd Street; 173rd Street—From Grand Central Parkway SR Road to Homelawn Street; 169th Street—From Gothic Drive to Hillside Avenue; 168th Street—From Grand Central Parkway South/ SR RD to Hillside Avenue; 168th Place—From Grand Central Parkway South/ SR RD to Hillside Avenue; 169th Street—From Grand Central Parkway South/ SR RD to Gothic Avenue; 170th Street—From Grand Central Parkway South/ SR RD to Gothic Avenue; 171st Street—From 84th Road to Homelawn Street; 172nd Street—From Grand Central Parkway/ SR RD to Homelawn Street; 83rd Avenue—From 170th Street to Homelawn Street; 84th Road—From 170th Street to 172nd Street; and 84th Drive—From 170th Street to 171st Street.

Please contact the Community Board with any questions or concerns.

High Efficiency WaterSense Fixtures Reduce Household Water Use and Energy Costs

New Yorkers are encouraged to use WaterSense-labeled showerhead fixtures, which conserve water and reduce annual water and energy costs for households. Showering accounts for nearly 17 percent of all residential indoor water use, about 31 gallons per household every day or about 38 billion gallons of water every year in New York City. By using WaterSense labeled showerheads, the average New York City household can reduce its annual water use by approximately 2,900 gallons of water per year—equivalent to the amount of water used to wash more than 70 loads of laundry.

WaterSense, a partnership program sponsored by EPA, seeks to protect the future of our nation's water supply by educating people about simple ways to use less water with more efficient products. For more information, visit www.epa.gov/watersense. NYSERDA provides residential, commercial, industrial and multifamily energy efficiency programs to help New Yorkers reduce energy use and cut energy costs. For more information, visit www.NYSERDA.ny.gov. Con Edison offers free WaterSense fixtures, CFLs and smart strips to owners and managers of multi-family residences with 5-75 units to help save water and energy. For more information, call 877-870-6118 or visit www.coned.com.

LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS



- Gino's of Kissena, 65-01 Kissena Boulevard, applied for renewal of its Wine and Beer license.
- Acquista Trattoria, 178-01 Union Turnpike, applied for renewal of its Wine and Beer license.
- PJ Cardivan Inc., 189-25 Union Turnpike, applied for renewal of its Liquor, Wine and Beer license.
- Valentino's Pizza, 71-47 Kissena Boulevard, applied for renewal of its Wine and Beer license.
- Kew Motor Inn, 139-01 Grand Central Parkway, applied for renewal of its Liquor, Wine and Beer license.
- Turquoise Restaurant, 189-23 Union Turnpike, applied for renewal of its Wine and Beer license.
- John's Pizza, 83-40 Parsons Boulevard, applied for renewal of its Wine and Beer license.

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

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



No request was approved/nor awaits the Street Activity Permit Office (SAPO)'s approval for the Board for **February 2013**.



For not-for-profit groups seeking capital funding for FY 2014: The deadline for groups to submit application to the Capgrants system is **Thursday, February 28, 2013** by 5 p.m. The application is available on the Borough President's web page, www.queensbp.org.



Adecco in partnership with Queens Borough President Helen Marshall is currently staffing for a new and exciting Cirque du Soleil.

Job Fair—Tuesday, February 5th at 10 a.m. at Queens Borough Hall, 120-55 Queens Boulevard.

Apply online at www.adeccousa.com or call (212) 497-5732.

Department of Environmental Protection and American Water Resources Offer Homeowner Service Line Protection Programs



Homeowners may enroll in the program and pay a monthly fee to cover potential service line issues. Water customers may participate in the service line protection programs at a present rate of \$3.99 per month for water line protection and \$7.99 per month for sewer line protection.

For future years, the New York City Water Board will approve annual rates for the service line protection programs at the same time it adopts DEP water and sewer service charges. Customers who choose to join the programs may elect to protect both their water and sewer lines, or one or the other.

They may also discontinue their involvement with the programs at any time if they no longer wish to participate. Further information about the programs and how to join will be mailed to eligible property owners beginning today, and is available online at www.AWRUSA.com/NYC or by calling (888) 300-3570.

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 **February 2013.**

February 10......Asian Lunar New Year

February 12.....Lincoln's Birthday

February 13.....Ash Wednesday

February 18......Washington's Birthday (President's Day)

February 24.....Purim

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



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 February 9, 16, 23; March 2, 9, 23, 30; April 6, 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. CPAs and/or lawyers will be on site to review all work.

For more information visit, www.communitytaxaidnyc.org



Notice 147-58 77 Road

Vacate Order 147-42 75 Avenue





SAVE A LIFE BECOME A LIFEGUARD!



Parks lifeguards play a critical role in the operation of 8 beaches and 54 outdoor pools. Working as a lifeguard provides young people with the chance to be part of a large, public organization committed to public safety.

The minimum qualifications to enter the course are:

- Be at least 16 years of age at the time of employment.
- Have eyesight no worse than 20/30 in one eye and 20/40 in the other.
- Be able to swim 50 yards in 35 seconds with proper form.

Those who qualify will enter a training program consisting of swimming and rescue techniques. First year lifeguards will earn at least \$13.57 an hour, and most lifeguards work a six day week, for a weekly salary of \$651.36.

Any questions or suggestions, e-mail lifeguards@parks.nyc.gov.



February 2013 Community Board 8, Queens

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	7:30 p.m. Transportation Committee Meeting	12	7:30 p.m. Board Meeting Hillcrest J.C.	14	15	16
17	18 Office Closed President's Day	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	Public Hearing Public Hearing USTA Expansion Hillside Manor 188-11 Hillside Avenue	27	28		