



September 2013

COMMUNITY BOARD # 8 NEWSLETTER

DISTRICT OFFICE

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CHAIRMAN: Alvin Warshaviak

DISTRICT MANAGER: Marie Adam-Ovide

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EXEC. SECRETARY: Vacant
TREASURER: Maria DeInnocentiis
BUDGET DIRECTOR: Vacant

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Honorable Mark S. Weprin Honorable James F. Gennaro

BOROUGH PRESIDENT

Honorable Helen Marshall

STAFF

Barbara McKeon, Jamise Porterfield and Alma Karassavidis

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, Paul Lazauskas, Frances Peterson, Samuel Rodriguez and Anna Sawchuk

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

Jagir Singh Bains—CHAIR, Kenneth Cohen II, Steven Konigsberg, Annie Salvatore and Alvin Warshaviak

<u> Area 5 – Georgetown Mews, Pomonok, Electchester, Flushing</u>

Mary Maggio Fischer – CHAIR, Monica Corbett, Brian DeMasters, 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 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 and Martha Taylor

Community Board 8, Queens

- The Board does not hold monthly meetings during the months of July and August.
- A memorial is scheduled for Board Member Maurice Braithwaite who passed away this summer. The memorial will be held during the September Board Meeting.



Next Community Board 8 Meeting will be on <u>TUESDAY</u>, <u>SEPTEMBER 17, 2013</u>

*** Minutes of Board Meetings are available on our website: www.nyc.gov/queenscb8

A Word from the District Manager ...

Dear Community Board 8 Resident:

The first day of school is on Monday, September 9th and our community should do everything possible to keep our children safe. Please obey all traffic regulations, especially near our schools. Here are a few tips from the NYC Police Department and Community Board 8Q:

- Always **Drive Slowly** in school zones. Aggressive driving and speeding drastically reduces the time you have to avoid a road hazard. Poor weather conditions reduce visibility and increases stopping distance.
- Always be **Mindful of Children**, especially when visibility and space is diminished by double parked cars. Children may cross the street between cars. Pedestrians may not be paying attention, they may be distracted and not see you. Children may run out in the street at anytime.



- Be a **Defensive Driver!** Watch out for distracted drivers that may pull out without signaling or looking first.
- **Never Double Park!** Double parking creates blind spots for drivers and pedestrians
 - Never Block Crosswalks!
 - **LOOK** before moving! Be mindful of small children behind your vehicle or aggressive drivers passing double parked cars.
 - Be Courteous to others and don't block the street. Allow yourself additional time to find a safe spot to drop off your child and avoid stress due to traffic delays.
- **ALL** vehicles **MUST** stop when the school bus light is flashing **RED** Most school bus-related deaths and injuries occur while children are crossing the street after leaving the bus, not in collisions involving school buses.

With your help and cooperation, our children will have a safer 2013-2014 School Year!

Sincerely,

SCHOOL



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

Primary Day is on



Tuesday, September 10th

"The only wasted vote is the one that goes unused!" - Jill Stein

CUNY Fatherhood Academy

- Are you a father between the ages of 18 and 24?
- Do you want to move forward in your life?
- Are you unemployed or underemployed?

Take this opportunity to create a brighter future for you and your family!



The CUNY Fatherhood Academy is a free 4-month, 3 day a week program that can help you:

- · Earn a G.E.D. while focusing on academic and personal success
- Prepare for college
- Get work experience through a part-time job or an internship
- Explore careers
- Learn about parenting, health, and financial literacy
- Gain valuable information on your rights and



Open to fathers with or without a high school diploma or G.E.D.

Recruiting NOW

LaGuardia Community College 29:10 Thomson Avenue Room C404, Long Island City, NY 11101











Are you being robbed of your hard earned dollars by a barrage of NYC summonses?



Come and Learn How to Avoid Summonses L Keep your Money!

Community Board 8Q Business Forum

When: November (TBA)

Where: TBA

Time: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

You will have the opportunity to meet with representatives of different NYC agencies to ask questions and get answers.

Contact us at 718-264-7895 or qn08@cb.nyc.gov and let us know of your interest so we can secure a large enough venue for the event.



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???

The **sidewalks** (including areas like tree pits, grass strips, etc.) and gutter areas (18 inches from the curb into the street) along the building perimeter must be kept clean. Sweepings must be picked up and deposited in suitable containers for collection. Sanitation litter baskets <u>may not</u> be used for this purpose.

Residential Premise Enforcement Routing

Under the Enforcement Routing Program, enforcement agents patrol all areas including commercial, industrial, manufacturing and residential blocks at specified times focusing on violations for dirty sidewalks, dirty areas and failure to clean 18 inches into the street. During the enforcement routing time, when enforcement agents observe a dirty sidewalk, dirty area or an 18-inch violation in front of/adjacent to a residential premise, a notice of violation will be issued. Although enforcement agents will issue notices for dirty sidewalk, dirty area, or failure to clean 18 inches into the street violations only during the specified 2 one-hour daily routing time periods, they may issue notices for all other violations at any time.

Residential Premises

Residential routing times citywide have been set as follows: 8:00 a.m. to 8:59 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 6:59 p.m.

Backyards, Areaways, and Alleys

Backyards, areaways, courts, alleys, and air shafts must be kept clean. For residential locations, Residential Enforcement Routing times as explained above apply.

§16-118(2)(a) FINE: \$100-\$300

Place of Assembly Permit

As a matter of public safety, New York City requires a Place of Assembly (PA) Certificate of Operation for all premises where the Certificate of Occupancy indicates that 75 or more members of the public may gather indoors or 200 or more may gather outdoors for religious, recreational, educational, political or social purposes, to consume food or drink, await transportation, or any similar group activities. When such groups gather, it is necessary to ensure that the space is safe and issues, such as proper egress and emergency lighting, are appropriately addressed.

Both the Department of Buildings (DOB) and the Fire Department (FDNY) oversee the regulation of PA spaces. DOB enforces adherence to the Construction Codes and conducts all reviews and inspections for the issuance of a PA Certificate of Operation. FDNY is responsible for all reviews and inspections for annual PA Permits to ensure compliance with the Fire Code.

The permit must be posted conspicuously at all times.

\$1,000 - \$5,000









LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS



- Rocoto Restaurant Inc.
 - 178-27 Hillside Avenue in Jamaica, <u>NEW</u> application for a Liquor, Wine and Beer License.
- New Guang Hua Inc.

164-04 69th Avenue in Fresh Meadows, renewal of its Wine and Beer License.

Any complaints about establishments with liquor licenses should be sent to Community Board 8 <u>in writing</u>. 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 September 2013:



Pomonok Community Farmers' Market - July 12, 2013 through October 15, 2013 - **10 a.m. to 5 p.m.** *Kissena Boulevard between 65th Avenue and Melbourne Avenue*

154th Street Block Party - September 7, 2013 - **1 to 8 p.m.** 154 Street between Union Turnpike and 79th Avenue

CITY PARKING RULES

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

Labor Day......Monday, September 2
Rosh Hashanah....Thursday and Friday, September 5-6
Yom Kippur....Saturday, September 14
Sukkot....Thursday and Friday, September 19-20
Shemini Atzeret...Thursday, September 26
Simchat Torah...Friday, September 27



Assemblyman David I. Weprin is sponsoring a

JOB FAIR

When: **Thursday, September 12, 2013**Where: St. Nicholas of Tolentine RC Church

150-75 Goethals Avenue (*Tolentine Hall*)

Jamaica, NY 11432 Time: **11 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Bring 25-60 copies of your resume.

Business attire is preferred.

For more information call (718) 454-3027 or e-mail

dosamantesc@assembly.state.ny.us

Office of Administrative Trials and Hearings

The Office of Administrative Trials and Hearings (OATH) has produced three new informational videos that aim to make the in-person hearing

process easier to understand and navigate.

The videos will show respondents what they can expect if they choose to contest charges in-person at ECB, the OATH Health Tribunal and the OATH Taxi & Limousine Tribunal.

To view the two-minute videos, please visit: www.nyc.gov/ecb and/or www.nyc.gov/oath.

Arthur Ashe Learning Center Inspirational Tour

...is a free educational exhibit that shares the life and legacy of Arthur Ashe using a wide range of technology and interactive elements.

The Inspirational Tour will be at the New York Hall of Science (NYSCI) located at 47-01 111th St., Corona, NY, 11368.

It will be held to coincide with the US Open from **August 24th to September 9th.**

Admission is **free to the public** to view the exhibit and the entire museum.

For more information visit: www.ArthurAshe.org.



PUBLIC NOTICE

- 182-30 Aberdeen Road (full demolition)
- **165-19 78 Avenue** Emergency Declaration Balcony demolition mandated by Commissioner
- 161-12 & 14 Normal Road Emergency Declaration Failed retaining wall Installation of fence mandated by Commissioner
- 162-22 Glenn Avenue Emergency Declaration Failed retaining wall Installation of fence mandated by Commissioner

FREE ENGLISH CLASSES Oueens Library For adults (Age 17 years & older

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Hollis Branch, 202-05 Hillside Avenue Beginning level English class Mondays & Thursdays - 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Register on **Thursday, September 5th** at **11 a.m.** For more information call (718) 480-4300.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 CABOR DAY	3	4	5 Ro	sh anat	7
8	9	Primary Day VOTE	11	12	13	14 Your
15	16	Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. Hillcrest Jewish Center 183-02 Union Turnpike	18	Sukkot Begins	20	21
Autumn Begins	23	24	25	shemini Atzeret	Simchat Torah	28
29	30					