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COMMUNITY BOARD # 8 NEWSLETTER

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

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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

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

An Informational Meeting was held on **Thursday, August 20, 2015** regarding a notice from Quality Services for the Autism Community (QSAC) to site a home for young adults age 21 to 28 years old with developmental disabilities. The home will house eight young men and will have 24 hours a day, seven days a week and 365 days a year round the clock care and supervision. QSAC has agreed to a security system and fencing at the request of the community. QSAC will ensure that the home is well kept by hiring a landscaper to work the grounds. Snow removal and garbage collection will be done by their maintenance staff.

Community Board 8 sent a letter to the NYS Office of Developmental Disabilities to this effect.

Next Community Board 8 Meeting will be on WEDNESDAY, September 9, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

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

A Word from the District Manager ...

Dear Community Board 8 Resident:

In September, we hope to say farewell to the heat wave and welcome autumn with beautiful fall colors. It is the month for our primary elections, for going back to school and to pay special attention to traffic safety near our schools.

Primary Election - Elections in New York City are usually held on Tuesdays. This year, the Primary Election will be held on **September 10, 2015**, which is a **Thursday**. Mark your calendars. Remind your friends and neighbors the day before to encourage them to do their civic duties as well. Offer a senior citizen or someone with a physical disability a ride to the polls.

Give Back - Borough President Katz's office announced that they are accepting backpacks and school supply donations between now through **September 18th** in a drop-off box placed in the lobby of Queens Borough Hall, located at 120-55 Queens Boulevard. Donations dropped off at Queens Borough Hall are anonymous and are not tax-deductible. All donated items received will be distributed to schoolchildren living in homeless shelters to assist them with getting ready for the school year.

School safety - There is never an excuse for double parking, especially near our schools. When a car is double parked, drivers cannot see young children crossing the streets on their way to and from school. This can lead to tragedy. Please park a few blocks away and walk to the school if you must. Remember to obey all traffic rules. All vehicles must stop when the school bus lights are flashing.

With your help, we can keep our children safe. 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



1, 2, 3,....It's tree census time!



Join the Friends of Cunningham Park and the Jamaica Estates Association in counting the New York City owned trees in our community on:

Saturday, September 19, 2015

Meet I/F/O Cunningham Park at 11:00 a.m.

To volunteer or for more information, please send an email to Kitty Azhar at kitty.azhar@gmail.com

No Garbage, Recycling, Organics Collection or Street Cleaning on

Labor Day, Monday, September 7, 2015



- Residents who normally receive Monday **garbage** and **organics** collection should place their trash and organic materials out at curbside after 4 p.m. on Monday, September 7th for pickup.
- Residents receiving Monday **recycling** collection should place their items curbside, after 4 p.m. on Sunday, September 13th for pickup on Monday, September 14th.

In addition, DSNY administrative offices will be closed in observance of the holiday.



SAVE THE DATE!

The annual take your child mountain biking day will be on

Saturday, October 3, 2015

at Cunningham Park

SAVE THE DATE!



&

Tree Give-away

Saturday, October 17, 2017

Email Kitty Azhar to volunteer at:
Kitty.azhar@gmail.com

Doubles Day on Us

At the US Open



Featuring:

*Men's Doubles & Women's Doubles
Semifinals*

*John & Patrick McEnroe in a
Doubles Exhibition match*

Complimentary Grounds Admission
Thursday, September 10, 2015
Gates open at 11:00 a.m.

USOpen.org for more information

DSNY SAFE DISPOSAL EVENT IN QUEENS

NYC Department of Sanitation will have a safe disposal event for New York city residents on **Saturday, September 19, 2015** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. *[Rain or Shine]*. Residents must provide proof of residency by providing a NYS driver's license, a non-driver I.D. or a utility bill.



Astoria Park Parking Lot
Hoyt Ave & 19th Street

Cars enter from Ditmars Blvd onto 21st Street

The following items will be accepted:

- ◆ Automotive products such as motor oil, transmission fluid, and spent batteries.
- ◆ Personal care items like unwanted medicine or cosmetics.
- ◆ Syringes (clearly labeled and packaged in a "sharps" container or other leak proof, puncture-resistant container)
- ◆ Household products such as pesticides, paint, hazardous cleaners, spent compact fluorescent lightbulbs
- ◆ Electronics

This type of event is very popular, so be prepared to wait on a long line.



*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???

Check Business License Status

DCA licenses nearly 80,000 businesses in 55 different industries. To ensure that you are doing business with a licensed company or individual in New York City, you should go to:

<https://a858-elpaca.nyc.gov/CitizenAccess/>

At this site you can use DCA's Search for a DCA Licensee service to see if an individual or business holds a DCA license.

Note: Please scroll to the blue Consumers box. You do NOT need to register for an account with the City of New York to use Search for a DCA Licensee.

Sidewalk Obstruction

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. In addition, sidewalk displays are not allowed on a street during the time when general vending or food vending is prohibited on that street by law or by Street Vendor Review Panel action. However, veterans who were disabled with a service-related injury may vend on a restricted street with a proper permit from the Department of Consumer Affairs. To find out if a street is a "zero sidewalk display street" or is a street restricted from general vending or food vending, write or email the Departments of Small Business Services (SBS), or Consumer Affairs (DCA), or contact the New York City Customer Service Center at 311.

During the month of December, displaying and selling coniferous trees (Christmas trees) is legal, except where specifically stated by law. Additionally, palm branches, willow branches, myrtle branches, and citrons may be displayed and sold in the months of September and October. The display of these items may exceed the 3' by 5' requirement. However, a clear path for pedestrians must be maintained and vendors are responsible for proper disposal of left-over items.

§16-118(2)(a) FINE: \$100-\$300

LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS



- ◆ **175 Singh Brothers, Inc.**
79-08/10 Parsons in Queens, ***Renewal application for a Wine, Beer and Liquor License.***
- ◆ **Cinque Fratelli, Inc. d/b/a/ Acquista Trattoria**
178-01 Union Turnpike, ***Wine and Beer License to Wine, Beer and 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.*

Holy Family Church Carnival

September 3, 2015 to September 7, 2015



This will be held on the church's parking lot.
For more information call 718-969-2448

DEMOLITION/VACATE NOTICE



- ◆ 82-06 Tryon Place - New Building
- ◆ 67-23 185th Street - Demolition (full)
- ◆ 73-30 180th Street - Demolition (garage)

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 daySeptember 7th
Rosh Hashanah.....September 14th –15th
Yom KippurSeptember 23rd
Eid al-Adha.....September 23rd –25th
SuccothSeptember 28th –29th
Remember, parking meters are still in effect.

Street Activity/Block Party Permit Request



There were no applications for street activity permits for the month of September.

Selfhelp Fresh Meadows Senior



Program and the Fresh Meadows development invites you to a social event of

MUSIC! DANCE! And EXERCICE!

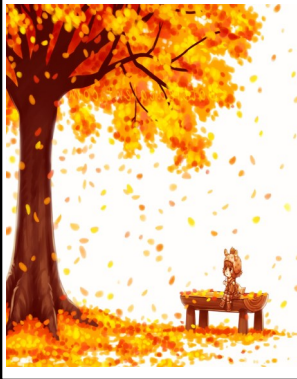
Listen to the music of the 1920s to present!
Sing along and enjoy with us!
Light refreshments provided by Verizon

When: Wednesday, September 9, 2015
(1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.)

Where: Oak Grove








Transportation: Available to Fresh Meadows complex residents.
(please call for a ride)

**For more information, call Selfhelp
at 718-559-4330**



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Community Board 8, Queens

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	 LABOR DAY We're closed	8	Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. Hillcrest Jewish Center 183-02 Union Turnpike		11	12
13		14	15	16	17	18
20	21	22	 		24	25
27		28	29	26	30	