



## 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 Laneman - 24th District

### BOROUGH PRESIDENT

Honorable Melinda Katz

### STAFF

Jatna Reyes, Community Associate  
Izabela Szczepanska, Community Assistant  
Marleah DesRuisseaux, Community Assistant

### 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 Hills

**Kevin Forrestal – CHAIR,** Dilafroz Ahmed, Bhitihara-Martha Fulton, Fakrul “Delwar” 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

## It's Women's History Month!

### Community Board 8, Queens

#### Hillcrest Jewish Center

183-02 Union Turnpike (Auditorium)

Fresh Meadows, NY 11366

- The Minutes of January 9, 2019 Board Meeting were unanimously approved by 29 members.
- **Chairperson Martha Taylor:**  
Get Well Wishes to Board Members Dr. Allen Bennett and Stanley Weinblatt. Best wishes to Board Member Maria DeInnocentiis whose mother is in the hospital.
- **Guest Speaker:** *Kathleen Cassino, Manager of Community Relations & Events – USTA NTC*  
Ms. Cassino gave a presentation on the USTA NTC Year End Recap for 2018. She explained that she will be back in the next coming months to give us more information on the upcoming events during the U.S. Open.
  - ◇ The USTA has a Quarterly Newsletter for year round events.
  - ◇ The Ballperson Tryouts, Job Fair, Queens Senior Day and Queens Day events will be held throughout the year. Dates TBD.
  - ◇ On Arthur Ashe Kids Day, the USTA offers thousands of complimentary concert tickets to local Queens-based organizations to distribute, free of charge, to their community members.
  - ◇ The Alternative Classroom Environment for Students (ACES/PACES) program is geared toward 6-10 year old children providing them the opportunity to visit the NTC and to learn about the history and the game of tennis.

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Next Community Board 8 Meeting will be on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 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.

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- ◇ ACEing Autism – For the fourth year in a row, ACEing Autism returned to the Billie Jean King National Tennis Center during the qualifying rounds of the U.S. Open. ACEing Autism clinics are also available at the NTC year round.
- ◇ The Kew Gardens Library held a Job Fair last year to help those seeking job opportunities. It had a great turn out.

**Committee Reports:**

**DEP/Sanitation Committee,** *Kevin Forrestal, Committee Chair.*

The Committee met regarding the lack of enforcement of illegal postings on utility poles throughout the District. Once a complaint is filed through the 311 system, it gets routed to the agency for inspection. Upon inspection, the responsible party for the illegal posting receives a warning letter giving them ten (10) days to correct the condition. If the postings aren't removed during this period, a summons is issued based on the number of posters that are out there. Most postings in our area are being addressed through Council Member Barry Grodenchik's office and the Wildcats organization.

A letter will be written to the Mayor's Office and the Commissioner of the Department of Sanitation regarding the over salting of streets during the snow storm in November 2018.

A letter was drafted regarding stray voltage damaging water service lines on 188<sup>th</sup> Street. In the letter the Board requested the suspension of the rules so that DEP could repair the water service lines.

*Marc A. Haken made a motion to send the drafted letter to the Mayor's Office regarding the stray voltage damaging water service lines on 188<sup>th</sup> Street seconded by Maria DeInnocentiis.* Committee Chair Kevin Forrestal took a hand count.

Count in favor 28                      Opposed: 0                      Abstained: 0

*The motion was passed unanimously.*

**Transportation Committee & Area 7 Committee** – *Howard A. Fried, Area 7 Committee Chair*

*Holliswood Transportation/Traffic issues* – Mr. Fried stated that a meeting was held on January 30<sup>th</sup> regarding the request to change traffic direction on 191<sup>st</sup> Street from Hillside Avenue to Palo Alto Avenue and a speed bump installation on Foothill Avenue from 191<sup>st</sup> to 193<sup>rd</sup> Streets. Many area residents attended the meeting. There were fourteen (14) speakers. There was a six (6) to six (6) vote. It was suggested that the residents go back and find a better solution or have a better proposal to be presented at the next Transportation Committee Meeting (TCM) being held on March 7, 2019.

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

*Dear Community Board 8 Resident:*

*We were notified by the Department of Transportation that all the street lights within our district would be upgraded with LED lights by the end of last year. It came to our attention that there may be some locations that were not done. We are working on a comprehensive list to ensure that our district receives the services that our tax dollars pay for and we need your help. If you notice that the street lights on your block have not been changed, please contact us with the location.*

*Thank you for being our eyes and ears in the community!*

*Sincerely,*

***Marie Adam-Ovide***

*P.S. If you would like an email version or to receive the **Newsletter earlier**, 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).*



**5K RUN/WALK**

**FOOTSTEPS for PROGRESS**  
Queens Centers for Progress  
To benefit individuals with Developmental Disabilities.

Hosted by: **ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY**

Presented by: **QCP QUEENS CENTERS FOR PROGRESS**  
Services for People with Developmental Disabilities

In Association with: **Queens Distance Runners**

**Saturday - March 30, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.**  
QCP Adult Center / 81-15 164th Street  
Jamaica, NY 11432

**REGISTRATION FOR TIMED 5K RUN IS \$30.00**  
(includes a dri-fit shirt for the first 100 registered runners)

**WALKERS REGISTER FOR FREE**  
(Event t-shirts will be distributed to walkers who donate or fundraise \$30+)

\* Full brunch will be served after the run/walk.



**JOIN US!**

HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES


Download forms or register online at:  
[www.FootstepsForProgress.org](http://www.FootstepsForProgress.org)

For more information, please call:  
718.380.3000 x. 325

QUEENS LIBRARY *Enrich Your Life*  
presents

Fresh Meadows Library

**KIDS TRIVIA CONTEST**



Attention 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, & 6<sup>th</sup> graders: Join us for the start of our monthly trivia contest. Each month a different category of questions will be selected. The category for the month of March is HISTORY. Winners will receive a prize and enter our "Trivia Hall of Fame"!

No registration is required!

**Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**4:30pm**

FRESH MEADOWS	
Mon	9-8
Tue	1-6
Wed	10-6
Thu	12-8
Fri	10-6
Sat	10-5
Sunday	Closed

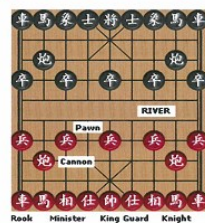
193-20 Horace Harding Expressway  
Fresh Meadows, NY 11365  
(718) 454-7272

Admission is free. [www.queenslibrary.org](http://www.queenslibrary.org)

Queens Library is an independent, not-for-profit corporation and is not affiliated with any other library system.

Queens Library  
*Enrich your life*

**Learn Chinese Chess:**  
An Intergenerational Program



This program is for children and teens ages 10 and up. Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend. Instructions will be in English.

Space is limited. First Come, First Served.

**Wednesdays @ 4:30-5:30PM**  
**March 6, 13, 20, 27**

Fresh Meadows  
193-20 Horace Harding Expressway  
(718) 454-7272



SAVE THE DATE

**Third Annual Women's Health Empowerment Symposium**

Saturday, March 16, 2019  
9 AM - 4 PM  
CUNY - York College

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# Build The Block Meetings and more...

## SECTOR B

Cunningham Heights,  
Fresh Meadows & Holliswood  
Monday, March 11, 2019

**Time:** 6:30 p.m. (*Doors open*)  
7:00 p.m. (*Meeting starts*)

**Location:** Fresh Meadows Library  
193-20 Horace Harding Exp.  
Fresh Meadows, NY

**Neighborhood Coordinating Officers:**

- *Officer Elvira Kolenovic*
- *Officer Jeffrey Audry*

*For accommodations regarding any disability, please contact:*

*Sergeant Chris Burke at 718 969-6191 or email*  
***Christophe.Burke@nypd.org*** by 03/08/2019

## SECTOR C

Briarwood & Jamaica  
Tuesday, March 5, 2019

**Time:** 6:30 p.m. (*Doors open*)  
7:00 p.m. (*Meeting starts*)

**Location:** Young Israel of Briarwood  
84-75 Daniels Street  
Briarwood, NY

**Neighborhood Coordinating Officers:**

- *Officer Eric Andersen*
- *Officer Shawqi Ahmed*

*For accommodations regarding any disability, please contact:*

*Sergeant Chris Burke at 718 969-6191 or email*  
***Christophe.Burke@nypd.org*** by 03/02/2019



## FREE ENGLISH CLASSES!

The Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS) at St. John's University offers free English classes at three different levels, with books and materials included, at no charge, Monday – Thursday 6:30pm-9:00pm.

For registration and placement in the correct level, please stop by the CLACS office in STJ Hall, B7 St. John's University, Queens Campus near Gate 1, 800 Utopia Parkway Jamaica, NY 11439. For more information call: 718-990-5829 or email us at: [clacs@stjohns.edu](mailto:clacs@stjohns.edu).

*These classes and workshops are made possible thanks to a grant from the New York City Department of Youth and Community Development (NYC DYCD) received by Dr. Alina Camacho-Gingerich, Director of the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS) Professor of and Chair of Languages and Literatures at St. John's University.*



# Train for the Jobs of the future!



Protect yourself, your family, residents & neighbors!

## TO SIGN UP

CALL:

**646-632-6023**

EMAIL:

[safework@health.nyc.gov](mailto:safework@health.nyc.gov)

ONLINE:

<http://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/business/health-academy/healthy-homes-class-reg.page>



## FREE TRAININGS

### EPA's Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP)

#### Become EPA Certified Renovators

- Learn how to work safely in areas with lead paint
- Know the requirements for lead-safe work practices set by EPA (RRP), HUD, and NYC's Local Law 1
- Classes are taught by a knowledgeable EPA-certified trainer.
- Participants who pass the exam at the end of the course and meet EPA's qualifications are eligible to become EPA Certified Renovators!

#### Who Should Take This Training?

- Contractors
- Superintendents
- Building Owners/Landlords
- Handymen
- Do-It-Yourselfers
- Day Care Maintenance Workers.

#### Upcoming Classes in 2019:

<b>Location &amp; Time</b> 125 Worth St, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fl Boardroom, New York, NY 10013 8:30am-5:00pm	Saturday - March 9 (English)
	Sunday - March 10 (English)
	Saturday - April 6 (English)
	Sunday - April 7 (English)

People interested in taking this course must be able to read, write, and speak in the language of the training class.

\*\*\*Participants must bring a photo ID and must submit a photograph for their certificate. You can either send a photo electronically or you can bring in 2 identical passport-sized photos, in color. We do not provide food/drinks. Please prepare accordingly.\*\*\*



*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???*

### **Landscaper-Generated Waste**

Yard waste generated by landscapers cannot be set out by landscapers for DSNY collection, nor can landscapers disperse such yard waste in or around the curb or street. Landscapers that generate yard waste are required by law to collect and dispose of any yard waste that they generate at a permitted composting facility. However, if the DSNY Commissioner gives written notice that there is not sufficient capacity at permitted composting facilities within NYC (*or within 10 miles of the borough where yard waste was generated*), landscapers may dispose of yard waste at any permitted solid waste facility.

**§16-308(h) FINE: \$250 - 1st Offense**  
**\$1,000 - 2nd Offense within 12 months**  
**\$2,500 - 3rd and Subsequent Offenses within 12 months**

### **Failure to Remove Canine Waste**

Each person who owns, or controls a dog must remove any feces left by that dog on any sidewalk, gutter, street, or other public area and dispose of it in a legal manner. The person may remove the feces and carry them away with him/her for disposal in a toilet or place them in a non-leaking container or bag and deposit them in a DSNY litter basket. *The provisions of this law do not apply to a guide dog accompanying any blind person.*

**New York State Public Health Law §1310 FINE: \$250**

*Please note that the violator (s) must be observed by an agent for the issuance of a violation. When filing a complaint, please give a pattern for the offense (i.e. this occurs weekdays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on John Street between Avenues A & B or in front of 16 John Street.)*

## LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION (S)

- ◆ **Philippine Famous, LLC**  
83-30 Parsons Boulevard in Jamaica, *New Wine, Beer and Cider License*
- ◆ **Compass Group USA, Inc.**  
65-30 Kissena Boulevard in Flushing, *Renewal of Full Liquor License*
- ◆ **Cuzco Peru BBQ Chicken, Inc.**  
138-13 Queens Boulevard in Jamaica, *Renewal of Full Liquor License*
- ◆ **Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar**  
61-48 188th Street in Fresh Meadows, *Renewal of Full Liquor License*
- ◆ **Momi Restaurant d/b/a Turquoise Restaurant**  
189-23 Union Turnpike in Fresh Meadows, *Renewal of 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.



Ash Wednesday.....Wed., March 6th  
Purim.....Thu., March 21st

**Remember, parking meters are still in effect.**

### DEMOLITION/EXCAVATION NOTICE



86-98 Sancho Street - Demolition (House)  
183-11 73rd Avenue - Demolition (Garage)

# FATBERGS

form when grease, wipes and other stuff get flushed, clogging pipes and draining wallets.

**TRASH IT.  
DON'T FLUSH IT.**








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**NYC** Environmental Protection



# March 2019

## Community Board 8, Queens

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	<b>Parks Comte. Mtg. 4</b> <b>Re: Captain Tilly</b> CB8 Office 197-15 Hillside Ave. 7:30 p.m.	<b>Executive Comte. Mtg. 5</b> CB8 Office 197-15 Hillside Ave. 7:30 p.m. 	 <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	7	<b>Transportation Comte. Mtg. 8</b> CB8 Office 197-15 Hillside Ave. 7:30 p.m.  <b>Intl. Women's Day</b>	9
10	 <b>Public Hearing 11</b> <b>BSA 23-08-BZ</b> <b>BSA 2018-184-A thru 189-A</b> Hillcrest J.C. 183-02 Union Tpke. 7:30 p.m.	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
						
24	25	26	27	28		

*"A best friend is like a four leaf clover...Hard to find and lucky to have." - Irish Proverb*