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**JANUARY 2017 COMMUNITY BOARD & COMMITTEE CALENDARS**

**BOARD MEETING**

**WHEN:** Tuesday, January 10, 2017, 7:30PM

**WHERE:** Riverdale Country School, 5250 Fieldston Road, Student Center

**PUBLIC GALLERY SESSION:** Each month the General Board meeting begins with a Public Gallery Session. If you wish to address the Board, contact the office at 718-884-3959. Please note there is a limit of five speakers, each one being allotted 3 minutes to address the Board.

**BOARD COMMITTEE CALENDARS**

For updates on schedule and locations, [click here](#).

- **Aging:** 2:30PM (**Please note earlier time**), Tuesday, January 17, Christ Church Riverdale, 5030 Henry Hudson Parkway
- **Economic Development:** No Meeting
- **Education:** 7:30PM, Tuesday, January 24, Board Office, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100
- **Environment & Sanitation:** 7:30PM, Wednesday, January 18, Board Office, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100
- **Executive Committee:** 7:30PM, Wednesday, January 4, Riverdale Mental Health Association, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room
- **Health, Hospitals & Social Services:** No Meeting
- **Housing:** 7:00PM, Thursday, January 30 (**Please note change of date**), William E. Irwin, Jr. American Legion Post 774, 3035-37 Corlear Avenue (between West 230/231 Streets)
- **Land Use:** 7:30PM, Monday, January 23, Location to be determined
- **Law, Rules & Ethics:** No Meeting
- **Libraries & Cultural Affairs:** 6:00PM, Thursday, January 12, Spuyten Duyvil Branch Library, 650 West 235 Street
- **Parks & Recreation:** 7:00PM, Wednesday, January 25, Manhattan College Leo Engineering Building, 3825 Corlear Avenue, Scala Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room 215
- **Public Safety:** 7:00PM, Thursday, January 19, 50<sup>th</sup> Police Precinct, 3450 Kingsbridge Avenue
- **Traffic & Transportation:** 7:30PM, Tuesday, January 17, Location to be determined
- **Youth:** 1:00PM, Wednesday, January 25, Board Office, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100



\*\*\*The Board Office will be closed on Monday, January 18 in observance of Martin Luther King Day

The next Bronx Community Board No. 8 meeting will be held February 14, 2017, 7:30PM, Location to be determined.

## NEWS:

### ○ **Community Board No. 8 District Manager Retires**

Patricia Manning started her career at Community Board No. 8 in 1985 as a Community Associate, and was hired as District Manager in 2015, thereby becoming CB8's 3<sup>rd</sup> District Manager to serve in its history. Patricia served under 10 chairs in her 32 year career. She stayed focused on improving the quality of life for the community, and advocated for resources and services in that behalf. Patricia encouraged the community to contact the Board Office on any problem big or small, and she worked hard to find resolutions. She was most proud to have mentored four young student interns on the roles of the Community Board and city government and she plans to spend time after retirement volunteering at a not for profit entity that benefits our youth.



Patricia extends her gratitude to the Board for their support and her very best wishes for continued success of Community Board 8. We wish Patricia the very best in her retirement.



### ○ **Apply for Membership on Your Local Community Board**

The Office of The Bronx Borough President will be accepting applications for all 12 Community Boards from city residents who reside, work or have professional or other significant interests in The Bronx.

“Participation on local Community Boards can provide Bronx residents with a forum to share with their community their expertise and talents,” stated Borough President Diaz. “There are great things happening in The Bronx that involve the participation of community boards. It is important that community residents participate in the decisions that are building and revitalizing our borough, and our community boards are a great place to do so,” said Borough President Diaz.

In addition, Borough President Diaz is encouraging young people ages 16 and 17 to apply for community board membership. Last year, the borough president appointed five young people to the community boards, and is working to insure that there is a least one youth member per community board.

For applications click link: [Community Board Applications](#)

For more information please call the Bronx Borough President's Community Boards Office at: 718-590-3914 or visit their website at [bronxboropres.nyc.gov](http://bronxboropres.nyc.gov)

**The deadline for submission of applications is: Friday, February 3, 2017**



### ○ **NYC Needs Emergency Snow Laborers**

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) and The Department of Transportation (DOT) are accepting registrations for emergency snow laborers for this snow season. Snow laborers are Per-diem workers who are called upon to remove snow and ice citywide from bus stops, crosswalks, fire hydrants and step streets in the City after heavy snowfalls.

Individuals interested in registering with the DSNY can do so at their local district garage weekdays between 7:00AM and 3:00PM. The list of garage locations can be found at [www.nyc.gov/sanitation](http://www.nyc.gov/sanitation). Individuals interested in registering with DOT please visit the Bronx Yard at Mosholu Avenue and Broadway (Van Cortlandt Park) and bring with them two small photos (1 ½ Square), original and copy of two forms of identification and social security card.

Laborers will be paid \$15.00 per hour, and \$22.50 per hour after 40 hours are worked in a week. Snow laborers must be at least 18 years of age, be eligible to work in the United States, and able to perform heavy physical labor. For more information on how to become a snow laborer, .



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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **CB8's Housing Committee will be Hosting Part III of its Affordable Housing Series: Financing the Preservation of Affordable Housing**

On January 30, 2017, the Housing Committee will present the final installment of its three part series on the Financing of Affordable Housing. This third session will be held at 7:00PM at the American Legion Post 772 located at 3035 Corlear Avenue. The presentation will focus on resources and programs available to assist in preserving and maintaining the affordability of existing housing, including the J-51 Tax Exemption Program and the Participation Loan Program (PLP). The forum will include speakers from NYC Housing Preservation and Development (HPD), NYS Housing Finance Agency (HFA) and landowners who are experienced in the use of these programs. This program will provide information that is beneficial to owners of multi-family buildings, whether large or small, as well as housing advocates and anyone with an interest in affordable housing policy issues.



- **Family Nature Walk**

If you like nature, you're sure to love this nature walk. Join nature educator Gabriel Willow for a family nature walk through the gardens of Wave Hill. This event is for ages six and older accompanied by an adult. The Family Nature Walk will take place on Sunday, January 8, 2017 from 12:30PM to 1:30PM at Wave Hill House at West 249 Street and Independence Avenue. [Click here](#) for more information.



- **Finding Your Way**

Could you navigate yourself to safety if you got lost? Join the Urban Park Rangers and learn the basic skills needed to navigate yourself out of harm. You'll be taught basic land navigation skills, how to use a compass and Native American navigational skill while walking through Van Cortlandt Park.

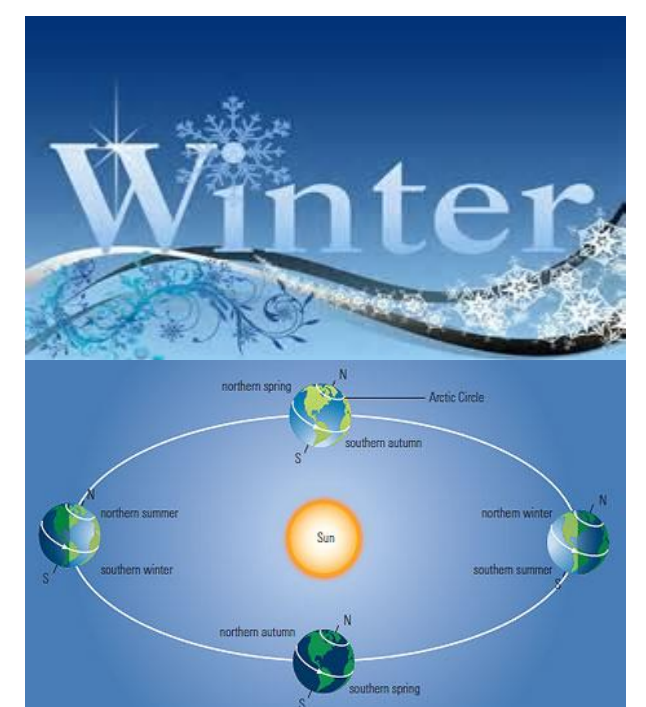
This event will take place on Sunday, January 15 from 11:00AM to 12:30PM at Van Cortlandt Park. Meet the Urban Park Rangers at Mosholu Avenue and Broadway. For more information, [click here](#).

- **Astronomy Winter Solar System**

You can discover the wonders of the universe at your local New York City Parks. The New York City Parks are great locations for stargazing and exploring the night sky. The Urban Park Rangers at Van Cortlandt Park are hosting a winter solar system event where they will guide you through the solar system and discuss the science and folklore of our universe.

The program provides the use of binoculars and telescopes for your use at the event. Clear nights are best for the events, so please call ahead to confirm event if weather conditions are not clear.

The event will be held on Saturday, January 28 from 6:00PM to 7:30PM. Meet the Rangers at the Van Cortlandt Nature Center. [Click here](#) for more information.



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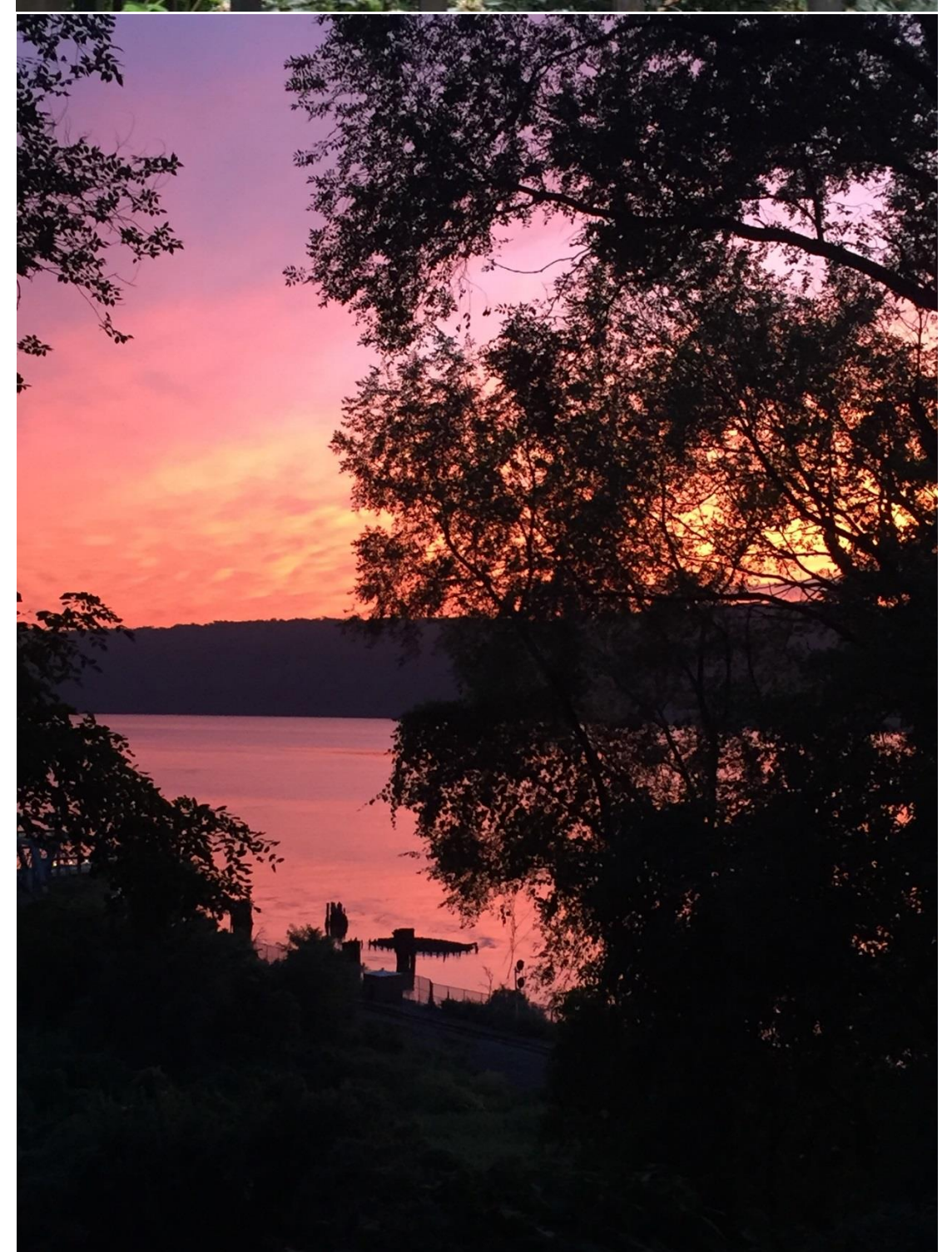
## COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

### Half Moon Overlook – Spuyten Duyvil

The beautiful hidden treasures of Spuyten Duyvil. Half Moon Overlook is a relaxing place where you can come and look at the beautiful view of the Hudson River, the foliage and the sky.

The overlook is located on Palisade Avenue just north of the Spuyten Duyvil Metro North Stop. It is a hidden gem in Riverdale. It is named after explorer Henry Hudson's ship, Halve Maen, which means Half Moon in Dutch.

The spot boasts a beautiful view no matter what time of year it is. Buds and flowers in the spring, tour boats and jet skiers in the summer, and of course, brightly colored fall foliage.



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