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JUNE 2016 COMMUNITY BOARD & COMMITTEE CALENDARS

BOARD MEETING

WHEN: Tuesday, June 14, 2016, 7:30PM

WHERE: Manhattan College School of Engineering, 3825 Corlear Avenue, Fischbach Room, 4th Floor

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, who are allotted 3 minutes each.

BOARD COMMITTEE CALENDARS

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

- **Aging:** 3:30PM, Tuesday, June 7, Board Office, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100
- **Economic Development:** 7:30PM, Tuesday, June 21 (**Please note date**), Kelly Ryan's, 5790 Mosholu Avenue
- **Education:** No Meeting
- **Environment & Sanitation:** No Meeting
- **Executive Committee:** 7:30PM, Wednesday, June 1, Riverdale Mental Health Association, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, 2nd floor conference room
- **Health, Hospitals & Social Services:** 7:00PM (**Please note time**), Monday, June 20, Amalgamated Housing, 74 Van Cortlandt Park South, Vladeck Hall
- **Housing:** 7:30PM, Monday, June 27, Location to be determined
- **Land Use:** 7:30PM, Thursday, June 9, Manhattan College school of Engineering Building, 3825 Corlear Avenue, Fischbach Room, 4th Floor
- **Law, Rules & Ethics:** 7:00PM, Thursday, June 30 (**Please note date**), Board Office, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100
- **Libraries & Cultural Affairs:** 6:00PM, Thursday, June 9, Board Office, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100
- **Parks & Recreation:** 7:00PM, Wednesday, June 22, Location to be determined
- **Public Safety:** 7:00PM, Thursday, June 16, 50th Police Precinct, 3450 Kingsbridge Avenue
- **Traffic & Transportation:** 7:30PM, Wednesday, June 29 (**Please note date**), Location to be determined
- **Youth:** 1:00PM, Wednesday, June 22, Board Office, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100

The next Bronx Community Board No. 8 meeting will be held September 2016, Date, Time and Location to be determined.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Veterans and Community Job Fair 2016**

There will be a Veterans and Community Job Fair on Friday, June 3, 2016 from 10:00AM to 2:00PM at Lehman College, Music Building, 250 Bedford Park Boulevard West. Come meet over 40 participating employers. There will be face-to-face interviews and employers will identify individuals that are qualified to fill positions in their companies. If you are interested in attending the job fair, please [click here](#) to register.

- **Riverdale Riverfest – Sunday, June 5**



The 7th Annual Riverdale Riverfest festival will be held on Sunday, June 5, 2016 from 12:00PM to 6:00PM on the grounds of the College of Mount Saint Vincent located at 6301 Riverdale Avenue. For more information, [click here](#).

Visit our website to view agendas, minutes and information. Click on links below:

- Aging
- Board Meeting
- Economic Development
- Education
- Environment & Sanitation
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- Health, Hospitals & Social Services
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- Land Use
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- Youth



o **Basic Canoeing at Van Cortlandt Park**

Join the Urban Park Rangers as they lead you through the protected lakes gentle waters to the rivers and bays. The canoeing event takes place on Sunday, June 5, 2016 from 11:00AM to 2:00PM. Meet the Rangers at the Van Cortlandt Golf House and Lower Putnam Trail. For more information about the event and directions, please [click here](#).

o **Freshwater Fishing at Van Cortlandt Park**

This catch-and-release fishing experience is a great way to get outdoors and enjoy nature. Learn the ecology and ethics of fishing and our waterways with our Urban Park Rangers. All equipment is provided and participation is on a first-come, first-served basis. The event will take place on Sunday, June 26, 2016 from 12:00PM to 1:30PM at the Van Cortlandt Nature Center. For more information, [click here](#).



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o **Picturing the Northwest Bronx: A Community Photo Essay Exhibit**

The Pictorial Essay Exhibit will display pictures of the Northwest Bronx captured by the residents and employees in the community who wish to share their pictures. The Exhibit will open May 31 and run through June 19 at the Riverdale Branch Library located at 5540 Mosholu Avenue, Bronx, NY. For more information, [click here](#).

NEWS:

o **Zika Virus**

Zika virus disease (Zika) spreads to people mainly through the bite by two species of infected mosquitoes, one of which is more likely to transmit Zika. In past outbreaks, most people have not gotten sick, so people may not even know they are infected. Based on current knowledge, the greatest risk for complications from Zika is to a pregnant woman's fetus. If a pregnant woman is infected with Zika, she can pass the virus to her fetus. Zika has been linked to cases of microcephaly, a serious birth defect, and is a sign that the baby is born with a smaller brain, which can result in medical problems and impaired development. Researchers are working to understand more about how Zika affects pregnant women and fetuses. [Click here](#) for more information.



o **Fourth Annual Poetry Slam Winners**

CB8's 4th Annual Poetry Slam was hosted by the Kingsbridge Heights Community Center on May 4. Powerful words flowed from the mouths of these youths at the poetry slam. All the participants were great, making it tough for the judges. This year's finalists were:

- 1st place winner, Diamond Brown, Laptop computer and the 1st place trophy
- 2nd place winner, Zhane Ligon, iPod mini and the 2nd place trophy
- 3rd place winner, Odelia Fried, Samsung Tablet and the 3rd place Trophy
- 4th place winner, Joey Yudelson, \$60 cash prize

Everyone is a winner! We encourage the youth to continue pushing forward to reach their dreams and to never give up. We look forward to next year's Poetry Slam!



o **"Know Your Zone" – NYC Office of Emergency Management**

With Hurricane season on the horizon, June 1 through November 30, the Office of Emergency Management introduced a website, "Know Your Zone". It is an informative webpage where you can find information regarding storms and hurricanes. You can also locate the zone in which you reside with instructions of where to go in the event evacuation becomes necessary. It lists all resources and agency referral information for emergency assistance. [Click here](#) to visit the website.



○ **Bronx Community Board No. 8 Announced the Winners of the Comeback Kid Award**

At the April 12 Board meeting, Bronx Community Board No. 8 announced the Winners of this year's Comeback Kid Award. This award was created to acknowledge students who have overcome challenges and demonstrated improvement over a period of time. It is our belief that by recognizing our student participants in committed community centers, we can in some small way reward those youths who are working hard to improve their future and inspire others to follow their example.

This year's award recipients are Edgardo Marrero, Kamaris Kelly, Brandon Pichardo, Cheyenne Francis, Shakira Marrero and Victor Pacheco.



○ **New York Yankees Youth Leadership Winners Attend On-Field Award Ceremony**

On May 24, the winners of the NY Yankees Community Council Youth Leadership Award attended an on-field Ceremony at Yankee Stadium. The winners, Michelle Cobos, Diamond Brown, Vivien Llanes, Brittany Luisi and Shakira Marrero were recognized pre-game on-field alongside Community Board No. 8 Chair, Dan Padernacht, District Manager, Patricia Manning and Youth Committee Chair, Lamont Parker.



From left to right: CB8 Chair, Dan Padernacht; District Manager, Patricia Manning; Youth Committee Chair, Lamont Parker

○ **Bronx Community Board No. 8 Announced the Community Service Award Winners**

The Community Service Award was established to acknowledge the many volunteer efforts of groups and individuals within our community. It is the Board's belief that by recognizing our committed community volunteers, we can in some small way reward those most deserving and inspire others to follow their example.

This year's recipients of the award are Erik Maldonado, Georgina Segaric, Nicholas Taussig, Carmelo Velasquez, Horace Mann School – Upper Division Service Learning Team and Marble Hill School for International Studies, Students for Community Services Program. For their full stories, [click here](#).

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