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95th Commemoration of the Triangle Shirtwaist Fire

On Friday, March 24, 2006, Buildings Commissioner Patricia Lancaster joined Mayor Michael Bloomberg at the 95th Commemoration of the Triangle Shirtwaist Fire. The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire in New York City on March 25, 1911 was a major industrial disaster, causing the death of 146 garment workers who either died in the fire or jumped to their deaths. The tragedy gave birth to improvements in the fire and building codes for New York City as well as improved factory working conditions. The host of the event, Unite Here!, represents over 450,000 active members in the apparel industry. To view a [photo](#) from the event and learn more about what's new at the Department of Buildings, check [News & Services](#).

City Employee Pleads Guilty to Forgery

A New York City Department of Education [employee has pleaded guilty to forgery](#) (93 kb-pdf) and scheme to defraud for unlawfully representing himself as a licensed architect and fraudulently submitting official documents bearing a bogus architect's stamp and his signature to the City's Buildings Department. This scheme affected residential and commercial construction projects throughout the City.

Technical Policy and Procedure Notice #1/06

[TPPN #1/06](#): Zoning Resolution §12-10 prohibits accessory living and sleeping accommodations in C7, C8, and Manufacturing districts. The guidelines set the scope of acceptable accessory bathroom and kitchen facilities in connection with commercial and/or manufacturing uses in such districts.

Cranes & Derricks Advisory Council Minutes

The [Cranes & Derricks](#) Advisory Council conducted a meeting on February 6, 2006. For more information about the meeting, download a [copy of the minutes](#) (20 kb-pdf).

Expeditors: What You Need To Know

Expeditors are privately employed and are not employees of the Department of Buildings. Expeditors must be registered with the Department of Buildings in order to conduct business

with the Department. Registration consists of an application and background check. [Learn more](#) (23 kb-pdf).

Upcoming Training Opportunities



Buildings University Presents:

ARA, Permit Renewal and eFiling Workshop

April 26, 2006: Class is full

Additional Class Added: May 3, 2006

The Department of Buildings will host a workshop for Alteration Repair Applications (ARA) and Permit Renewal services including eFiling. The workshop will focus on ARAs, OP-98 filing procedures, Permit Renewal updates and eFiling registration. **Reservations are required.** Please review [workshop flyer](#) (20 kb-pdf) for more information.

GNYSC Presents:

Free Required Safety and Health Training

March 8, 2006 to June 23, 2006

Various Times and Three Convenient Training Locations

The Greater New York Safety Council (GNYSC), under a grant from the New York State Occupational Safety & Health Training and Education Program, is offering this free training series. GNYSC is a non-profit organization dedicated to workplace safety. These courses have been designed for both labor and management personnel. All courses are free; **advance registration is required** and classes will be limited to 40 attendees. For more information, review the [GNYSC Flyer](#) (49 kb-pdf).

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