

COMMUNITY BOARD 11

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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER- November, 2012

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KEEPING NYC CLEAN

The Department of Sanitation would like to remind residents of the following:

-in Queens, wood from trees and shrubs must be disposed of by the Parks Department, call 3-1-1 for a pick-up

-mattresses and box springs must be sealed in a plastic bag

-refrigerators and freezers must be put out with the doors removed

-Discarded freezers, refrigerators, air conditioners, water coolers and dehumidifiers must be inspected to have the Freon removed, call 3-1-1 for an appointment.

-bulk items may be placed at curbside the night before your collection day, if they are metal items, then the night before the recycling day. From October to April, place items outside after 4pm.

-Bulk and construction debris generated from hired contractors or fee-for-service personnel (such as carpet installers), is commercial waste and must be removed by the contractor

-starting the night of November 12, (there is no collection on that day) garbage, in some areas, will be collected during overnight hours. Be sure to put your garbage out the night before your collection day so you do not miss a pick-up.

PREPARING FOR THAT FOUR LETTER WORD

Winter will be coming and so will SNOW. The Dept. of Sanitation's borough-based snow plans will be available on-line after November 15th.

Community Board 11 tries to help our residents who are in need of someone to shovel snow. For many years, the office has maintained a referral list of people available to shovel, voluntarily or for a fee. Please call the office if you would like to be on our referral list or would like a copy of the list for your reference.

LOTS (AND WE MEAN LOTS) OF TRANSPORTATION NEWS

NYC Transit has announced the return of bus service on Little Neck Parkway in January. The Q36 line on Jamaica Avenue will continue on Little Neck Parkway. Also, in January, the Q30 line will extend to Queensborough Community College on weekdays.

NYCT is also going to be installing cameras in buses to record and violate vehicles parked in bus stops. It is illegal to stop in bus stops and now it will become easier to enforce this law. Violators will be subject to \$165.00 fines.

The MTA has announced that they are proposing fare and toll increases. The proposals are posted on their website, www.mta.info. There will be eight public hearings commencing November 7th. The Queens hearing will be held on Thursday, November 15th starting at 5 pm at the Sheraton LaGuardia East Hotel Ballroom at 135-20 39 Avenue in Flushing.

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NYC Dept. of Transportation will be installing more pedestrian countdown signals on Northern Boulevard in CB 11 between 192 Street and Glenwood Street.

Bell Boulevard will be seeing some improvements also. The long awaited Streetscape Project will start with the installation of benches at various locations along the commercial strip between Northern Boulevard and 35 Avenue.

Finally, the Throgs Neck Bridge will have one lane closed southbound at all times for two to three weeks starting October 22nd. The bridge will be paved before the cold weather begins.

UNWASTE YOUR COMMUNITY

As the weather turns chilly and the heat goes on, remember there are three simple ways to save on energy and money: install a programmable thermostat and set it no higher than 68 degrees, open shades during the day to let in the sun's warmth and close them at night to keep the heat inside, cover heating vents and close doors in unused rooms. For more information go on-line to www.unwasteNY.org.

NOW DON'T WASTE WATER EITHER

A leaking toilet can waste anywhere from 30 gallons to 4,000 gallons a day depending on the size of the leak. This translates into costing you from \$0.25 a day to as much as \$40.00 a day. Most water waste in toilets is caused by a leaking flapper or faulty fill valve that stays open. If you continue to hear your toilet running after the tank is filled after a flush, then you have a leak. To check for a small leak put food coloring in the tank and wait for 15-20 minutes. If the color appears in the bowl, you have a leak. By tracking your water use on-line, you will have a warning that there may be a leak. Service lines also leak and may start with a leak in the street. Call 3-1-1 immediately if you see a leak to find out if it is your service line or the city's main water line. Property owners are responsible for the repair of their water service line. For more information, go to www.nyc.gov/dep.

MEDICARE ENROLLMENT AWARENESS EVENT

Council Member Mark Weprin is hosting this event for seniors and interested individuals, young or old, to learn about changes to Medicare taking place in 2013. The event will be held at the Bayside Senior Center at 221-15 Horace Harding Expressway on Thursday November 15th from 12:15pm to 1:15pm.

FREE IMMIGRATION SERVICES

Council Member Mark Weprin has announced that on the first Tuesday of every month from 10am to 5 pm, at his district office located at 73-03 Bell Boulevard, services of an attorney will be available to help with immigration questions related to Naturalization and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. This service will be available through June 30, 2013. Call for an appointment, 718 468-0137.

LITTLE NECK-DOUGLASTON LION'S CLUB CELEBRATES

The Little Neck Douglaston Lion's Club is holding their 16th Annual Dinner Dance Fund Raiser on Sunday, November 18th at Leonard's of Great Neck. The dinner starts at 7pm and costs \$80.00 per person. This year CB 11 is pleased to announce that Board Member, Douglas Montgomery, will receive the club's "Man of the Year" award.

LIQUOR LICENSES

RENEWALS

Bayside Chicken
61-02 Springfield Blvd.

To Soc Chon
45-30 Bell Blvd.

Cascarinos Pizza
39-17 Bell Blvd.

Happy Day
45-46 Bell Blvd.

Mekong East
43-13 Bell Blvd.

Fino
39-13 Bell Blvd.

NEW
Gugongtan II
192-20 No. Blvd.

DEMOLITION

NOTICES
45-29 211 St.
217-51 77 Ave.

