

# COMMUNITY BOARD 11

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## COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER - October 2013

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### **CELEBRATE FALL AND HALLOWEEN**

Join the Friends of Fort Totten Parks in their two-part celebration of the fall season and Halloween. On Saturday, October 26, 2013 between 12 p.m. and 3 p.m. enjoy games, rides and craft projects. There will also be a pumpkin patch, costume contest and goodie bags. Due to the construction at Fort Totten, the event will be held in Crocheron Park (33<sup>rd</sup> Road & 215<sup>th</sup> Place) this year. On Friday, October 25, 2013 and Saturday, October 26, 2013, between 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., visit ghosts and ghouls during The Fort on Haunted Hill lantern tours. Bring a small flashlight. For more information, call 718-760-3684.

### **THE AMAZING MAIZE MAZE**

Enjoy getting lost in a 3-acre corn maze at the Queens County Farm Museum, 73-50 Little Neck Parkway. Find clues, solve puzzles and make your way out of the maze. Maze hours are every Saturday and Sunday, September 21 through October 27 from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There will be two special “*maze by moonlight*” evenings on Saturday, October 5 and Saturday, October 12 when the maze will be open until 9 p.m. The maze will also be open on Columbus Day, Monday, October 14 from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Prices are \$9.00 per adult, \$5.00 per child (ages 4-11) and free for children 3 and under. Group rates are available for 10 or more. Call 718-347-3276 or visit [www.queensfarm.org](http://www.queensfarm.org) for further information.

### **FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL**

In their mission to focus on kids, family and community, join the Cross Island YMCA located at 238-10 Hillside Avenue, Bellerose, for a Family Fitness 5K & Fun Run (for the younger ones), vendor fair, open house, auction and carnival on Saturday, October 12, 2013 (rain or shine). All proceeds will benefit their Strong Kids Campaign. Enjoy food, rides, raffles and giveaways. The community fair and carnival will take place from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The runs begin at 7 a.m. You may register for the runs in advance or find details for these events at [www.ymcanyc.org/crossisland](http://www.ymcanyc.org/crossisland).

### **ALLEY POND ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER (APEC)**

APEC is a non-profit environmental education organization dedicated to advocating for sustainable practices, educating children and adults alike and protecting and preserving open spaces and bodies of water. There are numerous educational and fun programs for everyone in the family from toddlers to adults (some programs require pre-registration). Please call 718-229-4000 or visit APEC online at [www.alleypond.com](http://www.alleypond.com) for further details.

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## **HALLOWEEN ESSAY & DRAWING CONTEST**

Assemblyman Edward Braunstein is holding an essay and drawing contest for student in grades 2 through 5. The essay or drawing should have a Halloween theme. Entries need to be submitted to Mr. Braunstein's office by October 31, 2013. District-wide prizes will be awarded to one student in each grade. For further details call 718-357-3588 or email [braunsteine@assembly.state.ny.us](mailto:braunsteine@assembly.state.ny.us).

## **CHEMICAL DISCLOSURE AT DRY CLEANERS**

Beginning in February 2014, the NYC Dept. of Environmental Protection will require dry cleaners to post the primary chemicals used in the cleaning process along with a link to information about health effects. Most dry cleaners use perchloroethylene or "perc" which is a regulated substance. Some cleaners are now using non-perc chemicals; however, they still may have health risks.

## **LOCK YOUR CAR DOORS!**

The Community Affairs Bureau of the NYPD urges you to keep your car doors locked and beware of "gas station sliders". Lock your car doors at all times; even at the gas pump. Beware of thieves who prey on customers at gas stations as well as malls and convenience stores. These perpetrators will steal a purse, laptop or cell phone in a flash. Keep vehicles locked at all times.

## **REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION UPDATE**

Due to recently enacted legislation, homeowners must register with the Tax Department to ensure they continue to receive the Basic STAR exemption for the 2014 tax year and beyond. This is a **one-time registration requirement**. Senior citizens who receive the Enhanced STAR exemption do not have to participate in this registration. They must, however, continue to apply for Enhanced STAR annually or participate in the Income Verification Program. Basic STAR homeowners can register with the state online at <https://www8.tax.ny.gov/STRP/strpStart>. You must register through December 31, 2013.

## **OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

Join the American Cancer Society in their annual Making Strides Against Breast Cancer campaign. This year, in Queens, a walk will take place on Sunday, October 20, 2013 in Flushing Meadows-Corona Park. Registration begins at 8 a.m. The event will start at 10 a.m. at the park entrance located on 111 Street between 54 and 55 Avenues. You may also register online at [www.MakingStridesWalk.org](http://www.MakingStridesWalk.org). You can even do your part without walking. Visit [www.makingstrideswalk.org/queens](http://www.makingstrideswalk.org/queens) for further information.

## **ZONING UPDATES**

301-12BZ – 213-11 35 Avenue, Trattoria 35 - Closed, Decision 10/8/13

723-84BZ – 241-02 Northern Blvd., Commercial Building – Closed, Decision 10/8/13

## **LIQUOR LICENSES**

### **RENEWALS**

Emerald Pub 183-01 Horace Harding Expressway (Full liquor)	Ga Hwa Restaurant 189-02/08 Northern Blvd. (Wine & Beer)	D'Alessandro's Corner Grill 39-35 Bell Blvd. (Wine & Beer)	Bon Chon 45-37B Bell Blvd. (Wine & Beer)
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### **NEW**

### **DEMOLITION**

#### **NOTICES**

246-16 Alameda Avenue	48-17 Browvale Lane
39-11 215 Place	214-16 42 Avenue
40-16 Westmoreland Street (Partial)	196-51 45 Road

