



# COMMUNITY BOARD 2 NEWSLETTER

## MARCH 2016



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### OFFICERS:

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| Chairman:          | Patrick O'Brien     |
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### STAFF:

Debra Markell Kleinert, District Manager  
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### COMMITTEE STRUCTURE & CHAIRPERSON

Arts & Cultural Affairs – Stephen Cooper  
City Services/Public Safety – Patrick O'Brien  
Environment – Dorothy Morehead  
Health & Human Services – Moitri C. Savard  
Land Use – Lisa Deller  
Transportation – Denise Keehan-Smith

### NEXT BOARD MEETING

Date: Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

Place: Sunnyside Community Services

43-31 39<sup>th</sup> Street,

Ground Floor

Sunnyside, New York 11104

Time: 7:00 pm

***\*BOARD MEMBERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING,  
PLEASE NOTIFY THE COMMUNITY BOARD 2 OFFICE.***

### STREET CLEANING RULES WILL BE SUSPENDED ON:

The City suspends alternate side parking regulations, for both street cleaning purposes and traffic flow, on these legal and/or religious holidays in **March 2016**. Accordingly, parking meters will not be in effect on major legal holidays\*.

Holy Thursday – Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

Purim – Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

Good Friday - Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

**CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS BY AREA**

**Long Island City** – Terry Adams, Claudia Chan, Sally Frank, Dana Frankel, William Garrett, Kenneth Greenberg, Benjamin Guttmann, Sheila Lewandowski, Charles Markey, Patrick O’Brien, Elliot Park, Lakshmi Reddy, Moitri Chowdhury Savard, Michael Son, Mary Torres, Rebecca Trent, Santiago Vargas

**Sunnyside** – Czarinna Andres, Diane Ballek, Sandra Bigitschke, Anna Thea Bridge, Stephen Cooper, Lisa Deller, Rev. Joseph Jerome, Badrun N. Khan, Marie Konecko, Jordan Levine, Dominick Lippolis, Donald McCallian, Dorothy Morehead, Patrick Murray, Beth Sexton, Regina Shanley, Lauren Springer, Karolina Tosi

**Woodside** - Bessie Cassaro, Richard Gundlach, Anne Hart, Mohammed Z. Choudhury Jewel, Ellen Kang, Denise Keehan-Smith, Norberto Saldana, Elba Santiago, Carol Terrano, Anthony Tudela

**The Board has received Notice of the following license applications:**

**NEW APPLICATIONS – ON PREMISES LIQUOR LICENSES AND RESTAURANT WINE BEER LICENSES**

**March 2016 Applications**

|   |                                     |                            |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Hotel 2745 LLC  | 27-45 Jackson Avenue, LIC, NY       | On-Premises Liquor License |
| Vernon Social Inc.  | 46-15 Vernon Blvd., LIC, NY         | On-Premises Liquor License |
| W.Town Grocery & Deli Inc.<br>d/b/a Tibetan Dumpling & Café | 49-08 Queens Blvd., Woodside, NY    | Wine and Beer License      |
| JMCR Inc.   | 58-15 Woodside Avenue, Woodside, NY | On-Premises Liquor License |

**Transfers /Alterations/Renewal**

|   |  |                            |
|---|--|----------------------------|
| Woodside Café Inc.                            | 60-06 Woodside Avenue, Woodside, NY    | Wine and Beer License      |
| Liria Restaurant Corp. d/b/a Dazies           | 39-41 Queens Blvd., Sunnyside, NY      | On-Premises Liquor License |
| Pontevedra Bar & Restaurant Corp.             | 69-08 Roosevelt Avenue, Woodside, NY   | On-Premises Liquor License |
| Indiane Cuisine                               | 13-15 43 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue, LIC, NY | On-Premises Liquor License |
| Coffeed Corporation LIC Landing<br>By COFFEED | 52-10 Center Blvd., LIC, NY            | Liquor License             |
| La Hoguera Paisa Restaurant &<br>Bakery Corp. | 40-12 Queens Blvd., Sunnyside, NY      | Liquor License             |

We invite comments from the community regarding any of the applications. If you have any such comments or questions, please call Community Board 2 at (718) 533-8773 or email at [qn02@cb.nyc.gov](mailto:qn02@cb.nyc.gov)



**ADDRESSES WITHIN CB 2 SCHEDULED FOR DEMOLITION**

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|---|--|
| 49-07 69 <sup>th</sup> Street, Queens, NY | 23-01 44 <sup>th</sup> Dr., Queens, NY |
| 44-45 23 <sup>rd</sup> Street, Queens, NY | 10-27 47 <sup>th</sup> Road, LIC, NY   |
| 23-02 44 <sup>th</sup> Road, Queens, NY   |  |

**Department of Sanitation**

**Adopt-a-Basket**

New Yorkers in busy areas sometimes fill litter baskets faster than DSNY teams can empty them. Volunteers in the Adopt-a-Basket Program protect our health and quality of life by keeping litter baskets from overflowing. Individuals or organizations can join the Adopt-a-Basket Program. Visit [www.nyc.gov/adoptabasket](http://www.nyc.gov/adoptabasket) to register. DSNY provides a supply of plastic liners and a collection schedule. Program volunteers monitor their litter baskets; when they’re three-quarters full, they remove the used plastic liners, tie them, leave them next to the basket and insert a new liner.



Bike Parade in Long Island City

## ***A Word from the District Manager ...***

### Traditional Bicycles –

New York Vehicle and Traffic Law defines bicycles as two-wheeled, seated devices that require human muscle power to drive their movement. Bicycles are not motorized, may be used on public streets, and need not be registered for ordinary use.

- Bicyclists are required to abide by the same traffic rules and regulations as motor vehicle drivers.
- They must ride in the same direction as traffic, yield to pedestrians, and make full stops at red lights and stop signs.
- Bicyclists must use their bells to alert pedestrians of their presence and equip their bicycles with a white headlight and red taillight for nighttime journeys.
- A bicyclist listening to a personal electronic device may do so by wearing only one earphone to ensure that at least one ear remains unobstructed.
- Bicyclists are required to keep one hand on the handlebars at all times.
- While wearing a helmet is strongly advised, it is required only if the bicycle-rider is below the age of fourteen.

Bike lanes and bike paths, when available, are the exclusive medium of transportation for bicycles operated on City streets, with exceptions. Bicyclists riding on City streets may also share traffic lanes with motor vehicles either when preparing to make a turn or when riding in the bike lane or path would be dangerous. While adult bicyclists are generally required to remain either in the bike lane or on the street, children, aged twelve and under, are allowed to ride on the sidewalk.

Visit [www.CityLaw.org](http://www.CityLaw.org) for further laws on Bicycles, Scooters and Hoverboards

*Sincerely,  
Debra Markell Kleinert  
District Manager*

## SUNNYSIDE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LUNCHEON

The Sunnyside Chamber of Commerce holds regular meetings – The Tuesday, March 22, 2016 luncheon will take place at Bliss 46 Bistro located at 43-46 46<sup>th</sup> Street, Sunnyside at 12:30pm . The topic will be "Get More from Your Smart Phone or I Didn't Know That!" with Adrian Bordoni. For further information visit their website at [www.sunnysidechamber.org](http://www.sunnysidechamber.org)

### 108TH COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the 108th Community Council will be held on:

**Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016 @ 7:00 pm**  
SUNNYSIDE COMMUNITY SERVICES  
43-31 39TH STREET, Ground Floor  
SUNNYSIDE, NY 11104



Please make every effort to show your support for the 108th Police Precinct by attending this informative and important meeting.

### John V. Daniels, Jr. Post No. 2813 47-53 43<sup>rd</sup> Street

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States  
47-53 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, Sunnyside, NY. Please note  
the address change of the new Post home.  
Post meetings are always held the third  
Saturday of the month. Their next meeting  
will be **Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 2 pm.**  
For further information please call (718) 335-0700.



### NYPD Community Affairs Bureau

Visit [www.nypdcommunityaffairs.org](http://www.nypdcommunityaffairs.org) for up-to-date information from the New York Police Department.

### New York City Fire Department

To request a fire safety lecture or presentation, free of charge, contact the FDNY Fire Safety Education Unit at 718-281-3870. A minimum of two week's notice is required.



### 2016 MEETING DATES DUTCH KILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

The Dutch Kills Civic Association holds their monthly meetings on the 2nd Thursday of every month, with the exception of January, July and August. Meetings are held at the Growing Up Green Charter School, 39-37 28th Street at 7:30 pm. Anyone interested in the association is welcome and encouraged to attend. The next meeting is **March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016.**

### UNITED FORTIES CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

**Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 7:00 pm**  
St. Teresa's Parish Center  
50-22 44th Street, Woodside, NY 11377  
Parking off 44th St. – yard adjoining the church

### Kiwanis Club of Sunnyside

The Kiwanis Club of Sunnyside will meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month at Sidetracks located at 45-08 Queens Blvd., Sunnyside, NY at 6:30pm. For more information visit their website at [www.sunnysidekiwanis.org](http://www.sunnysidekiwanis.org)

### St. Pat's For All Parade

**Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> - 1pm Assembly & Remarks -  
2pm Parade Step-Off**

**Skillman Avenue and 43<sup>rd</sup> Street**

**For more information visit [www.stpatsforall.com](http://www.stpatsforall.com)**

Wynwoode Gardens Home Owners Association, Inc.

The next meeting is Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 7pm - All are welcome !

St. Mary's Parish Hall

70<sup>th</sup> Street and 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Woodside

For further information please call (718) 424-0461

NYC Home-STAT

NYC Home - STAT the Homeless Outreach & Mobile Engagement Street Action Teams. This is a new initiative from Mayor de Blasio on street homelessness. The initiative will partner existing homeless response and prevention programs with a series of new initiatives designed to better identify, engage, and transition homeless New Yorkers to appropriate services and, ultimately, permanent housing. Home-STAT will create a citywide case management system that provides case managers for the street outreach services to ensure City service integration, continuous monitoring and outreach and rapid response to individual problems.

NYC Department of Buildings

"Living Safely" Campaign

This campaign was developed to help alert tenants of potentially unsafe and hazardous living conditions that often exist in illegal apartments and substandard housing, as well as to educate all New Yorkers on how to identify potentially dangerous living conditions inside their own homes. The City can immediately vacate unsafe illegal apartments or rooms. Landlords can be fined up to \$25,000 and face other penalties. To learn more about illegal living space or to request a Buildings Department inspection, call 311.

Health Insurance Link

NYC Health Insurance Link connects New Yorkers to health insurance coverage and care. Learn more at [www.nyc.gov/HILink](http://www.nyc.gov/HILink) To apply now, visit [www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov](http://www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov) or call 311 to find an insurance assistor near you.

NYC. Health

Travel Warning for Pregnant Women - Zika Virus

Pregnant and traveling? Learn about Zika virus, and consider delaying travel to affected areas until health experts say it's safe. Zika spreads to people through mosquito bites-but not a bite from any mosquito. The mosquito that health experts believe spreads the virus lives in certain parts of the world. Zika is affecting parts of Central and South America, Mexico and the Caribbean. Most people infected with Zika don't get sick. However, Zika may cause birth defects. There is no vaccine. For more information and links to maps of the affected areas, visit [www.nyc.gov/health](http://www.nyc.gov/health) and search Zika.

NYC Department of Buildings

Homeowners and Residents Night - Every Tuesday 4pm to 7pm

Borough Hall, 120-55 Queens Blvd., Kew Garden, NY

For more information visit [www.NYC.gov/DOB](http://www.NYC.gov/DOB)

## NYC Environmental Protection

### Water Resources Art and Poetry Contest 2016

Second through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students from New York City and watershed schools are invited to submit art work (including media such as paintings, photos, digital art, videos) and poetry that creatively express knowledge, appreciation and understanding of New York's valuable shared water resources. Visit [www.nyc.gov/dep/artandpoetry](http://www.nyc.gov/dep/artandpoetry) to view contest guidelines. The deadline for submitting entries to DEP is Friday, March 4, 2016.

## NYC Environmental Protection

As Flint, Michigan struggles with their water quality crisis, it is important for New Yorkers to know that their water is of the highest quality and completely safe to drink. While NYC's water is virtually lead-free when it is delivered from our reservoir system, water can absorb lead from pipes and fixtures. Property owners interested in testing their water for lead can contact DEP for a free kit by calling 311, or visiting the 311 or DEP websites. Upon receiving the water sample, DEP will test the water and send the property owner the results within 30 days. Should the results show an elevated level, the City will inform the property owner of recommended next steps.

## NYC Department of Finance

Property owners who receive the Enhance School Tax Relief (ESTAR) exemption must confirm their eligibility every year by providing documents verifying their income. As a convenience, the Department of Finance (DOF) automatically verifies the income of STAR recipients through the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance's income verification program. However, ESTAR recipients have the right to opt out of the automatic process and submit their own renewal applications and proof of income to DOF each year. For more information visit [www.nyc.gov/ownerexemption](http://www.nyc.gov/ownerexemption) or call 311

## NYC Human Resources Administration

*Connecting senior and people with disabilities to free and low-cost health insurance:*

*The Aged, Blind and Disabled (ABD) Project*

NYC is embarking on a new, New York State-funded initiative to better connect people who are 65 years and older and have low-income to free and low-cost health insurance options. NYC Human Resources Administration's Office of Citywide Health Insurance Access (HRA OCHIA) has partnered with the City's Department for the Aging (DFTA) and Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) to expand health insurance access to this vulnerable group of New Yorkers. In the coming months, HRA OCHIA, DFTA and DOHMH will open health insurance assistance and enrollment offices at 12 Senior Centers around NYC. Trained assistants will help seniors enroll in Medicaid and financial assistance program for Medicare. Assistance will be offered in multiple languages. Visit [www.nyc.gov/hilink](http://www.nyc.gov/hilink) to learn more about health coverage and care options.

## Con Edison

### Submit a Meter Reading

If you are not available for your meter to be read, you can submit a meter reading by visiting the Con Edison website and log into your account or call 1-800-491-0095 up to 11PM on the scheduled meter reading date, or between 6am-5pm the following day. If you prefer, you can email a photo of your meter and send it to [customerservice@coned.com](mailto:customerservice@coned.com) Please be sure to include your account number in your email. Your scheduled meter reading date can be found on your monthly bill or by logging into your account.

## Queens Greenmarket

### Sunnyside – Saturdays

Skillman Avenue & 43<sup>rd</sup> Street – 8am to 3pm

9am- 1pm: Textile & rechargeable battery recycling

10am-1pm: Food scrap collection (by BIG! COMPOST)

Visit [www.grownyc.org](http://www.grownyc.org) for more information

## NYC Parks - GreenThumb

### *Community Garden Youth Leadership Council*

The Youth Leadership Council is designed to have high school youths and college students participate in one or more community gardens located throughout the 5 Boroughs! The program is a great way to give back to the community, receive volunteer hours, make friends, learn new skills and have fun! The requirement to join is for students to volunteer at a garden at least twice a month and cumulate a total of 20 volunteer hours throughout the summer. The deadline to apply for high school aged youths is March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016. For more information and to apply contact Matthew Melore at [matthew.melore@parks.nyc.gov](mailto:matthew.melore@parks.nyc.gov) or call 212-602-5323.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

NYC Department of Sanitation – Emergency snow laborers needed – Register now to help clear snow and ice after major winter storms. Individuals interested in can do so at their local district garage, weekdays between 7am and 3pm. Visit [www.nyc.gov/sanitation](http://www.nyc.gov/sanitation) for a list of garages. Snow laborers will be paid \$13.50 per hour, and \$20.25 per hour after working 40 hours in a week.

NYC Center for Materials Reuse – Reuse NYC is seeking to hire a full-time Program Communications and Outreach Coordinator to help extend its outreach through social media presence, external advertisement placement and targeted member outreach. Visit the Reuse NYC website as well as the NYC Compost site and scroll down for job listing.

## SERVICES

HANAC – Western Queens Caregivers Network – Are you caring for a parent, spouse, or friend with Alzheimer's, dementia or another chronic illness? Weekly caregivers support group, counseling sessions, information and referrals. For further information call (718) 777-6941.

## TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

NYC Department of Youth and Community Development – Ladders for Leaders internship program. Ladders for Leaders provides young adults between the ages of 16-21 with the opportunity to complete a dynamic six week summer internship with some of the most sought after public and private organizations in New York City. The application will remain open through April 4, 2016. More information can be found at <http://www.nyc.gov/html/jobs/ladders.shtml>

LaGuardia Community College Green Jobs Training Program – To obtain skills for a job in Green Cleaning & Waste Management and OSHA training in April – on line registration is open. To apply visit [www.greenworkforcenyc.org](http://www.greenworkforcenyc.org) or call 718-663-8407

Veterans Family (spouse or dependent) – Career counseling. Academic/college Prep & Training – Get into college. Get job training. Call (718) 482-5386 or visit [www.lagcc.cuny.edu/veterans](http://www.lagcc.cuny.edu/veterans)

Queens Workforce 1 Career Center  
168-25 Jamaica Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl.  
Jamaica, NY 11432  
Tel: 718-557-6755  
Website: [www.nyc.gov/workforce1](http://www.nyc.gov/workforce1)

LaGuardia Workforce 1 Career Center  
29-10 Thomson Avenue, Rm. C-400, 4 Fl  
LIC, NY 11101  
Tel: 718-609-2130

## EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The State Education Department – Office of Adult Career and Continuing Education Services Vocational Rehabilitation – if you have a disability, are unemployed and looking for work contact ACCES-VR at 347-510-3100 for further information and visit [www.acces.nysed.gov](http://www.acces.nysed.gov)

For Veterans Only FREE Evening College Prep and GED classes at LaGuardia Community College. Call (718) 482-5386/5231 and ask for Elizabeth Allen, Program Assistant or visit [www.lagcc.cuny.edu/veterans](http://www.lagcc.cuny.edu/veterans)  
Email: [vets@lagcc.cuny.edu](mailto:vets@lagcc.cuny.edu)

### Community Board 2 Newsletter

If you would like to submit a flyer or a special meeting notice for the community, please do so by the third week of the month for the following month's newsletter. E-mail at [qn02@cb.nyc.gov](mailto:qn02@cb.nyc.gov), call (718) 533-8773 or Fax 718-533-8777. Visit our website at [www.nyc.gov/queenscb2](http://www.nyc.gov/queenscb2)