



COMMUNITY BOARD 2 NEWSLETTER

January 2015



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COMMITTEE STRUCTURE & CHAIRPERSON

City Services/Public Safety – Patrick O'Brien
Environment – Dorothy Morehead
Health & Human Services – Carol Terrano
Land Use – Lisa Deller
Transportation – Joseph Conley

COMMUNITY BOARD 2 OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON:

New Year's Day – Thursday, January 1st, 2015
Martin Luther King's Birthday – Monday, January 19th, 2015

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 **January 2015**. Accordingly, parking meters will not be in effect on major legal holidays*.

New Year's Day – Thursday, January 1st Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday – Monday, January 19th

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Date: Thursday, January 8th, 2015

Place: Sunnyside Community Services

43-31 39th Street,

Ground Floor

Sunnyside, New York 11104

Time: 7:00 pm

SPECIAL GUEST: Dept. of Sanitation to discuss new electronic recycling

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

BOARD MEMBERS BY AREA

Long Island City – Terry Adams, Andrew Anzalone, Shampa Chanda, Dana Frankel, William Garrett, Kenneth Greenberg, Sheila Lewandowski, Charles Markey, Patrick O’Brien, Elliot Park, Moitri Chowdhury Savard, Michael Son, Rebecca Trent, Santiago Vargas

Sunnyside – Diane Ballek, Sandra Bigitschke, Anna Thea Bridge, Stephen Cooper, Emilia Crotty, Lisa Deller, Rev. Joseph Jerome, Marie Konecko, Jordan Levine, Dominick Lippolis, Donald McCallian, Gertrude McDonald, Taina Hernandez McShane, Dorothy Morehead, Patrick Murray, Regina Shanley, David C. Shin, Lauren Springer, Karolina Tosi

Woodside - Bessie Cassaro, Barbara Coleman, Joseph Conley, Mary English, Richard Gundlach, Anne Hart, Mohammed Z. Choudhury Jewel, Ellen Kang, Denise Keehan-Smith, Norberto Saldana, Elba Santiago, Carol Terrano, Nick Troya, Anthony Tudela, Al Volpe

The Board has received Notice of the following license applications:

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

January 2015 Applications

43-17 Corp. Sabana Restaurant Inc. d/b/a Kumbala	43-17 Queens Blvd., Woodside, NY	On-Premises Liquor License
48-19 Vernon Kitchen LLC	70-04 Roosevelt Avenue, Woodside, NY	On-Premises Liquor License
D & D Bia Corp.	48-19 Vernon Blvd., LIC, NY	Wine and Beer License
Kokoroko Corp.	23-10 Jackson Avenue, LIC, NY	On-Premises Liquor License
43-22 Trading Associates Inc. Greenpoint Lounge	47-55 47 th Street, Woodside, NY	Wine and Beer License
	43-22 Greenpoint Avenue, Sunnyside, NY	On-Premises Liquor License

Transfers /Alterations/Renewal

El Conquista Restaurant Inc.	63-04 Broadway, Woodside, NY	On-Premises Liquor License
Sweatleaf LIC II Inc.	46-15 Center Blvd., LIC, NY	On-Premises Liquor License
Thai LIC Inc. d/b/a Tuk Tuk	49-06 Vernon Blvd., LIC, NY	Wine and Beer Only
Oki Japanese Restaurant	45-11 Queens Blvd., Sunnyside, NY	Beer License
61 Woodside Corp. Metro Kitchen	61-10/12 Roosevelt Avenue, Woodside, NY	On-Premises Liquor License
Nickolas Deli Restaurant Corp.	9-45 51 st Avenue, Woodside, NY	Beer License
Ivy Wine and Liquor	63-18 Roosevelt Avenue, Woodside, NY	On-Premises 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

**ADDRESSES WITHIN CB 2 SCHEDULED FOR DEMOLITION/
EXCAVATION NOTICE/ VACATE/ EMERGENCY DECLARATION**



40-39 54th Street (P.S. 11Q), Queens, NY





Joseph Conley and Patrick O'Brien

A Word from the District Manager ...

We recognize and thank Joseph Conley for his 24 years of dedicated service to Community Board 2. We will miss his timeless day to day leadership and devotion as Chairman. We look forward to continuing to work with Joe as he continues on as Transportation Chair.

We congratulate our new incoming Chairman, Patrick O'Brien, as he embarks on his new journey. We look forward to working with him and the community on resolving issues and maintaining good quality of life for all constituents.

At our next CB2 meeting we will have our Department of Sanitation to discuss the new recycling of all electronics.

***JUST A NOTE OF THANKS TO ALL THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO
CONTRIBUTED SO GENEROUSLY TOWARD THE
CB 2 ANNUAL TOY DRIVE FOR OUR METRO FAMILY !***

CB2 WISHES YOU ALL A HEALTHY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!



Sincerely,

*Debra Markell Kleinert
District Manager*



SUNNYSIDE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LUNCHEON DATES

The Sunnyside Chamber of Commerce luncheon will be on **Tuesday, January 13th, 2015** at 12:30 pm. This month the luncheon will be at **Bliss Street Station located at 47-02 Greenpoint Avenue, Sunnyside, NY.** Sunnyside Chamber of Commerce is an active part of the community, seeking to further connect business owners and community leaders for the shared mutual benefit of improving the events, activities, and relationships that make the neighborhood thrive. Sunnyside Chamber of Commerce offers membership not only to local business owners, but to property owners as well. To learn more about Sunnyside Chamber of Commerce visit their website at www.sunnysidechamberofcommerce.org

108TH COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the 108th Community Council will be held on:
Tuesday, January 27th, 2015 @ 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.

NYC Environmental Protection

"Weekly Pipeline"

If there are any issues you would like to address regarding the environment, the NYC Environmental Protection newsletter "Weekly Pipeline" welcomes your feedback. To submit an announcement or suggestion, please email at: newsletter@dep.nyc.gov

John V. Daniels, Jr. Post No. 2813

47-53 43rd Street

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States **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, January 17th, 2015 at 2 pm. For further information please call (718) 335-0700.

NYPD Community Affairs Bureau

Crime Prevention Section – ATM "Skimming" Tips – an illegal activity that involves a device at ATM machines; more information is available on their website at www.nypdcommunityaffairs.org

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.

UNITED FORTIES CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

Thursday, January 15th, 2015 at 7:00 pm
St. Teresa's Parish Center
50-22 44th Street, Woodside, NY 11377
Parking off 44th St. – yard adjoining the church

2015 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 January 8th, 2015.

Queens Library

Queens Library's Older Adult Outreach Network is committed to reaching all senior centers, nursing homes and adult day-care facilities in Queens, New York through their free Baby-Boomers & Golden Generation Newsletter (BBG in Action! Newsletter). If you would like to receive issues by e-mail, please contact Marva Varnar-Haynes, Older Adult Outreach Specialist at (718) 990-5156 or e-mail mvhayes@queenslibrary.org

MTA New York City Transit
2015 Flushing 7 Line Schedule of Work

The MTA New York City Transit (NYCT) has been making capital improvements on the Flushing 7 line over the past several years to improve the entire line's long-term capacity and reliability. This work has involved three major, multi-year projects: the implementation of **Communications-Based Train Control**, the **replacement of elevated track panels**, and the **reconstruction and fortification of the Steinway Tubes**. Work will be continuing on these projects into 2015, which means that NYCT will require new service suspensions and disruptions on the 7 line while this work is performed. For a more detailed account of NYCT's progress on these projects and more, visit www.MTA.info and follow the link to the webpage entitled "7 Line Weekend Accomplishments."

NYC Department of Transportation

Traffic pattern change on Brooklyn Queens Expressway (I-278) during night hours in both directions
In both the Queens-bound and Brooklyn-bound directions, traffic will be reduced from the existing three lanes to one lane in each direction during night time hours only, from 11pm to 5am, through early January 2015.

In the Brooklyn-bound (westbound) direction, this change will begin before Exit 34 (Meeker/Morgan) and end before Exit 32B (Metropolitan Avenue)

In the Queens-bound (eastbound) direction, this change will start after Exit 33 (McGuinness Blvd. N/Humboldt Street) and end before Exit 35 (LIE (I-495)/48th Street).

For up-to-date travel information, call 511 or visit www.511NY.org.

NYC Office of Immigrant Affairs
New York City Municipal ID

The NYC municipal ID program will improve access to the City's benefits and attractions for all, including those who have been left out of those benefits due to the lack of basic government-issued identification. For example, adults re-entering after incarceration, foster care youth, homeless, undocumented immigrants, and transgender individuals), and it will also benefit New Yorkers who wish to take advantage of discounts and other incentive programs to city attractions and businesses. Nearly 50% of adult NYC residents do not have a NYS driver's license, and can benefit from a municipal ID. You can find more information at www.nyc.gov/nypd and <http://www.nyc.gov/immigrants>

NYC Department of Sanitation

Starting January 2015, it is illegal to discard electronics in the trash.

Visit www.nyc.gov/recycle for more information

.NYC

The Official Web Address for New Yorkers has arrived. The city is a part of you, and now it can be a part of your web address. The .nyc web address is now available, and only New Yorkers can Own It. .nyc is a new web address (like.com, .net, and .org) specifically available to individuals, businesses or organizations with a physical address in the five boroughs. Get your .nyc web address at :

www.OwnIt.nyc

VOLUNTEER ONE NIGHT TO HELP THE HOMELESS HOPE 2015

THE NYC STREET SURVEY MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2015

Join thousands of volunteers across NYC to canvass streets, parks and subways to count the number of homeless people living unsheltered. Volunteers will be trained and work in teams. The results will be used by outreach workers to help homeless people leave the streets for a better life. Past Results - Since the first annual street survey in 2005, the number of homeless individuals living in public places has decreased by 24% from 4,395 to 3,357. That's more than 1,038 fewer New Yorkers sleeping on streets, in parks and in subways.

For more information, and to register to help, simply dial 311, or go to www.nyc.gov/dhs

NYC Department of Education

Referral Centers for High School Alternatives are part of the NYC Department of Education. They are located in every borough to help high school aged students navigate their educational options. They assist students who have recently arrived to NYC, who want to recommit to school, or who want to earn their high school equivalency diploma. For more information about the programs, locations, and contact information visit <http://pathtograd.org/referralcenters>

College Goal New York Events

FAFSA Completion Events for New York State Students

FAFSA Completion Events are set to take place during the months of January, February and March 2015 to help college-bound students complete the most important tool in securing financial aid, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid - the FAFSA form. To find out more about College Goal visit <http://collegegoalny.org/event-locations>

Con Edison

Smell Gas. Act Fast.

1. Smell - Natural gas smells like rotten eggs.
2. Gas - If gas is in the air, a spark could cause an explosion. Don't light a match, smoke, flip a switch, ring a doorbell, or touch appliances or electronics, including phones.
3. Run - If you suspect a gas leak, get everyone out immediately.

4. Call - When you're safe, call 911, Con Edison (1-800-75-CONED), or National Grid (1-718-643-4050)

Don't assume someone else has already called. You can report leaks anonymously.

www.coned.com/gassafety

NYC's Paid Sick Leave Law

NYC's new Paid Sick Leave Law applies to most employees in New York City and is now in effect. Employees can start using earned sick leave on July 30, 2014. If you work in NYC for more than 80 hours a year, you can earn up to 40 hours of sick leave each year to care for yourself or a family member.

For further information contact the Department of Consumer Affairs via Email at PaidSickLeave@dca.nyc.gov or call 311 or visit www.nyc.gov or visit their Paid Sick Leave Division at 42 Broadway, 11th Fl, NYC.

NYC Department of Transportation

DRIVE 25 MPH It's The Law !!

Crashes Are Preventable. Together Lives Can Be Saved !!!

- The speed limit is changing to 25 MPH on November 7th, 2014
- Drivers who drive 25 MPH or slower are better able to avoid crashes
- Pedestrians who are struck by vehicles traveling at 25 MPH are half as likely to die as pedestrians who are struck by vehicles at 30 MPH.

NYC Department of Consumer Affairs

Office of Financial Empowerment

Meet one-on-one with a Financial Empowerment Counselor who can help with: your debt, your credit, create a budget, open a bank account; deal with debt collectors, save and plan for your future, etc. Visit www.nyc.gov and search "Financial Empowerment Centers."

APPROVED TRAFFIC SIGNALS IN CB 2



The New York City Department of Transportation has notified CB2 of their plans to install a traffic signal at the following intersection:

Skillman Avenue and 51st Street

Installation is tentatively scheduled to be completed by March 31, 2015.

Sunnyside Woodside Lions Club

The Sunnyside Woodside Lions Club meets the last Wednesday of each month at Queen of Angels Parish Hall located at 44th Street and Skillman Avenue, Sunnyside, NY at 7:00 pm.

Queens Botanical Garden

Electronic Waste (e-waste) recycling event

Sunday, January 11, 2015 from 10am-4pm

All are invited to bring unwanted or broken electronics, such as old phones, chargers, handheld toys, TVs, cameras, tangles of holiday lights and more.

Admission is FREE – please note that the Garden does not charge admission

NYC Department of Transportation

DOT's CityRacks provide free sidewalk bicycle parking racks throughout the five boroughs. CityRacks are a convenience for the entire cycling community. Also, the availability of CityRacks parking discourages cyclists from parking at mailboxes, parking meters, trees, and other sidewalk structures.



You can suggest a location for a new CityRack using their online form. Please note that because of the great interest in this program, DOT cannot respond for each suggestion. Bulk requests from Business Improvement Districts, civic associations or other groups of community members are encouraged and will be prioritized. DOT has standard guidelines for where bike racks can be cited.

Visit www.nyc.gov/dot for further information.

NYC Police Department

NYPD Ride-Along Program provides the public an opportunity to observe police officers on patrol.

Applicants must be 18 years or older; they must be a bona fide resident of NYS; all applications are subject to approval and a background check by the NYPD. For more information e-mail Officer Diaz at Luis.Diaz@nypd.org or call 718-784-5420.

To become a 108th Precinct Auxiliary Officer call 718-784-5420 for further information.

To join the NYPD Explorer Program, you must be between the ages of 14 and 20. For more information contact Officer Mendez @ 718-784-5448

Please follow the 108th Precinct's Official Twitter Feed: @NYPD108PCT

NYC Fire Department



One of the fundamental missions of the Fire Department is to protect the lives and property of New York City residents and visitors through fire safety education. The FDNY Fire Safety Education Unit provides educational literature intended to educate New Yorkers from every walk of life on safe practices and techniques. Fire Safety Publications can be found in multiple languages, and can be accessed via the following website http://www.nyc.gov/html/safety/fire_safety_downloads.shtml

Notify NYC

Get notified about emergencies via email, phone, text and twitter. Sign up for FREE for the City's Official Emergency Notification System regarding subway disruptions, school closures, severe weather and traffic advisories at www.nyc.gov

NYC Mayor's Office to Combat Domestic Violence

New York City Family Justice Centers

One-stop service centers for domestic violence help

The New York City Family Justice Centers are walk-in centers for victims of domestic violence, elder abuse, and sex trafficking. To make it easier to get help, many agencies are located at each Center. Services are free and someone is there to help no matter what language you speak. For further information visit www.nyc.gov/domesticviolence or call the NYC - Domestic Violence hotline at 800-621-4673

Queens Greenmarket

Sunnyside – Saturdays

Skillman Avenue & 43rd Street – 8am to 3pm

9am- 1pm: Textile & rechargeable battery recycling

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

Visit www.grownyc.org for more information

Western Queens Recovery Services

62-07 Woodside Avenue, 4th Fl., Woodside, NY

A Medically Supervised Alcohol/Substance Abuse Out-patient Clinic licensed by New York State – Insurance, Medicaid and Sliding Scale Accepted – Open 6 Days a Week – Evening and Saturday Appointments Available – Bilingual Staff: Services offered in English and Spanish. For more information call (718) 898-5085

Center for the Women of New York, Inc.

The Center for the Women of New York, Inc. has a variety of programs, workshops and activities. For more information visit their website at www.cwny.org

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Re Serve is offering paid, part-time positions to serve as afternoon Tutors through the MS ExTRA program with the NYC Dept of Education and The After-School Corporation. Tutors will provide daily guided reading instruction to middle school students in a small group setting, to supplement and enhance in-class reading assignments. To learn more, email your name and phone number to tutoring@reserveinc.org to register for an upcoming information session or call 212-727-4335

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

Yearup is an intensive, one-year program that combines hands-on skill development, college credits, and internships at some of America's top companies, preparing students for success in careers in IT or Financial Operations, and in higher education. For further information visit www.yearup.org

LaGuardia Community College Green Jobs Training Program – To obtain skills for a job in Green Cleaning & Waste Management or Building Operations & Maintenance.
Visit www.greenworkforcenyc.org or call 718-663-8407

Queens Workforce 1 Career Center
168-25 Jamaica Avenue, 2nd Fl.
Jamaica, NY 11432
Tel: 718-557-6755
Website: 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

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
Email: vets@lagcc.cuny.edu

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Million Trees NYC – A PlaNYC initiative with NYC Parks and New York Restoration Project. Trees make up a very important part of our urban ecosystem, especially in areas where residents have less access to green space. Trees also mean clean air and water, lower energy bills and higher property values. Tree beds that demonstrate signs of stewardship, including regular watering, litter removal, flower plantings, and tree guards are over four times as likely to survive as those that exhibit no signs of care. For more information and to learn how you can get involved, contact Million TreesNYC Outreach Coordinator for Queens, Katina Boutis at 212-360-8191 or email Katina.Boutis@parks.nyc.gov

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