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# FEBRUARY 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Groundhog Day
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 CB Meeting - 730pm Elmhurst Hosp. (Auditorium) <u>79-01 Broadway</u> Lincoln's Birthday	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16
17	18 110 Precinct Council Mtg - 7pm <u>VFW Post.#150.</u> Presidents Day (Office Closed)	19	20	21	22 Washington's Birthday	23
24	25	26	27	28		

The next meeting of Community Board #4Q will be scheduled for **Tuesday March 12th, 2013**  
at **Elmhurst Hospital Center - 79-01 Broadway—Elmhurst, NY 11373 (Auditorium)**



## NYC Community Board #4 Queens

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**Louis Walker**, Chairperson  
**Christian Cassagnol**, District Manager

### February 2013

#### MEETING NOTICE

**Date:** Tuesday February 12th, 2013

**Time:** 7:30 pm

**Location:** Elmhurst Hospital Center  
79-01 Broadway - Room A122 - Auditorium (Enter on Broadway)



#### AGENDA

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Vote: Minutes of January 8th Meeting
- Report of the Chairperson
- Report of the District Manager
- Report of the Legislators
- Public Safety Committee**  
Vote: SLA Applications  
(See Insert)
- Presentations:**
  - Melissa Cole, Operations Manager**  
*Central Queens Academy*  
- Revote of street parking around vicinity of the school to include two parking spaces on Junction Boulevard.
  - Seth Taylor, Director**  
*82nd Street Partnership*  
- Request for a Bike Corral along 82nd Street on the South Side of Roosevelt Avenue.
- Committee Reports**

Parks	Environmental
Health	ULURP & Zoning
Youth	Postal
Transportation	Consumer Affairs
- Public Forum**  
Good and Welfare of the District
- Adjournment**

#### February is Black History Month , But Do You Know Why?

**Black History Month**, also known as **African-American History Month**, is an annual observance in the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom for remembrance of important people and events in the history of the African American diaspora.

Black History Month had its beginnings in 1926 in the United States, when historian Carter G. Woodson and the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History announced the second week of February to be "Negro History Week". This week was chosen because it marked the birthday of both Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass. The first celebration of Black History Month was held by the leaders of the Black United Students at Kent State University in February 1970. Six years later during the bicentennial of the U.S., the expansion of Negro History Week to Black History Month was recognized by the U.S. government. Gerald Ford spoke in regards to this, urging Americans to "seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history."

**A Word From the District Manager**

Dear Members and Residents of Queens Community Board 4,

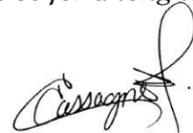
When asked by a reporter about the future development of Community Board 4Q, I was quoted saying that we are "slowly becoming the center of Queens." I firmly stand by this sentiment, and as more projects and potential developments come to fruition, I can't help but realize that my opinion is shared by many different agencies, businesses and residents.

With the sheer amount of changes now and in the near future, the spotlight is firmly set on us, and I proudly stand by my statement.

Many of us are weary, others excited, and others may still be on the fence about what the future holds for our community, but the inevitable fact is that changes will be coming to us, and the more popular we become, the brighter and hotter that spotlight will be.

Whatever the outcome, let's continue to be proud of what we have.

I know I am, and will be for a long time.



District Manager  
Queens CB 4

**A Message from the NYC DEP  
Water and Sewer Service Line Protection Program is up & Running!**

DEP is pleased to announce that we have partnered with American Water Resources (AWR) to offer a Water and Sewer Service Line Protection Program to our customers. This voluntary program is designed to protect New York City homeowners from the unexpected costs of service line repairs.

Most homeowners are not aware that they are responsible for all of the costs associated with repairing a damaged water or sewer service lines that run from their building's exterior to the municipal service lines in the street. These repairs are not covered by most homeowners insurance policies and can cost thousands of dollars.

AWR has been selected as the exclusive provider of the Water and Sewer Service Line Protection Programs for DEP customers. As a homeowner and DEP customer, you can enroll in the protection programs, and AWR will take the responsibility of paying for service line repairs off your shoulders.

Special introductory rates of \$3.99 per month for water line protection and \$7.99 per month for sewer line protection will be offered until **June 30, 2013**. For future years, the New York City Water Board will adopt the annual rates for the Programs along with regular water and sewer service charges. These charges will be included in your DEP water and sewer bill and must be paid to remain eligible.

For more information about the Water and Sewer Service Line Protection Program and to find out if you are eligible, call AWR toll-free at (888) 300-3570.

**The Office of Council Member Daniel Dromm  
is offering  
Free Graffiti Removal**

CM Daniel Dromm has secured funding to sponsor an anti graffiti program in our district.

Any constituent can get graffiti removed by calling (718) 803-6373 and pressing 6 for the Graffiti Hotline. The graffiti will be removed in approximately two weeks.

**Construction In Our Area Beginning January 28th**

**Queens Blvd westbound service road, between 55th Ave and Broadway.**

Please note that work hours at this location are DAYS, from **9am to 4pm**.

**Queens Blvd westbound service road, between 59th Ave and 90th St.**

Please note that work hours at this location will be DAYS (9am to 4pm) at the beginning of the week and will likely switch on Tuesday or Wednesday to NIGHTS, from **9pm to 5am**.

**Work will continue for approximately two weeks**

**Council Member Daniel Dromm  
Invites you to a Lunar New Year Celebration!**



YEAR OF  SNAKE

**February 9th**

**St. James Episcopal Church**

**84-07 Broadway**

**Elmhurst, NY 11373**

**12pm -2pm**

Traditional Drumming, Lion Dancing and More

[www.danieldromm.com](http://www.danieldromm.com)



**New York State Senator Jose Peralta,  
New York City Council Woman Julissa Ferreras**

**and**

**Food Bank for New York City**

**are offering**

**Free Tax Preparation by Certified IRS Tax Preparers**

**January 17th - April 15th**

**Transfiguration of Christ Greek Orthodox Church**

**38-05 98th Street Corona, NY 11368**

**(Bet. 38th and 39th Avenues)**

**Mon - Thurs: 10am -7pm**

**Fridays: 10am - 5pm;**

**Saturdays: 9am - 5pm**

**Closed on Mon. and Fri. in March**

**For more information, call (718) 205-3881 or (718) 651-1917**

**110 Precinct Council Meeting**

**Monday February 18th 2012**

**VFW Post #150 - 7pm**

**51-11 108th Street**

**Corona, NY 11368**

**Guest Speaker Gregory L. Lasak**

**Supreme Court Justice**

**Queens County**



**NYC Financial Justice Hotline**

**212-925-4929**

**For community groups and low income NYC residents**

**Hotline Hours: Tues. - Thurs., 12pm - 2pm**

**Know Your Rights!**

Learn how you can fight back against discriminatory banking and credit practices.

Call the hotline about:

- Problems related to your credit report
- Discriminatory lending practices
- Prepaid debit cards, payday loans, check cashers, pawn shops
- "Debt relief" or "credit repair" scams
- Sending money home (remittances)
- Abusive debt collection practices