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COMMUNITY BOARD # 8 NEWSLETTER

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EXEC. SECRETARY: Carolyn Baker-Brown
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BOARD MEMBERS BY AREA

Area 1 – Kew Gardens Hills

Dr. Allen J. Bennett – CHAIR, Susan D. Cleary, Florence Fisher, Joshua Glikman, Bright Limm, Mitch Lisker, Jennifer Martin, Rabbi Shlomo Nisarov, Simon Pelman, Michael Sidell and Jacob Weinberg

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Area 3 - Hillcrest Estates & Jamaica Hills

Kevin Forrestal - CHAIR, Dilafroz Ahmed, Fakrul Islam Delwar, Paul Lazauskas, Frances Peterson and Samuel Rodriguez

Area 4 – Flushing Heights, Flushing Suburban, Hillcrest

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Mary Maggio Fischer – CHAIR, Monica Corbett, Brian DeMasters, Carolann Foley, Frank Magri, Steven Sadofsky and Stanley Weinblatt

Area 6 – Utopia, Fresh Meadows, West Cunningham Park

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Area 7 – Jamaica Estates & Holliswood

Mark Lefkof – CHAIR, Dr. Robert Block, Edward Chung, Howard A. Fried, Marc A. Haken, Michael Hannibal, Jesse Rosenbaum, Harbachan Singh, Martha Taylor and Mohammed Tohin

Community Board 8, Queens UPDATES:

- ◆ There were no Community Board 8 Monthly Meetings during the months of July and August.
- ◆ Final restoration work for QED 1006 has been completed on Hillside Ave on August 26, 2014
- ◆ A public hearing is scheduled for September 8, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. It will be held at Hillside Manor located at 188-11 Hillside Avenue. The items discussed at the hearing will be voted on at the next Board Meeting (*call us for more information*).



Next Community Board 8 Meeting will be on WEDNESDAY, September 10, 2014
7:30 p.m.

Hillcrest Jewish Center
183-02 Union Turnpike (Auditorium)
Fresh Meadows, NY 11366

*** Minutes of Board Meetings are available on our website: www.nyc.gov/queenscb8

A Word from the District Manager ...

Dear Resident:

The first day of school is on **Thursday, September 4, 2014** and our community should do everything possible to keep our children safe. Please obey all traffic regulations, especially near our schools. Here are a few tips from the NYC Police Department and Community Board 8Q:



- Always **Drive Slowly** in school zones. Aggressive driving and speeding drastically reduces the time you have to avoid a road hazard. Poor weather conditions reduce visibility and increases stopping distance.
- Always be **Mindful of Children**, especially when visibility and space is diminished by double parked cars. Children may cross the street between cars. Pedestrians may not be paying attention; they may be distracted and not see you. Children may run out in the street at anytime.
- Be a **Defensive Driver!** Watch out for **distracted drivers** that may pull out without signaling or looking first.
- **Never Double Park!** Double parking creates blind spots for drivers and pedestrians.
- **Never Block Crosswalks!**
- **LOOK** before moving! Be mindful of small children behind your vehicle or aggressive drivers passing double parked cars.
- **Be Courteous** to others and don't block the street. Allow yourself additional time to find a safe spot to drop off your child and avoid stress due to traffic delays.
- **ALL** vehicles **MUST** stop when the school bus light is flashing **RED** - Most school bus-related deaths and injuries occur while children are crossing the street after leaving the bus, not in collisions involving school buses.



With your help and cooperation, our children will have a safer 2014-2015 School Year! **It takes more than City Hall to make New York City great, it takes us all!**

Sincerely,

Marie Adam-Ovide

P.S. If you would like an email version, please contact us at 718-264-7895 and provide your email address.

This information is also available on our website: www.nyc.gov/queenscb8. Remember to "Like" us on

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Department of Design and Construction (DDC) Projects in CB8 and (CCL) Community Construction Liaison's contact information:

QED 989
Water Main
Replacement Project
Hillcrest
CCL Carlton Barker 917-346-3620
QED989ccl@gmail.com

QED 1001
Water Main
Replacement Project
Briarwood
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NEWS FROM SSA

Beginning October 1, 2014, New York State will issue its own State Supplement Payment (SSP), while SSA will pay the federal cash benefit that is due. This means that people who receive SSI in New York and who currently receive a combined federal and state supplement will receive two, separate payments – one from SSA and another from New York State. Their total payment amount will not change. If the individual only receives a SSP, that will be paid by the State.

While the payments will be separated beginning October 1, 2014, the SSI rules remain unchanged.

FREE

Immigration Services are being provided at the Community Board 8 office on the 2nd and 4th Fridays starting in October. These services are being funded by City Councilman Mark Weprin and facilitated by CUNY Citizenship Now!



Call us now to set up an appointment at 718-264-7895

STREET CLOSURE — CRANE OPERATION

**Shadow Transport Inc.
30-02 48th Avenue
Long Island City, NY 11101
718-784-0010**

Please be advised that on September 13-14, 2014, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturday and 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday, 149th Street between Melbourne Avenue and Gravett Road will be closed to vehicular traffic, due to a crane operation at 66-10 149th Street in Queens. This street closure has been approved by the NYC Department of Transportation.

Council Tower VII - 78 units in the Bronx

This new development will create 78 units of affordable housing for low-income senior citizens, age 62 and older. Council Towers VII is immediately adjacent to Met Council’s Weinberg Council Towers V and Weinberg Council Towers I. Building amenities will include shared community space, laundry facilities and on-site parking. This is the latest addition to Met Council’s Tower developments which are spread throughout the boroughs of New York City. The development provides a safe environment with on-site social service programs for residents. Met Council joined with the Arker Companies, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD), New York City Housing and Development Corporation (HDC), and New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) to develop this property. Council Tower VII is currently in construction and is scheduled for completion in February of 2015.



Applications are now available by:

- ◆ Writing to Council Towers VII Senior Housing C/o Met Council 120 Broadway, 7th Floor New York, NY 10271
- ◆ Downloading from the internet from www.metcouncil.org/housing
- ◆ Picking up an application in person from the following offices:
 1. Met Council located at 120 Broadway, 7th Floor New York, NY 10271
 2. Council Towers I located at 777 Co-op City Boulevard Bronx, NY 10475

(Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Friday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. ONLY)
- ◆ Sending an email to ct7inquiry@metcouncil.org

All completed applications must be received by September 24, 2014



*As New York City Residents we must obey a gamut of regulations. We realize that most residents want to do the right thing and obey the rules. However, they often break them, as they are **unaware** of their existence. So...*



Did you know???

The Board received complaints this month about misused litter baskets. Please share this information widely....

Sidewalks and Gutters

The sidewalks (including areas like tree pits, grass strips, etc.) and gutter areas (18 inches from the curb into the street) along the building perimeter must be kept clean. Sweepings must be picked up and deposited in suitable containers for collection. **Sanitation litter baskets may not be used for this purpose.**

Residential Premise Enforcement Routing

Under the Enforcement Routing Program, enforcement agents patrol all areas including commercial, industrial, manufacturing and residential blocks at specified times focusing on violations for dirty sidewalks, dirty areas and failure to clean 18 inches into the street. During the enforcement routing time, when enforcement agents observe a dirty sidewalk, dirty area or an 18-inch violation in front of/adjacent to a residential premise, a notice of violation will be issued. Although enforcement agents will issue notices for dirty sidewalk, dirty area, or failure to clean 18 inches into the street violations only during the specified 2 one-hour daily routing time periods, they may issue notices for all other violations at any time.

Residential Premises

Residential routing times citywide have been set as follows:
8:00AM to 8:59 AM and 6:00 PM to 6:59 PM

Backyards, Areaways, and Alleys

Backyards, areaways, courts, alleys, and air shafts must be kept clean. For residential locations, Residential Enforcement Routing times as explained above apply.

§16-118(2)(a) FINE: \$100-\$300

LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS



- ◆ **Mian's Noodle Bar**
184-02 Horace Harding Expressway in Fresh Meadows ***NEW application for Liquor, Wine and Beer License.***
- ◆ **Fillmore's Tavern**
166-02 65th Avenue in Flushing ***Renewal application for a Liquor, Wine and Beer License***
- ◆ **Flagship Diner**
138-30 Queens Boulevard in Briarwood ***Renewal application for a Liquor, Wine and Beer License***

Any complaints about establishments with liquor licenses should be sent to Community Board 8 in writing. Unless a signed, written notification is received at our office, we cannot follow up. You must also include your address and telephone number.

Street Activity/Block Party Permit Request

Received by Community Board 8 for September 2014:



There were no permit requests approved by CB8 nor awaits the approval of Street Activity Permit Office (SAPO) for the month of September .

DEMOLITION/EXCAVATION NOTICE/ VACATE /EMERGENCY DECLARATION



- ◆ 169-08 Union Turnpike—Demolition
- ◆ 69-21 184th Street—Demolition
- ◆ 82-21 189th Street—Demolition

LaGuardia Community College's Home to Work Center for Displaced Homemakers Offers Free:

- ◆ Computer and vocational training
- ◆ Personal development and economic self-sufficiency workshops
- ◆ Career counseling
- ◆ Job readiness workshops
- ◆ Job search and placement assistance



For More information contact Vanessa Jarvis

- ◆ Visit Room C-314 at 31-10 Thomson Avenue in LIC
- ◆ Call 718-482-5171 or 718-482-5161
- ◆ Email vjarvis@lagcc.cuny.edu or msampson@lagcc.cuny.edu

*** A displaced homemaker is *someone who is not gainfully employed; has or would have difficulty securing employment; dependent on the income of another family member; dependent on Federal Assistance but no longer qualifies; supported as a parent of minor children.***

Chancellor Carmen Fariña announces:

Free Afterschool Programs for Middle School Students

Middle School students can now apply for high quality after school programs called School's Out New York City (SOPNYC) - at no cost to families. On September 8th, SOPNYC programs will begin operating at most public middle schools across the City from Monday through Friday from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. parents can take advantage of this opportunity by visiting:

www.nyc.gov/afterschool

to apply online by September 3, 2014 and alert the program of your plans to enroll. Applications for after school programs for elementary school students are also available.

If you have any questions, please call **311** or DYCD Youth Connect at **1-800-246-4646**

CITY PARKING RULES

The City suspends alternate side parking regulations, for both street cleaning purposes and traffic flow, on legal and/or religious holidays.

- ◆ Labor Day— September 1st
- ◆ Rosh Hashanah—September 25-26th



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Community Board 8, Queens

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Office is Closed	2	3	4 	5	6
7	8 Public Hearing BSA No.340-41BZ BSA No.51-06BZ 7:30 p.m. Hillside Manor 188-11 Hillside Ave	9	10 Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. Hillcrest Jewish Center 183-02 Union Turnpike	11	12	13
14	15	16 Liquor License Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m. CB8 Office 197-15 Hillside Ave	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Rosh Hashanah 	26 Rosh Hashanah	27
28	29	30				