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# Queens Community Board 4

46-11 104th Street - Corona, NY 11368 Servicing Corona, Corona Heights, Elmhurst and Newtown

## October 2022 Newsletter

## **MEETING NOTICE and Agenda**

Tuesday, October 11th, 2022 7:00 pm

> VFW Post #150 51-11 108th Street Corona, NY 11368

Meeting Will Be In-Person
PLEASE NOTE SPACE IS LIMITED
Social distancing guidelines will be in place and strongly enforced.

<u>Masks must be worn.</u>

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Vote:

Minutes September 13th, 2022

- 4. Chairperson's Report
- 5. District Manager's Report
- **6. Public Forum -** Good & Welfare of the District (All statements will be limited to <u>2 minutes</u>)
- 7. Report from Elected Officials

(All statements will be limited 3 minutes)

## 8. Guest Speaker

**Allie Gumas-**DSNY - Community Affairs Presentation on the Queens Curbside Composting Initiative/Program.

9. Report & Vote:

**Transportation Committee** 

## **Street Co-naming applications**

• "Asif Rahman Way" (Queens Boulevard bet. 55<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 55th Road)

• "John Browne Way"

(Grand Avenue and Simonson Street)

## **TLC License Applications**

• NY Mexicana Car Service

(49-06 Junction Boulevard - Elmhurst, NY 11373)

• Cooperativa Colombiana Car Service

(109-20 Corona Avenue - Corona, NY 11368)

• Cibao Radio Dispatcher

(112-44 Roosevelt Avenue - Corona, NY 11368)

## Parks Committee

Report and Vote: Josephine Caminiti Playground Redesign

## 10. Report & Vote:

Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee

• State Liquor Authority Applications

## 11. Committee Reports:

- Consumer Affairs and Economic Development
- Environmental
- Health and Human Services
- Parks, Cultural Affairs and Historical Preservation
- Transportation
- Youth Services

## 12. Adjournment

Click Here for the minutes of the September CB4Q meeting



## **Important Dates to Remember**

## Wednesday, October 12th

Evening Under the Sphere 2022 Gala 6:30pm - 9:30pm (FMCP Unisphere - Flushing Meadows Corona Park)

## **Thursday October 13th**

NHS of Northern Queens

Webinario para compradores primerizos
6pm - 8pm

(Ver anuncio abajo)

### Monday, October 17th

NHS of Northern Queens
Digital Literacy Classes
11am-1pm
(See Attachment Below)

### Thursday, October 20th

**Housing Rights Clinic** 

Assemblywoman Jessica Gonzalez - Rojas 10am-1pm \*appointment only\* (75-35 31st Ave Suite 206B East Elmhurst, NY 11370)

## Saturday, October 29th

"Paper Shredding"

Assemblywoman Jessica Gonzalez - Rojas

10am – 2pm

(Northern Playground, between 93rd and 94th street and Northern Boulevard)

### Wednesday, November, 2nd

NHS of Northern Queens
First Time Home Buying Webinar
6pm-8pm
(See Attachment Below)

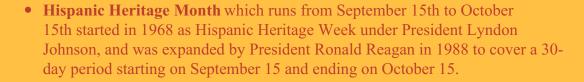
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<u>CB4Q Newletter Sign up</u>

### **Did You Know?**

- The name "October" comes from **Octo**, **Latin for "eight**," an indication of its position in the early Roman calendar. It was later changed to the 10th month on the Gregorian Calendar.
- October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.



• October is also **Italian Heritage Month** which was first celebrated in **1989** by a special proclamation of both Congress and President George H. W. Bush.

# **Hey Queens!**

Got leaf and yard waste, food scraps, and foodsoiled paper?

Composting just got easier—starting October 3rd, we will pick it up from your curb every week!

#### Leaf and Yard Waste

· Put in a bin or bag separate from trash.

## Food Scraps and Food-soiled Paper

 Put in a labeled bin (max 55 gallons) with a secure lid. Label bin with a free Composting Bin Decal—order at nyc.gov/CompostingBinDecal

-OR-

 Put in a brown bin. Don't have one?
 Order a free new one by October 1, 2022 at nyc.gov/CurbsideComposting

All buildings with 10+ units will automatically receive brown bins. It's just that easy!



Find your collection schedule at: nyc.gov/CurbsideComposting

Have questions about composting in NYCHA? Visit nyc.gov/QueensCompostingNYCHA

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## **Curbside Composting 2022**

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SMALL BUSINESS

Dear members of Community Board 4,

I am writing in support of co-naming Queens Boulevard between 55th Street and 55th Avenue as "Asif Rahman Way" to commemorate Asif's life and legacy, specifically his mother Lizi's advocacy for a safer Queens Boulevard.

The ideal location for the street sign placement is at the southeast corner of Queens Boulevard and 55th Avenue, near the bike lane that was installed in the decade following Asif's death on this street on February 28, 2008. Asif was killed by a box truck driver while biking home on his second day of work.

The primary petitioner of this co-naming is Lizi Rahman, Asif's mother. Since Asif Rahman's death, Lizi and many others have worked to make Queens Boulevard safer for our community; this honors his memory and their efforts. I support this co-naming in recognition of the campaign for a safer boulevard, sparked by this tragedy and the loss of so many of our community members to traffic accidents.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Shekar Krishnan

Council Member, 25th District









#### BIOGRAPHY OF ASIF RAHMAN

This is a biography for Asif Rahman, candidate for a street co-naming on Queens Boulevard for "Asif Rahman Way". We remember his life, cut short by traffic violence as he rode his bike, and the movement that rose to stop deaths on Queens Boulevard, then called the 'Boulevard of Death'.

Asif Rahman was born on June 20, 1985, in Dhaka, Bangladesh. He came to the United States at an early age in 1988.

Throughout his life, he was very connected to Queens. He started his elementary education at PS 131Q in Astoria and finished high school at Hillcrest High School in Jamaica, Queens. After graduating from high school, he attended Queens College in Flushing, NY, worked as the Literary Editor of his college newspaper, and organized a spoken word poetry group.

In his 22-year life, Asif Rahman showed his talents in several forms of art, be it writing, performing spoken word poetry, drawing, painting, singing, beatboxing, or photography. Asif Rahman's main passion was writing poems. He performed spoken word poetry at various shows, wrote numerous poems, rap lyrics, and recorded music. He liked sharing his art with others, and on the cusp of his first and only CD being released, his life was tragically cut short on the infamous 'Boulevard of Death'.

On February 28, 2008, Asif was returning home from his job as a Teacher's Assistant at High School of Heroes in Ridgewood, Queens. On the way, he was hit by a freight truck on Queens Boulevard. The driver hit his bicycle from behind and drove over him. Asif Rahman died instantly from internal injuries. He never reached home as his life was ended in its prime. Asif had many dreams, but they all came to an end at that moment.

At the time of Asif's death, Queens Boulevard was known as the 'Boulevard of Death'. Many people had been killed on it and everyone knew that **Queens Boulevard** was dangerous for people walking, biking, and driving on it, yet little was done to make it safer.

After Asif's death, his mother Lizi Rahman started a grueling and lengthy campaign lasting over twelve years to make Queens Boulevard safer. It inspired a movement of Asif's close supporters and community stakeholders all along the boulevard, to demand the city fix the dangerous street. Lizi knew redesigning the street would not bring her son back, but she wanted to ensure no other family would endure the pain of losing a child.

Over 10,000 people, hundreds of businesses, and dozens of organizations have supported the campaign by signing petitions, participating in community design workshops, and local rallies. They and thousands of other people now have a safer street to live near. Crashes and fatalities dropped dramatically after the installation, which prompted a new name for Queens Boulevard - 'the Boulevard of Life'.

**Information On John Browne** 



#### MEMO

To: Queens Community Board 4

From: Jill Nicolois

Date: August 31, 2022

Re: Street naming request

A New York City resident, John Browne was a hard-working immigrant, US Army veteran, business owner and employer who had a positive effect on his country and community. Mr. Browne, longtime proprietor of the Grandstand Bar and Restaurant from 1988 until his passing on February 10, 2022. Here he cultivated an atmosphere where everyone felt welcomed and everyone belonged. He immigrated from Ireland to the US at age 17, serving in the US Army for two years during the Vietnam era. Above all, he was a gentleman and a generous soul.

Mr. Browne hosted the Queens Veterans Day Parade Luncheon annually at the Grandstand, welcoming marchers with a hot buffet and a warm smile. He was an active member of the County Cork Association for 46 years. He could always be counted upon to support his friends' and customers' charitable endeavors. Of the many charities he supported, Mercy Center was especially close to his heart. Each year he gave of his time and resources to wholeheartedly support Mercy Center USA, whose mission is to serve abandoned and trafficked children in need of care, protection, and education.

Let us remember how much he gave and how little he asked in return, Michael Browne, son

Once you met him you would never forget him because he went the extra mile for everybody, Tracey McGonnell, Grandstand employee

He didn't know how to say no to any needy cause...nobody knows how many people John Browne helped, Mae O'Driscoll, friend

In honor of John Browne, we respectfully request a street naming at the corner of Grand Avenue and Simonson Street, in Elmhurst Queens, near the intersection of the Grandstand Bar & Restaurant located at 85-35 Grand Avenue. Our recommendation is to name this corner JOHN BROWNE WAY.



#### John Browne

Born in Ireland in 1939, Mr. Browne emigrated to the US in 1957 at the age of 17. He served in the US Army from 1960-62 as a member of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Aviation Company of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division. Soon after his return, he married Christina Hayes. They were blessed with five children, eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Browne's employment history includes five years as a King Kullen supermarket manager and then he worked for UPS where he served as Union Shop Steward. During the 1970s and 80s he managed the Bliss Tavern in Sunnyside and purchased the Cork Lounge in Long Island City. In 1988 he become the proprietor of the Grandstand Restaurant & Bar in Elmhurst. He quickly cultivated a welcoming atmosphere. Here, he employed members of the community and was always available to assist the many Irish immigrants who visited upon arriving in New York City.

John Browne established a tradition of Christmas breakfast at the Grandstand. John would purchase toys, ensuring every child who attended received a Christmas present.

Mr. Browne's civic affiliations include County Cork Association (46 years), Emerald Isle Immigration Center, the NY Irish Center and the Dublin Society. *John embodied the goals and aspirations of the founding members of our Association;*: benevolence, patriotism and protection. Irish Echo, Feb. 14, 2022.

Of all the numerous charities John Browne actively supported. Mercy Center USA held a special place in his heart. He gave of his time and resources, organizing an annual golf tournament and collecting donations for the benefit of orphaned and trafficked children in need of care, protection, and education.

Above all else, he was a gentleman and a generous soul.







## NEW/ TEMPORARY PERMIT APPLICANTS

#	ESTABLISHMENT NAME	ADDRESS	LICENSE TYPE	NEW/TEMP	DATE RECEIVED
1	Baro 1376 restaurant Bar Inc.	75-32 Broadway Queens, NY 11373	Wine, Beer & Cider	New & Temp.	8/11/22
2	Palladium Bar and Lounge Corp.	111-34 Roosevelt Ave. Corona, NY 11368	Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider	New.	8/29/22
3	Bar Burger Corp.	8516 Roosevelt Ave. #A Jackson Heights, NY 11372	Wine, Beer & Cider	New & Temp.	8/29/22
4	The Kiss Taverna Bar Corp.	42-18 Junction Blvd. Corona NY 11368	Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider	New and Temp.	9/1/22
5	Nuevo Latino Restaurante Corp.	96-38 Corona Ave. Corona, NY 11368	Wine, Beer & Cider	New.	9/9/22
6	Pollo D. Maria, Corp. Don Alex	106-26 Corona Ave. Corona, NY 11368	Wine, Beer & Cider	New & Temp.	9/13/22
7	The Sun 24 Corporation Thai Love You	90-19 Corona Ave. Elmhurst, NY 11373	Wine, Beer & Cider	New.	9/19/22
8	Om wok Restaurant 78-14 Inc. Om wok Restaurant	78- 14 Roosevelt Avenue, Store 6 , Jackson Heights 11372	Wine, Beer and Cider	New & Temp.	9/7/22





Evening Under the Sphere 2022 Fall Gala! Tickets are now available!

October 12, 2022 - 6:30pm - 9:30pm.
Flushing Meadows Corona Park - Unisphere

Visit the link below to buy tickets or to make a donation!

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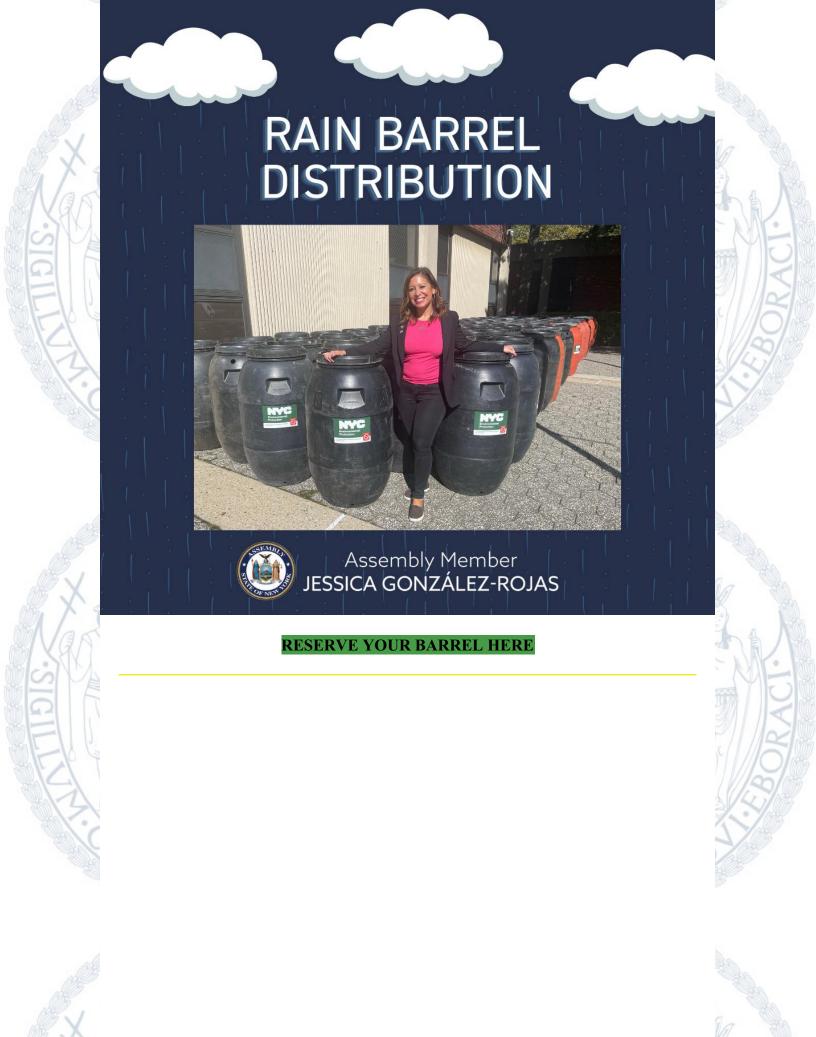
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Assembly Member
JESSICA GONZÁLEZ-ROJAS

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10AM-IPM

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

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- 1) RIGHTS TO SAFE AND HABITABLE HOUSING
- 2) HOW TO RESPOND TO AN EVICTION PROCEEDING
- 3) DISCRIMINATION IN HOUSING
- 4) RENT-STABILIZATION RIGHTS



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**OCTOBER 1ST PAPER SHREDDING** 

**NEW DATE** 

**○ OCTOBER 29, 2022** 

10AM - 2PM

NORTHERN PLAYGROUND NORTHERN BLVD BETWEEN 93RD AND 94TH STREET JACKSON HEIGHTS, NY 11372

> HEALTH+ HOSPITALS Elmhurst

GET YOUR PERSONAL DOCUMENTS SHREDDED FOR FREE!

**LIMIT TO 5 BOXES** 

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ENTRE 93RD Y 94TH STREET

JACKSON HEIGHTS, NY 11372

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1 DE OCTOBER EVENTO DE TRITURACION DE PAPEL

**NUEVA FECHA** 

29 DE OCTUBRE, 2022

10AM - 2PM







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