



## COMMUNITY BOARD # 8 NEWSLETTER

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### BOARD MEMBERS BY AREA

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#### Area 5 – Georgetown Mews, Pomonok, Electchester, Flushing

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#### Area 7 – Jamaica Estates, Holliswood

Mark Lefkof – CHAIR, Richard Amron, Hemant Bhupsingh, Howard A. Fried, Marc A. Haken, Janet Kramer, Agatha E. Michael, Jesse Rosenbaum, Harbachan Singh, Martha Taylor

### Items discussed at the March 11th Meeting:

- The minutes of the February 11, 2009 Meeting were unanimously approved. 33 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.
- The 2010 Internal Budget for Community Board 8 was unanimously approved. 33 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.
- City Planning Representative, Ian Hegarty, gave a presentation on the Inclusionary Housing Text Amendment and the new proposed R1-2A zoning designation.
- Committee Report: ULURP N090013 ECQ - Enclosed Sidewalk Café Renewal for the Dominican Diner Restaurant located at 71-02 Kissena Blvd.

The ULURP application for a renewal of an enclosed sidewalk café was approved for a period of two years, pending the rightful settlement of ECB violations. 23 in favor, 12 opposed, 0 abstained.

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

Dear Community Board 8 Resident:

Community Board 8 has been informed that there will be no parking on 170<sup>th</sup> Street from Union Turnpike to Goethals Avenue starting Monday, March 30, 2009. St. John's University requested the permit to repave the street. The university has also sent a special letter to the residents of 170<sup>th</sup> Street and has advised the local civic association.

We are pleased to announce that Community Board 8 has once again arranged a special service for the Jewish residents of our district, within the neighborhoods of Hillcrest, Utopia Estates, Jamaica Estates, Holliswood and Kew Gardens Hills. There will be a special pre-Passover curbside pick up on April 8th between midnight and 10:30 a.m. Chometz burning stations will be provided at the following locations in addition to sanitation bins for rubbish collection, to create a safe environment:

- Across from the Torah Center in Hillcrest located at 171-05 Jewel/Harry Van Arsdale Avenue
- In front of the Young Israel of Kew Gardens Hills located at 70-11 150th Street
- In front of Young Israel of Jamaica Estates located at 83-10 188th Street
- In front of Young Israel of Queens Valley located at 141-55 77th Avenue, near the parking lot

This was made possible by the collaboration of the Mayor's office, the Department of Sanitation, the Fire Department and the Police Department. We wish to thank them for their continued cooperation.

The Department of Finance will send the 30-Day Mailing for the 2009 tax liens on Wednesday, April 1, 2009. If you received a notice or your property is on the published lien sale list, this means that NYC's records show that you owe property taxes, water/sewer charges or other property related charges. A lien for the entire delinquent amount will be sold in the 2009 lien sale unless you resolve the debt by **May 1, 2009**. There will be a 10-Day Publication on April 22, 2009.

If you receive this notice, *please contact the Department of Finance or Environmental Protection*. The agencies may provide a payment agreement, which allows you to pay the amount owed in installments. Here are some helpful telephone numbers:

Tax Lien Ombudsman	212-504-4039
Senior Citizen/Disabled	212-504-4037
Water/Sewer Charges	718-595-7000
Dispute Water/Sewer Charges	718-959-6628

Now that spring is finally upon us, many of us will be tending to our lawns and gardens. It is important to know that lawnmowers or other noisy landscaping devices can only be used between **8 a.m. and 7 p.m.** (or sunset, whichever occurs later) on weekdays; and between **9 a.m. and 6 p.m.** on holidays and weekends. Please be courteous to your neighbors.

If you would like to file a noise complaint please contact the community board office.

Sincerely,

*Marie Adam-Ovide*

*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.queenscb8.org](http://www.queenscb8.org)*



## LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

- **Suxett Inc.**, 168-03 Hillside Avenue, Jamaica, NY 11432 has applied for a new application for a Restaurant Wine License.
- **Acquista Trattoria**, 178-01 Union Turnpike, Flushing, NY 11366 has applied for a renewal of Wine and Beer License.
- **E & D Food Corp.**, 71-02 Kissena Blvd., Flushing, NY 11367 has filed an application for Restaurant Wine License.
- **Gid Bagel, Inc.**, 185-24A Horace Harding Expressway, Fresh Meadows, NY 11365 has applied for a Beer and Wine License.

Any comments/complaints about establishments with liquor licenses should be sent in writing to Community Board 8. Unless written notification is received at our office, we cannot follow up.



## CITY PARKING RULES

The City suspends alternate side parking regulations, for both street cleaning purposes and traffic flow, on the legal and religious holidays for **April 2009**. Parking meters remain in effect.

**Holy Thursday**.....Thursday, April 9  
**Good Friday**.....Friday, April 10  
**Passover (1st/2nd Days)**.....Thursday-Friday, April 9-10  
**Passover (7th/8th Days)**.....Wednesday-Thursday, April 15-16  
**Holy Thursday (Orthodox)**.....Thursday, April 16  
**Good Friday (Orthodox)**.....Friday, April 17

For more information, call the Hotline: 311

### DEMOLITION NOTICES

- 70-14 174 Street (garage only)
- 182-39 Wexford Terrace

### VACATE ORDER

- 87-65 Francis Lewis Blvd. - illegal apartment created at cellar (inadequate second means of egress and inadequate light and ventilation)

**NYC Department of Design and Construction** will start Trench Restoration Project # 11 in front of Queens Public School 201 at 155 Street / 65 Avenue –Dead End. The project is intended to remedy street surface depressions. The construction activities will take place during the school’s Easter recess schedule (April 9 - April 17), weather permitted.

### The NYC 9/11 Benefit Program for Mental Health & Substance Use Services

The NYC 9/11 Benefit Program for Mental Health & Substance Use Services provides financial assistance for mental health treatment for people affected by the events of 9/11. If you are still suffering psychological symptoms related to the events of 9/11, you may qualify for coverage under the NYC 9/11 Benefit Program. There are no income or citizenship requirements, and reimbursement is retroactive to January 2, 2007.

To find out, call 877-SEPT11MH (1-877-737-1164) or visit [www.nyc.gov/9-11mentalhealth](http://www.nyc.gov/9-11mentalhealth). A benefit coordinator will work with you to establish whether you are eligible and explain the process for submitting claims.

### NYC Small Business Services

The New York City Department of Small Business Services (SBS) is accepting applications for the Fiscal Year 2010 Avenue NYC program. This program targets the economic base of the neighborhood - the local commercial corridor. Avenue NYC provides funding for non-profit economic development organizations (local development corporations, merchants associations and other organizations) throughout the five boroughs to carry out commercial revitalization activities in the districts they serve. The goal of the program is to create the conditions under which businesses can succeed and residents can enjoy access to a vibrant mix of goods and services.

All organizations interested in applying for the Fiscal Year 2010 Avenue NYC program are invited to attend the information session on **Thursday, April 2 from 10 am to 12 pm**. Applications for Avenue NYC are available online at <http://www.nyc.gov/avenuenyc>. The deadline for submission of the application is **Friday, April 10, 2009**.

If you have any questions, please contact Senior Program Manager Andrea Buteau at (212) 618-8970 or email at [avenuenyc@sbs.nyc.gov](mailto:avenuenyc@sbs.nyc.gov).



# April 2009 Community Board 8, Queens



**Sun            Mon            Tue            Wed            Thu            Fri            Sat**

			1	2 Public Hearing Re: BSA 24-09 BZ (78-10 164th Street) 7:30 p.m. Beacon 168 (158-40 76th Rd.)	3	4
5  Palm Sunday	6	7	8  Passover Begins at Sundown	9	10  Good Friday	11
12  Easter	13	14	15	16  Passover Ends	17	18
19	20	21	22  Monthly CB8 Meeting 7:30 p.m. 183-02 Union Turnpike	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		



