



# COMMUNITY BOARD # 8 NEWSLETTER

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**CHAIRMAN:** Alvin Warshaviak  
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**1st VICE CHAIR:** Stanley Weinblatt  
**2nd VICE CHAIR:** Martha Taylor  
**3rd VICE CHAIR:** Seymour Schwartz  
**EXEC. SECRETARY:** Maurice Braithwaite  
**TREASURER:** Robert Van Pelt  
**BUDGET DIRECTOR:** Maurice Briathwaite

## CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

David I. Weprin  
 James F. Gennaro

## BOROUGH PRESIDENT

Helen Marshall

## STAFF

Barbara McKeon, Jennifer Phillips, Jamise Jones

## BOARD MEMBERS BY AREA

### Area 1 – Kew Gardens Hills

Dr. Allen J. Bennett – CHAIR, Susan D. Cleary, Patricia Dolan, Florence Fisher, Joshua Glikman, Mitch Lisker, Simon Pelman, Michael Sidell, Norma Stegmaier, Jacob Weinberg

### Area 2/3 – Briarwood, Hillcrest Estates, Jamaica Hills

Bernard Diamond – CHAIR, Dilafroz Ahmed, Carolyn Baker-Brown, Allen Eisenstein, Kevin Forrestal, Frances Peterson, Charlton Rhee, Anna Sawchuk, Seymour Schwartz, Albert Willingham

### Area 4 – Flushing Heights, Flushing Suburban, Hillcrest

Jagir Singh Bains, Maurice Braithwaite, Kenneth Cohen II, Steven Konigsberg, Annie Salvatore, Alvin Warshaviak

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

Mary Maggio Fischer – CHAIR, Carolann Foley, Martha Levine, Frank Magri, Steven Sadofsky, Stanley Weinblatt

### Area 6 – Utopia, Fresh Meadows, West Cunningham Park

Maria DeInnocentiis – CHAIR, James Gallagher, Jr., Robert Harris, Tami Hirsch, Tamara Osherov, Robert Van Pelt, Sylvia Weprin

### Area 7 – Jamaica Estates, Holliswood

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

## Community Board 8, Queens

Board Meeting held on Wednesday, September 9, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

Hillcrest Jewish Center

183-02 Union Turnpike

- The minutes of June 10, 2009 were unanimously approved.

33 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

- Resolution on the Department of Buildings' 45-day Statute of Limitations

Community Board 8, Queens strongly calls upon Mayor Michael Bloomberg, Commissioner Robert LiMandri, Department of Buildings and the NYC Council to withdraw the 45-day complaint period limitation, and further, to oppose any ruling or proposal that limits the right of members of the public to file a complaint, or to remove from the public the right to challenge at any time and to demand an official examination, inspection and resolution of building construction with respect to establish zoning regulations and Building Code requirements.

It was a unanimous vote in favor of passing the resolution.

**OUR NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE ON OCTOBER 21, 2009 (THIRD WEDNESDAY)**

## ***A Word From the District Manager***

Dear Resident:

For your information and action, I have gathered the following information from the NYC Department of Finance, the NYS Department of State and the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

Good News! The Department of Finance has a new Penalty Relief Program for homeowners and business owners. From September 21, 2009 through December 21, 2009 you can pay your outstanding tickets for dirty sidewalk, illegal posting of handbills and other Environmental Control (ECB) violations at face value. The late fees and interest will be suspended during this time. You may find out more information by calling 311 or at [www.nyc.gov/finance](http://www.nyc.gov/finance). If you have a violation that requires corrective action, you must correct the violation and obtain proof from the issuing agency. Please take advantage of this new program and bring your property or business into compliance. Unless you apply for this program and contact the issuing agencies to resolve the disputed violations by December 21, 2009, you will owe the full amount, including default penalties, late fees and interest. Furthermore, the City could take enforcement action and deny your business a license or permit.

The five-year New York State Cease and Desist Program for Queens homeowners expired on August 1, 2009. Under this program the Department of State maintained a list of Queens homeowners who do not wish to be contacted by realtors. Real estate brokers are required to respect the privacy of these homeowners. If they contact the homeowners on this list, they are subject to fines and suspension of their licenses by the Secretary of State. The Department of State held many hearings to gather evidence in the affected communities to determine if they are subject to intense and repeated solicitations by realtors. Unfortunately, the Secretary of State did not receive enough evidence for all areas of Queens County. If you have experienced intense or repeated solicitation since the law expired, please contact us at 718-264-7895. You may also write a letter to:

Aqil Qureshi  
NYS Department of State  
123 William Street, 19th Floor  
New York, NY 10038

The deadline for submitting your comments to the Department of State has been extended to October 31, 2009.

The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene encourages you to take flu shots for the seasonal flu and the H1N1 flu this fall. Please note, the seasonal flu shot will not work for the H1N1 flu. If you fall under the following categories: 1) pregnant women 2) people aged 6 months to 24 years 3) people living with or caring for children younger than 5 – especially infants younger than 6 months 4) healthcare and emergency medical service workers 5) people 25 to 64 years with long-term health problems and those caring for them; you should take the H1N1 vaccine. Updated information about the flu can be found at [www.nyc.gov/flu](http://www.nyc.gov/flu).

I hope that you find this information useful. Please share it with your friends and neighbors.

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

- **Compass Group USA, Inc.,** 65-30 Kissena Boulevard (Student Union), has applied for a Catering Establishment License.
- **Cooking with Jazz,** 179-22 Union Turnpike, Jamaica Estates, NY 11366, has applied for an On-Premise Liquor License.
- **Sushi Metsuyan on Main Street, LLC. d/b/a Sushi Metsuyan,** 72-08 Main Street, Flushing, NY 11367, has applied for a renewal of their Wine and Beer License.
- **Yam's Broadway, Inc. d/b/a Annie Chan's Restaurant,** 190-11 Union Turnpike, Fresh Meadows, NY 11366, has applied for a renewal their Restaurant Wine License
- **Guang Hua Sushi, Inc.,** 164-04 69th Avenue, Fresh Meadows, NY 11365, has applied for a renewal of their Wine and Beer License.
- **Manny's Bake Shop, Inc. d/b/a Manny's,** 161-18/20 Union Turnpike, has applied for a renewal of their Restaurant 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 these legal and/or religious holidays for **October 2009**. Parking meters remain in effect.

October 3-4.....Succoth  
 October 11.....Simchas Torah  
 October 17.....Diwali

October 10.....Shemini Atzereth  
 October 12.....Columbus Day

*For more information, call the Hotline: 311*

### DEMOLITION NOTICES

79-09 160th Street



The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society  
 Saturday, October 17, 2009 @ 6:45 P.M.  
 Forest Park in Queens



### MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER

**Date:** Sunday, October 18, 2009  
**Place:** Queens Borough Hall  
 120-55 Queens Boulevard  
 Kew Gardens, NY 11424  
**Time: Registration- 9:00 a.m.**  
**Event - 11:00 a.m.**  
**Call to get involved 1-800-227-2345**

### FREE TUTORING!

WE CAN HELP ALL STUDENTS WITH THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

All grade levels of math, science social studies and English language arts and much more!

We're available Tuesday and Thursday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

**Registration Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

The Tutoring Program @ Lost Battalion Hall  
 93-29 Queens Boulevard  
 Rego Park, NY 11374

(718) 896-8511 or (718) 898-7461 ext. 35

**Directions: 2 blocks from the 63rd Drive subway station. The R and V trains makes stops there.**

### ACCESS NYC HAS RE-OPENED THE COMPUTER GIVEAWAY

The purpose of this ALERT is to provide information about the ACCESS NYC giveaway of ACCESS NYC terminals. This giveaway was **previously** given only to qualified 501c3 (not for profit) organizations but has now been re-issued to **include** City Agencies that have public offices.

To receive a **FREE** ACCESS NYC terminal, please be aware that:

Awards will be made on a **first-come-first-serve** basis to **all** qualified organizations.



To request application instructions, send an e-mail to [accessnyc@hhsconnect.nyc.gov](mailto:accessnyc@hhsconnect.nyc.gov)



# October 2009

## Community Board 8, Queens



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12  <small>COLUMBUS</small> <b>Columbus Day</b> Office Closed	13 <b>Budget Priorities Meeting</b> 7:30 p.m. CB8 Office 197-15 Hillside Avenue	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 <b>Monthly CB8 Meeting</b> 7:30 p.m. 183-02 Union Turnpike	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31  <b>Happy Halloween</b>



