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Meng to Hold Passport Event to Help Queens Residents Apply For or Renew a Passport

In order to make it easier for Queens residents to obtain passports, U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (D-Queens) will host a passport event to help constituents apply for or renew a passport.

The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, February 5, 2023 at the United States Post Office Flushing Main Street location, Suite 1, which is located at 4165 Main Street in Flushing, Queens. No appointment is necessary.

To receive a passport, an individual must be a U.S. citizen or non-citizen national, and they need to complete the application form which Postal Service clerks can assist with on-site. The required supporting documents must also be submitted and details can be found here.

“Whether traveling for a vacation, business, studying abroad or to see family members, a passport is essential for flying to another country,” said Meng. “As our borough continues to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, more people are once again traveling and many are already planning trips for the summer travel season that is just around the corner. This passport service that I am pleased to offer will make applying for or renewing a passport easier and more convenient, and I encourage constituents to take advantage of it on February 5th.”

The following is what local residents should bring:

1. If applying for a first-time passport, bring an original copy

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Gov. Hochul Rides Inaugural LIRR Train to Grand Central Madison



Governor Kathy Hochul and MTA Chair and CEO Janno Lieber rode the Historic First Train to Grand Central Madison. See story on page 7.

Saraswati Puja Festival in Woodside



Attending the Saraswati Puja Festival In Woodside is Mayor Eric Adams at the podium flanked by Deputy Commissioner Dilip Chauhan, Assemblywoman Jenifer Rajkumar, and congregants of the Binapani Sangho. Photo by Walter Karling. See story on page 2.

Polish Consulate Welcomes New 86th Pulaski Day Parade Grand Marshal



Attending the Pulaski Day Parade Committee's Grand Marshal Sashing Ceremony for the 2023 86th Pulaski Day Parade was this year's Grand Marshal, Irvington Police Deputy Chief Frank Piwowarczyk, joined by NYC Council Member Robert Holden, NYC Mayor Eric Adams, Consulate General of the Republic of Poland New York City Adrian Kubicki, Committee President Rich Zawisny and Parade Committee celebrating the importance of the Pulaski Day Parade to the NYC. See story on page 6.

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- and photocopy of proof of identity AND U.S. Citizenship documents.
- For a renewal, bring the most recent passport and name change documents if there are any.
- Debit/credit card, or check/

- money order made payable to "Postmaster" for acceptance fees.
- Check/money order made payable to "U.S. Department of State" for processing fees.
- A color passport photo taken in the last six months, or a photo can be taken on-site with an

additional fee.

Although appointments are not necessary, constituents can still RSVP or receive additional details and answers to questions by contacting Meng's office at Meng.RSVP@mail.house.gov or 718-358-MENG.

Saraswati Puja Festival in Woodside

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Mayor Adams visited the Queens Palace Saraswati Puja Festival In Woodside. He presented the congregants of the Binapani Sangho religious organization (Binapani Sangho USA INC) a NYC proclamation making the day "Saraswati Puja Sinarani Sangho USA Day". A joyous Spring advent festival was held in honor of the Hindu goddess Saraswati Puja (also known as Vasant Panchami). Vasant Panchami is celebrated every year on the fifth day of the bright half of the Hindu lunisolar

calendar month of Magha, which typically falls in late January or February. Spring is known as the "King of all Seasons", so the festival commences forty days in advance. Vasant Panchami, also called Saraswati Puja in honor of the Hindu goddess Saraswati, is a festival that marks the preparation for the arrival of spring. Vasant Panchami is a festival of Hindus and Sikhs that marks the beginning of preparations for the spring season. It is celebrated by people in various ways depending on the region. Vasant Panchami also marks the start of preparation for Holika and Holi, which occur

forty days later. For many, Vasant Panchami is the festival dedicated to goddess Saraswati who is their goddess of knowledge, language, music, and all arts. She symbolizes creative energy and power in all its forms, including longing and love. The season and festival also celebrate the agricultural fields' ripening with yellow flowers of mustard crop, which Hindus associate with Saraswati's favorite color. People dress in yellow saris or shirts or accessories, share yellow-colored snacks and sweets. Some add saffron to their rice and then eat yellow cooked rice as a part of an elaborate feast.

NYC DOT, Mayor's Office of International Affairs And Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs Unveil First Restored Medallions Along Avenue of The Americas

Installed more than 60 years ago as a symbol of hope and unity in the hemisphere, previous medallions had fallen into disrepair; DOT has begun the process of restoring 45 medallions of all nations and territories

Mayor's Office for International Affairs. "NYC is a global city, and now people walking down the Avenue of the Americas can admire and reflect on our rich history. Thank you to Mayor Adams for his leadership and vision. We are also proud of the great collaboration between my office, the consulates general, DOT, and MOIA that lead to this successful day."

"New York City is home to more than 3 million immigrants and their global diversity is reflected throughout our five boroughs," said Commissioner Manuel Castro of the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs. "I am proud to work with Commissioners Rodriguez, Mermelstein, the consulate generals and countless community partners to restore the first round of Medallions to its historical importance along the Avenue of the Americas. Our city has been a symbol of hope for generations of immigrants and we must continue this commitment to the American Dream. As New Yorkers travel through this avenue and see these medallions they will be reminded that they are welcomed here no matter where they were born."

Sixth Avenue in Manhattan was renamed Avenue of the Americas by Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia at the end of World War II. Originally installed during the Eisenhower presidency and the Administration of Mayor Robert Wagner, nearly 300 medallions along the avenue had celebrated a post-war unified hemisphere. The medallions had outlived their life (fewer than 20 remained) and over recent decades, the medallions were largely ignored: made of materials that were not easily accessible or replaced, the medallions fell into disrepair with rust and corrosion, with many removed for safety concerns.

Since taking the helm at NYC DOT in early 2022, Commissioner Rodriguez has been committed to

the preservation and protection of iconic symbols which represent the many cultures, ethnicities, and nationalities of New York City. The new medallions were designed, fabricated, and wind-tested entirely by DOT's in-house engineers and staff. The new circular medallions are three feet in diameter and are constructed out of lighter and more weather-resistant aluminum. Closer to highway signs in design thickness than DOT's standard street sign materials, the new medallions will be attached to DOT street lighting with sturdier brackets, a design intended to be more durable and easier to maintain, while also flexible enough to allow adjustments to be made for major events like the Thanksgiving Day Parade.

Throughout the course of this year, DOT will work with its city partners, including the Mayor's Offices of Immigrant Affairs and International Affairs as well as the Public Design Commission, consulates general, and other stakeholders to authenticate each nation or territory's individual medallion emblem. Once the emblem is certified by all relevant stakeholders, DOT in-house crews will manufacture signs at DOT's Maspeth Sign Shop and then install the medallions along the Avenue of the Americas in Midtown Manhattan. As the new medallions are created, other crews will also remove old medallions along the avenue, leaving a sign in its place explaining the removal, and the plan for a new medallion to be soon installed in its place.

"Whether you're from Haiti, Uruguay, or Puerto Rico, where I'm from, New York City is a place we can all call home," said Department of Consumer and Worker Protection Commissioner Vilda Vera Mayuga. "Thank you to DOT Commissioner Rodriguez and his

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NYC DOT Commissioner Ydanis Rodriguez, joined by the Mayor's Office of International Affairs Commissioner Edward Mermelstein, and the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs Commissioner Manuel Castro unveiled the first restored medallions installed along the Manhattan's Avenue of the Americas -- with dozens more to be completed in the coming months. The new medallions -- attached by DOT crews to lampposts along Sixth Avenue from West 42nd to West 59th Streets -- depict the national emblems of each of the nations and territories of the Western Hemisphere. The first nine medallions installed today were Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Mexico, Colombia, Ecuador, Haiti, Argentina, St. Lucia, and Uruguay.

"The creation of the Avenue of the Americas in 1945 was a great gesture that celebrated the cultures of our hemisphere, and these beautiful new medallions now once again properly honor the nationalities of so many of the people who live, work, and visit New York City," said DOT Commissioner Ydanis Rodriguez. "I want to thank Mayor Adams, who had heard from the leaders of the proud nations and territories of our hemisphere that we should get this done, as well as the dedicated staff at DOT who have done the incredible hard work to make this vision a reality."

"Today is a historic day in New York City, it is the unveiling of the national medallions, and my office is proud to have helped make this moment a reality, said Edward Mermelstein, Commissioner, NYC

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Statement From Speaker Adams on Mayor Adams' 2023 State of The City Address

"Mayor Adams' focus on jobs, safety, housing, and care offers many proposals that align with the Council's priorities to create a safer, healthier, and more equitable city. A strong city government and workforce, supported through our city budget, is essential to the goals that New Yorkers need us to fulfill.

"As we seek to address a dire housing crisis, it is imperative that we advance comprehensive neighborhood planning that helps us build more affordable housing for New Yorkers at an increased pace with equity. Mayor Adams' administration and Council Members working collaboratively on planning and building housing, as well as the announced investments in tenant protections, represent significant steps forward in our efforts.

"We agree that the path to public safety is preventing crime before it occurs, and this requires adequate resources for a range of preventative investments into communities for jobs, housing, and care that are not present in proposed budgets. The response to recidivism needs to be greater investments in the evidence-based programs that are proven to re-

duce it. Mayor Adams' announcement of funding for district attorneys and public defenders to help fill critical staffing shortages that clear backlogs is welcomed. A just legal system requires timely processes that don't leave people unnecessarily in pre-trial detention within our jails. This is one of many investments needed to ensure that we close Rikers and help keep everyone in our jail system and communities safe.

"We are glad the Mayor's vision addresses issues that the Council has advanced, which include increasing economic opportunity for New Yorkers with disabilities, women's health, and expanding composting citywide. The Council has been set to pass a citywide composting law since last year, awaiting the administration's environmental review, and my own State of the City last year prioritized laws we have passed to support New Yorkers with disabilities. We're proud the Mayor is moving forward aggressively on these issues.

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well as education, economic development and workforce opportunities, addiction treatment and harm reduction, food justice, and other areas of human services that deserve stronger investments from our city.

"At the end of the day, budget commitments are necessary to achieve our goals. None of this work is possible without the full capacity of our city agencies that have lost funding, struggled with dangerously high rates of vacancies, and are at risk of losing additional funds and positions. This has undermined the ability to truly confront the housing crisis and deliver essential services to New Yorkers, making it difficult for the City to properly fund housing projects and New Yorkers to access assistance like their SNAP benefits and housing vouchers. To successfully implement the jobs, safety, housing, and care laid out in Mayor Adams' State of the City, the necessary investments must follow. The Council will continue to be a voice for New Yorkers in ensuring the most important goals for our city are met, working with Mayor Adams and all of our colleagues in government."

NYC Mayor's Community Affairs Unit Newsletter

Dear New Yorker,

Last week Mayor Adams took the stage at Queens Theater to declare that the State Of our City is strong! He also outlined a "Working People's Agenda" built on 4 pillars: jobs, housing, public safety and care.

On International Holocaust Remembrance Day, we say "never forget." Mayor Adams hosted a film screening of 'Devorah's Hope.' It is an inspiring story of a young woman enduring antisemitism and the

Holocaust but finding hope in her own faith and courage. City Hall and other municipal buildings were lit in yellow to commemorate the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau in 1945. We must work together to eradicate hate.

Mayor Adams announced the launch of "Breaking Bread, Building Bonds," a citywide initiative to empower everyday New Yorkers to host dinners and gather diverse groups at a single table. The Mayor's Community Affairs Unit is eager to work with com-

munities across the five boroughs to bring different voices together. We will find that our diversity is our strength and that we have more in common than we realize.

Our hearts go out to the family and friends of Tyre Nichols. The brutality we witnessed in the video out of Memphis is unacceptable. We must continue to work together to build a better system.

All the best,
Fred Kreizman
Commissioner, Community Affairs Unit

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Bruce Jackson Fireside Chat is Part of Black History Month at Queens College



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Queens College will celebrate Black History Month in February with a wide range of offerings for faculty, staff, and students. Among them is a fireside chat with Bruce Jackson, attorney and author of the forthcoming *Never Far from Home: My Journey from Brooklyn to Hip Hop, Microsoft, and the Law*, facilitated by Jerima Dewese, chief diversity officer/dean of diversity at Queens College, on Thursday, February 9,

at 12:15 pm in the President's Lounge of the campus Dining Hall. After earning a law degree from Georgetown University, Jackson worked in entertainment law for a decade, cofounding his own law firm and advising some of the top musical talent in the country—notably helping hip-hop pioneer LL Cool J regain ownership of his early recordings.

Additional offerings include a Black History Month trivia program; a presentation by internationally acclaimed poet, playwright, and performance artist Ebony Stewart, whose work concerns the Black experience—especially gender, sexuality, womanhood, queer-positivity, and race; and a talk by Queens College Art History Professor Lawrence Waldron on how modern artists challenged the picturesque and deceptively idealized images of the colonial period, exposing the exploitation of the region's land and people through their use of a far more critical lens.

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team for celebrating NYC's deep cultural heritage."

"The restoration of the Avenue of the Americas medallions recognizes the outstanding contributions that our immigrant communities have made for the City of New York. It is through actions like these that we highlight the spirit of our city that has historically welcomed immigrants of all backgrounds," said José Bayona, Executive Director of the Mayor's office of Ethnic and Community Media. "I am proud to join DOT Commissioner Rodriguez today as we unveil the first 9 medallions of many more to come that will hang high on the Avenue of the Americas for decades to come."

"These new medallions depict the respective emblems that represent each country in the Americas, all of which are represented here in New York City," said Congressman Adriano Espaillat (NY-13). "I commend Mayor Adams and Commissioner Rodriguez on these efforts and for their continued commitment to ensuring equitable representation throughout the city, from street and plaza co-namings to translating street signs in historically multilingual neighborhoods. Representation matters and reflects the beauty, diversity, and richness of the cultures that make up the fabric of our communities—and the nationalities of those who call New York City home."

"For decades, the medallions along the Avenue of the Americas have been a poignant representation of the rich cultures and histories of the nations of the Western Hemisphere," said Congresswoman Nydia Velázquez (NY-7). "I was proud to work with community leaders and Commissioner Rodriguez to ensure that every nation and territory is included in

this restoration project. It's vital that we honor and protect the historical landmarks that represent our diverse communities, and I'm excited to see the new versions of these iconic symbols."

"In October, I proudly joined Commissioner Rodriguez, Chilean President Juan Antonio Rios, Congressman Adriano Espaillat, and others for the announcement that the City would restore our iconic tribute to Latin America and the Caribbean. Today, the Mayor and Commissioner are delivering on their promise. New York's history and destiny are intertwined with the nations and territories these medallions honor. Each of them has contributed to our Gorgeous Mosaic and helped make us the Greatest City in the World," said Assemblymember Jenifer Rajkumar. "New Yorkers from the Americas—including the Dominican, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Guyanese, Ecuadorian, and Colombian communities—provide us with some of the finest sights, sounds, and tastes in our City. Now our love and gratitude for them will shine brighter than ever before as the new medallions adorn the Avenue of the Americas."

"Since the 1940s, New York City has hosted delegates from across the globe on the East side of Manhattan to secure and maintain world peace. Today, when those diplomats walk a few avenues across town they'll finally, once again, be greeted by medallions celebrating the nations, territories and peoples of the Americas," said Council Member Jennifer Gutiérrez. "Most of the Americas, have a shared past as colonies, a past that we cannot forget as we work to build a more equitable future for all of us. I appreciate the DOT and Commissioner Rodriguez for their efforts to bring back these medallions, including Puerto Rico's."

District Attorney Melinda Katz Receives Endorsements From 10 Organized Labor Unions

Katz's early coalition of support sets the stage for her growing base of support

Just days after announcing a \$1.1M dollar cash on hand number in the January Periodic Financial Disclosure and a major endorsement from 1199SEIU, District Attorney Melinda Katz is announcing her next round of endorsements - showcasing a broad coalition of support from organized labor that serves as the next in a series of endorsement announcements. The support spans multiple building and construction trades unions and includes the men and women of the Court Officers union who see the work the District Attorney does every day in the courthouse. This round of endorsements clearly demonstrates the support and trust that District Attorney Katz has diligently worked to earn over her first term as District Attorney and in her previous work in public office.

"I am so grateful for the partnership of my friends in the organized labor and public safety communities - their endorsements of my candidacy is a true testament to our mutual goal of keeping Queens residents and workers safe," said District Attorney Melinda Katz. "Having the public support of these groups, who are leaders in their own communities and professions, is something I do not take for granted. Every day I seek to make these unions, their members, and the communities they serve proud by delivering bold justice for the borough of Queens."

List of Endorsements

- New York State Court Officers Association
- Enterprise Association of Steamfitters Local 638
- Mason Tenders' District Council/Laborers Local 79
- International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 3
- International Union of Operating Engineers Local 15
- International Union of Operating Engineers Local 14
- International Union of Operating Engineers Local 30
- International Union of Operating Engineers Local 94
- International Union of Operating Engineers Local 211
- International Union of Operating Engineers Local 891
- International Union of Operating Engineers NYC Coalition

Supporting Statements from Endorsing Organizations

New York State Court Officers Association President Dennis Quirk

"The New York Court Officers Association has enjoyed a strong and productive relationship with District Attorney Melinda Katz and her office," said NYSOCA

President Dennis Quirk. "We are proud to endorse Melinda Katz for reelection and look forward to expanding on the work we have done together to keep our constituents and our courthouse safe."

Steamfitters Local 638 President James Sheeran

"Melinda Katz has always been a trusted friend of organized labor in Queens, and in her first term as District Attorney, she has made us proud," said Steamfitters Local 638 President James Sheeran. "Steamfitters Local 638 is proudly endorsing District Attorney Melinda Katz for reelection because she is the right person to continue fighting to protect Queens workers."

Mason Tenders' District Council/Laborers Local 79 Business Manager Michael Prohaska

"Mason Tenders' District Council is proud to announce our endorsement of District Attorney Melinda Katz," said Mason Tenders' District Council/Laborers Local 79 Business Manager Michael Prohaska. "District Attorney Katz has always fought to protect workers on job sites, ensure their prevailing wages are being paid appropriately, and kept their families safe at home. She's been our champion and Queens' champion and we're excited to see what she'll do when we give her another four years."

IBEW Local 3 Business Manager Christopher Erikson

"IBEW Local 3 members have always prided themselves on leading the way in organized labor, and that's exactly what Melinda Katz is doing as Queens District Attorney," said IBEW Local 3 Business Manager Christopher Erikson. "As District Attorney, Melinda has worked tirelessly to protect our members' and other working men's and women's wages and benefits from theft by unscrupulous contractors, and we are proud to stand with her as she seeks reelection."

IUOE Local 15 President and Business Manager Tom Callahan

"Right now Queens needs bold leaders who will put politics aside and stand up for what's right, and that's why we are proud to endorse Melinda Katz for District Attorney," said IUOE Local 15 President and Business Manager Tom Callahan. "Throughout her career, Melinda has always stood up for what's right, and never compromised on her principles - she is the leader we need in the District Attorney's office."

IUOE Local 14 Business Manager Ed Christian

"Our IUOE Local 14 union members want a District Attorney that's tough on crime and always puts their families and fairness first. They agree that Melinda Katz is the right person for the job," said IUOE Local 14 Busi-

ness Manager Ed Christian. "We are endorsing District Attorney Katz for reelection and trust that she will continue to make Queens a safer borough to live and work in - fighting those who seek to take advantage of union labor."

IUOE Local 30 Business Manager William Lynn

"We are proud to endorse Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz for reelection in 2023," said IUOE Local 30 Business Manager William Lynn. "Over her first term and for the length of her career in public service, District Attorney Katz has proven herself to be a strong advocate for the workers of Queens, and we look forward to her leadership in the District Attorney's office for the next 4 years."

IUOE Local 94 Business Manager Kuba Brown

"The men and women of Local 94 are proud to endorse Melinda Katz for reelection as the Queens District Attorney," said IUOE Local 94 Business Manager Kuba Brown. "District Attorney Katz is a pro-union public safety official who works tirelessly to ensure that the rights, health, and safety of workers are protected."

IUOE Local 211 President and Business Manager Matthew Gugliotta

"Melinda Katz is a time-tested advocate of organized labor, and we trust going forward she will continue that trend," said IUOE Local 211 President & Business Manager Matthew Gugliotta. "IUOE Local 211 is endorsing Melinda Katz for Queens District Attorney in 2023 because she is the right choice to keep our families safe."

IUOE Local 891 Business Manager & President Robert J. Troeller

"Our members are the school custodial engineers entrusted with keeping our school buildings moving. Their safety and those in the schools is paramount and District Attorney Melinda Katz has always seen that clearly," said IUOE Local 891 Business Manager & President Robert J. Troeller. "She's worked to keep our members and their colleagues safe and so we are proud to endorse her for reelection in 2023."

Melinda Katz was elected District Attorney in 2019 and inaugurated in 2020. Despite taking office in the most turbulent of times, she's provided a steady hand as she's worked to keep Queens families safe and taken on crime head on. She's led the effort to take illegal and ghost guns off the streets and held human traffickers and domestic abusers accountable. DA Katz launched Queens' first-ever Conviction Integrity Unit to ensure justice for those wrongfully convicted. And she's taken a community-first approach to public safety.

Applications Open For QBP Richards' Queens General Assembly

Application deadline: Friday, February 17

For 20 years, the Borough President's Queens General Assembly (QGA) has brought together community leaders from all parts of Queens to help advocate for the borough's most pressing needs. To further build on the group's legacy of community service built across two decades, Queens Borough President Donovan Richards Jr. is now accepting applications from civic-minded individuals who are interested in serving as a QGA delegate for 2023.

"Last year, our Queens General Assembly came together in many ways to meet the needs of some of our most vulnerable communities across the borough, such as arranging a \$50,000 in-kind donation to Queens food pantries and organizing holiday toy drives across several family shelters. That's what community looks like, and that's what our delegates achieve for our neighbors," said Borough President RICHARDS. "I'm proud to continue the legacy of former Borough President Helen Marshall, who founded the QGA 20 years ago, by bringing another cohort of community leaders into the fold in 2023 in

service to The World's Borough."

The QGA, a borough-level intercultural working group, brings together community stakeholders of diverse backgrounds and specialties for monthly dialogues and community actions that promote leadership enhancement, coalition building, and networking.

Recruitment for the 2023 session continues through Friday, February 17. Applicants will be contacted by the end of February, and approximately two dozen finalists will be appointed as delegates by the Borough President. An installation ceremony for the new cohort of delegates will be held on Tuesday, February 28.

This year's delegates will serve for the remainder of 2023, with an option to continue as alumni after their term concludes.

Applicants must be Queens residents who are at least 18 years old and demonstrate an interest in community service and bridging societal divides. Those interested in applying can do so here, where a full list of requirements and delegate responsibilities can also be found.

For more information, individuals interested in applying can email Queens General Assembly Coordinator Susie Tanenbaum at stanenbaum@queensbp.org.

State Comptroller DiNapoli Statement on New York City Mayor's 2023 State of The City Address



New York State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli released the following statement on New York City Mayor Eric Adams' State of the City address:

"The State of the City address delivered by Mayor Eric Adams put forth his vision for a city that keeps New Yorkers safe and prioritizes the economy, affordable housing and essential services. I commend the mayor's bold plan of action for a city that supports working families.

"Like the state and the nation, the city faces economic and fiscal

uncertainty. However, the city has a steeper climb towards economic recovery, as my reports on city industries have shown. The challenges ahead include remote work, unequal employment opportunity and a lack of affordable housing. Wall Street provided a boost in tax revenue in the first two years of the pandemic, but is seeing profitability and bonuses decline, adding further to the city's budgetary pressures.

"The city's economic recovery is still fragile and relies on the city and state working together to address these challenges. The mayor identified efficiencies and savings in his budget. Still, more can be done to incorporate recurring costs, including those to help manage the influx of migrants, a fiscal burden that should be carried by the federal government. The city must continue on its path of fiscal discipline to achieve the mayor's vision for a better and fairer New York."

Statement From Speaker Adrienne Adams on The Killing of Tyre Nichols by Memphis Police Officers

"Tyre Nichols was a loving father to his young son, an avid photographer and skateboarder, and a valued member of his community. Our thoughts go out to the family and loved ones of Tyre Nichols, who have been shrouded in grief over these last few weeks. As a mother and grandmother, my heart aches for Tyre's mother, RowVaughn Wells, and entire family as they mourn. Hearing his mother express how she felt when hearing her son call for her

is heartbreaking.

"Tyre should be alive, and the police brutality that took his life is deplorable and demands accountability. We have lost too many of our children, mothers, fathers and family members to police violence in this country and it must end.

"As we pursue accountability, it's important that we prioritize measures to support the bereaved and our communities in their heal-

Gillibrand Statement On Tyre Nichols

Addressing the death of Tyre Nichols, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand issued the following statement:

"Tyre Nichols' death is outrageous and horrifying, and I am

grateful that the officers responsible were quickly charged with his murder. I am praying for Tyre's mother, son, family and friends, along with the Memphis community and our country. More

must be done at every level of government to eliminate violence and brutality from our criminal justice system and to change the circumstances that make such atrocities possible."

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 For the Week of ... 2/2/23 - 2/8/23

For Entertainment Purposes Only

ARIES
 (Mar. 21 - April 20)
 Don't overlook emotional issues that could be causing problems. You may find that your plans will cost a little more than you had expected. Your lucky numbers are 5,7,6.

TAURUS
 (Apr. 21 - May 21)
 Uncertainties regarding your love life will surface if you have neglected your mate. Your best efforts will come through stock investments. Your lucky numbers are 2,8,9.

GEMINI
 (May 22 - June 21)
 Insincere gestures of friendliness are likely to occur. Your fickle nature may cause jealousy. Catch up on your reading. Your lucky numbers are 5,7,6.

CANCER
 (June 22 - July 22)
 Try helping friends with difficult projects. Your romantic inclination will lead to a relationship. You may have to take a short trip. Your lucky numbers are 6,5,2.

LEO
 (July 23 - Aug. 22)
 Don't be anxious to cut people who have disappointed you from your life. False information from someone trying to start problems is likely. Your lucky numbers are 1,9,5.

VIRGO
 (Aug. 23 - Sept. 23)
 Go with the flow and take a chance. Do not make rash decisions about your personal life. Your home is in need of repairs, take care of them. Your lucky numbers are 4,3,7.

LIBRA
 (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
 Don't be too eager to spend that extra money that's left over; more unexpected expenses are evident. You will find it easy to learn and excel. Your lucky numbers are 7,2,1.

SCORPIO
 (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
 Stress may lead to stomach problems. Try avoiding a fight with your mate. If you're persistent with affection their anger should dissipate. Your lucky numbers are 9,6,2.

SAGITTARIUS
 (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)
 Participate in activities that will help you make new friends. Keep your cash in your pocket wait for the right time to invest. Your lucky numbers are 9,1,7.

CAPRICORN
 (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)
 Financial gains can be made through wise investments. You will be too quick to point your finger at someone. Your lucky numbers are 5,4,9.

AQUARIUS
 (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
 Sudden changes in your financial situation are likely. Don't let others try to create unwarranted guilt if you can't meet their demands. Your lucky numbers are 3,4,2.

PISCES
 (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20)
 Don't allow others to put unreasonable demands on you. Don't spend extra money on products that promise amazing cosmetic results. Your lucky numbers are 3,2,1.

Did You Know?

- a hummingbird's heart beats at over a 1,000 times a minute
- dragonflies have 6 legs but can't walk
- a crocodile can't move its tongue
- that the first MTV video played was 'Video killed the radio star' by the Buggles
- in 1878 the first telephone book made contained only 50 names
- pop corn was invented by the Aztec Indians
- an average person will spend 25 years asleep
- hippopotamuses have killed more people in Africa than any other animal
- an elephants ears are used to regulate body temperature
- the Arctic Ocean is the smallest in the world
- the most common mental illnesses are anxiety and depression
- the word laser stands for 'Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation'
- crocodiles never outgrow their enclosure
- reindeer hair is hollow inside like a tube
- your skin is the largest organ making up the human body
- cows don't have upper front teeth
- everyday is a holiday somewhere in the world
- the coins thrown into the Trevi fountain in Italy are collected for charity
- french fries are originally from Belgium
- there are 31,557,600 seconds in a year

Answer to Last Weeks Puzzles

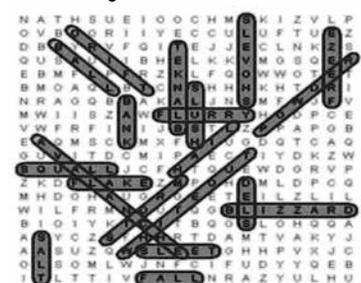
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ACROSS

- Shoestrings
- Anagram of "Stag"
- Kind of moss
- Not together
- A bushy hairdo
- Indian music
- Contrariwise
- Fleece
- Sponsorship
- Slanders
- Penny
- Outward
- Durable fabric
- Light source
- Changed
- In a genial manner
- Back up
- Ancient Persian governor
- Superficiality
- Bombarded
- Worry
- Against the law
- River to the North Sea
- Notions
- Slice
- Small amount
- Full of twists and turns
- Roof overhang
- Adriatic resort
- Leg bone
- Ends a prayer
- Always
- Rewrites
- Not first
- Depression
- Adjust again

DOWN

- Molten rock
- Gorillas
- Complain
- Celtic language
- Fixed gaze
- In an implied manner
- Financially solvent
- Emery wheel
- Soaks (up)
- Preceding in time
- Keen
- Growing old
- Flavor
- Surgeon's tool
- One more than six
- Young woman
- Asian nurse
- Small amount
- British legislature
- Spin
- Orbs
- Bobbin
- Belgrade native
- Sea eagle
- Mislead
- Garage alternative
- Yard of a house
- Utopian
- Highly emotional episode
- Roof overhangs
- Go in
- Sleigh
- Ocean motion
- Nile bird
- Anagram of "Tine"
- Where the sun rises

Senator John Liu Hosts Property Tax, Rent Relief Information Session

State Senator John Liu hosted a Property Tax and Rent Relief Information Session at Korean Community Services of Metropolitan New York in Bayside to help residents apply for exemptions and appeal their Notice of Property Value statements. The event was co-sponsored by Assembly Member Ed Braunstein.



Senator John Liu stated, "Property values can often change with little warning and little reason, and there are several city and state programs available for New Yorkers to take advantage of to lower their property taxes. Determining eligibility and navigating paperwork can be a frustrating process for both renters and homeowners, so we are bringing tax professionals from the DOF to our neighborhood so residents can speak directly to representatives. Economic times are tough, and we strongly encourage New Yorkers, especially our seniors

who live on fixed incomes and are trying to make sure every penny counts, to attend these information sessions."

The next information sessions will take place in partnership with Assembly Members Nily Rozic, Ron Kim, and David Weprin, and Council Members Linda Lee, Sandra Ung, and James Gennaro on the following date and times:

- Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at Hillcrest Jewish Center, 183-02 Union Turnpike, Fresh Meadows, NY 11366 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
 - Thursday, March 2, 2023 at Flushing Library – Main Street, 41-17 Main Street, Flushing, NY 11355 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
- For more information, email events@johnliu.senate.com, or call 718-765-6675.

Rozic Hosts Queens Botanical Garden in Albany



Assemblywoman Nily Rozic (D,WF-Fresh Meadows) hosted Executive Director Evie Hantzopoulos from Queens Botanical Garden in Albany and held a meet-and-greet for the Queens Delegation. At the meeting, the

lawmakers discussed upcoming projects and programs at the Garden, including the new Education Center scheduled to open in 2024. The new building will include four classrooms, a teaching kitchen, an education solarium, a green roof,

and space for indoor and outdoor programming. Pictured is Assemblywoman Nily Rozic with Executive Director Evie Hantzopoulos and Director of Development Olivia Cothren, and over a dozen state legislators.

Assemblywoman Nily Rozic Celebrates United Federation of Teachers



Assemblywoman Nily Rozic (D,WF-Fresh Meadows) met with Mary Vaccaro, the Vice President for Education at the United Federation of Teachers (UFT). UFT represents nearly 200,000 members and is the sole bargaining agent for New York City public school educators. Rozic continually ad-

vocates for students and teachers throughout her district and will continue to support initiatives that improve education for all. Pictured is Assemblywoman Nily Rozic with State Senator Toby Ann Stavisky and UFT Vice President of Education Mary Vaccaro (left to right).

Polish Consulate Welcomes New 86th Pulaski Day Parade Grand Marshal

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The Pulaski Day Parade was named after General Casimir Pulaski, Father of the American Cavalry. Casimir Pulaski, the oldest son of Count Joseph Pulaski, was born in March, 1748. At the age of fifteen, he joined his father and other members of the Polish nobility in opposing the Russian and Prussian interference of Polish political affairs. Outlawed by Russia for his actions on behalf of Polish liberty, he traveled to Paris where he met Benjamin Franklin. Franklin convinced him to support the colonies against England in the American Revolution.



Pulaski impressed with the ideals of a new nation struggling to be free, volunteered his services. Franklin wrote to George Washington describing the young Pole as an officer, renowned through-

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Gov. Hochul Rides Inaugural LIRR Train to Grand Central Madison

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20-Minute Grand Central Direct Service Between Jamaica and Grand Central Madison Begins Initial Operation, With Full Expansion Coming Soon

Governor Kathy Hochul and MTA Chair and CEO Janno Lieber rode the inaugural Long Island Rail Road train to Grand Central Madison, which arrived at the terminal platform at 11:07 a.m. The train was the first of Grand Central Direct trains now operating between Jamaica and Grand Central Madison between 6:15 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on weekdays and between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. on weekends. Trains are running every 30 minutes in both directions during weekday midday



periods as well as on weekends, and once per hour during peak periods - arriving in Grand Central between 6:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. and departing between 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

game changer for New Yorkers, and I look forward to welcoming Long Island commuters to our tremendous new terminal," Governor Hochul said. "Infrastructure is all

"Grand Central Madison is a

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CM Paladino Meets With Co-Op And Condo Board Members And Leaders to Discuss Local Law 97

Council Member Vickie Paladino hosted a meeting with board members and leaders of co-ops and condos. This meeting was held in regards to Local Law 97, which will force select buildings to comply with ridiculous and unreasonable emissions regulations. Fines and penalties will ultimately result in the loss of the middle class community.

CM Paladino's legislation, which will be introduced this week, will focus on delaying Local Law 97 so that realistic solutions can be made. I look forward to holding a press conference on Wednesday to address this issue and my legislation. More details to follow.

It is noteworthy to point out the hypocrisy in the exemptions



to Local Law 97. We can start by calling out government agencies, hospitals, and public housing developments who are exempt and not required to implement requirements put forth by the

Climate Mobilization Act. I stand with co-op, condo, and building owners to protect their assets and rights. I call out the hypocrisy and inequities of the Climate Mobilization Act.

Pickleball Anyone? Indoor Courts Flourish in Queens

Queens already has the only outdoor squash court in New York City and the biggest annual tennis tournament in the world. Now, the borough proudly boasts indoor, glass-floor, LED-illuminated pickleball courts.

Head over to Court 16 at 13-06 Queens Plaza South in Long Island City to play this red hot racquet sport. The facilities include three 30-foot courts, four 36-foot courts, and two 60-foot courts. (Editor's note: Sixty feet is the USTA-sanctioned court size for advanced players of all ages.)

Those looking for partners and opponents can surf to the Court 16 Pickleball Facebook Group.

There are open play options starting as low as \$38 per session. A private, 60-minute lesson with a professional can cost \$122. A semi-private one goes for \$105. Prices vary and members get



better deals.

Pickleball is a fast-growing sport and a way to introduce athletes to tennis, which is played on a larger court. It's also a fun way to get exercise.

More Places to Play

CityPickle operates a court at TWA Hotel at John F. Kennedy International Airport. The same company plans to open a 10,000-square-foot venue with four courts in Long Island City in early 2023.

Ride-Along With The 109th Precinct

CM Paladino prepares for her ride-along with the NYPD 109th Precinct to see firsthand what our officers experience on the job

Public safety is a top priority for me and it's crucial I see the issues in my district firsthand. Ride-alongs with the local Precincts have been a priority of mine since I was elected and I'm so glad I was finally able to make it happen. Stay tuned for my ride-along with the 111th.



Assemblywoman Nily Rozic Hosts Electronic Waste Recycling Event



Assemblywoman Nily Rozic (D,WF-Fresh Meadows) partnered with New York City Council Member Linda Lee, New York State Senator John Liu, and the Lower East Side Ecology Center to host an e-waste recycling event outside P.S. Q004 in Fresh Mead-

ows. Over 200 residents disposed of old phones, computers, televisions, chargers, and various other miscellaneous electronic items totaling two truckloads' worth of items. The collected electronics will be recycled and repurposed instead of ending up in landfills.

Pheffer Amato Selected to Host Irish Intern For 2023 Legislative Session



Assemblywoman Stacey Pheffer Amato (D-South Queens) was proud to have been selected to serve as mentor and host of one of the five Irish interns chosen to participate in the New York State Assembly 2023 Program. Sam Milner, a native of Ireland, and un-

dergraduate at University College Cork, is majoring in Government and Political Science. He will be part of the team in Albany till the end of the 2023 legislative session.

Before beginning his internship, Sam has spent the previous years traveling the world, having lived in Australia and spent periods of time in Israel, Italy and Poland. Sam is currently helping with bill research, drafting of memos and assisting in the organizing of the Governmental Employees Committee that Pheffer Amato Chairs.

Sam aspires to continue his education and complete a master's degree in public administration in the near future and has a strong interest in being a governmental employee and helping support those who hold public office.

"The Assembly Internship program is an amazing opportunity for not just students enrolled in the SUNY system, but those

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IT'S IN QUEENS

It's In Queens!
(Feb. 3 to Feb. 9)

A hint of romance is in the Queens air this week, as some upcoming activities have Valentine's Day themes. Other options include theater, art, improv, Lunar New Year shows, and even a famous centipede.

- Feb. 3, The Chuck Berry Rock & Roll Concert Party, 8 pm. Keith "The Captain" Gamble, a singer, songwriter, guitarist, and harmonica player, offers an energetic celebration of Chuck Berry's music and legacy. Flushing Town Hall, 137-35 Northern Blvd.

- Feb. 3, Sputter Box, Feb. 5. This clarinet, voice, and percussion trio premieres a mixed-media piece featuring video by Kikia Gkoudina and music by Daijana Wallace. The trio also performs classic and commissioned works that evoke an idea of stillness. Concerts are Feb. 3 at 7:30 pm and Feb. 5 at 3 pm. ArtHouse Astoria, 23-35 Broadway.

- Feb. 3, Free First Friday, 11 am. On the first Friday of every month, admission is free. (Reservations are strongly suggested.) The Noguchi Museum, 9-01 33rd Rd., Long Island City.

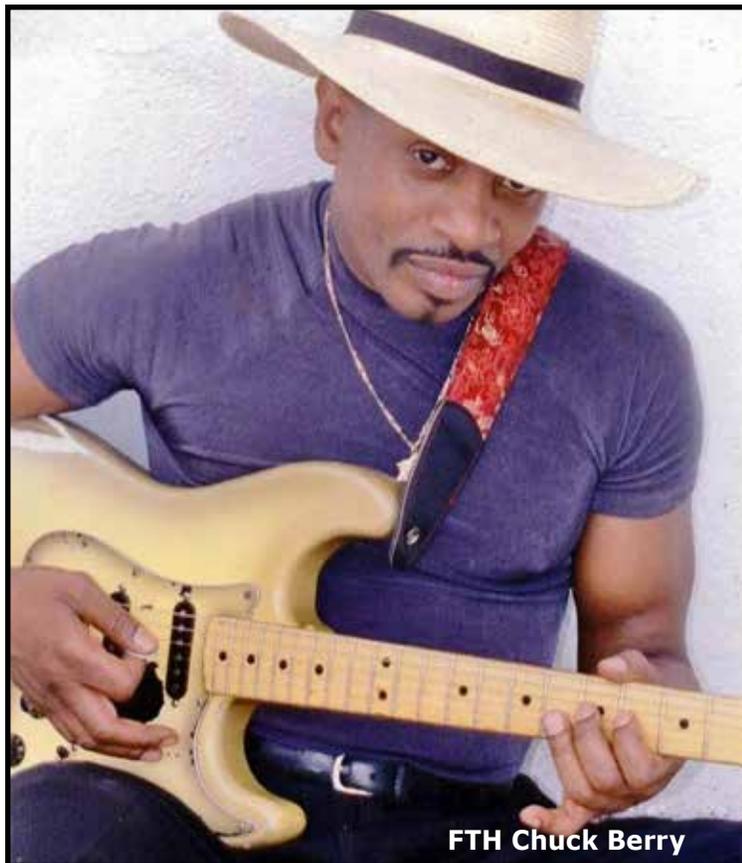
- Feb. 3, Kaleidoscope Improv, 8 pm. Adult FoHi Improv students perform long form and short form improv. Proceeds go to the host venue. American Legion Continental Post #1424, 107-15 Metropolitan Ave., Forest Hills.

- Feb. 3, FDR Drive, 8 pm. This party band covers hits from the 1960s to present: Top 40, Hip Hop, wedding standards, R&B, Motown, Rock, Disco, and Free-style. Resorts World New York City, 110-00 Rockaway Blvd., South Jamaica.

- Feb. 3, Even The Centipede, 3:30 pm. A conversation about Isamu Noguchi's 1952 ceramic sculpture Even the Centipede. The Noguchi Museum, 9-01 33rd Rd., Long Island City.

- Feb. 4, The Wrong Man, 2:30 pm. Jason Isralowitz discusses Nothing to Fear: Alfred Hitchcock and the Wrong Men with the Queens Historical Society. His book explores the 1956 Alfred Hitchcock thriller The Wrong Man, which is based on the true story of Jackson Heights resident Christopher "Manny" Balestrero, who was accused of two robberies he didn't commit. Kingsland Homestead, 143-35 37th Ave., Flushing.

- Feb. 4, A New Old Play, Feb. 5. Directed by legendary Chinese filmmaker Qiu Jiongjiong, this 2021 film depicts 20th century China from the collapse of the Qing dynasty through Mao's Cultural Revolution through the irreverent remembrances of an old thespian on the road to the afterlife. The masterwork pays homage to classical Chinese opera, silk painting, early silent cinema, and Vaudeville. Shows on Feb. 4 at 3 pm and Feb. 5 at 1 pm. Museum of the Moving Image, 36-01 35th



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Ave., Astoria's Kaufman Arts District.

- Feb. 4, Chinese Documentary Film Festival, 10 am. This second annual expo screens three documentaries – Shanghai Queer, Hard Love, and No Rule is Our Rule – followed by a Q&A with the filmmakers. Flushing Town Hall, 137-35 Northern Blvd.

- Feb. 4, Victorian Valentines, 1 pm. A workshop on Victorian valentine-making with reproductions of historic patterns and ephemera. Cruel ones, known as "Vinegar Valentines," were also popular during this period, so broken hearts are welcome. King Manor Museum, 150-03 Jamaica Ave.

- Feb. 4, Open Studios for Teens + Adults with Disabilities, Feb. 5. Teens and adults with disabilities enjoy art-making and gallery exploration with trained museum educators and teaching artists. Doors open at 2 pm on both days. Queens Museum, NYC Building, Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

- Feb. 4, The Hey Nows, 8 pm. This show-stopping, top 40 party band has a knack for connecting with their audiences. Resorts World New York City, 110-00 Rockaway Blvd., South Jamaica.

- Feb. 5, Celebrating the Year of the Rabbit, 3 pm. The Nai-Ni Chen Dance Company presents majestic dragons, elegant peacocks,

stunning acrobats, twirling ribbons, bamboo instruments, and a Hip-Hop lion dance. Queens College's Colden Auditorium, 153-49 Reeves Ave., Flushing.

- Feb. 5, James Jones Gospel Ensemble, 3 pm. Live music in the Castle. Bayside Historical Society, 208 Totten Ave., Fort Totten.

- Feb. 5, Fused Glass Workshop, 1 pm + 3 pm. Artist and jewelry designer Naomi Rabinowitz teaches how to make colorful necklaces, pins, magnets, earrings, and rings -- and the basics of fused glass art. Alley Pond Environmental Center, 224-65 76th Ave., Oakland Gardens.

- Feb. 9, Thursday Night Jazz, 8 pm. Drummer Marcus Gilmore, a Queens native whose grandfather was the legendary drummer Roy Haynes, has performed with some of today's best known contemporary artists, including Chick Corea and Gonzalo Rubalcaba. Jamaica Center for Arts & Learning, 161-04 Jamaica Ave.

- Feb. 9, Craft Night, 7:30 pm. Elaine Miller teaches how to make a Shamballa Macrame Bracelet. Bayside Historical Society, 208 Totten Ave., Fort Totten.

- Feb. 9, Queens Rising Neighborhood Experience, 11 am. A fun-filled day that includes art exhibits, live music, food, and networking with people in the art world at different spots in Jamaica.

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Gov. Hochul Rides Inaugural LIRR Train to Grand Central Madison

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about connections, and this project is an extraordinary step forward to better connect millions of New Yorkers with their homes, their families and their jobs.”

During this initial period, the LIRR has customer ambassadors on the Grand Central Madison concourse to greet customers and offer information about the new space. LIRR customers to Grand Central Madison can use their Penn Station tickets, as Penn Station and Grand Central Madison are in the same fare zone. The special Grand Central Direct service will conclude with the initiation of full train service mirroring what was put forward in draft schedules published last June. To enable travel planning, the MTA will provide at least three weeks notice before new, full schedules go into effect.

Grand Central Madison doubles LIRR capacity into Manhattan. In conjunction with the completion of a third track on the LIRR Main Line, the new terminal enables reverse commuting options that were not previously possible. For LIRR customers who work on the east side of Manhattan, this new terminal is expected to save 40 minutes a day of commute time round trip.

The terminal also provides seamless connectivity through the MTA region, with both commuter railroads and the New York City Subway all in one building for the first time. The expansion of CityTicket will provide an additional travel option to Queens communities served by the LIRR, providing easier access to job opportunities. The impending introduction of the Combo Ticket will give New Yorkers, and those visiting New York, more travel options than ever to get to Long Island, the Hudson Valley, or Connecticut from the five boroughs. Customers in Metro-North Railroad territory for example will now have an one-ticket ride to JFK Airport.

MTA Chair and CEO Janno Lieber said, “What we are opening today is truly breathtaking. The eight tracks, four platforms and 714,000 square feet of space at Grand Central Madison are only the most visible part of a project that also includes 40 miles of new track, 96 new switches, 550 miles of cables, 8,445 feet of retaining walls, five new railroad bridges, 296 new catenary poles, 51 signal towers, 2 million cubic yards of rock, soil and muck excavated, 1 million cubic yards of concrete poured, and tunnel ventilation plants with emergency exits every

few blocks. Together with the successful Third Track project and L Train rehab, what was accomplished since the 2018 overhaul of East Side Access proves the MTA is a megaproject leader.”

LIRR Interim President and Metro-North President Catherine Rinaldi said, “We are so excited to welcome the first generation of LIRR customers who will now have a choice about whether to go to the west side or the east side. This is the dawn of a new era for the railroad, no less important than then opening of the LIRR’s service to Penn Station in 1910. So much work went into making this opening happen so I would like to thank every LIRR employee who worked tirelessly to make this a reality. It would not be possible without their dedication.”

MTA Construction and Development President Jamie Torres-Springer said, “To open Grand Central Madison—a 714,000 square foot terminal underneath the already iconic Grand Central Terminal—required both sweeping vision and attention to detail. Our project teams had both as they kept the project moving and worked through issues big and small, including the final systems testing to ensure we were ready for revenue service. Thanks to their hard work and dedication, today we deliver a transformative new space and service for LIRR riders.”

Grand Central Madison is the first new major downtown rail terminal in the United States in 67 years and the first expansion of the LIRR in 112 years, since service began to Penn Station on September 8, 1910. The terminal provides Long Island with service to both sides of Manhattan for the first time. The space includes two prominent permanent artworks by internationally renowned artists. An 875-square-foot abstract and figurative glass mosaic by Yayoi Kusama entitled *A Message of Love*, Directly from My Heart unto the Universe is located on the Madison Concourse at the main ticketing area, between 46th and 47th streets. Four glass mosaics by Kiki Smith totaling approximately 600 square feet will bring nature inspired by Long Island to the Mezzanine level, and a fifth mosaic by Smith on the Madison Concourse totaling 800 square feet was inspired by the way sunlight glints off the surface of the East River.

The beginning of service now enables the possibility of transferring directly between the LIRR and Metro-North Railroad. To encourage riders from each railroad to try the other, when full

LIRR service begins to Grand Central Madison, the MTA will introduce the “Combo Ticket” - a single ticket that enables customers to travel between Long Island, Manhattan’s northern suburbs and Connecticut all with one fare.

The Combo Ticket will enable riders to buy a LIRR ticket in Huntington for a trip to White Plains or a Metro-North ticket in Poughkeepsie for a trip to Montauk. Riders choose their origin station with Grand Central as their destination and pay the regular fare plus a flat rate of eight dollars for a continuing trip to any destination on the other railroad. The Combo Ticket will go into effect once the Grand Central Madison timetables are implemented.

The Grand Central Madison systemwide timetables are expected to include 274 more trains each weekday than currently operate, a historic 41 percent service increase made possible in part by the completion on October 3 of a new 9.8-mile Main Line third between Floral Park and Hicksville. The timetables represent the first comprehensive rewrite of LIRR schedules in decades and the MTA encourages all riders, no matter when or where they travel, to review their options on the TrainTime app or review the LIRR’s service overview to see new options for their travel.

Grand Central Madison and Main Line Third Track are part of an unprecedented \$17.7 billion investment to transform and modernize the Long Island Rail Road with 100 projects throughout the system including construction of a more spacious LIRR Concourse at Penn Station with a new entrance at 33rd Street and Seventh Avenue, renewal and upgrading of 36 stations and 17 bridges, elimination of eight at-grade railroad crossings, activation of the Positive Train Control safety system, installation of 13 miles of second track between Farmingdale and Ronkonkoma, upgrades to 15 electrical substations, parking capacity increases, and yard expansions. Additionally, following the opening of Moynihan Train Hall in 2021, the MTA, together with Empire State Development, NJ TRANSIT and Amtrak, is transforming Penn Station into a world-class, single-level terminal with abundant natural light, high ceilings, increased access to platforms, and enhanced wayfinding.

The LIRR published draft timetables showing Grand Central Madison service on June 2 for public review and held six virtual information sessions and public meetings between June 23 and August 11 to gather public feedback.

Polish Consulate Welcomes New 86th Pulaski Day Parade Grand Marshal

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out Europe for the courage and bravery he displayed in defense of his country’s freedom.

In 1777, Pulaski arrived in Philadelphia where he met General Washington, Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army. Later at Brandywine, he came to the aid of Washington’s forces and distinguished himself as a brilliant military tactician. For his efforts, Congress appointed him Brigadier-General in charge of Four Horse Brigades. Then again, at the battles of Germantown and Valley Forge, Pulaski’s knowledge of warfare assisted Washington and his men.

Later in 1778, through Washington’s intervention, Congress approved the establishment of the Cavalry and put Pulaski at its head. The Father of the American Cavalry demanded much of his men and trained them in tested

cavalry tactics. He used his own personal finances, when money from Congress was scarce, in order to assure his forces of the finest equipment and personal safety.

Pulaski and his legion were then ordered to defend Little Egg Harbor in New Jersey and Minisink on the Delaware and then south to Charleston, South Carolina. However, it was at the battle of Savannah in 1779 that General Pulaski, riding forth into battle on his horse, fell to the ground mortally wounded by the blast of cannon. It is said, the General’s enemies were so impressed with his courage, that they spared his life and permitted him to be carried from the battlefield. However, two days later, on October 11 Pulaski died.

Today all over the United States there are memorials for Casimir Pulaski. Many parks, streets, statues, and schools bear his name in memory of his courage and commitment to freedom.

Assemblywoman Jenifer Rajkumar Hosts Rally Calling For Passage Of Her Bill Supporting Women Who Suffer Stillbirths



Assemblywoman Jenifer Rajkumar (D-AD 38) convened dozens of advocates and state legislators to call for passage of her landmark bill providing vital support to women who suffer a stillbirth. The Assemblywoman’s historic bill (A2880/S2175) garnered widespread bi-partisan support from the legislature. The bill will add stillbirth as a qualifying event for Paid Family Leave, entitling parents to 12 weeks of paid leave from work with employment protection.

Occurring almost 1,500 times

each year in New York, a stillbirth is the loss of a pregnancy on or after 20 weeks. The trauma of a stillbirth leaves parents at high risk of depression, anxiety, and PTSD. The course of medical treatment is similar to a live birth, and doctors recommend that mothers rest for several weeks afterwards to prevent complications.

Under current New York State law, families are entitled to paid leave following the birth of a child, except in the event of a stillbirth.

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New York Transit Riders Respond to Mayor Eric Adams’ State of the City Address

Riders Alliance Executive Director Betsy Plum said:

“Working New Yorkers need transit equity, which means City Hall must deliver faster buses and more affordable fares. Better public transit binds the whole city together, increasing access to jobs, education, healthcare and

more for the New Yorkers who need it most.

“Mayor Adams promised millions of riders that he would speed up the nation’s slowest bus system with 150 new bus lane miles over four years. So far, we’ve seen barely more than we can count on one hand. The administration must pick up its own pace so bus

riders can pick up ours.

“The City’s Fair Fares program is the largest low-income transit discount program in the nation but achieving its promise requires expanding eligibility. Mayor Adams should offer half fare cards to a million more low-income New Yorkers earning up to 200% of the federal poverty line.”

Attorney General James and Eight AGs Applaud Biden-Harris Administration Housing Protection Plan

New York Attorney General Letitia James and a coalition of eight other attorneys general has released the following statement applauding the Biden-Harris administration's new actions to protect tenants, strengthen fair housing laws, and expand access to affordable housing for Americans across the country:

"Once again, the Biden-Harris administration has made clear that supporting hardworking Americans and ensuring that we all are equally protected under the law are top priorities. Too many people across the country are facing record-high housing costs, and families are struggling to find safe and affordable housing. Today's announcement is a comprehensive plan that will address many of the challenges that people are facing every day and will help strengthen our ability to regulate and enforce

fair housing laws and confront the other systemic issues that prevent people from finding a home. We look forward to continuing our work with our partners at the local, state, and federal level to ensure that no one is discriminated against or taken advantage of as they seek this most basic life necessity."

Joining Attorney General James in issuing this statement are Arizona Attorney General Kris Mayes, Connecticut Attorney General William Tong, Delaware Attorney General Kathy Jennings, Massachusetts Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell, Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel, Minnesota Attorney General Keith Ellison, Oregon Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum, and District of Columbia Attorney General Brian Schwab.

Attorney General James has always fought to protect tenants

and ensure New Yorkers have access to safe, affordable housing. In December 2019, she launched an investigation into housing discrimination practices at multiple Long Island brokerages, and in August 2022, she secured settlements to fix illegal practices and require fair housing trainings for agents. Attorney General James has taken action against landlords that violated lead protection laws, putting tenants, especially children, at risk. She has fought back against tenant blacklisting efforts, and held landlords accountable for harassing, misleading, and illegally threatening to lock out New York renters. Attorney General James has also secured millions of dollars for tenants who had money illegally withheld by landlords, and provided tens of millions of dollars to preserve and expand affordable housing throughout the state.

Queens Chamber of Commerce Applauds Mayor Adams For Outlining Agenda to Support Small Businesses in State of The City

The Queens Chamber of Commerce releases the following statement from President and CEO Tom Grech in response to Mayor Adams' State of the City address, which outlined a strong agenda to support small businesses throughout New York City:

"Small businesses are the lifeblood of local economies in neighborhoods throughout the five boroughs, creating jobs and opportunities for New Yorkers from all walks of life. Sadly, the past few years have been extremely difficult, and we've seen too many beloved neighborhood institutions close their doors to customers for good. Mayor Eric Adams under-

stands that there is no economic recovery for New York City if we do not help our small business community.

"Mayor Adams is no stranger to Queens, and we are honored he chose our borough to host his State of the City speech. From tackling crime, to building more affordable housing, to providing mom and pop shops with access to flexible capital and doubling the City government's spending with MWBEs and small businesses, to investing in workforce development, the Mayor has outlined a bold agenda that will support a strong small business recovery.

"We look forward to working

with him and SBS Commissioner Kevin Kim to continue supporting small businesses throughout Queens County, so that they can be the engines that create jobs and opportunities for all New Yorkers."

About the Queens Chamber of Commerce: - The Queens Chamber of Commerce is the oldest and largest business association in Queens, representing more than 1,400 businesses and more than 150,000 Queens-based employees. Its mission is to foster connections, educate for success, develop/implement programs and advocate for members' interests. www.queenschamber.org

Consumer Affairs Committee Announces Infant Product Safety Package



Assemblywoman Nily Rozic (D, WF-Fresh Meadows), Chair of the Assembly's Consumer Protection Committee announced a legislative package intended to increase product safety for infants. Bill A325, sponsored by Assemblywoman Amy Paulin (D-Westchester), would prohibit the sale of infant walkers. Bill A1287, also sponsored by Paulin, would ban the sale of infant loungers.

A study conducted by the American Council of Pediatrics found risk of serious injury or death from the use of infant walkers.[1] Similarly, the Consumer Product Safety Commission has reported at least eight deaths linked with the use of infant loungers.[2]

"Fires can happen to anyone at any time, destroying homes and businesses and tragically ruining lives," said Assemblywoman Rozic, Chair of the Assembly

Consumer Affairs and Protection Committee. "Multiple recent fires, including the one at Twin Parks, have reminded us of what we already knew: New York needs to increase fire safety mechanisms. We must ensure the laws on the books are enforceable and protect all New Yorkers and their families."

"Infant walkers and loungers have caused horrific tragedies," said Assemblywoman Amy Paulin. "Parents and caregivers who use them logically assume that they are safe for infant use. The reality is that they are not. There have been instances where a baby has rolled into the pillowed material, couldn't right themselves, and suffocated to death. A ban of these products is needed not only to take them off the market going forward, but to alert current owners of these products of their dangers. I urge the legislature to pass my bills A325 for infant walkers and A8346 for infant loungers into law, and thank Assemblywoman Nily Rozic, Chair of the Assembly Committee on Consumer Affairs and Protection, for her steadfast support and advocacy."

"These common sense bills will help us achieve one of our most important responsibilities in government: protecting the health and

safety of the youngest New Yorkers," said Assemblywoman Emily Gallagher, Chair of the Assembly Subcommittee on Child Product Safety. "I thank Chair Nily Rozic, sponsor Assemblywoman Amy Paulin and my colleagues in the Assembly Majority for following the data and advancing this life-saving legislation."

This package has passed the Consumer Protection Committee in the Committee's first meeting of the 2023 legislative session.

[1] American Academy of Pediatrics. Committee on Injury and Poison Prevention. Injuries associated with infant walkers. Pediatrics. 2001 Sep;108(3):790-2. doi: 10.1542/peds.108.3.790. PMID: 11533353.

[2] "CPSC Warns Consumers: Stop Using the LEACHCO Podster, Podster Plush, Bummzie and Podster Playtime Infant Loungers Due to Suffocation Hazard; Two Infant Deaths Investigated." U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 20 Jan. 2022, <https://www.cpsc.gov/Newsroom/News-Releases/2022/CPSC-Warns-Consumers-Stop-Using-the-Leachco-Podster-Podster-Plush-Bummzie-and-Podster-Playtime-Infant-Loungers-Due-to-Suffocation-Hazard-Two-Infant-Deaths-Investigated>.

Resorts World Giving Away Luxury Vehicles & Lots of Cash All Month Long

February may be the shortest month of the year, but Resorts World has plenty of exciting entertainment options to keep the fun going for all 28 days! Plus, there are some hot promotions to help keep you warm while the temperature drops outside, including the chance to win an 85" Samsung flat screen TV during the Big Game, a 2023 Mercedes GLA, and a 2023 Corvette Stingray.

Resorts World New York City February Entertainment:

- 2/3: FDR Drive
- 2/4: The Hey Nows
- 2/10: Harvey Morris & The Deep Center Groove
- 2/11: Aftershock
- 2/17: Johnny Rodriguez and The Dream Team – Latin Night
- 2/17: DJ at Bar 360
- 2/18: Hi-Def
- 2/24: The Cliffs
- 2/25: DJ at Bar 360
- 2/25: White Wedding

To learn more, or to buy tickets for select events, visit rwnewyork.com.

Pheffer Amato Selected to Host Irish Intern For 2023 Legislative Session

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throughout the globe. It teaches our students not only how the government works, but valuable life lessons and hands-on experience in legislation," said Pheffer Amato. "Sam has jumped right

into work and has learned so much in his few short weeks and will be a great help to the Governmental Employees Committee, but also to the residents of the 23rd Assembly District. I cannot wait to see him succeed in all of his future endeavors!"

Assemblywoman Jenifer Rajkumar Hosts Rally Calling For Passage . . .

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Assemblywoman Rajkumar's bill will correct this inequity by extending Paid Family Leave to all women who give birth, no matter the outcome of the pregnancy.

Joining Assemblywoman Rajkumar were her colleagues State Senator Tim Kennedy, the bill's Senate sponsor, State Senator Kevin Parker, State Senator Jessica Scarcella-Spanton, Assemblywoman Rodney Bichotte Hermelyn, Assemblyman Matt Slater, and Assemblyman Brian Maher. Also in attendance were members of PUSH for Empowered Pregnancy—a national coalition of parents, healthcare providers, and allies committed to ending preventable stillbirths. Coalition

members detailed the incredible mental and physical trauma of their stillbirths, compounded by losing their source of income.

Assemblywoman Rajkumar said, "All women who give birth should have paid time off. Make no mistake: women who experienced a stillbirth gave birth, and their bodies went through the birthing process. Their babies were real. Though their precious babies did not survive the birth, their mothers did and their mothers' bodies need the time to recover just like all women need after a pregnancy. The mother of a stillbirth child also needs the time to grieve the loss of her baby. These women deserve to be seen and to be included in the Paid Family Leave law of our state."

Attention NYC Veterans and Their Families!



NYC
Department of
Veterans' Services

The NYC Department of Veterans' Services will have a Care Coordinator on site at Council Member Holden's office on:

Wednesday, February 8th, 2023
 Wednesday, February 22nd, 2023
 Wednesday, March 8th, 2023
 Wednesday, March 22nd, 2023

Our DVS Care Coordinator can assist you with:

• Benefits and Claims	• Legal Assistance
• Housing	• Mental Health Support
• Financial Assistance	• Transportation
• SNAP Food Benefits	• Utility Bills
• Employment	• Funerals/Burials

The Department of Veteran's Services
 Main Office: 1 Centre St, Suite 2213, New York, NY 10007
 Phone: 212-416-5250
 Website: nyc.gov/vets
 Follow DVS on social media @nycveterans

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Legal notice of formation of Bluejacket Strategies, LLC. Art. Of Org. Filed with the SSNY on 12/22/2022. Office loc: Queens County. Corporation Service Company is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served at 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 1/12,19,26,2/2,9&16/2023

Notice of Formation of MADAM SARA(H) CHARCUTERIE & GRAZING, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/27/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 92-19 190th Street, Apt 3, Hollis, NY 11423. Purpose: any lawful activities. 1/12,19,26,2/2,9&16/2023

Prime Podiatry PLLC Filed 7/29/22 Office: Queens Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to 5718 Woodside Ave #2101, Woodside, NY 11377 Purpose: Podiatry. 1/26,2/2,9,16,23&3/2/2023

Notice of Formation of HEATING & COOLING DOCTOR, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/30/22. Office location: Queens County. Princ. office of LLC: 90-17 Corona Ave., Elmhurst, NY 11373. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, c/o Lawrence H. Schoenbach, Esq., Law Offices of Lawrence H. Schoenbach, 111 Broadway, Ste. 901, NY, NY 10006. Purpose: Construction. 1/12,19,26,2/2,9&16/2023

Notice of Formation of NY IT SERVICE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/17/2023. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 8150 102nd Road, Ozone Park, NY 11416. Purpose: any lawful activities. 1/19,26,2/2,9,16&23/2023

QB138 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/11/23. Office: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 140-25 Queens Boulevard, Briarwood, NY 11435. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 1/19,26,2/2,9,16&23/2023

Notice of Formation of HERRERA DISTRIBUTORS LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/09/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 14825 89th Avenue, 30, Jamaica, NY 11435. Purpose: any lawful activities. 1/12,19,26,2/2,9&16/2023

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Notice of Formation of 41-04 159th Street LLC amended to 41-04 & 41-08 159th Street LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/26/22. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 29 West Main St, Oyster Bay, NY 11771. Purpose: any lawful activity. 12/29/2022,1/5,12,19,26&2/2/2023

182 JMC LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/21/2022. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 18230 Jamaica Ave, Hollis, NY 11433. Reg Agent: Fuqun CPA, P.C., 94 Oxford Blvd., Great Neck, NY 11023. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 12/29/2022,1/5,12,19,26&2/2/2023

Notice of Formation of BREADBOX PICTURES LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/13/2023. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 57 Larkin Street, Staten Island, NY 10302. Purpose: any lawful activities. 1/26,2/2,9,16,23&3/2/2023

Notice of Formation of HORIZON MAINTENANCE INC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/18/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 23-64 92nd Street, Flushing, NY 11369. Purpose: any lawful activities. 12/29/2022,1/5,12,19,26&2/2/2023

2467 CAMBRELENG NY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/24/22. Office: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 144-20 69th Ave, Flushing, NY 11367. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 1/5,12,19,26,2/2&9/2023

Square Street Capital Management, LLC Auth. filed w/ SSNY 11/17/22. Off. in Queens Co. Cert. of Form filed w/ SSDE 7/28/21. SSNY desig. as agt. of LLC whom process may be served & shall mail process to Zaiqing Zhu, 56-27 2nd St, Apt. 2803, Long Island City, NY 11101. The reg. agt. is Zaiqing Zhu at same address. Add. maintained in DE: 3500 S. Dupont Hwy, Dover, DE 19901. Name & add. of auth. officer in DE where Cert of Form filed: DE Sec. of State, Div. of Corp, 401 Federal St, Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Any lawful purpose. 1/26,2/2,9,16,23&3/2/2023

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Notice of Formation of ERIC ONLINE, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/08/2023. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 13543 95th Street, Ozone Park, NY 11417. Purpose: any lawful activities. 1/19,26,2/2,9,16&23/2023

Notice of Formation of KORALI 194 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 11/2/22. Office location: Queens County. NY Sec. of State designated agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served, and shall mail process to 72-08 243rd St, Douglaston, NY 11362. Purpose: any lawful activity. 1/26,2/2,9,16,23&3/2/2023

162ND STREET FRESH MEADOWS, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/21/2022. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 14-26 136th Street, College Point, NY 11356. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 12/29/2022,1/5,12,19,26&2/2/2023

Notice of Formation of SSGM LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/10/2023. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 84-12 265th Street, Floral Park, NY 11001. Purpose: any lawful activities. 1/26,2/2,9,16,23&3/2/2023

REDEFINE MEALS ROCK ASTORIA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/23/23. Office: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 2850 Pond Road, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 2/2,9,16,23,3/2&9/2023

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME: HONEYBEE GROUP FAMILY DAYCARE, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/20/2022. Office Location: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him or her to the company c/o The Limited Liability Company, 440 BEACH 54th ST APT 2C, ARVERNE, NY, UNITED STATES, 11692. Principal business address: 440 Beach 54th St, ARVERNE, NY 11692. Purpose: Any lawful acts. 2/2,9,16,23,3/2&9/2023



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File No.: 2021-3432/A CITATION THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK BY THE GRACE OF GOD, FREE AND INDEPENDENT To: NYC Human Resources Administration, Attorney General of the State of New York

The unknown distributees, legatees, devisees, heirs at law and assignees of Diane Bell, deceased, or their estates, if any there be, whose names, places of residence and post office addresses are unknown to the petitioner and cannot with due diligence be ascertained

A copy of this citation and the accounting, as well as all amendments to it, if any, shall be served on the Guardian Ad Litem, Dominic Villoni, Esq.

Being the persons interested as creditors, legatees, distributees or otherwise in the Estate of Diane Bell, deceased, who at the time of death was a resident of Rego Park Health Care, 112-26 Corona Avenue, Corona, NY 11368, in the County of Queens, State of New York. SEND GREETING:

Upon the petition of LOIS M. ROSENBLATT, Public Administrator of Queens County, who maintains her office at 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, Queens County, New York 11435, as Administrator of the Estate of Diane Bell, deceased, you and each of you are hereby cited to show cause before the Surrogate at the Surrogate's Court of the County of Queens, to be held at the Queens General Courthouse, 6th Floor, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, City and State of New York, on the 30th day of March, 2023 at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon, why the Account of Proceedings of the Public Administrator of Queens County, as Administrator of the Estate of said deceased, a copy of which is attached, should not be judicially settled, and why the Surrogate should not fix and allow a reasonable amount of compensation to GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ., for legal services rendered to petitioner herein in the amount of \$5,127.44 and that the Court fix the fair and reasonable additional fee for any services to be rendered by GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ., hereafter in connection with proceedings on kinship, claims etc., prior to entry of a final Decree on this accounting in the amount of 6% of assets or income collected after the date of the within accounting; and why the Surrogate should not fix and allow an amount equal to one percent on said Schedules of the total assets on Schedules A, A1, and A2 plus any additional monies received subsequent to the date of this account, as the fair and reasonable amount payable to the Office of the Public Administrator for the expenses of said office pursuant to S.C.P.A. §1106(3); and why the claim

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of NYC Human Resources Administration in the amount of \$655,176.22 should not be partially paid to the extent of the net distributable estate Dated, Attested and Sealed 25th day of January, 2022 HON. PETER J. KELLY Surrogate, Queens County Janet Edwards Tucker Chief Clerk GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ. (718) 459-9000 1981 Marcus Avenue, Suite 200

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Notice of Formation of EUROPEAN ACCENTS STUDIOS, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/28/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 31-19 37th Street, Apt 5B, Long Island City, NY 11103. Purpose: any lawful activities. 2/2,9,16&23/2023



Statement From Speaker Adrienne Adams on The Killing of Tyre Nichols . . .

(Continued from page 4) ing and recovery from this severe trauma forced upon us to repeatedly endure. We know our communities have emotions of anger, sadness, and much more, and encourage non-violent protest and others forms of open expression. I uplift the public request by Row-Vaughn Wells, who asked parents not to share the video with their children, and for people to engage

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Notice of Formation of MEHAR REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/07/2022. Office location: QUEENS County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 104-40 QUEENS BLVD APT 22 B, FOREST HILLS, NY, UNITED STATES, 11375. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 2/2,9,16,23,3/2&9/2023

Notice is hereby given that a license, number 1354992 for On-Premises Liquor has been applied for by Truth Restaurant Corp to sell On-Premises Liquor, Wine, Beer, and Cider at retail in a Full Service Restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 2735 21st Street, Astoria, NY 11102 for on-premises consumption. 2/2&9/2023

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF HSU & ASSOCIATES LLP Certificate of Registration filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on January 30 2023. Office location: QUEENS County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Post Office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLP served upon him/her is: 135-50 Roosevelt Avenue, Suite 201, Flushing, NY 11354 / Zack Hsu. The principal business address of the LLP is 135-50 Roosevelt Avenue, Suite 201, Flushing, NY 11354. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 2/2,9,16,23,3/2&9/2023



in peaceful protests. It is also critical that restraint be shown by police and any misconduct against non-violent protest be met with zero-tolerance. Moving forward as a city, we must maintain our focus inward to the necessary changes in policy that we can enact to end all types of discriminatory policing and police violence with the same vigor that we seek to stop all violence against our communities."

“Homosexuality is Not a Crime” Says Pope Francis



Pope Francis has reiterated his position that the Catholic Church should not be hostile to gays and argued that laws in many countries criminalizing homosexuality are “unjust” in an interview with the Associated Press (AP).

“Being homosexual isn’t a

crime,” he said.

He added that some Catholic bishops who support laws criminalizing or discriminating against LGBTQ people were wrong, saying that they should “have a process of conversion” and apply the “tenderness” that “God has for each one of us”.

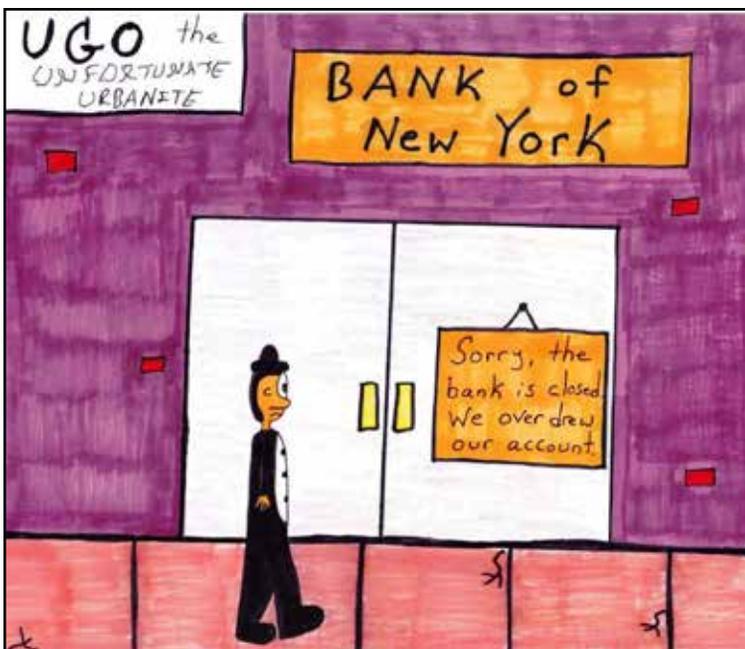
Queens College Enrolls Over 1,000 New And Returning Students



Queens College has seen a post-pandemic enrollment resurgence, with over 1,000 new and returning students in attendance for the 2022-23 academic year—the most of any City University of New York (CUNY) four-year school. This figure includes students who earned some college credit but left before earning a degree along with many students who graduated from high school but were unable to enroll in college due to personal

circumstances stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic. The enrollment results are due in part to CUNY Reconnect, launched to help former students secure degrees or other credentials that improve their economic mobility and advance the city’s post-pandemic recovery. The college also saw a dramatic increase in Winter Session 2023 enrollment, with a 75% jump from pre- to post-pandemic years 2018–19 to 2022–23.

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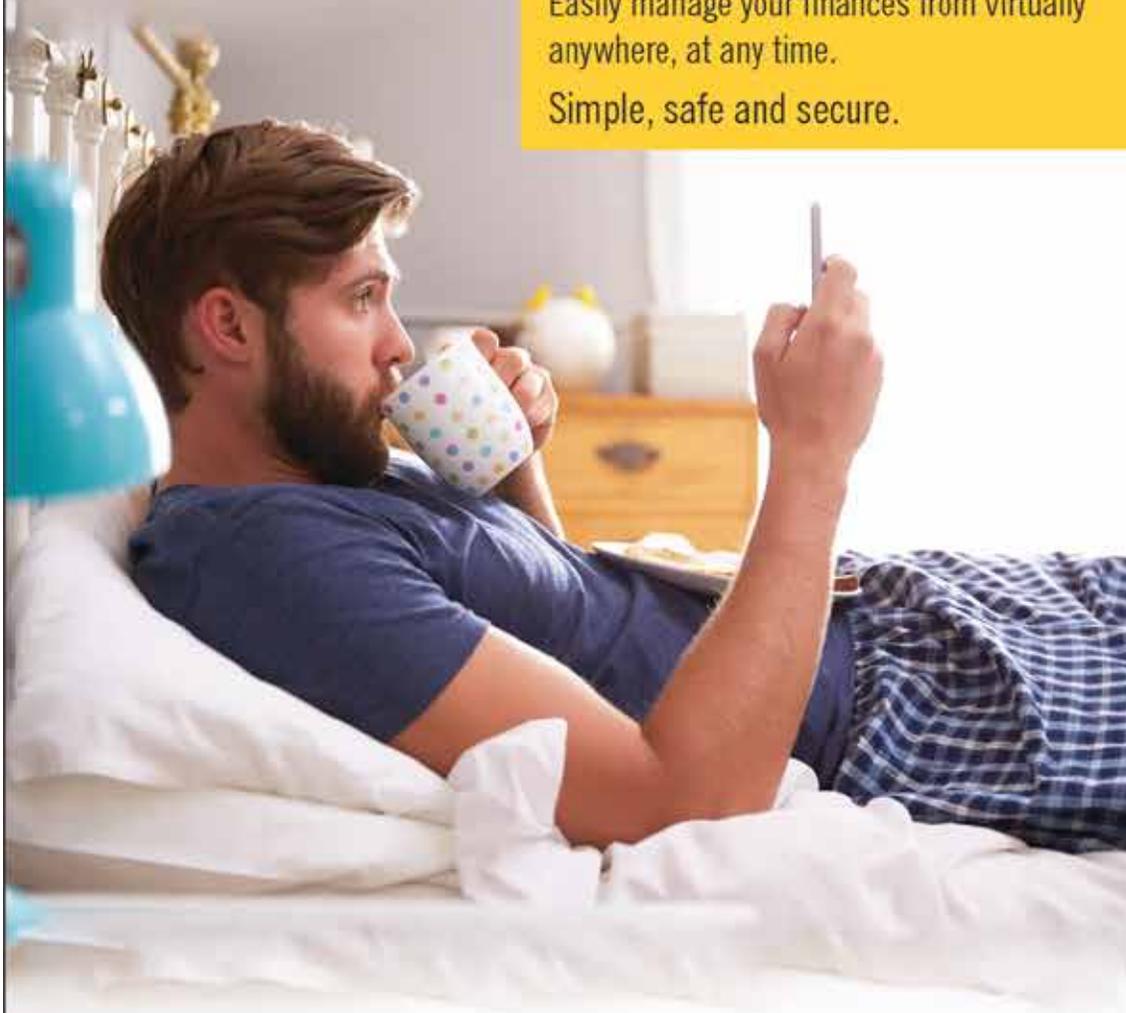
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