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## 2022 Primary Congressional Elections Are Over

Now The 2022 General Congressional Elections Begin On November 8th

*The following are the Congressional Districts that are in Queens County*

- New York's 2022 New 3rd Congressional District (Queens and Nassau)  
General Election Candidates:  
Robert Zimmerman (Democratic Party)  
George Devolder-Santos (Republican Party, Conservative Party)  
Mekita Coe (People's Party)  
Melanie D'Arrigo (Working Families Party)
- New York's 6th Congressional District (Queens)  
General Election Candidates:  
Grace Meng (Incumbent) (Democratic Party)  
Thomas Zmich (Republican Party)
- New York's 7th Congressional District (Queens, Brooklyn and Manhattan)  
General Election Candidates:  
Nydia Velazquez (Incumbent) (Democratic Party, Working Families Party)  
Juan Pagan (Republican Party)
- New York's 8th Congressional District (Queens and Brooklyn)  
General election candidates  
Hakeem Jeffries (Incumbent) (Democratic Party)  
Yuri Dashevsky (Republican Party)  
Brian Mannix (Independent)
- New York's 14th Congressional District (North-Central Queens-Astoria, College Point, Corona, East Elmhurst, Elmhurst, Jackson Heights, Woodside and Bronx)  
General Election Candidates:  
Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (Incumbent) (Democratic Party, Working Families Party)  
Tina Forte (Republican Party)  
Desi Cuellar (Conservative Party)  
Hasime Zherka (Independent)

## New Administrative Judge Named in Queens County



Newly appointment Administrative Judge for Criminal Matters, State Supreme Court, Queens County the Hon. Donna-Marie E. Golia. See story on page 2.

## Governor Hochul Announces Launch of Historic \$150 Million Expansion of Tuition Assistance Program to Part-Time Students

*For the First Time, Part-Time Students Taking Six or More Credits Per Semester Can Receive Tuition Assistance Program Aid Starting This Fall*

*Approximately 75,000 Additional Students Eligible for Aid with TAP Expansion*

Governor Kathy Hochul announced the launch of the historic \$150 million expansion of New York State's popular Tuition Assistance Program, which will now provide TAP to approximately 75,000 additional students who are pursuing their degree part-time. Expanding Part-Time TAP to fully part-time learners creates pathways to an affordable education for individuals of all ages who are often balancing other responsibilities such as a family

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## Senator Liu Hosts Education Town Hall



NYS Senator John Liu, Chair of the Senate Committee on NYC Education, today hosted an Education Town Hall at Flushing Library for students, parents and the community to discuss issues and concerns related to NYC public schools. See story on page 2.

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## New Administrative Judge Named in Queens County

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Chief Administrative Judge Lawrence K. Marks has announced the appointment of Hon. Donna-Marie E. Golia as Administrative Judge for Criminal Matters, State Supreme Court, Queens County. The appointment was made with the approval of Chief Judge Janet DiFiore and in consultation with Presiding Justice Hector D. LaSalle, Appellate Division, Second Dept. In her new capacity, Judge Golia will oversee the management and daily operation of one of New York's criminal busiest courts. She succeeds Hon. George Grasso, who retired from the bench last month.

"Judge Golia is an experienced judge and adept manager with a reputation for fairness and hard work. She brings extensive knowledge of the law and court operations to her new role. I am pleased that she has agreed to take on this latest challenge and fully confident in her ability to lead the Court, building on Judge Grasso's efforts to optimize efficiency and enhance the quality of justice," said Chief Administrative Judge Marks.

Judge Golia joined the New York State bench in 2013, upon her election to the New York City

Civil Court, Queens County. Initially assigned to the New York City Criminal Court, Queens County, she later sat on the bench in Civil Court, Queens County. She was designated an Acting Supreme Court Justice in 2016, handling matrimonial and other matters in addition to managing a Civil Court calendar. From 2018 to 2019, she served as Supervising Judge, New York City Civil Court, Queens County, working with the Administrative Judge in overseeing the Court's day-to-day management. Judge Golia was elected to the State Supreme Court, Queens County, in 2020, serving in both the Court's Civil and Criminal Terms. In January 2021, she was appointed an Associate Justice of the Appellate Term, Second Department for the Second, Eleventh and Thirteenth Judicial Districts, hearing appeals from the lower civil and criminal courts in Kings, Queens and Richmond counties, in addition to presiding over matters in State Supreme Court, Queens County.

Prior to becoming a judge, Judge Golia served as a court attorney referee and before that as a principal law clerk in Surrogate's Court, Queens County. Previously, she worked as an assistant district attorney in the Queens

County District Attorney's Office where, over the course of her 11-year tenure, she served in various bureaus, including the Office's Homicide Investigations, Narcotics Trial, Appeals and Special Victims bureaus.

Judge Golia is a graduate of City University of New York Law School at Queens College. Among her professional associations, she is a member of the Queens County Women's Bar Association and the Columbian Lawyers Association, and an advisory board member and co-chair of the membership committee of the Judges and Lawyers Breast Cancer Alert (JALBCA). She has developed and presented judicial and other training programs on ADR and other topics.

In tribute to Judge Grasso, Judge Marks said, "We are thankful to Judge Grasso for his dedication and tireless efforts over the course of his distinguished judicial career, including his able stewardship of the Queens County Supreme Court-Criminal Term, where he implemented innovative programs while navigating the many challenges posed by the pandemic. We wish him the very best in all his future endeavors."

Judge Golia's appointment is effective immediately.

## Senator Liu Hosts Education Town Hall

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Attendees discussed a variety of topics, ranging from the ongoing battle over school budget cuts, recent legislation to reduce the size of NYC public school classes, the high school admissions process, special education, mayoral control and school governance, and more.

Senator John Liu stated, "Hear-

ing directly from parents, students and educators about their experience with NYC's public schools greatly helps to inform the policies and decisions we formulate in the State Senate. There was a tremendous showing from our community this evening, clearly demonstrating that while we may be well on our way toward recovering from the COVID-19

pandemic, much remains unresolved when it comes to ensuring our schools are best serving our students. The Department of Education urgently needs all hands on deck to promptly address these many outstanding concerns; to get our schools back on track; and to truly set our students up to succeed in the classroom and beyond."

## Rozic Statement on President Biden's Student Loan Debt Cancellation Announcement

In response to President Biden announcing his plan to cancel student loan debt Assemblymember Nily Rozic (D, WF-Queens), Chair of the Assembly Committee on Consumer Affairs, issued the following statement:

"The President's announcement is a huge win for NY students and consumers. At a time when New Yorkers are struggling under high costs – from the grocery stores to the gas pumps – this debt forgiveness will provide significant relief for those in the most need."

"This debt cancellation, along with the pause on federal student loan payments, interest, and collections will improve borrowers' economic security, allow them to invest in their families, save for emergencies, and pay down other debt. Additionally, the President announced improvements to other programs like Income Driven Repayment, which will also allow millions more student loan borrowers to better access existing programs to reduce their student loan debts."

President Biden's announce-

ment stated that he would cancel \$10,000 in federal student loans for borrowers earning less than \$125,000 or for couples earning less than \$250,000. Students who received Pell grants, which are for low-income students, will be eligible for an additional \$10,000 in debt forgiveness.

Biden also announced that those with undergraduate loans would be able to cap their payments at 5 percent of their monthly income under income driven repayment plans, down from 10 percent previously.

## Record Solar Energy Helps Con Edison Meet Demand During Summer Heat Waves

**Nearly 50,000 Customer Solar Systems Lower Bills and Help Fight Climate Change; Queens and Staten Island Lead Other Boroughs**

The air conditioners keeping customers comfortable in New York City and Westchester during recent summer heat waves were powered in part by record levels of solar generating capacity in Con Edison's service area.

Con Edison customers installed more than 4,000 solar electric systems in the first half of this

year, totaling nearly 40 megawatts of generating capacity, according to the company's quarterly Clean Energy Update.

That lifts customer-owned solar capacity on Con Edison's grid to a record 436 megawatts spread across 47,000 individual systems, helping to meet growing demand for clean energy in the nation's largest city.

"Every day more of our customers are embracing the benefits of solar systems, electric vehicles and chargers, and other clean energy technologies," said Vicki Kuo,

Con Edison's senior vice president for customer energy solutions. "Con Edison is building a reliable, resilient and dynamic smart grid that will integrate these customer-owned resources alongside large amounts of new renewable power, helping drive New York toward its clean energy future."

Queens remains New York City's hottest solar market followed by Staten Island, with more than 25,000 customer-owned solar systems now generating power in

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## New York City Charter Schools Kick Off 2022-2023 School Year

### 6 New Charter Schools Open Their Doors Across Three Boroughs

*Approximately 60% of NYC Charter Schools Open in August, Nearly 80% to Open Before NYC DOE Start Date*

New York City charter schools began welcoming back an estimated 142,500 students to 275 charter schools this month, kicking off the 2022-2023 school year early to provide more instructional time and help students recover from the academic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### Key Facts and Figures

- Approximately 60% of charter schools in the city will open this month, and nearly 80% will open before September 8, the official start date of the NYC DOE.
- Charter schools now educate an estimated 15% of the City's public school students.
- New York City has 275 charter schools across the five boroughs, including:
  - 94 in the Bronx
  - 90 in Brooklyn
  - 56 in Manhattan
  - 27 in Queens
  - 8 in Staten Island

The 2022-2023 Charter School Fact Sheet can be found [HERE](#).

"As charter schools across the city welcome students back for the new school year, our leaders and teachers are excited to get back to doing what they do best: providing a quality education that

sets all students up for lifelong success – both in the classroom and beyond," said James Merriam, Chief Executive Officer of the New York City Charter School Center. "After three years of historic challenges, the stakes have never been higher for students and families – and public charters stand ready to ensure that every student continues to receive access to a safe, supportive, and rigorous learning environment."

"This year, DREAM's nationally recognized summer learning program served over 1,000 scholars through a signature mix of reading and math instruction, social-emotional learning, and team-based athletic programming—helping over 95% of participants prevent summer learning loss. So while we're proud and excited to be opening our doors on August 29th for the first day of school, in many ways we really never closed them," said Eve Colavito, Co-Chief Executive Officer of DREAM. "This first day of school is particularly special, as we welcome our founding class of kindergarteners at DREAM Highbridge Elementary School, deepening DREAM's ability and commitment to serve the Bronx community that we joined nearly a decade ago."

New York City has a total of 275 charter schools, including 6 new schools opening for the first time this year in the Bronx, Queens, and Staten Island:

- DREAM Charter School

Highbridge is a new elementary school in the Bronx that is guided by the Whole Child Model: the belief that every child needs and deserves not only rigorous academic instruction, but also social-emotional support, physical health and wellness, and the strength of a community behind them.

- Family Life Academy Charter High School is a new high school in the Bronx that creates the conditions for self empowerment for all students to excel academically, take responsibility for their own learning, and affirm human values, today, in college, and beyond.
- Our World Neighborhood Charter School 3 is a new elementary school in Queens that provides an excellent education to a diverse student body based on active inquiry, experiential learning, and social justice.
- Staten Island Hebrew Public Charter School is a diverse public charter school open to all age- and grade-eligible students in New York City that teaches Modern Hebrew to children of all backgrounds and prepares them to be successful global citizens.
- Success Academy Charter School – Bronx 5 Lower & Success Academy Charter School – Bronx 5 Upper are new elementary schools designed to foster a love of learning while creating opportunities for children to become critical and creative thinkers, build life skills and confidence, pursue passions, and secure exceptional careers.

## Curbside Charging: Reliable, Convenient And Attracting Drivers

100th Curbside Charging Location Now Open in Staten Island

Con Edison, in a partnership with New York City Department of Transportation (DOT) and FLO, completed the installation of 100 Level 2 public electric vehicle (EV) charging ports across the five boroughs as part of the curbside charging pilot program.

The curbside charging pilot program is designed to increase adoption of EVs and help reduce the impact the transportation sector has on the environment.

Con Edison, DOT and FLO are continuing to assess the performance of the charging stations to better serve New Yorkers. The data collected so far suggest the following:

- Curbside charging sites are being used at more than twice the anticipated rates. The target for year 1 of the project was 8 percent utilization across all sites. In July, the average utilization rate across all sites was 25 percent.
- Awareness of curbside EV chargers continues to increase. In a recent consumer survey, 20 percent of respondents indicated that they had seen EV chargers on the street in public parking places. This is three times the awareness level recorded during a baseline survey at the onset of the project.
- FLO has been able to provide uptime of more than 99 percent in New York City by actively monitoring and maintaining every unit in the network

Since their introduction last summer, the curbside chargers have delivered 550,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity. That's enough for 1.7 million miles of travel in a typical EV or more than three trips to the Moon and back. The curbside chargers have eliminated the consumption of more than 67,000 gallons of gas and avoided more than 675 tons of CO2 emissions compared to gas-powered vehicles.

"From Staten Island to the Bronx and every borough in between, curbside charging makes it possible for New Yorkers without access to private charging ports to consider an EV for their next car," said Vicki Kuo, senior vice president, Customer Energy Solutions for Con Edison. "We're committed to making it easier and more convenient for customers to switch from gas-powered vehicles, reduce their carbon footprint, and help New York achieve its clean energy goals."

Currently, transportation is responsible for approximately 30 percent of the city's greenhouse gas emissions, with passenger cars one of the largest contributors.

The locations for charger ports for this pilot program were selected based on input from local elected officials and community stakeholders, geographic diversity, and projected demand for charging.

"Electric vehicle adoption is an important piece in this administration's efforts to reduce transportation emissions and protect the environment for our future genera-

tions," said NYC DOT Commissioner Ydani Rodriguez. "We're proud to see this pilot expand to all five boroughs and thank our partners FLO and Con Edison in helping accelerate EV adoption citywide."

There are approximately 32,000 EVs registered in New York City and Westchester County. Con Edison sees an increasingly vibrant EV market in New York, citing the interest in its PowerReady program which offers incentives covering up to 100 percent of the infrastructure costs of installing new chargers. The company aims to support the installation of approximately 19,000 chargers by 2025.

"New Yorkers are setting an example for cities across the country in their commitment to electrify their city," said Louis Tremblay, president and CEO of FLO. "FLO is proud to be a partner in the transition to a cleaner future here in New York City by providing a reliable curbside charging solution to the city's residents. We know reliability is a crucial driver of EV adoption and we are proud to have been able to provide an unprecedented uptime of more than 99% in New York City by actively monitoring and maintaining every unit in the network. We look forward to the continued expansion of our charging network here in New York City and across the United States."

Customers charging up in New

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## Governor Hochul Announces Launch of Historic \$150 Million Expansion of Tuition Assistance Program to Part-Time Students

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and work. Full-time TAP awards can be up to \$5,665 annually for a full-time student; part-time TAP will be available on a pro-rated basis to eligible students taking six to 11 credits per semester with no full-time prerequisite.

"As Governor, I want to do more than just care for this state today – I want to prepare New York for tomorrow," Governor Hochul said. "Higher education students not only hold the key for our state, but for their families. A degree changes more than just the life of its holder, it changes the lives of those all around them. Every person who calls New York home should have the opportunity to better themselves and invest in their education. My administration is committed to supporting our students in every way possible and I thank my partners in service for making this a reality."

"This unprecedented expansion of TAP to part-time students will have a transformative impact on the lives of thousands of New Yorkers, providing a pathway to upward social mobility and a better-paying jobs, while simultaneously fueling New York's post-pandemic recovery," Chancellor Félix V. Matos Rodríguez said. "We thank Governor Hochul for her leadership and legislators for making it possible for tens of thousands of our part-time students, including parents, to pursue their educational dreams."

Students enrolling in the Fall 2022 semester may apply for part-time TAP by filling out the federal FAFSA application. Once submitted, New York State residents attending NYS campuses can link directly to the TAP application. For students who have already enrolled and submitted their FAFSA for the 2022-2023 academic year, TAP awards will automatically be adjusted based on the number of enrolled credits.

Eligibility for part-time TAP is consistent with full-time TAP awards, which includes residency and income requirements. TAP awards do not need to be repaid by any recipient.

New York State TAP is one of the nation's largest need-based college financial aid grant programs. Overall, more than 6 million New Yorkers were awarded nearly \$30 billion in tuition assistance awards through TAP. During the 2020-2021 academic year, 250,000 New Yorkers were awarded more than \$700 million in tuition assistance awards.

As a result of state and federal financial support, more than 190,000 New York residents attend CUNY or SUNY tuition-free.

About 2 million New Yorkers between the ages of 25 to 44 have no degree, and 2.5 million between the ages of 45 to 64 are without one. Expanding Part-Time TAP is part of a broader push to invest in public higher education and improve access and affordability for every student, including \$106 million to hire new faculty at CUNY and SUNY, \$100 million

to increase enrollment, reestablishing TAP for incarcerated individuals, banning the practice of transcript withholding, and making significant investments into state-of-the-art capital facilities.

New York also adopted the Senator José Peralta DREAM Act In 2019, which provides undocumented New Yorkers and other students access to TAP and other New York State administered grants and scholarships that support their higher education costs. Students can learn more about that here.

SUNY Interim Chancellor Deborah F. Stanley said, "Governor Hochul and our state legislators who have prioritized higher education in this year's budget, especially in expanding TAP, are providing life-changing opportunities for many more New Yorkers striving to attain their degrees. New York State's unique Tuition Assistance Program has long been the anchor of financial support for our students seeking the high-quality education offered at our SUNY campuses. Expanding TAP to cover part-time college attendance for thousands of learners whose lives are often already full of family and work responsibilities can be that added incentive to reach for their dream of college completion."

New York State Higher Education Services Corporation President Dr. Guillermo Linares said, "I applaud Governor Hochul for broadening a program that has already helped hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers realize their dream of a college education. This expansion will enable even more students across our State, who are unable to attend full-time due to other responsibilities, access to financial aid to make college more attainable and will continue to narrow equity gaps and accelerate upward mobility among disadvantaged populations."

State Senator Toby Ann Stavisky said, "The passage of part-time TAP in the 2022-2023 budget will enable additional students to attend college. Many colleges are experiencing serious declines in enrollment and these part-time awards will empower older, working, and non-traditional students to continue their education."

State Senator Brian Kavanaugh said, "The Tuition Assistance Program has provided critical support for millions of New Yorkers working to succeed in college. The \$150 million expansion of this program to enable about 75,000 part-time learners to participate is a great way to invest in our public colleges and in New Yorkers seeking higher education, and I thank Governor Hochul for her leadership on this. Equity, access, and affordability of higher education are crucial issues that we are working hard to address. Part-time students often face particular challenges as many are balancing other responsibilities in addition to pursuing a degree, including work, taking

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## Applications Now Available for Queens Theatre's Training Program For Actors With Disabilities

**Applications are now available. Due September 9th**

Applications are being accepted now through September 9th for the fifth round of the Theatre For All (TFA) Professional Actor Training Program. The free two-week program presented by Queens Theatre (QT) will run from Monday, October 17th through Friday, October 28th and is open to Deaf or Disabled performers, aged 18 and over. Through intensive workshops over the two weeks, students will build skills, as well as their networks. This year, the program will be offered in-person at Queens Theatre, after being held virtually in 2020 and 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Workshops will be taught by disabled and non-disabled industry professionals, including: Tony Award Winner Tonya Pinkins ("Women of the Movement", "Madam Secretary", "Red Pill", "Caroline or Change", Jelly's Last Jam); Brigid Brady (Broadway: "The Phantom of the Opera" "Gossip Girl"); The Second City alumnae Pat Shay ("FBI", "The Blacklist", "Girls 5 Eva") and Mary Theresa Archbold ("Inventing Anna", "Girls 5 Eva", "Bull", "Law & Order: SVU"); leading disability advocate and performer Christine Bruno ("Public Servant", "Best Summer Ever", "Law & Order", The Actors Studio); and Roundabout Director Group member Evan T Cummings (Director, Lincoln Center: An Evening of Short Plays). Additional instructors will be announced soon. The intensive will focus on auditioning, acting, improvisation, musical theatre, voice and movement. The program will have three tracks, designed for actors of varying levels of experience: Entry Level, Early Career, and Working Actor.

The program will culminate with a live-streamed industry showcase performance for the Early Career and Working Actor-level programs.

For more information about the program and to apply click: <https://www.queentheatre.org/tfa-2022>

The TFA Professional Actor Training Program is part of Queens Theatre's larger Theatre For All initiative, launched in 2018, to advance the inclusion of Deaf/Disabled individuals in the performing arts - as performers, audience members, students and cultural workers. Six years ago, Queens Theatre formed an Advisory Board comprised of an integrated group of Disabled and non-Disabled individuals with backgrounds in theater, activism, academia and arts administration to lead TFA. In addition to professional training for early career actors, Queens Theatre has produced short plays by Disabled playwrights (a selection of the TFA plays was recently published by Next Stage Press), in-school performance programs for children and teens with disabilities, expanded accessibility services at the theater, hosted a National Disability in Theatre Convening (2019) and most recently,

presented the Forward Festival for the Arts, a multi-week, multi-disciplinary festival of artists and companies that center performers with disabilities.

This year Queens Theatre announced a fundraising campaign to support the Theatre for All Professional Actor Training Program. Stage and screen star Vincent D'Onofrio, best known for his roles in the drama Full Metal Jacket, the hit television series Law & Order: Criminal Intent, and Netflix series Daredevil was an early champion of Theatre for All (TFA) and has committed to matching the first \$15,000 raised to support the fifth installment of the program.

There's still time to support the campaign! Donations can also be made by texting TFAMATCH to 44-321 (you'll receive a link to donate).

Workshops - Entry Level - Introduction to Acting

This level is designed for students who are interested in learning the fundamentals of acting. The course includes Preparation Exercises (breathing, relaxation, voice and speech), Script Analysis, Monologue study and workshops in Improvisation and Voice. No previous training or experience necessary. The intensive will culminate with students performing monologues/songs developed in class for a live streamed "watch party" for an audience of invited friends, family, and fellow Theatre For All participants.

- Selecting and Performing a Monologue - This workshop focuses on finding a monologue that best suits your personality and skill set. The instructors help you discover how to create a roadmap to building a character by using script analysis and your own lived experience to deliver an authentic performance.

Special Instructions: bring a 1-2 minute monologue from an existing play or film script that excites you.

- Acting with a Partner - This course explores the basics of acting with a partner. Focusing on making connections with your acting partner by building trust and forming bonds in a step-by-step approach to scene work on stage and screen. Open, honest listening and responding are taught to develop the beginning actor's instincts and imagination and help to bring a script to life.

Special Instructions: scenes will be provided by the instructor.

- Improv - Improvisation is the basis of all good listening on stage. In this class, you will learn to work together and improve communication. This is a class for students to use the many beneficial aspects of improv training to help them learn to trust themselves creatively while building a stronger bond with their fellow actors in an ensemble

- Movement - Movement is crucial to developing a character and utilizing your body as a means of storytelling. In this class, students will experience the benefits of warming up their physical being and how to utilize their body to support their acting choices. Various types of movement will be

explored, and students will walk away with a deeper understanding of how movement can benefit their acting journey.

Early Career Level - Professional Training - This course is designed for "Early-Career" actors to build on the actor's existing set of skills. Prior stage and/or on-camera training or experience is a prerequisite for this course. The program will provide actors with the tools they need to create authentic, truthful and exciting performances in the audition room, on stage and on screen with confidence. Students will be introduced to straight-forward, effective tools to help further develop their practice for stage and on-camera work. This program includes Intermediate Monologue and Scene Study. Early Career Training will culminate in a live streamed performance of monologue and/ or scene work developed in class for a select group of industry professionals. Students will also receive a copy of their recorded scene to use for their professional reels.

- Monologue Study - This advanced monologue study course emphasizes the process of developing monologues that are active, interesting, and showcase your unique talent. Students are guided toward uninhibited expression with an emphasis placed on moment-to-moment work, exciting bold choices, free flowing instincts, and intense character development. By the end of class, the goal is to have a polished, well-crafted and thoroughly rehearsed monologue ready for you to show off to directors, casting associates, and agents.

Special Instructions: Bring 2 contrasting monologues (2 minutes or less)

- Scene Study - This course investigates understanding and interpreting the scene by exploring the layering of conscious and unconscious behavior and applying technique as a tool to solve challenges outside your comfort zone. Through extensive examination, research, and experimentation, you discover and rediscover the level of action and commitment needed to fulfill the form and idea of the play.

Special Instructions: Bring a scene (5 minutes or less)

- Advanced Voice and Song Selection - This class combines singing technique with valuable audition insights. The course will begin with an extensive warm-up and group voice lesson. In addition to singing already prepared material, students will be offered new material and assistance with building a strong repertoire for auditions. This will include instruction on choosing the right songs for auditions and the best cuts to use.

Special Instructions: Bring 2 contrasting songs (3 minutes or less)

- Classical Theater - Through the exploration and performance of Classical scenes and characters, students will get connected with a vibrant and authentic expressivity in their performance

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## CM Won Statement on NYC Comptroller Denying Hurricane Ida Claims

Council Member Won issued a statement in response to reports that NYC Comptroller Brad Lander's office denied claims filed against the city after Hurricane Ida:

"I am outraged to hear that the NYC Comptroller's office denied claims for residents devastated in the aftermath of Hurricane Ida," Council Member Julie Won said. "In our district, three of our residents tragically died in a basement apartment, including a 2-year-old child, while others suffered severe flooding in their basements and

homes, and damage to personal property. Residents should not have to spend tens or hundreds of thousands of their hard-earned dollars to fix damages caused by natural disasters or the city's inadequate sewer system. I urge the comptroller to provide compensation to the thousands in our city who filed claims and I also urge DEP to update the city's water mains and sewage system so that residents don't have to fear losing their lives or suffering damages during natural disasters."

## Meng Statement on NYC Denying All Hurricane Ida Claims

U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (D-Queens) today issued the following statement on the City of New York denying all claims for property damage caused by Hurricane Ida. "Queens, and my congressional district in particular, was devastated by Hurricane Ida. Lives were turned upside down and many local residents continue to fully recover. New York City denying every claim from New Yorkers is wrong and I urge the city to reconsider.

At the federal level, we are doing everything we can to make sure that Queens and the rest of the city get the proper funding to help prevent this level of destruction

from happening again. Last November, I helped pass the federal infrastructure bill in the House. Following the President signing the measure into law, I urged the city and state to use part of that funding here in Queens. This past June, I announced the House passage of the Water Resources Development Act, which includes my bill to authorize the Army Corps of Engineers to spend up to nearly \$120 million to work with the City of New York in upgrading environmental infrastructure in Queens, which would help improve catch basins and sewers. We need the Senate to now take action and for money to be allocated."

## Queens Town Hall With Senator Kirsten Gillibrand

Join U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand for a public Queens Town Hall on Wednesday August 31st at York College

About this event - Join United States Senator Kirsten Gillibrand for a public Queens Town Hall on Wednesday August 31st at York College. Senator Gillibrand really wants to hear from you! She will give brief remarks and answer questions on the topics and issues you

care about most.

The Senator's staff will also be available to answer questions and how her office can assist you.

Please RSVP to join . Visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/?search=for+Senator+Gillibrand> Doors open at 4:30pm; event begins at 5:00pm.

Proof of vaccination or a negative PCR test within the past 24 hours for entry is required.

## Queens Distance Runners Announces Return of the 2nd Annual Jackson Heights Mile on 34th Avenue Open Streets

When: Saturday, August 27th between 10AM to 1PM

The Queens Distance Runners are overjoyed to welcome New Yorkers to Jackson Heights on August 27th. This year's race introduces a Kids Dash, free of charge, aiming to serve as an introduction to distance running for our youth. We would like to thank the 34th Avenue Open Streets Coalition for their year-round consistency for organizing events for the public to enjoy right here in Jackson Heights."- Kevin Montalvo Race Director and Queens Distance Runners Founder

"The 34 Ave Open Streets Coalition is proud once again to host the Queens Distance Jackson Heights Mile. Open Streets have made it safe to exercise, to walk & to run through our neighborhood. 34 Avenue is a micro mobility corridor, community center & outdoor gym rolled into one. Both Queens Distance & the 34 Ave Coalition share the vision

of building & celebrating community through healthy activities and the Jackson Heights Mile celebrates our neighborhood, our community while we run together on our open streets."- Jim Burke, Co-Founder, 34 Ave Open Streets Coalition

"I am proud to support the return of the Jackson Heights Mile, taking place on 34th Avenue, the gold standard of the Open Streets Program. This event will welcome New Yorkers to Jackson Heights, where runners visit the most diverse neighborhood in the world and support our local businesses. Thank you Queens Distance Runners for motivating people to stay active in a fun and inclusive way that also celebrates our beloved public space. Thank you also to the 34th Avenue Open Streets Coalition for their year-long commitment to organizing programming on our streets."- Shekar Krishnan, For further info visit: <https://events.elitefeats.com/jhmile2022>

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**ARIES**  
 (March 21 - April 20)  
 Explore the idea of starting a small part time business with friends or relatives. You will be highly sensitive to comments made by friends. Your lucky numbers are 7,2,1.

**TAURUS**  
 (April 21 - May 21)  
 If you keep busy you won't feel the personal pressures you are going through. Be aware that you might be at fault as well. Your lucky numbers are 8,4,3.

**GEMINI**  
 (May 22 - June 21)  
 Mingle with those who have similar interests, and you should be able to start something. Expect to have problems with the ones you love. Your lucky numbers are 8,5,3.

**CANCER**  
 (June 22 - July 22)  
 You can make amends by taking them somewhere special. Take care of yourself or you can expect to suffer from minor illness. Your lucky numbers are 5,4,9.

**LEO**  
 (July 23 - August 22)  
 New partnerships will develop if you join investment groups. Make changes regarding your friendships. Try to be patient and understanding. Your lucky numbers are 1,8,9.

**VIRGO**  
 (August 23 - September 23)  
 You have to let go of your past if you wish to get out of any sentimental mood that might be hanging over your head. Your lucky numbers are 8,5,4.

**LIBRA**  
 (September 24 - October 23)  
 You need a day to rest with the ones you love. Be careful; your ideas are good but make sure that you're realistic and start off on solid ground. Your lucky numbers are 5,7,4.

**SCORPIO**  
 (October 24 - November 22)  
 Try not to let relatives or friends cause any friction with your mate. There could be disappointment regarding investments. Your lucky numbers are 1,5,3.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
 (November 23 - December 21)  
 You can't make things better if you don't know what to fix. Reevaluate your position and make decisions about your future goals. Your lucky numbers are 8,3,5.

**CAPRICORN**  
 (December 22 - January 20)  
 Don't take on too much. Stick to basics. You can make money through real estate or by using your head when it comes to personal investments. Your lucky numbers are 3,5,7.

**AQUARIUS**  
 (January 21 - February 19)  
 It's time to reconnect with some of the people you used to know. Do whatever your mate wants; it really doesn't matter as long as you're together. Your lucky numbers are 3,9,7.

**PISCES**  
 (February 20 - March 20)  
 Luck is with you. Try investing in that stock you've been thinking about. Don't let your friends and relatives put demands on you. Your lucky numbers are 7,3,2.

**Did You Know?**

- The night vision of tigers is 6 times better than humans
- Flamingoes can live up to 80 years old
- In Africa more people are killed by crocodiles than lions
- Most dinosaurs lived to be more than 100 years old
- Out of the 250+ known species of shark only 18 are known to be dangerous to man
- An ostriches can outrun a horse
- An ostriches life span is 40-45 years
- Quirrels can climb trees faster than they can run on the ground
- Wild cobras can live up to 20 years old
- The average cow produces 40 glasses of milk a day
- A blue whale can weigh as much as 30 elephants and as long as 3 large tour buses
- The greyhound is the fastest dog and can reach speeds of up to 72kph (45mph)
- The fastest fish in the sea is the swordfish and can reach up to speeds of 108kph (68mph, 59knots)
- Female condors lays a single egg once every 2 years
- Whippopotamuses have skin 3.8cm (1.5in) thick
- An arrow frog has enough poison to kill over 2,200 people
- Whales have the slowest metabolism of all animals
- Did you know toads only eat moving prey

**Answer to Last Weeks Puzzles**

**"Sudoku"**

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**"Crossword Puzzle"**

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**"Try And Find"**

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**TRY AND FIND**

**"HOW ARE YOU?"**

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  - Await judgment
  - Terminated
  - Pennies
  - Dry riverbed
  - Universal
  - Improved
  - Graduation certificate
  - Pertaining to teeth
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  - Intestinal
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  - Challenges
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  - Encounter
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## Rise Light & Power Announces \$25,000 Community Scholarship For Fifth Graders in Queensbridge, Ravenswood, Astoria, and Woodside Houses through NYC Kids RISE Save for College Program

Rise Light and Power announced at Queensbridge Houses' Family Day this Saturday, alongside local community leaders and resident association members, a Community Scholarship for students enrolled in the NYC Kids RISE Save for College Program.

"We are grateful to partner with organizations like NYC Kids RISE and to support their work on behalf of young people in Northwestern Queens," said Clint Plummer, CEO of Rise Light & Power. "Today's students are tomorrow's leaders, and efforts like the Save for College Program are important investments in the education they need to make a difference in cutting-edge industries like renewable energy."

"As we gather together at Queensbridge Houses' Family Day, we celebrate the future of our children, who they are now and who they will become. The Save for College Program is a mechanism by which we can all work together to invest in our community," said Debra-Ellen Glickstein, Founding Executive Director of NYC Kids RISE. "Thank you to Rise Light & Power for this meaningful contribution. Thank you to all families, community, government, business, faith and education leaders who continue to remind our children what is possible."

NYC Kids RISE has invested the \$25,000 Community Scholarship in the educational future of every participating fifth grade student residing in Queensbridge, Ravenswood, Astoria, and Woodside Houses in Queens, putting an additional \$126 into each of the 198 rising fifth graders' NYC Scholarship Accounts.



**Pictured from L-R: Debra-Ellen Glickstein, Founding Executive Director, NYC Kids RISE; Corinne Woods-Haynes, President, Queensbridge Houses Resident Association; Eva Trimble, Chief Operating Officer, New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA); Dinneal Mcleod with her daughter Winfrey, a rising P.S. 111Q fifth grader; Wil Fisher, Manager of External Affairs at Rise Light & Power; Rachel Marcus, with her daughter Faith, a rising P.S. 111Q fifth grader; Ebony Young, Deputy Queens Borough President; and Bishop Mitchell G. Taylor, Senior Pastor, Center of Hope International and Co-founder and CEO of Urban Upbound. Photo credit: Jonathan Patkowski for NYC Kids RISE.**

These students were part of the inaugural class of students participating in the Save for College Program, which started as a pilot in 2017 across 39 public schools in geographic School District 30 communities. As of the 2021-2022 school year, the Program has expanded citywide to reach every public school kindergartener each year going forward.

To date, there are nearly 1,000 students living in Queensbridge, Ravenswood, Astoria and Woodside Houses with an NYC Scholarship Account and nearly \$400,000 in financial assets has been accumulated in their college

and career accounts to date. The Rise Light & Power Community Scholarship is the latest contribution to the NYC Scholarship Accounts of participating fifth graders, which includes the initial \$100 seed funding from NYC Kids RISE, any rewards families have received to date (including for saving their own money in their connected college and career savings accounts), and other Community Scholarship contributions. Other Community Scholarships have included Funding Long Island City's Futures, the Concert

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## Council Member Julie Won Invited to 8th Annual Global Korean Politicians Forum in Seoul

Last week, District 26 Council Member Julie Won returned from a trip to Seoul, South Korea, where she and approximately 50 other individuals from the Korean diaspora were invited to the 8th Annual Global Korean Politicians Forum, hosted by the Overseas Korea Foundation. The council member took part in discussions on global political issues concerning the Korean community, as well as best practices from each of the representatives' own governments around the world.

The week of the forum was especially auspicious and timely because it coincided with Korean Independence Day, on Monday, August 15th.

"As one of the first Korean Americans elected to the New York City Council, along with my colleague Linda Lee in District 23, I'm honored to take part in important discussions on Korean politics with leaders from all over the world," said Council Member Julie Won. "I want to thank the Overseas Korea Foundation for their work in organizing this forum."

During the weeklong conference, the council member met with the Foreign Minister of South Korea Jin Park, Speaker of the



National Assembly Jin-pyo Kim, members of the National Assembly Seok Ki Kim and Tae-keung Ha, the Mayor of Seodaemun District Moon Seok-Jin, the interim President of the Democratic Party of Korea Ho-jung Yun, and Yong-ho Thae, a North Korean defector who became the first to win a parliamentary seat in South Korea.

Other attendees included Member of Berlin Parliament Benedikt

Lux, Member of the German Federal Parliament Rhie Ye-one, Bora Kwon, the UK's first British-Korean local councillor, and many more history-making elected officials of the Korean diaspora.

As part of the forum, the council member and other guests visited the War Memorial of Korea and the Seodaemun Prison History Hall, which are both culturally significant locations in South Korea's history.

## Council Member Julie Won Urges NYC Districting Commission to Keep District 26 Intact



On Tuesday, August 16th, Council Member Julie Won gave a powerful testimony at the Redistricting Hearing for Queens at the Museum of the Moving Image in response to the preliminary Council District 26 map released by the NYC Districting Commission. According to the council member, the proposed map would break up immigrant communities and Black communities into four different City Council districts, severely limiting their political power. The map also violates four of the City Charter's criteria of keeping neighborhoods intact, keeping districts compact, limiting crossover districts, and avoiding oddly-shaped districts.

"Our criticism of their proposed maps is a reflection of what we have heard from the community since the first iteration of maps were released," Council Member Julie Won said. "We've heard from our residents in Queens, as well as residents in Manhattan and Roosevelt Island. We've tried our best to follow the Unity Map and have adapted it with changes to make sure that we are meeting

every single community members' needs, because we are an incredibly engaged community that is really like a family."

Under the proposed map, the new lines would split Woodside and cut out parts of Long Island City Dutch Kills, while also adding Roosevelt Island and parts of the Upper East Side of Manhattan into District 26. The population change of the new district violates two of the City Charter's criteria and decreases populations protected under the VRA. District 26's white population increases from 29% to 44%, the Hispanic population decreases from 29% to 22%, the Asian American population decreases from 31% to 25%, and the Black population decreases from 6% to 4%.

In addition to members of the Districting Commission, over a hundred of concerned District 26 residents registered for the hearing, with many of them sharing their own testimonies for why the preliminary map is unacceptable.

"When you fracture our communities into four different council districts, then you are eliminating their ability to advocate and effectuate public policy for public interest," Council Member Julie Won said. "By fracturing representation, it will negatively impact where they reside, where they live, where they work, where they worship, and where they gather. We do not want the immigrant community or the Black community being divided into multiple council districts, which you predominately see in Woodside."

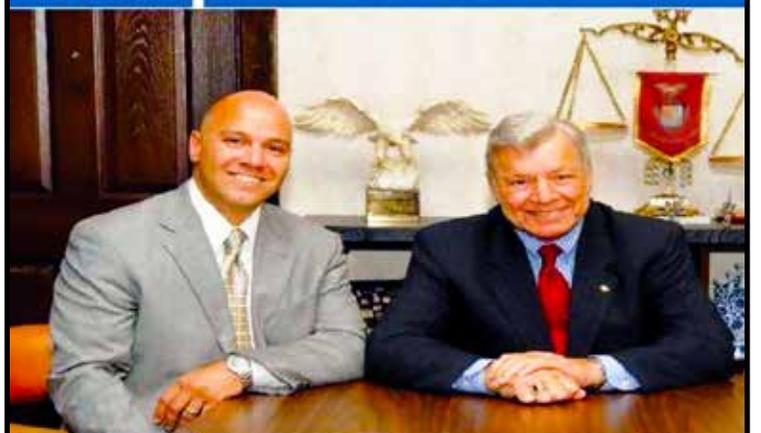


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### Council Member Julie Won Launches Free Home WiFi For Queensbridge NYCHA Residents

On Saturday, August 20th, Council Member Julie Won held an event at Queensbridge Friends & Family Day for residents to sign up for free home Wifi through the Federal Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), as well as the soft launch of the city's Big Apple Connect program.

Hundreds of residents attended the event, along with Congresswoman Nydia Velásquez, Queens Borough President Donovan Richards, and the New York City Chief Technology Officer Matthew Fraser.

The ACP provides a subsidy for high-speed internet to many qualifying New Yorkers, including those who have an income at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines, or any member of the household, those enrolled in public housing, Medicaid, SNAP, National School Lunch, and veterans pensions. Subscribers will be able to get free internet through this program or apply the subsidy savings to their existing bill.

In addition to ACP, Queensbridge also had the soft launch of the Big Apple Connect program. Queensbridge was the first location in the borough to receive



the program and other Queens NYCHA locations will be rolled out this fall.

The contract has been awarded to Charter Communications (Spectrum) and those who are currently Spectrum customers were automatically registered for the new program today, giving them free basic cable, as well as free home internet services at 300 Mbps.

"Due to our tireless advocacy,

in addition to the federal Affordable Connectivity Program, we also had a soft launch today for Big Apple Connect, a city funded free Wifi program. Low-income residents are eligible for both of these programs. There will now be free Wifi for all Queensbridge residents as of today," said Council Member Julie Won. "I'd like to thank our community partners,

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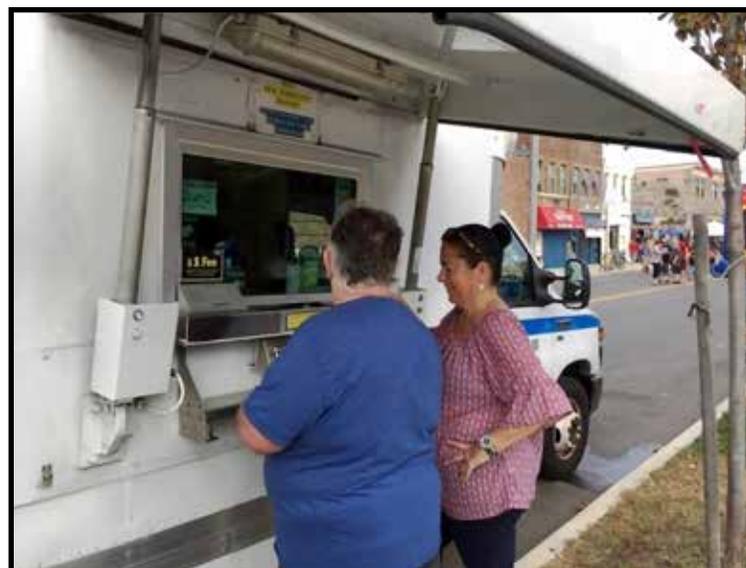
### Assemblywoman Nily Rozic hosted Rain Barrel Giveaway, Compost Giveaway, & E-Waste Collection Event



On Sunday, August 21, Assemblywoman Nily Rozic (D, WF-Fresh Meadows) hosted an action-packed environmental event where she gave away 160 NYC Department of Environmental Protection rain barrels, 250 bags of Queens Botanical Garden compost and collected

over 240 pieces of electronic waste to be recycled by the Lower East Side Ecology Center at the Israel Center of Conservative Judaism parking lot (167-11 73rd Avenue, Fresh Meadows). She was joined by Council Member James Gennaro and staff from Senator John Liu's office.

### Assemblywoman Pheffer Amato Brings MTA MetroCard Van to Community



Assemblywoman Stacy Pheffer Amato (D-South Queens) has partnered with the MTA to bring their mobile van to three different locations over the next few weeks. The van has the capability to help with reduced-fare applications, transfer MetroCard balances and allow for the purchasing of a MetroCard with cash or credit card that can be used with any MTA service.

"This is such a vital service for our community, especially for our seniors as so many of these services are not readily available at stations in our community. While we may have limited transportation services, I want to create more access and accessibility for people to get around our City when dealing with public transportation. I

believe it should be easier to apply for the discounts, transfer funds between MetroCards and even purchase a card," said Assemblywoman Stacy Pheffer Amato. The Assemblywoman continued with "we need to make things easier for people, and this van is a great tool to do just that," said Assemblywoman Pheffer Amato. The dates and locations for the MetroCard Van are:

- Monday, August 29 at 320 Beach 94th Street (First Congregational Church) from 10am-2pm
- Thursday, September 29 at 92-25 Rockaway Beach Blvd (Queens Public Library at Peninsula) from 10am-12pm
- Thursday, September 29 at 82-35 153rd Avenue (Food Emporium) from 1pm-3pm



### Back to School Celebration

Saturday, August 27, 2022  
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Bland Playground  
40th Rd, Flushing, NY 11354

#### Activities:

- Free school supplies and masks\*
- Fun educational games
- Health insurance, health and social services information

\*One supply kit per school child who is present (while supplies last)



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# IT'S IN QUEENS

(Aug. 26 to Sept. 1)

Queens hangs on to summer this week as the calendar passes to September. A Caribbean street carnival, a food festival, a dance night, movies, Rock en Español, tennis, and surf music concerts are outside. Indoor pleasures include animation and an impressive harmonica performance.

- Aug. 26, Summer Fridays, 5 pm. The final in a series of free, four-hour dance parties that spotlight DJs, specifically new artists and Warm Up alumni. This week's lineup features Miho Hatori, Slau-son Malone, and Zariina. MoMA PS1, 22-25 Jackson Ave., Long Island City.

- Aug. 26, Rockaway Beach Surf Music Festival, Aug. 28. This second annual event presents nine great surf bands from five states over three days. A 5 pm start on all three days. Rockaway Bazaar, 97-01 Shore Front Pkwy.

- Aug. 26, Band of Make Believe, 8 pm. This New Jersey cover band plays everything from Bruno Mars to Bon Jovi. Resorts World New York City, 110-00 Rockaway Blvd., South Jamaica.

- Aug. 27, Arthur Ashe Kids Day, 9:30 am. Appearances by Venus Williams, Emma Raducanu, John Isner and other tennis greats, face-painting, juggling, Good NEWZ Girls, Nickelodeon's Young Dylan, and multimedia stars such as Em Beihold. USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center, Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

- Aug. 27, All The Queens Houses, 2:30 pm. Spanish-born, Sunnyside-residing artist and architect Rafael Herrin-Ferri discusses his book on the broad range of housing styles in Queens. Kingsland Homestead, 143-35 37th Ave., Flushing.

- Aug. 27, Fourth Annual Caribbean Carnival, 11 am. An outdoor celebration of West Indian culture, art, cuisine, and history. O'Donohue Park, vicinity of Beach 17th Street and Seagirt Boulevard, Far Rockaway.

- Aug. 27, Japan-Inspired Dyeing Workshop, 11 am. Artist Sol Aramendi leads a shibori dyeing workshop in partnership with The Noguchi Museum. Socrates Sculpture Park, 32-01 Vernon Blvd., Long Island City.

- Aug. 27, Little Guyana Movie Night, 8 pm. The Indo-Caribbean Alliance presents an outdoor screening of Devdas, a 2022 Hindi-language film based on a 1917 romantic novel of the same name. ICA Parking Lot, 131-12 Liberty Ave., Richmond Hill.

- Aug. 27, CinemaLIC, about 8 pm. Watch the 2021 film Ghostbusters: Afterlife with Midtown Manhattan in the background. A single mom and her two children arrive in a small town and discover their connection to the original Ghostbusters and their grandfather's legacy. Rooftop Films uses a 30-foot inflatable screen with enhanced video projection.



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Hunters Point Park South, vicinity of Center Boulevard and 51st Avenue, Long Island City.

- Aug. 27, Hip Hop en Familia, 3 pm. Professional dancer Marley Lubin teaches a Hip Hop workshop. Louis Armstrong House Museum, 34-56 107th St., Corona.

- Aug. 27, Soundwaves: A Musical Celebration, 2:30 pm. This outdoor workshop explores instrumental music through the science of wavelengths, vibration, and sound. Participants learn how to create instruments out of household objects, tour the museum, listen to pieces made by musicians of color, and play a water xylophone. Lewis Latimer House Museum, 34-41 137th St., Flushing.

- Aug. 27, Guilty Pleasures, 8 pm. This 1980s cover band consists of six seasoned musicians with high energy and a flawless performance. Resorts World New York City, 110-00 Rockaway Blvd., South Jamaica.

- Aug. 28, South East Queens Vegan Festival, 11 am. This second annual festival mixes vendors of vegan food and beverages with information on healthy eating, cooking tips, a Kid Zone, and chef games. Attendance is free, but food is for sale. Roy Wilkins Park, vicinity of 177th Street and Baisley Boulevard, Jamaica.

- Aug. 28, Chinese Master Musician Jiayi He, 3 pm. World-

class virtuoso Jiayi He transforms harmonica sounds into a full symphony orchestra as part of the Bayside Historical Society's new Passport Concert Series. The Castle, 208 Totten Ave., Bayside.

- Aug. 28, Attakku, 4 pm. The weekly AI Fresco summer program closes with Attakku, which cranks out Rock en Español with nine musicians covering music by Enanitos Verdes, Maná, La Ley, and English-language groups such as The Police. Corona Plaza, vicinity of Roosevelt Avenue, National Street, and 104th Street.

- Aug. 28, Bang on a Can, 4 pm. Canadian violin virtuoso Jessica Moss performs solo with violin, voice, and pedal boards. Her music dances in all the ruminant spaces, moving from intimate melodies to multi-layered soundscapes. The Noguchi Museum, 9-01 33rd Rd., Long Island City.

- Sept. 1, LAIKA: Life in Stop Motion, Aug. 27, 2023. Presented via a partnership with LAIKA, this exhibition includes puppets, sets, and video clips from the Oscar-winning animation studio's first five films. It features 2-D LAIKA character figures and environments that visitors can use to create stop-motion animations at interactive stations and post online. Museum of the Moving Image, 36-01 35th Ave., Astoria's Kaufman Arts District.

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## Applications Now Available for Queens Theatre's Training Program For Actors With Disabilities

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of non-contemporary dramatic work. Emphasis will be placed first on the emotional and intellectual understanding of the texts, then on their uninhibited physical and vocal expression. Core acting work on intentions, tactics, obstacles, and relationships will be reinforced.

**Working Actor Level – Advanced Training**

This professional course is designed for Working Actors to build and deepen their acting practice for the stage and camera. Prior stage and/or on-camera training or experience is a prerequisite for this program. Training for the Working Actor will culminate in a live streamed showcase of scene work rehearsed in class for a select group of industry professionals. Students will also receive a copy of their recorded scene to use for their professional reels.

- **On Set and On Camera** - Students dive into the technical aspects of on-camera acting including framing, continuity, stillness, thinking and breathing. In this class you will also learn methods to conserve your energy during long intervals between shots whether you are a day player, co-guest star, recurring character or series regular. Students will examine the economics of being a working actor and the elements of life on set will be explored in-

cluding shoot schedules and actor accommodations.

- **Advanced Scene Study** - This course will encourage students to explore the layering of conscious and unconscious behavior and applying technique as a tool to solve challenges outside your comfort zone. Through extensive examination, research, and experiment, you discover and rediscover the level of action and commitment needed to fulfill the form and idea of the play.

**Special Instructions:** Bring a scene of 5 minutes or less.

- **Voice Over Acting** - Students in the Voice Over course will learn techniques to help them build a voice over reel and prepare for VO auditions - for example: how to break down copy and how to make bold character choices. Students will practice techniques on how to use their voice, mouth and body as an instrument that can fulfill their intentions for the character and/or copy. Subjects will include audio book reading, performing animated characters, performing commercial copy and creating/working in a home studio.

- **Acting in Commercials** - In this workshop, you will learn the art of commercial acting and audition technique. Students learn how to analyze commercial copy and find the acting beats within the text to make a lasting impression in the audition room. Focus is given to making a connection

with the camera, nailing your slate, selling a product without being too over the top and relaxing into your role. Students will also learn lingo that is specific to commercial auditions and on-camera acting. In the end, students will know how to confidently audition online, make it to callbacks, and book the job.

About Queens Theatre - Queens Theatre (QT) is a performing arts center located in Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens, NY. Its mission is to provide high-quality performances and programs that are accessible to the residents of Queens, the most diverse county in the nation. The Theatre's work reflects and celebrates its community. QT presents dance companies, produces, presents, and develops new works of theatre, family programming, community engagement events and initiatives, and offers a range of education programs onsite, in schools and in senior centers. In 2016, QT launched, and has since expanded, Theatre For All (TFA), a ground-breaking initiative to advance the inclusion of disabled people in the performing arts. Since COVID-19, QT has produced a range of digital programming - readings of new plays, wellness checks with performances for seniors, original dance showcases, a Storytellers series, an online round of its TFA training program for Deaf/Disabled actors, and more.

## Governor Hochul Announces Launch of Historic \$150 Million Expansion of Tuition Assistance Program to Part-Time Students

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care of a family, health issues, and more. It's crucially important that we ensure that these students are not shut out of the opportunity to pursue higher education. So I am proud to have supported this investment in TAP, and I also want to thank the community of students, faculty, and staff at Borough of Manhattan Community College, which I am proud to represent, for their dedication to providing educational opportunities for so many New Yorkers."

Assemblymember Deborah Glick said, "As Chair of the Assembly's Higher Education Committee, I know that the TAP program is foundational to educational and economic opportunity in our state. I've consistently fought to strengthen the program so that any New Yorker who wants to attend a higher education program gets the support they need, and I'm thrilled that this expansion will do just that. Part-time students are often non-traditional students and adults who are pursuing educational opportunity while balancing work and family responsibilities. I am grateful that they will no longer face the financial hurdle of being unable to access state financial aid. I want to thank Governor Hochul for her leadership on this issue, and my colleagues in the legislature for

their support of the expansion."

Professional Staff Congress, the union representing faculty and professional staff at CUNY President James Davis said, "We thank Governor Hochul for including part-time TAP as part of her plan for a multi-year reinvestment in CUNY. We look forward to continued collaboration with the governor as we work to ensure the broadest possible access to high quality, public higher education. Part-time TAP will support enrollments and give our students, many of whom are parents and workers, the aid they need to pursue a college degree on a part-time basis."

NYPIRG Program Director Megan Ahearn said, "New York's Tuition Assistance Program is one of the nation's most robust financial aid programs. Its recent expansion to part-time students is a much needed step for education equity. Part-time students often support families, and juggle work and other responsibilities. Encouraging and supporting their path to a college degree is a no-brainer. We applaud Governor Hochul for its passage and encourage students to fill out their FAFSA and state applications today."

For more information on how to apply to CUNY, go to [www.cuny.edu/admissions/apply-to-cuny/#apply](http://www.cuny.edu/admissions/apply-to-cuny/#apply).

## Rep. Maloney Introduces Two Major Pieces of Legislation to Hold Gun Manufacturers Accountable & Combat Gun Violence

Congresswoman Carolyn B. Maloney (NY-12) introduced two major pieces of legislation to combat gun violence amid a nationwide gun violence epidemic. Both pieces of legislation stemmed from her Committee on Oversight and Reform's investigation into gun manufacturers.

The Firearm Industry Fairness Act would tax firearm manufacturers that produce semiautomatic weapons and high-capacity magazines at a rate of 20% on all revenue—not just the revenue from the sales of those specific products.

The bill would use the tax revenue derived from these manufacturers to fund Community Violence Intervention programs to reduce gun violence and help victims. Federal tax rates on firearms have not been updated in over 50 years—before assault weapons were available for civilian purchase. Currently, AR-15s

are taxed at the same rate as an ordinary hunting rifle, even though they are far more dangerous and are the weapon of choice for mass shooters.

The Firearm Industry Crime and Trafficking Accountability Act ensures that firearm manufacturers are held accountable for the widespread criminal misuse of their products.

This bill would require that each firearm manufacturer create a monitoring system to track the crimes committed with guns it has sold. It would also mandate that a manufacturer stop distributing weapons to a dealer when the company has reason to believe that the guns sold by that dealer are being trafficked or being used for unlawful purposes. Lastly, the bill empowers the ATF to impose meaningful financial penalties on firearms manufacturers that continue to ignore gun crime and supply bad-actor dealers.

"Last year, firearms cut short the lives of over 48 thousand Americans. Gun violence is now the leading cause of death for children in our country. It's clear that unless Congress acts, gun manufacturer CEOs will continue to put profits over people, which is why it is critical that we pass these two pieces of legislation. My message is clear—if you continue to sell dangerous weapons of war to civilians, your cost of doing business will go up. There is no reason that an assault weapon used in mass shootings should be taxed at the same rate as a family hunting rifle or a gun manufacturer should be allowed to ignore the crimes committed with their products. Gun manufacturers must bear the cost of gun violence in this country, and as Chair of the House Committee on Oversight and Reform, that is exactly what I am doing," said Rep. Maloney.

## Curbside Charging: Reliable, Convenient And Attracting Drivers

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York can benefit from other Con Edison programs, including SmartCharge New York. SmartCharge rewards drivers for charging their vehicles between midnight and 8 a.m., when the demand for electricity is low.

More than 6,000 drivers currently enrolled in SmartCharge get access to a web portal that provides information about their driving and

charging habits.

Taxi and rideshare companies are also taking advantage of SmartCharge, one of many initiatives Con Edison has to encourage the adoption of electric vehicles. The company makes clear in its Clean Energy Commitment that it believes EVs will play an integral role in a low-carbon future.

FLO provided the charging stations and is managing the network under contract with Con Edison.

Each FLO unit is equipped with a standard connector compatible with most electric vehicles, has a retractable cord management system, and has a robust design intended for public deployment.

Charging will cost \$2.50 per hour during the day (6 am - 9 pm) and \$1.00 per hour overnight. A daytime charge will be equivalent to fueling up at a gas station, while overnight charging may cost up to 60 percent less.

## Statement From U.S. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer on President Biden's Student Loan Debt Cancellation

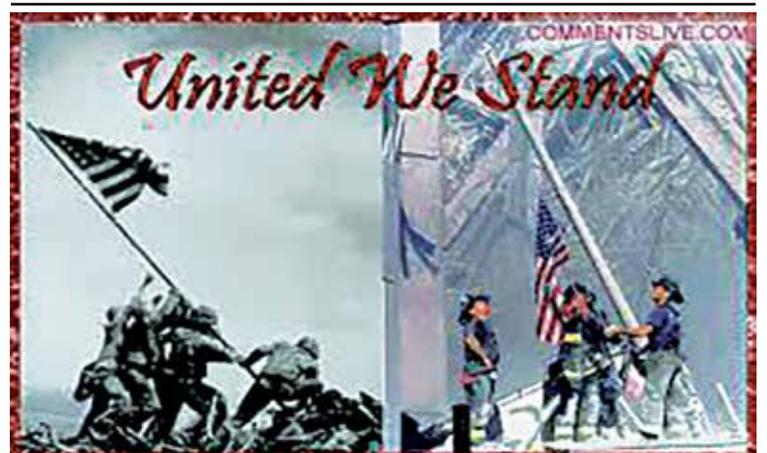
Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) released the following joint statement today after President Biden announced his plan to cancel student loan debt. The announcement comes after nearly two years of Senator Schumer calling for broad student loan debt cancellation.

"With the flick of a pen, President Biden has taken a giant step forward in addressing the student debt crisis by cancelling significant amounts of student debt for millions of borrowers. The positive impacts of this move will be felt by families across New York and the nation, particularly in minority communities, and is the single most effective action that the President can take on his own to help working families and the economy.

"This action, along with the pause on federal student loan payments, interest, and collections will improve borrowers'

economic security, allowing them to invest in their families, save for emergencies, and pay down other debt. In addition, I am pleased to see the President's proposed work towards greatly simplifying and expanding access to student loan relief programs, including the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program, and look forward to additional improvements to other programs like Income Driven Repayment, which will also allow millions more student loan borrowers to better access existing programs to reduce their student loan debts.

"No president or Congress has done more to relieve the burden of student debt and help millions of Americans make ends meet. Make no mistake, the work will continue as we pursue every available path to address the student debt crisis, help close the racial wealth gap for borrowers, and keep our economy growing."



## Attorney General James Leads Coalition to Support Free And Fair Elections

**AG James Co-Leads Coalition Supporting Lawsuit Challenging Florida Law that Stifles Voters who Use Drop Boxes for Absentee Ballots**

New York Attorney General Letitia James continued her efforts to stand up for voters' rights, co-leading a coalition of 17 attorneys general in filing an amicus brief to block a voter-suppression law in Florida. The coalition's brief, filed in League of Women Voters of Florida v. Lee, argues that Florida's new law imposes unlawful and unconstitutional voting restrictions on the use of drop boxes to return absentee ballots. Attorney General James and the coalition explain in the amicus brief that Florida's law intentionally discriminates against minority voters and violates the Voting Rights Act and the right to vote as protected by the U.S. Constitution in the First, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments.

"Free and fair access to voting is foundational to our democracy," said Attorney General James. "Efforts by other states to put up roadblocks and keep citizens from the polls harm the entire nation and must be confronted. Every voter has a right to have their voice heard and respected by those in power. My office will continue to fight against voter suppression efforts and to work with my fellow attorneys general to stand up for the rights of all Americans."

Following the high turnout Florida experienced during the 2020 election, the state passed SB 90, which, among other things, severely reduces voters' access to drop boxes. The law was immediately challenged in court by several organizations and individual voters seeking to block

it from going into effect.

In the amicus brief — filed in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit — the coalition supports the argument that SB 90 has discriminatory impacts on minority voters in Florida, that it was passed with the intent to discriminate, and that the law burdens the fundamental right to vote. The coalition also argues that it is possible to prevent fraud and promote voter confidence without constricting the right to vote. The brief concludes by urging the Court of Appeals to affirm the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida's permanent injunction against enforcement of SB 90's drop box provisions.

Attorney General James has been an outspoken advocate for New York voters, and has been instrumental in efforts to expand voters' rights and access to the polls. The Office of the Attorney General has an Election Protection Hotline and works to inform voters to ensure they are able to report issues or if they experience problems. Earlier this month, Attorney General James announced a settlement with robocalling platform Message Communications, Inc. (Message Communications) for its involvement in sending out an illegal robocall designed to prevent Black New Yorkers from voting by mail ahead of the 2020 election. In May 2021, Attorney General James filed a lawsuit against the Rensselaer County Board of Elections (BOE) for failing to provide county voters in with adequate and equitable access to early voting poll sites, as required by New York's Early Voting law. In August 2021, the court ruled in favor of Attorney General James' lawsuit and ordered the BOE to select new early voting poll sites. Leading

up to the 2020 primary elections, Attorney General James called for automatic absentee voting due to the pandemic and need to protect voters, and following the November election, the Attorney General issued an alert to ensure absentee voters were aware of their rights in case there was an issue with their ballots.

This amicus brief is a continuation of efforts by Attorney General James to protect voters' rights and challenge restrictive voting laws throughout the nation. Previously in this case, Attorney General James filed an amicus brief to support plaintiffs at the summary judgment stage in the District Court. Attorney General James has also successfully advocated against unfair voting restrictions and illegal efforts to deter voting in New York and across the country, including filing lawsuits against the Trump Administration's for undermining the U.S. Postal service in an effort to block mail-in voting in the 2020 election, filing an amicus brief in a lawsuit brought forward against a similar discriminatory Georgia law, and calling on Congress to protect the integrity of America's elections from "persistent threats" from Russia and other bad actors.

Joining Attorney General James in filing this brief are the attorneys general of California, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Washington, and the District of Columbia.

This amicus brief was prepared by Assistant Solicitor General Andrea Trento, Deputy Solicitor General Judith Vale, and Solicitor General Barbara D. Underwood — all of the Division for Appeals and Opinions.

are running out time to claim their prize.

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About the New York Lottery - The New York Lottery continues to be North America's largest and most profitable Lottery, contributing \$3.6 billion in fiscal year 2021-2022 to help support education in New York State.

## Council Member Julie Won Launches Free Home WiFi For Queensbridge NYCHA Residents

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Education Super Highway, Queensbridge Tenant Association, Riis Settlement Houses, Verizon and Spectrum as well as the city's City Chief Technology Of-

ficer Matthew Fraser."

In keeping with her campaign promise to provide free home Wifi for District 26 NYCHA residents within her first year in office, today's sign up event is the second of three events for

NYCHA residents. The council member's office held an event for Woodside Houses residents in July, and there is an upcoming event for Ravenswood Houses residents next weekend to close out August.

## City of New York Adds 30,000 Private Sector Jobs in Month of July

### Sixth Consecutive Month of Continued Job Gains

New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC) announced that 30,000 private sector jobs were added in July in New York City. The data, published in NYCEDC's monthly Economic Snapshot, is based on an analysis of employment numbers for July 2022 by the New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL) that are seasonally adjusted by Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

Since Mayor Adams took office in January 2022, New York City has added 134,800 private sector jobs, and the City's unemployment rate is currently at 6.1 percent in July. July is the sixth consecutive month of private sector job growth for New York City.

"For the sixth straight month, we are creating jobs in New York City, helping put New Yorkers back to

work and rebuilding our city's economy in a more equitable way," said New York City Mayor Eric Adams. "Our administration is reimagining the city's approach to workforce and talent development to get more New Yorkers on the path to family-sustaining careers and ensure that no one is left out of our city's comeback."

"The continued job growth shows that New York City's economy is steadily rebounding from the pandemic," said NYCEDC President and CEO Andrew Kimball. "NYCEDC is proud to support Mayor Adams in creating an equitable economy that serves all New Yorkers by making strategic investments in growing sectors to provide real career pathways."

July's job growth brings the private sector total to 3,956,700, approximately 151,700 jobs short of its pre-pandemic total of 4,108,400 jobs.

Since last July, New York

City has added 297,500 private sector jobs. The annual (July-to-July) growth of private sector employment was 8.1 percent, faster than New York State (5.5 percent) and the U.S. (4.5 percent).

The Educational Services sector added 9,700 jobs in July, while Health Care and Social Assistance added 7,900 jobs. Educational Services has now regained 87.0 percent of jobs lost during the pandemic, while Health Care and Social Assistance now exceeds its pre-pandemic jobs total.

Accommodation and Food Services saw the third strongest gains in July, adding 6,900 jobs. The sector has now regained 78.4 percent of jobs lost during the pandemic.

NYSDOL releases employment data for New York City and State that it collects under a joint program with the Bureau of Labor Statistics. This information is subject to adjustment as more data becomes available.

## Rise Light & Power Announces \$25,000 Community Scholarship

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for College, the Nina Adams Community Scholarship, and the Community Scholarship powered by Sterling National Bank, among others.

Community Scholarships—a core component of the Save for College Program—enable local organizations, businesses, neighbors, and other institutions and larger systems to direct funds and fundraise for students' educational savings, leveraging local assets to build financial wealth in and with communities that have historically faced systemic barriers to wealth-building. These assets can meaningfully reduce the amount of student debt families take on, increasing long-term wealth-building potential and combatting trends that have contributed to wealth inequality and the racial wealth gap. By visibly and tangibly demonstrating community-wide support for every child's future, Community Scholarships can also reinforce expectations of success throughout a neighborhood.

Fifth grade students

receiving the Rise Light & Power Community Scholarship will graduate high school by 2030, which is the year that New York State's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act has set a mandated goal of 70 percent renewable energy generation as it seeks to reach a zero-emission electricity sector by 2040. In support of these ambitious climate goals, Rise Light & Power recently announced a visionary proposal to redevelop Ravenswood Generating Station—New York City's largest fossil fuel power plant, just steps from Queensbridge Houses—as a hub of renewable energy. Renewable Ravenswood will continue to provide reliable electric power for up to 20 percent of New York City, enable a just transition for the plant's union workforce, and deliver a landmark victory for environmental justice.

"I am so grateful that communities can come together and contribute to the NYC Scholarship Accounts of students through the NYC Kids RISE Save for College Program. It really helps a lot as it is sometimes

hard for us to save for our kids ourselves and there is so much uncertainty in the world," said Rachel Marcus, parent of Faith, a rising fifth grader at P.S. 111Q. "Faith was thrilled to see that through various Community Scholarships, including this Rise Light & Power Community Scholarship, there are a lot of people and organizations that believe in her and her dreams."

"Community Scholarships are a key component of the Save for College Program, allowing organizations and businesses to play a role in tackling inequality and ensuring that all students have the means to pursue their dreams," said Bishop Mitchell G. Taylor, Senior Pastor, Center of Hope International and Co-Founder and CEO of Urban Upbound. "Fifth graders in Queensbridge, Ravenswood, Astoria, and Woodside Houses are part of the first class of students with NYC Scholarship Accounts ever. As they get ready to start their final year of elementary school, this \$25,000 investment further

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## Jackson Heights & Upper Manhattan: Check Your Tickets! Unclaimed New York Lottery Tickets Worth Millions Will Expire in September

**\$7 Million Cash4Life Sold in Jackson Heights; Powerball \$1 Million Winner Sold in Manhattan**

Attention Jackson Heights and Upper Manhattan: Two unclaimed winning New York Lottery tickets will expire next month, one of which is the top prize in the Cash4Life game, worth \$1,000 a day for life.

The Cash4Life jackpot-winning ticket was sold at Mega Dream Corp. at 75-03 37th Avenue in Jackson Heights. The ticket will expire on September 9, 2022.

The numbers for the September 9, 2021 Cash4Life draw were 03-23-30-55-58 and Cash Ball 01.

The second ticket, worth \$1 million, was for a second prize in the Mega Millions game and will expire on September 28, 2022. The ticket was sold at Broadway Newsstand at 4765 Broadway in Manhattan. The numbers for the September 28, 2021 Mega Millions draw were 18-30-43-68-69 and Mega Ball 22.

Prizes can be claimed up to one year after the draw, which means the winners

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CTSQ 3311 LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 8/11/2022. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 3636 Main St., #CS, Flushing, NY 11354. General Purpose. 8/18,25,9/1,8,15,&22/2022

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6517 Ave Management LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/31/2022. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 3636 Main St., #CS, Flushing, NY 11354. General Purpose. 8/18,25,9/1,8,15&22/2022

BRRM LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/10/2022. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Ross Mignoli, 81-38 263rd Street, Glen Oaks, NY 11004. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 8/25,9/1,8,15,22&29/2022

Notice of formation of THE MUNCHZ SPOT LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/17/22. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to: 35-07 Broadway, Astoria, NY 11106. Purpose: any lawful act. 8/25,9/1,8,15,22&29/2022

Notice of Formation of BUTTERFLY SENIOR DAY CARE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/15/2022. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3716 73rd Street, Suite 401, Jackson Heights, NY 11372. Purpose: any lawful activities. 8/25,9/1,8,15,22&29/2022

**Rise Light & Power Announces \$25,000 Community Scholarship**

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reinforces expectations for their success. I look forward to others following the lead that Rise Light & Power has taken to invest in our children through the Save for College Program.”

“For our children to achieve their full educational potential, they need to know that the people around them have their back,” said Corinne Woods-Haynes, President of the Queensbridge Houses Resident Association. “It’s been so rewarding to be part of building the Save for College Program at Queensbridge Houses. I salute the 1,000

students across Queensbridge, Ravenswood, Astoria, and Woodside Houses that now have NYC Scholarship Accounts for their educational futures. Thank you to Rise Light & Power for their additional investment in the NYC Scholarship Accounts for our fifth graders across the four developments. Dollars add up and it takes all of us!”

Through the Save for College Program, students in eligible grades that are enrolled in an NYC public elementary school (including participating charter schools) automatically receive an NYC Scholarship Account invested in a NY

529 Direct Plan account with an initial \$100 seed allocation and opportunities to earn more through early rewards (unless their families choose not to participate). Their families can open and connect a college and career savings account that they own for the benefit of their child, and communities can contribute to groups of these NYC Scholarship Accounts as both a targeted and universal platform for community-driven asset-building in every neighborhood. Students also receive age-appropriate financial education in the classroom through related curriculum extensions.

**Record Solar Energy Helps Con Edison Meet Demand During Summer Heat Waves**

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those two boroughs.

Solar energy lowers customer bills, brings green jobs to local communities, and helps offset electric generation that would otherwise come largely from burning fossil fuels.

Locally sited solar projects will play a role in reducing strain on the grid as rising temperatures increase demand for air conditioning. Brooklyn and Queens set a new record for electric demand during peak hours this summer.

The latest Clean Energy Update also highlights the recent rapid growth of electric vehicles and chargers in the region. There are now more than 35,000 electric vehicles registered

in Con Edison’s service area, an increase of nearly 5,900 vehicles since the beginning of the year. Those EVs rely on Con Edison’s electric grid for energy.

Since its launch last year, Con Edison’s PowerReady incentive program has supported the installation of 600 Level 2 and DC Fast-Charge plugs for EVs, with 40 percent of those plugs installed in the past three months alone. Con Edison plans to support the installation of approximately 19,000 charge plugs by 2025.

Clean energy markets received a major boost from the Inflation Reduction Act that was recently signed into law. This historic legislation will lower the cost of rooftop solar,

EVs, batteries, electric heat pumps and other technologies for customers, further catalyzing New York’s shift toward cleaner sources of energy.

Visit Con Edison’s quarterly Clean Energy Update for further details on the deployment of these technologies in New York City and Westchester County.

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**NYC Transit President Davey Spotlights Bus Lane Obstructions by Writing Tickets**

New York City Transit (NYCT) President Richard Davey today highlighted the importance of bus lane enforcement and combating violations by riding a westbound M42 bus from Second Avenue and personally writing tickets for vehicles illegally blocking the lane on 42nd Street in Midtown Manhattan. Bus lanes across New York City are violated by vehicles blocking the right of way for buses – impacting bus speeds, slowing service for riders, and making it difficult for disabled New Yorkers to access deployable ramps to enter and exit buses. President Davey spotlighted the citywide problem of bus lane violations by writing a total of four tickets to commercial vehicles parked illegally.



“Bus customers are asking for better speeds, shorter wait times, and more reliability,” said New York City Transit President Richard Davey. “Keeping bus lanes and bus stops free of illegal vehicles will help make that a reality. Drivers blocking buses should ask themselves one question:

am I a bus? If the answer is no, get out of the bus lane or bus stop.”

In 2021, there were more than 551,000 fixed camera violations for blocking bus lanes and over 51,000 Automated Bus Lane Enforcement (ABLE) bus-mounted camera violations with tickets issued to violators.



# India's Independence Day



Governor Kathy Hochul was pleased to join Queens DA Melinda Katz, Assemblymember David Weprin, Assemblymember Jenifer Rajkumar, Queens Borough President Donovan Richards and Consul General of India Mr. Randhir

Jaiswal for a breakfast in celebration of India's Independence Day at the Queens Museum which reflected the importance of this day in history and the sacrifices the Indian freedom fighters made to ensure their country's liberty.

# Korean Heritage Celebration



Queens DA Melinda Katz, Assemblymember Nily Rozic, NYS Senator Toby Ann Stavisky, NYS Senator John Liu, Assemblymember Ed Braunstein, Congresswoman Grace Meng and NYS Comptroller Tom DiNapoli are pictured with the Korean American Association of Greater New York, the Kwang Bok Association of New York, the National Unification Advisory Council

(New York chapter) and the Korean Consulate of New York as they came together to celebrate Korea's National Liberation Day. On August 15, 1945, thanks to the bravery and strength of the Korean people, Korea once again became an independent country. Today Korean Americans are an integral part of the great diversity of Queens, the most diverse county in the country.

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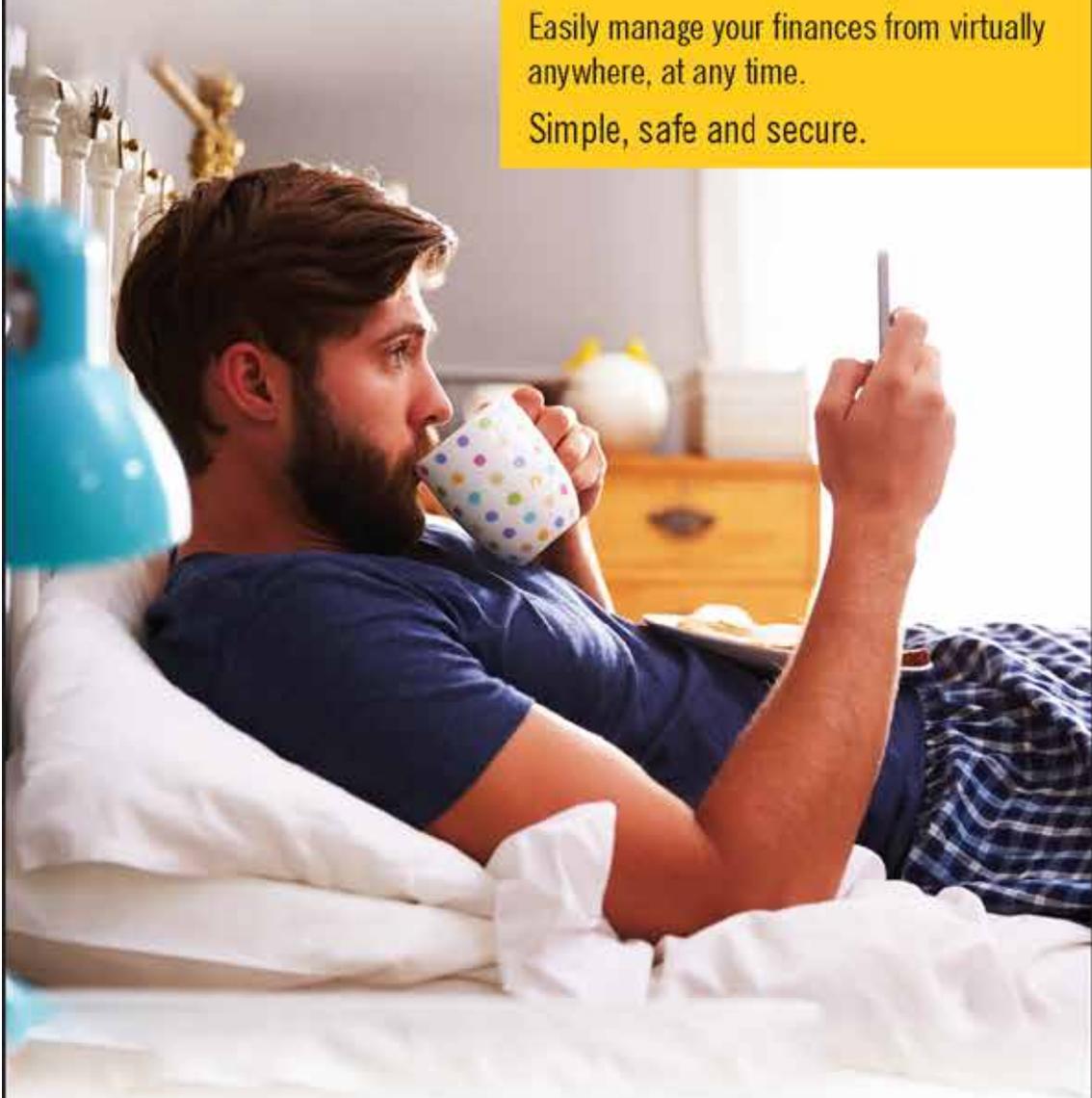
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