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## Mobilizing for Climate Justice on Earth Day

By Jibreel Jalloh

As Earth Day approaches, we are reminded of the relentless forces of nature that reshaped our city a decade ago. Superstorm Sandy was a catastrophic event that devastated New York City, leaving our communities underwater and causing billions in damages. The storm exposed our vulnerabilities but also highlighted our resilience and the urgent need for a strategic approach to climate change.

In the 10 plus years since Sandy, we've seen both progress and ongoing challenges. Neighborhoods like Canarsie and Red Hook are still on the mend, showcasing the indomitable spirit of New Yorkers—helping neighbors, rebuilding communities. Yet, this long recovery also underscores the necessity for continuous and inclusive action against environmental injustice.

Recent findings from the Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice reveal that nearly half of our city's population lives in areas heavily impacted by environmental challenges. These communities, which include Canarsie, often suffer from inadequate infrastructure and are frequently overlooked in broader policy discussions. This Earth Day, let's com-

mit to changing this narrative by taking actionable steps to ensure no community is left behind.

Here's how every New Yorker can make a meaningful impact: advocate for a shift to sustainable energy sources to reduce our carbon footprint and improve air quality; get involved in expanding and nurturing our city's green spaces, crucial for enhancing air quality and providing enjoyable recreational areas; and stay informed about environmental issues while actively participating in community discussions and civic meetings to drive substantial change.

As we reflect on Sandy's legacy and recognize our city's strides toward resilience, let's also acknowledge the work that lies ahead. Though, more needs to be done, especially in underserved areas like Canarsie.

This Earth Day, let's not only recommit to our planet but also to each other. Join us this Sunday, April 21st, at 3 p.m. at the Canarsie Park Field House by East 88th Street and Seaview Avenue. We'll be sharing vital information with our neighbors on how to get involved in the fight against climate change. Pass by and learn how you can contribute to making



our community and our city a safer, more sustainable place.

Together, we can turn the tide against climate change and ensure that the legacy of Sandy is one of renewal and resilience. Let's take action now and build a sustainable future for all New Yorkers.

*Jibreel Jalloh founded a Canarsie-based advocacy organization that has fought for a range of investments, including ferry service and anti-gun violence programs. Jibreel graduated from Baruch College (CUNY) and is currently pursuing a master's degree at New York University. He's worked in the office of multiple elected officials, including Public Advocate Jumaane Williams and Congressman Hakeem Jeffries. Jibreel is a member of Community Board 18. Learn more at theflossy.org or send him an email at team@theflossy.org.*

## The Time to Act is Now: Support The Local Journalism Sustainability Act

A few short weeks ago, we told you about the newly-formed Empire State Local News Coalition. The *Canarsie Courier* is proud to be a member of this fast-growing group of over 150 New York local news outlets that have joined forces to protect local journalism across the state.

The work of our coalition has raised awareness of the importance of local journalism as well as the challenges facing the local news industry. (New York has lost half of its newsrooms since 2004!) We are grateful to communities across the state who have united behind us.

In just the past month we rallied in Westchester, where locals were stunned by the abrupt closure of three community newspapers. We went directly to Albany to appeal to lawmakers and where we also rallied with elected officials from both the Senate and Assembly. Numerous localities have adopted resolutions expressing their support for legislation that would support local journal-

ism, and more municipal resolutions are in the pipeline. Even unconventional allies like Microsoft have joined our calls to save local news.

Thanks to these collective efforts, the Local Journalism Sustainability Act – which would provide tax credits to local news organizations for retaining and creating newsroom jobs – was included in the State Senate's recent budget proposal for fiscal year 2025. This is a key step for inclusion in the state's final budget, which is currently being negotiated by the Senate, Assembly and Governor Hochul.

However, there is a lot of work to be done over the next few days, when the final budget will likely be announced, to ensure the bill is actually included in the state's final budget. It is crucial that the Local Journalism Sustainability Act is included; otherwise, communities throughout the state risk thousands of newsroom jobs being lost and even more important stories going untold.

The Local Journalism Sustainability Act is sponsored by NYS Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal with the bipartisan support of Assemblywoman Carrie Woerner and more than 70 co-sponsors. As newspapers shutter and layoffs roil the industry, the bill is a necessary measure for incentivizing job creation, returning reporters to many of the state's emp-

tying newsrooms. The bill is content-neutral and designed to ensure that truly local news outlets will receive this assistance. The leadership of the Legislature's Black, Puerto Rican, Hispanic and Asian Caucus has also endorsed our bill, which is a major testament to the fact that this bill will improve access to news for all communities.

New Yorkers are standing with local news, and now lawmakers must answer the people's call to save community journalism. To get the Local Journalism Sustainability Act across the finish line, lawmakers must hear from you about why our newspaper matters and why this bill is meaningful to you and your family.

So, if keeping local news alive in our state is important to you, please reach out to Governor Hochul and your local representatives to let them know you stand with local news. Budget negotiations are wrapping up imminently – the time to act is now!

### Support the New York Local Journalism Sustainability Act

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**Flatbush****Teen Shot in Foot at Junction**

By Lloyd Mitchell

A young man is recovering after being shot in the left foot at the Flatbush Junction, within the confines of the 70th Precinct, last week.

The victim, an 18-year-old male, was shot by an unknown individual in front of 2910 Glenwood Road around 2:55 p.m. on Thursday, April 11th, police said. The NYPD's Evidence Collection Unit recovered three shell casings at the scene.

The victim was taken to Kings County Hospital in stable condition.

No arrests have been made, and an investigation is ongoing.

Anyone with information regarding this shooting is asked to call the NYPD's Crime Stoppers Hotline at 800-577-TIPS (8477) or for Spanish, 888-57-PISTA (74782). The public can also submit their tips by logging onto the Crime Stoppers Website at [crimestoppers.nypdonline.org/](http://crimestoppers.nypdonline.org/), or on Twitter @NYPDTips. All calls are strictly confidential.

**East New York****Police Looking for Two Teens in Attempted Carjacking at Gateway Mall**

By Linda Steinmuller

The NYPD is asking for the public's assistance in identifying two males in connection to an attempted robbery that occurred at the Gateway Center mall last month and have released pictures of the suspects.

As reported to police, on Tuesday, March 26th, around 5 p.m., a 62-year-old male victim was sitting inside of a parked 2022 Infiniti sedan, near JCPenney at 360 Gateway Drive, when two unidentified individuals approached and demanded that the victim exit his vehicle. One of the suspects displayed a firearm before both individuals fled in an unknown direction. The victim was not injured.

One of the suspects is described as a teenager with a dark complexion. He was wearing a gray sweat suit, black vest, gray sneakers, a black ski mask and a black backpack at the time of the incident.

The other suspect is in also his teens with a medium complexion. He was last seen wearing a black Nike sweatshirt that reads "Just Do It," black sweatpants, black and white Air Jordan sneakers and a black backpack.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the NYPD's Crime Stoppers Hotline at 800-577-TIPS (8477) or for Spanish, 888-57-PISTA (74782). The public can also submit their tips by logging onto the Crime Stoppers Website at [crimestoppers.nypdonline.org/](http://crimestoppers.nypdonline.org/), or on Twitter @NYPDTips. All calls are strictly confidential.

**Brownsville****Police Looking for Slashing Suspect**

By Linda Steinmuller

The NYPD is looking for a man in his 30's who assaulted a 63-year-old man inside a Brownsville apartment building last month.

Police said the victim was inside 7 Hegeman Avenue, between Amboy and Herzl Streets, within the confines of the 73rd Precinct, when he got into a verbal dispute with an unidentified man around 2:40 a.m. on Friday, March 1st. Using a razor, the suspect slashed the victim in the right side of his head, causing lacerations and bleeding.

The 63-year-old man was taken to nearby Brookdale Hospital in stable condition.

Police are asking the public's assistance in identifying the perpetrator, who is described as approximately 30 to 35 years old, with a dark complexion, 6'2" and 220 lbs., with brown eyes and black short hair in braids. He was last seen wearing a black hooded jacket, blue jeans and blue sneakers.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the NYPD's Crime Stoppers Hotline at 800-577-TIPS (8477) or for Spanish, 888-57-PISTA (74782). The public can also submit their tips by logging onto the Crime Stoppers Website at [crimestoppers.nypdonline.org/](http://crimestoppers.nypdonline.org/), or on Twitter @NYPDTips. All calls are strictly confidential.

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## St. Edmund Prep Joins with the Steven H. Pollard Foundation to Present the Inaugural Steven H. Pollard '06 Memorial Scholarship

St. Edmund Preparatory High School announced that the school will present the inaugural Steven H. Pollard '06 Memorial Scholarship in partnership with the Steven H. Pollard Foundation at a reception on Thursday, April 18th, at 6 pm.

### About the Steven H. Pollard '06 Memorial Scholarship

The Steven H. Pollard Memorial Foundation will establish this endowed scholarship with a gift of \$150,000. The Steven H. Pollard '06 Memorial Scholarship is a half-tuition scholarship which will be presented annually to two junior students (one male, one female) selected on the basis of good character, demonstrated community service, academic effort and financial need.

### About Steven Pollard '06

Firefighter Steven Pollard was a graduate of St. Edmund Preparatory High School, Class of 2006. He was a member of Ladder Company 170 in Canarsie, and a 1 ½ year veteran of the FDNY. Steven tragically passed away from critical injuries sus-

tained while responding to a motor vehicle accident on the Mill Basin Bridge on the Belt Parkway on Sunday, January 6, 2019.

"We are extraordinarily grateful to the Steven H. Pollard Memorial Foundation, the Pollard Family and FDNY Ladder 170/Engine 257/Battalion 58 for their generosity in establishing the Steven H. Pollard '06 Memorial Scholarship at St. Edmund Prep. Steven's selfless dedication to the City of New York exemplifies all that we hope our graduates to be as they fulfill our mission in the world. We pray that this scholarship will not only directly benefit our students, but will also serve as a lasting reminder of Steven's bravery, courage and compassion for our students for generations to come," said Principal Allison McGinnis.

### 2024 Recipient

#### Ziaire Hope

Ziaire lives in Canarsie and is a graduate of Our Lady of Trust Catholic Academy. This quiet leader is among the kindest stu-

dents at SEP. He is a hardworking, well-rounded student with a great sense of humor, impeccable manners and always answers when called for help. During his time at St. Edmund Prep, he has dedicated himself to the Stage Crew, the Junior Committee, the SEP Ambassadors and has participated in the Emmaus Retreat. Ziaire always pushes himself to try new things and gives his absolute best in everything he does. He joined the swim team as a Junior and became the team's most improved swimmer. He also took on the role of Student Director of this year's musical production, *Guys and Dolls*. In the classroom, Ziaire is enrolled in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.

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## Letter To The Editor

### Earthquake in Canarsie

Dear Editor:

I just finished my breakfast, and I was still sitting in my chair at the table – when suddenly my chair was pulled backwards quickly and strongly with such a force that I felt it behind my head as if a person had a hold of the chair behind my head. I expected to see someone – but no one was there. My chair has wheels and when it stopped, I felt the up and down movement under my feet.

I realized then that it was an earthquake – no sound of any kind! It was 10:20 a.m.

I called 911, but no one answered me. I then called my two sons who live in Long Island, and they felt the earthquake also.

Many others in Canarsie felt it also. I can say I survived the 2024 Earthquake of New York!

*Gloria from Canarsie*

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# Brooklyn Canarsie Lions Celebrate 67th Anniversary with Lavish Breakfast

By Brenda Cox

On Saturday, April 13th, the Brooklyn Canarsie Lions celebrated their 67th anniversary with a lavish breakfast, held at Canarsie Ascend/Holy Family School Auditorium, 9719 Flatlands Avenue.

In her welcoming remarks to the 100 patrons, President, Lion, Dr. Jean Joseph, sang the praises of the club and cited numerous activities and service projects they performed or sponsored in the community. They recently hosted a Career and Vocational Fair for which there was such an overwhelming response – the Lions plan on repeating the event later this year. The group also plans to expand its Black History Month celebration next February.

The president also mentioned some of the club's other amazing accomplishments – such as doubling their food distribution to the community to feed over 150 persons weekly. Additionally, she stated, the club continues to experience rapid growth in membership. Giving herself a well-deserved pat on the back, Joseph said, "Membership has not only been growing strong but growing exponentially! At our last meeting, we inducted eight new members, taking us to a total of over 100 new members in my first term of office as president."

Joseph, a native of Roseau, Dominica also traveled to her home country during the Christmas holidays and distributed hundreds of toys to children there, "thus expanding our reach internationally," she announced proudly.

Yet, she stated, "There is certainly much more we can accomplish, but we cannot do this alone. We need your support in order to continue carrying out our noble efforts of service. There is no limit to what we can do by working together."

Dr. Sima Karetnaya, U. N. Ambassador for Global Peace, also mentioned the importance of working together and respecting each other. On March 1st, District 20 K 1 Lions participated in "World Peace and Environmental Stewardship" during the annual Lions Day at the U.N. (LDUN) celebration. Karetnaya, who hails from the Ukraine, commended the Lions "for just being all about action" and reminded everyone that "there is only one race in the entire universe and that is the human race." She also expressed gratitude "as a mother" for the overwhelming cheers her daughter, Stella Beyder, received after she sang the National Anthem earlier.

Jacqueline Phillips, a Past District Governor of District 20 K 1 Lions who was assigned as a mentor to Brooklyn Canarsie Lions during her tenure, stated, "I am happy to say that I am so proud of this club. They have done well. They continue to do well, and I will continue to help them to achieve the goals that they plan to attain. I wish everyone well on this anniversary celebration. It was a wonderful event."

Brief remarks were also made by State Senator Roxanne Persaud, Frank Seddio, Councilmembers Farah Louis and Chris Banks, Hon. Judge Sharen Hudson-Williams and other supporters.

The event was emceed by author Kamla Millwood, the club's Editor-in-Chief, and featured various forms of entertainment while the guests dined. There was steelpan playing, praise dancing, singing and other musical renditions played on the harmonica.



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## Realtors' Lobby Day in Albany

By Barrington Richards

March 27, 2024 was a very extraordinary day. The Brooklyn Board of Realtors (Barrington Richards, Brooklyn Board President; Max Gurvitch, Vice President; Annette Fisher, President-Elect; AnneMarie Stanislaus, Treasury; and Marcia Clarke, Director) met with several policymakers in Albany, New York. In our sit-down meeting with Assembly Members Jaime Williams, Monique Chandler-Waterman and Brian Cunningham, and State Senator Iwen Chu, the group discussed matters that affect New York homeowners on a regular basis, such as:

1. Affordable gas transition

2. Transparency and fairness in cooperative housing

3. Good Cause Eviction

4. First time homebuyer savings accounts and housing supply affordability.

Additionally, we also discussed matters that affect hardworking licensed salespeople and real estate brokers, which are:

1. Increasing the experience required for a broker's license

2. Prohibitions on broker's fee from tenants

3. Telemarketing restrictions during state of emergency.

These topics were well received by lawmakers.

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## Kings Plaza

**Brooklyn Unites: "New Yorkers Come First" in Huge Rally at Kings Plaza**

By Robert Pearl

On Sunday, April 14th, one day before Tax Day, a groundswell of voices rose in unison, echoing the sentiment that has become a rallying cry for many: "New Yorkers Come First."

A huge rally of hundreds of fed-up citizens gathered with their American flags, Back the Blue banners and signs at Kimball Street and Avenue U. They marched down Avenue U to Kings Plaza for a loud but peaceful protest – against open borders, migrant tent cities, lawlessness and waste of taxpayers' money. Folks from Mill Basin, Bergen Beach, Marine Park, Georgetown, Canarsie, Bensonhurst,

Sheepshead Bay, Sunset Park and as far as Staten Island were there to show their support.

At the heart of the rally stood Kings Plaza Mall, a symbol of community and commerce, but on that day, it became a platform for something more profound—a declaration of solidarity and defiance against what many perceive as the erosion of their neighborhoods and values. Many civic associations, residents, elected officials and those running for office were in attendance, uniting together under the banner of the Coalition for Better Communities, chaired by Ron Canterino and Bren Lee, united in their demand for change.

With Curtis Sliwa, the indomitable leader of the Guardian Angels, WABC radio host, Canarsie-born crime fighter, and self-proclaimed Mayor-in-Exile, taking the stage, the rally pulsed with energy and purpose. Against a backdrop of swirling controversy over immigration policies, Sliwa and other speakers rallied the crowd with fervent calls to action.

Describing the current situation as an attempt to dismantle the city, the explosion of migrants continues to cause chaos, Sliwa said, citing that recently 300 arrivals came through Penn Station and were processed at the Roosevelt Hotel. He asked the audi-

ence, "Where do you think they are going to end up?" He warned, "Right here in Floyd Bennett Field (FBF)." He suggested that FBF, currently housing thousands of migrants, has ample room for more tents on "Runway 19," potentially setting up infrastructure for more incoming.

Sliwa also noted a huge uptick in package theft from people's front doors, due to what he says has migrants becoming porch pirates, where even Mayor Adams recently admitted to "almost 90,000 packages being reported stolen or lost every day in this city."

Assemblywoman Jaime Williams, a stalwart advocate for the 59th Assembly District, where migrant crime and panhandling has gotten out of control, gave a clear message: "Joe Biden, you need to do better," leading the chant to "Close the border!" As the representative of an area grappling with the fallout of unchecked migration, Williams spoke from the heart, urging leaders to prioritize the needs of their constituents.

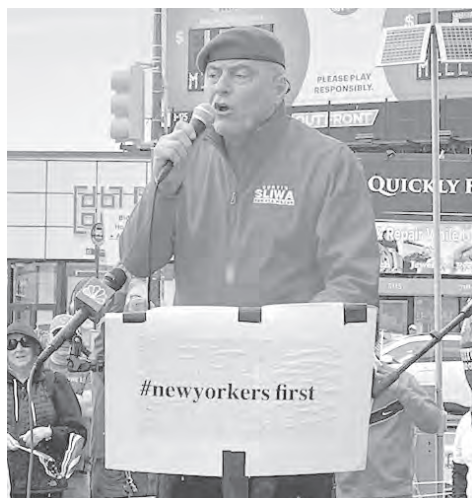
But the rally wasn't just about rhetoric; it was a testament to the diverse tapestry of voices that make up Brooklyn's rich fabric. Democrats, Republicans and Independents stood shoulder to shoulder, coming together, setting aside political differences to



confront a common challenge, to rail against what they call the failed policies of the federal, state and local government.

As the sun dipped behind the clouds, whipping up winds and some rain, casting long shadows over Kings Plaza, the rally reached its crescendo. Amid cheers and applause, speakers warned of the looming specter of mass migration, painting a stark picture of a city besieged by chaos and lawlessness.

As the rally drew to a close, a sense of unity and purpose hung in the air, with the sun returning for the finale — a reminder that even in the face of adversity, the spirit of community endures. From Kings Plaza to the corridors of power, the voices of Brooklyn's citizens will not be silenced. This rally served as a purpose to put residents back on track for continued and regular gatherings in other areas around New York City, using their collective strength to shape the future of their beloved borough—and beyond.



Curtis Sliwa

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## Marine Park

# First Sakura Drumming Event Celebrates Spring Under the Cherry Trees

By Loretta Chin

Nestled between a 4.8 earthquake event that rattled a lot of nerves and houses on Friday, and a total solar eclipse on Monday, was the peaceful and spiritually uplifting celebration of spring under the Japanese cherry trees at Avenue U and East 36th Street in Marine Park on Sunday, April 7th.

Local artists Yoko Miyamoto Sheridan and her husband John Sheridan treated guests to shared moments of musical delights, singing, games and enjoying the beauty of nature and the sounds of singing birds all around them under a large Sakura Japanese cherry tree, one of three varieties that can be found blooming there this time of the year to herald in spring.

People came from near and far to join in the drum



Sheridan family with Marine Park Alliance Board Member Margot Perron in front row.

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circle that included a large variety of instruments. In addition to creating an awareness of their surroundings, John led them in a mantra to begin the program.

"I release any energies and emotions that are not mine," he had them repeat as he played along on his guitar, putting everyone in a relaxed mood.

Yoko played an energy sending game around the circle, which helped people connect with what they were feeling in the moment. She said that her family name was a little famous because her name was Yoko and her husband's name was John so they decided to sing the song, "Imagine," by John Lennon.

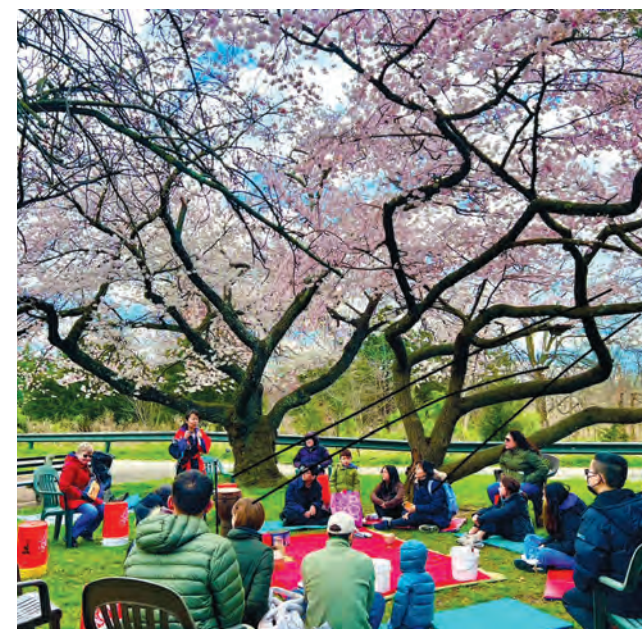
Yoko, who is from Japan, said that Brooklyn is a very unique and diverse place, so she doesn't feel like a minority living here. Her family are all in Japan, but the cherry trees always make her feel like this is her home.

"I'm so happy to share this beautiful moment," she said. She lives only a block away and can see the cherry trees every day from the entrance of her home.

They then sang "One Love," by Bob Marley and the Wailers, with everyone singing and playing their instruments in unison and ending with enthusiastic drumming and applause. This was followed by some additional games and taking pictures to commemorate the good time shared by all.

The event was held in collaboration with Marine Park Alliance with advisement from board member Margot Perron, who told the *Canarsie Courier* that the couple perform all over, including the Marine Park coffee shop and at an upcoming Earth Day event. She spoke of the hidden talent that is nestled in these neighborhoods.

"This is what Marine Park Alliance can do, is pull out the culture," she said. "When I first got here, I thought there was no culture and then you find so many artists who are living here."



Yoko Miyamoto Sheridan entertains the crowd.



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# The Migrant Madness Must End, Officials Say at Public Safety Meeting

By Linda Steinmuller

It was a no-show for a number of city, state and federal agencies invited to a Public Safety Meeting on Wednesday, April 10th, at the Carmine Carro Community Center in Marine Park, to discuss growing concerns regarding the migrant tent shelter at Floyd Bennett Field (FBF), which sits on federal parkland.

Assemblywoman Jaime Williams, who hosted the meeting, shared the list of invited panelists who declined, ranging from the mayor's and governor's office, the National Park Service and NYC Health + Hospitals to the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) whose response was, "Sounds like many of the issues on the agenda should be addressed by some of the other invited agencies."

Scheduled guest speaker Councilwoman Joann



Curtis Sliwa, a loud voice in opposition to the migrant shelter at Floyd Bennett Field, says the community needs to come together to fight for what is right.

Ariola (R-32nd Council District), part of a bipartisan coalition to close the migrant shelter, could not attend because she was feeling under the weather.

However, representatives from local civic organizations, concerned about quality of life issues in their neighborhoods, and members of the 63rd Precinct did attend the safety meeting. Noting the absence of various agencies, Williams told residents, "This clearly sends a message that our community does not matter. This is not politically driven...we want to have an open discussion and take questions back to the governor, mayor and the powers that be."

"It is disrespectful that they have taken a national issue and put it in our backyard," Williams said, referring to FBF as "no man's land" and a flood zone, where there are no jobs or supermarkets. With nothing to do, migrants walk to Kings Plaza and knock on doors, holding signs, begging for money. The assemblywoman said they have contacted the administration at FBF and were told that they provide all the necessary amenities for the migrants.

She said that a budget is not being passed because there are electeds that don't believe in law enforcement or increasing penalties for retail theft, ruining our quality of life.

"And to add insult to injury, they are putting in \$2.4 billion for migrant services," Williams said. Sadly, veterans will not see an extra dime of that money. She urged everyone to stand up and have their voices heard by casting their vote later this year.

Deputy Inspector Rachael Kosak, commanding officer of the 63rd Precinct, is familiar with the concerns at the migrant shelter and explained the responsibilities of the NYPD and U.S. Park Police. "Inside the fence line is New York City Police Department jurisdiction – U.S. Park Police does not enter the fenced-in area," she said. "You walk outside the fence line and you are on park service property – that is shared by us and Park Police." Park Police is responsible for towing illegal vehicles parked outside FBF, which has been a recurring problem.

In spite of panhandling complaints on social media and among neighbors, Kosak said the precinct has received very few complaints. "I'm not saying it's not happening; we're not getting the calls. If the complaints don't come in, we can't take action," she said, urging residents to report all panhandling complaints to 311. Residents should call 911 for trespassers in their backyard, package theft and insurance fraud scams – in cases where someone jumps in front of your car, hoping to make a quick buck from you, but you did not hit them.

As Williams' 59th Assembly District has abundant greenways, squatters have made their home in places like the Marine Park Salt Marsh area, and currently tents are being set up in Gerritsen Beach.

Kosak said squatting should be reported through the 311 app by uploading a picture of a tent or mattress, noting the location and stating that the site is an encampment.

Talk show host Curtis Sliwa, a Canarsie native and founder of the Guardian Angels, was in attendance. He has been active in opposing the use of a national recreation area as a tent shelter since the plan was first announced last summer.

"The bureaucrats decided not to be here. Emergency management, which has hundreds of people. The mayor's office, governor, U.S. Parks Department – couldn't send one person," Sliwa told angry residents. "They showed up at the meeting in Rockaway and got a little bit of heat. Now they decided they aren't going to come to the meeting."

When FBF was flooded in January, OEM moved migrants to James Madison High School for emergency shelter while students were forced to go to

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remote learning that day. “OEM,” Sliwa said. “They knew how to come out in force for that, for the migrants.”

“On Monday, April 15th, you have to pay your taxes. If you don’t pay them, they can put you in jail,” Sliwa said. “Pay your taxes, shut your mouth. We’ll tell you what we are going to do for you, which is to destroy your quality of life and neighborhood. This is what our totalitarian government has become.”

He urged fed-up residents to attend the “Coalition for Better Communities” rally at Kings Plaza on Sunday, April 14th, at 12:30 p.m.

Although the public is told there are 2,000 migrants housed at FBF, Sliwa claims it’s more like 3,000 – and more could be coming soon, since a dozen buses arrived in Secaucus, New Jersey 24 hours earlier. Since New Jersey doesn’t want them, they were sent to the Roosevelt Hotel processing center. “DocGo, the group that is running the Roosevelt Hotel, is having their contract suspended because they are a bunch of crooks who stole \$432 million of our money – in a no-bid contract. This is mind-boggling!” Sliwa said.

And since the city has very little space to house these additional migrants, Sliwa said we shouldn’t be surprised if they end up at FBF, where there is plenty of room for more tents on Runway 19.

With summer upon us, Sliwa predicts that things will go from bad to worse as more migrants will be out on the streets panhandling. “Using babies as props because they know people are always going to give to the kids. It’s a racket! Kids being taught to be porch pirates and take the packages.”

Sliwa talked about reports of organized shoplifters, attacking cops, and doing it with impunity, and Venezuelan gangs controlling Randalls Island, where there are stabbings, beatings and attacks on security guards daily.

The reward for attacking cops, Sliwa said, is landing up in the old Milford Plaza, where migrants get culturally appropriate foods, smartphones and health insurance. “We give you everything – MetroCard, whatever you want, you get. But we look around and we see shoplifting, no consequences. You hit cops, no consequences. This is absolute madness.”

“We have to come together; our officials have abandoned us. I believe in the concept: improve, don’t move. Fight for what you know is right.”

Saye Joseph, Councilwoman Mercedes Narcisse’s Chief of Staff, brought a different perspective to the table, stating that the migrant crisis is a federal issue and that the federal government should reimburse the city for taking on the burden of sheltering migrants.

With that comment, Ron Canterino, with the Coalition for Better Communities, yelled, “They are here illegally. Do you understand the word illegal? They crossed illegally.”

“Who gave the right to the City Council to take our tax dollars and give them money? We did not vote for this. Our tax dollars are for what we need in this country – not to give other people that come in here,” Canterino said.

Others agreed, stating that some of our seniors don’t have money to put food on the table.

Another said, “There’s a very simple solution – send them back!”

Joseph insisted that the migrants are here legally “because we are under the right to shelter. It goes back to our state constitution.” Canterino countered that the right to shelter is for the homeless, not for people here illegally, but Joseph rebutted that the constitution does not distinguish.

Marine Park Community Association President Rob Mazzuchin said to Joseph, “You are talking about how you could get more money from the government to put more people in our neighborhood,

which everybody here is not in favor of. We were all united against the Level 1 encounters against the police officers. Our council member went and voted against the cops. Why is that and why doesn’t she come and stand in front of this room and speak to this audience that she betrayed?”

Williams said that asking the federal government for money is not a solution.

“I am not going to ask the federal government for more money because they have to do one thing – and that’s close the border! I would add to that this \$2.4 billion that Kathy Hochul, our governor, is putting toward the migrants that want to reimburse, shame on her and shame on every elected official that is going to take that finger and press that ‘yes’ for that vote – shame on you because it is clearly a misuse of taxpayer dollars.”



Assemblywoman Jaime Williams, chairing the Public Safety Meeting on April 10th. Deputy Inspector Rachael Kosak is seated.

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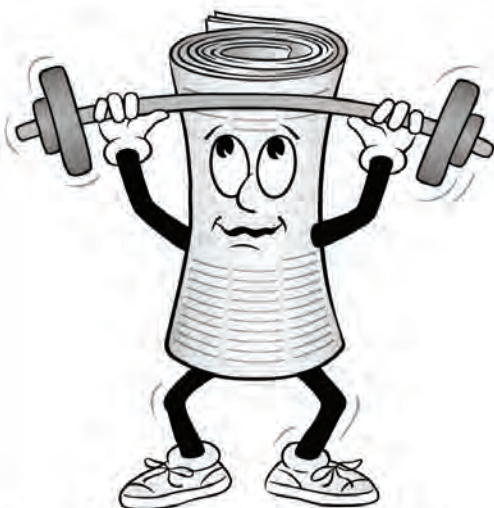
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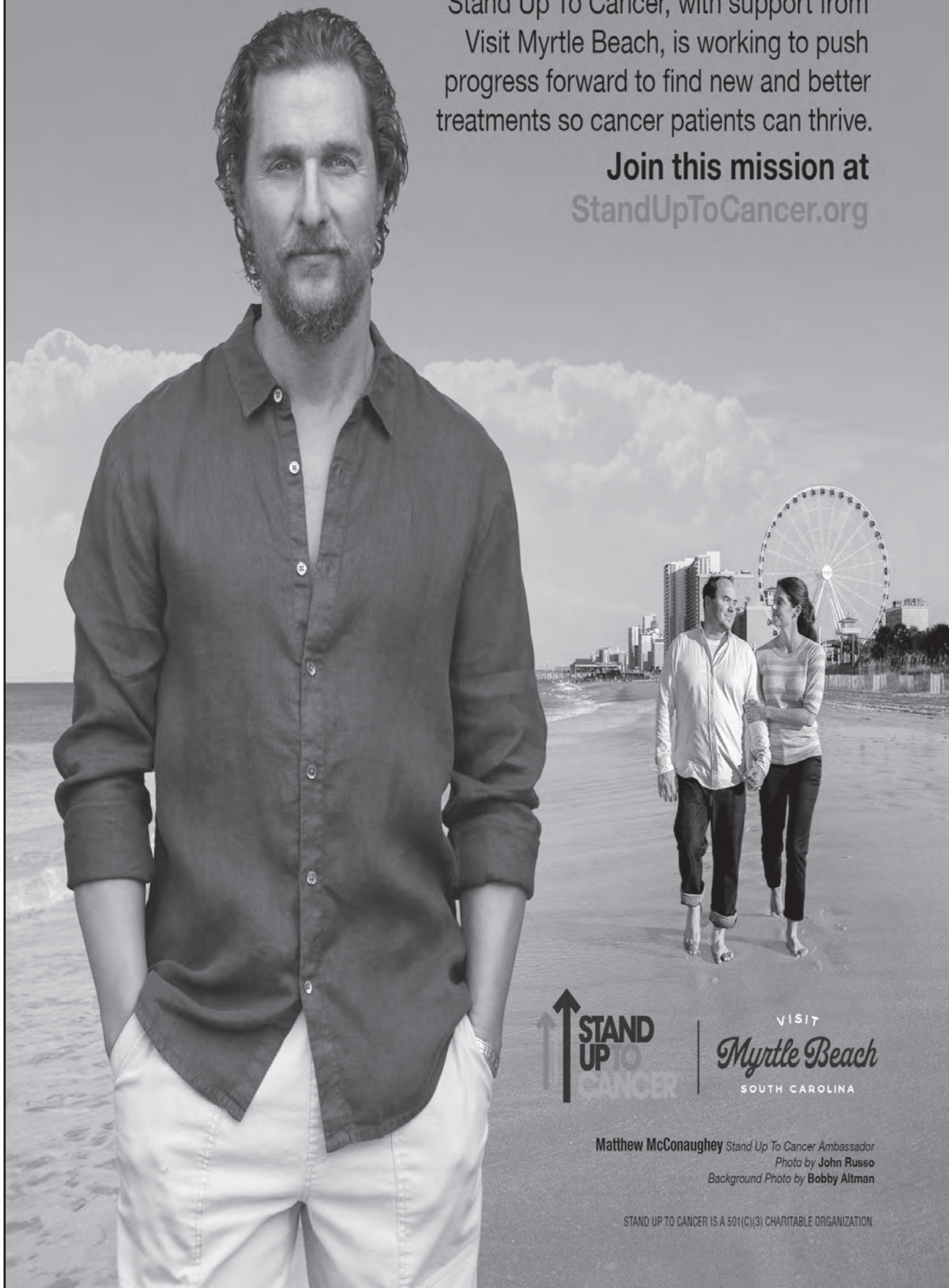
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## Canarsie Veteran Honored at Mets Season Opener

By Linda Steinmuller

Seymour Weiner is one of 200,000 World War II veterans still alive today. The Canarsie resident was honored for his military service at Citi Field on Friday, March 29th – Opening Day for the New York Mets.

Weiner, who is 97, told the *Canarsie*

*Courier* that being honored by the Mets Organization ranks among the Top 10 things in his life – his number one was meeting his late wife Gerry on New Year's Eve 1947. The happy couple was married for 71 years.

Weiner, who was originally a Brooklyn Dodger fan, remembers the day when you could buy a frank at Ebbets Field for 5 cents. "Today, it costs \$8.00," he said.

The World War II veteran served in the U.S. Army as a TEC5, stationed in Italy, from 1945-1947, the year Jackie Robinson joined the Dodgers. Weiner reminisced that he got to witness the baseball icon get his first base hit ever on the second day of the Dodgers season.

A veteran is honored at each Met game and presented with a folded United States flag in a glass case and two medals, one with the Mets logo and the other containing all the different branches of the U.S. military. They are not informed ahead of time who will be giving the presentation, so Weiner was thrilled when Mookie Wilson and John Franco did the honors.

His daughter, Dr. Beth Weiner, is a season ticket holder and was there with his granddaughter to celebrate the momentous occasion.

The proud veteran, who was a com-



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munity activist for years, was wearing his Eisenhower jacket that day – the same jacket that was issued to all the troops during the war. Following the ball game – the Mets lost – the family enjoyed some time together at a restaurant. Weiner told the *Canarsie*

*Courier*, “My granddaughter was sitting there with her iPhone, looking at social media, when she said, ‘Grandpa, you are famous; you got a million hits!’”  
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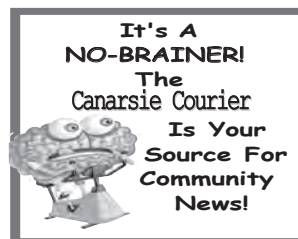
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(Block: 8047, Lot: 72)  
Approximate amount of lien \$444,365.80 plus interest and costs.  
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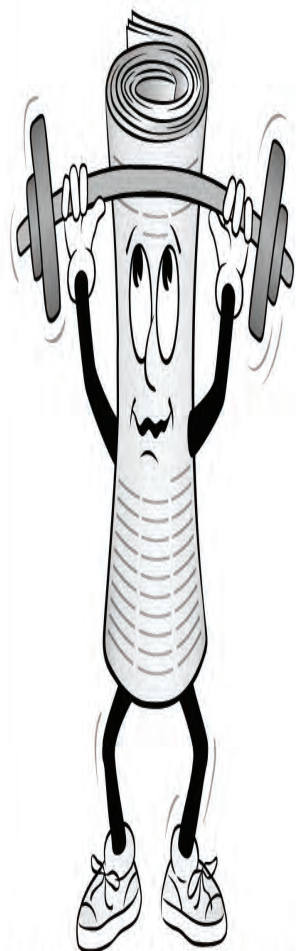
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