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Spreading Holiday Cheer in Canarsie

By Jibreel Jalloh

There's a special kind of warmth that settles over Brooklyn in December — one that has nothing to do with the temperature. It's the warmth of community, of familiar faces bundled against the cold and of moments that remind us what the holiday season is truly about. This year, that warmth was on full display on Rockaway Parkway during the 5th Annual Cocoa and Candy Canes on the Corridor, an event led by the Shoot for the Stars Foundation and supported in partnership with the Canarsie Merchants Association.

What has now become a tradition, once again transformed an ordinary winter afternoon into something memorable. Between 2 and 6 p.m. on Friday, December 5th, scores of neighbors passed by — on errands, heading home, picking up food or simply moving through their day - and found themselves drawn into a corridor alive with entertainment, hot cocoa, cupcakes, candy canes, music and giveaways. Thanks to the Shoot for the Stars Foundation, the block became a lively celebration of the season's spirit: joy, generosity and connection.

Local performers lit up the sidewalk and folks hung around letting holiday cheer carry them deeper into the evening. These are the moments that define community just a willingness to pause and embrace the season together.

Christmas has a way of reminding us of what matters most: kindness, gratitude and the strength we find in one another. It's a time to reflect on the year behind us, to look forward with hope and to share joy in every form we can.

And because no holiday gathering is complete without a little humor, we'll just say this: whether you've been naughty or nice this year, the hot cocoa tasted just as sweet.

To every neighbor who stopped by, waved hello, grabbed a treat, enjoyed the performances or simply let themselves be part of the moment — thank you. Your presence is what keeps this tradition alive. You are the heartbeat of this corridor and the reason the event continues to grow year after year.

As we move through the holiday season, we extend warm wishes of peace, joy and light to all of Canarsie and to our broader Brooklyn family. May your homes be filled with love, your spirits

renewed and your new year begin with promise.

Happy Holidays, Canarsie stay warm, stay joyful and stay bright.

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Jibreel Jalloh interviewing Ms. Audrey "Mah Smoke" Jackson

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Brownsville

Shooting Leaves Two Men Wounded and Suspect on Run

By Lloyd Mitchell

Two men were shot on Friday, December 5th, at Sutter and Rockaway Avenues, outside the Brownsville Houses, within the confines of the 73rd Precinct/PSA2.

Police responded to a 911 call of an assault in progress at the location around 6:50 p.m.

They discovered the victims sitting inside a Honda Civic. A 20-year-old man was shot in the abdomen, and a 22-year-old man suffered gunshot wounds to both legs, according to police.

The Emergency Service Unit recovered multiple

shell casings on the ground.

Paramedics rushed both victims to Brookdale Hospital where they were listed in stable condition.

Detectives are looking for a suspect who fled the location on foot in an unknown direction.

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 atcrimestoppers.nypdonline.org/,or on X @ NYPDTips. All calls are strictly confidential.



Captain Tomasulo Announces Crime Down 10.9% in 63rd Precinct

By Kari Lleras

Captain James Tomasulo, commanding officer of the 63rd Precinct, was full of great news at the 63rd Precinct Community Council meeting on Wednesday, December 3rd -- he announced the October and November Cops of the Month and a decrease in crime year to date. The December meeting, held at the John Malone Community Center, located at 2335 Bergen Avenue, served as a dual meeting for November and December.

October's Cop of the Month was presented to Police Officer Roodjerry Guerrier for his excellent early morning arrest on September 25th, at Avenue W and East 72nd Street. After hearing a description over the radio, Guerrier and his partner arrested two individuals for grand larceny auto and criminal possession of stolen property.

Police Officer Winston Chan was November's Cop of the Month due to his outstanding arrest that culminated after several events. On November 11th, at 5:15 p.m., there were con-



Police Officer Winston Chan (fourth from left) celebrates with officers for an "excellent stop!"

firmed shots fired on East 45th Street, according to Tomasulo. Eight hours later, the precinct was notified of confirmed shots fired in front of 4501 Glendale Court. At 3:35 a.m., Chan and his partner noticed a car that was double parked, and a car that was on the sidewalk with its hood up and the alarm going off. They engaged the individuals on the sidewalk, and one individual

fled as the other was arrested in possession of a loaded firearm. The perpetrator who ran off was arrested the following Monday. "This definitely prevented a retaliatory shooting," Tomasulo said.

The commanding officer was excited to announce that overall crime is down 10.9% year to date. He reminded everyone that the precinct is down from 1,056 crimes in 2024 to 941 crimes in 2025.

He also informed the crowd that youth-onyouth crimes are occurring on Avenue H and Utica Avenue. They're using knives to threaten teenagers to give up their Moose Knuckles jackets and Nike Elite book bags.

Crime Prevention Officer Ainsley Carter also reminded everyone to put labels inside book bags and coats. He also warned others to be aware of gift card scams and to remember to lock up all expensive items.

Please note the location change for the next meeting of the 63rd Precinct Community Council; it will be held on Wednesday, January 28, 2026, at Purpose Life Church, located at 1895 Flatbush Avenue, at 7 p.m. sharp.



Police Officer Roodjerry Guerrier (center) being recognized for his valor.







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By Robert Pearl

Winter's first real chill didn't stop hundreds of neighbors, families and friends from gathering on Friday, December 5th, for one of southern Brooklyn's most beloved traditions — the second annual Brooklyn's Home for the Holidays lighting celebration, at the corner of East 72nd Street and Avenue K.

The festivities, presented in partnership with Community Board 18 (CB18) and District Leader Frank Seddio, began promptly at 4 p.m. under a calm, cold December sky. Emcee Paul Curiale, executive director of Millennium Development, welcomed the crowd and introduced an impressive lineup of musical and dance performances by local schools and after-school programs. Students from P.S. 312, P.S. 276, P.S. 236, P.S. 203, Roy H. Mann and Millennium's own after-school programs lit up the stage with holiday-themed routines that drew enthusiastic applause from parents and neighbors.

Music throughout the afternoon was provided by Stella Entertainment, helping set a festive tone as families warmed their hands around cups of hot chocolate served on-site. The kids kicked off the festivities with Christmas classics like "Walking in a Winter Wonderland," "Jingle Bell Rock" and movie nostalgia of *The Sound of* Music's "My Favorite Things" and dances to the music of Mariah Carey's popular "All I Want for Christmas is

This is the eleventh year that the Ferrazzano family has decorated their home, and the display continues to grow and evolve, with new scenes added annually. Host Austin Ferrazzano thanked the community for embracing their display year after year. "It has become a community staple and a welcome addition to the neighborhood, drawing countless people from places far and wide," he said.

This year's new animated additions include the Van Deer Christmas Party, Rudolph and Friends Christmas Castle and Snowman Construction. The display, comprised of restored animatronic window-display pieces from across the country, is illuminated nightly from 5 to 11 p.m., weather permitting, through New Year's.

Local elected leaders joined the celebration, offering warm seasonal greetings. Assemblywoman Jaime Williams, Councilwoman Mercedes Narcisse and CB18 District Manager Sue Ann Partnow all delivered remarks celebrating the spirit of community togetherness. Representing Congressman Hakeem Jeffries, Frieda Menos, director of Constituent Services, shared greetings on his

As daylight faded to dusk, Seddio led the crowd in the official countdown, and with a burst of cheers, the home and lawn lit up in a breathtaking cascade of color lights, characters, cultural displays and animated scenes weaving together themes of Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa.

Then came the moment the children were waiting for: Santa Claus arrived by fire truck, greeting families with a booming "Ho ho ho!" and settling into his holiday corner to take photos with excited kids. Santa's elves joined in, handing out sweets and goodies. (Santa's sleigh, he assured the children, was in the shop getting tuned up for Christmas Eve.)

The program was supported by CB18, the 63rd Precinct and event sponsors including Millennium Development, the Mill Basin Civic Association, the Knights of Columbus, the Kiwanis Club and the Bergen Beach Youth Organization, helping ensure that this year's lighting ceremony continued to grow as a signature Brooklyn holiday event.

Throughout the month, the Ferrazzano family is also collecting toys for the charity, Toys for Hospitalized Children, encouraging visitors to bring gifts for children in need.

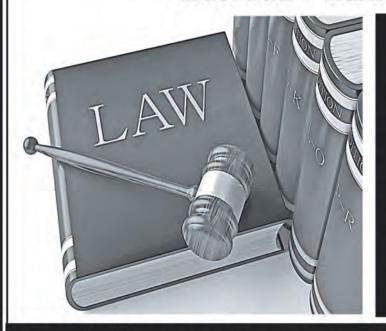


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By Angela G. Nannetti, MS. Ed.

Members of Community District Education Council 22 (CEC 22) convened at the District Office, located at 5619 Flatlands Avenue, on Tuesday, December 2nd, for their monthly meeting, which was also streamed live to the public via Zoom.

The meeting was punctuated by a robust discussion around the role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the classroom. "Let's not take missteps," Superintendent Julia Bove cautioned the group. She explained that too much was at stake for District 22 to go full speed ahead without first considering the various implications of AI from every angle and obtaining input from families and administrators, keeping a level head and taking a sensible approach, in an effort to make the most well-informed decisions possible.

Although AI is already being widely used in educational settings around the world with reckless abandon and has been overwhelmingly lauded by educators for its ability to automate much of their work, by completing administrative duties such as taking attendance, grading exams and even creating lesson plans, it is unclear where the line would be drawn. How should AI be used in the classroom? How should AI not be used in the classroom? How will schools ensure equity, prevent algorithm bias and protect student privacy? These and so many other questions will have to be explored in the months to come. For now, no major decisions are being made.

The next meeting of CEC 22 will be held at the District Office, located at 5619 Flatlands Avenue, on Tuesday, January 6th, at 6:30 p.m.







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Marine Park

Salt Marsh Nature Center Celebrates Silver Jubilee with Photo Contest

By Angela G. Nannetti

Members of the Salt Marsh Alliance (SMA) and Urban Park Rangers welcomed the community into the Salt Marsh Nature Center, located at 3302 Avenue U, on Saturday afternoon, December 6th, to celebrate their silver jubilee in a very special way: a gallery viewing.

Since the Salt Marsh Nature Center opened its doors, 25 years ago, on Earth Day 2000, it has served as a hub of great educational and recreational importance and provided a kind of window into the wild and majestic wetland ecosystem that exists all around it.

In an effort to foster appreciation for, and capture the incredible beauty of, this precious natural environment, the SMA Photography Competition, which began on May 1st, inspired professionals and amateurs alike to submit their most stunning photos of Marine Park. The SMA



encouraged contestants to snap photos of nature, seasonal changes, local wildlife and even areas of historical interest -- and boy, did they ever.

About 55 photos were submitted and reviewed by respected photographer and contest judge, Fritz Weiss, who ultimately selected four winners: William Douglas King (1st Place), Max Levinton (2nd Place), Isaac Michalowski (3rd Place) and Jana Broskina (Honorable Mention).

As visitors to the Salt Marsh Nature Center entered through the foyer, they were met with a display of the winning compositions and were invited to enjoy a slide presentation that included all the photos that had been entered into the contest. According to the SMA, the presentation will also be available for viewing at marineparkalliance.org in coming weeks.







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Sixty-Ninth Precinct Community Council Kicks off Holiday Season with Jolly Celebration

By Brenda Cox
The weather outside was freezing, but there

was nothing but warmth inside the Midget Squadron Yacht Club, 1490 Paerdegat Avenue North, on the evening of Friday, December 5th, where the Annual Holiday Celebration hosted by the 69th Precinct Community Council was





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underway.

There was an outpouring of camaraderie among NYPD, clergy, elected officials and the community who got together for the annual shindig. The celebration began with a prayer and blessing of peace from Reverend Gesner Sagesse, who implored "good health" for Community Council President Gardy Brazela and his family, as well as safety, protection and guidance for the NYPD, elected officials, community and clergy councils for "their efforts to keep the community alive." He also made a request for God's Presence to dwell within the

community always.

Brazela welcomed everyone and thanked them for their continued support. He mentioned some of the Community Council's past accomplishments, which included an annual job fair held in April, in partnership with Congressman Hakeem Jeffries, which attracted a staggering 2,000 plus applicants; awards gala for the officers; Thanksgiving dinner for residents of The New South Shore Manor; and holiday toy drive. "Thank you for always supporting us. My board could not do this without you," Brazela told the guests.

There were also brief remarks from State Senator Roxanne Persaud, Assemblywomen Jaime Williams and Monique Chandler-Waterman, Councilwoman Farah Louis, Community Board 18 District Manager Sue Ann Partnow, 69th Precinct Executive Officer Deane Powell and other officers under his command, as well as representatives from the offices of Mayor Eric Adams and Councilwoman Mercedes Narcisse.

The guests enjoyed great food, lively music and endless dancing until the celebration concluded.



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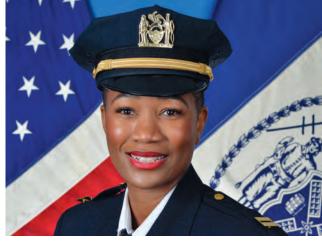
By Brenda Cox

On November 13th, Captain Sashanna Wynter became commanding officer of the 69th Precinct, located at 9720 Foster Avenue, making her the second female ever to serve there in that capacity. The 39-year-old, who joined the NYPD in 2008, has had an illustrious career so far, having served in various precincts throughout Brooklyn, Manhattan and Queens, in the capacities of sergeant, lieutenant, executive officer and even officiated as acting commanding officer of the 69th and 70th Precincts.

Wynter, who also worked in the NYPD Internal Affairs Bureau and the School Safety Division of the Community Affairs Bureau, shared with the *Canarsie Courier* that her career with the NYPD began quite by chance. While pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, the then

22-year-old's sight was set on becoming an attorney. For Wynter, it was the most logical option, at the time, since the most sought after professions of many in the immigrant communities where she lived were either doctor, lawyer or engineer. She stated, "I was also very, very chatty growing up and everyone always said to me, 'You're going to be a lawyer."

However, a chance conversation she had with a classmate, who was already on her way to becoming an NYPD officer, changed her perspective and set her career on a trajectory that she had never envisioned. "My friend told me of all these great benefits they have. They pay for school, and you get paid an hourly rate on top of that as well." Wynter said for her it was a no-brainer. Although she was gainfully employed at the time, her job did not pay for schooling. After learning of all the perks that the NYPD had to offer, she



quickly signed up with their Cadet Corps, and "the rest was history," she said.

When asked if she anticipated facing problems as not only the new Top Brass, but as one who is a young, immigrant, woman of color, the captain had a lot to say. She pointed out that her experience, qualifications, competency and leadership skills had more than prepared her to undertake the role of commanding officer. "I'm happy and proud to be black, female and immigrant. I think that those things speak to my cultural competency," she stated emphatically.

Wynter, who was born on the Caribbean island of Jamaica, migrated to the United States at age 5. She said she considers her "immutable characteristics, being black, being female, being immigrant" to be an asset, especially in this role because it's reflective of the community that she now serves and lived in previously, for two years. She believes that that puts her in a position of better understanding the residents' experiences and what they might be going through.

The new captain further asserted that women have always been managers, "managing homes, managing companies and all of those things" and repeated the famous saying, "Women hold up half the sky." She stated, "I'm happy that this Administration, in particular my Borough Command, has seen that there are talented, qualified women with leadership skills and have advocated for them to be promoted based on those qualities."

However, the commanding officer noted that there is one problem she anticipates but stated that it is a problem that every precinct or command across NYC, if not the entire country, is also experiencing. She explained that the NYPD has a problem with recruitment and retention. "We are not recruiting and maintaining personnel at the same rate that people are leaving," she stated. "So, the Force is getting smaller and smaller and we're having to do more with less."

As an example, Wynter mentioned the rapidly expanding population of New York and spoke of how that impacts policing. "More people live here, so we get more 911 calls and more 311 calls but have fewer personnel to answer them." She added that officers also have reporting requirements that take time to do, and do appropriately, and said that balancing those things -- making sure that the officers are taken care of, but also that the service they give to the community is what's expected – is paramount for her.

The captain acknowledged that even with the best balance there might be times when officers for one reason or another, may not be able to give 100% of themselves but may be able to give 80%. Pointing out the obvious, she said, "Officers are humans too," with families and other responsibilities. But even so, she said she expects them to be courteous, professional and respectful whenever they show up for work. And on any day when they might only have 80%, Wynter said, "I want the entire 80% from them." She stressed, "As someone who leads by example, I need the best of what they have to offer, and I need it every day."







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Community Erupts After Sudden Construction Begins at Controversial Coyle Street Site

By Robert Pearl

Tensions flared as residents, community leaders and elected officials gathered at 2134 Coyle Street for an urgent press conference on Wednesday, December 3rd, following reports that developers had begun work on the long-contested development without proper permits or notice to the neighborhood. In addition, a "work-in-progress" sign was posted, indicating "mixed-use," leaving residents once again scratching their heads.

On Monday, December 1st, metal police barriers were dropped off on both sides of Coyle Street — one in front of the construction site and the other near the community's watch tents, which have stood for more than a year in protest. By early Tuesday morning, residents awoke to a heavy police presence, flashing lights and city inspectors responding to a 311 complaint alleging possible asbestos at the site. At the same time, a separate complaint — filed by an individual alleged to have ties to the developers — claimed the watch tents were causing rodent issues, prompting police to order several tents dismantled. The timing is suspicious, and now all remaining structures were directed to be removed by Sunday, December 7th.

Residents say the sudden activity coincided with the arrival of an excavator and open access to the property for trucks delivering materials. While workers indicated they were only preparing or "cleaning," community members stressed that active work appeared to be un-





derway despite an upcoming court date on Wednesday, December 10th, in which residents are challenging developer access from the rear of the property.

The tension is rooted in what locals call a "bait and switch." The project was originally presented and approved as affordable housing — a position still documented in community paperwork — before later being reclassified as a homeless shelter. "How did this happen?" longtime resident leaders asked during the press conference. "The community signed off on affordable housing. No one approved a shelter."

Community advocate Lina Chan opened the press conference, stating that residents intend to bring their concerns directly to the incoming city administration in hopes of reversing what many see as the outgoing mayor's "parting shot." Locals noted that "affordable housing" was a key issue of the Mayor-elect's campaign platform, urging him to deliver on his promise.

Representatives and officials on scene included Assemblywoman Jaime Williams and Assemblyman Misha Novakhov, staff from Councilwoman Mercedes Narcisse's office, NYCHA community leader Barbara A. McFadden and local activists. Narcisse's office issued a statement reaffirming that the community "was promised affordable housing" and condemning the abrupt shift as "unacceptable" and damaging to public trust.

Novakhov, criticizing the bait-and-switch tactics,





said that it was switched to a homeless shelter without their consent. "No one wants a shelter placed right next to their home. This is not a real solution to homelessness."

Williams recently received a Community Leadership Award from the group at the forefront of the Coyle Street battle, Save South Brooklyn, for advocacy, inspiration and standing with the community that lies outside her district. "I stand with you in opposition to this proposed homeless shelter, because what happens in one district can happen in another's district, " she said, noting that all Brooklynites must stick together.

Speakers at the press conference warned the shelter would endanger neighborhood stability, strain local schools and depress home values. McFadden urged the city to invest in "community centers, childcare programs and real resources," rather than what several officials called "warehousing" of vulnerable populations.

Residents say they are prepared to continue their fight in the courtroom, in the streets and to maintain public pressure. Locals once again took it to the streets Sunday, marching up Avenue U, with signs and noisemakers, chanting, "No Homeless Shelter, Affordable Housing," to bring awareness to the neighborhood as this project advances toward realization. As one speaker concluded, "We're not giving up until they give up. The community deserves real answers — and the housing we were promised."



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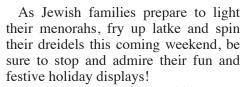
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Hanukkah is Almost Here!

By Angela G. Nannetti

Members of the Jewish community, in Marine Park and Bergen Beach, have been preparing to celebrate Hanukkah for weeks now, having displayed menorahs, sweater-clad teddy bears with dreidels, a Star of David gingerbread house and one very cute snowman Rabbi on their stoops, lawns and in driveways. Some homes are even decked out in beautiful twinkling lights, in blue and white, the colors most often associated with the eight-night Festival of Light, colors inspired by both the Israeli flag and the traditional tallit prayer shawl.



Fun fact: In calendar year 2025, there are technically two Hanukkah celebrations! The first began on Wednesday, December 25, 2024, but carried over into this year, ending Thursday, January 2, 2025. The second begins the evening of Sunday, December 14, 2025, and ends Monday, December 22, 2025. This is called a "double Hanukkah" and won't happen again until the year 2035!













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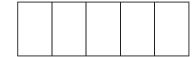
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Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to cats.

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I am an actor born in Texas on December 13, 1967. I broke several school records as a young football player in high school. I had a breakout role on a TV series that also included Jim Carrey. I won an Oscar for playing a famous blind musician.

Answer: Jamie Foxx

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Spiritual leaders
- 7. A type of solution
- 13. Fortified wine 14. Edible mollusk
- 16. They precede C
- 17. A way to compare
- 19. Government lawyer
- 20. "Game of Thrones" actor Ciaran
- 22. The eighth month (abbr.)
- 23. Very willing 25. __ ex Machina
- 26. Makes happy
- 28. Type of berry
- 29. A doctrine
- 30. Popular Dodge truck model
- 31. Dekagram
- 33. Naturally occurring solid
- 34. Company officer 36 Villains
- 38. Cricket frogs

- 40. Influential German psychologist 41. Endured
- 43. A female domestic
- 44. You can get stuck in one
- 45. Cigarette (slang)
- 47. Fiber optics network
- 48. Group of blood disorders (abbr.) 51. Employee stock ownership plan
- 53. Belonging to the bottom layer
- 55. Sound
- 56. MLB legend Hank
- 58. Very attractive person
 59. Late beloved sportscaster Craig
- 60. South Dakota
- 61. Mocking
- 64. Symbol for gold
- 65. Longtime Braves pitcher Julio
- 69 Shawl
- 70. Preliminary patient assessment

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Animal disease
- 2. Commercial
- 3. Necklace material
- 4 Containers
- 5. A way to save for your future 6. Colorado Heisman winner Rashaan
- 7. Dipped down
- 8. Head injury (abbr.)
- 9. Lav about
- 10. Intestinal
- 11. Opposite of yes
- 12. Caused to be loved 13. Spiritual leader of Islam
- 15. Businesslike
- 18. Not in
- 21. Number above the line in a fraction
- 24. An animal with its own day
- 26. Pouch
- 27. Swedish krona 30. Start over
- 32. Field flowers

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- 37. A visual way to interact with a computer
- 38. Up-to-date
- 39. Campaigns
- 42. Touch lightly
 43. "Boardwalk Empire" actress
- Gretchen 46. Violent seizure of property
- 47. Supporter of the Pope
- 49. Anxiety
- 50. Body fluid
- 52. One who's faking it
- 54. Title of respect 55. Chilean city
- 57. City in central Japan
- 59. Silk garment
- 62. A form of dance
- 63. Automobile 66. The man
- 68. Justice Dept. head honcho

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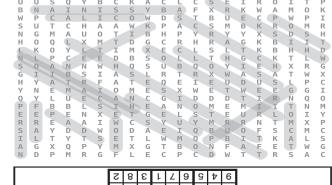
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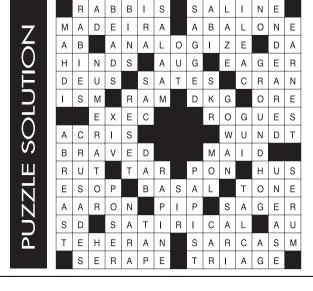
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KINGS COUNTY NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF KINGS U.S. BANK NA,

-against-RONAN BAILEY, ET AL. NOTICE OF SALE

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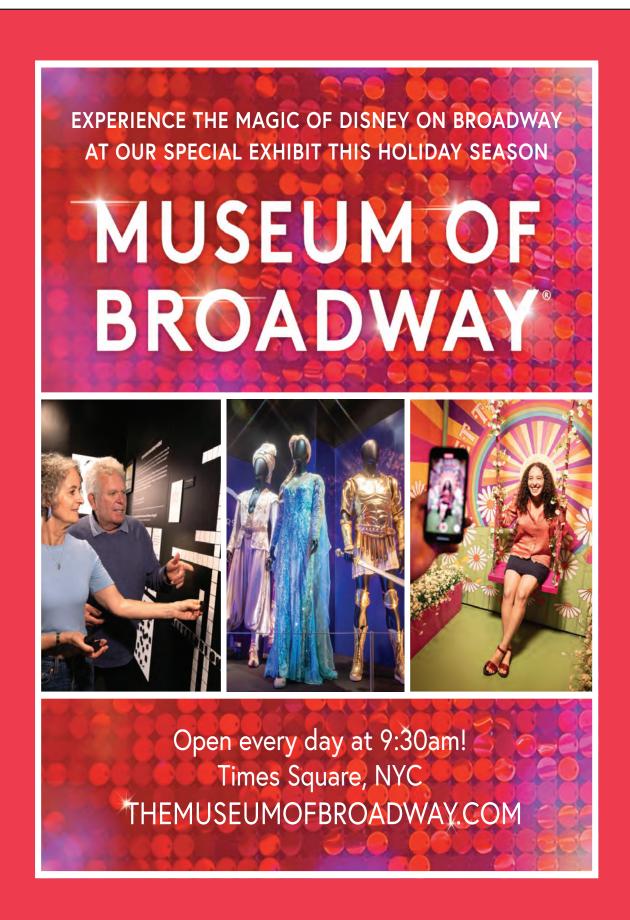




By Arthur De Gaeta

Christmas spirit was in full swing at the Carmine Carro Community Center, at 3000 Fillmore Avenue, on Saturday, December 6th, where hundreds of children lined up for their photo with Santa — along with arts and crafts, holiday activities and plenty of festive treats. At creative tables, children gathered to make Christmas ornaments while hot chocolate, cookies and juice were provided for all to enjoy. A festive Christmas backdrop offered families the perfect spot for that holiday picture with Santa.

The "Festival of Lights: Santa in the Park" was the first event of December, sponsored by the Marine Park Alliance. There are more family-friendly events scheduled throughout the holiday season. Visit marineparkalliance.org/events for more information.















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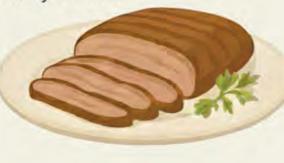


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Mill Basin: Large, clean, unfurnished room, share kitchen/bath, no smoking/pets, near all transportation. (347) 465-5868

E Flatbush: Furnished, share kitchen/bath, no smoking/pets. Broker (718) 451-1000; (917) 690-2338

E Flatbush: Big furnished, excellent condition, all utitities included, plus cable, \$1,200. Exit All Seasons Realty (347) 782-8571

Brownsville: Furnished, share kitchen/bath, no pets/smoking, near shopping/transportation, \$1,200. (347) 743-7667

E Flatbush: Furnished, share kitchen/bathroom, with 2 people. Clean and spacious, no pets/smoking, \$240 weekly, 1 week rent/2 weeks security. (917) 364-4730

Canarsie: Large furnished, share bath, no pets/smoking, w/HWF, clean & Quiet room. (347) 644-7635

Canarsie/Seaview: Unfurnished, share kitchen/bath, no pets/smoking, near transportation, utilities included, (718) 974-9197

E Flatbush: Furnished, share kitchen/bath, no pets/smoking, near all, washer/dryer in apartment. (718) 404-8872

Gateway Mall/Flatlands: Unfurnished, share kitchen/bath, no pets/smoking, all utilities included, plus WiFi & cable, Quiet block. (347) 339-3881

Canarsie: Unfurnished, share kitchen/bath, WiFi & internet included, near all. \$215 weekly. (646) 450-3126

Canarsie: Unfurnished, share kitchen/bath, w/light gas & cable, no pets/smoking, \$900 monthly. (347) 388-9921

Canarsie: Unfurnished, share kitchen/bath/living room, no pets/smoking, near transportation/shopping, \$1,150, email 1170e95th-street@gmail.com or call (646) 653-9742

Canarsie: Nice, furnished, share kitchen/bath, no smoking/pets, near transportation/shopping, \$1,050. (917) 385-9514

Canarsie: Furnished, share kitchen/bath, no pets/smoking, near all, \$900. (516) 725-2669

E51/Remsen: Furnished, 3rd floor, share kitchen/bath, no smoking/pets/drinking, central air, \$850 monthly, 2 months security, 1 month rent. (646) 319-1437

E Flatbush: Large, furnished, share kitchen/bath, private entrance w/parking, no smoking/pets, No Real Estate, \$1,500 negotiable. (631) 609-6903

ROOMS FOR RENT

Ocean/Caton: Large unfurnished room with walk-in closet, in elevator building, share with one other person, close to transportation & shopping, \$1,050. Curtis Chance Realty (718) 859-7300;(917) 679-3017

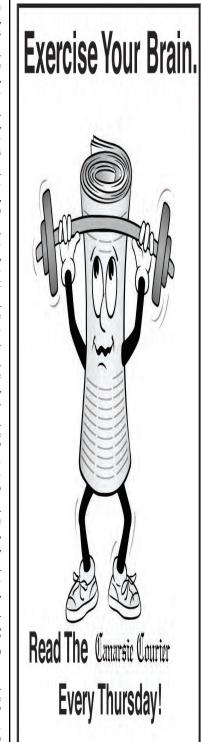
Mill Basin: Furnished, share kitchen/bath, no smoking, \$250 weekly. (347) 729-6491

OMB: Renovated Furnished, share kitchen/bath, no pets/smoking, 2 weeks rent/security, \$225 weekly. (347) 742-9828: (347) 453-7962

Canarsie: Large, unfurnished, share kitchen/bath, no smoking/pets, \$1,200 monthly all utilities included, (917) 816-8177

FURNISHED APT

E91/Church Ave: COMPLETELY RENOVATED FULLY FURNISHED STUDIO, w/TV & WIFI, close to transportation/ shopping, \$1,400. Curtis Chance Realty (718) 859-7300 (917) 679-3017



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E31/Church: Newly Large Studio with closet, NEW APPLIANCES hardwood floors, close to transportation B35 & B44 buses, #2 & # 5 trains, \$1,650 Curtis Chance Realty (718) 859-7300; (917) 679-3017

Canarsie: Studio, all utilities included, near transportation/shopping, \$2,000. (917) 816-8177

Canarsie: 1 BR, \$1,700 monthly. Call Broker (917) 541-6394

Canarsie: 1 BR, near transportation, no pets/smoking, all utilities included, \$1,495. Marcia Prints RE (646) 474-6640

ENY/Flatbush: 1 BR, \$2,000, utilities included, newly renovated, near transportation, no pets/smoking. Marcia Prints RE (646) 474-6640

E Flatbush/E57: Walk-in 1 BR, 1st floor, near transportation/school, access to backyard/porch, \$1,700 monthly. (917) 622-5564

E31/Snyder: Newly renovated 1 BR apartment in building, LARGE LIVING ROOM, NEW KITCHEN, HWF's, one block from #2 & #5 trains, B45 & B44 buses, \$1,900. Curtis Chance Realty (718)859-7300 (917) 679-3017

Sterling/Ralph: COMPLETELY REMODELED 2 BRs, CENTRAL COOLING & HEATING, HWF's, NEW APPLIANCES, near B15, B45, B65 buses, #3 & #4 trains, \$2,300. Curtis Chance Realty (718) 859-7300; (917) 679-3017

Eastern Parkway/Rockaway Ave/ Thomas Boyland: 2 BRs, All utilities included, \$2,000. (646) 515-

E Flatbush: 2 BR, 2nd floor, near transportation/schools, water, heat & cooking gas included, \$2,500 monthly. Available January 1st. (646) 330-3205

Canarsie/E84: 2 BRs, top floor, large bedrooms/living room, near shopping/transportation, Broker (917) 846-9843

ENY: 2 BRs, large open concept dining and living room area, HWF's, updated kitchen/bathroom, close to transportation, near Gateway Mall. Call or Text (646) 769-0094 (718) 838-4799

E Flatbush: 2 BR, 1 bath, near transportation. Text (347) 392-0157

Canarsie/E84: Modern 2 BR, 1st floor walk-In, 8 closets, HWFs throughout, W2 required, \$2,500. Broker (347) 938-0850

Canarsie: Large 2 BR, near transportation/shopping, no pets/smoking, 2 months rent/1 months security in advance, \$2,500 monthly. (347) 645-2313

Canarsie: 2 BRs, no utilities included, near all, \$2,750. (917) 816-8177

UNFURNISHED APT

Canarsie: 3 BRs, \$2,700 monthly. Call Broker (917) 541-6394

Georgetown: Newly renovated, clean, spacious, 3 BRs, \$2,700 monthly. Ventour Realty (718) 496-7971;(347) 520-9611

Canarsie/E95: 3 BRs, 2 full baths, 2nd floor, 1100 sq ft, freshly painted, newly renovated, small porch, \$3,500 negotiable, heat not included, near transportation. (917) 861-

Newkirk/E23: **COMPLETELY** RENOVATED 3 BRS, large living room, NEW KITCHEN & APPLI-ANCES, HWF's, quiet building, PROGRAMS ACCEPTED, SEC-TION 8 & CITY FHEPS, \$3,500. Curtis Chance REalty (718) 859-7300 (917) 679-3017

Crown Heights: 3 BRs, ranch style, newly renovated, formal dining area, parquet floors, near transportation/shopping, \$2,600. Broker (917) 846-9843

Mill Basin: 3 BRs, near all, utilities included. Air Conditioner included. (917) 913-6851

E93/Ave M: EXTRA LARGE 3 BRs DUPLEX, COMPLETELY RENO-VATED w/ FORMAL DINING ROOM, modern EIK, STAINLESS STEEL APPLIANCES, LOTS OF CLOSETS, HWF's, many extras, \$3,650, PROGRAMS ACCEPTED. Curtis Chance Realty (718) 859-7300 (917) 679-3017

Canarsie: 4 BR, 1 bath, NO BRO-KER FEE \$4,111, Call or email for viewing close near the Canarsie L train. (646) 653-9742 email: 1170e95thstreet@gmail.com

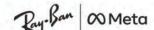
E Flatbush: 4 BR, available, new refrigerator and stove. Please call (347) 404-7004





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