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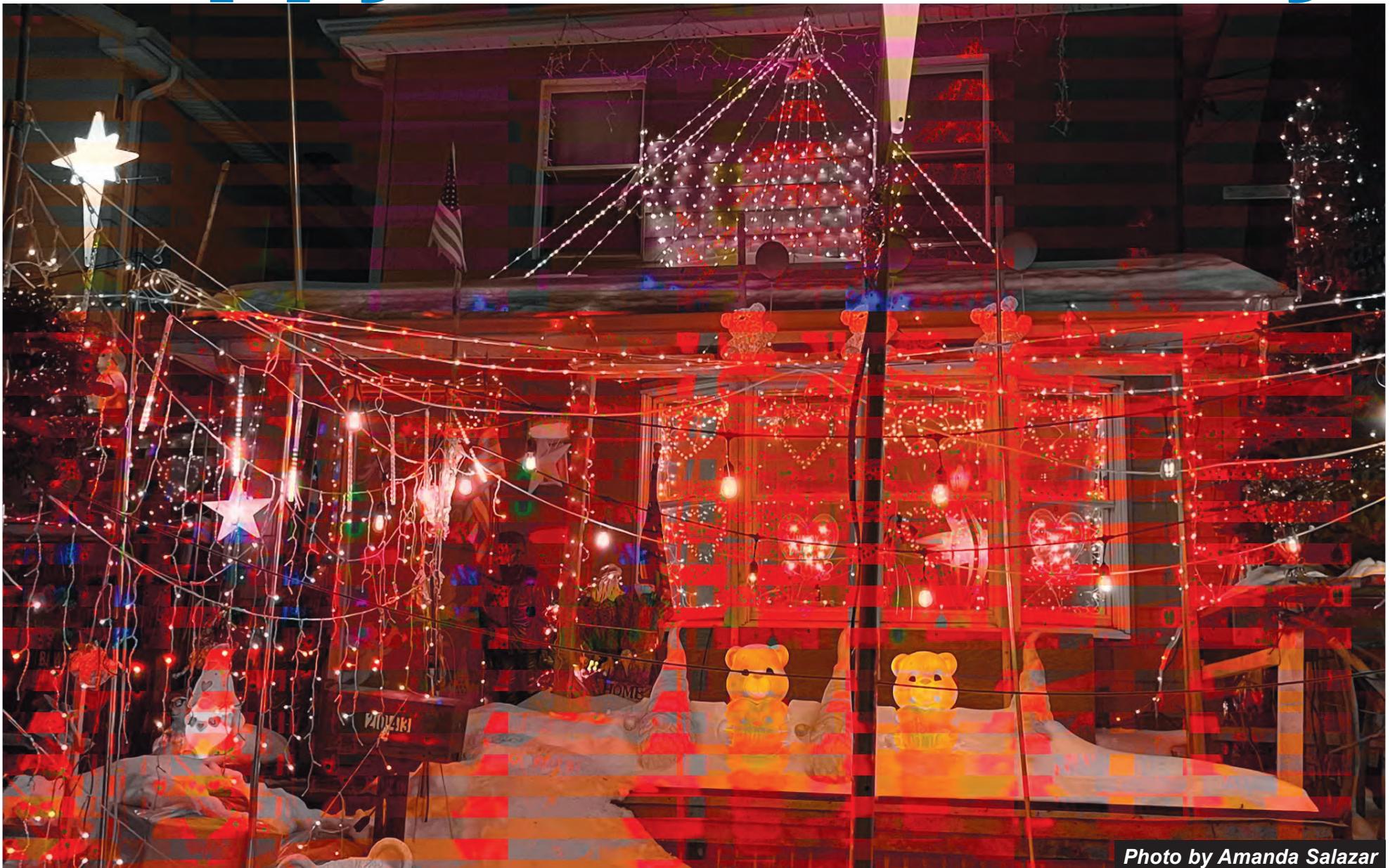


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**Fire Safety Saves Lives****By Jibreel Jalloh**

New York City is facing a historic cold front, the kind that tests not just our patience but our preparedness. As temperatures plunge and heating systems are pushed to their limits, the risk of residential fires and carbon monoxide emergencies rises. Every winter, the FDNY sees the same pattern: more calls and, too often, lives that are forever changed. This moment calls for caution.

When the cold sets in, many residents turn to space heaters for extra warmth. While they can help, they are also one of the leading causes of winter home fires. Space heaters should always be placed on flat, non-flammable surfaces and kept at least three feet away from furniture, curtains and bedding. They should never be left on unattended, even briefly, and must be plugged directly into a wall outlet — never into an extension cord or power strip. Blocking doorways or exits with heaters can turn a small fire into a deadly one.

Carbon monoxide poses another serious winter danger. This invisible, odorless gas can accumulate quickly when heating systems are misused or malfunctioning. Using ovens or gas stoves to heat apartments is extremely dangerous and has caused severe illness and death across the city. Every home should have working carbon monoxide alarms on each level, especially near sleeping areas, and alarms should be tested regularly.

Fireplaces, boilers and furnaces also require attention during extreme cold. Chimneys should be inspected and cleaned annually, and fires should never be left unattended. Heating systems



need regular professional inspections, particularly in older buildings where infrastructure may already be under strain.

Candles and electric blankets bring comfort during winter, but they also carry risk. Flameless candles are the safest option. Electric blankets should carry a UL safety mark, never be secondhand and should be replaced if they are more than 10 years old or show signs of wear. Beds can be warmed, but blankets should be turned off before sleeping.

Residents should ensure smoke alarms are working, stock basic emergency supplies and clear snow from nearby fire hydrants after storms. A buried hydrant can delay emergency response when seconds matter. Checking on neighbors — especially seniors and those with health conditions — can also prevent emergencies before they escalate.

Finally, this winter is a moment to

express deep gratitude to our firefighters. In brutal weather and dangerous conditions, they enter burning buildings and smoke-filled apartments to protect people they have never met. Their service is rooted in courage, sacrifice and an unwavering commitment to this city. The best way residents can honor that service is by reducing risk at home. Staying safe is an act of respect for those who risk everything to keep New York protected.

Jibreel Jalloh is an award-winning organizer and the Founder and Executive Director of The Flossy Organization, a nonprofit dedicated to closing the advocacy gap through education and activism. Over the past few years, he has helped lead efforts to end gun violence, expand public transit and secure investments in local green spaces. Jibreel is a 2024–2025 Obama Foundation Scholar at Columbia University. Learn more at theflossy.org and follow @theflossyorg.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR = VOL 106, NO. 7

FRI. FEBRUARY 13TH
 Canarsie Library: Romcorn Movie Night: Rye Lane (Adults)
 Sylk Cove
 1370 Rockaway Parkway
 5 to 7 p.m.

TUES. FEBRUARY 17TH
 Canarsie Library: Kids Create: Black History Month Golden Age of Brooklyn Adult Day Care
 9305 Avenue L
 3 to 4 p.m.

SAT. FEBRUARY 14TH
 Valentine's Day Hike
 Shirley Chisholm State Park – Hendrix Creek Patio
 1750 Granville Payne Avenue
 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

TUES. FEBRUARY 17TH
 New Moon Night Hike
 Shirley Chisholm State Park – Fountain Side
 950 Fountain Avenue
 6 to 7:30 p.m.

SUN. FEBRUARY 15TH
 Winter Traditions in Northern Eurasian Cultures
 Salt Marsh Nature Center
 3301 Avenue U
 12 to 1:30 p.m.

NEW YORK ROAD RUNNERS: OPEN RUNS
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 Sundays at 9 a.m.: Marine Park – Behind Carmine Carro Community Center, 3000 Fillmore Avenue

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Woman Stabbed on B82 Bus

By Linda Steinmuller

The NYPD is asking for the public's assistance in identifying a man who stabbed an innocent bystander during an altercation with another passenger on an MTA bus last month.

The victim, a 38-year-old woman, told police officers from the 69th Precinct that she was onboard a B82 bus approaching East 105th Street and Flatlands Avenue around 9:20 p.m. on Tuesday, January 27th, when the incident occurred.

She said there was a physical altercation between an unidentified individual and two other passengers. While exiting the bus, and passing the altercation, the victim was stabbed in the arm. The suspect then exited the bus and fled on foot, southbound on East 105th Street.

The victim was taken to Brookdale Hospital by EMS in stable condition.

The male suspect was last seen wearing a black ski mask, black and blue jacket, black pants, black sneakers and a tan bookbag.

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



Brownsville

Woman Arrested in Stabbing Death of Bronx Man

By Linda Steinmuller

A 47-year-old Bronx man is dead after being fatally stabbed in the chest, and a Brownsville woman was arrested in connection to his homicide the following day.

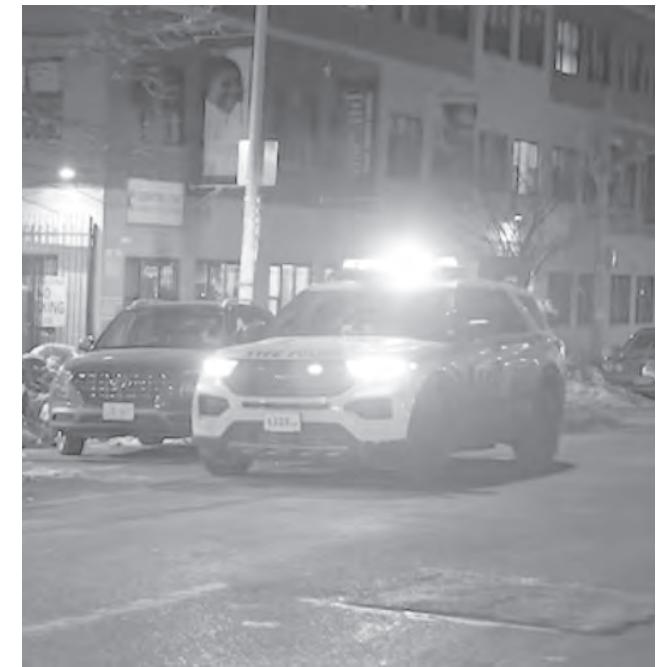
Police charged Aiesha Walker, 48, with manslaughter and criminal possession of a weapon on Thursday, February 5th.

Police from the 67th Precinct responded to a 911 call around 7:55 p.m. on Wednesday, February 4th, where they found the victim, Kenneth Brewer, inside the suspect's apartment at 181 Rockaway Parkway, between Winthrop Street and Clarkson Avenue, with a stab wound to his chest.

Brewer was taken by EMS to Brookdale Hospital in critical condition and was pronounced dead at the hospital.

It's unclear what the relationship was between Brewer and the suspect.

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CEC 18 Members and Attendees Brace Frigid Temps and Snow Mounds for Monthly Meeting

By Kari Lleras

This was one meeting where Community Education Council 18 (CEC 18) members and meeting guests were fortunate to have roof parking!

They braved the cold and mounds of frozen snow to attend the monthly meeting on Monday, February 2nd, at the CEC 18 District Office located at 1106 East 95th Street.

Superintendent Celeste Terry shared how schools in District 18 are rebranding their student councils. I.S. 285 Meyer Levin has gotten rid of normal student council positions such as president and secretary and replaced them with mayor, New York City public advocate and city comptroller. Elected officials, such as Councilwoman Farah Louis and Public Advocate Jumaane Williams, came to the school and swore those students into their new positions, and it was a

monumental occasion for all.

"It was so crazy to watch the kids get so excited. We are preparing kids for greatness!" Terry said. CEC 18 President Anderson David commented on how it helps young people to realize that local government and voting is so important.

Schools Chancellor Kamar H. Samuels announced that he will be in Brooklyn on Saturday, February 28th, as part of his "Our Schools. Our Future: Conversations with the Chancellor," a five-borough community engagement series. The event will take place at Thomas Jefferson High School, located at 400 Granville Payne Avenue.

CEC 18 will hold its next meeting on Monday, March 2nd, at the District Office at 7 p.m. Remember that there is always on-roof parking during these cold, snowy months.



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Four More Years!

By Bristol Hendrix

On Thursday, January 29th, Councilwoman Mercedes Narcisse was officially sworn in during her State of the District Address and Inaugural Ceremony, marking the start of her new term representing the 46th City Council District, which includes Canarsie, Flatlands, Bergen Beach, Marine Park, Mill Basin, Gerritsen Beach, Georgetown and parts of Sheepshead Bay.

The event took place at P.S. 203, located at 5101 Avenue M, where neighbors, community leaders, educators and elected officials gathered to reflect on progress made and hear Narcisse's vision for the district moving forward. Doors opened at 5:30 p.m., with the program running from 6 to 8 p.m., as residents braved the winter cold to show their support.

The evening was hosted by Jibreel Jalloh, executive director of The Flossy Organization, and featured student performances, remarks from P.S. 203 school leadership and special guests, including City Council Speaker Julie Menin and Public Advocate Jumaane Williams, before Narcisse delivered her address.

In her remarks, Narcisse reflected on her journey from her roots as a Haitian-born registered nurse to a public servant deeply committed to the health and well-being of southeastern Brooklyn residents. She highlighted accomplishments from her previous term while outlining priorities for the years ahead, including investments in local schools, parks, libraries and infrastructure, expanded constituent services and continued advocacy around healthcare access, public safety, homeowner protections and small business support.

Narcisse emphasized transparency and accountability, pointing to recent funding wins and ongoing efforts to help residents navigate housing issues, immigration assistance, public benefits and foreclosure prevention. Throughout the address, she underscored the importance of collaboration with community members.

Reflecting on the evening, Narcisse said, "I was proud to gather with so many neighbors tonight to reflect on what we have accomplished together and the work still ahead. District 46 is full of people who care deeply about their community, and I will keep fighting for our schools, our families, our seniors and every block I represent."

The ceremony included a formal swearing-in, with the oath administered by Justice Brian Gotlieb, officially marking the beginning of the councilwoman's new term. The program concluded with a community reception, giving residents the opportunity to speak directly with Narcisse and connect with one another.

As Narcisse returns to City Hall and her District Office, residents say her continued leadership arrives at a pivotal moment, with the community focused on growth, equity and sustained civic engagement across southeastern Brooklyn.



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Construction Crews Break Ground for New State-of-the-Art Canarsie Library

By Brenda Cox

On Friday, February 6th, the Brooklyn Public Library (BPL) held a groundbreaking ceremony at 1580 Rockaway Parkway, the site of the old Canarsie Library that had been demolished months earlier, to make way for a state-of-the-art facility.

BPL President and CEO Linda Johnson was joined by NYC Deputy Mayor for Economic Justice Julie Su, State Senator Roxanne Persaud, Assemblywoman Jaime Williams, Councilwoman Mercedes Narcisse, Community Board 18 District Manager Sue Ann Partnow and a host of community residents for the long-awaited occasion.

"We're celebrating a new chapter for the Canarsie Library as we begin to build a beautiful, large new branch," Johnson stated to the gathering, in her opening remarks. "Canarsie residents deserve a landmark library that will guide neighbors to educational opportunities and transformational resources, and this new building will double the amount of public space available to patrons," she added.

The new two-story, state-of-the-art institution which was designed by Studio Joseph, an architectural firm, and Hester Street, an urban planning and not-for-profit design company, is being built by Shawmut Construction Company. Once completed, it will boast cutting-edge technology as well as "community rooms, a recording studio, a dedicated team space, in what would be the first mass timber public building in New York City," Johnson also announced.

The amenities reflect the needs proposed by members of the community with whom several information-gathering sessions had been conducted. "We listened to parents who needed safe, fun spaces for their children; teens seeking quiet study areas and access to technology; adults who wanted gathering places to connect; community advocates who insisted on a room for dedicated meetings; staff and volunteers at the library," Wendy Joseph, architect at Studio Joseph, added.

"This building embraces the soul of Canarsie," Joseph stated. "By day, it will be transparent, a glass vessel flooded with natural light. By night, the library is a lantern -- a welcoming place with a promise of learning," she proclaimed.

"Our neighborhood needs more spaces where children, teens, adults and families can learn, create and come together, and this project is a big step in that direction," stated Narcisse, who helped to secure funding to make the renovation possible. Additional funding was also provided by Persaud and Williams.

The senator stated that the Canarsie Library is one of two state-of-the-art libraries in Senate District 19 and praised her colleagues in the State for always providing the necessary funding. "Our budget letters are due on Monday, and we've already put in additional funding for the libraries across the district," Persaud shared. "We're giving significant funding to our libraries and particularly to this one," she announced.

"I am proud to continue securing funding and support for our libraries," Williams stated. "This library will be a hub for learning, creativity and connection for people of all ages. It will provide resources and programs that strengthen our community for generations to come. Investing in our libraries is investing in our future," the assemblywoman added.

A spokesperson for Shawmut said construction is expected to be completed in 21 months.



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Marine Park

P.S. 207 Goes on a Fantastical Undersea Journey with Production of The SpongeBob Musical

The cast of P.S. 207's production of The SpongeBob Musical.

By Brian Moreno

Families, classmates and faculty staff members headed to the auditorium of P.S. 207 Elizabeth G. Leary, located at 4011 Fillmore Avenue, on Wednesday evening, February 4th, for a performance of the Fillmore Academy Drama Club's first play of 2026, *The SpongeBob Musical*.

The Drama Club took attendees on an undersea journey of laughs and heroics as the cast portrayed childhood icons, followed by another production on Thursday, February 5th.

The SpongeBob Musical is based on the *Nickelodeon* franchise. It follows SpongeBob (Charlie Gwinn), Patrick Star (Laila Cuatlatl) and Sandy Cheeks (Fiona Jablonski) as they save Bikini Bottom and stop Mount Humongous from erupting by using Sandy's invention while the villainous couple, Plankton and Karen (Paul Ligresti and Brielle Gambino), tries to stop them. All the while, Squidward (Ethan McGinnis) manages the town's talent show, showing that he is not a loser.

"This is my first time being the main character, so it was really cool," Gwinn said. "It was great, because it's an iconic character that everybody knows. I watched a couple episodes of *SpongeBob* the other day to try to play him."

Drama director Kimberly Simek wanted the students to do something they hadn't done before and create a production that would resonate with them, given that *SpongeBob* has been a childhood icon for over 20 years.

"It was the perfect chance for our drama students to exercise their comedy chops as well as give everyone their own opportunity to shine," Simek said. "Previous shows have been more serious, and I think this might be actually the first one that's based off of cartoon characters. It provided the students with a bit of a springboard to develop their characters."



The mayor of Bikini Bottom (Isabella Allen) tells citizens that the eruption from Mount Humongous is imminent.



SpongeBob is more than just a simple sponge; he is adored throughout the years.

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Marine Park

Love is in the Air — and Adorning the Houses

By Amanda Salazar

With the dreary weather that's been hammering Brooklyn lately — mounds of clumpy snow, overcast gray skies and below-freezing temperatures — it seems that light, color and joy are in high demand right now.

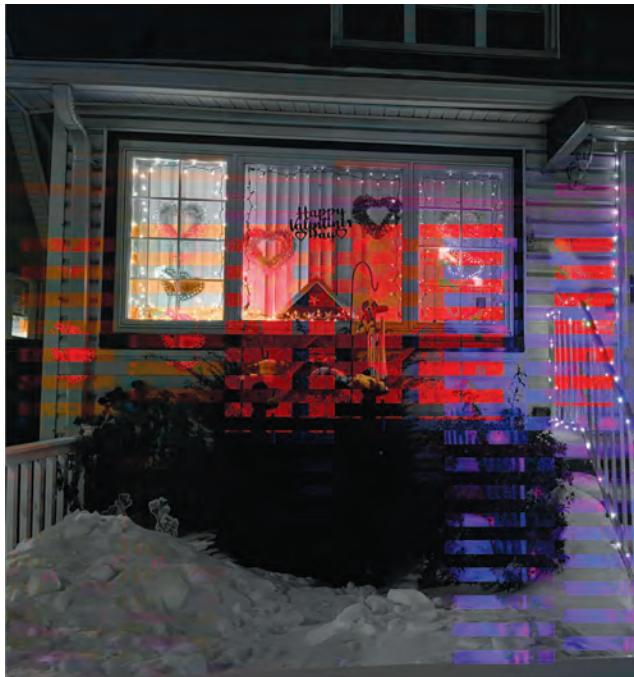
Well, that's exactly what some households in the Marine Park area are supplying the neighborhood with through their Valentine's Day decorations.

While many residents have allowed the thick snow cover to discourage their decorating spirit, some neighbors still took the time to put out joyful décor to celebrate V-Day.

Scattered throughout the community, spectators can find an array of heart-laden homes, with red and pink lights illuminating their windows and friendly figures popping out of snow-covered front yards. Candy hearts, teddy bears and roses — common gifts for the day of love — can be seen displayed on the festive homes, accented by twinkle lights. Some residents even took the time to wrap their trees, bushes or porches entirely in string lights.

Any local who wishes to spot some of these lovely decorations should visit Fillmore Avenue, Kimball Street and Hendrickson Street, among others.

A drive through the neighborhood could be a fun way to enjoy the displays with young children, while a stroll arm-in-arm could be a romantic way to experience the beauty for couples — just be sure to dress warm.



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East New York

Firefighters Battle Heavy Blaze in Private Residence

By Lloyd Mitchell

Firefighters were confronted with heavy fire in a private residence at 301 Pennsylvania Avenue, between Sutter and Belmont Avenues, on Friday evening, February 6th.

Members from Engine Company 290 and Ladder 103 arrived to find fire on the first and second floor of a two-story, brick attached private residence around 5:50 p.m. Over 60 firefighters from 12 units aggressively attacked the fire using three hose lines to knock down the main body of fire.

There were no reported injuries, and the fire was placed under control at 7:15 p.m.

FDNY Fire Marshals will determine the cause of the fire.



Marine Park

Spreading African-American Customs at Black History Month Workshop

By Roger French

On Saturday, February 7th, the Marine Park Alliance (MPA) presented Dr. Myrah Brown Green in its Black History Month: Textile Arts Workshop at the Carmine Carro Community Center, 3000 Fillmore Avenue. With bone-chilling temperatures in the low single digits, a variety of guests — from high school students to senior citizens and representing multiple races and ethnicities — came from across the boroughs to attend the workshop.

At the event, Green, an adjunct professor of Art History at Medgar Evers College, demonstrated stitching techniques and spoke of the discipline that goes into quilting. There was a special moment in the teaching when she and her husband, Richard, presented her quilt, taking as much care to unfold the large piece as must have gone into its intricate stitching, color coordination, fabrics and design. "Quilting is something that can help keep the legacy of a generation alive," she said, of the long held African-American tradition.

Executive Director Scott Middleton stated that MPA was in its second year of hosting the workshop. "We want to do more to welcome the Black community into Marine Park," he said, alluding to the organization's planned Juneteenth affair. "It's Brooklyn's biggest park."

The event also boasted several student volunteers. Erin, 17, a senior and neuroscience major at Brooklyn Technical High School who's planning to study nursing in college, completed a perfect stitch during the workshop. "Sewing, you get to learn some hand movement that you might need in nursing," she said. The gathering also included Harlemites Kwolanne and Cat Lawrence. The couple, both 26, is into environmental

preservation and saw the Textile Arts Workshop as an opportunity to add to their studies.

Green, an award-winning author, has an upcoming book, *Keepers of a Movement: Black Collectors Who Preserve Art, Stories, and Legacies That Define Black Life*, from Schiffer, debuting on May 28th. "I wanted to preserve this history," she said. "It's available now for preorder on Amazon and at Barnes & Noble."

When the festivities ended, attendees joined the MPA staff in celebrating the Textile Arts Workshop's second anniversary. To volunteer, contact Carri@marineparkalliance.org.



A big moment of the workshop were the Greens' unfolding of her quilt and connecting it to American history.



The Greens joined MPA's Scott Middleton and Carri Knorr, volunteers and first-time guests to the workshop.



LEGAL NOTICES



KINGS COUNTY SUMMONS

S U P P L E M E N T A L SUMMONS IN TAX LIEN FORECLOSURE – SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF QUEENS – NYCTL 1998-2 TRUST, and THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON as Collateral Agent and Custodian for the NYCTL 1998-2 Trust, Plaintiffs, TANA MEADOWS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF BOB MEADOWS, et. al., Defendants. Index No. 511262/24. To the above named Defendants –YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service or within thirty days after service is completed if the summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. Plaintiffs designate Kings County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the county in which the property a lien upon which is being foreclosed is situated. The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to the Order of the Hon. Derefin B. Neckles, J.S.C., entered on February 3, 2026. The object of this action is to foreclose a tax lien covering the premises located at Block 4415 Lot 1190 on the Tax Map of Kings County and also known as 122-05 Flatlands Avenue, Unit 7, Apt. 3B, Brooklyn, NY 11207.

Dated: February 6, 2026

BRONSTER, LLP, Attorney for Plaintiffs NYCTL 1998-2 TRUST, and THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON as Collateral Agent and Custodian for the NYCTL 1998-2 Trust, By: Leonid Krechmer, Esq. 156 West 56th Street, Suite 703 New York, NY 10019 (212) 558-9300

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Notice is hereby given that a license number **Application ID NA-0370-26-102729** for **on-premises liquor** has been applied for by **Swedish Schnapps LLC** to sell **beer, cider, liquor and wine** at a retail in a **restaurant** under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at **100-112 Bond Street, Brooklyn, NY 11217** for on premises consumption.

KINGS COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of formation of Ramsay Studios. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/16/2025. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as an agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Legal Zoom: ramsaypilates@gmail.com. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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Notice is hereby given a license, NYS Application ID: NA-0370-26-102486 for beer, wine, cider and liquor has been applied for by the undersigned to sell beer, wine, liquor and cider at retail in a tavern under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 86 34th Street- Suite D117, Building No.6/ Industry City, Brooklyn, NY 11232 for on-premises consumption. Brooklyn Game Knight Inc., Brooklyn Game Knight

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Walter Vincent Clark Jr.
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Walter's career was marked by a diverse range of roles including serving as a Court Clerk for the State of New York, working at the United States Postal Service, and holding various civilian jobs. His commitment to service was evident in both his military and civilian life.

A man of deep faith, Walter was an active member of the Ephesus Seventh Day Adventist Church. He spent his leisure time quoting Bible verses and taking family outings, embedding cherished memories with those he loved.

Walter was preceded in death by his mother, Anna L. Thrower; his sister, Gloria Denis Brathwaite; and brothers, Gregory and James Edward Clark. He is survived by his children, Walter Reginald, Edward Vincent, Robert, Tyneisha, Michael, Timothy, and Maurice Clark, along with a host of grandchildren, cousins, nieces, nephews, and close friends.

Services will be held at the Ephesus Seventh Day Adventist church, located at 101 West 123rd Street, New York, NY 10027. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Walter's memory can be made to the Ephesus Seventh Day Adventist Church at the same address. Walter's spirit continues to live on through his family and the many lives he touched.

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Your return is considered filed on time if it is sent in an envelope that is properly addressed, has enough postage, is postmarked and deposited in the mail on or before the due date. If you file electronically, the date and time in your time zone when your return is transmitted controls whether your return is filed timely. You will later receive an electronic acknowledgement that the IRS has accepted your electronically filed return.

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If the Service determines you to be affected by a federally declared disaster, a significant fire or a terroristic or military action, you may have up to one year after the due date of your return to file and pay taxes, depending on the deadline specified by the Service.

If you're living and working outside the United States and Puerto Rico or in the military or naval service on duty outside the United States and Puerto Rico, you may qualify for an automatic two-month extension to file and pay the tax.

Extensions to file - If you cannot file by the due date of your return, you should request an extension. To request an automatic six-month extension of time to file your return, you must file Form 4868 by the original due date of your return. An extension of time to file is not an extension of time to pay, so you'll owe interest if the tax you owe isn't paid by the original due date of your return. You may also be subject to a late-payment penalty on any tax not paid by the original due date of your return.

How to File

You may want to file your return electronically, instead of mailing it, to receive your refund faster. Most professional tax return preparers offer electronic filing of tax returns with their return preparation services and may charge a fee to file your return electronically. Also, when you prepare your return yourself using tax-preparation software, you may have to pay a fee to file your return electronically.

If you mail a paper Form 1040 or Form 1040-SR, it can take six weeks to process. Be sure to attach:

- A copy of all Forms W-2 to the **front** of your return.
- Copies of Form W-2G, Form 1099-R and any other income document, if there was federal

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- Any other applicable forms the instructions indicate to attach to the **front** of your return.
- Related schedules and forms **behind** your return in the order of the sequence number located in the upper right-hand corner of the schedule or form.
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If you file a joint return, **both** spouses must sign the return. If your spouse cannot sign because of a medical condition and requests that you sign the return, sign your spouse's name in the proper place, followed by the words "By (your name), Spouse." Be sure to also sign in the regular space provided for your signature. Attach a dated statement signed by you that includes the form number of the return you're filing, the tax year, the reason your spouse cannot sign the return and that your spouse has agreed to your signing for them. If you're the guardian for your spouse who is mentally incompetent, you may sign the return for your spouse as "guardian."

If your spouse cannot sign the return for any other reason, you may only sign it if you have a valid power of attorney. You should attach the document granting you power of attorney to the return.

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Where to File

When you e-file a return, since it's electronically transmitted, you don't need to worry about sending it to the right area. However, when filing a paper return, send it to the address indicated in the instructions for the form you're filing.

When you owe a balance - For detailed information on paying your taxes by credit or debit card, digital wallet, other electronic payment options or cash, visit the IRS's Make a Payment page. If you prepare your return using tax-preparation software, consult your software's instructions to determine how to make payment through the software.

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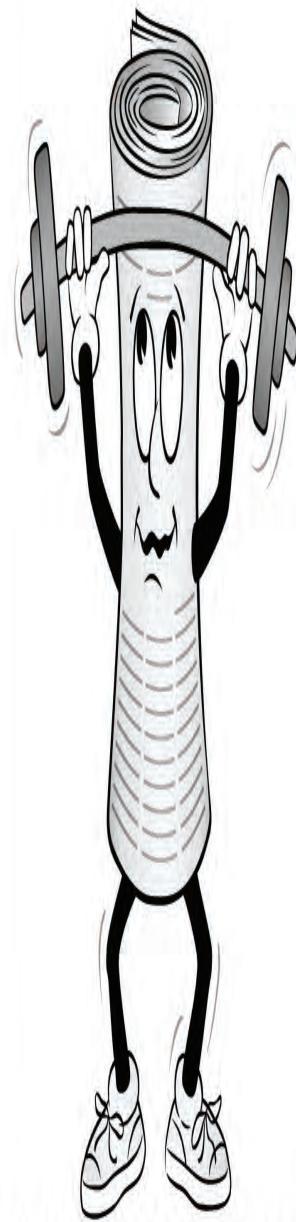
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