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Tax Season is Here — And So is a Threat to Small Homeowners

By Jibreel Jalloh

With the April tax deadline fast approaching, families across our neighborhood are once again sitting at their kitchen tables, going through receipts, checking numbers and asking the same question they ask every year: can we afford this? For too many in our community, the answer is getting harder.

Tax season is supposed to be about accountability, but it's also a moment of truth. Because for working families, small homeowners and retirees on fixed incomes, every dollar counts — and right now, the conversation around a potential property tax increase couldn't come at a worse time. We've seen the headlines: a proposed hike of nearly 10% to help close budget gaps. That may look like a line item on paper, but here in our neighborhood it means higher monthly bills for homeowners already stretched thin.

Let's be clear about who this impacts. Our neighborhood is not a place of luxury towers and absentee landlords — it's a community of small property homeowners, families who worked for decades to buy their homes and are now

being squeezed from every direction. Groceries are up, insurance is up, utilities are up, gas is up — and now we're being told property taxes might go up too. That's not sustainable.

You cannot balance the city's budget on the backs of small property homeowners. You cannot ask working-class communities to carry a heavier load while they're already struggling to stay afloat. When property taxes rise, the impact is immediate: families delay repairs, seniors worry about staying in their homes and the pressure begins to reshape entire neighborhoods.

We should be talking about relief, not increases — about protecting long-time homeowners, not pricing them out. There are other ways to address budget challenges that don't fall disproportionately on communities like ours. Because if we continue down this path, we risk eroding the very foundation that makes neighborhoods like ours strong: stability, homeownership and the ability for families to stay rooted.

As April 15th draws closer, the urgency is real — not just to file on time, but to recognize what's at stake. Our com-



munity cannot afford a property tax hike. And as the tax deadline arrives, let that be the message from our neighborhood: we will pay what we owe — but we will not accept being asked to carry more than our fair share.

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. 15



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TUES. APRIL 14TH Tot Time Tuesdays (weekly until the 28th, recommended ages 2 to 5) Shirley Chisholm State Park - Hendrix Creek Patio 1750 Granville Payne Avenue 10 to 11:30 a.m.

SAT. APRIL 11TH Puppets at the Park: Last One's a Rotten Egg! Shirley Chisholm State Park - Hendrix Creek Patio 1750 Granville Payne Avenue Showings: 1 to 1:20 p.m., 1:40 to 2 p.m., 2:20 to 2:40 p.m.

TUES. APRIL 14TH Assemblywoman Jaime Williams: Department of Social Services Visit District Office 5318 Avenue N 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Register at 718-252-2124.

MON. APRIL 13TH 69th Precinct Community Council: Job Fair H.E.S. - Gymnasium 9502 Seaview Avenue 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Register at https://2026CanarsieJobFair.eventbrite.com.

TUES. APRIL 14TH Mill Basin Civic Association Meeting Thomas Jefferson Democratic Club 5809 Avenue T 6:30 p.m.

MON. APRIL 13TH Painting for Adults Paerdegat Library 850 East 59th Street 10:30 a.m.

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East New York

# Firefighters Contain Fire in Private Dwelling



By Lloyd Mitchell

Firefighters made short work of a fire in a private residence at 510 Hegeman Avenue, off of Sheffield Avenue, on Friday, April 3rd.

Firefighters from Tower Ladder 170 and Engine Company 257 arrived to find fire on the first floor of a two-story, flat-roof house around 8:30 a.m. About 12 units and 65 firefighters used one hose line to douse the flames. Searches throughout the building were negative, and the fire was placed under control at 9 a.m. There were no injuries reported.

Brownsville

# Two Alarm Fire Injures 15 People, Displaces Five

By Lloyd Mitchell

Firefighters were confronted with heavy smoke from a two-story building at 42 Lott Avenue, off of Herzl Street, around 5 a.m. on Thursday, April 2nd.

Members from Engine Company 283 and Tower Ladder 170 fought the blaze that engulfed the first and second floor of the two-story mixed occupancy building, causing two fire victims to jump from the building to escape the flames.

As the first hose line was being stretched and placed into operation, fire blew out of the first-floor rear of the

building. The 58th Battalion then transmitted a second alarm, and a third fire victim was removed from the building.

Over 100 firefighters used three hose lines to knock down the main body of fire. Paramedics transported 13 residents with minor injuries and two others with serious injuries to local hospitals for treatment; at least five residents were displaced. The fire was placed under control at 6:08 a.m. by Division 15.

The FDNY's Fire Marshal's Office will determine the cause and origin of the fire.



East Flatbush

# Firefighters Battle Two Alarm Blaze in Rear of Attached Homes

By Lloyd Mitchell

Firefighters were confronted with heavy fire in the rear of two attached houses at 836 and 838 Brooklyn Avenue, located between Linden Blvd. and Lenox Road, on Tuesday, March 31st.

Members of Engine Company 248 and Ladder Company 174 arrived to find heavy fire on the first floor of one home around 8:10 p.m. Members quickly deployed multiple hose lines and used an aggressive interior attack. The 41st Battalion called for a second alarm, as fire spread to another dwelling. Around 100 firefighters operated at the fire, and no injuries were reported.

The FDNY Fire Marshal's Office will investigate the cause and origin of the blaze.



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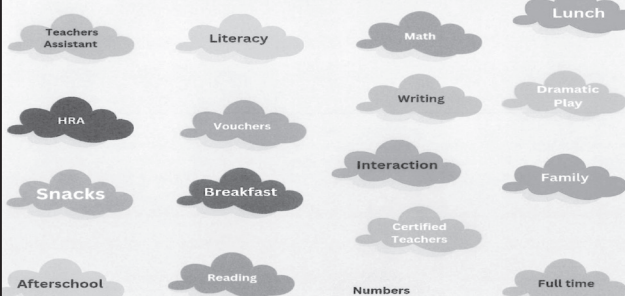
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### Councilwoman Narcisse Hosts Easter Eggstravaganza

By Angela G. Nannetti

Councilwoman Mercedes Narcisse hosted an Easter Eggstravaganza at Power Playground, located at Utica Avenue and Avenue N, on Saturday afternoon, April 4th. The park was brimming with happy children, enjoying the warm weather, playing on swings and slides, and participating in many of the fun activities being offered. There was music, face painting, a coloring station, snacks, raffles and much more on offer for local children to enjoy.



Families enjoy the Eggstravaganza.



Councilwoman Mercedes Narcisse makes sure the "Eggstravaganza" runs smoothly.



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# CMA – 5th Annual Urban Community Gardening Initiative



On March 18th, the Canarsie Merchants Association hosted its 5th Annual Urban Community Gardening Initiative at Kut Creations, located at 9315 Avenue L. This event was designed to inspire community members to start growing their own food right at home, no matter how much space they have.

It highlighted how simple and convenient it can be to grow fresh fruits, vegetables and herbs, whether in a backyard, on a balcony or even indoors. Beyond convenience, the event also focused on the many benefits of growing your own food. When you grow your own produce, you have full control over what goes into it – free from unnecessary chemicals and additives, giving you peace of mind about what you are consuming. Additionally, home gardening can significantly reduce grocery expenses, making it cost-effective during the growing season.

We ensured that participants were provided with all the essential tools and resources needed to begin their gardening journey. Our volunteer, Joy, who has hands-on gardening experience, was also present to offer guidance, share her knowledge and lead a live demonstration on proper planting techniques. We prepared over 300 starter kits, each filled with four seed packets, potting soil, a planting pot, a daffodil bulb and a label to get started.

As always, we continue to push the importance of literacy by having a section dedicated to books. We also had banana bread and ginger orange tea from Canarsie Blend as light bites for people to enjoy.

The event was attended by community members and clients from Unique Care Community Services, an organization that offers personalized support for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, as well as seniors from Golden Age of Brooklyn Adult Day Care.

With spring arriving on March 20th, it was the ideal time to get started, especially as daffodils were beginning to bloom along the corridors. Over the years, we have planted more than 3,000 daffodil bulbs in these areas, and during the event, it was amazing to see many of them starting to blossom.

We are thankful for our partners, Oak Street Health and NHS, for their support during the event. Thank you to Ivor, the owner of Kut Creations, for allowing us to host the event in front of his business. Thank you to Atiya Pope and Towaun Watson, BRC Interns from Medgar Evers College, for their assistance and making the event a success. As we continue promoting sustainability within the community, we look forward to having you join us for our Earth Day event on April 22nd. Be sure to follow us on social media to stay updated on upcoming events and announcements.

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## Bergen Beach

## St. Bernard Church Holds Good Friday Procession



A couple displays their cross at the first station.



A very sweet little parishioner holds up his family's cross at the last station.

By Angela G. Nannetti

Parishioners gathered outside St. Bernard Church, located at 2055 East 69th Street, following the 3 p.m. Mass on Good Friday (April 3rd) to participate in the parish's traditional procession throughout the neighborhood, sometimes called the Outdoor Stations of the Cross.

Escorted by police officers from the 63rd Precinct, who provided protection, Pastor, Father John Maduri, and Seminarian Aidan Birth led the large group through the streets of Bergen Beach. The group stopped at 14 homes, representing the 14 stations, where families displayed the crosses that had been in their care throughout the Lenten season. They prayed, recited readings and sang "Were You There" and "Jesus, Remember Me" until they returned to the church for supper. Boy Scout Troop 76 generously served up bowls of hot vegetarian soup and bread to all who participated and raffled off a number of Easter baskets.

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Pastor John Maduri and Seminarian Aidan Birth prepare to begin the Good Friday procession.

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Marine Park

# Volunteers Care for Street Trees Along Avenue S

By Angela G. Nannetti

The Marine Park Young Adults partnered with NYC Parks on Saturday, March 28th, for a morning of urban greening and community care.

More than 30 volunteers showed up, despite the cold, donned garden gloves and took up gear, working in small groups to weed and mulch scores of street trees along Avenue S, beginning at East 34th Street.

The avenue is a quiet kind of business corridor, lined with quaint little shops. A number of proprietors, unaccustomed to all the foot traffic, came outside to see what was going on. "This is great," one said. "It's so nice of them to do this. It benefits the whole neighborhood."



Volunteers weed around street trees to prepare for mulch.



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## Local Theatre Company Puts Kids in the Director's Seat



12-year-old student playwright/director Miguel Alessandro Bonilla Osorio (far right) directs a scene from his original play, *The Last Slice of Happiness*, featuring professional adult actors. Left to right: Arik Hartman, Jennifer Herusso, Matt Socci and James Baker.



Actors Bree Monet Crites, Genesis Ramos-Bravo and Arik Hartman in *You Don't Understand*, written and directed by 13-year-old Kieran Lavin.

By Clifford Wilburini

Triple Promise Academy, Bay Ridge's premier performing arts school for kids and teens, is turning the world of theatre education upside down this spring!

Founded in 2022 by Jill and Nicholas Hudson, Triple Promise Academy for the Performing Arts offers a plethora of classes and theatre-production programs for kids and teens of all ages and experience levels.

What makes their new series of shows so unique is that this time around, the kids and adults have swapped places! Yes, you heard that right; the kids are writing their own shows and are directing adult professional actors who are stepping into the spotlight!

The first production of this kind opened March 27th and featured five, original, ten-minute plays written and directed by students ranging in age from 9 to 13.

Playwright and director Kieran Lavin (13), of Bay Ridge, made his playwriting debut with last month's production. "I love seeing my ideas come to life, trying different things and seeing what works," he said. "I like directing adults. These actors are professionals who understand the concepts and deliver on cue."

Samantha Epstein (11) agrees. "I like writing my own scripts because I can decide how the story goes. It's really cool directing a show that I actually wrote."

And it's not just the kids who are enjoying the experience. Professional actor Arik Hartman adamantly stated, "Don't call these children 'future directors.' They're directing, right here and right now."

Fellow castmate Matthew Socci echoed Hartman's sentiments. "It's really important for artists to support each other, regardless of age, and these directors have given us a great opportunity."

John Ivy, another actor in the show, shared, "It's been an incredibly fun experience working with such talent at such a young age. I certainly wish I had been graced with such a program when I was ten."

Triple Promise parents are thrilled at the leadership opportunities this program offers. Melissa Lavin, Kieran's mother, said, "It is a huge accomplishment for my son, as a teenager, to direct professional actors in a play that he created. His new career goal is to be a director, and he is so proud of the hard work he is putting into something that he loves so much."

Now that the first show has closed, the students are diving back into the playwriting process, creating new scripts for the next production, which will open in a couple of months.

For show tickets and program information, visit [www.triplepromise.com](http://www.triplepromise.com).



Actors Nicholas Hudson and John Ivy in *Bloodlit*, written and directed by 9-year-old Cadell West.

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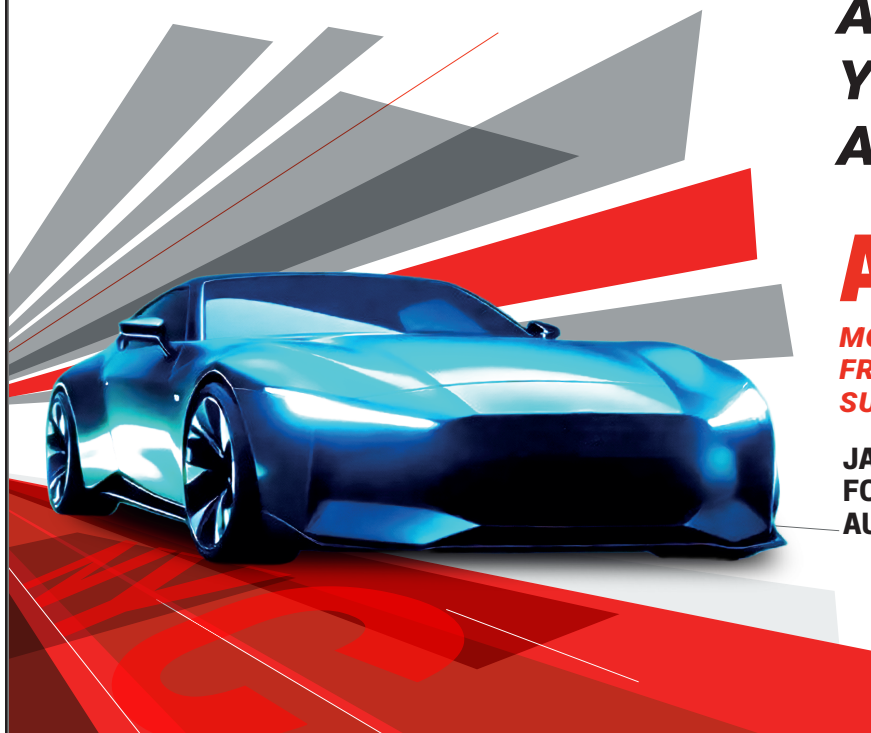
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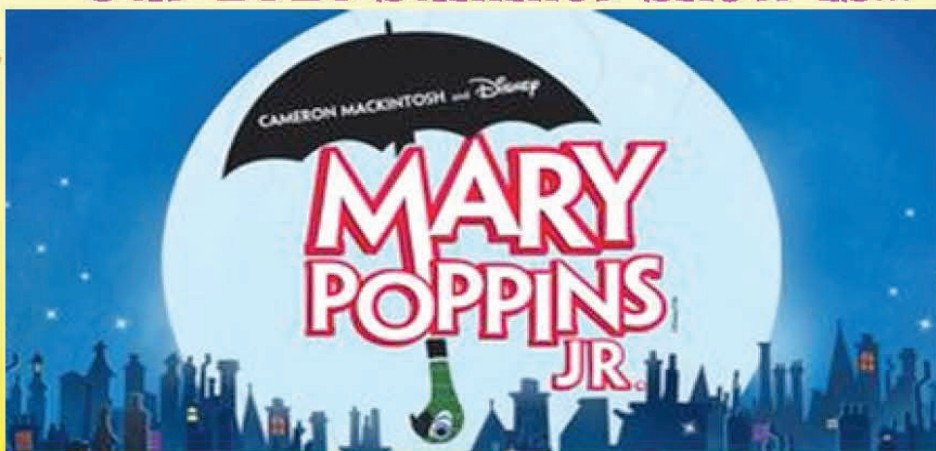
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Marine Park

# Taiko Masala Thunder Drummers Usher in Spring

By Angela G. Nannetti

To celebrate cherry blossom season, the Marine Park Alliance (MPA), with support from Assemblywoman Jaime Williams, invited the community to gather under the trees in the grove located at East 36th Street and Avenue U, on Saturday afternoon, April 4th, for authentic and contemporary taiko (drumming) and fue (Japanese bamboo flute) music from Taiko Masala.

The athletic and energetic performance delighted visitors who couldn't seem to get enough of the music. Kids and adults alike were entranced by the strong rhythms and reverberating beats that make the style unique and powerful. Afterward, children were invited to join staff from the Brooklyn Public Library who read seasonal stories, played the ukulele and did arts and crafts.

The MPA donated five cherry blossoms to the grove on the day of the celebration.



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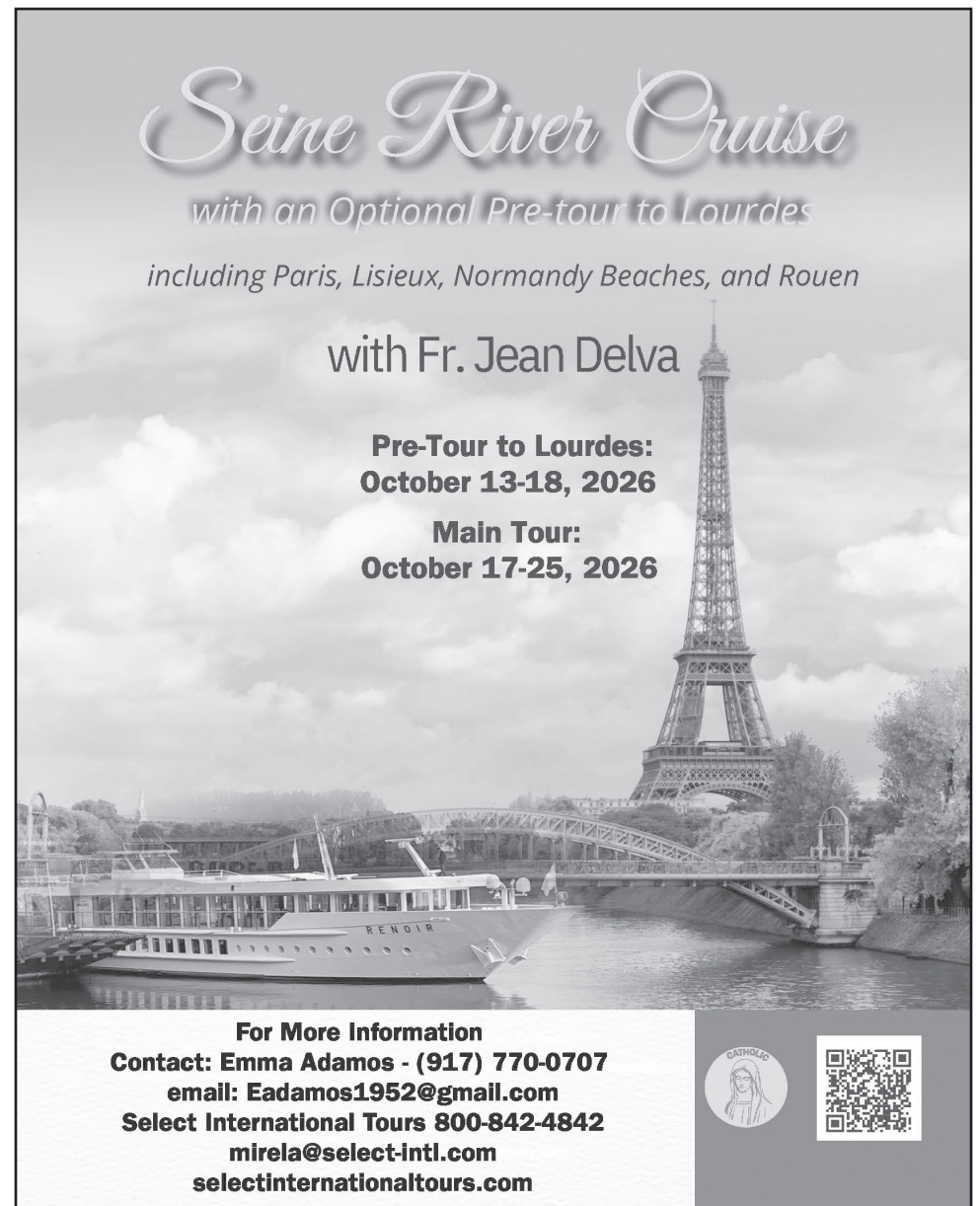
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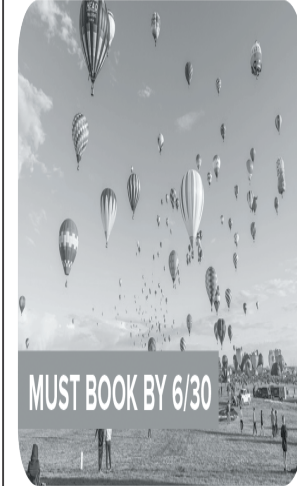
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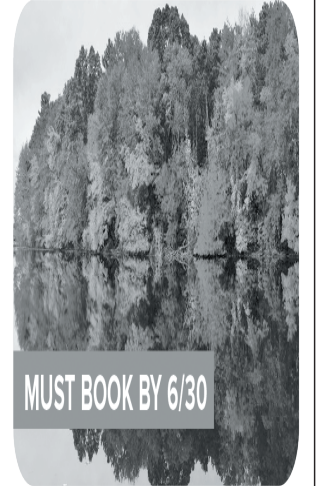
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Gerritsen Beach

# Neighborhood Clad in Green for Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade

By Kari Lleras



Jimmy Donovan (right) stands with parade participants at parade sign-in.



Young ladies from the O'Malley Irish Dance Academy "step" throughout the parade.

A majority of customers coming and going from the Gerritsen Avenue Key Food were wearing some hue of green in preparation for the much-anticipated 16th Annual Gerritsen Beach St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 28th – and warm green bagels from Gerritsen Bagels were certainly inviting on a rather chilly Saturday morning.

This parade has become a tradition in March when Gerritsen Beach comes out to celebrate the Irish holiday, music, dance, the memory of the Donovan family and the sense of community.

Gerritsen Beach, historically, has been predominantly populated with Irish-American families, including the Donovan family. The late Tom and Dolores Donovan started a marching band in the Gerritsen Beach community in the 60s. Some of those band members are playing to this day. "My family has a history of marching bands and pipe bands; we're the musical family, I guess you can call it," Jimmy Donovan said. He's the son of Tom and Dolores, as well as the Gerritsen Drum Major and parade organizer.

He applauded the Gerritsen Beach community for stepping up each year with their generous donations and contributions. They raised \$4,500 this year, which will pay bands, dancers, bartenders and a clean-up crew. Any leftover money will be donated to St. James Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Twenty-four groups either walked or were included in the 2026 parade. The Gerritsen Beach Marching Band, Veggies, Little League, local Boy and Girl Scouts, Clan Erin Pipes Band, O'Malley Step Dancers, Ladies and Ancient Order of the Hibernians, Knight of Columbus #126 Pipes & Drums, along with so many other groups, walked in the parade along Gerritsen Avenue.

The parade's grand marshal was Phil Parker. Irishman of the Year was James Cappiello, and Irishwoman of the Year was Kelly (Denver) Burke. The Donovans and residents of Gerritsen Beach look forward to next year's parade.



The Classy Little Einsteins from the Early Education Center were all smiles as they walked the parade route.



Drum Major Jimmy Donovan leading the Knights of Columbus #126 Pipes and Drums in the parade.

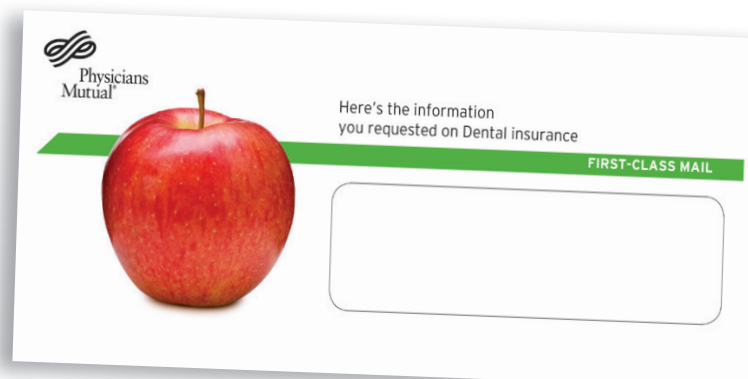
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## KINGS COUNTY LEGAL NOTICE

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Accounting Citation

File No. 2019-553/B

SURROGATE'S COURT, KINGS COUNTY  
CITATION

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,  
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TO: Attorney General of the State of New York, New York City Human Resources Administration Office of Legal Affairs, LRU, New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, TDAB Estate Tax/Waiver of Citation Unit, Andrew Stein, Larry Josepher a/k/a Lawrence Josepher, Bonnie Oberman, Jack Kloc, Eva Weinman, and the Spouse, if any, and any and all unknown distributees and creditors of Paul Tugender, Deceased, whose whereabouts are unknown and if any of the aforesaid persons be dead, to their heirs at law, next of kin and distributees whose names and places of residence are unknown and if the persons died subsequent to the Decedent herein, to their Executors, Administrators, legatees, devisees, assignees, and successors in interest whose names and places of residence are unknown and to all other heirs at law, next of kin and distributees of Paul Tugender, the Decedent herein, whose names and places of residence are unknown and cannot after due diligence be ascertained,

A Second Amended Petition and a Second Amended Account having been duly filed by Public Administrator of Kings County, the Petitioner for the Estate of Paul Tugender, whose office is located at 360 Adams Street, Room 144, Brooklyn, New York 11201.

YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Kings County, at 2 Johnson Street, Room 319 Brooklyn, New York 11201 by on May 21, 2026, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why the account of Public Administrator of Kings County, a summary of which has been served on you along with this Citation, as Administrator of the estate Paul Tugender should not be judicially settled (approved by the Court) and why the following relief should not be granted:

- (a) The Public Administrator of Kings County shall be paid his commissions pursuant to SCPA 2307 in the amount of \$75,010.86 as set forth in Schedule I of the Account, or such other amount as the Court may fix and determine;
- (b) The Public Administrator of Kings County shall be paid his administrative expense pursuant to SCPA 1106(3) in the amount of \$26,404.34, as set forth in Schedule J of the Account, or such other amount as the Court may fix and determine;
- (c) The Court fix, determine, and approve the legal fees of Armena D. Gayle, Esq., Counsel to the Petitioner, in the amount of \$126,713.02 as shown in Schedule J of the Account, or such other amount as the Court may fix and determine;
- (d) The claim of the New York State Department of Taxation, if any, shall be fixed and determined;
- (e) The claim of the New York City Human Resources Administration, if any, shall be fixed and determined;
- (f) The Court shall fix, determine, and approve the claim of Kenneth A. Schneider in the amount of \$796.00 for reimbursement of Administration expenses associated with the Decedent, shall be fixed and determined, and if not so fixed and determined, shall be deemed rejected;
- (g) The Petitioner be permitted to distribute the net Estate to the Decedent's distributees as now known or hereafter determined and to deposit any amount not so distributed with the Commissioner of Finance of the City of New York to be held for the benefit of Decedent's unknown distributees or for the benefit of any distributee of the Decedent who are under disability for whom no Guardian of the Property has been appointed;
- (h) Process be issued to all necessary parties who have not appeared to show cause why the relief requested should not be granted; and that an Order be granted directing the service of process pursuant to the provision of SCPA Article 3 upon such person named in Paragraph (6) whose names or whereabouts are unknown and cannot be ascertained or who may be person on whom service by personal delivery cannot be made;
- (i) The Petitioner, upon fully complying with the Decree to be made in this proceeding, be released and discharged of and from any and all liability, responsibility, and accountability with respect to the Petitioner's acts and proceeding as Administrator as set forth and embraced in said account and the Court grant such other and further relief as it deems just and proper; and
- (j) The Petitioner be permitted to reserve, subject to Court approval, such amount as Counsel recommends for the preparation of Federal and/or State fiduciary tax returns and for the payment of any tax that may be due.

Dated, Attested, and Sealed,

HON. Hon. Bernard J. Graham  
Bernard J. Graham, Surrogate

March 23, 2026

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### SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT

<b>CHARGES:</b>			
Schedule A	Principal Received	1,746,390.08	
Schedule A-1	Realized Increases in Principal	828,296.69	
Schedule A-2	Income Collected	65,747.37	
Schedule G	Unrealized increases in principal	0.00	
	<b>Total Charges</b>	<b>\$2,640,434.14</b>	<b>\$2,640,434.14</b>
<b>CREDITS:</b>			
Schedule B	Realized Decreases in Principal	22,888.26	
Schedule C	Funeral and Administration Expenses	318,387.94	
Schedule D	Creditor's Claims Actually Paid	0.00	
Schedule E	Distributions of Principal	0.00	
Schedule G	Unrealized decreases in principal	0.00	
	<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>\$341,276.20</b>	<b>\$341,276.20</b>
	<b>Charges Minus Credits</b>		<b>\$2,299,157.94</b>
<b>PRINCIPAL BALANCE ON HAND:</b>			
Schedule G	Principal balance on hand		<b>\$2,299,157.94</b>

The foregoing balance of \$2,299,157.94 consists of \$2,299,157.94 in cash and \$0.00 in other property on hand as of February 25, 2026. It is subject to unpaid administration expenses, as set forth in Schedule C-1 of the Account, creditors' claims, if any, as set forth in Schedule D of the Account, as approved and determined by the Court.

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FILE NO. 2024-1926  
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CITATION  
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
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TO: Francesco Frank DiRienzo - whereabouts unknown.  
ANY and all unknown persons whose names or parts of names, and whose place or places of residence are unknown, and cannot after diligent inquiry be ascertained, distributees, heirs at law and next of kin of the said MARY DIFILIPPI, and if any of said distributees, heirs at law and next of kin of the said deceased be dead, their legal representatives, their husbands or wives, if any, distributees and successors in interest whose names and/or places of residence and post offices are unknown.  
A petition having been duly filed by KAREN CANI who is domiciled at 595 20TH Street, Brooklyn, New York 11218.  
MAY 21, 2026

"  
YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Kings County, at 2 Johnson Street, Room 319, Brooklyn, New York, on at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why a decree should not be made in the estate MARY DIFILIPPI, lately domiciled 63 BAY 13TH Street, Brooklyn, NY 11214, admitting to probate a Will dated January 30th, 2012, a copy of which is attached, as the Will of MARY DIFILIPPI, Deceased, relating to real and personal property, and directing that

(□) Letters Testamentary issue to KAREN CANI

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MARCH 11, 2026

HON. BERNARD J. GRAHAM,

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Attorney for Petitioner: ACCURSIA C. GALLAGHER, ESQ.  
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SURROGATE'S COURT - KINGS COUNTY  
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TO Joan A. Skroly a/k/a Joan Skroly a/k/a Joan Bennett, sister of the Decedent, whose whereabouts are unknown, if she be living, and if she be dead, to her Executors, Administrators, Creditors, and Lienors, their husbands or wives or successors in interest.  
A petition having been duly filed by Marco Ventrella who is domiciled at 202 Chestnut Hill Road, Wilton, Connecticut, 06897-4109

YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Kings County, at 2 Johnson Street, Room 319, Brooklyn, New York, on May 21 2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why a decree should not be made in the estate of RONALD V. SKROLY a/k/a Ronald Skroly a/k/a Ronald Vincent Skroly lately domiciled at 82 Bay 8th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11228 admitting to probate a Will dated August 8, 2018 deceased, relating to real and personal property, and directing that Letters Testamentary issue to Marco Ventrella Letters of Trusteeship issue to

Letters of Trusteeship to Marco Ventrella f/b/o Timothy Batycki

Letters of Trusteeship to Marco Ventrella f/b/o Landon Ventrella

Letters of Trusteeship to Marco Ventrella f/b/o Gavin Ventrella

Dated, Attested and Sealed

Hon /s/ Bernard J Graham

March 24, 2026 /s/ Lisa M Mathis, Chief Clerk

Bruno F. Codispoti, Esq.

Attorney for Petitioner

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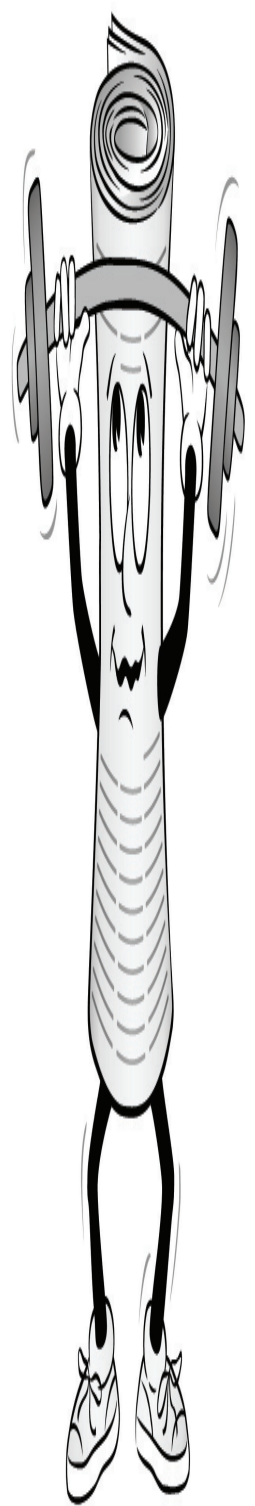
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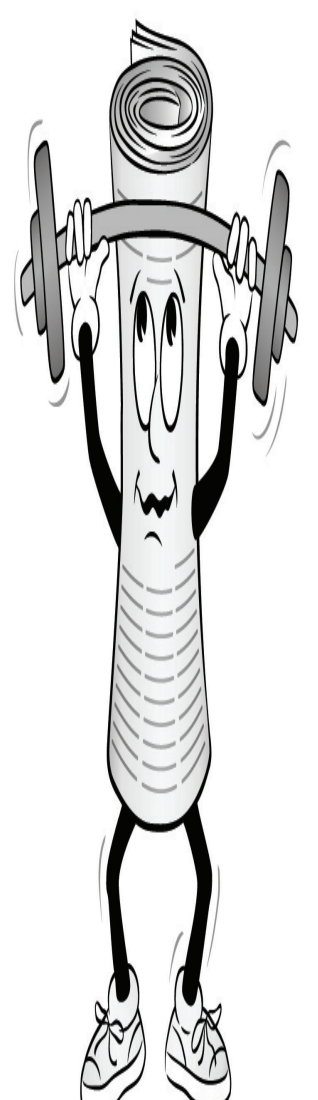
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