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ASSEMBLY MEMBER'S MESSAGE

It was just a short five years ago that Super Storm Sandy destroyed so much of our district. The five year anniversary of Super Storm Sandy has just occurred and in light of the recent hurricane that plagued the Caribbean, I believe we should take note of how we helped one another during Sandy. At that time I was working as a social worker for Catholic Charities and I witnessed the residents of Canarsie, Coney Island and Far Rockaway trying to resume their lives. The lessons of Super Storm Sandy will remain, and we are always going to be looked to for assistance in helping overcome tragedies as this is a cornerstone of our great 59th Assembly District.



RECENT LEGISLATION

Assembly passes extender of ticket resale law – protecting the consumers and residents of New York

“On the turn of a dime the technology utilized to sell tickets for entertainment venues changes, without proper safety protocols in place the average consumer becomes a target and a victim, a practice I will not allow on my watch,” remarked Assembly Member Williams. Assembly Member Williams brought to fruition and voted to extend the current bill and monitor the ticket resale

practice. Bill A7701 allows accommodating for the market as it evolves; ensuring the protection of consumers and their rights. This legislation allows for additional time to fully understand the effects that new technologies and other developments, with respect to ticket sales, will have on the industry and consumers alike.



Bay View Houses' Playgrounds Repainted

Sheryl Boyce, President of the Bay View Housing Association, Assembly Member Jaime Williams and the residents of Bay View Houses took on the task of repainting four of the pivotal playgrounds and play areas of the Bay View Houses. In addition the residents of Bay View all came out to help add their own touches on painting the other playgrounds and taking part in a clean-up of the various playgrounds. The community spirit and pride is adding new life to the Bay View Houses. One resident who resided at Bay View since its inception was exuding happiness in the clean-up, and painting.

Despite overwhelming heat, the beating sun and 95 degree temperatures, the Assembly Member along with her staff, Millennium Development, the resident volunteers of the Bay View Houses, the Neighborhood Coordination Officer Program of PSA #1, and the Explorers of PSA #1 turned a dreary playground into a world of fantasy and beauty. The new colors adorning the structures are there to complement the public annual gathering Bay View Houses celebrates with all of its residents.

Assembly Member supports and initiates bill to protect Tenant's Rights

Bill A10116 protects tenants. In 2009 New York State enacted the New York State Governor's proposal into law that included various provisions relating to foreclosure. One of the provisions of that law added a new section. This provision provides that tenants residing in properties under foreclosure have the right, as long as they continue to pay rent, to remain in the property for the remainder of their lease, unless the buyer intends to occupy the property. Tenants who enter into leases with landlords after

the commencement of a foreclosure who were not tenants at the time the foreclosure started were not covered. Since foreclosure proceedings often take longer than a year to complete, tenants who enter into leases, can find themselves without the benefit of notice. The new bill expands the definition of tenants entitled to notice of rights from those who were lawful tenants at the time the foreclosure was commenced to those who are lawful tenants during the pendency of the foreclosure action.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Neighborhood Coordination Officer Program

We are thrilled to announce the NYPD program that promises to bring cops closer to the people they serve — allowing rank-and-file officers for the first time to hold community meetings in the sectors they patrol. The NCO program is now in more than half the city's commands, including housing commands. The program aims to link NYPD Officers and members of the community to reduce crime. Locally the 61st Precinct plans to roll out the NCO Program in January of 2018. To find out your local NCO meeting and times, you can visit WWW.BUILDTHEBLOCK.NYC to sign up and access the other vital services detailed there. A list for our local NCO programs is below.

69th Precinct NCO Program						
Rank	Last Name	First Name	Precinct	E-MAIL	CELL PHONE	SECTOR
SGT	RIOS	JOSHUA	69	joshua.rios@nypd.org		Supervisor
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PO	AUSTIN	DANIEL	69	daniel.austin@nypd.org	929-428-6480	B
PO	PALTOO	Ashmeed	69	ashmeed.paltoo@nypd.org	917-853-1782	B
Det	GONZALEZ	FRANK	69	frank.gonzalez2@nypd.org	929-371-7078	C
PO	GORDILLO	VICTOR	69	victor.gordillo@nypd.org	929-499-7416	C
PO	KONCELIK	JEFFREY	69	jeffrey.koncelik@nypd.org	917-864-1330	D
PO	WOODS	MATTHEW	69	matthew.woods2@nypd.org	917-863-2164	D
PSA #1 NCO Program						
Rank	Last Name	First Name	PSA #1	E-MAIL	CELL PHONE	SECTOR
PO	VASSILATOS	GILBERT	PSA #1	Gilbert.Vassilatos@nypd.org	929-371-5070	Bay View +
PO	JACINTHE	IRVELT	PSA #1	Irvelt.Jacinthe@nypd.org	917-847-5148	Glenwood
SGT	YEARYARD	ANWAR	PSA #1	Anwar.Yearyard@nypd.org		Supervisor
63 Precinct NCO Program						
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PO	Hibbert	Kareem	63	Kareem.Hibbert@nypd.org	917-900-8746	
PO	McGrit-Joseph	Carla	63	Carla.McGritjoseph@nypd.org	929-343-7740	A
PO	Paschal	Melissa	63	Melissa.Paschal@nypd.org	929-291-0586	B
PO	NavarroCaraballo	Tricia	63	TriciaNavarroCaraballo@nypd.org	917-861-5879	B
PO	Cadet	Resner	63	Resner.Cadet@nypd.org	917-900-6258	C
PO	Saintil	James	63	James.Saintil@nypd.org	929-343-9709	C
PO	Ianno	Christopher	63	Christopher.Ianno@nypd.org	929-287-8984	D
PO	Altizermercado	Nicholas	63	Nicholas.Altizermercado@nypd.org	929-343-9709	D



E-Waste Recycling

The Lower East Ecology Center, in conjunction with New York State Assembly Member Jaime Williams, with the Georgetowne Shopping Center, Sholom & Zukerbrod Realty, LLC, and the new Fairway Market held two successful recycling events for all electronics including printers and other devices. Effective April 1, 2015, individuals can be fined \$100 for placing electronics, such as computers and TVs, at the curb for disposal. To help facilitate the disposal of the excess electronics in constituents' homes an E-Waste event was held at the Georgetowne Shopping Center. The line of cars was a constant; and the amount of television sets piled high was a sight to see. For those that were unable to attend the event, Assembly Member Williams anticipates another E-waste event in the near future and further details will be announced.



Haitian Unity Day

After years of being colonized by France, the flag's colors signify a history of seeking independence, freedom and a distinct cultural identity. The Assembly Member along with the residents of 69th Precinct Community Council, and the Haitian American Legislators, celebrated the rich culture and heritage behind the Haitian flag. Celebrating Haitian Unity Day is an important event that celebrates our unity and must be properly remembered.





Matrix Youth Adventure Reaches Ten-Year Milestone Anniversary

On August 26th 2017 Matrix Youth Adventure's 10th Anniversary was celebrated. Matrix Youth Adventure and Matrix Collision are independently and family owned business, operating at 1796 East 46th Street, Brooklyn New York and ensuring smiles on the faces of our youth. Matrix, which is not a franchise, believes in a one-on-one relationship with their customers, while maintaining a high standard of professionalism and is always ready to provide service to business

expos, family events, parades, holiday events and city celebrations as well as athletic events. Matrix is a community-minded organization which regularly performs work for various charities and other not-for-profit organizations. In celebration of their tenth year (10) anniversary of community get togethers, Matrix continues to live up to their mission to create the most unforgettable experience by giving back to the community.

KIDS ON THE MOVE



Blue Feather Graduation

Emerging stronger than ever after Super Storm Sandy, Geritsen Beach once again proves its value with the Brooklyn Blue Feather Elementary, an institution that rightly deserves the proper credit for the education and compassion it offers and instills. Brooklyn Blue Feather focuses on teaching academics, language, effective communication, and appropriate skills for extraordinary students exhibiting the strength to combat their challenges, and they do so with such grace and poise. Brooklyn Blue Feather hosted Assembly Member Jaime Williams at their Post-Graduation Celebration. Principal Zoe Ann Deeds hosted the event and led the cavalcade of enjoyment as students of Brooklyn Blue Feather Elementary progressed to their next level of education.



Bay View Houses First Harvest of 2017

Bay View Housing Association led the charge along with Assembly Member Williams in the first harvest of the Bay View Houses Urban Garden. Urban agriculture has gone from theory to practice and is literally transforming New York City's Landscape. Canarsie, once the home to the Canarsie Native Americans who lived in synch and harmony with their environment, is once again the proving ground for the success of urban farms. Sprawling throughout Bay View Houses' vast landscape is a large plethora of greens and crops. Assembly Member Williams was greeted by the residents bartering their mulch for fresh vegetables harvested directly from the soil that their own apartments share space with. John Cannizzo, the Farm Specialist, in conjunction with Tirrell T. Atford, the New York City Housing Authority Farm Manager, toured the lush landscape with the Assembly Member.



Blue Fish Festival

The Canarsie Pier hosted Assembly Member Jaime Williams, Millennium Development, the Famous Nick's Lobster, along with Stephen M. Zahn, the Regional Director of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Keith E. White, M. ED. from the National Park Service and Supervisory Ranger John Dasakalakis from the National Park Service and some wonderful volunteers to kick off the First Annual Inaugural Bluefish Festival celebrating aquatic life. PS 312, PS 203, PS 115 and others, joined in the festivities by taking part in aquatic themed activities such as sand art, fish gathering and staining, beach clean ups, bird watching, nature walking and even taking part in some environmentally friendly fishing. The Festival celebrates the need for the preservation of limiting the amount of Bluefish caught.

College News



Peter M. Cohen Appointed as Interim Acting President of Kingsborough Community College.

It is a great honor and pleasure to welcome Peter M. Cohen in his official capacity as Interim Acting President. Mr. Cohen's tenure with Kingsborough has spanned over 30 years. Mr. Cohen has overseen a broad range of services, including disability services, counseling, career development, athletics and veteran affairs. He began his professional life as a psychiatric social worker at

Coney Island Hospital, providing individual, family and group psychotherapy as well as educational and preventive outreach to the community.



HURRICANE RELIEF EFFORTS

Puerto Rico & Dominica

Assembly Member Jaime Williams, Assembly Member Maritza Davila, the New York State Chaplain Task Force, and North Brooklyn joined forces and travelled to Puerto Rico along with 21 volunteers to assist with the disaster relief from Hurricane Maria. Even four weeks after Hurricane Maria hit, 95 percent of Puerto Rico was still without power and fresh water. Residents were utilizing the supply from a water treated facility and walking miles back to their homes with the small traces of this fresh water. Our team of volunteers and elected officials were split into two groups and I had the pleasure of travelling to Ponce and Guayama where we met the Mayor of Guayama, Eduardo Cintron. Mayor Cintron expressed the immediate need for food and water for the residents. His pleas were heartfelt; the following day I, along with the other member of my team, delivered three pallets of food, water and other supplies to the residents of Guayama. We implemented the same relief efforts for other towns, however the means of entering the town were unavailable and team two, who we were with, utilized a rope and pulley system to ensure that residents received their supplies.

On October 20, 2017 only a few days after returning from Puerto Rico, my team and I traveled to Dominica and returned October 26, 2017. I, along with my Senior Community Liaison

Anne Richards, local Dominica resident Jean Joseph, and Community Activist Valerie Woodford made our way to the interior of the island where we assisted so many residents with much-needed supplies. We visited Roseau, Coulibistrie Street, Portsmouth, Pointe Michel, Soufriere, and Scotts Head. Over two-hundred care packages containing necessities and food were delivered to residents. Special thanks must go to the Red Cross for their donation of much-needed medical supplies to the patients in the Princess Margaret Hospital, specifically the pediatric ward. The goal of this humanitarian mission was to ensure that the effects of these storms are combated with care and love. Residents and organizations, not only from the 59th Assembly District, but from all over, contributed and we wish to thank: Destination Dominica Inc., Trinidad & Tobago Nurses Association of America, Inc., West Indian Day American Carnival Association, Caribbean American Center of New York, WBL5 107.5 MHz, Emmis Communications, Skip Dillard & Fatiyn Muhammad of WBL5, The Caribbean Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Digital Energy, Inc., Honorable Loreen Ruth Banis-Roberts- Permanent Representative of Dominica to the United Nations, Bayview Houses, and all others including residents of the 59th Assembly District, who generously contributed so much.

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York College Awarded Distinguished Honor

Assembly Member Williams had the distinguished honor to present York College with a Proclamation for all of its hard work and efforts in creating and maintaining a wonderful Social Work Program on March 7, 2017. The York College's Social Work Program is centered and dedicated to carrying out the mission of York College and preparing students in the most important profession of social work. The Social Work program is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education and prepares students for the beginning level of professional social work practice and provides students with professionally supervised training in agencies and empowerment-based practice skills. Dr. Selena T. Rodgers was present when this distinguished honor was presented to this wonderful institution and their master's program in Social Work.

