

Caribbean Life

BROOKLYN/STATEN ISLAND EDITION

FREE

www.caribbeanlifeneews.com

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS

December 25-31, 2015

CNG

Merry Christmas

from the Publisher & Staff



SUEDE
MODERN CARIBBEAN COISINE



Birthdays Dine Free!

Brunch | Lunch | Dinner

www.Suedenyc.com • IG: Suedenyc • 347-474-7328

BREAKTHROUGH TECHNOLOGY

RELIEVES BACK PAIN



DRX9000™

Local doctor treats herniated and bulging discs, sciatica, and serious lower back pain

**WITHOUT
BACK SURGERY**

Surgeons perform an estimated 300,000 to 400,000 back surgeries every year. Annually, neurosurgeons perform at least 100,000 operations for lumbar disc disease alone, and orthopedic surgeons perform a similar number. It is estimated that between 20% and 40% of these operations are unsuccessful.

That is why doctors from all over the country are racing to acquire and get trained to operate the DRX9000™, an FDA approved device that is saving thousands of Americans suffering from chronic back pain from going under the knife.

Dr. Melinda Keller, who treats serious back pain without surgery explains how the DRX9000™ works... "Over 10 years ago, NASA began to notice an unexpected result of space travel: Astronauts that left with back pain would come back without it. After investigated this now phenomenon here's what they found: During the anti-gravity state of the mission there were decompressive forces on the intervertebral

discs and back pain was relieved. How? When you travel through space, the effects of gravity are removed and you are in a weightless state. All the pressure is taken off your spine and discs. Even better — and this is the key — a negative pressure is created. This negative pressure actually sucks the herniated material back into the disc and allows it to heal. Thanks to the DRX9000™, disc herniation sufferers finally have a non-surgical solution."

The main conditions the DRX9000™ has documented success with are back pain, sciatica, herniated and/or bulging discs (single or multiple), degenerative disc disease, facet syndromes and a relapse or failure following back surgery.

Anyone wishing to learn more about this new FDA approved solution to back pain or to set up an appointment for a free consultation call Dr. Keller's office at 718-234-6207 or visit **Brooklyn Spine Center**, 5911 16th Ave., Brooklyn, New York 11204. Brooklynspinecenter.com.

Guyana Mission hosts luncheon for diplomats



Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams.

Associated Press / Frank Franklin II

Adams announces 'One Brooklyn' New Year's Eve celebration

By Nelson A. King

Brooklyn Borough President Eric L. Adams has announced plans for New Year's Eve celebrations in both Coney Island and Prospect Park for the second year in a row, giving Brooklynites greater access to family-friendly festivities.

Hosted by Borough President Adams, with lead sponsorship from Council Member Mark Treyger, Airbnb, NYC and Company, and the One Brooklyn Fund, Inc., the second annual New Year's Eve celebration in Coney Island will be highlighted by a digital "burst" of lights to ring in 2016 from the iconic Parachute Jump.

This year's Coney Island event at Steeplechase Plaza will once again complement his ongoing support of the 36th annual fireworks and festivities held in Grand Army Plaza, staged in partnership with the Prospect Park Alliance.

The party will begin in Coney Island at 9 pm, while Prospect Park's will commence at 11 pm.

"This New Year's Eve, whether you're a beachgoer or a landlubber, Brooklyn will be the place to be!" Adams said. "With fireworks in Coney Island and at Grand Army Plaza, and family-friendly activities on both ends of the borough, the best parties for ringing in 2016 will be in the center of the universe: Brooklyn, USA."

Both Coney Island and Prospect Park will ring in the New Year with celebrations that will include fireworks, live entertainment and hot chocolate, Adams said.



Guyana's Permanent Representative to the United Nations, George Talbot, fourth from left is surrounded by CARICOM diplomats, Counsellor Raymond Landveld of Suriname, Counsellor of Jamaica Nicola Barker-Murphy, Rhonda King of St. Vincent, Shorna-Kay Richards, deputy permanent representative of Jamaica to the UN, Michelle Joseph of St. Lucia, Ambassador Menisa Rambally of St. Lucia, and Minister Counsellor of Guyana Troy F. Torrington.

Photo by Tangerine Clarke

By Tangerine Clarke

His Excellency George Talbot said that the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Guyana to the United Nations had a momentous year, and praised staff members for working beyond the call of duty with expectations that were beyond the capacity of the Guyana government.

Talbot made these remarks at a Dec. 16, Christmas luncheon at the diplomatic office in New York City, during a welcome of his Caricom counterparts, United Nations staff and Guyanese citizens.

"I want to salute the staff who have equated themselves well and have commanded the respect of their peers and superiors in their work, and have the full appreciation and acknowledgement of the government and recognition of the people of Guyana, said Talbot.

The gracious host, who, along with staff members provided festive Guyanese fare, and steel music by pianist Patrick Davis praised members of CARICOM, stating that the Caribbean nationals are family.

"We understand the value of partnership, of collaboration, of coalition," said

Talbot, adding "without our Caricom family we would not be able to achieve much of what we do individually as member states.

"I acknowledge and appreciate our Caricom colleagues who are here. They have provided a source of strength, a source of encouragement and a source of inspiration intellectually, and many assets that we have been able to draw on and make our way into these United Nations."

"Without our Caricom family we would have a harder task making a difference," said the diplomat.

Clarke: Justice Scalia's remarks deeply troubling

By Nelson A. King

Brooklyn Congresswoman Yvette D. Clarke says she's "deeply troubled" by remarks made by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia during the oral argument for Fisher v. University of Texas at Austin, "which could result in a decision invalidating programs intended to increase diversity at college and universities."

Justice Scalia said: "There are those who contend that it does not benefit African Americans to get them into the University of Texas, where they do not do well, as opposed to having them go to a less-advanced school, a less — a slower-track school where they do well."

"I am deeply troubled by Justice Scalia's false assumption that African

Americans are less deserving of the opportunity to attend a prestigious college or university," said Clarke, who represents the 9th Congressional District in Brooklyn.

"This categorization of millions of people — millions of individuals — based on a stereotype that African American students are less qualified defies logic and does not represent reality," she added. "The ideas expressed by Justice Scalia are reprehensible."

Clarke said Scalia has attempted not only to diminish the intellect of African American students but also the value of historically Black colleges and universities and predominately Black institutions, such as Medgar Evers College in Brooklyn.

"These universities continue to pro-

vide excellent educational opportunities to millions of Americans of every race," she said. "I urge Justice Scalia to apologize for his remarks. Racism, and these assumptions are racist, has no place in this country or its courts."

At the same time, Clarke welcomed a statement by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that it will release demographic information from clinical trials used to evaluate prescription drugs, which often fail to include women and people of color.

The agency has created a website, Drug Trials Snapshots, that will include information on the sex, race and age of individuals who participated in clinical trials.

Caribbean

Trade Ministers from the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) recently attended the 10th Ministerial Conference (MC10) of the World Trade Organization (WTO) which was held in Nairobi, Kenya.

Prior to the four-day conference, the ACP ministers and officials held a strategic preparatory meeting where Barbados Foreign Affairs Minister, Maxine McClean, highlighted several unresolved issues.

McClean, who chaired the deliberations, said that among the unresolved issues that would need to be resolved, include agriculture, flexibility issues, special and differential treatment in trade, and the continuation of the Doha Development Agenda.

An ACP statement said that ACP Secretary General, Guyanese-born Dr. Patrick Gomes was also among those making presentation to the strategic meeting.



Antigua

A call has been made for Caribbean people to be given the right to recall representatives or de-elect them before their expiry date of their usual term if they are performing badly or poorly.

It has come from former Dominica's Attorney General Bernard Wiltshire and Antigua and Barbuda's former Information Commissioner Alister Thomas, who both agreed that citizens should not be forced to accept a representative with whom they are dissatisfied.

Wiltshire said, "where is that recall process if the governments of any of these administrations of these island states are functioning in an incompatible way with the citizenry, the overwhelming majority of the citizenry."

He contended that the current position where the people have to wait for a general election to remove those who are not performing "speaks volumes of a weakness in the administrative structure and it shows a total advantage to the parliamentary process."

Thomas, who said he was uncertain whether there's any nation where the power of recall is available to the people, said Caribbean leaders "have to be creative."

Former Trinidad and Tobago Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar during her campaign for the 2010 general election had promised that she would bring legislation to recall ministers who were not performing, but that was put on the back burner until she went out of office in September this year.

Bahamas

A report into the probe of the arrest of 11 Jamaican women in The Bahamas earlier this month is expected to be



Trade ministers meet

Maxine Pamela Omata McClean, foreign minister for Barbados, addresses the 65th session of the United Nations General Assembly at U.N. headquarters in New York.

Associated Press / Frank Franklin II

handed over to the Minister of Foreign Affairs Fred Mitchell.

Police said that the women were detained when the Selective Enforcement Team, acting on intelligence went to a nightclub where they held the 11 Jamaican women whom they suspected to be involved in prostitution.

The Police Department is compiling a report to be sent to Mitchell and also Jamaica's Foreign Affairs minister.

Jamaica's Ministry of Foreign Affairs wrote to Mitchell expressing concerns that the women may have been unfairly profiled for arrest and were not afforded proper treatment.

Bahamian women's rights groups believe the Jamaicans were victims of misconduct by officers who allegedly discriminated against them based on their nationality.

The police said that the women were taken into custody for breach of the Immigration Act. The club's managers

were also held for Breach of the Business License Act.

Dominica

Dominica's Prime Minister Roosevelt Skerrit and other government officials recently paid a visit to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to strengthen economic and political ties with Dubai — one of the fastest growing and most strategically important Middle Eastern countries.

He met with investors from Dubai as well as others from the rest of the Middle East to bring foreign direct investments to Dominica to create jobs and stimulate economic activity.

Skerrit also addressed a conference of service providers of Dominica's Citizenship by Investment program in Dubai.

Dominica's Citizenship Program has been taken around the world by Skerrit, who is also the island's finance minister, with the hope of bringing large

scale developments to the island.

Guyana

A High Court judge has thrown out a case in which former Guyana President Bharath Jagdeo had been accused of using statements that could have resulted in hatred or ethnic violence.

Justice Navendra Singh recently dismissed the private charge the former head of state that had been filed by Christopher Ram who alleged that statements made Jagdeo on March 8 this year about the beating of drums to drive one race out of office could have resulted in ethnic violence or hatred as cited in the Representation of the People's Act.

Attorneys for Jagdeo argued that he was innocent of the charge and the magistrate did not have the jurisdiction to hear the matter.

The private criminal charge followed statements during the general election campaign.

Grenada

The Canada-born Grenada university lecturer Linnea Veinotte, who went missing was found dead in the capital, St. Georges two days later.

A post-mortem examination revealed that she died as a result of blunt force trauma to the chest and lower body, caused by a car accident.

Akim Frank, 26, who gave himself up to police has been charged with non-capital murder.

Veinotte was reported missing after going for a run with the family dog on the morning of Dec. 6, 2015. The dog, Nico, was found injured at the side of the road, but the 36-year-old mother of two could not be found. The dog later died.

After a few days of searching and investigating, police recovered the vehicle involved in the accident and named Frank as a person of interest.

Less than 24 hours later, Frank turned himself in and took the police to the area where Veinotte's body was found.

Frank appeared in court last week and was remanded in prison. The trial is set for Jan. 19, 2016.

Jamaica

The Jamaica Promotions Corporation (JAMPRO) is preparing to stage the first in a series of lectures on medical tourism in Jamaica, dubbed #DoBizJa Medical Tourism Lecture Series later this month.

The sessions aim to increase the number of local investors in the sec-

Continued on Page 8

Guyana approves US tax evasion bill

By Bert Wilkinson

Guyana's parliament has approved new legislation allowing authorities to share commercial banking information of Guyanese and American citizens with the U.S. Inland Revenue Service as the Caribbean Community member nation becomes the latest of its regional neighbors to comply with a new U.S. anti tax evasion law designed to trap hidden overseas holdings.

The bill was approved in the 65-seat house at the weekend but opposition legislators Monday called for the bill to be sent to a bipartisan select house committee to allow further scrutiny and for a clause to be inserted giving an account holder three week's notice that information will be shared with foreign authorities, a suggestion that was rejected outright by the government side. Legislators thought the idea was preposterous and would defeat the entire purpose of the law.

The new legislation will target Americans who stash cash and other holdings abroad, believing that it will be beyond the reach of the IRS and its team of expert auditors. Once President David Granger who won general elections in May signs the bill into law in the coming days, those with undeclared foreign accounts should sit up and take notice.

Governing legislators in rejecting the calls for the 21-day notice period, argued



Guyana's President David A. Granger. Associated Press / Kevin Hagen

that the bill has already been approved as the country moves to comply with Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act as is the case with most of its Caribbean single trading bloc neighbors.

Ironically, the bill also ensures that the local revenue authority will also be able to obtain information from the U.S. about Guyanese with foreign bank accounts that are believed to be linked to misappropriation, narcotic activity or money laundering.

Junior Finance Minister Jaipaul Sharma said the opposition opposed the bill because several in the previous government had enriched themselves and have money stashed overseas.

"This is the nitty, gritty that is bothering them." Former attorney general

Anil Nandlill says the bill will forced people to "go back to mattress banks," meaning that they will opt to stash it under beds rather than expose themselves to the prying eyes of the revenue authority.

The bill was passed with government's simple one-seat majority as government officials prepare to haul several big wigs associated with the previous Bharrat Jagdeo and Donald Ramotar administrations before the courts for a slew of wrongdoings linked to laundering, graft, bribery and fraud.

Chief among them could be former finance minister Ashni Singh for breaches of financial regulations and Winston Brassington, the head of a national holding company for state assets.

Published information for forensic audits the seven-month-old administration has released so far has pointed to damning evidence against the two and other associates even as pressure mounts on authorities to quickly haul them before the courts before they take counter measures.

Additionally, fear is also stalking the ranks of the main opposition as the U.S. has opened a permanent office of the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) and is moving for closer cooperation with law enforcement agencies to target launderers and those associated with the drug trade.

Trini doctors make medical history

By Azad Ali

Three Trinidad and Tobago doctors created medical history when they removed an eight-pound tumor from a 52-year-old man at the Southern Medical Clinic, San Fernando recently.

According to medical records, this is the largest tumor in the western hemisphere and the second largest ever in the world.

Medical records which the doctors used to base their feat, show that the largest tumor successfully removed from a patient weighed 5.018 kilos (approximately 11 pounds) and was done during a five-and-a-half-hour surgery at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences in New Delhi India, breaking the previous record of a 5.5 pound tumor removed at Sir Gangaram Hospital, also in India.

The three doctors — urologist and lead surgeon Dr. Lal Saw, vascular surgeon Dr. Steven Budhoorman and Dr. Peng Ewe, anesthetist, took three hours to perform the surgery on the man from East Trinidad.

New holiday Scratch-Off games from the New York Lottery. And enter the "Make Life Wonderful" sweepstakes for a chance to win \$500 a week for life.



© 2015 New York Lottery, nylottery.ny.gov Please gift responsibly. You must be 18 or older to purchase lottery tickets. For help with problem gambling, call 877-8-HOPE-NY. It's a Wonderful Life™ & © 2015 Melange Pictures LLC. All Rights Reserved. Licensed by Paramount Licensing Inc. Donna Reed used with permission. Licensed by Sovich Minch, LLP. James Stewart used with permission. Licensed by The Stewart Family, LLC.

nylotterysweeps.com

Christmas treat for Vincentian kids

By Nelson A. King

Hundreds of Vincentian kids and their parents Sunday evening were treated to a special Christmas treat at the ninth annual party organized by a prominent Vincentian shipping concern, friends and community groups in Brooklyn.

"Our annual kids Christmas party was a huge success," said Atiba Williams, coordinator of the event that is spearheaded by Gideon "Fessy" Yorke, owner of Standard Shippers on Clarendon Road in Brooklyn, adjacent to Café Owner, who hosted the event in conjunction with Solid Band, among others, in a Caribbean Life interview.

Williams, a community advocate, said though over 250 kids registered for event at Café Omar, many more were present.

He said the kids, including toddlers, parents and friends were treated to free gifts, entertainment and food.

Many kids also participated



in dances, karaoke, arts and craft, face-painting, and sat on Santa's lap. Popular community advocate Garnes Byron served as Santa Claus.

"It was always a pleasure putting a smile on the faces of the kids," said Williams, complimenting former New York City Councilman, Vincentian-born Dr. Kendall Stewart, proprietor of Café Omar, for "the use of the venue free of charge."

Williams also thanked a number of participating organizations and individuals for contributing to the event's success," including the umbrella Vincentian group in the United States, Council



Left: Newly-minted Sports Ambassador Gailene Windsor (l) and Sherrill-Ann Mason Haywood, members of the St. Vincent and the Grenadines Diaspora Committee of New York, coordinate games activities with Vincy kids. **Above:** Community activist Garnes Byron serves as Santa Claus, flanked by organizers and kids.

Photo by Tangerine Clarke

of St. Vincent and the Grenadines Organizations, U.S.A. Inc. (COSAGO); St. Vincent and the Grenadines Ex-Teachers Association of New York; the St. Vincent and the Gren-

adines Diaspora Committee of New York; VincyCares, Inc.; Vincy Liberators; Bishop's College Alumni Association; and Sion Hill Association.

"A special thanks to the DJs,

the promoters and the volunteers who made this a tremendous success," said Williams, who is also president of the Bishop's College Alumni Association.



For the past 12 months, we have been servicing the community with dignity and compassion. We look forward to the future providing the same excellent service.

CARIBE

FUNERAL HOME

Serving the Community with Dignity

- We have one of the Largest Chapels in the New York City area
- We provide Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services
- We offer great pricing and you can depend on our professionalism
- Valet Parking Available

1922 Utica Ave • Brooklyn, NY 11234
 TEL: (718) 444-1818
 WWW.CARIBEFUNERAL.COM



AFTER CHRISTMAS
ONE DAY SALE

SHOP SAT, DEC. 26 FROM 7AM-11PM

ALSO SHOP SUN, DEC. 27 FROM 9AM-11PM

HOURS MAY VARY BY STORE. SEE MACYS.COM AND CLICK ON STORES FOR DETAILS

SHOP ALL DAY ON CHRISTMAS AT MACYS.COM

FREE SHIPPING ONLINE AT \$25

VALID 12/25-12/27/2015. PLUS, FREE RETURNS. U.S. ONLY. EXCLUSIONS APPLY; SEE MACYS.COM/FREEReturns

50%-80% OFF STOREWIDE

DOORBUSTERS!

7AM-2PM SAT & 9AM-2PM SUN

DEALS OF THE DAY

AVAILABLE ALL DAY, BOTH DAYS!

OR, EXTRA SAVINGS SATURDAY & SUNDAY UNTIL 2PM

**EXTRA DOLLARS OFF SELECT SALE
& CLEARANCE APPAREL & HOME ITEMS**

\$10 OFF

YOUR PURCHASE OF \$25 OR MORE.
LIMIT ONE PER CUSTOMER.



VALID 12/26 'TIL 2PM
OR 12/27/15 'TIL 2PM.



00036102107518026112

**EXTRA DOLLARS OFF SELECT SALE
& CLEARANCE APPAREL & HOME ITEMS**

\$20 OFF

YOUR PURCHASE OF \$50 OR MORE.
LIMIT ONE PER CUSTOMER.



VALID 12/26 'TIL 2PM
OR 12/27/15 'TIL 2PM.



00036102107518086116

CANNOT BE USED ON DOORBUSTERS OR DEALS OF THE DAY

Excludes: Deals of the Day, Doorbusters, Everyday Values (EDV), specials, super buys, cosmetics/fragrances, electrics/electronics, floor coverings, furniture, mattresses, rugs. Also excludes: athletic apparel, shoes & accessories; Dallas Cowboys merchandise, gift cards, Jack Spade, jewelry trunk shows, Kate Spade, Macy's Backstage merchandise/locations, New Era, Nike on Field, The North Face, previous purchases, Samsung watches, selected licensed depts., services, special orders, special purchases, Tumi. Cannot be combined with any savings pass/coupon, extra discount or credit offer, except opening a new Macy's account. Dollar savings are allocated as discounts off each eligible item, as shown on receipt. When you return an item, you forfeit the savings allocated to that item. This coupon has no cash value & may not be redeemed for cash, used to purchase gift cards or applied as payment or credit to your account. Purchase must be \$25 or \$50 or more, exclusive of tax & delivery fees.



ONE DAY SALE PRICES IN EFFECT 12/26 & 12/27/2015, EXCEPT AS NOTED. MERCHANDISE WILL BE ON SALE AT THESE & OTHER SALE PRICES THROUGH 1/2/16, EXCEPT AS NOTED.

 OPEN A MACY'S ACCOUNT FOR EXTRA 20% SAVINGS THE FIRST 2 DAYS, UP TO \$100, WITH MORE REWARDS TO COME. Macy's credit card is available subject to credit approval; new account savings valid the day your account is opened and the next day; excludes services, selected licensed departments, gift cards, restaurants, gourmet food & wine. The new account savings are limited to a total of \$100; application must qualify for immediate approval to receive extra savings; employees not eligible.



CAKE DECORATING TOOLS & SUPPLIES

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



- SUGAR VEIL
- FLAVORING
- SUGAR PEARLS
- Food Colors
- Modeling Tools
- Fondant Cutters
- Impression Mats
- Designer Stencils
- Fondant & Gumpaste



NEWLY EXPANDED SHOWROOM



FREE CUSTOMER PARKING AVAILABLE

6103 15 Avenue, Brooklyn NY 11219 718 232 7044

sales@BakeDeco.com Store Hrs: Sun 11-4 Mon-Thurs 9-6 Fri 9-1

CARIBBEAN ROUNDUP

Continued from page 4

tor, while highlighting the opportunities available for local medical practitioners for this untapped market.

Discussions will be held by Dr. Jacqueline Watson, president and CEO of the Washington DC-based healthcare management and strategy firm, Health Concepts International LLC.

JAMPRO's president Diane Edwards said the health and wellness tourism sector is a multimillion industry globally and the lecture series will provide an opportunity for practitioners to gain further insight for Jamaica and the region.



"This sector has evolved originally in Jamaica over the past few years, already attracting over \$15 million euros in foreign investments through the Spanish Group, Hospiten, as well as developments such as G west in Montego Bay. We see this interest as an opportunity to discuss the inner workings of Medical Tourism and get feedback on its potential for development," she said.

The national service sector strategy developed by the Jamaica Coalition of Services Industry (JSCI) identified health and wellness as one of the priority sub-industries for export.

The strategy projects a minimum of 15,000 medical and residential care patients and an annual income of US\$15

million by 2020.

St. Kitts

St. Kitts and Nevis Attorney General Vincent Byron said capital punishment remains on the books of the twin-island and any change in the policy must be preceded by a robust and comprehensive debate.

He acknowledged that the world has changed significantly over the years and that brought with it a different sensibility.

"It is something the United Nations has over the time been bringing to the table. Should the state be involved in taking life? Brown asked.

The Attorney General said there has been more pressure being put on governments around the world to adhere to the principle of sanctity of life and should we find alternative ways of punishing people who have done so (taken a life). Capital punishment remains legal in a majority of these countries and Byron, who also served as St Kitts and Nevis minister of justice and legal affairs, said it was a matter of sovereignty.



According to prison statistics, the last time the death sentence was carried out in St Kitts and Nevis was on December 19, 2008.

—compiled by Azad Ali



NIGHT OF HOPE

BREAK THROUGH INTO THE NEW YEAR



THURSDAY
DECEMBER
31ST
START AT 10PM
DOORS OPEN 9PM

A NIGHT OF WORSHIP AND BREAKTHROUGH INTO THE NEW YEAR



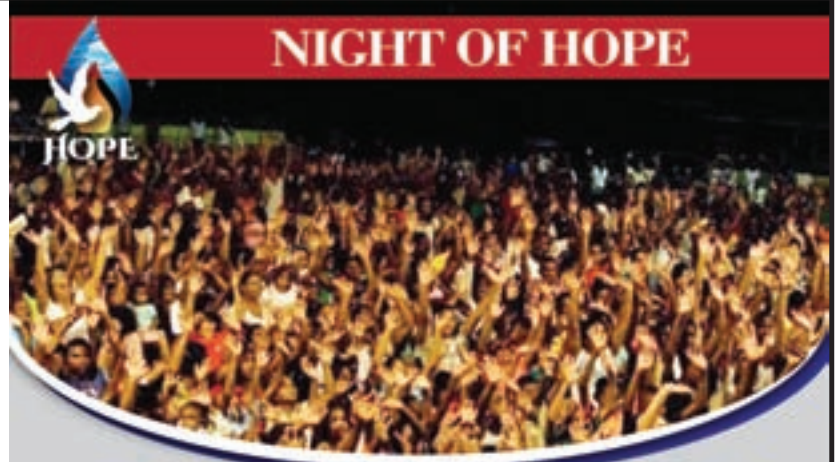
Philippians 4:19
But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus

YOU WILL BE ANOINTED WITH THE OIL OF MYRRH FOR BREAKTHROUGH IN THE NEW YEAR

Worship will be led by Bishop Ken Walker, City on the Rock Church

Prayerline (347) 356-9406

1330 UTICA AVENUE (BTWN AVENUE D & FOSTER)



KEREN GEDECH
Talk about feeling hopeless. I use to wonder if the world would be better without me. Growing up I was full of anger and was very frustrated about life. At a very young age I was molested by a family member and for some reason I could not find a reason to live. My life was affected in every area, the burden was too great to carry. So I grew more and more suicidal. When my mom saw that my condition was worsening she sought to get me help. One day while she was walking home she noticed a church service was taking place at HOPE church and she walked in to see what it was about. She was so lifted by the service that she brought me the following week. All I can say is that there is hope for the hopeless. I attended the service and the pastors were so patient with me. They prayed for me and really took time to help me deal with the demons that have haunted me since I was a child. Today I am free from the anger and suicidal thoughts. I now have many reasons to live and not die.

Write your request for Breakthrough below and bring it with you.

Blank lines for writing a request for breakthrough.

"One step of faith can change your life story" Tel: 347.356.9406



WHERE THE STORES ARE **BROOKLYN**

WARM UP WITH
HOT RETAILERS

- ADIDAS | AERIE | CHIPOTLE | H&M | HOT TOPIC | KIKO MILANO
- M·A·C COSMETICS | MICHAEL KORS | NEW YORK & COMPANY
- OLD NAVY | SOLSTICE SUNGLASSES | STARBUCKS COFFEE
- SWAROVSKI | VANS | VICTORIA'S SECRET | VINCE CAMUTO | ZUMIEZ

DOWNLOAD OUR MOBILE APP

QUESTIONS? WE HAVE ANSWERS. TEXT 718.819.1375



KINGS PLAZA
BROOKLYN

MACY'S, SEARS, BEST BUY & MORE THAN 100 SPECIALTY STORES AND EATERIES
Located at the intersection of Flatbush Ave. & Ave. U in Brooklyn | 718.253.6844 | KingsPlazaOnline.com   



Permanently support families, not corporate tax giveaways

By Lawrence Mishel

Temporary lapses of judgment can be corrected. Permanent mistakes are harder to fix.

Congress is poised to offer very costly permanent tax giveaways to powerful corporations. It is also considering renewing more modest tax credits that encourage work and support millions of low-wage workers and their children. This is an easy choice: do not provide any more corporate tax breaks. Instead, renew the pro-worker tax credits because they have an important role in alleviating poverty and income inequality at a time of wage stagnation.

Congress will soon vote on whether to renew a grab bag of 50 tax breaks known as “tax extenders.” Though defined as “temporary,” they’ve been rubber-stamped every year or two for decades. The package costs about \$50 billion a year. A small army of some 1,400 corporate lobbyists watches over this process, as four out of five dollars of these tax breaks benefit their patrons.

Remarkably, these corporate tax cuts get doled out for free — their costs added directly to the deficit. On the other hand, conservatives always require that vital services benefitting

average Americans have to be paid for. What’s worse, this year a big push is underway to enshrine up to six of these costly corporate giveaways in permanent law. The price tag: more than \$600 billion.

At the other end of the income scale, improvements to the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and the Child Tax Credit (CTC) are slated to disappear at the end of next year. These two targeted expansions help working families make ends meet and cost a tiny fraction of the six corporate tax breaks.

Thanks to a rigged economic and political system, working families have seen their incomes and futures stalled for decades. The fortunes of Wall Street billionaires have soared. Experts agree that the skewed tax system contributes to our widening income and wealth gaps.

Tax policy should be crafted to correct the imbalances in our economy, not exacerbate them.

Yet, Congress hasn’t repealed a single corporate tax giveaway in years. Meanwhile, nearly \$2.7 trillion in spending cuts are scheduled over the next decade to reduce the deficit. Critical services — public educa-

Continued on Page 12

What’s next for the US after the Paris Climate Agreement?

By Richard Eidlín

Well before the final negotiations of the COP21 climate talks in Paris, business was already making a big difference on the ground. For the first time, superstar entrepreneurs showed up with plans to fund major initiatives. Giant companies sent CEOs to showcase their results in reducing carbon in their own operations. And entire industries, such as financial services, agriculture and manufacturing, made new commitments to address climate change.

Attending the talks as a business leader, I could tell that positive pressure from the business sector was going to lead to success. The overwhelming message to government leaders was, “we, the international business community, will support you if you make a strong deal.”

But of course talk is cheap — and easy. Now comes the difficult part: turning the agreement into actions that will actually save the planet.

Luckily, business excels at innovating and turning plans — no matter how vague — into practical, achievable results. And American businesses are arguably the best in the world at that.

First, and easiest, is for companies to make or extend individual commitments to reduce carbon. Whether by increasing their usage of renewable energy or energy efficiency, streamlining supply chains — or even steps as small as offer-

As the voluntary efforts are, no one believes they will be enough to reach the necessary targets. For significant progress, business needs government to nudge things in the right direction.

ing mass transit incentives to employees — companies large and small can take their own steps to cut carbon emissions.

Over and over in Paris, we heard how these efforts actually strengthen the bottom line. We saw many businesses that are committed to doing their part on climate change — like Patagonia, which has installed nearly 500 solar panels at its headquarters.

But as great as the voluntary efforts are, no one believes they will be enough to reach the necessary targets. For significant progress, business needs government to nudge things in the right direction.

For example, take the Clean Power Plan, the EPA’s rules to reduce carbon emissions from power plants. These rules will significantly cut our greenhouse gases, which is a major benefit for every industry. The rules provide states with unprecedented leeway in crafting their own plans, which will result in technological innovation and job creation.

Unfortunately some in

Congress are trying to block the rules as being bad for business. That’s why during the Paris summit, our business group joined with Environmental Entrepreneurs (E2) to announce letters calling on Congress not to derail the talks and get serious about strengthening America’s economy.

Most small business owners agree with us. National, scientific polling found that 64 percent of small business owners support government regulation to cut carbon pollution from power plants.

In fact, many business people want even stronger climate policies, such as carbon pricing.

Major U.S. brands like Ben & Jerry’s and Seventh Generation support putting a market price on carbon. Many more U.S. companies are signing a business letter to Congress showing support for a carbon tax. Internationally, even oil companies are getting behind the idea.

When I was in Paris, I spoke with an executive of a giant European oil company. As she explained, a carbon tax “provides us with a clearer path for making mid-term investment decisions. Whether we invest in another oil field, or move toward more wind depends in large part on what the price of CO2 will be.” This is using the power of the market to determine how to power the economy going forward.

The Paris climate talks resulted in a breakthrough

Continued on Page 12

Caribbean Life

Founded 1990 • Published by Community News Group
Corporate Headquarters: One MetroTech Center North, Suite 1001, Brooklyn, NY 11201

CEO: Les Goodstein
PRESIDENT & PUBLISHER: Jennifer Goodstein
ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER: Ralph D’Onofrio
EDITOR EMERITUS: Kenton Kirby
ASSOCIATE EDITOR: Kevin Williams

Contributing Writers: Azad Ali, Roderick J. Broome, Fabian Burrell, Tangerine Clarke, Robert Elkin, Patrick Horne, Nelson King, Donna Lamb, Tequila Minsky, Vinette K. Pryce, George H. Whyte, Bert Wilkinson, Lloyd Kam Williams

GENERAL INFORMATION (718) 260-2500

This newspaper is not responsible for typographical errors in ads beyond the cost of the space occupied by the error. All rights reserved. Copyright © 2015 by Courier-Life, Inc., publishers. Caribbean Life is protected by Federal copyright law. Each issue of Caribbean Life is registered with the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. The Caribbean Life, its advertisements, articles and photographs, may not be reproduced, either in whole or part, without permission in writing from the publisher except brief portions for purposes of review or commentary consistent with the law.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR are welcome from all readers. They should be addressed care of this newspaper to the Editor, Caribbean-Life Publications, 1 MetroTech Center North, Brooklyn, New York 11201, or sent via e-mail to caribbeanlife@cnglocal.com All letters, including those submitted via e-mail, MUST be signed and the individual’s verifiable address and telephone number included. Note that the address and telephone number will NOT be published and the name will be published or withheld on request. No unsigned letters can be accepted for publication. The editor reserves the right to edit all submissions.

Coverage overkill of one guy's campaign

Maybe it's too much to expect that some of the media organizations committed to a 24 / 7 concentration on the buffoonery of the leading GOP presidential contender, would have the fortitude to acknowledge how much they're responsible for the current "laughing stock" phase that has laid siege to politics in America. If media outfits, be they among the "respectable" or otherwise, stand by this willingness to dance to every tune called by an impish caricature of a candidate for national office, it speaks volumes about the appetite still existing for the pseudo event as news and, with it, continued erosion of the standards that defined serious journalistic practice.

This is not to be construed as suggesting that the antics of Donald Trump be altogether ignored by the media. Having gone through the motions of presenting himself as a candidate for the Republican nomination, he qualifies for some attention, as far as the electorate being made aware of what would he bring to the

presidency. But haven't we by now gone past the time that a halt could be called to the charade, or whatever the game is that's been played, since this guy announced he was running? Why are there elements of the establishment still making believe that this is a serious candidate for president? Surely it's not enough that Trump says so...he and the half-wits who keep telling pollsters he is their idea of who the so-called "leader of the free world" should be. Intelligent people with decision-making authority for "managing" coverage of this important presidential election of 2016 should have no compunction about dealing with the Trump candidacy on a realistic level, which is to say, as the side show that it is. And stop acting like puppets pulled hither and yon by a puppeteer typically taking bows as the self-styled leading attraction in the carnival.

There's no way a reasonably savvy caller of the shots on coverage of this ongoing act shouldn't, by now, be dealing squarely with the scam and sham of it and pulling the

Viewpoint

By Les Slater

plug on an inordinate amount of free advertising a con artist has literally demanded as his due. So yes, he's showing up in polls as the top choice of Republican voters (supposedly dethroned recently in Iowa by another joker, Ted Cruz, with slim-to-none chances of being elected president). But leading a crowded GOP pack changes none of the core fallacy of a Trump candidacy, foremost being that he is not about to win any presidential race. Media honchos know this with no less certainty than does the Republican Party's high command. Why, then, this pretend game of treating Trump like he's the real deal?

Are media houses, aware though they must be, not prepared to confront the inevitability of the Trump flamethrower simply because the sensationalism factor trumps all, so to speak? Hasn't there been

enough already out of the Trump camp since this road show began, that has been bizarre, offensive, even flat-out scary, coming from an operator who fancies himself capable of landing any prize he covets? It's frankly difficult to imagine why there would be any further shock-value curiosity on the media's part, given what's been rolled out thus far. The guy has an aversion to truth-telling that seems always auto-pilot ready ("thousands upon thousands" of Muslims in New Jersey celebrating the 9 / 11 attack); he has insulted women, immigrants (non-white, notably) and individuals, groups, causes of all stripes; he deduces that President Obama's sympathies with ISIS terrorists are borne out by his not calling them out in the manner he should. And a whole lot more.

So why, media movers and shakers, why this outsize fixation with a gasbag whose routinely inflammatory rhetoric is, at this point, getting really tired? He's the GOP leader in polls, they would offer by way of justification. Which isn't, in

fact, rational enough. Trump has polled ahead of other Republican aspirants because he's the darling of the ignorami. No one with even minimal facility for determining what does and doesn't make sense would see Trump as the least bit presidential. The Republican establishment, while knowing this all too well and frequently declaring that Trump's outlandish views and pronouncements aren't reflective of the party, also knows that the assembled humanity aboard Trump's bandwagon is indicative of a hard-right demographic that figures prominently in the GOP profile. The GOP's far-right imprimatur brings it face-to-face, in episodes like this Trump pickle, with a nightmare of the party's own making.

Media folk, for their part, could give themselves a dose of principle, respond to the chicanery with only the most basic coverage requirements, and quit being pawns and patsies for anyone for whom running for president equates with just another hustle.

NETS
BROOKLYN

SCOUT NIGHT

NETS VS MAGIC

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8 | 7:30PM

REPRESENT BROOKLYN

TICKETS STARTING AT \$30
CALL: 855-GROUP-BK TEXT: 855-476-8725 | BROOKLYNNETS.COM/SCOUT

BROOKLYN NETS
SCOUT NIGHT

Exclusive Nets Scout Patch with ticket purchase

Offering **10% off** for all groups traveling to Brooklyn Nets games.

BEST TRAILS & TRAVEL Official Charter Bus Sponsor of the Brooklyn Nets. Visit: besttrailstravel.com | call 212-206-6979 | email reservations@bttny.net



\$65 Round trip
\$40 one way

Wi-Fi and Power outlet

DAILY BUS SCHEDULE:

To Atlanta, GA

Sat, Tue & Thur (6pm - 7pm)

To New York

Fri, Mon, Wed (3pm - 7pm)

BUS STOPS:

- Atlanta, GA: Lithonia, Decatur, Buford Hwy & Chamblee Tucker Hwy
- South & North Carolina
- Manhattan: 29th St & 5th Ave
- Brooklyn, NY: Flatbush & Church Ave, Eastern Parkway & Utica Ave.
- New Jersey: Woodcrest Station
- Philadelphia: Pennrose Plaza
- Queens: Flushing and Main St.
- Bronx: Gun Hill Rd and White Plains Rd

On-time, Comfortable, Smoke Free & Clean Buses with courteous English-speaking drivers.

For reservations: 856-266-6380



Assemblymember
Walter T. Mosley
Assembly District 57

**Happy Holidays
and have a
Prosperous and Healthy
New Year!**

Shirley Chisholm State Office Building
55 Hanson Place, Room 328

718-596-0100
mosleyw@assembly.state.ny.us

Path of permanent progress

Continued from page 10

tion, college aid, nutrition and housing, infrastructure and medical research — have all been significantly cut. Every one of these cuts would affect working Americans, while wealthy corporations are not being asked to contribute an additional dime.

Three of the worst corporate breaks slated for permanent status will take a big bite out of the federal budget while doing nothing to help working families.

The bonus depreciation tax break allows corporations to write off big purchases much faster than they actually wear out. Though it will cost \$28 billion over 10 years, numerous studies show that it doesn't help the economy much. It's also very inefficient — the bang for the buck from spending on the EITC and CTC is four times greater than spending on bonus depreciation.

Two other loopholes enable the shifting of profits and jobs offshore.

The Active Financing Exception (AFE) allows multinational banks and other financial firms to move certain types of income — like dividends, interest and royalties — to foreign countries to avoid U.S. taxes. This giveaway was instrumental in General Electric not paying a dime of U.S. income taxes over five years despite making \$27 billion in profits. AFE costs \$78 billion over 10 years, more than enough to provide high-quality pre-school for all four-year olds for a decade.

The Controlled Foreign Corporation (CFC) Look-Through Rule allows U.S. multinationals to shift profits between

foreign subsidiaries without triggering the U.S. taxes normally due. This encourages more offshore tax sheltering instead of domestic investment. Making the CFC Look-Through Rule permanent would cost another \$22 billion over 10 years.

U.S. firms already have over \$2 trillion in earnings stashed overseas. We shouldn't be renewing loopholes that encourage offshore tax dodging. We should be closing them. The money we save should be used to make permanent the improvements in working-family tax credits.

The EITC makes work pay by supplementing the incomes of low-wage workers. Supported by both parties throughout its 40-year history, the EITC is widely viewed as one of the most successful anti-poverty measures in U.S. history. The Child Tax Credit supports workers and their families by providing a tax credit of up to \$1,000 per child.

If the improvements to the EITC and CTC expire, it will push more than 16 million people — about half of them children — into poverty or deeper into poverty. We can't let that happen.

Congress can make a temporary mistake permanent by locking in hundreds of billions of dollars in tax cuts for an exclusive group of multinational corporations. Or, it can start our nation on a path of permanent progress by using tax policy to lift up America's working families. The choice should be clear.

Lawrence Mishel is the president of the Economic Policy Institute, and co-chair, Americans for Tax Fairness.

Turn climate talk into action

Continued from page 10

agreement. But it is really just the beginning. Now we all — individuals, government and businesses — need to do everything we can to turn that talk into action. For business leaders, that means not only doing what we can in our business, but it means pushing our

elected officials to do what they need to. Paris proved that business support can help in making a deal. To turn that deal into reality, business support will be essential.

Richard Eidlín is Vice President of Policy and Campaigns at the American Sustainable Business Council.

**GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER.
LIVE UNITED**

United Way

Ad Council Want to make a difference? Find out how at LIVEUNITED.ORG.

Destiny's Place offers hope

By Ava Ramdeen

There is new hope in the old city. For the young people of Brooklyn an oasis has arisen in the midst of all the turmoil, crime and youthful turbulence that beset our inner city communities, leading to self degradation, depression, suicides and hopelessness in general.

Hope has come in the form of training programs, lectures, workshops, cultural and other events which will result in individuals being better prepared to meet employment demands. Some involvement may even result in forms of financing, ensuring they become more self confident individuals who believe that they have the power within them to effect change, both for themselves and their community.

Hope has found a home and it's called Destiny's Place.

Situated at 1118 Rogers Ave., Destiny's Place operates under a similar mission statement to the Lancaster Youth Forum PA out of Pennsylvania under its founder and businessman Claudius Phillips, who in May 2008, "observed that there was and still is a need for training and services to disadvantaged youths — particularly but not limited to those of African American and Latino ethnicity."

The Forum is a registered non-profit organization and is modeled after a sister organization, Youth Forum TrT, started by Phillips in Trinidad and



Former civil rights attorney Carl O. Snowden. Associated Press / The Capital, Joshua McKerrow

Tobago in 1990, after being moved by the obvious need within for programs geared towards enhancing the future of ambitious youths who had a challenge with financing and establishing themselves in the work force of the time.

From Dec. 19 until way into 2016, Destiny's Place will be a hub of activities, hosting whole gamut of Christmas programs designed to keep the youth hopping and interested.

On Christmas Day Dec. 25, and the day following, there will be Christmas "Shoutouts" to Caribbean families from relatives in the New York area starting at 9 am through to 11 pm. This is the result of a collaboration of Lancaster Youth Forum PA, Faith Miracle Outreach Ministries, Program B.I.G. (Being Intelligently Guided) and also KMG Ambassadors (Family Radio).



When it comes to natural gas pipelines, there's **no such thing as too safe.**

Delivering safe, reliable natural gas service to our customers is our top priority. Pipeline safety is something we take very seriously at National Grid. Even though most lines are buried underground, that doesn't mean you can ignore them.

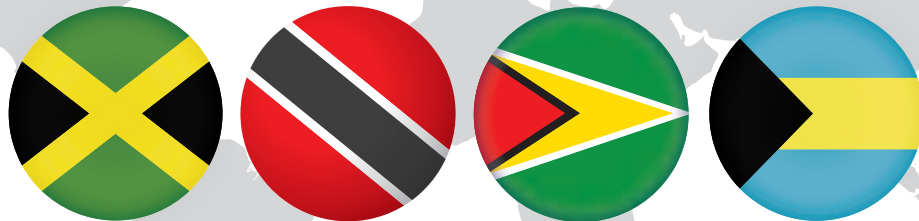
Keep your family and community safe by helping to prevent gas leaks. Always call New York 811 at **811** or **1-800-272-4480** before you dig.

Know the signs of a gas leak. We've added a spoiled egg smell that makes natural gas easier to identify. Look for bubbles in standing water, a white cloudy mist or blowing dust, which indicates that an underground gas line may have ruptured; or, listen for a hissing, roaring or whistling sound.

Smell gas. Act fast. If you smell, see or hear any of those indications, leave the area immediately, then call National Grid at **1-800-490-0045**. Be smart and be safe. Know what's below — call before you dig and know the signs of a gas leak.

Visit www.nationalgrid.com for additional safety information.

Feel closer to home for less.



Now offering calling to Jamaica, Trinidad, Guyana and the Bahamas!

metroPCS
On The Nationwide T-Mobile Network

My World international calling add-on feature requires \$40 or higher base rate plan.

My World International calling service not available with certain rate plans and not available on all phones. Calling destinations, technologies, and minutes vary based on plan. Specific international calling countries, destinations, technologies, roaming, and carriers are subject to change without notice. My World international calling service is subject to change or termination at any time without notice. Certain restrictions apply. Visit metropcs.com or a MetroPCS store for details, coverage areas, phone capabilities, and included countries and destinations. Please see the International Long Distance (ILD) Terms and Conditions and the MetroPCS Terms and Conditions of Service (including arbitration provision) at metropcs.com. Coverage and services not available everywhere. Rates, services, features, and destinations are subject to change. General: Service may be slowed, suspended, terminated, or restricted for misuse, abnormal use, non-personal use, interference with our network or ability to provide quality service to other users, or roaming usage predominance. MetroPCS related brands and trademarks are the exclusive properties of T-Mobile USA, Inc. ©2015 T-Mobile USA, Inc.

Climate change and floods, Guyana's uninvited guests



One of the houses built for Mahaica residents who relocated to Hope Estate in Guyana. Inter Press Service / Samuel Maughn

By Neil Marks

GEORGETOWN, GUYANA, Dec 4 2015 (IPS) - Mrs. Doodnauth is being interviewed about the fact that the effects of climate change are what led the family to abandon their home and farmlands in the Mahaica Creek and relocate to an area identified by the authorities. She was clear climate change was not the reason. - "And what's the reason?"

- "Too much rain," she says. "We have never seen so much rain and floods before."

- "What is climate change?"

- "I really don't understand," Doodnauth says with a blank stare.

It is now 10 years since extreme rainfall caused widespread flooding which devastated the coastal lowland areas of Guyana, which is below sea level and prone to flooding.

Official figures show that the 2005 floods caused an estimated US\$465 million in damage, or just about 59 percent of

the country's GDP at the time. That major flood was followed by others, which resulted from severe rainfall events in the years to follow.

The families of the Mahaica Creek were the collateral damage of the extreme rainfall patterns. Even when the rains didn't cause the banks of the creek to overflow, flooding came as a direct result of government orders.

The coastal zone of Guyana, where most people live and where most economic activity is concentrated, is cut across by a dense network of drainage and irrigation canals which are all linked to the East Demerara Water Conservancy (EDWC), a water storage canal which is the source of drinking water for the capital Georgetown and also provides water for rice, sugar and cash crop farms during the dry season.

The problem is that the Conservancy is hemmed in by an earthen dam, approximately 67 km long, which could col-

lapse if it takes in more than the 250 million cubic meters of water that it was designed to hold. The collapse of the dam could cause widespread flooding along the coast.

So at times of extreme rainfall, the Conservancy acts as a drainage canal, using five sluices at different locations - Cunha, Kofi, Maduni, Lama and Land of Canaan. Two of those sluices - Lama and Maduni - release water into the Mahaica River.

However, during periods of extreme rainfall, pumping the water into the Mahaica Creek aggravates the already stressful flood conditions. Unable to cope with the constant flooding, many families decided they had to leave the Creek for a new life on the coast.

In addition to the plots of land to live on, with modest houses built by Food for the Poor, they were also offered new farmlands, which they could lease.

Khemwantie Ramkissoon,

44, misses the creek. But it is not just about missing "home." She has seen her crops - watermelons, pumpkins and other cash crops - destroyed time and time again and so she had to leave.

These days, she is unable to travel with her husband to the farm, as it often involves an overnight trip sleeping in a shack. These days also, instead of taking her line and hook to get fish for the typical evening curry, Ramkissoon now has to find money to buy fish.

For Bahawanie Basdeo, 57, a resident of Joe Hook, the creek was the only life he knew until the floods forced him to move

to higher ground.

"It was terrible. When the floods come, it took away everything. Then you are forced to use your savings, but that could only last so long," he says with a smile, but his eyes well up with tears as he speaks of his cattle killed time and time again by the floodwaters.

"The families of Joe Hook were the first to be affected and the worst affected when water is discharged from the Conservancy into the Mahaica and Mahaicony Creeks," said Robert Persaud, who served as Agriculture Minister when the decision of voluntary resettlement was offered.

IF YOU HAVE BEEN INJURED IN AN ACCIDENT...

DISCRIMINATED AGAINST OR FALSELY ARRESTED

Come see us at the Law Office of Vincent I. Eke-Nweke, P.C.

WE CAN HELP YOU!!



- **Personal Injury:**
Motor Vehicle Accidents • Slip and Fall
Medical Malpractice
Construction Accidents and More!!
- **Employment Discrimination:**
Sexual Harassment • Hostile Work
Environment • Age, Gender, Race &
Military Status Discrimination
- **Civil Rights:**
Police Brutality • False Arrest
False Imprisonment

Contact Us At:

498 Atlantic Avenue • 718 852-8300

e-mail: vekenweke@aol.com • www.vekenwekelaw.com

McManus FUNERAL HOME



On Site Parking • Large Chapels & Lobby • Worldwide Shipping

SERVING THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY WITH
LOW COST FUNERAL PACKAGES

*Before choosing a funeral home
We invite you to visit our newly decorated chapels
And compare our affordable pricing and dedicated service*

718-377-5200 • www.mcmanusfh.com

4601 Avenue N (at E. 46 St.) • 1 Block off of Flatbush Ave.



HAPPY KWANZAA

Celebrating our culture, traditions,
and the seven principles



Steven Baboun captures 'Humans of Haiti'

By Alley Olivier

What should a Haitian look like? A Jamaican? These types of questions are only reality due to stereotypical references plastered in mainstream media such as movies or television shows.

Diversity does not necessarily rid the world of stereotypes and generalizations attached to particular cultures and people. This realization fueled Haitian photographer Steven Baboun to launch a photo campaign shattering negative ideations believed by people he encountered while studying at the American University.

According to Baboun, "After finishing high school, I went to the United States for college and was exposed to the ignorance of people towards Haiti."

Despite being a land of many cultures, Baboun realized that there are few positive images showing the Haiti he grew up with.

To combat mass misconceptions of Haiti's culture and



In this picture, Baboun asked: "What religion do you practice?" "I heal people through the practice of Voodoo. I rely on the saints and ancestors to heal people who hurt. I'm like a doctor."

people, Baboun followed popular photojournalist Brandon Stanton's social media photo project, "Humans of New York," in creating Humans of Haiti the summer of 2014.

"I decided to start 'Humans of Haiti' to help educate people about our wisdom, diversity, and to share our people's stories. I want Humans of Haiti to be the Haitian people's microphone and platform to express themselves," he explained.

His project hasn't been easy. Often, Baboun is met with distrust from those who he tries to capture.

"We have been exploited so many times by the media that is hard for us to not see a camera as being a weapon. I've been chased after and cursed at for wanting to share people's stories," he said.

Despite these challenges, Baboun is committed to uploading photos – ideally daily – with short stories capturing what life is like in Haiti. His motivation to continue is firmly grounded in being asked questions like "do you live in a tent" by peers in America.

"It was important to start because my friends were victims of ignorance," he said.



In this picture, Baboun interacts with a vendor. "Can you talk for a minute?" "I'm selling. Are you buying?"

Photo by Steven Baboun

So long as he is armed with his camera, Baboun pledges to continue the Humans of Haiti project and earn the trust of his people.

"I always tell them that this isn't my project, but our

project. As long as I am here, Humans of Haiti will always be up and running," he said.

View images of Humans of Haiti on Baboun's website, <http://www.thestevenbaboun.com/>.



Seasons Greetings



<p>Valid from mid Jan non-stop flights mid week</p> <p>NEW YORK to TRINIDAD</p> <p>from \$147 o/w \$342 R/T</p>	<p>Non-stop flights available from February 9, 16</p> <p>NEW YORK to GUYANA</p> <p>from \$226 o/w \$466 R/T</p>		<p>Call or Book on -line @ 718-845-0437 www.travelspan.com</p>			
<p>Valid from Jan non stop flights on Caribbean</p> <p>NEW YORK to JAMAICA</p> <p>from \$205 o/w \$429 R/T</p>	<p>Non stop flights from Jan on Tue, Thur & Sun</p> <p>NEW YORK to GRENADA</p> <p>from \$182 o/w \$413 R/T</p>					
<p>Rates subject to change without notice and to airline availability - change/cancel fees applies - Rates are for travel during low season, Rates not valid for peak travel black-out dates and other restrictions may apply</p>						
<p>QUEENS 121-04 liberty Ave 718-845-0437</p>	<p>BROOKLYN 1170 Nostrand Ave 718-774-9725</p>			<p>GUYANA 93 Regent St 592-227-1701</p>	<p>CHAGUANAS Mid Centre Mall 868-665-3384</p>	<p>PORT OF SPAIN Capital Plz Mall 868-625-0800</p>

ACCIDENT VICTIMS

AUTO ACCIDENTS • TRIPS AND FALLS • CONSTRUCTION INJURIES
FREE CONSULTATION • No Fee Unless Successful*



**WE HAVE OBTAINED
 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS
 ON BEHALF OF OUR CLIENTS**

Our Lawyers Will Come To You!

Home, Office or Hospital Visits
 Available At No Charge

**WILLS & REAL ESTATE
 PERSONAL INJURY**

Auto Accidents • Truck Accidents

Bus, Train, & Subway Accidents

No-Fault Cases

Spine & Neck Injuries

Slip & Fall • Pedestrian

Defective Products • Lead Poisoning

Schools & Playgrounds • Dog Bites



**Construction Accidents • Stairways
 Ladders • Scaffolds • Elevator/Escalator
 Injuries Burns • Improper Security •
 Machine Accidents • Workers' Comp
 MEDICAL MALPRACTICE/
 NURSING HOME INJURIES**



Wrongful Death • Misdiagnosis • Birth Related
 Cerebral Palsy

ARZE & MOLLIKA, LLP

Brooklyn:

2352 80th Street

Brooklyn, NY 11214

718-996-5600

Manhattan:

39 Broadway, Suite 950

New York, NY 10006

646-459-7548

*Past Results Do Not Guarantee Future Outcomes

A new Tree House in Brooklyn

New co-sharing office space

By Alley Olivier

Entrepreneurs rejoice! All those tired of working in their pajamas now have a space to call their office home in Prospect Lefferts Gardens.

Above the iconic Phat Albert Warehouse on Flatbush Avenue between Empire Boulevard and Sterling Street, a new co-working office space – BKLYN Commons – is set to officially open its doors Jan. 1.

According to Jack Srour, president of BKLYN Commons, the influx of entrepreneurs and freelancers within the vicinity was all the proof he and his team needed to open the 6,000-square-foot space.

“We saw that there is a huge demand in terms of people wanting to rent office spaces. We figured the way the community is changing and the needs that it has there’s really nothing in this area that’s catering to the entrepreneur,” Srour explained.

BKLYN Commons handles all the amenities one would desire in an office: high speed Internet, WiFi access, small and large meeting rooms equipped with Smart TV, daily mail and package handling, complimentary coffee, tea, water, and much more.

There are 25 fully-furnished private offices ranging in size from single individual suites to 8-person team private rooms, and for a limited time the co-working space is offering a 50 percent off your first month promotion if you sign up prior to Jan. 1.

“Open desks are starting at \$20 a day, and offices are starting around the \$350 range at first. Going forward we’ll have different pricing criteria as the offices get bigger,” Srour said.



Tree House BK aims to become a staple in its Bedstuy community and continue supporting other black-owned businesses in their neighborhood. Photo by Camille Bautista

By Alley Olivier

Bedstuy’s newest hangout spot is celebrating the rich cultures inhabiting the neighborhood.

Taking you on a tour of Africa, to Asia, and even making stops in the Caribbean, Tree House BK is mashing together flavors they love and representative of their neighborhood.

According to co-owner Bintou Ndaw, “It’s really about community.”

Ndaw, who is Senegalese and lead chef at Tree House, is a resident of Bedstuy like the other two owners, who believed their community needed a new place to come and call home away from home.

“My partners and I are from Bedstuy, we all live a few

blocks away. We really want people to come out and do their baby showers, we’ve done a lot of birthdays already,” she explained.

Officially opening their doors a month ago, Tree House’s eclectic menu includes Jerk Pork, Djollof Rice, Fierce Tiger Shrimp, and includes fresh vegetables courtesy of local gardens.

“There are people who have never had yucca, and some people have never heard of djollof rice. It’s bar-bistro food so you can mix and match, have the classic bar food like wings but all with a twist,” she explained.

Inspired by the bar’s surroundings, Tree House was named in part by the tree growing in the backyard.

“We have a beautiful back-

yard, that’s why we call it Tree House and also like a tree, we’re willing to grow. We’re really close to our roots and want to grow with the people around,” she said.

Working with the surrounding businesses is important to Ndaw who mentions the neighboring black-owned businesses within a two-block radius of them.

Forming partnerships with House of Art, an African American art gallery, hosting after parties for their openings as well as partnering with the East New York Farm that work with youth in their community, teaching them urban farming and sustainability.

“We just all work together and support each other,” she explained. “This area didn’t have anything until last year.

We have this little block where you have the Doll House, House of Art, a wine shop — this little cluster in the neighborhood works together.”

Heading into the New Year, Ndaw and her partners hope to solidify their community ties and continue blending the rich cultures in their neighborhood under one roof.

“We want to have different kinds of music, reggae one day, African music another day, a soul night, really just trying not to be a club or lounge but a place where you feel comfortable and can blend our culture,” she said.

Tree House BK is located on Marcus Garvey Boulevard between Macon and Halsey streets.

End of Year CLEARANCE! **More INCREDIBLE DEALS Like These at Your Local Store!**

EVERY FLOOR ON SALE! In-Stock December 16th - 31st	60+ Varieties N. American & European Laminates ALL ON SALE from 39¢ sq.ft.	300+ Varieties Prefinished Hardwood ALL ON SALE from 89¢ sq.ft.	70+ Varieties Prefinished Bamboo ALL ON SALE from \$1.69 sq.ft.	New York, NY • (347) 286-7552 New York, NY • (212) 352-1111 Long Island City, NY • (347) 527-7664 Staten Island, NY • (917) 426-0580 Bronx, NY • (347) 773-2075 Yonkers, NY • (914) 595-1411 South Hackensack, NJ • (201) 343-5255 Union, NJ • (908) 613-0843 Woodbridge, NJ • (908) 259-4170	HARDWOOD FLOORS FOR LESS! LUMBER LIQUIDATORS www.lumberliquidators.com 1-800-HARDWOOD While supplies last. Product prices & availability are subject to change. Odd lots sold as is. Our South Hackensack, NJ store is closed on Sundays.
	Incredible DEALS on 450+ Varieties!			Must be picked up by Thursday, December 31st	

25 MONTHS SPECIAL FINANCING* On purchases of \$2,000 or more with your Lumber Liquidators credit card made from December 16-31, 2015. *Subject to credit approval. Minimum monthly payments required. See store for details.



Prospect Park Alliance

PROSPECT PARK ALLIANCE
BROOKLYN "MASH IT UP" BAND
D.J. C. LIVE
NYC FIRE DEPARTMENT
NYC POLICE DEPARTMENT
NYC PARKS & RECREATION



**PROSPECT HEIGHTS
GRAND ARMY PLAZA**
Starting at 11pm

ONE BROOKLYN NEW YEAR'S EVE

Countdown to 2016
One celebration - Two locations
with fireworks and live entertainment

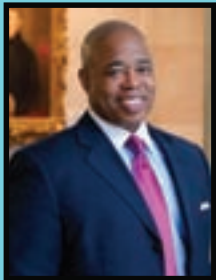


@BPEricAdams



Eric Adams

BROOKLYN-USA.ORG



ERIC L. ADAMS
BROOKLYN BOROUGH PRESIDENT

DECEMBER 31, 2015

SPONSORS:

AIR BNB
NYC AND CO.
ONE BROOKLYN FUND INC.

PARTNERS:

ALLIANCE FOR CONEY ISLAND
BROOKLYN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
CITY ICE SPORTS INC.
COMMUNITY BOARD 13
CONEY ISLAND BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT
DENO'S WONDER WHEEL
EXPLORE BROOKLYN
GARGIULO'S RESTAURANT
LUNA PARK
NEW YORK AQUARIUM
NEW YORK CITY COUNCIL
NEW YORK CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT
NEW YORK CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT
NYC PARKS DEPARTMENT
TOM'S CONEY ISLAND

HOST AND SPONSORS:

BROOKLYN BOROUGH PRESIDENT ERIC L. ADAMS
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER MARK TREYGER

**CONEY ISLAND
STEEPLECHASE PLAZA**
Starting at 9pm


ENTERTAINMENT BY:

CONEY ISLAND USA
INFINITY MUSIC
PRICELESS BAND



SPECIAL THANKS: MAYOR BILL DEBLASIO AND CITY WIDE EVENT COORDINATION AND MANAGEMENT OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS



Explore places you've never been
before...

Enjoy some real home cooking...

Not to mention, there'll be lots of parties,
festivals, and music events islandwide!

You've been away for too long and we miss you.

We look forward to welcoming you home for the holidays.

JAMAICA[®] HOME
OF ALL
RIGHT

www.visitjamaica.com

UGG
australia
AUTHORIZED DEALER

WONDERFUL SHOES

PRICE DROPS!

K BAILEY BUTTON TODDLER	\$100	\$80
K BAILEY BUTTON KIDS	\$120	\$96
K BAILEY BUTTON YOUTH	\$140	\$112
K BAILEY BUTTON TRIPLET	\$180	\$144
K BAILEY BUTTON TRIPLET YOUTH	\$190	\$152
WOMEN BAILEY BOW	\$205	\$160
WOMEN BAILEY BOW TALL	\$250	\$180
WOMEN BAILEY BUTTON	\$165	\$130
WOMEN BAILEY BUTTON TRIPLET	\$220	\$170
WOMEN MINI BAILEY BOW	\$150	\$120
WOMEN MINI BAILEY BUTTON	\$135	\$109.99
WOMEN CLASSIC MINI	NOW \$114	
WOMEN CLASSIC MINI LEATHER	NOW \$118	
WOMEN CLASSIC SHORT	NOW \$130	
WOMEN CLASSIC SHORT LEATHER	NOW \$148	
WOMEN CLASSIC TALL	NOW \$165	

Hurry! Sale ends soon!



Christmas Sale

SALE ENDS 12/31/15. SEE STORE FOR DETAIL

CHILDRENS, WOMEN'S DRESS SHOES (WIDE WIDTHS TOO!), BOOTS, SNEAKERS AND MORE!

1656 PITKIN AVE BROOKLYN NY 11212 | (718) 498-6648



PROSTATE CENTER

Urgency or difficulty urinating? Painful urination? Erectile dysfunction?



- Reliable, Responsive, Top Class Urologists
- Same Day In-office Diagnostic Radiology
- Lab Tests with Immediate Results

We successfully diagnose & treat:

PROSTATE CANCER

Receive Effective Treatment.
Examine Alternatives.

ENLARGED PROSTATE

Reduce Bathroom Trips in 1 week.
Alleviate Other Symptoms.

IMPOTENCE

Regain Firm Erectile Function.
Explore Innovative Options.



America's Top Urologists Since 2009 • Open 7 Days A Week • All Major Insurances Accepted



BROOKLYN: 2632 E 14th Street, NY 11235
QUEENS: 107-15 Jamaica Ave., NY 11418

718-878-3523

END OF YEAR CLEARANCE

65"
SONY
\$599

42"
SAMSUNG
\$199

60"
SAMSUNG
\$469

19"
TOSHIBA
\$69

26"
RCA
\$89

32"
SAMSUNG
\$149

50"
SAMSUNG
\$259

46"
LG
\$229

70"
\$799

CCTV SURVEILLANCE CAMERA

VANDAL PROOF
600TVL
3.6mm
49'n vision
\$39

1080P SYSTEM 4- CHANNEL DVR KIT

8 CAM
\$179

4 CAM
\$119

\$49

\$399



\$19

2 CAM
\$79

3MP, 1080P HD
100' n VISION

4 CAMERAS **1080P 3MP** **2 TB HD** **4 CHANNELS**

600TVL
3.6mm
32 infrared led

\$399 COMPLETE INSTALLATION

WIRELESS IP CAM
SOUND & MOTION DETCTION
\$69

WIFI BLU TOOTH INTEL
\$99

LAPTOPS & TABLETS
INTEL CORE-DUO
6 GB MEMORY
750GB HD
\$239

TOSHIBA
4 GB MEMORY
500 GB HD
\$199

SONY
15.4" SCREEN
6 GB MEMORY
750GB HD
DVD RW
\$399

GALAXY Tab
\$79

Tab
\$29

POWER SPEAKERS CAR STEREO & AMPLIFIER

YAMAHA
JBL
\$249

Yorkville
EV
BEHRINGER
\$169

DJ SYSTEMS
YAMAHA STUDIO MIXER
NUMARK MIXTRACK
\$139
TECHNIC
\$179
\$109
\$69

\$79
Pioneer
\$249
KICKER
\$129
Pioneer
\$159

Rockford Fosgate
SONY
KICKER
Rockford Fosgate

0% FINANCING

FINANCING APPLIED TO THE CREDIT APPROVAL BY GE CAPITAL. BE CREDITED TO YOUR ACCOUNT IF THE PURCHASE IS PAID IN FULL. BE ASSESSED ON YOUR PURCHASE DURING THE PROMOTHIN PERIOD BUT WILL WITHIN THE PERIOD. ANNUAL PERCENTAGE RATE 21%

NO CREDIT CHECK

1170 FULTON ST
BET. FRANKLIN & BEDFORD
718-230-1214

UNIVERSAL
ELECTRONICS

170-08 JAMAICA AVE
FREE PARKING F TRAIN TO 169 ST
718-725-1335

N.Y.C D.C.A #1307857 (QUEENS), N.Y.C D.C.A #1307095 (MANHATTAN), N.Y.C. D.C.A #136059 (BROOKLYN), UNIVERSAL ELECTRONICS AND APPLIANCES IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS. PICTURES ARE FOR ILLUSTRATIVE PURPOSE ONLY & MAY NOT DEPICT ACTUAL ITEMS. ADVERTISED ITEMS ARE LIMITED TO 1 PER FAMILY / GROUP. ALL COMPUTERS MAY REQUIRE ASSEMBLY CONFIGURATIONS. QUANTITIES ARE LIMITED. ALLOW TWO TO THREE WEEKS FOR DELIVERY ON ALL TV'S PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE DELIVERY, PROGRESSIVE NO CREDIT NEEDED 90 DAY PAYMENT OPTIONAD EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31 2015



Roy Brummell with copies of his latest book "My Buddybo Mac - My Brother Mac"

Folklorist writes about Wordsworth McAndrew

By Tangerine Clarke

The late Wordsworth McAndrew was an eloquent folklorist, storyteller and poet in the history of Guyana's cultural life. "Mac" as he was fondly referred to in every corner, evoked the true emotion of Guyanese creole with his stirring "Ol' Heigüe" that became the most performed poem for many years.

In a recent launch of "My Buddybo Mac - My Brother Mac" - Volume 1 at the Moray House Trust in Georgetown, Roy Brummell, also a folklorist and very close friend of the former cultural icon, captured the memorable life of McAndrew, of the once broadcaster, whose indelible contribution to Guyana did not truly receive the recognition it deserved, not even after his death.

Brummell, a country boy, who hails from Dartmouth village, on the Essequibo coast was eager to tell the story of this extraordinary man, and in so doing, recalled the historic figure, with the help of friends, former schoolmates and workmates who knew "Mac" in some way or the other.

The book traces "Mac's" early public service life and his work as a broadcaster with the Guyana Broadcasting Corporation (GBC). In addition to his phenomenal career as a folklorist that spanned over 50 years, McAndrew's dedication to the arts and his innate ability to inspire future generation is noted in this anthology.

After being honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Guyana Cultural Association, the Wordsworth McAndrew Awards was established to pay tribute to the icon, and keep his memory alive.

"Wordsworth is someone who should be remembered," said Brummell a teacher and writer, adding, "this is a man who dedicated 50 years of his life to folklore, a man that should be honored, and one of the better ways of doing so is certainly in a book. This is why I selected him to write about."

"Mac" is hailed as a great storyteller in the book, and someone who played a significant part in preserving Guyana's folklore, elevating folktales to national prominence."

Brummell, an author of other works such as "De Great Jackass" was made popular by "Mac" after it was read on the radio, while "Cynic" won awards.

McAndrew who left an indelible mark on Guyana's cultural landscape, and who many felt was not accorded the prestigious Guyana National Award, was called a cultural giant by Brummell whose play "Adventure," received rave reviews after its stage performance many years ago.

Brummell who read excerpts from his other book "Half Way Tree" about a silk cotton tree that stands in the middle of the East Coast Village of Michony, noted that like McAndrew the tree is a legend.

Brummell collected stories from villagers about Half Way Tree, and weaved them into a novel.

"Folklore is part of my life, I heard proverbs from my grandparents and mother and villagers who drank 'bush tea' while others read folktales everyday of my life," said Brummell, who won the Third Year Literature Prize while attending the University of Guyana.

He described him as "My Buddybo who was to Guyana what Louise Bennett was to Jamaica."

PORTABELLA

NEW YEAR'S SALE

SAVE UP TO 70% OFF VALUE PRICES

SLIM FIT SUITS \$79.99 • 3 FOR \$200



THE NEWEST TUXEDOS \$99.99 VALUE \$250 THE NEWEST COLORS

BUY 1 SUIT AT THE VALUE PRICE GET 2 FREE

Or Buy 1 At Our Everyday Low Price

	Value	Everyday	NOW!
New Slim Fit.....	\$250	\$99.99	3 for \$250
New Vested Suits	\$300	\$129.99	3 for \$300
Luxury Wool	\$425	\$159.99	3 for \$425

WEDDING PARTIES

Boys. Big & Tall. Tuxedos.

SUITS \$59.99

CALVIN KLEIN & LAUREN BY RALPH LAUREN COATS \$99.99



SWEATERS MANY MODELS \$9.99



DRESS SHIRT & TIE SETS \$24.99 \$75 VALUE



OUTERWEAR FROM \$19.99



BLAZERS HOTTEST SLIM FIT STYLES \$39.99

JUST FOR NEW YEAR'S • DRESS SHOES \$29.99



THE LARGEST SELECTION IN NEW YORK

SHOES

\$19.99 \$29.99 \$39.99

Dress • Casual • Driving • Tuxedo Driving • Boots • U.S. Polo • Clarks Stacy Adams • Phat Farm • Florsheim



PORTABELLA portabellastores.com

BROOKLYN

503 Nostrand Ave.-Portabella
320 Livingston-Portabella
1671 Pitkin Ave.-Portabella
5205 5th Ave.-Portabella
423 Knickerbocker Ave.-Portabella
294 Utica Ave.-Portabella
1555 Flatbush Ave.-Portabella
851 Flatbush Ave.-Portabella
552 Nostrand Ave. - Fino
366 Fulton St.-Portabella
5007 Church Ave.-Fino

QUEENS

163-18 Jamaica Ave.-Portabella
3056 Steinway St.-Portabella
164-08 Jamaica Ave.-Fino
3738 Junction Blvd.-Fino
Queens Center-Quails
Roosevelt Field Quails

NEW JERSEY

807 Broad St.-Portabella
Woodbridge Center-Quails
5516 Bergenline Ave-Quails
Freehold Raceway Mall-Quails
Livingston Mall-Quails

BRONX

12-20 E. Fordham Rd.-Portabella
2887 3rd Ave.-Portabella
3449 Jerome Ave.-Portabella
2938 3rd Ave.-Fino
345 East Fordham Rd.-Fino
259 E. Fordham Rd.-Britches
645 E. Tremont Ave.-Portabella
1498 Parkchester Ave.-Portabella
Bay Plaza Shopping Center-Portabella
13 South 4th Ave.-Mount Vernon
1498 Metropolitan Ave.-Portabella
2168 Bartow Ave.-Portabella

MANHATTAN

243 W. 125th St.-Portabella
617 W. 181 St.-Portabella
120 W. 125th St.-Fino
1405 St. Nicholas Ave.-Fino
Manhattan Mall-Portabella

All merchandise not in all stores. All savings off value prices. While quantities last. Sale ends January 1, 2016

Lawrence Waldron's new book blends calypso and noir



Author Lawrence Waldron reading passages from his new novel, "Gypsy in the Moonlight." Photo by Stefano Giovannini

By Alley Olivier

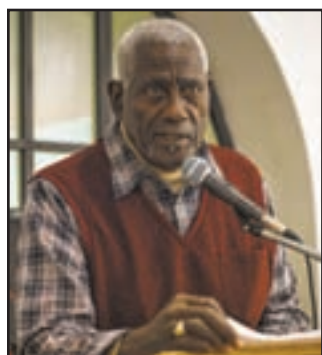
Literary genres go far beyond the simple fiction and nonfiction. Every day, an author is experimenting with new ways to combine themes that on the surface level seem worlds apart.

Forging a new genre blending calypso and noir is Trinidadian author and professor Lawrence Waldron in his first novel, "Gypsy in the Moonlight."

"I have attempted to start a new genre, combining what I describe myself as the wit, gender anxieties, distrust, cynicism, humor – often a very dark humor that is both typically noir and typically calypso," he explained.

Set in World War II Trinidad, Waldron aims to take readers on a journey through that historic time.

"I was actually surprised that no one tried to combine noir and calypso, these two uniquely modern mediums, while they were in their golden age during the 1930s and 40s,"



Duff Mitchell of Trinidad and Tobago Folk Art Institute reading his detailed review of "Gypsy in the Moonlight."

he said.

An intimate group of fans and supporters gathered at the Brooklyn Public Library Flatbush branch to celebrate the launch of Waldron's novel.

Before the program began, organized by the Caribbean Awareness Committee and Trinidad and Tobago Folk Arts Committee, attendees enjoyed light refreshments and a slideshow of Waldron's "Trinidad

Noir Dictionary," which is also available on his book's Facebook page.

Serving as the MC, Jennifer Joseph of the Caribbean Awareness Committee, invited Duff Mitchell up to the podium where he read a detailed review of Waldron's piece.

According to Mitchell, "In this book, one can read for pleasure as well as for entertainment. One can also gain a deeper understanding of life."

Towards the end of Mitchell's reading, Waldron warned for spoiler alerts as his review provided an in-depth look at the characters and plot.

Following Mitchell's review, Waldron took center stage where he proved to those in attendance just how calypso and noir walk along the same lines — focusing on the darkness of music genre's lyrics and distrustful nature seen in noir.

"Calypso's topics and noir's topics, calypso's style and noir's style are uniquely and unexpectedly compatible," he said.

"Gypsy in the Moonlight" blends fiction and reality, often citing real locations in Trinidad and referring to actual lyrics and characters in Calypso songs.

During Waldron's readings of certain passages, the crowd was transported into the vivid imagery of "Gypsy in the

Moonlight" as he gave life to every character — switching his tone of voice and body language to literally become his characters.

"Gypsy in the Moonlight" is available for \$20 on Waldron's blog, <https://bonhammars.wordpress.com/author/ieredelta/>.

Healthy Gums And Teeth For A Lifetime!

Gentle And Effective Treatment! St. Marks Painless Dental



*A Staff That Cares,
Doctors Who Truly Listen
And Treat With Love!*

Painless Laser Treatment

If you are afraid, come to St. Marks Painless Dentistry. Say good-bye to painful needles and annoying drills. We are the first in the area to use a dental laser that, in most cases, eliminates the use of drills and needles. Amazing equipment and state-of-the-art methods will make your next dental visit enjoyable and stress free.

IV Sedation (Sleep Dentistry)

Discover a whole new world of comfortable and painless dentistry. Our top priority is to eliminate your fears.

Implants

Based on years of experience and a multitude of completed cases we strongly believe that it is most beneficial for a patient to have all stages of Implantology performed at one clinic. We will design your case, perform the surgery, insert your teeth and maintain them. It makes the whole process smooth, painless and affordable.

Gum Treatment/Bone Grafting

We provide comprehensive periodontal treatment including bone grafting.

Cosmetic Dentistry

- White fillings at no extra cost • Laser Bleaching (takes only one hour)
- Bad breath treatment

Orthodontic Treatment & Invisalign

We combine the best achievements of European and American orthodontics to eliminate unnecessary extractions. We proudly hold a status as a PREFERRED PROVIDER given to us by Invisalign.

Dental Laboratory on Premises

Repair your old dentures while you wait.

Implants • TMJ Treatment (Jaw Joint) • Bridges • Root Canals



FREE
INITIAL
CONSULTATION
Do Not Hesitate To Visit
St. Marks Painless Dental

St. Marks Painless Dental
907 St. Marks Ave.
Bet. Albany & Kingston Aves.
718-778-3283

Colon & Stomach Cancer Screening & Prevention

PREVENTION IS BETTER THAN CURE

**HAVE YOU EVER BEEN TESTED FOR COLON CANCER?
DO YOU HAVE HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE OR DIABETES?
DO YOU HAVE A FAMILY HISTORY OF THESE MEDICAL ISSUES?**

Call Us For An Evaluation or For a Second Opinion
Do Not Put It Off For Tomorrow

All Testing at One Office: (Blood Work, X-Ray, Sonogram, Colonoscopy & Bone Density)
Sunday Hours Available



DR. STEVEN C. TAWIL
Double Board-Certified Specialist In Internal Medicine & Gastroenterology

Has the latest **PAINLESS** techniques to diagnose and treat:

- Diabetes
- Stomach Ulcers
- Acid Reflux
- Arthritis
- Colon Polyps
- Hemorrhoids
- Stomach/Colon & Liver Disease
- Colitis
- High Cholesterol
- Total Medical Care
- Constipation / Diarrhea
- High Blood Pressure
- Hepatitis



DR. STEVEN C. TAWIL

718-946-7557

By Appointment Only

130 Brighton Beach Avenue

(Corner of Ocean Pkwy. & Brighton Beach Ave.)

Brooklyn, NY 11235



Dr. Steven C. Tawil, BS: Brandeis University, MD, Syracuse University, Board Certified in
Internal Medicine and Gastroenterology, Albert Einstein College of Medicine

Whether you're buying or selling a car, If You Can't Make It To Us, We'll

At Major World, We Make Feel Like TV

OVER 3000 CARS TO CHOOSE FROM ON OUR LOT!



'10 TOYOTA **COROLLA**
BUY FOR: **\$6,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
Stk# 1042, 37k mi.



'13 HYUNDAI **ELANTRA**
BUY FOR: **\$7,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
28k miles, Stk#3640



'07 ACURA **MDX**
BUY FOR: **\$7,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
104k miles, Stk#10125



'14 HYUNDAI **SONATA**
BUY FOR: **\$8,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
42k miles, Stk#17885



'12 FORD **ESCAPE**
BUY FOR: **\$8,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
72k miles, Stk#7278



'14 NISSAN **SENTRA**
BUY FOR: **\$8,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
4k miles, Stk#12691



'13 TOYOTA **CAMRY**
BUY FOR: **\$8,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
28k miles, Stk#17946



'11 TOYOTA **RAV4**
BUY FOR: **\$9,500**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
48k miles, Stk#1066



'12 HONDA **ACCORD**
BUY FOR: **\$9,500**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
32k miles, Stk#1223



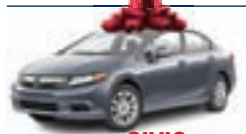
'14 FORD **FUSION**
BUY FOR: **\$9,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
10k miles, Stk#10024



'13 NISSAN **ALTIMA**
BUY FOR: **\$9,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
15k miles, Stk#9724



'11 MAZDA **3**
BUY FOR: **\$9,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
Stk# 15906, 55k mi.



'12 HONDA **CIVIC**
BUY FOR: **\$9,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
31k miles, Stk#5650



'13 MAZDA **5**
BUY FOR: **\$10,000**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
52k miles, Stk#16941



'09 INFINITI **G37x**
BUY FOR: **\$10,000**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
52k miles, Stk#1255



'14 TOYOTA **COROLLA**
BUY FOR: **\$10,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
14k miles, Stk#15152



'13 DODGE **GR CARAVAN**
BUY FOR: **\$10,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
Stk# 3793, 43k mi.



'12 HONDA **CR-V**
BUY FOR: **\$11,995**
PLUS TAX & TAGS
57k miles, Stk#13914

MAJORWORLD.COM

1-877-625-6766 43-40 NORTHERN BLVD. LONG ISLAND CITY, QUEENS, NY 11101

Prices include all costs to be paid by the consumer except for license, registration & taxes. Used vehicles have normal wear, tear & mileage, some may have scratches & dents. ††All applications will be accepted. Severity of credit situation may affect down payment, APR & terms. Bankruptcies and liens must be discharged. **Vehicle must be in safe operating condition, dealer not responsible for excess wear and tear. Some exclusions may apply, see dealer for details. Offers cannot be combined. NYC DCA#200342, DMV#711789. Publication date: 12/25/2015. Offers expire 48 hours after publication.

WE ARE SURE TO HAVE A CAR TO FIT YOUR BUDGET • EASY FINANCING! BEST CHANCE TO GET APPROVED IS HERE! ††

Pick You Up. Call 877-625-6766 For Complimentary Pick Up.

EVERYDAY We Holidays!

**WE ARE
OPEN
TODAY**

CARS STARTING AS LOW AS \$3,995!

*2008 Dodge Caliber, 91k mi, STk#17934

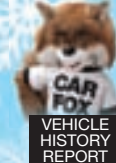
 '12 DODGE CHARGER BUY FOR: \$11,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 8k miles, Stk#1030	 '11 TOYOTA SIENNA BUY FOR: \$12,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 15k miles, Stk#1034	 2014 HONDA ACCORD BUY FOR: \$13,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS Stk# 8569, 11k mi.	 '14 NISSAN ROGUE BUY FOR: \$14,000 PLUS TAX & TAGS 5k miles, Stk#13407	 '11 BMW 3 SERIES BUY FOR: \$14,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 55k miles, Stk#15964	 '14 NISSAN MAXIMA BUY FOR: \$14,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 30k miles, Stk#18077
 '13 ACURA ILX BUY FOR: \$15,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 38k miles, Stk#15579	 '13 TOYOTA SIENNA BUY FOR: \$17,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 26k miles, Stk#11973	 '13 NISSAN PATHFINDER BUY FOR: \$17,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 42k miles, Stk#10534	 '12 TOYOTA HIGHLANDER BUY FOR: \$18,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 33k miles, Stk#15667	 '14 MERCEDES C CLASS BUY FOR: \$19,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 28k miles, Stk#20433	 '13 MERCEDES E CLASS BUY FOR: \$19,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 52k miles, Stk#17256
 '14 HONDA PILOT BUY FOR: \$19,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS Auto, 6 cyl, A/C, p/s, p/b, 9k miles, Stk#10065	 '11 ACURA MDX BUY FOR: \$19,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 48k miles, Stk#1321	 '13 LEXUS GS350 BUY FOR: \$23,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS Stk#16079, 48k mi.	 '12 MERCEDES ML-350 BUY FOR: \$24,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 63k miles, Stk#18809	 '12 MERCEDES GL-450 BUY FOR: \$30,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS 32k miles, Stk#6794	 '13 RANGE ROVER SPORT BUY FOR: \$35,995 PLUS TAX & TAGS Stk# 12925, 32k mi.

TIRED OF YOUR CAR? WE'LL BUY IT FROM YOU!**

Don't Make Your Next Payment
Until You Speak To Us!

1-877-625-6766

43-40 NORTHERN BLVD. LONG ISLAND CITY, QUEENS, NY 11101



TAKE THE
B M
SUBWAY
TO 46TH ST
STOP IN
QUEENS

Prices include all costs to be paid by the consumer except for license, registration & taxes. Used vehicles have normal wear, tear & mileage, some may have scratches & dents. ††All applications will be accepted. Severity of credit situation may affect down payment, APR & terms. Bankruptcies and liens must be discharged. **Vehicle must be in safe operating condition, dealer not responsible for excess wear and tear. Some exclusions may apply, see dealer for details. Offers cannot be combined. NYC DCA#200342, DMV#711789. Publication date: 12/25/2015. Offers expire 48 hours after publication.

WE ARE SURE TO HAVE A CAR TO FIT YOUR BUDGET • EASY FINANCING! BEST CHANCE TO GET APPROVED IS HERE! ††

Appy Holidays: Send joy to the world...for free

It is almost the 11th hour to make it to stores and still find bargains. However, last minute shoppers can relax with the comfort of delivering on-time, affordable gifts to friends and family members considered worthy of holiday cheer and it will not cost one penny to invest and deliver.

Technology and search engines on the worldwide web enable free applications that guarantee a wealth of useful portals providing insurmountable information that will not cost one cent and best of all will arrive just in time to capitalize on the holiday gift-giving tradition.

From free music provided by Apple's iTunes, to Dictionaries, Wordnet, Livio and Urban Dictionary.com the choices are wide, varied and free.

Here are a few:

Photos

Google Photos is a free app that offers unlimited photo and video storage.

Photos combine automatic backup, sharing and editing functions, as well as just about the best photo organization



Inside Life

By Vinette K. Pryce

tool users can implement to create a powerful photo app which is hard to beat. The easy to apply 'click and drag' feature can be easily installed in any photo gallery.

Skype

Anyone with links overseas should capitalize on this free application. Used widely by numerous commercial television shows to interface with artists and contacts, Skype is the free gift to add to any phone or computer. The basic principle of being able to call anyone anywhere in the world for free still seems as ingenious today as when Skype was first released in 2003.

Imagine calling, seeing, talking and communicating with friends and family in the Caribbean, Africa, Europe – as a matter of fact, anywhere in the world – for free is probably an invaluable app to install.

Skype is the way to go to save on phone bills and best yet, to keep up with friends and family far, far away.

Google Earth

Google's ever-evolving Earth-viewing app never ceases to impress, allowing users to fly around cities in street view one second, and in the process providing a means to pinch to zoom out and view the entire country.

This app allows users to explore the world. It is not really an actual navigation assistant. Earth permits users to submit photos taken in specific areas which others can enjoy. Earth recently added the option to track planes in flight, and even look at hiking trails. This is an app that can really steal hours because of its mesmerizing earthy ability.

Autodesk Pixlr

A must have for smart-



The iPad shown with several apps installed.

Associated Press / Marcio Jose Sanchez, File

phone users who take photos is Autodesk Pixlr.

Pixlr is acclaimed the gold standard for awesome free photo editing apps on Android.

Users wanting to make collages, add filters, overlays, borders, text, stickers will find Pixlr the picture-perfect app to install. And remember it is free too.

Audible for Android

In this century where reading is no longer fundamental,

anyone too busy to leer into pages can listen to words and still be informed. With Audible for Android installed on a phone, one can listen to books while on the go choosing from more than 150,000 titles, of all different genres.

Although yours truly remain convinced that there is nothing like reading a book, this app provides a plu-perfect alternative for busy commuters, joggers, or travelers on a long road or rail trip.

Catch you on the Inside!



BROOKLYN MED



THE MEDICAL DIRECTORY FOR BROOKLYN

ALLERGY & ASTHMA

Dr. Stephen Rand - Kings Plaza Professional Center

Diplomate, American Board of Allergy, Asst. Clinical Professor of Medicine-SUNY Brooklyn. Pulmonary, Nasal & Allergy Testing Treatment
2270 Kimball Street, Marine Park, NY • (718) 377-0011

AUDIOLOGY

Liberty Hearing Centers

Specializing in Revolutionary Invisible Hearing Aid. Free Hearing Screenings
Bay Ridge: 9015 5 Ave.
Sheepshead Bay: 2204 Voorhies Ave.
Flatbush: 445 Lenox Road • 1 (888) 337-5650

CHIROPRACTIC

Live Holistic

Specializing in Spinal Correction & Pain Reduction

Dr. Vincent Adamo

Most insurance plans accepted
446 Bay Ridge Parkway, Bay Ridge, NY 11209
(718) 921-5483 • www.LiveHolistic.net

Dr. Melinda Keller - Brooklyn Spine Center

5911 16th Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11214
(718) 234-6212

DENTISTRY

Dr. Joseph Lichter - Cosmetic & Family Dental

1420 Ave. P, Brooklyn, NY 11229
www.JosephLichterDDS.com

FAMILY PRACTICE

Camele White, M.D. - Family Physician

Adults, Children and Gynecology/Women's Health Services
385 Remsen Avenue, Brooklyn NY
(347) 915-1755

INTERNAL MEDICINE

Dr. Natalie A. Marks, M.D.

Internal Medicine/Vascular Medicine Specialist Director of the Vein Center of N.Y. Specializing in Varicose Veins.
960-50 Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219
(718) 438-3800 • www.vascularnyc.com

Dr. Zhanna Tsukerman

514 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11218
(718) 484-7040 • www.doctortsukerman.com

South Island Medical Assoc. PC

2398 Coney Island Ave, Brooklyn • (718) 627-1100
8918 Avenue L, Brooklyn • (718) 241-1234
1610 Ralph Avenue, Brooklyn • (718) 251-0530
17-31 Seagirt Blvd, Far Rockaway • (718) 471-5400
711 Seagirt Blvd, Far Rockaway • (718) 471-3900
9009 Rkway Bch Blvd, Rockaway Beach (718) 318-5400

PAIN MANAGEMENT

Dr. Alfredo Castillo, M.D. - Pain Relief Center

9731 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209
126 Weiland Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10309
(718) 966-8120
www.brooklynpainreliefcenter.com

HealthQuest

Dr. Igor Stiler - Neurology
Alla Mavasheva-MRI Technologist
Dr. Russel Greenseid - Chiropractor
Dr. Nick Chapetta - Chiropractor
Dr. Daniel Wilen - Orthopedic Surgeon

Our comprehensive treatment program promotes a fast, safe, return to health.

3500 Nostrand Avenue, Brooklyn, New York
(718) 769-2521 • www.HQBK.com

PODIATRY

Santi Podiatry Group

240 East Fifth Street, Brooklyn, NY
(718) 435-1031 • www.SantiPodiatry.com

RADIOLOGY

Marine Park Radiology

2270 Kimball Street, Brooklyn, NY
(718) 253-6616 • www.marineparkradiology.com

RHEUMATOLOGY

Dr. Victoria Katz

Internal Medicine. Rheumatology & Pediatric Rheumatology
1664 E 14th St., Suite 401, Brooklyn, NY 11229
71-36 110th St., Suite 1J, Forest Hills, NY 11375
51 East 42nd St., Suite 1808, New York, NY 10017
(718) 375-2300 • (212) 563-6020
www.victoriakatzmd.com

UROLOGY

New York Urologic Institute

2270 Kimball Street, Suite 101A, Brooklyn, NY 11234
107-15 Jamaica Avenue, New York 11418
2632 E 14th St., Brooklyn, NY 11235
(718) 878-3523 • www.nyui.org

VASCULAR

Dr. Enrico Ascher, M.D.- The Vascular Institute of NY

960-50 St., Brooklyn, NY 11219
(718) 438-3800 • www.vascularNYC.com

Vein Treatment Center

Dr. L. khitin, M. D., F.A.C.S
Cardiovascular Surgeon, Board Certified in general and cardiothoracic surgery
406 15th St., Park Slope, Brooklyn
(212) 575-8346 • www.veinstretment.com

WEIGHT LOSS

Conquer the Crave® Physician-supervised weight loss program

507 Chestnut Street, Cedarhurst, NY 11516
(516) 295-7400 or (718) 285-8807
www.conquerthecrave.com

Be Well

Primary Health Care Center, LLC

3007 Farragut Rd., Brooklyn, NY 11210 (corner of Nostrand Ave.)

718-253-WELL (9355) • 718-434-0711

Diagnostic and Treatment Center

NYS Article 28 Facility

MEDICAID, MEDICARE

MEDICAID, HMO's & Most Major Insurance Plans Accepted



LAB TESTS
SONOGRAMS
EKG'S

**NO INSURANCE?
STOP BY
TO FIND OUT
HOW
YOU CAN
GET INSURED
TODAY!**

We Speak Creole, Russian, Philippine & Spanish

ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON

Arthroscopic Surgery • Joint Replacement • Sports Medicine • Hand Surgery
Consultation & Other Services

PAIN MANAGEMENT

Services will include pain management, electromyography, interventional pain procedures including, but not limited to joint injections, epidural steroid injections and nerve blocks, also electromyographic studies for patients with nerve and muscle disease, neck pain, back pain, numbness and tingling in the arms, chronic headaches, joint injuries such as knee and shoulder pain.

DENTISTRY

General Dentistry for Children and Adults • Dentures, Fillings, Root Canals, Crowns & Bridges, Extractions, Bleachings, Cleanings, Check Ups, Gum Treatment

UROLOGY

For Men, Women and Children. We treat the following common urological conditions: prostate cancer, kidney cancer, testicular cancer, urinary incontinence, kidney stones, urinary tract infections, impotence/erectile dysfunction

CARDIOLOGIST | GASTROENTEROLOGY

PHYSICAL THERAPY

Evaluation and Treatment of Acute and Chronic Disorders Including Strokes, Fractures, Tumors, Arthritis • Pain Management Massage, Ultrasound, Electrical Stimulation, Therapeutic Exercises

EAR, NOSE, THROAT

Services include Ear Problem, Throat Problem, Nose Disorders

ENDOCRINOLOGIST

Diabetes • Throid Dysfunction • Weight Control • Metabolism Abnormalities • Osteoporosis

GENERAL VASCULAR SURGEON

Diagnosis & Treatment of Diseases and Tumors of the Skin, Soft Tissue, Breast, Stomach, Pancreas, Bile Ducts, Gallbladder, etc. Diagnoses and Treatment of disease of Veins & Arteries
• Breast Biopsy, etc. • Laser Surgery, Vascular Surgery, Laparoscopic Surgery

OB/GYN

- Prenatal Care And Delivery • PAP Smears
- Pregnancy Testing • Family Planning • High Risk Pregnancies Management • Uterine Fibroids And Chonic Pelvic Pain • Menopausal And Menstrual Disorders, Infertility • Pelvic Relaxaation & Urinary Incontinence • HIV & STD Testing And Treatment

NEUROLOGY

- Comprehensive Neurology Exams For Adults
- Alzheimer's And Parkinson's Diseases
- Headaches, Siezures, Chronic Pain, Stroke
- Carpal Tunnel Syndrome • Rehab
- Muscle Testing • Neurological Testing

PODIATRY

- All Foot & Ankle Related Problems
- Blisters And Calluses
- Foot Odor, Ingrown Toenails, Warts, Etc.
- Numerous Treatments & Services For Diabetic Patients

DERMATOLOGY

Full Spectrum Skincare For Adults And Children

- Rash • Acne
- Warts
- Brown Spots
- Sun Damage, Etc.

INTERNIST

- Medical History & Physical Exams
- Wound Care • Cholesterol Screening
- Blood Pressure • Flu Vaccines
- Diabetes, Arthritis, Infections
- Hypertension • Heart Diseases
- Blood, Urine & Stool Testing

PEDIATRICIAN

- Comprehensive Exams Of Children Of All Ages
- Osteopathic Manipulations For Treatment Of Asthma, Headaches, Sinusitis, Otitis, Etc.
- Sick And Well Visits • Immunizations
- All Necessary Forms For Schools, Colleges, Camps & Wic Programs

OPHTHALMOLOGY

- Comprehensive Eye Exams For Adults & Children
- Nearsightedness, Farsightedness
- Astigmatism, Glasses Prescribed
- Evaluation & Treatment Of Eye Diseases
- Glaucoma, Cataracts, Diabetic Retinal Evaluation, Dry Eye



Raisa Chernina
**HONORED
2011**



Rene McClure
**HONORED
2013**



Nicole Robinson-Etienne
**HONORED
2013**



Nina Rodriguez
**HONORED
2013**



Christine Buckley
**HONORED
2014**



Dr. Melinda Keller
**HONORED
2014**



Linda Allegretti
**HONORED
2015**



Limor Ziarno
**HONORED
2015**

For the past five years, the Community News Group has honored

EXCEPTIONAL WOMEN

Do you know someone who can join them?
Nominate her as a **Brooklyn Woman of Distinction** for 2016!

Twenty-five women will have their important work profiled in the newspaper, and will be feted at a reception gala in their honor. It can be anyone who has had an impact on the borough, in any field.

Your e-mail address: _____ Your phone: _____

Name of nominee: _____

Why are you nominating them? (In 5 lines or fewer) _____

How can we reach you or your nominee for more information?

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____



E-mail your nomination info to womanofdistinction@cnglocal.com
or fax this form to (718) 260-2579 • Att: Jennifer Stern - (718) 260-8302

Or mail this form to:
Brooklyn Woman of Distinction
CNG, One Metrotech Center
10th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201
Att: Jennifer Stern



Sirico's CATERERS



Offering
dinner, cocktail
and
buffet options

8015/23 13th Avenue, Dyker Heights, Brooklyn, NY 11228 • 718-331-2900 • www.siricos.net

ENTERTAINMENT

FOR MORE ENTERTAINMENT, GO TO CARIBBEANLIFENEWS.COM/ENTERTAINMENT



Tiga's "Awareness," his last painting.
Photo by Tequila Minsky

TIGA TO KLODE

By Tequila Minsky

The gallery Rio III is one of three galleries that are part of Broadway Housing Communities in Washington Heights. These galleries integrate opportunities for cultural activities into community housing.

The exhibition: Art Making, Celebration and Tradition From TIGA to Klode opened on Sunday, Dec. 13, on the 9th floor gallery at 898 St. Nicholas Ave. at

Continued on Page 34

Grammy 2016 announces Reggae surprises

By Vinette K. Pryce

The anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor was a disaster to many reggae music insiders hoping their names would be among contenders for the 58th annual Grammy awards slated for February.

The Dec. 7 announcement by the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences although a future memorable date for pop recorders Kendrick Lamar, Taylor Swift and The Weeknd resonated with surprise to others unexpectant of the early votes for finalists.

Lamar might never forget that he topped the list with a whopping 11

Continued on Page 34



HAITIAN RHYTHMS

Vocalist Pauline Jean pulled from her repertoire Duke Ellington's "It Don't Mean A Thing" and also W.C. Handy's "St. Louis Blues" and Sippie Wallace's "Women Be Wise" and also Haitian traditional songs.

Photo by Tequila Minsky

Haiti Cultural Exchange wraps up the year

By Tequila Minsky

Having a great time was the mood at Haiti Cultural Exchange's recent year-end party that turned its home base Five Myles Gallery into a "Speak Easy."

Several dazzling gals, decked out as flappers in beads and feather boas sauntered as well as a few fellas dressed in roaring twenties attire.

"We called it 'Le Lambi,'" said HCX director Regine Roumain, "after the famed Haitian nightclub (near the Mariani section of Port-au-Prince),

which decades back was jumping with big bands.

Buyu Ambroise and The Blues in Red band, usually known for Haitian jazz standards, played big band and jazz numbers. Vocalist Pauline Jean — looking marvelous — transported everyone back to that other era. And the crowd responded, kicking up their heels, swing dancing and all to Duke Ellington's "It Don't Mean A Thing" and also W.C. Handy's "St. Louis Blues" and Sippie Wallace's "Women Be Wise."

Ambroise spontaneously played "Nirvana," the signature song from a Haitian Carnival band of his youth in Haiti. He remembers, "The band on their respective float, dressed in satin pink and black attire, played a very popular up-tempo song with lyrics that described the unusually large anatomical size of women's buttocks. When played, it brought a frenzied spirited emotion as people danced and sang." His band along with Jean reproduced the trance-like music for

Continued on Page 34

Celebrate Your Love in Paradise



718-372-4352

www.theparadisecateringhall.com



Capture the memories with beautiful settings like this.

Paradise just keeps getting better and better. And choosing the venue for your special occasions gets easier and easier, thanks to the **Paradise Catering Hall** (51 Avenue U, at the corner of West 11th Street; 718-372-4352).

Celebrating your special moments here means having the total attention and expertise of the staff focused exclusively on your affair.

But more than this, now is a wondrous time to discover or re-discover this exceptional catering hall. After a stunning re-modeling of their the grand ballroom, management recently spared no expense when they completely re-did the facility's grand lobby as well as the luxuriously appointed bridal suite, now done up with marble and granite accents for a look of timeless elegance.

They match the walls of marble and granite in the ballroom — which itself sports one of the largest chandeliers in all of Brooklyn — giving you just a brief inkling into what they have in store for you and your guests. Come and see the grandeur for yourself.

But this is only one reason to choose Paradise. Here, they accept only a single function at any one time. There's no splitting of the resources between two or three or even more affairs. When you book Paradise, you get the skills and expertise of every person there, on scene and behind the scenes to assure that your event runs flawlessly.

This sort of ultimate personalized attention starts the very minute you discover Paradise. At this facility, you don't deal with some salesman. You deal directly with one of the owners, Hercules, or his son, Mike. And why is this so essential?

Quite simply, they have a vested interest in making you happy, not just in making a sale. They know their business depends on word-of-mouth recommendations and on the special days yet to come in your life and the lives of your family. Thus, they will do everything in their power to be certain that the affair you have imagined is transformed into reality under the skilled hands of themselves and their staff. That's the secret of their longevity and of their success.

The lavish party room, which can be made intimate enough for parties of 100, or grand enough to host a spectacular of up to 400, is marked by a central chandelier that will take your breath away. It is the focal point for a magnificent space done up in sophisticated pinks and reds, with mirrored accents that lend a touch of infinity to the already expansive area.

The re-done, picture perfect bridal room is large, romantic and very feminine, accommodating up to 15 in easy comfort, with wall-to-wall mirrors.

Ideal photographic locales are assured in this world of environments, which also includes an intimate private garden area, a uniquely designed water fountain, as well as a host of fine, white wrought-iron work.

Can even Paradise become better? Of course it can. And they proved that when they totally renovated the large lobby area, adding a regal touch to this space, as well.

Whether it be the wedding, engagement party or any other affair, plan it at Paradise and the bottom line will put a very big smile on your face.

Our service is top flight, with the uniformed staff a longtime part of the Paradise family. These are full-time professionals who know their business; not weekend teens learning the trade.

And when it comes to the food, the chefs are world class. Whatever you can find in the cookbooks, they can serve at the table. They offer an added expertise in all manner of ethnic cooking. Add to that everything is cooked from scratch right on the premises to assure the highest in quality control.

Don't you want to celebrate those once-in-a-lifetime days in Paradise?

The catering office is open Tuesday through Sunday, 1 – 9 p.m. Note that the facilities are also available during the weekdays for all types of social meetings and functions.

For the further convenience of your guests, Paradise also can provide free valet parking.

Explorer's grueling ordeal on American frontier

"The Revenant"
Excellent (4 stars)
Rated R for profanity, graphic violence, gory images, ethnic slurs, brief nudity and a rape
In English, French and Native American dialects with subtitles
Running time: 156 minutes
Distributor: 20th Century Fox



A scene from the movie "The Revenant."

By Kam Williams

Hugh Glass (1780-1833) was a legendary frontiersman who explored the American West in the early 19th Century. He's been previously portrayed on the big screen by Richard Harris in *Man in the Wilderness* (1971) and by Dewitt Lee in *"Apache Blood"* (1975).

Glass' life story has also been the subject of several books, most recently, *"The Revenant,"*

a harrowing tale of survival published by Michael Punke in 2015. That best-selling page-turner has now been adapted by Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu, who won a trio of Academy Awards for writing, directing and producing *Birdman,*

2015's Best Picture of the Year. The film stars Leonardo DiCaprio who just might finally land the Oscar that has eluded his grasp five times before. For, this is a star vehicle featuring the veteran thespian in virtually every scene. And he

never disappoints, delivering again and again in a compelling performance which keeps you on the edge of your seat as you pull for his character from beginning to end.

At the point of departure, we are introduced to Hugh

and his orphaned, Pawnee son, Hawk (Forrest Goodluck), as they escort a hunting party of fur trappers across the Rockies. Along the way, the expedition is tested at every turn, whether by "Injun" ambush, animal attack, frigid weather or the challenging terrain.

Unfortunately, one member of the crew, John Fitzgerald (Tom Hardy), is a cowardly racist with no reservations about cavalierly murdering Hawk and leaving the boy's badly wounded father behind to die in the forest. Instead of perishing, Hugh exhibits an incomparable will to survive, if only to pursue his son's killer to the end of the Earth, or at least back to the fort.

What ensues is a visually-captivating spectacular chronicling our intrepid hero's determination to exact revenge in honor of his dearly-departed offspring.

A relentlessly-gruesome, gritty and grim adventure reminiscent of how the West was won.

Independent & Foreign Films

45 Years (R for profanity and brief sexuality) Marital crisis drama about a couple (Charlotte Rampling and Tom Courtenay) whose 45th anniversary party plans are jeopardized by the discovery of the corpse of his girlfriend missing more than a half-century. With Geraldine James, Dolly Wells and Hannah Chalmers.

TransFatty Lives (Unrated) Bittersweet biopic featuring writer / director Patrick O'Brien filming himself after being diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease.

Yellow Day (PG for mature themes) Faith-based feature chronicling a day-in-the-life of a sensitive young man (Drew Seeley) searching for spirituality, hope and love. With Lindsey Shaw, Ashley Boettcher and Akeem Smith.

BIG BUDGET FILMS

Concussion (PG-13 for profanity, mature themes and disturbing images) David vs. Goliath saga about the National Football League's attempt to discredit the forensic pathologist (Will Smith) whose research established a link between hits to the head and the early onset of a host of neurological disorders in football players. Cast includes Gugu Mbatha-Raw, Alec Baldwin, Albert Brooks, Hill Harper, Richard T. Jones, Adewale Akinnuoye-Agbaje and Eddie Marsan.

Daddy's Home (PG-13 for profanity, crude humor, suggestive materi-



Kam's Kapsules

By Kam Williams

al and mature themes) *Dysfunctional family* dramedy about the competition between a resurfacing biological father (Mark Wahlberg) and his ex-wife's (Linda Cardellini) new husband (Will Ferrell) for the affection of the kids (Scarlett Estevez and Owen Vaccaro) from the first marriage. With Thomas Haden Church, Alessandra Ambrosio and Cedric Yarbrough.

The Hateful Eight (R for profanity, frontal nudity, graphic gore and a scene of eroticized violence) Quentin Tarantino directed this post-Civil War saga set in Wyoming revolving around a bounty hunter (Kurt Russell) whose stagecoach runs into trouble while bringing an apprehended fugitive (Jennifer Jason Leigh) to justice. Featuring Samuel L. Jackson, Channing Tatum, Michael Madsen, Bruce Dern, Tim Roth and Zoe Bell.

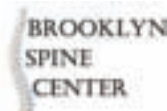
Joy (PG-13 for brief profanity) David O. Russell wrote and directed this fact-based drama about the cash-strapped single-mom (Jennifer Lawrence) who turned her family's fortunes around by inventing the Miracle Mop. Ensemble cast includes Bradley Cooper, Robert De Niro, Isabella Rossellini, Virginia Madsen, Edgar Ramirez, Diane Ladd, Melissa Rivers, Susan Lucci and Drena De Niro.

THE NEW SOUND OF BROOKLYN

The Community News Group is proud to introduce **BROOKLYN PAPER RADIO**. Join Brooklyn Paper Editor-in-Chief **Vince DiMiceli** and the New York Daily News' **Gersh Kuntzman** every Monday at 4 pm for an hour of talk on topics Brooklynites hold dear.

Each show will feature in-studio guests and call-out segments, and can be listened to live or played anytime at your convenience.

SPONSORED BY



VINCE DIMICELI

GERSH KUNTZMAN

LISTEN EVERY MONDAY AT 4PM ON
BrooklynPaper.com/radio

Go to www.Caribbeanlifeneews.com for the latest in Caribbean news.

TOP OF THE CHARTS

TOP 10 SINGLES

- 1 **Hello**
Adele
- 2 **Sorry**
Justin Bieber
- 3 **Here**
Alessia Cara
- 4 **Like I'm Gonna Lose You**
Meghan Trainor...
- 5 **Hotline Bling**
Drake
- 6 **Same Old Love**
Selena Gomez
- 7 **Stitches**
Shawn Mendes
- 8 **On My Mind**
Ellie Goulding
- 9 **Wildest Dreams**
Taylor Swift
- 10 **Ex's & oh's**
Elle King

TOP 10 ALBUMS

- 1 **25**
Adele
- 2 **That's Christmas to Me**
Pentatonix
- 3 **Purpose**
Justin Bieber
- 4 **This Thing Called Life**
Troye Sivan
- 5 **Untamed**
Cam
- 6 **A Head Full of Dreams**
Coldplay
- 7 **Blurryface**
twenty one pilots
- 8 **Traveller**
Chris Stapleton
- 9 **The Buffet**
R. Kelly
- 10 **Christmas**
Michael Buble

Presented by
verizon wireless

HAITIAN RHYTHMS

Continued from page 31

those on the dance floor.

Jean also sang Haitian traditional songs Yo Yo and Wongolo.

"The crowd was so engaged and receptive of our performance — we laughed, danced and sang together," commented Jean.

"Performing Haitian songs and Jazz standards of the 1920s, 30s and 40s for such an enthusiastic crowd was an absolute joy." The cross-pollination of music styles and Haitian community made for an incredible time.

For HCX director Roumain, it was another highlight in the continuing HCX programming. Looking back at the year, she recalls, "We had the third biennial Haitian film festival. Thanks to funds from Jumaane Williams' office, we expanded our "little artists" program to P.S. 361, with 10 weeks of dance, songs, and storytelling."

"This is the first year we

had a theme: Revolution," she said, of the programming that included an An'n Pale (artist salon) with professor, performer and writer Gina Ulysse, a one-week artist residency with Allenby Augustin from Haiti culminating in an afternoon of street rara and storytelling with Schneider Laurent, Michele Marcelin and Goussy Celesin at the Brooklyn Public Library.

What's coming up? Roumain says, "We're having a dance performance featuring Veroneque F. Ignace on Friday, Jan. 29, 6–9 pm, at Five Myles Gallery followed by a discussion, an An'n Pale.

Feb. 7, the auspicious date when Baby Doc and his entourage left Haiti, will also mark end of this HCX programming year.

On Sunday, Feb. 7, 2–8 pm at Shapeshifter Lab, the Revolisyon / Revolution Season finale will feature a screening of Jonathan Demme's "The Agronomist."

Exhibition

Continued from page 31

155th St.

Art Making runs through January and brings together father and daughter, 12 of Tiga's works and 13 of Klode's paintings, to the spacious light-filled gallery.

Multi-genre, internationally exhibited and collected Haitian artist Tiga was born Jean Claude Garoute. Tiga is known as a painter and the founder of the Saint Soleil art movement, paintings created by peasants living in the mountains above Prince-au-Prince, Soisson-La-Montagne.

He was also a dedicated teacher of art. He engaged children from all classes using clay, paint and drumming as art mediums in his "rotation method." A visionary, he was devoted to beliefs in creativity. Beauty for him was the same as the surrealists, the descent of the marvelous among us.

"I share my father's passion for art, people and nature," says his daughter Klode, who turned to art in the late 80s, transforming her life in the art field and reconnecting with her father, who became her art mentor, at the same time.

The exhibition marks the 10-year anniversary of Tiga's death, Dec. 14, 2006. Klode carries on and maintains her



Klode's bright watercolors and bleached ink are an adaptation of Tiga's Soleil Brulé technique.

Photo by Tequila Minsky

father's legacy.

Continuing to create since his death, Klode uses but alters Tiga's ink-based mixed-media techniques.

About herself, she says, "I discovered Klode, the conscious individual, creative artist and teacher. Today, I consider myself a conscious art leader, like Tiga, mindful of people's welfare, community growth and development." Klode also conducts workshops in his rotation method.

Art Making exhibits an early, personal work by Tiga, the 1978 colorful collage "Les Naufragés (Shipwrecked), which depicts the story of his teenage mom, Athoine Garoute. Unwed and pregnant and banished to the distant city of Jeremie, she attempts to return by boat to Port-au-Prince to have her child.



Beads and boas, these flapper women dressed for the roaring 20s. In the white dress (second from left) is HCX Director Regine Roumain. Photo by Tequila Minsky

This is a great opportunity to see the acclaimed biographical film about Jean Dominique. Born to a bourgeois family, Dominique became an outspoken radio journalist who broadcast in Haitian Creole, denounced abuse of political power, and was shot and killed outside of his radio station, Radio Haiti, on April 3, 2000,

at the age of 69.

Also on the Sunday program will be staged readings by Haitian Diaspora artists from the Edwidge Danticat's book "Create Dangerously: The Immigrant Artist at Work."

Looking further forward, next season's theme is: Liberté, liberty.

Reggae

Continued from page 31

ries to emerge the best of the best. Add Drake to that list and otherwise more than a few expected nominees will reflect on the date with remorse.

The singular category that annually comprises Caribbean contenders in the Best Reggae Album category named an all-independent record label lineup of contenders.

Representing VP Records, Doctor Dread Presents, Vpal Music, CTBC Music Group, Ghanian singer Rocky Dawuni is Cumbancha Records' only hope of winning.

Veterans Barrington Levy and Luciano will not soon forget their big chance to claim a gramophone and Jah Cure might already be celebrating the fact he is among the crème de la crème of the finalists of the genre.

Probably for the first time ever, five very unique recorders are also vying for the sole honor dedicated to the beat of the Caribbean. Acclaimed reggae's Royal Family of Reggae, Morgan Heritage made the shortlist with "Strictly Roots."

Missing from the list is the name Marley — Ziggy, Stephen, Damian — all with 2015 album releases were conspicuously

absent from a lineup they have dominated for years and often won predictably when total votes were counted.

Their absence leaves a clear path to victory for any one of the five nominees.

While none of the names nominated announced decidedly a clear-cut champion to win are the children of Denroy Morgan who is renowned for scoring a pop hit in the 1980's with a single "I'll Do Anything For You."

Ironically, earlier this year, the group traveled with Damian and Stephen Marley opening the "Catch A Fire" tour.

The tour played here inside Central Park and on a rainy evening performed to SRO crowds.

The family of Morgan brothers — Peetah, Mojo, Gramps, Lukes with sister Una have been on the scene since 1994 when they made their debut. Now Morgan Heritage will compete against Ghanian Rocky Dawuni, Jah Cure, Luciano and Barrington Levy for the coveted music honor. In order to win, their "Strictly Roots," must find favor with voters unimpressed by the African's reggae rendition of "Branches Of The Same Tree," Levy's "Acoustical Levy," Luciano's "Zion Awake" and Jah's "The Cure."

GET connected.

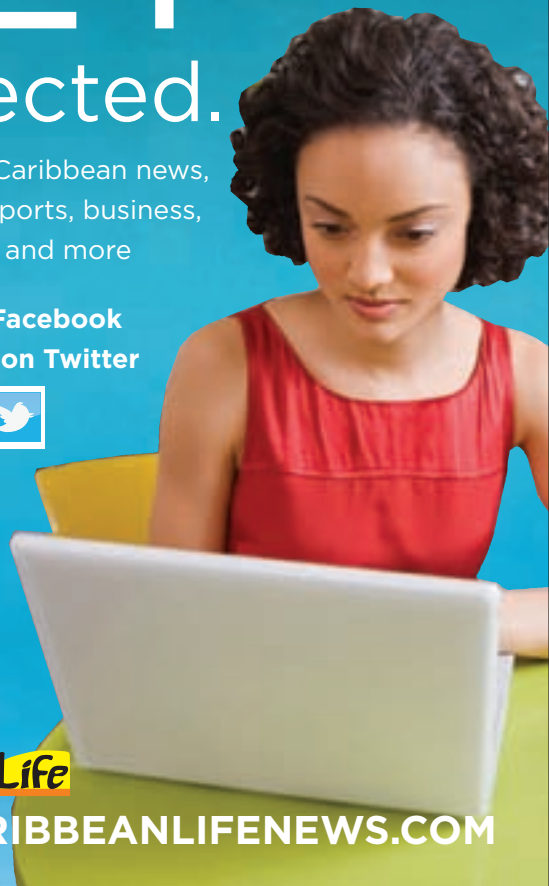
For the latest in Caribbean news,
entertainment, sports, business,
viewpoints and more

Like us on Facebook
or Follow us on Twitter



Caribbean Life

WWW.CARIBBEANLIFENEWS.COM



YOU DON'T WANT THEM RESPONDING TO YOUR TEXT.

[STOP TEXTS STOP WRECKS.ORG](http://STOPTEXTSSTOPWRECKS.ORG)



Ring in 2016 with us!

December 31 • 9 pm - 1 am

**TRIBUTE ARTISTS OF:
Tina Turner, Prince, Lady Gaga & Rod Stewart**



VOTED #1 TRIBUTE SHOW

Legends in Concert

\$75 TICKETS INCLUDE:

A photo booth picture, champagne
toast and party favors.

Get Your Tickets Today!

rwnewyork.com

**Resorts World
CASINO**
NEW YORK CITY

Over 5,000 Games. Minutes Away!

110-00 Rockaway Blvd. Jamaica, NY 11420
rwnewyork.com • 1-888-888-8801



MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER TO PLAY THE NEW YORK LOTTERY GAMES. PLEASE
PLAY RESPONSIBLY. 24-HOUR PROBLEM GAMING HOTLINE: 1-877-8-HOPENY (846-7369).

Bridal Fashion

BRIDAL CENTER

7233 Amboy Road, Staten Island, (718) 227-8647
www.alwaysabridesmaidboutique.com

BRIDAL STYLES BOUTIQUE

905 Ave. U, Brooklyn, (718) 339-3222,
www.bridalstylesboutique.com

ULTIMATE FASHIONS

4255 Amboy Rd, SI, NY 10308 (718) 605-3274
316 Woodbridge Center Drive, Woodbridge, NJ 07095
(732) 750-1174, ultfash@optonline.net
www.ultfash.com

WORLD MALL BRIDAL DREAMS

7905 5th Ave. in Brooklyn, (718) 333-5041 or
(646) 712-4084, www.bridaldreamsmall.com

Tuxedos

TUXEDO WORLD OF STATEN ISLAND

2791 Richmond Ave #6, SI, NY 10314
(718) 698-4859, www.tuxedoworldsi.com

Catering & Venues

ADRIA HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER

221-17 Northern Boulevard, Bayside, NY 11361
(718) 631-5900, www.adriahotelny.com

BAY RIDGE MANOR

476 76th St., Brooklyn, (718) 748-8855,
www.bayridgemanor.com

BUCKLEY'S

2926 Ave. S, Brooklyn
(718) 998-4222, www.buckleyscaterers.com

CASA PEPE RESTAURANT

114 Bay Ridge Ave. in Brooklyn, (718) 833-8865,
www.casapepe.com

DYKER BEACH GOLF COURSE

86th Street and 7th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11228
(718) 836-9722 x 1 or privateeventdirector@dykerbeachgc
www.dykerbeachgc.com

EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS

133-22 Springfield Blvd. (718) 528-3344
158-18 Cross Bay Blvd. (718) 848-3344
1357 Fulton St. (718) 622-3344
1557 Ralph Ave. (718) 451-3344
www.ediblearrangements.com/stores/StoreLocator.aspx

FORT HAMILTON COMMUNITY CLUB

207 Sterling Dr., Brooklyn, NY 11208, (718) 765-7368,
www.hamiltonmwr.com/community-club.php

GLEN TERRACE

5313 Ave. N, Brooklyn (718) 252-4614

GRAND OAKS COUNTRY CLUB

200 Huguenot Ave., Staten Island
(718) 356-2771, www.grandoaksny.com

GRAND PROSPECT HALL

263 Prospect Ave., Brooklyn (718) 788-0777,
www.grandprospecthall.com

GREENHOUSE CAFE

7717 Third Ave., Brooklyn (718) 833-8200,
www.greenhousecafe.com

IL FORNETTO

2902 Emmons Ave. in Brooklyn, (718) 332-8494,
www.ilfornettorestaurant.com

KENNEDY'S BREEZY POINT

406 Bayside, Rockaway Point, NY 11697
(718) 945-0202, www.kennedysbreezypoint.com

MARBELLA RESTAURANT

220-33 Northwern Blvd., Bayside, NY 11361
(718) 423-0100, www.marbella-restaurant.com

PARADISE CATERING HALL

51 Avenue U, Brooklyn, NY 11223
(718) 372-4352, www.theparadisecateringhall.com

PELHAM BAY & SPLIT ROCK GOLF COURSE

870 Shore Road, Bronx, NY 10464, (718) 885-1258 x224
or privateeventdirector@pelhamsplitrock

<http://www.pelhamsplitrock.com>

PINKBERRY CATERING

Locations through Manhattan and in Park Slope
161 Seventh Ave., Brooklyn NY 11215
(718) 788-0615, www.pinkberry.com/store-locator/

QUEENS BOTANICAL GARDEN

43-50 Main St, Flushing, NY 11355 (718) 886-3800 x201
www.queensbotanical.org/weddingsandevents

SCHNITZEL HAUS

7319 5th Avenue, Bay Ridge, NY 11029
(718) 836-5600, www.schnitzelhausny.com

SIRICO'S

8015 23 13th Ave., Brooklyn (718) 331-2900,
www.siricoscaterers.net

THE VANDERBILT AT SOUTH BEACH

300 Father Capodanno Blvd., Staten Island
(718) 447-0800, www.vanderbiltssouthbeach.com

VISTA PENTHOUSE BALLROOM

27-05 39th Avenue, Long Island City, NY 11101
Mike Bekker; Events Manager, (917) 602-602-8408
mike@vistany.com, www.vistany.com

WOODHAVEN MANOR

96-01 Jamaica Ave, Woodhaven, NY 11421
(718) 805-8500, www.woodhavenmanorny.com

Lodging

ADRIA HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER

221-17 Northern Boulevard, Bayside, NY 11361
www.adriahotelny.com

Entertainment

AMAZING BOTTLE DANCERS

(800) 716-0556, pasproductions@yahoo.com
www.bottledancers.com

E-SQUARED PRODUCTIONS/

360 ENTERTAINMENT

4308 Richmond Ave. in Staten Island or 1665 Bath Ave
in Brooklyn, (718) 227-3235, www.e2dj.com

Favors & Invitations

UNFORGETTABLE EVENTS

2049 Flatbush Ave in Brooklyn, (718) 377-4535,

Florists

13TH AVENUE FLORIST

7806 13th Ave in Brooklyn, (718) 236-9088,
www.13thaveflorist.com, www.13aveweddings.com

18TH AVENUE FLORIST

6114 18th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY. 11204, (718) 256-7434
henrysflorist@gmail.com, www.18thaveflowers.com

FLORAL FANTASY

3031 Quentin Rd. in Brooklyn, (718) 998-7060 or
(800) 566-8380, www.floralfantasynyc.com

HENRY'S FLORIST

8103 Fifth Ave. in Brooklyn, (800) 543-6797 or
(718) 238-3838, www.henrysfloristweddingevents.com

MARINE FLORIST AND DECORATORS

1995 Flatbush Ave. in Brooklyn, (800) 447-6730 or (718)
338-3600, www.marineflorists.com

Jewelry

BENNY'S JEWELRY

89-02 165th Street, Suite B-1, Jamaica, NY 11432
(718) 526-4613, www.bennyny.com

CASH FOR GOLD

2619 86th Street, Brooklyn, New York
216-17 Merrick Boulevard, Springfield Gardens, NY
Phone: (718) 339-4653, Fax: (718) 975-0952
info@cashforgoldbk.com, cashforgoldbk.com/location-2,
cashforgoldbk.com/contact-us

FORTUNOFF JEWELRY

1504 Old Country Road in Westbury, NY. 11590
(800) 636-7886, www.fortunoffjewelry.com

MALSONS JEWELERS

464 86th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11209
5144 Kings Plaza Mall

(718) 491-6666, www.malsonsjewelers.com

TIVOLI JEWELERS

327 Graham Ave. in Brooklyn, (718) 384-1305,
www.tivolijewelers.com

Limousine Services

MILA LIMOUSINE CORPORATION

(718) 232-8973, www.milalimo.com

ROMANTIQUE/DOUBLE DIAMOND LIMOUSINES

1421-86 Street, Brooklyn (718) 351-7273
2041-Hylan Blvd., Staten island (718) 351-7273
www.rddlimos.com

SERGI'S PARTY LIMO

171-15A Northern Blvd, Queens, NY 11358
(718)353-5466, (212) 682-4040, (516) 489-4040
Toll Free: (888) 546-6134, (888) LIMO-134
Fax: (718) 353-5499, info@sergislimo.com
www.sergislimo.com

VIP LIMOS SVC

(516) 488-LIMO(5466), www.viplimosvc.com

Photography & Video

FANTASY PHOTOGRAPHY

3031 Quentin Rd., Brooklyn (718) 998-0949,
www.fantasyphotographyandvideo.com

GLAMOUR ME PHOTO & VIDEO

104-12 111th St., South Richmond Hill, (888) 400-2738
or (718) 504-1970, www.glamourmestudio.com

ONE FINE DAY PHOTOGRAPHERS

459 Pacific St., Massapequa Park (516) 690-1320
www.onefinedayphotographers.com

Salons

AF BENNETT SALON

350 New Dorp Lane, Staten Island NY 10306
(718) 979-9000 www.afbennett.com

GOING IN STYLE

8205-3 Ave, Brookly, NY 11209, (718) 748-2200,

PILO ARTS SALON

8412 3 Ave, Brooklyn (718) 748-7411 www.piloarts.com

REVEAL YOURSELF BEAUTY SALON

1669 Richmond Road, Staten Island, NY 10304
www.revealbeautysalon.com

SALON MALAVE

7824 13th Ave., Brooklyn (347) 497-5720
www.salonmalave.com

Services

BROOKLYN SPINE CENTER

ZERONA LASER OF NEW YORK

5911-16th Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11204, (718) 234-6207

JOSEPH LICHTER, D.D.S.

1420 Ave. P in Brooklyn, (718) 339-7878,
www.josephlichterdds.com

OMNI DENTAL CARE

313 Kings Hwy. in Brooklyn, (718) 376-8656,
www.omnidentalcare.com

Wedding Expos

BOSCO'S WEDDING EXPO

www.cl.boscoweddings.com

BRIDAL AFFAIR

(718) 317-9701, www.bridalaffair.com

GREAT BRIDAL EXTRAVAGANZA

North Babylon, NY 11703, 631-667-EXPO (3976)
www.greatbridalextravaganza.com

TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS DIRECTORY CALL (718) 260-2500

SPORTS

FOR MORE SPORTS, GO TO CARIBBEANLIFENEWS.COM/SPORTS



In this courtroom sketch Rafael Callejas, far right, a former president of Honduras, makes a U.S. court appearance with his lawyer Manuel Retureta, second from left, in the investigation of bribes and kickbacks involving FIFA, soccer's governing body, Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2015, in New York. Associated Press / Elizabeth Williams

FIFA officials plead not guilty

By Tom Hays

NEW YORK (AP) — A sprawling U.S. bribery prosecution that has scandalized soccer's governing body took another step forward on Tuesday, with the former president of Honduras and a former FIFA vice president pleading not guilty at their first court appearance

Continued on Page 38

Samuels faces bowling ban

By Azad Ali

West Indies all-rounder Marlon Samuels has been banned from bowling for one year by the International Cricket Council (ICC) after undergoing a test for his bowling action.

It is the second ban for the 34-year-old Jamaican, whose off-spin bowling is only used on a part-time basis by West Indies.

Samuels was reported for an illegal action following the first Test defeat against Sri Lanka in October and had testing at the ICC accredited testing

Continued on Page 38



Columbus Crew defender Michael Parkhurst, left, tries to kick the ball away from Portland Timbers forward Fanendo Adi, of Nigeria, during the first half of the MLS Cup championship soccer game Sunday, Dec. 6, 2015, in Columbus, Ohio. Associated Press / Paul Vernon

Portland's long-awaited MLS title

By Patrick Horne

The Portland Timbers are a most worthy MLS champion! The five-year-old MLS franchise won its first ever title, MLS Cup, in dramatic fashion, when it defeated host Columbus Crew, 2-1, at MAPFRE Stadium on Sunday, Dec. 6.

The title went to a team that is one of the oldest in North American soccer; the Timbers franchise was a member of the old NASL (North American Soccer League) and in its first year in that league, it advanced to the title game, the Soccer Bowl, in 1975, eventually losing to the

Tampa Rowdies. I played against the Timbers in Portland in 1978, when the team was led by former West Ham United (England) and Bermudan international, Clyde Best; and even back then, the city of Portland showed unwavering support for its

Continued on Page 38

Continued from page 37

and authorities announcing that two other defendants would be extradited to face charges as well.

Former president Rafael Callejas, a current member of FIFA's television and marketing committee, was ordered held without bail at a hearing in federal court in Brooklyn. A judge agreed to release former FIFA vice president Juan Angel Napout on \$20 million bond with various restrictions, including electronic monitoring and home detention.

Both men are facing racketeering conspiracy and wire fraud charges for their alleged roles in a bribery scheme involving lucrative broadcasting and hosting rights for the World Cup and soccer's other biggest events. Their lawyers left the courtroom on Tuesday without speaking to reporters.

Callejas' appearance came after Honduras officials say he decided to travel to the United States on the advice of his lawyers. Napout, a former president of the South American confederation from Paraguay, had consented to extradition from Switzerland, where he was arrested on Dec. 3.

The two were among 16 new defendants, most from Central and South America, named in a revised indictment that was unsealed earlier this month. U.S. prosecutors charged 14 others, including seven top FIFA officials arrested at Baur au Lac hotel in Zurich, in May.

On Tuesday, authorities announced that two of the original 14 — Nicolas Leoz, another former head of the South American football confederation and Eduardo Li, former head of the Costa Rican football federation — would be extradited to the United States. A Paraguay appeals court approved Leoz's extradition, while Li withdrew his appeal and agreed to depart Switzerland and be turned over to U.S. authorities.

The indictment alleges that in 2012 a marketing firm wired \$500,000 to a Panama bank account so it could be paid as bribes to Callejas and another soccer official in exchange for broadcasting rights to qualifier matches for the 2022 World Cup. The indictment identified Napout as a member of a bloc of soccer officials known as the "Group of Six" that would receive annual bribes in exchange for supporting FIFA contracts with another marketing firm.

In a year-end letter to 209 FIFA member federations, suspended FIFA President Sepp Blatter has written he is "bewildered" by allegations he faces and will go before the FIFA ethics committee on Thursday with "a strong belief in justice." He wrote that "although I have been suspended I am not isolated and will certainly not be silenced."

Callejas served as president of Honduras from 1990 to 1994.



Portland Timbers raise the trophy after defeating the Columbus Crew 2-1 in the MLS Cup championship soccer game, Sunday, Dec. 6, 2015, in Columbus, Ohio. Associated Press / Paul Vernon

Portland scores success on the field

Continued from page 37

Timbers, which is why the franchise survived after the NASL and after playing in the lower U.S. leagues.

The tradition of unwavering fan support continues today in the MLS, as Portland is one of the most successful franchises at the gates — and now on the field. It is among the top three clubs — along with the Seattle Sounders and the Vancouver Whitecaps — that boasts sellout crowds every weekend during the MLS regular season. Its successful marketing and promotion of the sport is reflected in its game-day gimmick, Timbers Joe, the man who carries a large saw and maintains a huge log of timber and saws off a slab of timber for

each player who scores a home goal; the rounded slab serves as a sort of trophy for good play; there is also the Timbers Army, a boisterous group, clad in 'Army' green, Timbers colors and is omnipresent, not only at home games, but on the road. The Timbers is one of the franchises that has kept soccer alive in North America — kudos to owner Merrick Paulson and his family.

The title win was also deserving of the Timbers for other reasons; the team, which finished third in the Western Conference, had a ho hum season as it had to advance from the first round by an eleventh-round penalty shootout against Sporting Kansas City; overcame a strong Vancouver Whitecaps team, 2-0, and survived another dramatic,

4-3, finish in the conference championship — all on the road.

After the win, Timbers coach Caleb Porter had this to say: "It's a great feeling, great feeling. All I could think about was sharing that moment with my players, we have been through a long season. We have been together through highs and lows and they deserve all the credit, they are the ones playing the game inside of the lines and they had belief. I don't think it has fully sunk in completely yet. Good teams, when they make a run like this, they are so locked in, laser focus that there's a next game. I don't think it has sunk in yet that there is no next game, we are raising the trophy and we are the best team in MLS this year."

Bowling ban

Continued from page 37

center in Brisbane, Australia earlier this month.

"The assessment revealed that Samuels' elbow exceeded 15 degrees while bowling and, thus, he employed an illegal bowling action," the world governing body said in a statement.

"As this report constitutes the player's second suspension, within a two-year period, he is now automatically suspended from bowling in international cricket for a 12-month period," it states.

Samuels has already served a near

four-year bowling ban from 2008 over concerns with his action, but was allowed to resume in 2011 after remedial work. He was reported again following a Test in India in 2013 and subsequently banned from bowling his quicker deliveries. He was allowed to continue with his standard off-break.

He will not be allowed to have his action re-assessed until the ban ends, according to the ICC.

Last month another West Indies bowler Sunil Narine was banned by the ICC from bowling in international cricket over his illegal bowling action.

An independent assessment revealed that all variations of his deliveries exceeded the 15-degree limit.



West Indies' Marlon Samuels plays a shot on the second day of their second test cricket match against Sri Lanka, in Colombo, Sri Lanka, Friday, Oct. 23, 2015.

Associated Press / Eranga Jayawardena



WRAP UP 2015 With These DEALS!

THE YEAR END SALES EVENT BLOCKBUSTER



New 2015 Jeep
**Renegade
Latitude 4x4**



New 2016 Jeep
**Cherokee
Latitude 4x4**

\$149 *
Lease for
per mo
39 mos
\$3144 due at signing + tax, tags & mv fees

Stk #JT813, Auto, 4 cyl, MSRP \$25,690. \$2995 down pymt + 1st mo. pymt + \$0 sec. dep. + \$0 bank fee = \$3144 due at signing + tax, tags & mv fees. Ttl pymts/Residual: \$5811/\$13,358. Includes \$500 Black Friday Bonus Cash & \$1000 lease conquest[^], subj. to tax.

\$199 *
Lease for
per mo
39 mos
\$3194 due at signing + tax, tags & mv fees

Stk #JT1124, Auto, V6, MSRP \$32,620. \$2995 down pymt + 1st mo. pymt + \$0 sec. dep. + \$0 bank fee = \$3194 due at signing + tax, tags & mv fees. Ttl pymts/Residual: \$7761/\$16,310. Includes \$1000 NECCA Bonus Cash, \$1000 Lease Cash & \$1000 lease conquest[^], subj. to tax.



New 2015 Chrysler
200S



New 2015 Jeep
**Grand
Cherokee LTD
4WD**



New 2016
**RAM 1500
Tradesman
Crew Cab 4x4**

Stk #CA199, Auto, 4 cyl, MSRP \$34,880. \$2995 down pymt + 1st mo. pymt + \$0 sec. dep. + \$895 bank fee = \$4119 due at signing + tax, tags & mv fees. Ttl pymts/Residual: \$8244/\$13,603. Includes \$1500 Black Friday Bonus Cash, \$3000 Lease Cash, \$500 Chrysler Capital Bonus & \$1000 lease conquest[^], subj. to tax.

\$229 *
Lease for
per mo
36 mos
\$4119 due at signing + tax, tags & mv fees

Stk #JT01298, Auto, V6, MSRP \$41,305. \$2995 down pymt + 1st mo. pymt + \$0 sec. dep. + \$0 bank fee = \$3284 due at signing + tax, tags & mv fees. Ttl pymts/Residual: \$10,404/\$20,652. Includes \$2500 Lease Cash & \$1000 lease conquest[^], subj. to tax.

\$289 *
Lease for
per mo
36 mos
\$3284 due at signing + tax, tags & mv fees

Stk #DT199, Auto, V8, MSRP \$44,135. \$2995 down pymt + 1st mo. pymt + \$0 sec. dep. + \$0 bank fee = \$3294 due at signing + tax, tags & mv fees. Ttl pymts/Residual: \$11,661/\$23,391. Includes \$500 Lease Cash, \$500 Chrysler Capital Bonus & \$1000 lease conquest[^], subj. to tax.

\$299 *
Lease for
per mo
39 mos
\$3294 due at signing + tax, tags & mv fees



2286 Flatbush Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11234
866-753-0895
www.BrooklynChrysler.com



All offers exclude tax, tags & MV fees. Offers with approved credit through Chrysler Capital. *Leases includes 10K mi./yr. w/20c/mi. thereafter. Lessee responsible for maintenance, excess wear & tear. ^Rebates: Bonus cash available through Chrysler Capital financing and Northeast region offer by residency. Lease cash available on select lease offers available through manufacturer on select leases. Conquest available to those with competitive brand trade-ins on lease. Offers cannot be combined with any other advertised offer. Dealer is not responsible for any typos, errors or omissions. Offers expire 1/4/16. NYS DMV FAC #7114167, NYC DCA #1435478

QUALITY USED CARS AVAILABLE

2015 Nissan
Versa Note
\$11,400



Stk #PD1634, 4 cyl, auto, great gas, power steering, 4k mi.

2010 Chrysler
300 Touring
\$11,900



Auto, 4 cyl, 55k mi., Stk #PD1595, Fully Loaded

2011 Hyundai
Sonata
\$12,990



Stk #TD1691, 4 cyl, auto, full loaded, navi, sunroof, 56k mi.

2013 Chrysler
200 S
\$14,500



Stk #617149, 4 cyl, auto, sunroof, leather, navi, fully loaded, one owner, 24k mi.

2014 Jeep
Compass Sport
\$14,700



Stk #PD1609, 4 cyl, auto, fully equipped, 32k mi.

2015 Nissan
Altima
\$15,990



Stk #PD1451, 4 cyl, auto, full equipped, 14k mi.

2014 Jeep
Patriot Sport 4WD
\$17,990



Auto, 2.4L 4 Cyl, 26,580 Miles, STK# PD1444, Front Fog Lights, AUX Audio Jack, Roof Rails

2015 Dodge
Charger SE
\$19,900



Auto, 6 cyl, 18k mi., Stk #PD1534, One Owner, Fully Equipped, Clean Car Fax

2014 Chrysler
300 AWD
\$21,900



Stk #PD1649, V6, auto, fully loaded, touch screen display, 24k mi.

2013 Jeep
Wrangler Sport
\$23,790



Stk #510290, V6, auto, hardtop, pwr winds/ks, 13k mi.

2015 Chrysler
Town & Country Touring
\$23,900



Auto, 6 cyl, 20k mi., Stk #PD1552, One Owner, Fully Equipped

2013 Jeep
**Grand Cherokee
Laredo**
\$26,990



Stk #PD1639, 6 cyl, auto, leather, sunroof, navi, one owner, clean Carfax, 23k mi.

2286 Flatbush Ave Brooklyn, NY 11234 **866-753-0895** www.BrooklynChrysler.com

Just-win Jets top Cowboys

By Schuyler Dixon

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Ryan Fitzpatrick lacked the efficiency he showed in propelling the New York Jets to three straight wins. Randy Bullock missed an extra point and a field goal. The offense botched a few short-yardage situations.

Regardless, the Jets made it four straight victories for the first time since 2010, beating the Dallas Cowboys 19-16 on Bullock's 40-yard field goal with 36 seconds left Saturday night to get a leg up in the AFC wild-card race.

"Whether it's playoffs or not, we've got to string some games together," coach Todd Bowles said. "It's a good time to start playing good football. Wasn't pretty today. All of them are not going to be pretty, but the good teams win the ugly games."

Fitzpatrick's 43-yard pass to Kenbrell Thompson set the Jets (9-5) up for a win that moved them a half-game ahead of Pittsburgh and Kansas City in the race for two playoff spots.

"Kind of had tough sledding for a while," said Fitzpatrick, who faces AFC East-leading New England and Tom Brady

next week. "There's going to be adversity throughout the game and I thought that was a great sign for us to show that the belief is always there. This is a winning football team."

Kellen Moore replaced an ineffective Matt Cassel at quarterback and gave the Cowboys (4-10) a spark, but it wasn't enough to keep last year's NFC East champions from being eliminated with two games remaining.

Eric Decker caught a 3-yard scoring pass for a 16-13 lead in the fourth quarter, and he and Brandon Marshall set a franchise record with 21 combined touchdowns receiving.

Fitzpatrick threw his first interception since Nov. 22 to give the Cowboys a field goal and a 13-9 lead in the third quarter but came back to direct a 70-yard drive to Decker's score. He finished 26 of 39 for 299 yards.

"He made some timely throws," Bowles said. "He took a bunch of hits during the game. They weren't clicking like they have been the last couple of weeks, but he was calm and he was good and the guys believed in him."

TIED, AND UNTIED: Dallas' Dan Bailey tied it at 16 on a 50-yard field goal that caromed through off the right upright with 1:55 remaining. Moore got the tying drive going by sneaking a pass behind Buster Skrine for a 23-yard gain to Cole Beasley.

The first play after a near-fumble by Fitzpatrick on a sneak for a first down was held up on review, Thompson got behind rookie cornerback Byron Jones along the sideline before stepping out of bounds at the Dallas 26.

DONE IN DALLAS: The last chance for the Cowboys ended on Moore's third interception when his desperation heave for Dez Bryant went over the outstretched arm of the All-Pro receiver and was caught by Marcus Williams. The Cowboys had four interceptions overall.

"We all start with aspirations," said Jason Garrett, who had already clinched his first losing season as Dallas coach. "For some teams it works out and you get to play in the playoffs. For us this year that is not going to happen. But that doesn't diminish the work everyone has put in."



New York Jets quarterback Ryan Fitzpatrick (14) throws a pass against the Dallas Cowboys in the first half of an NFL football game, Saturday, Dec. 19, 2015, in Arlington, Texas.

Associated Press / Brandon Wade

RECEIVING MARKS: Decker and Marshall broke the franchise mark of 20 combined TDs that they shared with Art Powell-Don Maynard (1960) and Al Toon-Wesley Walker (1986). Marshall tied Toon's franchise record of 93 catches in a season. He had four grabs for a team-high 74 yards.

WHEN THEY'RE TUNING YOU OUT.

NEVER GIVE UP
UNTIL THEY BUCKLE UP.



VISIT SAFERCAR.GOV/KIDSBUCKLEUP



Holiday Spectacular savings event

Attention Local Residents!

**YOU MAY NOT HAVE TO MAKE YOUR NEXT TWO CAR PAYMENTS,
come let Plaza Auto Mall make them for you!**

My name is Tony Urrutia, and I am the General Manager of Plaza Auto Mall coming to you today with a huge offer that's valid now through December 31st, 2015 only! We will give you up to \$2,500 towards your first two car payments when you buy from us! Come check out our huge inventory of Hondas, Hyundais, Toyotas, Kias and Acuras...as well as over 300 pre-owned cars! We are Brooklyn's largest auto dealership, and that means if you need credit, **WE CAN SHOW YOU AN APPROVAL!**

I look forward to seeing you at any of our five locations on Nostrand Avenue in Brooklyn. And please **DO NOT WAIT**, this is a time sensitive offer that expires on December 31st, 2015! **Please call to schedule an appointment today at (855)280-2228.**

Tony Urrutia
General Manager
Plaza Auto Mall
2740 Nostrand Ave. • Brooklyn, New York 11210
(855)280-2228

Plaza 
AUTO MALL



BRING IN THIS VOUCHER TODAY!

up to **\$2,500**

To be used towards your
first two car payments
when you buy from us!

Voucher has no cash value and cannot be combined with any other offer.
Current vehicle must be in equity position. All current incentives assigned to
dealer. See store for details. Offer Expires 12/31/15.



Plaza 
AUTO MALL

2740 Nostrand Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11210

S17938ww

ARIES: Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, you are familiar with the expression, "Your eyes are bigger than your stomach." This week you have bitten off a project that is just too much to chew. Enlist some help.

TAURUS: Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, you are on a roll, and now it is only a matter of maintaining momentum for a few more days. Don't let anyone slow you down this week.

GEMINI: May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, you may not know where your path is taking you, but you are fully aware that an adventure is in store. Take some time to prepare for the unknown that lies ahead.

CANCER: Jun 22/Jul 22
Learning from your mistakes can help you to grow, Cancer. Accept a challenge presented to you this week, even if it scares you. You may find it's not so challenging after all.

LEO: Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, many opportunities are within reach, but you are just not sure which way to go. Seek advice from Pisces when you get a spare moment.

VIRGO: Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, no one will know what you're like deep inside unless you share a few secrets. You don't have to give everything away, but let some information slip out.

LIBRA: Sept 23/Oct 23
Some can see straight past your protective facade, Libra. So why not take it off and simply let others see the real you? You won't be disappointed, and neither will they.

SCORPIO: Oct 24/Nov 22
Now is not a time to drag your feet, Scorpio. You have a full slate of tasks to tackle, and it seems like the hours will slip away quickly. Recharge and refocus.

SAGITTARIUS: Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, you never shy away from a challenge, but you also know when to pick your battles. If something arises this week that seems a waste of time, pass it by.

CAPRICORN: Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, when a past conflict pops up this week, push it aside. It is better to focus on the positive things that are in store for you rather than problems from the past.

AQUARIUS: Jan 21/Feb 18
Don't let anyone tell you that you can't accomplish something, Aquarius. As you have proven time and again, you simply need to set a goal in your sights to get things done.

PISCES: Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, when you love someone, it can be difficult to step aside and let that person make his or her own mistakes. Be patient.

AFRICAN ADVISOR & SPIRITUALIST

MR SHEIKH SALEEM, 6TH GENERATION OF AFRICAN MEDIUM, CAN HELP YOU OUT OF DESPAIR, SOLVES ALL ISSUES.

Love specialist, Reunite lovers even hopeless cases, Business success, Release from spell, Clear Negativity, Strong Voodoo, Black Magic, Court issues, Family problems, Drugs, Careers, Exams, Gambling, Luck, Protection, Impotency/Sexual Powder & more.

One visit will convince you • Quick Results
By Appt Only • French & English speaking

917-254-6647 • 116TH/7TH AVE
WWW.AFRICANMEDIUM.COM



UNIQUE SPIRITUALIST & ASTROLOGER FROM INDIAN GENERATION PANDIT: VENKAT SHASTRI

EXPERT IN PALM READING • DATE OF BIRTH • FACE READING & HOROSCOPE
PARTA READING • OPEN BOOK & ETC.

VEDIC SOLUTIONS AVAILABLE: FOR EVERY PROBLEM THERE IS A SOLUTION

- BLACK MAGIC
- EVIL SPIRIT
- BAD LUCK
- REUNITE LOVERS
- STOP DIVORCE
- DEPRESSION
- FINANCIAL PROB.
- LOVE
- MARRIAGE
- EDUCATION
- BUSINESS
- WORK PROBLEMS
- WIFE & HUSBAND PROB.
- CHILDREN MISTAKES
- COURT CASES
- DRINKING PROBLEMS
- HEALTH PROBLEMS
- HOUSE PROTECTION
- CHILDLESS COUPLES
- SEXUAL PROBLEMS
- LOTTERY & ETC.



EXPERT IN REMOVING BLACK MAGIC • EVIL SPIRIT • VODOO • BAD LUCK • OBEAH
GENERATION CURSE • WITCHCRAFT & PLANE SHANTI

104-42 LEFFERTS BLVD. RICHMOND HILL, NY 11419 (PRIVATE HOUSE)

929-278-0842

BROTHERS & SISTERS FROM ALL RELIGION CAN TAKE PANDIT HELP



MR. AMIN AFRICAN SPIRITUALIST AND LIFE COACH

Specialize in love, infidelity, marriage, family issue, jealousy problem, court case, success in career or business. Remove black magic, witchcraft, voodoo and offer self protection from enemies, home or real state. Private and confidential 5 days result.

Call now
646-330-7205

SISTER
DUBONG
Call Now!
Results Immediate
Get Help Now!
347-461-9190
Listen:kingandqueenradio.com

MR. SAIDOU International Spiritualist, Medium & Psychic

An international African spiritual healer and clairvoyant with 40 years experience inherited from family with a very good reputation of helping people all over the world. I strongly believe I can solve your problems in the quickest way even if you have been let down by other people. Are you suffering from influence blockage, unknown disease, sexual problems, bad luck, business matters, black magic, exams, court cases, unhappy marriage, relationship problems?

Please Call or Contact Mr. Saidou
646-339-9948 or 516-206-8543
www.spiritualsaidou.com

AFRICAN PSYCHIC & MEDIUM

Mr. Kallo Over 37 Years Experience
Specialist In Bring Back Loved Ones Forever.

LOVE MASTER

I Can Help You With Your Problems:

- Marriage • Court Cases • Business
- Depression • Bond Families • Stop Divorce
- Helps With Stress Removal • Bad Luck
- Evil Eye • Jadoo • Voodoo & Negative Energy.
- Master In African Occult Activities.
- Visit Once & Feel Happy In Your Life With Golden Future.

Quick Results 100% Guaranteed. By Appt Only.
Call 929.280.7307 or 347.529.0591
Washington Ave./Carroll St. Brooklyn

INTERNATIONAL SPIRITUAL HEALER WITH BORN GIFTED POWER & EXPERIENCE FOR YEARS

SHEIKH MANSOUR
Supernatural gifted man who helps out both internal & external problems in MARRIAGE, LOVE, COURT, BUSINESS, LUCK, GAMBLING, PROTECTION FOREVER DEFEATING & DESTROYING ENEMIES, BREAKING SPELLS, HELPS HOPELESS.

EXPERT IN ALL OCCULTIST PROBLEMS.
ONLY ONE VISIT WILL GIVE YOU JOYFUL.
DON'T SUFFER IN SILENCE.

CALL HIM AND TRY
YOUR CHANCE

347-261-0226

****REV. MILLER****
SPELL BREAKER.
LOVE SPECIALIST.
Can help you, no matter what your problem!
Guaranteed Results in 24 hrs!
1 FREE READING!
954-394-1061

Mr. Martin
God Gifted Powerful
Spiritual Worker
Specializing: Love, Health,
Family, Legal Court Cases
FREE SAMPLE
READING!
1308 72ND. Street (Btwn
13th & 14th Ave) Bklyn, NY
Call Now! 1-718-833-2055

SPIRITUAL ADVISOR HAITIAN VODOO PRIEST

Helps To Solve Your Problems &
Bring You Good Luck
Saves Marriage & Reunite Loved Ones.

Stops:



- Domestic Violence • A Person From Harming You
- Stop Children From Disobeying Family • Divorce From Happening
- Children & Adults That Suffer From Depression

Helps Solve:

- Immigration Problems • Court Problems • Health Problems

Empower You:

- Will Help You Find A Job Or New Job • Will Help You Find Love
- Focus On Family & Work • Prepare You For Job Interview
- Will Help You Stay In New Job • Will help your Business Grow
- Will Help Your Partner Focus On Your Relationship

Help:

- Pregnancy Issues Or Miscarriage • Against Enemies
- If A Doctor Or Lawyer Can't Help You

Give Me A Call. With Spiritual Power We Can Help.
This Is Confidential & Appointment Only.

Houngan-Maxime

718-826-2553 or 917-622-7607

African BETHIO

Spiritual Consultant • Powerful Master in Reuniting Loved Ones



Bring back loved ones quickly,
Desperation, Marriage, Family Problems/
Blockage, Success at work, Career,
Business, Exam, Gambling, Lucky Money.
Clear All Negativity.
100% Removal of Black Magic,
Bad Luck, Jinx, Witchcraft,
Permanently Stops Enemies,
Gives Protection. NO Disappointments!
Results in 3-9 Day Guaranteed!


For any kind of problem call BETHIO for help.
646-338-9719 www.psychicbethio.com

Call
(718)
260
2555
To Advertise
Here

POWERFUL AFRICAN SPIRITUAL READER

Highly gifted & powerful spiritual healer fluent in English & French
All matter of life issues, personal growth guidance & charity in finance, love, career, black magic specializing in removing evil spirits, voodoo, jaadoo, bring back loved ones, protection guaranteed. Quick Results. 100% Guaranteed.

CALL MR TASLIMY AND GET HELP
917-385-9382




PROFESSOR OUMAR
 RENOWNED AFRICAN MARABOUT & SPIRITUALIST
 OVER 40 YEARS EXPERIENCE

Mr. Omar, Genuine African Spiritualist, can help you to fix all issues: Love situation: Reunite lovers fast, Business Success, Court Issues, Occult forces, Black Magic Specialist, Voodoo, Negativity, Mystic abuse, Drugs problems, Happy family & Marriage, Exams, Gambling, Immigration, Impotency, etc... Immediate Results guaranteed, English, Arabic & French spk.

BY APPT ONLY ONLY: 2166/8TH AVE MANHATTAN.
 ♦♦♦ **646-891-7809** ♦♦♦

PROF. KAMOULA
 48 Yrs. Exp. African Spiritual Healer, Psychic & Clairvoyant.
 Are you suffering from problems that seem abnormal?
 Or does the whole world seem to be against you?



Prof. Kamoula is a god gifted healer who specializes in relationship, marriages, bringing back loved ones, separating unwanted relationships, create fidelity bringing good luck in all areas, stopping and breaking the effects of bad luck & black magic, protection against jealous enemies, family matters, curses, evil spirits, success in business, exams, immigration, court cases impotency, depression, addictions, weight loss, general advice and guidance. Why suffer in silence when Prof Kamoula is there to help.


Results 100% Guaranteed
 Tel: **646.887.4749**

Yes, he's back from the shadow of death, the Jamaican born Obeah man and spiritual case worker.

MR. B
CALL 718-523-1426

Guaranteed success where others fail. Power to help in all walks of life. Calls your friends and enemies by name, without asking you a single word. A visit to this Obeah worker from Jamaica will be of immense value to you.

FREE READINGS BY PHONE



BISHOP PHIL

SPIRITUALLY TRAINED AND GOD GIFTED
 PUJA AND KARMA OFFERINGS
866-915-4804
 www.christianpsychicminister.com

Caribbean community classifieds

To Advertise Call: 718-260-2555

► EMPLOYMENT To Place Your Ad Call 718-260-2555

DIGITAL & PRINT SALES ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

CNG (Community Newspaper Group), is currently seeking a Digital & Print Sales Account Executive.

In this role, you will sell digital and print advertising campaigns with an emphasis on recruitment advertising. You will custom craft advertising campaigns that contain successful components of digital online verticals, such as custom search, resume-matching.

You will also have the ability to work with additional sectors such as real estate and other service sectors.

<p>RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify client needs, communicate the benefits of our audience-based marketing solutions as they relate to each need and then sell the appropriate campaign. Negotiate contracts Manage day-to-day activities using a CRM system. Meet or exceed revenue expectations. 	<p>QUALIFICATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sales experience. Understanding of digital media platforms and be digitally savvy. Proficient in sales calling including up-selling, appointment setting and cold calling. Ability to work through objections/concerns regarding costs, budgets and selling strategies
---	--

POSITION OFFERS
 Base salary plus commission, 401 K, Paid Vacation and medical

Please send your resume and cover letter to: atarley@cnglocal.com




CNG IS AN EOE

► **MEDICAL HELP WANTED** ► **MEDICAL HELP WANTED** ► **MEDICAL HELP WANTED**

Certified Home Health Aides

Great Place to Work!

Immediate FT & PT Positions available.
 Work in our Assisted Living Facility or in the Community.

Competitive Salary • Paid Vacation • Sick Days • Holidays
 Overtime • Free Health Insurance • Referral Bonuses
Visit us at www.CentralAssistedLiving.com

You will need: Valid HHA/PCA Certificate • Two References
 Proof of eligibility work in the US • Social Security Card • Up to Date Physical
Call for Appointment! 718-471-7700
 Ask for Myrtha or Liliya



1509 Central Avenue
Far Rockaway, NY 11691
 Subway-A-Direction:
 To Mott Ave. Far Rockaway
 Bus-Q22-Direction:
 Far Rockaway-Beach 21St/Mott Ave.

More Classifieds online at
CARIBBEAN LIFENEWS.COM

DEADLINE NOTICE

Due to the holidays, the deadline for Classified and Legal Advertising will be
Tuesday, Dec. 22nd at 4PM for the Dec. 25th issue.
 To place your ad, call 718-260-2555. Have a safe & enjoyable holiday!

MEDICAL HELP WANTED

MEDICAL HELP WANTED

MEDICAL HELP WANTED

MEDICAL HELP WANTED

MEDICAL HELP WANTED

MEDICAL HELP WANTED

JOB INFORMATION

CERTIFIED HHA/PCA
Immediate jobs available
in all areas of NYC
In Need of Live Ins
Excellent Hourly Pay
Paid Time Off
Flexible Hours • Apply Today

MJHS
HOME CARE SOLUTIONS

FREE Training Classes Avail.
Call 718-942-5888

We are an equal opportunity employer dedicated to a drug-free work-place. All training conducted by Bestcare, Inc. through approved NYS DOH Training Program and under contract with MJHS Home Care Solutions

Live-in Aides Needed
For immediate Placements.
Seeking aides (PCA, HHA, HA, CNA)
for home care.

- Excellent starting salary
- Vacation & benefits.
- Full & Part Time positions available

Call 718-327-2290
ext 410 or 413
Email
info@all-metro.com
EOE



Certified HHAs or PCAs
Help us make a difference!
QNS, BKLYN, MANHATTAN, THE BRONX & NASSAU

Get Certified!
Call Edison for details about
our FREE* on site HHA
Training. Call Now! Classes
Starting soon. 718-972-2929 ext. 310



\$250 Sign-On BONUS
Live-ins only

MANY CASES AVAILABLE...
IMMEDIATE WORK... TOP \$\$\$

- Starting at \$10.00/hour
- \$15.00/hr for Overtime
- Live-In Cases Starting at \$130.00 a day
- Health Benefits • Wellness Plan
- Free Gift Upon Application

Ask About Our Refer A Friend Program

946 McDonald Ave, Bklyn • Ph: 718-972-2929
168-25 Jamaica Ave, Jamaica • Ph: 718-819-3131
391 E. 149th St., Ste 314, Bronx • Ph 718-506-1006



CERTIFIED HHAs • PCAs
Immediate work for Hourly Aides
in NASSAU COUNTY
\$600 BONUS
for CERTIFIED AIDES
Register & work before 12/31/15
& Earn **\$900 BONUS**

If you are a caring individual & love working with
people, come join the "Best Home Care Team on LI!"

Personal-Touch Offers:
• Full Medical Benefits • FREE Uniforms
• 401K • Paid Vacation • EOE

Work for the BEST!
516-227-3400 • Hempstead



...the people with a heart!

Carelink Inc.
Home Care Agency
Lic. by NYC D.O.H.

Hiring Experienced Certified HHA's



For All 5 Boros & Nassau Area
Immediate Hire + Special Rates for Live-Ins

- Health Insurance Available
- 3 Months Home Care Experience a Must

Call For Appointment
Mon-Fri 10AM-4PM
718-488-8300 or 516-358-1999
Or email: Carelink1@hotmail.com

Preferred HOME CARE

NOW HIRING HHAs
Are you a certified HHA? Looking for a great job
with great pay, flexible schedule, and benefits?

Call Now!!

- Great Pay • Flexible Schedules
- Medical Insurance
- Vacation & Sick Days
- Special Rates for Live-Ins
- HHA Training Available

Come visit our
NEW Forest Hills
location and get
a FREE gift!

Join us at our Open Houses!
Call now for more information 718-271-1744
Monday-Friday 9am-4pm at the following locations:
• 5221 Broadway, 2nd floor, Bronx, NY
• 118-35 Queens Blvd, Ste 400, Forest Hills, NY
• 1267 57th St, Brooklyn, NY
• 1370 Broadway, Suite 533, NY

jobs@preferredhcnyc.com

PCAs, HHAs, CNAs NEEDED!

WE ARE HIRING:

- Personal Care Aides (PCAs) • Home Health Aides (HHAs)
- Cert Nursing Assistants (CNAs)

- 2 years experience, Valid INS Work Authorization, 2 professional references needed.

We fingerprint all employees & drug test
Shifts: Daytime, Overnight, 24 hour livein
Live-in (\$148.80-\$223 per day), Live-out (\$11- \$12 per hour)
Paid Vacation, Training, Overtime and Healthcare

212-321-0217

HOME HEALTH AIDES
David York Agency
Now hiring P/T, F/T
Weekday, Weekend,
Live-In, Live-Out.
Top Salaries.
Must be Certified HHA

Call 718-376-7755

HHA EOE

Make a Difference!

Home Health Aides & Nurses Aides

Interested in helping and caring for
people with developmental disabilities?
Positions are NOW avail. to work in
MANY great group home programs in
Brooklyn, Queens & Bronx.
Must be caring and interested in
making a difference in the lives of
individuals. HS degree & HHA, NA or
HA certificate req. Top benefits.

TemPositions Health Care
212-916-0840

Sophie's Healthcare Services Inc.
Looking For Certified HHA

Live-In Aides IMMEDIATELY!
WORK AVAILABLE NOW!

391 East 149 St Bronx NY 10455
Suite 417, elevator to 4th floor
(2 & 5 TRAIN)

Call 347-964-7632
To Make an Appointment NOW!!!!

Code: 1215

HELP WANTED **HELP WANTED**

PORTERS/COOKS
FRONT DESK SUPERVISORS

Full & Part Time.
GREAT Benefits.
Paid Vacations.

Call Alex/Ewa:
718-471-7700
Central Assisted Living
1509 Central Avenue
Far Rockaway, 11691

DreamJobsNYC

Start Your Career
With A Job That's Right For You!

Try Real-Time Job Matching™ & get hired fast.

www.DreamJobsNYC.com

Letitia James Warns Consumers About Classified Ads
Toll numbers may be a direct line to trouble.
Classified ads are intended to help people by facilitating communication and advertising available services; however, some of the hotlines & service numbers in classifieds actually hurt the people who rely on them by cheating them of their hard-earned dollars. "Most newspapers print a disclaimer in their classified ad section to warn readers about numbers that are a direct line to trouble. Any number starting with 900, 540, 595 or 871 charges a fee beyond a local call. In some instances, ads initially advertise calls to a local number, but then direct callers to a second number starting with one of the paid exchanges. "Consumers must also question the legitimacy of vague classifieds because they too could be a scam. Before responding to an ad, consumers should verify the source of all information & always be wary about sending money or signing a contract with an unknown party."

Office of the Public Advocate

JOB INFORMATION

AIRLINE CAREERS Start Here Get trained as FAA certified Aviation Technician. Financial aid for qualified students. Job placement assistance. Call AIM for free information 866-296-7093

HELP WANTED

MISC.

SECURITY HELP WANTED

**Special Event Guards
And Security Guards Needed for
IMMEDIATE OPENINGS
METRO ONE LPSG**
Free Uniforms, No Exper Necessary.
116-16 Queens Blvd, Ste 212, Forest Hills
Or 90 John St., Ste 401, NY, NY 10038
Event Guards. All shifts. 24 hr coverage. Fire Guard
(F03) will be required after you are hired. Security
Guard & Loss Prevention Officers All Shifts.
Must be Available Nights & Weekends.
Accepting walk-ins M-F 9AM-4PM. Please
bring 8 & 16 Certificates, DL & SS card
Email resume to
Bravalli@metroonelpsg.com

SECURITY HELP WANTED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Did You Hear? RAIN INTERNATIONAL

The world's leaders in Seed Nutrition is expanding and looking for leaders to launch these amazing products, be the first to experience powerful anti-oxidants for optimal health

Email: bibi5402ansel@optonline.net
www.myrainlife.com/saenterprises
Call 917-754-2731 ASAP

**Attend a Health
Workshop,
RSVP, try a
FREE sample**

Soul as Nourishing Food



These statements have not been evaluated by the Food & Drug Administration. This product is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure or prevent any disease.

TUTORS

99% PASSING RATE
Improvement Guaranteed
Licensed Math Instructor
All Levels Maths, incl GED,
NY State Regents, College
courses etc. Individualized
attention. Fax service for
Exams & Home Work
edmon101@aol.com
1-347-267-7385

MERCHANDISE WANTED

CASH FOR DIABETIC
TEST STRIPS Up to
\$35/Box! Sealed & Unex-
pired. Payment Made
SAME DAY. Highest Prices
Paid!! Call Juley Today!
800-413-3479 www.Cash-ForYourTestStrips.com

MERCHANDISE WANTED

**CASH FOR VINYL
RECORDS**
Top Prices Paid!!
Rock, Reggae, Jazz,
Soul, Disco, Club,
House, Latin, Rap.
Call Us
212-473-2870

TUTORING

- Grades: K -8.
 - Certified Teachers
 - Homework Help
 - Test Prep
 - Online Tutoring also available
- AMAZING RESULTS!!!**

Call Today
347-971-8421
leonprofessional tutoring@gmail.com

MERCHANDISE WANTED

CASH for Coins! Buying Gold & Silver. Also Stamps & Paper Money, Comics, Entire Collections, Estates. Travel to your home. Call Marc in NY: 1-800-959-3419

FURNITURE

FURNITURE LIQUIDATION
New in Box w/warranty
Bedrooms,
Sofa's and Dining
Up to 60% MSRP
Call Now:
718-499-4499

LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL

NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: DEMEDRIUS CHARLES PRODUCTIONS LTD. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/18/2015. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: THE CORPORATION 227 LINDEN BLVD SUITE 4J BROOKLYN, NY 11226. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

LEGAL

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on 12/17/2015, bearing Index Number NC-001382-15/KI, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) Gianna (Middle) Renee (Last) Ivey. My present name is (First) Gianna (Middle) Renee Tejiro (Last) Ivey (infant). My present address is 966 E 103RD ST, Brooklyn, NY 11236. My place of birth is Staten Island, NY. My date of birth is June 20, 2011.

LEGAL

SUMMONS
Index No. 511356/2014
D/O/F: December 2, 2014
Premises Address: 85 E 28TH STREET UNIT 3, BROOKLYN, NY 11226
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF KINGS CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC., Plaintiff, -against- KIRK JOSEPH; NEW YORK CITY PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU; NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT

LEGAL

ADJUDICATION BUREAU; JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.; NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD; THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE BERKSHIRE CONDOMINIUM; "JOHN DOES" AND "JANE DOES", SAID NAMES BEING FICTITIOUS, PARTIES INTENDED BEING POSSIBLE TENANTS OR OCCUPANTS OF PREMISES AND CORPORATIONS, OTHER ENTITIES OR PERSONS WHO HAVE, CLAIM, OR MAY CLAIM, A LIEN AGAINST, OR OTHER INTEREST IN, THE PREMISES, Defendant(s). TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your Answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorneys within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, where service is made by delivery upon you personally within the State, or within thirty (30) days after completion of service where service is made in any other manner, and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered

LEGAL

and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The following notice is intended only for those defendants who are owners of the premises sought to be foreclosed or who are liable upon the debt for which the mortgage stands as security. YOU ARE HEREBY PUT ON NOTICE THAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. The amount of the Debt thru December 1, 2014 is: \$293,779.89 consisting of principal balance of \$263,031.25 plus interest of \$ 2 8 , 2 5 9 . 6 0 , e s c r o w / i m p o u n d shortages or credits of \$661.96, late charges of \$154.25; Broker's Price Opinion, inspection and miscellaneous charges of \$146.00; attorney fee \$1,000.00 and title search \$526.83. Because of interest and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive the check, in which event we will inform you. The name of the creditor to whom the debt is

LEGAL

owed: CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC. Unless you dispute the validity of the debt, or any portion thereof, within thirty (30) days after receipt hereof, the debt will be assumed to be valid by Rosicki, Rosicki & Associates P.C. If you notify Rosicki, Rosicki & Associates P.C. in writing within thirty (30) days after your receipt hereof that the debt, or any portion thereof, is disputed, we will obtain verification of the debt or a copy of any judgment against you representing the debt and a copy of such verification or judgment will be mailed to you by Rosicki, Rosicki & Associates P.C. Upon your written request within 30 days after receipt of this notice, Rosicki, Rosicki & Associates P.C. will provide you with the name and address of the original creditor if different from the current creditor. Note: Your time to respond to the summons and complaint differs from your time to dispute the validity of the debt or to request the name and address of the original creditor. Although you have as few as 20 days to respond to the summons and complaint, depending on the manner of service, you still have 30 days from receipt of this summons to dispute the validity of the debt and to request the name and address of the original creditor. TO THE DEFENDANTS, except KIRK JOSEPH: The Plaintiff makes no personal claim against you in this action. TO THE DEFENDANTS: KIRK JOSEPH: If you have obtained an order of discharge from the Bankruptcy court, which includes this debt, and you have not reaffirmed

LEGAL

your liability for this debt, this law suit is not alleging that you have any personal liability for this debt and does not seek a money judgment against you. Even if a discharge has been obtained, this lawsuit to foreclose the mortgage will continue and we will seek a judgment authorizing the sale of the mortgaged premises. Dated: December 1, 2014 Ijeoma Nduka, Esq. ROSICKI, ROSICKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff Main Office 51 E Bethpage Road Plainview, NY 11803 516-741-2585 Help For Homeowners In Foreclosure New York State Law requires that we send you this notice about the foreclosure process. Please read it carefully. Mortgage foreclosure is a complex process. Some people may approach you about "saving" your home. You should be extremely careful about any such promises. The State encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. There are government agencies, legal aid entities and other non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about foreclosure while you are working with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Banking Department at 1 - 8 7 7 - B A N K N Y S (1-877-226-5697) or visit the Department's website at www.banking.state.ny.us. The State does not guarantee the advice of these agencies.

**Call
718-260-2555
To Advertise Here**

LEARN TO EARN!

HHA/PCA
FREE Training Classes
 Train to become a NYS Certified Home Health Aide in just 16 days
 Call today to register for upcoming classes!
 Jobs available upon successful completion
 In Need of Live Ins
 Excellent Pay and Flexible Hours

MJHS®
 HOME CARE SOLUTIONS

Call 718-942-5888


We are an equal opportunity employer dedicated to a drug-free workplace.
 All training conducted by Bestcare, Inc. through approved NYS DOH Training
 Program and under contract with MJHS Home Care Solutions

HHA/CNA/EKG/Phlebotomy
 Job Placement Assistance Available
Start Dates for Next Classes

HHA Day 1/04/16 Wk/End 1/23/16	CPR 1/09/16	CNA Day 1/04/16 (Wk/End) 1/09/16
-----------------------------------	----------------	-------------------------------------

Pre-Registration Going On Now
 State Board Exam on Premises for CNA Class
 Call Today To Register-Class Fills Quickly
718-206-1750

www.NYIHC.com
 New York Institute of Healthcare Careers, Inc.
 89-44 162nd Street, Jamaica NY 11432
 (Side of Applebees/Verizon on 162nd Street)
 Lic. by NYSED



MISC.

▶ **OBITUARIES** ▶ **OBITUARIES** ▶ **OBITUARIES**

Commemorate your loved one with an Obituary Notice in your local community newspapers.

Let us help you create a beautiful, personalized and lasting memory.

Call for details 718.260.2555 


Access Careers, Brooklyn
Are You HHA? Upgrade to CNA/PCT!!!

- Nurse Aide (CNA)
- Patient Care Tech
- EKG & Phlebotomy
- Physical Therapy Aide
- Pharmacy Tech
- Medical Billing & Coding
- Medical Assistant
- CPR (BLS)



Call Now: 866-488-6510
 www.AccessCareers.Edu
 25 Elm Place, # 201, Brooklyn, NY 11201

• Licensed by NYSED • Onsite State & National Examination
 • Short, Fast Track Morning, Evening & Weekend Classes
 • Easy Payment Plans, • NO High School OR GED required



School of Allied Health

PLAZA COLLEGE Est. 1916

Where students learn from course work, internships and more

GRADUATING WORKFORCE READY

Register Now For January

718.502.6248 | PlazaCollege.edu
 118-33 Queens Boulevard, Forest Hills

BABY NURSE CLASS

- Best Newborn Care class in the industry!
- Hospital Instructors & Full Certification!
- Includes Infant CPR

Become a Baby Nurse Today! \$300

ABSOLUTE BEST CARE, INC.

Get your Certificate in one day

Baby Nurse is non-medical & known as a Newborn Care Specialist

212-481-5705 • 732-972-4090

FREE 15-week job training program for homeless & low-income women

First Step Program

Computer Training - Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook
 Internet Research • Resume Writing • Interviewing Skills
 Job Placement Assistance • Self-Esteem Building
 2 Month Internship • Case Management • Typing
 Literacy Building • Mentoring • Yoga & Meditation
 Support Groups • Empowerment

GED not required • New class starting soon!

FREE Continental Breakfast & Metrocards Provided

For more information, please call (212) 776-2074






Looking for new customers?

Do you need more business?

WE CAN HELP!

Call

718-260-2555

➤ REAL ESTATE, SERV. DIR., AUTO

➤ AUTOS WANTED

➤ AUTOS WANTED

➤ REAL ESTATE NOTICES

➤ REAL ESTATE NOTICES

➤ BROOKLYN HOUSE FOR SALE

➤ BROOKLYN HOUSE FOR SALE

➤ BROOKLYN ROOM FURN

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE

All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, sexual orientation or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.



STOP RENTING AND BECOME A HOMEOWNER

WE HAVE HOMES IN BKLYN, QUEENS, BRONX & L.I.

1-4 Family Homes
As little as \$5,000 (VA)
Down Payment & No Closing Cost.

BROKER:
718-810-4911

Canarsie
Large Beautiful Rm
Convenient location
close to train & buses \$180/wk
OWNER
718-812-1001

➤ **CLEANING SERVICES**

Integrity Enterprises
We Provide
Excellent Cleaning
for Apartments,
Homes & Offices
Call 718-919-5689
email: fdjsmith@optonline.net

➤ **HANDYMAN**

CASC Corp.
BOILERS AND APPLIANCE REPAIRS

Appliance Sick? Call us Quick!

Washing Machines • Dryers • Dishwashers
Refrigerators • Ice-Machines • Stoves
Convecovens • Central Heating • Ventilation
• Air Conditioners

Expert Boiler & Hot Water Heater Repairs

"Don't Throw it Away, We Will Fix it Today"
All Work Guaranteed
718-773-1111 • 917-287-5027

DONATE YOUR CAR

Wheels For Wishes Benefiting
Make-A-Wish®
Metro New York and Western New York

100% Tax Deductible

*Free Vehicle/Boat Pickup ANYWHERE
*We Accept All Vehicles Running or Not
*Fully Tax Deductible

WheelsForWishes.org **Call: (917) 336-1254**
*Wheels For Wishes is a DBA of Car Donation Foundation.

➤ **BROOKLYN APT. UNFURNISHED**

1-4 BR'S & RMS AVAIL.
ALL AREAS.
All Programs Accepted.
Also Cash Clients.
CHANITOR REALTY:
718-452-3179
Attn Landlords:
\$250 opportunity,
if you let us rent your apts!

➤ **BROOKLYN CO-OP FOR SALE**

Flatbush
2 Bedroom
Co-op
Spacious 850 sq ft.,
Elev. Bldg, Wd Flrs.
Mod kit. & bath,
laundry, pkg avail.,
nr Kings Co, SUNY
Downstate &
Kingsbrk Hosp.
M C Realty
718-484-8582
Other Prop. & Loc. Avail

➤ **BROOKLYN ROOM FURN**

All Local Areas
Pvt Entry, Bath, Cooking
1 Person \$125wk/ up
2 Person \$150wk/ up
Studios \$900mo/ up
AGENT
212-697-3598
LANDLORDS:
List your rental FREE

➤ **BROOKLYN ROOM FURN**

CROWN HEIGHTS ROOM FOR RENT, private house, near all. 773-998-2553

To Advertise Here
Call 718-260-2555
OR
Fax 718-260-2549

➤ **FLORIDA HOUSE FOR SALE**

➤ **FLORIDA HOUSE FOR SALE**

FLORIDA HOMES & CONDOS

NOW STARTING AT \$64,900 NO QUALIFYING

No Credit? Bad Credit? NO PROBLEM!

1-855-727-2683
Florida Properties of Ocala, Inc.

➤ **HOME IMPROVEMENT**

LICENSED HOME IMPROVEMENTS:
We Remodel: Kitchens, Bathrms, Wood Floors, Windows, Walls, Doors, Roofs, Gates, Painting, **AND MORE!!**
Call 718-919-5689
Lic. # 1451787

Call 718.260.2555 To Advertise Here

➤ **HANDYMAN**

➤ **AUTOS FOR SALE**

Beige, 2002 Cadillac. 4 Door Sedan, Very Good. \$4,000 **Negotiable.**
OWNER: 718-946-2856 or 917-597-9916

➤ **AUTOS WANTED**

Donate your car to Wheels For Wishes, benefiting Make-A-Wish. We offer free towing and your donation is 100% tax deductible. Call (855) 376-9474



Start Your Career
With A Job That's Right For You!

Try Real-Time Job Matching™ & get hired fast.

www.DreamJobsNYC.com

Antoinette Osbourne, ESQ.
By Appointment Only

IMMIGRATION-\$500 and up PLUS USCIS FILING FEES*
UNCONTESTED DIVORCE-\$400 and up+court fees (excludes svc costs)*
WILLS-\$300 and up* BANKRUPTCY
DIVORCE-\$515 and up +court fees (exclude svc costs)*
CHILD SUPPORT NAME CHANGE-\$500 +fees
REAL ESTATE, DEED TRANSFER-\$500+fees, ESTATES
* conditions apply to quoted prices above.

QUEENS 88-28 Sutphin Blvd., Jamaica, NY 11435
ROCKLAND 80 E. Rte 59 Suite A, Spring Valley, NY 10977
Tel. 718-502-9137 845-262-1504 Fax 718-301-1233

LOW FLAT FEE

BANKRUPTCY

FREE CONSULTATION

CONSUMER BANKRUPTCY

- CHAPTER 7 & 13
- ELIMINATE CREDIT CARD DEBT
- STOP CREDITORS HARASSMENT
- STOP FORECLOSURE
- STOP GARNISHMENT

DENRICK W. COOPER, ESQ

718-479-9500

CooperLegal@aol.com
207-23 Hillside Ave.
Queens Village N.Y. 11427
WE ARE A DEBT RELIEF AGENCY

SOLVE JAMAICAN LEGAL ISSUES IN NEW YORK AT NO EXTRA COST

MEET HERE™ DONE HERE™

ALIMI BANJOKO
Registered Foreign Legal Consultant
NY, CA, & ONTARIO
BARRISTER- England & Wales
& ATTORNEY-AT-LAW- Jamaica

718-385-5300

PROPERTY * BUSINESS * PROBATE * DIVORCE * PERSONAL INJURY
OFFICE: 5306 Church Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11203
Website: www.banjokomcglashanlaw.com
Email: ab@banjokomcglashanlaw.com

IMMIGRATION LAWYER
212-571-9200

FREE CONSULTATION

- ✓ Green Card ✓ Visa
- ✓ Deportation
- ✓ Immigration & Criminal Matters
- ✓ Green Card & Divorce
- ✓ Waivers

Feiner & Lavy, P.C., Attorneys at Law
325 Broadway Suite 401 • NY, NY 10007
www.FNLPC.com
Español, עברית Attorney Advertisement

DON'T GO TO COURT ALONE!

TOP QUALITY LEGAL REPRESENTATION YOU CAN AFFORD
♦ PAYMENT PLANS AVAILABLE ♦

WE OFFER LEGAL ASSISTANCE WITH:
Divorces • Family Court Matters
Personal Injury • Wills and Estates
Landlord/Tenant Disputes

The Law Office of Tracya N. Smith
718-715-0619 5006 AVE. D, SUITE 201
BROOKLYN, NY 11203

FREE CONSULTATION

- Divorce
- Immigration
- Accident
- Landlord/Tenant

Sunday and evening appt.
Call Attorney Abraham Chananashvili
Tel. 646-704-1062
Conveniently located in Brooklyn, NY 11234

*Immigration problem?
You need an experienced attorney who can
protect your rights honestly and professionally.*

CHRISTI M. GELO, ESQ.
IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY
135-24 Hillside Avenue
Richmond Hill, NY 11418
(718) 770-7301

- Deportation/ Removal Proceedings
- Family and Employment Based Petitions
- Political Asylum
- 24 Hour Emergency Service for Detained Individuals
- Reasonable fees and special fees for victims of domestic violence*

FREE CONSULTATION | LATE EVENING & WEEKEND APPOINTMENTS | DEDICATED TO INTEGRITY, HONESTY & FAIRNESS
* Special fees for victims of domestic violence filing petitions under the Violence Against Woman Act

INJURED?

- Slip and Fall
- Nursing Home Abuse
- Accidents
- Dog Bites
- Product Liability

Call Now: 212-393-9130

NO WIN NO FEE
www.Fight4Injury.com

Feiner & Lavy, P.C., Attorneys at Law
325 Broadway Suite 401 • NY, NY 10007
עברית, Español Attorney Advertisement

Social Security/ SSI Disability
Convenient to all Boroughs and Long Island

- NO FEE unless successful
- Over 40 years experience
- Personal and Friendly Service

Michael Schoffman
26 Court Street • 718-852-0900

www.mlaronlaw.com • michael@mlaronlaw.com

- FALSE ARRESTS
- CRIMINAL DEFENSE
- PERSONAL INJURY
- ACCIDENTS
- POLICE BRUTALITY
- TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS

LAW OFFICE OF MICHAEL J. LARSON, P.C.
401 Broadway, Suite 806, New York, NY 10013

Free Consultation • 212-528-0886
Email: Michael@mlaronlaw.com • www.mlaronlaw.com
No fee on false arrest or personal injury cases unless you recover

Law Office of Lola Oni

\$80 Consultations

Let Us Be Your Strength!

- Immigration
- Landlord/Tenant
- Real Estate
- Family Law: custody, child support
- Criminal - And more

718-375-6800
1850 Flatbush Ave., 2nd Floor (between Ave. K & L)

ATTORNEY



LEVINE AND WISS, PLLC

Attorneys at Law

ALL TYPES OF ACCIDENTS AND INJURIES.

- AUTO ACCIDENTS
- MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENTS
- SLIP/TRIP & FALL



- CONSTRUCTION ACCIDENTS
- ALL OTHER TYPES OF INJURY CASES
- WRONGFUL DEATH CASES

Proud to announce the opening of our newest location in Brooklyn.

Featured in Verdict Search & Top NY Verdicts
2009-2014

Se Habla Español

1-888 GOT HURT (468-4878) • 718-575-2222

455 UTICA AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY 11203

ATTORNEY

Law Office of Benedette Nwankwor



- Real Estate/Foreclosures
- Landlord/Tenant
- Divorce/Family Law
- Personal Injury
- Immigration Matters
- Other Civil Matters

Office **646-393-5635**
1954A Rockaway Parkway, Brooklyn, NY
Close to B6, B17, B42, B60, B82 Bm103 and L train

ATTORNEY

OLADEJI O. BOLAJI ESQ. OLADEJI O. BOLAJI & ASSOCIATES



YOUR ONE STOP LEGAL LEGAL CENTER
Real Estate • Immigration • Religious Law
Wills • Divorce • Business Incorporation
Change Of Name • Personal Injury

91-16 Sutphin Boulevard Suite 202, Jamaica, NY 11435
TEL 718-298-5251 FAX 718-298-5279 WEB oladejibolajilaw.com

DIVORCE

UNITED BUSINESS SERVICE

***Divorce \$299** + court fee

no spouse signature required. no court appearance required.

Immigration **\$80 up**

Tax ID **\$180**

*the individual providing assistance to you is not an attorney licensed to practice law or accredited by the board of immigration appeals to provide representation to you before the bureau of citizenship and immigration authorities and may not give legal advice or accept fees for legal advice.

3618 Church Ave. Brooklyn NY 11203

718-941-5100

ATTORNEY

Christophe Law Group, P.C.

Attorneys & Counselors at Law

2 Wall Street, Suite 303, New York, NY 10005
tel. 212-344-3800 • fax 212-344-3212
www.christophelaw.com

A law firm that respects you, your country and your traditions, we assure that our focus is on you. With more than 25 years of combined experience we successfully help clients achieve their dream of becoming American citizens. Our staff handles every case professionally and with high personal integrity. We handle a range of issues such as:

- Asylum cases • Cancellation of removal
- Detention Cases • Immigration Court
- Board of Immigration Appeals
- Federal Court petitions • U.S. Supreme Court writs
- Family Immigration
- Reunification of Deported Family Members based on Waivers (I-601, I-601A, I-212)
- U.S. Embassy and Consular Processing
- National Visa Center
- Business Immigration: H1B, L1, EB5, EB1, O, P, R, V, U
- Labor certification • Divorce and Custody cases
- Foreign Investment Visas
- U.S. Real Estate Market Investments
- Wills, Trust, Estates and Living Wills
- Corporate and Business law • Collections and Litigation
- Traffic Violations and Litigation • Criminal Immigration Matters

Please contact us for a free consultation.

DIVORCE

ABSOLUTE DIVORCE

Starting at **\$249** + court fees

Hablamos Español

RUSH SERVICE AVAILABLE

80 Broad Street, 5th Floor, NY, NY 10004

212-504-2985

www.absolutedivorceinc.com

Spousal signature not required. All major credit cards accepted.
Must bring in this ad for \$249 Special



Fridays
Just Got Better

Caribbean Life is now distributed every Friday

Great Local Coverage

Great Coverage of the Caribbean

Great Columns

Great Sports Coverage

More Weekend Coverage

More Entertainment Stories

and Now Just in Time for the Weekend

Caribbean Life

www.caribbeanlifefews.com

COMPUTER REPAIR

- ✓ **COMPUTER REPAIR**
- ✓ **UPGRADE**
- ✓ **TROUBLESHOOTING**

Virus Removal • Data Recovery
Cracked Laptop Screen and
Broken Power Jack Replaced

Call James
646-281-4475
718-324-4332

FURN. REUPHOLSTERY

Perfect Touch Decorators
Expert Reupholstery All Furniture

AMAZING SPECIAL!
Kitchen Seats \$55
Including Vinyl (pullover)

Verticals/Mini Blinds • Cushions Refilled
Recaning • Slipcovers - Plastic & Fabric
FREE Shop-at-Home Estimates
Quality Service Over 30 Years Experience
718-263-8383

MOVERS

SUPERIOR MOVING

All Types of Moving
Reliable
Dependable
Reasonable
Rates

Free Estimates
We Do Rubbish Removal
718-339-8888

ROOFING

KW Construction & Renovation Inc.
General Contractor

Yonkers Lic. #5056
Westchester Lic #: WC-22361-H09
Lic# 1395520

WATERPROOFING & ROOFING

ALL KINDS OF ROOFS

- Steam Cleaning • Brick Pointing • Masonry Work
- Scaffold Work • Bathroom/Kitchen/Tile • Sidewalks
- Stucco • Painting • Sheetrock Work • Siding/Gutter

NOBODY CAN BEAT OUR PRICES!

30 Years Experience
We can help you remove all kinds of violations

EMERGENCY SERVICE

FREE ESTIMATES
FULLY INSURED
LICENSED BONDED

3363 Olinville Ave. Bronx, NY 10467
AHMED: 718-652-6444/Cell: 917-567-2143
kwtristate@yahoo.com

MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT

"POWER WHEN YOU REALLY NEED IT"
WATER PUMPS and GENERATORS
RENTALS SALES SERVICE

HONDA Power Equipment

LAPIETRA MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT, INC.
5320 3rd Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11220 (54th St.)
800-942-9950

PLUMBING & HEATING

CNJ PLUMBING INC.
24/7 EMERGENCY SERVICE

FREE Estimates Lic. & Ins.

- Plumbing Repairs
- Hot Water Heater Repairs & Installation
- Boiler Repairs & Installation
- Sewer & Drain Cleaning
- Boiler Inspection
- Drain Video Inspection

Over **25 YEARS** Experience!

VISA **Residential & Commercial** 917-837-5771
MasterCard **www.CNJPLUMBINGINC.COM** DISCOVER LIC. #2071

CONSTRUCTION

NEW HEIGHTS CONSTRUCTION LLC

Siding • Windows • Roofing
Fences • Kitchens • Painting • Baths
Basements • Decks • Doors
Awnings • Patio Enclosures
Brick Pointing • Concrete Stucco

FALL SPECIALS ON WINDOWS

NYC License #1191201

FREE ESTIMATES

VISIT OUR ONLINE SHOWROOM
www.newheightsconstructionllc.com

800-525-5102
718-767-0044

DEMOLITION

COMPLETE RUBBISH REMOVAL
Residential & Commercial Clean-Up
Anything & Everything

Basements • Attics • Garages • Yards • Apts
Estates • Furniture & Appliances Removed
Stores • Warehouse • Fire Debris

WE DO INTERIOR DEMOLITION
Fully Insured "NO JOB TOO BIG OR TOO SMALL"
Call Jose **917-560-6569**

EXTERMINATOR

BED BUGS

ACTION EXTERMINATOR
212-465-7524

10% Discount if you ask for Charles

EXTERMINATOR

ONE HOUR PEST CONTROL

STOP LIVING WITH ROACHES & MICE

Monthly Roach Service \$29.99
Monthly Mice Service..... \$29.99
Monthly Mice & Roach Service..... \$39.99

STUDIOS, 1,2,3 BEDROOM APARTMENTS **CALL 212.289.0400**
917.662.0017

Advertise Your Job Opening In Our

HELP WANTED SECTION

CALL (718) 260 2555

We Got All The Boroughs Covered



Call
718.260.2555
to advertise
in our papers

Courier Life **BRONX Times**
PUBLICATIONS REPORTER INC.

The Brooklyn Paper

Caribbean Life **TIMES Ledger**
NEWSPAPERS

**FRIENDLY FINANCING
ALL CREDIT SCORES
APPROVED!
718-759-6990**

ONEY & V AUTO SALES



2510 CONEY ISLAND AVE. (BTW V & W) BROOKLYN, N.Y. 11223

Q TRAIN TO AVE U - B68 BUS STOP RIGHT OUT FRONT

2003 MERCURY SABLE

\$2,999



GS 4DR SEDAN

STK# 606477
99,287 MILES

2006 CHEVROLET IMPALA

\$5,999



LS 4DR SEDAN

STK# 403361
86,222 MILES

2008 JEEP LIBERTY

\$13,499



LIMITED 4X4 4DR SUV

STK# 10646
90,012 MILES

2007 MERCURY MOUNTAINEER

\$10,800



PREMIER RWD 4DR SUV

STK# J08547
99,324 MILES

2008 MITSUBISHI GALANT

\$8,999



ES 4DR SEDAN - SUPER LOW MILES!

STK# 023456
16,853 MILES

2007 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE

\$9,999



LAREDO 4WD

STK# 10608
112,140 MILES

MOST CARS PRICED WELL BELOW BOOK VALUE - LIFETIME WARRANTY AVAILABLE!

2009 NISSAN ALTIMA

\$8,100



HYBRID BASE 4DR SEDAN

STK# 550090
106,670 MILES

2014 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN

\$13,999



SXT 4DR MINI VAN

STK# 109800
89,526 MILES

2006 JEEP COMMANDER

\$13,499



LIMITED HEMI 4WD

STK# 10579
92,092 MILES

2009 LEXUS RX 350

\$16,999



BASE RWD 4DR SUV

STK# 10619
101,931 MILES

2009 BUICK ENCLAVE CXL

\$17,999



CXL RWD 4DR SUV

STK# 10623
84,767 MILES

2008 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE

\$17,499



HEMI LIMITED 4X4

STK# 10614
46,341 MILES

30DAY/1000 MILE WARRANTY INCLUDED ON ALL VEHICLES, LIFETIME & OTHER WARRANTY CHOICES AVAILABLE, FREE GPS NAVIGATION WITH PURCHASE. FULLY SERVICED AND RECONDITIONED VEHICLES. CALL US AT 718-759-6990 OR 917-690-4371 WITH ANY QUESTIONS. PRICES INCLUDE ALL COSTS TO BE PAID BY THE CONSUMER, EXCEPT FOR LICENSE, REGISTRATION & TAXES. DCA# 1355891 NYS DEALER# 7113627

CHECK OUT OUR FULL INVENTORY
WWW.CONEYANDVAUTOSALES.COM