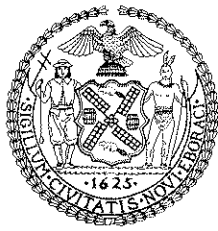


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**The City of New York
Manhattan Community Board 8**

**Environment & Sanitation Committee
Thursday, May 10, 2012
Brick Presbyterian Church
62 E. 92nd Street
Living Room
6:30 pm**

Board Members Present: Dave Kleckner, Debbie Teitelbaum, Roy Carlin, Mary Pike.

Number of Attendees: 10

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm while awaited arrival of speaker.

Presenter: Sarah Gallagher, Upper Greenside

Ms. Gallagher discussed recycling in NYC and on the UES, particularly the new inclusion of food scraps for composting at the two UES Greenmarkets. The E. 82nd Street Greenmarket is located on E. 82nd Street between 1st Ave and York Ave in the parking lot of St. Stephen's Church, and is open Saturdays from 9AM to 2pm. The Stanley Isaacs Greenmarket is located on 1st Avenue between 92nd and 93rd Streets, and is open Sundays 6/17/12 – 12/19/12 from 9AM to 5PM.

Food scraps including fruit and vegetables, coffee grounds, tea bags, egg and nut shells, pits, cut or dried flowers, house plants and potting soil are among the items now accepted for composting. The food scraps are composted off-site by GrowNYC, a program funded by the NYC Department of Sanitation. For more information, go to www.grownyc.org/compost.

Ms. Gallagher also spoke about Upper Greenside, an environmental organization for the Upper East Side. Upper Greenside is a 501-c(3) not-for-profit organization that was established five years ago. Annual membership fees are \$5. The organization sends out a weekly newsletter – *This Week at the Markets* – which contains environmental information and happenings on the UES. To receive the newsletter via e-mail for free, go to www.uppergreenside.org (the organization hopes to update its website soon) and click on "subscribe." There are more than 2,000 newsletter subscribers.

Ms. Gallagher also discussed an informational hand-out that she provided, titled "What We All Can Do (easily)" and that is attached with these minutes.

Debbie Teitelbaum and Dave Kleckner
Co-chairs Environment and Sanitation Committee

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WHAT WE ALL CAN DO

(easily)

1. Don't throw away any clothes/fabric/shoes/belts/hats. (Whether they're wearable or not doesn't matter.)

Bring to your nearest charity or to your local Greenmarket.

You can also arrange for a Wearable Collections' bin in your building (646-515-4387). You call when it's full and they pick up.

2. Save your (vegetable matter) food scraps.

Some folks go for the many great looking, no-odor containers available (google: "countertop compost bins"). Others freeze in plastic bags or waxed milk/juice containers. **WHATEVER**, bring that compost to your local Greenmarket.

3. Don't throw away household batteries, old CD/DVDs or electronic cords.

Bring to any Best Buy or to your local Greenmarket. Or wait till the next Recycle-O-Rama.

4. Don't toss #5 plastic into your building's recycling bins.

NYC doesn't recycle it! Bring to any Whole Foods or to your local Greenmarket.

5. Don't throw away Britta Filters or (real) wine bottle corks.

Bring to any Whole Foods or to your local Greenmarket.

UES recycled to date in 2012:

974 lbs of batteries; 340 lbs of #5 plastic, ink cartridges, Britta filters and corks; 12,200 lbs of electronics; 19,200 lbs of paper; 82 giant duffel bags of clothes; 86 pairs of eye glasses; and (since 4/21/12) 3 1/2 giant compost bins.

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