

The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

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<u>Street Activity Permit Office (SAPO)</u> - You may now apply online for street fairs, block parties and festivals. Applicants can submit online applications at <u>https://nyceventpermits.nyc.gov</u>. SAPO will no longer accept paper applications. All applicants should be aware that the deadlines for applications submission remain unchanged as do the rules and regulations governing the SAPO permitting process. For more information, call 212-788-2403 or visit http://www.nyc.gov/html/cau/html/street_permitting/permit_and_events.shtml.

The <u>19th Precinct Community Council</u> presents "National Night Out Against Crime" on **Tuesday, August 4th** 5:30pm - 8:30 pm at Carl Schurz Park on East End Avenue and 86th Street. Talk to police officers and elected officials about crime problems in our area. Music by the famed French Cookin' Blues Band. Enjoy food from Maz Mezcal, Butterfield Market, and Gotham Pizza. Fun for the whole family. Live music, refreshments, face painting, kids' games, ice cream truck, etc. Everyone is invited. WEATHER PERMITTING (canceled if it rains). NO RAIN DATE. For more information call: Community Affairs Office: 212-452-0613. Email address: info 19th Pct@aol.com. Facebook: www.facebook.com/19thpctcc

<u>Manhattan Recreation</u> is hosting three free events for kids in **August** open to the Manhattan community. The first event, our first Sports Festival, is **Thursday, August 6th** from 11AM to 3PM in Morningside Park (Manhattan Avenue & West 112th Street). We will have sports guided by our staff ranging from wiffle ball to soccer to Zumba. Our second free event, **Thursday, August 13th** from 11AM to 3PM in Columbus Park (Baxter St., Mulberry St., Bayard St. and Park), is our annual Kids in Motion Festival, where we'll have carnival-style games for the kids, as well as face painting by Agostino Arts. Our third event is a second Sports Festival on **Thursday, August 20th** from 11AM to 3PM in DeWitt Clinton Park (W. 52nd St. to W. 54th St., 11th Ave. to 12th Ave) that will be much like our first Sports Day. For more information please call: <u>212-408-0243</u> or visit <u>www.nyc.gov/parks</u> or call 311.

You are cordially invited to attend the <u>Annual 2015 GreenThumb Harvest Fair</u>, a citywide event. This event celebrates the fruits of all the hard work and time spent tending to vegetables, herbs, flowers and fruit-bearing plants by the wonderful volunteers in community gardens and urban farms throughout the 5 boroughs. We have over 600 community gardens in our city, and over 500 curriculum-inclusive school gardens, most of which also grow edible crops. GreenThumb gardens are at the forefront of a movement to bring fresh, local food to all New Yorkers, and are a testimony to the vital role that preserved, green spaces play in our urban environment. This year's Harvest Fair will take place on **Saturday, September 12th**, **2015** at Diamante Community Garden in East Harlem at 310 East 118th Street, New York, NY 10035, 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. We ask that you join us at 12:00 p.m. for the opening ceremony scheduled from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. We hope that you will join us at GreenThumb's most celebrated event of the garden season. Please RSVP to Clare Hyre, at (212)788-4242, or at clare.hyre@parks.nyc.gov by Friday August 21st, 2015.

<u>The East 79 Street Neighborhood Association</u> will <u>not</u> meet in August. Next meeting is **Thursday, September 17** at 6:00pm, at **Temple Shaaray Tefila**, **250 East 79 Street** (Entrance on Second Avenue).

East River Esplanade at 96th Street, 4:30pm, Every Warm Weather Tuesday: Rowing with the East River Crew. Row or just go out on the water for the ride and a most wonderful, later afternoon summer experience! Truly, one of the UES's treasures. Open to one and all and, unbelievably... Free.

94th Street Greenmarket Grand Re-Opening!! **Sundays, through – November 22nd**: First Avenue between 94th & 96th Street, 9am-5pm; Compost Collection – 9am–1pm. All of our old farmer/baker/fisherman/dairy friends and their fresh, locally grown produce, baked goods, milk, yogurt, cheese, cider and fabulous seafood from the 92nd market... A mere 2 blocks further north (while there's construction at Isaacs/Holmes)!! See you there!!

82nd Street/St. Stephen's Greenmarket Saturdays Year Round: 82nd Street between First and York, 9am–2pm; Compost & Clothes Collection – 9am–1pm; Our City's most successful small market with its all-star line-up of Bread Alone, Valley Shepherd, American Seafood, Ballard Honey, Floral Beauty Greenhouses, Samascott, Gajeski, Rising Sun, Alewife, Cherry Lane, Ole Mother Hubbert and Garden of Spices Farms! Plus, most warm-weather Saturdays, there's live acoustical music and Master Knife Sharpener Barbara Hess tabling to tend to your cutlery.

Gray Matters is an advisory and consulting group whose members have professional experience in finance, real estate, law, marketing, medicine, education, government and architecture. Their advice and skills are offered **free** to community-based not-for-profit organizations in the New York City area. We work with Executive and Board leadership of NY area-based nonprofit organizations of all sizes to help them address their strategic and operational problems and to plan for growth or restructuring. There is no set structure for our services. We work with your organization for as long as we mutually feel we can be of use, and with as many Gray Matters members as are needed to address your issues. We invite you to visit <u>www.graymattersnyc.org</u> to see who we are and learn more about the types of organizations we have helped and the kinds of services we have provided. Write us at info@graymattersnyc.org briefly describing your specific need or needs and indicate how and when we should contact you.

LawHelp/NY (www.LawHelp.org/NY) is an online tool for helping low-income New Yorkers solve their legal problems. The site provides free, user-friendly resources that supply critical legal information in fifteen areas of law (such as family, housing and immigration), and referral information to free legal aid programs. With a Spanish mirror site (www.ayudalegalny.org), LiveHelp (an online chat service in English and Spanish that helps visitors find legal information), and resources in 35 languages – LawHelp.org/NY is the first line of defense for vulnerable New Yorkers, especially immigrants, Hispanics and limited English proficient residents facing legal problems. LawHelp/NY has seen a dramatic upsurge in usage during the recession. In 2011, the site was visited 451,025 times. LawHelp/NY runs the Training and Information Statewide! (TIPS) program which conducts community outreach throughout the state.

Legal Information for Families Today (LIFT) Family Legal Center offers free workshops, legal information and social work services to parents and grandparents involved in child support, custody, and visitation cases. All services are offered in English and Spanish at 350 Broadway, Room 400. For more information, please call (646) 613-9633 or visit <u>www.LIFTonline.org</u>.

Need a babysitter? A tutor for your child? Someone to walk your dog during the day? If so, consider hiring a Hunter student. <u>Hunter</u> <u>Helpers</u> is a service that matches up Hunter College students with residents in the neighborhood who need a helping hand. For more information, visit their website - <u>www.hunter.cuny.edu/babysitting</u>

<u>The Day Care Council of New York, Inc.</u> is a not-for-profit organization that provides families with child care information in all five boroughs of New York City, particularly infant and young toddler care. They offer **free** information and guidance in choosing day care, family care, Head Start, after-school programs, nanny services, summer camps, group family care and other child care concerns. For more information, please call Jon Pinkos at 212-206-7818 x114 or via email <u>jpinkos@dccnyinc.org</u>.

<u>Crime Victim Services</u> is a non-profit program, designed to aid and compensate innocent victims of crime who meet certain criteria. The program is free of charge. For more information, please call Teresa Navarro at 212-585-6142 or 6281.

Manhattan Community Board 8 strongly encourages you to contact us with your concerns or questions about issues affecting you and your neighbors. If you know of anyone who would like to receive our monthly mailing via standard mail or electronically, please encourage him or her to contact the board office at 212-758-4340 or <u>info@cb8m.com</u>.