

## The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

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## **Community Bulletin Board -October 2010**

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<u>Street Activity Permit Office (SAPO) - You may now apply online for street fairs, block parties and festivals.</u> Applicants can submit online applications at <a href="https://nyceventpermits.nyc.gov">https://nyceventpermits.nyc.gov</a> or <a href="www.nyc.gov/sapo">www.nyc.gov/sapo</a>. 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 212-788-7567 or visit <a href="https://www.nyc.gov/html/cau/html/street\_permitting/permit\_and\_events.shtml">https://www.nyc.gov/html/cau/html/street\_permitting/permit\_and\_events.shtml</a>.

The NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene began the second round of vaccinating raccoons in and around Central Park to protect them and the surrounding community from rabies. Since December of 2009, health authorities have documented more than 130 rabies cases among raccoons in Central Park and Upper Manhattan. The vaccination effort – a collaboration involving the Health Department, the Parks Department, the Central Park Conservancy and the US Department of Agriculture – is an attempt to contain the outbreak. The first round of vaccinations were conducted from February 16<sup>th</sup> to April 9<sup>th</sup> of 2010 and this second round will run from September 20<sup>th</sup> to November 15<sup>th</sup> of this year. To vaccinate the raccoons, wildlife experts humanely trap raccoons around Central Park, Morningside Park and Riverside Park. Each captured animal is vaccinated against rabies and tagged for identification, then released in the same location. Traps are placed in remote areas to keep pets and park visitors from disrupting them, and each trap displays City contact information for use in emergencies. DOH request that you: 1.Get your cat or dog vaccinated for rabies 2. Stay away from wild or stray animals 3. If you are bitten by an animal, wash the wound, consult a doctor, and call 311 to report the bite. For more information, visit www.nyc.gov/health/rabies.

<u>The 19<sup>th</sup> Precinct Community Council</u> will meet on **Monday, October 4, 2010** at 7:00PM, 19<sup>th</sup> Precinct, 153 East 67<sup>th</sup> Street (between Lexington and Third Avenues). For more information, contact the 19<sup>th</sup> Precinct Community Affairs at 212-452-0613 or via email <u>The19pctcouncil@aol.com</u>

<u>The East 79<sup>th</sup> Street Neighborhood Association</u> will meet on Thursday, October 14, 2010 at 6:00PM, please note earlier start time, City University of New York (CUNY), 535 East 80<sup>th</sup> Street, (East End Avenue) First Floor Board Room. Agenda: 19<sup>th</sup> Pct. Police Report: Neighborhood Safety Stats/Commercial Bike Stats, OFFICIAL CONSTRUCTION SCHED-ULE UPDATE FOR THE 78<sup>TH</sup> STREET PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE REPLACEMENT; Elected Officials Report. The next meeting will be Thursday, November 11, 2010. All meetings are free and open to the public.

The Community Education Council District 2 (CECD2), under the New York City Department of Education (DOE), meets on Wednesday, October 27, 2010 at 6:30PM, 333 Seventh Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor. For more information, please call (212) 356-3915. The Council is the body to which the DOE presents its recommendations for school re-zoning. The CECD2 will then present their proposals to the Community District. These meetings are open to the public and residents are encouraged to attend and speak out about the re-zoning.

NYC Parks & Recreation Free Children's Fall Series: Monday, October 11, 2010-Columbus Day Celebration, Carl Schurz Park, 11:00AM to 3:00PM; Saturday, October 16, 2010-Fall Festival, Carl Schurz Park, 1:00 to 4:00PM; Saturday, October 23, 2010-Halloween Craft Jubilee, Ruppert Park, 1:00PM-4:00PM; Friday, October 29, 2010-Halloween Party, John Jay Park, 2:00PM to 5:00PM; Sunday, October 31, 2010-Halloween Party, Carl Schurz Park, 11:00AM to 3:00PM; Sunday, November 7, 2010-New York City Marathon, come out and cheer the runners at various locations, 11:00AM to 3:00PM. For more information, please call Joseph Capitummino at (212) 408-0256, email joseph.capitummino@parks.nyc.gov or visit www.nyc.gov/parks

New York-Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center will hold Health and Wellness Seminars entitled Reducing Brest Cancer Risk: New Medical and Surgical Techniques on Tuesday, October 26, 2010; Feeling Hungry: Emotional Easting and Eating Disorders on Tuesday, November 2, 2010; Improving Your ZZZ's: Strategies to Address Lack of Sleep on Tuesday, November 9, 2010; Sound Great: Medical and Surgical Rehabilitation for Hearing Loss on Tuesday, November 16, 2010. The seminars will be held at the Weill Cornell Medical College, Uris Auditorium, 1300 York Avenue (at East 69th Street). The lectures are free and open to the public, for more information or to RSVP, please call (212) 821-0888.

The Office of the Mayor and Citizens Committee for New York City invites your volunteer-led neighborhood group to apply for a block transformation grant. Applications deadline is November 15, 2010. For more information about the grant, please call Saleen Shah at (212) 822-9566, email: <a href="mailto:sshah@citizensnyc.org">sshah@citizensnyc.org</a> or January Sanalak at (212) 822-9564, email: <a href="mailto:jsanalak@citizensnyc.org">jsanalak@citizensnyc.org</a>

<u>Fire Department of New York</u> offers free bystander CPR training to all New York City residents. The program takes less than an hour and each participant is given a free CPR training kit to bring home to friends and family. For more information, call (718) 999-2413 or email Michael Eichler at eichlem@fdny.nyc.gov.

<u>The US Department of Treasury and the Federal Reserve Bank</u> *Go Direct* campaign encourages people who receive Social Security and other federal benefits to help protect themselves from financial crimes by switching from paper checks to direct deposit. For more information, please call Ashley Czernis at (312)-988-2419, or via email <a href="mailto:aczernis@webershandwick.com">aczernis@webershandwick.com</a> or visit <a href="www.GoDirect.org">www.GoDirect.org</a>.

<u>Legal Information for Families Today (LIFT)</u> 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 <a href="https://www.LIFTonline.org">www.LIFTonline.org</a>.

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 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>

The Day Care Council of New York, Inc. 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 jpinkos@dccnyinc.org.

<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 info@cb8m.com.