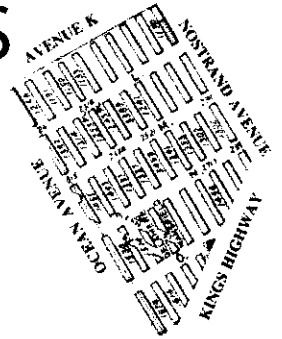


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PLEASE JOIN US AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF NOTTINGHAM ASSOCIATION, INC.

It will be held on Thursday, June 18 at 8:00 PM. The meeting will take place at Public School 193 located at Avenue L and Bedford Avenue, in the auditorium.

Professor Dov Fobar will be our very special speaker. He teaches finance at Brooklyn College. He lectures on investing, the securities market, and personal finance. He was a consultant at Merrill Lynch and Deloitte and Touche. We are certain that his presentation will be informative and lively.

We will also have representatives from the offices of our legislators, and from the police department. They always keep us up to date on what is happening in Albany and in our neighborhood

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NOTTINGHAM ASSOCIATION IS GRATEFUL TO THE FOLLOWING LEGISLATORS, WHO HAVE SO GENEROUSLY PROVIDED HELP TO OUR ORGANIZATION

(in alphabetical order):

Assemblyman Steven Cymbrowitz

Councilman Michael Nelson

Assemblywoman Helene Weinstein

IN THESE DIFFICULT TIMES YOU ARE KEEPING US AFLOAT

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At our last meeting, the police reported that crime in the precinct is down by 25% from last year. A few weeks ago some cars were broken into on East 27th Street between Avenues I and K. The thieves were looking for airbags and GBS devices. They were caught.

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A rainy spring has followed a strange winter. The many small storms kept many of us indoors more than usual. When we thought we could get out the weather hit the 90s, and then the rain came. Last week however we managed to see the cherry blossoms at the Brooklyn Botanic Gardens. They were in full bloom, and they were beautiful. A toddler ran through the grass falling and getting up again, so unsure that his parents didn't have to run after him.

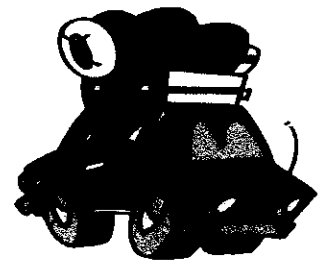
Nottingham changed the location of our board meetings to Essex Glatt on Avenue M, and had a quorum at every meeting. The inducement was delicious cake and coffee along with a comfortable setting. (The price is about what we paid when we met at a local public school. The Department of Education has no bargains any more.) Perhaps you would like to join us. You can find our telephone number and E-mail address at the bottom of the column to the left. New people are always welcome.

This year we raised the dues by \$5.00. It was not much. Therefore, most of our members rejoined. However, it was not enough. Our expenses go up. The extra donations given by so many of you helped a lot. We will soon be sending our third dues reminder to those who have not paid this year, and to new neighbors. We need you. We believe that you need us as well. Our patrol has chased potential thieves out of the neighborhood. They cannot arrest, but they do **observe and report**. More than that, Tony and Charles have helped in many ways.

The letter for patrol money will come to you in early September. Be generous.

Meanwhile, have a great summer.

Helen



**OUR APPRECIATION GOES TO THOSE
GENEROUS PEOPLE WHO GAVE ONE
HUNDRED DOLLARS OR MORE TO
NOTTINGHAM THIS YEAR.**

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Shaul and Sara Taub

** Board members and ex-board members*

Anonymous -- 15
WON'T YOU JOIN THEM?



Did you know that City Councilman
Nelson roots for the N.Y. Dodgers? NY
Times Sat. May 2nd

JUST A LITTLE CLEARING UP

1. You will notice that on our last few mailings after your name on the address label you will find "or resident." That is a new mailing requirement from the Post Office. It took a lot of repetitive motion on the part of your editor, but we did it.
2. Someone reported that she sent dues to me in a Nottingham return envelope, and the post office couldn't find me! If that happens to you PLEASE try again. We love you and we need your money.

It's Spring!

It's time to spruce things up a bit. If you are a Nottingham member, we can provide you with new recycling labels, and "no fliers" signs. See our opinion of those on page 5. They do help somewhat. Call Estelle Schaffer at 718-258-0894 or E-mail us at Nottingham@Nottinghambklyn.org

Antennas on the Brooklyn Bridge have been set up to track your every move. According to the Lower Manhattan Construction Command Center (LMCCC), the purpose is to manage traffic in downtown Brooklyn. They will monitor drive times and identify trouble spots. The antennae are designed to work with E-Z Pass transponders which are carried by many cars. Any reaction?
Source: Brooklyn Graphic 4.23.2009, page 3.

You may be in for some surprises if you think you know how your legislators in Albany intend to vote on the gay marriage issue. As a non-political organization, we don't intend to tell you. However, it may be a good idea to contact them, and ask. Then you can tell them whether you agree or disagree with them.

BETH ISRAEL HEALTH FAIR

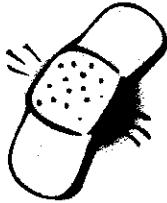
On Tuesday, May 19 between 11 AM and 3 PM Beth Israel Kings Highway Division will be holding a health fair in their main lobby at 3201 Kings Highway.

IT IS FREE

There will be:

- ✓ Glucose, cholesterol and blood pressure screening.
- ✓ Balance screening, and fall prevention information.
- ✓ Nutrition and diet information.
- ✓ Information about prostate screening.
- ✓ Pharmaceutical information – bring your medicines.
- ✓ Care giver support and resource information.
- ✓ An “Ask the doctor” table.
- ✓ Physician referral service.

For more information, call 718-951-3065.



DECEPTION BURGLARIES DON'T BE A VICTIM

We have been reading more and more about these very clever burglars recently. We thought that you might want to know what the 70th Precinct tells us about them.

Deception burglars pose as legitimate utility workers, as deliverymen/women, or home improvement contractors. Often they come when the actual workers are parked near by. They usually work in pairs.

They used deception to get into your home. Once inside, they demand money and valuables. Their “M.O.” is often to distract you. Someone will have you fill out a survey or they say they are inspecting one of your utilities. A second person will look for things to steal.

PREVENT DECEPTION BURGLARY

- ✓ Be wary of unannounced visitors, including utility workers, maintenance personnel, delivery people and other uniformed personnel.
 - ✓ Never automatically open your door to a stranger.
 - ✓ Use your peephole or intercom to communicate with, and identify visitors.
 - ✓ Ask to view photo an identification card before opening your door. “No I.D., no entry.”
 - ✓ If you are unsure about whether the person is really from a utility company, call to verify his/her I.D. (Don't use the telephone number provided by the visitor!)
- ** Have a free security checkup of your home or business conducted by the 70th Precinct Crime Prevention Officer
- ** If you think you are being the victim of a Deception Burglary, call “911.”

FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE
CONTACT
70TH PRECINCT
CRIME PREVENTION OFFICE
718-851-5504

**THE POLICE ARE OFFERING
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FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE
ARREST OF ANYONE WHO POSSESSES AN
ILLEGAL HANDGUN.**

CALL 1-866-GUN-STOP (1-866-486-7867)

You do not have to leave your name.

SWINE FLU or H1N1 IN THE USA

For information about Swine Flu you can go to the website of the NYC government; www.nyc.gov. Click on an Icon labeled Swine Flu Information. You can download two brochures in PDF: a fact sheet and guide.

www.cdc.gov/swine flu has information put out by the Centers for Disease Control.

NOW IS THE TIME TO APPLY FOR A TREE.

Remember, trees clean the air.
They keep us cool in the summer, and protect us from winds in the winter. They look good.
THEY ARE FREE.

We have several treeless blocks. Let's make them beautiful again!

NOTTINGHAM ASSOCIATION

REQUEST FOR STREET TREE PLANTING

Date _____

Doris Ortiz, District Manager
Community Board 14
810 East 16th Street
Brooklyn, New York 11230

Pleased be advised that I wish to be placed on Community Board 14's list for a free street tree which is to be planted on my property by the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation as follows:

House Address _____

Cross Streets _____

Planting Site _____

(in front of, alongside of, etc.)

Is there currently a tree stump at this location? _____

Property Owners Signature

(Print name.)

Telephone Numer

E-mail

This form was developed for your convenience and fulfills the property owner consent requirement. Please complete the above information and return the form to the above address or fax to (718) 421-6077.

WATER STREET TREES. THEY NEED OUR HELP IN SUMMER WHEN IT IS HOT AND DRY

Trees do more than enough for you. Brooklyn's trees remove around 248 metric tons of pollution from the air every year. They muffle the noise of the city and often raise property values

so that it is absorbed by the soil. The department recommends using a large plastic garbage pail for the chore. Use a heated nail to punch two holes near the base of the garbage pail. With the holes facing the tree, fill the garbage pail with 10-15 gallons of water and let the water flow into the soil.

Like other living things, street trees need water. In the heat, or in a drought situation, we can help our trees by watering them. The Parks Department suggests that we water them once a week with between 10 and 15 gallons of water, applied to the base of the tree. The water must be applied slowly,

You can also help the trees by removing animal waste from around the tree, and loosening any compacted soil.

HELP OUR TREES. THEY HELP US!

AND WHILE YOU ARE AT IT "NOURISH" NOTTINGHAM SO THAT WE CAN GROW TOO

I would like to become/return as a member of Nottingham Association.

Here is my dues payment

_____ I have enclosed my check for \$50 to pay my dues for the year 2009.

_____ I would like to make an additional donation of \$_____ for the Nottingham Patrol, which takes care of the neighborhood 7 hours a day, 7 days a week.

_____ **I would like to become a member of the Nottingham Association's Board of Directors.**

_____ I would like a receipt for tax purposes (please check).

_____ *If you give \$100.00 or more may we add your name to our list of special friends in our bulletin?*

Your Name _____
Address _____ Apt. # _____ City _____ Zip _____
Tel. No. _____ e-mail _____

Please make checks payable to Nottingham Association, Inc. Mail them to Nottingham Association, Inc.
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SOME ANNOYANCES

A. "DO NOT CALL"

Many of us have registered all our telephones, including cell phones, with either or both the NYS and federal "do not call" registries and yet we are getting annoying calls. Perhaps the following, downloaded from the US government's registry, will help. It doesn't look as if we have too many options. *The most annoying of the callers still have free access to us.*

B. FLIERS AND ADS ON OUR PROPERTY

Some have asked for signs prohibiting the distribution of fliers, etc. on our property. Your president, and others, report that they gathered up unwanted fliers, filled out a form, and mailed everything at some expense to a Sanitation depot in Sunset Park as instructed. They could not get help. We were told that we had to gather material from at least 5 people on the block before anything would be done. *What kind of law is that?*

The following information was downloaded from the Federal government site.

WHO MAY OR MAY NOT CALL?

Who is covered by the National Do Not Call Registry?

The National Do Not Call Registry applies to any plan, program, or campaign to sell goods or services through interstate phone calls. This includes telemarketers who solicit consumers, often on behalf of third party sellers. It also includes sellers who provide, offer to provide, or arrange to provide goods or services to consumers in exchange for payment.

The National Do Not Call Registry does not limit calls by political organizations, charities, or telephone surveyors.

What about an established business relationship?

A telemarketer or seller may call a consumer with whom it has an established business relationship for up to 18 months after the consumer's last purchase, delivery, or payment - even if the consumer's number is on the National Do Not Call Registry. In addition, a company may call a consumer for up to three months after the consumer makes an inquiry or submits an application to the company. And if a consumer has given a company written permission, the company may call even if the consumer's number is on the National Do Not Call Registry.

One caveat: if a consumer asks a company not to call, the company may not call, even if there is an established business relationship. Indeed, a company may not call a consumer - regardless of whether the consumer's number is on the registry - if the consumer has asked to be put on the company's own do not call list.

Federal Government "do not call" registry: <https://www.donotcall.gov/>

New York State "Do Not Call" registry:

To register call 1-866-622-5569 or register on line at www.consumer.state.ny.us



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If you are interested in enrolling at a SUNY school, **Senator John Sampson** has a brochure listing all SUNY schools with their categories: University Colleges, Community Colleges, Technology Colleges, and University Centers and Graduate Schools. There is information about financial aid.

You can also get simple forms for a Health Care Proxy and Living Will from his office
 Tel. 781-649-7653 [8114 Flatlands Avenue, 11236]

TELEPHONE NUMBERS YOU CAN USE

Community Board 14 718-859-6357
 70th Precinct 718-851-5511

Education Information

Region 6 Superintendent 718-968-6100
 District 22 Superintendent 718-968-6115

Hospitals/Ambulances

Beth Israel Medical Center, Kings Highway Division 718-252-3000
 Coney Island Hospital 718-616-3000
 N.Y. Community Hospital of Brooklyn 718-692-5300
 Flatlands Volunteer Ambulance 718-338-0444
 Hatzolah 718-230-1000

Special Assistance for Senior Citizens

Legal Aid office for the Aging 718-645-3111
 New York City Office for the Aging 212-442-1000
 Medicare and Social Security 800-772-1213
 Medicaid Information 877-472-8411

Public Services

Public Service Commission 800-342-3377
 National Grid (gas) 718-643-4050
 Con Edison Electric 800-752-6633
 Pot Hole Complaints 311
 Street Light Complaints 311
 Transit Authority 718-330-3000
 Water and Sewer Emergency 311

Housing Complaints

Rent Stabilization & Control 718-739-6400
 N.Y.C. Housing Authority 212-306-3000

Thank you in part Assemblywoman Weinstein

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

From the office of **Councilman Kendall Stewart**
 For more information, call the office at 718-951-8177

- Wednesday, May 27 – Senior Citizens’ Symposium.
- June – 15 – Brain Tumor Screening.
- June 5 – Council District Office ‘Open House.’
- Tuesday, June 9 – Caribbean American Heritage Month.
- Thursday, June 11 – Town Hall Forum & Community Discussion on Economic Issues
- Thursday, June 18 – Housing Foreclosure Forum.

On May 17 **Assemblyman Steven Cymbrowitz** will be sponsoring a Health Fair between 11:30 and 2:30 on Emmons Avenue. Note it on your calendar.

On June 14 at the corner of Emmons Avenue and Shore Boulevard (across the street from Bay Academy), Assemblyman Cymbrowitz will be sponsoring a Holocaust Memorial Ceremony. That is the Holocaust Memorial Park. The time is 12:00 – 2:00 PM. This is a yearly event, and very moving.

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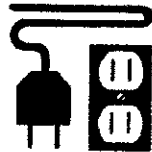
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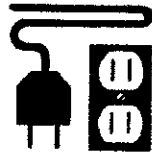
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May 25, Monday Memorial Day *
May 29, Friday Shavuot 1st Day
May 30, Saturday Shavuot 2nd Day
July 3, Friday Independence Day (Observed) *
July 4, Saturday Independence Day *
Aug 15, Saturday Feast of the Assumption
Sept. 7, Monday Labor Day *
Sept. 19, Saturday Rosh Hashanah 1st Day
Sept. 20 Sunday Rosh Hashanah 2nd Day
Sept. 19 Saturday Idul-Fitr 1st Day
Sept. 20 Sunday Idul-Fitr 2nd Day
Sept. 21 Monday Idul-Fitr 3rd Day
Sept. 28 Monday Yom Kippur
Oct. 3 Saturday Succoth 1st Day
Oct. 4 Sunday Succoth 2nd Day
Oct. 10 Saturday Shemini Atzereth
Oct. 11 Sunday Simchas Torah
Oct. 12 Monday Columbus Day
Oct. 17 Saturday Diwali

Nov. 1 Sunday All Saint's Day
Nov. 3 Tuesday Election
Nov.11 Wednesday Veterans Day
Nov. 26 Friday Thanksgiving Day *
Nov. 27 Friday Adul-Adha 1st Day
Nov. 28 Saturday Adul-Adaha 2nd Day
Nov. 29 Sunday Adul-Adha 3rd Day
Dec. 8, Tuesday Immaculate Conception
Dec. 25, Friday Christmas Day *

Major Legal Holiday Rules: On major legal holidays stopping, standing and parking are permitted except in areas where no stopping, no standing and no parking rules are in effect seven days a week (for example "No Standing Anytime"). However, parking meters will not be in effect on major legal holidays.

For alerts on emergency traffic regulations or suspensions, call 311.

Thanks to Assemblywoman Helene Weinstein for this information.

