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Protecting NYC from Climate Change

By Jibreel Jalloh

New York City is no stranger to extreme weather, but as climate change continues, we're seeing more intense storms and frequent flooding. Hurricane Ida in 2021 was a wake-up call, claiming 11 lives and showing us how vulnerable we are. As we gear up for the Climate Day of Action on Sunday, August 11th, in Canarsie Park at 3 p.m., it's time for us to take a hard look at what needs to be done to protect our city.

Our current sewer system can't handle the heavy rainfalls we're now facing. In 2023, we experienced five major storms that overwhelmed our infrastructure. While the city plans to invest over \$1 billion a year in improvements, making real changes will take time and effort from everyone.

One way to tackle the issue is by using nature-based solutions like rain gardens and bluebelts, which help absorb rainwater and reduce flooding. These green projects not only manage stormwater but also beautify neighborhoods and improve the environment. However, they need to be combined with upgrades to our existing infrastructure for a comprehensive approach.

As we come together for the Climate

Day of Action, it's important for all of us to play our part. Homeowners can check their properties for flood risks and take steps to minimize damage. Community involvement is key to building a resilient city.

New climate projections reveal that New York City will face hotter and wetter conditions in the coming years. According to the New York City Panel on Climate Change (NPCC), by the 2030s, sea levels could rise by more than one foot, annual rainfall could increase by up to 10% and temperatures might climb by as much as 4.7 degrees. These changes will lead to more frequent flooding and intense storms, posing significant challenges for the city.

The NPCC emphasizes the urgency of preparing for these shifts, highlighting the need for improved infrastructure and community involvement to adapt to climate change's impacts. The city must accelerate efforts to protect vulnerable areas and reduce greenhouse gas emissions to mitigate these effects. As we anticipate these changes, it's crucial for New Yorkers to understand the implications and take action to safeguard the city's future.

Climate change is a challenge we



can't ignore. By working together, we can create a safer, more resilient New York City. Let's use the Climate Day of Action as a starting point for real, meaningful change. Together, we can face whatever the future holds.

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A Look Back at Canarsie's History - Part II After Season Dance Given by Volunteer Life Guards - 1932

Editor's Note:

A Canarsie native named Douglas Torborg, now living in Florida, mailed an original program for a dance that took place in Canarsie in 1932, and it is our honor to share this piece of history with our readers. The occasion was the "After Season Dance Given by Volunteer Life Guards of Canarsie Beach," and the event took place on October 1, 1932 at the Arcadia Inn at the Canarsie Shore.

Douglas tells us that his father, Harold, was the Secretary for the dance, and his brother, Albert, was the Crew Commodore. Harold was born in Canarsie and lived there his entire life. He had polio and walked with a cane. Harold was nicknamed "Duck"

because he was such a good swimmer. Duck was the manager of Heinrich's Bar and Restaurant, which was located at 135 Conklin Avenue until 1965.

A special thank you to Douglas Torborg for sharing this fascinating find with us, a 92-year-old pamphlet, which is in surprisingly good condition.

Ira Kluger, co-president of the Canarsie Historical Society, will be sharing historical facts about the advertisers in this pamphlet in a weekly column.

G. R. Marshall: George R. Marshall owned and operated a hardware store at 1449 Rockaway Parkway. Although we don't know precisely when the business was established, newspaper advertisements suggest that the store was in existence by 1924. According to the 1939-1940 NYC Tax Photo Collection, Mr. Marshall also dealt in gasoline and maintained a gasoline pump at the curbside.

The site upon which the store was erected was previously occupied by an ancient blacksmith shop, which had various owners over the course of time, including the partnership of Orion Bogart and Ray Davis, Daniel Henry and S. Ford. Circa 1896, a municipal fire company (Engine 57) was established in Canarsie, at what is now 1517-1519 Rockaway Parkway. The firemen would take their horses to Mr. Henry's shop, which was approximately one and one-

half blocks from the fire company's headquarters, to have them shod.

A newspaper advertisement published in 1963, offering the hardware store's showcases, equipment, etc. for sale, suggests that Mr. Marshall was in the process of liquidating the business at that time. Following the closure of Mr. Marshall's hardware store, the store was occupied by Rothstein's Shoe Store, which opened circa 1966. The owner, Abe Rothstein, who I believe was a holocaust survivor, had a second location at 9520 Avenue L. By 1970, the Rockaway Parkway shoe store had closed, and First National City Bank (later known as Citibank) opened a branch in the storefront. Congressman Frank Brasco's office occupied the second story of the building. The store is currently occupied by Ashley Stewart, a women's clothing store.

Cecere's Pharmacy: Unfortunately, relatively little is known regarding Cecere's Pharmacy. In 1938, the pharmacist, Thomas J. Cecere, acquired a license to sell beer at retail, which, in my opinion, was somewhat unusual for a pharmacist. By 1961, the business was known as the Remsel Pharmacy, and by 1975, it was known as the Remsen Pharmacy, the name under which it still operates.

Ira Kluger Co-President Canarsie Historical Society

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East New York

Man Shot Twice on Stanley Avenue

By Lloyd Mitchell

A man is expected to survive after he was shot twice on an East New York street.

Officers from PSA 2 and the 75th Precinct responded to the shooting in front of 738 Stanley Avenue, between Schenck Avenue and Ashford Street, around 3:10 p.m. on Tuesday, August 6th, where they found a 27-year-old man who reported that he was shot once in his shoulder and once in his abdomen by an unknown individual.

Three shell casings were found at the scene. There is no description of the suspect at this time, police said.

EMS rushed the victim to Brookdale Hospital in serious but stable condition.

There are no arrests, and an investigation is ongoing.

Anyone with information regarding this shooting is asked to call the NYPD's Crime Stoppers Hotline at 800-577-TIPS (8477) or for Spanish, 888-57-PISTA (74782). The public can also submit their tips by logging onto the Crime Stoppers Website at crimestoppers.nypdonline.org/, or on X @NYPDTips. All calls are strictly confidential.



Detectives attempt to piece together a shooting that took place on Tuesday, August 6th.

Queens Man Fatally Shot Behind Residential Building in Canarsie



By Lloyd Mitchell

Detectives from the 69th Precinct are searching for a suspect who gunned down a Queens man behind a house in Canarsie.

Officers responded to a 911 call of a male shot in the rear of 538 East 84th Street, between Foster Avenue and Farragut Road, around 9:45 p.m. on Wednesday, August 7th, according to police. They found Chad Lewars, 30, of Jamaica, Queens, suffering from numerous gunshot wounds to the torso.

Lewars was rushed by EMS to Brookdale Hospital in critical condition where he succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced dead, police said.

No arrests have been made, and an investigation is ongoing.

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Flatlands

Suspect Arrested in Connection to Violent Stabbing in Precinct's First Homicide of 2024

By Lloyd Mitchell and Linda Steinmuller

An arrest was made in the brutal, fatal stabbing of a Flatlands man.

Police arrested and charged Shakel Maldonado, 24, of Flatlands, with murder and criminal possession of a weapon on Saturday, August 10th, in connection to the stabbing death of Nathaniel Thomas, 45.

On Wednesday, August 7th, officers from the 63rd Precinct, Engine Company 323 and EMS paramedics responded to the violent stabbing in progress at the intersection of East 53rd Street and Avenue K. Upon arrival, around 8 a.m., they found the 45-year-old victim suffering from multiple stab wounds to the head and abdomen, police said. Crime scene detectives were seen lifting fingerprints from the grill of a black SUV and removing blood samples from the sidewalk.

The victim was taken to Brookdale Hospital by EMS in critical condition. He succumbed to his injuries at the hospital around 8:20 a.m., according to an NYPD spokesperson.

This is the first homicide of the year within the confines of the 63rd Precinct.



An officer from the 63rd Precinct guards a car involved in a crime scene at Avenue K and East 53rd Street on Wednesday, August 7th.

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Marine Park

Reconstruction of Marine Park Oval in its Final Stages

By Linda Steinmuller

A reconstruction project to overhaul the Marine Park Oval is on target for completion in September 2024.

The project, which started in late June 2023, was done in thirds to maximize public access to the popular walking/biking paths during construction, according to a NYC Parks Department spokesperson.

Fences were erected in July for the third and final section, near the Avenue S parking lot, extending from the pickleball courts to the Carmine Carro Community Center.

Once completed, a new water line for drinking fountains will be installed as well as new trees, new pavers for tree pits, additional seating and upgraded inner and outer walking/biking paths, according to the Parks Department.

The project was made possible by \$10.5 million in funding from the City Council and the Mayor's Office.



Fence along the perimeter of the northeast section of the park.



The final section of the Marine Park Oval is closed for construction.



The construction fence extends from the Avenue S parking lot to the Carmine Carro Community Center.

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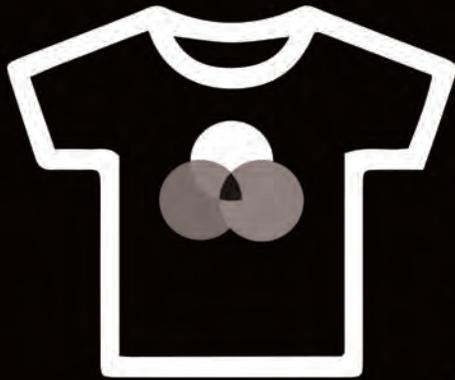
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“It Was a Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood” at East 104 Annual Block Party!

By Claudy Vilme

On Saturday, August 3rd, East 104th Street, between Avenue N and Seaview Avenue, was transformed into a vibrant hub of excitement and camaraderie as residents gathered for their annual block party.

Families poured into the street, eager to enjoy a day filled with an array of games, delectable food stands and heartwarming conversation. Children’s laughter echoed as they participated in sack races and face painting, while adults rekindled connections with neighbors and made new friends. The atmosphere was electric with the spirit of community, making it an unforgettable day for all. Keep your calendar open for next year’s event – it’s a block party you won’t want to miss!



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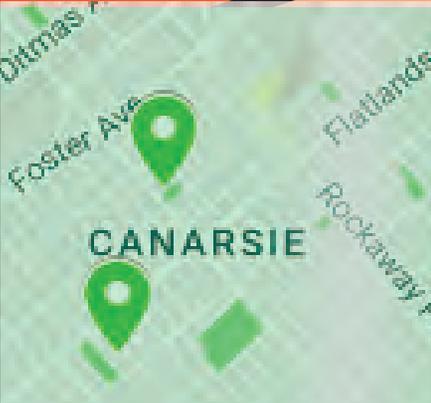
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Clergy Council Holds Prayer Vigil at Troubled Corner

By Linda Steimmuller

Praises, singing and prayers could be heard at the corner of Flatlands Avenue and East 81st Street, by Bildersee Playground, where members of the 69th Precinct Clergy Council gathered to pray for peace in Canarsie and an end to senseless gun violence. Monthly prayer vigils are held at troubled corners, and a 14-year-old boy was shot in the foot at the playground on April 21st.

Clergy Council President Rev. Cecil Moonsam started off the vigil by praying for those out to do wickedness. "God can heal you and save you," he said. Speaking out against gun violence, he said, "Young men, your life is important

to God." Inspirational songs of hope, like "How Great is Our God," "What a Mighty God We Serve" and "He's Able" followed. Some passersby joined in the signing, lifting their hands in praise.

Rev. Moonsam said that he was glad to have members of C3 join the Clergy Council at the vigil, stating, "Our goal is for the safety of our community." C3 is the Citywide Clergy Collective, an initiative launched by Mayor Eric Adams' last January, which is committed to preventing gun violence across New York City and comes with \$1.5 million in funding from the NY State Department of Criminal Justice.

Auxiliary Coordinator Officer Dukens



Riche acknowledged that the area where the vigil was held is problematic. "We are here today with the Clergy Council to pray for the community to ensure our youth are on the right path," he said, also stating that officers are positioned at the location daily to try to improve things.

Members of the clergy offered up prayers. Dr. Gale Forde prayed for protection for our Nation, elected officials and all those in authority, including the President, while Pastor Williams prayed for our community, including every merchant and resident, calling upon the Lord for unity in our homes and schools.

Chaplain Faith Williams prayed for the peacemakers – NYPD officers that serve Canarsie and the military, and

Chaplain Dawn Baxter prayed for the sick and afflicted, not only for physical ailments but for those weak in spirit. Pastor Lloyd Claxton prayed for all the businesses in Canarsie and for the youth to have a mind to work and to do things that are right.

Jennifer Viechweg-Horsford, constituent liaison for State Senator Roxanne Persaud, gave an update on behalf of the senator. Families are invited to attend her annual, free Fun Day and Back 2 School Giveaway at Canarsie Park on Tuesday, August 20th, from 1 to 4 p.m. (enter at Seaview Avenue and East 88th Street).

The evening ended with everyone joyfully singing "Every Praise is to Our God."

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Marine Park

Oh, What a Night! Scott Yahney and Friends Return to Marine Park

By Linda Steinmuller

They say the “Third Time’s a Charm,” and they were right! With rain predicted for July 24-25, and Hurricane Debby on the way, the fifth concert of the Marine Park Concert Series was postponed twice! But the Scott Yahney & Friends Band finally held their concert on Thursday, August 8th – another rainy night – inside the Carmine Carro Community Center, at 3000 Fillmore Avenue. Although the weather kept some people away, a large group of music lovers braved the elements and enjoyed the two-hour show.

Yahney is a local musician who lives in the Mill Basin area. He’s a DJ and has his own 10-piece wedding band (visit faze4.com for more info). Yahney is also responsible for the sound system used for the weekly Marine



Front row: Singers Keva Hargrove and Kathryn Francisco, Kiki Nakajima (saxophone) and Scott Yahney (band leader, singer and keyboard). Back row: Penny Mealing (percussion) and John Adisano (guitar).

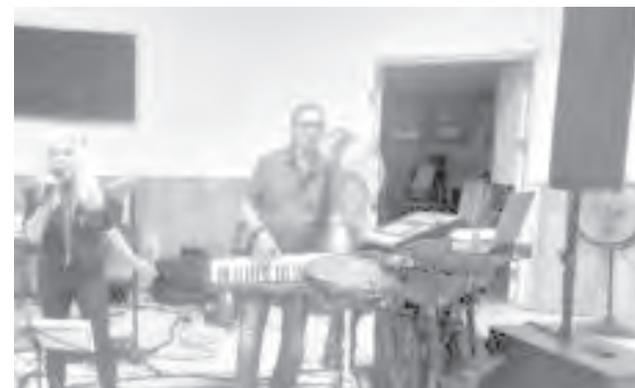
Park concerts, which are sponsored by Assemblywoman Jaime Williams.

The response to the Scott Yahney & Friends Band was so positive last summer that they returned for a repeat performance this year. The band performed everyone’s favorite classic hits from the 60s to the present, including songs like “Oh, What a Night,” “Lady Marmalade,” “Dancing in the Moonlight” and “Crazy in Love,” ending the evening with Frank Sinatra’s “New York, New York.” Some of the crowd got up to dance while others clapped along to the beat and cheered and applauded loudly for the talented six-piece band.

For all of you soap opera fans, Ilene Kristen, the famous soap opera actress who had leading roles in *Ryan’s Hope* and *One Life to Live* for many years, was the surprise guest. Kristen is not only an actress but a talented performer, who entertained the crowd with the Beatles’ song, “Can’t Buy Me Love” and “Old School Thing,” an original song she co-wrote with Yahney.

The Marine Park concerts are sponsored by Marine Park Alliance, Kings Plaza and Nick’s Lobster House, among others, in coordination with State Senators Simcha Felder and Roxanne Persaud, and District Leader Frank Seddio, and in partnership with Millennium Development, NYC Parks and the Marine Park Community Association.

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Hiring Fair Gets the Job Done

By Beraca Community Development Corporation

A hot, sunny day. Long lines going around the block of men, women and even some children waiting their turn. This might sound like a crowd waiting to join a roller coaster or other ride at Six Flags or Coney Island's Luna Park, but the long lines were leading people into their next potential great adventure, a new job.

On Wednesday, July 31st, nearly 400 job seekers walked through the doors of Beraca Baptist Church, at 9602 Flatlands Avenue, where the Beraca Community Development Corporation (BCDC) was hosting a Summer Hiring Fair. The hiring fair was from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., but many prospective candidates started to arrive as early as 8 a.m. to check in.

In partnership with the 69th Precinct's Community Council President Gardy Brazela and Beraca Baptist Church, BCDC's Summer Hiring Fair was intentionally planned to take place on the last day of July, a few days after the start of the 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris. The date was important for two reasons: to draw from the momentum of the Olympic Games and align with Beraca Baptist Church's "Summer of Champions" theme, as well as to provide individuals and families with resources, networks and opportunities for the remainder of the summer that would translate to much-needed jobs before the Back to School rush.

"The BCDC hiring fair was destined to happen," said Mullery Jean-Pierre, pastor of Beraca Baptist Church and president of BCDC, a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization that serves Brooklyn and beyond.

"Following the successful 69th Precinct Community Council Job Fair in April, which saw numerous individuals benefiting, the demand for such opportunities in our area remained high," Jean-Pierre said. "As a pastor in the community, I often hear the plea, 'Can you help me find a job?' Understanding the pressing need, BCDC had to organize another fair."

Approximately 20 vendors from local organizations were on hand, ready to engage with applicants for a variety of roles within the NYC Department of Corrections, Primerica, Rising Ground, CABS Health Network, One Brooklyn Health and others. The Church Avenue Merchants Block Association (CAMBA), Canarsie Merchants Association, Workforce 1, Interborough

Developmental and Consultation Center (IDCC) and BCDC representatives were present to introduce job readiness programs and courses to career changers and entry-level employment seekers looking to strengthen their soft skills and candidacy. Dozens of interviews were scheduled that very day.

"Many job seekers had to wait in line to be processed," Brazela said. "It was a wonderful experience for many of them who have never had a job before."

Shirley Demosthenes-Atkinson, CEO of CABS Health Network, addressed the large crowd, which packed both the main floor and the balcony of the sanctuary turned hiring space, offering motivation and support to those applying for roles ranging from entry-level to executive. Councilwoman Mercedes Narcisse stopped by as well, inspiring the attendees with words of encouragement. Narcisse stuck around to listen to the concerns of local

residents, sharing resources and information.

With such a wide range of vendors, the applicants were just as diverse. To accommodate a significant portion of the crowd that did not speak English, translators who spoke French, Spanish and Haitian-Creole were stationed at various points in the building. Yellow slips of paper were placed on the vendors' tables. If a candidate needed a translator that wasn't nearby, they only had to raise their hands holding the yellow slip to flag down assistance.

"I found many people to help me," said Walnise Dorsainvil, an attendee of the hiring fair who was assisted by translators. "One of the jobs is going to call me tomorrow. I have hope," Dorsainvil emphasized.

"The event was a success, establishing partnerships with local vendors who are still actively hiring individuals from our community weeks after the fair concluded," Jean-Pierre said.

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Kingsborough Community College Summer STEM at Sea Program Sets Sail

By Robert Pearl

Kingsborough Community College (KCC) is currently abuzz with the excitement of its Youth Engagement Summer STEM at Sea (YESSS) program launch. Supported and funded by Assemblywoman Jaime Williams, this innovative program offers young scholars hands-on experience in marine science – and the opportunity to come sail away.

On August 1st, KCC hosted the launch party for its maritime summer program. Amid the vibrant campus of KCC, the YESSS program immerses middle and high school students in the wonders of marine biology. Participants are actively engaged in exploring microscopic algae, conducting research and venturing out on marine expeditions.

KCC Interim President Suri Dutich warmly welcomed students and supporters, emphasizing the pro-

gram’s impact: “This is the second year of the [YESSS] Program. We are proud to host 320 students this summer, offering them opportunities to beachcomb, conduct research, dredge and explore on the boat.” Thanking all the assembly members in attendance for their support, she gave special thanks and appreciation to KCC’s stalwart supporters and to Williams, who provided the grants and funding. Said Dutich regarding Williams, “There is a little corner of her brain that is always thinking about KCC.”

Williams shared her personal connection to the program, stating, “This project started as just an idea and a casual conversation with professors at Kingsborough. It was a dream to get young minds motivated about maritime technology and the maritime world. My own daughter, a merchant marine, graduated from Kingsborough and SUNY Maritime, which



Group photo in the KCC classroom lab.

is why this program means so much to me.” Notably, she informed that KCC is the only two-year community college in the entire state with such a robust maritime program.

Highlighting the program’s environmental significance, Assemblywoman Helene Weinstein stated, “Programs like this are crucial for addressing issues such as protecting our oceans. Every few years, Assembly and Senate members get to nominate a student from their respective communities to attend SUNY Maritime College for free.”

Assemblyman Alec Brook-Krasny addressed the students directly, emphasizing their role in the future: “These students are our future. It depends on you to carry forward the legacy of maritime knowledge and stewardship.”

Assemblywoman Monique Chandler-Waterman, representing East Flatbush and parts of Canarsie, the adjacent district to Williams, said, “Although my district is landlocked, I support the maritime program as a great career pathway to understand and protect our waterways.”

Students Alexandria Fastaia and Danielle Callahan, from Williams’ 59th Assembly District, shared their early experiences and aspirations. Fastaia said, “We’re thrilled to dive into marine biology and explore our local waters. This program is inspiring us to pursue careers in science.” Callahan added, “It’s incredible to study marine life up close. We’re learning that science involves creativity and problem-solving to protect our environment from pollution.”

Known for its enriching curriculum and hands-on learning, the YESSS program continues to empower students with knowledge and passion for marine STEM fields. As the summer unfolds, KCC remains committed to nurturing young minds and fostering a deeper understanding of our marine ecosystems.

The program tour moved from the classroom lab to the high seas, with local leaders and guests boarding the Kingsborough Maritime Technology vessel for a spin around Jamaica Bay, with spectacular summer views of Coney Island beach, all the way to Breezy Point, with the KCC campus in the distance, as a symbol of maritime education.



Student Danielle Callahan, KCC Interim President Suri Dutich, student Alexandria Fastaia and Assemblywoman Jaime Williams

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Legendary MLB Pitcher Dwight "Doc" Gooden Thrills Fans at Brooklyn Meet and Greet

By Robert Pearl

On Sunday, August 4th, dozens of baseball fans of all ages braved the rain to meet legendary Major League Baseball (MLB) pitcher Dwight "Doc" Gooden at a special meet and greet. Held at the Bull's Eye Sports Pub, at 2073 Flatbush Avenue, the event saw dozens of eager fans lining up for a chance to get an autograph and a photo with the iconic New York Mets and Yankees star. Although pouring outside, the event was not called due to rain, with everyone standing in line for some "inside" baseball, to "Meet the Met."

The atmosphere was electric as fans, ranging from the youngest at 6 years old to the oldest in their 60s, gathered with photos, baseballs, hats and jerseys, all waiting to meet their sports hero. Many donned their baseball uniforms and jerseys, proudly displaying Gooden's legendary Mets number 16, where his incredible pitching

skills and his number 16 jersey made history and was retired earlier this year.

Gooden was in great spirits, engaging warmly with each fan, taking time to chat, reminisce about the old days and share his love for baseball. His generosity shone as he signed autographs, posed for pictures and even embraced the youngest of fans, who weren't even born during the Mets in their prime. For older fans, meeting their childhood hero brought tears of nostalgia, with one gentleman introducing his young son to Gooden while trying to hold back his emotions.

Among the attendees were young baseball athletes, eager to learn from the legend. Gooden took the time to demonstrate his signature pitching style, showing them how to throw a curveball, offering invaluable advice to the next generation of players. Jayden Caro, a pitcher for Kingsborough Community College Wave, received

real-life pitching advice from the legend himself.

The Bravo family, including 6-year-old Antony, who is a big Mets fan, were thrilled to meet Gooden, having grown up admiring the 1986 Mets team. Jayden Levin, a 10-year-old super Mets fan, was meeting Gooden for the second time. His father, Jared Levin, recalled his own magical memories of the 1986 Mets, making this event a special moment for their family.

Christian Stanton, a 9-year-old fan, quizzed on Mets trivia, proudly knew that the team won the World Series in 1986. Gooden signed his bobblehead, adding to his collection of cherished memorabilia. Even the pub's mascot, Mikey the dog, a chill and adorable Havanese, was a fan among the crowd.

Dwight Gooden, affectionately known as "Doc," is one of the most celebrated pitchers in MLB history, making his mark with the New York Mets and famously helping the team win the extraordinary 1986 World Series. Gooden's career highlights include being named the National League Rookie of the Year in 1984, winning the Cy Young Award in 1985 and being a four-time All-Star. His best game was on September 7, 1984, when he struck out 16 batters in a complete-game victory. Despite personal struggles, Gooden made



Doc Gooden with youngest fan, 6-year-old Antony Bravo.

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a remarkable comeback, later playing for the New York Yankees and contributing to their World Series victories in 1996 and 2000.

The 1986 Mets, often referred to as the "Amazin' Mets," posted 108 wins, the most in franchise history. They defeated the Houston Astros in the National League Championship Series (NLCS) and went on to win the World Series against the Boston Red Sox in a dramatic Game 6. The team's roster included other legends like Darryl Strawberry, Keith Hernandez and Gary Carter.

The meet and greet also celebrated the retirement of Gooden's Mets jersey number 16 earlier this season. Fans enjoyed a unique opportunity to get up close with Doc, receiving an autographed 8x10 picture and an additional autograph on an item they brought with them.

As he signed various memorabilia, Gooden shared a humorous anecdote about the weirdest thing he had ever signed: a toothbrush.

The Bull's Eye Pub has a rich history. It was located on Quentin Road for 13 years before moving to its cur-

rent home on Flatbush Avenue, where it has been for nearly six years.

In an exclusive sit-down with the *Canarsie Courier*, Gooden shared his favorite memory from the peak of his career: "When we went on to win the pennant in 1986 (prior to winning the World Series), after getting so close in 1985, winning at home against the Cubs [in 1984, a major highlight of the Mets season], and the fans rushing the field, was the best moment." Fans who witnessed these classic moments at Shea Stadium and on television agreed, celebrating a golden era of baseball history and the incredible legacy of Dwight "Doc" Gooden.

Don't miss your opportunity to meet another legendary Mets player – The Bull's Eye Pub will be hosting a Mookie Wilson Meet and Greet and a Family BBQ from 3 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, August 24th. Contact the venue at 718-627-9408 for ticket info.

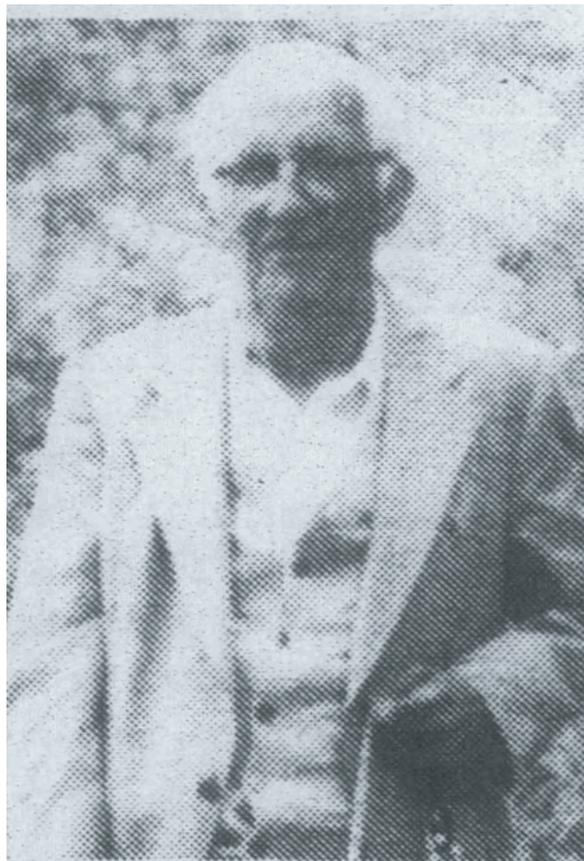


Stephen Matteo, Doc Gooden and Bull's Eye owner Lou Matteo.



Christian Stanton, a 9-year-old fan, gets his Doc Gooden bobblehead signed.

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After hundreds of backyard performances for family and neighbors, Hudson continued her studies in the performing arts, earning her BA in Theatre and English Literature from Roger Williams University in Bristol, Rhode Island in 2004 and going on to

earn her Master's degree in Theatre just two years later. During her time in undergrad, Hudson began teaching acting classes at a local arts magnet school not far from her alma mater. She continued teaching throughout undergrad and grad school and beyond.

Over the course of 21 years, Hudson taught and directed tens of thousands of students from all over the United States and around the world, and directed hundreds of shows for dozens of theatre companies, schools, camps and arts enrichment programs all over the U.S., from New York to Los Angeles and from Boston to Honolulu.

Starting in 2009, Hudson was the Director of Theatre for the Middle Division at Poly Prep's Dyker Heights

campus for 13 years. Many of her former students have gone on to careers on Broadway, on television, and in major motion pictures, and her work has been featured in *Backstage Magazine*, *Time Out*, *Playbill*, *The New York Times*, *The Boston Globe*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *Appleseed Magazine* and more, as well as on *NY1 News*, *The Parenting Report with Shelley Goldberg*, *Hawai'i Sunrise Now*, *Hawai'i Public Radio* and much more. And while Hudson enjoyed every moment of this robust career, still, she yearned to take things a step further by venturing out on her own. "Every year, my husband and I would discuss it," Hudson said. "Is it the right time? Is it not the right time? And ultimately, we always wound up deciding to wait. Then 2022 rolled around, and I turned 40. And I realized, if I don't do it now, I never ever will. So I decided to take the plunge."

And take the plunge she did!

In April 2022, Triple Promise Academy for the Performing Arts opened its doors for the first time.

"The immense growth has been surreal," Hudson said. "What started out as a once-per-week improv class with 11 kids has now blossomed into a fully-functioning company, with 130 students across eight different programs at two separate locations: Bay Ridge and Staten Island." But Bay Ridge will always be Triple Promise's home. After subletting rooms from local dance studios for the first two years, Triple Promise landed its own commercial space this past July. The new studio, located at 155 Bay Ridge Avenue, has a full dance studio, an office, a kitchenette and a music room, as well as "The Triple Promise Clubhouse," a safe and fun space for kids to go after school, to do their homework, have a snack and to hang out with friends from the time school gets out until performing arts



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To date, Triple Promise has produced 16 mainstage shows featuring over 100 children and teens from Bay Ridge and the surrounding areas. Their most recent production, *Alice in Wonderland, Jr.*, was a huge hit. This past spring, they staged an original adaptation of *Tomboy*, based on the 2011 film by Celine Sciamma, about a gender non-conforming child growing up in the 90's. "We create real art, and we're so proud of our students," Hudson stated.

Hudson runs the company with her husband and business partner, Nicholas Hudson. She also brings in teaching artists who are experts in dance, vocal music and other areas of the performing arts. Hudson is also proud to share that many of her staff are her former students. "I love hiring my former students," she said. "No interview, orientation or training needed. I just throw them into the mess and they automatically know exactly what to do! My former students are the best, and it is such a surreal feeling to see these young

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Triple Promise classes and rehearsals take place at their new studios at 155 Bay Ridge Avenue. Their shows are performed at the Fort Hamilton Army Base Theatre. Anyone interested in learning more about their course offerings or productions can do so at the company's website, triplepromise.com

Triple Promise is one local business to keep your eye on for sure. Their growth has been steady over the past two years, and according to Hudson, this is only the beginning. "I truly can't put into words how overjoyed I am. Dreams really do come true, and I'm living proof. This is all I've ever wanted to do since I was a little girl. Today I can honestly say that my lifelong dream is a reality... which makes my daily reality nothing short of a dream!"



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SUPREME COURT. COUNTY OF KINGS. ANNETTE RENAUD, Pltf., vs. LISA A. RENAUD, Deft., vs. CHASE BANK, N.A., Counterclaim Deft., Index #3189/2016. Pursuant to interim judgment of partition and sale, I will sell at public auction in Room 224 of the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams St., Brooklyn, NY on September 5, 2024 at 2:30 p.m. prem. k/a 80 Hancock Street, Brooklyn, NY 11216 a/k/a Block 1837, Lot 23. Said property located at the point on the southerly side of Hancock St. distant 290 ft. easterly from the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly side of Hancock Street with the easterly side of Bedford Avenue; being a plot 100 ft. x 20 ft. The property is being sold pursuant to the interim judgment of partition and sale. BERNARD M. ALTER, Referee. ROTTENBERG LIPMAN RICH, P.C., Attorneys for the Defendant-Counterclaimant., The Helmsley Building, 230 Park Avenue, 18th Floor, New York, NY 10169. #101585

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Notice of Formation of Forbis Coaching and Consulting. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/11/2024. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Melissa M Forbis: 969 Carroll St, Apt B7, Brooklyn NY 11225. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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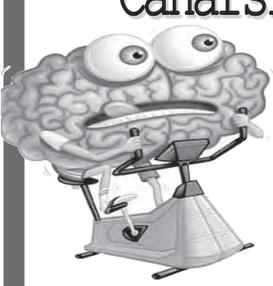
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