

MARCH

It's What's Happening

Community Happenings

Graybeards All Stars vs. Harlem MagicMasters Basketball Team, St. Francis de Sales (B. 129/RBB), 3/27, 7 pm. Doors open at 6:15 pm. Kids 3-point contest prior to the game.

Scholars' Academy Blood Drive and Thrift Sale, (320 B. 104 St.), 3/13, 10 am to 2 pm.

FRHS Class of 1985 25-Year Reunion, Crowne Plaza Hotel at LaGuardia Airport, 8/21 and 8/22, Info at FarRock1985@yahoo.com

Final Reunion for Stella Maris High School, all alumnae are invited, 4/24, 2 pm. All responses due by 4/12.

RDRC Annual Tribute Dinner, Russo's On The Bay (CBB/Howard Beach), 5/19, 6 pm.

Free Spay and Neuter Clinic, Hammel Community Center (81-14 RBB), 3/21, 8 am. Free for pit bulls and pit bull mixes, all cats. \$50 for all other dog breeds.

GED/Basic Education Classes, for those 21-years-of-age and older. PS/MS 183 (245 B.79 St.), Tues, Wed., Thurs., 9 am to noon. **ESL Classes**, Tues. and Thurs., 6 to 9 pm.

"Plantanos & Collard Greens," a sweetly-enacted Love Story," BCHS Fundraiser, (100-00 BCD), 3/19, 6:30 pm.

Thrift Sale Winter Clearance Sale, NCJW (342 Central Ave., Lawrence LI), Now to 3/17, 10 am. **2010 Spring Opening**, 3/21, 10 am to 3:45 pm.

Gateway Happenings
Note: Most events at Gateway National Park require reservations. Please check in advance.

Permits for Gateway National Recreation Area Visitor Activities: Available beginning 2/1 at each of the park's three units. Fishing, off-road beach access, kayak and canoe and surfing permits available at the Ranger Station (Building 135) at the entrance to Floyd Bennett Field on Flatbush Ave in Brooklyn. Permits will no longer be sold at Fort Tilden. 9 am to 4 pm daily, except that the ranger station will be closed on Mondays from 2/15 to 3/31.

Floyd Bennett Field (718-338-3799):
"Return-A-Gift" Pond, 4/10, 9 to 11 am.
Exploring Dead Horse Bay, 4/17, 2 to 4 pm.
Junior Ranger Day, 4/24, 2 to 4 pm.

Floyd Bennett Garden Association (Building 69): Gardners Forum, 3/14, 2 to 4 pm.
Companion Planting, 3/21, 2 to 4 pm.
Tips For A Productive Garden, 3/27, 2 to 4 pm.
Garden Sign Workshop, 4/10, 2 to 4 pm.
Not Just Tomatoes, 4/17, 2 to 4 pm.

Jacob Riis Park (718-318-4300): Riis Bust Dedication, Bay 9 Mall, 4/17, 2 to 4 pm.

Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge: (718-318-4340):
Spring Greens, 3/20, 2 to 3:30 pm.
Woodcock Watch, 3/21, 6:30 to 8:30 pm.
Early Spring Migrants, Audubon Society, 3/27, 10 am to noon.
Nature Photography Workshop, 3/28, 2:30 to 4:30 pm.
A Walk in the Park, 4/17, 10 to 11:30 am.
NYC Audubon Society Spring Bird and Wildflower Hike, 4/25, 10 am to noon.

Fort Tilden (718-318-4300):
Tour the Tip of Breezy Point, 3/13, 11 am to 1:30 pm.
Fort Tilden Walking Tour, 3/13, 1:30 to 3:30 pm.
Tilden Birds: Winter to Spring, 3/20, 9 to 11 am.

Health Happenings
Peninsula Hospital Center, (54-14 BCD)
Cancer Support Group, PHC, American Cancer Society and Arverne Cancer Support Group invites patients, caregivers and survivors every 2nd Thursday of the month at the Meditation Room at 6 pm.
Auxiliary, 1st Tues. Noon.

St. John's Episcopal Hospital (327 B. 19 St.), Free Pregnancy Screening, Mon. - Wed., 1:30 - 3:30 pm; Thurs. & Fri., 10 am - noon.

Joseph P. Addabbo Family Health Center (6200 BCD) Very low or no cost quality services, free pregnancy, HIV and dental screenings, asthma and diabetes workshops. Hours: Mon. to Fri. 9 am to 5 pm. Call for appointment, 718-945-7150.
Far Rockaway Site, (1288 Central Ave.) Hours: Mon., 9 am to 9 pm; Tues. to Sat., 9 am to 5 pm; Sun., noon to 5 pm. Call for appointment, 718-868-8230. After-hours emergencies, 212-517-1878.

Library Happenings
Seaside Branch (116-15 RBB): Knit or Crochet, Sat., 2:30 to 4 pm.
St. Patrick's Day Crafts and Celebration, 3/17, 4 pm.

Peninsula Branch (92-25 RBB): **Teen Time**, Tuesdays, 4 to 5:15 pm.
Chess Club, all ages and skill levels, Sat., 3/20, 3 to 5 pm.
Picture Book Time, Wed., 10:30 am.

Arverne Branch (312 B. 54 St.): While the Arverne Branch is being renovated, please visit the temporary trailer space adjacent to the Arverne Branch. **Homework help and computers (15 minutes only) are available in the trailer. The library is open during normal hours.**

Far Rockaway Branch (1637 Central Ave.):
Tuesday Toddler Time, 10:30 to 11:15 am.
Preschool Story Time, Tuesdays, 10:45 to 11:30 am.
Toddler Story Time, Tuesday, 10 to 10:30 am.
Pre-GED Workshops in Reading and Mathematics, Call 718-480-4300 for information.
Introduction To Computers, Tuesdays, 9:45 to 10:45 am.

Meetings

Rockaway Rotary Club, Meets every Wednesday at 12:15 pm at Snug Harbour (B. 108 St./RBB).

Belle Harbor Property Owners Association, PS 114 (Cronston Ave./B. 135 St.), 3/23, 7 pm.

Community District Education Council, PS/MS 225, PS 317, PS 318 (190 B. 110 St.), 4/19, 7:30 pm. PS 114 (400 B. 135 St.), 6/21, 7:30 pm.

Ready Rockaway, third Thursday of each month, Peninsula Hospital Center Meditation Rm., 10 am.

Frank Avenue Civic Association, St. Gertrude's Church (336 B. 38 St.), 3rd Thursday, 8 pm.

Broad Channel Civic Association, Fourth Thursday of Month, VFW Hall (Shad Creek Rd.), 8 pm.

100 Precinct Community Council, 4th Wednesday of Month, 7:30 pm, 3/24, VFW Post, Broad Channel (705 Shad Creek Rd.), 4/28, K of C Hall (333 B. 90 St.) 5/26, West End Temple (147-02 Newport Ave.),

Arverne Civic Association, Addabbo Family Health Center (6200 BCD), 2nd Mon. of month, 7:30 pm.

Community Board 14, 2nd Tues. of month, 7:45 pm, K of C Hall, 333 B. 90 St.

101 Precinct Community Council, 3rd Wed., 6:30 pm, 18-21 Cornaga Ave.

American Legion Post 272, (K of C, 333 B. 90 St.) 1st & 3rd Fri. of month, 7:30 pm.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 272, K of C, 3rd Friday of month, 8 pm.

Edgemere Neighborhood Action Community Team, Blanche Daycare (44-02 BCD), 4th Tues., 7 pm.

Coalition For Far Rockaway (CFR), Regular meetings, 4th Wed., Arverne Library, 312 B. 54 St.

Knights of Columbus Rockaway Council 2672 (333 B. 90 St.), 2nd and 4th Fridays, 7:30 pm. Columbiettes, 2nd Wednesday of month, 7 pm.

AOH, Division 21, K Of C (B. 90 St.), last Tuesday of each month, 8 pm.

Deerfield Area Civic, last Monday of month, 7:30 pm, 327 B. 19 St.

Sand Castle Tenants Association (formerly Roy Reuther), 2nd Thurs. 711 Seagirt Ave, community room, 6:30 pm.
Satellite Post Office, "C" Lobby, 2nd, 4th Saturdays, 10 am.
Metrocard Van, 3rd Friday, 1:30 pm.

Far Rockaway Chapter of the NAACP, 3rd Thurs. of month, 7 pm, Macedonian Baptist Church, 330 B. 67 St.

Lt. Bernard H. Weiner, Post 258 JWW, 3rd Sun., Temple Beth El (RBB & B. 121 St.), breakfast meetings at 9 am.

Peninsula Preparatory Academy Charter School Board of Trustees, (B. 67 St. & RBB) 10:30 am. Meetings open to community, 4/14, 5/12, 6/9.

Rockaway Beachside Neighborhood Association (RBNA), 3rd Wed., PS/IS 43 (160 B. 29 St.), 6:30 pm.

Music & The Arts
RAA: (sTudio 6&7 in Fort Tilden Meeting, 2nd Monday, special presentations, bring artwork.

"Seusical, The Musical," **RTC presentation**, Fort Tilden Post Theatre 3/12, at 7 pm. 3/13 at 2 pm. All seats, \$10.

Religious Happenings
Apostolic Christian Fellowship Temple, (411 B. 30 St.), Fellowship Café, Soul Food Restaurant every Sat., 11 am - 3 pm, Gospel Club Café, food, song, praise and fellowship, first and fourth Sat. of month, 7 pm.

Arverne Church Of God (13-18 Central Ave.), Marriage Class, Sundays, 9 am to 10 am, Morning Worship, 10:30 am, Evening Worship, 6 pm, Mon. thru Wed. Services, 7:30 pm.

Bayswater Jewish Center (Healy Ave./ Dickens St.), Conservative Congregation offering Sabbath services, 9 am, Mon. thru Friday services, 8:30 am, followed by light breakfast, Men's Club, Sisterhood, bar and bat mitzvah lessons.

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Bethel AME Church, (215 Beach 77 St.), Arverne, Sun. Church School 10 am; Sun. Worship 11 am; Wed. Bible Study 7 pm; Thurs. Food Pantry 11 am-1 pm; Prayer Circle 7 am, Mondays; Youth Ministry 2nd and 4th Friday 7 pm.

Women's Season Conference, 3/27 and 3/28, Rev. Dr. Barbara Austin Lucas, guest preacher, 11 am.

Beth-El Temple Church of God, (1874 Mott Ave.), Sun. School, 10 am; Morn. Worship, 11:45 am; Children Church, 12:45 am.

Christ Church the Center of Hope (66-10 BCD), **Penny Harvest** to build new facility, Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri., 10 am to 2 pm, Thurs., 4 to 8 pm, Sun., 10 am to 1 pm.

Christ Community Church (60 W. Market St., Breezy Point), Interdenominational Church, **Sunday Service**, 10 am.

Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints (Mormon), (1600 Central Ave.), Sun., noon, Sunday School, 11 am; Primary School, 10 am to noon.

Community Church of the Nazarene (14-14 Central Ave.), **Sunday School**, 9:45 am **Worship Service**, 11 am **Sunday School**, 9 am.

Congregation Derech Emunoh (7400 SFP, Apt. 2-O), Shabbos Services, 9 am, Kiddush to follow.

Congregation Ohab Zedek (194 B. 122 St.), **Junior Congregation - Youth Groups**, Saturdays at 10:15 pm.

Evangelical Holiness Church (1143 BCD), Sun. **Christian Education**, 10 am, **Celebration Service**, 11 am, Tues. **Bible Study**, 7:30 pm, Wed., **Prayer**, 7:30, Fri., **Youth**, 7:30 pm.

Faith Center Christian Outreach (20-11 Cornaga Ave.), **Sunday Worship**, 11 am. **Tuesday Bible Study**, 7 p.m. **Prayer**, Fridays, 7:30 pm.

Far Rockaway Church of Christ, (21-25 Nameoke St.) **Sunday Bible Class**, 10:45 am, until March. **Sunday Worship**, 11 am, 6 pm, **Bible Class**, Wed., 7 pm.

First Baptist Church (1510 Redfern Ave.), **Weekly Worship Services**, Church school, 9:30 am Morning Worship, 11 am. Wednesday Bible Study, 7:30 pm Thursday Bible Study, 11 am.

First Church of God, (14-25 BCD), **Sun. Services**, 7:30, 11 am; **Sunday School**, 9:30 am.

First Congregational Church (320 B. 94 St.), Worship Service, Sunday, 11 am.

First Presbyterian Russel Sage Memorial Church (896 Central Ave.), **Sunday School**, Adults, 10 am. Children, 9 am. **Bible Study**, Wed., 7:30 pm.

Gyan Mandili, (1293 Brunswick Ave.), FR, Sun. Services, 9:30 to 11:30 am.

House On The Rock Church, (114-15 RBB), Non-denominational, **Bible Classes**, Sun., 10 am; **Worship Service**, Sun., 11 am; **Prayer Service**, Mon., 7 pm; **Praise and Worship Service**, Wed., 7:30 pm.

Jerusalem Baptist Church, (7-14 RBB) **Services**, Sun., 10:45 am, Wed., 11:15 am to 12:30 pm. **Bible Study**, Wed., 7 to 8:30 pm.

Macedonia Baptist Church (330 B. 67 St.), **Sunday worship 8 and 11 am**. **Bible Study**, Wed., 7:30 pm.

Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, (348 B. 71 St.), **Sun. School**, 9:15 am, **Sunday Worship Experience**, 11 am, **Bible Study**, Wed., 7:15 pm. **Power Prayer Service**, Wed., 6:15 pm. **Friday Night Hip Hop Worship**, 7:45 pm.

New Beginnings Deliverance Church of Jesus Christ (38-20 RBB), **Sunday School**, 9:30 am; **Sunday Morning Worship**, 11 am; **Sunday Evening Fellowship**, 4:45 pm; **Prayer/ Bible Reading**, Tues., 7:30 pm; **Youth Get-Together**, Friday, 8 pm.

New Hope Missionary Baptist Church (221 B. 86 St.), **Sunday School**, 9:30 am, **Morning Worship**, 11 am, **Wed. Night Bible Class**, 6:30 pm, **Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting**, 8 pm.

Seaside Jewish Center (103-00 SFP), Friday evening services after sundown and Saturday morning services at 8:45 am.

Solid Rock Church of Seventh Day Adventists, (52-05 RBB), **Sabbath School**, Sat. 9:30 am; **Divine Worship**, Sat., 11:15 am; **Midweek Prayer**, Wed. 7:30 pm.

St. Camillus Church, (99-15 RBB), **Mass Services**, Sat., 5:30 pm. Sun., 8:30 and 11:30 am.

St. Francis de Sales Church (B. 129 and RBB), Support group for those who have recently lost a loved one, Ongoing. 8 Wednesdays beginning on 2/24, 7:30 pm.

St. John Baptist Church (74-05 BB), **Sunday School**, 8:30 am. **Sunday Children's Church**, 9:30 am. **Sunday Morning Worship**, 10 am. **Wednesday Bible Study**, Noon and 7:30 pm.

St. Rose of Lima (B. 84 St.), **Sunday masses**, 8 am, 9:30 am (Spanish) 11 am, (Polish), 12:30 pm Life Teen, 5 pm, Vigil, 5 pm. **Daily Mass**, 8:30 am, noon (Monday thru Friday). Saturday, 8:30 am. Holy Days, 8:30 am, 12 noon and 7:30 pm.

St. Virgilius Church (Noel Road, BC), Saturday, 4 pm. Sunday, 10 am.

Temple Beth-El (B. 121 St./RBB), Shabbat Children's Services, 10:30 am to 11:30 am. **Services**, Mon. thru Fri., 8 am and 7 pm. **Sabbath Service**, 9 am. **Sunday Services**, 8 am. **Monday Night At The Movies**, 7 pm. **Junior Congregation and Children's Lunch**, first and third Sat., 10:30 am.

The Help Meets (160 B. 116 St.), **Bible Study**, Fridays, 6 to 8 pm. English speaking.

Upper Room International Ministries (708 B. 19 St.), **Sunday School**, 10 am. **Worship**, 11:30 am and 6:30 pm; **Prayer Service**, Tues., 7:30 pm.

West End Temple (147-2 Newport Ave.) **Tot Shabbat**, 3/20, 10:30 am. **Torah Study**, 3/13, 3/27, 10:30 am. **Kabbalat Shabbat Nosh & Services**, 3/19, 6 pm. **Second Night of Passover Service**, 3/30, 6 pm. **Tots Drop-In Center**, birth through 24 months, Wed. and Thurs., 9:15 to 11:15 am, from 1/6.

Senior Happenings Senior Connections, sponsored by the Ocean Bay Community Development Corporation, **The Action Center and the PAL**, for seniors in public housing, **Edgemere Community Center** (57-10 BCD), 3/19, 10 am. **Redfern Community Center** (15-44 Hassock St.), 3/29, 10 am.

Peninsula Adult Day Health Care Program, (51-15 BCD), Mondays through Fridays, 7:30 am to 3:30 pm, Saturdays and Sundays, 7:30 am to 2 pm. Medical/nursing supervised program for functionally compromised and medically frail adults. Services include social work, therapeutic recreation, PT/OT/ST, breakfast, hot lunch and transportation, if qualified. Spanish-speaking staff.

New Horizon Counseling Center for seniors, (718 B. 20 St.), 7 days a week, 9 am to 3 pm, free meals, therapeutic activities, social work services, computer groups and cultural activities, Spanish and Russian language speaking staff. Transportation available.

Rockaway Park Senior Center (106-20 SFP), open Mon. thru Fri., 8 am to 4 pm. Hot kosher lunch daily at noon, Dancing on Mon. Exercise, Tues., Wed., Thurs., Tai Chi, Fri. Parties, last Wed. of each month, 11 am.

Beth Abraham Adult Day Health Care Program (1821 Cornaga Ave.), Mon. to Fri., 8:30 am to 2:30 pm, serving medically and physically frail adults 18 years of age and older, medical monitoring, social work services, PT/ OT, breakfast, lunch.

Brookdale Village Senior Center (131 B. 19 St.), Yoga, Monday and Thursday, 11 am. Art Classes, ceramics, oil painting, sculpting, Tuesdays, 10 am to noon and 1 to 3 pm. Head to Toe Exercise with Roz Berrin, 10:30 to 11:30 am. Hot Kosher lunch each day, 12:15 pm. Bingo, Mon. & Wed., 2:30 pm.

St. Mary Star Of Sea and St. Gertrude Senior 50 Plus Center Club (336 B. 38 St.) Open Mon, Wed, Fri from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for senior activities after 9 a.m. mass.

Young Israel of Wavcrest & Bayswater Senior League (60 and older), 2716 Healy Ave. Glatt Kosher lunch program, daily exercise classes, Hebrew class, daily activities, monthly parties with entertainment.

Seaside Adult Community Center 8 am to 4 pm (90-01 RBB), daily breakfast and lunch. (60 and older), Crochet, aerobics, art. Daily activities include dominoes, discussion groups, painting and more. Alzheimer's Support Group, Wednesdays at 3 pm.

Sorrentino Center, Rockaway Peninsula Civic Senior Program (18-48 Cornaga Ave.), Mon. Wed., Fri., 10 am to 2 pm.

Roy Reuther Senior Center (over age 60), 711C Seagirt Ave., **Hot lunch** daily at noon, **Bingo** on Mon., 10 am and Wed., 2 pm. **Yoga**, Mon. Wed. Thurs., with Liz Connors, 9:30 to 10:30 am, **Crochet Class with Mary Romas**, Tues., 10 to 11:30 am. **Arts and Crafts Class with Rochelle Kfare**, Thurs., 10 am. First Run Movies, Fridays, 1 pm.

St. Gertrude's Senior Center, (338 B. 36 St.), Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday for senior activities after 9 am mass. 9:30 am to 2:30 pm.

DSSM/Neponsit Adult Day Health Care (230 B. 102 St.), Monday through Friday, 9 am to 4 pm. Medically supervised program for frail, elderly, disturbed adults and dementia. Therapeutic recreation, hot lunch, Spanish and Russian staff.

Submit information about your non-profit community event or meeting by fax, (718) 945-0913, e-mail, editor@rockaway.com, or mail to The Wave, P.O. Box 930097, Rockaway Beach, NY 11693 by Tuesday at noon, for Friday publication in this column. Fees and phone numbers will not be published. Please enclose the phone number of a contact person with your submission in case further details are required.