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General Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 6, 2019 – 6:00 PM

Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. Harlem State Office Building
163 West 125th Street, 2nd Floor Art Gallery
Honorable Chair Cicely Harris, Presiding

Renee Woodbury – Manhattan District Attorneys Office

- Paid Internship – wants young people from the Harlem Community to apply. All applicants must live or attend school in Manhattan. Not just for students interested in becoming an attorney. The pay is \$175 per week. Deadline is March 11.
- Gun Violence Prevention Fellowship Internship. For young people in all boroughs. This is also a paid internship and opened to all young people who have been affected in some way by gun violence.
- Junior Knicks and NYC Parks Department to create a safe space for young people to be active and get exercise.
- Re-entry RFP

Special Narcotics Prosecutor – Calvin Solomon

New brochures

- Overall Community Affairs Brochure
- Opioid Brochure

National Black Prosecutors Association supported a toy drive over the Christmas holiday in the Polo Grounds. Thanks to Al Taylor for helping to facilitate a location for this. Over 100 toys distributed.

Michele Booker Deputy District Director– Congressman Adriano Espaillat Office

- Civilian Workforce Pay Raise Fairness Act - he voted in favor
 - Voted yes resolution encouraging financial institutions to actively work with persons affected by the Trump shutdown.
 - The Congressman is joining a lawsuit defending the Affordable Care Act
- Co-Sponsored Several Bills
- Shirley Chisholm Congressional Gold Medal Act – sponsored by Hakeem Jefferies
 - Aretha Franklin Congressional Gold Medal Act – sponsored by Brenda L. Lawrence
 - Voted to push back the adoption of a five day post office delivery. To preserve six day delivery

Black History Month Celebration will be held on February 25 from 10am-12 in the Alhambra Ballroom

First Annual Dominicans on the Hill, Thursday February 7, 12-8pm

Nina Norwood – Assemblywoman Inez Dickens Office

Bills being sponsored

A1707 – Gun Violence Prevention Programs in Public Schools

A318 – Inform Maternity Patients of Risk of Caesarian Section

A118 – Women’s Health in Correctional Facilities

A1192 – Prohibits Improper treatment of inmates by Healthcare Professionals

A148 – Increasing fines for dumping snow in parking spaces for handicap persons. Fines would be

Increased from \$125 to \$250.

Representative from Assemblyman Robert Rodriguez Office - M. Sanchez

-Reform on Voting Rights Student Drivers will automatically be registered to vote

-Passed Dream Act will give undocumented students access to financial aid

-Child Victim Act extend time a victim has to bring charges against their abusers

-Closed loopholes in the gun laws

-Move NY fare plan. Equitable transit for all

Cordell Clear – District Leader

Congratulations on all the great legislation that is being passed

Brian Benjamin’s office and Save Harlem Now will be hosting a Workshop in Albany on February 16 discussing Religious Institutions in Peril. Free bus from the State office Building.

The event will start at 10 am on the 9th floor of the executive conference room on Saturday February 16th.

Public Announcements

CB10 Board Member Safiya Mann announced a Youth Advisory Council a subsidiary of the CCRB is hosting an event on February 26th from 9am to 4pm. The event is entitled Speak Up Speak Out and it is a full day event 9-4. They are currently looking for youth panelists. You can call the Community Board Office for further information. Registration is required

Adam Cruz – Manhattan Educational Opportunity Center

Two upcoming admissions sessions. One is February 13 for the Civil Service Exam preparation for the hospitality program, Security Officer Training and OSHA30.

High School Equivalency Program Feb 19 10am-6pm. Free 18 and over and must have NYS residency for at least 1 year.

Nicole Nelson Library Manager – Countee Cullen Library

New Library hours on 125th Street Monday thru Thursday 11am – 7pm. Friday and Saturday 11am-5pm

Tax season is here and there are 27 public libraries that are offering free tax preparation. Check nypl.org for locations.

Keith Taylor – Dorrance Brooks Property Owners and Residents Association

Keith Taylor came to give an update on The Dorrance Brooks Square.

The community is named for the adjoining park dedicated in 1925 that honors African-American infantryman Dorrance Brooks, who displayed “single bravery” in World War 1. The square became a rallying point for civil rights protests. Closely associated with the Harlem Renaissance, the area was home to jazz musician Lionel Hampton. The Dorrance Brooks Property Owners and

Residents Association is seeking official recognition of and protection for its historic character and buildings.

Iesha Sekou – Street Corner Resources

- The next Peace Café featuring Open Mic will be on February 22
- Proud to stand with Comptroller Scott Stringer with the Standing up for Not For Profits initiative
- 957 days without a homicide in our area, 86 days without a shooting
- Community Policing Forum – concerns to combat Police issues
- Iesha Sekou sat on an I am King Panel
- Movie Night January 24 went to see the movie the UpSide

Brian Benjamin Office – District Office Director Sha

- Central Harlem Townhall – April 4 rescheduled date
- Feb 24 at 4:30 swearing in ceremony by Chuck Schumer location TBA
- Senate Senator is now the Senior Assistant Majority Leader – 4 most powerful Democrat in NYS
- Less is more press conference – Parole systems re-incarcerate prisoners for technical reasons including missing appointments with parole officers.

Deborah Gillard Senior Task Force

- Pre Valentine's Day Party for Seniors on February 12 at the Kennedy Center from 2pm-5pm
- The Senior Task Force meets the third Thursday of the month in the Board office at 10am, 215 west 125 Street
- The guest speaker at the next meeting will be Ron Guy the Department Director of Single Stop Program

Rene Harrison – Announcement regarding NYCHA

Because of some of the things she has witnessed she believes that the city is trying to do away with NYCHA. City Hall rally 1pm on Sunday February 10th.

Leon Tolten – Real Dads Network

- Serve as an information Hub to help empower fathers
 - Serve as an Advocacy Group
 - Serve as a Support Group
- Meets every 2nd Saturday from 1-3pm in the Drew Hamilton Community center located at 220 West 143 Street. They can be reached on 212-875-7725. Realdadsnetwork.org

Erica Ewing – Got To Stop Organization

Social Impact Company to raise awareness about a lifestyle through fashion education and advocacy . Talking about what trafficking is Trainings in the communities in local church's. Working with Unitas a NGO that has operated in the US for 5 years. Got To Stop is working in conjunction with the UFT and the DOE.

April is national child abuse month – Got To Stop will be participating in a march/walk in partnership with National Pan Hellenic Council which represents the nine Greek letter organizations. On April 6 the walk will start in lower Manhattan and continue to Harlem on 125 street at the Harlem State Office Building. Got To Stop will also be partnering with Safe Harbors on this walk. Along the route information will be distributed regarding where to go if

you need help and information on crisis centers. Erica is also a part of the Anti-Trafficking coalition.

Erica wanted to acknowledge support from Al Taylor and Cordele Cleare. Erica will also be a part of Fashion Week this year.

Colon Cardwell – Lenox Terrace Update

-Lenox Terrace is located on 132-135 between 5th and Lenox Avenues. President of one the buildings. He plans to be active

-MBP attended the last meeting and was very helpful in responding to tenants concerns

-Rezoning of six buildings with construction to happen over the next 9-10 years.

Carlene Pinto

-Special Election for Public Advocate on Tuesday, February 26.

-1600 people currently incarcerated in Brooklyn in MBC without a trial date. They were recently without heat during the coldest part of the winter.

Natalie – Manhattan Borough Presidents Office

-Community Board Applications due February 8th at 5pm.

-Study on subway accessibility study just released.

-Broadband in our public schools reports released

-Promoting Access to health foods especially in our public schools

-Mart 125 met with Mayors office continue to voice concerns because there was no site specific RFP

-State of the Borough will be held on February 24th from 2pm-5pm at 566 LaGuardia Place.

-Borough Board meeting will be held on February 21, 8:30am 2020 budget proposals will be discussed

Please read the monthly Newsletter for further updates on the things the Borough President continues to do.

Community Service Award

This months award was given to Judynell Johnson-Groce

Harlem Arts Alliance

Has existed for 16 years

Free passes to Sugarhill Childrens Museum for those that remember the upcoming events

-India Irie Event Held at the Hexagon Lounge

-Partnership with Harlem School of the Arts Event – Arts Equity Townhall Discussion

-February 25 Salvation Army – Film Cotton Comes to Harlem and Saturday Church

-March 11 Building on our Legacy

-April free access to Community galleries

-May six week Visual Arts Workshop – No application fee and a stipend will be provided

Chairpersons Report – Cicely Harris

-Community Board Applications Due February 8

-India Arie Event – Hexagon Lounge

-Subcommittee working on hosting Johnnie Gill

-Marijuana Information Session- Upcoming laws and what it means to people of color and Harlem.

-Next Session with NY Minority Alliance – Date to be announced

Landmarks Preservation Committee information session about money – there is grant money available if you own a brownstone. It has some income restrictions. Money for restoration of brownstones and property. Takaway is that we need to know more. Have them come to our General Board Meeting in March to do a presentation.

District Manager Report – Shatic Mitchell

-Attended the Mayor's State of the City Address

-Guaranteed Healthcare for All – Mayor will launch a plan to guarantee health care for every New Yorker

-Paid Personal Time-NYC will become the first city in the nation to mandate paid personal time for workers

-Mayor's Office to Protect Tenants-new office will spearhead the city's anti-harassment and outreach initiatives across city agencies.

-On January 23rd CB10 with the NY Minority Alliance and the offices of State Senator Brian Benjamin and Assemblywoman Inez Dickens hosted an Education Forum to discuss the benefits of medical marijuana and the importance of including restorative justice-

-January 24th hosted a Forum on Historic Districts along with the Manhattan Boroughs Office

-February 1 with the Department of Transportation and Deputy Inspector and officers from the 32nd precinct surveyed the traffic patterns and congestion at the intersection of 135th and 5th Avenue during rush hour 4-6pm

-3K Expansion was announced by the Mayor and will launch in the Fall of 2019 in two additional districts

-Retirement Security – the Mayor is proposing to provide access to Individual Retirement Accounts for all working New Yorkers

-On January 22nd CB10 Subcommittee on Entertainment and Programming in partnership with the Harlem Arts Alliance, Radio 103.9 and Senator Brian Benjamins Youth Taskforce hosted India Arie at the Hexagon Lounge

Committee Reports

Education – Let The Youth Speak Event – March 1, 2019

Parliamentarian – Marquis Harris

1. Parliamentarian – one change term of memberships – limited to 4 consecutive terms except members whose memberships end in 2020 who will have an additional term. 60 days notification.

Attendance by members – thought not in by laws but it is included. In vacancies. Members must attend at least 2/3 of all meetings (12 of 18) over a six month period. Absences are recorded whether the absence is excused or not. All absences are recorded.

Dr. Samuels made a recommendation to have roll call at committee meetings during votes so community knows how members voted.

Voting Items – Transportation/Historic Preservation & Landmarks Committee – Raquel Vasquez

Street Co naming Resolution: Hal Jackson Way – southwest corner of the intersection of 135th Street and Malcolm X Boulevard – The vote was unanimous to pass

Street Co naming Resolution: Basil Paterson Way – corridor of 135th Street from Malcolm X Boulevard to the west side of Fifth Avenue – Vote was unanimous to pass