December, 2016 District Manager's Report

Message from the District Manager...

Dear Community Board No. 9 Residents:

Listed below are helpful hints on preserving the environment from the Department of Sanitation:

- Give Homemade gifts, such as cookies, handcrafted or framed items;
- Give Entertainment, such as museum memberships; tickets to movies, theater, concert or sporting events, or gift certificates to a favorite restaurant;
- Give Learning, such as language or music lesions, classes in cooking, photography or other favorite hobbies;
- Give your time and talent, such as baby-sitting, pet-sitting, computer help or home repairs;
- Give Fitness, such as gym memberships, personal training session or classes in yoga, Pilates or dance;
- Give Pampering, such as a facial, massage, manicure or pedicure;
- Give to the Greater Good by making a contribution to someone’s favorite charity

Other Ways to Cut Down on Waste this Holiday Season

- Use an artificial tree instead of a real tree, and reuse it year after year;
- Send e-mail greetings rather than paper cards to cut down on paper waste;
- Wrap gifts in reusable gift bags or create your own gift wrap using maps or comics (If you do buy gift wrap and greeting cards, make sure they are from recycled paper);
- Use durable plastic-ware designed for reuse rather than purchasing new cups and plates for each event. Use washable, reusable sponges, dishcloths, and napkins. If you use disposable paper goods, choose products made with recycled content.

And don’t forget, others may want the stuff you no longer need. There are many local charitable organizations interested in receiving your gently used clothing, furniture, books, and electronic goods. For more information, go to: https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/donate/resources/events.shtml?filter-term=1#accordion-1

Did you know???

Forgiving Fines: The NYC Amnesty Program (Expiring Soon)

The City of New York is reducing penalties and interest for many violations* issued by the Department of Sanitation, Department of Buildings, and other city agencies. Not including Parking and Real Property violations.
Take advantage of the amnesty program before it expires! Amnesty will run from September 12, 2016 - December 12, 2016.

*Violations must be in judgment. This means the City of New York has taken the legal step of filing a public record of your liability in court for the entire amount due, plus additional interest. Criminal violations and violations over $25,000 are excluded. Other limitations, exclusions and eligibility requirements apply.

**IDNYC is the new, free identification card for all New York City residents** - which gives you the opportunity to show who you are—New Yorkers. As a government-issued photo identification card, IDNYC secures the peace of mind and access to City services that come from having recognized identification. IDNYC benefits every city resident, including the most vulnerable communities—the homeless, youth, the elderly, undocumented immigrants, the formerly incarcerated and others who may have difficulty obtaining other government-issued ID.

IDNYC cardholders can access services and programs offered by the City as well as by businesses. IDNYC helps enhance public safety, by serving as a recognized ID for interacting with NYPD. It also helps New Yorkers gain access to all City buildings that provide services to the public and is accepted as a form of identification for accessing numerous City programs and services. IDNYC also provides a dynamic series of benefits to cardholders, including a free one-year membership at many of the City's leading museums, zoos, concert halls, and botanical gardens.

**Snow and Ice Removal** – Every owner, lessee, tenant, occupant, or other person having charge of any lot or building must clean snow and/or ice from the sidewalk within 4 hours after the snow has stopped falling or by 11 a.m. if the snow has stopped after 9 p.m. the previous evening.

Snow may NOT be thrown into the street. If the snow or ice becomes frozen or so hard that it cannot be removed, the sidewalk may be strewn with ashes, sand, sawdust, or similar suitable material within the same time limits. The sidewalk must be thoroughly cleaned as soon as the weather permits.

**Fines:** $100 - $150 (1st Offense)  
$150 - $350 (2nd Offense)  
$250 - $350 (3rd & Subsequent Offenses)

**City Parking Rules:** The City suspends the following dates to alternate side parking regulations, for both street cleaning purposes and traffic flow, on legal and/or religious holidays:

✔ Thursday, December 8th .... Immaculate Conception  
✔ December 25-26th ........... Christmas

**News Updates and Events around the City:**

**Hazel O'Reilly Seniors' Dinner** will be held on Saturday, December 10th, 2-5 p.m., at the St. Lukes AME Church, 1872 Amsterdam Ave. @153rd St.;
Hazel O’Reilly Children’s Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 17th, 10a.m. - 2p.m., at PS/IS 210 – 501-503 W. 152nd St. @152nd St. (See attached Flyer)

On Monday, December 12, New York City’s newest Olive Garden restaurant will open in Harlem, featuring the company’s latest restaurant design and logo. Located on the second floor at 100 W. 125th St., the restaurant will be led by New Jersey native Daryl Cunningham as General Manager, who has been with Olive Garden for more than 12 years. To celebrate the opening, the restaurant is hosting a ribbon cutting ceremony on Monday, Dec. 12 at 10 a.m. with city officials, in partnership with The Greater Harlem Chamber of Commerce;

Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Development, Operation and Maintenance of a Food Services Facility in the Arcade and Optional Rotunda located at W. 151st Street, Riverside Park, Manhattan.

The RFP will provide for up to one (1) seventeen year term. No longer will term be considered. The concession will be operated pursuant to a license issued by Parks; no leasehold or other proprietary right will be offered.

Please be advised that this concession has been determined not to be a major concession as defined in Chapter 7 of the Rules of the City Planning Commission. Further information and questions concerning this RFP should be directed to: Danielle Seeley at (212) 360-3407 or via email @ danielle.seeley@parks.nyc.gov. All comments must be submitted by January 12th, 2017 to ensure consideration.

New York City residents 60 years or older may attend college FREE of charge at LaGuardia Community College.

The LaGuardia Veterans Upward Bound Program can help you with:

✓ Assessment of academic skills;
✓ Refresher courses and tutoring in math, reading and writing;
✓ Basic computer skills;
✓ College admissions and application forms;
✓ Peer mentoring;
✓ Information on services and events

All services are FREE for qualifying Veterans, and the class dates are as follows: November 1st – December 15th and January 2nd – February 9th. Monday’s through Thursdays from 5:30p.m. to 9p.m., for further information contact vets@lagecc.cuny.edu or call (718) 482-5386.

Senior Citizen Homeowner’s Exemption (SCHE) and Disabled Homeowner’s Exemption (DHE) Renewal Letters:
The NYC Department of Finance mailed out the SCHE and DHE renewal letter to homeowners who currently receive property tax exemptions. By law, recipients of the SCHE are required to renew every two years and DHI recipients are required to renew every year.

The deadline to renew to continue receiving these exemptions will be on Wednesday, March 15, 2017. Please do not wait until the last minute to send in your renewal applications(s). You may use your income form 2015 if the 2016 income is not yet available.

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]

Estha Prince,
District Manger
12/08/16
Hazel O'Reilly Annual Senior's Dinner Party

Date: Saturday, December 10, 2016

Time: 2pm - 5pm

Location: St. Luke AME
1872 Amsterdam Ave
New York, NY 10031

FREE

Organized by
30th Precinct Community Council
and 30th Precinct
Santa!  
Toys!  
Christmas Queen!  
Face Painting!  
Puppets!  

Hazel O’Reilly Children’s Christmas Party  

Date: Saturday, Dec 17th  
Time: 10am–2pm  
Location: PS/IS 210  
501–503 W152nd St on Amsterdam  

Sponsored by: 30th Precinct Community Council  

For free tickets contact  
Community Affairs officers  
at the 30th Precinct:  
212-690-8837  
212-690-8828
30th Precinct Community Council
"Police and Community working together"

451 W 151st St, New York, NY 10031
212-690-8837 / 212-690-8826
30th.pcc2@gmail.com
website: www.30thpcc.org

ATTENTION NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS...

THE 30th PRECINCT COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

When:
Thursday, January 26th @ 7:00 PM
Thursday, February 23rd @ 7:00 PM
Thursday, March 23rd @ 7:00 PM

Where:
30th Precinct Station
451 W 151st St, New York, NY 10031
(btwn Amsterdam and Convent)

visit us online at: www.30thpcc.org

The 30th PCC exists to connect community and police and work together to better the lives of West Harlem residents. We believe that community members are our partners and by strengthening the relations between community and police we will improve quality of life and reduce crime in our neighborhoods. We encourage everyone to attend our local monthly Precinct Community Council Meeting.

30th Precinct Community Affairs: 212-690-8837 or 212-690-8826
## Holiday Safety Tips From The NYPD

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<td>1. Don’t carry large sums of money—take only what you need.</td>
<td>1. Do park your car in well lit areas of a parking lot when possible.</td>
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<td>2. Don’t carry credit cards that you won’t need. Credit card fraud is at its height at this time of the year.</td>
<td>2. Do shop and travel with companions whenever possible. There is safety in numbers.</td>
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<td>3. Don’t hang your purse from your shoulder. Carry it in your hand or as close to your person as possible.</td>
<td>3. When in your car, keep the doors locked and windows rolled up except for small ventilation space.</td>
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<td>4. <strong>Don’t ever place your purse on the floor at any establishment.</strong></td>
<td>4. Do keep your purse on your lap when at any establishment.</td>
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<td>5. Don’t carry your wallet in your rear pants pocket. Place it in your front pocket or breast pocket.</td>
<td>5. Do be wary of people offering to share money with you. It’s probably a Confidence Game.</td>
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<td>6. Don’t place packages in open view of your car—put them in the trunk.</td>
<td>6. Do look into the rear of your car before entering—make sure no one is there.</td>
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<td>7. Don’t give out information to unknown persons ESPECIALLY credit card numbers.</td>
<td>7. Do lock the doors to your house whenever you leave—even if you just run to your neighbor’s house.</td>
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<td>8. Don’t fight if your purse is snatched—No belonging is worth getting hurt for it.</td>
<td>8. Remember—Your Safety is paramount, if approached by an armed person give them what they want. Try to remember as much about the person as you can.</td>
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WITH YOUR HELP THE SAFEST LARGE CITY IN THE U.S.A. CAN BECOME EVEN SAFER