



Newsletter of Community Board 3

NEXT PUBLIC MEETING OF CB3

November 2007

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2007, 7:00 PM

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Agenda Items Include:

Second Annual Discover

Your Neighborhood Resource Expo

Informational Presentations:

- **Update on MRSA Staph Infection**
- **Landmarks Preservation Commission**
- **Fiscal Year 2009 Update on Capital and Expense Budget Priorities**
- **New York City Dept. of Sanitation**
- **Discover Your Neighborhood Expo**

In May 2007, the Civic Committee of Community Board 3 hosted the first Bedford Stuyvesant Community Resource and Safety Expo. The response from the community was overwhelming with the introduction to Block-watcher Training workshop highlighting the event. This time, they are working diligently to re-create an exciting expo once again. Bedford-Stuyvesant is rich with resources that help to enhance the quality of life for its residents. We want to ensure that you are aware of the treasures within your midst.

tives from municipal agencies, schools and community services will be available to provide information and answer your questions.

Here comes the real difference: the Expo will have a Holiday Shopping Bazaar (highlighting the businesses in the community), a Food Court (featuring local eateries), and a Kids' Corner.

Block Associations Please Register

We are asking all block associations to register for the Block-Watcher Training Workshop. Prizes will be awarded to the first 25 block associations who register and attend with at least 10 members. Please register by calling the Community Board at (718) 622-6601.

Funding for the Expo was generously provided by Councilmember Al Vann and the New York City Council

District Manager's Report

Don't miss this year's exciting Expo. We are extending a special invitation to block associations, parents, and all of our neighbors. The highlights of this event will feature even more than the last.

Community Announcements

Special Workshop for Parents

In addition to the Joint block-Watcher Training, there will be a workshop for parents on gang prevention strategies. Representa-

Comments from the Public

Learning About Landmarking Within A Community

The Landmarks Preservation Commission is an agency of the City of New York, responsible for identifying and designating the City's landmarks in the historic districts. It was established in 1965 under Mayor Robert Wagner.

tage; (2) Helping to stabilize and improve property values in historic districts; (3) Encouraging civic pride in the beauty and accomplishments of the past; (4) Protecting and enhancing the city's attractions for tourists, thereby benefitting business and industry; (5) Strengthening the city's economy; and (6) Promoting the use of landmarks for the education, pleasure, and welfare of the people of the city.

The purposes of landmark designation and the goals of the Bedford-Stuyvesant Community have a great deal in common.

Come out to hear a presentation from the Landmarks Preservation Commission at the November 5, 2007 Public Meeting of the Community Board. It will be well worth the time in the fight to maintain the integrity of this wonderful neighborhood

DECEMBER 2007

BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE MULTI-SERVICE CENTER, 1958 FULTON STREET BETWEEN RALPH & HOWARD AVENUES

Precinct Community Council Meetings

**81st Precinct Community Council
757 Monroe at Ralph Avenue, PS 309
Tues 13th @ 7:00 pm**

**Wed 28th @ 7:00 pm
79th Precinct Community Council
Brooklyn Job Corps, Dekalb Avenue at**

It is important to know that landmarks are not always buildings. They can be: a bridge, a park, a water tower, a pier, a cemetery, a building lobby, a sidewalk clock, a fence or even a tree. In other words a landmark can be a property or an object. In order to be eligible for landmark status, the property or object must be at least thirty years or older.

Why is it important to designate and protect landmarks and historic districts?

The protection of our landmarked resources serves the following purposes: (1) Safeguarding the city's historic, aesthetic, and cultural heri-

DON'T MISS THIS

**New York State Senator
Velmanette Montgomery
would like to invite the
residents of Bedford –
Stuyvesant to participate
in the 18th Senatorial
District's Community Re-
sources Expo.**

**Friday, November 2,
2007**

6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

At

**Cornerstone Baptist
Church**

572 Madison Street

between

**Lewis Avenue & Stuyvesant
Avenues**

**Fiscal Year 2009
Capital and Expense
Budget Priorities**

**As promised in the Oc-
tober Public Board
Meeting, we will revisit
the budget priorities
for fiscal year 2009.**

**Things are changing.
Come out and be a
part of these wonder-
ful initiatives to serve
you better.**

New Carrier Alert Program

Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg announced a new Carrier Alert Program which is designed to train United States Postal Service letter carriers to identify signs of distress among seniors and people with disabilities and connect them with the appropriate social services through the Department for the Aging (DFTA).

This program, which triggers the use of 311 whenever there are signs of distress identified provides seniors and persons with disabilities a special identification sticker which is placed in their mailbox by the letter carrier.

Our letter carriers are like first responders who visit the homes of seniors and the disabled each day. The carrier is now empowered to act at the first signs of trouble. When mail is uncollected, the postman will alert the appropriate entity respond by having someone go out and make sure all things are well within the premises.

Participation in the program is voluntary and a public service campaign will be created to encourage seniors and those with disabilities to sign up.

Earlier this year, the United States Postal Service produced a training video for each of the City's post office branches to introduce letter carriers to the program. Letter carriers who suspect a problem with a carrier alert participant will contact their supervisors who in turn contact the Department for the Aging through 311. DFTA then telephones the emergency contact that has been identified on the application by the participant.

This program was designed to address the needs of socially isolated senior and disabled residents in the City.

For copies of this application, contact 311 or you can get one from the community Board Office.

In Community Board 3

CB3 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- Thurs 1st 6:30pm Health/Soc. Svcs
- Mon 5th 7:00pm Public Board Meeting
- Tues 6th **ELECTION DAY**
Civic to be rescheduled
- Wed 7th 7:00pm Parks, Arts & Culture
- Thurs 8th 6:00pm Education / Youth
7:00pm Transportation (828
Greene Avenue)
- Mon 12th **VETERANS DAY**
Landmarks to be rescheduled
- Tues 13th 6:00pm Eco. Dev.
6:30pm EP/Sanitation
- Wed 14th 6:15pm Housing/Land Use
- Mon 19th 7:00pm Executive Comm
- Thurs 22nd THANKSGIVING

**Billy Holiday Theatre
"Sassy Mamas"
718/636-0918**

**Youth Employment & Education Prog.
718/636-6996 or 7918**

**Wealth Building Tuesdays
718/636-6924**

**Single Stop Tuesdays—One-on-one help
for your finances and credit
718/36-6916**

**SPECIAL ALERT FOR
BEDFORD-STUYVESANT
FLOOD VICTIMS**

**If your cellar/home/basement was
damaged by the storm on August 8, the
Federal Emergency Management
Agency (FEMA) may be able to offer
some help. This may be one of the first
times that an urban area has qualified
for aid, so let's take full advantage of
this. Please pass this information on to
your neighbors. Here's how to register
for Disaster Assistance.**

BY PHONE

1-800-0621-FEMA (3362)

Monday—Sunday

8:00 a.m.—9:00 p.m.

TTY: 1-800-462-7585

Online: www.fema.gov

**For Information on
Job & Career Workshops 718/636-6954
cclary@restorationplaza.org**