



FOREST HILLS GARDENS NEWS

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Forest Hills Gardens Welcomes Jihan



Jihan Newman

With the retirement of Cathy Eiring from the FHGC in January, a committee made up of board members and residents was tasked with hiring a replacement. After interviews with several candidates, the committee selected a professional Senior Property Manager, who has made a seamless transition to the newly created position. Meet Jihan Newman!

Jihan (pronounced Ja-han), was born and raised in Queens and graduated from Our Lady Queen of Martyrs right here in Forest Hills. Prior to joining the FHGC, she had recently worked at a property management firm in Gramercy Park, but her career started in 1999 managing luxury high rise buildings as well as commercial properties all over the five boroughs and Long Island.

Learning about the 900 homes and 11 buildings in the Gardens has been a challenge, but Jihan has been walking the 7 miles of roads and 14 miles of sidewalks with map in hand. She is busy surveying the property for maintenance issues, and taking time to speak with residents.

Gardens residents should know that Jihan is available to help them on a range of issues, from maintenance and parking issues to architectural guideline questions.

Jihan says that "attending Board meetings, Cathy's excellent notes, and the support from Jacquie and Carol in the office have been amazing, as has all the guidance from the FHGC Board members."

—Jen Meier

105 Greenway South – A Good Bet!

One of the more majestic French Normandy-style homes in Forest Hills Gardens sits on Greenway South, just next door to St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Although the architectural styles differ, I had often wondered if 105 Greenway, with all of its grandeur and proximity to the church, was part of the parish compound. It is actually a private home built in 1931 with a fascinating history, which I discovered recently when I sat down with the present owners to ask them to share their renovation story. Requiring quite an infusion of renovation capital, this rambling 7,000+ square foot home sat on the market for an extended period before it was purchased by the present owners in 2009. At the time, it was the highest price paid for a property in Queens.

The original owner, I learned, was Frank Erickson, reputed to be the largest bookmaker on the East Coast, if not in all of America. He helped develop a country-wide wire service, making national synchronized betting possible. At the time, gambling was legal. That was soon to change but it did not prompt Mr. Erickson to change careers. Despite his nefarious occupation, he was reputed to be a decent character. Many of his profits went to charity, and he was a major contributor to the construction of a children's hospital in NYC. After deciding to settle in the exclusive, quiet enclave of the Gardens, he commissioned architect William E. Haugaard to design a home which would both express his extreme wealth and position and accommodate his "professional" needs. More on that shortly.

Mr. Haugaard was renowned in his own right. He was MIT educated and served as both the State Architect for the State of New York and the Chief of Planning for the New York City Housing Authority. A number of his works are listed on the U. S. National Register of Historic Places including the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Building at the American Museum of National History and the Alfred E. Smith Building in Albany. In fact, included on his list of

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Finance Update

We are over halfway through our fiscal year and have continued to make good progress towards managing both income and expenses within the 2016 budget that was approved by the community last fall. As of March 31st, we had received 98% of our \$1.7 million income budget. We anticipate to receive the remaining 2% by the end of our fiscal year.

Most expense items continue to track on or below our approved budget. The main upkeep/maintenance expenditure we usually incur over the winter months is related to snow removal. Fortunately we had a relatively quiet winter with the exception of the Blizzard of 2016; this resulted in a significant expense savings. As of March 31st, we had spent approximately \$8,000 in snow removal compared to a 2016 FY budget of \$35,000 and \$30,000 in the previous year.

An expense unforeseen by the 2016 budget was the retirement of Cathy Eiring early in the 2016 calendar year. The corporation created a new role upon Cathy's retirement, hiring an experienced property manager to not only take on Cathy's responsibilities but also to assume a more supervisory role. This hire, along with some overlap with Cathy for training purposes, put an initial strain on our compensation line expenses. This strain has largely been offset by operating "one man down" on the maintenance crew for most of the fiscal year-to-date.

This year the Board is working to procure the \$1 million NY State grant for the restoration of Station Square. After a careful selection process, the Board selected the engineering firm of Thornton Tomasetti to prepare the required technical documents necessary for the next phase of the pre-restoration process of Station Square. Completing this "planning phase" of the project is required to determine its economic feasibility and a necessary step before any grant monies are distributed. This engineering report is an eligible expense, covered by the grant, and will be reimbursed if the project is ultimately funded. It is estimated that total expenditures in this pre-disbursement phase will be roughly \$95,000. As this expense is outside the scope of the annual budget, it is being funded by the Reserve Fund.

—Kayur Patel & Frank Schiraldi, Co-Treasurers

Obstructions and Protrusions

The gardens and landscaping of Forest Hills Gardens are among its highlights. Like most of life's treasures, they require care and attention. Unfortunately, even the most beautiful bushes or trees can be less than attractive and even a danger to pedestrians if their growth is not kept under control. Lovely trees on your property can hang low, particularly early in the season when they are in full bloom and their branches are weighed down. Lovely bushes protruding onto the sidewalk can be dangerous, especially at night. Please be considerate and help prevent injury to pedestrians by assuring that your greenery is trimmed back sufficiently to enable full clearance for pedestrians. Thank you in advance for being a good neighbor!

World Team Tennis at West Side

With news of professional tennis' return to the neighborhood in the form of World Team Tennis at the WSTC this summer, FHG resident Ed Quigley agreed to share his thoughts on the exciting and unique brand of tennis headed our way starting in July.

In 2005, I discovered World Team Tennis. This wasn't the tennis I was used to watching. The court was technicolor, the fans were loud, the rules were different, and the players were really into it. Not just their own matches, but also those of their teammates. I was instantly hooked, and followed New York's team — the Sportimes — until they left for San Diego in 2014.

New York has been without World Team Tennis for two years — but it won't be that way for long. For two weeks this summer, World Team Tennis comes to the historic Forest Hills Stadium at the West Side Tennis Club. From July 31-August 14 Patrick McEnroe and former world Number 1 and 2003 U.S. Open Champion Andy Roddick will lead the New York Empire and compete in the 2016 World Team Tennis League (WTT).

The WTT isn't your typical tennis tournament. It's about team. There are six teams playing in a twelve match season culminating in the WTT Finals on August 26 right here at Forest Hills Stadium and televised on ESPN2. Each team is headlined by some of the top names in tennis as well as tomorrow's tennis stars. Along with Andy Roddick, top names on the tour like John Isner, Martina Hingis, Mardy Fish, Caroline Wozniacki, and Bob and Mike Bryan will compete in this 41st WTT season.

Founded in 1974 by Billy Jean King, team tennis offers a colorful alternative to tennis's sometimes stuffy image, with raucous fans, post-match autograph sessions for children, live music between points, and a multi-colored playing service. The season consists of 12 matches all occurring within a two week stretch beginning Sunday July 31 when the NY Empire face the five time defending champions Washington Kastles.

Team tennis will look familiar to anyone who has watched tennis before with some slight differences. Teams compete in men's and women's singles, men's and women's doubles, and mixed doubles. From there, though, the similarities with regular tournament play that you're used to watching deviate quite a bit, particularly when it comes to the unique scoring system in place. It won't take long for you to pick up the differences if you decide to come out and support the team. If you're interested in attending the matches, you can purchase tickets on the WTT NY Empire website, where you'll also find links that help explain the scoring system: http://www.nyempiretennis.com/teams/page.aspx?article_id=5135. Hopefully you'll all enjoy the events as much as I do and hopefully NY Empire at the WSTC will be in our backyard for many years to come

The NY Empire's home season commences on July 31 and continues on August 1, 3, 9, 11, and 12. Additional information and tickets can be found on nyempiretennis.com.

—Ed Quigley

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awards is one for 105 Greenway South itself, which won first prize among one-family dwellings in the Queensboro Chamber of Commerce Competition in 1931.

The present owners, who are just the fourth in its history, faced a daunting challenge. Although the original Old World details were magnificent, structurally much of the home was in deteriorating condition. With the overarching goal of preserving as many of the original elements as possible, they hired an architect and a contractor to undertake the restoration. Their friend and realtor Gigi Malek was a valuable source of information and served as a design consultant. Thus began a two-year full time occupation for one of the owners. Wisely, they engaged the Forest Hills Gardens Corp. and its representative Sid Rose to ensure that all work conformed to Gardens renovation guidelines. The



Gardens Corp. introduced them to the owners of Granston Tower, a similarly majestic Tudor Revival on Greenway North, who generously shared experiences, pitfalls and construction resources.

The first major challenge was restoring the 268 stunning diamond-patterned lead pane and stained glass windows that distinguish the home. Some were broken, others were warped and all leaked. Every single one had to be removed and the windows boarded up. They were brought to the factory of a local artisan who specializes in restoring historic windows. Those

windows that could be repaired were and those that could not be were replicated. The living room and adjoining greenhouse windows originally contained brightly colored stained glass inserts of hunting scenes, birds, flowers and various other motifs. Many could not be saved but were beautifully re-created.

Much of the woodwork and flooring in the home was in beautiful condition and it was only a matter of cleaning the wood and making minor repairs to bring it back to its original luster. This includes a circular, tiger striped oak staircase dramatically overlooked by a 35-foot-high, beamed pitched ceiling in the entry tower, the wood paneled dining room and

wood ceiling beams and window frames in the living room. The original wrought iron stair railing in a leaf motif was also repaired and cleaned. Other floors had to be completely replaced but always in keeping with the original style. All of the original wood and carved stone fireplaces are in perfect condition.



The original home was sectioned into two very distinct and separate parts: one for the family with its own staircase and one for the servants with its own staircase, with walls separating the two quarters. It remained that way even when the home changed hands. The current owners took down the walls and combined some of the smaller servant's bedrooms into roomier suites. The home went from 10 bedrooms to 7. All but one bathroom had to be replaced along with every pipe, all electricity and the heating and cooling system which continues to be discretely hidden in the walls. There were never any radiators. An enormous kitchen was created out of three smaller rooms, once the servant's entry, the kitchen and the butler's pantry. What had to be thoroughly modern amenities at the time, the original laundry shoot and built-in vacuum remain. On the third, attic level a large family room and guest bedroom were carved out of a series of storage rooms. This has become the hang-out hub for the owners' college age kids and their friends.

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As magnificent as the home is, the most fascinating part, at least to me, is the basement. There you will find a vintage switchboard housing at least 20 phone lines. Remember the occupation of the original owner? Thankfully, subsequent owners appreciated the historical significance and left it untouched. In



fact, much of the basement remains as it was. You will also find the obligatory ballroom with stone fireplace and original copper sconces and a separate bar room with a large built-in mahogany bar. If you look closely you will find the initial “E” carved into the wood columns that surround the mirrors behind it. Beautiful plaster relief sculptures adorn the walls and windows. Rumored to be a private club, you can just imagine the clientele and friends who imbibed at the bar. But most surprising discovery is the only remaining original bathroom with shower features that had to

be way ahead of its time including a glass door and a series of spray nozzles along opposite walls. Fascinating!

Outside, where you can still find a discrete sign pointing to the service entrance, the original details remain largely unchanged except for the landscaping which was completely redone. 105 Greenway South is yet another example of an architecturally impressive home with a rich, intriguing history, lovingly restored. Anyone want to make a wager on how much Frank Erickson had in the bank during the Depression? (Answer: \$30 million.)

—Maureen Shillet

Mosquito Control

Mosquitoes have, particularly in recent years, become more than a mere annoyance. Dangerous, oftentimes life-threatening, viruses have further complicated an already unpleasant situation. The Forest Hills Gardens Corporation has been in touch with New York City’s Department of Health and Mental Hygiene over the last year, and determined the reason for the excessive mosquito population in Forest Hills Gardens. It appears that while the FHGC has upgraded and supplemented our drains and catch basins over the course of several decades, New York City has not updated its records accordingly. Consequently, the City’s exterminators have been treating a very low percentage of the sewers and catch basins in our neighborhood. We have corrected this by providing them with an updated map of the sewers and basins in question, all of which will now be treated three times each summer.

Nonetheless, each of us needs to be vigilant in assuring that there is absolutely NO standing water on our properties, particularly by cleaning gutters and searching for any hidden standing water, such as in old tires behind garages. For those with drywells on their properties, please consider purchasing [Mosquito Dunks](#) or [Mosquito Bits](#) (by Summit), available inexpensively at Amazon.com. Let’s all work together to assure our community a relatively mosquito-free summer!

Dogs... They Don’t All Get Along

It is a beautiful time of year to enjoy the Gardens while taking your dog for his or her walk. Recently, there have been a few instances where resident dogs have gotten aggressive with other resident dogs. In one instance, a resident’s dog was bitten and required medical attention. We would like to remind dog owners to please be aware of their dog’s limitations and keep their dogs closer to them and under control when walking by another dog.

We also want to remind our dog owners that the City's leash laws are in effect within the boundaries of the Gardens. Lastly, our parks, sidewalks, and neighbors' lawns are not the proper place to let your dogs do their business. Please remember to keep our neighborhood clean and pick up after your dog. Thank you.

ANNUAL STREET CLOSING:

Tuesday, June 21st 8:00a.m.—4:00p.m.



Russell Sage

Our newsletter has had numerous articles on our local public elementary schools as well as The Kew Forest School, where many of our local young residents attend. In this edition, we wanted to include an article about our local junior high school, JHS 190 - Russell Sage. Mr. Collins, a resident of Forest Hills Gardens, is an 8th grade math teacher as well as the math coach of the Russell Sage Math Team. He, along with Mr. Hamilton, Assistant Principal of Math, Science, Social Studies and Technology, summarized some key highlights of Russell Sage and what the school has to offer.

We are both long-time educators from Russell Sage Junior High School in Forest Hills, sharing a small glimpse of what our school offers within the Forest Hills community.

Our school is proud to offer a wide variety of clubs and extracurricular activities. We offer debate, chess, advanced morning Latin, National Junior Honor Society, and yearbook clubs as well as extensive chorus, dance, art, concert band and drama programs. Some other after school activities are the Girls' Volleyball Team, Boys' Basketball Team, and Science Club. All of these clubs allow our students to apply the skills they have obtained in a creative, fun environment.

In addition to our excellent extracurricular activities, Sage also offers a STEM program focusing on the integration of mathematics and engineering into classes using an interdisciplinary approach through exploration, discovery and problem solving. To maximize student learning, Russell Sage has built two state of the art computer labs in addition to a new auditorium.

Russell Sage also has a great acceptance rate for the specialized high schools. This year, of the students who took the specialized high school admissions test, more than 36% were offered a seat at a specialized high school. These include Stuyvesant, Bronx Science, Brooklyn Tech, Brooklyn Latin and many more. In addition, we have a high number of students who were also offered seats at exceptional high schools such as Townsend Harris, Francis Lewis, Forest Hills Carl Sagan, just to name a few. We offer an after school SHSAT prep course open to all students that focuses on the challenging math and verbal aspects of the standardized test.

At Sage, we have a dynamic math team that starts in 6th grade and continues through 8th grade. We hold many competitions, both individual and team orientated, that allow for an incredible bonding experience for our students. The math team visits all our feeder schools to share our successes with the community, and it gives Russell Sage a chance to thank our local schools for preparing such great students. The math team involves competitions throughout the city, a trip to Stuyvesant, fundraising, a trip to Bear Mountain, and creating a team vid-

eo. All students are welcome to try out for the team.

Starting this September, Russell Sage will have three high honors classes that will be based on an exam given to all of our 6th graders as well as any 6th grade students in the Forest Hills community who would like to attend Russell Sage for 7th grade. Upon placement in the high honors classes, the child will start the Common Core Algebra curriculum in 7th grade and will take the Algebra Common Core Regents in 8th grade.

Russell Sage is a dynamic school dedicated to the highest academic standards, as well as allowing our students to pursue various activities that allow for a well-rounded child. We also value the input of our parents and push for their involvement through activities and events such as the Math Breakfast and the Science Family Fun Night in conjunction with the Queens Hall of Science. All of this and more is made possible by our strong Parent Teacher Association. Enrichment activities also include drama and dance performances. A decision to be a part of our Russell Sage community means being part of a supportive, loving and safe environment where learning thrives and emotional as well as physical growth is achieved.

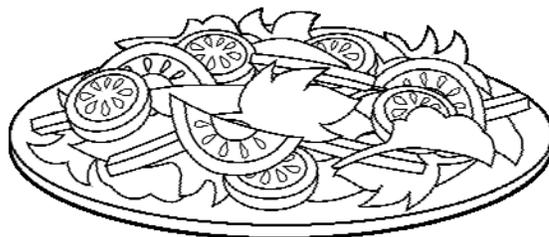
—Mr. Collins, 8th Grade Math Teacher/Math Coach
—Mr. Hamilton, Assistant Principal of Math, Science, Social Studies and Technology

FHGC Spring Community Meeting

Our Annual Spring Community Meeting was held on May 17th, 2016 at the Community House. The purpose of this annual event is to introduce current residents to each other, to welcome new residents and to familiarize everyone with the Board of Directors and the various committees that support our unique and beautiful community. We hope that you were able to join us this year and partake of the wonderful delicacies that the local sponsors donated.

The FHGC Board and residents would like to thank all those that donated this year:

Alberto's, Banter Restaurant, Bareburger, The Castaldo Family for their generous donation of fine Italian wines, Dirty Pierre's, 5 Burro Café, Il Poeta Ristorante Italiano, Jade Eatery & Lounge, La Boulangerie, La Dolce Italia Bakery, Manor Oktoberfest Restaurant, Martha's Country Bakery, The Meghji Family/Dunkin Donuts, MoCA Asian Bistro, The Natural, Portofino, Sushi Time and WR Liquors.



The Women's Club of Forest Hills Is Bringing Bridge Back

From the earliest of days in the history of the Gardens, bridge, (a card game played with a standard deck of 52 cards with four players, set up as two against two in a partnership, with the object of winning "tricks") was enjoyed in many homes around the neighborhood during its heyday in the 1940s and 50s. After many years of decline, it is showing signs of returning as a favored leisure time pursuit in our neighborhood.

Since the very beginning of the club in 1913, the Women's Club of Forest Hills has hosted a philanthropic luncheon for over one hundred attendees in order to raise money for Queens based charities. In the Club's early days, bridge was a major component of their fundraising efforts. Local women paid the whopping sum of \$15 in the 1920s to be served tea and then break into foursomes for an afternoon of bridge play. This annual tradition continued for many years, until around late mid-century, when the number of available players had dwindled and members expressed an interest in hosting a fashion show instead.

While bridge was once a mainstay in living rooms around all of New York, it experienced a huge decline in the 1960s and 70s. "With the increase in dual-income families, televisions in every home, together with the rising crime rate in New York City at that time, fewer and fewer individuals felt like venturing out for a card game, especially at night," suggests Jeff Bayone, owner of the Honors Bridge Club in Manhattan and a Forest Hills Gardens resident. Honors Bridge Club is currently the largest bridge club in the country; it combined with the Manhattan Bridge Club in 2015. "Thankfully, in the mid-90's the empty-nesters started to appear in droves. They just knew they were living longer and needed rewarding hobbies," he adds.

Jeff and his wife, Barbara, also a bridge instructor, have lived on Burns Street for the past five years, after moving from Westchester. He grew up in Rego Park, learning to play bridge in a room above the Midway Theatre on Queens Boulevard (The Midway Bridge Club) and always wanted to return to this area. Now with a short stroll from his home, he is assisting many Women's Club members each Wednesday to navigate the challenges of this multi-faceted game at weekly lessons at the Community House. On Thursdays, the Women's Club members attempt to apply this knowledge at an open game of "supervised play" where an instructor, Forest Hills resident, Jerry Miller, guides and addresses players questions.

The Women's Club Bridge Chapter, currently chaired by Irene Nash and Gretchen Gaudelli, hosts a lovely monthly luncheon, followed by contract bridge play, in Smith Hall with about forty players in attendance for the bargain price of \$4. Contract bridge is where the partners "make a contract" for the number of "tricks" they anticipate winning.

To get involved in the Women's Club of Forest Hills, residents should contact the Membership Chair, Kathryn Brand

at kathybrand@aol.com or visit the Club's website for more information about all the interests/chapters (fifteen chapters in all) that the Club has, besides bridge, at www.wcforesthills.com and download an application off the Membership tab.

The original Women's Club article was abridged. You can read the full article by going to: <http://goo.gl/oW6oN6>

—Christine O'Brien Beydoun

The Men's Club of Forest Hills

The Men's Club's mission is to promote friendship among men living in Forest Hills and nearby communities. The Club is active from September through June of each year. Our current Club year started with an Oktoberfest party at Manor Oktoberfest. In November, we chartered a bus to take a group of us to the Rutgers-Army football game at West Point.

The highlight of the winter was our traditional Christmas dinner dance at the Community House. It was a wonderful evening in Smith Hall.

In February we sponsored an informal cigar night attended by a small number of our members.

Our Spring event this year was a very successful St. Patrick's Day party, also at the Community House. The Christmas and St. Patrick's Day parties included spouses and significant others.

On Monday, April 4, about 40 members and friends gathered at the Community House for a very enjoyable night of "beer and brats" to view the final game of the NCAA basketball tournament.

Our annual members-only dinner and election of new officers was held on May 12 at the Woodhaven House. We will wrap up our Club year with an event at the West Side Tennis Club on June 9. It will be an evening of socializing with a buffet dinner. Members and guests will have the opportunity to play tennis before dinner if they so desire.

We have had an exciting year and we look forward to continuing that tradition in the coming 2016-2017 Club year. I welcome suggestions for events and activities from members interested in participating. Men of the community who would like to learn more about the Club, or who would like to join can contact me at our email address mensclubofforesthills@gmail.com.

Best wishes to all for a wonderful summer!

—Al Brand

The Forest Hills Bee Club

How often have you walked around Forest Hills Gardens and noticed a honeybee buzzing around hunting for a flower upon which to feed? How much thought do you give to these amazing little insects? They are responsible for pollinating many of the crops we eat, including cherries, almonds and apples to name just a few! They also pollinate numerous flowers, such as clover, that are important food for grazing livestock.

Honeybees play an important role in our ecosystem as plants and honeybees have been evolving together for over 100 million years. Flowering plants provide everything that honeybees need to survive. Pollen is their protein, nectar their sugar. In exchange for giving honeybees all these vital nutrients, plants use the honeybees for pollination purposes.

You may find it interesting to learn that honeybees are actually not native to the United States. However, they were deemed important enough to be brought over by immigrants from Europe during the 17th century and quickly spread throughout the United States. While other native bees are also important for pollination, the honeybee is a very efficient pollinator and many plant species that we rely on for food would face extinction without honeybees.

Forest Hills Gardens is truly a paradise for honeybees. The flowering trees, shrubs and perennials provide plenty of nourishment. However, there are very few natural places suitable for honeybees to build hives. Ideally they use the hollow of an old tree but that requires the tree to have a cavity of at least 140 liters, which is a very big hole! While we have plenty of large trees in the Gardens, there is simply not enough with adequate space to accommodate honeybees. We have, therefore, spotted them setting up their homes in our rooftops and in the walls of our houses. This is clearly not a sustainable or satisfactory situation.

In order to accommodate the honeybees, a few resi-

dents decided last spring to set up a couple of beehives with bees purchased from a beekeeper in Long Island. Additionally, we were lucky to be able to capture a feral swarm after receiving a call from one of our bee club members that there was a huge swarm in one of her trees. With these three active hives, there are now



safe homes for the honeybees to live, ensuring that our beautiful trees and flowers can thrive.

Some people may wonder whether setting up beehives is dangerous for Gardens residents, as we all know that honeybees can sting. However, unlike yellow jackets and other wasp species, honeybees will only sting when threatened. When a honeybee stings and loses its barbed stinger it will die. Honeybees really are only interested in busily collecting nectar and pollen to support the hive and make plenty of delicious honey! Even if you stand directly next to a hive, it is extremely unlikely that you would get stung.

Please note that as bee keepers in the Gardens, we are extremely keen to ensure that all bee hives are installed and maintained responsibly. Please take the time to discuss and check with your neighbors before installing a hive on your property. Even though bees are not naturally aggressive, they can be frightening to some people and, of course, bees can sting! Also, it is important to note that any bee hive kept in NYC must be registered with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Office of Vector Surveillance and Control. This registration provides details of the location and quantity of bees maintained at a specific location.

Perhaps you would like to become a member of the Forest Hills Bee Club and visit the hives. All members are welcome. Please contact either Jon LaMountain at jonlamountain@me.com or Catherine Wigdor at cwigdor@me.com if you're interested in becoming a member.

—Catherine Wigdor

CORNER LAMPPOST

Births:

Maureen and Rami Abdel-Misih of Puritan Avenue welcomed their daughter *Eloise* on March 23, 2016. She joins her siblings *Adli* (6) and *Nora* (3).

Condolences:

Harry Joseph Durando, of Wendover Road, passed away on December 22, 2015.

Eugenia Frangos, formerly of Puritan Avenue, passed away on January 21, 2016.

Claire Massie of Union Turnpike, passed away on February 28, 2016.

Philip Berger, a resident of Continental Avenue since 1979, passed away on December 12, 2015 at the age of 68.

Luigi Azzolini, long time resident of Ivy Close passed away March 27th, 2016.

Events:

Flag Day Celebration: Will take place at Flagpole Green on Saturday, June 11th at 11 am.

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ANNUAL CLOSING OF OUR STREETS

In order to maintain the private street status of our streets, we are required to close them at least one day a year. This year, the annual closing of the streets of Forest Hills Gardens to non-residents will take place on Tuesday, June 21st between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm. While the streets are closed, entrance to the Gardens will only be possible through Ascan Avenue, Continental Avenue and on Union Turnpike through Kessel Street. We urge your cooperation with this essential program and appreciate your patience. Please mark the day on your calendar so you will not be surprised and will have minimal inconvenience.