



Ridgewood Property Owners and Civic Association

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“After 86 years of community service we’re still building a reputation, not resting on one!”

Ridgewood Property Owners & Civic Association

General Membership Meeting

Thursday, May 3rd at 7:00 pm

Ridgewood Presbyterian Church

59-14 70 Avenue

between Forest Ave and 60th Street

(entrance on ground floor Senior Citizen’s Center)

Meet with

Assemblywoman Cathy Nolan

and

State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo

For further discussions on the state of our State and the effects on Ridgewood



Catered sandwiches & salads by Frank’s Deli (Maspeth) and Anniversary Cake

Courtesy of Anna and Paul Prigorec
RPOCA members

Celebrating 50 years of home ownership in Ridgewood

Property owners in Ridgewood are always welcome to submit a membership application, subject to RPOCA Board approval.

For information: Paul Kerzner, President - 718 381 3366



A heartfelt thank you to Assemblyman Mike Miller and Senator Michael Gianaris for informative presentations at the April meeting that were filled with facts and figures that in many cases, were eye-opening. Please feel free to drop by at any time

Were You Here?



Assemblyman Mike Miller



Assemblyman Mike Miller addressing RPOCA members





Motorists & Parking Real-Time Traffic Cameras
 DOT's Traffic Management Center, located in Long Island City, Queens, receives feeds from closed circuit television cameras trained on major arteries, allowing operations staff to track traffic conditions at key locations in the City.



DOT's traffic cameras can be seen on NYC Drive on NYC TV, on Channel 72 on Cablevision and Time Warner Cable, Channel 79 on RCN, and Channel 28 on Verizon FIOS, all day, every day. Access these cameras to view real-time traffic movements from the Advanced Traveler Information System, which provides frequently updated still images from locations in the five boroughs.

The cameras are being used by DOT staff to monitor traffic conditions and may be repositioned to view traffic from varying directions. You may see different views if you visit a camera location at different times.

From time to time, cameras may be out of service because of construction, weather conditions, or mechanical or electrical failure. These cameras will be restored to service as soon as possible.

For updated information and links to other cameras, see Real Time Traffic Information from 511NY, New York State's official traffic and travel info source. In addition, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, which operates many of the bridges and tunnels in New York City, has several camera feeds.



The multimillion-dollar renovation of the Glendale Library is set to begin this month, but that means local residents will soon have very limited access to its resources.

Officials from the Queens Library announced in March that the Glendale branch will be closed on April 14 through the fall of 2019. The 18-month project will involve \$4.7 million in renovations to the decades-old building, including a wheelchair-accessible entrance, an elevator, a book drop, and improvements to the interior and the garden outside.



Meet City and State Agency Representatives at the State Fair

**Sponsored by
 Assemblywoman Cathy Nolan
 and co-sponsors
 Assemblyman Mike Miller
 State Senator Joe Addabbo**

Thursday, April 26th at 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM at the Peter Cardella Senior. The Center is located at 68-52 Fresh Pond Road Ridgewood, NY 11385



DSNY

Special Waste Drop-Off Sites are locations across the city where residents can drop-off certain harmful products. **The sites are open from 10 AM to 5 PM every Saturday and the last Friday of the month. Sites are closed on legal holidays and may be closed during severe weather.**

Where is the drop-off site in Queens?

Queens: College Point at 30th Avenue, between 120th and 122nd Streets, at the northwest corner of the DSNY Queens District 7 garage.

What to Bring?

The following items are accepted at DSNY Special Waste Drop-Off Sites:

- Batteries, including automotive, rechargeable (such as small sealed lead acid batteries, Li-Ion, Ni-MH, Ni-ZN, Ni-Cd) and single-use (such as alkaline and lithium primary). Follow instructions below to prepare batteries before arrival.
- Motor oil and transmission fluid (up to 10 quarts per visit)
- Motor oil filters (up to two filters per visit)
- Fluorescent light bulbs & CFLs
- Latex paint (up to five gallons per visit)
- Mercury-containing devices (up to two per visit)
- Passenger car tires (up to four per visit)
- Electronics (covered by the disposal ban)

Rules & Procedures

DSNY drop-off sites are only for non-commercial materials from NYC residents. Anyone with a commercial license plate will not be allowed to enter the site.

When you arrive at the drop-off site, you'll be required to show a valid NYS driver's license and vehicle registration. If you aren't arriving by car, you can provide a picture ID and proof of residency, such as a phone or utility bill.

The drop-off location may not be immediately visible. If you have trouble finding the location, ask a DSNY garage foreman or supervisor at the site. DSNY officials will be there to instruct you, but the sites are do-it-yourself style. Wearing casual clothes and work gloves is strongly recommended.

Special Instructions for Batteries

To prevent the risk of fire, individually bag each non-alkaline battery or use CLEAR tape to cover the terminals. Do not use opaque tape and do not bag or tape alkaline batteries.

At the drop-off site, place each battery into its designated collection container: alkaline, small sealed lead acid, auto, and "other".

Please note: Alkaline batteries are collected here but can be discarded in the garbage. Since they no longer contain mercury they're not hazardous.



**Free Recycling Event on Sunday April 29th
from 10 AM to 2 PM at the
Bandshell Parking Lot in Forest Park**

**Accepting
Electronics
Paper (NO CARDBOARD)
clothes and shoes
small appliances, toys, bikes, Jewelry
Kitchenware small furniture and American
Flags and Eyeglasses**

**Cannot accept paint, tires, and air
conditioners due to NYC regulations**

**This event is sponsored by State Senator
Joe Addabbo and Assemblyman Mike Miller**



HISTORY OF MOTHER'S DAY

Celebrations of mothers and motherhood can be traced back to the ancient Greeks and Romans, who held festivals in honor of the mother goddesses Rhea and Cybele, but the clearest modern precedent for Mother's Day is the early Christian festival known as "Mothering Sunday."

Once a major tradition in the United Kingdom and parts of Europe, this celebration fell on the fourth Sunday in Lent and was originally seen as a time when the faithful would return to their "mother church"—the main church in the vicinity of their home—for a special service.

Over time the Mothering Sunday tradition shifted into a more secular holiday, and children would present their mothers with flowers and other tokens of appreciation. This custom eventually faded in popularity before merging with the American Mother's Day in the 1930s and 1940s.

JOIN US

Membership in The Ridgewood Property Owners & Civic Assn is open to all property owners in Ridgewood. Dues are \$ 25 per year, and are tax deductible for most members, as a business, if you have income producing property. Membership includes weekly delivery of the Ridgewood Times, and, a monthly RPOCA newsletter received prior to each general membership meeting 9 months a year.



Useful E-Mail and Telephone Numbers

Useful Telephone Numbers...For non-emergency calls dial “311” and record the reference number given to you for documentation. Non-emergency calls include, but are not limited to, illegal dumping or sanitation code.

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Due to our concern with personal information being stolen, you will notice that there are no other contacts for RPOCA other than those noted below

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Better Business Bureau	212-533-6200
Bus & Subway Info	718-330-1234
Community Board #5	718-366-1834
Con Edison Emergency	718-830-7400
Greater Ridgewood Restoration	718-366-8721
Housing Complaints	311
National Grid	718-643-4050
Poison Control	311
Ridgewood Library	718-821-4770
Sanitation - District 5	718-326-9804 or 311

Elected Officials

Mayor William De Blasio	212-788-3000
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RPOCA GEM Craftspersons

The following is a list of persons in different trades, who have been recommended to us by fellow RPOCA members, who have utilized these craftsperson's services. One cannot get on this RPOCA GEMS list by payment of an ad fee, only by recommendation. If you have a craftsperson, (1) that you have utilized, and (2) have been very satisfied with, both in terms of price and quality of work, and would like to recommend that they be added to the RPOCA GEMS List, please contact Patricia Grayson, RPOCA Newsletter Editor, at 718 805-1163 or via e-mail at recyclinglady@aol.com

I have recently heard from some of our friends and neighbors that a few of the crafts persons listed below have not lived up to expectations or have performed poorly. When that happens, I will remove the names of those professionals from this list. However, I will NOT mention either the craftsperson, or the complainant. Should I have been given erroneous information, please contact me. In addition, if our wonderfully talented ladies and gentlemen on this list no longer wish to be included, please contact me and I will remove your contact information.

Pat Grayson, Editor

Air Conditioning Installation

- Noel's Air Conditioning Installation 718-366-3848

Asbestos & Lead Abatement, Thermal System Insulation, Spray on Fireproofing, Exterior & Interior Demolition

- Leister Contracting Services, Patrick Hogan
718-651-9100 / 917-681-8906 (cell)

Automobile Repair

- Bruno's VW – AUDI REPAIR. INC -Contact: Andy Stiebel, 718-326-7220
- Five"Z's" Auto Repair Inc., 718-386-2428

Basic Home Repairs - A Handyman

- Alex Sprenger, 917-854-0604

Carpeting

- Barry's Carpet World 718-418-0286

Custom Alterations and Sewing

- Eileen Tipple 917-238-2774

Electric

- Universal Electric, 718-441-1850
- Sureline Electric, Eduardo, 917-543-3589

Gardening Lawncare & Landscaping

- Sal Mangano, 718-779-2548

General Contracting

D&H Neptun Construction Inc 347-444-7055 ask for Chris

- Hudson Maintenance Corp., Zee, 917-335-0887
- Handyman Husband, Frank Angerano
516-474-4491 handymanfrankmv@aol.com
- Mike Siragusa, 718-386-0104 or 347-538-2041
- Skillman USA Construction Inc., 718-472-0400 / 917-362-1187 (Cell) ****a shout-out to this professional from multiple neighbors who have only good things to say****

Glass

- Ridgewood Glass, 718-497-1698

Iron Works / Fences / Cellar Doors

- Walter Iron Works, 718-894-1108
- Torpedo Iron Works, 718-417-4072 ask for Zika
- LK & Sons LLC Ironworks, Stairs, Masonry (Inside and Out), 718-456-8422

Locksmith

- Major Lock & Glass Co 718-821-7213

GEMs continued.....

Mobile Vet

- Dr. Nachamie, 105-06 Metropolitan Ave, Forest Hills, 718 - 575 - 5152

Plumbing & Heating

- James Giuffre, 718-821-6250
- Michael Simelotov, 917-731- 4564
- Bill Nolan, 718-381-2323 (10% Senior Discount)
- John Sanchez, 347-484-3386

Roofing

- Bob Kurth Glendale 718-821-8717
- Pro-Tech Roofing, Inc. 718-417-7898 Harry Piscak

Roofing and Siding

- Nick & John 718-456-8607

Roofing & Tree Services

- Salty's Danny Saul, Pres. 718- 849-2206

Roofing Insulation

- John Matthews 516-857-0843

Roofing & Brick Pointing

- Dennis Baljak 718-417-1743 & 347-689-4264

Sewer Clog

- Larry @ Roy's Sewer Service 347-239 -7234
- Sunrise Sewer Service (\$75) 718-805 - 9152
- \$ 49.95 Sewer & Drain Co. 718-845-4995

Solar

- Scott McDonnell, EmPower Solar, 516-837-3459 ext. 111 or www.empowersolar.com

Tile & Granite

- 2 B Tile & Granite Inc. Nickolay Bachvarov, 646-361-2035

Window Replacement

- Forest Windows 718-381-2865

Wood Floor Sanding and Refinishing

- Call Aaron 347-813-5921

Painting and General Construction

- Home Improvement by Peter LLC, 347-204-1037

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