



Community Board Six Manhattan

East Midtown News and CB 6 Activities - 9/12/14

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News

Third Avenue Bus Lane Conversion

This month, NYC Dept. of Transportation will implement bus lane and curb access improvements on Third Avenue, between 36th and 55th Streets. The existing curbside bus lane on the east side of street will be converted to an "offset" red bus lane, one lane away from the curb. Metered commercial vehicle loading from 7 AM-7 PM, Monday to Friday, will be added along twelve blocks, along with metered one hour parking from 9 AM -7 PM, for Saturdays. [Details here](#).

Events

Aging Smart in NYC: A CB6 Senior Issues Forum, Monday, September 15th



NYU Langone Medical Center, 550 1st Avenue at E.30th Street, Alumni Hall B, 6 - 8 PM. After a keynote by Senator Krueger, panelists will discuss emergency preparedness, health care resources, technology and lifelong learning, and senior housing options. [Flyer here.](#)

"Aging smart is more than knowing what foods or exercises will keep us healthy. Aging smart means learning about options and planning ahead. It also means being willing to accept and give help when it is needed. For this, we need an interdependent community of neighbors helping neighbors. And, finally, it takes a government that is sensitive to the needs of our growing community of boomers and seniors. If someone is eating healthy and exercising but doesn't have enough resources to keep a roof over their head, I don't think they are "aging smart"; and I also don't think they can necessarily do it alone." - State Senator Liz Krueger.

Watch the Senior Issues Forum online

Can't make it to the Senior issues forum? No problem. The forum will be livestreamed, so you can [watch it as](#)

[it happens, or see the video later.](#)

**Ready NY workshop for east midtown clergy and leaders of faith organizations
Wednesday, September 17, 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM**

Convened by CB6 and Church of the Covenant. NYC is most at risk of hurricanes between August and November, and the city's new [Know Your Zone map](#) shows that much of east midtown near the East River is at risk of flooding. Leaders of faith organizations are invited to learn about NYC Office of Emergency Management's [Ready New York campaign](#), and will be encouraged to set up similar presentations for their own congregations and neighbors. Church of the Covenant, 310 East 42nd Street, between First Avenue and Second Avenue.

Everything You Want to Know About Rental Housing in NYC, Thursday, September 18th

Panelists will cover how to keep an apartment regulated, the basics about evictions and housing court, senior housing issues, and how to build a tenant's association. Lighthouse Guild International, 111 East 59th St., 6:30 – 8:30 PM. Hosted by State Senator Liz Krueger; co-sponsored by CB6. Please contact lkruieger@nysenate.gov for more information.

Street tree care event, Sept. 18



Following surveys of vacant tree beds conducted by

civic groups within CB6, NYC Dept. of Parks has planted many new street trees. But the work doesn't stop there, as younger trees need regular watering and care in order to thrive. [Trees New York](#) offers a [Citizen Tree Pruner course](#), and will come out to help you and your neighbors in caring for and watering trees.

Next Thursday, September 18th at 10:30 AM, Sam Bishop, Educational Director of Trees New York, will be bringing a team of Licensed Citizen Pruners to roads near MacArthur Park, a children's park on E. 49th St.. Meet them at 10 Mitchell Place, near the corner of E. 49th St. and 1st Avenue, and learn how to set up a similar event on your block. Contact [Marise Hausner](#) for more information. There's still time to sign up for the [next Citizen Pruner class](#).

Citizens for NYC Neighborhood Leadership Workshop Series, Sept. 20 & 27

Basics of community organizing around neighborhood issues, Sept. 20. How to build and maintain an effective neighborhood association or community group, Sept. 27. [Both events 11 AM - 3 PM](#).

United Nations General Assembly, Sept. 22 - Oct. 3



Each year, thousands of world leaders come to CB6 to participate in the [General Assembly](#). For updates about street closures and traffic changes, contact the [Mayor's Office of International Affairs](#) at 212-319-9391.

UN Climate Summit, Climate Week NYC, and Climate March

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has called for bold action to avoid dangerous and irreversible climate disruption. This year's UNGA will include a [UN Climate Summit](#). Nearly 80 public events are taking place through [Climate Week NYC](#). A massive [climate march](#) is set for Sept. 21.

The NYC Council [passed a resolution in support of the march](#).

Tree Care Workshop, Sept. 27



Help water and care for the 110,000 new street trees that have been planted across New York City! At [MillionTreesNYC's free tree stewardship workshops](#), you will learn about how to water, weed, and mulch street trees in your neighborhood. Invite your neighbors to come with you. The next one nearby is Sept. 27, 10 AM - 1 PM, at Lexington Ave. and E. 117th Street.

CB6 Business to Business Networking Night, October 14

Tuesday, Oct. 14, 6 - 8 PM, Japan Society, 333 E 47th St, between 1st and 2nd Avenues.

Meet other east midtown small business people, and members of the CB6 Board. Stephen Shallo, Director of Client Services at NYC Dept. of Small Business Services, will make a brief presentation about the SBS [Business Acceleration Division](#). Wine and

refreshments will be served. No charge to attend, but please RSVP to office@cbsix.org.

Volunteer at your local park on It's My Park Day, October 18

It's My Parks Day is an annual citywide initiative from Partnerships for Parks. Park friends groups and community organizations will be planting bulbs, raking leaves and offering fun activities. Participating groups within CB6 include Friends of Albano Park, Friends of St. Vartan Park, Stuyvesant Park Neighborhood Association, SSCA and SPDog (Stuyvesant Park), Kips Bay Neighborhood Alliance (Glick Park) and Sutton Area Community Inc. (Sutton Place Park). [Click here for details about projects](#), or contact [Kirsti Bambridge](#), Partnerships for Parks Outreach Coordinator, at 212-408-0216.

Construction

Night work on East 57 - 59th Street through November

Until mid-November 2014 there will be [overnight work from 10 PM - 5 AM](#), Monday - Friday, on 2nd Avenue between East 57th and East 59th Street as part of the [third water tunnel](#) project.

Services

Join the Community Board 6 List of East Midtown Coop Board Leaders

CB6 wants to be able to communicate with you. We can provide information about an array of city services and assist boards of coops, condos and tenant associations in addressing city service delivery concerns and expediting service requests. Start by putting your building on our map. [Join our contact list](#) of east midtown coop board and tenant association

representatives.

Send us the name, email and other contact information for your president or representative, along with the address of your building. We'll add you to our [list of community organizations](#) - or if you prefer, we'll keep it private. Please share this information with members of your building's board or tenant association...and to your friends and colleagues living within CB6.

September Courses at the NYC Business Solutions Center

[NYC Business Solutions](#) is a set of free services offered by the Department of Small Business Services to help businesses start, operate and expand. Whether you're an entrepreneur, running a small business or a large corporation, they will have free services for your needs. Upcoming courses this month include: [Business Financial Management](#); [Accessing Financing](#); [Intro to Financial Projections](#); and [Small Business Digital Toolkit: Social Media Fundamentals](#).

Download our 311 Flyer



Post or forward [our flyer](#) that explains how calling 311 can help keep our neighborhood clean and orderly. You can also enter 311 requests online at www.nyc.gov/311 or from a smartphone.

Contact office@cbsix.org with the 311 request number you are given to expedite service.

Call 911 to report emergencies or crimes in

progress. [Download the flyer here.](#)

Learn More About CB6 and Community Boards

Go to our [resources page](#) to learn about how CB6 and community boards work. While there you will also find directories of community organizations, senior services and elected officials.

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