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Closure on Crane Accident, at Last

By Bruce Silberblatt

wo condominium towers are going up on two northeastern corners of Second Avenue: 51st Street (The Halcyon) and 50th Street. They are totally different in design, yet their histories are entwined.

The Halcyon topped out in July 2013, and is designed with a metal and glass façade. Its origins go back to 2006, when its then developer, Kennelly, broke ground for what was expected to be a 42-story, 500-foot-tall spire. The Department of Buildings (DOB) swiftly granted approval, although the design was woefully out of compliance with city zoning regulations. As it also emerged, negligence ruled the construction site: equipment was vastly below safety codes and the DOB was lax in auditing building operations.

The TBA was the lone whistleblower. We protested the violations, and, for several months, were brushed off by the DOB, which continued to court disaster until it was too late. On March 15, 2008, the tower crane at the site collapsed, killing seven and injuring 24 others. In the accident, part

of the crane, including the cab and engine, crashed into and destroyed a townhouse, and ripped off the rear of an old six-story apartment building, one block south, on what is now the site of new construction, at 301 East 50th Street. Belatedly, the DOB admitted its error, and, within a few months, stopped all further work on the incomplete 19-story skeleton. Kennelly went bankrupt soon after.

The Great Recession of 2008 ensued, and construction activity ground to a halt, citywide. The crane site with its skeleton structure languished, and the corner of 50th Street remained scarred behind fencing, both bitter reminders of one of the worst New York City construction accidents in years. Five-and-a-half years went by before construction activity revived.

At The Halcyon, the developer HFZ took over and radically altered the plans to comply with zoning regulations. The existing structure overran zoning limits by eight feet to the east. HFZ took down the offending portion of the structure and re-



Arrows point to construction sites on Second Avenue, at 50th (I.) and 51st (r.) Streets.

constructed it on the Second Avenue side, a difficult and noisy operation. The rest of the tower, 13 floors, was then erected, bringing the height to 360 feet and 32 stories.

There were further complications. Mechanical equipment in the original apartment layouts on the lower floors was alcontinued on page 10

TBA Places New Trash Cans at Busy Corners

By BILL HUXLEY

The TBA has bought and deployed eight new trash receptacles. Funded by generous grants from City Council Member Dan Garodnick and former City Council Member Jessica Lappin, the initiative is part of our commitment to keep the neighborhood clean.

Placed along Second Avenue on the corners from 49th to 52nd Streets, the decorative new baskets, bearing the TBA's name, have replaced the unattractive and frequently-overflowing wire baskets previously located there. We have contracted with The Doe Fund, whose employees will service the cans with their signature white plastic liners, twice-a-day, seven days a week.



(I.-r.) Alex Hunt, Business Manager, The Doe Fund; Johnson, a Doe Fund Supervisor; Bill Curtis, President of the TBA; Doe Fund employee who relines baskets twice daily, and Olga Hoffman, a TBA member.

Coming Soon

Keep your mouse ready.

We will soon launch the TBA's Facebook page.

Watch for our email blast announcing the date, then visit us and...



Obituaries

Roy Goodman Dies at 84

Roy M. Goodman, the New York State senator who represented Manhattan's East Side for more than thirty years, died of respiratory failure on Tuesday, June 3.

Mr. Goodman entered politics as one of



Roy Goodman in 1970. Credit: Librado Romero/ The New York Times.

a group of New York liberal Republicans who were powerful in federal, state and city politics, roughly from the mid-1950's to the early 1980's.

Mr. Goodman championed legal abortion, rent regulations, gay rights, le-

galized prostitution, and he opposed the death penalty. He succeeded in amending the City Charter, in 1975, to expand the power of community boards, require balanced budgets and public disclosure of labor contracts, loosen mayoral control of spending, and give the city comptroller broad power to audit agencies.

Mr. Goodman's wife, Barbara Furrer, died in 2006. He is survived by three children and six grandchildren.

— This article is adapted, and in part copied, from the obituary by Richard Pérez-Peña, with reporting by Peter Keepnews, The New York Times website, June 3, 2014.

Great Tweets from The City of NY @nycgov



Annual melanoma cases in NYC have doubled since the 1990s. @nycHealthy reminds NYers to use sunscreen when outdoors: http://on.nyc.gov/1jFjpmV.

If you find a dog that has a NYC dog license, use the Dog eLocator to help reunite him or her with the owner on nyc.gov/1d2VTLh@nyc311.

Michael Brown, 93, Dies

Michael Brown, the cabaret performer and songwriter, died on June 11 from lymphoma. He was a longtime resident of Turtle Bay and a member of the TBA.

Mr. Brown was well-known for writing, directing and singing in mid-century industrial musicals put on by American corporations to entertain and motivate their employees at meetings. The shows celebrated the companies' products and successes, featured professional casts and might cost as much as \$500,000.

One of his greatest successes was "Wonderful World of Chemistry," created for the DuPont pavilion at the 1964 World's Fair in New York. The 24-minute show was seen by an estimated five million people and ran for 17,000 performances, a record that far outstrips even the longest-running Broadway musicals.

Mr. Brown is survived by his wife, Joy Williams Brown, and two sons, Michael Jr. and Kelly. Another son, Adam, died in 1994.

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Michael Brown in 1977. Credit: The New York Times.

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Community Calendar

17th Precinct Community Council

Open Meeting
Last Tuesday every month, 6 pm
Sutton Place Synagogue
225 East 51st Street
212-826-3228

(No meetings July, August, December)

Community Board 6

Full Board Meeting Second Wednesday every month, 7 pm NYU Medical Center 550 First Avenue

Now live online at http://wp.cbsix.org/live

212-319-3750

17th Precinct's C.O. Focuses on Community's Quality of Life

By Lois Avery Gaeta

As Commanding Officer of the 17th Precinct, Captain Clint McPherson is an emblem of success familiar to many New Yorkers whose families have moved to this country, bringing fresh talent and dedication to the city.

Born in Guyana and a Brooklyn resident since the age of 12, as a teen, Captain McPherson was inspired by a police officer assigned to his high school, who



became his mentor. This officer helped him realize how rewarding a police officer's career could be. While earning a bachelor's degree at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice, McPherson attended a NYPD cadet program for college students and graduated from the Cadet Academy in 1993.

His 21-year career began on patrol in

Brooklyn, where his stellar performance in several precincts moved him up the ranks from sergeant to lieutenant to captain. His experience included stints in the Organized Crime Control Bureau (OCCB) narcotics, Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB), and detective squads of two precincts. He then went to the Counter Terrorism Bureau where he oversaw the training of police officers in active shooter response in a building crime environment, such as the Columbine High School tragedy in Colorado. He was also part of the team that deployed officers to large-scale events, like the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade and New Year's Eve celebration in Times Square.

About the challenges of the 17th Precinct, McPherson, now age 44, noted, "Street violence and overt narcotics are not prevalent in this area. Grand larceny is a big problem: that is, theft of property valued at more than \$1000, credit card and identity theft, and skimming at bank ATM machines." McPherson specifically cautioned the community that theft of unattended belongings – casually placed purses in restaurants and electronics left in full sight

on car seats – is among the most frequent crimes in our area.

He also emphasized that traffic tie-ups and road accidents receive the most complaints, and he underscored the many injuries that result from the dangerous habits of cyclists who ride on sidewalks and ignore traffic signals. "We have stepped up enforcement of traffic rules and are having good success with [Mayor De Blasio's] Vision Zero traffic and safety improvement push. It's an ongoing goal."

Reminded that the timing of the 69th Session of the UN General Assembly (from September 16 to October 1) will mark six months since he joined the 17th Precinct, Captain McPherson responded by assuring the community that he expects police officers to do a great job of protecting citizens, visitors and dignitaries in the neighborhood during this time. He asked, in advance, for patience as we face heightened pedestrian and traffic congestion, and pointed out that a Temporary Headquarters Vehicle (THV) will be parked at the ready in Dag Hammarskjold Plaza.

Midtown East A Growing Magnet for Apartment Hunters

By Lee Frankel

According to an article in the The New York Times, more apartment hunters are moving to Midtown East (of which Turtle Bay is a large part), because properties in the neighborhood rent and sell at a dis-



count in the Manhattan market.

Until recently, the area was somewhat overlooked, except for its easy commute, the article says. But property hunters are finding other perks in the neighborhood: streets and buildings that retain their old-time charm, the global accent of foreign missions to the UN, and quiet living nearer to the East River.

New development in the neighborhood is also fueling the trend. As the economy bounced back, luxury condominium towers began rising on lots scattered around the neighborhood, and trendy restaurants and bars increasingly draw a younger generation who add to the buzz.

Celebrities are among the residential influx, and some prefer older buildings. Uma Thurman recently bought an apartment at

River House, in the cul-de-sac of East 52nd Street, and Mary Kate Olsen and her fiancé Olivier Sarkozy snapped up a landmarked townhouse on East 49th Street. These are the latest on a long list of famous and influential people who have made their homes in Turtle Bay over the years.

Longtime residents have seen the neighborhood through changes unimag-



ined when they first moved in. As New Yorkers, we take change for granted and welcome our new neighbors. May Turtle Bay be as good a home to them as it has been, and still is, to us.

Based on "Not Just for Happy Hour," Ronda Kaysen, The New York Times, Sunday, June 8, 2014. Also posted on newyorktimes.com, June 6, 2014.

Honoring Peter Schlendorf's Memory by Supporting Young People in Need

By Karen Schlendorf

The Peter Schlendorf Foundation was es-



tablished to honor our son who died at the age of twenty after ingesting ephedra, an over-thecounter herbal supplement.

Pete was a stu-

dent at the University at Albany at the time of his death. He was active in athletics, in theatre productions in both high school and college, and was a founding member of his fraternity. Pete was a young man who enriched the lives of those around him and took great pleasure in helping others. He was bright, talented, athletic, outgoing, and as good a person and friend as you could ever know.

Well over 100 people died after ingesting products containing ephedra, and more than 500 cases of severe adverse reactions, such as heart attack or stroke, were reported. These people were taking overthe-counter supplements they believed to

be safe and harmless, but this was not the case. We fought against these dangerous products, and were able to change the laws to make the marketplace safer for all. Losing a child was heartbreaking; knowing that it was preventable was devastating.

The foundation serves as a vehicle to continue honoring Pete's memory by encouraging other young people to follow his example of service, leadership and genuine caring. The mission is to enable students in our community to reach their goals and dreams. We fund several scholarships in Pete's name and have given out \$85,000 in scholarship awards.

We also accept applications from those concerned about the unmet needs of any young person – needs that would interfere with their success. For example, we purchased a sports wheelchair that allowed a young man to participate in a basketball league for the disabled.

We also funded a science research summer program for a gifted student who could otherwise not afford to attend, and have financed an early literacy program at the Dolan Health Clinic, among others. Our focus is clearly to help the young people of our community, although the manner in which we accomplish this may change each year.

The Peter Schlendorf Foundation is run entirely by volunteers. We are exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and are considered an exempt organization by the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. All of the money we raise goes directly to fund programs for children.

Our annual fund raising event is a Casino Night, held in January at the Yale Club on Vanderbilt Avenue. By passing along the goodness that Pete saw in life we will make this world a better place one person at a time.

Editor's note: Karen Schlendorf lives in the neighborhood. She is a member of the Turtle Bay Association and a volunteer contributor to the newsletter. You can contact and donate to the Peter Schlendorf Foundation at peterschlendorf.org.

Katharine Hepburn Garden Party Draws Happy Guests

This year's celebration of Katharine Hepburn's birthday, on May 10, brought neighbors to Dag Hammarskjold Plaza for entertainment, a garden tour, and a helping of birthday cake and coffee. This yearly event is co-sponsored by Friends of Dag Hammarskjold Plaza and the Turtle Bay Association. We look forward to another day of good weather and high spirits, next year, when we



Jessica Mates (2nd from rt.), of Gayle Brewer's office, joined TBA Board members at the party.

gather again to remember one of our greatest movie stars, Katharine Hepburn, a longtime Turtle Bay resident and lover of plants and flowers.



Norman Curtis entertained party guests.



Dan Quart, State Assembly Member, District 73, spoke to the crowd.



Neighbors viewed photos of Hepburn on permanent display in the garden.



The birthday cake featured Helpburn's picture.

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Learn About Flood Zones and Evacuation Centers in Our Area

Coastal storms, including nor'easters, tropical storms and hurricanes, can and do affect New York City. With sustained winds of 74 mph or greater, hurricanes can flatten buildings, topple trees and turn loose objects into deadly projectiles. A major hurricane could push more than 30 feet of storm surge into some parts of the city.

Under New York State law, the mayor has the power to declare a local state of emergency. This might include issuing evacuation instructions for one or more hurricane evacuation zones.

Deciding to issue evacuation instructions requires in-depth analysis of storm forecasts and local conditions, which is coordinated by the mayor, the Office of Emergency Management, state and federal agencies, the National Weather Service and National Hurricane Center, and jurisdictions throughout New York, Long Island and New Jersey.

The accompanying map and legend show the flood zones and evacuation centers near the Turtle Bay area. The nearest evacuation center is located at Julia Richman Ed. Complex, 317 East 67th Street.

For more information, visit http://maps.nyc.gov/hurricane.

(Text taken from http://maps.nyc.gov/hurricane)

Government at Work

By Lee Frankel

Rep. Carolyn B. Maloney blasted Congress on July 19 for refusal to extend the Export-Import Bank's charter, asserting that this would kill 205,000 jobs nationwide. The Ex-Im Bank helps companies, including 50 based in New York City, finance the export abroad of American-made goods. "There are small businesses throughout our country that will stop exporting their products and would be forced to lay off workers as a result if we allow this to happen," said Maloney.

In mid-July, The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA) presented **Congresswoman Maloney** with the **Ukraine Democracy Award** for her efforts in promoting a strong U.S. policy in support of Ukrainian independence during the seven-monthlong crisis in Crimea.

Expressing frustration, **State Senator Liz Krueger**, in her July Community Bulletin, lamented the close of another legislative session that left so many issues unaddressed, as the "Senate leadership refused to allow floor votes on campaign finance reform, the Dream Act, the full Women's Equality Act, or an increase in the minimum wage." Thinking about her time in Albany, the senator said she could not "recall a session where there was less urgency, or as few actual working days."

Fighting the Hobby Lobby Decision, Senator Liz Krueger and Assembly Member Ellen Jaffee sponsored the "Boss Bill" (A.8769A / S.6578B) to strengthen workplace anti-discrimination laws in New York State by protecting employees' rights to access reproductive health care and services free from employer retalia-

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Speak Up on Neighborhood Concerns The more reports of a complaint, the better the results.

Call 311

litter • loitering • noise • panhandling overflowing garbage cans • homelessness missing trees • dirty/cracked sidewalks • potholes

Expedite 311 Complaints

- Go to www.nyc.gov/311 online or on a smartphone
- 311 will give you a number to identify your completed request
- Contact CB6 with your request number to expedite the request at 212-319-3750 or office@cbsix.org

Call 911

drug activity • prostitution • disorderly behavior crimes in progress • emergencies

Resources

17th Precinct Community Council holds open meetings to build cooperation between residents and the NYPD. Meetings are at 6 pm on the last Tuesday of each month (except July, August and December), at Sutton Place Synagogue, 225 East 51st Street.

Community Board 6 provides information and will help you get involved. Contact 212-319-3750, office@cbsix.org

NYPD, 17th Precinct Community Affairs call 212-826-3228

Complaints become part of the city's electronic record and are routed to agency staff for action. The more calls about an issue, the faster and more focused the attention it will receive.

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Spotlight on Local Business

Kayle & Eden Cookies

Email for information: kandecookies@gmail.com View cookie galleries:

- Pinterest.com/kandecookies
- Facebook: Kayle & Eden Cookies
- Instagram: @Kayle_Eden_Cookies

Custom Cookies Beautiful Enough to Eat and Baked in Turtle Bay

By Candi Obrentz

Turtle Bay residents Eden Perry and baking partner Kayle Jacoby recently launched their company to sell customized cookies. Specializing in sugar cookies (nut-free and baked in a nut-free kitchen), they bake and decorate the cookies apropos of any theme a client might chooses for an event, party, or enjoyment anytime.

Visit the online Kayle & Eden Cookies





Parrot Cookie

Palm Tree Cookie

photo galleries to see their artistic creations. You can let your imagination run wild about how delectable they taste, until, of course, vou take a heavenly bite of your first cookie order. I report this information having sampled a batch of their home-baked choco-



Floise cookie

late chip cookies - a delicious combination of savory, buttery and sweet. Beautiful enough to eat, indeed!

Email Kayle & Eden to find out how you can add a creative, special and tasty touch to your next party.



Star Wars cookies

Welcome, **New Merchant Members**

Restaurants

 Blackwell's Pub & Restaurant 150 East 57th Street 212-661-7890

New: 10% discount with TBA membership card

Hudson Malone 218 East 53rd Street 212-355-6607

John's Coffee Shop 823 Second Avenue 212-867-4955

Picolo Fiore Restaurant 230 East 44th Street 212-922-0581

Printing Services Doremus Financial Printing 228 East 45th St. 212-366-3800

Travel Services Rendezvous Travel 2154 Seneca Drive North Merrick, NY 11566 516-867-8747

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tion. The bill was passed with bipartisan support in the assembly during the final week of this year's legislative session. It was not given a vote by the State Senate.

Assembly Member Dan Quart's provision requiring the state to direct \$15 million of funding to boiler retrofits across New York City was included in this year's enacted state budget in April. A report from Quart's office, "Financing Fresh Air," said the city's 10,000 residential buildings that run on the lowest quality fuels (#4 and #6 oil) produce higher amounts of harmful emissions than all car and truck traffic throughout the city combined. Funding for helpful programs has stopped, leaving a large number of boilers around the city unconverted. Quart's goals are to create a reliable stream of state funding to aid building owners who want to upgrade their boilers to operate on cleaner fuels, and to push forward better and more comprehensive policies.

TBA Honored for Community Service

The 17th Precinct Community Council honored the Turtle Bay Association with an award for outstanding community service at its 2014 Community/Police Appreciation Award Ceremony on May 2.

The Council hosts the ceremony at an annual dinner at Saint Vartan Armenian Cathedral, attended by police officers, their families, and community representatives, where the 17th Precinct announces promotions and awards for exceptional service during the past year.

The community groups present at this year's ceremony

were the Murray Hill Neighborhood Association, Sutton Area Community, Tudor City Association and Turtle Bay Association, representing the neighborhoods served by the 17th Precinct.



Vice President Millie Margiotta receives award on behalf of the TBA from 17th Precinct Community Council.

TBA Salutes Volunteers and Supporters

The TBA is an all-volunteer organization. We rely solely on our members, friends and neighbors who generously donate their time and services to help us support the community.

On May 21, we thanked our volunteers

with a beautiful cocktail party, hosted by Davio's Restaurant (one of our merchant members), who did a splendid job serving drinks and delicious hors d'oeuvres from their fabulous Northern Italian-style kitchen. Everyone left happy and well-fed.

A private reception room in the Kimberly Hotel above Davio's offered guests luxury in comfort and style. TBA board members and volunteers mingled and met with community civil servants: Captain Clint McPherson, Commanding Officer of the 17th Precinct; Captain Stephen Marsar of FDNY's Engine 8, Ladder 2, Battalion 8, Division 3; Assembly Member Dan Quart; and City Council Member Ben Kallos.

The pictures on this page tell the story of the evening's success.





























FDNY Captain Stephen Marsar and Commanding Officer of the 17th Precinct, Captain Clint McPherson.



Dan Campanelli, of Scott Stringer's office.



FDNY Captain Stephen Marsar (2nd fr. l.) and 5th District Council Member Dan Ben Kallos (2nd fr. r.) pose with board and members.



Davio's wonderful wait staff.

Arts & Culture

Japan Society

333 East 47th Street 212-832-1155 japansociety.org

Box Office Hours: Mon. - Fri., 11 am - 6 pm, Weekends during gallery exhibitions, 11 am - 5 pm Gallery: Tues. - Thurs., 11 am - 6 pm, Fri., 11 am - 9 pm, Sat. and Sun., 11 am - 5 pm Closed on Mondays and major holidays. Gallery Admission: \$12; students and seniors \$10; members and children under 16 free. Fri. nights, 6 pm - 9 pm, free to all.

Lectures and Tastinas Friday, September 12, 6:30 pm

Kampai! The World of Japanese Beer. This annual beer event features rare brews

from Japan's craft beer industry. Kansai University Professor Mark Meli will delve into the culture and history of innovative Japanese



brews. The tasting reception will offer samples of many unique and hard-to-come-by beers. A sell-out every year. Buy your tickets now. Tickets: \$28/\$23 Japan Society members and seniors. Must be at least 21-years-old.

Get to Know Japan Series Tuesday, September 30, 6:30 pm

The Allure of Ishikawa: Where Food Meets Art. Renowned chef and food ambassador Michael Romano showcases the rich food culture and cultural treasures of the Ishikawa Prefecture. Ohi Toshio, a member of the historic Ohi Pottery family, will discuss his company's iconic ceramic works and the local art of Ishikawa. Followed by a reception with regional sake from multiple brewers and food made from local products. Tickets: \$16/\$12 Japan Society members, seniors and students. Must be at least 21-years-old for sake-tasting reception.

Music

Saturday, September 27, 7:30 pm

The Shamisen Sessions, Vol. 1. Hiromitsu Agatsuma + Akiko Yano. The jazz virtuoso and the musical luminary perform together for the first time, united by their ability to transform the sentimental strains of Japan's beloved folk songs (min'yo) into cool jazz/pop

tunes, Agatsuma and Yano use three strings, 88 keys and endearing vocals that breathe new life into this musical



genre. Performance followed by Meet-the-Artists reception. Tickets: \$35/\$28 Japan Society

members. Call the box office for information on discounts.

Corporate Program Wednesday, October 8, 6 - 8:30 pm, including reception

East Asia on the Brink: What Japan Must Do to Assure Regional Stability. East Asia is at a historic crossroads, as arguments over collective self-defense in the Japanese Diet occur alongside unprecedented expansion of military assets in China. A distinguished panel, led by Keynote Speaker The Honorable Seiji Maehara, Former Minister for Foreign Affairs and Member of Japan's House of Representatives, discusses the geopolitics of the region today. Admission: non-members: \$15; corporate members: free. For information call 212-715-1208 or email register@japansociety.org.

Gallery Exhibition

October 10 through January 11 Garden of Unearthly Delights: Works by artists Manabu Ikeda, Hisashi Tenmyouya & art and technology collective teamLab. A monster tsunami uproots a city. Modern

tough guys lock samurai-style in battle. Candy-colored streams of animals and flow-

ers hyperpixilate. These dramatic visual moments are among many to be encountered in this new exhibition.



created by today's takami, or master artisans. Come stroll through their fantastical visions.

St. Peter's Church

619 Lexington Avenue/54th Street saintpeters.org

Mid-Day Jazz Series Wednesdays, 1 - 2 pm **Donation \$10**

August 27

Geoff Gallante, Trumpet. The 13-year-old

artist plays. Also with Ronny Whyte on piano and Dean Johnson on bass.

September 3 Barbara Carroll, Piano; Jay Leonhart, Bass.

September 10

Sandy Stewart, Singer. With Bill Charlap at piano.

September 17 Marlene VerPlanck, Singer.

September 24

100th Anniversary Tribute to Matt Dennis. With Bob Dorough, Mary Foster Conklin, Roz Corral, Alex Leonard, Ronny Whyte, Boots Maleson, David Silliman.

October 1

Warren Chiasson, Vibes.

October 8 Kyle Athayde Big Band.

October 15 Karen Oberlin, Singer.

Jazz on the Plaza Thursdays at 12:30 pm during the summer months

Held in the public outdoor plaza between Saint Peter's Church and 53rd Street at Lexington Avenue, these midday concerts are free of

charge and open to the public. Many people bring lunch or purchase it from one of the several area vendors. In the event of inclement weather. the concert may be moved indoors to



the Sanctuary of Saint Peter's Church, where guests are asked not to bring food.

325 Park Avenue/East 51st http://mmpaf.org

Summer Festival of Sacred Music Sundays, 11 am

Each Sunday begins with an organ voluntary at 10:50 am. The day's choral work is then presented within the context of St. Bart's 11 am service. This series is free and open to the public, a gift supported entirely by donations.

The Nobility of German Romanticism. Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy's "Die Deutsche Liturgie," (1846).

Austerity Transformed to Radiance.

Maurice Duruflé's "Messe cum jubilo," Op. 11. Men's voices, string orchestra and organ.

September 7

History's Musical Prodigy. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's "Missa in C (The Coronation)," KV 317. St. Bartholomew's Choir, St. Bart's Singers and The Boy and Girl Choristers with an orchestra of period instruments.

September 14

New Orleans on Park Avenue. Bob Chilcott's "A Little Jazz Mass."

Arts & Culture

The German Consulate General

871 United Nations Plaza (48th / 49th) 212-610-9700 www.germany.info

Art Exhibit September 2 through 19

Rudolf Bauer - Forgotten 20th Century Master Painter.

Born in Germany in 1889. Rudolf Bauer was introduced to Solomon Guggenheim by Bauer's lover, the painter Hilla von Rebay. Guggenheim freed Bauer from the Nazis, brought him to America, and purchased every Bauer Museum, New York, painting he could find. When the Guggenheim heim Founding Collec-Museum opened, none of the paintings was



(Composi-Invention tion 31), 1933. Solomon R. Guagenheim Solomon R. Guggention, By gift 41.149 (© Rudolf Bauer).

on view and more than 300 of Bauer's great works stayed in the museum's basement. Betrayal and scandal caused Bauer to stop painting. Forgotten for 75 years until this exhibit, Bauer is today thought to have had a major impact on modern artists like Jackson

Pollock and Willem de Kooning. Admission is free.

Television Documentary Monday, August 25, 9 pm

"Betrayal: The Life and Art of Rudolf Bauer," will air on New York's Channel THIRTEEN.

Theater September 2 through October 12 59E59 Theater

"Bauer: Art. Betrayal Defiance." A play that imagines a face-off between Bauer and the two women he loved most, as each confronts the passions of his life and art. For information and tickets, visit www.59e59.org; box office, 212-279-4200, 59E59 between Park and Madison.

Grand Central Library

135 East 46th Street (Lexington/Third) 212-621-0670 nypl.org/locations/grand-central

Fully accessible to wheelchairs. All programs are free unless noted.

Midday Book Discussion Monday, September 8, 1 - 2 pm

One Summer: America, 1927. Bill Bryson examines the events and personalities of the

summer of 1927 when America's story was one of brawling adventure, reckless optimism and delirious energy. Pick up your copy today and join us for a fun and lively discussion.

Monday, October 6, 1 pm

The Heart of the Matter by Graham Greene. See website for more information.

Turtle Bay Music School

244 East 52nd Street 212-753-8811 tbms.org

Saturday, September 13, 12 - 4 pm Back-to-School Block Party. This free family-friendly event will feature faculty performances, class demonstrations, and an instrument petting zoo.

Lenox Hill Senior Center

At St. Peter's Church

619 Lex. Ave., 54th St., saintpeters.org Contact: Fabian Arias, 646-244-5404 neuquenedu@aol.com

Monday: 9 am - 4 pm Wednesday - Saturday: 9 am - 4pm

Serving more than 3,000 members, the center is open five days a week, including Saturdays. Lunch



is served each day. Activities feature shopping trips to stores including Costco and Trader Joe's; yoga, dance and movement classes; tablet computers; bowling; movies; and assistance with driver's license and other official proofs of I.D., landlord-tenant disputes, SCRIE/ DRIE, doctor visits, SNAP benefits, and legal advocacy. A newsletter listing monthly scheduled events and lunch menus appears online at www.lenoxhill.org. Transportation is available to the center, in time for lunch, by calling 212-218-0505, the evening before. For general information, call 212-308-1959 or email stpetersinfo@lenoxhill.org.

Flowers planted in neighborhood tree beds by Turtle Bay Tree Fund volunteers.

National Night Out Against Crime

The 17th Precinct's annual Night Out Against Crime had a huge turnout on August 5, at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza. Kids jumped around in the Bouncy House, and adults enjoyed Turkish food and live music. Police officers were on hand to meet and educate citizens about safety and crime-avoidance. State Senator Liz Krueger, District 4 Council Member Dan Garodnick, and CB6 District Manager Dan Miner were all there, along with representatives of the Friends of Dag Hammarskjold Plaza and the Turtle Bay Association.



This year's event set a high bar that only next year's can beat.





"ARCH III" Now on View Dag Hammarskjold Plaza

Visit Dag Hammarskjold Plaza through the end of September to take in "Arch III," a powerful work by the renowned Elizabeth Strong-Cuevas, on display just off Second Avenue and 47th Street.

Strong-Cuevas sees heads as metaphors for the spaces they inhabit and the abstract ideas they generate. Influenced by the ancient Egyptians, Mayans and Aztecs, her work conjures impressions of iconic architecture and monuments to gods lost to time. This is seen in the scale of her work, as well as her use of abstract faces and lines. Visit nycgovparks.org/art to learn more.

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ready installed and had to be changed. Also, buyers in today's market expect a variety of amenities. The plan had been to use two lower floors for an indoor swimming pool, gym, spa and library; however, the design for the first 19 floors could not accommodate them. The builder, instead, altered the design to make space on the 20th and 21st floors. Look upward and you can see that these two levels have taller windows than elsewhere in the building.

301 East 50th Street was delayed until the old apartment house damaged in the accident was razed and its site, combined with 305 East 50th, was at last sold to the current builder, CBSK Ironstate. Construc-



tion began in early 2014 on what will be 29-stories of condominium units – two stories higher than normal. The allowance is because the building is designed with a limestone façade far thicker than a metal and glass enclosure. It consumes more floor space, but yields savings through climate control, which has also been carried through on interior finishes and mechanical equipment. A new program rewards developers for producing "green" buildings, and 301 East 50th is a pioneer.

The TBA has been keeping a close eye on the construction work. With the vital help of Assemblyman Dan Quart and his capable staff member Matt Walsh, and that of Dan Miner, District Manager of CB6, we have arrived at this point.

At last, we have closure from the past. Turtle Bay will soon have two new buildings with different designs, each fulfilling the same need, each with its own solution to unique construction challenges.

TBA Street Fair Is a Success

Each year on Father's Day, the TBA Street Fair attracts tourists and visitors from the neighborhood and the city. This year was no exception.

Vendors along Lexington Avenue between 42nd and 57th Streets offered food, drinks and all kinds of goods for sale. Since the TBA donates the proceeds to community organizations in the neighborhood, the street fair was doubly successful. It was a great day for all.



17th Precinct's Capt. Clint McPherson joins TBA leaders at Annual Street Fair.

Board at Work

- Honored by the 17th Precinct Community Council for partnering with the NYPD
- Monitoring improper weekend work at construction sites in the area.
- Placing extra trash cans at busy corners.
- Working with The Doe Fund to keep the neighborhood clean.
- Bringing neighbors together at events throughout the year.

TBA MEMBERSHIP COUPON Yes, I want to join the Turtle Bay Association to help support our community's quality of life. **Annual Membership Dues** ☐ Senior \$15 ☐ Individual \$25 ☐ Family \$30 ☐ Business \$40 ■ Benefactor \$100 ☐ Pacesetter \$250 Name _____ Apt ____ Address City/State/Zip Home Phone _____ Work Phone ____ ☐ I would like to become more involved in TBA activities. Please make your check payable to Turtle Bay Association. Mail to: Turtle Bay Association, 224 E. 47th St., New York, NY 10017

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