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## TURTLE BAY NEWS

From the Turtle Bay Association, neighborhood association for Manhattan's Turtle Bay, East Midtown, home of the United Nations.

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### **President's Report**

As the pandemic is hopefully ending and we are getting back to our normal activities, it was important to once again have an in-person annual meeting, the first since 2019.

The rain did not put a damper on our 2022 Annual Meeting, which coincided with TBA's 65th Anniversary. The joint meeting and celebration were held on October 17 at Instituto Cervantes, located at 211 E. 49th Street, in the historic landmark, Amster Yard, one of New York's most beautiful inner courtyards. It was especially fitting to hold the event at that location where, in 1957, TBA was formed to address concerns over a city plan to widen East 49th Street. The success of the opposition to that plan by a small group of neighbors continues to inspire

our mission today, as was evident in the reports of each of the chairs of the TBA committees. who described their activities during the year and plans for the future. The results of the election of Officers and Directors for the calendar year January 1 thru December 31, 2023 was also reported.

Thanks to City Council Member Keith Powers for giving us an update of current and future issues in District 4, and to NYPD Officer John Lamneck of the 17th Precinct, who gave us an update of the many safety issues in the neighborhood.

Following the meeting, guests enjoyed refreshments from the Amish Market, while reminiscing with the aid of a video montage of TBA photos from the past.

We want to thank Instituto Cervantes Executive Director Richard Bueno Hudson for allowing TBA to use this NYC landmark. Also, many thanks to Delia Antelo for her help with all aspects of the evening's celebration.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a safe and happy Thanksgiving. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming December events.



# The Turtle Bay Association Annual Meeting & 65th Anniversary Celebration, October 17, 2022











ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TURTLE BAY ASSOCIATION Monday, October, 17, 2022 – 6-9pm Instituto Cervantes at Amster Yard

- A) Welcome to the Membership Dolores Marsh, President
- B) Nominating Committee Report Meryl Brodsky
- C) Treasurer's Report Michael Resnick
- D) Safety Committee Report Cindi Buckwalter
- E) Special Events Committee Report Phyllis Gitomer
- F) Land Use Committee Report Meryl Brodsky
- G) Professional Networking/Communications Committee Report Candi Obrentz
- H) Recognition of Elected Officials
- I) Closing Remarks

Refreshments

## NYC "It's My Park Day" October 22, Saturday at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza



### "Neighborhood Policing" in Turtle Bay

By Harriett Galvin

Throughout New York City, the NYPD has put into practice the concept of "neighborhood policing," a crime-fighting strategy built on improved communications between police officers and community residents. TBA, which is dedicated to improving the quality of life and safety of those who live and work in our community, takes full advantage of this program. TBA Board Member, Cindi Buckwalter, chairs the Safety Committee and she, along with other board members, attends the meetings of the 17th Precinct Community Council, held at 6:30 p.m. on the last Tuesday of every month, both on zoom and in person, at the Sutton Place Synagogue on 51 Street between Second and Third Avenues. Deputy Inspector Aaron Edwards, Commanding Officer of the 17th Precinct, informs those attending the meetings of crime statistics during the preceding 28 days. He also offers tips and advice to promote public safety and he answers questions, many of which relate to quality-of-life issues, such as homelessness, traffic, and noise. At the most recent meeting, on October 25, several Transit Police officers were also present to discuss subway crime, to give helpful tips to subway riders, and to report the presence of additional officers and cameras at all stations, including those at East 51st and 59th Streets.

All members of the public are welcome to attend these meetings and to speak up about any and all concerns. If you email Nora Reichard at norareichard@gmail.com, she will send you a friendly reminder about the upcoming meeting and provide you with a zoom invitation.

TBA Board members also attend "Build the Block" meetings with our Neighborhood Coordination Officers (NCOs), who are assigned to specific sectors that comprise the 17th Precinct. Our NCO in Sector B is Police Officer John Lamneck (John.Lamneck@nypd.org), who is available to engage with community residents at any time about any issue of concern. The next meeting is on Saturday, November 19, 12 noon, at 5 Tudor City Place. Check the website of the 17th Precinct to find out about future meeting dates, times and places.

# Oktoberfest – October 29, Saturday at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza





### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **HOLIDAY TOY/GIFT DRIVE**

Sunday, December 4, 3–5:30PM at Parnell's Restaurant Admission is a toy or gift Refreshments & Cash Bar



#### TREE LIGHTING

Thursday, December 15, 5:45–7:30PM at Dag Hammarskjold Park Carolers, refreshments FEATURING THE

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