

THE MANHATTAN MIDTOWN

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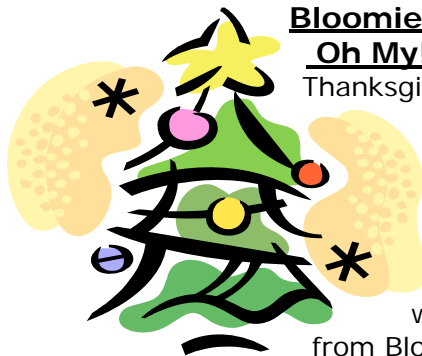
Dear Friends-

As 2007 winds down, and the temperatures fall, New Yorker's start to head indoors. The month of December brings with it, though, lots of outdoor activities. What would the Holiday season be without a stroll past the windows of NYC's most famous department stores? Could 2007 even end if it weren't for the annual count down in Times' Square? Need we even mention Rockefeller Center?

There's no slowing down for this city. Enjoy the holidays!

Sincerely,
Community Board Five

Community News and Events



Bloomie's, Bergdorf, and Barney's

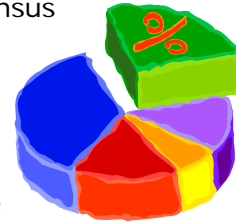
Oh My! - As traditional as turkey on Thanksgiving is the ornate story-telling of the department store windows of NYC.

Tales of wonder and merriment abound in miniature and all manner of classic and ultra-hip styles. What better way to witness these wonderlands than to wander on a

winter evening, wending your way from Bloomingdale's on the east side to

Macy's on the west side. For a map of all the stores with window decorations, click [here](#). And don't forget to stop off in Rockefeller Center to take in the Christmas tree, the tree lighting ceremony is scheduled for November 28, at 7pm. Call 212-632-3975 for up to date information.

OK, Count Off! - So you thought the U.S. Census was something that happened only every ten years. The U.S. Census Bureau's Reference Center website is continually open to the public, offering quality statistical data about the nation's people and economy. Broken down into many subcategories, you can find the information you need, such as stats on manufacturing, retail and other business sectors, detailed maps, federal agency statistics, and major economic indicators.

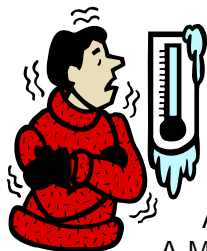


Additionally, the Census Bureau provides information for local employment opportunities. For further information, visit www.census.gov/employment. Or contact the NY Regional office at 212.584.3400.

Ten...Nine...Eight... - Oh, what a year brings. Has it been a year?!! It's that time once again, boys and girls, when thoughts turn nostalgic and excitement runs high. New Year's Eve in New York City is as iconic as the Empire State Building. Visitors from all over the world travel to Midtown to stand shoulder to shoulder for hours upon hours in the freezing cold – all for an event that lasts ten second. Well, it is a once in a lifetime pilgrimage. New Year's Eve at the symbolic center of New York City has become more than just a celebration - it's a global tradition. The world holds its breath...and cheers as the clock strikes twelve. If you're planning on making the trek, or just want to survive the onslaught, visit the Times Square Alliance website at www.timessquareny.org for event scheduling, area activities, and answers to the most important questions, like will there be public restrooms available? (Sorry.)



City Agency Announcements



Be Bold Not Cold - The "heat season" is upon us and continues through May 31, 2008. During heat season, residential owners with tenants are required *by law* to maintain an indoor temperature of at least 68 degrees Fahrenheit between 6:00 A.M. and 10:00 P.M. Between 10:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M., building owners must maintain an indoor temperature of 55 degrees. Tenants have a right to adequate heating in during the cold weather months. If you're not getting enough heat, you should first contact the building owner, managing agent or superintendent. If heat is not restored, you should call the **City's Citizen Service Center** at 311 which is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The City's Citizen Service Center can also receive complaints from hearing-impaired tenants via a Touchtone Device for the Deaf TDD at (212) 504-4115.

Help When It's Needed - Older New Yorkers can apply for a HEAP grant to help meet the challenge of paying for heating and utility costs during the cold winter months. A federally funded program, HEAP provides financial assistance to limited-income households to assist with the costs of heating and energy. Seniors are eligible for HEAP if they meet the income guidelines, are 60 years of age or older, or are the head of household receiving Social Security Disability or Supplemental Security Income Code A (SSI) and lives alone or with a spouse only. Older New Yorkers who pay for heat and utilities directly and those whose heat and utilities are included in their rent are eligible to apply for the Home Energy Assistance Program. Last year, the City issued an estimated 466,278 grants totaling approximately \$32 million. To receive a HEAP application, seniors can call 311 or visit DFTA at www.nyc.gov/aging. For more information on HEAP, seniors can log onto ACCESS NYC at www.nyc.gov or call the Info Line at 1-877-HRA-8411 or visit their website at www.nyc.gov/hra.



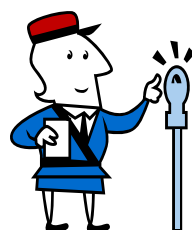
Don't Let The Flu Make You Blue - Influenza, commonly known as the flu, is a highly contagious respiratory illness whose symptoms include fever, cough, muscle aches, and sore throat. Every year, more than 2,500 New Yorkers die of flu and pneumonia. A flu shot is just as important as any other life-saving medication, and you need *this*

year's flu shot for *this year's* flu because last year's shot will no longer protect you.

Flu shots are available from October through June, and the sooner you get one, the quicker you'll be protected. People who should *always* get a flu shot every year include:

- People age 50 and older (especially those 65 and older).
- Children from age 6 months until their 5th birthday.
- People in nursing homes and other long-term-care facilities.
- Pregnant women.
- Anyone with long-term health problems, including diabetes, heart and kidney disease, and compromised immune systems.

Even if you don't fall into one of those categories, you could still benefit from a flu shot. Flu shots are available from your family doctor, employers, the NYC Health Department, and Senior Centers. For more information on where you can get a low- or no-cost flu shot, visit www.nyc.gov/health/flu or call 311.



NYC Parking Regulations – There are many legally recognized holidays on which parking regulations are suspended. For the month of December, parking regulations are officially suspended on the following days:

Monday, Dec. 8 – *Immaculate Conception*
Monday – Wednesday, Dec. 8 – 10 – *Idu-Adha*
Thursday, Dec. 25 - *Christmas Day*

Changes occur often, so call 311 for daily updates. For more information on Parking Regulations, visit the [DOT Parking Calendar](#) at www.nyc.gov.

Precinct Community Council Meetings

Each month local Police Precincts hold **Community Council Meetings** where community members can voice their concerns for local issues affecting their quality of life.



Council meetings are open to all residents of the precinct. The four precincts located in Community Board Five, and their respective Council meeting times are:

- **10th Precinct** - last Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm. Contact: Det. Mike Petrillo at 212-741-8226
- **13th Precinct** - Every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm. Contact: P.O. Mike Hnatko at 212-477-7427
- **Midtown North Precinct** - Every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm. Contact: Det. Stephen Giaco or Det. Diane Menig at 212-767-8447
- **Midtown South Precinct** - Every 3rd Thursday at 7pm. Contact: Det. Adam D'Amico at 212-239-9846

Liquor License Applicants

Attached is a spreadsheet listing this month's applicants.

If you have any questions regarding this list, please call the office or email office@cb5.org.

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We're on the Web!
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If your organization would like to publicize an event in **The Manhattan Midtown**, email your request to: office@cb5.org. To be considered for publication events must be free and open to the public.

Manhattan Community Board Five, 450 Seventh Avenue, Suite 2109

December 2007 Preliminary Committee Meeting Schedule

(Agenda is subject to change, please call (212) 465-0907

or visit www.cb5.org for the latest meeting information)

DECEMBER 3 **Joint Parks and Landmarks**
MONDAY *Maxine Teitler and Layla Law-Gisiko co-chairing at Madison Club, 5 East 22nd Street and Broadway, 30th*
6:00 PM *Floor*

Agenda:

- **Union Square Hospitality Group**, application for Big Apple Barbeque in Madison Square Park combined with a street festival on Madison Avenue, between 23rd and 26th Streets.

DECEMBER 3 **Parks**
MONDAY *Maxine Teitler chairing at Madison Club, 5 East 22nd Street and Broadway, 30th Floor*

Agenda:

- *To be announced*

DECEMBER 4 **Landmarks**
TUESDAY *Howard Mendes chairing at Parsons School of Design 560 Seventh Avenue and 40th Street, Basement Level*

Agenda:

1. **1164 Broadway, Madison Square North Historic District**, application for Certificate of Appropriateness to demolish and to construct on its site a new 12 story building, with a penthouse, which will be connected internally to 1170 Broadway; and
2. **1170 Broadway**, application to construct a rooftop addition.
3. **186 Fifth Avenue and 23rd Street, Ladies' Mile Historic District**, application to renovate and design new residential entrance.
4. **52 West 21st Street, (5th and 6th Avenues) Ladies' Mile Historic District**, application to renovate the building and to secure a Certificate of Occupancy for the commercial and residential uses.

DECEMBER 4 **Human Services & Youth**
TUESDAY *Susan Baida chairing at the Board Office, 450 Seventh Avenue, Suite 2109, between 34th and 35th Streets*

Agenda:

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DECEMBER 4 **Transportation/Environment**
TUESDAY *Kevin Finnegan chairing at the Flatiron/23rd Street Partnership BID, 27 West 24th Street, Suite 800B*

Agenda:

- 9 West 31 Street, Request to extend their No Standing Sign approximately ¾ from their frontage.

DECEMBER 5 **Land Use & Zoning**
WEDNESDAY *John Mills chairing at FIT, 227 West 27th Street, "A" Building, 8th Floor, Room A803*

Agenda:

- (1) **N 080045ZAM**, application for authorization pursuant to Section 81-744(b) (transfer of development rights by authorization) of the ZR to allow the transfer of 18,537 sq. ft. of floor area from **Booth Theater, 222 West 45th Street**, and transfer of 29,667 sq. ft. of floor area from **Shubert Theater, 225 West 44th Street**. and (2) **N 080046 ZCM**, application for certification by CPC pursuant to Section 81-744(a) (transfer of development rights by certification) of the ZR to allow the transfer of 42,081 sq. ft. of floor area from Booth Theater, 222 West 45th Street, and transfer 67,351 sq. ft. of floor area from Shubert Theater, 225 West 44th Street to property located at **250 West 55th Street** to facilitate the development of a 39-story mixer building.

DECEMBER 10 **Executive**
MONDAY *David Siesko chairing at the Board Office, 450 Seventh Avenue, Suite 2109 (between 34th and 35th Streets)*
12 NOON **Ongoing discussions**

DECEMBER 10 **Public Safety & Quality of Life**
MONDAY *Vikki Barbero chairing at the Fashion Center BID, 209 West 38th Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room.*

Agenda Item:

- **Meeting Cancelled**

DECEMBER 12 **Consents & Variances**
WEDNESDAY *Layla Law-Gisiko, chairing, at 450 Seventh Avenue, Suite 2109, between 34th and 35th Streets*

Agenda :

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Full Board Meeting

Thursday, December 13, 2007, 6:00 p.m.

Fashion Institute of Technology

227 West 27th Street

"A" Building, 8th Floor

Public Session:

- **Members of the public are encouraged to speak at either the Committee meeting or the Public Hearing session of the monthly Board meeting**

Business Session:

Chair's Report (David Siesko)

Adoption of November 2007 Minutes

Committee Reports:

Old Business/New Business:

Manhattan Community Board 5 - - 2006 – Liquor License Applications Notifications

On-Premises = OP, Additional Bar = ADD, Restaurant Wine & Beer =RW, Alteration = Alt, Transfer = Trf, CAB= Cabaret, CAT=Caters, SLA Notice = Not,
SLA 500 Ft Hearing = 500 ft.

Rcvd	Name	D/B/A	Address	New	Renew	SLA	Cab
10/17/07	MLB Enterprises Corp	Lace	725 Seventh Ave (b/t 48 & 49 St)	ALT			
	MM 58th LLC	The Grand	41 East 58 Street	TSF			
	Thompkins Hospitality LLC		132 West 58 Street	OP			
	Cheong & Seng Corp		238 West 56 Street		OP		
	La Pizza Fresca Ltd		31 East 20 Street		RW		
	Manhattan Gourmet Market Inc		35 West 45 Street		RW		
10/19/07	Soon Young Jo Corp	Shilla Restaurant	37 West 32 Street	OP			
	63 West 35 Street Owner LLC		63 West 35 Street	HL			
	Irving Plaza Concerts Inc		17 Irving Place (b/t 15 & 16 St)		OP		
10/22/07	Bogart's On Park Inc		99 Park Avenue		OP		
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	YKH Corp		48 West 48 Street		EB		
	Modern Restaurant Corp		114-116 East 16 Street			Notice	
10/24/07	Telly Hatziegeorgiou (Principal)	Entity to be formed	54 West 21 Street	OP			
	Center for Jewish History		15 West 16 Street		OP		
	La Revise Associates LLC	Brasserie Ruhlmann	45 Rockefeller Plaza		OP		
	JC32 Street Deli Inc	Arome Deli	138 West 32 St		OP		
	Bangkok Café Inc		27 East 20 Street				
10/25/07	SDKD Enterprises Inc		16 East 52 Street	TSF			
	American Restaurant Corp	Tossed	295 Park Ave So (b/t 22 & 23 St)				
10/26/07	A & V Rest LLC	Potluck	255 West 26 Street	RW			
	702 Group LLC		37 West 26 Street	TSF			
	45th Street Burger Corp		23 West 45 Street	RW			
10/29/07	China Grill Management	Borough Food & Drink	12 East 22 Street	ALT			
	Compass Group USA, Inc.		365 Fifth Ave (b/t 34 & 35 St)		OP		
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	Peacock Alley Restaurant Bar		301 Park Ave (b/t 49 & 50 St)		OP		
	291 Madison Avenue Corp		291 Madison Ave (b/t 40 & 41 St)		OP		
	Evrotas Enterprises Inc		2 East 45 Street		OP		
	Rugfrit 1350 LLC		1350 Ave Americas (b/t 54/55 St)			500 ft	
10/31/07	BB at 55th & 5th LLC	Benoit Bistro	60 West 55 Street	OP			
	East Balcony Rest Assoc	Metrazur	404 Grand Central Terminal		OP		
	MGN LLC		240-242 West 52 Street			Notice	
11/1/07	Metro Café & Wine Bar Inc		32 East 21 Street		OP		
	Depalino Restaurant Corp	City Crab & Seafood	235 Park Ave South		OP		
	239 Park Ave So Assoc LLC	Chango	239 Park Ave South		OP		
	Butterfield 8 NYC LLC		5 East 38 Street		OP		
	Ruby Foos		1626 Broadway		OP		
	Matsu NY Inc	Sushi Sen-NIN @33	30 East 33 Street		OP		

