

# THE MANHATTAN MIDTOWN

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## COMMUNITY BOARD FIVE

Dear Friends,

We're adding a new feature to the Manhattan Midtown. In **Check This Out**, we'll feature a new website or resource that offers useful information about community matters. This month we focus on **HopStop**, a website designed for travel on public transportation. Get all the info by clicking the link on the left side of this page.

Regards,  
Gary Parker, District Manager

## Community News and Events

**NYC Runs Amok!** – The NYC Marathon will be held on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. The premier event of **New York Road Runners**, the **ING New York City Marathon** is one of the world's great road races, drawing more than 90,000 applicants. As any one of the more than 700,000 past participants will attest, crossing the finish line in Central Park is one of the great thrills of a lifetime. If you've always wanted to run the Marathon, it's not too late to make it into this year's race. Sign up to raise money for one of the race's Charity Partners, or their Special Charity Initiative and you will receive guaranteed entry. And if you've ever stood on the side-lines and cheered the runners in, you know that the Marathon depends on the efforts of **thousands of hard-working, enthusiastic volunteers**. If you'd like to be one of them this year, find out more about it, and everything else Marathon-related, at the NY Road Runners website at [www.nycrr.org](http://www.nycrr.org)



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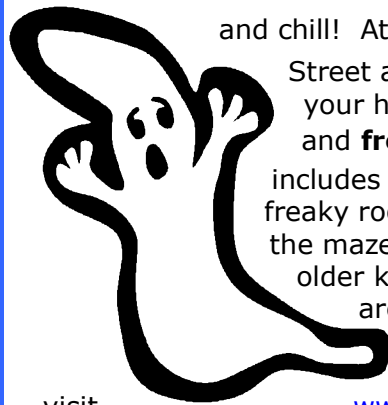
**You're Invited!** For 25 years **Inside Broadway** has been a leader in bringing the joys of live theatre to children across the city, and in educating and developing future theatre goers. In recognition of this proud history, **Inside Broadway** is celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a 75

minute **FREE** concert featuring performances from *Mamma Mia*, *Hairspray* and *The Lion King*! In addition, there will be a sneak preview of **Inside Broadway's** upcoming production of *Cinderella*. The concert takes place on Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the Cadillac Winter Garden Theatre, located at 1634 Broadway (at 50<sup>th</sup> Street). Performance time is 10:15am, and space is limited so please RSVP early at 212.245.0710. For more information visit [www.insidebroadway.org](http://www.insidebroadway.org)

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**BOO!!** -- This Halloween, scare yourself silly **at Hudson River**

**Park's Pier of Fear** – two days of Halloween fun designed to thrill and chill! At the **Pier of Fear**, located at Pier 54 (14<sup>th</sup>



Street and the West Side Highway) you can get your heart racing at one of Manhattan's best and **free** haunted houses. The **Maze of Horrors** includes a guided tour through eerie hallways and freaky rooms in total darkness! Once night falls, the maze becomes even spookier for adults and older kids. But never fear; if Haunted Houses aren't your bag, there will be plenty of other ghoulishly good activities to keep your spirits lifted! For more information,

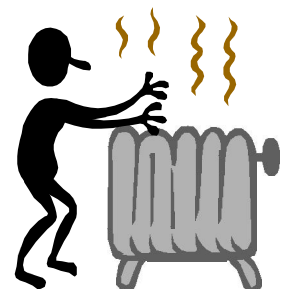
visit

[www.hudsonriverpark.org](http://www.hudsonriverpark.org)

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## City Agency Announcements

**But, Baby, It's Cold Outside** – The **NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development** reminds all residential building owners of their legal obligation to provide tenants with hot water year-round and 24-hour heat when the outdoor temperature warrants it. From October through May, residential owners are required to maintain an



indoor temperature of at least 68 degrees between 6am and 10pm when the temperature outside falls below 55. During the overnights the indoor temperature must be 55 degrees when the temperature outside falls below 40. If there's a problem, a tenant should first notify the building owner or super. If heat is not restored, the tenant should call 311 and ask for an HPD Specialist. For more information on the heat regulations, visit the HPD website at [www.nyc.gov/housing](http://www.nyc.gov/housing)

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**The sky isn't falling, it's only the leaves!** This autumn why not view New York's famous fall foliage by visiting **New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)** reservoir lands. 75,000 acres are open for recreational activities including hiking, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, and even ice fishing. Two thousand square miles of pristine watershed territory stretching west across the Catskills provides ample accommodations and fine restaurants. From orchards to ostrich farms, the New York City watershed offers a great getaway - all within a few hours drive from the metropolitan area. [More](#)



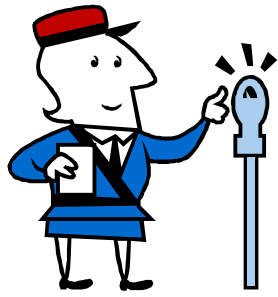
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**Just Go with the Flow** – On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, the NYC **Department of Transportation** will begin implementing a new traffic pattern in Times Square. On that day, traffic heading downtown on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue will be steered toward Broadway (at 45<sup>th</sup> Street), and traffic heading downtown on Broadway will be steered onto 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue (at 45<sup>th</sup> Street),

preventing any cross-over between the two streets. In addition, a new pedestrian mall will be in place, hopefully alleviating the often overwhelming crush of people. The new traffic pattern will be in effect on a test basis for 6 months, and will be evaluated every 2 months. Directional signs and electronic messages will be in place to ease the transition, so stay alert! For a view of the new traffic pattern, [click here](#).

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

**Wednesday, 11/1 – All Saints Day**

**Tuesday, 11/7 – Election Day**

**Friday, 11/10 – Veteran’s Day  
(Observed)**

**Saturday, 11/11 – Veteran’s Day**

**Thursday, 11/23 – Thanksgiving Day**

For more information on Parking Regulations, visit the DOT Parking Calendar at [www.nyc.gov/finance](http://www.nyc.gov/finance). Information can also be obtained by calling 311.

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## On Board - *Meeting the Members of CB5*

### Dory Hack

Dory Hack proclaims proudly that she is an “urban nerd. I think I’m the only person in NYC under 50 that takes the bus!”

On the Board since April 2006, an appointee of Councilmember Rosie Mendez, Dory decided to join CB5 because she’s always been interested in “civic issues,” and felt the obligation to be more engaged. Having lived in NYC since 1994, Dory currently works as the Project Coordinator for the Youth Justice Board, a program within the Manhattan Community Court. Unique in its approach, the Youth Justice Board is comprised of 18 youths from around the city who look at policy matters related to foster care and family court. These “teens look at issues affecting teens and make recommendations. Teens are almost never consulted in developing the policies (that directly affect them).” By gaining insight on teen issues from the teens themselves, it’s Dory’s hope that the court system “can be used to **solve** community problems rather than simply punish.”

As an offshoot of her work, Dory would love to explore how young people can become more actively engaged in the community at the Community Board level. For example, through programs linked to high schools as part of community service requirements, teens can have an active voice in issues that affect them directly, while also cultivating the next generation of civic leaders. “What [might be] the collaboration between high schools and community organizations?”

As a resident of NYC, Dory is concerned about the delicate balancing act going on right now between residential concerns and those of the nightlife industry, as well as the vast rate of development. “Developers are only going to want to build more and bigger buildings. What vision [does the City] have that allows for progress” but that also affords opportunities for all New Yorkers?

Thus far, her experiences on the Board have been positive, though Dory acknowledges that it's "hard to come into a group that's been standing for a while. But I've been impressed with how interested and involved [members] are in the details."

In a city of 8 million people, "it's hard to feel [as though you're being] heard". The Community Board provides a "trickle up" effect for residents and businesses to voice their opinions and, Dory hopes, to make a difference.

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## Check This Out!

Ever need to go somewhere in a part of the City you don't usually travel to? Not exactly sure how to get there? **HopStop** is a great little website that can give you specific directions as to which subways or busses to take. The site works the same way *MapQuest* does: simply plug in the addresses your traveling between and **HopStop** will tell you which subways or busses to take and how to travel to your destination once you leave the transit system! Check it out at [www.hopstop.com](http://www.hopstop.com)



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## 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 and Joe Abruzzese at 212-477-7427
- **Midtown North Precinct** - Every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm. Contact: Det. Stephen Giaco or P.O. Diane O'Connor at 212-767-8447
- **Midtown South Precinct** - Every 3rd Thursday at 7pm. Contact: Det. Adam D'Amico at 212-239-9846

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## Liquor License Applicants

Attached is a spreadsheet listing this month's applicants. You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader to access this document. It is available free by clicking on the below icon.



If you have any questions regarding this list, please call the office or email [cindy@cb5.org](mailto:cindy@cb5.org).

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