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## JIMMY VAN BRAMER WINS PRIMARY FOR CITY COUNCIL IN DISTRICT 26



Jimmy Van Bramer recieved 46% of the 6,565 votes that were cast.



37% with 2,448 Votes



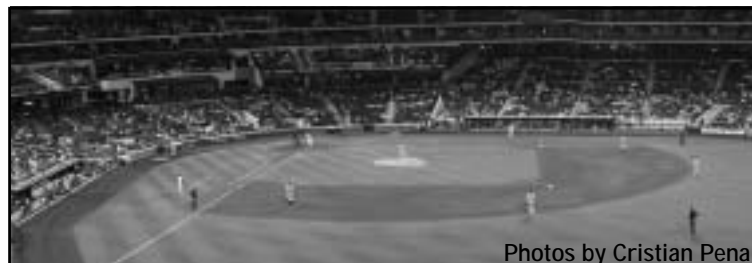
17% with 1,098 Votes

*Jimmy Van Bramer  
will now run against  
Republican Candidate,  
Angelo Maragos,  
in the General Election  
on November 3rd*



Republican Candidate Angelo Maragos

## Sunnyside Shines goes to Citi Field



Photos by Cristian Pena



### 108<sup>th</sup> PRECINCT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2009  
7:00 P.M. SHARP!**

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**A Message From Assemblywomen Catherine Nolan:**  
**LOW-WAGE EARNERS' STRUGGLES**  
**INCREASE IN TROUBLED ECONOMY**  
**Wage theft, employer retaliation and workers'**  
**compensation violations among the**  
**problems some low-wage employees face**

In tough economic times like these, with the national unemployment rate at a 26-year high and the population of service workers steadily growing, it's critical that we establish new measures to protect the rights of all workers – especially low-wage employees who, a new report details, are most apt to be taken advantage of by their employers.

Workplace violations are more severe and widespread in the low-wage labor market, according to new groundbreaking information released in a report compiled by the University of Illinois at Chicago Center for Urban Economic Development, the National Employment Law Project and the UCLA Institute for Research on Labor and Employment.1 The study polled more than 4,300 low-wage earners from a variety of industries – including manufacturing, food service, child care, health care and construction, among others – in Los Angeles, Chicago and New York City. Results of the study, which was conducted in 2008, show that 26 percent of low-wage workers were paid less than the minimum wage in the week prior to the survey, and 76 percent of those who worked more than 40 hours were not paid the legally required overtime rate. Also widely reported were meal break, workers' compensation and pay stub violations, as well as tip theft by employers.

Among these low-wage workers, a large percentage reported employer retaliation for lodging complaints or fear of retaliation as a reason for not reporting their employers for these abuses. The report showed

that one in five workers polled had complained to bosses or reported them to government agencies, and among them, 43 percent suffered some form of illegal retaliation – firing, suspension, pay cuts or threats to call immigration authorities.

The results of this study are appalling. These kinds of illegal activities are not only extremely unfair and undemocratic, but they also hamper economic revival and growth by depriving hardworking people of the wages they've rightfully earned, further stagnating the economy.

Here in New York, where many of the workers polled live and work, we are taking great strides to protect workers' rights. This year we passed legislation I supported that made several important changes on behalf of the state's lowest paid workers (Ch. 372 of 2009).

**The new law:**  
 •allows the Department of Labor to bring actions against employers on behalf of employees for wage deficiencies and breach of contract damages;

•shifts the burden of proof from employees to employers for establishing that wage underpayments were not intentional;

•greatly increases the civil penalties associated with violations;

•broadens the wage enforcement statute to include partnerships and LLCs; and

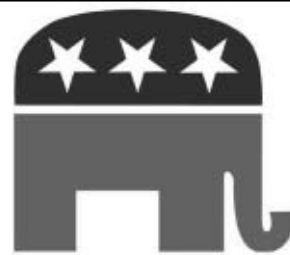
•adds anti-retaliatory provisions to the wage violation law.

Another new measure I supported requires that employers notify each employee at the time of hire of his or her regular and

overtime pay rate and how it is calculated (Ch. 270 of 2009). Both houses of the Legislature also passed legislation, awaiting the governor's signature, that will increase protections for employees who report that their employer is engaged in illegal business activities (A.7144). I also supported legislation that passed the Assembly with overwhelming support that would require a statement in every state procurement contract that no forced labor was used (A.470).

This year the Assembly also passed legislation, that I have sponsored for many years, to bolster support for farm and domestic workers. One measure enacts the Farmworkers' Fair Labor Practices Act, which grants collective bargaining rights, workers' compensation, overtime payment and unemployment benefits to farmworkers (A.1867). Another piece of legislation extends the same rights and privileges to domestic workers (A.1470).

We know that all workers, regardless of race, gender or legal status, are at risk for workplace violations at the hands of their employers, though some groups are more vulnerable than others, and low-income workers are among the most susceptible. Low-wage workers engage every day in the back-breaking, necessary and often thankless work that allows our communities to function. It benefits all of us to make sure these workers, and all workers, are equally protected under the law. I'll continue working in the Assembly to ensure that all of New York's workers' rights are fairly and equally protected under the law.



**REPUBLICAN  
(GOP)  
MEETING**

The monthly republican meeting will be held Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7:30pm at the Nak Won Reformed Church, 41-20 Queens Blvd. Please use the side entrance on 42nd Street. ALL REPUBLICAN MEMBERS ARE INVITED!

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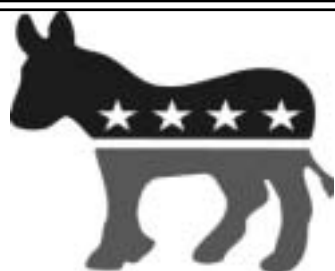
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## Regular Membership Meeting

**Friday, September 25, 2009 - 7:45 pm**

Agenda: National Health Care Speakers Congress Member Anthony Weiner Martha Livingston, PhD., Associate Professor of Health & Society Bring Your Friends & Neighbors As always, refreshments will be served. 60-70 Putnam Avenue, Ridgewood, New York 11385 (718) 821-9807 New York State Assembly Member Catherine Nolan Democratic District Leaders 37 AD, Part B - Catherine Nolan & Tom Bornemann New York State Committeeman - Jimmy Van Bramer



To: All Members

### FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW SEASON

TUESDAY September 29<sup>th</sup>

Note:

*Monday is the Yom Kippur Holiday, there will be no meeting.*

Place: Pete's Grill (Free Parking), 39-14 Queens Blvd.

Our new President Avila and new team of Ann Walsh, Treasurer and Mary Murphy, Sectary should be given a big warm welcome. I hope everyone will give our new President and his team the help and guidance that I have been blessed to have these last few years. I thank our members for all the help and support as I watched our club grow! We can be proud of the work we have done in our community and you can be sure I am ready to support and work with our President Avila and his team! This is an important meeting since we will not be meeting in July and August.

Let us welcome our two new members of Sherilyn Sabba-Flanagan and Robert Flanagan to our club- I will be asking our good friend Past Governor John Noel to swear our two new members to our family.

I wish to acknowledge and thank our wonderful treasurer and friend Frances Schmidt, who has served so well and help keep the club going. I would also like to state the Sunnyside Woodside Lions Club has an outstanding record and reputation because of the work within the community. Let us all continue to stand tall and work for the neighborhood we all love!

Best regards,  
Luke Adams

## CONGRATULATIONS TO HELEN MARSHALL ON YOUR PRIMARY WIN!



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Queens Library Baisley Park

Queens Borough President Helen Marshall saw some of the results of funding allocations of \$1.6 million for libraries this fiscal year as she helped to re-open three renovated branches, Tuesday, September 8th in Rosedale, Middle Village (with Library CEO Thomas Galante and City Councilwoman Elizabeth Crowley) and Baisley Park with City Councilman Thomas White and Galante). Marshall has provided more than \$81 million to libraries since becoming Borough President in 2002.

## COMMUNITY BOARD 2 PUBLIC MEETING

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 29<sup>TH</sup> 6:30 – 9:30 pm**

**St. Mary's RC Church  
Basement 10-08 49<sup>th</sup> Street  
Long Island City**

Community Board 2 has scheduled a public meeting at the above time and place to hear public comments on applications for

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The class is brought to you also in collaboration with NY State office of Parks, Recreation, and historic Preservation <http://nysparks.state.ny.us/>



# OFFICER OF THE YEAR



By Paul Cynamon



Kiwanis Club of Woodside President Rebecca Ovadia and our honoree as Officer of the Year Siu Lam.

Wednesday September 9, 2009 the Kiwanis Club of Woodside honored Siu Lam as Officer of the Year. Patrolman Lam was accompanied by his wife Katie and infant son Lucas, as well as Deputy Inspector Thomas Kavangh, Lt. Mark Wachter, Officer Juan Toro and Officer Maro Youssef from Community Affairs. Members of the Kiwanis Club of Woodside expressed their gratitude to the Officers of the 108th Precinct for the wonderful job they have done in our community.



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## Sunnyside Short Film Festival

By Sandy Jimenez



On Saturday, September 12, the third annual Sunnyside Short Film Festival took place at the Sunnyside Community Services' state-of-the-art community center. This was the alternative location to Sunnyside Gardens Park, which the crowd was forced to occupy for the second year in a row due to bad weather. I must say that it was an excellent location.

This night was full of quality work by directors from all over. The three-hour event was a bargain and a treat at a suggested donation of \$10. The night started with music from Kristen Cerelli, a Woodside native, whose soulful and at times hilarious music had the audience laughing and, of course, clapping! I went home with a copy of her CD, *Tongue-tied Heart*.

The film festival proper started with an amazing digital intro, which highlighted the local sights. It's always great to see our home on screen.

Sherry Gamblin, one of the producers, then thanked all of the festivals supporters. During the intermission, a slideshow played where many of the audience members spotted pictures of themselves. Also, West Hyler was announced as the winner of the 2009 Sunnyside Short Script Challenge.

Films ranged from a cartoon in 3D, *Steve's Perfect Vacation*, which was only several minutes, to a drama about a woman who struggles with love and family obligations called *Maine Story*, which was over half an hour. There was a lot of laughter, as many of the films, including *Lords of the Playground* (which made light of the adventures of stay at home dads) and *Ticket to Bollywood* (which was a love story that took place in Jackson Heights' own Little India), were comedies.



# Sunnyside Shines Mets Ticket Contest



Story & Photos by Alyssa Bonilla

Winner Barbara Glassman- Winners Richie Moore, Kelly Ann McCloskey with Sunnyside Shines Executive Director Alyssa Bonilla-Mama's Empanada's Employee with Mets ticket box.

All summer long, Sunnyside Shines has been giving away free Mets tickets as way to promote the neighborhood and local businesses. Merchants were asked to keep a ticket coupon box in their store and a Mets contest poster in their windows. Residents responded with tremendous enthusiasm. Sunnyside Shines received over 2,000 valid entries. Winning coupons were recorded from stores all over Sunnyside including:

Avenue Coffee, Dee Thai Restaurant, Dime Savings Bank, Empire Szechuan Garden Chinese Restaurant, Giorgie's Flowers, Happy One Hour Photo, Hari Kush Convenience Store, Jenny's Dry Cleaners, Lowery Liquors, Mama's Empanada's, Scott Cooper Realty, Singhas Pizza, Sunnyside Animal Hospital, Sunnyside Community Services, Tangra's Asian Fusion Restaurant and White Castle.

The most number of tickets came from Associated Market where at one point there were three ticket

boxes and multiple weekly pick-ups to keep up with the demand. The most number of winners came from Mama's Empanada's at 42-18 Greenpoint Ave., which had two winners.

People who won tickets are residents from Sunnyside, Woodside, Astoria and beyond. Winner Barbara Glassman has been a resident of Sunnyside since 1944. Richie Moore, also from Sunnyside, was thrilled to receive his tickets. "I've never won anything before!" Liz Hohenstein, from New Jersey, grew up in Woodside and was visiting her mother in the neighborhood when she entered. "I couldn't believe it was true. I love the Mets!" [Richie&Kelly photo here]

Other winners of Mets tickets are: Fernando Cabrera, Edson Cadette, Janet Chymczuk, Christopher Foo, Sue Arlen Fox, Vishruth Girish, Barbara Glassman, Eddie Hayes, Thomas Hoffman, Liz Hohenstein, Isabel Jimenez, Gerry Lederman, Rose Marie Libasci, Kanruthai Makmuang, Kelly Ann

McCloskey, Richard Moore, Rebecca Rian, Judy Schultz and Enrique Vilaro

All winners attended the September 8<sup>th</sup> game against the Florida Marlins. The big Fish won but it was still a beautiful night and a lot of fun at Citifield. Thank you for all of the people who took the time to enter and the businesses that participated in this great promotion.

The Sunnyside Business Improvement's primary mission is to create a welcoming atmosphere for shopping and to advocate for local merchants. Sunnyside Shines provides services such as street cleaning, festive holiday lights and we district marketing to encourage local shopping and visitors from other areas. Sunnyside Shines also hosts and sponsors local events for the benefit of the entire community such as our Summer Streets program and the annual Bix Beiderbecke Memorial Jazz Concert.

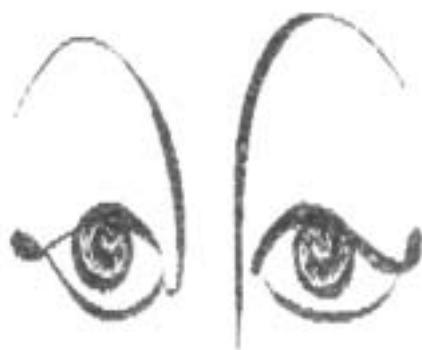
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## Bill to Name L.I.C. Post Office After Geraldine Ferraro Becomes Law

Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney and Senator Charles Schumer applauded President Obama's signing of their legislation (H.R. 774) to name the Long Island City Main Post Office after former Congresswoman Geraldine Ferraro. The new Geraldine Ferraro Post Office is located at 46-02 21<sup>st</sup> Street in Long Island City, Queens, in the district Ferraro represented with distinction in the U.S. House

Of Representatives. In 1984, Ferraro strode into history as the first female vice-presidential candidate on a national party ticket. In the House, Ferraro served on the Post Office and Civil Service Committee, among other committee assignments.

The legislation passed the House on May 5th, was approved by the Senate on August 4th, and was signed into law by President Obama on August 19th. "Geraldine Ferraro was a trailblazer and an exemplary public official who made history," said Senator Schumer. "She was an honorable, accomplished and hard working elected official who had a profound effect on Queens, New York City and - as the nation's first female vice presidential candidate - on the country. Naming the Long Island City Post Office after her is a fitting tribute to a woman who devoted a good part of her life to the Queens community - first in the District Attorney's office and later in the halls of congress. Her passion for public service has had a huge impact on both Queens and the nation."

"A pioneering figure in American history, Geraldine Ferraro has been an extraordinary leader and public servant. It is therefore entirely fitting that the grand edifice of the Long Island City Post Office be named in her honor," said Rep. Maloney. "Through all of Geraldine's many successes in life, the Queens residents she represented remember her as their Congresswoman - a tenacious fighter who never backed down when it came time to stand up for them and their interests. She never forgot where she came from, and they have never forgotten her. Like another pillar of the federal government, the U.S. Postal Service, Geraldine Ferraro consistently delivered for the people she so faithfully and effectively served, making this tribute entirely appropriate."

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First, understand how your credit score impacts the interest rate charged on your loan. If your score is 720 or higher on the scale of 850, you will qualify for the best rates. If it's between 700 and 719, you could expect 0.375% added to that rate, while a score between 680 and 699 might add 0.5%.

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However, if you don't have that much to put down, you can investigate a Federal Housing Administration (FHA) of Veterans Administration (VA) loan. These government-backed loans are targeted towards those with lower credit scores and only require a 3.5% down payment.

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People first visit their Optometrist for a number of reasons. Often they begin to notice a blurring of vision when doing close work or reading. Other people are prompted to visit their Optometrist when they begin to experience eyestrain or eye fatigue.

Often people with eyestrain do need some form of vision correction and, in these instances, the Optometrist can prescribe the type of correction required.

There are other reasons for eyestrain beside the need for glasses. Eyestrain or fatigue may be the result of general body fatigue, lack of sleep, general debility, emotional stress; and a number of physical, ocular or general diseases may have eyestrain as one symptom.

Eyestrain is not a symptom, which should be ignored. The doctor of Optometry can treat it with vision correction where required-and make appropriate referrals if that is called for.

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be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. Dated: Syosset, New York September 14, 2009 ZAVATSKY, MENDELSON & LEVY, LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, By: Peter G. Zavatsky, P.O. Box 510, 33 Queens Street, Syosset, NY 11791-0510 (516) 921-1200 TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of Hon. Kevin J. Kerrigan, Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, bearing date August 31, 2009 and filed with the Complaint in the County of QUEENS, State of New York. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage upon the premises described below, executed to Fairmont Funding, Ltd. by Brahamavar M. Saleem in the amount of \$517,500.00, which mortgage was recorded at Control # 2008000340801 on August 26, 2008 in the County of QUEENS, State of New York. The property in question is described as follows: ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land situate lying and being in the Fourth Ward, Borough of Queens, City and State of New

York, known and designated on a certain map entitled, "Merrick Park, Fourth Ward, Borough of Queens, City of New York, June 1914, Metropolis Engineering Company, Jamaica, New York, "O. Elandson, Civil Engineer and City Surveyor, President" filed in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Queens, August 14, 1914 as Map 363 as and by Lots Numbered 28 and 29 in Block No. 10, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly side of 108th Avenue, (formerly Cumberland Street) with the easterly side of 173rd Street, (formerly Oakwood Avenue) as said Cumberland Street and Oakwood Avenue are shown on said map; RUNNING THENCE easterly along the southerly side of 108th Avenue, 40.152 feet; THENCE southerly parallel with 173rd Street, 101.11 feet; THENCE westerly at right angles to 173rd Street, 40 feet; THENCE northerly parallel with 173rd Street, 104.59 feet to the point or place of BEGINNING. SAID PREMISES KNOWN AS 173-02 108th Avenue, Jamaica, NY. 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9

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COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. Dated: Syosset, New York August 21, 2009 ALAN H. WEINREB, ESQ. THE LAW OFFICES OF ALAN WEINREB, PLLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 6800 Jericho Turnpike Suite 207W Syosset, New York 11791 (516) 945-6055 #75892. TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by the publication pursuant to an Order of Hon. James J. Golia, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Queens County, dated Aug. 10, 2009 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Queens County Clerk's Office, Jamaica, NY. The object of the action is to foreclose a mortgage recorded in said Clerk's office on the 7th day of September 2006 under CRFN#2006000506200, covering prem. k/a 70-06-69th Pl., Glendale, NY, a/k/a Block 3659, Lot 8. TO THE DEFENDANT(S), EXCEPT: TOMMASINA PAOLINO THE PLAINTIFF MAKES NO PERSONAL CLAIM AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION. IF, AND ONLY IF, you have received or will receive a Bankruptcy Discharge Order, which includes this debt, the plaintiff is solely

attempting to enforce its mortgage lien rights in the subject real property and makes no personal claim against you. In that event, nothing contained in these or any papers served or filed or to be served or filed in this action will be an attempt to collect from you or to find you personally liable for the discharged debt. NOTICE OF RIGHTS: THE NAME OF THE CREDITOR TO WHOM THE DEBT IS OWED IS WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR OPTION ONE MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-3 ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES SERIES 2006-3 YOU ARE HEREBY PUT ON NOTICE THAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. UNLESS YOU DISPUTE THE BALIDITY OF THIS DEBT OR ANY PORTION THEREOF WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS, WE WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH VERIFICATION OF THE OBLIGATION. UPON YOUR WRITTEN REQUEST WITHIN THE THIRTY (30) DAY PERIOD, WE WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE ORIGINAL

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# Letters To The Editor

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## Ode to America

Dear Editor,

Why are Americans so united? They would not resemble one another even if you painted them all one color! They speak all the languages of the world and form an astonishing mixture of civilizations and religious beliefs.

On 9/11, the American tragedy turned three hundred million people into a hand put on the heart. Nobody rushed to accuse the White House, the Army, or the Secret Service that they are only a bunch of losers. Nobody rushed to empty their bank accounts. Nobody rushed out onto the streets nearby to gape about.

Instead the Americans volunteered to donate blood and to give a helping hand. After the first moments of panic, they raised their flag over the smoking ruins, putting on T-shirts, caps and ties in the colors of the national flag. They placed flags on buildings and cars as if in every place and on every car a government official or the president was passing. On every occasion, they started singing: 'God Bless America!' I watched the live broadcast and rerun after rerun for hours listening to the story of the guy who went down one hundred floors with a woman in a wheelchair without knowing who she was, or of the Californian hockey player, who gave his life fighting with the terrorists and prevented the plane from hitting a target that could have killed other hundreds or thousands of people. How on earth were they able to respond united as one human being?

Imperceptibly, with every word and musical note, the memory of some turned into a modern myth of tragic heroes. And with every phone call, millions and millions of dollars were put into collection aimed at rewarding not a man or a family, but a spirit, which no money can buy. What on earth can unite the Americans in such way? Their land? Their history? Their economic Power? Money? I tried for hours to find an answer, humming songs and murmuring phrases with the risk of sounding commonplace, I thought things over, I reached but only one conclusion... Only freedom can work such miracles.

**Cornel Nistorescu**  
From a Romanian Newspaper



## Vote

Dear Editor,

*I would like for you to help deliver this message to all those stationed abroad who read your paper.*

Dear Comrade,

Let me start by thanking you for your service to our Great and God Blessed Nation. The primary purpose of this letter is to ask you to take the time to participate in the same democratic process here at home; you are fighting to provide others overseas.

Like many of you I left New York City when I was 17 years old to "Join the People Who Joined the Army" as they said back in 1982. I spent 22 years in the Army enjoying a successful and fulfilling career as an infantryman. However upon my retirement from active federal service and return to the City of my birth I felt as though I had landed in a foreign land once more. While I was stationed abroad both New York City and I had changed. While I voted on absentee ballots for many of the federal elections I failed to follow local politics.

Please do not repeat my mistake. I strongly urge you to exercise your right to cast an informed vote. The things that are most important to me are creating jobs for New Yorkers, providing competitive education for New York's children, and providing affordable housing for New York's working class families. This is the Queens I knew as a child and would like to pass on to my children. I hope each of you will choose a candidate that will preserve the things you value in a hometown.

If you want a say in what New York City looks like when you return you must exercise three simple battle drills. Research the candidates, select a candidate that will preserve what's important to you, and send in your absentee ballot so that it arrives at the Queens Office of the Board of Elections 126-06 Queens Blvd., Kew Gardens, NY 11415 (718) 730-6730 before October 23, 2009.

**Cordially,**  
**Marvin R. Jeffcoat**  
SFC, USA (RET)

## My America

Dear Editor,

Everyone is quite eager to voice his or her opinion during these very trying days; it has become the norm. I suppose that makes me normal because I'm about to do the same; however, I'm not going to compliment or condemn the President, nor I am going to compliment or condemn the Democrats or Republicans.

My parents were immigrants who came to America thru Ellis Island and through the process of what was legal immigration. Both my parents instilled in me great pride in being an American because they were so proud of the United States; the stars and stripes could always be found flying in front of our home with respect and dignity. When my mom and pop went for a walk if mom saw a piece of paper on the ground she would actually pick it up and save it for the trash because her Country should be kept clean. Of course, we thought she was crazy at the time. Likewise she would sweep the sidewalk and street in front of our home. My pop learned English first since he was here first and then mom learned to speak English when she arrived. She always spoke broken English, but was so proud when she learned new words. Both my parents worked hard and my mom always worked double shifts; but she would come home between shifts because we had to sit at the table and eat together. Yes, they suffered through all the hard times of the past, but it never dampened their spirit and they never blamed it on their beautiful America. When the words "Ask not what your Country can do for you, but what you can do for your Country" were spoken my parents were ecstatic and it didn't matter what the political affiliation was. The fact that everyone was being called to take pride in America, to make a contribution in whatever way you could, for people to want government to be just that, representation of the wishes of the people and not Big Brother dictating what they perceive is best for us without even consulting us or ignoring us altogether, made then glow.

Well, I'm looking for this America of my childhood, of my adolescence, and young adult life. It seems with each passing day it becomes more and more non-existent. Of late, I've seen people throw trash outside car windows, cleaning out ashtrays and dumping the cigarette butts in the street and even throwing garbage out of apartment windows. I've seen undocumented (illegal) aliens gather on street corners looking for work; some are picked up and paid with both the employer and employee not paying any taxes and my taxes keep increasing. I've seen deterioration of what once

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*Oliver Pickler poses for owner Daniela Gomez of Woodside, NY*

were fine neighborhoods because of indifference and the attitude that someone else should do it. I've seen metal detectors in schools and parents saying their children are the teacher's responsibility during school hours and the parents should not be bothered or their child is always right. I've been told time and time again to press one if I want to speak English, it doesn't matter that I live in America. I've heard it said that the best way to scam the system is to put everything in someone else's name and then file for all kinds of assistance; which means dishonesty is quite prevalent not only in large Ponzi schemes, in large corporations, in City, State and Federal government, but right on down to the individual American and this scares me more that anything else. If everyone has their hands in the till; how can we survive? If companies that are being helped by taxpayer monies continue to pay bonuses to the very people that destroyed the company in the first place, we have bigger problems than we can ever imagine. If our government continues to print new money without taking old money out of circulation how long

before the dollar becomes completely worthless? No need to worry about 401Ks or home mortgages then. The big issue now is a Government controlled Health Plan which doesn't seem too popular with the public, yet back door deals are being made to get enough votes to push it through. It isn't any wonder that the public is skeptical with the way Medicare and Medicaid are run; these too are Government controlled health programs. Perhaps the leaders in our Government should direct their focus on getting Medicare and Medicaid on track before establishing a new program, which the record proves will be destined for the same end.

You see, I'm just looking; looking for honesty, integrity, common sense, a moral code of ethics, pride in America and in being American. I'm looking for the Constitution and the Bill of Rights to be upheld. I'm looking for truth in government and abolishment of the political game. I'm looking for the America of my childhood, my adolescence, my young adult life.

**Sincerely,**  
**A long time**  
**Sunnyside Resident**

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