

# Gravesend Eye Candy, Old and New

IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD, YOU'LL FIND ONE OF BROOKLYN'S OLDEST BUILDINGS, A STREET GRID FROM THE 1640S — AND NEW MANSIONS LIKE THE ONE pictured here, which is on Avenue T. For a look at Gravesend's fascinating visual contrasts, see EYE ON REAL ESTATE, pages 2-4.

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# Architectural Eye Candy, Old and New, in Gravesend Lady Moody's House, a Street Grid from the 1640s and Marvelous Mansions

By Lore Croghan Brooklyn Eagle

Old and new together. The visual contrasts are fascinating. In a single neighborhood, you can see one of Brooklyn's oldest buildings, a street grid from the 1640s — and new mansions

in a Syrian Jewish enclave.

The neighborhood is Gravesend, which was one of the original six towns of Brooklyn. The old building is popularly known as

Lady Moody's House. It's located at 27 Gravesend Neck Road.

We've written about it before because it was stuck on the city Landmarks Preservation Commission's designation calendar for a half-century. Then, thanks especially to the efforts of Gravesend preservation advocate Joseph Ditta, the house was granted individual landmark status in April

We've visited Gravesend several times, always focusing on the block where Ladv Moody's House is located and nearby Lady Moody Triangle. But recently, we realized the neighborhood is worthy of a good, long stroll because of both its new and old architectural eye candy.

**Children Get Houses as Wedding Gifts** 

The blocks where the heaviest concentration of new mansions can be found are between East 1st Street and Ocean Parkway and Kings Highway and Avenue U.

If you get there by taking the F train to the Kings Highway station, you will wind up on McDonald Avenue, where aboveground train tracks cast gridded shadows that are kinda poetic in a gritty urban way. Just a couple blocks away, there are mansions with barrel-tiled roofs on 100-foot-long lots.

Ideally, you should take your stroll on a sunny day while there are still leaves on the enclave's tall trees. They cast dappled shadows on the huge houses' green lawns and carefully manicured shrubs.

Head first to Avenue S. There are stunning houses, especially on the corner lots. Then go to Avenue T, where there are many lovely homes, then check out the houses on regal Ocean Parkway. After that, walk up and down the numbered streets, where there are charming houses at every turn. When Syrian Jews first came to New York City in the early 1900s, initially they settled on Manhattan's Lower East Side. Later, many moved to Bensonhurst. After World War II, they moved in significant numbers to Gravesend.

In recent years, many Gravesend home purchasers have either

INSET: Welcome to Gravesend, where this landmark popularly known as Lady Moody's House can be found.

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enlarged the houses they've bought or torn them down and replaced them with new mansions.

There's a fair amount of new construction going on right now

William Neuman wrote in a 2006 New York Times story.

Sometimes houses in the area sell for big numbers. The Number home on PropertyShark.com's list of Brooklyn's priciest 2016 home sales is 1993 East 5th St. It changed hands for \$11.36 million.

City Finance Department records identify the purchaser as 1993 East 5th Street LLC — and indicate its address is in care of Thor Equities.

The buyer was actually Joe Sitt, Thor Equities' president and CEO, Jennifer Gould Keil of the New York Post reported in February.

### Is Lady Moody Buried in **Old Gravesend Cemetery?**

Once you've strolled around Gravesend's modern mansions, a good way to make the visual transition from new to old is to go see the former First Reformed Church of Gravesend at 121 Gravesend Neck Road.

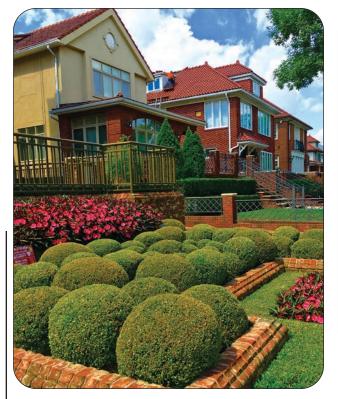
It was dedicated in 1894. Its lovely parsonage at 145 Gravesend Neck Road was constructed in 1901.

You can find the eye-catching religious buildings by walking down East 2nd Street towards Avenue V and turning onto Gravesend Neck Road. Currently, the properties belong to Coney Island Pentecostal Church, Finance Department records indicate. They are used by Trinity Tabernacle of Gravesend.

After that, keep walking west on Gravesend Neck Road and cross McDonald Avenue. In short order you'll be standing in front of Old Gravesend Cemetery, a designated city landmark where it's believed Lady Moody is buried.

Across the street, you'll see Lady Moody's House — which wasn't actually her home, but was built in the early 18th century or maybe before that on land that had belonged to her.

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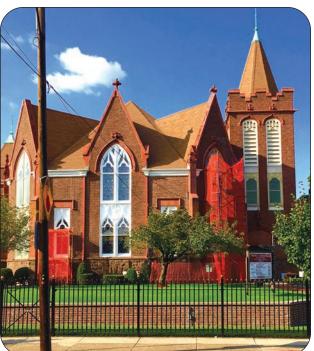


in the neighborhood. See related story on page 4.

Wealthy residents of the Syrian Jewish enclave often buy

additional houses to give their children as wedding presents,

Puffy clouds float above Ocean Parkway homes with carefully manicured shrubbery.



Here's the former First Reformed Church of Gravesend, which was built in the 1890s. Egale photos by Lore Croghan

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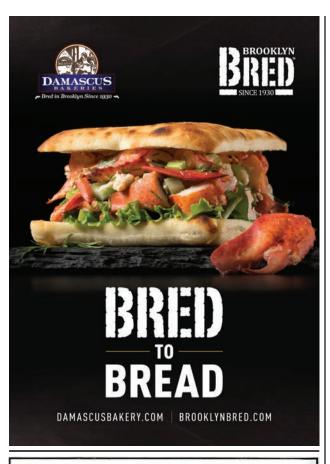
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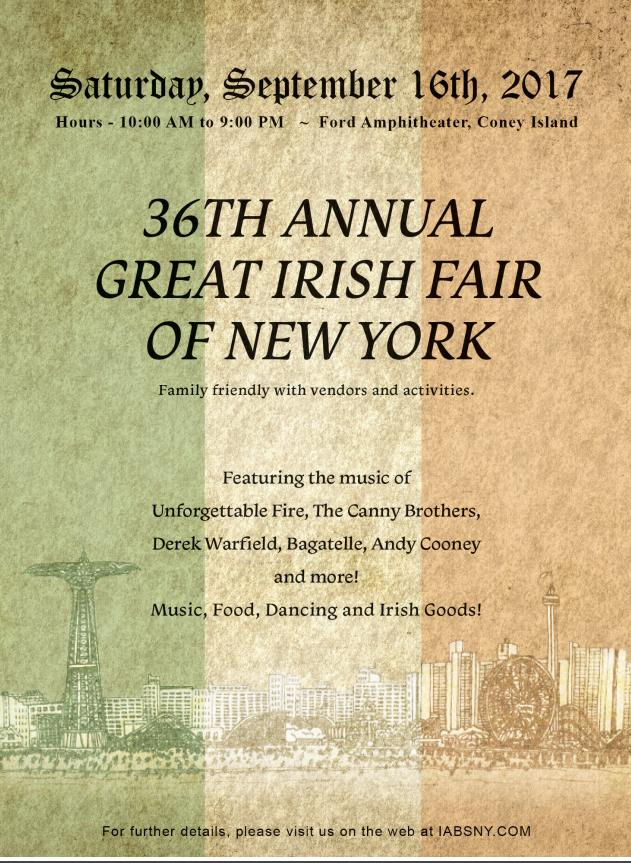


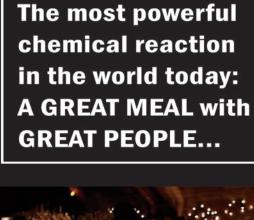
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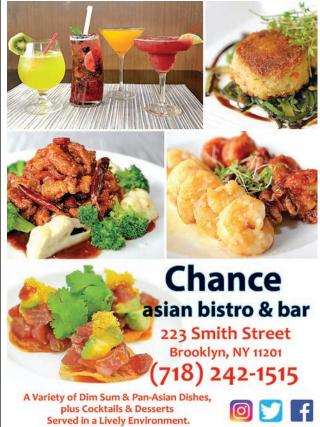
















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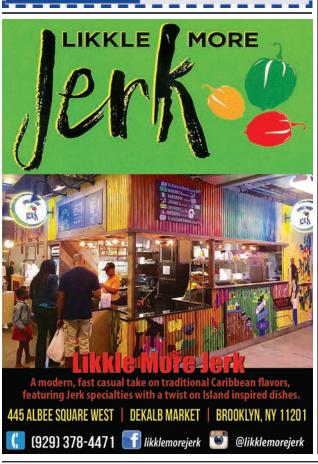
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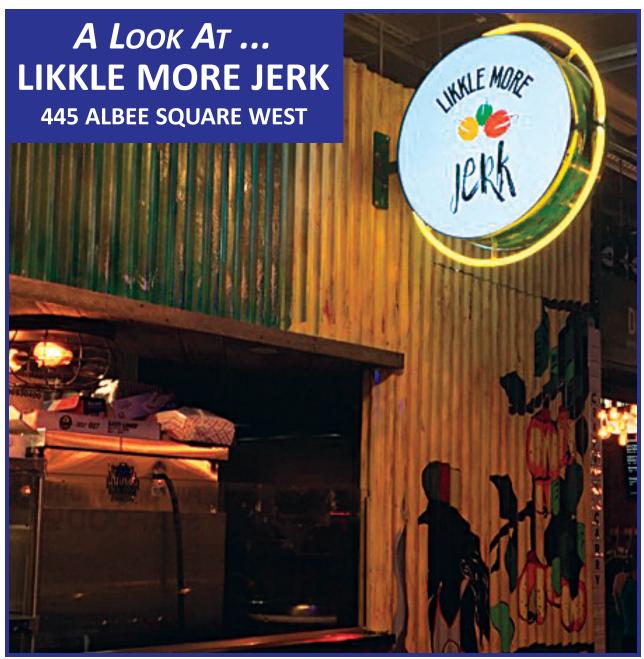
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# Despite Stagnant First Half Sales in Brooklyn, Demand Remains Strong for Greenpoint Properties

By Daniel Tropp, director of investment sales, & Aryeh Orlofsky, senior vice president of investment research Special to INBrooklyn

Brooklyn investment property sales languished in the first half of 2017, continuing 2016's trend, with pricing metrics declining broadly following years of steady appreciation. Activity, however, has noticeably picked up in recent months, particularly in Greenpoint, where development sites offer considerable upside due to voracious demand for condominiums and a resilient retail sector.

During the first half of 2017 (1H17), New York City's biggest borough saw 570 transactions involving 756 properties, totaling approximately \$3.58 billion in gross consideration, according to Ariel Property Advisors' "Brooklyn 2017 Mid-Year Sales Report."

Compared with the second half of 2016 (2H16), dollar volume and transaction volume declined 11 percent and 8 percent, respectively, while property volume held steady. Year-over-year, the drop was more pronounced, with transaction and property volume falling 20 percent and 16 percent, respectively, while dollar volume slid 7 percent compared to the same period in 2016.

From January through June, Brooklyn development site dollar volume decreased 41 percent to \$1.04 billion and transaction volume dropped 12 percent to 148 compared to 2H16. One of the most significant development transactions was the \$68 million sale of 633 Fulton St. sold by Jem Realty to the Rabsky Group. The Downtown Brooklyn/Fort Greene property completes an assemblage for the buyer who can now build an approximately 770,000-squarefoot building on the site.

The outlook for the development market is encouraging due to the passage of the Affordable New York tax abatement legislation, formerly 421-a, in April. While Affordable New York is undoubtedly a game-changer for development sites throughout New York City, it should have a particularly profound impact on Brooklyn.

Office properties, meanwhile, were a noteworthy bright spot in Brooklyn as they saw the largest increase in dollar volume out of all the asset classes in 1H17. More than \$584 million worth of office properties traded in 1H17, exponentially higher than the nearly \$71 million of office property that was sold in 2H16. One notable office transaction was the sale of 185 Marcy Ave., a 70,000-square-foot building,



Daniel Tropp, director of investment sales for Ariel Property Advisors

which sold for \$30 million, or \$526 per square foot.

### **Greenpoint Bucks Trends**

From its cultural history and trendy bars/restaurants to its coveted waterfront space, Greenpoint has become a hotbed for development sites and other types of investment properties. While the impending shutdown of the L-train could be detrimental to areas sitting along its path in Brooklyn, it will undoubtedly benefit Greenpoint, with residents and businesses — either temporarily or permanently — expected to migrate to the region due to service provided by the G train. That growth, in turn, should push property prices higher.

Greenpoint has seen tremendous growth in its condominium market, with demand outpacing new supply in recent years. For example, Ariel Property Advisors recently sold 91-95 Diamond St., a development site/residential building assemblage. The property grouping sold for \$5.855 million, which translated into



Aryeh Orlofsky, senior vice president of investment research for Ariel Property Advisors Photos courtesy of Ariel Property Advisors

an impressive \$390 per buildable square foot, significantly above the borough's average of \$249 in the first half. Another site closer to the waterfront, located at 52-58 Commercial St., recently traded at \$387 per buildable square foot.

The average new construction condo price clocks in at a "Manhattan-esque" \$1,350 per square foot. However, there have been several

transactions at the redesigned Horace Greeley School, located at 533 Leonard St., that exceeded those levels. For example, Penthouse B in the building sold for more than \$1,950 per square foot at the end of 2016, while a 1,400-square-foot two-bedroom unit in the building sold for \$1,680 per square foot in April. Other condo transactions along the waterfront have surpassed \$1,500 per square foot as well.

Meanwhile, as brick-and-mortar stores seemingly fall by the wayside throughout New York City, retail in Greenpoint is thriving. On Franklin Street, between Meserole Avenue and Commercial Street, the average asking rent for available ground-floor retail space surged 41 percent year-over-year to \$89 per square foot, the largest gain out of all the North Brooklyn corridors, according to REBNY's "2017 Brooklyn Retail Report."

At Greenpoint's Manhattan Avenue corridor, which spans Meserole Avenue to Commercial Street, asking rents for ground-floor retail space leaped 12 percent to \$73 per square foot during the same period. The appreciation in both corridors contrasts sharply with local and national retail markets, which have endured a well-documented slump. Moreover, prices are poised to head even higher because lower-priced properties with less frontage and less-refined finishes have steadily been coming off the market.

Looking ahead, a pickup in recent bidding activity on active listings and contract signings suggests things appear to be turning around in Brooklyn's investment sales market, with condominium sales a bright spot in mid-market areas like Greenpoint. As the broader economy continues to strengthen and more projects near completion, Greenpoint should continue to lure residents and businesses to the neighborhood, indicating a strong commercial real estate market for years to come.







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# **Calendar Events September 14-20**

### "Let Love in" by Sweety

Featuring paintings inspired by love and traditional tattooing, Sweety's beautiful illustrations are classic and bold. There will be an open bar sponsored by Flying Dog Brewery for an evening of great art and good times.

When: Friday, Sept. 8, 7-11 p.m.

Where: Williamsburg/Eight of Swords (1115 Grand St.)

### Photoville

Like years before, there will be containers, exhibitions, talks and workshops. The Smorgasburg Beer Garden and food vendors will return, alongside the nighttime events, and this year Photoville will be more immersed throughout the park than ever before.

When: Wednesday-Sunday, through Sept. 24 Where: Brooklyn Bridge Park/Pier 6

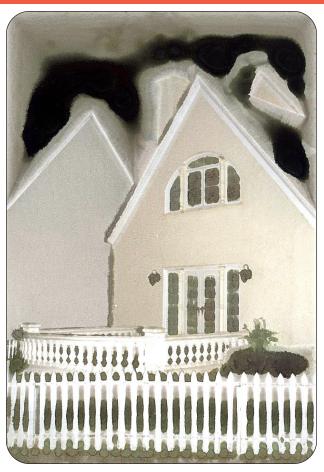
### Sarah Hickson's Sounds Unseen:

### A Photographic Memoir of The Calais Sessions

The Calais Sessions, in a live music project among musicians living in the U.K. Shot between December 2015 and May 2016 in migrant camps in northern France, the exhibition chronicles the evolution of this collaboration and celebrates a vital human connection forged through the common voice of music.

When: Tuesdays-Sundays, through Sept. 24; Tuesday-Friday, 2-6 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Where: DUMBO/The Studio at St. Ann's Warehouse (45 Water St.)



"Dissolve" will be on exhibit at Janet Borden, Inc. through Oct. 7.

Image courtesy of the artist.

#### Dissolve

Fred Cray's new series of unique "Dissolve" prints present a radical new body of work. Although he continues to adhere to his previous process of transforming photographic imagery through manipulation in this series the resulting images — based in photography — are unique works on paper.

When: Tuesday-Saturday through Oct. 7, 11 a.m - 5 p.m. Where: DUMBO/Janet Borden, Inc. (91 Water St.)

### 10,000 Mantras

This is Meg Hitchcock's third solo exhibition with Studio 10. In her pieces, carefully cut letters and burn marks repeat mantras and other texts through grid formations and subtle patterns. These iterate various liturgical themes: repentance through repetition, self-mortification through cutting and purification with fire and incense. When: Thursday-Sunday, through Oct. 8, 1-6 p.m. Where: Bedford Stuyvesant/Studio 10 (56 Bogart St.)

### Being Well: In Search of Utopia?

A contemporary art exhibit curated by Kathryn Gressel featuring participating artists Zoey Hart, Leslie Kerby, Anthony Heinz May, Carolyn Monastra, Shana Moulton, Carmen Papalia, Shervone Neckles, Jenna Spevack, Tattfoo Tan and Jody Wood. When: Friday-Sunday, through Oct. 8, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Where: Park Slope/The Old Stone House (336 Third St.)

#### Migration

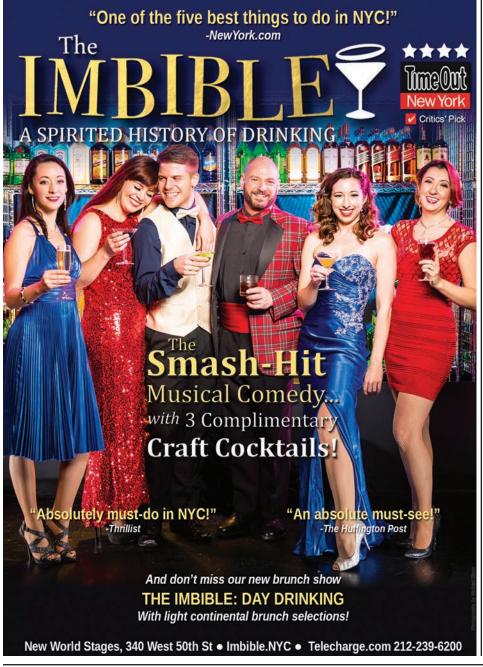
Maura Sheehan brings a flock of balancing birds to create a tableau vivant, or living picture.

When: Thursday-Saturday, through Oct. 8, 1-6 p.m. Where: Crown Heights/FiveMyles (558 St. Johns Place)

### Joan Snitzer's Chromophore

"Chromophore" highlights the developments in Joan Snitzer's work during the last two years. In these new paintings, Snitzer looks back at the painted subjects of 20th century abstraction to explore how they can function in a contemporary context.

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When: Wednesday-Sunday, through Oct. 8, 12-6 p.m. Where: DUMBO/A.I.R. Gallery (155 Plymouth St.)

### The Fire Theory: Ice

The Fire Theory presents "Ice," an exhibition, residency and collaborative project curated by Omar López-Chahoud. Currently, racism and xenophobia limits the immigration that has made this country great, endangers immigrants and makes the path to citizenship inaccessible. I.C.E is the U.S. agency that is responsible for the border control, trade, immigration, deportation programs and, as its name indicates, it generates a situation of freezing, a standby between families and friends on both sides of the border. When: Wednesday-Saturday, through Oct. 13, 2-7 p.m. Where: Park Slope/Open Source Gallery (306 17th St.)

### **NY Harbor Scenes**

Muralist and plein air painter Bill Mensching's oil paintings of high surf, crashing waves and stately vessels will grace the barge's walls. When: Thursdays and Saturdays, through Oct. 28; Thursdays, 4-8 p.m.; Saturdays, 1-5 p.m.

Where: Red Hook/Waterfront Museum (290 Conover St.)

### **Brooklyn Photographs**

Curated by BRIC's Elizabeth Ferrer, this show features work by Yolanda Andrade, Stefanie Apple, Nelson Bakerman, Leigh Davis, Russell Frederick, Max Kozloff, George Malave, Meryl Meisler, Patrick D. Pagnano, Sergio Purtell and Larry Racioppo. When: Daily, through Oct. 29, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Where: Fort Greene/BRIC Arts (647 Fulton St.)

### The Means of a Ready Escape: Brooklyn's Prospect Park

Prospect Park has never been simply an escape from the city, but a fundamental part of it. This exhibition highlights the 150-year social history of Brooklyn's backyard. Featuring more than 100 artifacts and documents, it tells the story of the 585 acres of forest, field and swamp that Frederick Law Olmsted and Calvert Vaux transformed into an urban oasis, and how the park has sustained generations of Brooklynites throughout the borough's many eras of change. When: Wednesdays-Sundays, through July 2018

Where: Brooklyn Heights/Brooklyn Historical Society (128 Pierrepont

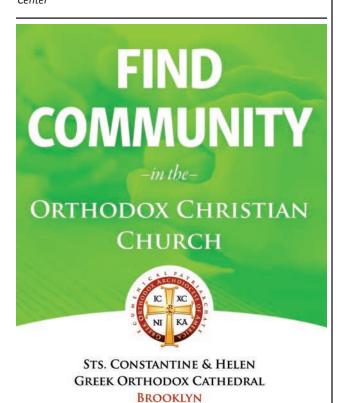
# **Books & Readings**

### Brooklyn Book Festival Children's Day

Bring the kids and come out to enjoy authors and illustrators of children's books, both new and beloved. There will be readings, performances, workshops, music, costumed characters, author signings and a bookseller marketplace.

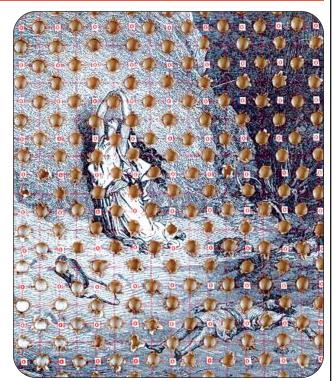
When: Saturday, Sept. 16, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Where: Downtown Brooklyn/MetroTech Commons at MetroTech



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10,000 Mantras will be on exhibit at Studio10 through Oct. 8. Image courtesy of the artist

### **Nicole Georges**

In support of her latest graphic novel "Fetch!" fans attending this event will have a chance to meet Nicole Georges as well as get copies of the book signed with her unique art drawings. When: Sunday, Sept. 17, 10 a.m.

Where: Brooklyn Borough Hall (209 Joralemon St.)

### **Brooklyn Book Festival with Madison Smartt Bell**

Bell will discuss "history repeating itself" on a panel with fellow novelists Amelia Gray and Kei Miller at the Brooklyn Book Festival. When: Sunday, Sept. 17, 12-1 p.m.

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### Week of September 14-20, 2017

ARIES — Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, don't let plans that don't come to fruition discourage you. Many of your plans will fall into place, and there is plenty of time to think of others. Keep dreaming away.

### TAURUS — Apr 21/May 21

People close to you may be keeping secrets, Taurus. You don' know the reason they aren't telling you everything, but chances are you'll get the full story soon enough.

### GEMINI — May 22/Jun 21

You might feel as if your mental wiring is about to expire, Gemini. It could be time to shut the circuits down and let your brain recharge its batteries.

### CANCER — Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, expect this week to go smoothly as you put in a lot of time and effort. Extra effort will pay off in the days ahead, and others will begin to notice.

### LEO — Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, when you speak with your friends, your imagination runs wild with all the prospects of things to do. Narrow down a few of the best ideas and put them into action.

### VIRGO — Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, whether you are dating someone new or have been with your partner for years, this week your love life will be top notch. Enjoy all the special moments you experience.

LIBRA — Sept 23/Oct 23
Everyone wants something you possess, Libra. It's not a material object, but self-confidence and common sense. Continue to exhibit the same passion you always do.

### SCORPIO — Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, you are prone to sticking to the familiar and things that might not provide much of a challenge. This is the week to try something new.

### SAGITTARIUS — Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, it's great to have many helpful, supportive people in your corner. These supporters are with you at every turn. Show them how much they're appreciated.

### CAPRICORN — Dec 22/Jan 20

Attention to detail can make or break a project for you, Capricorn. Even if it takes more time, focus on the smaller picture when working this week.

### AQUARIUS — Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, your way with words this week is simply outstanding. You can persuade someone to support your position, even if he or she was once opposed to the idea.

### PISCES — Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, sharing your feelings right now can strengthen a relationship. Be sure that this is the direction you seek before uttering any



SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

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Where: Brooklyn Heights/Brooklyn Historical Society (128 Pierrepont St.)

### **Educational**

### **Birding Basics**

Birding is one of this country's fastest growing hobbies. This two-part course will teach the beginner birder the why, where, how and what of birding. With more than 250 species of birds residing in or passing through the Big Apple every year, learn where to look for, and how to identify, many of the species in this diverse group of animals. The second session will end with a walk through Green-Wood Cemetery, applying some of the lessons learned in the classroom.

When: Sunday, Sept. 17, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Where: Greenwood Heights/Green-Wood Cemetery (500 25th St.)

### **Ludus Lab**

In this two-hour class, experience Leimay Ludus and find out what makes its dancers' flesh transform and their voices and spirit resonate. Leimay Ludus training programs are a platform for developing a non-codified training practice for artists working within the realm of physically rooted performance.

When: Sunday, Sept. 17, 12-2 p.m. Where: Fort Greene/BAM Fishman (321 Ashland Place)

### **NYTM Train Operators Workshop**

Drop by the computer lab to take control of a New York Citiy subway car and operate it along virtual miles of track, using some incredibly realistic software.

When: Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 16-17, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Where: Downtown Brooklyn/New York Transit Museum (Corner of Boerum Place and Schermerhorn Street)

# **Family Fun**

#### **Block Parties — Astrograss**

Astrograss gets kids and parents dancing and singing together with its unique blend of bluegrass, old-time and folk music. Kick off the day with a family-friendly concert, giveaways, balloon animals and face painting for the kids. When: Saturday, Sept. 16, 11 a.m.

Where: Downtown Brooklyn/Albee Square (Fulton and Bond streets)

### Southwest Brooklyn Fall Festival

The fall festival, which runs through the heart of the Columbia Waterfront District, is the one time of the year when Southwest Brooklyn's diverse community of local businesses, artists, service organizations and residents come together. When: Saturday, Sept. 16, 12-5 p.m. Where: Columbia Street

### **Ed Center Open Hours**

The Ed Center is open for free drop-in hours four afternoons per week. Get to know Brooklyn Bridge Park with the 250-gallon aquarium filled with critters from the East River, a 10-foot scale model of Brooklyn Bridge Park, crafts, a reading corner and much more.

When: Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sun-Continued on page 9INB





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days; Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2-5 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays,

Where: Brooklyn Bridge Park/Environmental Education Center

### **Film**

### Senior Cinema Lineup

This week: "A Raisin in the Sun" (1961), 128min. Sidney Poitier and Ruby Dee star in this moving tale of a black family's financial struggles on Chicago's South Side.

When: Friday, Sept. 15, 10 a.m.

Where: Fort Greene/BAM Rose Cinemas (30 Lafayette Ave.)

#### Lena Horne 100

Singer, actress, activist, trailblazer: On the 100th anniversary of her birth (in Bedford-Stuyvesant, no less), BAMcinématek celebrates the electrifying, all-too-brief film career of the legendary Lena Horne.

When: Monday-Wednesday, Sept. 18-20 (See www.BAM.org for

Where: Fort Greene/BAM Rose Cinemas (30 Lafayette Ave.)

### Health

### Salsa September

Salsa Dance Studio is back every Wednesday in September for the popular Salsa nights. They'll teach you the basics for the first hour, and then you practice your new moves under the stars to tunes spun by DJ John John Acevedo.

When: Wednesday-Thursday, through Sept. 27, 5-8 p.m. Where: Downtown Willoughby Plaza/Willoughby and Pearl streets

### **Rooftop Yoga**

This one-hour class will overlook breathtaking views of the New York City skyline and will be led by yoga instructor Kristin



BAM Rose Cinemas presents "Lena Horne 100" on Sept. 18-20

Calabria. Bring your own yoga mat and towel. When: Sunday, Sept. 17, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Where: Greenpoint/Northern Territory (12 Franklin St.)

What is kayak polo? It's a mix of basketball, water polo and kayaking — and it's a whole lot of fun. The event is limited to 15 participants per game, so reserve your spot for the game at 11 am. You'll be placed on a team and given a vest number on a

first-come, first-served basis. Dedicated players and volunteers, though, will end up being teachers to others.

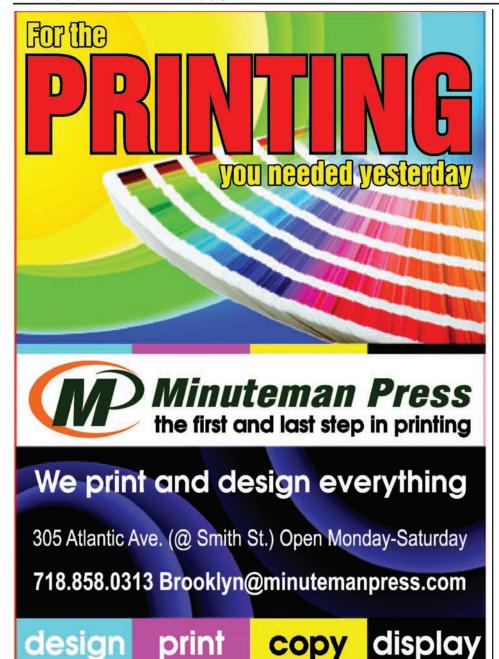
When: Sunday, Sept. 17, 11 a.m. Where: Brooklyn Bridge Park/Pier 2

### **Dance Master Class with John Heginbotham**

For adults with limited mobility. Visit www.BAM.org/masterclasses for more information and to register.

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When: Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2 p.m.

Where: Fort Greene/Mark Morris Dance Center (3 Lafayette Ave.)

#### NYRR Open Run at Pier 6

Whether you're a first-time runner, a seasoned marathoner, or you prefer to walk, you're welcome to come along. No need to register in advance; sign-in takes place on-site. NYRR Open Runs are open to all ages.

When: Tuesday, Sept. 19, 7 p.m. Where: Brooklyn Bridge Park

# Nightlife

### Lola Star's Dreamland Roller Disco

The Lefrak Center at Lakeside and Lola Star will host themed DJ disco dancing. Each Friday night showcases a new theme, from '70s glitter to '80s lam, dazzling performers, kitschy contests, giveaways and more.

When: Friday, Sept. 15, 7:30-10:30 p.m.

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When: Thursday, Sept. 14, 6 p.m.

Where: DUMBO/The Archway (Water Street and Anchorage



Regina Opera presents a free concert as part of the Sunset Park Fifth Avenue Street Festival on Sunday, Sept. 17. Image courtesy of Regina Opera Company

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# Do Your Throat Symptoms Impact Your Daily Life? If So, You Are Not Alone!

By Boris Bentsianov MD

significant impact on their quality of life from bothersome chronic throat symptoms. The throat is the conduit for the air we breathe to enter the respiratory system and for food and drink to enter the gastrointestinal system. It is also essential in our ability to communicate with our voice and in protecting our airway. Although seemingly distinct and unrelated, many of these symptoms may share common etiologies.

This unique structure which is open to the outside world and plays such a critical role in regulating what and how things enter our body also puts your throat in the front line for suffering from a host of bothersome chronic systems. These include airway and breathing systems such as chronic cough, dry throat, itching and tickling, and phlegm or mucus build up. Other common symptoms can relate more to the throat's role in food passage such as difficulty or painful swallowing, a globus or "lump feeling", and clearing of the throat. Still, other symptoms can relate to irritation of the surface of your throat including pain, soreness, and surface changes such as white patches or swelling. Finally, some symptoms can affect the voice with hoarseness, vocal fatigue, or painful phonation.

Because of the sheer number, vagueness, and variability of these complaints, most patients tend to ignore these signs and symptoms or try home remedies and over-the-counter medications designed at



simply reducing the discomfort associated with these symptoms. These complaints are often trivialized by family, friends, and even primary care providers leading to further frustration and feeling helpless to improve one's condition. The most common forms of acute irritation may be easily identified such as viral or bacterial infections or chemical irritants such as tobacco and alcohol. The more common chronic irritants can be much more difficult to identify and thus causes more significant long term sequelae.

The most common symptoms of these irritants include post-nasal drip related frequently to sinus or allergy problems and laryngeal reflux related to acid or bile from the stomach. These conditions can cause throat symptoms often without the classic stigmata that most people recognize such as seasonal changes or runny nose for post nasal drip, and without the heartburn and stomach pain associated with classic acid reflux. This again can lead to many of these conditions going unrecognized for long periods and possibly lead to more serious and dangerous progressions of these disorders. This can lead to continued inflammation, infection, growths such as polyps, ulcers, or even the development of cancerous tumors.

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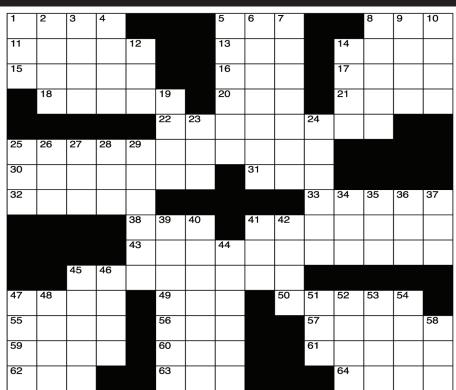
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- 11. Beef comes in these
- 13. Chest muscle
- 14. Maine city
- 15. Salian
- 16. Int'l fraternal organization
- 17. Greek god of war
- 18. Canadian harbour 20. Firearm
- 21. Deities
- 22. North, Central and South
- 25. After the 16th 30. Used in herbal medicine
- 31. Whale (Norwegian)
- 32. Excessive fluid accumulation in tissues
- 33. Insect appendages 38. Relative biological
- effectiveness (abbr.)
- 41. Small Arab monarchy 43. Former U.S. President
- 45. Short-lived, slender insects
- 47. Forms after a cut
- 49. Fuel 50. Made of wood
- 55. Whale ship captain
- 56. Small bed
- 57. Supreme being

- 57. Supreme being
- 59. NY Giants owner
- 60. Consumed
- 61. Jewish spiritual leader
- 62. Promotional materials
- 63. Business term

### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Former CIA
- 2. Expression of sorrow or pity
- 3. Rhythmic patter in Indian music
- 4. Invests in little enterprises
- 5. Highest point 6 Incomes
- 7. Poisonous plant
- 8. Period in astronomy
- 9. Passed with flying colors 10. Professional certificate
- 12. Dublin college scholar
- 14. Heroic tale
- 19. Satisfy
- student, learns healing 24. Beloved golfer Rodriguez
- 25. Car mechanics group
- 26. Not the start
- 27. Engage in a contest 28. Energy-saving module

### **CLUES DOWN**

- 29. Within reach
- 34. Forms adjectives 35. Snitch
- 36. Data executive
- 37. Hostelry
- 39. Helps people see 40. "MASH" actor Gould
- 41. Bridge building degree
- 42. Moreover
- 44. Spoke
- 45. Volcanic craters
- 46. Swedish rock group
- 47. Veda: liturgical chant
- 48. Former footballer Ochocinco 51. Swiss river
- 52. Klu Klux
- 53. Italian Island
- 54 Catches 58. Baseball stat

(See answers on page 15.)

### **How To Play:**

Fill in the grid so that every row, every colmn, and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 only once.

Each 3x3 box is outlined with a darker line. You already have a few numbers to get you started.

Remember: You must not repeat the numbers 1 through 9 in the same line, column, or 3x3 box.

See answers on page 15.

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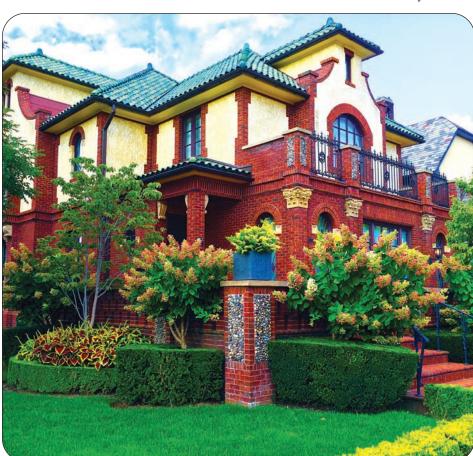
Its formal name as a designated city landmark is Van Sicklen House because probably the builders of the house were the Van Sicklens. So. There are two important things you should know about Lady Deborah Moody, who founded Gravesend in the 1640s. She was the first woman to establish a colony in North

America. And she was a champion of freedom of religion.

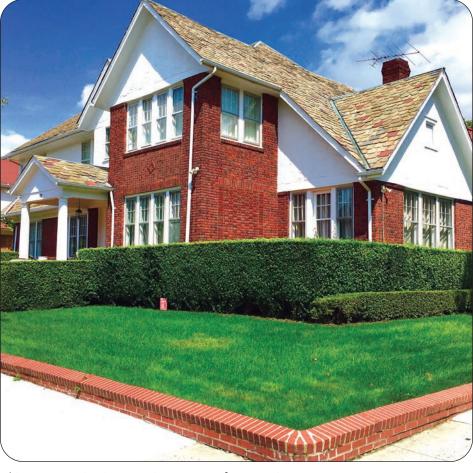
For a good look at the cemetery where she possibly was laid to rest, walk along Van Sicklen Street

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and Village Road South. A sign on the graveyard's fence says if you want to go inside, you must call the city Parks Department at 718-646-5913 and make an appointment.



Gravesend is full of beautiful mansions built in recent years, such as this one located on Avenue S.



This new mansion is on a prime corner of Avenue S.



# Who's Building Houses in Gravesend These Days?

By Lore Croghan
Brooklyn Eagle

Question: Who's building big houses in Gravesend these days? Answer: Some important figures in New York City real estate

The construction sites are in Gravesend's Syrian Jewish enclave, where mansions are concentrated in an area bounded by East 1st Street and Ocean Parkway and Kings Highway and Avenue U. See related story on page 2.

Here are a few of them:

A one-story extension is being added to the house at 409 Avenue T, city Buildings Department filings indicate. According to city Finance Department records, an LLC with Jeff Sutton as a member owns the property.

Sutton is the billionaire founder and president of Wharton Properties, which owns retail real estate on important New York City commercial corridors.

Two new houses are taking shape behind a construction fence on Avenue T near the corner of East 1st Street.

One house is being built at 367 Avenue T, which belongs to an LLC with Elliot Betesh as a member, Finance Department

The other house, which is being built at 377 Avenue T, belongs to Joseph R. Betesh, Eddie Fallack and Elliot Betesh as trustees of the Raymond Betesh 2006 Irrevocable Trust, Finance Department records show.

Elliot Betesh is the president of clothing and footwear chain Dr. Jay's. Joseph Betesh is a co-owner of Dr. Jay's and a real-

 The horizontal and vertical enlargement of a house at 2047 East 3rd St. is underway, Buildings Department filings indicate. Jack Cayre owns the house, Finance Department records show.

He's one of the heads of Midtown Equities, a real-estate investment and development firm founded by his father Joe Cayre. Midtown Equities and its joint-venture partners recently restored and redeveloped the historic Empire Stores complex in Brooklyn Bridge Park.

• A new house is under construction at 2105 East 4th St. The property belongs to Jeffrey Gindi, Finance Department records show. He's a former co-owner of the Oak Room and Oak Bar at



New homes are under construction at numerous Gravesend sites, including 2133 East 4th St., which is shown here.

The Gindi family's claim to fame is Century 21, the discount department store chain it founded in the 1960s

 A new house is under construction at 2133 East 4th St. According to Finance Department records, the property belongs to an LLC with Marcus Adjmi as a member.

His email address links him to the Adjmi family's realestate investment and management firm, A & H Acquisitions, and the family's property-management company, ACHS

• Site prep is underway at 464 Avenue S, where a new house will be built.

Jeffrey Franco and Arlette Franco are the owners of the property, Finance Department records show.

His email address links him to Franco Manufacturing, a family company that makes children's and teens' bedding, blankets, pillows, and towels.

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NOTICE is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 6th day of September, 2017, bearing the Index Number NC-001184-17/KI, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk located at Civil Court, Kings County, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York, 11201, grants me (us) the right to: assume the name of (First) GEORGE (Middle) A(Last) AVILES. My present name is (First) JORGE (Middle) ALEJANDRO (Last) AVILES-LUPERA AKA GEORGE ALEJANDRO AVILES AKA JORGE AVILES AKA GEORGE A. AVILES. My present address is 58 LOGAN STREET, Brooklyn, NY 11208. My place of birth is EC-UADOR. My date of birth is February 3, 1963. #153428

### NAME CHANGE D'ORVILLE

NOTICE is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 31st day of August, 2017, bearing the Index Number NC-001159-17/KI, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk located at Civil Court, Kings County, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York, 11201, grants me (us) the right to: assume the name of (First) JULIAN (Middle) ALEXANDER (Last) D'ORVILLE. My present name is (First) JULIO (Middle) ALEXAN-DER (Last) D'ORVILLE CID. My present address is 315 ONDER-DONK AVE, RIDGEWOOD, NY 11385. My place of birth is MAN-HATTAN, NY. My date of birth is September 1, 1995.

### NAME CHANGE **BROWN**

NOTICE is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 30th day of August, 2017, bearing the Index Number NC-001149-17/KI, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk located at Civil Court, Kings County, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York, 11201, grants me (us) the right to: assume the name of (First) KARLENE (Middle) LEONIE (Last) BROWN. My present name is (First) KARLENE (Middle) LEONIE (Last) BROWN-BY-FIELD AKA KARLENE L. BROWN AKA KARLENE BROWN. My present address is 770 EMPIRE BLVD, Brooklyn, NY 11213. My place of birth is JAMAICA, WI. My date of birth is January 23, 1969.

### NAME CHANGE BEN ISRAEL

NOTICE is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 6th day of September, 2017, bearing the Index Number NC-001186-17/KI, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk located at Civil Court, Kings County, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York, 11201, grants me (us) the right to: assume the name of (First) MORDECAI (Middle) BENYAMIN (Last) BEN ISRAEL. My present name is (First) KELLY (Last) VIECHWEG AKA KELLY TROY VIECHWEG AKA KELLY T. VIECHWEG. My. present address is 982 EAST 84TH STREET, Brooklyn, NY 11236. My place of birth is GRENADA. My date of birth is February 7, 1975.

### NAME CHANGE **JACKSON**

NOTICE is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 8th day of September, 2017, bearing the Index Number NC-001192-17/KI, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk located at Civil Court, Kings County, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York, 11201, grants me (us) the right to: assume the name of (First) EARL (Middle) ALLEN (Last) JACK-SON. My present name is (First) EARTHELL (Middle) ALLEN (Last) JACKSON AKA EARTHHELL A JACKSON AKA EARTHELL JACK-SON JR. AKA Earl Jacob Jensen My present address is 433 LA-FAYETTE AVE, Brooklyn, NY 11238. My place of birth is BROOK-LYN, NY. My date of birth is February 9, 1994.

### NAME CHANGE ZHU

NOTICE is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 8th day of September, 2017, bearing the Index Number NC-001188-17/KI, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk located at Civil Court, Kings County, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York, 11201, grants me (us) the right to: assume the name of (First) DOUGLAS (Middle) YIDONG (Last) ZHU. My present name is (First) YI (Middle) DONG (Last) ZHU AKA YIDONG ZHU AKA YI DONG ZHU. My present address is 8686 BAY PKWY, Brooklyn, NY 11214. My place of birth is CHINA. My date of birth is September 23, 1998.

### NAME CHANGE BAHT ISRAEL

NOTICE is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 6th day of September, 2017, bearing the Index Number NC-001187-17/KI, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk located at Civil Court, Kings County, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York, 11201, grants me (us) the right to: assume the name of (First) YAEL (Middle) IOANNA (Last) BAHT IS-RAEL. My present name is (First) ALICIA (Middle) DENISE (Last) WINEGLASS-VIECHWEG AKAALICIA DENISE WINEGLASS AKA ALICIA VIECHWEG AKA ALICIA D. VIECHWEG. My present address is 982 EAST 84TH STREET, Brooklyn, NY 11236. My place of birth is BROOKLYN, NEW YORK. My date of birth is July 22, 1977.
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FOR CHANGES OF NAME PLEASE CALL KATRINA, 718-643-9099, EXT 103