Woodside on the Move’s Eggstravaganza

On a fun filled Saturday afternoon, hundreds of children came to Doughboy Park and participated in Woodside On The Move’s 2nd Annual Easter Eggstravaganza. Congratulations to Stroyush Girl and Lian Johnson, the winners who found the Golden Egg. Photo above: Winners with the Easter Bunny WOTM Michael Vaz, Senator Gianaris and Brent O’Leary.

The Lions Club of Sunnyside Woodside had their Annual Easter Party for the neighborhood children on Sunday April 14th. Over 100 children enjoy the magic show, face painting, balloon artist, photo booth and of course, lots of candy. Lion’s President Mark Wilensky organized the event and The Knights of Columbus generously donated their hall. Rigo Cardoso of Pronto Car Service sent four taxis free of charge to bring twenty-five children from the Hour Children Program, which assists formerly incarcerated woman and their children so the children could enjoy this great event. Brent O’Leary coordinated the pick up and drop-off of the children.

Happy Easter & Happy Passover

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THE BIKE WARS

by Dr. Sharon M. Cadiz

Once upon a time back in the seventies, I recall entering a local bike shop (that still exists today) where I read a sign that said: “Share the Road Safely.” I took this to mean that both cyclists and drivers were being encouraged to be equally safe and mutually committed to sharing the road. Today, the accidents, tragic deaths and the bike lane controversies have filled the air and the headlines with bitter accusations and public protests. Bureaucratic decision making and political will will meet bicycle “advocates” on a battlefield that represents another example of the popularized practice of standing one’s ground to the mantra of “my way or the highway.” Well, as a neutral bystander without claim to a “side,” I am here to tell you that it’s not working. I have ridden a bicycle for over 50 years and I have never seen conditions like the ones present today that are supposed to secure safe sharing of the road, but instead intensify harsh recrimination and polarization.

Perhaps part of this picture comes from the increased numbers of cyclists on the road due to the Citi Bike program across the city, or because traffic congestion and construction have made drivers generally more angry and impatient. In any case, the picture is not good. Certainly, it is not the picture that one might imagine of a cyclist on a touring bike traversing the streets of Paris, or even the delivery guy weaving through the busy congested streets of Delhi. A passionate rivalry that pits one group against another has emerged seemingly from, among other things, the lack of shared “buy-in;” the enforced mandates that originate out of policy shifts, the rapid changes to the cityscape, especially traffic patterns that add to frustration and confusion; and finally, the creation of another group consisting of pedestrians who often suffer close calls at the crosswalk due to the unexpected bike lane traffic that intersects their path when they step off the sidewalk to cross the street.

We may need an armistice or a day of reflection to reimagine our responsibility to “share the road safely.” It may give us an opportunity to discuss the dangerous consequences of riding bicycles without helmets or while wearing earphones, or driving above speed limits (25-30 streets/20mph in school zones/watching left turns), texting while driving or stepping off the curb without looking. “Arrive Alive” could become a shared slogan supporting each person’s right to safety on the road. Synergy could replace negative energy and the result might bring us closer to Vision Zero because even one death, injury or accident is too many. If we don’t change the course of this heated debate, we will continue to see differences as the focal point of attention as the death toll continues to rise tracking our collective failure to bring parties together for a lasting peace.

Have a Blessed Passover & Easter

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Wake will be Monday, April 22nd from 2-5PM and 7-9PM at Edward D. Lynch Funeral Home, Inc, 43-07 Queens Boulevard, Sunnyside, NY. A graveside service will be held 11:00 am on Tuesday, April 23rd, at Calvary Cemetery, 49-02 Laurel Hill Boulevard, Woodside, NY.
Please keep Liz and her family in your prayers.
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Astoria residents Ashley Cavadas and Hannah Lokken took top honors in the “Community” group. They founded Art Strong, a Long Island City-based community art center that offers enrichment classes and camp options for children, while also organizing parties and special events. The friends, who met in graduate school, founded the business after running Art in the Park, a summer program in Manhattan’s Riverside Park.

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CITATION

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

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To: Estate of Alicia Gonzalez, Ximena Gonzalez Alastuey, Attorney General of the State of New York

The unknown distributees, legatees, creditors, heirs at law, and assigns of Gregorio Gonzalez, deceased, or their estates, if any there be, whose names, places of residence and post office addresses are unknown to the petitioner and cannot with due diligence be ascertained.

Unknown Gonzalez (1), Unknown Gonzalez (2), Unknown Gonzalez (3) and Unknown Gonzalez (4), if living and if dead, to their heirs at law, next of kin and distributees whose names and places of residence are unknown and if declared subsequent to the decedent herein, to their executors, administrators, legatees, assignees and successors in interest whose names and places of residence are unknown and cannot be ascertained after due diligence. 4 whereabouts unknown alleged nephews or alleged nieces of Alicia Gonzalez, post deceased alleged sister of Gregorio Gonzalez Being the persons interested as creditors, legatees, distributaries or otherwise in the Estate of Gregorio Gonzalez, deceased, who at the time of death was a resident of 64-34 102nd Street, Rego Park, NY 11374, in the County of Queens, State of New York.

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Upon the petition of LOIS M ROSENBLATT Public Administrator of Queens County, who maintains her office at 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, Queens County, New York 11435, as Administrator of the Estate of Gregorio Gonzalez, deceased, you are hereby cited to show cause before the Surrogate at the Surrogate’s Court of the County of Queens, to be held at the Queens General Court House, 8th Floor, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, City and State of New York, on the 23rd day of May, 2019 at 9:30 o’clock in the forenoon, why the Account of Proceedings of the Public Administrator of Queen County, as Administrator of the Estate of said deceased, a copy of which is attached, should not be judiciously settled, and why the Surrogate should not fix and allow a reasonable amount of compensation to GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ., for legal services rendered to petitioner herein in the amount of $13,277.92 and that the Court fix the fair and reasonable additional fee for any services to be rendered by GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ., hereinafter in consideration for proceedings on kinship, claims etc., prior to entry of a final Decree on the account in the amount of 6% of assets or income collected after the date of the within accounting; and why the Surrogate should not fix and allow an amount equal to one percent on said Schedules of the total assets on Schedules A, A1, and A2 plus any additional monies received subsequent to the date of this account, as the fair and reasonable amount payable to the Office of the Public Administrator for the expenses of said office pursuant to S.C.P.A. (1106.3); and why each of you claiming to be a distributee of the decedent should not establish proof of your kinship; and why the balance of said funds should not be paid to said alleged distributees upon proof of kinship, or deposited with the Commissioner of Finance of the City of New York should said alleged distributees default herein, or fail to establish proof of kinship, Dated, Attested and Sealed 27th day of March, 2019

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Notice is hereby given that an OATH duly sworn, verifying that you are the decedent therein and the last will and testament of the decedent and that the Surrogate’s Court of the County of Queens, New York, 11435, before me personally appeared and declared himself to be the decedent herein mentioned, and that he did attend the reading of the same and did sign the same.

You are hereby summoned to appear at the Surrogate’s Court of the County of Queens, at the City Hall, at 9:30 o’clock in the forenoon of the first Monday after the return of this notice, then and there to show cause why the account of the said Gerardo J. González, as the last will and testament of the decedent therein mentioned, be approved and allowed, and why the expenses of said office be allowed as follows:

The above account is subject to final settlement with the Estate of the said Gerardo J. González, as the last will and testament of the decedent therein mentioned, and is for the amount of $10,842.41, being the amount of expenses of the said court from the time of the death of the said Gerardo J. González, as the last will and testament of the decedent therein mentioned, to the time of the filing of the last account.

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After the race, all runners can join our Easter Egg hunt for FREE. For those who don’t want to join us for the run, the Easter Egg Hunt can be purchased on this page for $5 per child.

BUNNY RUN AND EASTER EGG HUNT AGENDA:
8:00am Last minute race packet pick-up
9:00am Welcome/ Runner Warmup
9:15am Races begin
10:00am Awards ceremony
10:30am Easter Egg Hunt (don’t forget your Easter basket)

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