



Block Association Halloween Party Bewitches Again

By Hedy Campbell

It was 5:55 on Halloween night. The dark night sky was clear, the weather unseasonably balmy. A few people were clustered on a street corner. The sidewalk was otherwise deserted. Five minutes later, it was nearly impossible to navigate from 102nd to 103rd Street.

I know why that many people gathered in one spot—the annual Block Association parade and party was about to begin—but I'll never understand how they do it so quickly! All of a sudden we were surrounded by a boy dressed as a Kleenex box, two girls teamed up as conjoined twins, an unrelated toddler and adult in bee suits, a bulldog dressed as a lion, and the requisite contingent of fairies, devils, dinosaurs and super heroes.

After expecting to retire because of an anticipated schedule conflict, late in the summer I won a reprieve and was delighted to be able to again orchestrate this event. The few hours I spend putting together this party are among the most rewarding in the course of a year. Being encircled by costumed little ones for story time, glancing at their engrossed faces and hearing them howl in chorus is a gratification unavailable to me in any other

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Architecture Preservation Draws Large Crowd to Annual Meeting

By David L. Reich

The Upper West Side, especially our neighborhood, has been stirred awake by the recent attention of real estate developers. Thus it was no surprise when three times the number who usually attend the Block Association's annual meeting showed up for this year's session on November 15.

The attraction was a talk by Kate Wood, executive director of Landmark West!, on the topic of "Preserving the Architecture of the Upper West Side." We had the added benefit of meeting in the penthouse solarium of the Broadmoor Apartments at 235 W. 102nd St. Lauren Koffler, Broadmoor board chairman and Joan Swift, the building management representative, came to the rescue when we found that our usual venue, the Marseilles Community Room, would not be available due to renovation activity. The Broadmoor building superintendant, Marian Woronowicz, made the beautiful space comfortable for more than 65 attendees. His attention helped everything go smoothly.

Following the Block Association's business meeting, Wood began her remarks by noting the 20th anniversary of Landmark West!, which had begun in an attempt to save an important West Side church. The organizers re-

alized that many City departments were involved in regulating development, leading them to ask, as Wood put it, "are citywide agencies doing what they should?" The response was to build an organization that would develop expertise enabling it to work with the system. The result has been research and advocacy leading to the landmarking of over 2,600 buildings and the designation of eight historic districts on the Upper West Side.

The benefits of landmarking come at the intersection of real estate development and the City's zoning laws. Wood described how zoning laws permit development "as-of-right" that is, without public review. Landmark status requires public review and official approval when the proposed development involves a landmarked building or is in a historic district.

Landmark West! works to bring de-

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BLOCK ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

Regular Block Association meetings are held twelve times a year, usually on the second Tuesday of every month.

TIME: 8:00 p.m.
PLACE: 306 W. 102nd St.

The next three meetings are scheduled for Dec. 13, Jan. 10 and Feb. 14.

West Side Federation to Honor Our Block Association

By Marlene Lee

On December 5th at its annual holiday party, the West Side Federation of Neighborhood and Block Associations will honor our West 102nd & 103rd Streets Block Association for its accomplishments: the quarterly newsletter, annual Halloween, theater and caroling parties, spring yard sale, supervision of our guard service and other activities. As Block Association representative, I attend all meetings and have served as Federation treasurer.

This year the Federation will also

honor City Councilmember Gale Brewer. Past honorees have included Congressman Jerry Nadler, Manhattan Borough President C. Virginia Fields, State Assemblymember Scott Stringer and various block associations that thrive in the Federation's jurisdiction: W. 59th St. to W. 110th St. and Central Park West to Riverside Drive.

Last year, the Federation provided a grant for the bright green banner that graces all our events and fundraising activities. The funds came from the Federation's annual street fair held every summer along Broadway from W. 72nd St. to W. 86th St. Twenty

percent of that income is returned to the community in the form of grants to member associations for a variety of projects that enhance the life of their neighborhoods.

The Federation works with Community Board 7, New York City officials and neighborhood organizations to address concerns about housing, police, parks, sanitation and other issues of city life. The Federation board meets monthly at Hargrave House, 111 W. 71st St. Your Block Association is proud of our neighborhood and grateful to the West Side Federation for this recognition.

NYC: They All Cheer for Strangers

By David L. Reich

If you just look around, you'll find an interesting story, even in a quiet neighborhood such as ours.

On November 6, a beautiful Sunday morning, half a dozen folks, young and old, bubbled out of a brownstone on W. 102nd St. Nothing unusual about that except that their energy seemed rather high for the day and the hour. And they were carrying homemade signs: "Go, Lynn," "Go, Steve."

Of course! It was Marathon Sunday, a day when 37,000 people considered themselves lucky to be corralled together near the Staten Island end of the Verrazano-Narrows bridge about to start running 26.2 miles through the streets of New York City's five boroughs for the next two to eight hours.

Why do they do it? The "Lynn" on those signs is Lynn Carroll, 48, a runner since college, 27 years ago, and a neighborhood resident for the past seven years. This was her second New York City Marathon, having run her first one in 1999. She's a member of the NY Flyers and the NY Road

Runners running clubs, though most of her training during the year is done solo in Central Park or Riverside Park.

By entering and completing nine shorter races sponsored by the Road Runners club, she automatically qualified for the big one. The training for those races came to about 30 miles a week in all kinds of weather. The weather on Marathon Sunday was slightly warm and humid, not the best for long-distance runners, but for Lynn, crossing the finish line in 4 hours, 17 minutes and 44 seconds, just nine minutes slower than six years ago, was "a major accomplishment." "You just feel good about yourself," she said.

That good feeling was in large part due to the support of spectators all along the route. Her private cheering squad of parents, two sisters and friends who came in from Connecticut (the folks coming out of the brownstone), got their first glimpse of Lynn at First Avenue and E. 112th St. At that point, Lynn and Steve, her running companion, were 19 miles and about three hours into the race. They

had been in Staten Island, Brooklyn, Queens and Manhattan, with the Bronx just a mile ahead.

The earlier part of the run had its highs and lows. On the streets, there was lots of "go, Lynn, go" as spectators spotted her name in large letters

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on her shirt. The name on the shirt is just as strategic as grabbing a Power-Gel bar along the way, said Lynn. On the bridges, where there were no spectators, it was a harder slog. The Queensboro Bridge, coming into Manhattan, was particularly tough but then the route going north through the Upper East Side exploded with cheering crowds.

Lynn's long training paid off as she and Steve dipped their toes into the Bronx and came back into Manhattan toward the finish line. Her own crowd was whooping it up for them again at Mile 23 having taken a shortcut across 112th Street to Fifth Ave.

Now they were running in Central Park and an official was holding up a sign saying "1/2 mile to go." Lynn remembers that half mile loomed like ten. And then, there was the finish line!

Soon, it would be back to work selling printing services to the book publishing industry. For the moment, it was all cheering and more cheering.

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Community Board 7 OKs Bogart Name for W. 103rd St. Block

At the November 1st meeting of Community Board 7, a resolution to add a street name to the block of



W. 103rd St. between Broadway and West End Ave. in honor of the movie actor Humphrey Bogart was approved by a vote of 30-6.

The resolution stated:

WHEREAS, Humphrey Bogart is one of America's best-known and beloved actors;

and WHEREAS, Humphrey Bogart lived at 245 West 103rd Street for 22 years;

and WHEREAS, very few people are aware that Mr. Bogart was a Westsider for most of his time in our City;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the request by Movie Place for a secondary naming of West 103rd Street between Broadway and West End Avenue as "Humphrey Bogart Place."

Bogart's champion in the renaming effort has been Gary Dennis, proprietor of the Movie Place video rental store at 237 W. 105th Street. Before the vote, our treasurer, Marlene Lee, had written to the Community Board on behalf of the Block Association in support of the renaming. With the letter in hand, Gary was at the Board meeting to witness the approval

dressed in his 1930's best, complete with black and white patterned tie and two-toned black and white shoes. CB7's recommendation now goes to the New York City Department of Transportation for implementation.

Block Association Residents to Serenade the Neighborhood

December 21 may be the shortest day of the year, but the evening will certainly be full of festivity. Once again, Anthony Bellov will lead the Block Association's annual holiday caroling that also marks the beginning of lengthening daylight hours.

Join your neighbors on Wednesday, December 21 at 7 pm in front of 865 West End Avenue for a song-filled, soul-warming walk around our blocks. Bring your family, bring your friends, bring a lantern or a sleighbell. We'll finish up at the Master Apartments, 310 Riverside Drive, (thanks to building manager Seth Jucovy), with hot cider and sweets. If the stars align, perhaps we'll again get to enjoy a special performance by the Bond Street Euterpean Singing Society, as we did last year. If you'd like to help update our song sheets or otherwise lend a hand, please call Hedy Campbell at (212) 865-8524.

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serving buildings and districts to the Landmark Preservation Commission, whose members are all appointed by the mayor, for the hearings that can result in landmark designation and the protection it affords. That is not a quick or even certain process, as seen in the refusal of the Commission to hold a hearing on 2 Columbus Circle. Landmark West! supports the "Landmarks Hearing" bill in the City Council empowering the Council to order the Commission to hold a public hearing on a particular property.

Wood answered questions throughout the evening, many concerning the Extell buildings under way on Broadway. She spoke on "contextual zoning" and noted a proposed historic district for West End Ave. above 96th St. The engaged audience enthusiastically applauded Wood's presentation.

The business meeting, which had

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setting. Although the prediction of my demise as parade pooh-bah was premature, it looms in the not-too-distant future. Please give some thought to taking the baton from me in a year soon to come.

We enhanced this year's parade by stationing volunteers along the route to cheer the kids on. In fine Halloween spirit, several even donned costumes! Thanks for the great spirit(s) goes to St. Luke's residents Jamal, started the evening, was an opportunity to tell our story to a large audience. Cynthia Doty, the evening's organizer, introduced treasurer Marlene Lee to discuss the past year's finances (see page 8), which are in good shape. As board chairman, I then presented a summary of our activities over the past year and introduced our street guard, Alexander Davis. Finally, Cynthia called for the vote for next year's board members. Mildred Speiser moved that the official slate (see below) be accepted by acclamation. It was, and the business meeting ended.

Willie, and Jennifer, who also baked a huge cake and coordinated the loan of the refreshment tables, and to Terence Hanrahan, resplendent in tie-dye from head to toe, and Rosalyn Cherry.

At the head of the parade were the youngest grand marshals we've ever had: sixth graders Dylan Becker Cope and Gabe Freilich. Others who lent a hand at the party include: Jill Chase, indefatigable refreshments server and contribution hustler, Mildred Speiser, and board members Paul Arents, Cynthia Doty, Maura Gouck, Marlene Lee, Ginger Lief, Kathy Ralph, and David Reich. Additional St. Luke's residents pitched in to deliver and remove the refreshment tables.

Volunteers were also responsible for packing more trick or treat bags than ever before. Thanks to: Valerie Barchat, Nancy Becker, who also handled the pre-party supply run, Stacy and Carly Lauren, and Molly and Rosalie Campbell. And thanks to Cherie Tredanari for donating the apples for the bags as she has year after year after year. Appreciation also goes to the many who donated candy for the trick or treat bags and party supplies and refreshments: Camille Colon, Anthony DeCurtis, Elissa Fishman, Nina Friedman, Susan Gurman, Kerstin Hasenpusch, Deborah Lott, Sheila Oakes, Nina Rappaport and Janis Ruden. To those who brought your contributions anonymously, thank you all the same.

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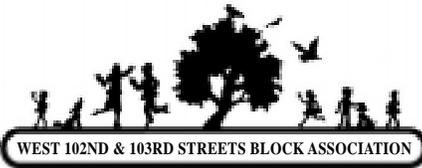
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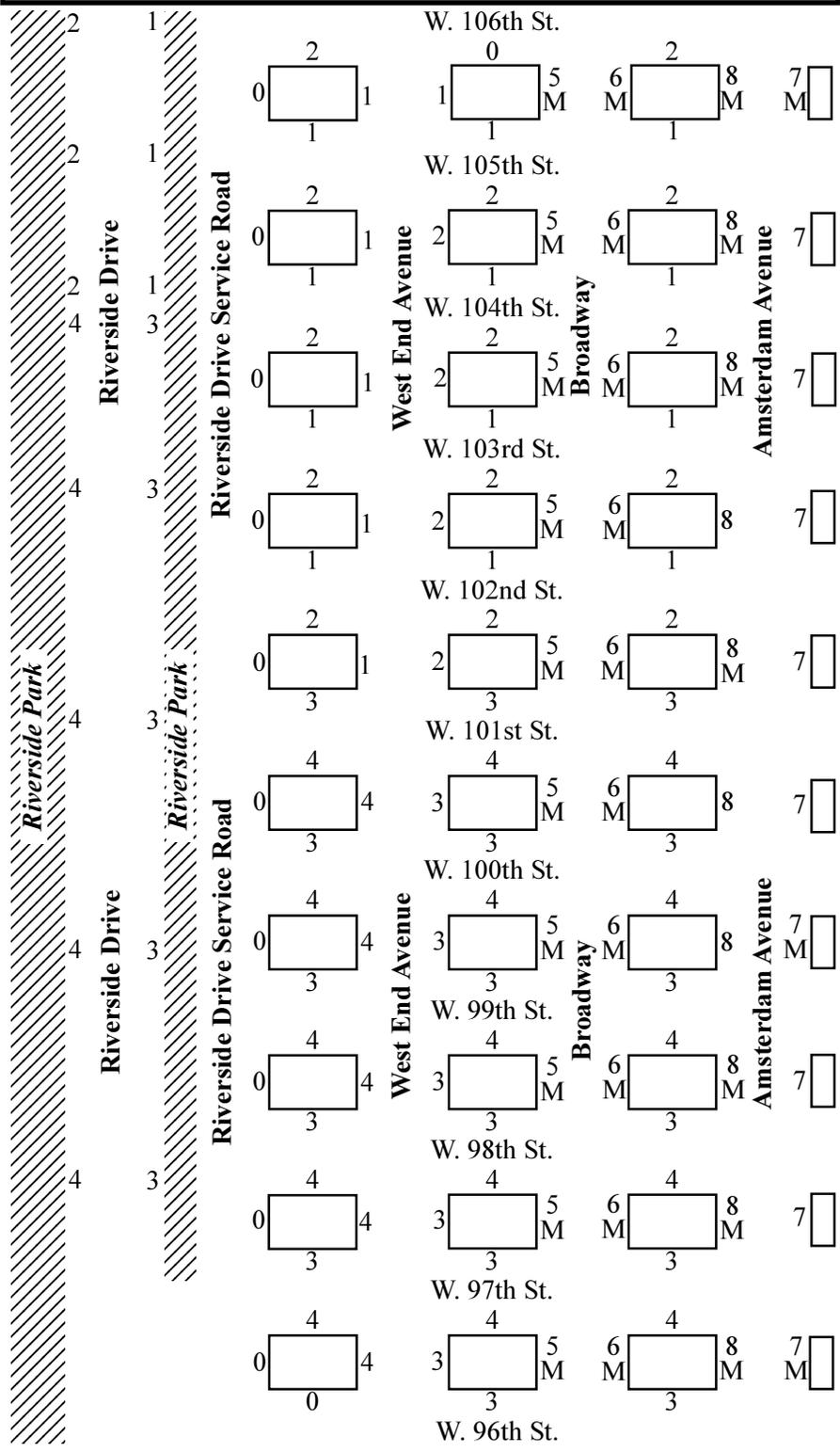
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5 - All days 8:00 am - 8:30 am	8:30 am - 10 pm
6 - All days 7:30 am - 8:00 am	8:00 am - 10 pm
7 - M, W, F 8:30 am - 9:00 am	9:00 am - 7 pm
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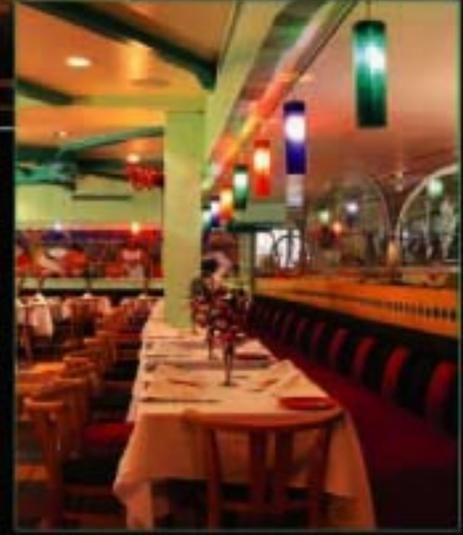
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- Jan. 1, Sun: New Year's Day
- Jan. 2, Mon: New Year's Day Observed
- Jan. 10-12, Tue-Thu: Idul-Adha, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Day
- Jan 16, Mon: Martin Luther King's Birthday
- Jan. 29, Sun: Asian Lunar New Year
- Feb 12, Sun: Lincoln's Birthday
- Feb 13, Mon: Lincoln's Birthday Observed
- Feb 20, Mon: Washington's Birthday/Pres. Day
- Mar. 1, Wed: Ash Wednesday
- Mar. 14, Tue: Purim
- Apr. 13-14, Thu-Fri: Passover, 1st, 2nd Days
- Apr. 13, Thu: Holy Thursday
- Apr. 14, Fri: Good Friday
- Apr. 19-20, Wed-Thu: Passover, 7th, 8th Days
- Apr. 20, Thu: Holy Thursday (Orthodox)
- Apr. 21, Fri: Good Friday (Orthodox)
- May 25, Thu: Solemnity of the Ascension
- May 29, Mon: Memorial Day
- June 2-3, Fri-Sat: Shavuot
- July 4, Tue: Independence Day
- Aug. 15, Tue: Feast of the Assumption
- Sep. 4, Mon: Labor Day
- Sep. 23-24, Sat-Sun: Rosh Hashanah
- Oct. 2, Mon: Yom Kippur
- Oct. 7-8, Sat-Sun: Succoth
- Oct. 9, Mon: Columbus Day
- Oct. 14, Sat: Shemini Atzereth
- Oct. 15, Sun: Simchas Torah
- Oct. 22-24, Sun-Tue: Idul-Fitr
- Nov. 1, Wed: All Saints' Day
- Nov. 7, Tue: Election Day
- Nov. 10, Fri: Veterans' Day Observed
- Nov. 11, Sat: Veterans' Day
- Nov. 23, Thu: Thanksgiving Day
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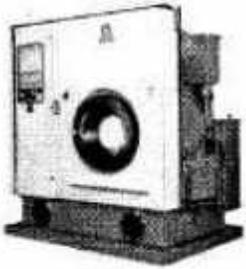
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There's Much Afoot Under Foot and Overhead

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On W. 102nd St. between West End Ave. and Riverside Dr. the sidewalk in front of 316 had been a mess for quite a while. Calls to 311 and local politicians went unheeded. The absentee landlord was inaccessible. Then, a major construction job in the backyard of a neighboring brownstone provided the perfect opportunity. A contract was signed and the sidewalks in front of both buildings were replaced at once. Result: a smooth, safe pavement, easily cleanable, before the snow and ice arrive this winter.

Up the block, at the corner of West End Ave. and W. 102nd St., the odor of gas in the basement of 855 West End Ave. brought a Con Ed investigation. Holes were dug in both the sidewalk and the street and repairs were

made. The holes were filled temporarily with blacktop. Then, a few weeks later, Con Ed was back, opening a manhole cover in the middle of West End Ave. traffic to vent some gas traveling through a telephone wire access pipe. Finally, the leak was found under West End Ave. and repaired.

Across the street, in front of 850 West End Ave., a Con Ed contractor dug holes and removed soil samples in late October to look for signs of the oil that had leaked from an underground electric cable at W. 104th St. many months before. None was found.

At one corner of the same intersection a light pole had been knocked down in an accident in September. Only a temporary traffic light was installed by way of restoration. A series of work orders were submitted for the street lamp to be replaced and each

time the work was reported to be complete but no lamppost was ever erected! The DOT Commissioner now promises to report back by Dec. 13.

In front of 306 W. 102nd St., a double-parked truck recently offered a fascinating glimpse of what is under the street. A mobile robot with a video camera was moving through the storm sewer looking for the cause of the depression in the street. Images from the camera could be seen in the back of the truck as the robot worked its way from a manhole near the truck toward Riverside Dr. All seemed normal: no Jean Valjean, no rats, no cave-ins.



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Treasurer Reports Solid Fiscal Year

At the Block Association's Annual Meeting on November 15, treasurer Marlene Lee distributed the following statement of income and expenses for the fiscal year ended October 31. Total income was up slightly from the last fiscal year and expenses were up significantly because of two exceptional items (see note). Building and individual contributions were down somewhat and newsletter ad and yard sale space income were up compared to last year.

Opening Balance as of November 1, 2004	\$21,932.64
Closing Balance as of October 31, 2005	\$18,311.50
Net Increase/(Decrease)	(\$3,621.14)

INCOME

Building contributions	\$11,895.00
Individual contributions	23,233.00
Newsletter ads	6,447.00
Caps, mugs, postcards	170.00
Baked goods	178.80
Yard sale spaces	<u>1,630.00</u>
Total Income	\$43,553.80

EXPENSES

Contributions, dues, recognition awards	1057.20
Event expenses	48.88
Logo items: caps, mugs	694.76
PO Box, postage, web hosting	213.42
Newsletter printing envelopes, flyers	2,885.35
Contribution envelopes	822.29
Flyers	48.85
Security guard (57 wks)	38,882.20
Security guard (4 wks, previous years)	2,466.64
Total Expenses	47,174.94

Excess of expenses over income (see note) (\$3,621.14)

Note: Last year, payment for the guard lagged irregularly behind the service. This year, the company has been more timely in its reports and invoices. Also, missing invoices from several years ago were rendered when the guard service company was sold to new owners. If only a full 52 weeks of guard service had been paid in the fiscal year, there would have been an excess of income over expenses of about \$2,340.

Shelters Seek Holiday Toys, Books, Clothing

For the fifth consecutive year, the W. 102nd & 103rd Streets Block Association will join with the Department of Justice's New York office in their holiday toy and gift party for the victims of domestic violence who live at the Henry Street Settlement shelter.

Over the years, hundreds of toys, books and small gifts, both new and gently used, have been donated, collected, wrapped and delivered by Block Association members and staff at DOJ. A wrapping party is held at DOJ with delivery of the gifts by Santa and Mrs. Claus at the shelter.

Gifts are also collected for the men at the Doe Fund's Ready, Willing and Able shelter. (They are the men you see in blue coveralls keeping Broadway clean in our neighborhood.)

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On Broadway

Openings and Closings: ♦♦The **Empire Szechuan Gourmet** Chinese restaurant has moved up the east side of Broadway from the southeast corner of W. 97th St. to a smaller location between W. 101st and W.102nd Sts. The restaurant's former location is slated to be occupied by a new branch of **Bank of America** but probably not until the second quarter of next year, according to a bank representative. Or perhaps never: a "Store For Rent, Any Use" sign is currently displayed on the building. Bank of America recently opened a branch on Broadway at W. 107th St. ♦♦Among the new personnel at the **Commerce Bank** on Broadway at W. 109th St. is a uniformed NYC police officer standing just inside the front door. Branches of the bank, open 7 days a week and with late hours and an open floor plan, have had a large number of robberies. The police officer, not withstanding his uniform, is off-duty and paid by the bank under an arrangement with the NYC Police Department. ♦♦Since two branches ten blocks apart are not enough presence in our neighborhood, **Bank of America** is converting the former **Afghan Kebab House** restaurant on the northeast corner of Broadway and W. 102nd St. to a two-ATM outpost with no on-site employees. ♦♦The retail space next door to the uptown branch of Bank of America on the east side of Broadway at W. 107th St. has opened as a large **Lenscrafters** eyeglasses store. ♦♦As one optician moves in, another moves out of our neighborhood: **Sterling Optical**, on the west side of Broadway between W. 100th and W. 101st Sts., has been operating under a huge "Store For Rent" sign for the past six months. Now they are scheduled to move to 588 Amsterdam Avenue between W. 88th and W. 89th Sts. in late Decem-

ber. ♦♦**Green Farm**, the produce store on the west side of Broadway between W. 101st and W. 102nd Sts., just south of PicNic, has closed leaving three empty storefronts in a row on that block. The adjacent convenience store owner has been told his lease will not be renewed when it expires in four years. The property is owned by Benjamin Heller, who owned both 299 and 300 Riverside Drive at W. 102nd St. before they became co-ops. Heller's office has not returned calls asking for comment on their plans for the space. ♦♦The tiny **World of Nuts and Chocolates** shop that used to operate at 2578 Broadway on the east side between W. 97th and W. 98th Sts. is gone. No word on a replacement. A similar shop under different management continues in operation on Broadway at 90th St. ♦♦A new fish store, **Kim's Fish Market**, has opened on W. 104th St. just west of Amsterdam Ave. It is run by the same family that operates the grocery store on the corner of W. 104th St. and Amsterdam Ave. ♦♦**New Amsterdam Fencing Academy**, a *salle* for children and adults, opened in October at 2726 Broadway on the east side between W. 104th and W. 105th Sts. in the newly renovated second-floor space that was formerly occupied by a martial arts studio. NAFA moved from the gym of the Claremont Children's School on Amsterdam Avenue at 96th Street where they opened two years ago. **Going Down, Going Up:** ♦♦The demolition on **Extell's** two Broadway sites between W. 99th and W. 100th Sts. has been completed. Excavation has been underway on the west side of Broadway for several weeks. Rock hammers, noticeable for their continuing thump, thump, thump from 7 am to 3 pm, are being used to remove layers of rock that have turned out to be

harder than expected as lower levels are reached, according to the site manager for **Bovis Lend Lease**, the construction management company. This work is expected to continue into the middle of January. At the same time, on the southern edge of the site, foundation footings are being poured. Rock work on the east side site is running behind that on the west side but should not last as long since the site footprint is smaller. Extell is starting to advertise the new buildings, to be called Ariel East and West, in newspapers and magazines and on a website *arielcondos.com*. Opponents of the Extell buildings, organized as **West-siders for Responsible Development** (*stopextell.blogspot.com*), are pressing Community Board 7 and the NYC Planning Commission to change the zoning rules under which these buildings would be built. ♦♦A replacement Callery pear tree has been planted outside the Marseilles on W. 103rd St. It came from Long Island and was purchased by building management.

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Neighbors Organize Huge Collection for Katrina Victims

Those who saw Jill Chase behind the refreshment table at our Halloween party know she never stands still. When Hurricane Katrina hit the central Gulf Coast on August 29, Jill and her good friend, Adina Greenberg, jumped into action. They made up a flyer asking for donations of clothing and other items for the victims and put them up around the neighborhood.

As boxes of donations started to pile up in Jill's lobby, they began the arrangements for moving them out to the people who needed them. In addition to the food and clothing, contributions of money to pay for shipping came in from generous neighbors.

Two full vans joined a caravan from Lincoln Center to New Orleans. Forty boxes went to a church in New Jersey for a combined shipment south. Other items went to local shelters that received refugees from the Gulf Coast. As the holidays approach, Jill is still collecting. To contact her, call (212) 666-7513.

Film Production Company Makes Generous Donation

The film and video production groups that use our neighborhood bring both excitement and disruption. Occasionally, the location managers try to make up for the closed sidewalks and loss of parking. At the end of September, one such company, HSI Productions, was shooting a commercial for Zale's, the jewelry chain, in an apartment at 305 Riverside Drive. Your Block Association is very pleased to acknowledge that, after a friendly chat with Mark, the location manager for the shoot, a generous donation was sent to us from their New York office.