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Next Meeting:

September 23, 2009
Neighborhood Preservation Center
232 East 11th Street
New York, NY
6:30pm

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PANYC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

March 11, 2009, 6:30 P.M.

Neighborhood Preservation Center (NPC)

232 E.11th Street

*Notice of upcoming meeting, May 20, 2009, 6:30 pm
Neighborhood Preservation Center, 232 E. 11th Street, NYC*

Present: Stone, Geismar, Pickman, Rothschild, Spritzer, Rakos, Dallal, Shuldenrein, Linn, Cantwell, Wall, Smith, Harris

Treasurer's Report: Spritzer reported that Columbia University sent PANYC a nice thank you note for our contribution to the Dorothy Miner Scholarship Fund.

As of 12/31/08 PANYC had 46 members (including one honorary member), 2 paid subscribers to the newsletter, and one complimentary subscriber (City Hall Library).

Total income for 2008 (from membership and subscription dues and additional contributions) = \$765.00

Total expenses for 2008 (Awards, public program, room rent, supplies, newsletter) = \$359.96 (\$92.49 more than last year's expenses)

Surplus for 2008= \$405.04

Total assets for year ending in 12/31/08 = \$3622.12

Members suggested that we have an event to use some of the surplus money and to attract new members.

Secretary's Report:

Dues reminders did not yet go out. Linn will send mailing list of members to Smith, the new Secretary for 2009, who will send out the reminders.

Minutes from previous meeting approved.

President's report:

Stimulus Money Issue:

Stone reported on an issue discussed during the Executive Board Meeting:

A member brought to Stone's attention information about a possible letter written by Governor Paterson to someone in the state legislature about fast-tracking environmental review for projects funded by national stimulus money. The concern is that this would also negatively affect cultural resources and archaeology. A similar concern about projects funded by the stimulus was voiced by members of NYAC at the last meeting, although no one there mentioned Paterson's letter. An effort to track down a copy of this letter is underway. If found or additional information is brought to light PANYC's will consider what steps should be made with regard to this issue.

Stone reported that we would try to track down a copy of the letter that Paterson allegedly wrote and then consider what PANYC's next step should be with regard to this issue.

New Director of Historic House Trust:

Stone reported that Franklin Vagnone is the new director of the Historic House Trust of NYC. He is replacing Teresa Braddock, and he has experience in non-profit management, architectural design, and historic preservation. PANYC will write a letter introducing our organization to him.

Whole Foods Site in Brooklyn:

The Roebling Chapter brought to Stone's attention that, according to the DEC website, the site of the Whole Foods in Brooklyn along the Gowanus Canal was found not to require an archaeological review, as there supposedly is no evidence of any archaeological sites or historic structures in that location. The Roebling Chapter believes that this is an incorrect assessment, considering that the whole Canal is an historic site.

Stone called Doug Mackey who said that he was not aware of this and would contact the DEC for clarification. He confirmed that the DEC does need to work with his office on this issue.

Stone also spoke with Amanda Sutphin at Landmarks who reported that, as currently interpreted, the Landmarks Law does not automatically consider archaeology in historic districts, but that now Landmarks is trying to do something about this. It was suggested by PANYC members that we try to be more aware of ongoing work so that we can be poised to write letters or attend meetings, etc. if need be to advocate for archaeology and responsible historic preservation.

New NYC Heritage Website:

Hanna Koriech is administering a new website: "NYC Heritage" at <http://www.nycheritage.com/Home.html>. Some PANYC members have sent comments to her via the link on the homepage. If anyone has additional comments, please send them along as well.

Follow-up on Brooklyn Heights Development Project:

Chris Neville from the Brooklyn Heights Association sent an email to Stone that the developer is trying to get by some regulations by using the state's mandamus filing to force a rapid review. Neville is trying to counter the developer's actions by finding better documentation of the historic nature of the site, including archaeology. He is also trying to push for a change in the jurisdiction of the project; since it is part of the BQE, he hopes it might fall under state jurisdiction. He also reports that he distributed Geismar's report to the tenants and that the tenants are keeping a close eye on what the developer is doing.

Hotel Building Site, Duffield Street, Brooklyn:

PANYC received an email from Raul Rothblatt, who has a blog about a site in Brooklyn on Duffield Street where a new hotel is being built, about concerns that cultural resources on the site are not being properly managed. He also contact other PANYC members directly. Some PANYC members went to the site several years ago with Cheryl La Roche. There were three buildings on this street that were supposedly used by the Underground Railroad, but no physical

evidence has been found that can conclusively prove this. Two of the buildings were recently torn down (one has been preserved) to build the hotel, and one area has not yet been paved over. Rothblatt requests that PANYC come and walk through this area to check for cultural resources. Since nothing can be proven with a walk-over, members at the meeting suggested that PANYC write a letter supporting placing a plaque nearby saying that where the hotel stands were houses that may have been used in the Underground Railroad.

Revive the Action Committee?

Members at the meeting suggested that we revive the action committee, which in the past assessed possible adverse effects to archaeological sites. It was suggested that we monitor what permits were being granted by organizations like the DEC and Landmarks, because now much of this information is online. This subject will be added to the agenda for further discussion at the next meeting.

NY State Burial Bill

PANYC had previously sent a letter to the State Assembly with concerns about the proposed NY State law about burials, as there is no provision for protecting the burials of non-Native American individuals. On Feb. 3rd, the proposed bill was reissued and it was referred to a committee without PANYC's recommended revisions. Lisa Anderson, chair of NYAC's burial bill committee reported NYAC's recommended changes had not been incorporated either. Stone and Harris will work on drafting a new letter.

Committee Reports:

Awards: There were no nominations for awards this year, so there were no awards given.

Landmarks: Geismar reports that there is no policy for archaeology in Historic Districts under Landmarks and that there really should be one. Amanda Sutphin is in support of such a policy, but Bob Tierney has not made a decision about creating one. PANYC needs to fight for archaeology being included in newly designated historic districts. PANYC had written a letter supporting archaeology at 109 Waverly Place, which the LPC had asked for, but the only find was a refilled cistern.

Met Chapter: Wall and Cantwell announced that the next Met Chapter event will be held on April 5th at 1pm, in Washington Square Park. Geismar will lead a walking tour of the park and will discuss the history of the area before it was a park and her recent archaeological work in the park, which accompanied recent renovations. PANYC will send an official announcement to members about this tour via email.

NYAC: The next meeting will take place on Friday, April 17th.

Parks: Nothing new. The Parks Department has no standard procedure for handling archaeologically sensitive areas.

Public Program: This year's public program will be held on Sunday, April 19th from 1 to 3pm at the Museum of the City of New York. The title of the program is "Greenwich Village: Indians, Backyards, and Burial Grounds." Speakers will include Cantwell ("Greenwich Village as Indian

Country”), Wall (“Village Backyards: Excavating NY’s First Suburb”), Geismar (“Before it Was Washington Square Park”), Douglas Mooney, URS (“The Spring Street Church Site”), and Rebecca White, URS (“Coffin Plates from the Spring Street Church Site”). Nancy Brighton was to speak, but is still stationed overseas.

Repository: Parks Department is trying to establish a repository in Ft. Totten in Queens.

Website: Pickman reports that Ricciardi sent him a cd with the old PANYC website on it, and now we need to decide what to do with it. Members at the meeting are in favor of using PANYC funds to rent internet space and get the website up and running again. Pickman and Stone will work on that.

Old Business: See several reports above

New Business:

Election results:

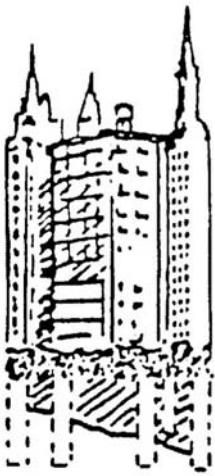
President- Geismar, VP- Linn, Treasurer- Spritzer, Secretary- Smith

Board Members- Cantwell, Pickman, Rakos, Rothschild, Wall

Geismar thanks Stone and past officers.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Meredith Linn.



**Professional Archaeologists of New York City, Inc. and
New York Archaeological Council (NYAC)**

May 28, 2009

Ms. Kristin Leahy
NGB Cultural Resources Program Manager
Army National Guard, National Guard Bureau
Attn: NGB-ARE-C
111 S. George Mason Drive
Arlington, Virginia 22204-1382

PANYC

Re: Admiral's Row, Brooklyn Navy Yard – Building 198 draft MOA

Dear Ms. Leahy,

We are writing on behalf of Professional Archaeologists of New York City, Inc. (PANYC) and the New York Archaeological Council (NYAC) regarding the March 18 draft of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the Demolition of Building 198 at the Admiral's Row in the Brooklyn Navy Yard.


After attending the May 27 consultation meeting, where the draft MOA was introduced and comments requested, we reviewed the Phase 1A archaeological report posted on your web site. We were pleased to learn there is no archaeological concern in regard to the demolition of Building 198. However, the lack of information in the MOA regarding the building's history and archaeological potential (or lack of it) was disturbing.

We recommend that language be added to the first page of the MOA paraphrasing the results of the Phase 1A archaeological study. For example, "Building 198 was constructed in 1952 for use as a shower house for the nearby tennis courts. Its construction date indicates the Tennis Court Shower Room (Building 198) has no potential archaeological sensitivity." Furthermore, the first paragraph on the second page of the draft MOA should be altered to clarify that archaeology is not included as a mitigation measure not because the site is contaminated, but because there is no archaeological concern. Also, we suggest that the aerial photo in the MOA be edited to include the location of Building 198.

Thank you for soliciting our comments on the draft MOA.

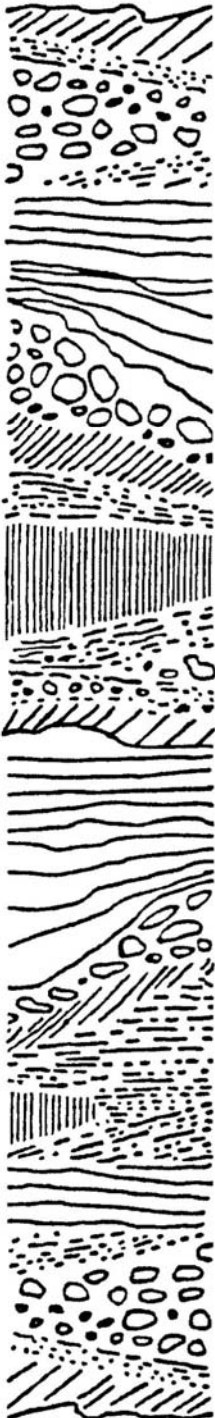
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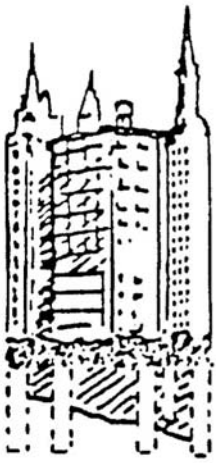
Joan H. Geismar
PANYC President



Nina Versaggi
NYAC President

cc: R. Pierpont, NYSHPO
D. Mackey, NYSHPO





Professional Archaeologists of New York City, Inc.

September 14, 2009

Honorable Robert Tierney, Chair
New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission
One Centre Street -9N
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Re: Request for a Meeting

Dear Bob:

You have been kind enough to meet with representatives of PANYC in the past and we are hoping it will be possible to do so again. We are very grateful for the support the Commission has given archaeology and would like to discuss how best this might continue and how we at PANYC might help the Commission in its endeavors.

In this regard, might it be possible to arrange a meeting, at your convenience, with a few representatives of PANYC (me as president and perhaps Meredith Linn, our vice-president and president elect) and those at the Commission you think appropriate to attend? If possible, it would be wonderful if this could take place before October 1, but we would gladly work around your schedule.

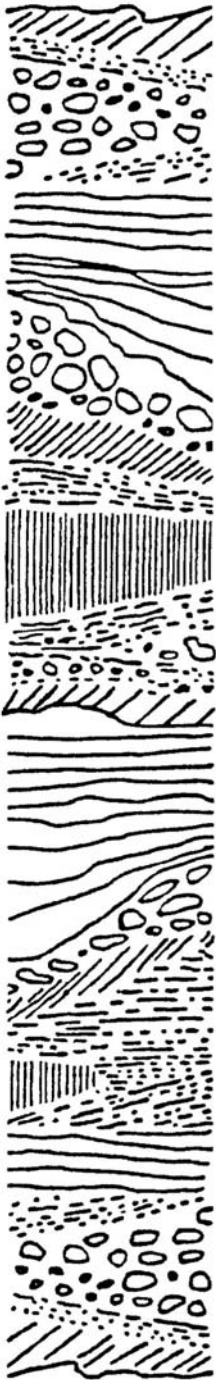
I look forward to hearing from you and, hopefully, meeting with you in the near future.

My very best regards,



Joan H. Geismar, Ph.D.
PANYC President

cc: A Sutphin, NYCLPC



To the OP ED EDITOR

Submitted on July 14, 2009, in response to an interview with Jack Fortmeyer, retired Brooklyn Firefighter and Bottle Collector (*One in 8 Million*, NY Times, July 9, 2009)

It is gratifying to see how taken people are with archaeological discovery, but so discouraging to see how many applaud what is tantamount to looting archaeological features and denigrate those who protest. This became apparent from the response to an interview with a retired Brooklyn firefighter the New York Times featured in its "One in 8 Million" series---a man who, by his own account, knocks on the doors of Brooklyn home owners and offers to dig the backyard privy pit or cistern that, usually unbeknownst to them, is situated behind their 18th or 19th century row houses. The reward for allowing entrée to the yard and to the features is to keep what artifacts appeal to the home owner even though, by our laws, it is actually all theirs. The "digger," however, gets to keep the sought after bottles, a colorful and ubiquitous component of the privy fill, some of them discarded by the original family in residence, others a component of the fill introduced in abandoned privy pits and cisterns. What is destroyed in this amicable interchange is the context of those colorful bottles. The context is often a rounded-out picture of the lives of those who long ago bought and used the bottles and the invaluable information to be gained from other, less intriguing objects in association with them. It is amazing how much a single piece of pottery, for example, might reveal: its maker, its country of origin, its date of manufacture and, therefore an estimate of its date of deposition, its social implications, and what kind of expenditure was made by the person who bought it and discarded it. Its value to a trained archaeologist is limitless; its value to a bottle seeker is zero, and, therefore it is ignored.

While the digger may be a colorful character (which our retired Brooklyn firefighter certainly is), he is nonetheless a looter who is destroying invaluable information and selfishly keeping the "good stuff" for himself, either to add to his collection, to trade, or to sell. This behavior is wanton, selfish, and often illegal. And the NY Times has glorified these acts, and the participants in them, by creating a very sympathetic and folksy portrait of a retired Brooklyn firefighter as a benign seeker of bottles. This is shameful.

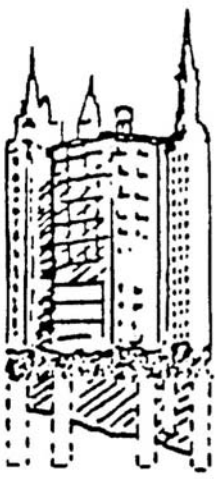
Although our retired Brooklyn firefighter, who uses his former status as a defender of the people as entrée, says he asks permission, there isn't a trained archaeologist (whether professional or avocational) working in the five boroughs who hasn't had to ward off what we call "Pot Hunters," often to no avail. Two instances come to mind. The first was at New York City's first major archaeological excavation, at the former Staat Huys (City Hall) site in Lower Manhattan, where painstaking work had finally exposed an 18th-century well slated to be excavated the following day. Hand blown bottles were among the glimpsed artifacts. But this was not to be, since the first dig also met with the first onslaught of pot hunters. When the archaeologists arrived the next morning, the well had been completely cleaned out. No permission was sought or given in that instance. Nor was it sought or given at the Mugavero site in Brooklyn, where trained archaeologists carefully excavated five privies over two week's time. These were features that were to be destroyed during construction of a nursing home for the Catholic Medical Center of Brooklyn and Queens. What came from this endeavor were details about the mid-19th-century lives of the middle class doctors and lawyers and their families who had lived on the block. At least three more privy pits not slated for destruction, and, therefore left intact, were emptied of their contents in a single day (the guard hired to keep them safe apparently thought a teapot was

sufficient payment to allow the illegal entree). The bottles were removed and all else thrown helter-skelter back into the pit. And we were heartsick. You see, trained archaeologists only “dig” when there is a research question to be addressed or when salvage archaeology is in order, that is, when the resource is going to be destroyed. Otherwise, it is best to leave these informative objects for another time, when it is useful or imperative to remove them from the ground. For archaeological excavation, like looting, destroys. But unlike the bottle seeker, the destruction caused by the trained archaeologist is mitigated by the records kept about the dig and by the information recovered for the greater good. Yes, shame on the New York Times for condoning and glorifying the wanton destruction of an irreplaceable resource.

The writer is president of Professional Archaeologists of New York City (PANYC), a not-for-profit organization of archeologists whose members include practitioners, educators, and regulatory agency personnel.

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Not surprisingly, the letter was not published, but Doug Mackey kindly made it available through the PANYC link on the NYAC website
(<http://www.nyarchaeology.org/mainpages/PANYC/lettertoNYTimes14July2009.htm>)



Professional Archaeologists of New York City, Inc.

September 14, 2009

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PANYC

Re: Admiral's Row, Brooklyn Navy Yard – Proposed Development

Dear Ms. Leahy,

It has come to our attention that the RFP recently issued by the Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corporation (BNYDC) for proposed development on the site of the historic Admiral's Row houses makes virtually no mention of the archaeological concerns identified in the Phase 1A document prepared by Panamerican Consultants, Inc., through Tetra Tech, Inc., for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. While we are aware that the RFP is meant to be a "feeler" to determine if there is any interest in developing the site, surely a prospective developer should be made aware that archaeology is one of the development issues. To have this aspect of development left out of the RFP is very dismaying. Indeed, its implications are highly disturbing.

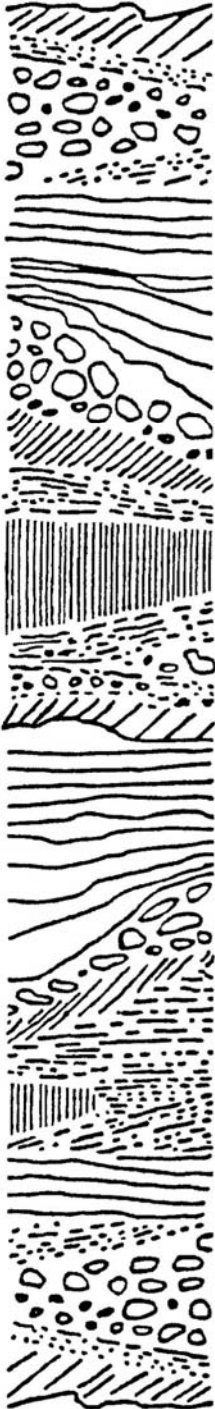
We urge the NGB, the BNYDC, and the city to ensure that the site's identified archaeological concerns are addressed. These concerns could include prehistoric resources, but are more likely to involve historic-era domestic features, such as backyard privy pits, wells, and cisterns associated with the historic houses, and shoreline issues such as the remains of those who perished aboard the British prison ships anchored in Wallabout Bay during the Revolutionary War and were buried in shallow graves along the shifting shore. To address these and other archaeological issues, any deed to the property, or any agreements for its development, should include a restrictive clause that mandates the continuation of appropriate archaeological investigation.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Joan H. Geismar, Ph.D.
PANYC President

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The Honorable Michael R. Bloomberg, Mayor of the City of New York
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The New York Times

Television: Digging (Against the Clock) for History



Laurance Johnson; Crystal Street; Laurance Johnson

The “Time Team America” members include, from left, Eric Deetz, a Chicago archeologist, at Fort James in South Dakota; Chelsea Rose, the show’s lead digger, at Fort Raleigh on Roanoke Island, N.C.; and Dr. Joe Watkins, examining an Indian artifact, at Range Creek, Utah.

By ELIZABETH JENSEN

Published: May 29, 2009

WATCHING archaeologists sift through dirt to find pottery shards and Indian artifacts doesn’t seem like the most compelling Web video fare. But when [PBS](http://pbs.org/video) unveiled a video player on its Web site (pbs.org/video) in mid-April, it was an episode of “[Time Team America](#),” a new series that doesn’t even make its broadcast debut until July, that became the most viewed — more popular than selections from “Masterpiece Theater” or “Nova.”

“Time Team America,” to be seen for five Wednesdays on PBS beginning July 8, is a close copy of the popular British series “Time Team,” which began in 1994 and has been seen in almost a dozen countries. (Two episodes of “Time Team” will be shown on PBS in August.) The original and its American descendant are archaeology on a deadline, with a colorful group of archaeologists, period experts and reconstruction artists convening at historically intriguing sites for intensive three-day excavations using both high-tech geophysics equipment and lowly backhoes.

In Britain the team often opens new sites. In the United States the freelance and university-affiliated experts mostly join existing excavations, including one seeking the so-called lost colony at Fort Raleigh on Roanoke Island, N.C., and remote canyons of Range Creek, Utah, where Fremont Indians once lived. The team arrives with resources that the archaeologists already on the case usually can’t afford and specific questions that, if answered, will advance the understanding of the site.

True to the often painstakingly incremental and speculative work of archaeology, the goal at Fort Raleigh, featured in the show's first episode, is to find something as mundane as post holes, which could solve the mystery of where the early English colonists actually lived more than 400 years ago. The evidence is hardly exciting: roundish patches of dirt that are slightly darker than the surrounding soil and spaced evenly apart.

But as with PBS's summer series "History Detectives," which investigates the origin of objects, it's the getting there that provides the drama, said Tim Taylor, who created the British format. Speaking by cellphone on a break from filming on the Isle of Mull in Scotland, he said "Time Team" lets viewers "eavesdrop on archaeology as it happens, dealing with the uncertainty of it, the trying out of different theories."

Viewing the show is akin to watching the criminal [forensics](#) experts who populate prime-time dramas work their cases, without the gore. "It has a much different feel than a typical PBS documentary on science or history," said David Davis, of Oregon Public Broadcasting, who, with Mr. Taylor, is executive producer of "Time Team America." "There's a feeling as if you're standing in the trench alongside them."

When, in the second episode, the team finds a nearly perfect specimen of a 13,000-year-old Clovis point, thought to be a hunting tool, it seems almost too good to be true. But not every expedition is so lucky. In Episode 3 the team seeks evidence of a schoolhouse from the mid-1800s in New Philadelphia, Ill., a town founded by a former slave, and comes up empty-handed. "It's great if you find what you're looking for, but we're not going to contrive anything," said Eric Deetz, a Chicago archeologist who is part of the new show's team.

The three-day deadline adds a bit of manufactured drama — and has ignited controversy in the archaeology world, where digs can drag on, and "Eureka!" moments are rare. This month a mildly critical blog post titled "What's the Hurry, Time Team?" on Archaeology Magazine's Web site, [archaeology.org](#), set off a lively debate. Lindsay R. Hasluck, executive director of the Heritage Aid Foundation in Bolivia (who hadn't seen the show), decried the "rush job" format, and a Swedish archaeologist, Asa Larsson, countered that the short deadlines reflect the reality for those who must examine sites even as real estate developers are hovering ready to pour concrete.

"The academics are skeptical because this isn't normally how archaeology works," Mr. Davis said. But "the data's real," he said. "It holds up to academic scrutiny."

Mr. Deetz, the liaison between the show and the officials at the sites, said the program's visibility could increase financing for specific projects. "All of archaeology is pretty underfunded," he said. "Once you dig something up, you have to take care of it forever."

The British show, with 180 sites already explored, is one of the top funders of archaeology in Britain, Mr. Taylor said, and has been credited with increasing university archaeology enrollments. He said skeptics should just watch.

"We've done a lot of research beforehand," he said. "We don't just wander in. I think they need to realize that I've dug in the middle of Buckingham Palace lawn, and I'd say that's not the kind of show where people are going in fast and loose. I could have ended up in the Tower."



Maisel/News

The infamous Coney Island bell that was found 300 feet off shore, was raised by divers with the help of Towboat US this afternoon.

DIVERS RESCUE BELL—500-POUND BIT OF CONEY ISLAND HISTORY

New York Daily News, September 4, 2009, Simone Weichselbaum, Staff Writer

Coney Island's brassy bell is back.

Divers pulled the 500-pound artifact from the murky waters off Coney Island Thursday 98 years after it toppled into the Atlantic.

The dark green clapper, made in 1895, fell into the ocean about 300 feet from shore during a 1911 fire that ruined the old Dreamland Park and the 1,200 foot pier that held the bell.

The 3-foot-tall bell used to greet people arriving by steamboat to see the attractions.

Gene Ritter, 50, whose team of "cultural research" divers found the bell in November in 25 feet of water, said he had been searching for it since 1989 after reading about it in history books.

"This is history being made," said a sopping wet [Ritter](#) after his team lifted the bell onto the pier of Gateway Marina in [Mill Basin, Brooklyn](#).

"It is going to the history project, under the Cyclone."

The curious can see the bell starting Saturday, he said.

Ritter asked White Cap Marine Rescue Services to help him tow the bell to shore. It was strapped to ropes and an air bag so it would be buoyant enough to glide across the water.

"It is a piece of history, and I live in Brooklyn," said White Cap's [Jack Schachner](#), 61.

A crowd of gawkers on Gateway's pier cheered as a crane lifted the bell from the water.

"Ring the bell," chanted [Tom Cannon](#), 57. "This sounded when people used to come off the ferry. Welcome back to Brooklyn."

<u>Event</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contacts</u>	<u>Fee</u>
American Anthropological Association (AAA) Annual Meeting	<i>The End/s of Anthropology</i>			December 2-6, 2009	Philadelphia, PA	http://www.aaanet.org/meetings/	
Council for Northeast Historical American Archaeology (CNEHA)	<i>Historical Archaeology Today: New Themes in Interdisciplinary Studies</i>			October 16-18, 2009	Universite Laval, Quebec, Canada	Allison Bain or Nathalie Gaudreau CNEHA2009@celat.ulaval.ca	
Artifacts Recovered on Staten Island: An Exhibit for Children	Artifacts give us clues into the lives of Staten Islanders during the last several centuries.			Tues. Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2009	St. George Library Center, 5 Central Avenue	(718) 442-8560	
A CUNY Graduate Center Event:	<i>Mannahatta: A Natural History of New York City</i>	Eric W. Sanderson	6:30pm	November 17, 2009	365 Fifth Ave. at 34 th St.	212-817-8215 for reservations, http://www.gothamcenter.org/	free
		Joyce Mendelsohn, Clayton Patterson, and Annie Pollard			Graduate Center, 365 Fifth Ave. at 34 th St.	212-817-8471 for reservations, http://www.gothamcenter.org/	free
A CUNY Graduate Center Event:	<i>The Lower East Side Remembered and Revisited</i>		6:30pm	December 2, 2009			
Met Chapter Event: <i>Walking Tour of Inwood Hill Park</i>	A tour of the prehistoric and historic remains of Upper Manhattan	Bill Parry, Hunter College	2pm	September 20, 2009	Meet at the Main Flagpole in Inwood Hill Park at 2pm	Contact the Met Chapter for further information	
Met Chapter Event: <i>A Tour of the Archaeology of Weeksville</i>	A tour of the archaeology of a 19 th Century African-American village in Brooklyn	Joan Geismar		October 3, 2009		Contact the Met Chapter for further information	
Met Chapter Event: <i>A Talk on the Archaeology of New Netherland</i>		Anne Marie Cantwell and Diana Wall	1:30pm	November 14, 2009		Contact the Met Chapter for further information	
Met Chapter Event: <i>Mannahatta</i>	A talk about the Manhattan project: a natural history of Manhattan Island	Eric W. Sanderson	6:30pm	December 3, 2009		Contact the Met Chapter for further information	
The Institute for Long Island Archaeology and the Center for Public Archaeology	<i>Long Island Public Archaeology: A Research</i>	Richard and Maeve Leakey, Marta Lahr (Cambridge U.)	1-5pm	September 26, 2009	Wang Center, rm 301, Stonybrook University	Allison Manfra at: amanfra@notes.cc.sunysb.edu or Christopher N. Matthews at: anthczm@hofstra.edu	free
The 8 th Human Evolution Symposium	<i>50 Years of Zinjanthropus: How One Discovery Changed the Face of Modern Paleontology</i>			September 30, 2009	The Rockefeller University, 1230 York Avenue, Manhattan	to reserve a seat call: 631-632-5800 or e-mail : turkanabasin@stonybrook.edu.	
The Inc. Orange County Chapter, NYSAA, The Archaeological Society of New Jersey, and the North Jersey Highlands Historical Society present:	A Joint Archaeological and Historical Conference		all day	October 24, 2009	Lautenburg Visitor Center, 115 Old Forge Rd., Sterling Forest State Park, Tuxedo, NY	ASNJ website at: http://www.asnj.org/index.html	

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Please indicate preferred mailing address and check below as appropriate.

I wish to apply for membership to PANYC and would like to receive the application form _____

I wish to subscribe to the PANYC Newsletter (Fee \$10) _____

I wish to make an additional donation to PANYC _____

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If you have any questions please email: panyc2006@yahoo.com