



# Christopher Rose Community Empowerment Campaign (CRCEC) C.A.M.E.R.A Community Newsletter

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## LATEST NEWS

CRCEC thanks P.S. 119 The Amersfort School, for presenting us with the Penny Harvest Award.

Commemorating 5 Years with CRCEC's 5th Anniversary Gala on July 16th at Grand Prospect Hall with fine dining, entertainment and dancing. Cocktails start at 8pm. Tickets are still available.

CRCEC is having a WATERBASH BBQ for teens on July 24<sup>th</sup>. Email or call us for more details.

This fall, CRCEC's College Guidance initiative will provide ongoing seminars and advising sessions to high school students about the college application process. The program will begin in September so please stay tuned to our website for more details.

Stay tuned for details regarding CRCEC's Meet and Greet Event in November.

## WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE? (The income lost by skipping college.)

According to an article in Epoch Times, there is a real cost to skipping college: the average graduate with a four-year college degree earns around **62% more** than someone with only a high school diploma.

These days, the question isn't *whether or not* young people should go to college, the question is where they should go. More and more, a college degree is becoming as necessary to getting a good paying job as a high school diploma was forty years ago. The choices range from Harvard to Community College and there are no wrong answers.

It should also be noted that there are some jobs for which a good training program may be better in the beginning. These are generally in male dominated fields like construction, including some of the newer industries related to the green economy, but also jobs that lead to owning your own business, too.



## YES WE CAN!

H.S. Seniors

Register for the SAT now!

Are you going to be a senior in High School next year? Colleges require SAT scores as a part of their applications. If you haven't taken the SAT yet, there are only 3 more chances to take it before most college applications are due.

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Test Scores Available
Oct 9	Sep 10	Oct 28
Nov 6	Oct 8	Nov 25
Dec 4	Nov 5	Dec 23

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## Science Technology Entry Program (STEP) at Pratt Institute is now enrolling for October

STEP is a free Saturday Program for 9th-12th graders to explore Math, Science and Technology. The Program begins October 2010. If you are interested in joining, contact Dr. Glouse at 718-694-6957

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If you are under 18 and interested in joining CRCEC's Youth Council, please email [info@crcec.org](mailto:info@crcec.org) or call 718-272-2363

## COMMUNITY UPDATES

(Mark your Calendar)

**National Night Out** will be on August 3rd this year. This event is annual on the 1st Tuesday in August for 27 years to take back our communities from criminals.

-For the 67th Precinct, events will be on E. 45th Street between Church and Linden beginning at 7:30pm

-In the 70th Precinct, events will be at the Parade Grounds

-For other Precincts, contact the Community Affairs office at your precinct to find National Night Out events near you.

**Youth Happen'n** for Community Board 17 will be at Paerdegat Park (on Albany Ave. between Foster & Farragut) on Thursday August 5<sup>th</sup> from 10-4. This is the 25th Anniversary and there will be entertainment, food and games for the little ones. Please try to register in advance by contacting the Community Board 17 office at 718-467-3536.

## SUMMER EVENTS

### Free Concerts at Wingate Field:

(on Brooklyn Ave btw Winthrop & Rutland)  
Mondays, 7:30pm [www.brooklynconcerts.com](http://www.brooklynconcerts.com)  
7/12 George Clinton & Parliament/ Funkadelic, The Ohio Players  
7/19 Toni Braxton  
7/26 Musiq Soulchild, Crisette Michele  
8/2 Salt-n-Pepa, Naughty by Nature, Slick Rick  
8/9 Aretha Franklin  
8/16 Bebe & Cece Winans, Fred Hammond  
8/23 Sean Paul, The Mighty Sparrow

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### Free Outdoor Movies @ Brooklyn Museum

(in Parking Lot. Entrance on Washington Ave)  
(Bring Chairs, Blankets and Food. No Alcohol)  
**All beg at 8:30pm** courtesy of Sen. Eric Adams  
Wed. 7/21 Mall Cop  
Fri. 7/23 Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs  
Fri. 7/30 Kung Fu Panda

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### Free Alvin Ailey Dance at Central Park

Friday, July 23, 2010 at 8pm  
(at 72nd St and Rumsey Playfield)  
[www.cityparksfoundation.org](http://www.cityparksfoundation.org) for more

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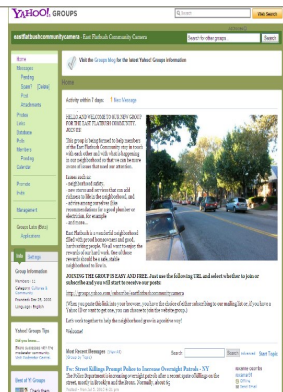
### Free EcoArt Community Festival

Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 11am - 4pm Prospect Park  
Carousel Entrance presented by Sen. Eric Adams

**Working Together Online, Neighbors Create Safer Communities**

In a small section of the Flatbush community neighbors have come together to create a community online where they can share ideas and observations.

Another section of the Flatbush community has done the same thing. This is also true of other neighborhoods in Brooklyn and indeed across the country. Park Slope, Bedford Stuyvesant, Crown Heights and Kensington are just a few other communities here in Brooklyn who have chosen to strengthen their community bonds online.



How does it work?

Many of these areas have used Yahoo Groups. A person or an organization will create the Yahoo Group and invite others to join. Anyone can subscribe by adding their email address to the list. Once you have subscribed, you and any other member of our Yahoo community can email everyone in the group by sending one email to one email address.

These groups are open forums for discussion. If you see a vagrant hanging out in the neighborhood and you want to ask if anyone knows where he came from, you can email your question to the group. If your regular plumber or locksmith is not available, you can ask if any of your neighbors have recommendations, and so on... These groups are yours to use.

CRCEC has built online communities for East Flatbush and East New York!

The groups are called East Flatbush Community Camera and ENY Community Camera. They are Yahoo Groups. Look for us at groups.yahoo.com or go to these web addresses and subscribe (using the link at the bottom of the page) to join:

E. Flatbush: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/eastflatbushcommunitycamera/>

East New York <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ENYcommunitycamera/>

To join the online community, just subscribe using your email address.

**Who We Are**

CRCEC is a not-for-profit organization founded in July 2005 after the tragic death of Christopher Rose. Since then, CRCEC has strived to engage youth in activities that promote educational, social, economic and cultural enrichment.

Through CAMERA (Community Action and Mobilization Effort to Raise Awareness) we also seek to engage a broader range of community members to increase awareness and involvement in violence prevention to ensure that violence is reported and more importantly, deterred so that our communities will be safe for everyone.

**Please log on to our website periodically for updates**

website: [www.crcec.org](http://www.crcec.org)

or email us

[info@crcec.org](mailto:info@crcec.org)

phone: 718-272-2363

and look for us on Facebook, Twitter and Myspace

*If you see a crime and don't report it (by calling your precinct, 311 or 911), similar recurrences can't be prevented.*

**Specialized H. S. Free Practice Test & Parent Seminar from Kaplan July 17 at Grand Army Plaza Library**

*(Registration required. Call 718-336-5300, x0 and give the event code)*

Parent Seminar: 11-12, Trustee's Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor –EVENT CODE: HKBY0040

Practice Test: 11-12:30, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room – EVENT CODE: HKBY0039

**Important Contact Information**

*For concerns or questions about quality of life issues in our community contact your elected officials. (if you live in another area or you want to check your address, go to [www.lwvnyc.org](http://www.lwvnyc.org))*

**East Flatbush**

Congresswoman Yvette Clarke.....718-287-1142  
 State Senator Kevin Parker.....718-629-6401  
 State Assemblyman Nick Perry.....718-385-3336  
 Councilman Jumaane Williams.....718-629-2900  
 Community Board 17.....718-467-3536

**East New York**

Congressman Ed Towns.....718-272-1175  
 State Senator John Sampson.....718-649-7653  
 State Assemblywoman Inez Barron.....718-257-5824  
 Councilman Charles Barron.....718-649-9495  
 Community Board 5.....718.498.5711

**Free Chess for Young Children – 10am–2pm, Sundays this Summer (7/18, 7/25, 8/1, 8/8, 8/15, 8/22)**  
 Brooklyn Lyceum, 227 4th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY – 646–322–9218 [www.brooklynlyceum.com](http://www.brooklynlyceum.com)

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For a selection of child friendly events, parents can visit [nymetroparents.com](http://nymetroparents.com). To see events in Brooklyn, select "Family Activities" and "Brooklyn"

**Hip-Hop Teen Girls Conference**

Sat., September 18, from 9am–2pm at Bedford–Stuyvesant Restoration Plaza (1368 Fulton St., btw. New York Ave. and Brooklyn Ave.) The event is free. Sponsored by DoubleDutch Magazine.

CRCEC is always eager to work with volunteers. To volunteer, please call 718-272-2363 or email [info@crcec.org](mailto:info@crcec.org)

We are a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. Your monetary contributions are tax deductible. Donations may be sent to 772 Vermont Street, Brooklyn, NY 11207 or you can make an online donation by visiting [www.crcec.org](http://www.crcec.org) and clicking on "donate".