



Business Briefs

Emergency Drill

The Port Authority and the City of New York have scheduled an emergency response drill at the World Trade Center PATH Station this Sunday, May 17, from 6 to 11:30 a.m.

During those hours, the PATH station will be closed, as will streets from Broadway to West and Vesey to Warren.

Visit panynj.info/pathdrill for more details.

Calendar

Recent Retirees Meet

Rose Hemmerich invites fellow retirees since 2000 to join her at lunch at the Olive Garden, Sixth Avenue between 22nd and 23rd streets, Manhattan, on Tuesday, June 9, at noon. For more information, contact her at 631 724-9037 or laroe@optonline.net.

Shomrim Marching

The Port Authority Shomrim Society invites fellow employees to march with its members in the Salute to Israel Day Parade in Manhattan on Sunday, May 31, at 10:30 a.m. at 56th Street and Fifth Avenue. The parade begins at 11 a.m.

There will be a pre-parade collation for Shomrim members and guests at 9 a.m. at the Central Synagogue, Lexington Avenue and 55th Street.

RSVP by May 26 to Shomrim Executive Board Members **Oren Hindi** at ohindi@panynj.gov or papdshomer@aol.com, or **Craig Massoth** at cmassoth@panynj.gov or craigmassoth@netscape.net.

'Summer Blastoff'

The 7th Annual Summer Blastoff to benefit With Eddie's Help, Inc., is set for Friday, May 29, at Martell's Tiki Bar in Point Pleasant Beach.

The nonprofit charitable organization was founded in memory of WTC Chief Operations Supervisor **Ed Strauss**, who was killed on 9/11. See Employee Bulletins for details.

Asian American Association Shows 'Pathways to Success'

Some 130 employees attended the Port Authority Asian American Association's Heritage Month Breakfast on May 8 in mid-Manhattan.

Deputy Executive Director **Susan Bass Levin** gave the opening address at the event, the theme of which was "Pathways to Success." Guest speakers were Stellar Services President Liang J. Chen, Chinatown Manpower Project Executive Director Pearl Chin, New Jersey Assemblyman Upendra Chivukula, and New Jersey Schools Development Authority CEO Kris Kolluri, who shared their own



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At the Heritage Month Breakfast last week are (from left) Amit Bhowmick, Paul Blanco, Liang Chen, Pearl Chin, Kris Kolluri, Susie Tom, Upendra Chivukula, Roger Hsu, and Mariko Egawa.

experiences and pathways to success.

PAAAA President **Roger Hsu** said, "Our first Port Authority Asian American Heritage Month Breakfast program was very successful, and we received positive feedback from the attendees. We plan to continue the program on an annual basis."

Charitable Campaign Record Set

"Great job. Thank you."

That was the message from Chief Financial Officer **Paul Blanco** and Chief Operating Officer **Ernesto L. Butcher** to Port Authority employees, who helped raise a record total of more than \$1.1 million for New York State's portion of the 2008/2009 PA/PATH Employees Charitable Contributions Campaign. The New Jersey totals are expected next month.

Mr. Blanco and Mr. Butcher also thanked the campaign captains for "all your hard work on behalf of this worthy cause" at a luncheon May 5 at PA headquarters.



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Ernesto Butcher (left) and Paul Blanco (right) last week with campaign staffers (alphabetically) Rhonda Barnett, Diann Bulfone, Barbara Carreiro, Barbara Davis, Cathy Massab, Quinzell McKenzie, Larry Meadows Jr., Iraniss Morel, Ileana Rivera, Arlett Rojas, Angela Ruales, Brenda Scott, and Ruth Trotman. Not pictured: Jessica Schultz.

The PABT Helps 'Save Fashion'

"Save Fashion," a unique monthlong "pop-up shop" campaign that brings together the metro area's entire local fashion community, opened May 1 in the Port Authority Bus Terminal.

The term pop-up retail refers to a venue that is



Victoria Kelly (right) and PABT/LT General Manager Steve Napolitano join Fashion Center BID Executive Director Barbara Blair Randall at the event's opening celebration on April 30.



constantly changing. The PABT space, called Blank SL8, is a 2,500-square-foot creative showcase on 41st Street and Eighth Avenue that offers the merchandise of high-profile local designers at sample sale prices.

Tunnels, Bridges and Terminals Director **Victoria Kelly** said, "The project supports the New York City fashion and design industries, which are very important to the city's economy and have been hit hard



by the recession. We were happy to collaborate with the Fashion Center Business Improvement District and the Times Square Alliance to support these industries."

Achievements

Award of Excellence

PATH received a Permit Award of Excellence from the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commissioners last month for operating the Harrison Car Maintenance Facility from January 2006 through December 2008 without a single effluent violation.

PATH System Safety & Environmental Management Manager **Martha Gulick** said, "This is the third consecutive year we've won this award, and that's due to the consistent quality in both maintenance and reporting standards that employees **Al Panepinto** and **Denise DeFilippis** adhere to."



Al Panepinto (center) accepts the Award of Excellence on April 2 in Newark. With him are (from left) New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Commissioner Joseph Fiordaliso, former U.S. Representative Robert Roe, PVSC Chairman Thomas Powell, and PVSC Commissioner William Flynn.

Retirement News

She's swapping her Aerosoles for slippers, and you can wish Engineering's **Gloria Turner** a happy retirement on June 26 at Spanish Tavern Restaurant in Newark. See Employee Bulletins for details.



Collecting Bundles



Lincoln Tunnel staffers (from left) **Dee Carrington**, **Don Higgins**, **Terry Conviser**, and **Yusimil Un** display some of the donations made and collected by employees at PA facilities in Hudson County for the United Way of Hudson County's "Baby Bundles Drive" last month. Staff at the LT, JSTC, and PATC collected three large moving containers of new baby clothes and supplies for distribution to needy families.

TEB Showcases Aviation Careers



Teterboro Airport hosted about 350 kids from local schools at its 2008 Career Expo on May 6. The kids visited, among other things, the Aviation Hall of Fame and Museum and the PAPD aircraft rescue and firefighting facility. They also heard presentations from TEB Manager Rich Heslin, the FAA, TSA, and the Civil Air Patrol. **M.J. Rutigliano** (left) put the program together.