



Toys collected at Electric Paradise.

Photo Aracelis Batista

Tanning salon collects toys

Michael Poli, owner of Electric Paradise tanning salon, held his fifth annual toy drive on Dec. 20. Poli's family and friends, as well as Chris Daniello,

Domenick Ciccone and DSNY Columbia Association gathered the toys for students with special needs ages 11-21 at P176x.

Archbishop leads Mass at nursing home

Archbishop Cardinal Timothy Dolan led Mass at ArchCare's Providence Rest Nursing Home on Dec. 13. The Sisters of Saint John The Baptist received a plaque in gratitude for their work.



Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Archbishop of New York, passes out the sacrament.

Photo Jewel Webber

Ugly sweaters bring jokes

Staff at the Williamsbridge Center on Tomlinson Avenue had their annual holiday ugly sweater contest on Dec. 17. Residents voted on the most repulsive attire, humorously. Nearly the entire staff took part and residents told jokes about their sweaters. Following the contest, everyone was treated to warm apple cider and Santa chocolates.



Williamsbridge Center staff wear their sweaters on Friday, Dec. 17. Photocourtesy Centers Health Care

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Ugly sweater contest finalists on Thursday, Dec. 9. Photo courtesy Bronx Chamber of Commerce

Bronx Chamber networks with ugly sweaters

The Bronx Chamber of Commerce held its annual holiday celebration on Dec. 9 at Villa Barone Manor. There was networking, dancing, dinner and drinks, an ugly sweater contest, raffle and toy drive for the children of New Settlement Community Center in Mount Eden.