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Talent shines at cheer competition finals



The 2023 Catholic Youth Organization varsity cheerleading season took its final bow on Saturday at the Archdiocesan championships, but not before two schools took home top honors in front of a standing-room-only crowd. To read about the winning teams, see Page A7. And to view hundreds of photos from the event, visit SILive.com. Photos by Angela Barca for the Staten Island Advance

STATEN ISLAND

Police ID victim in fatal afternoon street shooting

Quamane Rogers, 26, was on parole after recently being released from a 3-year prison stint, police said.



The FDNY pronounced a man dead after a shooting in Park Hill on Saturday afternoon. Kayla Simas, Staten Island Advance

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The West Brighton man who was gunned down Saturday outside of the Park Hill apartments in Clifton was an ex-con who had recently been released on parole following a three-year prison stint for a shooting that left a man wounded.

Quamane Rogers also known as Qua Clizzy, was paroled from prison last summer in June 2022, the New York Daily News reported Sunday afternoon.

Rogers, 26, of Markham Lane, was pronounced dead at the scene after he was discovered with a gunshot wound to the face by the 200 block of Park Hill Avenue

shortly after 3 p.m. on Saturday, authorities said.

No arrests have been made, and the investigation is ongoing, police said.

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previously reported that Rogers, then 22, pled guilty to a 2019 shooting which left "holes" in the victim's intestines in exchange for three years in prison and five years post release supervision.

"Since coming home from prison," said Rogers' defense lawyer Louis Gelormino, "Quamane has tried to better himself and stay away from the street life. His tragic death is sadly just another example of the senseless violence gripping our city. Between guns and drugs our children are dying every single day. We have to put a stop to it. My prayers go out to Quamane and his family."

In 2021, during Rogers' sentencing in the shooting that occurred two years earlier, Gelormino said, "Given all the facts, and after a thorough investigation, we determined that this was a fair plea offer."

Gelormino also noted, at the time, that Rogers was enrolled in a program in jail through which he hopes to earn a certificate in construction "so he can find a good job when he is released."

STATEN ISLAND

Lithium-ion battery storage sites keep popping up

BP is questioning how the controversial facilities are continuing to be built in the heart of Staten Island's residential communities.

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After voicing his opposition of ill-placed battery energy storage systems (BESS) throughout the borough and calling for an immediate moratorium of their application approvals, Borough President Vito Fossella is now questioning how a multitude of the controversial lithium-ion facilities are continuing to be built in the heart of residential Staten Island communities — with one new site recently cropping up next to an active gas station.

"If you put a deck on your house, it is scrutinized from every angle," the borough president said. "But we have residents who are quite literally waking up with these battery systems in their backyards. Why is there no pushback whatsoever on something that is a true potential danger?"

Fossella's questions were prompted after a new facility broke ground last week on Nelson Avenue in Great Kills. Sandwiched between a residential home and a Citgo gas station, the newest BESS raises several concerns for the borough president.

"This is not simply a NIMBY position," Fossella said, referring to a "not in my back yard" philosophy. "If these systems are logistically needed to address power surges, then we have to revisit how they are sited. They cannot continue to be air dropped into residential communities."

The BESS sites, which typically consist of several large-scale rechargeable lithium-ion battery systems manufactured by Tesla, each capable of storing up to 20 **SEE BATTERY STORAGE FACILITIES, A11**

ST. GEORGE

Soul diva dazzles

The St. George Theatre held its 20th anniversary gala and benefit concert on Friday night starring the legendary music icon Dionne Warwick. **A2**

ECONOMY

Bye-bye, little bank

Deposits estimated at \$550 billion have moved from smaller and regional banks to large banks and money market funds in the past two weeks, according to an analysis by JPMorgan. **A4**

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