

# Anti-crime wave

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A dozen teenagers were walked into the cells at the 111th Precinct in Bayside recently, but it wasn't a crime wave – just an Open House for the Law Enforcement Explorers.

The Explorers is a program for young persons ages 14-20, to provide community service for credit and educate them about law enforcement, according to Police Officer Kristen Loughran, one of the advisors at the precinct, located at 45-06 215th Street.

According to the New York Police Department (NYPD,) the program focuses on six areas: career, service, leadership, social, fitness and outdoors. The Explorers program encourages young people to pursue a law enforcement career. There are currently close to 4,000 Explorer posts at the NYPD.

For more information about the Law Enforcement Explorers, call your local precinct and ask for the Community Affairs officer or visit [www.nyexploring.org](http://www.nyexploring.org).



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Police Officer Kristen Loughran (standing in uniform) and Police Officer Michelle Montgomery (next right) advise the Law Enforcement Explorers at the 111th Precinct in Bayside. The current crop of explorers includes (front row, from left) Sally Kim, Dalia Mohamed, Gabby Golino, David Salvador and (standing, from left) Robert Stanks, Anthony Guadagno, Paige Fili, Sarah Lanza, Explorer Sergeant Angelica Leto, Explorer Lieutenant Frank Pisciotta, Debbie Ali and Eng Gin Moe. At right is Police Lieutenant Dan Heffernan.



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## Honored by Temple

Members of the Buddha's Light International Association, located in Flushing, recently took time to recognize the efforts of local teachers in honor of United States Teacher Day and Teacher Appreciation Week, both of which took place in early May.

As part of the celebration, members of the Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Temple visited P.S. 22 on Tuesday, May 11. The theme of the day's visit was "friendship."

While recognizing the school's teacher and principal, Pricilla Milito, members of the temple also took the time to read to 34 classes at P.S. 22.

– Jessica Lyons

## 'Fiddler' was class choice

Elementary and middle school students from the Lowell School in Bayside weren't shy when it came to doing a spring play – they chose the Broadway and film smash-hit "Fiddler on the Roof."

Eighth grader Henry Hicks played Tevya, a role that has tested the talents of such theatrical luminaries as Zero Mostel, Herschel Bernardi, Theodore Bikel, Alfred Molina, Harvey Fierstein and Leonard Nimoy.

Evette Brutus, another eighth grader, played Tevye's wife Golde, a role originated by Maria Karnilova on Broadway but portrayed by actors as obviously un-Jewish as Rosie O'Donnell.

The in-house production at the school, located at 203-05 32nd Avenue, featured a cast, and a crew of nearly 40 and the two performances in late April, before parents and friends in the community, were warmly received. Bravo!

For more information, visit [www.thelowellschool.com](http://www.thelowellschool.com).

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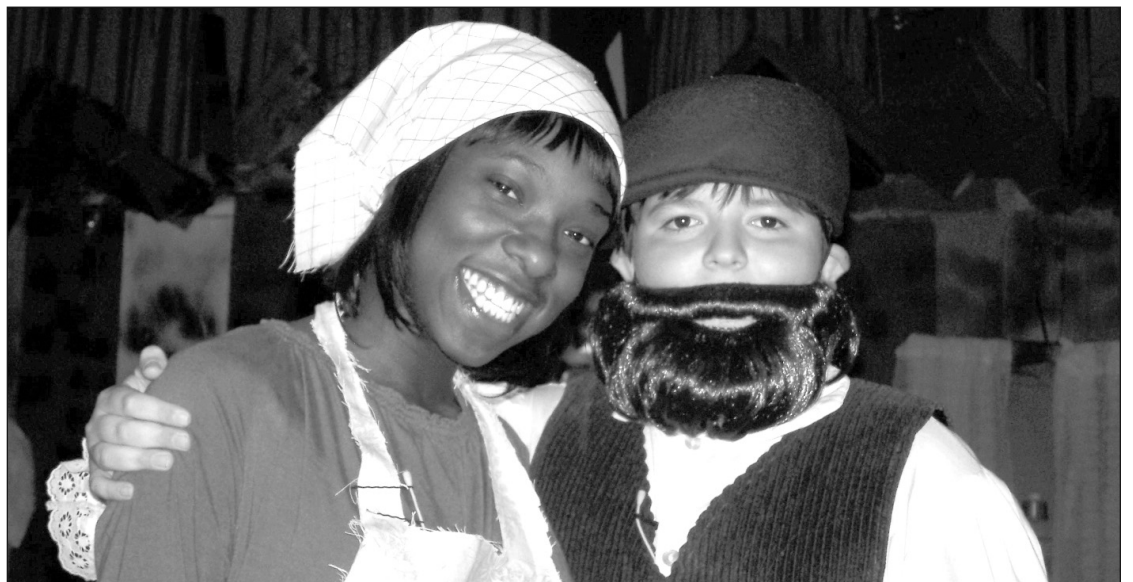


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The Lowell School's rendition of "Fiddler on the Roof," was a smashing success.