

## Briefs

**Rev. Al's daughter victim of abusive boyfriend: DA**

The boyfriend of one of the Rev. Al Sharpton's daughters was charged Thursday with punching her in the face and shoving her out of a car, but a defense lawyer said Latrell Peeks hurled nothing more than words. Peeks left 23-year-old Dominique Sharpton with a swollen jaw after Tuesday's beating, prosecutors said.

**Ashanti fan sentenced to two years for stalking**

A fan who unleashed his crude fantasies about Ashanti in text messages and photos to the R&B singer's mother was sentenced on Thursday to two years in jail. Devar Hurd, 31, was sentenced in a Manhattan court to charges that included stalking.



Ashanti

**Judge may dismiss juror in cop sodomy case**

A Brooklyn judge will decide Friday whether to remove a juror deliberating the case of a cop accused of sodomizing a suspect. On Thursday, the judge was told that a juror falsely said defendant Officer Richard Kern had been previously convicted of police brutality. (AP)

**Gov. Paterson to kick off election bid Saturday**

Gov. David Paterson will officially kick off his campaign for a full term Saturday morning with an event on Long Island before heading up to Rochester in the afternoon for a rally with a local construction workers union. A city campaign event won't be held until Feb. 28. (AMNY)

## CORRECTION

The one-bedroom apartment at 304 Mulberry St. is renting for \$3,165 a month. The wrong price appeared in Thursday's City Living profile of NoHo.

# Fishing for Fulton vision

## Quinn proposal turns site into farmers market

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The dormant Fulton Fish Market, where sellers once hawked their seafood at dawn, could be transformed into a permanent farmers market in the shadow of the Brooklyn Bridge.

In her State of the City address on Thursday, Council Speaker Christine Quinn outlined plans to turn the former fish emporium at the South Street Seaport into a year-round market for regional food growers.

"Imagine a market that reflects the history of one of the oldest neighborhoods in the country," said Quinn (D-Manhattan). "Our market would be a destination for residents and tourists of every income."

The site has been vacant since the fish market moved to the Bronx in 2005 and Quinn's aides, along with City Councilwoman Margaret Chin (D-Manhattan), said the proposal is modeled on a part-time market that operated there last year and attracted food and wine vendors from throughout the region.



The Fulton Fish Market, seen here in 2003, could be turned into a permanent farmers market under one plan. A developer had been pushing a plan for a skyscraper. (NEWSDAY)

## 'It's an interesting idea.'

Bloomberg spokesman on Speaker Quinn's plan

Andrew Brent, a spokesman for Mayor Michael Bloomberg, said: "It's an interesting idea and we look forward to exploring it with her."

No specific plans for the new market were put forward, but any new de-

velopment faces significant hurdles.

The city owns the land. However, the leaseholder, General Growth Properties, of Chicago, filed for bankruptcy last spring, casting doubt on the future of the company's redevelopment plan for the area, which includes a high-rise apartment building and a retail mall.

General Growth declined to comment on Thursday.

Quinn's office said the farmers market, which she

compared to Seattle's Pike Place, could be incorporated into the existing redevelopment plan.

Noah Pfefferblit, the district manager of Community Board 1, which opposed some of the General Growth plan, said the proposal "is along the lines of something we would look favorably on."

"People here want something that caters to the residents because so much of what's down here is for tourists," he said.



Repairs at 181st Street are overbudget. (STEPHEN REISS)

## Station fixes often flubbed, report says

Some subway station rehab jobs are being seriously botched, according to a report by an independent engineer hired by the MTA. The problems include:

- Supports built by the Port Authority for the No. 1 line at the World Trade Center site aren't totally solid, causing the structure to move.

The Port Authority and the MTA are coming up with a plan to stop the WTC site shifting, officials said.

- The budget for emergency work on the 181st Street station on the No. 1 line has ballooned from \$2 million to more than \$17 million.

The MTA didn't address the cost overruns, but said a plan will be developed with work slated to begin by the end of the year. (HEATHER HADDON)

# Queens residents outraged by repeated No. 7 shutdowns

Long Island City has hit the boiling point over outages on the No. 7, and the rage may return next year, when there will be more weekend shutdowns.

For the past month, the MTA has closed three stations, forcing straphangers to take shuttle buses. NYC

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Transit hopes to finish the work in the next two weekends, but it could last until late March.

"It's just torture," said Richard Mazda, a Queens theater owner, during an angry public hearing Wednesday night. "You've got to deal with LIC, or we'll deal with you."

## TRAIN TROUBLES

To ease the pain, the MTA pledged to:

- Do a better job of informing the community about work.
- Increase frequency of shuttle buses to every five minutes.

- Try to spread out some of next year's work, and keep some No. 7 service into Manhattan.

(HEATHER HADDON)

Shuttle service has been slow, residents said, and elected officials are demand-

ing that buses run directly to the city. The MTA said the service would be too expen-

sive and cause congestion.

The pain will continue in January, when the MTA will likely shut the Court Square station for nine weekends. Officials hoped to make future work less disruptive.

"I'd like to believe we can make [the pain] better," said Lois Tendler, a transit official. (HEATHER HADDON)

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