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FIRST OFF...Looking back, 2008 has been a schizophrenic year. The anxiety of the economic roller coaster; the euphoria of the election. Being a glass half-full type, I've got to believe that with new leadership we, as a country, are on our way towards redefining the American dream for ourselves as well as the world and are truly on the verge of a new way of life. Something to be thankful for and to look forward to. On a lighter note, we'd like to thank Maryann Rummage for putting together our window display. Enjoy the holidays, stay positive and, as always, Keep the community strong, vital and real.

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INFORMATION

Attn. Parkers: Alternate Parking is suspended:

- Dec. 8th Mon. Immaculate Conception
- Dec. 8-10 Mon. - Wed. Idul-Adha
- Dec. 25th Thurs. Christmas Day

- The Ninth Precinct Community Council Meeting is on Wednesday, Dec. 17th @ 321 East 5th Street
Info: 212-477-7805
www.thenewninthprecinct.org



• **COAT DRIVE** Donation centers are located at every NYPD precinct plus •Janovic Paint Center at 80 4th Ave., •Public Theater | Joe's Pub 425 Lafayette St. Check out nycare.org for many more locations.



• **HELP OUT**...contribute to our ongoing food drive to benefit The Middle Collegiate Church Food Pantry Program. Bring your **CANNED ONLY** goods to our store. Thanks

COMMUNITY NEWS

GET LISTED! UPCOMING EVENTS, GIGS, ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST...

To submit, Stop by our store @ 331 E. 9th Street OR e-mail us at santo@sourceunltd.com
Submissions for the next Source Letter must be received by December 28th. Inclusion subject to space availability.

- Ellen Mandel and extraordinary tenor Todd Almond celebrate the release of their second CD: **THE FIRST OF ALL MY DREAMS** with a concert on Wed., Dec. 17 @ St. Marks Church. Almond sings Mandel's setting of poems by E.E. Cummings, Seamus Heaney, William Butler Yeats and others, plus jazz songs with both music and lyrics by Mandel., 8pm, 2nd Ave & E. 10th St.
- **FRIENDLY FIRE**... is pleased to present *A Touch of the Poet*, by Eugene O'Neill. The production stars Daniel J. Travanti ("Hill Street Blues") as Con Melody with Ellen Crawford ("ER") as his wife Nora and Tessa Klein (Irish Rep's Philadelphia Here I Come!) as his daughter Sara. Alex Lippard, Artistic Director, and Les Gutman, Producing Director, Dec. 2 - 20th @ The 14th Street Theater, 344 East 14th Street (btwn. 1st and 2nd Aves.) Tickets available online at Theatermania.com, by calling 212-352-3101. or at the door, one hour prior to curtain (cash only at box office). Visit www.friendlyfirenyc.org
- **Midwinter Day: 30th Anniversary Reading** Bernadette Mayer wrote *Midwinter Day* three decades ago on Dec. 22, 1978; join her & special guests as they read from this epic work. Mayer lived & worked in the EV where she was the Director of the Poetry Project from 1980-1984., Wed., Dec 17th, 8:00 pm @ The Poetry Project, 131 E. 10th Street, 212-674-0910
- **"AND THERE WERE SHEPHERDS"**...performed by Central City Chorus, "from chant to canon, motet to mass, sonnet to spiritual, music from 3 continents & 7 countries that exalts the lowly yet famous shepherds of Christmas," Saturday, December 6, 8:00pm @ Church of St. John the Baptist, 210 W. 31st St., (just west of 7th Avenue) Tickets: 212-330-7293 or by visiting their website at www.centralcitychorus.com
- **GANG OF SEVEN**...a new comedy by Jim Neu rips the lid off the dynamics, delusions, and dangers of the focus group movement sweeping across America. From Dec. 4th-7th, 11th-14th & 18th-21st @ La MaMa E.T.C., 74A East Fourth St, Buy Tickets: 212-475-7710, Buy Online: www.lamama.org
- **HERE COMES THE CHANGE**...Bina Sharif's funny and timely new play is a satirical look back at the recent Presidential Election. Dec. 18th-Jan. 4th. @ Theater for the New City, 155 1st Ave. (bet 9th & 10th Sts.), 212-254-1109
- **SANTO GIGS**... with DB Rielly, •Thurs, Dec, 4 @ ART-O-MAT L.I.C., 46-46 Vernon Blvd. (cor. of 47th Ave.) 7:30pm •Fri., Dec. 12, 10pm @ Waltz-Astoria, 23-14 Ditmars Blvd., Astoria

GUEST COLUMN OF THE MONTH

Be Part of the Guest Column...Submit stories, photos, drawings to: santo@sourceunltd.com



THIS MONTH..Merry Christmas from The Source Unltd



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"Satch" drawing
by Sara Hauser

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RANDY NEWMAN--- harps and angels ...Randy Newman starts this disc by saying that the reason no one's seen him lately is that he almost died. He heard the "harps & angels coming near" and that sums up what this is all about -- ruminations on life, love & politics by a guy who's been around awhile & seen a few things. All that filtered thru the sarcastic, ironic mind of Newman makes for an entertaining listen and a few revelations to boot. The sound of the disc is great with the man in fine vocal form. I give it 3 bones. Enjoy the holiday, see you next time on the corner....

Closing Statement: *"The Best Thing About The Future is that it comes only one day at a time"* -Abe Lincoln