

TrashMasters!™
Team Up to Clean Up



Intermediate School Division
Manhattan Borough
Honorable Mention

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs


NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION

2004 GOLDEN APPLE AWARDS

This certificate is awarded with the sincere appreciation and esteem of a grateful Department and City in recognition of your school's efforts to help make New York City shine.



City of New York, Michael J. Bloomberg, Mayor
Department of Sanitation, John J. Doherty, Commissioner


John J. Doherty, Commissioner
June, 2004



ONE BREAD, ONE BROTHER

CERPO TODOS SOMOS

TrashMasterz
Teant To Clean P



Intermediate School Division
Manhattan Borough
Honorable Mention

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION
2004 GOLDEN APPLE AWARDS

This certificate is awarded with the sincere appreciation and esteem of a grateful Department and City in recognition of your school's efforts to help make New York City better.

TrashMasterz
SUPERrecyclers



Intermediate School Division
Manhattan Borough Winner

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION
2004 GOLDEN APPLE AWARDS

This certificate is awarded with the sincere appreciation and esteem of a grateful Department and City in recognition of your school's efforts to help make New York City better.



NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION
2004 GOLDEN APPLE AWARDS



NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION
2004 GOLDEN APPLE AWARDS



ONE BREAD, ONE

PERO TODOS SOMOS



TrickMasters!
SUPER Recyclers



Intermediate School Division
Manhattan Borough Winner

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION
2004 GOLDEN APPLE AWARDS

This certificate is awarded with the sincere appreciation and respect of a grateful Department and City in recognition of your school's efforts to keep Greater New York City clean.



TrickMasters!
Team 'n' Clear!



Intermediate School Division
Manhattan Borough
Honorable Mention

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION
2004 GOLDEN APPLE AWARDS

This certificate is awarded with the sincere appreciation and respect of a grateful Department and City in recognition of your school's efforts to keep Greater New York City clean.




Our Lady Queen
of
Martyrs School
Trashmasters!
Team Up to Clean Up



Grades 5th & 6th
Mrs. Ramsey

March 2004



Our Lady Queen of Martyrs School

71 Arden Street
New York, New York 10040
(212) 567-3190 • Fax (212) 304-8587
Web Page www.olqmny.org

Mr. Andrew G. Woods

M.S. Ed., M.S. Admin
Principal

March 31, 2004

Team Up to Clean Up

Students at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs were given a choice to choose one of the three contests. Most of the students decided to do the Team Up to Clean Up. However, some groups were actually doing Recycling and Reusing and Reducing but labeled it as Team Up to Clean up.

All groups planned and organized their own projects. When the projects were completed the photographs were given in it to be examined and when and if it was approved, the group would then write a report on their particular project. The report and a presentation were given by each group. The students were then given a grade. By writing the reports, students learned how to type, use a computer, camera, paragraph, grammar and organized their thought.

Adjacent to the school are two parks, Fort Tryon Park and the 207th street Park. Since most of the students spend a large amount of their time in the park, hanging around, playing baseball, visiting the Cloisters, having picnics or using the playground, they decide to make it a clean place. The majority of the students at O.L.Q.M live in the neighborhood. Some of the people they meet in the park were friends and neighbors. The park is very large so most of the groups chose one area to clean. In their presentation the students claimed that it was hard work but rewarding and fun working with their friends. So this gave the students more initiative in completing their project with fun. Parents usually accompanied their children to supervise them during their clean-up time.

Students cleaned graffiti from building, offices, in school and even helped in preparing apartments for rental. Some students decided to clean



people's yards and place of business. Group of students are working on the weekends preparing the garden (RING) for the spring flower show. `Extra credit is given to these students. The school's greenhouse is being set-up and ready for vegetables and flowers.

Again, raps and songs were performed which was entertaining to the rest of the school.

OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTRYS

TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP



CHELSIE RAMIREZ

ASHLEY CUEVAS

When we started this project for Team Up to Clean, I was very proud of Chelsie Ramirez and myself Ashley Cuevas. We cleaned up two dirty parts of Fort Tryon Park. We were very excited do this type of project because we also learned how clean our community will be if everyone would participate in cleaning up. Our fathers volunteered to take pictures of us, while we were in the park. It was a great experience for all of us, and both of our fathers enjoyed in helping us.

The materials we used were a broom, dustpan, gloves, garbage bags, a camera, and a garbage can. We included all these materials to clean up the park. We used the broom to sweep up the garbage, the dustpan to pick up the garbage, gloves to keep our hands clean, garbage bags to get all the garbage into a garbage can, at the end of the project, and a photo camera to take pictures of our project.

While doing this exciting project Ashley and I had a great time cleaning up. We also were very happy because we were doing this project together. I believe that people should not throw garbage on the floor, because that can cause air pollution that can hurt our lungs. We think that cleaning can be a very good decision to the community so there can be less pollution.

What interested us in this project was that we were cleaning up our environment and neighborhoods and at the same time making people happy. It helps the people around because while they are outside or in a park they can have a nice time and breathe fresh air.





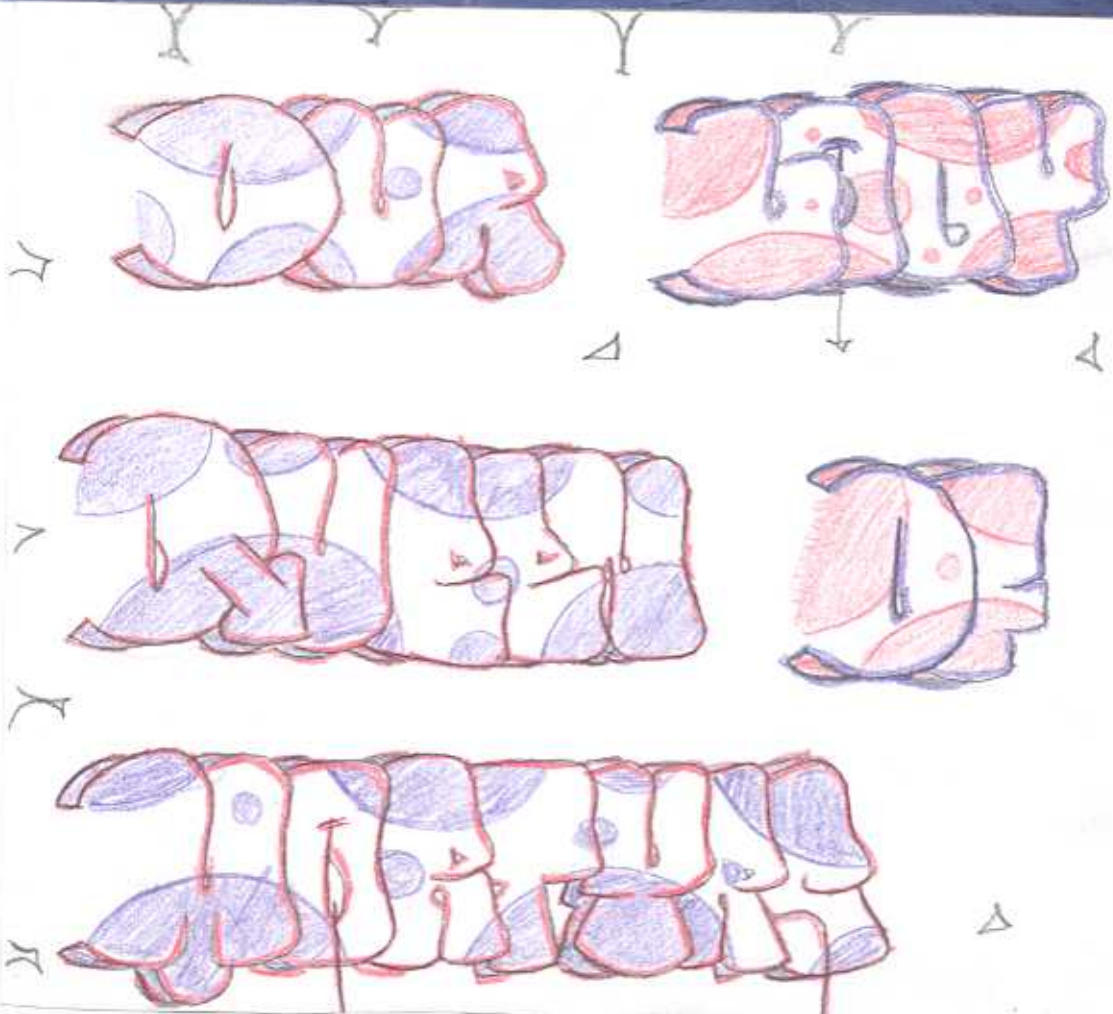








TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP!



Team Up To Clean Up! Beautifying Our Neighborhood



*Our Lady Queen of Martyrs
6th*

By: Raymundo,
Adam, Angel,
Gustavo, and
Emanuel

When my team^{and} I first started this project our purpose was to clean the environment for future generations. It's amazing what you can do by just putting your trash in the garbage bin and not putting it on the floor. Mother Nature sees what you do to her so try not to trash our environment! Our world is the most important thing in our life so throw your garbage away and don't trash it.

On the first day of a three day cleaning up process we looked for an area that needed to be cleaned up. So we looked for a place around our block. We found a park near by our houses that needed some work, so we asked the manager if we could clean certain areas of the park. He gave us permission to make some changes to the park that we were going to clean up. So we brought our materials and thought of what we were going to do to the park the next day.

On the second day we started to clean up the park and picking up bottles from the floor. Then we started to put the garbage in bags and all the bottles we pick up in to recycling bins all around the park. When we got all the bottles into the recycling bins we tried to get some of the garbage we picked up that day to the side, so we could pick it up with some of the dust we obtained when cleaning up on the side of the walls of the park. When we picked that up we went home it had been a very productive day.

On the third day we started to finish what we started on the second day. So we picked up the garbage we lift to the side on the second day and put the garbage into the garbage

bags. When my team and I put all the garbage in to the bags, we put all of them to the side and through the bags in the garbage truck.

In the end of our project we felt good because we knew that we did some thing good for future generations and our environment. So remember team up to clean up not team up to trash up!



Were picking
up





before
Before





After the Cleaning.



Team Up To Clean Up

{Beautification}

Arlene Almont
Rachel Azcui
Denise Bernard
Lisa Franco
Patricia Tagliaferro

Everyday earth becomes filthier.

The lakes are filled with dead fish because of the people who are littering. Many people do not understand the importance of keeping the environment clean. So our team decided to play a role in cleaning our local park. It may not seem by many people but keeping our community clean is a way to show that we care.

The park that we cleaned was Fort Tryon Park.

We decide to clean this area because the kids who wanted to play in the area couldn't because it was so dirty. They would even trip over the twigs. Children would not go on the swings because the whole area and the swings were dirty. So we decided to clean up that area so people even us from the school could have fun on the swings again. It took us 1 hour and 30 minutes to clean up the area. Denise, Patricia, Arlene, Lisa, and Rachel all live in the same neighborhood, Washington Heights in Upper Manhattan.

The first thing that we accomplished to make our environment clean was that we first teamed up to clean up. Then we picked a location that needed improvement, which was the swings area in Fort Tryon Park. Afterwards we selected a day to clean this area. Then the process began of cleaning up the area. First we picked up the twigs and put them in a pile, we also swept them up to. Then there was graffiti on the floor of the swing's area so we used an all purpose cleaner to wipe off the graffiti on the swings. After the graffiti was wiped off we all got together and picked up the leaves using our protected gloves and mask to cover our face and hands. We disposed it at the nearest

recycling bin. At the end people were happy to play at this area because Denise, Patricia, Arlene, Lisa and Rachel a group of girls teamed up to clean up so the community could be a better place to live.

In conclusion we found out that helping out our community is a good way to start recycling and cleaning our neighborhood.



This picture shows how it looked before we cleaned the area.



This picture shows when we began our process of picking up the garbage and taking the twigs and sweeping them in one area.



This picture shows Patricia picking up twigs and branches.



This picture shows Patricia taking the twigs and branches and putting them in a area where we put the branches and twigs.



This picture shows all of us picking up garbage



This shows Rachel sweeping up the twigs and garbage to one area.



This picture shows us picking up the big pile we put together.



This picture shows all of us posing and showing how clean it was then before we started.

Team up to clean up

@ Fort Tryon Park

Kathrin Abreu

Sapphira Aponte

Allison Rodriguez

OLQM 6th Grade

The people in our group are Sapphira Aponte, Katherin Abreu , and Allison Rodriguez. We participated on cleaning part of Fort Tryon park. We cleaned part of the park on Sunday March 7, 2004 at 3:00pm.

Everyday this world is getting polluted by many different people. The people are *throwing* garbage on the ground and they don't care about it because the people think it doesn't matter to anyone or any thing. The reason that our group really wanted to this project is because we thought it would make a difference.

Our group thought it was a good idea to clean part of the park because we knew it would help our environment. First thing we did was buy our supplies, which were 3 brooms, gloves, bags, and a dustpan. Then we went to Fort Tryon park and picked a spot that we thought we should clean to help our environment. When we started cleaning we noticed that it seemed like nobody cares about there neighborhood.

For our group it was a pleasure cleaning the park. We enjoyed cleaning as a group because we knew the the people that care about there environment would be proud of us . We felt good about what we did when we cleaned it made a big difference.

T
E
A
M
U
P
T
O
C
L
E
A
N
U
P



T
E
A
M
U
P
T
O
C
L
E
A
N
U
P



Help make
NYC a better place
by
recycling!



T
E
A
M
U
P
T
O
C
L
E
A
N
U
P



TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP

BY: Michael Latouf Lawrence Pena
Miguel Valdez Brian Cruz

*6 grade boys
at
Fort Tryon Park*

OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS

Introduction

Our beautiful planet earth which used to be a wonderful place is now getting more polluted by the minute. Our rivers and oceans are getting dirtier, our trees are being knocked down, and our streets are filled with trash. Most people don't care. Yet, for the people who still care about our environment it is never too late. You can make a difference. That is why me and my group have come together to clean up. In this essay you will read about the work my team and I did to make our community a better place to live in.

Our Work

With earth in mind my team and I grabbed a couple of garbage bags, brooms and headed to the park to complete a mission that had to be done.

When we got there we saw that the park was full of trash, after careful studying and planning we started to work. First, we gathered a big pile of leaves and put them in black garbage bags. Then we gathered all the litter such as potato chip bags, candy wrappers, and paper. After the hard work we were ready to go. We did not like doing all the dirty work, but when we left we saw a big difference.



Fort Tryon Park
@ Broadway &
Dyckman Street



Michael and Miguel



Team up to clean up!

(beautification)



Lisa Franco
Kiara Hidalgo
Cesar Silvestre
Yennifer Bueno
Glennys Martinez
Grade 6
March 13, 2004
March 20, 2004

Helping beautify our neighborhood by cleaning, planting, and gardening our neighborhood garden at Dyckman street, 2 blocks away from the school. The students from Our Lady Queen of Martyrs School usually take care of the garden. Which sometimes is in care of Maggie. Our 6th grade teacher chose 5 people to go to the garden for 2 Saturdays.

Since there was a lot of leaves. We all picked up leaves and put them in plastic garbage bags so they can be put in the composter. The reason we had to put them in the composter is because within time it will turn into soil and can be put on land.

Things such as eggshells, oranges, and orange peels are also in the composter that can also turn into soil. We also strained some of the things in the composter into a bucket and then we would empty out that bucket and put the soil that we strained and put that soil in another bucket. We took out leaves from the pond. We also cleaned the surroundings of the pond.

The second Saturday which was March 20, 2004 we finished what we started on the first Saturday. We took branches and cut them 2 or less inches so they can be composed. We took off decorations off the Christmas tree. We all took off dead roots to be composed. There was a worm that was out of the ground and we dug a little hole so it can help the soil.

The garden which its name is RING has a membership where any person can volunteer to help the environment and the garden. We participated in cleaning the garden and everything turned out great. Now you can see the beautiful plants that have been growing.











Our Lady Queen of Martyrs School
Trash Masters
Team Up To Clean Up

6th Grade

Kiara Hidalgo

Lisa Franco

Cesar Silvestre

Yennifer Bueno

Glennys Martinez

At

Riverside Inwood Neighborhood

Garden

(R.I.N.G)

Team Up to Clean Up



Kiara Cesar Lisa

Glennys Yennifer



For Team up to Clean Up we beautified a garden. When we first went into the garden it looked destroyed. We started by racking leaves and putting them into a pile. After we put them into a pile we started to put them in garbage bags. The leaves weren't going to be thrown away they were going to be put into composters with plenty of garbage. Well after a while the leaves and the garbage start to rote. When it rotes it turns into soil, the soil is then strained into smaller pieces ten when all of that is done we started to place the soil on the grass.

The next thing we did was cut some branches no longer than 2 inches. When all the branches were placed on the grass and some went to the composters. The branches were good for the grass because the branches are eaten by an animal the animal sometimes it poops on the grass. The poop helps the grass because of the nutrients that is in it.

After all of that was out of our way we started to clean the pond the difference of the pond from the first Saturday, was that the top of the pond was frozen because of the weather. The weather was not that different from last Saturday. The pond was easier to clean because there was no ice that we had to break, although there was more leaves than the last time.

Then when that was done we had to take off the decoration of the Christmas tree. We took a ladder and took off the rest of the decorations (the ones we couldn't reach).

When we finished we started to add the soil to the grass so the grass won't be weak. We also digged a hole because we saw an earth worm outside of the grass. We digged the hole and buried the worm because the worm would help the roots of trees, and plants, any roots that are not health for the trees, and plants.

Well for some people we didn't do much, but for others we did plenty. When we left the park it looked better than what it was in the beginning.



Getting plants ready



Taking lights off the tree





Separating the bottles and cans for recycling.





*Recyclable bags of leaves for decomposing
- to use for planting flowers -*



Our Lady Queen
of
Martyrs School
Trashmasters!
Team Up to Clean Up



Grades 7th & 8th
Mrs. Ramsey

March 2004

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs
Trash Masters
Team Up To Clean Up Rap

8th grade
Christian Almont



Christian Almont

Singing:
Team Up
to Clean Up



OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS

The Team Up Rap

Team Up to Clean Up

By: Christian Almont

Verse 1:

Team up to clean up is 5 strong words
It's very helpful so let's start with these 4 verbs
Let's recycle, clean, let's reuse and redeem
Clean our scene and I'll guarantee you'll live in a clean community
So please keep the earth clean follow me and my team into a new beginning
And don't litter like them dirty feigns who don't know blue from green
To help our community in our recycling tree
Like Martin Luther King said, I have a dream
To see all blacks and whites workin to keep all neighborhoods clean
And to the little feigns takin part in this scene
In the future generations when Mother Nature will come to be
We're correcting our wrongs piece by piece
Now do your part and clean up our street.

[Chorus:] Repeat 2x

So let God reign on me and give me all his hopes and dreams "roc to the rec"
So let God shine on me and give me all his legacies "rec to the love"

Verse 2:

Cause I got recycling stuck on my genes
Me and my team is gonna start a new recycling breed
Cause I have a dream
And that's to see all the blocks and the streets with a brand new sheen
Cause Mother Nature is hungry and she needs to feed
So let's start with you and me and my recycling team
So we can give Mother Nature her basic proteins
So people everywhere take a sniff of my passion
Cause God and his earth is true and everlasting

[Chorus:] Repeat 2x

So let God reign on me and give me all his hopes and dreams "roc to the rec"
So let God shine on me and give me all his legacies "rec to the love"

Verse 3:

I'm not talking Spanish; I'm talking straight up English
Cause my soul burns with passion to recycle which can't be extinguished
So let's clean the parks, the streets, the blocks, the docks,
Roam in flocks to put our trash in some boxes,
The beaches, the water, the grass, and even the shore
Cause we the clean up committee comin for 2004.

Team Up to Clean Up
Christian Almont

Don't need a beat Imma rap till my style goes acapella
And this recycling rap goes to all the honies and fellas
So let's take the job flipside
To change your life for the sake of mankind
To the price of my rhymes you think you got pride
When you're so committed to throwing garbage in the streets like you throwin out dimes
The earth is so confined, by all mankind
It's like having Mother Nature wrapped in rose vines
So let's rise like a tsunami tide
And let's take this job for a ride
So we can ride like Bonnie and Clyde
And take the R.E.C
To the L.I.N.G prime to human kind
This earth is mine
So don't commit to those feigns who think recycling is a crime
Da spyder here hitting you up with my true recycling rhymes
And like Roger Clemens would say "Man I'll see you next time."

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs School Students



In full support of our efforts to educate the school and our community of the importance of maintaining a clean environment.

**TEAM UP
TO
CLEANUP**
OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS



ROBERT ACOSTA
TEDDY MEJIA
LUIS LITHGOW
ARAMIS URENA
JEFFREY URENA
GABRIEL RIVERA
MRS. RAMSEY
MARCH 15, 2004
7TH GRADE

TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP

My group and I did our project Team Up to Clean Up in Fort Tryon near the Hudson parkway and Payson Avenue. Before we did this, we had to ask the Park Ranger permission to do our school project so later on, he won't be fighting about what we are doing.

Some people passed by and started to ask us why and what we were doing this. Some people that passed by said to continue our effort in making our community a cleaner, safer, and more recyclable place. After they said that we all felt good about what we are doing to help our community. Before we did any of this we had to prepare equipment and make sure that everyone brings what they were assigned. When we got there it was a very dirty place and almost everywhere there was garbage.

We, then began to clean! We filled the bag with leaves, we could use it for compose in our school. The bag was filled with thing that can be use for compose but we left it there so the park ranger could take it to be use for compose. Then we notice before we started that there was a lot of work to be done.

While we were doing this we were having a lot of fun. After we finish, we started to take pictures of us cleaning the park and when we finished everything, we took pictures of the clean park.

In my group were Luis, Aramis, Teddy, Jeffrey, Gabriel, and me, Robert. We are all glad to help in cleaning our community and to make our neighborhood a recyclable place. We wish to do this next year and until then we will help the school in recycling and helping the environment.

TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP



Here is the dirty picture of the place we cleaned up.



Here is the second place we cleaned up.



Here is Jeffrey trying to gather the leaves that are being blown away.



This and Aramis are picking up the leaves in the pile they have here.



This is the way it look after we clean. CLEAN.



This is our group and we are proud to make our community more cleaner.

TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP POEM/RAP
OUR NEIGHBORHOOD
TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP
ITS REALLY GOOD
FOR YOU AND ME
AND OUR DESTINY
FOR OUR FUTURE
FOR OURSELVES
AND SHOW YOURSELF
THAT YOU REALLY CARE
TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP
AND CLEAN THE AIR
TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP
EVERYWHERE
IN THE CITY WORLDWIDE
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO HIDE
SO COME ON GATHER AROUND
TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP OUR WHOLE
CITY/TOWN