

TriBeCa's Sweat shoppe

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A Spanish company is making a splash bringing ancient baths to TriBeCa.

Grupo Aire is opening Ancient Baths New York, a 15,000 square foot spa at 86-88 Franklin St., next month. The \$10 million project is its first in the US, according to Silvia Barnett, a company spokeswoman.

The spa includes thermal baths, pools, a steam bath and relaxation area. Spa services will include an uber luxury three-hour ritual with wine or olive oil baths.

The three-story spa, in a building that dates to 1883, includes hot, cold and jet-propelled baths on the basement, main floor and mezzanine levels. Ignacio

Alonso, from Estudio De Arquitectura Alonso Balaguer, was the architect.

In Spain, the spas are in Barcelona, Almeria and Seville, including a 16th-century palace that once housed Roman baths.

"Ancient Baths is a concept that was born in Spain," Barnett said. "The idea is to re-create the ancient experience of the bath to achieve body and mind relaxation."

Fresh organic juice will be served in the baths, which hold a limited number of people, Barnett said.

The DIY fro-yo franchise craze is growing in Brooklyn.

After success in Manhattan, as we reported in September, 16 Handles is opening eight stores in Brooklyn this year, said Jack Terzi of Jack Terzi Real Estate, a commercial brokerage and acquisitions firm that represented both the tenant and landlord in the transactions.

The first store, which will be 2,100 square feet, is set to open today at 1351 Coney Island Ave. in Midwood. That will be followed by a 1,600 square foot store with a full basement at 349 Court St. in trendy Cobble Hill.

There are plans to open another six by the end of the year — in Williamsburg, Bay Ridge, Park Slope, in the Flatbush area near Brooklyn College, in Coney Island and by the Brooklyn Nets' arena in Downtown Brooklyn," Terzi said.

SIGHTINGS: Martha Stewart, The Four Seasons Restaurant's Julian Niccolini and his wife, Lisa, along with The Lambs Club's Geoffrey Zakarian and his wife, Margaret, and D.A. Pennebaker celebrating the launch for Alison Price Becker's Alison Eighteen last week.

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On the newsstand a weekly magazine summary



Snacks? Check. Recliner in front of the TV? Check. Bet placed on what color Gatorade the team will dump on the coach? Check. You've got everything but what to need to read, and that's what we're here for...

Sports Illustrated apparently thinks the Patriots are a shoo-in to win Super Bowl XLVI, given the mag's fawning picture of Pats' signal-caller Tom Brady. Perhaps owing to an overload of news, the magazine has opted not to play up on its cover Penn State Coach Joe Paterno's passing or the Giants' ascent to the big game, in favor of Brady's mug. Elsewhere, the publication has a short piece on Ryan Lamppa, who is trying to bring back mile races (1,760 yards instead of the 1,751 yards to which American racers have grown accustomed since the 1980s).

USA Today's "Super Bowl Keepsake" for Giants fans makes a token effort to cater to a broad audience ("Honey, did you know the Vince Lombardi trophy is made by Tiffany?"). But it's aimed squarely at diehard devotees of the G-Men, loaded with stats and profiles of Big Blue, as well as those bad guys headed by Bill Belichick. We especially liked the rehash of this year's playoffs, including, of course, Lawrence Tynes' 31-yarder that won it for the Giants over San Francisco in OT. Sweet!

The official **Super Bowl Program** is a super big price at \$15, but it packs a wallop like an open-field hit. Especially for Giants fans! Na-

tional Football League Magazine writers clearly prepared for this, and there are rosters and scouting reports. There are plenty of full-page pictures of players. Pages of Super Bowl history, and a good recap of this football season make this a keepsake.

Sure the Super Bowl is coming, but what's next in sports? **ESPN Magazine** scours the world for some of the more intriguing storylines from places as remote as a tiny village in India where a 14-year-old 7-footer is carrying his equally tall father's lost hoop dreams from his early years, when he was denied a chance to play the sport. The series of athletic up-and-comers is similar to ESPN's intriguing 30-30 films that dive into sports' most compelling tales. There's also a Q&A with the cre-

ative mind behind the bizarre Taiwanese Next Media Animation, which turns news items into surreal computer-generated shorts.

In a cover story on the winnings and spending of Hollywood A-listers, **New York** notes that stars typically funnel earnings into "loan-out corporations" to shelter their eight-digit incomes from the IRS. Of course, anything more than a passing mention of this fascinating factoid wouldn't be a good fit for this magazine, which specializes in telling rich "liberals" what they want to hear (and of course, where in SoHo they want to buy shoes, and why they want to rent on Shelter Island instead of Sag Harbor this summer).

The **New Yorker** looks back on the case of Tyler Clementi, the Rutgers freshman who jumped off the

George Washington Bridge in 2010 after his spying roommate posted on Twitter about Clementi's gay sexual encounters. The mag finds it's not necessarily true that his roommate, Dharun Ravi, was homophobic. Rather, Ravi is "so much of a jerk that it may seem like he's a homophobe but he's not," a friend says. Elsewhere, check out the piece by the young classical pianist and his nerve-wracking trip to the recording studio.

Time offers a far better roundup of the GOP race, with a nice breakout piece on Las Vegas casino tycoon Sheldon Adelson, who's bankrolling Newt Gingrich's campaign. There's also a smart analysis of the escalating nuclear tensions between Israel and Iran, which concludes that a military strike to thwart Iran's atomic aspirations would be tricky to pull off. We also liked the story about introverts, although we have a hard time swallowing the idea that Barack Obama and Ron Paul fall into that category.

Is Tina Brown bored by America or what? Not only has the British-born editor of **Newsweek** devoted a disproportionate amount of real estate to William and Kate before and since their wedding, readers have likewise endured an English-style fixation on the French. Readers this time are treated to a full-page spread on French journalist Valerie Trierweiler. Oh, and let's not leave out Italy — the cover, for no apparent reason, depicts Mitt Romney and Gingrich as Roman gladiators.

Chill Factor

Most popular songs

1. Set Fire to the Rain, Adele
2. Turn Me On, David Guetta
3. What Doesn't Kill You (Stronger), Kelly Clarkson
4. Good Feelin', Flo Rida
5. We Found Love, Rihanna
6. Rack City, TYGA
7. Sexy and I Know It, LMFAO
8. Without You (Glee Cast Version), Glee Cast
9. Young, Wild & Free, Snoop Dogg and Wiz Khalifa
10. Domino, Jessie J

Source: bigchampagne.com

Tivo favorites

1. Giants at 49ers
2. Fox NFL Postgame Jan. 22
3. Ravens at Patriots
4. American Idol Audition 3
5. American Idol Audition 4

Top video downloads

1. Radar (Rémi Gaillard)
2. State of the Union
3. Aussie ball boy's incredible catch
4. Djokovic tries to give shirt to girl in crowd
5. Christina Aguilera at Etta James' funeral

Source: YouTube

Google trends

1. Trisomy 18
2. Christina Aguilera at Etta James' funeral
3. 2012 Pro Bowl
4. Occupy Oakland
5. NHL All-Star Game

Searches that have increased significantly.

NY Post hot topics

1. Jayson Williams 'Moses of Rikers'
2. 'Dora' is Queens kid
3. Hell on Fla. highway
4. Demi's 'spicy' story
5. How Liam Neeson became a star

Creditors set to 'Greece' nation's wheels

Greece and its private creditors said they expect to complete a debt-swap accord this week after bondholders signaled they would accept European government demands for lower interest rates.

The sides are "close" to completing a voluntary exchange within a framework outlined by

Luxembourg Prime Minister Jean-Claude Juncker, the Institute of International Finance, negotiating on behalf of private creditors, said in a statement in Athens.

Creditors are prepared to accept an average coupon of as low as 3.6 percent on new 30-year bonds, said one source who declined to

be identified because a final deal hasn't been struck yet.

Juncker, who also leads the group of euro-area finance ministers, said last week that bonds issued in the swap should have a coupon "well below" 3.5 percent for the period to 2020 and below 4 percent over the 30 years.

As recently as last Monday, private investors wanted the new 30-year bonds to have an average coupon of about 4.25 percent, two people familiar with the talks said then. That offer equated to a loss of about 69 percent on the net-present value of Greek debt.

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