Weekend Roundup: School Bus Driver Strike; Elections 2013

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SCHOOL BUS STRIKE ENDS

The city's largest school bus drivers union ended its monthlong strike on Friday after five Democratic mayoral candidates released a joint letter pledging that they would be more open to extending job guarantees to the workers. Mayor Michael Bloomberg had refused to negotiate with the union. The strike had disrupted the lives of thousands of city families, but Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1181 argued the action was necessary to fight for job protections.

ELECTIONS 2013

Mayoral candidate Bill Thompson criticized his opponent in the Democratic primary, Council Speaker Christine Quinn, telling <u>The New York Post</u> that there has been "a pattern of questions surrounding Christine Quinn's entire tenure as speaker." He made the remark in response to a question about the Mason Tenders District Council's endorsement of Quinn (<u>Daily News</u>

Democratic City Councilman Domenic Recchia says he'll run for Congress against Rep.
Michael Grimm, a Republican, to represent New York's 11th district (
Staten Island Advance
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In the Press...

Road To E-Hail Apps Bumpy (Crain's)

Gov Looks To Negotiate On Wage Increase (Albany Times Union)
Mayoral Hopeful Breaks Campaign Finance Law (Daily News)
Lawmaker Wants To Overturn Pig Pet Prohibition (NY Post)
NAACP Leader Pushes To Make Stop-And-Frisk Campaign Issue (NY Post)
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