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Man Accused of Attacking Falun Gong Practitioner in Brooklyn Arrested

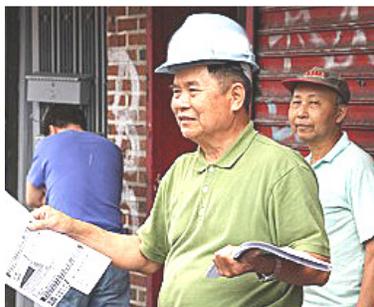
A man accused of attacking a Falun Gong practitioner in New York was arrested by police in Flushing on June 21 and taken to the NYPD's 68th Precinct station in Brooklyn.



Qiu Wei, arrested in Flushing on June 21, has been involved in incidents involving hate crimes against Falun Gong practitioners.

Wei Qiu, accused of assaulting John Yu, a Falun Gong practitioner, with a metal steering wheel lock in Brooklyn on June 15, was arrested in Queens while distributing anti-Falun Gong flyers written in Chinese. He was wearing a hardhat and a vest displaying hate slogans against Falun Gong. He had been seen wearing the same outfit while distributing flyers several times in the past month in Flushing and in Manhattan's Chinatown area. Police made him remove the hardhat and vest before arresting him.

John Yu, 39, who says he was attacked by Qiu with a steering wheel lock last week, was at the scene of the arrest. Around 3:30 p.m. on June 21, Yu said he found Qiu distributing anti-Falun Gong flyers in Flushing. "Police were nearby so I called the police," said Yu. According to Yu, around 3:45 p.m., a few police officers surrounded Qiu. One police officer took away the vest and another handcuffed Qiu. "When I first saw him today, I was a bit scared," said Yu. "He hit me a few days ago with a heavy metal bar."



Qiu distributing flyers defaming Falun Gong on June 15 in Brooklyn.



Qiu (left) allegedly assaulted Falun Gong practitioner John Y8u (right) with a steel car lock in Brooklyn.

"The District Attorney and the legal system will, by looking in and investigating this issue, see the big picture," Yu said. "This is not an isolated crime. This has a lot to do with the Chinese government and the Chinese Consulate." Yu is referring to recent information from the non-profit World Organization to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong, which possesses a recording of the Chinese Consul General of New York, Keyu Peng, who is heard boasting that he secretly encouraged the attacks occurring in the U.S. Yu also hopes that the arrest will act

as a warning against future attacks. "I hope that a signal is sent to the CCP (Chinese Communist Party) through this arrest, that they cannot brutalize people in the U.S. like they do in China," said Yu.

Introduction to Falun Dafa

Falun Dafa, also known as Falun Gong, is a practice for benefiting physical health and elevating the mind. Introduced by Mr. Li Hongzhi in China, the practice consists of five gentle exercises including meditation, and diligent effort on the part of practitioners to follow the universal principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance in daily life. Falun Gong is not only beneficial to one's own health and well-being, it also benefits others. Although the practice originated in China, today it is practiced throughout the world by people of all races and walks of life. In the face of the most brutal and vicious persecution perpetrated on them by the Chinese Communist Party, Falun Gong practitioners have found the spiritual strength to resist peacefully and tirelessly by upholding the principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance.



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Falun Dafa Saved My Sister and Me

(Clearwisdom.net) I started practicing Falun Gong in 1997. I had been afflicted with many health conditions, including hypertension, high blood cholesterol, heart disease, and lung disease. I fatigued easily. The thought of my little child and elderly parents, who needed my care, often made me cry. At this critical moment, my neighbor told me that I should study the book *Zhuan Falun*, which comprises the principal teachings of Falun Gong, and practice the Falun Gong exercises. I borrowed *Zhuan Falun* from her. After I read through the book three times, all of my diseases disappeared.

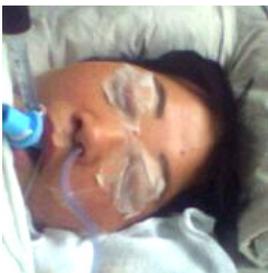
In 2007, my sister was diagnosed with a rare disease -- blood vessel carcinoma. She suffered unbearable pain and no medicine provided any help. The doctor said that she was in critical condition. I told her of my miraculous experience with Falun Dafa. She started reciting, "Falun Dafa is good" and "Truth, Compassion, Tolerance are good" that evening, and fell asleep at midnight. When she woke up, she said, "Falun Dafa saved my life!" She said that she felt as if a big hand scratched through her abdomen and she felt the urge to urinate. She urinated a large quantity of bloody fluid. She told me that afterwards, she felt well and wanted to eat. The next afternoon, she had an X-ray. The 6-cm. (2.4 inch) tumor in her kidney had shrunk to only 1.2 cm. (0.5 inch) and all of the accumulated fluid in her abdomen had disappeared. The doctor asked her how she recovered. She said, "It is Falun Dafa that saved my life."

The doctor said, "I believe you. During the 12 years I have worked here, I have seen four such cases in which Falun Dafa saved the lives of critically-ill patients."

My sister was released from the hospital several days later, and she told her story to everyone she met. Her health is now very good and she can do her share of the housework. I cannot adequately describe my gratitude to Falun Dafa, which saved my sister and me and brought happiness to our whole family.

Falun Gong Practitioner Ms. Xiao Sumin Tortured to Death

(Clearwisdom.net) Ms. Xiao Sumin, 46, was a Falun Gong practitioner from Pingdu City, Shandong Province. As part of the Chinese Communist Party's new round of persecution against Falun Gong (under the excuse of "security for the Olympics"), the police arrested Ms. Xiao on May 30, 2008 and detained her without going through the proper legal process. Within twenty-one days, the detention center guards tortured her to death. Her body was quickly cremated on June 21, 2008 and her ashes taken to her home the same day. Ms. Xiao left behind a young daughter.



Ms. Xiao Sumin in the hospital emergency room.

Ms. Xiao Sumin lived in the Vegetable Oil Factory Family Housing. After the persecution began on July 20, 1999, the police constantly monitored and harassed her. Her employer moved Ms. Xiao to the most labor intensive section of the factory. On August 6, 2001, Domestic Security Officer Shi Weibing of the Pingdu City Police Department put Ms. Xiao in a brainwashing center in Zibo City. There she was tortured for one month.

On August 7, 2007, Guxian Town Police Station deputy director Ma Dawei (male) and four other officers arrested Ms. Xiao and confiscated her motorcycle, two cell phones, and 300 yuan in cash. In the police station, two police officers, Liu Jie (male) and an officer surnamed Wang (male), took turns slapping her face, and punching and kicking her. They grabbed her by the hair and slammed her head against the wall.

On the afternoon of August 8, 2007, police officers ransacked Ms. Xiao's home and then illegally transferred her to the Pingdu City Detention Center. When her family visited her on August 12, 2007, the detention center administration extorted 30,000 yuan from them with the promise that Ms. Xiao would be able to return home after staying in detention for a total of 15 days. However, the guards in the detention center planned to send Ms. Xiao to a forced labor camp. When they tried to get her to sign the related paperwork, she refused and went on a hunger strike, protesting her illegal imprisonment.

On the 8th day of her hunger strike the guards asked two doctors from the Pingdu City Mental Hospital to come to the detention center to force-feed Ms. Xiao. They had more than a dozen male prisoners restrain Ms. Xiao while the doctors tried to force-feed her. The next day, when guard Dai Jinzhong saw that Xiao Sumin didn't awaken, he called for a doctor. The doctor found her pulse was very weak. Fearing she might die, the authorities let her go home that evening.

On May 30, 2008, Ms. Xiao and another practitioner, Ms. Sun Shujie, were arrested. After enduring more than two weeks of continuous torture, Ms. Xiao's life was in imminent danger. The guards were forced to take her to the emergency room at the Haici Hospital in Qingdao City, where she was immediately put on oxygen. However, due to the severe torture she had suffered in detention, Xiao Sumin died within 3 weeks.

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