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MEMBERSHIP by FILEEN FILLINGER

Let's keep April 6, 1974 open on our calendars for our first Bellerose Dance.

It will be a good time for all -- a chance to meet or remeet people from our neighborhood. Invite your family and friends, but most of all, your neighbors.

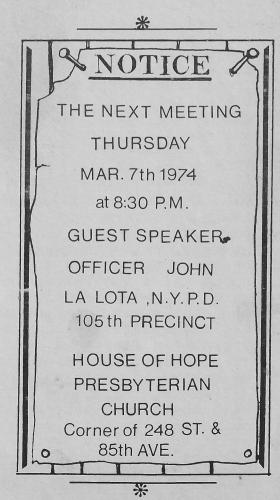
The dance will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 83 Greenwich Street, Hempstead, New York from 9:00 PM to 1:00 AM. A map is attached for directions.

Included will be snacks, a cold buffet, two bottles of liquor, beer, coffee and cookies at each table of ten. We will have a fourpiece band plus two singers. In addition, there will be door prizes.

Tickets are \$7.50 a person. Contact either Chris McGann at 343-3971 or Cathy Reh at 347-5756 for tickets and any questions you might have. The deadline for purchasing tickets is March 22.

I hope to see you all at the dance. I'd like to meet all my neighbors from Bellerose.

> Adele Cipriano Chairman Dance Committee



President's Gavel

Some very important points

were raised at our last

meeting. Captain William Visser discussed the role the individual homeowner could play in maintaining law and order. We have a serious problem in the use of the playground at P.S.133 for various activities during the night which are in violation of the law. He assured us that this area would be patrolled more frequently to cut down on the nocturnal activities. It is with much dismay I view this playground. which is a public park, and see the property defaced and the facilities abused and realize that this is the work of the children of our community! It is also very easy to observe motor bikes on our streets, children hanging on car bumpers when it snows and a general disregard for the speed limits and stop signs. To encourage these activities only promotes a disregard for the law and imposes unnecessary inconvenience on all of us. We should all care about what happens in our community and a good start would be to try to correct some of the above.

by Dennis McGann

GET INVOLVED, and bring a neighbor to our next meeting. This will be your chance to air your gripes and complaints -- let's hear them. This is your civic association and community. If you're content to stay at home and not get involved with what's going on around you, then stay at home!

We have 1.250 homes within our boundries and quite honestly, only a small portion of concerned citizens have taken the time to attend our meetings. A community is only as strong, secure and safe as its "concerned" residents are, and a token handful of people cannot succeed without your help. Don't wait until we have a major problem in our own back yard -- VOICE YOUR OPINION NOW!

Senior citizens, don't forget if your incomes are within the established limit, you may be entitled to a 50% reduction in property taxes. The income ceiling has been increased to \$6,000. Applications must be made by March 15. Call 643-4770 for further information.



Congratulations to Faith
(one of our block captains)
and Larry (one of our
board members) on the birth
of their son, Ryan Scott
Walsh. Good luck to all.

Belated birthday wishes to Marge Planeta (2/19).

Laura Hansen of 248 Street, is conducting sewing lessons from her home at a very nominal fee. Why not sign up at the next meeting and see Laura for additional details. You could try making your outfit (and perhaps a tie for your sweetheart) for the upcoming dance of April 6.

Engagements, weddings, births, anniversaries, etc. announcements you would like to have published for our April Newsletter, or any future newsletters, please see either of us at the next meeting.

P.S. How many of you remembered to order your FREE seed catalogs? There is nothing like a home-grown tomato!



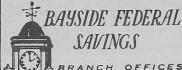
The security of the City and its citizens depends upon the people themselves. No police department can effectively protect life and property without the support and cooperation of the citizens it serves.

The BLOCKWATCHERS program establishes a formal net-work for concerned citizens to report emergency problems to the New York City Police Department.

The police need your help, eyes and ears. Criminals cannot and will not operate in areas where the citizens are alert.

A BLOCKWATCHER'S objective is just to watch his or her adopted block and if observing criminal activities to report same. No further action is necessary!

Attend our next meeting and learn how you too may join this worthwhile program. Our speaker, Police Officer, John LaLota, will outline the program. Take an active part in protecting your community.



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