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#### SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

Community School
Board Elections will be held
on Tuesday, May 6th, from
6:00 AM to 9:00 PM. All
voters are eligible to vote
and the polling places is the
same as your normal voting
place for elections.

It is important that you vote, since good school policies influence the nature and desirability of the community. Thus, the election of the people who administer this area's schools is the concern of every citizen, not just those people who have school-aged children. One of the big issues today is the closing of schools, and that certainly will affect every homeowner and member of the community.

The P. T. A. of P. S. 133 strongly supports the following slate of candidates in the order of preference shown. In addition, the P. T. A. of Junior High School 172 also endorses the same first five candidates in the identical numerical order. All of the proposed candidates have indicated a desire to better the education of our children and the fight for a stable community.

- #1 Helene Zaro
- #2 Lee Goldman
- #3 Delia Sables
- #4 Jack Como
- #5 Marylen Daly
- #6 Marilyn Check
- #7 John Mancini
- #8 Jeffrey Lambert

Helene Zaro, who has been given priority #1 by both the PTA of P.S. 133 and the PTA of J.H.S. 172, has been an indefatigable worker for our community's educational problems for many years. She is a resident of our area and is also a member of Community Planning Board #13. She has always served the best interests of our children, our schools and our community.

Remember to vote on May 6th and remember that you must place numbers, not checks, next to the candidates' names in order of preference.

Florence Barber Community School Board Election Chairperson

#### MOVIES

Sunday movies at the Central Branch of the Library (located at 89-11 Merrick Blvd. - 166th St. in Jamaica) for the month of May, to be shown at 1:00 PM are as follows:

May 4th - 1776 (1972)

11th - San Francisco (1936)

18th - Charade (1963)

25th - The Emigrants (1970)

#### SHAKESPEARE

If you are following the Television presentations of Shakespeare being shown on Wednesdays, you will want to make note that "The Tempest" will be presented on

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THE NEXT MEETING THURSDAY

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#### NO JUNE WALK

It looks like another family has moved from beautiful Bellerose, Mr. & Mrs. Someone Else and their marvelous children.

As everyone in our community is aware, we have had a tradition for the past several years of holding a children's parade known as the June Walk, held on or as close to Flag Day as possible. No sooner is one over than children began planning for the next.

Well, this year we must tell you that due to the moving of the Else Family, there will be no parade. It seems everyone was so sure that Someone Else and his family would take care of the arrangements that they sat back complacently when volunteers were requested at every Civic meeting since December or January. A Chairman was needed to start arrangements and set up committees far enough in advance to have everything fall into order by June. Music had to be arranged for (requests for sound trucks or bands mustfall into line), prizes had to be purchased (no fairy godmother appeared with a truckload of toys to donate), refreshments arranged (how much does ice cream cost this year?)--details to be delegated -- each handled by a different person to ensure truth to the old adage "many hands make light work". And when you have many hands, and much enthusiasm, the work becomes joy and adults can anticipate the day with as much delight as the children.

However, lack of cooperation in securing volunteers and apparent lack of interest from the community has made that seem out of place on your this just another memory. I, for one, am sure going to miss that family of great people who moved--they knew how to keep the ball rolling.

4/13/80 Betty Platania

#### BE ALERT

As homeowners and residents, we would like to think that Bellerose is the most beautiful and, most important, the safest place for us to live. There is danger, however, in becoming too mesmerized by a dream to realize that this area, like any other, is not immune to everyday crime.

Do you know that one of the most prevalent offenses is the stealing of spare tires from the trunks of cars? Have you heard about batteries being taken from cars parked in supermarket parking lots? What about your neighbor whose house was burglarized in mid-morning or early afternoon -- through a front entrance during the heart of the day? Have you heard of the recent vandalism at our own Bellerose Library on a weekend?

Our vigilance in observing and reporting unusual activities to the 105th Precinct is the Number One safeguard of our Community. We can be those extra eyes and ears needed by our local police in spotting and stopping crimes before they are consummated. Be aware of what is going on

around you. Make note of strangers, take down license numbers of cars, vans, trucks block. Most of all, REPORT ANY CRIME committed to the 105th Precinct without delay. Their knowledge of these happenings will go far in planning for patrol car coverage for our protection. It only makes sense that surveillance is assigned to the most needed places, but let us not loose out on our share of prevention through our own neglect. The next time, it may be you.

#### 105th PRECINCT

Deputy Inspector Paul H. Maltby has been given command of the 105th Precinct. His former post was that of the 84th Precinct in Brooklyn.

On the 4th Wednesday of each month, the 105th Precinct holds Community Council meetings to bring programs of particular interest to the Community. Since the entire area now covered by our Precinct is 17 miles long, an effort to reach those at the extreme ends has warranted some "on the road" meetings. The May meeting will be held at 8 PM at St. Claire's Church in Rosedale, and the June meeting will be back at the Precinct. All members of the Community are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

4/14/80 Betty Platania

#### PHOTO CONTEST

The Alley Pond Environmental Center has announced their First Annual Photo Contest to be held from June 1st through August 15th. Photos taken in the 650 acre Alley Pond Park must be titled and mounted for hanging, at least 5"x7", either black and white or color. The organization reserves the right to reproduce those photos for a permanent file.

First, second and third prizes in both media will be awarded at the Center on Sunday, September 13th. Judging will be done by professionals. APEC is located at 228-06 Northern Boulevard in Douglaston, New York 11363.

#### FARM MUSEUM

It's time to make note that the weekly garage sales have resumed at the Queens County Farm Museum located at 73-50 Little Neck Parkway. Visiting hours for the Farmhouse and garage sale hours have been extended, and now the full hours are Saturdays from 11 AM to 4 PM. With Spring cleaning at hand, you may wish to contribute some of your no longer needed "treasures" on your trip there.

On Saturday, May 10th, there will be a joint Art Show & Sale (Floral Park Art League) and Plant Sale (Martin Van Buren High School) held from 10 AM - 4 PM, free admission.

On Sunday, May 18th, a Pot Roast Dinner will be served at the Farm Museum. House opens at 4 PM. Donation \$6 for

members, \$7 non-members. Reservations required, call 347-3820.

On Saturday, May 24th, Van Buren High School will hold a plant sale, specializing in bedding plants. As you know, the greenhouses on the premises are used by the students engaged in horticulture. Free admission; 10 AM - 4 PM.

#### PARADE

The Annual Memorial Day Parade held in Queens Village will be Monday, May 26th, this year. The Queens County Farm Museum will participate, beginning at 10 AM at Braddock Avenue and Cross Island Parkway. Everyone loves a parade, so bring the kids and see the proud marchers and floats celebrate this very special holiday.

#### SHOW TIME PLUS

Holy Trinity Lutheran
Church will present its 48th
Annual Show on Friday, May
2, 1980 and Saturday, May 3,
1980 at 8:15 PM. This year's
presentation is a comedy
entitled "All Because of
Agatha" -- a story about a
witch who haunts a house in
Salem, Massachusetts.
Tickets are \$2.00 for adults
and \$1.00 for children.

A Peddlar's Fair will be held at Holy Trinity on Saturday, May 17th. Hours are 10 AM to 4 PM, and refreshments will be available. Mark this on your calendar and drop in for the bargains.

#### STOCK CAR RACES

Freeport Speedway has announced a "Free Scout Nite 1980" for Saturday, May 10th (rain date, May 17th). All scouts wearing their uniform will be admitted free, with the exception of leaders and supervisory personnel. Regular admission for this event is \$5.00 for adults, \$2.00 for children, and under six free. The speedway opens at 5:30 PM and the first race will start at 7:30 PM. They are located at Mill Road in Freeport.

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