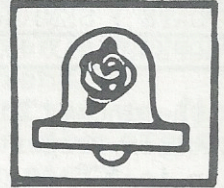


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NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

On Monday, Oct. 31, 1983 the Nominating Committee met under the chairmanship of John Reh. The other members present were Bernie Wechsler, Richard Hellenbrecht and John Mahoney. It was with great difficulty, due to the lack of interest of residents in our community, that we were able to determine a slate of officers. The slate that we have chosen is comprised of people that have been active for the past 11 years and were begged to serve as officers.

It was also noted that a great number of new residents have recently moved into Bellerose. We ask and implore these new residents to show an interest in preserving and improving "their" community by accepting nominations from the floor at our Dec. 1, 1983 meeting. The only requirements needed are a willingness to help us acquire what we deserve from City Hall, and going to two meetings a month.

The proposed slate of officers, as it now stands, is as follows:

IN MEMORANDUM

PHILIP W. TERRELL
October 17, 1983

Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Terrell and family on the loss of Philip W. Terrell. Mr. Terrell was the first president of our Bellerose Commonwealth Civic Association after he and Robert Jehle were instrumental in forming the organization. Married 52 years, the Terrells have been Bellerose residents their entire married life. He will be sorely missed and we share your sorrow on his passing. R.I.P.

President - Richard Hellenbrecht
Vice President - Peter Condon
Treasurer - Paul Boudreau
Corresponding Sec'y - Lorraine Anzalone
Recording Sec'y - John Reh

Members of the Board of Directors 2 year term

James Delaney
Melanie Ngai
Sebastian Platania
Howard Slaney

GRELB'S ADDITION:

If it was bad, it'll be back.

ANTHONY'S LAW OF FORCE:

Don't force it; get a larger hammer.

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Notice

THE NEXT MEETING
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UPDATE : SENIOR CITIZEN
PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

The income limit for Senior Citizen Property Tax Exemption is \$ 8000.00/year at the present time. Last year, the N.Y. State Legislature passed two Bills, raising the income limit and also starting a new graduated partial reduction above the limit, instead of a sharp cut-off. Under Home Rule it would not apply in N.Y.C. without a corresponding Bill being passed by the City Council.

Intro. No. 660 was introduced in the City Council on 9/27/83. Council Member Sheldon Leffler co-sponsored the Bill, which was referred to the Committee on Finance. The newspapers and TV did not report this story.

The new income limit would be \$ 10500.00 for the 50 % exemption. For each additional \$ 500.00 income, 5 % steps down are provided ending at 20 % EXEMPTION for incomes of \$ 13000.00 or more, but less than \$ 13500.00.

Intro. No. 660 will die in the Committee On Finance unless everyone writes a card or letter to the Chairman Council Member Edward L. Sadowski, City Hall, N.Y. 10007

Submitted by
Charles Theophil

BELLEROSE LIBRARYADULT BOOD DISCUSSION
GROUP - Anne Rice's

novel, Cry to Heaven will be the topic of a book discussion group on Thursday, Dec. 22, 1983 at 10:30 AM. Copies are available at the library.

JUVENILE BOOK DISCUSSION
GROUP - Fifth and sixth graders are welcome to attend a juvenile book discussion group on

Thursday, Dec. 11, 1983 at 4:00 PM. Speak to Children's Librarian, Mrs. Lubell for more details.

HOLIDAY FILM - WEST
SIDE STORY, the 1961 musical film based on Leonard Bernstein's Broadway hit will be shown on Thursday, Dec. 29, 1983 at 1:30 PM. Free tickets will be available beginning Dec. 15th. The film is 155 minutes long.

A REMINDER - Pre-School films shown on Friday afternoons now have two showings: 1:30 PM and 3:30 PM. All are welcome.

COMING EVENTS - Tax Help, through the services of the AARP will be available for the elderly beginning in February.

BOOK SALE PLANNED - A book sale is planned for sometime in February. Watch for exact date.

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT PROGRAM TO BE RE-SCHEDULED - Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Nov. 16th Flower Arranging Program was cancelled. However, plans are in the works to have it rescheduled some time in the spring. Watch for details.

BERYL'S LAW:

The "Consumer Report" on the item will come out a week after you've made your purchase.

COROLLARIES:

1. The one you bought will be rated "unacceptable."
2. The one you almost bought will be rated "best buy."

THE SPIRIT OF
CHRISTMAS

The Rosary Craft Group of St. Gregory the Great Church will present its holiday sale on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 10th and 11th in the Oak Room (Church Basement) located on the west side of Cross Island Pkwy and 88th Ave.

A large selection of handmade Christmas items will be offered in a variety to please everyone. There will be a special table for children only so that these young buyers may purchase their gifts for family and friends. A table will be set up for the sale of baked goods, and complimentary coffee will be available for the shoppers. Plans are underway for an old-fashioned Christmas tree to be erected, and look for information on a raffle while you are there.

The theme chosen is symbolic--THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS, reminding us of the gifts presented to the child Jesus by the three Wise Men. Monsignor Feldhaus, Pastor, will channel the proceeds of this sale in three directions in a spirit of peace, faith and love. See for yourself the charm of holly and mistletoe as in the past, as you serve a three-fold purpose when you shop. A satisfied customer making purchases of locally made items (Bellerose own); a pleased recipient (a unique item not dupli-

cated under their tree) and ultimately a grateful person whose day was made a little less bleak. Come between 11 AM - 5 PM on Saturday and 9 AM - 3 PM on Sunday, December 10th & 11th. Make your Christmas a little bit brighter by thinking of others.

Betty Platania

QCFM

The holiday spirit is in the air and the folks at the Queens County Farm Museum located at 73-50 Little Neck Parkway have some upcoming events you'll want to look into.

The annual holiday bazaar will be held on two days, Saturday and Sunday of Dec. 3rd and 4th. Look into their selection of handcrafted gifts, novelties and decorations and while you are browsing, think about purchasing some of those homemade cakes and goodies they plan to have on sale. There is no admission charge for this event and the proceeds are certainly for a worthy cause--the preservation of this historical landmark.

On Saturday, Dec. 10th, the popular Wreath Making Workshops will be offered once again. Three classes are scheduled: 10 AM to 12 noon, 12 to 2 PM and 2 to 4 PM. Reservations are requested and the fee is \$8.00. Please call Helen Trent at 347-3820 and she will give you full details. You will be thrilled with the lovely evergreen wreath you

bring home for your front door, and justifiably proud to say YOU made it!

GIRL SCOUT SALE

Hear Ye, Hear Ye-FRIENDS OF GIRL SCOUTS Join us for the annual holiday Craft and Cake Sale, on Friday, Dec. 9th, from 3-5 PM. You will be able to shop for handmade treasures lovingly fashioned by members of the Bellerose troops. Pick up evening dessert from a varied collection of goodies to tickle your taste buds. Come to Holy Trinity Church basement on Commonwealth Blvd. between 87th Ave. and 86th Road, 12/9 and support your local Girl Scouts.

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

Although the town of Bellerose is small, it is surprising to learn that so many of its residents do not know their neighbors. When did you last take a moment to say "hello" to the home owner next door? The Fall is a beautiful time of year, but oh, those leaves. They float down gently and form a carpet that can pose many problems, wet or dry. Perhaps an elderly or handicapped person is unable to tend to them--could you help? Is there a young mother tied down with children as her empty garbage can blows around in the wind while you put yours away? Surely she would appreciate your few extra steps to retrieve it for her.

No one lives entirely self-sufficient of others and often we find ourselves at the other end of that story. Get to know your neighbor on either side. There is safety in sharing this friendship from your own doorstep. An unshoveled walk could invite trouble, that stray PENNYSAVER advertising no one is home-- so many little things we could take care of with no extra effort and expect to have reciprocated in time of need.

Put a little sunshine into your day by greeting a neighbor. That stern exterior you see might be a mask of loneliness. Every day is a new start. Don't regret what you have not done. The beauty of Bellerose glows through its people. Show someone you care TODAY!


Betty Platania



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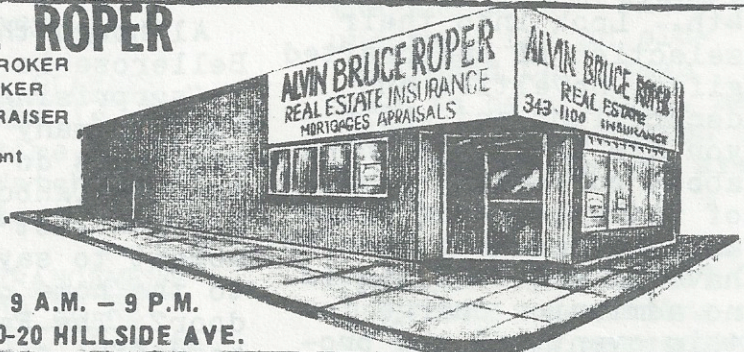
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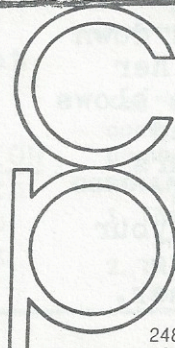
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