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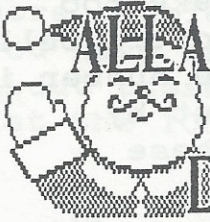


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 **ALLAN BOROCK
NYC D.O.T.
DISCUSSES
STREET AND
TRAFFIC ISSUES
DEC 4 AT 8:00PM
HOUSE OF HOPE
CHURCH
ALSO BCCA
ELECTION NIGHT!**

Meetings

The November meeting featured State Assemblyman Prescott with a very descriptive video on the street repair program in Floral Park this year. The tape was very revealing and distressing. The point is that we must be extremely vigilant if work is to be done on our property by the City or a contractor. We should take pictures of conditions before they

start working and avoid any suggestion by the contractor to do work for you on a cash basis or without a receipt. If he was doing you a favor, he'd do it, but without a receipt, he's doing you no favors. He surely will deny he did the work and will not do repairs. The work and materials generally are inferior.

The other speaker was from School Board 26 and is involved in the drug education program at 133. The drug program is done on a very limited basis due to very small funding provided by the City. The drug problem, though, is so serious that our legislators must get the message from us that the education program must be expanded in this area before drugs become more of a problem here. It was also distressing to hear Principal Berman of PS133 speak of the inordinately low level of funding to his school for general, administrative and educational programs. It is a good thing for our

**WE MEET THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT HOUSE OF HOPE
CHURCH, CORNER 248TH STREET AND 85TH AVENUE**8:00 PM****

neighborhood that we have a Principal who is willing to fight for the school and especially a PTA organization that has filled the gap left by the City, donating equipment for the children and making programs possible.

The December 4 meeting will feature Department of Transportation representative Allan Borock who will talk about transportation and traffic issues in the area. With all of the construction programs going on in the area and planned to start soon, this should be a very informative meeting. Mr. Borock should also provide useful information on procedures for requesting traffic lights and other issues. We'll be back at our normal location for this meeting and it will be the annual election of officers, so please make every effort to attend.

Help Wanted

We are in desperate need for block captains to help distribute newsletters and collect dues. The best solution would be to have two captains for each block so they could alternate. We have recently lost several of our captains, however, and it costs us to have several neighborhood children make deliveries. Please call Rich Hellenbrecht (343-5397) if you are able to help out.

I'm also saddened to note that I can not yet report a slate of officers for this civic association since no one is willing to assume the role of President or Vice President. These positions are essential for an organization to keep in touch with the community and other organizations, but they don't take too much time or effort. Call Rich at the above number if you could help out by filling one of these important spots.

CIP Underpass

I'm pleased to note that through the continued pressure exerted by Senator Padavan, we may finally see some action on the old LIRR underpass near St. Gregory's. NYS DOT has indicated that they will permanently replace the structure and fill in the area in 1988. Meanwhile they have contacted the NYC DOT and offered some techniques to seal the opening. This is an issue that can be discussed with Mr. Borock on December 4. NYS DOT has promised to submit the plans for permanent construction to the community for comment prior to finalization.

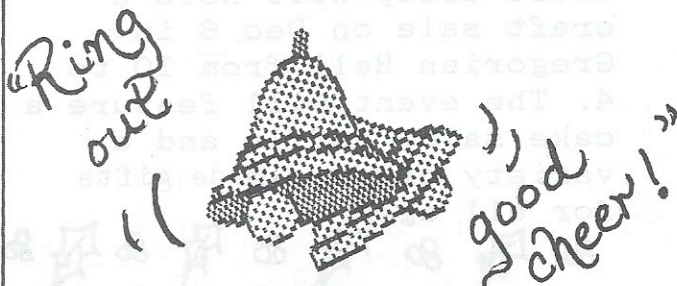


Season's Greetings



Hillside Thefts

The string of thefts that plagued several shopkeepers has finally been broken with the arrest of a local man, charged with robbery. Some community folks think however that there were more people involved. If you have any knowledge about these crimes please let the 105 Pct know.



Community Column

The Civic Association would like to congratulate Edwin Henry of P.S. 133 and Patrick Sullivan of St. Gregory's. Every once in awhile a story comes my way that can serve as an example for all of us and I'd like to pass this one along. Due to a keen eye these two boys were able to recognize a bike that had been stolen and altered. Due to their fast work the bike has been retrieved for their friend. The BCCA salutes Edwin and Patrick for their citizenship and concern for personal property. Keep up the good work boys.

Congratulations

I'd like to express congratulations and best wishes from the BCCA to Senator Frank Padavan, Assemblyman Prescott and Congressman Ackerman on their reelection to their respective offices this November. They have all served us well and we look forward to working closely with them on solving the problems in our neighborhood.

The BCCA congratulates Jim & Fran Della Bonta who became grandparents and to the proud parents, Nancy & Tony Della Bonta on the birth of their son, Matthew James, 7 lbs. 14 ozs.

Congratulations to Mary & Fred Forgione of 251 Street who are now the proud parents of a beautiful baby girl.

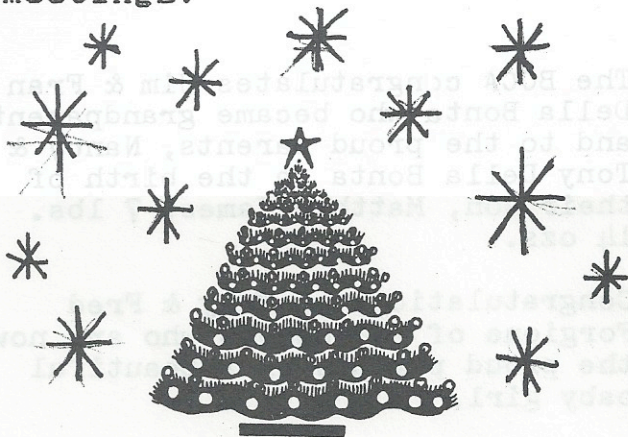
We wish them much happiness with their newborns.

P.S. 133 News

We have begun an exciting year at PS133. Our Spanish, Music, Ballet, Science and Computer classes are in full swing. We have started a Band program called Musication. Talent show auditions were recently held. We are looking forward to having you, the community, attend both Glee Club's winter Concert performance on January 29th and our Annual Talent Show in March. Look in the Action News for further details.

Happy Holidays

The Board of the BCCA wishes the happiest of holiday seasons to all of our neighbors and friends and a joyful and prosperous new year. We thank you for your cooperation and input during the past year and especially for making this one of the best years we have experienced in participation at our meetings.



COMMUNITY HOLIDAY SALES

For your shopping convenience,
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* PS 133 *

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Wednesday, December 3rd
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* GIRL SCOUTS *

Girl Scout hand-made Craft Sale. The crafts are made by our own Girl Scouts and the funds are used to help cover the costs of their activities. The Sale will be on December 11 from 2-5 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Commonwealth Blvd. & 87 Ave.

* Rosary Society *

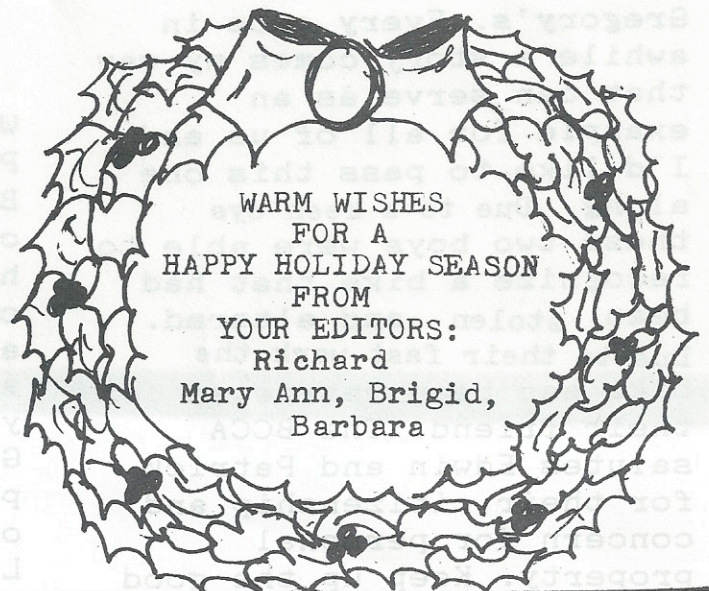
The Rosary Society Craft Group will hold a craft sale on Dec 8 in Gregorian Hall from 10 to 4. The event will feature a cake sale, raffle and a variety of hand-made gifts for all ages.



Coming Events

St. Gregory's News

You are cordially invited to attend St. Gregory's CCD Christmas Pageant on Sunday, December 7 at 3 P.M. in Gregorian Hall.



WARM WISHES
FOR A
HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON
FROM
YOUR EDITORS:
Richard
Mary Ann, Brigid,
Barbara

Library News

ADULT PROGRAMS:

Adult Book Discussion - H. Wouk's Inside, Outside, Dec 18 at 10:30AM ...Making Life More Livable - demonstration for older adults with vision and hearing impairments, Dec 5 at 3PM ...New Tax Law Changes - Lawrence Cole, CPA Dec 8, 7:30PM ...Adult film series - Jerusalem, The Christian City, Dec 24 at 10:30AM ...Used Book Sale - Dec 22 from 1PM.

YOUNG ADULTS:

Book Discussion - H. Mazer's The Island Keeper, Dec 4 at 3:30PM ...Chess Club Thursday nights 6 to 7:30PM

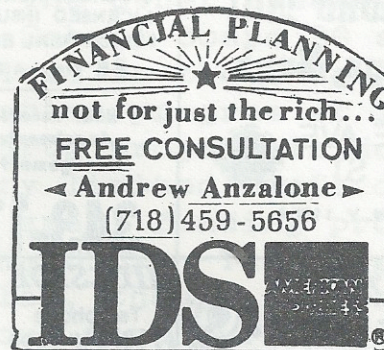
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS:

Picture Book Hours - Thursdays at 10:30 and 1:30 for 3 1/2 to 5 year olds ...Pre-Schoolers films Wednesdays at 1:30 ...Jr. Book Discussion - Dec 18 at 3:30 ...School Age Film - Star Wars Dec 30 at 2PM.



Farm Museum

The Queens County Farm Museum will sponsor a Holiday Bazaar on Dec 6 and 7 at the farmhouse on Little Neck Parkway from 11 to 6 on Sat and 11 to 4 Sunday. Featured will be baked goods, handmade gifts and decorations.



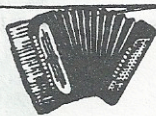
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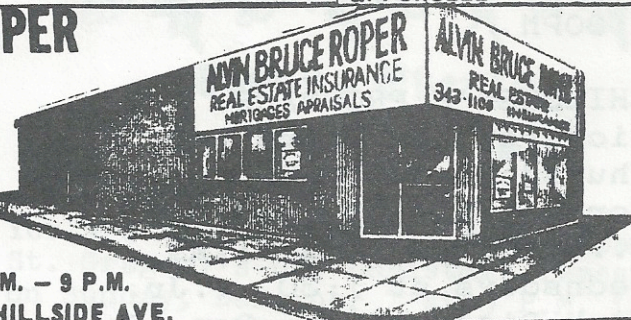
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