



# action news

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## Next Meeting

### Election of Officers

December 6, 2001

8:00 pm

House of Hope Church  
Cor. 248th St. 85th Ave.

We meet the first Thursday of each month at the House of Hope Church, corner 248th Street and 85th Avenue at 8:00 PM

## Happy Holidays and Happy New Year

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## A Fond Farewell

By: Rich Hellenbrecht

As I mentioned a few months ago in Action News, this will be my final month as president and my final newsletter for the BCCA. I would guess I have been authoring and publishing Action News for about 16 years and served as president from 1985 through 1992 and again from 1996

through 2001.

It is with deep regret that I leave, but my new duties at Community Board 13Q require much more time and attention. I would like to remain as a board member of BCCA, if elected this month. I have tested the waters in my Chair position at CB13Q and have learned that it takes much more time.

I have truly enjoyed my

tenure as president and editor. I think Bellerose is a lovely town, which deserves very special attention by all of us. Its becoming a little rough around the edges, but nothing a little LTC wouldn't cure—and I know the BCCA will continue to be there writing letters, attending meetings and speaking out on behalf of "our town".

God bless you all.

## Flag Etiquette

Thanks to Queens Colony Civic Association

Following the September 11, 2001 attack on the World Trade Center and America many of us have been displaying the American Flag. I thought the following information concerning the display of our flag would be of interest.

### Display

- The U.S. flag should be displayed from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flag-staffs on all days that weather permits. The U.S. flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if properly illuminated during hours of darkness.
- On Memorial Day

the U.S. flag should be half-staff until noon, then raised to peak.

- When flown at half-staff the U.S. flag should first be raised to the peak then lowered to half-staff. The flag should be raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day.
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## Flag Etiquette

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ther vertically or horizontally, the union or stars of the flag should be to the observers' left.

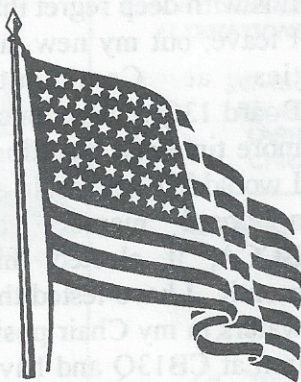
### Never

- Allow the U.S. flag to touch anything beneath it
- Use the U.S. flag as wearing apparel, bedding or drapery, drawn back or up in folds.
- Display the U.S. flag from a float, car or boat except from a

staff, or suspended in a way that the folds fall free as though staffed.

### Disposal

- When the U.S. flag is tattered or torn it should be destroyed by burning in private.



## Glen Oaks Schools Update

You have probably noticed the construction going on at Commonwealth Boulevard and Union Turnpike. This is the beginning of construction for the three schools of the Glen Oaks campus. There will be two grammar schools with over 1,600 students from pre-K to 8th grade and a high school themed for students interested in teaching. Two of the schools are expected to open in 2003 and the third will follow. A major athletic facility will be built later including track, baseball and football fields.

In response to community concerns about possible traffic impacts the schools will cause, the School Construction Authority recently released plans for alleviating these traffic impacts. Senator Padavan has been involved in working with SCA and the local community to create a very innovative and elaborate solution. First, to avoid significant additional traffic on Commonwealth Blvd., school traffic from the north will enter and exit on the north end of the campus. Southbound Commonwealth Blvd and westbound Union Turnpike traffic will enter to a new road on Union Turnpike. Our real fear was eastbound traffic making a left into the campus.

### Major solution

Eastbound Union Turnpike traffic will enter the campus on a new road that will loop to the right into Creedmoor property, go under Union Turnpike, over the Cross Island Parkway on a Creedmoor overpass and merge with the new entry road. A similar by-pass will handle exiting westbound traffic. We still have questions on details of the proposal, but this should handle the new vehicles.

## BCCA Feedback Form

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To the B.C.C.A.:

I suggest the following article for action news, issue to pursue or general comment: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Enclosed is my \$5 Dues payment for 2002 or a donation

I suggest the following speaker topic: \_\_\_\_\_

I suggest the following newsletter topic: \_\_\_\_\_

B.C. C.A. requests that you leave your \_\_\_\_\_

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## Slate Committee Report

### Officers Election To 2002:

<b>President:</b>	vacant
<b>Vice President:</b>	vacant
<b>Treasurer:</b>	John Reh
<b>Corp. Sec'y:</b>	vacant
<b>Corr. Sec'y:</b>	vacant

### Directors Election To 2003:

**Lorraine Anzalone**  
**Patricia Pearson**  
**Sebastian Platania**  
**George Wolf**

### To 2002:

**Richard Hellenbrecht**

There are eight Directors positions for two year terms. James Delaney and Neal Beekman were elected last December for the 2001 to 2002 term. Above are the nominations for the four two-year terms and Richard Hellenbrecht is nominated for a term expiring in 2002. One additional 2002 position is available.

## Quickies

The **L.I. Tomahawks** Football team is back. Over the summer we got word of recruitment for the Midget Team for 12 and 13 year olds. While I'm sure its too late for this season, if you want information on this team, please call Steve at 718 347-0780, or call John at 718 347-3451. "The Winning Tradition Returns", the Long Island Tomahawks at Alley Pond Park.

### New City Councilman

Congratulations to our new City Councilman David Weprin. In January, David will replace Sheldon Leffler after his many years covering Bellerose and surrounding communities on the Council. Sheldon has been a good friend of Bellerose and we thank him for his attention.

David is the son of the the late Speaker of the New York State Assembly, Saul Weprin and brother of Assemblymen Mark Weprin. He

joins the council when the Queens delegation is literally all new. It will be an interesting time for all legislators. We wish David the best of luck. We invited David to stop by our December meeting to say hello. He promised to try.

### No Posting—It's the Law

The following is an excerpt from the Administrative Code of the City of New York:

*It is illegal for any person to post or nail any handbill, poster, notice, sign or advertisement on any curb, sidewalk, gutter, flagstone, telephone pole, public utility pole, public garbage bin, bus shelter, bridge abutment, elevated train structure, highway fence, barrel, box, or hydrant or other similar item on any street. There is a rebuttable presumption that the person whose name, telephone number, or other identifying information appears on any handbill, poster, notice, sign, or advertisement on any item or structure is in violation. Fine: \$50—\$250.*

## Election of Officers

The Nomination Committee met in November and prepared the above slate of officers for the December 2001 election of officers.

Please note that the President, Vice President and two Secretary positions are available.

We urge some new members to step up to take one of these spots. We will work together with any new officers or directors.

The time commitment is no more than two evenings a month and a few volunteer sessions, such as helping with VIN etching, holiday decoration judging or dues mailing.

We think the BCCA is important to the community. Please help.



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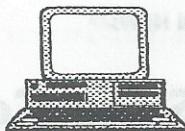
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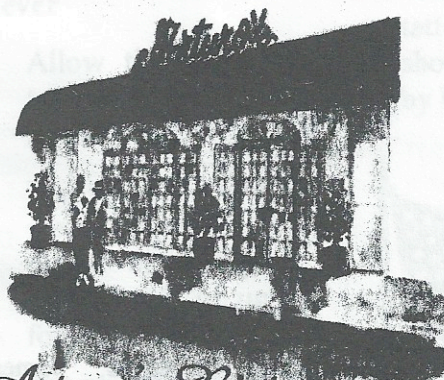
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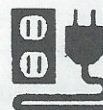


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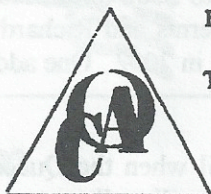


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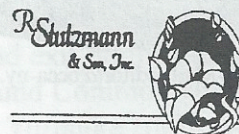
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