

bellerose commonwealth civic association, inc.





# action news

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JOIN US  
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NEW OFFICERS.  
ASSEMBLYMAN  
PRESCOTT WILL  
PRESIDE.  
HOUSE OF HOPE  
CHURCH JAN 7  
AT 8PM



## MEETINGS

December was our annual election of officers. Please see the new list of officers elsewhere in this newsletter. Essentially, we have reelected the Executive Board and four members whose two year terms expired. Congratulations to all of you. In addition, we elected two new members for one year terms filling a vacancy and the retirement of long term Board member Pete Condon.

## PRESIDENT'S GAVEL

Welcome to a new year! At this time the incoming presidents usually look forward to working with a new team and setting objectives for the coming term. I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve for one more term as president, yet I'm committed to turn the gavel over to a new president at the end of this, my fifth term. I am fearful that a lack of interest will set in and the vital activities of the Civic will become less important to everyone. I am hereby setting an active agenda for the year and I am happy to announce that we are joined on the Board by two new members from the community. 1987 has been a successful year for the BCCA and I will do everything in my power to leave it even stronger. I invite all of you to join us in our best year ever.

R.C. Hellenbrecht

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Vice President John Harley discussed further discussions he's had with the Department of Transportation on 86th Avenue. We have a promise of new lane divider stripes down the avenue, please see our separate article on traffic controls for additional up-dates on the traffic issue along 86th Avenue. George Wolf, our Security chairman gave a brief report on security and suggested that all of us exercise caution in putting out our garbage, particularly around Christmas time. He reminded us that there is nothing more inviting for a burglar to see than a nice, fresh Sony Trinitron box or VRC box outside someone's house. If you are lucky

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



enough to receive such a gift be sure to disguise the box and avoid someone else's temptation to get a gift for their house.

Our next meeting will be the yearly installation of officers, and we have invited our State Assemblyman Doug Prescott to officiate. Following the ceremony, Doug will be available for questions and answers on his activities in Albany.

### BUYING A NEW BOILER??

State Senator Frank Padavan has advised us that the Senate has approved rebates, funded through the state Energy Office from restitution payments resulting from overcharges by the petroleum industry. The rebates of up to \$180 will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis to homeowners who are installing REPLACEMENT OIL HEATERS in their residences only, after November 30, 1987. There are certain restrictions as to the size of the dwelling (less than 4 families) and the quality of the new heater, but if you are contemplating a new system, now is the time to do it, if you can take advantage of this rebate.

For specifics, please call the State Energy Office on this toll-free Hotline: 1-800-342-3722. Remember, this only covers new, replacement oil fired heating systems and does not include kerosene, propane, natural gas or other systems.

### TRAFFIC CONTROLS

John Harley, Vice President and chairman of the Transportation committee had asked a representative of the Transportation Department to come to our December meeting, but they declined because they were just beginning a new survey of 86th Avenue and felt they wouldn't have anything to offer. Transportation did mention that they would begin striping double yellow lines

along 86th Avenue and they promised to come down to a meeting after they have new data on the street use survey. As this edition goes to press, we note that speed counters have been placed in the roadway near PS 133. We hope this new survey will demonstrate how important this traffic control is, but we have noted many people driving around the sensors, thinking they were going to get a ticket if they went over them.

### Community Column

Margaret and Kenneth Brovetto of 246-30 85th Rd, longtime residents of Bellerose, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Donna Marie to Richard O'Brien, son of Mr. and Mrs. John O'Brien of 259th Street in Floral Park. Donna works for New York Life and Richard will graduate the NYC police academy on Jan 12. Their wedding is planned for February 1989. Best of Luck from all of us in the neighborhood too.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Following are the Board members of the Bellerose Commonwealth Civic Association:

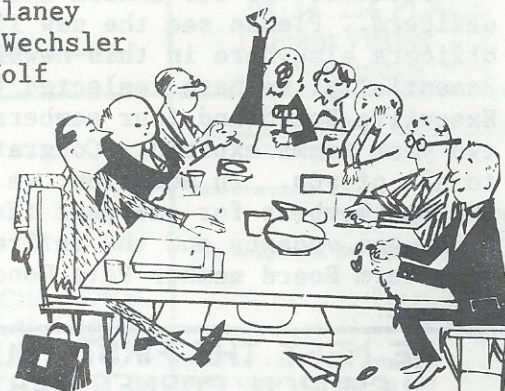
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*Best Wishes . . .  
To The  
Board of Directors*





## CABLE TV

The BQ Cable Company made a presentation before the Community Board in December. Believe it or not they are continuing the installations, although most of us have not heard one word from them. Their time table currently calls for final completion of all "street side" installations by the end of February. The problem has been with back yard poles. Despite agreements with utilities, who have easement rights to these poles, the homeowners are either not allowing access or are not around to let them in. The schedule for completing back yard poles is August.

The Rep mentioned two important things:

- o A former BQ technician is misrepresenting himself and stealing converter boxes-so be sure to get valid identification.
- o Overhead wires are not supposed to cross the street without valid engineering reason. There were reports of excessive cases of cables over the street. Please report these at our next meeting.

## LIBRARY NEWS

Adult Book Discussion - Jan 28 at 10:30AM, The Sailor Who Fell From Grace With The Sea by Yukie Mishima.

Autograph Collection Presentation - Jan. 9 at 2PM - Collector Norman Darvick discusses how to obtain, preserve and display autographs.

Small Business Tax Workshop - Jan 30, 1PM to 4:30. The IRS will discuss how the new tax law affects sole proprietorships.

Young Adult Program - Chess Club each Thursday, 6PM to 7:30. All ages, all levels.

Junior Book Discussion - Jan 27 at 3:30PM. See Librarian for details.

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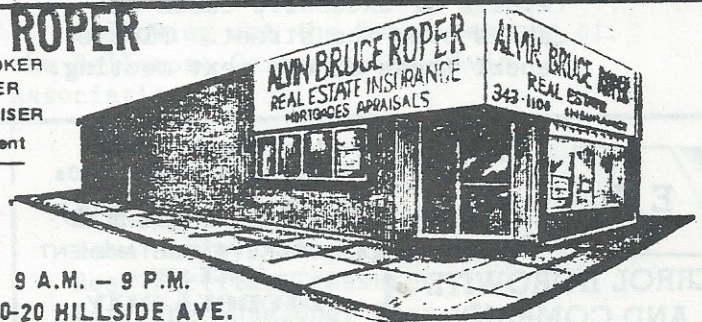
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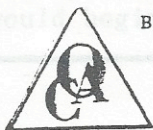
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