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Inauguration of officers 1990

**Officers will be sworn in
by Community Board
Chairperson Sue Noreika
January 4, 1990 at 8 PM
at House of Hope Church
85th Ave. and 248th Street
Refreshments will be served.**

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

President's Gavel

By: Richard C. Hellenbrecht

We hope everyone has had a beautiful holiday and it continues with a happy, healthy and prosperous new year. Due to the holidays we have kept this edition of Action News short, but don't think there's nothing going on. I'm pleased to report that we have a possible recruit for vice president we hope to swear in next month, but we still need a treasurer. We are also disappointed that we haven't gotten enough deliverers yet to take over delivery of Action News. Since so many homes are not now delivered by block captains, I will still pursue having local youths paid to deliver to the area. If you know anyone interested have them call me. It pays about \$6 for the once-a-month delivery, which takes about 45 minutes to an hour.

Meetings

Richard C. Hellenbrecht

At the December meeting we concluded the election of officers with the exception of a Treasurer and Vice-President. In January we will inaugurate the officers and directors.

We heard an exceptional presentation from Arthur Kell of NYPIRG about Incineration vs. Recycling. Mr. Kell's organization strongly supports recycling and favors even stronger manda-

tory recycling measures than were recently enacted by City Council. There is serious concern on their part about air pollution affects, ozone depletion and disposal of ash if more incinerators are added in the area. In addition, NY State and Federal environmental agency tests show that the residual ash fails hazardous waste tests. Landfills are clearly in a capacity crisis with few feasible alternatives.

NYPIRG contends that en-

forced recycling will stimulate private industry to step in to reuse certain materials. Some have already stepped in. For example, crushed glass is being used in paving materials, called "glasphalt" and insulation firms are working with fast food companies to repackage styrofoam for useful purposes. Plastics do not deteriorate over time as paper packaging does, so innovative re-uses of plastics is a high priority.

Youth Problems

By: Richard Hellenbrecht

At Community Board 13's meeting recently we heard of an incident which occurred early in November in North Bellerose in which a lone teenager was attacked by a large group of teens arriving by car. Its a phenomena which occurs quite frequently from Whitestone to Flushing, but this is the first time its happened

locally. The 105th Precinct has an officer assigned to the case and has gathered a lot of information on it. In the course of the investigation other unrelated incidents had been uncovered and are undergoing further review.

Be aware that there are some gang problems in the area and some individuals who routinely brutalize other kids. If your son comes home with a bruise, don't

immediately believe his excuse. Many kids are too embarrassed to admit to being bullied or fear retribution if they report an incident. But we have to get to the bottom of this before the bullies really get dangerous.

Please feel confident to talk to the Precinct Community Relations Officer or the Community Board if you witness or hear of a problem.

Houses

We are interested in keeping a list of houses available for sale in the area. We are currently aware of three houses and have arranged a number of showings. This service is offered strictly to help friends of Bellerose residents locate housing. There is no charge for this service, nor are there any promises to locate a buyer or seller. Please see our advertising real estate agency for full service real estate placements.

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Be sure to stop in, and tell them you saw it here!

Happy New Year to all Bellerose Residents.

Which reminds me: Dues are due. If you haven't already done so, please contact your Block Captain, or see the Treasurer at a monthly meeting. We are pleased that our dues is still only \$3.00. Most of our neighboring Civics are up to \$5, and many only have bi-monthly meetings and newsletters. We are proud of our accomplishments and activity.

Bellerose Library News

ADULT PROGRAMS

Book Discussion: Thursday, Jan. 18 at 10:30 a.m. Miss Undine's Living Room by James Wilcox - "a masterful comedy, exuberant and irreverent."

Once-a-month Book Sale: Monday, Jan. 29th from 1 to 7:30 p.m. Adult, Young Adult and Juvenile hardcover and paperbacks available.

Camera Club: Meets Saturday Jan. 6th and 20th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

One-Man-Show: Monday, Jan. 8 at 7:30 p.m. Shakespearean monologues performed by professional actor Mr. Jerry Bialy.

YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

Chess Club meets Thursday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. Players of all ages and abilities are welcome. No entry fee. Round Robin and Swiss-Quads are available. Bring your own clock and

board/pieces. New members must play in the round robin first. For information call: Mike Fricano, Monday to Friday 8 to 10 p.m. at 718-224-8004.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Picture Book Hours: 3 1/2 to 5 year olds, Tuesdays, Jan. 9, 16, 23 and 30 at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Pre-registration required.

Toddler's Fun Time: For 2 - 3 year olds, Wednesdays Jan. 12, 24 and 31 at 10:30 a.m. Pre-registration required.

St. Gregory's Senior Housing

By: Richard Hellenbrecht

I'm sure you remember St. Gregory's proposal to build a senior citizen building of 50 apartments on the "girl's playground" next to the rectory. I'm told that the Catholic Charities

coordinator has dismissed the parish Advisory Committee on the center because they've made a decision about the shape of the project. I've made two calls the Charities, but they haven't been returned. I understand they will propose to build ten two-family buildings on the lot near the rectory for qualifying middle in-

come seniors, totally within the restrictive new zoning which was confirmed in late June 1989.

Charities is also pursuing the Creedmore property suggested by Senator Padavan for fifty low income senior apartments in a similar project to that originally proposed at St. Gregory's.

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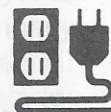
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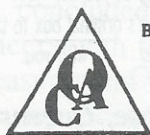
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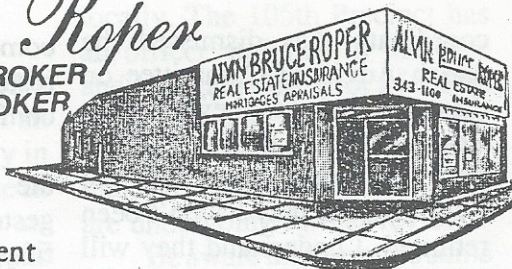
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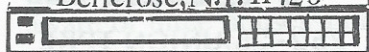
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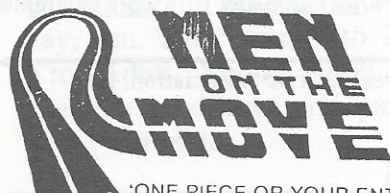
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