



Bellerose Commonwealth Civic Association

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## Thursday, January 3, 2013, 8:00 pm *Installation of Officers and Directors*

*by: State Senator Tony Avella  
and Rezoning Presentation (Pending Confirmation)*

Refreshments will be served

Holy Trinity Church Basement, Corner 87th Avenue and Commonwealth Blvd.

*NO MEETING IN FEBRUARY—Next Meeting: March 7, 2013 at 8:00pm*

### **Bellerose Update**

Dear Members,

Thank you all for bringing some wonderful entrees and desserts to our December meeting. We had a very good turnout and a really good opportunity to socialize with many neighbors and friend. We are pleased to report that a new Vice President and Recording Secretary and Director were elected to our board and we completed elections for president, treasurer and four directors.

We hope that everyone enjoys a safe and fun new year's eve and a wonderful 2013.

We learned at the meeting that the long rumored rezoning of our area is about to get underway early in 2013 and should be in place by April or May. This will protect our single family area and eliminate many of the loopholes that have allowed some houses to be expanded far beyond the typical housing in our area. We have asked for a presentation at the January meeting but have not been able to confirm it at this time. We hope to have more information for you on Thursday.

In other good news we have learned that on January 6 the MTA will restore bus service on Little Neck Parkway. After much lobbying by your civic and other civic associations and intervention by Councilman Mark Weprin and others, the MTA has found the funding to resume some service on the line. We are awaiting the final details, but we know that the

Q79 will be replaced by an extension of the Q36 on every other bus. We will post the details to our email blast list as soon as we get them. Many people have worked very hard for over a year on this and we think this extension will return important bus service to students, seniors and shoppers who rely on public transit. Please utilize the service, which will now take you all the way to and from the 179th street subway without transferring.

Also, We have received notice that New York City Department of Homeless Services will conduct the Homeless Outreach Population Estimate on January 28 and they are looking for volunteers to help, training provided. For more information or to volunteer please contact the agency at [www.nyc.gov/dhs](http://www.nyc.gov/dhs) or call 311.

We welcome our new officers Manzoor Patoli, Vice President and Ruth Weisbord, Recording Secretary and Michael Weisbord as officer. We are happy to fill these important board positions.

#### **BCCA Officers:**

Lourdes Villanueva Hartrick, President  
Manzoor Patoli, Vice President  
Ruth Weisbord, Recording Secretary  
Richard Hellenbrecht, Secretary/Treasurer

#### **Directors:**

Lorraine Anzalone	Neal Beekman
Van DaSilva	James Delaney
Chris Eichler	Patricia Pearson
John Reh	Bill Turis
George Wolf	Michael Weisbord

# Special Abbreviated Report

## New Congressman for Belle-rose

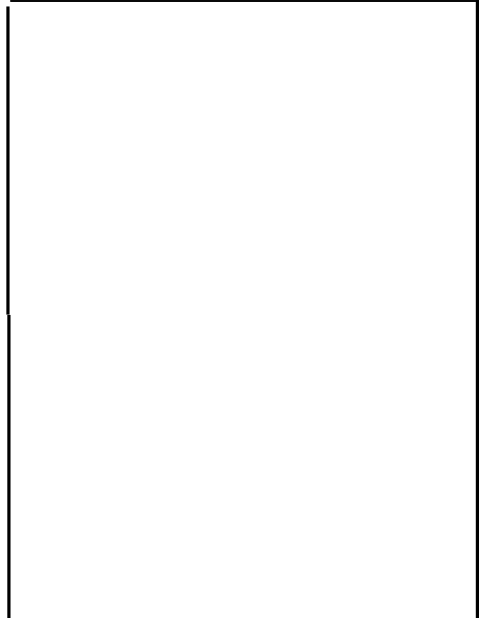
Following the decennial census, Bellerose has been redistricted into U.S. Representative Steve Isreal's District. Steve came to our October joint candidate's night with his opponent Steve Labate and Congressman Israel was victorious in the November general elections. We look forward to working with Steve upon the official turnover from Congressman Meeks on January 3. Israel asked to meet with local civic leaders early in the year

to discuss issues and needs of our area. If you have any specific suggestions of Federal issues he should be aware of, please let us know at [rch.brecht@verizon.net](mailto:rch.brecht@verizon.net).

## Sandy Updates

Once again we would like to thank all Bellerose residents for their kind generosity in the response to collections by Bellerose Girl Scout Troops. A full truckload of clothing and food was delivered in early December and many toys and games were delivered to Far Rock-away's Peninsula Preparatory

Academy and the youth have expressed their deep and sincere appreciation for the help and support with a letter and photos of their Christmas event. We are proud of your response.



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