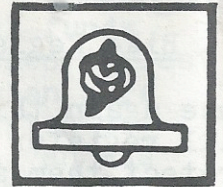


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May Meeting

Due to sudden illness, our scheduled speaker was unable to attend our May meeting, but we did have the Chairperson of our June Walk, Mary Ann Hellenbrecht, available to speak about the plans for the upcoming event. Mary Ann reported that the parade will be held on June 14, Flag Day, and will proceed around Bellerose with floats from our local schools and with various ribbons for prizes, give-aways for the kids and an afternoon of entertainment at the Bellerose Playground. The parade will be lead by the Fife & Drum Corps from Saint Benedict's in the Bronx. We hope to be entertained later by the same group that was supplied by the Department of Parks & Recreation last year. If you'll remember, this group was a lot of fun. Judging the parade will be State Senator Padavan, Assemblyman Prescott and Councilman Leffler.

We would like to invite one and all to bring a blanket and a picnic basket lunch and spend the day. Since our date coincides with St. Gregory's Festival, we have decided to adjourn our activities early so everyone can get home and freshen up for the

fun there. Our festivities will begin at 12 Noon at PS 133 school yard.

Also covered at the last meeting were several matters of local concern. The Co-Présidents and several members of the PTA at PS 133 attended and we briefly discussed the poor attendance at the joint candidates night held in April, which was so discouraging. Mrs. Hellenbrecht also mentioned that the BCCA was instituting a welcome committee which will operate during the Spring through Fall to welcome new residents and familiarize them with the neighborhood.

Our Vice President has asked the Parks Dept. to send a representative to our June meeting to talk about our area trees. Mr. William Hubbard, Horticulturist, will discuss tree health, pruning, tree removal, stump removal and sidewalk damage. This is a subject I hear frequent questions on and I'm sure will draw a big crowd.

More importantly, the June meeting is our traditional Block Captain Recognition night and we are glad to take this opportunity to recognize the dedication

and hard work of the people who have volunteered to drop off newsletters, collect dues and serve as the "eyes and ears" of the community. In the last couple of years we have relied more heavily on these active community members to distribute several special fliers about our anniversary, school board elections, etc. Please stop by to pay due homage to our block captains.

Please accept the wishes of the Board of Directors of the BCCA for an exciting and happy summer. We'll be looking for your continued support in the Fall.

Ⓢ — **Notice** — Ⓢ

THE
NEXT MEETING
THURSDAY
June 5, 1986
8:00 P.M.
GUEST SPEAKER
Bill Hubbard
Rep/Dept of Parks
Trees
HOUSE OF HOPE
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Corner of 248th St. &
85th Avenue Ⓢ

Bike Registration

Once again this year, we will register bikes to protect them against theft. The markings are registered with the Police Dept. and knowledgeable "fences" will not touch a bike that is so marked because his chances of being caught are so much higher. Last year we were rained out and didn't have a registration, so get those bikes out and down to the 249th Street entrance of Bellerose Park (behind PS 133) on June 7th between 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM.

FESTIVAL TIME

Come one, come all to the Seventh Annual Gregorian Summer Festival to be held from June 12 to June 22 at 87th Ave., off Commonwealth Blvd.

There will be International Nights (Irish, Polish, Greek, German & Italian), live entertainment, gourmet dishes, games, rides and prizes with free admission.

The weekend hours begin at 6 p.m. while weekdays start at 7 p.m. and closing time is midnight on Fridays & Saturdays but 11 p.m. all other evenings.

On Thurs. June 12 there will be an opening ceremony & parade with dignitaries. On Sunday June 22 the grounds will close at 10:30 p.m. with a brief ceremony.

If you have never attended before, why not stroll over some warm evening, browse around and enjoy the music. For "the regulars" mark your calendars, and join the fun.

BELLEROSE LIBRARY NEWS

Adult Drama Workshop - This workshop given by a professional instructor meets on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Last session is June 27.

Dramatic Reading - by Jerry Bialy, Thurs., June 19 at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Bialy is a professional actor and instructor of Drama and Oral Interpretation of Poetry and Plays. He will perform Shakespearan Monologues from Julius Caesar, Hamlet, As You Like It, Macbeth, Merchant of Venice, Romeo and Juliet, King Lear and Othello. All are invited. Admission is free.

Once-a-Month Used Book Sale - Adult and children's hardcovers and paperbacks, fiction and non-fiction titles. June 23, July 8, August 25: 1 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Adult Film Series of travelogue and informational films shown on Wednesday, June 25, July 23 and August 27 at 10:30 a.m.

Chess Club for players of all ages and levels meets Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Last session June 14. Club will meet again in the Fall.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

SUMMER Fund at the Bellerose Library: Join the summer Reading Club, July 7 - August 21. One book report necessary at time of registration. See librarian for details.

Crafts Program - for school age children - every Wednesday at 3 p.m. July 9 - August 20.

School Age Films every Friday at 2 p.m. Grades 2 thru 6. Your library card is your ticket of admission.

PARADE

On Thursday, June 5th, there will be an Anniversary Day Parade leaving from Holy Trinity Lutheran Church on Commonwealth Blvd. & 87th Avenue. This year's theme will be "Christ the Prince of Peace". Assembling time is 12:30 p.m. with kickoff set for 1 p.m. Participating will also be a group from House of Hope United Presbyterian Church, as well as Holy Trinity. The march route remains the same as last year.

If you aren't a marcher, come be a supporter by your presence and cheer them on!

Q.C.F.M.

The Queens County Farm Museum, located at 73-50 Little Neck Pkwy. announced there will be an exhibition of paintings of Farm life, as well as folk music and dances from Colombia from June 1 to 14, free admission.

On Sat. June 14th, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. (rain or shine) there will be a Craft Fair with draftsmen and artisans demonstrating their skill and offering their original creations for sale. These will be free admission with entertainment. Food available

Come on down at 7 p.m. on Sunday, June 29th to a sunset concert (in costume)

of Early American folk music on the lawn, played on dulcimer, fiddle, pennywhistle and mandolin. Admission \$3.50. Free parking, refreshments available, bring your own lounge chair or blanket for seating.

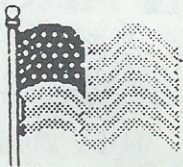
In July, a summer program at arts, crafts and nature classes for children 7-12 will be offered.*

On Sat. & Sun. July 26 & 27 the Mid-Summer American Indian Pow-Wow will be held.*

On Sat. Aug 16th, a Bluegrass Festival of country music, square dancing, etc. will be held.*

*Call 468-4355 for further information on fees, times, etc.

It's not too soon to be thinking about the Annual Queens County Agricultural Fair to be held Sat. & Sun. Sept. 20 & 21. Competitions (winners to receive Blue Ribbon) in produce, flowers, homecrafts, arts and crafts, animals. Call the above to find out how you may enter.



Reminder - Fly Your Flag

Dues

Remember, this is the last call for 1986 dues. All Block Captains are requested to drop their dues off at the June meeting so we can wrap up the dues year.

Services Now for Adult Persons

The above-named organization started in 1978 when a concerned group of community people headed by Sam Camiller, who at the time headed the local chapter of American Association of Retired People meeting at Creedmoor Hospital, met at the House of Hope Presbyterian Church to try to obtain funding for a five day a week funded senior center which would meet the needs of the seniors of Bellerose, Queens Village, Floral Park and Glen Oaks. Proposals were made to the New York City Department of Aging indicating that our area was the only one in the whole city not serviced by such a senior center. The powers that be agreed to the need but could not meet it due to the financial state of the city at the time. Fortunately, one of our group represented the Lutheran Church which operates its own Life Insurance Company and plowed the profits back into the community.

A proposal was set up and a committee went to Appleton, Wisconsin on invitation of the insurance company to push our proposal. We were awarded a grant of \$50,000 seed money to try to get our dream started. This money may seem like a lot but it barely covered the cost of a Director and Secretary so SNAP opened in quarters at Creedmoor in 1979 manned mostly by dedicated volunteers.

The original funds were stretched to last two years when more funding started to come in. A van was purchased and that was the beginning of slow growth of the organization till last year it moved into St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Union Turnpike and 263 St. where Meals on Wheels and other services were dispensed. In July of 1986 it is anticipated that a full five day a week senior center will open with space for 150-200 member capacity and a fully funded staff.

So watch the Neighborhood section of the NEWSDAY for announcements to that effect.

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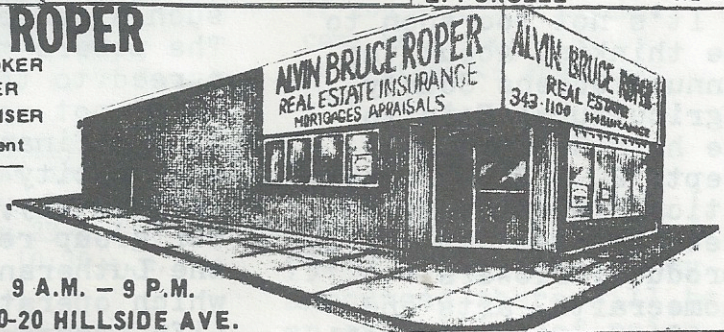
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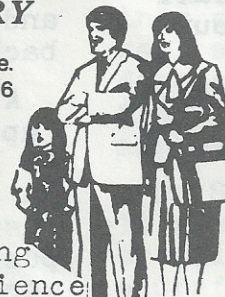
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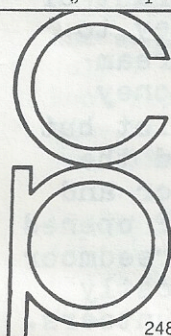


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