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STRANGE ILLNESS AFFECTING BELLEROSE RESIDENTS

Many of us here in Bellerose have been contracting a serious sickness. This malady has no known cure and can often last a lifetime. It initially affects the adult population and over the years gets filtered down to the children. The illness can be remedied, but only if those affected take the necessary steps which only they can take. The disease is called APATHY, and it will never go into remission until people start to care.

I'm sure that if there was talk of closing P.S. 133 you would be up in arms. There is no doubt in my mind that if the value of your home dropped dramatically, you would be extremely distraught. I am also confident that most of us live here because of the fine schools and the pleasant residential community. There is no question that we do not want any of the good things to change unless the change is for the better.

Then perhaps YOU can answer a question. Why is it when we give the neighborhood a chance to meet the candidates running for our school board that so few of us show up? Certainly a sad commentary on Bellerose

Not too long ago District 26 was faced with some not very pleasant decisions involving school closings. Fortunately, that time it did not involve P.S. 133. Hopefully it never will. But the school board makes many other decisions affecting the schools - teacher allotments, special programs, operation and repair of school buildings, after school activities, etc., etc.. All of these decisions affect how good P.S. 133 presently is, and God-willing, will continue to be. And whether you want to believe it or not, as 133 goes, so goes Bellerose as it directly affects the value of our property.

I am very worried that our lack of interest has severely damaged our image. We have shown all the candidates that Bellerose residents do not really care and do is that whereas all of the candidates seeking election thought enough about our community to meet with us on April 8, less than 50 of our thousands of residents chose to be there. What we have demonstrated is that we really are APATHETIC - we really don't care!

not get involved. It seems as if the candidates (not one is from Bellerose) care more about our schools and our neighborhood than we do. They ALL came. Most of us did not!

I wish I could give all my Bellerose neighbors a prescription which could take away their apathy problem. Unfortunately, I cannot. And even if I could, I wonder how many would actually take their medicine.

However, being a born optimist, a lover of Bellerose, and an admirer of the accomplishments of P.S. 133, I will not give up. I know some of my neighbors do get involved in many

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community services. I hope that many more of you will read whatever information you come upon concerning the school board elections. I hope that you will go out to vote on May 6 and vote wisely. And I hope that all of our futures in Bellerose will prosper because many more of us will start to show signs of a cure.

Sincerely,
John Lamonte

SHOW TIME

A sure sign Spring is in the air is the announcement of the annual show presented at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (87th Avenue & Commonwealth Blvd.). As regular customers, we have come to enjoy the theater productions offered by area thespians. So here is the news you have been waiting to hear. On Friday evening, May 9th and Saturday, May 10th you will once again be entertained by this group starting 8 PM.

Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Church office, Monday through Friday, 9 AM-3 PM or at the door. For further information, please call 347-0278.

QCFM

There are lots of things scheduled at the Queens County Farm Museum in the coming weeks and we will try to give you a thumbnail sketch of what to expect.

April 27th, Rain/Shine
11:00 AM-4:00 PM
Antique Auto Show with vendors of auto memorabilia, plus entertainment. Refreshments available. \$2.00 Adult and \$1.50 children 6-12.

May 3rd, Saturday
12 Noon
Bond Street Theater Group will present a series of original entertainments for the whole family. NEW VAUDEVILLE FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES. \$3.00.

May 4th, Sunday
2:00-4:00 PM
Spring Beauty Walking Tour. Easy ramble along the Museum's Nature Trails with Dr. Andrew Greller, Queens College Botanist. \$3.00.

May 10th, Saturday
11:00 AM-3:00 PM
Annual Plant Sale of blooms grown right on the premises by horticulture students from Martin Van Buren High School. Also 24th.

May 15th, Thursday
10:00 AM
The public is invited to the celebration for completion of the Farmhouse Exterior Restoration Project at a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. Officials and dignitaries will participate. Music, speeches, entertainment, exhibits, tours.

May 17th, Saturday
10:00 AM-3:30 PM
Silk Flower Making daylong workshop. Course fee \$25.00, materials fee \$5.00. Limited registration.
May 18th, Sunday
11:00 AM-5:00 PM
RITES OF SPRING-a day of music, dance and nature devoted to making things grow. Rites, rituals and frolics of the past and present. See the RING O BELLS MORRIS DANCERS. Food, games, hay rides, demonstrations. \$3 adults, \$1.50 children 6-12.

The Queens Country Farm Museum is located at 73-50 Little Neck Parkway. For further information, call 468-4355.

BELLEROSE LIBRARY NEWS

Join us in celebrating Senior Citizens Month by participating in these programs:

AIDS ANXIETY IN THE WORRIED WELL - Drs.

Jeffrey Phillips & Vicki Fiore from LIJ Medical Center will lecture on Thursday, May 1 at 7:30 p.m.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

Meets Thursday, May 22 at 10:30 a.m. Diane Arbus by Patricia Bosworth is the story of the life & works of this famous woman photographer whose camera was a window into tortured souls.

ADULT DRAMA WORKSHOP

The second series of this workshop given by a professional instructor meets on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:30 am

QUEENS LIBRARY DRAMA CLUB

presents Mornings at Seven a comedy in three acts by Paul Osborn on Tuesday night, May 13 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free. All are invited.

ALLIANCE OF QUEENS ARTISTS

Art exhibits and demonstrations of work by their members. Exhibition runs from May 5 through June 2. Special demonstration of portrait drawing by Iraina Caramelli on Saturday May 17 at 2 p.m.

RESUME WRITING WORKSHOP

7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Monday, May 12th.

CHINA slide/lecture presentation by Lou Lempke, Orientalist, "China Watcher" and frequent traveler. Thursday, May 15, at 7:30 p.m.

ONCE-A-MONTH Used Book Sale - Monday May 19 from 1 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Find bargains galore on adult and children's paperbacks, hardcovers and magazines.

ADULT FILM SERIES of travelogue and informational films shown once a month beginning on Wed., May 18 at 10:30 a.m. This month's films are on Brazil and nutrition.

YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS -

CHESS CLUB for players of all ages and levels meets Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

KARATE instruction and participation for ages 10 and older given by instructor Herb Wiles on Thursday, May 8 at 3:30 p.m. Registration required.

BOOK DISCUSSION Karen can "see" missing children and help the police find them. Will she be willing to use this gift? Find out when you read The Third Eye by Lois Duncan. Discussion on Thursday, May 1 at 3:30 p.m.

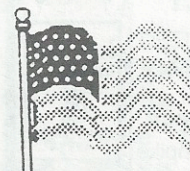
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Picture Book Hour continues on Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. for pre-registered members.

Pre-school films for 3-5 year olds are shown on Fridays at 3:30 p.m.

Junior Book Discussion meets on Thursday, May 15 at 3:30 p.m.

WANTED: volunteer seamstress to help library with summer reading project. Several hours of your time in May would be greatly appreciated. Please call Mrs. Lubell, Children's librarian at the Bellerose library 343-0303.



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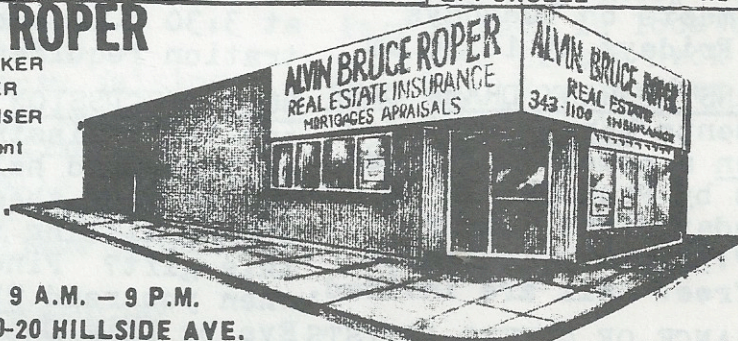
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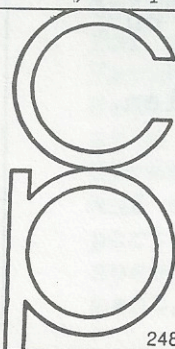
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