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CANDIDATES TO SPEAK

Invited guests at our meeting this Thursday will be State Senator Frank Padavan of Jamaica Estates and his opponent in the upcoming election, Alvin Frankenberg of Bayside. Assemblyman John Esposito of Queens Village and his opponent, Carlo Manganillo of Bellerose, have also accepted the invitation to address our members.

Since two of these men will be our representatives in Albany for the next two years, we encourage you to attend the meeting and hear from the candidates. And don't forget to vote on November 7th -- it's a right and a responsibility.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

It might be of interest to the Community of Bellerose to make note of the fact that many local churches do make provision for various activities for young folk of nearly all ages. These are both social and religious and vary somewhat from church to church, but all are designed to occupy the time of the young in a gainful fashion

One of the foremost of these churches is the House of Hope United Presbyterian on 248th Street, under the supervision of dynamic Pastor Schult.

First of all, every Sunday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. there is Church School for children, from age three up to high school age. As the good Pastor maintains, this is a program of religious education open to the Community at large, entirely free and supported by free will donations.

Then again, each
Sunday evening from
7 to 9, a High School
Program for boys and
girls is conducted.
These hours are taken
over by social and
study time activities
and twice a year the
church plans weekend
retreats. For any
one interested, just
walk right in and see.

Every summer, for two weeks, the House of Hope United Presbyterian together with Holy Trinity Lutheran Church sponsor a vacation Bible School for all the children age 4 - 11. This is usually conducted in the month of July and is supported by contributions from the children and the community.

Finally, a Junior
High Program every
other Friday evening
7:30 to 9:00 p.m.,
both a social and study
time, get together.
And more is planned for
the future.

J. Lyons

105th PUBLISHES NAMES

Local youth is names have appeared in recent issues of the Queens Illustrated among lists of youths who were given summons or arrested at the P.S. 133 playground and other parks.

Captain Frederick
Kavanagh of the 105th
Precinct feels this
practice, which he instituted, reduced the
number of youth-related

NOTICE

THE NEXT MEETING THURSDAY

October 5 8:30 P.M. Guest Speaker:

Candidates for State Senate and Assembly have been invited to speak. HOUSE OF HOPE

HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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DID YOU KNOW ****

This summer Maria
Copertino became Mrs.
Anthony Prete. We
congratulate Maria
but regret our neighborhood's loss. Maria
moved to the other
side of the Cross
Island Parkway, just
out of the BCCA area.

Former BCCA President Dennis McGann and his family also moved a few blocks outside of the BCCA area. Dennis recently purchased a home in Bellerose Village.

Jack Lotto has resigned as editor of our BCCA ACTION NEWS due to other commitments. We thank Jack for all his hard work and expertise in getting out our newsletter.

The BCCA has urged the 105th Precinct to assign a school crossing guard at Commonwealth Blvd. and 87th Ave.

We hope we can report favorably in our November issue.

105th Publishes Names

incidents this summer. He plans to continue to have published the names of youths given summons for disorderly conduct, beer drinking, and other violations or crimes committed within the precinct. The issuance of a summons in lieu of arrest for a violation is standard procedure with the Police Dept.

LITTLE NECK PARKWAY

Have you noticed the new traffic lane markings on Little Neck Parkway at 86th Ave.? Due to the curve in Little Neck Parkway, many cars travelling northbound have hit the center median and the "Keep Right" sign on the north side of the intersection. Traffic Department recently painted lane markings in the intersection to safely guide motorists. Originally they had planned on removing about 45 feet of the median.

In October. Community Planning Board 13 held a public meeting on the proposed reconstruction of Little Neck Parkway from 87th Avenue to Jamaica Avenue and Hillside Avenue to Grand Central Parkway. The preliminary plans, displayed at our September meeting, show a substantial reduction of the hill at Jamaica Avenue. From Hillside Avenue to 83rd Avenue there will be two side medians as well as the center median, similar to what now exists immediately south of Hillside Avenue. *********** But now, through publication of names, some parents are becoming aware of their child's activities. Unfortunately, as Captain Kavanagh documented for members at our June BCCA meeting, the vast majority of the offenders at the P.S. 133 playground are local youths.

COMMUNITY SPIRIT

What a glorious sight to see trees with their spreading branches shading our neighborhood streets. Residents along Little Neck Parkway have a unique chance to serve our community and beautify their local area. The newly planted trees along the Parkway need a friend. Talk to your neighbors and Adopt a Tree, then all you need to do is feed it, give it a drink and clean-up around it occasionally.

Keeping the area around our homes trimmed and neat is very important in maintaining the value of our individual property and the surrounding area. A trimmed and neat lawn and shrubberv can add as much as 10% to the value of a piece of property.

Congratulations to the residents of 253rd Street. Again this year, the residents have cooperated in maintaining the center mall. It certainly was a wonderful sight to see the well trimmed and neat center mall this Summer.

Another group of our residents who deserve recognition for their community spirit are the dog owners. The response to the new clean-up regulations has been outstanding. Keep up the good work and if you notice some of your fellow dog owners who may forget occasionally, please remind them.

THE BOY KING

Over thirty-two centuries ago, in approximately 1343 B.C. a child was born in Egypt who was destined to become king--known to all as TUTANKHAMUN. Upon the death of his father and half-brother he ascended to the throne at the age of 9 and was married to his half-sister on the day of coronation. Ten years later, at the age of 19, he died of unknown causes, without an heir.

For the period of December 20, 1978 -April 15, 1979, the Metropolitan Museum of Art in Manhattan will be host to a spectacular array of treasures excavated from the tomb of King Tutankhamun. discovered by English Archaeoligist Howard Carter in November of 1922. Such precautions were taken to preserve and protect each artifact, that it was six years before all of them were brought to the surface.

If you would like a preview of this excit= ing event, run, don't walk, to the Kodak Gallery located at 1133 Avenue of the Americas at 43rd St. in Manhattan where you will find a photographic presentation of "The Treasures of Tutankhamun." Here you will not be disappointed by the fantastic exhibit (which, incidentally, will run until Nov. 4) detailing the events leading up to the discovery of the tomb and

the eventual emptying, identifying and cate-gorizing of what a-amounted to 40% of the original treasure, the other 60% having been stolen centuries before.

You will be astounded at the marvelous works of art preserved and discovered intact in that long-lost cache-jewelry, goblets, statues, rich carvings, storage chests, chairs, games -- an unbelievably vivid picture of the reign of a child who grew to manhood as King of his people and who was so beloved in the eyes of his subjects to be buried with these fabulous treasures of gold, alabaster, ivory and ebony. One piece of silver, extremely rare for that day, was also unearthed.

Much valuable background on the beliefs of the Egyptians of so many centuries ago is to be gleaned from this presentation. You will see that one of the finds depicts the head of the boy-king emerging from a blue lotus. signifying their faith that he would continue to be reborn each day through the grace of the Sun God throughout eternity. Body jewelry was fashioned for King Tutankhamun which was thought to protect the living and the dead in their journey through this life and the next. A large golden goblet discovered was named the Wishing Cup because of the message of the design so beautifully crafted upon it. You

will even hear the strange story of the circumstances which lead to the fear attached to this tomb, consequently daubed as "the curse."

Hearing of this discovery is, of course, facinating in itself. but "one picture is worth a thousand words." Stills, slides, a movie, as well as physical replicas of some of these fabulous finds are yours for the cost of a subway ride. little enough to pay sharing in this discovery of a lifetime. The hours at the Gallery are 12:30 PM to 5 PM on Mondays; Tuesday through Saturday 9:30 AM to 5 PM. Kodak is closed on Sundays and holidays. Phone 262-6170.

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NOMINATIONS IN NOVEMBER

Annual election of officers and directors of the BCCA take place at our December meeting. A Nominations Committee will soon be selecting a slate of candidates that it will propose at our November meeting. If you are interested in becoming active as an officer or board member, please let us know. Nominations can also be made from the floor at our November and December meetings.

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