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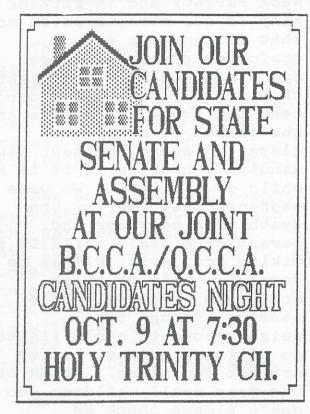


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#### Meeting Reports

On September 8th we had one of our best turnouts ever for a meeting and had a chance to welcome everyone back from summer vacation and buckle down for a new season to try to tackle some of our problems. The topic of our meeting was expected to be street repairs, but because of an unfortunate misunderstanding, our speaker didn't make it. Because of the large turnout, I can only suggest that the people of

our area consider this to be an important issue and will keep on our local legislators to solve the problems before they directly affect us.

Our October meeting will again be on October 9 at 7:30 PM. Also since we are co-sponsoring a candidates night with the Queens Colony Civic Association featuring candidates for State Senate and State Assembly, we have moved the October meeting to Holy Trinity Church basement. corner 87th Avenue and Commonwealth Blvd. and scheduled it for the second Thursday to accomodate the schedules for the candidates. Incumbents Senator Padavan and Assemblyman Prescott will vye against Robert Schwartz and Douglas MacKay respectively. I'm positive that it will be an informative night and judging from the last time we did it, the house should be packed quickly, so get there early. I can't emphasize how important it is to know the issues and how more convenient could it be than in your backyard.

WE MEET THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT HOUSE OF HOPE CHURCH, CORNER 248TH STREET AND 85TH AVENUE\*\*8:00 PM\*\*

November's meeting will be a combined meeting with PS133 PTA and Queens Colony Civic Association at PS133. Audrey Sarner, director of the drug education program will speak about her activities and we've invited Doug Prescott to present his road repair video. The meeting is scheduled for November 6: more details in next month's Action News.

#### S.N.A.P. News

Sun Wong, who is a frequent visitor to our association meetings has offered to keep us posted on news of S.N.A.P. Here is his report for this month:

The S.N.A.P. Senior Center which will be located at St. Paul's Lutheran Church near Union Turnpike is opening this fall sometime around Thanksgiving. This schedule represents a delay which is due to extensive renovations being performed on the basement, also funding has been delayed by the State Department of Transportation for two vans which will be used by the center. Funding was finally released thanks to the intercession of Councilman Sheldon Leffler, Borough President Shulman. Carmine Perotta and Doug MacKay. The center's grand openning will be announced here and in Newsday.

In the future, we'll try to get Sunny to report on some of the activities we can expect for our seniors and how to join up.

#### Drive Carefully

Dear Neighbors:

I can't emphasize how important it is to be more cautious in driving around our neighborhood. This Civic Association was effective in getting a light on Little Neck Parkway and in getting many of our streets paved so that we can have a comfortable and safe ride. But, there is hardly a night that goes by now that I don't hear the squeel of breaks and the crunch of metal and glass. I spend the next few minutes wondering if it is my child or a friend. We were saddened last year by the death of a neighbor and parent of a small child in a biking accident. Please be careful. Many of these accidents involved people passing through the neighborhood to avoid lights on Hillside Avenue, but we are not faultless. Think of the many small children who don't always check as thoroughly as they should before crossing; think of the many elderly people who can't cross as quickly as others of us and whose hearing and sight are not as good as they used to be. I implore you to drive carefully and to urge your children to exercise extreme care on these small neighborhood streets. don't want to report any children's injuries, or worse in our Community News column.

Also, parking near PS133 is becoming a serious and dangerous annoyance. The school buses are not able to turn onto 86th Avenue to

discharge the children safely. Please use 249th Street to discharge your children.

R.C. Hellenbrecht

#### Community News

This is our first Community News column and I'm heartened to offer the following notes sent in, and hopeful to continue these personal items. Send articles as noted elsewhere.

Sue and Nancy Reh report that their parents, John and Cathy Reh are celebrating their 19th anniversary on October 7. In light of John's constant dedicated activities with the BCCA, I join with Sue and Nancy in saluting this joyous occasion... Many, many more.

Mr. and Mrs, Lawrence
Sentilli are proud to
announce the wedding of their
daughter, Mary Jo to Dr.
Robert A. Moyer over the
summer. Mary Jo graduated
from St. Gregory's, Martin
Van Buren High School and
Cornell University. Robert
is from Pennsylvania and is a
resident intern in a Penn.
hospital.

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### Community Column

We would like to establish a column for residents to report special events in their households, like weddings, births, graduations, anniversaries, etc. If you or a neighbor are celebrating such an event, please be sure to notify the editor listed elsewhere in this newsletter.

#### Coming Events

The Women's Service Guild of Holy Trinity Church will sponsor a card party on Oct 16 at 12:30PM in the Church basement with prises and refreshments.

St. Gregory's News

Family Life SeriesGregorian Hall Wednsdays
in October at 8PM...Oct 8First Steps- Early
Childhood thru Elementary
School...Oct 15- Identity
to Autonomy
(pre-adolescence to
adolescence)...Oct 22Recognizing and Overcoming
the Stresses of Family
Life in the '80s...Oct 29Improving Communication in
the Family: How to Talk,
How to Listen.



Attention male and female senior citizens, PS133's PTA needs volunteers to help monitor main entrance of the school for the protection of the children. Call Maria Donza 343-4742.



The Police Department has informed us that there is another danger in our Community.

It is a form of tattoo called "BLUE STAR" and it is sold all over the United States.

It is a small sheet of white paper containing blue stars the size of a pencil eraser. Each star is soaked with LSD.

Each star can be removed and be placed in the mouth. The LSD can also be absorbed through the skin simply by handling the paper. There are also brightly colored paper tabs resembling postage

stamps that have pictures of

Superman, butterflies, clowns,

Mickey Mouse and other Disney

characters on them.
These stamps are packaged in a red cardboard box wrapped in foil.
This is a new way of selling
ACID by appealing to our young

children.

A young child could happen upon these and have a fatal "trip". It is also learned that little children could be given a free "tattoo" by older children who want to have some fun or by others cultivating new customers. A red stamp called "Red Pyramid" is also being distributed along with "Micro-dots" in various colors and another kind called "Window Pane" which has a grid that can be cut out.

THESE ARE ALL LACED WITH DRUGS.

Please advise your children about these new drugs.

If you or your children see any of the above, DO NOT HANDLE!

These drugs are known to react very quickly and some are laced with strychnine.

Symptoms are: hallucinations, severe vomiting, mood change and change of body temperature. Get to the hospital as soon as possible and call the police.



Queens Farm Museum call 468-4355

Quilting-Wednsdays and Saturdays 12 to 2PM. \$25...Stained Glass, Saturdays 10AM to Noon, \$30...Potpourri and Pressed Flower Collage (separately-\$25ea)-Saturdays 10AM to noon...Basketry- November 8 only, 10AM to noon, \$25...Autumn Beauty Walking Tour- Oct 26, 2 to 4PM, \$2.50... Room to Growhistoric landfill sites-November 9, 2 to 4PM. \$2.50...Back in Timeurban sprawl and vanishing Queens farms- November 9, 2 to 4PM... Children's Fall Halloween Program- Oct 25, \$2.50 for shows only.

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#### Library Rews

Adult Programs: discussion of Hotel Du Lac by Anita Brookner on Thursday Oct 23 at 10:30AM. Copies available at the Library of this best seller about a woman confronting the secrets of her life ... Film Series-Jamaican Heritage: A Visit to EPCOT Center and Learning about Strokes-Oct 22 at 10:30AM...Poetry Reading and discussionconversations with several . members of the Flushing Meadows Poets on Oct 6 at 7:30PM...American Elegance in the 1880's- a lecture/slide presentation by Dr. Schwartz of the Met. Museum of Art on Oct 18 at 2:00PM... Used book sale- Oct 27 from 1 to 7:30PM.

Young Adult Programs: discussion of Kidnapping of Christina Lattimore by Joan Nixon. Meets each Thursday at 3:30PM. Get your copy at the Library and follow the story of Christina trying to prove she didn't plan her own kidnapping...Chess Club-Thursday nights 6:00 to 7:30PM

Children's Programs:
Pre-school films,
Wednsdays at 1:30PM for 3
1/2 to 5
year-olds..Pumpkin
Decorating- Oct 28 at
3:30PM, grades k-6, Oct 30
at 1:30PM for ages 3 1/2
to 5...B.Y.O.P.



Here are some precautions you should take when your youngsters are out trick-or-treating on Halloween, October 31. Teach your children to be alert to the possible hazards of this holiday so it can be a safe and happy day for all.

\*Young children out trick-or-treating should always be accompanied by a responsible older person.

\*Youngsters should pay Halloween visits only to homes of friends and close neighbors; never go inside a stranger's house.

\*Children should not wear masks which may obstruct their vision when crossing the street. They should also obey everyday safety rules, such as not dashing out between parked cars.

\*Long costumes that can trip a child while walking should be avoided. In addition, costumes should be made of non-flammable material.

\*Children should not eat any of the treats they collect until an adult has carefully examined them.

\*Children should never be allowed to carry candles or any other open flame, even if it is inside a pumpkin.





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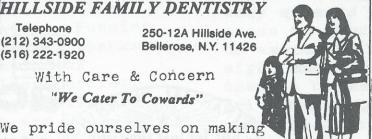
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