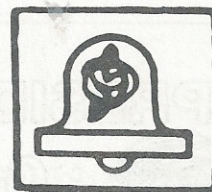


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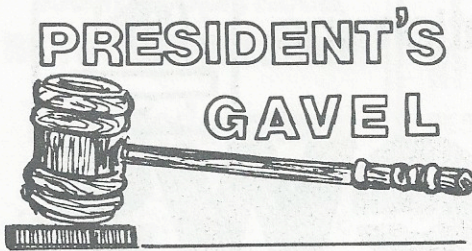
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Welcome back, I hope you had a pleasant and healthy summer.

As most of you who attended the last meeting of the 7th of June, we were to have our 4 Award winners from St. Gregorys and P.S. 33 at our Sept. meeting to receive their medals for Citizenship Civic Award, at the time we did not have the medals and we voted to give them out in the fall meeting. The medals were delivered to us just before graduation and the consensus was to give them out with the certificates.

I receive lots of mail as President some not very complimentary. One letter from a member said that the judging of prizes at the last June Walk was unfair. I would like to say under the circumstances the Judges did a good job. Our 4 judges of which 2 were senior citizens, 1 was a past President and 1 was the former editor of Action News, had no children or Grand children in the walk, and gave prizes to the costumes that the agreed were original and well executed. The children would not pay attention when they were told to move back so the Judges could see the bicycles to give the prize to the best decorated one.

There were enough parents present to move their children back, but nothing was done, this is social event and we don't want to act as wardens to keep the children in line.

There was a meeting of the Community Board 13- Aug 6th 1979/ at this meeting they discussion on the Little Neck Pkwy. Plan to build or not build malls north of Hillside Ave. the board voted against malls, which the members of our civic group does not agree.

As in the past a few people control the future of needed construction.

In one of the newspaper articles a member of the Community Board said she voted for no malls because she wanted to please her neighbors.

FARMHOUSE NEWS

Make a note to see the Revolutionary War Re-enactment of approximately 100 troops which will be held on the grounds of the Colonial Farmhouse located at 73-50 Little Neck Parkway. This event is scheduled to be held Saturday and Sunday, September 8th and 9th, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Donation of 50¢ per person requested.

BIBLE SCHOOL

July has proven once again to be a time of story, song, games, sports and fun with friends, thanks to the Churches of House of Hope United Presbyterian, Holy Trinity Lutheran and St. Gregory the Great Roman Catholic. It was during this month that Vacation Bible School Classes were held for so many of the neighborhood

youngsters, who started each day eagerly anticipating what lay ahead of them. "A complete success" was the end line, mirrored on the smiling faces of the friends leaving the closing doors. Amen.

T.V. DOCTOR

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A chance remark at a party signalled the beginning of a story which brings to mind the barn raising days of Colonial times. Wanting to have a two-car garage seemed like a simple desire to the five people who quickly volunteered to assist, and before you could say "Jack Robinson" the plan had mushroomed into twelve families and a project of unanticipated magnitude.

Armed with all the necessary permits to embark on such a happening, one volunteer--a specialist in his field--would take charge of the calculating of supplies and direction of operations (such as roofing, carpentry, etc.) as the job progressed. Unforeseen developments occasionally delayed the building and caused furrowed brows, but two months of working week-ends with unselfish, loyal friends and families side by side saw the fruition of a dream.

More important than the building itself was the spirit of good will and cooperation which had prompted and carried along the whole plan. Years ago such an occurrence was commonplace, a time for camaraderie, hard work and good fellowship. Such interest assured survival and each person participating knew his needs would likewise

be ministered to when the occasion called for it. With the advent of the machine age, however, people became more involved in a world of their own, losing this personal contact, this golden rule for living.

I watched this modern-age miracle with wonderment in my eyes, proud to be a witness to the fact that although times have changed, it is still possible for people to care about each other in a positive way. Bellerose can be proud of this example.

Betty Platania



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