

Zoom meeting April 11 (see details in box)



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NEW QUEENS BUS MAP REVEALED

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) has released the latest draft plan for the Queens Bus Redesign.

The original Queens Draft Plan, released in December 2019, was widely criticized. The Creedmoor Civic Association was adamantly opposed, particularly to the proposed elimination of the Q1 line. We covered the issue extensively in the first three newsletters of 2020 and spoke against it at a public hearing at IS 109 on February 13, 2020.

And then the pandemic hit, and the process came to a halt. The initiative restarted in August 2021. You can see a description of the plan, including proposed route changes, by visiting <https://new.mta.info/project/queens-bus-network-redesign>

There will be a series of virtual public workshops, all taking place on weekday evenings from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. The workshop for our area, Queens Community Board 13, will take place on Tuesday, May 31, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. The Zoom Meeting ID: 865 4150 9211

A few items we noted: The proposal eliminates some bus stops, in an effort to speed up service. This will be opposed by some who believe it will be inconvenient for senior citizens and people with disabilities. The Q1 on Braddock Ave and the Q43 on Hillside Ave would remain. A new line, the Q45, would proceed along Hillside Ave and then on Little Neck Parkway to and from the Little Neck LIRR Station. The Q36, which currently runs along Little Neck Parkway and Jericho Turnpike, would be discontinued but service through central Queens Village would be replaced. The Q46 on Union Turnpike would be replaced by the Q48.

While bus service along Springfield Boulevard in Queens Village continues, there is no longer a one-seat ride to the subway. At least with the restored Q1, we will be able to still ride to the subway via that one route but it will no longer terminate at the Long Island Bus terminal in Jamaica but continue to the northern edge of JFK airport.

**LIVE CIVIC MEETINGS TEMPORARILY CANCELED
JOIN US IN A ZOOM MEETING**

Guest Speaker: Dan Kaminsky, a Policy Manager with Citizens Union.

Dan will speak about the upcoming City Council Redistricting, including why it is important for us to understand and engage in the process.

Topic: Creedmoor Civic Association April 11 Zoom Meeting

Time: Apr 11, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86776997026>

Meeting ID: 867 7699 7026

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PARK AND BRADDOCK AVE. CLEANUP SET FOR APRIL 23



Please join your neighbors and help make Bellerose a more pleasant place to live, work, play and shop. Any participation is welcome, anytime between 9:00am and Noon on Saturday, April 23rd. Come and help for 1 hour or 2 or 3. If you can't come for an hour, come for half an hour. Help clean, help care for trees, chat with neighbors, or exercise your creativity with sidewalk chalk art or music. We will meet in Breininger Park at Braddock Ave and 239th Street.

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President's Message

The slate of officers and board members, as published in the March newsletter, was elected unopposed at the March 14 meeting. And we welcome new Board of Governors member Sabina Ackbarali of 241 Street, who volunteered to fill a vacancy.

Dues and donations are coming in at a good clip. We thank you for your generosity and for your faith in our civic association. To advocate credibly and effectively on your behalf, we need as many members as possible.

As we continue to celebrate our 95th Anniversary year, please join us on April 23 for the cleanup of Braddock Ave and Breininger Park. More events will be announced soon.

Also, regarding our 95th Anniversary of the Creedmoor Civic Association, we would like to hear stories from members whose families are original owners or have been in the neighborhood for a very long time. We will publish these recollections at a later date.

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Paid summer jobs for up to six weeks for young people ages 14 to 24 available. To apply or get more information, visit nyc.gov/syep or call 1-800-246-4646 or 311. The deadline is April 22.

SATURDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

This is a free sports program at the Cross Island YMCA for young people ages 11 through 18. It takes place on Saturday evenings from 5 pm to 7 pm and from 7 pm to 9 pm. Register at the front desk. For more information, contact Teen Advisor Ralph Santana at rsantana@tmcnyc.org or by phone at 718-551-9336. Or contact Youth and Family Director Byresha Waithe at bwaithe@ymcnyc.org or call 718-551-9320.

SEWER AND WATER MAIN INSURANCE

A civic member recently needed to have his sewer and water main connections replaced. Luckily, they had no out-of-pocket expenses because they had the American Water Resources sewer and water line insurance, issued through the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The plans cover water and sewer pipes from the house foundation to the street connections. Properties must have wireless meter reading devices and be current on DEP charges or payment agreements. The cost for the sewer line insurance is \$114.60/year, and \$66.84/year for the water line, paid through quarterly water bills. To confirm eligibility and enroll, call AWR toll-free at (888) 300-3570 or visit the American Water Resources website, https://www.awrusa.com/nyc/

Around the Town

As you recall, graduation ceremonies were non-existent in 2020 and limited in 2021, due to the pandemic. In our June 2020 newsletter, we published the names of members who graduated, whether it was pre-school or for a PhD. One of our board members suggested we do this every year. Let us know if you would like your graduate mentioned in our June newsletter.

A member obtained a rain barrel at one of the free giveaways but no longer plans to use it. If you would like it, email us at creedmoorcivic@gmail.com or call 718-464-3369.

AND THE WINNER IS....This month's winner of our remote raffle is the Ugel family of 241 St. They win a \$20 gift certificate for Flavor King at 236-19 Braddock Ave, which serves pizza, Mexican, Caribbean, and Guyanese food. This raffle is funded by an anonymous donor. Thanks!

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Enclosed herewith are my dues for the year 2022 to the Creedmoor Civic Association, Inc. (\$10 per household)

Name _____

Address _____

Enclosed is an additional donation of \$_____ Email address (optional)_____

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