Next meeting: Dec. 14 at 8:00 PM

This Meeting Living Hope Christian Church on Braddock Avenue at 241st Street



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222ND STREET RENAMED FOR OFFICER MOORE

On Friday, December 11 at 10 AM, 222nd St in front of the 105th Precinct was renamed (or co-named) in honor of Police Officer Brian Moore, who died in the line of duty after being shot in Queens Village on May 2, 2015.

QUEENS CIVIC CONGRESS HOLDS LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

On Sunday, December 6, the Queens Civic Congress, of which Creedmoor Civic is one of the original members, held its annual Legislative Reception at the historic Douglaston Club, located in a form 1819 mansion in the Douglaston Historic District. The event allows civic leaders to speak to their elected officials on a one-on-one basis. No other group in Queens provides this service. The QCC has approximately 100 civic and historical associations as members, thus QCC wields tremendous political leverage. Fifteen elected officials showed up, from representatives of the Governor and Mayor, to Sen. Schumer, Rep. Meng, the Borough President, and State and City legislators.

TEMPORARY SNOW JOBS OFFERED

The Sanitation Dept. is hiring temporary snow removal workers. Pay is \$13.50 per hour. Apply Monday-Saturday from 7 AM-3 PM at the Sanitation garage at 75-05 Douglaston Pkwy (Winchester Blvd under the Grand Central Pkwy). You must bring 2 passport photos, Social Security card and two forms of ID. Payment will be by check in 4-6 weeks, but can take up to 12 weeks.



STATE SENATOR TONY AVELLA GUEST SPEAKER AT OUR DECEMBER MEETING.

Hear the latest that's going on in Albany and our community. If you have questions, here's your opportunity to ask them. Let's have a good turnout. Refreshments will be served.

QUEEN VILLAGE SCHOOL EVACUATED

On December 1 at 5:45 AM, a manhole fire occurred in the vicinity of PS/IS-295, located on Jamaica Ave at 222 St. According to a report by Channel 2 News, high levels of carbon monoxide (CO) were detected in the school's basement, although CO levels in classrooms and hallways were not elevated. As a precaution, staff members and all 550 students, in grades K through 8, were evacuated. Many were transported to PS-33, where they remained for the entire day. The school returned to normal functions the following day.

105TH PCT. COLLECTS FOR NEEDY

The 105th Precinct will be collecting donations of non-perishable food through Jan. 15, 2016. A coat drive will take place through December 31, 2015. The Precinct is located at 92-08 222 St.

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Around the Town

- ❖ Condolences to: the family of Mary Hughes of 238th Street on her recent passing.
- ♣ Condolences to: the family of <u>Richard Acanfrio</u> of Gettysburg Street on his passing.
- ❖ Congratulations to: <u>Lydia and Brian Connelly</u> of 238th Street on the recent birth their granddaughter, Vivenne Michelle.

COUNCIL MEMBER GRODENCHIK SWORN IN



Newly-elected City Council Member Barry Grodenchik was sworn into office at a ceremony that took place on Sunday, November 29 at Martin Van Buren High School. Many community members, elected officials and civic leaders were in attendance. Included in the group was Sam Sochet, Principal of Martin Van Buren, who grew up with Grodenchik in

the Pomonok Houses in Flushing.

Grodenchik, a Democrat, won a special election for the District 23 Council seat formerly occupied by Mark Weprin, defeating Republican-Conservative candidate Joe Concannon by a margin of 55% to 38%. Rebecca Lynch,

running on the Working Families party line, received 7% of the votes. Weprin resigned from the office in June to take the position of Deputy Secretary for Legislative Affairs in the administration of Governor Andrew Cuomo.

President's Message

We would like to thank Pastor Grant and the Board of Trustees of the Living Hope Christian Church for their generosity in allowing us to hold our meetings at the Church.

Welcome to new members of our Board of Governors, Amanda Mulcahy and Nicole Daly, who were elected at the November meeting. Welcome, also, to new City Council Member Barry Grodenchik and to Mark McMillan, the new District Manager of Community Board 13. We look forward to working together.

We will list the the remainder of the 2015 dues and donations in the January newsletter.

Mark your calendar: The CCA New Years Party will take place on Monday, January 11, 2016 at 8 PM, following a brief meeting. All are welcome.

Fire safety is particularly important at this time of year. Keep live Christmas trees watered. Inspect decorative lights and discard lights that are in poor condition. If you must use space heaters, use only approved models, keep them away from combustible items, don't use extension cords and don't overload electrical outlets.

Have a happy and healthy holiday season!

Your neighbor,

Michael O'Keeffe

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CIVIC'S CONSTITUTION

The Board of Governors of the Creedmoor Civic Association has proposed the following change to our organization's Constitution. It was proposed at the November meeting, is published now, and will be voted on at the December meeting. It would appear as a new Section 6 of Article VII:

"A candidate for CCA president must be a current member in good standing. That candidate will be eligible once the candidate has been an active member of the CCA board for 12 months. The candidate must have attended a majority of the civic meetings for the 12 months preceding the election.

The candidate must have regular access to the internet and email, and be willing to organize and attend rallies and to coordinate all civic duties and functions."

The purpose is to ensure that a candidate for CCA president is qualified, experienced and capable of communicating in the forms of technology that are prevailing in today's modern society.

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