

Next meeting: Dec. 12 at 8:00 PM

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

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JOHN F. PRINCE POST - V.F.W. UNDERGOES RENOVATIONS

On November 15, Home Depot sent building material and several of its workers to begin renovations to the John F. Prince VFW Post at 242-37 Braddock Avenue. Home Depot is donating the labor and materials for the project to show support for military veterans.

Commander Emeritus Jay Dolan expressed thanks to two Creedmoor Civic members, John Christy and Al Parker, who worked along with VFW members and Home Depot staff. More work remains to be done, including some painting and replacement of ceiling tiles. Anyone who wishes to help can contact the Creedmoor Civic Assn at 718-464-3369, or by email at creedmoorcivic@gmail.com. We are also looking to borrow one or more rolling scaffolds to install ceiling tiles in the main hall.

2016 DUES AND DONATIONS ADDENDA

*Asterik indicates additional donation. Thanks!

88 Lyman St Sarabia, Weber, Faraone

89 Lyman St Kyrtatas, Ward*

89 Gettysburg St Bowe

89 237 St Mahoney

88 239 St Martinez

88 240 St O'Keeffe

88 242 St Aragona

235 88 Ave Lim/Torres

90 Ave Yevoli*

**INSPECTOR SCHIFF OF THE 105TH
PRECINCT WILL BE OUR GUEST
SPEAKER FOR DECEMBER.**

TIPS FOR WINTER FIRE SAFETY

Fire safety is particularly important at this time of year. Follow these tips from the FDNY:

Keep live Christmas trees watered. Discard trees when they dry out.

If you buy an artificial tree, choose one that's fire retardant.

Inspect decorative lights and discard lights that are in poor condition.

When it comes time to feast during this holiday season, remember that cooking fires are the leading cause of home fires and home injuries.

If you must use space heaters, use only approved models that shut off automatically. Keep heaters away from combustible items, don't use extension cords and don't overload electrical outlets. Keep pets away from the space heaters, and keep space heaters away from contact with water, like in the bathroom. Remember to turn off and unplug space heaters when everyone leaves the room.

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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.

Plow NYC allows us to track the location of snow plows and salt trucks. Visit <http://maps.nyc.gov/snow/> or search for "Plow NYC."

President's Message

Thanks to all who paid their dues or made generous donations. I apologize for errors we have made, either by leaving paid members off the list or by misspelling names.

Our New Years/Holiday Party will take place on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 8 PM, following a brief meeting. This party costs the civic almost nothing. People bring food and desserts. The music by Charles Henry is terrific, and is paid for by donations. We hope you will try to join us this year. If you wish to bring something, please contact us at creedmoorcivic@gmail.com, or by phone at 718-464-3369.

Getting through the winter is about preparation and safety consciousness. Don't forget to turn off your outside faucet and drain the water line. Are your gutters clean? Is your car ready? Are your windshield wiper blades in good shape and washer fluid topped off? Consider carrying sand and a shovel in case you get stuck. If you are not physically able to shovel snow, perhaps you can make arrangements in advance with neighbors, students, contractors, etc. Let's keep up our tradition of neighbor helping neighbor.

Inspector Jeffrey Schiff, the 105th Precinct Commander, is scheduled to speak at our December meeting. He has taken community involvement to a new level. Let's have a great turnout so we can let him know what our concerns are.

Your neighbor,

Michael O'Keeffe

FARM MUSEUM SWITCHING TO PRE-RESERVATIONS ONLY, FOR SOME EVENTS

Increasingly, events at the Queens County Farm Museum (73-50 Little Neck Parkway) are over-subscribed and are drawing crowds so large the staff and space are inadequate. The last event, the Children's Fall Festival, was so crowded, with lines to get in two blocks long, and traffic backed up to the Grand Central Parkway, that signs were placed on the gate that it was "Sold Out" the first time in 41 years that such action had to be taken. While not a problem for all events, some of the major ones, such as the Egg Hunt at Easter, will have to switch to pre-paid, on-line reservations only. Many institutions have already changed to this admission format.

Around the Town:

Condolences to Anna Montanile, longtime CCA block captain for the 88 block of 239 St, on the recent passing of her brother, Jerry Montanile.

SNOW FACTS

Some information from the Dept of Sanitation website:

Snow and ice must be cleared from sidewalks within these specific time-frames: If snowfall ends between 7am and 4:59pm, snow must be cleared within 4 hours. If snowfall ends between 5pm and 8:59pm, it must be cleared within 14 hours. Snowfall that ends between 9pm and 6:59am must be cleared from sidewalks by 11am. You may call 311 to make a complaint about snow or ice accumulations on public or private property.

It is illegal to throw snow out into the street. Doing so puts you at risk for receiving a summons, and makes things difficult for everyone.

The current NYC budget includes \$21 million in capital funding for new snow removal equipment, including smaller vehicles to plow narrow streets. This may be helpful on our area, since larger vehicles have difficulty making turns.

The Sanitation Dept. is again hiring temporary snow removal workers. Applicants must be at least 18 years old and able to perform heavy physical labor. Pay is \$15.00 per hour. Apply Monday-Saturday from 7 AM- 3 PM at the Sanitation garage at

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