

Next meeting: Feb. 12 at 8:00 PM

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



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POSTAL DELIVERY COMPLAINTS GROW

Over the past few months, there have been many reports of problems with Post Office service.

Our own members have reported missed deliveries, going days without receiving mail, and having letters that they mailed fail to reach the intended destinations. Members of Congress representing Queens have demanded a meeting with high-level Postal officials on the issue. The problem was discussed at the last general meeting of Queens Community Board 13. The board will collect letters from local civic associations for forwarding to the proper authorities.

REPORT OF 105TH PRECINCT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Here are some points from the 105th Pct Community Council meeting held on January 31:

There have been 3 home burglaries in Bellerose between January 2 and January 17. All have occurred in the afternoon or evening, through a rear door or window. Reportedly, the perpetrators have been dressed in black.

There is another burglary pattern going on in Bellerose. Between December 1, 2017 and January 20, there have been six events where tools or building materials were stolen from buildings under construction, or from construction vehicles. The perpetrators may drive a white van, and may be dressed as construction workers to avoid suspicion. Call 911 if you see something that doesn't seem right.

Neighborhood policing is slated to start in the 105th

Precinct in April. The precinct will be divided into five sectors. Each sector will have 2 NCO's (neighborhood coordinating officers). These officers will not be assigned to answer 911 calls. Instead, they attend civic meetings and get to know members of the community. Sector E will include Bellerose, Floral Park and Glen Oaks.

A robbery took place in another part of the precinct that included the victim's iPhone. Because the "Find My Phone" feature was activated, police were able to track the perps and make an arrest.



**CREEDMOOR CIVIC'S
VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY**

February 12, 2018

Free admission, hot and cold home-made food, live music. All welcome.

RESTAURANT WEEK COMING UP!

The Joint Bellerose Business District Development Corporation has designated April 13 to April 22 as Bellerose Restaurant Week. Stay tuned for more details (which restaurants are participating, and what the discounts will be) in next month's Creedmoor Civic News.

GRAND OPENING
(formerly By the Slice)

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President's Message

The weather forecast is favorable for us to hold our Holiday Party at our February 12 meeting. We will celebrate Valentine's Day instead of New Year's. Come and enjoy good food and great music by Charles Henry. It's more than just a social event; it's a chance to build strong relationships than can improve our community.

We would like to continue the conversation about home security that we started at our December meeting. Speak to your neighbors about what they are doing with lighting, burglar alarms and surveillance cameras. As we have seen, one person's cameras can pick up activity affecting neighbors. Your neighbor's motion detector lights can scare a perpetrator trying to open your car.

With the snow, ice and cold temperatures of winter, garbage can accumulate. Please keep the area around your home clean. Also, please be considerate of others and clean up after your dog.

Your neighbor,

Michael O'Keeffe

MEDICARE SCAM WARNING

Thanks to civic Member Lydia Connelly for passing along a tip from her financial advisor about a SCAM involving Medicare. Medicare is in the process of assigning new ID numbers that don't include the Social Security number. Phone scammers have been calling Medicare members, asking them to divulge personal information. Do not discuss your Social Security or Medicare information to anyone on the phone, unless you are sure that the request is legitimate.

FORECLOSURE HELP AVAILABLE

Queens saw a 40% increase on foreclosures from 2016 to 2017, according to the Queens Courier. The Legal Aid Society provides legal assistance to homeowners facing foreclosure. For more information, contact Asher Kaplan, Paralegal Casehandler, at 718-883-8148.

PRE-K REGISTRATION BEGINNING

Families with children born in 2014 may register their children for Pre-K from February 5 through March 30. For more information, visit schools.nyc.gov. The site includes a Pre-K finder.

Last reminder: Valentine's Party at our February meeting. Free, but it is a covered dish supper. You are requested to bring something, but it is not required. Business meeting will be abbreviated.

Around the Town

Condolences to: the family of William D'Souza of 239th Street on his death in late January

Get Well to: Maureen Morris of 242nd Street who is still ill and requests prayers for recovery.

LOOKING TO FILL BOARD VACANCIES

We have a few vacancies for positions as officers and members of our Board of Governors. We need your help to keep our civic association active and effective. Please consider helping out. Come to a meeting, or contact us by phone or email.

SNAP KICKS OFF NEW PROGRAM

SNAP (Services Now for Adult Persons) has started the Social Adult Day Program, for individuals with early to moderate stage Alzheimer's or dementia. It will be held on Wednesdays from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm at SNAP, located at 80-45 Winchester Blvd, on the Creedmoor Hospital south campus near Hillside Ave.

Door-to-door transportation will be provided if needed. For more information, call Bernadette Josephs at 718-527-5380.

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