Next meeting: June 13 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, WW II MARINE CASUALTY, TO BE RETURNED TO U.S. FOR RE-BURIAL

The remains of Marine Pfc. John F. Prince will be returned to the US for burial.

The announcement was made at the Memorial Day Service held on May 30 at the John F. Prince VFW Post by Post Commander Jay Dolan. Pfc. Prince was among 1,000 Marines and Sailors who were killed during the Battle of Tarawa during World War II. He died on the first day of the battle, November 20, 1943. Pfc. Prince was among 40 members of the 8th Marines who were buried in Cemetery #27 on the island. Tarawa is one of the Gilbert Islands, which are now part of the nation of Kiribati.

John F. Prince grew up in Bellerose, attending PS 133 and Jamaica High School. He is believed to be the first US service member from Bellerose to give his life during World War II. Accordingly, the VFW Post was given his name when it was established on March 30, 1946.

According to Mary McCarthy, a Bellerose resident and the niece of Pfc. Prince, there will be a wake at Dalton Funeral Home in Floral Park on June 16, from 2-5 pm and 7-9 pm. A Mass will be celebrated at St Gregory the Great Church on Friday, June 17 at 11

am, followed by internment with full military honors at Calverton National Cemetery. Mary said that members of the community who wish to attend the wake and Mass are welcome.

For more information, visit historyflight.com, "The Lost Graves of Tarawa."

JUNE MEETING SPEAKER

Guest Speaker: Captain Courtney Nilan, Executive Officer, 105th Pct.

NEW FROM THE 105 PRECINCT

The May 25th meeting of the 105 Pct Community Council was held in Rosedale and presided over by Captain Courtney Nilan. Some highlights:

Police Officer Campisi and Sgt. Maselli received Cop of the Month awards for responding to an armed robbery in Rosedale. They saw 2 men walking. One of the men matched the description of the alleged perpetrator, who

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UPCOMING EVENTS!

June 12 (Sunday): <u>Blood drive</u>, 9:30 AM to Noon. Gurdwara Sant Sagar Sikh Temple, 242-25 Braddock Avenue.

June 16-25: St. Gregory the Great Festival. 7 PM-11 PM. Eleven nights of fun, food, and music. Please be considerate of local residents by parking legally and not littering.

June 28 (Tuesday): Congressional Primary Election. 6 AM - 9 PM. There will be a Democrat Party election. It is not clear (waiting for a court decision) as to whether there will be a Republican Party election.

July 1-6: <u>Carnival at Preller Field</u> sponsored by Our Value Community and Ebeneezer Mission Church. Fireworks scheduled for July 3. Rain date July 5.

August 2: <u>National Night Out Against Crime.</u> 5 PM - 9 PM. Cabbell Park, 121st Avenue and Francis Lewis Boulevard, Cambria Heights. Sponsored by the 105th Precinct Stationhouse.

August 13 (Saturday) (subject to confirmation): India Day Parade. Parade starts at 11 AM at Hillside Avenue and 268th St. Proceeds west on Hillside to 235th Court. Sponsored by the Floral Park-Bellerose Indian Merchants Assn.

THANKS, PETE!

Thanks to Pete Accardi, Owner of By the Slice Pizzeria, for planting flowers in another sidewalk planter by the stores on Braddock Ave.

President's Message

Thanks for the great response to our membership drive, and for many generous donations. If you haven't paid your 2016 dues, please send a check for \$10 to the Creedmoor Civic Assn, PO Box 260143, Bellerose, NY 11426. We're at 165 members now. Let's hit 200!

After our June 13 meeting, there will be no regular meetings or newsletters until September. We will send out emails and Facebook posts over the summer as necessary.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer. If you are entertaining, please be considerate of your neighbors, especially regarding noise late at night.

Michael O'Keeffe

Donations Received - Thank You

So far we have 165 families paid for 2016 and we are still collecting. The following donations have been received since the May, 2016 issue of the Creedmoor Civic News:

Moline St.: Sandoval Lyman St.: Lopez, Narain

Gettysburg St.: Loftus, Murphy (former residents), Lemma

237 St.: Hanley, Mulcahy

238 St.: Cook, Bivona, Morgan, Lomonte

239 St.: Dipsingh, Conry, Hanif

240 St.: Mulcahy

241 St.: Nunns, Stalzer, Miranda

242 St.: Martinez

88 Ave.: Grandison, Wilkerson

89 Ave: Barrett

NEWS FROM THE 105 PRECINCT (continued from P. 1) allegedly robbed the victim of his atm card, and then made the victim accompany him to a cash machine, threatening to kill him if the wrong PIN number was given. The cops arrested a 17 year old male, armed with a handgun.

Overall crime was down 11% for the most recent 28 day period compared to the same period last year. Burglaries were down 7 % this month, the first decline in 4 months. There were no reported burglaries in the Bellerose, Floral Park, or Glen Oaks areas.

Grand larcenies have increased. Fraud increased to 31 incidents in the last 28 days, compared to 13 last year. This includes identity theft, credit card fraud, and scams perpetrated daily by phone, mail and email. Capt Nilan emphasized the need to be very careful when being contacted by scammers who threaten you with arrest or other serious consequences if you don't give out personal information. The IRS and other agencies do not ask for information over the phone or by email.

Skimmers installed on some atm's can get enough information to clone your credit card. Inspect atm's for added devices. If your information is obtained, your credit card can be used by someone else even without having the card.