

Next meeting: May 14 at 8 PM

Meetings at the Bellerose Baptist Church (basement), Braddock Avenue at 241st Street



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85TH CIVIC ANNIVERSARY SET FOR JULY 21

We do this only once every five years, folks, so don't miss out. The 70th, 75th, and 80th anniversary parties at the Farm Museum were great. We know how to run a party. This one is shaping up to be just as great.

The flyer posted elsewhere in this newsletter gives you more details. We are now selling tickets. We have held the price on the children's tickets at \$15, and the adult ticket is only \$5 more than five years ago. Check your other bills, what else has remained that low for five years?

We will be joined by the leading lights of neighboring civic associations, and local elected officials are also expected. But we combine the fun of the party itself with the incredible ambiance of the 47-acre Adriance Farm of the Queens County Farm Museum. Don't be a stay-at-home stick-in-the-mud. Pry yourself out the house and have some fun. If you need a ride, let us know, we will try to make arrangements for you. See how friendly Bellerose folks can be. Even if you don't know anyone who's going, we think you will feel right at home quickly. Food will be catered by Trattoria Lucia, the same company that provided the buffet food for us five years ago. While the menu will obviously be Italian, vegetarians will find they will be accommodated as well.

Queens SAFE Disposal Event Draws 3K

On Saturday, April 28, The Dept of Sanitation hosted a NYC SAFE Disposal Event on the St John's University. The acronym SAFE stands for Solvents, Automotive, Flammable and Electronics. Sanitation held five SAFE Disposal events this spring, one in each borough.

COUNCIL MEMBER MARK WEPRIN TO SPEAK AT JUNE MEETING.

According to the Times Ledger (May 6, 2012) more than 3,000 people brought paint, appliances, propane tanks and other hazardous items for safe and environmentally responsible disposal. David Hirschler, deputy director of waste prevention for the city Sanitation Department, stated that the annual safe disposal events have not included both electronics and household hazardous waste in the past, and a similar event has not been held in Queens since 2008. Hirschler said Sanitation planned on holding the same event annually for each borough in the coming years. At times during the day, the line of automobiles waiting to enter the site stretched up to 15 blocks. Some Queens residents brought materials for disposal, but left due to the long lines.

The Dept. of Sanitation has several "Household Special Waste Drop Off Sites." The Queens location is in College Point, at 30th Ave between 120 and 122 streets. Among the items accepted are motor oil, fluorescent bulbs, batteries, car tires (4 per visit), and mercury containing devices such as thermostats. Normally, the site is open the first 3 Saturdays of the month and the last Friday, from 10AM to 5PM. For more information, call 311 or visit: http://www.nyc.gov/html/dsny/html/collection/special_schedule.shtml



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President's Message

85th Aniv. Celebration July 21, 2012.

Please think about attending our 85th Anniversary party at the Queens Farm Museum on Saturday, July 21. We are honoring the 3 people who are most responsible for keeping our civic association active and effective for the past 50 years: Jim Trent, Rose Daddario and Rick Duskwicz. Come to have a good time and to say thanks. See party information elsewhere in this newsletter.

NYC Council Member Mark Weprin to Swear in Civic Officers at June 11 Meeting

Council Member Mark Weprin will be at our June 11 meeting to swear in our executive board. Come to our meeting. Meet your City Council representative. Bring your questions.

Queens Civic Congress

Several civic members attended the Queens Civic Congress (QCC) Biennial Luncheon at Antun's on April 29. The QCC is made up of over 100 civic groups from Queens. It is a very effective organization that has been involved in issues that are important to our community, including zoning, the environment, transportation, and good government initiatives. Rich Hellenbrecht of the Bellerose Commonwealth Civic Association serves as President, and our Jim Trent is the Treasurer. Congratulations to Glen Oaks Village President Bob Friedrich for being one of the four honorees!

Memorial Day Observance

There will be a Memorial Day ceremony on May 28, 2012 at 11AM at the John F. Prince VFW Post on Braddock Ave. Members of the community are welcome. Refreshments will be served. Spend a few minutes to pay tribute to those who have given their lives to protect our freedom.

Services Now for Adult Persons (SNAP)

Thanks to SNAP Center Director Cathy Cahn for speaking at our April meeting about the many programs that SNAP has to offer. SNAP is a great resource for senior citizens in our community. Call (718) 454-2100 for information and referrals.

Dues and Donations

Thanks again to members who have paid dues and/or made generous donations. Donations received so far this year will be listed next month. We will publish 2012 Paid Dues Roster in the June newsletter as well. There is still time to make the list! There is a dues tear out in this issue.

Food Pantry

Please remember to bring non-perishable food items to our meetings to contribute to the Bellerose Baptist Church Food Pantry.

Your Neighbor,

Mike O'Keeffe

Around the Town

☼ Get well to: Linda Dixon. Linda is home from the hospital and is hanging in there recuperating with the help of hospice.

☼ Condolences to: the family of long time resident Thomas Gibbons who past away. Tom and his wife, Alice, used to be active in our Association.

CIVIC LUNCHEON DRAWS 21POLS

The Queens Civic Congress held its biennial luncheon at Antun's on April 29. One hundred seventy-five civic leaders from all over Queens turned out, as did 19 elected officials and two representatives of electeds. Creedmoor civic had a large delegation to this event. It shows the power of the civic movement that politicians from all over cleared their calendars to be present. Even the Borough President of Manhattan showed up.

The Congress honored four civic leaders: Jacqueline Forrestal of Hillcrest Estates Civic, Robert Friedrich of Glen Oaks Village Owners, Robert Holden of Juniper Park Civic, and Paul Graziano, a Flushing urban planner who has downzoned dozens of neighborhoods and is currently helping Bellerose do the same. While awards are generally given to volunteers, Paul was an important exception because he often works below scale or even free. He is the most knowledgeable person in Queens on zoning.

NEWS FROM THE 105 POLICE PRECINCT

We have received the following information from 105 Pct Community Affairs Detective Jevoda Cooper and Officer Matthew DiPietro on crimes that have occurred during the past month:

1. On April 9th, 2012 at 12:30PM, a house was burglarized in Queens Village. The Complainant, an 88 year old female, stated that a male knocked on her door, stated he bought the property next door and wanted her to come out back and look at some issues. The complainant was outside for approximately 30 minute. When she returned she found items missing from her bedroom dresser. There was no sign of forced entry. This type of distraction has happened randomly throughout the years and often seems to target the elderly in the community. Please disseminate this information to your constituents.
2. On April 19, at approx. 9:30PM, a suspect wanted in a previous shooting was shot by 105 Pct detectives at 222 St. & 96th Ave, after the suspect pulled out a gun and shot at detectives. The perp was taken to North Shore Manhasset Hospital. A gun was recovered at the scene. The investigation is in progress.
3. On Thursday, April 26, 2012 at approx. 1430hrs a robbery occurred at Capital One Bank located at 252-25 Union Turnpike. An employee of the bank stated that an unknown M/W/20's entered the bank and gave her a note

that demanded her to hand over \$3000.00 in hundreds. The suspect displayed a black firearm. The employee handed him all the money in her drawer which totaled \$1280.00. The suspect then fled. This case is being investigated by the Major Case Squad.

The following crime prevention services are available:

1. The 105th Pct. Crime Prevention Officer will be **conducting FREE VIN Etching & Bicycle Registration** (engraving) at the 105th Precinct Stationhouse on Saturdays in May between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. These programs will make your car and bicycle less desirable to thieves, and you may get an insurance discount for the VIN Etching (check with your insurance company). Remember to also bring your portable electronics (laptop, GPS, iPad, Kindle, etc.) for FREE registration in the Operation IDentification Program. Call 718-776-9090, ext. 0 prior to arriving and speak with the operator to be certain there hasn't been a cancellation due to weather or an emergency.
2. The 105 Pct. Crime Prevention Officer, P.O. Phil Cuffaro, is available to answer questions regarding Crime Prevention or to perform a free Crime Prevention Survey of your home. Call 718-776-9207 for information or an appointment.

QUESTIONING THE PAST

Dear Mr. O'Keeffe:

This is in response to the news letter "Questioning The Past" the only place this picture could have been taken from is the intersection of 88th avenue and Commonwealth Boulevard facing north, before the railroad crossing was in place. The time line would be right, given the building slowdown that incurred after the 1929 stock market crash and the hump that crosses the track is right. As an observation the ruts in the dirt road were probably made by a coal delivery truck.

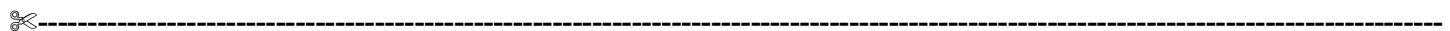


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Very truly yours

Edward A Munsch

Universal Payment Coupon. Use the coupon below for paying dues or buying 85th Anniversary tickets.



Name: _____ **Tel.:** _____

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- Enclosed herewith are my 2012 dues to the Creedmoor Civic Association. (Dues are \$6.00 per year). Membership is open to all residents of the Association's territory, whether a homeowner or renter. Businesses located within our territory are eligible also.
- Enclosed herewith is a check to cover the purchase of tickets to the 85th anniversary party on July 21. I wish to buy: ___(number) of children's tickets at \$15. Each. ___(number) of adult tickets at \$35 each.

If you want periodic updates on news issues, include your e-mail (optional) _____

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