

Next meeting: Nov. 10 at 8 PM

Meetings at the Living Hope Christian Church (basement), Braddock Avenue at 241st Street



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CREEDMOOR CIVIC'S CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARADE WAS AGAIN A SUCCESSFUL EVENT

October 25, a Saturday, our civic once again staged a halloween costume parade through our locals streets ending up in the Bellerose Rescue building which was transformed into a haunted house.



Children and their adult guardians marched through our local streets decked out in their costumes while scary sounds and music accompany the parade goes from loudspeakers atop the Bellerose Rescue ambulance.

About 50 children and adults participated in the parade which started at Breininger Park, then with police escort marched north on 240th Street to 88th Avenue, east to Gettysburg Street, south on Gettysburg to Braddock, thence west to the Ambulance Corps' front entrance. Children were treated to soda and cookies. We were fortunate to enjoy excellent weather (it snowed one year!).

Our thanks to the following for their help in putting this event together: Betty Baumann, Paul Bellisario, Martin Braun and the crew of the Bellerose Rescue, Ann Marie Duskwicz, Richard Duskwicz, Christine Larkins, Brian Murphy, Michael O'Keeffe, Janet Murphy, Rosemary Parker, Rosemarie Russo, James Trent, and Marion Zimmer. Thanks also to the personnel of the 105th Police Precinct for traffic control, and to the VFW Prince Post for the donation of candy.

GUEST SPEAKERS FOR NOVEMBER MEETING:

PO CARLETON EPPS, 105TH PCT. COMMUNITY AFFAIRS UNIT; CAPTAIN NETEIS GILBERT, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF 105TH PRECINCT.

Come to the meeting and ask questions!

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105TH POLICE PRECINT COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

At the start of every meeting, the precinct commander gives out one or more “Cop of the Month” awards to recognize smart, courageous police work. This past month, Police Officers Bennetucci and McMahon responded to a report of an armed robbery at 3 AM at Merrick Road and 231 St. While interviewing the robbery victim, it was learned that his cell phone was among the items taken. The alert officers tracked the cell phone to a car occupied by two perpetrators, who were arrested. The officers also recovered a gun, stolen items, and two masks used in the crime.

The 105th Precinct Detective Squad recently arrested members of a burglary ring that was emptying a house in Rosedale. An alert neighbor called 911. It was determined that the ring was responsible for 12 burglaries in the area. DI Coyle praised the caller, and urged continued community involvement.

PO Daniel introduced himself as the Precinct Domestic Violence Officer. He stated that New York State has a zero tolerance policy regarding domestic violence, and that any case where a criminal domestic crime is reported results in a mandatory arrest. He stated that his unit does follow up visits in cases of elder abuse, and also responds to cases of animal abuse. He can be reached directly at 718-776-9415.

The police officer from the 103rd Pct who was attacked with a hatchet has been released from the hospital, but faces a long road to recovery. He has been transferred to the Rusk Institute for Rehabilitation.

The next council meeting will be Thursday, November 20, at 8 PM, at the precinct. Note: This is a change from the normal Wednesday meeting. There will be no Precinct Community Council meeting in December.

President's Message

As the autumn leaves fall, please remember that Dept of Sanitation rules require us to clean up in front of our houses and 18" from the curb into the street. Unfortunately, this also means picking up litter, bottles, etc, left there by thoughtless persons.

Starting November 7, the speed limit in New York City will be 25 mph, unless otherwise posted. This will save lives. Many of our members have long complained about speeding on residential streets. But it remains to be seen what will happen on the larger thoroughfares, or how NYPD and other agencies will enforce the law. Come to our November meeting to meet NYPD Captain Gilbert, and to discuss this and other issues.

With Veteran's Day near, we express our gratitude for the countless sacrifices made for us and for our nation by the members of our armed forces.

As Thanksgiving approaches, please support the Living Hope Christian Church Food Pantry, or other efforts to help those who are lacking basic necessities.

Your neighbor, *Mike O'Keeffe*

ANOTHER PARADE PICTURE



Part of the group of parade participants gather behind the Bellerose Rescue building at the corner of Braddock Avenue and Lyman Street. This parade has been going on for about 20 years and is extremely popular with our residents.

TREE PRUNING ALERT

Con Edison informed Community Board 13 about tree pruning that will take place on weekdays over the next three months from 7 AM to 5 PM. This practice has always brought howls of anger from homeowners about how our trees get butchered to clear the wires of branches. Let's hope our trees don't get too misshapen.

LOCAL GIRL IN NYS PRE-TEEN CONTEST

Erielle Ortiz of 88th Ave has been selected to participate in the 2014 Miss Pre-Teen New York Pageant Competition on Saturday, November 15, 2014. Contestants seek sponsorships from businesses, organizations and individuals. For more information, call the Miss Pre-Teen New York Pageant Coordinator at 877-403-6678, or call Erielle's mother, Debra Negron, at 917-299-5615. Good luck, Erielle!

STROKE SUPPORT GROUP

AT ST. GREGORY'S

The support group is for stroke survivors, co-survivors and angels (people who just want to help). Meetings take place the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1:30 PM, in the Oak Room, located in the basement of St Gregory's Church, at 242-20 88 Ave. Enter through the church doors, and take the elevator on the left to the basement. For more information, call Darlene at 516-946-1548, or visit www.strokelife.org

CLOTHING AND SHOE COLLECTION

Saturday, November 8, from 10 AM to noon, at the old St Gregory's parking lot on 88th Rd. Clean, gently used clothing, shoes and sneakers will be accepted. Cold weather clothing is especially needed. Please separate shoes from clothing.

ST. GREGORY'S CRAFT GROUP CHRISTMAS SALE

The St. Gregory's Craft Group will hold its 34th Annual Craft Sale on Saturday, November 22 from noon to 6:30 PM, and on Sunday, November 23 from 8 AM to 2 PM. Articles for sale include holiday decorations, gifts, books and cakes. There will also be a raffle and a 50/50. All proceeds are donated to charity.

NEW FINES FOR TEXTING AND DRIVING EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1

In NY State, all drivers now face a maximum fine of \$200 for a first-time offense, increased from \$150; a second offense within 18 months goes to \$250 from \$200; and a third or subsequent offense increases to \$450 from \$400, according to the state Department of Motor Vehicles.

Under the law, newly-licensed motorists convicted of texting while driving will have their licenses suspended for 120 days for the first offense. Licenses will be revoked for a year if the offender is found guilty of a subsequent violation within six months of the license being returned.

PAID DUES AND DONATIONS - NOVEMBER 2014

Listed below are dues and donations we have received since our October 2014 newsletter, or which we received previously but did not publish. Thank you for your support!

If you have not paid your 2014 dues, please send \$6.00 with the dues coupon printed below, to Creedmoor Civic Association, PO Box 260143, Bellerose, NY 11426. If you are not sure whether you have paid for 2014, or if you think our records are incorrect, contact us at (718) 464-3369 or creedmoorcivic@gmail.com.

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
CONSTITUTION OF THE CREEDMOOR
CIVIC ASSOCIATION**

Note: As per Article IX, Section 1 of our Constitution, proposed amendments must be submitted in writing and read at a regular meeting. They are then tabled until the next meeting, when they are voted on. A two-thirds vote of the members present is required to adopt an amendment.

Article III, Section 4.

Currently: All officers and members of the Board of Governors must reside within the civic area.

Proposed: All officers and members of the Board of Governors must reside within the civic area, with the exception of the President Emeritus.

Article IV, Section 2

Currently: President Emeritus: The title and position of President Emeritus shall be reserved for a Past President of the Association who in the opinion of the general membership is worthy of the title by virtue of outstanding service to the association. The President Emeritus shall be an ex-officio member of the Board of Governors and shall be entitled to full voting privileges. He/she may perform other duties as may be delegated to him/her by the president, and represent the Association at the request of the President. The title is honorary and may remain vacant at the discretion of the membership. Appointment to this position shall be at the discretion of the Executive Board. Only one member may hold the title at a time. The title becomes vacant if the titleholder resigns, or moves from the Association's territory. The term of office shall be one (1) year.

Proposed: President Emeritus: The title and position of President Emeritus shall be reserved for a Past President of the Association who in the opinion of the general membership is worthy of the title by virtue of outstanding service to the Association. The President Emeritus shall be an ex-officio member of the Board of Governors and shall be entitled to full voting privileges while he/she lives within the civic's boundaries. He/she may perform other duties as may be delegated to him/her by the President, and

represent the Association at the request of the President. The title is honorary and may remain vacant at the discretion of the membership. Only one member may hold the title at a time. The term of office shall be one (1) year.

Article XI, Section 1 (Meetings)

Currently: Regular meetings of the Association shall be held on the second Monday of each month or as soon thereafter as the Board of Governors deems practicable. No regular meetings shall be held in the months of July and August.


Proposed: Regular meetings of the Association shall be held on the second Monday of each month, unless otherwise determined by the Board of Governors. No regular meetings shall be held in the months of July and August.

ICCC UPDATE

On October 28, the Indian Cultural and Community Center (ICCC) submitted a "Revised Statement of Facts and Findings" to the Board of Standards and Appeals (BSA). The revised proposal still requests permission to build a four-story building that includes a community center and 57 apartments, on property that the ICCC acquired on the Creedmoor campus. The latest request includes some changes, including a wider emergency access lane, and more planting to provide a barrier between the development and the neighboring homes.

At a press conference held on October 21, 2014, State Senator Tony Avella and the leaders of several local civic associations (including the Creedmoor Civic Association) reiterated opposition to the project.

Another public hearing before the BSA is scheduled for November 25, 2014. More information will be presented at our meeting on November 10.

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