

# Live meeting November 8, 7:30 PM

Joint Meeting with Rocky Hill Civic Ass'n. P.S. 18, 86-35 235<sup>th</sup> Court



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## HALLOWEEN PARADE AND HAUNTED HOUSE HUGE HIT WITH BELLEROSE YOUTH!!

**Creedmoor Civic continues its several decades old tradition of holding a children's costume parade on the Saturday before Halloween.**

We are grateful to President Marty Braun and his staff at the Bellerose Rescue who allowed us to use their headquarters again at 235-01 Braddock Avenue as our Haunted House.

This year our parade of goblins and ghouls marched along 240<sup>th</sup> Street, 88<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and Lyman Street (we vary the route each year) terminating at the Haunted House. After viewing the scary animatronic scaries, the children and their parents and guardians were treated to drinks and treats in the rear of the ambulance corps building.

*(See more on parade on Page 4, column 2)*

### NOVEMBER MEETING WITH ROCKY HILL

**We will have a joint, in person meeting with the Rocky Hill Civic Assn on Tuesday, Nov 8 at 7:30 PM, at PS-18, at 86-35 235 Ct.**

**This is Election Day. Since our civic votes at PS-18, why don't you vote and then stay for our meeting? Guest Speaker: Suzanne Windland of Services Now for Adult Persons (SNAP)**



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## President's Message

Thanks to Bill Perkins from the Queens Community Task Force Against Illegal Truck Parking for speaking at our October 10th meeting. Bill is coordinating the efforts of civic leaders from Glen Oaks to Springfield Gardens to find fair and sustainable solutions to truck parking.

Please join us at PS-18 on November 8 (Election Day) at 7:30 pm for our joint meeting with the Rocky Hill Civic Association. Let's meet other Bellerose residents and talk about mutual concerns.

We plan to hold our Holiday Party at our December 12 meeting at the Living Hope Church. It will be our first party in 3 years. We will start at 6 pm with special activities for kids. Please save the date.

Your neighbor, Michael O'Keeffe

### BURGLARY SUSPECT NABBED

On Sunday, Oct 23 at about 4 pm, two individuals wearing ski masks broke into a home in our civic area by forcing entry through a rear window on the first floor. They may have thought the home was unoccupied, as two family members had left a short time earlier. Another family member was in the shower at the time of the break-in. The occupant and a neighbor called 911. Police arrived quickly and arrested a suspect in nearby Breininger Park.

Lessons learned:

- ◆ This incident is consistent with recent break-ins in our sector: Daytime, through the rear of the house, when it is seemingly unoccupied.
- ◆ One of the 911 callers provided a good description, including what the individuals were wearing. This was very important, as burglars had already left the scene.
- ◆ Pay attention to what is happening on your block and call 911 immediately if you see something suspicious.

In a recent email, NCO Officer Juan Villanueva offered these tips:

- ◆ Establish a routine to make certain that doors and windows are locked and alarm systems are turned on.
- ◆ Consider alarms and cameras that you can sync with your smartphone or tablet so you always have a view of what's going on.
- ◆ Don't carry house keys on a key ring bearing your home address. Don't leave house keys with your car in a commercial parking lot or with an attendant.
- ◆ Don't hide your keys in "secret" places outside your home—burglars know where to look.
- ◆ When you're away, make your home looked occupied. Use timers, stop newspaper deliveries, and have neighbors pick up mail and circulars.

## Around The Town

**Condolences** to the family of Cathy Loftus Vorel of Lyman St on her recent passing. Cathy and her husband, Frank, have been delivering our newsletter on their block for several years.

**And The Winner Is....** Jim Trent won a \$20 gift certificate for Accardi Cleaners at our October meeting. The prize was provided by an anonymous donor. Thanks!

### CON ED SCAM ALERT

Con Edison wants all to know how to recognize a scam and protect themselves:

"Con Edison doesn't accept payments via Venmo, Zelle, CashApp or Bitcoin. Hang up on anyone calling and asking for Con Edison payments by these methods.

Asking for ID isn't rude, it's safe. If someone comes to your door, claiming to be from Con Edison, call 1-800-75-CONED (1-800-752-6633) and confirm the employee's name and ID number.

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If you're not sure an email is really from Con Edison, don't click on any links."

## 2022 ROSTER OF PAID UP MEMBERS

Thanks to the following members who have paid dues for 2022. An asterisk indicates that a member made an additional donation. Thanks! We apologize for any mistakes, omissions or misspellings. If you think our records are incorrect, please contact us at 718 464-3369, or [creedmoorcivic@gmail.com](mailto:creedmoorcivic@gmail.com). We will make corrections in the next newsletter. If you have not paid your 2022 dues, please send \$10 to the Creedmoor Civic Association, PO Box 260143, Bellerose, NY 11426

### **Moline St.**

#### **88 Block**

LoMonico  
Nadasy\*  
Ramrup\*

#### **89 Block**

Bellisario  
Dermody\*  
Ismail\*  
Kennedy\*

### **Lyman St.**

#### **89 Block**

Dolan  
Kyrattas  
Ward\*

### **Gettysburg**

#### **88 Block**

Adinolfi\*  
Fernandez  
Gonzalez\*  
Lemma\*  
Loftus\*  
Lyndon\*  
Nunziata\*

#### **89 Block**

Rodriguez  
Bowe

### **237<sup>th</sup> St.**

#### **88 Block**

Abedoza/Lourdes\*  
Ammendolea  
DiStasi\*  
Farjado  
Geiger  
Hanley\*  
Stemmler\*

#### **89 Block**

Donovan\*

### **238<sup>th</sup> St.**

#### **88 Block**

Barrett\*  
Block\*  
Castro  
Christy  
Connelly  
Cook  
Hughes\*  
Morgan  
Parker\*  
Poncel\*  
Sito\*  
Engel\*

#### **89 Block**

Dillion\*  
Palau

### **239<sup>th</sup> St.**

#### **88 Block**

Barlund\*  
Burke\*  
Coleman  
Conry\*  
Dipsingh\*  
Martinez\*  
Montanile\*  
Pedersen  
Remache/Garcia\*

#### **89 Block**

Brady\*  
D'Souza\*  
Moore\*  
Randazzo  
Siry Jr\*  
Wong\*

### **240<sup>th</sup> St.**

#### **88 Block**

Fischbeck\*  
Gonzales\*  
Mancuso  
O'Keefe\*  
Sharma\*

### **89 Block**

Barry\*  
Butcher\*  
Castellanos  
Prus\*

### **241<sup>st</sup> St.**

#### **88 Block**

Ackbarali\*  
Fiorillo  
Pfaff\*

#### **89 Block**

Agate\*  
Fernandez\*  
Laurano/Nichols  
Nunns\*

### **242<sup>nd</sup> St.**

#### **88 Block**

Laffin/Rose\*  
Martinez\*  
McMenamin\*  
Rocco  
Schillinger\*

#### **89 Block**

Aide  
Lavin/Ragusa  
Lydon  
Schwizer  
Terry\*

#### **90 Block**

Lyndon  
Mitchell  
Fariad/Narvaez\*

### **88<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

Baumann\*  
Canarte  
Cashin\*  
Covatti\*  
DeGula  
Evangelista/DeGroff\*  
Fernandez\*

Geraghty  
Guzman\*  
Hussey  
Larkins\*  
Mirbach\*  
Munsch  
O'Keeffe\*  
Reilly\*

### **88<sup>th</sup> Drive/Road**

Soldatos\*

### **89<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

Coscia\*  
Jecewiz  
Mulligan\*

### **90<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

Avila  
Sileo\*  
Trent  
Yevoli\*

### **91<sup>st</sup> Avenue**

Ghobrial

### **Braddock**

#### **Avenue**

Fashion Cuts  
Barbershop

Meat & Grill

Aurora Catering

Corner  
Convenience  
Store

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Ridgewood  
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## LITHIUM BATTERIES CAN BE DANGEROUS

The FDNY has investigated 174 fires related to lithium-ion batteries from Jan. 1 to Oct. 21 this year, compared to 104 for all of 2021. So far this year, these fires have caused 93 injuries and six deaths, compared to 79 injuries and four deaths for all of 2021.

The FDNY advises the following:

- ◆ Only purchase devices with lithium-ion batteries that have the Underwriters Laboratories Mark, which shows that the product has been safety tested.
- ◆ Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for charging and storage. Never charge the battery under a pillow, on a bed or on a couch. Store the batteries away from anything flammable.
- ◆ Keep batteries out of direct sunlight and at room temperature.
- ◆ Always use the manufacturer's cord and power adapter made specifically for the device.
- ◆ Call 911 if a battery overheats, emits an odor, changes shape or color, leaks or makes noises.
- ◆ When disposing of lithium-ion batteries, take them to a battery recycling location or visit [nyc.gov/batteries](http://nyc.gov/batteries) for other disposal instructions.

## ST GREGORY'S CASINO NIGHTS

St Gregory the Great Church will host 2 Casino Nights, on Friday, November 18 and Saturday, November 19 from 7 pm- 11 pm. Tickets cost \$20, \$15 if bought in advance, and include one drink and one food item. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the parish rectory or after Masses on November 6 and 13. The events will be held in the Oak Room, below the Church.

## LAND SALE AT

## CREEDMOOR HOSPITAL PLANNED

The State has been planning on disposing of up to 53 acres of land at Creedmoor Hospital fronting on Hillside Avenue. We are monitoring this along with the Queens Civic Congress that will be working with Borough Hall on this issue which could have heavy impact on our

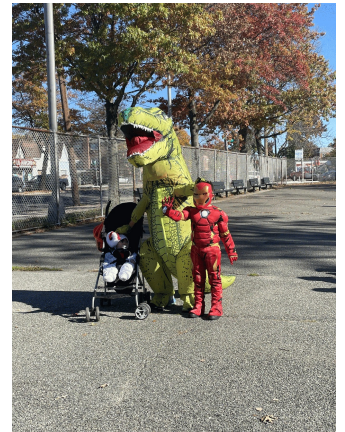
community depending on how the land is used. We will keep you informed.

## HALLOWEEN PARADE (continued from Page 1)

Thanks are due to the Civic's Parade Committee: Michael O'Keeffe, Richard Duskiewicz, Ann Marie Duskiewicz, James Trent, Rosemary Parker, Elizabeth Baumann, Devika Singh, Paul Bellisario, and Katherine Fariad. Thanks also to the officers of the 105<sup>th</sup> Police Precinct who made sure we were safe and guarded us while we used streets that had to be closed to traffic.



Young helpers in the Haunted House: (left to right) Ariella and Isabella Singh. Isabella suffered no ill effects from the axe sticking out of her head.



Sample of costumes that graced the parade route.

Our thanks also to the Dolan Family of Lyman Street for treats provided for distribution to the young parade goers.

Each year it is gratifying that so many people come forward to donate time and candy to make this event memorable for the children of our community (and yes, we adults have a great time also.)



Enclosed is a check to join the Creedmoor Civic Association (or I wish to renew my/our membership.) Enclosed is a check for \$10.00. Dues is for an entire household. Enclosed also, is an additional \$\_\_\_\_\_ as a donation to further the work of the Creedmoor Civic Association.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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