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Living Hope Church, 240-20 Braddock Ave. Enter basement from door at left side



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QUEENS CIVIC CONGRESS LUNCHEON HUGE SUCCESS!

The Queens Civic Congress held its first luncheon in four years. Two hundred people turned out at Antun's on Sunday, October 2.



Queens Civic Congress luncheon. From left to right: Judge Jerry Iannece (moderator and former President of Bayside Hills Civic Association), Janet McCreesh (Broadway-Flushing Civic Association), Paul Graziano (Flushing planner), James Trent (Creedmoor Civic & QCC treasurer), Kevin Forrestal (Hillcrest Estates Civic Association President and outgoing QCC President), Warren Schreiber (Bay Terrace Cooperative and incoming QCC President), and Richard Hellenbrecht (Bellerose Commonwealth Civic Association and past QCC Exec. Vice President).

Creedmoor Civic, always punching above its weight, had 11 people at the luncheon and we are a leading force in the government of the group. Queens Civic Congress is an umbrella organization covering civic associations throughout the Borough of Queens. Major speakers included Congress Member Grace Meng, Queens Borough President Donovan Richards, Buildings Commissioner Eric Ulrich, and

Metropolitan Transportation Authority CEO Janno Lieber.

GUEST SPEAKERS AT OCTOBER MEETING:

State Assembly member Clyde Vanel and Bill Perkins from the Queens Task Force Against Illegal Truck Parking.

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President's Message

We mourn the senseless murder of EMS Lt Alison Russo-Elling, who was stabbed to death while on duty in Astoria, Queens on Thursday, September 29.

On Sunday, September 25, a Kabaddi match was held at Preller Field. We received several complaints about excessive noise. Creedmoor Civic, along with other local civic associations, is addressing this matter with our elected officials and pertinent city agencies. It is very helpful if you call 311 if you have a noise complaint, as it helps us to provide documentation.

As usual, we will publish a roster of members who have paid civic dues in our November newsletter.

It is great to be meeting in person again. Please join us on Monday, October 10 at 7:30 PM at the Living Hope Church.

Your neighbor, Michael O'Keeffe

CURBSIDE COMPOSTING RESUMES

The weekly collection of food and yard waste for composting has resumed. This should significantly diminish the amount of trash going into landfills. For us, the collection will be on Fridays. Yard waste of any kind can be put out in trash cans or bags, separate from the regular garbage. Put food scraps of any kind, along with soiled food paper wrappers, in a labeled bin with a tightly fitting lid. You can use the old brown bin we received last time or put a decal on a garbage pail. Or order a new bin at nyc.gov/curbsidecomposting. We have been advised that the program will be suspended during the winter to provide additional staffing for snow removal.

NEWS FROM THE 105TH PCT

Sector Eddie Neighborhood Coordinating Officers Juan Villanueva and Jonathan Pesce held their quarterly Build the Block Zoom meeting on September 29. Items of interest:

Scams targeting the elderly are still taking place. The most common is a phone call saying their grandchild has had an accident or has been arrested, and that gift cards or electronic payments must be sent for the grandchild to be released.

Catalytic converter thefts are still a problem all over, including in our sector. Hondas seem to be the most frequent targets. Larger vehicles allow more room for thieves to work underneath and may have more than 1 catalytic converter. There are devices you can install on your vehicle that may deter catalytic converter theft. One such device is a cable, while another is a plate that covers the converter.

Vehicle idling: As cold weather approaches, people are leaving their vehicles running while unattended. Cars are being stolen. Also, idling a vehicle more than 3 minutes can result in a summons. (Continued on Page 3, column 2)

And The Winner Is... Civic member Dorothy Barry won a \$20 gift certificate to Braddock Pharmacy at our September meeting. We will give away a gift certificate for another local business at our October meeting.

HEAP HELP

New York State has a Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) which provides assistance in paying heating bills to people who qualify. For more information, call 800-342-3009 or 212-331-3126 during business hours. A CCA member suggested also trying 866-674-6327. If you are eligible, you may receive one regular HEAP benefit per program year and could also be eligible for emergency HEAP benefits if you are in danger of running out of fuel or having your utility service shut off.

OKTOBERFEST COMING UP

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, at Commonwealth Boulevard and 87 Avenue, will hold an Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 29 from 11:30 AM to 3 PM. It will include German food, soda, beer, raffles and more! For reservations call 718-347-0278 and leave a message.

ST. GREGORY'S TO HOLD BLOOD DRIVE

St. Gregory's Holy Name Society will hold its annual blood drive on Sunday, October 23 from 7 AM to 3:00 PM in the Oak Room below the Church.

BELLEROSE BUSINESS GROUP

HOLDS WALK-THROUGH

The Joint Bellerose Business District Development Corporation (JBBDDC) sponsored a walk-through of Bellerose businesses on Monday, September 26. This event, unique to our community, involved the leadership of the JBBDDC, City Council Member Linda Lee, and Commissioner Kevin Kim of Small Business Services.



Walkers pose: In front of the Subway sandwich shop is the owner of the franchise, Ted Anagnostos, third from the left. To the right of Ted is City Council Member Linda Lee and to the right of her is Jim Trent, JBBDDC president (and Creedmoor Civic treasurer.) Ann Terry took the photo. Ann is a JBBDDC board member and Creedmoor Civic board member. SBS Commissioner Kevin Kim was inside the store ordering a sandwich!

The group covered Jericho Turnpike from 245th Street to Little Neck Parkway. It was not possible, owing to scheduling issues, to cover all of the Queens businesses in the JBBDDC catchment. However, those that were visited seemed thoroughly happy to see that their City government was showing an interest in hearing of their difficulties and to learn of what programs or help was available to them.

SIKH PARADE SET FOR OCT 29

The Gurdwara Sant Sagar (Sikh house of worship) will celebrate the 553rd birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Ji, The First Master and Founder of Sikhism, with their annual parade on Saturday, October 29, 2022. Marchers will assemble at 11:45 AM at the Temple at 242-25 Braddock Avenue. Parade route: Cross the Braddock Avenue Bridge to the northbound Cross Island Service Road; north to Hillside Avenue; east to 263rd Street; north to 82nd Avenue; west to Commonwealth Boulevard; south to Hillside Avenue; west to the southbound Cross Island Service Road; south to 88 Road (parking lot of St. Gregory’s Church). Estimated arrival time will be 3:45 PM - 4 PM. There will be a reception in the parking lot with free vegetarian food. All are welcome.

Enclosed herewith are my dues for the year 2022 to the Creedmoor Civic Association, Inc. (\$10 per household)

Name _____

Address _____

Enclosed is an additional donation of \$ _____ Email address (optional) _____

Make check payable to Creedmoor Civic Association and mail to P. O Box 260143, Bellerose, NY 11426-0143

QUEENS FARM EVENTS

The fall is a great time to visit the Queens County Farm Museum. Visit queensfarm.org for details. Here are a few highlights:

New York City’s only corn maze is waiting for you at The Queens County Farm Museum. Friday-Sunday through October 29. Online tickets required. Tickets: \$12; \$8 (ages 4–11) Free for ages 3 & under. Online tickets required.

Want even more of a challenge? Check out Maze by Moonlight — 4 nights only: Saturday, October 14 and 22, and Thursday, October 20 and 27, 5:30-7:30 and 7:30-9:30. Online tickets required.

Halloween on the Farm: Tickets include: The Amazing Maize Maze, DJ dance party, Trick-or-treating with the farm animals! Find nine stations located throughout the farm’s 47 acres, Spooky farmhouse experience, Halloween hayrides. Sunday, October 30 10 am-4 pm. Tickets \$20 per person, free ages 3 and under. Online tickets required.

Hayrides: Saturday & Sunday 10-5 on the hour, Monday-Friday 1-4 on the hour. Tickets \$5, purchase at the Farm Store.

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There have been several burglaries in Sector Eddie recently, mostly in Glen Oaks vicinity. They have been happening between noon and 3 pm, with entry through a rear door or window. A burglar looks at a window with an air conditioner as an open window, because an a/c is easy to push in.

In a recent email, Officer Pesce recommended installing a security bar on side and rear doors. He also recommends keeping jewelry and other valuables in places that thieves would not look, and using a decoy safe, filled with rubble, to trick thieves.

Important item: A CCA member recently reported that a check she mailed was stolen, washed and rewritten for several thousand dollars. If you are mailing a check, use a gel pen that is not erasable and mail the envelope inside the post office, if possible.

EARLY VOTING SCHEDULED

Early voting will take place from October 29 through November 6. The early voting location for our civic area is the sports bubble at Creedmoor Hospital, 79-25 Winchester Boulevard. It is helpful to the poll workers if you bring your voter card which has a bar code on it. Here is the schedule. The hours for early voting vary day to day:

Saturday October 29 9 AM - 5 PM ★ Sunday October 30: 9 AM-5 PM
Monday October 31: 7 AM - 3 PM ★ Tuesday November 1 10 AM - 8 PM
Wednesday November 2, 10 AM - 8 PM ★ Thurs. November 3: 10 AM - 6 PM
Friday November 4: 7 AM-3 PM ★ Saturday November 5: 9 AM - 5 PM
Sunday November 6: 9 AM to 5:00 PM

HALLOWEEN PARADE

SPONSORED BY
CREEDMOOR CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2022
(Rain or Shine)

Creedmoor Civic will host another free costume parade in observance of Halloween. Line up is at Breninger Park (Braddock Avenue at 239 Street) at 1:45 PM. Parade kicks off at 2:00 PM and concludes at the headquarters of the Bellerose Rescue 235-01 Braddock Avenue. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the parade. The event is for local children up to 12 years old and must have adult guardians.

Route: marching counterclockwise:
Braddock Avenue on the South,
240th Street on the East, 88th Avenue
on the North, Lyman Street on the
west. We walk south along Lyman
Street until we reach the side
of the Bellerose Rescue where
refreshments are distributed.
Haunted House is entered (free)
from Braddock Avenue.

Information: 718-464-3369

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