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NORTH BELLEROSE CIVIC ASSOCIATION INC.
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Next Meetings:



Wednesday, Mar. 5, 7:00 p.m. sharp

Guest Speakers:

Queens District Attorney Richard Brown
& 105th Pct.'s new Inspector Paul Piekarski



Wednesday, April 2, 7:00 p.m. sharp

Guest Speaker:

Regina Anderson- Health & Nutrition Counselor

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The NBCA meets at Irwin Altman MS172 Beacon School, 81-14 257th St.
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Notes from our President

Welcome back everyone. I know that all in attendance enjoyed the end of the year Holiday party; there was plenty of food and soft drinks for everyone. In the short time we did not see each other, many things have changed. You probably know the congestion pricing talks are ongoing to find a compromise; a plan to go forward, how or not at all is expected this month.

The Commanding Office of the 105th Pct. Deputy Inspector Steven A. Haynes retired at the end of the year. Soon after he got married and has moved to the Carolinas. Inspector Paul Piekarski is our precinct's new Commanding Officer.

Community Board 13 District Manger Sally Martino Fisher resign, effective Jan 10,2008 The Board now is searching for a new D.M. and Assistant.

Royal Ranch Civic Association is fighting the opening of a Group Home by AHRC Agency at 70-25 267th Street. The NBCA is compiling a list of these facilities in our area. Anyone aware of such group homes, please let us know. We identified one at 83-14 251 Street (United Cerebral Palsy of Queens).

The Lawn Litter law prohibiting unsolicited "throwaways" advertising circulars goes in effect soon. At our March 5, meeting we will distribute signs to be placed on the Lawn or a window donated by Sen. Frank Padavan and Assemblyman Mark Weprin.

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Meetings. The NBCA meets at 7:00 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Irwin Altman Beacon School, M.S. 172, 81-14 257th Street (except Holidays, July, August and, if determined by the members at the June meeting, January and February meetings can be deferred.). The NBCA strongly urges members and residents to attend our meetings. If you have a problem, present it in person at one of our meetings. Come down and join your neighbors for a civic and social get-together. Next meetings: 2008: Apr. 2, May 7, June 5.

NBCA publishes NEWSBITS at least five times a year (every other month) generally excluding July and August. Items our members wish to include in NEWSBITS should be sent to the Editor at P.O. Box 135 Glen Oaks, NY 11004. Email: Bearak@aol.com.

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NBCA resident Jonathan Bearak developed the site.

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(April 1 to March 31)

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A message from CAGE (Citizens against Graffiti everywhere):

Graffiti is a sign of lawlessness. If you observe this Crime in progress, call 911. To provide information call 311.



Good Job!! Graffiti clean-up @ Zucker Hillside Hospital 76th ave & 265th street Photo by Bruno DeFranceschi.



A rendering of the new Glen Oaks Library funded by Councilman David Weprin, Borough President Helen Marshall and the Mayor; NBCA's Corey Bearak promoted the project and secured the initial funding and was its chief community advocate; Construction starts this summer.

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President's Message (continued from Page 1)

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- Bruno

Energy Saving Tips

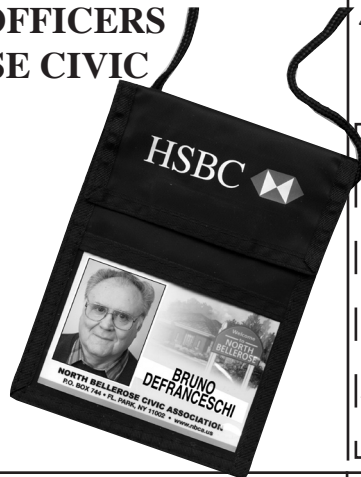
from our Second Vice President, Patricia Klansko

Since we are still in winter, and although the weather seems to be warming up, here are a few energy saving tips that can not only keep you warmer, but will save you money as well:

- Keep your shades and curtains open during the day so that the sun can make your home warmer. Close them in the evening to keep the heat in.
- Move drapes or furniture from around radiators so that the heat may circulate more freely.
- Set your thermostat at 68 degrees during the day and 60 degrees at night. Thermostats in homes with infants, elderly or ill individuals should be set higher or whatever you feel most comfortable at.
- A two-degree adjustment to your thermostat can lower heating/ cooking bills by 4%.

New!! ID FOR THE OFFICERS OF NORTH BELLEROSE CIVIC ASSOCIATION.

To protect our neighbors from un-wanted look alike NBCA Officer, we creating the Badge ID to help protect your safety and helping to indentifying NBCA officers. (Please be nice to them and don't give them any candy might bite you)



Dates to Remember

- Sat., March 8, 2008, 12:00 noon - 4:00 p.m. The First Annual GOING GREEN IN QUEENS conference at the NY Hall of Science sponsored by Queens Civic Congress, Queens Coalition for Parks & Green Spaces, the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation
- Sun., Mar. 9, 12:30 p.m. NEQJCC *Harmony initiative* Food Drive Kickoff followed by 1:00 p.m. Purim Party @ The Samuel Field Y, 58-20 Little Neck Parkway, Little Neck, NY 11362
- Mon, March 24, 7:30 p.m.: Community Board 13, Bellerose Assembly of God
- Thurs, March 27 , 8:00 p.m.: Queens County-Line Democratic Assoc., Temple Sholom, 263-10 Union Turnpike. Holiday Party.
- Mon., March 31, 2008, 7:30 p.m. Queens Civic Congress Zoning Forum: Unfinished Business, Kew Gardens Community Center, 80-02 Kew Gardens Road at Union Turnpike & Queens Boulevard.
- Sun., April 6, Queens Civic Congress biennial Luncheon at Antun's. Watch for details and ticket information.

The Member's Corner

- 1- Best wishes for a prompt recovery to Oscar Berenberg, President of the Lost Community Civic Association.
- 2- To Mike Augugliaro from the Queens Colony Civic Association who we hope to see walking around soon after his knee replacement.
- 3- Margaret Senior Group Travel: "Search for Atlantis" @ Renault Winery-Monday April 21, 2008, \$65 per person Call Margaret 718 343-6670.
- 4- If you wish to get up to date Info from the NBCA Please give us your e-mail address.

Please mail your Membership dues to:

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