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Next Meetings:



Wednesday, Sept. 3, 7:00 p.m. sharp

**Guest Speaker: NYC Fire Dept. - Free Smoke alarms.
(Only members who attend)**



Installation of Officers for 2008-09

by Community Board 13 Chair Rich Hellenbrecht

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

Bring a Neighbor!

Thursday, Sept. 25, 7:00 p.m. sharp

Special Meeting/Program:

Candidates Forum – Assembly-Senate-Congress

sponsored by NBCA and neighbor civics

at Irwin Altman MS172 Beacon School, 81-14 257th St.

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Notes from our President

Welcome back !

I trust you had a wonderful time. We are getting close to the end of Summer and the beginning of the school year is upon us. The traffic naturally will increase.

The City finally decided to end the *ponding* problem on 258-259 Streets and Union Turnpike. The construction project was due to start the first week of August for one reason or another it will start probably on the middle-end of the month. We were told the project will last approximately 6 to 7 months.

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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: Sept. 3, Oct. - no meeting – candidates forum Sept. 25, Nov. 5, Dec. 3. 2009: Skip Jan. & Feb., Mar. 4, Apr. 1, May 6, June 3.

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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Please NBCA help us keep you informed

We welcome reports from our local houses of worships and schools and senior and youth groups. Please help us keep you informed. *Without access to the Internet? Visit our public libraries; use their computers to view the Queens Civic Congress Online (resident Jonathan Bearak developed the site); Visit NBCA online at: http://www.townsunited.com/new_page_3.htm. NEW NBCA HOME PAGE - NBCA.US (developed by Rick Duskiwicz)*

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.



*NBCA and other civic volunteers in action at National Night Out, August 5.
Photo by Bruno DeFranceschi.*

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President's Message (continued from Page 1)

To install a new storm sewer system, the City will have to relocate a 20 Inch water main, that feeds the area. This will required to shut off the water from time to time, the residents affected will be notified a day in advance. We were told the shut off should last no more than a few hours. Union Turnpike will be a proverbial mess. The digging will be extensive, Auto traffic will be effected. Please avoid Union Turnpike from 260 to 255 Streets when the project starts.

The National Night Out sponsored by the 105th Precinct, 105th Community Council & Community Board 13 with the cooperation of many Civics' was a great success (over 1,000 people). This year it was held at "The Cabbell Park" in Cambria Heights. NBCA thanks all the Merchants in our area who contributed so much in food, money, games, books, etc. that we distributed, with the assistance of our printer Gunn Gunnadi. See you at our September 3, 2008 meeting. Don't forget the Candidates forum night on September 25. There is no meeting in October.

- *Bruno*

The Member's Corner

- 1- NBCA thanks Helen Dounias of HSBC, Glen Oaks branch for the ID tag holders.
- 2- GET WELL WISHES for Lino Tretter for a speedy recovery.
- 3- Columbus Day Special "Italian Serenade" at Atlantic City Hilton, Tickets \$45 per person; for more info contact Margaret @(718) 343-6670
- 4- Thank you NBCA for Graffiti clean up on Union Turnpike North and South side of 254th & 255 St. -V.C.
- 5- Dedication of the new Our Lady of the Snows Church took place August 5 with the celebration of Mass by Most Rev: Nicholas DiMarizio.



The new Our Lady of the Snows Church

Message from 2nd VP Pat Klansko:

How to stop ID Thieves:

- 1) Whenever someone asks you for your Social Security number, make sure you write it down on a piece of paper, rather than verbally say it out loud, make sure you take the piece of paper back so that it is in your possession.
 - 2) Never, ever keep your Social Security card in your wallet.
 - 3) If your mailbox doesn't have a lock, replace it with one that does, or get yourself a P.O. Box.
 - 4) Destroy all your junk mail using a cross cut shredder, this makes it harder for a thief to paste all your info back together again.
 - 5) Request your credit reports annually.
- Should you become a victim of stolen identity, please make sure to do the following:
- *Contact your local precinct as soon as possible to file a report: you will need this as proof for creditors that your claim is legitimate.
 - *Obtain your credit reports and look for anything suspicious. By law everyone is entitled to request a free report once a year: ID theft victims are eligible for additional reports from the major credit bureaus.
 - *Place an official *Fraud Alert* on your file. This warns banks and other creditors to exercise caution when new accounts are opened in your name.

Dates to Remember

- * Thurs, Sept 18, 7:30 p.m.: Speaker TBD, Queens County-Line Democratic Assoc., Temple Sholom, 263-10 Union Turnpike.
- * Mon, Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m.: Community Board 13, Bellerose Assembly of God
- * Mon., Sept. 15, 2008, 7:30 p.m. Queens Civic Congress @ Queens County Farm Museum

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