

The Bellerose Village

BULLETIN

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors,

It is hard to believe that fall is officially here. Where did the summer go? I would like to thank President, Jean Moore, of the Junior Women's Club for the donation of flowers to the Village. Special thanks to Paige de Armas and Rose Shea for assisting me in planting the flowers. During the summer months, the Village has been successful in repairing pot-holes, sidewalks, cleaning catch basins, and pruning trees. Our summer arts and crafts program was bigger than ever. We had over 80 children in attendance and 15 teenagers volunteered their time. I applaud Danielle Napolitano for heading the program and the children who volunteered to help. A job well done!

Fall is a busy time for Bellerose Village. We started off with the annual 9/11 Memorial Service sponsored by the Fire Department. I would like to thank Chief Cortapasso and the Fire Department for their time and effort in planning yet another successful 9/11 service.

9/11 was such a pivotal point in all our lives and must always be remembered.

The Halloween Parade will be held on October 31 followed by a visit to the Haunted Fire House. Let's hope the weather is delightful and our Fire House a bit frightful. Our annual food drive will be held under the direction of Rose Shea and Ann Marie Byrnes. The donated food will go to the Incarnation Parish in Queens Village. Thanksgiving is a perfect time of the year to give thanks for our many blessings and remember those less fortunate.

Our Holiday season starts off with our Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 4th with the singing of carols by the Long Island Sounds of Floral Park Memorial. Immediately following the ceremony, the Junior Women's Club of Bellerose prepares and serves refreshments, while we all sing Christmas carols with the New York Brass Choir. The weekend would not be complete without the annual Breakfast with Santa on December 5th and a special visit from you know who.

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PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR LOCAL BUSINESS'

LEAF REMOVAL SEASON

Our leaf removal season will begin on October 19th and end on the weekend of November 28th and 29th, then bag all leaves for sanitation. Residents are reminded to rake the leaves into the street, leaving at least 18 inches open between the curb and the line of leaves for run-off of storm drainage. Residents who have a landscaper are reminded that it's your landscaper's responsibility to cart away your leaves. **ONLY** leaves should be raked into the road. **AVOID** creating huge mounds of leaves. This will not only hinder the process, but will cause a safety issue regarding children at play and parked cars. If you have a catch basin near your home, a check of the drain grates for clearance of rain water would be greatly appreciated. Please try to avoid placing branches, vines, grass clippings, and other debris in the piles. This will clog the machine and cause a possible delay in the pick-up operation.

CATCH BASINS

The annual Storm Water Management report for 2009 has been completed and is available at Village Hall for your viewing and comments. Any comments, concerns, or complaints regarding storm water management should be addressed to George Braun c/o the Village Hall. We have cleaned our catch basins and during the process discovered that three were in need of repair. Plans are in place to move forward with these repairs. Remember to practice healthy household habits that will keep common pollutants like pesticides, pet waste, grass clippings, cleaning and automotive fluids out of our catch basins. By practicing these healthy habits you will be protecting our lakes,

streams, rivers, wetlands, and coastal waters.

U.S. DEPT. OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

Through the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) the Village has been successful in securing \$169,000 over the last three years for the expansion of our Village Hall/Senior Center. The money was earmarked in three installments: \$30,000, \$35,000 and \$104,000. We hired the firm of , Sidney B. Bowne & Son, LLP, to prepare architectural and engineering drawings. With our funding finalized, they are ready to prepare a bid document. Once the document is completed, published, and accepted, we will be ready to start construction. It will surely be a great addition to our Village Hall/Senior Center to have a completely workable kitchen and eating/meeting area. This renovation will truly aide in the planning/holding of events that require food preparation and proper refrigeration.

SNOW REMOVAL

The Village has contracted J & R Landscaping, the same company we used last season, for our snow removal this year. In the event of snow, all persons owning or occupying any house, building, or vacant lot must clear their sidewalks within 24 hours after snow has fallen or ice has formed. Snow should be placed on the grass and/or to the right of the driveway. Any resident who received a new sidewalk is reminded to use calcium chloride instead of salt on your sidewalk. This substance is less corrosive.

FUNDING

The Village has been fortunate to receive funding for various improvements

throughout the Village. Recently we received \$5,580.00 from Legislator Richard J. Nicoletto that was used for the tree plantings on Pennsylvania Blvd. in the business district. Legislator Nicoletto has also proposed \$25,000 toward the repair of our police booth. Senator Craig Johnson has secured \$5,000 for the fire department. He hopes to secure an additional \$100,000 for the Fire Department, \$50,000 for sidewalk repairs, \$100,000 toward our Master/Beautification Plan, and \$10,000 for catch basins. Our most recent funding success story this year that Ron DeSouza worked on so hard is the \$200,000 from Congresswoman Carolyn McCarthy for repairs to the fire house under the heading of Homeland Security. The Village will have to match \$67,000 in funds which has already been allocated and set aside. As soon as we are in receipt of the funds, we will start the planning process. We are always grateful to all our representatives for any financial assistance they could render.

JERICHO TURNPIKE UPGRADING

Renovate, Restore, and Renew is the word on Jericho Turnpike. A special thanks to the Petzold's who own Ultra Sonic Car Wash and the Louros's for the renovation of their properties on the Turnpike. You've created the catalyst for change. Creating a business district that is now becoming reflective of the homes abutting it. I am pleased to report, further construction is planned with the addition of more stores. Coming soon, and the newest addition to our landscape will be 7 Eleven. A meeting was held on July 22nd with representatives from 7 Eleven. All residents were invited. There was much discussion and residents voiced their concerns. As a result of the meeting, I believe there is a better understanding between the residents and 7 Eleven. Major concerns about garbage, loitering, noise and lighting

were addressed. The façade will reflect the tudor décor that is prevalent throughout the district with the addition of a clock tower. An overwhelming majority of the sidewalks on Jericho Turnpike are in dire need of repair. Sidewalk improvements are planned with a phototype in place. The Village has hired the survey company Control Point to start the process. Once their work is completed, we will follow up with a meeting of all the owners to discuss the next step in the process. It is the responsibility of the business owner to keep their sidewalks in good condition and free of tripping hazards. I urge our residents to visit and support our local merchants.

In closing, I wish to thank all the residents who volunteer their time and energy to make our community the unique haven it is.

Sincerely, Donna Sherrer

Congratulations to:

- Tria Reuss for 25 years of Public Service
- Rosemary Stimpfel for 25 years of Public Service
- Richard Handler for 25 years of Public Service
- Honorable George Cappiello for 30 years Public Service
- Anthony DeGaeto for 50 years with the Bellerose Fire Department

Our condolences go to the families, friends and relatives of:

- Joan Ardito on the loss of her husband John
- Marie Keyloun on the loss of her husband George.
- Ann Soller on the loss of her mother and brother.
- George and Susan Cappiello on the loss of Susan's father and mother and George on the loss of his mother.
- Patrick Cappiello on the loss of his mother.
- Lynn Sherman on the loss of her father.
- Eileen Scott on the loss of her father.
- Jackie Kovacs on the loss of her father.

FREE SNOW PLOWING FOR OUR SENIORS & DIFFERENTLY-ABLED

Sandor Kovacs has once again volunteered to plow out driveways for our seniors and differently-abled residents this winter. Call him at 516-488-0402 and be free to go out in the snow.

BULLETIN BOARD

OCTOBER 2009

JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB ANNUAL GARAGE SALE
Saturday, October 3rd – 6:30 p.m.

B.D.D.C.
Tuesday, October 6th – 6:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S CLUB
Tuesday, October 13th – 1:00 p.m.

B.A.R.
Wednesday, October 14th – 8:00 p.m.

JUSTICE COURT
Wednesday, October 21st – 6:00 p.m.

JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB
Thursday, October 22nd – 7:30 p.m.

JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB OKTOBERFEST
Saturday, October 24nd – 7:30 p.m.

BOARD of TRUSTEES MEETING
Monday, October 26th – 7:30 p.m.

HAUNTED HOUSE/HALLOWEEN PARADE
Saturday, October 31ST
Village Office closed Columbus Day, October 12th

NOVEMBER 2009

WOMEN'S CLUB
Tuesday, November 10th – 1:00 p.m.

B.D.D.C.
Tuesday, November 10th – 6:30 p.m.

B.A.R.
Wednesday, November 11th – 8:00 p.m.

JUSTICE COURT
Wednesday, November 18th – 6:00 p.m.

JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB / LADIES NIGHT
Friday, November 20th – 7:30 p.m.

BOARD of TRUSTEES MEETING
Monday, November 23rd – 7:30 p.m.
November 3rd – Election Day Village Hall
Village Hall closed on November 26 -27 – Thanksgiving
Village Office closed Veteran's Day, November 11th

DECEMBER 2009

B.D.D.C.
Tuesday, December 1st – 6:30 p.m.

TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY
Friday, December 4th 6:30 p.m.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
Saturday, December 5th 6:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S CLUB
Friday, December 8th – 1:00 p.m.

B.A.R.
Wednesday, December 9th - 8:00 p.m.

BOARD of TRUSTEES MEETING
Monday, December 14th – 7:30 p.m.

JUSTICE COURT
Wednesday, December 16th – 6:00 p.m.

JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB
Friday, December 18th – 7:30 p.m.

Village Office closed December 24th & 25th for Christmas and December 31st and January 1st for New Year's

FLU SHOTS

ST. GREGORY'S
Friday, October 23, 2009 – 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Register: Fred Albert at 1 (718) 347-7049
60-64 years old \$25.00

Pneumonia shot \$30 65 years old - Medicare
FLORAL PARK RECREATION CENTER (AARP)
Wednesday, October 28, 2009 - 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
REGISTER WITH SCOTTIE BEATLE AT 516-354-4933
To report anything please call the Village Hall at 354-1000.

Thank You!

HOLIDAY PARKING

Street parking restrictions are suspended for the following days:

Thursday, December 24th and Friday, December 25th
Thursday, December 31st and Friday, January 1st.

Call the office with any announcements you wish to include in the newsletter.

THE FLORAL PARK CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATIVE DVD COLLECTION IS ON SALE NOW!!!

AVAILABLE AT FLORAL PARK VILLAGE HALL FOR \$29.95

A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY GIFT!!!

**APPROXIMATELY SEVEN (7) HOURS OF PROGRAMMING IS CONTAINED
IN THIS FOUR (4) DVD COLLECTION...PLUS AN EIGHT (8) PAGE BOOKLET**

Disc # 1:

“A Centennial Review: Photos & Friends”

- ❖ Introduction by Former Mayor Phil Guarnieri
- ❖ Introduction by Former Mayor Tom Hayden, Centennial Chairman
- ❖ Over 350 Still Photos of every significant Centennial Event including dates, committee chairs, committee members & key volunteers

“100 Years ~ 100 Images”

- ❖ 100 Historical Photographs, as seen on the Four Village Studio Community Billboard throughout 2007 & 2008

Disc # 2:

“The Winter Carnival: Daytime Events”

- ❖ Featuring two shows from magician John Reid & a performance by the AfterGloWorms, a barbershop quartet

“The Winter Carnival: Fireworks Display”

- ❖ Michael Amante, the Can-Dee Music Singers & Bay Fireworks

Disc # 3:

“Floral Park: A History Walk”

- ❖ Walter Gosden, Village Historian & Larry Davidson visit Floral Park’s historic locations

“Centennial Gardens: The Walking Tour”

- ❖ Former Mayor Steve Corbett & Floral Park Conservation Society volunteers tour Floral Park Centennial Gardens & Bird Sanctuary

Disc # 4:

“The Centennial Parade”

- ❖ Coverage & Commentary of the Centennial Parade held May 10, 2008

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