

THE QUEENS VILLAGE CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

NEWSLETTER

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We Don't Complain About Problems — We Work On Solutions

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My Dear Queens Villagers,

Welcome to the start of our new civic year. I trust that your summer was enjoyable. We now look forward to a bountiful autumn and a productive year.

Let's take note of some recent "positives":

- . The summer passed with fewer noise issues in our civic area than in prior summers.
- . The Lawn Litter Law, which prohibits unwanted advertising literature and flyers from being placed on your property, has had good results. You can obtain the signs you need to notify advertisers of your rejection of their advertisements at this month's meeting. (Refer to article in the news page.)
- . Illegally parked tractor trailers and mammoth auto conveyor trucks on Braddock Avenue near the intersection of Hillside Avenue are being ticketed by the 105th Precinct.
- . Over the past three years, many of us campaigned actively against the live poultry slaughter house that opened in our community. This summer, our state legislators enacted a law that prohibits such establishments from opening within 1,500 feet of residential dwellings. (Refer to article in the news page.)

We know that more remains to be done to get our share of services on such issues as building code compliance and enforcement, roads, education, and uniformed City Departments.

We would be remiss if we did not recognize the sterling work of Amelia Kent and Nagassar Ramgarib, immediate past Presidents of our association. Thankfully, they are still available to advise us and help us with our work. It is due to such "volunteer neighbors" that our civic is entering its 52nd year and still going strong.

Our September meeting will be a working meeting where we ask our membership for input, ideas, and suggestions. It's your civic. Let 's have a good turnout. I hope to see you there.

Yours truly,



John Stiller



Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 16

8:00 P. M.

Place:

Stewart Hall

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Springfield Blvd. & 93rd. Ave.






On the Agenda: Discussion of Community Problems

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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OUR MEMBERSHIP

You can join us at our monthly meetings or by using the membership application form in this newsletter. Dues are \$5.00 a year per person. As a member, you will have our newsletter delivered to your home and receive our support in helping to resolve problems in the community that diminish your peace and comfort. Our civic year runs from September 1 through August 31. Dues for the current civic year are now due. We need you to increase our strength and our clout as we fight for City services and programs to maintain and improve our quality of life.

LAWN LITTER LAW SIGNS AVAILABLE

Signs stating that you do not want advertising literature and flyers left on your property will be available at this month's meeting. The signs are your legal notice to advertisers that you are protected from their unwanted solicitations by the newly enacted Lawn Litter Law. The law imposes a civil penalty of between \$250 and \$1,000 for violations. The Department of Sanitation will be enforcing the law. If you have posted a sign, but the unwanted advertisements are still being placed on your property, you can file a property owner complaint form with the DOS. You can obtain the form at this month's meeting or by calling 311.

CELLPHONE RECYCLING

More than 500 million obsolete cellphones are gathering dust in homes and offices throughout the United States. If you have such a phone, you can recycle it and at the same time make a contribution to the needy. Call the Good Deed Foundation in Phoenicia, New York, at 845-688-23218, for a postage-paid envelope or collection box for mailing to the foundation. Some phones will be sold with the proceeds going to programs that help women and children escape poverty or to support climate-change initiatives. Others will go to older adults so that they can make 911 calls.

DO NOT CALL REGISTRY EXTENDED

The "Do Not Call Registry" was to expire in June of 2008, but has been extended for an indefinite period. The registry forbids unwanted calls to your home and calls from telemarketers. Exempted are political operations, charities, telephone surveys, and businesses that you deal with. If you have not as yet registered your telephone number, call 888-382-1222. Violators face fines of up to \$2,000.

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26TH ANNUAL QUEENS COUNTY FAIR

The 26th Annual Queens County Fair will be held at the Queens County Farm Museum, located at 73-50 Little Neck Parkway, in Floral Park, on Saturday and Sunday, September 20 and 21, from 11:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. This wonderful family event is a traditional county fair with Blue Ribbon competitions in livestock, produce, home crafts, and arts and crafts. Early American craft demonstrations, pie eating and corn husking contests, pig racing, Lumber Jack shows, make your own scarecrow, hay rides, petting zoo, carnival rides, a midway magic and ventriloquist show, and fabulous live musical entertainment make this event a must-do for people of all ages. Enjoy the Irish band and dancers on Saturday, and the German band and dancers on Sunday. Visit the Bavarian Garden, the green house, and enjoy tours of the historical farmhouse. Craft vendors will show their wares. Good food will be available. Admission for adults: \$6.00. Children: \$3.00 (ages 12 and under.) Parking is free.

CONGRATULATIONS

Proud parents Lex and Sue Ann Amoroso announce the birth of their daughter, Skye Marie Queyin, on July 22. She is the sister of Alex and Tyler, the couple's two sons. Sue Ann is our Recording Secretary and member of our Executive Board

SEATS AVAILABLE AT LOCAL SCHOOL

PS/IS 295, our newest school in Queens Village, located at 222-14 Jamaica Avenue, has 20 2nd grade seats available for the current school year. Contact Zeta Vincent for registration at 718-464-1433, Ext. 1042.

A VICTORY FOR OUR COMMUNITIES

A bill prohibiting poultry slaughterhouses from being located within 1,500 feet of residential homes has been signed into law by Governor Paterson. The legislation was sponsored by our Assemblywoman Barbara Clark and co-sponsored by our Senator Frank Padavan. Such establishments slaughter fowl for consumption and often do not properly dispose of the entrails, creating unhealthy conditions in the streets and sidewalks and odors that are almost intolerable during the hot summer months. There are more than 70 such establishments in the City, mostly in Queens, the Bronx, and Brooklyn. There are two remaining bills of the Poultry Market Legislative Package that are expected to become law: A moratorium on the licensing of new live poultry markets in New York City for one year, and the establishment of a task force to examine the public health and safety issues involved.

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