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NEWSLETTER

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

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors,

We salute all our Armed Forces as we prepare to observe this Memorial Day on May 27, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. Let us continue to preserve our liberty that was set forth by those who made the ultimate sacrifice for us to enjoy our freedom. Please come out and join our local veteran's group, American Legion Post 301, community leaders and fellow Queens Village residents at Veterans Plaza at Jamaica Avenue and Springfield Blvd. to pay respect and tribute to all our veterans by laying a wreath by the monument.

My family and I and most of the local immigrants have pursued and realized the American dream. However, I am proud we did it in the legal way. I do not believe that illegally crossing the borders into this country is good for the country now or in the future. I call on our political leaders to address the migrant crisis immediately, in a comprehensive and humane way that is beneficial to the country.

Following up on the one thousand migrants at the Creedmoor Tents campus, our Mayor has added another 170 beds to the men's Shelter to those already there. This is not good for our Quality of Life, especially to those residing close to this encampment. Please use your vote to send a message to our elected officials; this is not what we want in our community.

Sadly, the Rite Aid Pharmacy on Hempstead Avenue closed a couple of weeks ago. I urge you to be vocal to make sure this building continue to be retail space and not become another homeless shelter.

Just a reminder to our members, as the weather gets warmer, please do not drop your guards; keep your homes and vehicles secured, locked, and safeguarded.

See you at the meeting,

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Ram Ramgarib



MAY



Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 15th
7:30 P.M.

Place: Betsaida Spirituality Center at
Our Lady of Lourdes School Building
92-70 220 Street

Entrance on 220 Street behind Parking Lot on
Springfield Blvd.

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AFTER-SCHOOL COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

Make your health a top priority. Join us in this year's exhilarating activities and take charge of your well-being. You deserve to live your best life, so let's start now.

When: Saturday May 18th, 2024. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Main Location: 213-10 92nd Avenue (Playground area)

Rain Location: Cafeteria area

Call us for more information: ((718) 465-0651 (Ask for extension 2022) or (347) 512-9618

Any questions email us: Director - shenriquez-mondesir@newyorkedge.org
Asst. Director - dejohnson@newyorkedge.org
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Memorial Day Wreath Laying Event

Monday May 27, 2024, 11 a.m.

Veteran Park - Jamaica Avenue and Springfield Blvd



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OUR MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to our newest member, Azeez Gulab from 94 Avenue. You can join our civic association by using the membership application form on page 2 of this newsletter. Dues are \$10 a year per person. As a member you will receive our newsletter and have our support to help resolve problems in the community that diminish your quality of life.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The office of Assembly Member Clyde Vanel is looking for volunteers for community services for community events. Please contact the Assembly Member's office should you need to volunteer or need more information at (718)-479-2333.

QUEENS BUS NETWORK REDESIGN – FINAL PLAN

The Queens Bus Network Redesign is an innovative and comprehensive initiative aimed at enhancing the bus commuting experience for Queens residents. This plan signifies the Mass Transit Authority (MTA) commitment to making bus travel more efficient, accessible, and responsive to our riders' needs.

In December 2023, a Proposed Final Plan was released. The MTA will continue with stakeholders outreach through the Spring 2024.

For detail on the Bus Redesign and to provide your feedback please go to: <https://new.mta.info/project/queens-bus-network-redesign>.

105th PRECINCT

At the last 105th Pct Community Council meeting, Precinct Commander Capt. Beauvoir reported that car thefts remain a problem throughout the precinct. He mentioned 2021-2024 Honda CR-V and 2021-2024 Acura TLX models as being particularly vulnerable, because thieves are apparently able to electronically simulate their key fobs.

The NYPD advises that we use a Club-type steering wheel lock or a brake lock. Also, a tracking device like an Apple Air Tag or a Tile Mate for Android phones would help locate a stolen vehicle.

DINING OUT NYC

The City recently released the final rules for the city's permanent outdoor dining program, "Dining Out NYC." The new rules layout clear guidance for restaurant owners as they work to create new set-ups based on the new rules. The final rules prioritize equity, expanding access to safe, clean outdoor dining in all five boroughs. The following is what will be allowed:

- Roadway cafés, which are located in the curb lane or parking lane fronting a ground-floor restaurant, will only be permitted from April 1 through Nov. 29.
- Sidewalk cafés, which are located on a public sidewalk or sidewalk widening that fronts a ground-floor restaurant, will be permitted year-round.

NYC DOT MODERN PARKING METERS

NYC DOT Unveils Upgraded, Modern Parking Meters to Replace Current System.

- NYC DOT recently unveiled upgraded, modern parking meters that will roll out citywide.
- The meters' new Pay-by-Plate technology is paperless and will allow users to enter their license plate number instead of displaying a receipt on their vehicle's dashboard.

THE "LockerNYC" PROGRAM

New Yorkers worried about getting their packages stolen can start having them delivered to secure lockboxes instead of their front doors, under a new program.

- The "LockerNYC" program will start as a pilot, with lockbox units set up at seven locations across Brooklyn, Manhattan and Queens.
- Each unit can hold twenty-five packages at a time and is equipped with two security cameras, LED lighting and anti-theft mechanisms on the locker compartments. New Yorkers can sign up to use the lockers for deliveries from Amazon and other retailers for free online.

CUNNINGHAM PARK FARMERS' MARKET

The Cunningham Park Farmers Market is now open for the season with local fruits and vegetables, pasture-raised meats, fresh seafood, baked goods, prepared foods and much more.

The market opens every Sundays from 9:00AM to 2:00PM through December 22, 2024.

The market is in the parking lot of the Park northeastern corner, Union Turnpike & 196 Place.

QUEENS FARM MUSEUM

Queens County Farm Museum is located at 73-50 Little Neck Parkway. Queens Farm offers a variety of programs including field trips for school groups and adult education, ticketed admission days, site tours, volunteer farmer days, and corporate & private site rentals.

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