

# **Rocky Hill Civic Association Bulletin**

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## **Rocky Hill Civic Association(RHCA)**

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## **Upcoming 2009 Membership Meetings**

- No meeting in February
- Next meeting is Tuesday March 10<sup>th</sup>

## **Dues Drive for 2009 Begins**

On page three is a listing of our members who have paid dues for 2008. Thank you for your contributions. Your 2009 dues coupon is on page 2. Please clip and complete and send it with your dues payment to the address on the form. If you are willing to perform volunteer work for your association, please indicate that on the form and you will be contacted. Thank you in advance for your support.

## **Historic Site in Rocky Hill Civic Association:**

In the area of 88<sup>th</sup> Ave. and Pontiac Street was a German style beer garden known as "The Creedmoor Rest".

## **Presidential Inauguration is a Historic Event**

This election has widely been viewed as historic. Record numbers of people attended the inauguration of the first African American President. The level of citizen participation has been encouraging. Persons contributing to the campaigns, people voting, as well as the vast numbers attending events has been an encouraging sign for civic involvement. We hope that continues to build and energizes each and every member of our community to become involved.

**Block Captain for Musket Street** Please contact Frank Toner by email or phone

**Food Dynasty may be forced to close its doors as early as Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>.** On Saturday Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. there is a rally in the parking lot 220-46 Hillside Ave. Please come to show that our community supports the supermarket.

## **Bus Service in our Community**

New York City Transit has evaluated some of the Bus Services in our area. One proposed change is to the **Q27 which runs along Springfield Boulevard**. It travels from 120<sup>th</sup> Ave in Cambria Heights to Roosevelt Ave. and Main Street in Downtown Flushing. The limited stop service operates only north of the Expressway. NYC Transit has said that they found growing demand for North South Service in Queens and for more Q27 service. They are proposing AM peak Q27 limited stop service at Springfield Blvd and 119<sup>th</sup> St. in the Spring. This will allow faster service to Queens Community College and Downtown Flushing. They are also proposing eliminating the North South **Q79** on weekends and reducing its runs during the week. It makes no sense to limit bus service in an area otherwise not served by Mass transit.

**President's Message:**

Flushing Town Hall, located in downtown Flushing on Northern Boulevard, steeped in history, was an appropriate place to view the Inauguration of President Barack Obama. I went there at the invitation of New York City Councilman John C. Liu. In attendance to watch the inauguration on a screen that covered the entire stage were other civic leaders, representatives from various elected officials, students from local schools, representatives of various organizations (the NAACP was one I remember) and a number of other citizens. It wasn't quite the same as being at the inauguration but it was a lot warmer.

Before the showing of the inauguration, representatives of the various organizations were asked to say a few words. I, like many of the other representatives used the occasion to urge the young students to become involved in civic activities. I reminded the students that, at times, it only takes a small group of dedicated individuals working together to make a difference.

It was rewarding to see the enthusiasm that was in the audience, especially the young students. When the President-Elect first appeared on the screen, cheers erupted. When the crowd in Washington D.C. was asked to stand, everyone at the Town Hall rose to their feet. Applause was frequent and loud.

As a civic leader, I am pleased to see our young persons taking an interest in civic matters. President Obama in a biblical reference said "the time has come to set aside childish things". One interpretation of those words is that we must put aside our selfishness and work together.

This has always been what civics and civic associations have been about. We work together and through our commitment to volunteerism, create a better world for not just ourselves but for those around us.

The speech was well written and delivered as so many of President Obama's speeches have been. Many phrases are quotable. In one segment of his speech he uses that quote from General George Washington that has had special meaning to me.

In the year of America's birth, in the coldest of months, a small band of patriots  
huddled by dying campfires on the shores of an icy river.

The capital was abandoned. The enemy was advancing. The snow was stained with blood.

At a moment when the outcome of our revolution was most in doubt, the father of our  
nation ordered these words be read to the people:

**"Let it be told to the future world that in the depth of winter, when nothing but hope and  
virtue could survive, that the city and the country, alarmed at one common danger,  
came forth to meet it."**

**Shoveling Snow is a service that is needed by members of our community.** If you are willing to shovel walks, you can leave your name with me and next time I get a call from one of the residents in our community who wants to hire someone I will pass your name on.

**Condolences:**

**Condolences** to the family of George Dixon who had resided on Union Turnpike. George was a former block captain. **Condolences** to the family of Ellen Stevens of 242<sup>nd</sup> St. Ellen was a past Recording Secretary of the Creedmoor Civic Association.

**Rocky Hill Civic Association, Inc. -- Annual \$5.00 Dues Drive Receipt for 2009**

**Name**..... **Email**.....

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I am interested in becoming a RHCA Board or Committee Member or would like to volunteer for a  
Special project. Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ We will contact you to discuss volunteer opportunities.

## Rocky Hill Civic Association: 2009 Dues Drive and 2008 Donor List

Last month was the start of our annual **Dues Drive for 2009**. We are supported by the generosity of our members and dues remain at **\$5.00 per year**, although some members chose to contribute more.

Your dues pay for the Bulletin, meeting place rental, supplies and donations to local community groups. All Officers and Board Members are unsalaried. You can give your dues to your Block Captain or send it to the address on the previous page. Members contributing their dues are acknowledged below. An asterisk denotes an extra contribution. Thank you for your support of the Association's work. If there is an error in our listing, please do not be offended. If you notify us we will issue a correction in the next bulletin.

<b><u>Ashford Street</u></b>	<b><u>Ransom Street</u></b>	<b><u>Winchester</u></b>	<b><u>231<sup>st</sup> Street</u></b>	<b><u>233<sup>rd</sup> (contd)</u></b>	<b><u>235<sup>th</sup> (contd)</u></b>
Trotter	Tsekouras	Koshy	Geller	Schlesier/Farino	Sarna
Singh	Molesphini	Bergett	Ruecker*	Sydenham	Viscardi
Mc Govern	Bou*	Peter	Siegal*	Gomez*	Horvat
Hansen		Siruno	Hirschorn	Van Grembergen	Peritz*
Caragher*	<b><u>Sabre Street</u></b>	Taranoswki	Lynch*	Eggert	Sullivan
Kolanik	Curto		Avner	Malik*	Lynch*
	Neubert	<b><u>87<sup>th</sup> Ave.</u></b>	Harris	Albisano*	Moraru
<b><u>Billings Street</u></b>	Ammendolea	Patino	Vikich*	Seder	Gopaul*
Villacres	Mood	Kavaliauskas	Fernandez	Montano	Del Valle
Villatoro	Jankowski*	Caruana	Frey	Patton	Dadarkar
Zepeda	Welz	Tranquada	Reyes	Coote	
Pastoi	Mastrelli*	Schill	Turbin*	Gritsch*	<b><u>236<sup>th</sup> Street</u></b>
Toner*	Sussich	Escobar	Blinkoff	Talukder/Kumar	Park
Stanton	Manning	Nelson*	Porretto	Vassallo	De Guia*
Flores*	Del Pizzo	Gill	Ramdarie		Chung*
Mathew	Wooley*	Bhandari	Medina	<b><u>234<sup>th</sup> Street</u></b>	Brady
	Avila*	Nelson*		Filomena*	Carlo*
<b><u>Braddock Ave.</u></b>	Nigro	Sadowy	<b><u>232<sup>nd</sup> Street</u></b>	De Angelis*	Poeschi
Ledesma		Saracino*	Ting/Sang*	Myles	McFarland
	<b><u>Seward Street</u></b>	Terrano*	Zaborowsky*	Moyal*	Rodriguez
<b><u>Hillside Ave.</u></b>	Cigliano	Ho*	Pawloviysh	Herrera	de Angelis*
Lupo	Zamora*	Lodato*	Abeynayaka*	Tuccillo	Clemente
Koutenski	Laffey	Vaca	Fernando	Klapp	Attard*
	Rodriguez	Ghai*	Topa	Benczak	Hatch
<b><u>Musket Street</u></b>	Calin	Singh	Shaffer*	Deverdits	Francis
White*	Aquilino		Samar	Ciurdar	Gudino
Varghese	Durkin	<b><u>88<sup>th</sup> Ave.</u></b>	Morales	Spataro	Gorry
Cialdella	Christensen	Busardo	Holle*	Hill*	Breines
George	Krumpl	Harrington*	Jean-Baptiste*	Snell	Marakis
Turano	Lee	Ray*	Foley	Malench	Torres
Grossman	Ali	Davanzo*	Sandiford	Maiero	Patel
Peters	Keenan	Cruz	Brasko/Rucker	Hill	Sarna
Arras		Saville/Hohle*	Monoco	Marcovia*	Viscardi
Mc Mullan	<b><u>Union Tnpke</u></b>	Cavorsi	Parikh	Frey/Vensk*	Horvat
Kwalbrun	Haladay	Kolanik*	Mathew	Zenka	Peritz*
	Gelb	Marcus	Fox/Vassel	Acuna-Reyes*	Sullivan
<b><u>PontiacStreet</u></b>	Ulzheimer	Kalenderian	Mistry*	Loprete	Lynch*
Siconoff	Rodriguez	Troy	Quinto	Spataro	Moraru
Mellides/	Limberg	Foster	Kromer*	Vale	Gopaul*
Mitrakos*	Belani*	Arjun	Albisano	Beovich	Del Valle
Osman	Munoz	Trilivas*	Cundiff		Dadarkar
	Waldron-		Das*	<b><u>235<sup>th</sup> Street</u></b>	
<b><u>Range Street</u></b>	Mulzac*	<b><u>229<sup>th</sup> Street</u></b>		Lutchna	<b><u>237<sup>th</sup> Street</u></b>
Mohabir		Florman	<b><u>233<sup>rd</sup> Street</u></b>	Meyerhofer	Zamora*
Gonzalez	<b><u>Winchester</u></b>	Pitsicalis*	Shinsato	Buonocore	Berke*
George	Sanchez		Friedman	Robinson	Singh
Bersmin	Ratra	<b><u>230<sup>th</sup> Street</u></b>	Ventura	Azrak	Shiwlochan*
Arora	Kumar	Ramsammy*	Radacinski	Grivins*	Perez/Hill
Manalac	Agunzo	Ridloff	Schmidt*	Masotti	Rebong
Rose*	Garrett*	Chandrakantha	Blaha	Celeiro	
David*	Cioffalo*	Gopalsamy	Capotosto*	Brackx*	<b><u>235<sup>th</sup> Court</u></b>
Pencak*	Sweney	Cooper*	Delmore	Marakis	Li
Torredes	Matson	Punnoose	Ingrisano	Torres	Caruso
	Lockwood*		Spiegelman*	Patel	Dindiyal

