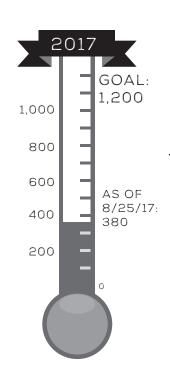
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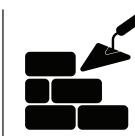
THANK YOU to all who've already renewed your dues for 2017! We appreciate your generosity. For those who haven't yet, there's still time! The Bayside Hills Civic Association is an open homeowner membership organization representing over 1,200 households within the boundaries of Bayside Hills. Our mission is to promote a safer, more livable community. The BHCA Board is volunteer-powered and service-driven. Its advocacy, beautification, and communication work rely solely on the support of members, sponsors, *Beacon* advertisers, and participating discount merchants to maintain and improve our neighborhood. Here is a simple info graphic to show how dues were spent in 2016.





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SPRUCING UP ICONIC STRUCTURES IN BAYSIDE HILLS!

Bayside Hills received a bit of a face lift this summer, thanks to J. Standard Contracting who repaired our two cupola structures on Bell Boulevard and Horace Harding Expressway and Bell Boulevard and 48th Avenue, under the supervision of Sebastian D'Agostino. Gratitude also goes to Queens Budget Director, Richard Lee and Paul DiBenedetto for figuring out how to fund this project. Photos by Rich Kashdan & Tom Louizou





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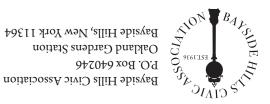
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BHCA Memorial 7:00 PM President's Message

Generally, bragging is not my style, but isn't it wonderful to see those cupolas on both ends of Bell Boulevard finally totally repaired; the finishing touches on our spectacular, completely restored town clock including that beautiful Bayside Hills lettering; and an army of workers maintaining our malls regularly? That's not all folks. We're going to continue to see how we can get those large guideposts along 48th Avenue and 216th Street repaired, and send out inquiries to learn when the promised revitalization of Dermody Triangle Park, also in that area, will commence.



Speaking of our repaired cupolas, the one near the Long Island Expressway is part of our BHCA 9/11 Memorial Garden, always a sight to behold and a spot of which this Civic Association is most proud. This year, as always, our annual BHCA 9/11 observance will be conducted Monday, September 11th at 7:00 PM at the aforementioned BHCA 9/11 Memorial Garden adjacent to L'Italiano Trattoria, 216-01 Horace Harding Expressway.

We all know, on September 11, 2001, terrorists hijacked four commercial airliners to strike targets in the United States. Nearly 3,000 people died as a result of the attacks, yet what have we learned? Maybe we learned that life can end at any given moment for the most bizarre of reasons. Evil exists in this world despite the good nature of most people.

For unfathomable reasons there continues to exist a clash of civilizations and cultures - our western values and beliefs versus

medieval mentality. Therefore to carry on our efforts to promote awareness and show our respect to those who have perished and to ensure that they never will be forgotten, we will once again be conducting our ceremony.

The Boy Scouts of America, as is our tradition, will be in charge of the colors, flags will be distributed, patriotic music will be played, and you will be asked to bring candles to place around our plaque.

I would be remiss in not thanking the Lupo family of the L'Italiano Trattoria, located at 216-01 Horace Harding Boulevard (at Bell Boulevard). Since the restaurant is directly adjacent to the Bayside Hills Memorial, they have been considerate enough to spend a great deal of time watering around the monument and we thank them for that. They also take the time to remove weeds and debris that have accumulated around the area. In the past, as you may remember, L'Italiano Trattoria supplied the assembled 9/11 participants with food from their restaurant.

In addition of course our heartfelt thanks goes out to the BHCA Beautification Committee, chaired by Ronald Keil of Keil Bros at Garden World, for maintaining and enhancing the appearance of the Memorial Garden site throughout the year.

For obvious reasons a great deal of effort has been taken to make this event very special, so a great turnout is always appreciated. Please take the time to remember and reflect on the tragic events that happened 16 years ago on this date. As always, it will be a poignant, memorable evening.

Looking into the future, our first general meeting at the Colonial Church of Bayside located near Bell Boulevard where Luke Place and 216th Street converge, will be our annual "Candidate's Night" 8:00 P.M. Tuesday, October 31st. We will soon be sending out invitations to our guests. This promises to be a very special and exciting evening so please place that date on your calendars and arrive early because we expect a large turnout that evening.

You can well imagine there are numerous projects on the horizon for the Bayside Hills Civic Association. All we need is you. Hope to see everybody September 11th and October 31st, and of course at all future meetings and events sponsored by the BHCA.





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BHCA HELP CORNER!



We're looking for help from the community to replace the 15-20 planters in our malls. Over the years, they have become worn and are falling apart. Are you in construction or a business where you can donate lumber/paint/supplies or your time? Or perhaps you are able to provide us with a proposal of what the cost would be for replacing the planters? Any and all help would be appreciated! Please email baysidehillscivic@gmail.com.



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BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS:

With the beginning of a new school year approaching soon, every student should have a strategy to attack it with efficiency. Below are a few tips that will help to ensure success.

• Study for quality, not quantity.

If there's a test coming up on four chapters, study them over the span of a week rather than all in one day. This way, more information will be retained.

• Put that highlighter down.

While highlighting may seem like efficient studying, it's not efficient if all that's being done is highlighting. Instead, jot down notes in a separate notebook. Studies show that writing things by hand increase the likelihood of information retention.

• Be active in your reading.

Don't read like a passenger. Go over each passage read in your head and see if you can paraphrase it yourself. In

addition, after finishing the whole reading or chapter, it's a good idea to make flashcards of its main ideas and important definitions for self test purposes.

SCHOOL TRAVEL SAFETY TIPS

This September, new safety features will be implemented along Oceania street and 210th street to make traveling to and from M.S. 74 safer for both students and their parents. These changes include buffered bicycle lanes across each of these streets, increased space outside the school for drop offs, newly painted crosswalks at 210th street and a speed bump along 210th street, south of 64th avenue.

While these changes may only affect the areas surround M.S. 74, it is everybody's responsibility to maintain a safe environment for students. Below are a few tips and reminders for both drivers and students so that everyone can travel to and from school safely.



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SCHOOL TRAVEL SAFETY TIPS (CONTINUED)

FOR DRIVERS:

- Look for school zone signals and obey their speed limits.
- Always stop for school buses that are picking up and dropping off students.
- Do not pass drivers or make U turns in school zones.
- Do not drive distractedly in school zones. This includes the use of all hand-held devices.
- Unless it is completely necessary, avoid the use of hands free cell phones in school zones.

FOR PEDESTRIANS:

• Stay on the same side as traffic and try to cross the street only when near a crosswalk when the crosswalk shows the walk symbol. • Use the safest route to and from school and leave early enough to ensure that there is enough time to get to school safely.

FOR CYCLISTS:

- Always wear a helmet as they have been proven to reduce the risk of head injury by as much as 85 percent.
- Parents, if your child will be riding a bicycle to school, first check with the school to see if it is allowed as some schools do not allow students under certain ages to travel alone.

—Benjamin de Leon III

P.S. 332Q OPENING THIS FALL

A new elementary school, P.S. 332Q is slated to open in Bayside near the corner of 48th Avenue and 211th Street for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year. The new school will accommodate PreK-Fifth grade, but according to a spokesperson from the city's School Construction Authority (SCA), the school will begin the year exclusively with pre-K and kindergarten. The four-story school has been built to hold 468 seats. "The SCA saw a need for a new primary school and were able to acquire the property," the spokesperson said. "The school will be fully air-conditioned and is accessible for students and staff with disabilities." Construction began in 2015, and P.S. 332Q opens its doors to its first classes of students on September 7.



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