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## **Presidents Message:** *Brian Laroche, President*

Can you believe that 50% of graduating high school seniors report using drugs? Did you know that Quincy has been averaging 13 deaths a year due to overdose from drugs? I cannot believe nor did I know! Our committee has been working hard at preparing an informational night on the “epidemic” of Drug and Alcohol Abuse that is facing our community. What we have learned in our preparations is astonishing. Everyone should attend our informative night on February 28<sup>th</sup> from 5pm to 7pm. That includes seniors, parents, teens, teachers, taxpayers.... What? Taxpayers you say? Yes, this epidemic costs us money, it affects our health care costs, corrections, courts, police, prevention all of which are paid for by the taxpayer. This is a social problem which affects us all, you need to be aware. What can you do? come and find out, learn and understand what this problem is all about. I’ve been so very humbled by what I’ve found out working with our informed community members and those who have been directly affected, I now realize that I was naive in what I thought I knew. Read more about the event inside the bulletin, we’ve put a lot of thought into the program and how to present this issue. We are even going to provide free pizza, provide supervised play space for toddlers, have a movie room for the younger adolescents who are not ready to hear the message, all to ensure that everyone including families are able to attend. Please do me a favor and join us, it’s important.

## **Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Night** **HOUGHS NECK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

Teens may be a hard study, but knowing more about their world—and the pressures and influences surrounding them—will help us connect better with them and help keep them drug-free. Come and learn more.

**JOIN US ON**  
**Sunday February 28 from 5pm to 7pm at the**  
**Houghs Neck Congregational Church.**

*Also watch for a “Parent’s Boot Camp” that we are going to co-sponsor in March with EDAN, more details in next months bulletin.*