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No Fireworks This Fourth

by Mark Zuckerman

For the first time in more than fifteen years, the Independence Day celebration in Roosevelt will not feature a fireworks display.

*for a schedule of
fireworks displays
in the area, see
page 16*

Bill Counterman, who heads the Roosevelt Fourth of July Committee, cites the want of trained and willing people, lack of funds, and complaints by residents near the school for the suspension of this traditional activity.

A Labor of Love

The fireworks displays were the province of George Loyer, a former Roosevelt resident now living in Vermont. Loyer organized the fireworks for "eight or nine years," taking over from onetime Rooseveltian Ted Marton. Loyer tried for two years to find

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Council Airs Water/Sewer Issues

by Adeline Weiner

At the Borough Council meeting on May 11th, the focus was on the water and sewer utilities.

Present at the meeting, attended by 20 members of the public, were Mayor Leon Barth (presiding) and Council members Jill Lipoti, Marilyn Magnes, Ed Moser, Ralph Seligman, and Carol Watchler. Council member Jim Alt was absent.

Water Failure Described

Ed Moser, Chair of the Public Utilities Committee, reported on the previous Monday morning's water pump failure, which resulted in a loss of pressure.

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Planning Board Hears Development Concept

by Bob Clark

Three owners of major tracts of northern agricultural lands presented the third major development concept in as many months to the Planning Board at its May meeting. On behalf of himself, the Nurkos and the Cuzzolinos, Frank D'Amico displayed a model for a hypothetical "Falcon Ridge Equestrian Community and Center" that would, if accepted by the Planning Board and Borough Council, be constructed on land west of Route 571 on both sides of Nurko Road.

The request to introduce this plan was made too late to make the formal agenda for the meeting, but Planning Board Chair Alan Mallach allowed D'Amico some time during the public discussion period to make an informal presentation.

The mock-up did not specifically depict the Roosevelt site, and D'Amico said that the project would be built at some desirable location in the state. The miniaturization depicted a thoroughbred training track with facilities for a school for jockeys and trainers, as well as a few dozen townhouses.

D'Amico said—in the face of some skepticism from Board members—that no children would be allowed in the community. He stated that a private association would maintain all

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**Remember Primary Day, June 7
Vote at Borough Hall, 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM**

see profiles of Council candidates, page 12

Letter from the Editor

Open Letter To:

Leon Barth, Mayor, Borough of Roosevelt

Carol Watchler, President, Roosevelt Borough Council

Edward Grossman, President, Roosevelt Board of Education

Alan Mallach, Chair, Roosevelt Planning Board

Lou Esakoff, Chair, Roosevelt Zoning Board of Adjustment

May 16, 1988

The *Bulletin's* primary mission is to provide a means of informing residents of Roosevelt about facts, events, issues, and other items of interest to the community.

I would like to invite you and the bodies you represent to join with us in this effort.

In the past, the *Bulletin* has often carried regular features by our public figures. These have included reports from the Mayor, letters from the School Administrator, and articles by various members of the School Board and Borough Council. I would like to see these again as regular items in the *Bulletin*, along with articles by individual members of the Planning and Zoning Boards.

In addition, I encourage you to use the *Bulletin* as a vehicle to educate the public about your various activities, and to publicize your meetings, events, and news of community interest.

I would be happy to meet with you and with your members to arrive at the best means of effective cooperation. In the meantime, I offer the following suggestions as a starting point:

- We would appreciate a monthly memorandum anticipating events of the following month and alerting us to articles we can expect for the current month. For meetings, we need to know the date, time, place, meeting leader, and (if possible) the agenda. For articles, we need to know the subject, author, and approximate length. Our deadline is the 15th, but this can be extended by prior arrangement.
- It would help our reporters insure more complete coverage of your proceedings if any private portions of your meetings could be deferred until the public portions are completed. Would this be possible?
- Please consider how we might jointly prepare a series on "How It Works": articles describing the functions, responsibilities, and workings of your group.

We are always receptive to suggestions on how the *Bulletin* might improve its performance in covering local issues. Please do not hesitate to make contact with our reporter or with me.

Sincerely,

Mark Zuckerman
Editor, *Roosevelt Borough Bulletin*

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Board of Education Reorganizes

The Roosevelt School Board held its organization meeting in April, following the recent election which changed the composition of the Board.

Ed Grossman was elected President, and Debra Allen, Vice President. The School Board Secretary, an employee of the Board, is Josephine Cavalluzzo. Howard Prezant is the Treasurer of School Funds.

Committee chairs were also assigned at this meeting. They are:

- Policy: Debra Allen
- Building and Grounds: Lou Esakoff
- Finance: Art Unger
- Education and Personnel: Anne DeCocco
- Negotiations: John Burghardt
- High School and Transportation: Margaret Katz
- Instructional Council: Margaret Schlinski and Anne DeCocco
- Legislative Delegate: Margaret Katz

Teacher Presentations Heard

During the April regular meeting the Board heard a presentation by Mrs. Kellisch and Mr. Luckenback on the 6th, 7th and 8th grade program. These teachers outlined their program and instructional activities for these grades.

During the May regular meeting the Board heard a presentation by Mrs. Ostrove on her Speech program and her involvement with the Rogate program, the Gifted and Talented program, and the library.

The Board also heard Mrs. Smith present an outline of her Physical Education and Health program. She requested that the Board repair and upgrade the PE equipment.

Mrs. Sacharoff presented a discussion of the Resource Room and Supplemental Instruction programs.

The Board heard from Mrs. Groskopf about the Preschool program, which is in its first year at RPS.

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School Board Calendar

all meetings are at RPS

Thursday, June 2

Education Committee, 7:30 PM
Personnel Committee, 7:30 PM

Monday, June 6

Finance Committee, 7:30 PM
Building & Grounds Committee, 8 PM

Tuesday, June 7

Negotiations Committee, 7:30 PM

Thursday, June 9

Board Agenda Meeting, 7:30 PM

Thursday, June 16

Board Action Meeting, 7:30 PM

Friday, June 24

Policy Committee, 7:00 PM

PTA News

by Robin Carroll

It's election time again for PTA officers. At the PTA meeting on May 10th, the Nominating Committee announced the names of the people interested in becoming officers of the PTA for 1988-89. They are: Carol Zaleski, President; Robin Carroll, Vice President; Filippa Unger, Treasurer; Adeenah Yeger, Secretary. Election of the new officers will take place at our meeting on Tuesday, June 7, at 7:30 PM in the school cafeteria. All PTA members can vote, and we hope to see you all there.

As we look back over the past year, it has been a busy one. Our PTA unit received an award from the Monmouth County Council of PTAs for a 100% increase in the number of our members. Let's keep it up for next year!

Our fundraisers have been successful and enabled us to provide assemblies for the children almost every month this year. The proceeds also made it possible for us to donate \$1000 to the Roosevelt Community Summer Camp Program. The Winter

Carnival was a great success. We're hoping to make it an annual event since everyone enjoyed it so much.

We are happy to report on the great success of our Campbell Soup Label Collection. We collected 1600 labels which enabled us to get a free heavy duty tape recorder for our school. It has already arrived and is being put to good use in the classrooms. We thank all the parents who collected labels and invite everyone to join in our collection for next year. Save your labels over the summer so we will be able to get more free equipment for our school. Call Robin Carroll 443-0610 or Shelley Hatzfeld 443-1841 for more information. The class which collected the most labels wins a pizza party.

On May 24th, there will be a Kindergarten Roundup for children entering Kindergarten in September and their parents. The PTA will provide refreshments and an introduction to the PTA for the new parents.

A reminder that we will again have our magazine sale in the Fall. If possible, please wait to renew your magazine subscriptions at that time.

As the year draws to a close, we would like to thank everyone who supported and helped us during the year with our fundraisers and functions. A special thank you to the RPS 8th graders who helped us throughout the year, the artists, businesses, and individuals who generously donated to our mini-Chinese Auctions.

In closing, we would like to congratulate our 8th graders as they graduate from RPS and wish them all a bright and successful future as they enter Hightstown High.

Bulletin to Remember **Mary Jane Berlinrut**

The *Bulletin* mourns the passing of Mary Jane Berlinrut, who was for so long a vital part of life in Roosevelt, and a guiding spirit to the *Bulletin*. We send our deepest condolences to her family and friends.

The next issue will feature a set of articles in remembrance. Anyone wishing to participate should contact the Editor.

Nursery School News

by Alison Edwards Petrilla

The nursery schoolers are on the march this month, with plans to visit several community sites, including the post office, the First Aid and Fire squads, and Dr. Adams' neighboring veterinary office. The children have already spent a wonderful hour at another Roosevelt institution, the Deli/Restaurant, watching how pizza is made and then sampling the delicious final result. Thank you so much, Rossi family! The kids loved their visit—and the pizza!

Back on the school front: Our teacher Karyn Grunwald is leaving to pursue a full-time career in another field. The whole RCNS family wishes her the best of luck. Our sincere appreciation, Karyn, for the time, patience, and creative energy you put in this year to get our program started and to keep it running and expanding.

To ease the transition period for our current students and to allow parents of future enrollees to see our new program in action, our Director Arlene Stinson had already taken on the duties of Head Teacher/Director which she will continue next school year. Arlene is a master teacher with several years' experience working with multi-age preschool groups like ours. We're all looking forward to another great school year.

We'll also be swinging into fall with a new name for our school: the Roosevelt Community Nursery School, which better reflects the structure of our organization as a community-based private non-profit, preschool.

Our recruitment program for the 1988-89 school year is still going strong, and we'd again like to invite interested parents of 2-1/2 to 5-year-olds to drop in, observe our half-day program, and speak with our staff. Call 426-9523 for information.

This month's "thank you's" go to Clara Levinson, Thermon and Helen McKoy, and Carol Watchler for their generous gifts to our equipment fund; to Liz Prestopino for contributing the artwork for our updated brochure; to MIRA for doing the brochure's layout and typesetting; and to Cathy Petrilla for allowing us to usurp an entire room in her house to store the used books for our upcoming sale. We are grateful also to Jayne Henry for her donation of classroom materials; to Jane Kennedy, Ilus Lobl, and Elly Bermowitz for their contributions to our tables at the Synagogue Sisterhood's recent Flea Market; and to all those who patronized that sale. Thank you all!

We are still collecting clean used books for our fall Used Book Sale. Call 426-9523 for pick-up or simply deposit your paperbacks and hardcover books in our barrel in the Borough Hall entranceway.

Board of Education *continued from page 3*

Instructional Council Reactivated

The Board reactivated the Instructional Council, which had been defunct for many years. The Council is composed of Board members and teachers, and provides an avenue of communication between RPS staff and the Board. Mrs. Schlinski and Mrs. DeCocco represent the Board and Mrs. Strapp and Mrs. Sacharoff represent the teachers.

The first meeting was viewed by the participants as very productive in establishing open communication between the Board and the teachers. Many topics were discussed, including report card revision, supplies, 8th grade trip, handbooks, honor roll, improving school spirit, and substitute teachers. The Board directed Dr. Sussman to investigate each of the concerns and report back at the June regular meeting.

Involvement with Staff Issues

The Board has been heavily involved with preparing for and hearing two teacher grievances. One has been heard, the other should be scheduled shortly.

The Board has had two special meetings to discuss non-tenured and tenured staff evaluations. At the latter, Dr. Sussman, School Administrator, presented his self-evaluation.

Long-Range Plans Discussed

On Sunday, May 15th, the Board held a Special Meeting to discuss and develop preliminary suggestions for the 5 Year Plan designed by Dr. Sussman. The Board anticipates the completion of a comprehensive 5 Year Plan.

Mr. Esakoff and the Buildings and Grounds Committee have begun to address the list of 47 violations against RPS.

Mrs. Allen and the Policy Committee continue to upgrade and codify Board policies. It is the goal of this Board to upgrade its policies and to develop appropriate procedures.

The Board voted to continue discussions with East Windsor regarding sending Roosevelt 6th, 7th, and 8th graders there, and to initiate a discussion with that district on Regionalization.

Bulletin Offers Assistance

Borough Bulletin Editor Mark Zuckerman appeared before the Board to offer the use of space in the *Bulletin* to publicize activities of the Board and the school. Specific items mentioned were a schedule of committee meetings, articles from teachers, honor rolls and notices of academic awards, and a Principal's Letter. The Principal's letter had been a regular feature of the paper until the spring of 1985.

The *Bulletin's* invitation was well-received. Mrs. Schlinski invited Mr. Zuckerman to attend the next Instructional Council meeting.

Anticipated Endeavors

Board President Ed Grossman sees as a main priority the streamlining of the Board's public meeting format, with the hoped-for result of shortening the meetings.

Also on the Board's future agenda is the hiring of a part-time librarian and the upgrading of the school library.

In the News

by Peter Warren

Wins Award

Dorothy V. Nickel of Lake Drive has received the Golden Poet Award. The award was presented at the Las Vegas Hilton, where 2,000 poets from around the world, among them Milton Berle and Eugene McCarthy, were in attendance.

Mrs. Nickel's published poetry was often read by Don McNeil on his Breakfast Club radio show. Her writing has included religious stories for calendars and research for television scripts.

She is presently at work on two TV scripts. One is based on the life of her cousin, historian Henry Adams—grandson of U. S. President John Quincy Adams—and his wife, Marian (Clover) Hooper Adams.

Yellow Belt

Steven and Robert Bianchi have earned their yellow belts in Okinawan Karate, at the Hightstown YMCA. They have been studying the martial arts for about a year.

Black Lacquer...

... is the title of the jazz composition by Jonathan Duckett which was given its world premier by the MCC Stage Band on May 4th. Jonathan is currently recording a collection of his jazz compositions. Perhaps we can look forward to its presentation in Roosevelt.

Angel of Mercy

Debbie Friedman has successfully passed her Boards for Registered Nurse after getting an AA degree in nursing at MCC and joins the lengthy list of professional nurses living in Roosevelt. Debbie is on the staff of Helene Fuld Hospital in Trenton, working in the Step Down Intensive Care Unit.

Teacher of the Year

Cynthia Imbrie, first grade teacher at the Sylvia Rosenauer Elementary School in Jackson, has been awarded the Governor's Teachers Recognition Award as Teacher of the Year in her School.

Assessor Association Election

Michael Ticktin, Roosevelt Tax Assessor since 1974, has been elected First Vice President of the Monmouth County Assessors Association, putting him in line to become President of the association.

Speaks on Africa

On May 25th, Peter Warren spoke about his experiences in Africa over the past 25 years to each of the two Six Grade Sections of the Krebs School in East Windsor.

Wins First Place

Herb Johnson won first place for his age category at the Monmouth County 1988 Biathlon, an 8-mile run and 14-mile bicycle race held in Sandy Hook on May 1. His winning time was one hour and fifty-eight minutes.

He is also entered in the Monmouth County 1988 Sprint Triathlon to be held in Long Branch on September 11. This race consists of a 1/4-mile swim, a 14-mile bicycle race, and a 4-mile run. Herb has application forms for other residents who would like to join this event. Competition is organized by sex and age group. There is a \$25.00 registration fee. The registration deadline is August 30.

Exercise!

by David Bulkin

Exercise Feels Good
But... Attending
Exercise Classes Can
Be a "Pain"
This class at the Boro
Hall is done at your
own pace, every Tuesday
and Thursday morning
between 10 and 11.

It's free to all residents
and you don't have
to travel far.

Go for it ! ! ! ! ! ! !

First Aid Squad Installs Officers

The Roosevelt First Aid Squad held a meeting last month to install the officers it elected this past winter. Officers serve two-year terms, which expire at the end of 1989.

The new RFAS officers are:

- President: Nancy Bauerle
- Vice President: Faith Penalver
- Treasurer: Bill Counterman
- Corresponding Secretary: Jesse Norris
- Recording Secretary: Pat Moser
- Captain: June Counterman
- First Lieutenant: Irene Block
- Second Lieutenant: Peggy Guyette
- Training Officer: Jack Guyette

RFAS has 18 active members and 10 retired life members.

Senior Citizens

by Helga Wisowaty

The May 3, 1988 meeting was postponed until next month. I do, however, have a few things I'd like to mention. Margaret Schlinski asked me to thank those who voted for the Board of Education. They have our wishes for a good term in office, and the wisdom to do their best for everyone.

I also want to tell everyone that Rose Corman, the President of the Hightstown Chapter of Deborah, is recuperating at home after being hospitalized for a few weeks. Rose was given a luncheon in April at the Clarion. Many of her friends attended to honor her and wish her well. Next Month (June) we'll meet a week later (June 14) because we'll all be voting on June 7, I hope.

Planning Board *continued from page 1*

roads, as well as the common facilities and abundant open space depicted on the scale model. He noted that the developers would work with the town on the exact layout, number of housing units and necessary utility upgrades.

The land is presently in the agricultural zone. The proposal would require a zoning change by the Council after it received a recommendation from the Planning Board.

Mallach told D'Amico that the Board could not indicate if it were receptive to the idea until an architect or engineer did a site-specific preliminary sketch showing how the development would connect to water and sewer utilities, preserve open space and link with the community. He said that the Board could not provide any assurances of support should the developer undertake such efforts.

Other Recent Development Plans

At its April meeting the Board discussed a proposed Planned Community Development Ordinance that would specifically designate the type and location of approximately 80 residential units for the Notterman tract east of North Valley Road and south of Eleanor Lane. At its March meeting the Board received an informal proposal from a developer for the construction of 139 residences bordering the northern side of Oscar Drive.

Of the three concepts only the Notterman area is designated for future residential growth on the recent Plan-

ning Board reexamination of the town's Master Plan.

As a guest of the Planning Board, architect Fred Travisano described the process in which he and other professional volunteers developed the concept underlying the Notterman tract ordinance. Travisano explained that, with input from the public at a Sunday workshop, the experts focused on three primary issues in developing a concept appropriate for the site: open space, type and scale of house, and residential density and rhythm.

The Board will hold a public discussion of this ordinance at its next regular meeting on June 1.

Committee Formed

Board member Anita Cervantes reported on an open space preservation workshop which she attended. One of the organizers of the workshop was Board member Gail Hunton. Cervantes said that a proactive stance is the key to preservation. At her urging the Board passed a motion authorizing Mallach to appoint a committee to gather information, hold workshops and report on preservation strategies.

Board members of the committee are Cervantes, Hunton and Mayor Leon Barth, also a Planning Board member. Barth agreed to serve, although he cast the lone vote opposing creation of the committee, citing his desire to first allow time to study the packet of information which Cervantes brought back from the workshop. Mallach will also appoint two members from the general public.

Site Plans Approved

In other action, the Board approved a site plan and lot width variance allowing Paul and Peggy Gerling to build a single family house on a long, but narrow, 24-acre lot running along the stream corridor near the houses on School Lane and the north side of Pine Drive. The Gerlings abandoned for the time being their earlier proposals to subdivide the tract. The Board conditioned its approval on location of the driveway as far as possible from the abutting property on School Lane, borough engineer approval of water and sewer connections and retention of vegetation within the setback from adjoining properties.

The Board also approved a site plan on behalf of the Santacolas for construction of a house on the south side of Eleanor Lane. In addition, it recommended to the Council that the housing element of the town's master plan be submitted to the State Council on Affordable Housing.

The Board also took under advisement Michael Ticktin's suggestion that it address the issue of improving the extension of Oscar Drive into Witch's Hollow Road in Millstone Township. Ticktin cited pending development in Millstone, where 1200 feet of Witch's Hollow borders Millstone on the north and Roosevelt on the south, as justification for consideration of whether the Planning Board should recommend that the Council take any action.

**The Planning Board
will hold a public discussion
on the latest draft
of an ordinance to govern the development
of the Notterman Tract
at its regular monthly meeting in the Borough Hall
Wednesday, June 1, at 8:00 PM**

Connaughton Named to Planning Board

by Mark Zuckerman

Mayor Leon Barth has named Dennis Connaughton to a three-year term on the Planning Board. Connaughton replaces Aaron Datz, whose term expired at the beginning of the year, and whose schedule precluded a reappointment.

Connaughton, a 37-year old graduate of South Brunswick High School, has lived at 6 Pine Drive for the past three and a half years with his wife Donna and his two daughters, Traci and Holly. He is a warehouse man for Channel Home Centers in Cranbury, and also works part time at Roosevelt Wine and Liquors. He enjoys the job at the liquor store because "it's a great opportunity to meet people."

Connaughton values the "peacefulness and quiet" of Roosevelt, and believes that Roosevelt in its atmosphere and attitude captures the best sense of small-town America: a closely-knit, secure community; a good place to raise children. He says that this appreciation of Roosevelt will form the foundation of his work on the Planning Board.

He sees the primary challenge facing Roosevelt as "the development of a plan to accommodate growth without changing the feel of the town and still maintain the quality of life... Keeping the greenbelt areas is essential to keeping the quality of life in this town."

Connaughton feels that growth is inevitable, and wants to come up with a development plan which residents find not only acceptable, but desirable. "Residential development can best serve the town if we can get the right deal from developers in terms of impact fees." Residential growth, he feels, will "help improve the cost-effectiveness of the school." He believes that residential growth is most likely, but does not rule out commercial or industrial development. "It is not economical to site an industrial park here," he says, "but offices or research facilities may be practical."

"We are already getting fallout from development in surrounding areas—for example, in increased traffic. If we are going to get negative fallout, we might as well balance it with positive things." He says that a potential positive "fallout" from the increase in population of the surrounding communities is increased opportunities for current and future Roosevelt businesses.

Connaughton sees his appointment to the Planning Board as "a great opportunity to learn more about the town." He feels he offers the Board "objectivity, energy, and an open mind. I'm no expert, but I plan to read and learn all I can." He says that he respects and approves of the work the Planning Board has done in recent years.

Asked what he thinks about the three main growth proposals facing the Planning Board, Connaughton commented on each. Of the horse farm proposal presented to the Board this month [see *Planning Board Hears Development Concept*, p. 1—Ed.] his initial reaction is that the plan is not in keeping with the village idea of Roosevelt. He is optimistic about the Switchel proposal, a plan to build clustered housing and townhouses north of Oscar Drive. He is impressed by Switchel's offer of impact fees to help refurbish the water and sewer plants, and believes that Switchel is willing to work with the Planning Board.

Connaughton thinks that the proposed Planned Community Development ordinance—governing the development of the "Notterman Tract"—is a good step. He sees this as a possible precedent for the Switchel development, and as a sign that the Borough is willing to take the initiative in thinking about development as a reality. However, he sees the PCD ordinance primarily as an exercise, since no developer has expressed an interest, and the land holder has made no move to sell.



Dennis Connaughton
photograph by Donna Kaufman

Connaughton likes to hunt and fish, and is a member of the National Rifle Association. He also plays the guitar.

He became active in local politics last fall when he ran unsuccessfully for Council in the Republican column. "I did better than I thought I would, considering how few Republicans there are in town," he says. Connaughton would like to see a more active Republican party in Roosevelt, if only to keep more people involved in the community. "Parties really don't come into play when you get down to local politics."

Connaughton says he is a member of the Citizens' Group, although he isn't sure what that means. "We need a real organization, with regular meetings. Right now it's too undefined." He says the Group came into being last fall because they felt local government was "not responsive," and says that he has noticed a "more open and responsive" attitude on the part of members of the Borough Council since the last election. He believes the Citizens' Group has a viable role as a watchdog committee, to "make sure things are run right" and to "assist in local government."

"Why go out of town when we have resources right here?"

Planning Board Report: County

by Anita Cervantes

On Tuesday, April 19th, I attended a workshop called *Green Spaces, Livable Places: Making a Difference in Monmouth County*. The workshop, sponsored jointly by the Monmouth Conservation Foundation and the Monmouth County Park System, was organized in part by Roosevelt Planning Board member Gail Hunton.

I went to this workshop for three reasons. The first was to broaden my knowledge about planning in general and about preservation of open space in particular. The second was to get a sense of what other citizens on other Planning Boards in our county are doing and thinking.

The third reason was the most important. In my three years on our Planning Board, I have gleaned a single overriding impression of how most Roosevelt residents feel when confronted by pressure for residential development: whether they view it with favor or not, they basically seem to feel that there is little that they can do to affect when or how it occurs.

So my third objective in attending this workshop was to find out, from people who are actively working to preserve open space, if this feeling of impotence is really justified.

The answer is both "yes" and "no." It boils down to a fairly simple equation: If your view is that there's nothing you can do except wait for the inevitable, there will be nothing you can do. If your view is that there has to be something you can do, then you can do something.

Following is a brief summary of those who spoke at the workshop and the points in their talks which I found significant.

Judith Stanley, President of the Monmouth Conservation Foundation, said that people in communities under development pressure are not aware of the options open to them. Ms. Stanley observed that many municipal governments think that increased residential development will help them to get out from under increasing infrastructure improvement costs. They are, she said, unaware of the statistic that a \$3 rateable in this area

costs \$5 in services. In this connection, she spoke of "the sham of the rateable rattrace." She noted that The Foundation, using local action to meet local needs, works with county and local governments, historical associations, development corporations, and private individuals to acquire, hold, and preserve open space.

Sam Hamill is Executive Director of the Middlesex-Somerset-Mercer Regional Council, a private organization founded to chart development in those three counties. His primary point was that demographics have changed: because most households now are either single-parent or double-wage-earner families, we need parkland and open space in places which are easily accessible, and places to work which are not far from where we live. Among the planning goals he cited were "to pick out the best of the past and use it to build the future," this in reference to a new development modelled on the functional "cluster" pattern of the traditional farmstead or rural village. He also spoke of the "managed growth alternative of saving open space by building it into mixed-use centers," this in reference to "village centers" where people both live and work and "office campuses" like Carnegie Center; and he said that "by talking about no growth we obscure opportunities to control it."

Roger Wells, landscape architect and planner, works for municipalities as well as for developers. He felt that the anti-development battle is healthy because it causes people to focus on the issue of preservation, but, he said, we should beware of the "bloodshed" it can cause. Each community, he said, must have a vision of what it *does* want as well as what it does not. He made the point that because change provides opportunity, it must be planned for. Most communities, he said, are unwilling to do this; and in his view, they pay for it by being unable to preserve that which they do *not* want changed.

John Rahenkamp, landscape architect and planner, said emphatically that land is a farmer's only equity

base and that we can't expect the farmer to maintain it for the rest of us in perpetuity. He spoke eloquently about how we need farmland for breathing space, but we can't mistake this need for the economic viability of farming. However—significantly for Roosevelt—he demonstrated how deed-restricted farmland has been built into development plans which also include a variety of other uses.

He talked in highly specific terms about things to avoid, saying that one of the most common reactions to new development in rural towns is to increase the minimum residential lot size, in the mistaken belief that, since the new houses will be spread farther apart, this will preserve the town's open, rural character. In fact, this often produces exactly the opposite result: the remaining open land gets subdivided at an even faster rate. Worst of all, such developments almost always consume the entire parcel of farmland being sold and leave no residual open space for farming, natural enjoyment, or scenic beauty—the very things the town often set out to preserve.

Robert LeMire, land-use consultant and investment advisor, integrated what all of the earlier speakers had to say into a positive goal-setting framework. His credo is "save what needs to be saved and build what needs to be built." He started by saying that as difficult as it is to swallow that some change is inevitable, first of all "change" does not always mean development and secondly, change is far easier to deal with when you have maximum control over it.

He went on to say that most landowners perceive development as the only way to realize the dollar value of their property. Communities, on the other hand, perceive that the only way they can participate effectively in change is by "police powers" which strengthen their control over the development process. These two positions are inherently adversarial, and so the situation is cast in "win/lose" terms. Since all participants feel from the start that their options are severe-

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ly limited, they act in ways which they might not if they were aware of wider alternatives.

LeMire said that there are rural uses that will allow landowners to realize *more* value for their land but still meet the community's goal of keeping the working farm landscape, and stressed that "we are not in a box." If we educate landowners about their choices and help them to protect their investment we will be recasting the situation in "win/win" terms. In this way, we expand not only their options but by definition the community's as well.

Farmers, he said, sell their land to developers for conventional development not because this offers the best deal in town but because it is perceived as offering the *only* deal in town. Thus, if it is possible for a community to reach out to landowners and help them to realize the value of their land using creative alternatives to conventional development, the community can truly participate in the process of planning for the preservation of that land in the desired ways.

LeMire gave many highly detailed examples of how his community in Massachusetts had used this approach to preserve extensive acreages. Specifically, the approach involved the following steps: making detailed decisions about which acreages and landscapes must be preserved, and which, if push came to shove, could be surrendered to development. A non-profit community-based organization mapped both types of areas in rigorous detail to determine, for developable areas, what kinds of development would be appropriate based on the community's needs: office, research, retail, residential. Then, they surveyed the community about acceptable alternatives. Once there was a plan in place which specifically preserved all of the desired open space, they were in a position, when development pressure came, to find a developer who would use the land the way the community wanted it used. Thus the community, including the local landowners, was in control of the planning

process, rather than an outside force, and both "won."

Other things I learned included the following:

- Relying on 10-acre zoning to protect farmland is at best an inadequate solution, especially if the individual who owns the land does not wish to use it for farming.
- Open space is now seen by some developers as a marketable commodity and not as a profit-eating nuisance imposed on them by a bunch of airhead environmentalists.
- The community must take control of its own development destiny: it must decide to "save what needs to be saved and build what needs to be built," in the words of Robert LeMire. The community must "inventory" the land which it feels is most important to save for open space because of its environmental sensitivity or scenic value; that which is not buildable; that land on which if push came to shove it could see development taking place and what kind of development that might be.

I was interested to hear from people at this workshop who are professional planners how well known Roosevelt is, both because of its original community plan and because of the ways in which Roosevelt has so far managed to preserve its village character and a variety of open spaces.

The single most important thing I learned from this day is that there *are* options which Roosevelt can consider in planning for our future. In other words, there is more than a choice between asphalt and farmland—but these choices are available to us only if we are committed enough as citizens to reach out and use our imagination and intelligence to make use of them.

Anita Cervantes chairs the Land Preservation Options Committee of the Roosevelt Planning Board.

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He felt that the problem was managed with dispatch by the Borough maintenance crew and that the community was informed by way of announcement by the First Aid ambulance. Luckily, water pressure had not fallen below the 10 lb. mark at which point back flow and bacterial infiltration can occur.

Although Moser apprised School Administrator Dr. Stanley Sussman at 8:30 AM that water would be at normal pressure within the next two hours, school was cancelled for the day.

Councilmember Moser stated that on the whole the damage was minimal although the cost of a new motor would be \$2,200. A contingency plan is clearly necessary, he said, by which residents can be informed, perhaps by means of siren signals, of the need to restrict water usage in several stages, such as when water use should be cut back a bit, cut back severely, or when it should be boiled in case of contamination. Chair Moser was praised for efficient handling of Monday's crisis by Mary Alfare.

Sump Pumps Called Illegal

Also in his report, Chair Moser drew attention to the damage caused to the sewage treatment system by the disposal of waste water through the sewer. The problem he described is caused by some residents with leaky basements who have installed sump pumps to remove accumulated water, and have illegally connected their pumps to the sewer line rather than to the storm drain.

He noted the presence of illegal installations of sump pumps in town and described interesting ways of detecting their location. He has checked with our attorney on the Borough's right to inspect and take lawful action.

Question and Answer Period

During the public portion of the meeting, a major segment of the discussion centered on questions from Peter Warren who said that in a

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thorough search of the files he failed to discover information on various aspects of the water/sewer situation. He asked about such matters as a second water tower, about what improvements have resulted from expenditures thus far, about Borough Engineer Birdsall's competence in view of rejection by DEP of his original sewage improvement design. Warren raised concern, once again, about penalties for missing deadlines especially in view of the severe fines imposed on neighboring towns such as Hightstown, East Windsor and Allentown.

Led off by Mr. Moser, Council members and the Mayor participated in a detailed explanation of the sewage improvement plan to date. First, in the light of state requirements to provide either water storage capacity (a second water tower) or a water generator, the latter was chosen as the less expensive option and can be found in the engineer's estimates. The inflow and infiltration abatement project (the Brown St. cut-off), now in place, was cited as an example of work already completed.

Lagoon Design Dropped

The story on the sewage plan shapes up as follows: Engineer Birdsall, who, Moser grants, is by no means perfect, nevertheless has the virtue of being considerate of Roosevelt's straightened finances. He offered us a workable proposal, utilized successfully elsewhere and referred to as the "lagoon design," as an economical "low-tech" scheme for letting nature do most of the work. That would have required a large area on the east side of Pine Drive to be flooded with waste water (not potable but clean). To this, the Fish and Wild Life Services objected strongly, since the water would have been sprayed onto the Assunpink wetlands area. The alternative of moving the lagoon over to the west side of Pine Drive was deemed too close to the houses on that street.

When after three months delay, the DEP rejected the lagoon portion of the

plan (not the whole design), Councilmembers Moser and Lipoti had already consulted with Birdsall and had decided to move to a "high-tech" solution instead. This will require less or equal capital investment than before, but very likely will result in greater operational cost, although this depends in turn on the amount of chemicals needed and the possible savings due to the Brown St. cut-off.

Roosevelt Ahead

Birdsall has volunteered to return a sum of \$14,000 which he had charged for the original rejected design, to be used in the form of future credit. In summary, Moser said that in his opinion, this really was a case of a good design idea that didn't happen to work, rather than one due to incompetence. He further observed that Roosevelt is much further along in planning and financial arrangements than are the towns mentioned in Mr. Warren's question. We signed the Administrative Consent Order, he stated, much ahead of them and have demonstrated good faith by our expenditures of funds so far. If it did come to a challenge, however, we are in a good position to make a winning case before the Office of Administrative Law.

Ralph Seligman pointed out that having been on the scene many times in the course of his work, he has learned that one cannot assume perfect wisdom on the part of government agencies. He stated that though we must certainly comply with regulations, we must also resist the tendency on the part of bureaucracies to impose rigid, narrow procedures that are often prohibitively expensive; that we are duty-bound to determine what is best for ourselves.

Mayor Barth offered the point that the "lagoon" system would have absorbed all Borough land adjacent to the sewage plant and prevented any future expansion of the plant itself. He reported that he is in discussion with a DEP official to obtain an extension of the deadline and to agree on a new schedule for completion. The subject

of the sewage plan concluded with an apparent consensus, that in this reporter's view, was both rare and welcome.

Bulletin Offered as Forum

Again in the public discussion period, Mark Zuckerman, the new Editor of the *Borough Bulletin*, invited the Council to introduce a monthly column on questions of municipal interest, the writing to be shared if so desired by various members. He urged that the paper be utilized systematically by the Borough Clerk and by Committee Chairs as an organ for timely announcements and he offered the pages of the paper as a forum for individual Council members for purposes of informing, educating and debating issues of local government.

Additional Actions

Among actions taken at the meeting were:

- Award of a cleaning service contract to Ralph Warnick: passed 5-0.
- Introduction of Ordinance #29-2 to raise the license fee for alcoholic distribution by 20% to \$330 per year: passed 5-0. A second reading and public hearing will be held June 8th at the next regular meeting.
- Mayor Barth announced the appointment to the Planning Board of Dennis Connaughton for a three year term, fourth class (full member).
- A request from Switchel, Inc. for rezoning of the Beer-Kugler tract (123 acres) from agricultural and industrial to residential and commercial, will be discussed at the agenda meeting of the Council on June 6th.

Council Report: Sewage Plant Plans

by Jill Lipoti

Editor's Note:

This article is the first in an anticipated intermittent series by members of the Borough Council discussing in depth the background of issues under consideration by the Council.

The next contribution will be from Ed Moser, who chairs the Public Utilities Committee.

Most people believe that when they flush the toilet there is a fairy (something like the tooth fairy) who makes everything magically disappear. Well, I have bad news for you. There is no "fecal fairy." All the waste from your home goes through some leaky pipes to the sewage treatment plant. And that plant, in Roosevelt, is old and overloaded.

Currently, there are two major problems with the sewage system. First, there is a lot of water flowing into the sewers. That means that the liquid which must be treated at the plant is very dilute—mostly storm water that has infiltrated the pipes. The plant is overloaded with mostly clean water.

Second, there are stricter standards for the effluent coming out of the plant than there were when the plant was built. These requirements mean that the plant needs to be upgraded with some additional treatment facilities.

Let's look at how to correct the inflow problem. When the sewer pipes were constructed, the joints were not sealed. Pipes that run through wet areas collect lots of storm water that leaks in through the joints. The Borough engineer proposed that sewage be re-routed from a few houses on Lake Drive so that the sewer along Spruce to the Brown Street extension could be sealed off. Work on this contract has already started. By sealing off this sewer, it is expected that a large portion of the inflow/infiltration problem will be abated.

How does the existing sewage treatment plant clean the wastewater? First the wastewater enters a grit chamber where heavy solids such as sand and eggshells are removed. Then there is a comminuter which grinds up all the big solids into small bits. The water then is pumped up to a primary

settling tank where some of the solids settle out, and scum is skimmed off the top of the water. Up to this point the treatment process is easy to understand: gravity removes the solids.

The next phase of treatment is biological. The water is allowed to flow over a bed of rocks known as a trickling filter. A slime builds up on the rocks. This slime is made up of organisms which digest the protein in the sewage. Periodically the slime sloughs off the rocks and new slime grows.

Currently that is the end of the process of purifying the wastewater. The water is chlorinated and goes out into the creek.

The latest revision of the plan for the upgrade of the system includes a secondary settling tank which will allow the slime which sloughed off the rocks to settle out and adds a chemical (alum) to the system to facilitate the removal of phosphate. The effluent will then be chlorinated to kill bacteria, and then the chlorine will be removed with sulfur dioxide. The clean water will flow out to the stream.

Initially, the Council planned to use a very simple technology scheme for the sewage treatment plant upgrade. The Borough Engineer recommended a spray irrigation system with a holding lagoon. This approach was rejected by the Department of Environmental Protection. A second design salvaging the lagoon, but substituting chemicals for the spray irrigation, was submitted and has not yet been reviewed. But meanwhile, the Council has reconsidered the plant and has suggested the plant design outlined here. The Council has instructed the Borough engineer to submit plans for this system along with cost estimates. There are several advantages:

1. This is proven technology and has worked in hundreds of other sewage treatment plants. It is something that we believe fits DEP criteria.

2. The construction will not take up all of the Borough property at the sewage treatment plant. There will be room for growth of the plant should other upgrades be necessary in the future.

3. There will not be a large lagoon which, although fenced and landscaped, could have presented an attractive nuisance to youngsters in town.

4. There will not be a large lagoon with a plastic liner that some day could leak and be very costly to clean up. The lagoon design may have required monitoring wells surrounding it to detect when the liner began to leak.

5. Rough estimates of the construction cost do not appear to be greater than those for the lagoon.

6. The operating cost may be lower since less chemical may be needed. This is only a possibility—operating costs are difficult to estimate.

Of course, there are disadvantages to the system design, too.

1. The plant will be more difficult to operate, requiring the operator to test the wastewater at several places as it goes through the treatment plant to get the right balance of chemical addition and recirculation pump rate.

2. This design requires some facilities for handling the sludge that is generated by the secondary settling tank. In the lagoon design, the sludge handling that was planned was simply to pump out the tank every few years when sludge accumulated.

The Borough Engineer, William Birdsall, has offered to do much of the new design work gratis, since he felt partly responsible for the initial design which was rejected by the DEP.

Sewage treatment plants are not a very romantic subject for conversation, but, in Roosevelt, the subject comes up every time you consider your budget. I wish there was a "fecal fairy" that would make all the waste go away. The reality is that the Borough has to deal with the problem. I hope this article gives you a clearer picture of exactly what the sewage treatment plant does, and will do in the future.

Jill Lipoti chairs the Public Safety Committee of the Roosevelt Borough Council.

**What do you think?
Write the Bulletin**

Candidates

Editor's Note:

To help our readers make informed choices, it is the policy of the **Bulletin** to solicit statements from candidates for local office.

The three candidates for the two Democratic nominations for Borough Council to be decided in the primary on June 7 were sent identical surveys. These surveys asked the candidates for personal data, their record of community involvement, and five questions regarding their candidacy:

1. Why are you running for Borough Council?
2. What is most important to you about living in Roosevelt?
3. Please list in order of importance what you see as the most significant issues facing Roosevelt, and your position.
4. In what areas do you think local government can be improved, and how?
5. What do you feel you offer as a candidate?

The surveys also invited the candidates to offer any other statements they would like to have published.

All three candidates responded to our surveys, and their replies were organized into articles by Hortense Sochowitzky. Every effort was made to present the candidates in their own words and to use their replies in full. The length of each article was determined by the length of the response.

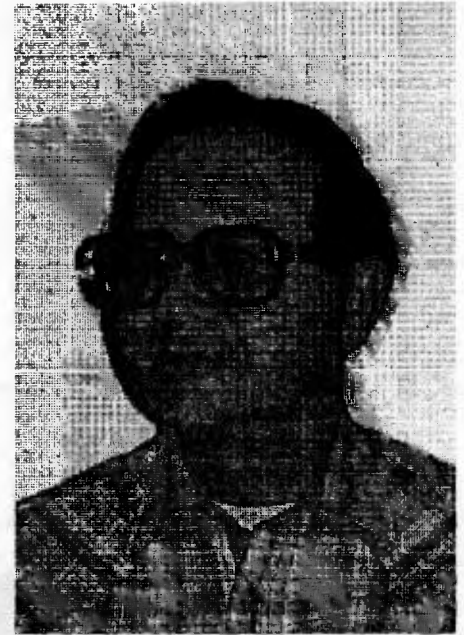
We wish to thank all the candidates for their cheerful cooperation in helping the **Bulletin** perform what we feel is an important public service.

William Counterman

William Counterman, age fifty, has lived in Roosevelt for twenty-seven years with his wife June. He is a computer engineer with the Institute For Defense Analysis in Princeton, and is a member of New Jersey Energy Engineers. He attended Electronic Technician and Communication Technician schools in the U.S. Navy, and part time classes in Math and Physics at both the University of Maryland and Princeton University. He had active service in the U.S. Navy for four years.

Bill Counterman has participated in many organizations outside Roosevelt. Among them is the Clarksburg United Methodist Church, where he has been a lay leader, President and Secretary of Trustees. He served in many positions in the Boy Scouts in Millstone Township Troop 116, and in the Millstone-Roosevelt Little League.

Within Roosevelt, Counterman has been an active member of the First Aid Squad since 1975, serving variously as Vice President, Training Officer, Secretary and Treasurer. In the 1970's he took part in PTA activities. At



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present he is President of the Roosevelt Fourth of July Committee, Inc., a position he has held since the committee's incorporation.

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Jill Lipoti

Jill Lipoti, 32, has lived in Roosevelt for two years, with her husband, Brad Garton, and daughter, Lian Rae. She is an environmental scientist, with a Bachelors degree from Cook College and Masters and Doctoral degrees from Rutgers. She works for the State of New Jersey, in the department of Environmental Protection, as acting chief of the Bureau of Hazardous Substances Information. She belongs to the Communication Workers Union, AFL/CIO, local 1034. She is a member of Sigma Xi, the honorary scientific research society, the Air Pollution Control Association, the American Industrial Hygiene Association, and the National Association of Noise Control Officials.

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Stuart Kaufman

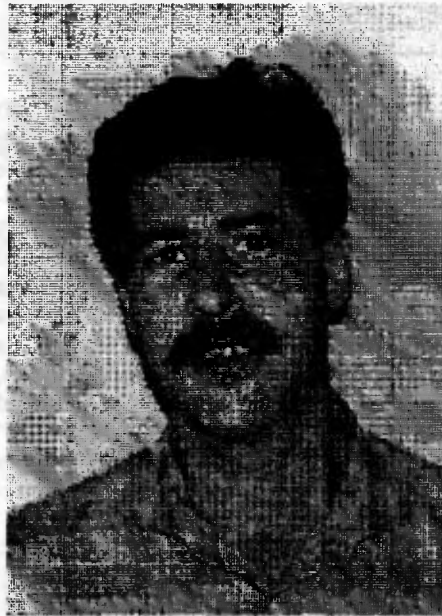
Stuart Kaufman, age 40, has lived in Roosevelt with his wife Grace, his son Harris and his daughter Lauren for three years. He has a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the School of Visual Arts in New York, and works as an artist and as a contractor. He has a deep belief in the Golden Rule—to “do unto others as you would have them do to you”—and “a high degree of open-mindedness, honesty and respect for other people and their viewpoints.”

Since he has lived in Roosevelt, Stuart Kaufman has functioned as coach for both the Millstone-Roosevelt Little League and the Millstone-Roosevelt soccer league for two years.

He is running for the Council, as he did last November, because he believes “we need to have elections with choices.” He judges “the diversity of people who live in Roosevelt” as the most important characteristic of the town.

Kaufman considers that these three are the most significant issues facing Roosevelt:

1. Development of open farm land, which he feels must be controlled. He



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calls for control of the rate of growth, “a rate that will not overburden us ... but will proceed on a sound and efficient basis.”

2. He believes in keeping the school open for future generations,
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Within Roosevelt, Lipoti is an auxiliary member (Lian is not yet a year and a half) of the Roosevelt Community Nursery School. Outside of Roosevelt, she is a member of the Coalition for Nuclear Disarmament, participating in its “Urgent Alarm Alert.” Currently, she is serving on the Roosevelt Borough Council, completing the final year of Lee Selden’s term.

During her years as a graduate student, she worked closely with the National League of Cities and the National Urban League, communicating with cities and towns across the nation.

Lipoti says that after her daughter was born, she changed her “personal priorities from work-related ... to family-related activities.” She experienced “a deep sense of commitment to making the world a better place for the next generation.” Serving on the

Council this year she has learned that she “can in some small way make a difference.” Some of the issues she is involved in are of a continuing nature, and she wants to see them through. That is why she is running for the Borough Council.

Living in Roosevelt, “a small town in a beautiful setting of fields and trees” is important to Jill Lipoti. The “historical commitment to social change, the social and artistic values of the town are values I want my daughter to be enveloped in as she grows up,” she says. (She will be careful to let Lian make her own decisions but she wants her “to be thoroughly immersed in all the good things Roosevelt can offer so she will have that experience to guide her.”)

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Democratic Party Holds Candidates Meeting

by Aaron Datz

About twenty-five people turned out last Tuesday evening (May 24) to hear and question the three candidates for the Democratic nomination for Borough Council. Jill Lipoti, who is an incumbent, and Stuart Kaufman and Bill Counterman are vying for the two slots on the Democratic line next November. All three made brief statements which are more complete elsewhere in this issue.

A good part of the discussion was sparked by a question by Mark Zuckerman who asked the candidates their positions regarding the Citizens’ Group. Kaufman said that the group serves a good purpose, was not out to do people in, was not a “big thing,” and did not endorse candidates for office. Counterman said that though the Group began by doing some valuable work, it later became quite adversarial, at which point he did not agree with them. Lipoti said she did not see any need for this Group in a small community such as ours. She suggested greater communication between elected Council members and the public and greater participation by the public at meetings.

Zuckerman, the Editor of the *Bulletin*, interjected that space would be available in the *Bulletin* for Council reports. Counterman and Kaufman suggested reports by all Committee chairs. Lipoti said that that would be of little interest to the community, and would rather see “hot” issues reported by members of the Council.

Democratic Committeeman Lou Esakoff, who chaired the meeting, pointed out that a leading member of the Citizens’ Group had reported an early problem of the recycling effort to

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He has also served as a member of the Roosevelt Borough Council for six years. His reason for running again for the Council is "to help the community with my technical and administrative knowledge and abilities."

Asked what he finds most important about living in Roosevelt, he says: "Trying to maintain that 'small country community' atmosphere (the warmth and friendliness between neighbors) while ... maintaining our Borough facilities and services."

Asked to list his views of the significant issues facing Roosevelt, he answers,

1. Maintenance of roads, water, sewer, etc. He feels that more aggressiveness is necessary in keeping these facilities in good condition.

2. Community expansion will continue, but we must control growth by "getting the best 'deal' we can as it occurs."

He feels that local government can be improved in two ways: by being "more responsive and open to the ideas and expertise in the community," and by working more closely "with employees and paid services to realize the fullest benefits of their capabilities..." Bill Counterman offers himself as a candidate for Council as one who "gets along well with others, works hard at getting jobs done, and has broad experience and abilities." He is proud to be "an American living in Roosevelt with its strong community spirit."

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Her list of the most significant issues facing Roosevelt, and her position on them is the following:

1. The sewage treatment plant upgrade must be completed in a "scientifically and environmentally sound manner, and in a timely fashion." She believes her specialized knowledge can help with this.

2. Fire protection decisions must be made.

3. Roosevelt can no longer rely on isolation as protection from crime. Crime protection measures need to be taken.

4. The need for the Council to make some decisions about development in town.

She lists development last, she says, only because the first three issues are urgent. This last is "the one big underlying issue for the future of Roosevelt." She lived in Hillsboro long enough "to recognize the damage of rampant uncontrolled development." Her approach will be "first and foremost to maintain the quality of life we have come to appreciate in Roosevelt."

Jill Lipoti wants to see the Council increase its efforts to communicate

with all the people. A "significant and vocal public" is heard at Council meetings, but she would like to have everyone's ideas on issues before casting a vote. She suggests direct communication by the Council, perhaps by a short newsletter. She cites the fact that her grandfather came from a small town in Switzerland where there was true democracy: where "everyone voted on everything." She would like to hear from everyone.

She believes that her PhD in Environmental Science puts her in a "unique position to offer expertise on critical environmental issues," particularly in the sewage treatment plant design and implementation.

She describes herself as a "logical, rational person with a scientific approach to problem solving." She makes decisions after listening to all sides of an issue, she says. She has a "commitment to global issues such as pollution control and nuclear disarmament" and she sees "the value of public service." She hopes that she can make a difference in Roosevelt.

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and in assuring "a quality education" for our children.

3. He cites the need for "upgrading our infrastructure," including water/sewer system, roads and all properties owned by the Borough.

Stuart Kaufman calls for adoption of a charter that "clearly defines the duties of the Council." He urges reducing waste by "using methods which will make the Council more efficient." The Council, he believes, "needs to keep an ear open to all the citizens in Roosevelt."

He offers to the Council a "variety of life experiences and skills." He is an artist, and views life "in a deep philosophical way." He is a business man, and lives life "in a very practical way." He approaches problems "by doing research and careful planning ... using sound financial planning practices, balanced budgets and keeping within projected job costs." He feels that his wide range of construction skills and knowledge would be of value on the Council.

**Voting Procedure
Changes for June 7**

by Mary Alfare

According to District Board Member, David Bulcan, voters need to give extra attention to Sample Ballots in preparing for the June primaries, as there have been several changes in voting procedures. Sample ballots will be mailed to every registered voter in advance of the primary.

For the first time, Democrats and Republicans will be using separate machines; procedures for each are different. Instructions will be given in the Sample Ballots and posted in each machine.

Three Announce Write-In Campaign for Party Committees

by Mary Alfare

David Savage and Donna Suk are running as write-ins for the posts of Democratic Committeeman and Committeewoman. Also seeking these positions are Lou Esakoff and Ann Baker, who are listed on the ballot.

Mark Bianchi is seeking the Republican Committee seat as a write in. There is no candidate on the ballot for this post.

Party Committee people are chosen in the primary, rather than the general election.

In order to appear on the ballot, a candidate must file a petition with the Borough Clerk. All three write-in candidates stated that they did not file because they were unaware of available seats until after the April deadline.

David Savage and Donna Suk said that they "want to see more people get involved in the democratic process of our community" and feel "an election without a choice is not an election."

Asked to comment on the Savage/Suk write-in plans candidate Louis Esakoff stated: "I have served this community as Democratic Committee Chairman for one year and believe I have functioned well and represented Roosevelt's Democrats at the County level more than adequately. I am prepared to support the Democratic Candidates who filed for a place on the ballot." Candidate Ann Baker commented: "I am not aware of these two candidates working within the Democratic Party."

Mark Bianchi seeks the Republican Committeeman post "in order to serve this community," and wants to "educate the public on pertinent issues." Contacted for comment on Bianchi's candidacy, Shirley Eichler, candidate for Republican Committeewoman, said: "I have been waiting so long for someone to run for Republican Committeeman."

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the State Board of Health rather than cooperate with the Council and the Recycling Coordinator.

On a question by Ed Moser about their attitude on development, Counterman and Kaufman stated that as development was virtually inevitable, the best possible controls should be exercised. Lipoti was for minimum development. She stated that large development could have a traumatic effect on the community regarding police protection, fire fighting, and the problems of the sewer plant. Also, she was not sure that the State would even allow the Borough to deplete further the aquifer by sinking another well. They all agreed that an impact study was necessary. As to payment for any studies, Lipoti pointed out that the State imposed "cap" on budgets precluded any large expenditures by the Borough but that the Council was planning an ordinance requiring prospective developers to pay for such studies.

Ann Baker, who is on the ballot for the post of Democratic Committeewoman, could not be present at the meeting but had prepared a statement which was read by Marilyn Magnes. Baker outlined the duties of Committeewoman and said that she would take the job seriously as did her predecessor, Jeanette Koffler.

Dennis Connaughton asked why two write-in candidates for the Democratic Committee posts, David Savage and Donna Suk, were not on the agenda. Esakoff pointed out that this was not a non-partisan meeting but one run by the Democratic Party and its rules were that only those who filed petitions were recognized as bona-fide candidates. The two write-in candidates had not filed the required petitions.

Primary Day Voting

The Democratic and Republican parties will be holding state-wide primaries on Tuesday, June 7.

Roosevelt's polling place is the Borough Hall. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM until 8:00 PM. Only registered voters enrolled with a party preference (Democratic or Republican) are eligible to vote.

Voters will have an opportunity to choose delegates to the national party conventions to be held this summer. These delegates are indicated on the ballot by the Presidential candidate they support. Also on the ballot are candidates for national and local offices seeking their party's nomination for the November election.

Roosevelt Democrats will be choosing two nominees for Borough Council from a field of three candidates, and a Committeeman and Committeewoman. Local Republicans will be selecting candidates for the same posts, although the only candidate listed on the Republican ballot is for Committeewoman.

Eligible voters will be receiving sample ballots in the mail. Help with voting procedures is available at the polling place.

Write-In Votes

If you wish to make a Write-in or Personal Choice vote, you should do this *after* completing all other regular ballot votes. Next to the Personal Choice column is a small release lever. To enter a Personal Choice vote, press this lever to the right with your right thumb. At the same time, open the slot opposite the office to be written-in with your left hand. You must open all write-in slots at the same time. Once you have done this, the slot(s) should stay open, allowing you to place the candidate's full name on the white paper in the slot. You may write the name using the pencil supplied, or use a sticker prepared in advance.

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someone local who was willing to take over, but with no success.

Part of the problem is the amount of work involved. Loyer says he devoted his energies nearly full-time during the two weeks prior to the Fourth. In addition, a crew of 8-10 people spent approximately 100 person-hours on the day of the celebration.

There are also a number of essential advance preparations. A permit must be obtained from the U. S. Department of Transportation allowing the transport of Class B explosives. Arrangements must be made with both the First Aid Squad and the Fire Company for proper equipment and qualified personnel to be present at the "shoot." The Borough Council must pass an ordinance each year to allow the display before the fireworks can be ordered. Orders must be placed in January to get the best fireworks at the best price.

Not Cheap

A collection of fireworks such as those seen in Roosevelt in recent years costs around \$2,500. Prices increase approximately 10% per year.

In addition to the nearly 400 pounds of explosives, about 50 steel cannons, from 3 to 6 inches in diameter, are used to shoot the display. While there are inexpensive cardboard cannons, steel cannons, which can be reused, are the best long-term buy for annual displays. According to Loyer, a 6-inch cannon costs about \$200. A complete array of cannons could cost several thousand dollars. The Roosevelt display was made possible because most of the cannons were purchased by Loyer himself.

The largest cost of a fireworks display could be insurance. The premium for a single display would cost more than the fireworks themselves. Loyer was able to reduce this cost by about 90% by having the Roosevelt display covered under a blanket policy taken out by a fireworks display group for which Loyer served as a consultant.

In the past, the expense of the Roosevelt display was borne by the Fourth of July Committee (through

50-50 ticket and art raffle sales, and private contributions), Loyer, and the Borough, which allocated \$700 of its recreational budget to the Committee. In years past, the *Bulletin* contributed \$300.

Showering Debris

Fireworks are wrapped in paper, and when they explode in mid-air, cinders and paper shreds fall to the earth. If the fireworks display is managed properly, this fallout poses no safety hazard, and is bio-degradable.

However, it can be unsightly. While most of the debris lands in the woods adjacent to the school grounds, much of it has rained down on the property of residents nearby. According to Counterman, about half a dozen residents have complained.

Next Year?

To reinstitute the Fourth of July fireworks, the above-mentioned obstacles would have to be overcome. To have a display at next year's celebration would require a successful resolution of these issues by early fall.

One option is to hire a professional fireworks display company. However, the cost of a contracted display could run to three times that of one staffed by local volunteers.

The principal problem is finding a resident willing to take over the responsibility. George Loyer has offered to train and assist anyone interested. He says he would supervise the novice for two years, and observe for a third.

Using the example set by Loyer, the job would demand someone of rare dedication and commitment, as well as an unusual fascination and talent for fireworks. Asked why he took over the job for so many years, Loyer replied modestly, "I've always liked fireworks since I was a kid."

**Should there be
fireworks on July 4th
next year?
What do you think?
Write the *Bulletin***

Area Holiday Fireworks

Etra Lake

East Windsor Township (609-443-4000) is celebrating Independence Day on Friday, July 1 at Etra Lake Park. There will be a concert by the Trenton Brass Quintet at 8:00 PM and a fireworks display at 9:00 PM. Admission is free.

Freehold

Freehold Raceway (201-462-1410) is presenting a fireworks display on Sunday, July 3 at 9:00 PM. Admission is free, although there is a charge for parking.

This Independence Day celebration is part of the Freehold Agricultural Fair at the Raceway which runs from June 30 through July 10. The Fair, which caters to equine industries, is open Monday through Friday, 5:00 PM to midnight, and noon to midnight on weekends. There will be displays, amusements, and food.

On July 9 and 10, the Fair will host the New Jersey Sire Stakes. These are races for substantial prizes, but are held under the rules of fair racing (betting is not allowed).

Princeton

The Princeton Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring an Independence Day celebration on Monday, July 4 at Jadwin Field in Princeton. Gates open at 5:00 PM for a concert by the New Jersey Symphony at 7:00 PM and a fireworks display after dark. Parking is available behind the field.

Tickets for this event may be purchased from the Princeton Area Chamber of Commerce, Box 431, Princeton, NJ 08542 (609-520-1776). Admission prices are \$6.00 for adults, \$4.00 for seniors and students, and \$2.00 for children under 12. Tickets will be sold at the gate, but will cost an additional \$1.00.

Behind the Scenes at Roosevelt's July 4th

by Mark Zuckerman

The Roosevelt Fourth of July celebration, which has become an attraction for many people living outside of Roosevelt as well as local residents, is the product of the Roosevelt Fourth of July Committee.

The Committee is actually a non-profit corporation set up several years ago for the purpose of organizing this annual event, and meets approximately six times between January and July. Members of the Committee, joined by a small group of local volunteers, donate their time on July 4 to manage all aspects of the affair, from setup to cleanup. Among the doings presented by the Committee are a parade, refreshments (hot dogs and soft drinks, distributed free of charge to those attending), an art raffle, music, and amusements. In the past, the activities included an evening fireworks display.

Committee President Bill Counterman says that his organization is always looking for new members. The job of the Committee, in his words, is to "add spirit to the Fourth."

Among the Committee's goals for this year's celebration are the building up of the parade which kicks off the day's activities and the adding of amusements. In particular, the Committee has been looking into setting up a dunking booth, although it has had difficulty locating either the necessary equipment or a set of plans from which it can be built.

The celebration, which takes place on the grounds of the Roosevelt Public

School on the afternoon and evening of July 4, is funded through the Committee by contributions and sales of tickets for drawings and raffles. The Committee receives \$700 annually from the Borough's recreational budget. Local 1033 of the Communication Workers of America, through member and Roosevelt resident Ed Moser, contributes about \$120 toward the cost of the refreshments. Sales of "50-50" tickets—\$1.00 chances to win half of the money collected—net approximately \$300. A raffle of art objects contributed by Roosevelt artists produces between \$100 and \$200.

Expenses for the event include the cost of refreshments, other materials, and insurance. In the past, the Committee has also raised the money for the fireworks display. During each of the last two years, the Committee has suffered a loss of between \$250 and \$300, which has been covered out of surplus from previous years. The current surplus fund is down to about \$700.

The Roosevelt Fourth of July Committee was set up as a New Jersey non-profit corporation with the legal assistance of Michael Ticktin. Its current officers are: Bill Counterman, President; Saliba Sarsar, Vice President; Nancy Warnick, Secretary; and Maureen Clark, Treasurer. Other active members include Bob and Ellen Francis, June Counterman, David Brahinsky, Margaret Schlinski, and Howard Kaufman.

Little League Starts Season

by Gloria Hazell

On Saturday April 30th, The Millstone/Roosevelt Little League, once more, began its season with ceremonies and a parade. On Saturday April 30th, once more, it rained on the parade!

All teams congregated outside the Clarksburg Inn, at about 10 A.M., along with the Manalapan High School Band, Millstone's First Aid Squad with their ambulance, and Clarksburg's and Roosevelt's fire trucks. Each of the teams had a vehicle decorated with the team's name and sponsor. Some of the younger children carried balloons with their team name on.

The parade started later than had been planned and as it wound its way along Route 571 the rain began to fall. Many of the teams hopped into their vehicles, but a few die-hards, including the instructional's cyclones and the minor's Indians continued walking and singing. The sun soon came out again and the walkers, who had hopped a ride, resumed the march.

Not many people lined the route this year, probably because of the lack of publicity concerning the event, and from a combination of the weather and the late start.

The opening ceremony was led by the Millstone/Roosevelt Little League President, Terry Brown, who recognized the work the coaches do during the season. Other dignitaries spoke, including Charles Abate, former Mayor of Millstone and honorary member of the Little League. Before the speeches were finished the rain came back with a vengeance and the on-lookers departed with an uncommon turn of speed.

A 50-50 was drawn, and as most people had left it was decided to publicize the winner rather than insist on their being present. The winning number was 200464. So check all your old ticket stubs, and if you are a winner please contact either Gloria Hazell (609-448-5146) or Terry Brown (201-577-9388) to claim your winnings.

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**To the kind friends and neighbors
who tendered condolences in this
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warm thanks
Peter Berlinrut**

Neighbors: Augusta Chasan

by Gloria Hazell

Augusta Chasan was born in Russia and came to the United States when she was just three years old. She spent her childhood in New York and married Morris in 1922.

During the depression the Chasans saw a notice in the paper about a new community starting in New Jersey. Although Morris was an electrician by trade, and the advertisement talked about the resettlement of needle workers, he wound up driving a truck to and from New York.

After living in New York apartments since she was three, Augusta felt that Jersey Homesteads was the way to fulfill her dreams. "Here was my chance to get a house of my own, with a garden where I can plant flowers." However the dream could not come true right away, as in the beginning families had to share houses while others were still being built. So in that beginning, the Chasans, and their neighbors and friends, the Liboves, shared a home.

Eventually Jersey Homesteads decided to become a Borough on its own. Morris Chasan was given the jobs of "Police Chief" and "Fire Company President." One day, when he had been asking for volunteers from the younger men in the community, Augusta said that she would like to try it. It happened that there was a reporter at that meeting, and soon more than just Jersey Homesteads



knew that a woman had volunteered to become a fire fighter. People wrote to Augusta from all over the country; one woman even asked for a button from her uniform jacket.

Augusta was also invited to appear on the Fred Allen Show. For those who may not remember the Fred Allen Show, it was a radio show that was broadcast nationwide.

Augusta recalls, "When I was on the Fred Allen Program, which came from Rockefeller Center in New York, the first broadcast turned out lovely. He, (Fred Allen) was very satisfied, so he said 'we will all go down to dinner at a very fancy restaurant.' He kept saying to me 'Will you have a beer,' and I said sure. So I had a beer with Them." (Them, by the way, was Augusta's sister, Fred Allen, his agent, his wife and a few other people from the show). "We had our dinner and he said 'have another beer.' So I had another beer. So then we went up to do a re-broadcast for the West Coast as they got it later in the day. In the program he kept asking me questions and I answered him, a lot of them are funny because he is a comedian. He asked me a question and I answered him very funny. So he looked at me across the mike like this." At this point Augusta made a face like the one Fred Allen had made to her. "So I said 'That was the other beer.' He said to me 'If I'd have known I would have given you a couple of beers when we got started!' And did that one get good reviews? I did have fun."

Famous Firsts (another radio show) also asked Augusta to come on their program. They placed her on their list of firsts as "the first lady fire fighter in the United States."

The Fire Department in those days had more people than we do today. Augusta recalls that besides training and working they would have parties and general "Get Togethers." When the community at large heard about the fun (they presumably did not hear about the work), more people than ever wanted to join. The department was trained, in those days, by a man who came down from New York.

"In the early days everyone knew everyone else," Augusta said, "It was like one big happy family. Women came in from Rutgers to show us how to can food, and others showed us how to plant and grow vegetables. Our back yards were used to grow our food."

From the way that Augusta described it, you could get the feeling that early Roosevelt (Jersey Homesteads) was not unlike the early colonial settlements (such as Jamestown) in a lot of ways. People were dedicated to working together, playing together and surviving with each other's help. Augusta went on to explain that the early Jersey Homesteaders were not liked by their neighbors in the surrounding townships, so that they really did have to pull together: a group of people willing to work hard in a new land to make a dream come true.

Morris Chasan was an artist in later life, as most people who have lived in town for a while know. But how many know that Augusta, too is an artist? Ben Shahn thought her work was good, and gave her help with it. In her living room you can see her work displayed alongside that of Ben Shahn, Bernarda Bryson and, of course, Morris Chasan.

Augusta loves Roosevelt as it is now and decided that she wants to "just stay home" and do all she can for other people. She visits with the seniors at the Solar Village and is the monitor on the SCAT bus, making sure that everyone gets what they want in the stores, and ensuring that they all get back on the bus safely and on time. At 85 she is still "Mom," or as she says, "everyone's grandma."



Augusta Chasan in 1937

Arts Project Presents Print Show

Last Event of the Season Features Exhibit, Slides and Panel Discussion

by David Brahinsky

On Saturday evening, May 7, the Roosevelt Arts Project held its final event of the year, an exhibition, reception and discussion of the visual arts, primarily print making. The show, even though hung on the brown wood paneling of the Borough Hall, looked very good.

There were a number of woodcuts by Peter Vince and wood engravings by Stephan Martin. Mr. Martin explained the difference between woodcuts and wood engravings as a function of the tools used and the type and parts of the wood used. Woodcuts are made with gouges on hardwood plank; wood engravings with burins on endgrain wood, boxwood and various fruitwoods.

Also shown were a number of interesting abstractions by Pat Mills who used a photographic method to create works that look like drawn prints or charcoals. Gregorio Prestopino was represented by his "Three Bathers," a silkscreen or serigraph. Bernarda Bryson Shahn exhibited three etchings including the mysterious "Enigma," an interesting work with a kind of ghostly quality about it.

There were two lithographs by Jacob Landau who explained that the prints are drawn on mylar, a plastic surface, and are then transferred to an aluminum plate by a photo exposure process that Mr. Landau pioneered.

Jonathan Shahn was represented by a number of lithographs including a beautifully expressive angry fat man and a sensuous nude. One of Ben Shahn's prints was also exhibited.

The photography exhibited included words by Sol Libsohn and Ed and Louise Roskam.

Finally, Bob Mueller exhibited a recent print, "We're Not one But Many," and two others.

Besides the exhibit, the artists attempted to do what many artists believe is difficult if not impossible: to talk coherently about their art. The

discussion focused on a number of related themes. The first, introduced by Mr. Landau, who served as the moderator, concerned the relationship of art to social criticism. As Mr. Landau pointed out, his theme is particularly relevant to Roosevelt artists down through the years. According to Mr. Landau, Roosevelt art began, for the most part, as social criticism but local artists such as Ben Shahn and Gregorio Prestopino later diverged from this theme.

Various opinions were expressed regarding whether or not art should or should not be socially relevant. Bernarda Bryson Shahn said that she thought art need not attack social problems directly to be socially relevant or valid but that it need only be an honest expression of the artist's subjective experience.

Another theme was introduced by a question from the audience. Laurie Altman asked the panel how and/or if living in Roosevelt has influenced their work. Mr. Mueller responded by pointing out that when he came to Roosevelt his entire vision as an artist was changed. His main interest had been abstract art but he was profoundly influenced by Mr. Shahn and Mr. Prestopino and became interested in making art that is socially relevant (his exhibited "We're Not One But

Many" is a recent example of this). Ms. Roskam said that she believes Roosevelt does nurture creative, experimental work and Ms. Shahn said that Roosevelt is great for artists, one reason being that there is a pretty appreciative audience for art here (as witnessed by the standing-room-only audience).

This discussion led to expressions of concern about how to attract some of the newer, younger people to the arts in Roosevelt. No one seemed to have a solution to the problem, which is, after all, a nation-wide if not a world-wide problem these days, although it was pointed out that young people could be attracted naturally (if slowly) through the continuing over a long period of time of such vehicles as the Arts Project events.

Early in the discussion, directly following a slide presentation of a number of the artist's works that were not hung, Louise Roskam introduced the question of the relationship of photography as an art to other kinds of visual art. She stated that she thought photography differed in that the artist simply captures something that is already present, whereas with the other forms of visual art the artist creates the object more or less in toto.

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photograph by Bob Mueller

Letters

To The Editor:

I meant no intolerance in my Viewpoint article (March *Bulletin*) On the Coming Development. All I wished to do was to express two feelings that have been arising in me as I drive, walk, bike and jog around town these days—sadness and anger at the apparently inevitable coming loss of our rural atmosphere. I did not mean to say that Roosevelt is dead, merely that the rural nature of town will soon be. I did not mean to imply that Roosevelt is another Plainsboro, Old Bridge, etc., but simply that I wish we could avoid development as these towns have not. I am cognizant of the reasons some have for being in favor of development. I am sensitive to their feelings and needs, for, as it is said, "some of my best friends are pro-development." I was just expressing mine.

Sincerely,

David Brahinsky

To the Editor:

I am running for the position of Democratic committee woman in Roosevelt as a lifelong Democrat and a nine-year resident of this community. I am pleased to answer this call to serve the Democratic party by our retiring committee woman, Jeanette Koffler.

Election as a committee person in either party is not election to a body which makes public policy, as does the Council and other legislative bodies. Party committees makes party policy only. However, parties have a great deal to do with analyzing matters which members of the Council will vote on, and of organizing public opinion.

Participation in the party of your choice as a committee person implies that you have been involved within the party in other ways and have a sense of where the Democrats have been and where they are going. Leadership is required of the committee person, not followership. I am qualified to exercise that leadership for the Democrats of Roosevelt, and of Monmouth County.

I am also proud to represent a newer generation of Rooseveltians. In the nine years that I have lived in Roosevelt, the Democrats have been led by such party stalwarts as Mars Margolis, John

Grauel, Al Hepner and Jeanette Koffler. It is time for newer residents of this community to share the burden, and I am delighted to do that.

The Democratic leadership in any town is responsible for identifying candidates for elected office and facilitating their campaign. The committee persons are also the logical individuals to bring other Democrats together so that we can determine how our party is going to respond to the challenge of change that faces Roosevelt.

An active party can analyze the options and formulate positions; our office-holders can be helped by the information we develop. As a lobbyist, I understand how policy-makers operate, and I know they need information which they don't have time to research.

This task does not have to be done by two people only. It should be the work of others who want to be involved with the Democratic party in researching and analyzing public policy options that will come before our elected officials. So I invite other Democrats in Roosevelt to become involved in the discussions and planning that will bring ideas and people together. This is how we will develop the leadership skills that will create a Pool of activists ready to serve as committee persons in the future. This is also how we will identify those who are interested in and qualified to run for Council.

There are a lot of things going on in Roosevelt. Some of our citizens are involved in MAATI, to oppose the siting of a toxic incinerator in Millstone Township. Some of our citizens have organized a day care program, much needed in a community of younger families as we are becoming. Rooseveltians have worked to create a summer camp program for our children. None of this is in any way partisan, that is, Democratic or Republican.

However, in Roosevelt, the dominant party is the Democratic party. This means that Democrats predominate on Council, and even on our non-partisan School Board. Democrats make the decisions that effect everyone in town—taxes, garbage collection, school excellence, land use. An active Democratic party contributes immeasurably to the quality of life in our community.

As a lifelong Democrat, I am proud to have been asked to run for this position. The Democrats who signed my filing petition in April vested a great deal of confidence in my abilities. There is a big difference between announcing your candidacy in that way, and sitting back until you know who the candidates are and then running against them as a write-in. I ask for your support on June 7.

Ann Baker

Dear Editor:

We, David Savage and Donna Suk, are announcing as write-in candidates for the positions of Democratic Committeeman/woman in the June 7 primary election. Our decisions are based on a belief in the importance of contested elections and our commitment to fostering community involvement in the democratic process.

When elected we will be Roosevelt's liaisons to the Democratic County Committee and we will work hard to promote maximum voter registration and participation in elections. We'll endeavor to insure that all qualified people available for an appointed position are given fair consideration.

Participation in the June 7 primary is important for all voters. We are asking Democrats to vote for us in the primary by writing in David Savage on line 16 and Donna Suk on line 17.

David Savage

Donna Suk

Editor's Note:

*Consistent with **Bulletin** policy, all candidates for Democratic Committee posts were invited to submit letters for publication once it was learned that the positions were to be contested.*

The principle of fairness which prompted the invitations also requires the printing of all replies received, even though not all candidates chose to respond.

*It should be understood that the appearance in the **Bulletin** of letters from candidates for office does not constitute an endorsement.*

Summer Camp to Sell T-Shirts

by Margaret Schlinski

The Roosevelt Community Summer Camp, Inc. (RCSC) will be selling commemorative T-shirts starting at the community picnic on July 4. Money raised from the sale will be used to defray the \$2,000 insurance premium for RCSC's summer program.

Four Roosevelt artists contributed work to be reproduced on the shirts. Pictured here are their donations: running clockwise are works by John Shahn, Ani Rosskam, Stefan Martin, and Marcel Franquelin. RCSC wishes to express its deep gratitude for these artists' generosity in the past and ever present.

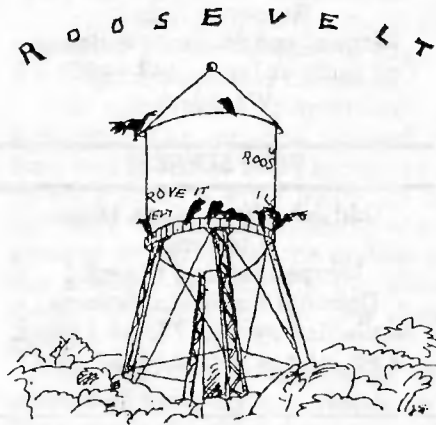
There will be a variety of colors and sizes of each artist's rendition. Sizes for adults will sell for \$10.00, and children's sizes for \$7.00.

They'll make wonderful gifts and we hope wonderful money for our newly incorporated summer camp.

Registrations

Note to Parents: Please get your camp registration forms (and your money) in by the end of June. Send them to Howie Kaufman, Box 188, Local.

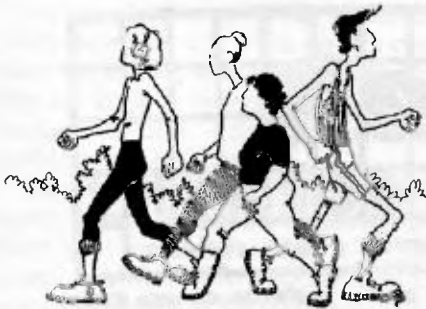
As in the past, the summer program will have arts and crafts, theater, and sports. Swimming will be offered two mornings a week.



Stefan Martin

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Mr. Mueller pointed out, however, that in his print making he often reacts to something already present, much like a photographer. Various opinions were expressed, including some from the audience. Ms. Shahn protested that comparison of different kinds of art is pointless.

Mr. Libsohn said that the essence of photography for him is being able to use his reflexes to capture a vision that he may have carried around in his mind for a long time. When one member of the audience wondered if photography is less of an art because it captures merely accidental moments, Mr. Libsohn remarked that every moment is accidental. (Aristotle never said it any better, Sol).

The Roosevelt Arts Project will shortly be formulating its program for next season. Anyone interested in participating in any aspect of the project should contact Jacob Landau, Alan Mallach or David Brahinsky. We need new ideas for events, people to help with publicity and anyone interested in helping in any way.

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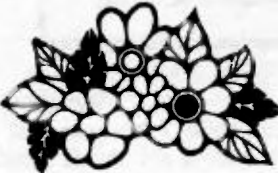
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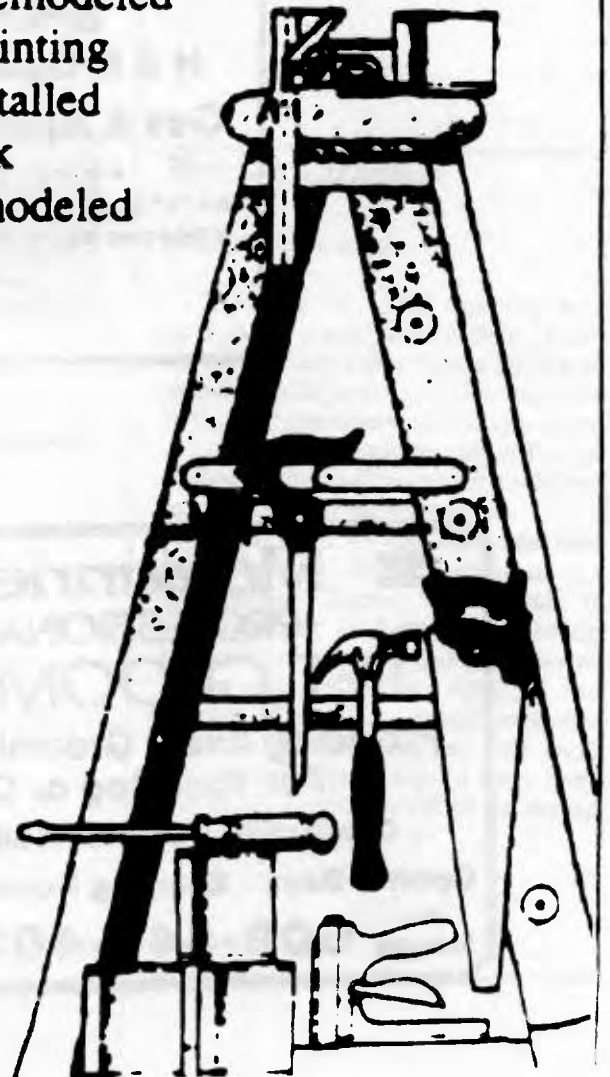
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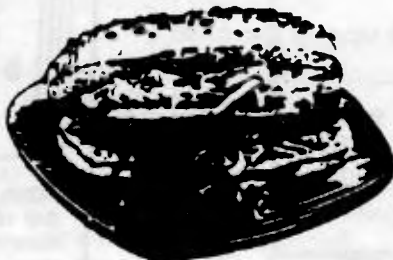
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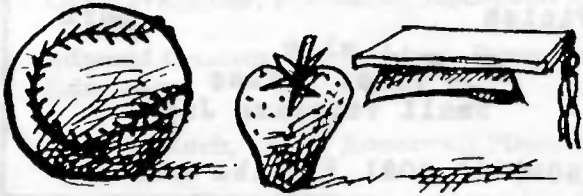
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			1 Planning Board Borough Hall 8:00 PM Alan Mallach, chair (448-4616)	2 Bulletin Staff MIRA 8:00 PM Mark Zuckerman, Editor (443-5915)	3	4
5	6 Deborah Member's Home 2:00 PM Rose Corman, Pres. Borough Council Agenda Meeting Boro Hall, 8 PM	7 Primary Day Borough Hall 7:00 AM-8:00 PM	8 Borough Council Borough Hall 8:00 PM Leon Barth, Mayor (448-1870) Carol Watchler, Council President (448-5215)	9 Board of Education Agenda Meeting RPS, 7:30 PM Ed Grossman, Board Pres. (448-9385) [for schedule of Board committees, see page 3]	10	11
12 Fourth of July Committee Borough Hall 2:00 PM Bill Counterman, Pres. (448-3182)	13 Sisterhood Synagogue 8:00 PM Karen Block, President	14 Senior Citizens Boro Hall, 2 PM Jeanette Koffler, Pres. (448-2259) Food Co-op 8 School Lane 7:30 PM Judith Goetzmann (443-4948)	15 First Aid Squad Drill Borough Hall 7:30 PM Nancy Bauerle, Pres. (448-8725)	16 Board of Education Action Meeting RPS, 7:30 PM Ed Grossman, Pres. (448-9385)	17	18 RPS Graduation 7:00 PM
19	20 Congregation Anshei Synagogue 8:00 PM Michael Ticktin, Pres. (448-0363)	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Nursery School Homes , 3:00 PM Arlene Stinson, Director (426-9523) First Aid Squad Borough Hall 7:30 PM Nancy Bauerle, Pres. (448-8725)	29	30		

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