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BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

Gray Water Ordinance Deferred Indefinitely; Budget and Water Restrictions Approved

By Michael Ticktin

At its May meeting, the Borough Council once again deferred action on any ordinance concerning acceptance of “gray water” at the sewage treatment plant. The Council had before it a new draft ordinance that addressed many of the technical concerns that had previously been raised by Jeff Ellentuck. However, when the time came for the formal introduction of the revised draft ordinance, Councilman Michael Hamilton expressed concerns about the weight and consequent required stopping distance of the trucks that would be used, the effect of the truck traffic on the pavement, and the authority that the draft ordinance would give to the Water-Sewer Utility Operator on matters of traffic safety not within his area of expertise. He cited information he had gotten from the internet on rollover accidents involving trucks of the sort that would be used for bringing the gray water down Pine Drive to the sewage treatment plant, even at speeds as low as five miles per hour. Above all, he stressed the harm to the quality of life of people living, walking and riding bicycles on Pine Drive, and expressed the opinion that the Council could find ways to “attack the budget” without jeopardizing this quality of life. Councilman Dan Hoffman added his concern that any financial benefit from gray water disposal fees might

well be offset by increased road maintenance costs due to the impact of trips up and down Pine Drive twice daily by heavy trucks.

Councilman Jeff Hunt, the chairman of the Utilities committee and sponsor of the proposed ordinance, then indicated that he took these comments “very seriously,” stating that “everyone was dismayed when we found we could not put stuff into the sewer system at a remote location” and that “going down Pine Drive was problematic from the start.” Though not giving up on the idea, he said that he would not ask the Council to go forward with an ordinance until such time as a “practicable solution” could be found.

Mr. Hunt also announced that water meter readings have been done using radio devices and that billing based on usage would be able to start later this year. He reported that he had visited the water treatment plant and was pleased to see that it was freshly painted and in good repair and “looks like a new facility.”

Councilman Hoffman, chairman of the Public Works committee, reported that a depression at the cemetery was being filled, that plans were proceeding for the

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, June 7 is Primary Election Day. Polls are open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Borough Hall. Remember to vote.

Don't forget RPS Graduation, June 19 at 4 p.m.

During the past few months, the library was not open on Wednesday evenings. But it may be visited from 3 to 4 p.m. most days when the staff is available to help check out books. Dr. Weinbach says new hours will soon be announced.

Be a good citizen and attend the Borough Council Meetings on the first three Mondays in the month at 7 p.m.

PLEASE REMEMBER: Thoughtful neighbors pick up after their dogs. Are you a thoughtful neighbor?

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Board to Hear Concept Plan for Religious School; Solar Village Sidewalk Problem May Delay Substantive Certification by COAH

Though development plan reviews have been rare occurrences in recent years, the pace of such reviews appears likely to pick up shortly. Planning Board Chairman Ralph Seligman told the Board that they would shortly be called upon to respond to a site plan application and to a request to discuss a concept plan. Concept plan review is meant to provide an opportunity for potential applicants to present their ideas for development and get Board (and community) input before preparing formal plans and applications. It does not bind either the Board or the applicant.

The anticipated site plan application will be for a horse farm on the preserved land on the south side of Nurko Road that is being proposed by Richard Annunziata, the owner of the property. Mr. Annunziata has submitted a Letter of Interpretation from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection delineating the wetlands and buffer areas where construction of any sort, or any activity causing compaction of the soil, would be prohibited. When Mr. Annunziata appeared before the Board last year, he was advised to get the Letter of Approval prior to applying for municipal site plan approval.

Mr. Seligman stated that he had been approached by representatives of an Orthodox Jewish religious school who were interested in making the Roosevelt synagogue into a residential school for a student population that would eventually reach 150 and having a dormitory for the students elsewhere, perhaps at the Pine Valley Swim Club property, which

is currently for sale. Since the next Planning Board meeting is scheduled for the evening that is at the end of the Jewish holiday of Shavuot, Mayor Neil Marko moved that the meeting night be changed. The motion was defeated by a vote of 5 to 4. He then moved that the Board agree to stay in session until 11:00 that night late in order to allow the representatives of the religious school to have time to come to the meeting from Lakewood after the end of the holiday and present their concept plan. This second motion was defeated by a vote of 7 to 2. The representatives will therefore presumably present their concept plan at the July 12 meeting.

Michael Ticktin, chairman of the Affordable Housing and Redevelopment Committee, reported that an apparent snag had developed in the Borough's quest for substantive certification of its housing element and fair share plan by the Council on Affordable Housing (COAH). Substantive certification is necessary in order to protect the municipality from "builder's remedy" lawsuits, such as the one instituted and later withdrawn by U.S. Home Corporation, through 2014. The problem, which Mr. Ticktin characterized as one of the kingdom potentially being lost for want of a nail, involves the sidewalks at the Solar Village. As one of the requirements for substantive certification, the municipality must show that the affordable housing stock for which it is claiming credit, in our case the 21 units at Solar Village that are owned by the Roosevelt Senior Citizen Housing Corporation (RSCHC), comply with applicable housing codes.

The Solar Village project was recently inspected by the Bureau of Housing Inspection of the Department of Community Affairs. The only violation found was defective sidewalks. The sidewalks must be repaired in order for the RSCHC to receive the Certificate of Inspection needed to provide proof of code compliance, as well as to avoid penalties. The problem is that funding for the project is controlled by the Rural Resources Administration of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, with rent supplements provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Federal representatives have advised the RSCHC that they would only approve sidewalk repairs as part of a much larger project to make the walkways conform to current handicapped-access standards. Mr. Ticktin therefore moved that the Planning Board recommend to the Council that it find a way to use municipal funds to get the sidewalks repaired, since it would be far more cost-effective for the municipality to fund the repairs than to risk another builder's remedy lawsuit. Chairman Seligman agreed that obtaining substantive certification was something that had to be given the highest possible priority.

Also on the subject of COAH, Board Secretary Ann Kassahun reported that the Board had received notification from COAH that the 45-day period for objections to Roosevelt's application for substantive certification had passed, with no objections having been submitted. ■

From the Mayor

Greetings everyone. I would like to give you an update on some things that are going on. When you read these items, I want you to understand that I am not trying to sound like your Dad. I am not trying to aggravate you nor am I blaming anyone. The general topic of this column could be called "I can't believe what is going on!"

A few months ago, the Borough Council received a letter from the School Board. The letter was about the siren. The siren on RPS has been an ongoing issue for years and years. The question was always should we move it. After every analysis, it was determined that we should not and then the issue of the siren, like so many others issues, would fall back into the woodpile until someone else revived it. This time however, the School Board was formally requesting that we remove the siren without any discussion. Their reasons were twofold: first they were going to be reroofing the school where the siren is located and second that there is a State law banning sirens from schools.

Well the Borough wants to do the right thing, but it certainly is not clear what that would be. Here are the basic issues: The cost to remove and replace the siren is at least \$11,000 and most likely in the \$15,000 range, or maybe even up to \$25,000. To move the siren and put it some where other than the school would also probably reduce its effectiveness as an emergency alert mechanism since it would no longer be in the center of the Borough. Then, where would we put it? We would have to put it in a clearly residential neighborhood, such as on Pine Drive or maybe Farm Lane, or on Rochdale if the County allows it. I recently

communicated these thoughts to the school board in person. One school board member cited some 30 year old research report that mentioned the negative health and education effects on children from routine loud noises. This is hardly the case in our situation.

Last year we had about 75 first aid calls and about 15 or so fire calls. How often the siren went off during the school day is hard to say, but I would not categorize it as "routine." The State law cited was passed in 1971, thus we have been in technical violation for over thirty years. I proposed that the School Board change its request to have the Borough examine the entire situation, possibly engaging the State to add yet another exception to the noise law. Reroofing the school with the siren in place should not be any problem for a competent roofing contractor. Once we spend the money, it is gone. Speak up and let your voices be heard, or just pay the money and risk that the First Aid Squad will be there when you need them.

It is my sad duty to report to you that there will not be summer camp this year. It is hard to disagree with the reasoning. The recreation department has been advertising and promoting the summer camp since December. There have been positive articles in the *Bulletin*. Every kid I spoke to who went there said they had a great time. And yet, as of the beginning of May, only three children had been registered. Some may say that the lack of a pool did in the Summer Camp, but I do not agree. I think it is the tone of the dialog around here. One of the reasons that our recreation program has had problems has to do with its

support. Early this year, the School Board decided that they would leave the recreation coalition and they said they could not afford the \$5000 contribution. They also decried their lack of control, blaming the Council. One school board member made the outrageous declaration, in front of the entire Recreation Committee that she had already decided that she would be sending her child to some other camp. With an attitude like that, I personally wonder why she would support anything from the Borough.

So the summer camp is gone, but that is not the end of the story. We are a small community, and so when we run a program, often times it is seriously challenged to attract residents. There are Council members for whom this is a serious problem. These Council members take the position that recreation should be self funding. Anything that costs the Borough money should not be allowed. So now many of our programs, and there aren't many of them left, are coming under increased scrutiny. Some may have to be shut down, and maybe they should be. But the most serious aspect of this is as we shut down programs, and remember, we have already shut down the summer camp, we now have to question whether we should employ even a part time recreation director. Far and away, salary costs are the biggest cost of recreation. If we do away with that position, we would be reduced to a purely volunteer program. This may work but I am not optimistic. I truly hope it can work.

Earlier this year, the recreation department had an opportunity to purchase the Pine Valley Swim Club

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From the Office of the CSA, Dr. Dale Weinbach

Votes for the school election have been counted and at the Town Meeting of April 12, Jill Lopoti discussed the possible impact of S1701 on the school district. During a brain storming session, many creative suggestions were mentioned that would help defray the administrative costs. With my retirement after the summer, the board recognizes this as the perfect opportunity to explore some non-traditional methods for administration of the building. To this end, the option of an inter-local agreement with neighboring school districts is being examined. An inter-local agreement is an agreement that can be tailored to meet the needs of both districts. For example, Roosevelt might have the services of the superintendent of a larger district, while retaining total control of the RPS district. In this case, a principal/teacher might be obtained for the day-to-day administration of the building. The RPS board will be meeting with the East Windsor board this month to further pursue this option. Talks are also underway with Millstone. Suggestions are welcomed from the public. Please feel free to email ideas to me at dweinbach@rps1.org.

Mayor Neil Marko and Borough Administrator Bob Clarke addressed the Board of Education at the May 12 regular board meeting. Mayor Marko

is interested in initiating dialogues with the board to see how the two entities can work together and perhaps plan on some shared services. The Borough of Red Bank has received \$25,000 in state money as a reward for sharing services with the local school district. The funds are from the state Department of Community Affairs Sharing Available Resources Efficiently Program. The board welcomes this opportunity and looks forward to continuing positive relations with the Borough Council.

Many thanks to Jeff Hunt for his donation of a flugelhorn to our music department. Our music teacher, Ms Glickman, assures me that the horn will be put to good use. Thanks to Allen Newrath for his donation of a pop-up book portraying the work of Frank Llyod Wright. It is worth a trip to the school library to take a look at this beautiful book.

Several groups have come to school to view the mural in the last month. Interest in the mural remains high and visitors come from neighboring towns, organizations, out of state and out of the country. The school housed the Hands and Minds committee workshop of the Art Educators of New Jersey.

Sixth grade graduation is scheduled for Saturday, June 18 at 4:00. I hope to see many visitors in the audience. ■

Our Graduation Day is quickly approaching and is scheduled for June 17th. The children have been practicing and doing a wonderful job. We are all looking forward to the big day, but at the same time it is sad to see some children and their families leave our school.

This month we are learning all about dinosaurs. We will see that there are meat eaters, plant eaters, large and small dinosaurs, and that they lived on land, in water, or even flew in the air. The children will learn about fossils and make fossils of their own.

For the first time, we are going to hatch baby chicks. It will be fascinating to see them hatch and then care for them for a week.

To celebrate the beginning of the summer season, our class will learn about the sun and how it affects our weather and us. The children will also make ice cream as a special treat this month.

Although Father's Day comes just after graduation, the children are making special Father's Day gifts. Happy Father's Day to all dads!

Our end of the year party was lots of fun. We spent the morning at Etra Park for a picnic and time at the playground.

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer. Little Hearts Day camp will be open so we will have lots of fun on trips as well as at school. ■

June School Dates

- June 3** Pizza
- June 7 & 8** Early Dismissal (Field Day)
- June 17, 20, 21** Early Dismissal
- June 18** Graduation, 4 p.m.
- June 21** Awards Assembly, 9:15 a.m.

PTA News

By Larisa Bondy

As the school year rapidly comes to an end, I am always amazed at how many activities are "smooshed" into the last few months. We started off May with teacher/staff appreciation week that went well except for my misprint describing our masseuse. Our much-enjoyed massages were donated by Faye Nulman of "A Kneaded Escape."

We followed that with our plant sale, run by Kelly Mitchell, which is always a fun way to spend a Saturday morning, even for those of us who cannot identify a single plant. We ran right into the Spring concert, which Debbie Curry organized refreshments for, and lots of the usual suspects baked.

Next up we got ready for summer with the RPS dance. Music, games, prizes, snacks and smiles were all on hand, and thanks again to Kelly for organizing this. (Kelly is busy in May!).

Special thanks to Michele Orlick, who apparently is the best cookie dough pusher around and managed to sell all the extra dough we had, bringing in extra dough for us!! There will be background check on her soon, to make sure she's not packing!

June brings us to cooking up a storm twice. Once we make hot dogs, corn, and watermelon for a field day treat, this year organized by Susan Dermody and we cook for the teachers and staff on the last day of school as a good-bye for the year. Kathleen Towle is making sure the teachers have plenty to last until September. **She is still looking for cooks to help for that, so call if you would like to help.** And, lest we forget, we still have the ice pops to supply for the celebration of the teacher v. 6th grade volleyball game.

The ice pops bring us to total poundage of refined sugar throughout

the year to fill enough pixie sticks that lined end to end would reach from RPS to Kreps!!!

We will organize our graduates' gift bags with our generous donation from Ralph Warnick of dragons and our own RPS T-shirt gift helped by Barbara Atwood's ingenuity. And we say a fond farewell to this year's graduates.

We look back over the year, which included two assemblies, a school house hookey day, a book sale, a book swap, a holiday gift fair, a gift wrap sale, Halloween, Thanksgiving, end of year, Valentine parties, winter and spring concert refreshments, welcome and good-bye luncheons, back to school refreshments, trick or treat surprises, balloon blowing, Carnival games, auction attractions and lentil soup, too much cookie dough, a workout sale, donations to the yearbook, the air conditioning and more....

We bid farewell to Dr. Weinbach who for some reason has chosen warmer climates over our Jersey Joy. Maybe it was this heavily snowed winter that put her over the edge, but whatever her departure reasons, we, the school, the PTA, the parents, will miss her. On a personal note, it has been a pleasure working with Dr. Weinbach on whatever silly ideas we came up with, whatever bumps in the road there were, including bumps that turned into full-fledged detours. We always seem to get back on track. We wish you all the best, but we will feel your loss as our leader.

And, following the leader, I too will be taking a backseat, hopefully not the way back, and making room for the new PTA board next year. I wish the best of luck to Jill Joyce and Diedra Pizzarelli as co-Presidents, Amy Block as Vice-President, Michele Orlick as Secretary and Leslie "really, you are going to do it again" Carnevale

as returning Treasurer. I also want to thank Susan Dermody, Leslie Carnevale, Jill Joyce and Deidra Pizzarelli for all their support and work this year and over the past three years we have been the PTA board. It has been a fun filled exhausting three years and we can tell our grandchildren about carwashes, panel buildings and auction begging. I also want to thank all the room parents over the last few years who have gone above and beyond the early morning calls, the baked beg, the party organizing and more! And, as always, I have to thank Ms. Dileo for...everything.

I just hope with all craziness of S-1701 going on, our school is always around to continue to provide the special things only a small school can. I know the PTA can't buy ice pops for 3000!!

But, it's not over till the fat lady sings and I'm not singing yet...so, one more meeting on **Monday, June 6th** at 7:30 to go over last minute field day preps, stuff graduate bags, talk ice pops and have some pizza and salad together. Hope you can join us for our working end of year celebration meeting.

School Board Reorganizes

By Gladys Nadler

At its reorganization meeting April 28, the Roosevelt Board of Education elected Linda Grayson president and Mark Aarkhus vice-president.

It was reported that at the recent school election, Roosevelt voters approved the school budget with only seven "no" votes. All the school board candidates were elected.

The board approved the calendar for the 2005-2006 school year, the school curriculum and textbooks to be used. Regular Board of Education meetings

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Blonde Raccoons, Coyote Howling and a Fern Walk

The Roosevelt Environmental Commission had a very spirited meeting May 18th. I am amazed at the growing list of things that we, as a group, are concerned with and discuss all the while trying to abide by Robert's Rules of Order. The topics included a new draft of the Waste Water ordinance, pedestrian safety, Creative Habitats' restoration work, wetlands delineation and encroachment, tree trimming and turtle bone identification plus updates about other activities.

Many residents took advantage of this spring's wood debris pick-up and we thank you. Participation helps to insure continuance of the service and shows us that it is necessary. We only budgeted for one this year and I'm sorry for those that missed it. Please try and hold your piles neatly and discreetly until next year. The litter pick-up was held May 1st, but I

had to miss it this year. The report is that the weather was bad and the number of volunteers was down from previous years. More details are pending.

I observed my first Mourning Cloak Butterfly on Thursday, April 28th. A medium to large insect with brown wings edged with yellow borders is usually the first to appear as the weather warms ever so slightly. John Towle reported a blonde raccoon dead on the road between Ely's Corner and Battleground road. He also described the early morning calls of a lonely Coyote recently near his home by the cemetery. His daughter Shannon also heard the cries and I trust John's nature acumen. Wild coyotes have been in the state since the 1970's and now they're here?

Rod Tulloss is offering a Fern Identification walk Sunday June 5 at

10 a.m. Rod's walks and talks are very interesting and educational. This will be a practice run before he gives the tour to The American Fern Society later this year. Those interested should meet at the water treatment plant at the end of Pine Drive. Boots are suggested and thank you for reading this column. ■

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By Clare Sacharoff

Another month and still the phone has been quiet and the e-mail, well, sparse. It's the time of year for graduations, weddings, awards, trips, babies, relocations If any of this sounds familiar and you'd like to share, we'd like to listen. Please forward your "scoop" to me at TheSilversteins@aol.com.

On the college scene, Molly Petrilla has just completed her junior year at the University of Pennsylvania. An aspiring journalist, she will be spending the summer in Philadelphia, interning at Philadelphia Magazine. She will also be working at the University publication *The Pennsylvania Gazette* and at the University newsroom. Marissa Mellan graduated from William Patterson University on May 17th.

Several of Roosevelt's younger students are excelling as well. Although HHS third quarter grades were unavailable at the time of this writing, Kreps reports the following students as Honor Roll achievers: Michael Cordo and Kim Grasso (8th grade) and Shane Inman, Jacob Marko, Blaze Nolan and Joshua Rios (7th grade). Great job! At the recent RPS spelling bee, Ben Adlerman (6th grade) took first place with Sage Duchai (3rd grade) coming in a close second. On a musical note, HHS sophomore Cecelia Tickin auditioned for and was accepted to the All-State Choir for a second year in a row.

As many of you know by now, the town's mainstay, Rossi's, will be changing ownership in the coming weeks. This is a big deal in a small town, especially when the managing family has been invested in the town for so many years. As we say good-bye and thank you to the Rossi family,

we look forward to sharing our business (and our stomachs) with new owners. Welcome to our community!

The RPS graduating class spent May 20th in the city of Baltimore on a day-long trip they've been planning throughout the year. Accompanied by several parent chaperones and their teacher Mr. Santanello, they took in a number of sites including the aquarium, the Babe Ruth Museum, the Inner Harbor and the beautiful Orioles' baseball stadium at Camden Yard. Thanks to countless fundraisers and the generosity of residents like you, every student was able to enjoy a memorable day to conclude their career at RPS.

As I wrap up this month's column, I would just like to welcome back Margaret Schlinski who will be spending the summer here in Roosevelt. It is always a great feeling to see old and new faces alike as you stroll around town on these gorgeous days and nights! ■

At our meeting on May 3, two new members were welcomed into the Roosevelt Senior Citizens club. They are Ellen and Bob Francis. There was final vote on the amendment to the by-laws, which was unanimously passed. It will now read: No member shall be eligible to join the Senior Citizen Club of Roosevelt unless he or she has attained the age of sixty-two. The previous law was fifty-five.

The regular monthly trip was May 17 to Rova Farms Flea Market followed by lunch.

On May 22 – several members enjoyed a Sunday afternoon trip to Kelsey Theater which was a performance by the Mercer County Dance Group. This was a town-wide trip sponsored by the Recreational Department.

Our meeting for June was changed from June 7 to June 9 because of elections.

We are planning a riverboat trip August 17. Jerri Millar, our president, will find out the details and inform the membership at a later date.

It is important for each member to inform the president if she or he is unable to attend any programs he or she has signed up for as we sometimes need to reserve well in advance.

Remember big garbage May 18 and branches collected May 9.

Tom Wisowsky supplied food at our May meeting. I, Clare Sacharoff, will be the June hostess. ■

Annual Meeting Makes Trustees Official

At their annual meeting on May 5, the members of the Roosevelt Senior Citizens Housing Corporation elected seven of their number to the Corporation's Board of Trustees. Board members also answered a number of the members' questions about the operation of the nonprofit organization, which owns the Roosevelt Senior Housing Village (sometimes called the "Solar Village").

Forty-three residents of Roosevelt signed up to become members of the Corporation, and 34 attended the annual meeting. Those in attendance elected Pat Moser (President), Bill Counterman (Treasurer), Bob Clark (Secretary) and, as Trustees At-large, Dolores Chasan, Leonard Sacharoff, Louise Baranowitz and Edna Patterson. All seven trustees are members of the Corporation. Ms. Baranowitz and Ms. Patterson are long-time residents of the Solar Village. Ms. Moser is a member of the Borough Council. Mr. Clark is the Borough Administrator.

Corporation members include four other residents of the Solar Village and a number of other Roosevelt residents long active in the Borough's civic affairs, including Mayor Neil Marko, Planning Board Chairman Ralph Seligman, former Fund for Roosevelt President Rod Tulloss, Borough Clerk Krystyna Bieracka-Olejnik, Planning Board member and Tax Assessor Michael Ticktin, Planning Board member Mary Ann Rossi, Environmental Commission and Planning Board member Ed Moser, School Board member Allen Newrath, and Environmental Commission member Virginia Edwards. Members, trustees and officers serve without compensation.

The Corporation owns the 21-unit complex located at the intersection of North Valley Road and Farm Lane. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development Office holds the mortgage on the property, and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development provides rent

subsidies for qualified residents who have been approved to live there. An agent manages and maintains the facility with money from the residents' rental payments and the federal subsidies.

Any other adult residents of Roosevelt can become Corporation members by paying to the Treasurer the \$5 fee required by the by-laws. Multiple residents of a single household may become members upon payment of a single \$5 fee. The Board encourages additional Roosevelt residents to become Corporation members and to suggest or work on improvements at the Village. The Board holds public meetings the 4th Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room of the Solar Village. ■

RESIDENTS!

This is your newspaper. We would be happy to hear from you either in the form of letters or articles which we would be pleased to include in our publication each month.

That's what this paper is for — to help us to get to know one another as well as to let you know what is happening in the town.

Let us know what you think, what you do.

How about it?

Another Part of the Two Square Miles

I hadn't thought of writing anything for the "Two Square Miles of Stories" series, because I'm not really sure what there is to tell about my family history. I still don't think there's too much to say about the Garton Diaspora, but Bess Tremper asked me directly to write one of the "Stories". Bess is hard to refuse!

The problem is that I don't have any sort of coherent narrative I can construct about my family past. There is no flight-to-freedom of which I am aware, nor is there even any singular arrival in America I can claim as a starting point for either my mother's or my father's side. I can't even refer to a particular village or town where we came from, although I did learn from Google that there is a "Garton-on-the-Wolds" borough in Yorkshire, England. Given the somewhat unusual, non-Germanic spelling of our name I suspect that we share a portion of that local gene pool.

My ancestors on both sides seem to have grown directly out of the rolling hills of southern Iowa. The town of Cambria, Iowa (current population about 50; smaller even than Roosevelt!) has more "Garton" names in the local cemetery than anywhere else I've been. I'm actually part owner (with my mom/dad/sis) of "Garton's Corners," a 400+ acre farm about two miles to the east of Cambria. My mother's family is also all farm-bred Iowans, hailing from places like Cedar Rapids and Keokuk. With surnames like "Hicks," "Wright," and "Woods" combined with the "Garton," I'm pretty sure I have a fairly straightforward and standard Anglo-Saxon ancestry.

Like I said, there doesn't seem a lot for me to share. So this story will be a set of semi-connected family anecdotes we tell about my grandparents, with a few recollections of my early life thrown in for good measure. A caveat: much of what I say below will have a variable level of accuracy.

I do recall seeing a notebook – I think in Grandma Garton's estate after she died of bone cancer – that contained writings from a very early female Garton ancestor. She described coming down through Canada to Iowa, a fact that maybe explains the lack of any kind of Ellis-island-like records of my family's journey to the US. The thing that fascinated my young mind was this ancestor's description of seeing Indians for the first time. She wrote that she was very frightened, because they had all heard stories of horrible Indian attacks. Apparently the Native Americans that she saw were quite friendly, however, and she claimed that she 'changed her mind' about them. If only it could always be so easy to counter our prevailing fear and xenophobia...

With the exception of my grandmother's early death from cancer, our family is generally very long-lived, but we're also rather unproductive. Both of my parents were "only" children, and I recall only three great-aunts/uncles, siblings of my grandparents. Jill's family shares this characteristic, so that when my sister Brenda and I get together (Jill is also an "only" child) with our families the resulting crowd of 8-10 people is about as large a family reunion as we could ever muster. The payoff in the

longevity aspect, though, is that our children Lian and Daniel had three great-grandparents living when they were born.

As I mentioned, my mother's family were also Iowans. My Grandpa Alfred Hicks apparently ran away from his family farm in the eighth grade to pursue a musical muse. The stories relate that he used to stand in the barn and play his 'fiddle' for hours. I also know, somehow, that he landed in Chicago to study oboe and subsequently took a job as oboist in the St. Louis Symphony, a position he held for almost 45 years. Grandpa Hicks also played viola (his fiddle-playing roots) in the summers with the St. Louis Municipal Opera, as the Symphony season was only nine months long back then. The big thrill for me was that I got to meet Julie Andrews when I was in the fourth grade. True love, of course.

My mom's mom ("Nana" – Arlene Woods) grew up in Cedar Rapids, Iowa with a brother (my Great-uncle Ralph) I never met. He died of malaria contracted while serving as a "Seabee" in the WW II Pacific Theater. Nana met Grandpa while serving as an usher and piano player (silent films!) in Des Moines, Iowa. I don't know if this was before or after Grandpa left for his Chicago apprenticeship.

My mother describes late-night chess games among other players in the Symphony held after performances in their lovely Webster Groves (St. Louis suburb) backyard. My mom had a precocious musical talent of her

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own, with a piano concerto premiere (Beethoven or Mozart, I think) with the St. Louis Symphony when she was seven years old. Mom also had a serious visual-art talent, and as she grew older her painting abilities became more the focus of her creative work.

Back in Cambria, Iowa, my Grandpa (J. Glenn) Garton left his older brother Dwight, his mother and father and the family “General Store” to attend medical school. The thing that astounds me is that he did this when he was sixteen. Grandpa had been allowed to attend in his early teens the then equivalent of one of our local community colleges, setting him up for a very young medical school career. He returned to Chariton, Iowa to start his medical practice after he turned 20. Grandpa met a schoolteacher, Irene Wright (cousin of Orville and Wilbur), and married her. Grandpa often talked about the time he paid his electric bill and had 20 cents to his name. He became the epitome of the small-town doctor; house calls, telephone ringing in the middle of the night – every night – when I visited; the ladies at the Derby Diner consistently gave us dinner (and homemade raisin pie!) for free. I thought everyone in the entire world knew Doc Garton. They always waved to him.

I see pictures of my father when he was younger, and it looks like me staring back from the photos. I wonder what my dad was like then?

Now the stories get even more scattered, my own memories:

- I seem to remember driving through mountains, my earliest memory trace. We were probably on the way from Camp Lejeune (Dad was in the Marines, I was born in North Carolina as a result) to Cornell University in Ithaca, New York for his gradu-

ate work. His Master’s Thesis was on the formation of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union. Dad grew up about fifteen miles away from the birthplace of John L. Lewis, an early hero of his.

- After completing his graduate work, we moved to Cincinnati, Ohio for six months. Dad took a job with Proctor and Gamble that he evidently hated. I was three years old. Whenever I travel to Ithaca (Cornell) or Cincinnati I immediately enter into a new-agey “I’ve been here in a previous life” state.
- We then moved to Columbus, Indiana. My father started his own consulting business, ran for Congress (didn’t win) and then for State Senate (won). Dad eventually became president of the Indiana Senate, a position he has held longer than any person in the history of the state.
- Columbus has an interesting claim-to-fame. I think it has more great works of modern architecture per capita than any other place on the planet. The city had a population of about 30,000 when I was growing up, and it has churches designed by both Eliel and Eero Saarinen, a library by I. M. Pei, a firehouse by Robert Venturi, a hospital by Robert A. M. Stern, a newspaper building by Skidmore, Owings and Merrill, a downtown mall by Cesar Pelli, and the list goes on and on. Public sculptures by Henry Moore and Jean Tinguely. I didn’t realize how unique this was until I moved away.
- My mother founded the Bartholomew County Arts Council and the Columbus

Pro Musica. We used to attend concerts in Indianapolis and nearby Bloomington, home to the Indiana University School of Music. We heard Andres Segovia play on one of his last major tours. I remember the concert because, in those days before routine sound reinforcement and amplification, we had to be very quiet to hear his guitar. I used to get bored during the slow movements of symphonies we heard, and would fantasize about becoming Spiderman and crawling up into the ductwork of the auditorium. Now the slow movements are my favorite parts.

- My dad was involved in a lot of legislation while I was growing up. He sponsored the Equal Rights Amendment in the early 1970’s. Fundamentalist maniacs were rumored to be planning to sneak firearms into the Senate chambers for the ERA vote to assassinate the godless legislators. Sadly, times haven’t changed much, eh? I remember being frightened that the Ku Klux Klan was going to kill one of our collie dogs as a symbolic gesture against my father. Yes, we did receive threats – the Klan was still active in Indiana back then. They probably still are.
- We could raise collies because we moved to a lake that was way outside the city limits of Columbus. Now it’s almost an ‘urban’ lake. Development has run rampant in parts of Indiana, also. I used to hear the summer bullfrogs and other creatures loudly at night. We had no air-conditioning and slept with the windows wide

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Dear Citizens of Roosevelt-

Thank you for supporting the Roosevelt Public School's 6th grade class in our efforts to raise money for the graduation trip to Baltimore. Over the past year, you have purchased our flower bulbs, Thanksgiving pies, Yankee candles, cheesecakes, and assorted baked goods, as well as attended our Talent Show. Thanks to your help, we successfully collected enough money for a truly memorable day that we will treasure in our memories forever. A special "thank you" goes out to our parents as well, whose encouragement and assistance was invaluable in aiding our efforts to reach our goals. Once again, THANK YOU!

Sincerely,

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Alexandra Carr

Cheyenne Dermody

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Roosevelt Public School Class of
2005 ■

REVIEW

The Roosevelt String Band At 18: Ever Young, Even Better

As they have every year since 1987, the Roosevelt String Band regaled a packed Borough Hall on Friday and Saturday nights, May 13 and 14, with a well-chosen and varied selection of songs from the American songbook, that seemingly inexhaustible treasure trove of folk songs, loosely defined, written in this country over the past fifty or more years. This year the accent seemed more on social protest songs, from the Weavers' *Banks of Marble* written in the 1940's (although in the vein of Woody Guthrie and others from the Depression years) and Kate Campbell's 60's civil rights song *Crazy in Alabama* to Steve Earle's *Home to Houston*, a powerful, painful, piece about a trucker in 2005 Iraq. Of this genre, the strongest in my opinion, though, was Holly Near's mesmerizing *The Great Peace March*, powerfully delivered by the Band's female vocalist, Sarah Houtz.

For all the social protest music in the air, there was a note of poignancy about much of the String Band's music this year, from the wistful take on the Western ballad in Van Zandt's *Pancho & Lefty*, John Hartford's classic *Gentle on My Mind*, and two wonderful Kate Wolf songs, *The Trumpet Vine*, which tenderly celebrates the simple and the mundane, and my personal favorite of the evening, *Some Kind of Love*, again beautifully sung by Sarah. That note was struck as well in the String Band's encore, Peggy Seeger's *Love will Linger On*, a moving ballad about life's twilight from one of the great elders of American song.

Since the String Band stabilized its membership a few years ago, they have been getting better and better,

both individually and as an ensemble. David Brahinsky's singing, always rich and mellifluous, takes on greater character and individuality with each year, while Sarah, whose voice is a blend of country and torch singer, has become completely comfortable with the rest of the group, harmonizing effortlessly with David and Howie, and adding a wonderful descant to Ed Cedar's singing of the poignant *Dust in the Wind*. Ed is a first-rate instrumentalist, and his singing, in my opinion, is a good deal better than he thinks it is. Howie Jacobson brings not only his singing, but also some stylish fiddle and harmonica playing to the group. Paul Prestopino, the ultimate sideman, not only performs elegantly on mandolin, guitar, dobro and banjo, but added his own rarely-heard voice and winning personality to *Don't You Cry, Belinda*, which he quite aptly called a "silly song." This year, the String Band added Joe Pepitone (no relation to the one-time Yankee baseball player, I understand) on bass. He got to sing a duet with Sarah, a rousing rendition of an odd but effective so-called Irish drinking song by John Lennon and Yoko Ono called *The Luck of the Irish*, with a recorder obbligato by the versatile Howie.

The Roosevelt String Band is one of our community's treasures. I am already looking forward to their concert next year.

by Alan Mallach

Roosevelt First Aid Squad Training and Response News

In the month of April, the Roosevelt First Aid Squad handled seven first aid calls. Out of the seven first aid calls, three were a mutual aid to Millstone Twp., and, in Roosevelt, one Fire

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installation of a gate at the cemetery to prevent vehicular access at night, that information was being submitted to Monmouth County concerning sidewalk installation on Rochdale Avenue from Oscar Drive to Clarksburg Road and that the job of Clean Communities Coordinator was being separated from that of the Public Works employee.

In his capacity as liaison to Recreation Committee, Councilman Hamilton reported that the summer camp program had been cancelled due to only three children enrolling and that Recreation Director Eric Schubiger had given notice of this to prospective camp employees and to the parents who had signed up. He advised that information provided at the last meeting about Millstone not having its summer camp program had been incorrect, and that Millstone would therefore not be a source of additional participants. He also reported that there was a new yoga instructor, Kim Culp, and that a program in ballroom dancing would begin on June 2. Both the yoga and dancing programs take place in the evening at the school though presumably not at the same time for safety reasons. He announced that seven students were participating in an after-school drama program and that Susan Dermody was chairing the committee for the Fourth of July celebration.

Councilwoman Pat Moser, liaison to the Senior Citizens' Organization, reported that the Roosevelt Senior Citizen Housing Corporation, the community organization that owns the Solar Village project, had met and elected a board of trustees. Nearly 40 people attended the meeting, thus indicating a high level of community support for the project.

The 2005 annual municipal budget

was adopted without objection, and without any adverse comments from the public. The local purpose tax rate will be unchanged from the last few years. Along with the budget, the Council adopted an ordinance to allow the municipality to take advantage of the maximum budget cap allowed by law, should that prove necessary, as well as a required resolution concerning the examination by the Council members of the budget. Auditor Jerry Stankiewicz said that Roosevelt was the first of the municipalities served by his firm to adopt its 2005 budget.

In the public portion, Bob Francis went through issues raised at prior meetings, as reported in the *Bulletin*, to determine their current status. He asked about the treated water that Lou Esakoff had repeatedly complained was running past his house on Farm Lane and causing a sinkhole. Administrator Bob Clark replied that a leak detection company would soon be coming to investigate the source both of the Farm Lane flow and a similar flow on Rochdale Avenue. In response to a question from Mr. Francis concerning the gas station property, Mr. Hunt said that we are still waiting to hear from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). He also told Mr. Francis, in response to a question about the bog formed by the silting of Empty Box Creek between Rochdale Avenue and Valley Road, that a committee of the Environmental Commission headed by Dave Schwendemann and Kirk Rothfuss would welcome volunteers willing to help out with the clearing of the streambed and restoration of the channel. The Council introduced, and approved on first reading, an ordinance establishing stormwater management requirements and controls. This ordinance is required under

rules of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. The Council also adopted a resolution designating the Freehold office of Commerce Bank as a municipal depository, as well as a resolution declaring a water emergency and imposing use restrictions for water from the municipal system. This resolution is declared every year, regardless of rainfall and groundwater levels, because the size of the municipal water tank, designed to serve 200 homes at 1930s consumption levels, is not adequate for current usage levels. The watering of lawns and washing of cars are therefore restricted to specified times and days. The Council adopted the resolution at the May meeting so that notice of it might appear in the June issue of the *Bulletin* ■



FIRST AID SQUAD TRAINING AND RESPONSE NEWS

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Stand-by call and three Emergency medical calls.

The Squad responded to 29 emergencies from January 1 to April 30.

I have been talking about the First Aid Squad trying to raise money to buy a second ambulance for the town. I made a mistake on the cost of a new ambulance, it is not \$80,000 but closer to \$120,000 to \$135,000 to get the same kind of ambulance that we have now. I have found a Federal grant that I have applied for. The amount of the grant is for \$135,000 and, if the First Aid Squad receives this grant, the Squad would have to come up with \$6,750.00, which would be 5

percent of the grant.

The Squad has started to put away funds for the new ambulance. Any contributions for the new ambulance should please indicate that. Please make out your check to the Roosevelt First Aid Squad, P.O. Box 274, Roosevelt, NJ 08555. The First Aid Squad is always thankful when anything can be contributed. A second ambulance in town will help insure that one will always be around.

For the 4th of July parade and activities, the Squad will be there having a 50/50 again and some other fund raising events.

The Squad only has seven Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT's) at this time. We are always looking for new members to join and we pay for all training. New members can join at the age of 16 and become New Jersey Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs). Becoming an Emergency Medical Technician with the Roosevelt First Aid Squad could lead to paying positions with career Ambulance companies. **We need members.**

Thank you,
Jack Rindt
Roosevelt First Aid Squad
Training Officer

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open. Ice-skating all winter, it was a very pleasant childhood.

- My mother was continuing her art studies with Frederick Rigley, a Hoosier landscape artist based in Nashville, Indiana. I was in grade school, and my sister fell off the slide and gashed her knee. She had to be taken to the hospital for minor stitches, and my mom had to rush back from Brown County. She didn't continue her art until I was in college. She returned to school and completed her degree, and eventually became art director for Cosco, Inc. Attending her graduation ceremony instead of

taking a trip with some friends was one of the better decisions I've made in my life.

Speaking of good decisions, I met Jill, fell in love, proposed marriage (which she accepted for reasons still opaque to me), moved to New Jersey, went back to graduate school, found Roosevelt, here we are. There is a lot I haven't said. The flood of memories is too much now. I need to stop. ■

About Two Square Miles Of Stories

Everyone in our two-square mile town has old family photographs and memories of the people in them. These pictures and your memories are narratives waiting to enrich us all. So, join us in a Roosevelt Show and Tell project - find an old picture or two and tell us a story in a few paragraphs.

For information telephone:

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Weather, It's Not Just on Earth Anymore

Tired of watching forecasts for the weather here on earth? Is the Weather Channel a bit too provincial for you? Want to know what the weekend will be like on the sun? The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has raised its sights. You can get space weather forecasts, analysis, alerts, advisories and more from NOAA at their website: <http://www.noaa.gov/solar.html>.

The realm of space weather includes the impact of solar geomagnetic storms, winds, flares, radiation, x-ray emissions, electron flux, proton emissions and more on our natural and technological environments. Here's a space weather outlook from NOAA:

Summary For May 2-8 Category G1 - minor (07, 08 May), category G2 - moderate (08 May), and category G3 - strong (08 May) geomagnetic storming was observed due to clouds of magnetic material from activity on the Sun that impacted Earth along with high speed solar winds from a coronal hole on the Sun.

Category R1 - minor (06, 07 May) radio blackouts occurred due to solar flare activity from NOAA active Region 756.

Outlook For May 11-17 Category R1 - minor radio blackouts are possible from NOAA active Region 758 until 14 May.

Category G1 - minor geomagnetic storming is possible on 11 May and again on 17 May due to high speed solar winds from a coronal hole on the Sun.

For current space weather conditions please refer to: <http://www.sec.noaa.gov/SWN/> <http://www.sec.noaa.gov/alerts/>

So if you want to know what to wear today, make sure to check for space weather outlooks, alerts and warnings at the NOAA website. Here is an example of an alert:

ALERT: X-Ray Flux exceeded M5
Threshold Reached: 2005 May 13 1647 UTC

NOAA Scale: R2 - Moderate
Space Weather Message Code: ALTXMF

Serial Number: 109

Issue Time: 2005 May 13 1647 UTC

You might want to consider an aluminum foil helmet when you get an alert like that.

As you can see from the outlooks and warnings in this article, radio transmissions can be adversely affected by events that occur on the sun. Satellite communication, the stability of electricity distribution even the safe transport of oil through pipelines and the people and machines we send into space can all suffer from the effects of space weather.

Space Weather Outlook

Space weather warnings and outlooks become more important as we come to rely more and more on technology that is sensitive to the effects of these solar phenomena. Here are some examples of the economic effects of space weather from the National Weather Service's Space Environment Center:

- NASA relies on SEC data to protect the \$1 billion arm on the International Space Station.
- Space weather added \$433 million to annual customer electricity costs in just one power pool.

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for a song but we did not. Now we have no pool, no summer camp and maybe no recreation for our children at all. But we will spend 15 to 20 thousand dollars to move the siren. Does this make any sense to you? It does not to me.

In closing, I would like to remind all of you that your Borough Council and I would like to hear from you. We have meetings the first three Monday's of each month. The first Monday is a committee meeting at 7 p.m. followed by an Agenda meeting at 8. The next Monday is our Action meeting at 7 p.m. The third Monday is another committee meeting at 7 p.m. You are all welcome and encouraged to come to all. If you can't make a meeting, perhaps you want to email us. My email is mayor@borough.roosevelt.nj.us or you can reach the Council by emailing council@borough.roosevelt.nj.us. If you want, you can call me at the Borough Hall (448-0539) and press 1.

Instead of a piece of trivia this month, I will leave you with a quotation that I am sure you have heard before but I find it particularly relevant to Roosevelt:

For the want of a nail, the shoe was lost;
for the want of a shoe the horse was lost;
and for the want of a horse the rider was lost,
being overtaken and slain by the enemy,
all for the want of care about a horseshoe nail."

Benjamin Franklin ■

Culinary Capers

East Windsor Area Chapter of Hadassah has published an attractive new cookbook called Culinary Capers. Friends and neighbors from Roosevelt and surrounding communities have contributed their favorite recipes. Some recipes have been passed down from generation to generation and others have been collected from around the world. I'm pleased to share two of my contributions to the book.

Tuna Bean Salad

1 (16-oz.) can cannellini beans	2 tbs. lemon juice
2 (6 1/2 oz.) cans water-packed tuna	1 clove garlic, crushed (optional)
3 fresh plum tomatoes	1/2 tsp. dried oregano
1 green onion, chopped	2 tbs. chopped parsley
1/4 c. olive oil	salt and pepper to taste

Drain beans and rinse with cold water. Drain cans of tuna and flake into large bowl with fork. Add tomatoes, onion, olive oil, lemon juice, garlic, oregano, and parsley. Toss to mix well. Add beans and toss again. Season with salt and pepper. Serve at once or cover and chill until ready to serve. I sometimes add more lemon juice since tuna, tends to be a bit bland.

This recipe will make 2 or 3 main dish servings.

Apple-Pecan Upside-Down Cake

Topping:	Cake:	6 tbs. butter, softened
2 oz. pecans, chopped	1 c. flour	3/4 cup sugar
1/4 cup butter	2 tsp. baking powder	1 egg
1 cup light brown sugar, packed	1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon	1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
2 Granny Smith apples, peeled, cored and sliced	1/4 tsp. salt	6 tbs. milk

For topping, toast pecans on greased baking sheet at 450 degrees until lightly browned. I get lazy and toast them in a skillet on the stove. Melt butter in a small heavy saucepan. Add brown sugar and cook, stirring just until melted, 3-5 minutes. Watch closely because butter burns easily. Pour butter-sugar mixture into a 9 inch round nonstick cake-pan and spread to coat bottom. Sprinkle pecans on top of butter-sugar mixture. Place apples in concentric circles, slightly overlapping, on top of pecans.

For the cake:

Sift flour, baking powder, cinnamon and salt into bowl. Beat butter at medium speed until light and fluffy. Add sugar and continue beating until creamy (3-5 min). Add egg and vanilla and continue beating until completely incorporated. Reduce speed to low and add flour mixture and milk alternately in three additions. Continue to mix only until dry ingredients are completely mixed in, scraping sides of bowl when necessary. Spoon cake batter over topping and spread carefully so batter is even. Bake at 350 degrees until tester comes out clean, about 55 minutes. Cool in pan 10 minutes. Carefully run spatula around edge of pan. Invert pan over large plate and let stand about 3 minutes. Carefully remove pan. If apples stick to pan, remove them and place on cake.

*The cookbook is available \$12 a copy. Call me at 448-1874 and I'll get a copy to you. ■

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- \$500 million in space asset claims from 1994-99 were attributed to, or aggravated by, space weather.
- Federal Aviation Administration requires dispatchers to take into consideration HF (high frequency) communication degradation for each dispatched polar flight. Flights can be diverted based on SEC solar radiation alerts if air traffic control communication is compromised, with estimated costs as high as \$100K per flight. A 23-day period in 2001 saw 25 flights diverted.
- Increased accuracy in space weather services allowing for a 1% gain in continuity and availability of GPS would be worth \$180M per year.

Space Weather Word

WOLF NUMBER is an historic term for SUNSPOT NUMBER. A SUNSPOT NUMBER is a daily index number of SUNSPOT activity (R), defined as $R = k(10g + s)$ where S = number of individual spots, g = number of sunspot groups, and k is an observatory factor. In 1849, R. Wolf of Zurich originated the general procedure for computing the sunspot number.

Wow. Got all that? ■

April 15 - May 15, 2004				
Day	High	Low	Avg	Precip
15	56.1	39.6	47.9	0.00
16	59.0	30.4	44.7	0.00
17	72.7	31.5	52.1	0.00
18	75.4	42.6	59.0	0.00
19	81.3	42.6	62.0	0.00
20	86.0	55.9	71.0	0.00
21	72.0	49.6	60.8	0.00
22	61.5	39.4	50.5	0.00
23	69.6	46.6	58.1	0.08
24	61.0	46.4	53.7	0.15
25	59.4	38.3	48.9	0.00
26	75.2	40.6	57.9	0.00
27	69.1	50.7	59.9	0.30
28	66.4	43.0	54.7	0.00
29	65.7	43.5	54.6	0.00
30	63.3	50.2	56.8	0.10
1	64.4	52.2	58.3	1.87
2	67.8	37.2	52.5	0.00
3	62.8	36.0	49.4	0.00
4	61.7	38.7	50.2	0.00
5	66.4	35.8	51.1	0.00
6	59.0	40.3	49.7	0.00
7	66.0	44.2	55.1	0.15
8	69.3	40.8	55.1	0.00
9	70.7	45.9	58.3	0.00
10	71.8	43.0	57.4	0.00
11	78.8	49.5	64.2	0.00
12	76.5	50.2	63.4	0.00
13	64.9	38.1	51.5	0.00
14	78.1	51.1	64.6	0.00
15	82.6	61.0	71.8	0.00
Total Precipitation			2.65	

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will be held in the school library at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month, and agenda meetings on the second Thursday. *The Examiner* and *The Asbury Park Press* will be the official newspapers for the school board.

Other appointments for the 2005-2006 school year included: Karen Minutolo as board secretary and purchasing agent; George Lang, CFO, of Cranbury as treasurer; David Rubin as school board legal counsel; and Herbert Rosengarten, MD and Alicia Peller, MD as school physicians. The board also approved Hutchins, Farrell Meyer & Allison, PA of Freehold to conduct the annual school audit for a fee of \$11,450; and Jay Lawton of the G.R. Murray Agency as insurance agent.

Under other business, School Administrator Dale Steinbach reported that the school won an award for the integration of art into the curriculum. Also, the board discussed how to go about protecting the Ben Shahn mural while the school building roof is being repaired this summer. At a suggestion from the public, they agreed to begin by consulting Jonathan Shahn. ■

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1	Wed	RECYCLE
3	Fri	RPS Pizza Day
6	Mon	7:30 pm PRA Meeting RPS Larisa Bondy, PTA President 443-7430
		7 pm Council Committee Meeting Boro Hall Mike Hamilton, President 443-5227
		8 pm Council Agenda Meeting, Borough Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 443-6818
3	Tues	RPS Field Day — Early Dismissal
		12 pm Senior Blood Pressure Check Boro Hall
		1 pm Seniors Meeting Borough Hall Gerry Millar, President 448-0351
4	Wed	Early Dismissal - Staff Development Rain date for Field Day
13	Mon	7 pm Council Action Meeting, Boro Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 443-6818
14	Tues	7:30 pm Planning Board Meeting Boro Hall Ralph Seligman 448-2340
15	Wed	RECYCLE
		7:30 pm Environmental Commission Meeting Borough Hall Dave Schwendeman, Chair 443-6204
16	Thurs	7:30 pm Synagogue Board Meeting Neil Marko 443-6818
17	Fri	RPS Pizza Day, Early Dismissal
18	Sat	4 pm RPS Graduation
20	Mon	RPS Early Dismissal
		7 pm Council Committee Meeting Borough Hall Mike Hamilton, President 443-5227

21	Tues	RPS Early Dismissal - Last Day of School
		9:15 am RPS Awards Assembly
27	Mon	7 pm Council Committee Meeting Borough Hall Mike Hamilton, President 443-5227

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4	Mon	Independence Day Celebration Susan Dermody 448-6188
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