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BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

Agreement with Hightstown for Road and Utility System Repair Work Approved; Council to Act on ATV Noise Nuisance Problem

By Michael Ticktin

At its April 12 meeting, the Borough Council adopted a resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign an interlocal agreement with the Borough of Hightstown under which Hightstown will provide services, on an as-needed basis as requested by the Borough of Roosevelt, for repair of water main breaks, repair of sewer blockages and any other repairs and maintenance required for public water and sewer lines and roads and streets. The agreement contains the rates that will be charged for the time of Hightstown employees and for the use of Hightstown equipment and vehicles. The agreement, which was approved by the Hightstown Borough Council at its April 5 meeting, is beneficial to Hightstown because it means that revenue from Roosevelt will help defray the fixed costs of their public works department, while at the same time being beneficial to Roosevelt because, according to Administrator Harold Klein, Hightstown's charges would be about one-third below those charged by private contractors for the same work.

Mayor Neil Marko announced that the Borough had been notified by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) that the phosphate limits in effluent from the sewerage treatment plant being discharged into Empty Box Brook and Assunpink Creek are being reduced by a factor of ten, and that he would be discussing what we would have to do to be in compliance with the municipal engineer and the sewer plant operator. He said that he would explore use of natural processes in the land around the sewerage treatment plant as part of a solution that would not cost a great deal of money. Commenting on this subject in the public part of the meeting, Rod Tulloss, former chairman of the Environmental Commission, recommended a concerted effort to persuade residents to use no-phosphate or low-phosphate detergents, pointing out that the discharge of phosphates from his own house had been reduced by 75% simply by changing to such products.

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Emergency

We've said it before, but we must say it again and this time, most emphatically! The fact is, we are very short of money which we need to bring you this Bulletin. We are grateful to those who have contributed but ask again, if you have not done so as yet or can give some more NOW IS WHEN WE NEED IT! WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU!

Remember to be ready for the **Big Garbage Pick-Up** on May 19th.

Roosevelt Burial Rights

A resident recently inquired of the editor as to who has the right to be buried in the Roosevelt municipal cemetery. The answer is as follows: (1) anyone who is a resident of Roosevelt at the time of his/her death; (2) anyone who was a resident of Roosevelt for at least 20 years; (3) anyone whose spouse is already buried in the cemetery and (4) anyone who served in local elective office for at least three years. There is no charge for the cemetery plot. Reflecting the original ethnic makeup of the community, the cemetery is divided into Jewish and non-sectarian sections.

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

From now on, each month we will be listing the films being shown every Saturday night at the school at 7:30 p.m. There is no charge. (See page 9)

Are you using our library at the school? It is open every Wednesday evening from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

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

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“SOUTHERN FARM” GAINS ATTENTION

At least two separate parties have expressed interest in purchasing and installing agricultural uses on the 151-acre tract at the southwest corner of North Rochdale Avenue (Route 571) and Nurko Road. Under the auspices of the Fund for Roosevelt, the so-called “Southern Farm” west of Route 571 at the northern approaches to town was restricted to agricultural use in perpetuity.

At the Planning Board’s meeting on April 13, members were shown a detailed plan for an extensive horse farm on the site. Members indicated that the engineer’s plan had been commissioned by Richard Annunziata. It showed a 5/8 mile stone dust track around a pond, a large indoor riding rink, an indoor pool for horses, a grand prix field with jumps, stables, and a residence for farm workers.

Some uncertainty existed, however, as to who might finally purchase the tract and develop an agricultural use there. Zoning Officer Ed Goetzmann reported that he had been told that a separate interested party, Jeffrey Sangillo, had the property “under contract.” The nature of any proposal that might be planned by Mr. Sangillo was not known at the time of the meeting.

Board Chairman Ralph Seligman said prospective purchasers could obtain feedback from the Board about their plans by making an informal presentation. This process could lead to adjustments that might better serve the community, as well as the prospective purchaser. Ultimately, there

would have to be a formal application for site plan approval, permitting input from the public.

Acting upon the suggestion of Board member Ed Moser, the Board approved a motion that Rod Tulloss, former President of the Fund for Roosevelt, and Michael Hamilton, former Mayor, be nominated for Merit Awards from the Monmouth County Planning Board. The honor would call attention to their lengthy and difficult struggle to preserve open space in Roosevelt in the face of strong pressure for development from determined, and sometimes litigious, builders and landowners.

Mr. Seligman called “everybody’s attention” to the apparent “conflict” between the need for safety in the community and the designation of the former Notterman tract as part of the Assunpink Wildlife Management Area when it was purchased by the State’s Green Acres program. Although the purchase preserved the property, located east of North Valley Road and South of Eleanor Lane, for open space, it opened it to hunting in close proximity to populated areas, including Roosevelt. The town’s ordinance against discharge of firearms within the Borough limits would not apply to Wildlife Management Area property. Mr. Seligman suggested that State officials be contacted to carefully define where hunting might be safe and where it should be off limits.

The Board received a copy of a letter from Donna M. Rose, CEO of the Monmouth Housing Alliance, a non-profit corporation that develops

affordable housing, expressing interest in constructing and managing a building for six rental units on a newly created lot that was once part of the site of the abandoned service station on North Rochdale Avenue. Michael Ticktin, Chairman of the Board’s Redevelopment Committee, indicated that the eight credits provided by such a structure would fulfill Roosevelt’s affordable housing obligation under state law. David Ticktin, the School Board’s representative on the Planning Board, warned of a possible influx of school-age children if the proposal were implemented, but Michael Ticktin pointed out that better alternatives had not materialized, and Roosevelt soon will have to meet its affordable housing requirement.

Mr. Seligman reported that Zoning Committee Chairwoman Jessica Hecht was in the process of redlining changes needed in the zoning ordinance. Beth Battel, the Council’s representative on the Board, said the Council is looking forward to the Board’s report on parking problems and suggested solutions. Mr. Seligman recommended that Parking Committee members Jane Rothfuss, Ed Moser, Ralph Seligman, Timothy Hartley, and David Ticktin present their slide show of problem parking to the Council while the Board prepares its final recommendations for the Council.

Mr. Seligman reported that Board Planning Consultant Tom Thomas recently attended a meeting at the County Planning Board to discuss storm water management plans. ■

From the Mayor

Greetings fellow Roosevelt residents. Two important items were in the forefront with the Council this past month. The first is the budget and the second has big budget implications. The budget was introduced at a Special Meeting on April 20th. Our budget is actually two budgets. First we have to deal with the municipal budget and then we have to deal with the Water and Sewer Utility budget. Our municipal budget is actually in good shape. The introduced budget calls for no municipal tax rate increase. As far as has been communicated to me, there will also be no increase in the tax rate for the school. This is good news for all of us. Our municipal budget will allow us to go forward on several important projects. As many of you know, last year we were able to rebuild a large part of Pine Drive. This year, thanks to a grant from the NJ DOT, we will be able to renovate all the way to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Other important projects that we are looking at that we will be able to go forward with are increased funding for the Environmental Commission and the start of funding for the purchase of a new ambulance sometime in the future. As most of you already know, we are moving ahead with a revitalized Summer Camp program and we are in the process of investigating better transportation for our recreation program and possibly our seniors.

The second budget that was introduced was the Water and Sewer Utility budget. I am happy to say that the Council has no plans to raise the rate. This is no small feat. Our Water and Sewer operations have had serious expenses over the last few years. Every

time we would fix a well, another one would break. Repairs that should have lasted at least several years, lasted only a short time. The frustration level of the Council was high and the consternation of the Council extreme. So we have changed our engineering firm, and we also used a different contractor to repair the broken wells. We also utilized different technology. Our pumps used to be a type called a vertical turbine pump. In a vertical turbine pump, the electric motor for the well is located outside at the top of the well. A stainless steel shaft goes down several hundred feet to the actual pump, which is located at the bottom of the well. This well cost much more to install and maintain and is rather complicated. Our wells have now been switched over to submersible pumps. In a submersible pump, the electric motor and the pump are a single unit and they are located together at the bottom of the well. This allows for a far less mechanically complicated system. It is also far cheaper. Our expectation is that the wells will be stable for at least several years.

But there are other Water and Sewer issues that are of great concern to the Council. One item in particular is the new requirement that we are facing to reduce the amount of phosphorous that we discharge into the Assunpink Watershed. There are a few ways to deal with this problem. The most expensive is to upgrade the Wastewater Treatment Plant. We want to avoid doing this, if we can. One way to avoid this is to show the DEP that there will be no material impact to the ecology of the Assunpink. We do this by doing what is called a site-specific stream study. This alone is estimated

to cost between thirty and fifty thousand dollars. There is one more idea that we are pursuing. Right now we treat our waste water using a highly engineered plant. We chemically treat the waste water and employ several artificial processes to break it down. An alternative is to treat it naturally. By naturally, we mean by having the output go into a natural environment such as a plot of wetlands that have been planted with plants that will digest and consume our waste water. Not only is this cheaper, it is far more natural and uses fewer chemicals. We hope that we can convince the DEP that this will reduce our output of phosphorus to levels that will satisfy the DEP. If not, we are also planning to do a site-specific stream study. One way for residents to help us is to reduce the amount of phosphorous that goes down the drain. This is as simple as using no phosphate or low phosphate detergents. Hopefully, if we all work together, we will be able to show the DEP that our plans are good and we can avoid any serious expenses for major plant upgrades in the future.

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 Mondays of each month. The first Monday is a Committee Meeting at 7 p.m. followed by an Agenda Meeting at 8 p.m. The next Monday is our Action Meeting at 7 p.m. The third Monday is another Committee Meeting at 7 pm. In May, on the third Monday at 8pm, we will also have a Special Meeting that includes a public hearing on the budget. You are all welcome and encouraged to come. If you can't

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From the Office of the CSA, Dr. Dale Weinbach

We can only hope that a rainy April will bring us some beautiful weather in May. In any event, the third marking period of this school year came to a close, and we are in the last quarter of the 2003-04 school year. During this time teachers are encouraged to plan field trips for their classes. We have Earth Day celebrations, Health Night, our spring concert, our World Culture Day and more.

Our Affirmative Action Team just completed a three year Comprehensive Equity Plan. The purpose of this plan is to make certain that all students have equal access to all programs in school. In addition, equity must be present in hiring and recruiting practices, in the presentation of curriculum, in guidance and other programs. The Board of Education has reviewed all policies relating to equity, and ensures equal access to all students regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender, religion, disability or socioeconomic status. Ilene Levine is the school's affirmative action officer. A copy of the Comprehensive Equity Plan can be obtained in the office.

Thank you to Target shoppers who designated Roosevelt Public School as the recipient of their program of funds to education. Last month we received a check for \$161.00. This money will go directly for student activities.

Very soon we will be displaying signs that will identify this building as Roosevelt Public School. These trail-like signs were acquired by Dave Schwendeman, and we are grateful to him.

I received notice that our school district has been scheduled to participate in the Department of Education's special education monitoring in the next school year. This will be a new monitoring system that begins with a self-assessment process and is followed by an on-site visit by a team of monitors. During the self-assessment phase, representatives of our entire district community will be asked to participate. I look forward to this process, as it will help us identify our strengths and weaknesses in the area of special education. Expect more information to follow.

Today I received a call from Paris, France from a television agency that wants to come next month to tape the mural for a program in France. Since I've been here I've welcomed crews from Japan and Germany, to say nothing of local groups from the tristate area.

The 2004-05 school calendar has been approved by the board and will be distributed. Graduation has been scheduled for Saturday, June 19 at 4:00. Please mark your calendars now and plan to share this day with us. ■

By Larisa Bondy

If April showers bring May flowers I better see crops sprouting all over my yard, if I can see them over the mud! April, like all months, has been a busy one for us. We helped provide healthy snacks for Health Night and had a successful Book Swap at the school. Students bring in books they have read and get to pick a new one. Imagine, an event without money exchanging hands, it's historical!

This month we will be holding our annual plant sale at the post office on **Saturday, May 15th**, the same weekend as the Town Wide Yard Sale. Come on out and buy some plants to feed the deer with! It's for a good cause! And check to see if the new phone book is for sale at one of those tables too. It just might be!

Our next meeting on May 10th will be our election meeting. Leslie Carnevale as Treasurer, Jill Joyce as Secretary and Susan Dermody as Vice President are running for reelection and I am anxiously looking for some healthy competition for the Presidency. We discussed a co-chairing Presidency as a possibility for next year. Do come and vote! The speeches, the campaigning, kissing babies, it's all there!

Hope to see you, **Monday, May 10th**! ■

May School Dates

May 6	Board of Education Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
May 14	Pizza Day
May 27	Kindergarten Orientation, 1:30
May 28	Pizza Day
June 1	Field Day, Early Dismissal
June 2	Early Dismissal
June 3	Spring Concert

You can also check the school calendar on the school web site: www.rps1.org

RCNS May Newsletter

By Ginny Weber

In April, our class visited Footlight Farm. We had a wonderful time learning about horses and how to take care of them.

May is a very busy month for us at RCNS. We planned a trip to Chevy's Restaurant to celebrate Cinco de Mayo. The children toured the kitchen to see how tacos are made and make their own tacos. We learned some customs of Mexico and where it is located. The children love to learn some basic Spanish words and phrases! We also learned about the unique plant life and animals that inhabit the desert.

Our annual Mini March to benefit cystic fibrosis was scheduled for this month. The children are proud to know that they contribute to a cause to help sick children. They have a wonderful time maneuvering through an obstacle course as well!

The children have been very busy making special Mother's Day gifts to give to their moms. During this month, we are also learning about insects and how they live. They are fascinated with metamorphosis as they see caterpillars change into butterflies. Spring is certainly a wonderful time of year! ■

By David Schwendeman

Spring Has Sprung!

It took a while but the typical signs of Spring are all around us now. Ed Goetzmann called to say that 'the first of the gray doves are back.' He then described the sounds they were making and we identified them as mourning doves. This species can stay the winter but it's plaintive 'mournful' call signals the beginning of the mating season. This bird is one of the first songbirds to begin nesting. Sometimes three successful nestings' are spread out over the summer and even into early Autumn. Ed also reported robins lawn hopping again. Herb Johnson showed off our nature trail to his brother and they heard the last of the Wood Frogs calling as well as noticing the Grey Squirrels 'chasing' each other about the groves of Beech trees. More signs of Spring.

The Millstone Boy Scouts followed through on their offer to help with Roosevelt Woodland Trail maintenance. About fifteen scouts and adults helped to spread wood chips

and clear dead trees and limbs off the trail right-of-way. A formal Thank You letter is on the way for a job well done and greatly appreciated.

Finally, a town wide litter pick-up was held on Sunday March 28th. This event was sponsored by a Clean Communities Grant and about 55 grownups and children participated. Many returned to the traditional brunch hosted by Lenny and Michele Guye-Hills. We may repeat this event again late September early October before the leaves start to fall. It was a good feeling to see clean roadsides for a while. Boy, was I upset to see that first bag of garbage dropped in the section Angel and I cleaned! I guess it is one of those never-ending jobs so watch for news of the next litter pick-up and participate. It was fun, good exercise and you know...the more the merrier!

Next meeting of the Roosevelt Environmental Commission is Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m. on May 15th in the Borough Hall. ■

Are you taking advantage of the Roosevelt Library in our school?

To keep it alive, it needs to be used.

**As CSA Weinbach has said:
"A town library would be a terrible thing to lose!"**

Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Items for this column can be submitted to Ron Kostar by phone 443-4179, 18 Pine Drive, or e-mail at ronkostar@cs.com.

Two Signs in Rachel's Butcher Shop's Window

Sometimes people need a shock in order to wake them up and do something. Not necessarily a major shock, or an intense, life-altering revelation, like the one apparently sought by believers who have been flocking lately to the movie "The Passion of Christ"; but a pungent little nudge, like the one I experienced recently.

A shiny for being hopeful new Butcher Shop called "Rachel's" opened this past year in Hightstown, and for the last six months or so practically every time I drove by I considered stopping. From the outside "Rachel's" is inviting; it's bright and cheerful, it doesn't look like a franchise, and it actually seems to be run by the same people who own it. Its hams, chicken parts, prime ribs and turkeys, a friend told us, are much better than those you'd expect to buy in a Super Fresh or Shop Rite. And yet, here it was over six months and more than a hundred slow turns and reluctant drives past and I still hadn't stopped and gone inside. Then came the shock.

There were actually two shocks that day, two small, sharp stings emanating from the two signs hanging in the "Rachel's" front window, in bold unfor-giving black letters. It was around dinnertime as I was driving by, and the shop's front window was unusually dark, apparently no one was inside, no customers were coming and going through a usually busy front door. There were no indications of activity anywhere, in fact, just the two ominous signs: "Store for Lease." Sorry, Charley, too late.

The word that best describes how I felt as I turned the corner and kept driving down Etra Road home is remorseful. That followed by vague regret, at having let somebody whom I didn't even know,

down. Brooding over the signs brought back memories, too. I remembered what a colleague had said over lunch a couple of weeks ago, about people being the sum total of their choices. I remembered how many times I have made passionate, seemingly sincere appeals to my kids about why people should avoid franchises and patronize local businesses. And as I drove farther east on 571, I remembered a small town on the Maryland Eastern Shore I lived in one summer.

The town was called Claiborne, and you had to get off a main highway and drive for miles to get there. And after a long drive at the tip of this long, thin peninsula dominated by tomatoes and crabs was a building that a young couple had bought and fixed up, keeping the post office open for service and in order to pay rent, and maintaining a small grocery store downstairs and adding an upstairs apartment. Living within walking distance of the store, I gradually got to know the owners and started buying my groceries there. Before long the store became my favorite hanging out place after mornings spent working on the Chesapeake. On some afternoons when he wasn't busy, owner Jim, who was at best a reluctant merchant but a fervent talker, would pull out two chairs and we'd sit in the store and talk for hours. Jim was a painter, a really good painter - of paintings, furniture and road signs - and his wife Martha was lovely, intelligent and gracious; and I thought now how I never would have gotten to know them if I had shopped at the "Acme" in St. Michael's. In fact I did shop occasionally at the "Acme," but I had no memories of it. None at all.

Now, for one long slow drive down the Rte. 571 straight away, as I reconsidered the two bold faced "Store for Lease" signs in the new, attractive and, in this day and age, heroic-on-a-small-scale for

being a non-franchised Butcher Shop, I remembered specifically some of the conversations I had with the Richardsons in the Claibourne Community Store and I felt good and bad at the same time.

Nothing monumental happened, mind you, no big shock registered. Nobody was born and nobody died and my shock of recognition wasn't what you'd call "religious" or profound; it wasn't even a Joycean epiphany, which is a concept I still don't recognize or really understand. But something changed and this story does have a happy, if not ending, continuation. Life went on.

The next day I drove into Hightstown and the independent Butcher Shop was back to normal. The ceiling lights, high and bright, were throwing light over what from the road looks like the inside of a French "boucherie," and one customer wearing a dress was pushing her way through the front door. The ominous "Store for Lease" signs, I would find out later, actually referred to two vacant buildings in the next block owned by the same landlord. The new shop, at least for the time being, wasn't going anywhere.

Hey, as that great Yankee said, it's not over until it's really over. I'd lucked out again, and the least I could do is to savor my reprieve and do better. I'll try and resist the two headed modern tempters of Speed and Expediency and disrupt my own habitual patterns and laziness. I'll change some little things in my life. I should, I'll try, and maybe I even will. Our next big meat meal will come from the independent butcher shop, that'll be the first step. And it will be something special, like stuffed cornish hens or chicken breasts marinated in a house dressing. Something you wouldn't be able to get at Super Fresh or Shop Rite. ■

Get in the Swim

By Frances Duckett

Pine Valley Swim Club

Pine Valley Swim Club is eager to welcome new members for the '04 season. I can vouch for the fact that the club is a fun place to be. So, with summer approaching, it's time to think about how your family can make the most of it. So come on, get wet! The season for the Pine Valley Swim Club is basically from Memorial Day until Labor Day. It is located at the intersection of North Valley Rd. and Eleanor Lane, and the twenty-nine member-families range in age from 90 to mere babies. The pool is 25 feet by 50 feet, and will be getting a new diving board. The picnic tables under the trees are a nice place to have lunch, and efforts have been made to repair and upgrade the tennis court. The lights work—tennis in the evening is a possibility.

This year **Trial Memberships** are being offered for the maintenance fee only. No purchase of shares is required. Permanent Members may be allowed to purchase their shares in two installments.

At the April 15 annual meeting of the Pine Valley Swim Club, which was well attended, Stuart Kaufman was elected president, Louise Anish vice-president and Nancy Warnick secretary-treasurer. Stuart announced that the pool has been drained and bonded. Insurance has been obtained and the pool will open on schedule, with a popular lifeguard, who will work 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. except for camp days, when the schedule will be 12 noon to 6 p.m.. As most of you know, in the past the pool has been the venue two days a week for the children's summer camp run by the recreation department. That will be true again this year, and perhaps the recreation department will run classes there as well.

The phone number for Pine Valley listed in the telephone directory is no longer good. For membership information call Stuart Kaufman at 443-4921, Louise Anish at 448-2365 or Nancy Warnick at 490-0702.

From the Postmaster, Lorraine Hirtelen

In March of 1990 a letter went to all box holders in Roosevelt stating that all mail must be addressed to the post office box number. Reminders were sent several times after the original letter.

As a good faith gesture mail has been delivered for the last 14 years regardless of the actual mailing address on the piece.

Time has come, through progress and technology, to once again inform the residents of Roosevelt that all mail **MUST** be addressed to the post office box number.

This is a correction of the MAILING address only and does not effect the location of a home-based business or residence.

The Domestic Mail Manual states "In accordance with the application and verification standards in 2.0, any individual box customer or organization may receive through the box any mail properly addressed to the box number."

Postal Operations Manual, states "Nondelivery of mail occurs for any one of the following general reasons:

- a. Mail without Postage
- b. Incomplete, illegible, or incorrect address

Identification and current information on your post office box application is required. Again, please come in to do this as soon as possible.

A copy of these regulations can be viewed at the post office.

The Sound of Success

By Dan Sergeant

Printed initially in The Messenger-Press on February 26th, 2004

Composer Mark Zuckerman of Roosevelt is no stranger to praise when it comes to his music. Critics have hailed his works as "a brilliant filtering...of traditional themes and motifs through modernist devices." But on February 9, Zuckerman received praise of another kind from a different critic, praise in the form of a fellowship from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

Zuckerman was awarded the fellowship based on his excellence in the field of music composition. In addition to the prestige that naturally comes as a result of such an honor, the fellowship also entails a grant. In Zuckerman's case, he is set to receive \$8,200.

The Fellowship Program, sponsored by the NJSCA and co-sponsored by the Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation, is designed to help develop an aspiring artist's career. According to Sharon Harrington, the Chairman of the NJSCA, the program is "a key component of the council's effort to recognize and support" the work of New Jersey's myriad of professional artists of all mediums. Through the program, the NJSCA awards grants to a select group of New Jersey artists, ranging from musicians to poets to painters, based on their excellence in their field. Last year, the Council awarded \$274,800 in grant money to fellowship winners.

An applicant pool of 303 people in five artistic disciplines were initially considered for the fellowship this year. The contestants were judged solely on the basis of artistic excellence, and in the end, Zuckerman and 25 others

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We are pleased to announce the following:

Film Schedule

May 1 Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over (2-D version)

When Carmen's caught in a virtual reality game, it's up to Juni to save his sister, and, ultimately the world. Antonio Banderas, Sylvester Stallone.

May 8 The Wizard of Oz

The original MGM classic, with Judy Garland, Ray Bolger, Bert Lahr, and lots of Munchkins. If you've never seen it full-size, now's your chance.

May 15 Raiders of the Lost Ark

Thrills, chills, snakes, and a giant stone ball to boot. "If adventure has a name... it must be Indiana Jones."

May 22 The Lion King 1 1/2

The previous adventures of Timon and Pumbaa, their search for Hakuna Matata, and how it brought them to know the Lion King. Laugh-out loud funny.

May 29 The Goonies

The secret caves. The old lighthouse. The lost map. The treacherous traps. The hidden treasure. And Sloth... "Pure Fun from Start to Finish!"

June 5 Antz

Featuring the voices of Gene Hackman, Jennifer Lopez, Sharon Stone, and Woody Allen as the ant who wanted only to be himself.

Showtime is 7:30 p.m. Saturday nights at the Roosevelt Public School. There is no charge.

If you have any suggestions, films you haven't seen in years or have yet to see, please let us know by calling Paul Freedman at 609-448-0304 or emailing him at paul@freedmania.com.

Roosevelt Community Summer Camp

(For Children Entering K-7th Grades)

- Monday, June 21 to Friday, August 13
- 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Daily
- Swimming at Pine Valley Swim Club on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Field Trips on Fridays

Registrations are now being accepted. Please contact the Recreation Office at 448-0539 x3, for more information and a registration form.

Yoga Classes

The Roosevelt Community Education and Recreation Coalition is sponsoring a Yoga Program this May at Roosevelt Borough Hall. Hatha Yoga is an ancient form of healing that can bring you energy, strength, flexibility and balance. Classes will be instructed by Gina DiArchangel, a certified Yoga Instructor and Licensed Social Worker with over 16 years experience in the Health and Wellness field. Classes will be offered on the following Tuesday nights from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. on May 4, 11, 18, 25. The cost of the program is \$25.00 per participant. There is a \$10.00 walk-in fee per person. While yoga mats will be provided, participants are welcomed to bring their own.

Registrations are now being accepted. Please contact the Recreation Office at 448-0539 x3, for more information and a registration form.

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The Mayor also reported that he had asked Administrator Klein to provide the Council with an ordinance governing the use of all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) in the Borough. In the public portion, Tom Hannigan spoke earnestly of the ordeal that he has been continually subjected to by the incessant use of loud ATVs by teenagers living on his street and their guests. Lt Devlin of the State Police spoke in support of Mr. Hannigan's plea for corrective action, stating that the State Police need an ordinance, such as one on the subject that was adopted by Millstone and which she provided to the Council, in order to take effective action. If the ATVs, which are unregistered motor vehicles, are being driven on public streets, the police can issue summonses. If, however, as is generally the case, the violators steer onto private property before the police catch them on the streets, the police can do nothing unless there is an ordinance banning their use on private property as well. Rod Tulloss stated that virtually all land in Roosevelt is used for residential, agricultural or open space purposes, that ATV use is inconsistent with all of these uses and that there is no reason for the Borough to designate any place in Roosevelt where ATVs might be used legally. Council members also stated that parents who buy ATVs or similar vehicles for their teenaged children must be held responsible for the consequences of their having done so.

Commenting on the proposed budget that was to be introduced at a special meeting on April 19, the Mayor said that it was "in very good shape." However, he also stated that the separate water and sewer utility budget, while probably all right for

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this year, would be under pressure in the future because of costs of repair and of compliance with the new DEP phosphate standards. The trickling filter at the sewer plant must be repaired, as must the influent pump and the grinder. In order to comply with the phosphate requirements, the plant must operate at maximum efficiency, at an estimated cost of \$75,000 for needed work. He also said that he and the Council are exploring using the sewerage treatment plant to treat “gray water” that would be brought in from nearby non-sewered areas by truck. Hightstown has been earning \$400,000 by providing this treatment and our plant operator, Toby Moore, has prepared a list of equipment that would be needed if we were to do the same. Councilman Michael Hamilton, chairman of the Finance Committee, said that surplus funds in the general municipal budget could be loaned to the water-sewer utility budget, thus avoiding payment of interest to outside lenders.

Reporting for the Public Works Committee, Councilman Dan Hoffman said that he is waiting for a response from Monmouth County regarding changes to the speed limit on Rochdale Avenue. He also said that the bulk garbage pickup is scheduled for May 19 and that contracts for street sweeping and grass cutting would be before the Council for approval later in the meeting.

Councilwoman Pat Moser, the chairwoman of the Environmental, Health and Safety Committee, reported that the effort to convene a meeting of the Fire Department in order to elect a chief, as the Council had requested, was unsuccessful due to inability to obtain a quorum. The meeting is being rescheduled and there will be another attempt. Meanwhile, Councilwoman Moser

called upon members of the community to join the Fire Department and give it a membership that will be large enough to allow it to provide proper service. Mayor Marko reported that he will be meeting with fire service officials in Monroe and Millstone to discuss alternative means of providing fire protection.

Councilwoman Elly Shapiro, in her capacity as representative to the Recreation Coalition, reported that camp registration was “moving along” and that trips for teenagers would be held during the summer, with Recreation Director Eric Schubiger and his wife serving as chaperones.

Councilwoman Moser, in her capacity as representative to the Senior Citizens Organization, said that the seniors have been having various problems, among them the removal of a step-stool from the bus. This step-stool is necessary to allow some of the seniors to get on the bus. However, someone apparently tripped while using such a step-stool and, of course, filed a lawsuit, with the predictable result that now the County won't provide any more step-stools for anyone and some people are therefore unable to get on the bus. Mrs. Moser stated that she is “trying to get it sorted out.”

Speaking as Council representative to the School Board, Councilman Hoffman stated that School Board was not interested in the purchase of a bus that could be used both to transport students and for the recreation program because, despite the benefit to the municipality, there would be no savings to the School Board. Mayor Marko recommended speaking with Anderson Bus Company, the owner of the bus used by the School Board, to see if they would be willing to allow the Borough to use it during the summer for teen trips.

In other business, the Council passed an ordinance appropriating \$150,000, most of which is State-aid funds, for the reconstruction of a portion of Pine Drive, a resolution allowing emergency temporary appropriations prior to the adoption of the budget, a resolution awarding a contract for grass cutting to Dr. K's Landscaping, at a cost of \$575 per cut—two other bids having been solicited, but none received, a resolution to award a contract for street sweeping to C & L Sweeping, at a cost of \$550 per eight-hour day and \$69/hour for overtime, as well as the aforementioned resolution authorizing the signing of the interlocal agreement with Hightstown. The Council also passed a motion to accept the resignation, as of April 1, of Tax Collector/Water-Sewer Collector Salvatore Cannizzaro and a motion to replace him temporarily with Chief Finance Officer George Lang in both capacities. However, Mr. Cannizzaro will be rehired as of May 1. The reason for his resignation and rehiring is that he is retiring from his primary job as Tax Collector of Hamilton Township and must therefore, under State pension laws, retire from any other public position as well. However, he can be rehired at a salary of less than \$15,000 in one of his jobs once 30 days have elapsed without having to reenroll in the pension system or postpone receipt of pension payments.

With the deadline for filing for the June primary fast approaching, Councilwoman Shapiro announced that she would not be running. Councilwoman Moser will be running for re-election, with Peggy Malkin as her running mate in the Democratic primary. (This might perhaps be called the Two P.M. slate.) ■

By Clare Sacharoff

At the Senior meeting of April 6, the senior exercise class was deemed to be a huge success by its participants. This class, led by therapist Regina Sachs, will end April 15th for the six-week session and will continue, April 22th through June 3rd. Several people expressed interest in continuing. Anyone interested is invited to attend one free class.

A thank you note from Honey Sochowitzky was read aloud by President Gerry Millar.

Gerry stated the computer classes at the public school were successfully completed and ended with the seniors providing cake. Pictures of seniors and helping students were presented to each participant.

A theater trip was held April 25th to see "Crazy For You" at the Kelsey Theater. Volunteer drivers were provided for anyone attending the show.

The regular monthly trip was to the flea market at Rova Farms followed by lunch at the Rova Farms restaurant.

We wish Dolores Chasan a speedy recover from her recent illness. She is an integral part of the Senior Club.

Diana Klein provided excellent refreshments. Our hostess for May will be Molly Bulkin. ■

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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.

Tidbit of information: The Borough collects the tax monies for everybody. This includes the Borough, the school and various county taxes. We collect it and send most of it to the school and the County. By far the biggest portion of tax that is collected is for the school. The Council has no control over what we collect for the school or the County. If writing out that tax or escrow check is difficult, remember to look at your tax bill to see who is actually getting the money, not just who is collecting it. ■

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were awarded the honor. Zuckerman was one of only two New Jersey composers to win the fellowship, most of the other winners being choreographers, painters, and filmmakers. Rather than feeling like he is breaking the mold, however, Zuckerman instead feels grateful that his field of expertise is being given its due consideration.

"I'm glad music deserves this recognition," says Zuckerman.

In order to be considered for a fellowship, an artist must submit a sample of his or her work to be judged. Zuckerman submitted two of his musical achievements, the first being *Menagerie*, a collection of French children's poems by Robert Desnos set to music. His second submission was also a series of poems set to music, this time by Emily Dickinson. *Entitled Two Emily Dickinson Settings*, the work included the poems *I'll Tell You How the Sun Rose* and *To Make a Prairie*.

Zuckerman first became interested in composing in grade school, having had his first performance at age 11. He continued to write music in his high school in New York state, encouraged by his music teacher Joe Greco. Back then, he says, "I didn't realize the special advantage I was receiving."

After high school, Zuckerman studied at Julliard, University of Michigan, Bard College, and Princeton University, where he finally earned a Ph.D. in music composition. During that time, he was instructed by many prominent teachers, including Milton Babbitt, J.K. Randall, and Peter Westergaard.

During the course of his musical career, Zuckerman has written numerous musical pieces in several

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Finding Uncle Lou

My father was born in Chicago in 1894. When he was quite young, his father took the family, to Wilton Junction, Iowa, where he went into the scrap metal business, a common occupation among Jewish immigrants in the rural Midwest at that time. When my father was six years old, his mother died in childbirth, leaving my father and two younger sisters. Soon thereafter, my grandfather went back to Chicago and remarried. His new wife, with whom he was to have six more children, including my Uncle Harold, my cousin David's father, had two sons by her previous marriage, whose names were Louis and Jacob, both of whom were presumably adopted by my grandfather, since they took his last name. In any event, Lou was the same age as my father. Between them, they constituted one-sixth of the Wilton High School Class of 1912.

After graduation from high school, my father taught for a year and then studied for a year at the Art Institute of Chicago. In 1918, he enlisted in the Army and served in France as a private first class. Lou, meanwhile, went to engineering school at the University of Iowa. He enlisted as an officer and advanced to the rank of captain, also serving in France.

After the war, Lou came home and got married. His bride was not Jewish, however, and this displeased his mother, leading to a breaking off of relations between him and the rest of the family. At that point, Lou disappeared from the family narrative, though my father once told me that his stepmother had received a letter from Lou seeking reconciliation shortly before her death.



Ticktin Family, Wilton, Iowa, 1906
Lou seated at left; Israel (Michael's father) third from left.

Now let us fast forward to 2003 and the age of the Internet. Several months ago, I received an e-mail from a researcher who was investigating the history of the ownership of a Victorian-era house in Oak Park, Illinois on behalf of the current owners. She had gotten my name and e-mail address from a genealogy website and wanted to know if I was by any chance a grandson of Louis Ticktin. I replied that I was not, but that I did have a long-lost uncle by that name. I told her that he would have been born in or about 1894, had lived in Wilton Junction, Iowa, and had been an officer in World War I. She wrote back and told me that my uncle was indeed the very same Louis Ticktin she was researching and filled me in on what she had discovered of the rest of his life. It turns out that he had settled in Oak Park and joined the staff of Oak Park and River Forest High School, serving first as the person in charge of building maintenance and then as business manager, a position he held until his death in 1941. She enclosed obituaries and informa-

tion about where he is buried. I also learned that David and I had had a cousin we never knew about, a son of Lou's named Boyd who was a fighter pilot in World War II, founded an air ambulance service after the war, and died in 1978.

Now to the strangest part of the story—the Roosevelt connection. Shortly after I got all of this information, my wife and I had the pleasure of attending Rod and Mary Tulloss' 25th wedding anniversary party in Freehold. We were sitting at a table with David and Connie Herrstrom and I was telling them the story of how I had unexpectedly gotten all this information. Sitting with us were friends of the Herrstroms who live in Freehold, and whom we had not met previously. When I mentioned the name of the town and the high school, the wife of the couple replied that she was from Oak Park and had attended that very high school! I will leave it to the reader to calculate the odds on that one. ■

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.

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different categories. He has composed virtuoso solo pieces, many of which have been featured on tours from New York to Taiwan. He has written music for large ensembles and chambers, works for high school string orchestras, and also has extensive experience writing for chorus. Perhaps his most well-known works are his arrangements of Yiddish poems, several of which have won him international recognition.

“(Jewish music) makes up a good portion of my catalog,” says Zuckerman. “I became interested in writing it as a way of connecting with my paternal grandparents.”

Zuckerman has already dedicated one of his works, a song about labor struggles, to his grandparents. Surprisingly, however, Zuckerman is not a native Yiddish speaker. He learned Yiddish by taking classes at Columbia University.

“It speaks in a way that is unique,” says Zuckerman of his fascination with the language.

Zuckerman is currently working on a suite for a wind ensemble, which he hopes will be picked up by the Rutgers University Orchestra. In addition, he is working on a long term opera project with Roosevelt neighbor, poet David Herrstrom.

But in the meantime, Zuckerman simply wants to do what he loves: compose music. His hope is that the award will allow him to do more work on commission, as well as buy some time for composing.

“I’m hoping the fellowship will attract people’s attention,” he says.

Louise Roskam

By Assenka Oksiloff

April 1st marked the first anniversary of Louise Roskam’s death. There is no good day for dying and Louise had many reasons for wanting to live.

At 93, her days continued to be all about learning and doing. Dying made no sense. I am a relatively new friend of Louise’s. We met in 2001, shortly after my family moved into a house across the street. Our time together was short, yet when she died I was unable

to write about what Louise had come to mean to me. Now, a year later, I am at least able to try.

At a time when age and illness were closing in on her, Louise pushed back and through to the future. She was past 90 when she began to use the computer. “The computer is my friend,” she would often say, and she truly meant it. This new technology stimulated rather than intimidated her. She regarded it as something much more than a tool. It was a companion leading her on unexpected adventures. As Louise became more physically confined, the screen opened up infinite windows onto the world for her.

Once I mentioned that my relatives from Bulgaria were coming to visit. A few days later, she announced that she had been busy doing research and produced a thick packet of papers, a study guide she had created to learn more about Bulgaria. One of the things that fascinated her, she told me, was the country’s rich Byzantine culture. On another occasion, she downloaded a painting of the archangel Gabriel and gave it to our son, another Gabriel.

Louise collected stuff off the Web in the same way she collected the



Louise Rosskum

materials of her life. She refused to make distinctions between the sublime and the mundane; she was interested in it all. Her home was sparsely furnished, but it was filled with the things that were most important to her and her late husband,

Edwin: books; pho-

tographs; paintings; and countless little treasures collected from all over. When I would take Gabriel over to visit, he kept himself busy exploring the contents of her living room, turning the wheels of an intriguing set of miniature windmills and gazing at the bright objects that decorated her windows. At Christmas time, she would ornament her tree with little birds, which fascinated Gabriel. Once, to his great delight, she plucked one off the tree and gave it to him. Louise had a wonderful way with children and they responded to her with instant rapport.

In 2002-3, two major exhibits of Louise’s photography opened. These latter-day accolades left her pleased but somewhat uncomfortable. She was hardly a novice in the world of art critics, archivists, and historians, but this was the first time her work had been highlighted independently from that of her lifelong partner and collaborator, Edwin. The exhibit at the New Jersey Agricultural Museum focused exclusively on a series that marked her return to photography some years after Edwin’s death. Entitled “Barnscapes,” these photographs document the transfor-

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mation of the surrounding area from rural to ex-urban. Many of the pictures juxtapose the abandoned remnants of the agricultural world with the startlingly uniform structures of new housing developments. Like all of her work, these were social documents as well as highly personalized forms of expression. Much of what is in these photos is about loss: the decay of the old as it succumbs to the new, which usually imposes itself in astonishingly swift and heartless ways. Louise was able to render this sense of change without succumbing to indulgent sentimentalism or bitterness. Her documentation was an act of life and regeneration even though the content inside the frames revealed an opposite theme.

The exhibit at the Maier Art Museum was much more comprehensive, spanning, as the title suggested, "A Life in Photography." It was this attention to "A Life," in the singular, that tended to make Louise uneasy. As she told me, she and Edwin had had such a close partnership that it

was sometimes impossible to keep their work apart. This might have presented headaches for curators, whose job it is to properly attribute and label work, but it was not a problem for Louise. While she was aware that celebrating her achievements as a woman photographer was the politically correct thing to do, she felt that it did not accurately represent what she was about. Life for her was about "lives" in the plural, all the lives that had touched her own.

On this April 1st, some of those people who, in turn, had been touched by Louise gathered at the cemetery for an informal commemoration. Her family had brought along pansies, which they gave to everyone to brighten up their homes. After a long winter, the sun was shining and it was a beautiful day. Louise would have definitely approved. Above all, it was her incredible openness and brightness that was the greatest gift. ■

To The Editor:

A little note with a BIG thank you to my family and friends for the lovely cards, flowers and good wishes while I was confined to Princeton Hospital and the Cranbury Rehabilitation Center.

Toby Levin

Dear Residents,

Just a quick note to let you know that our water problem has been corrected, it took exactly one month. On March 23, after I submitted my previous letter to the paper, the repair was made and appears successful! What a relief that was and, yes, I cheered.

Nancy L. Warnick ■

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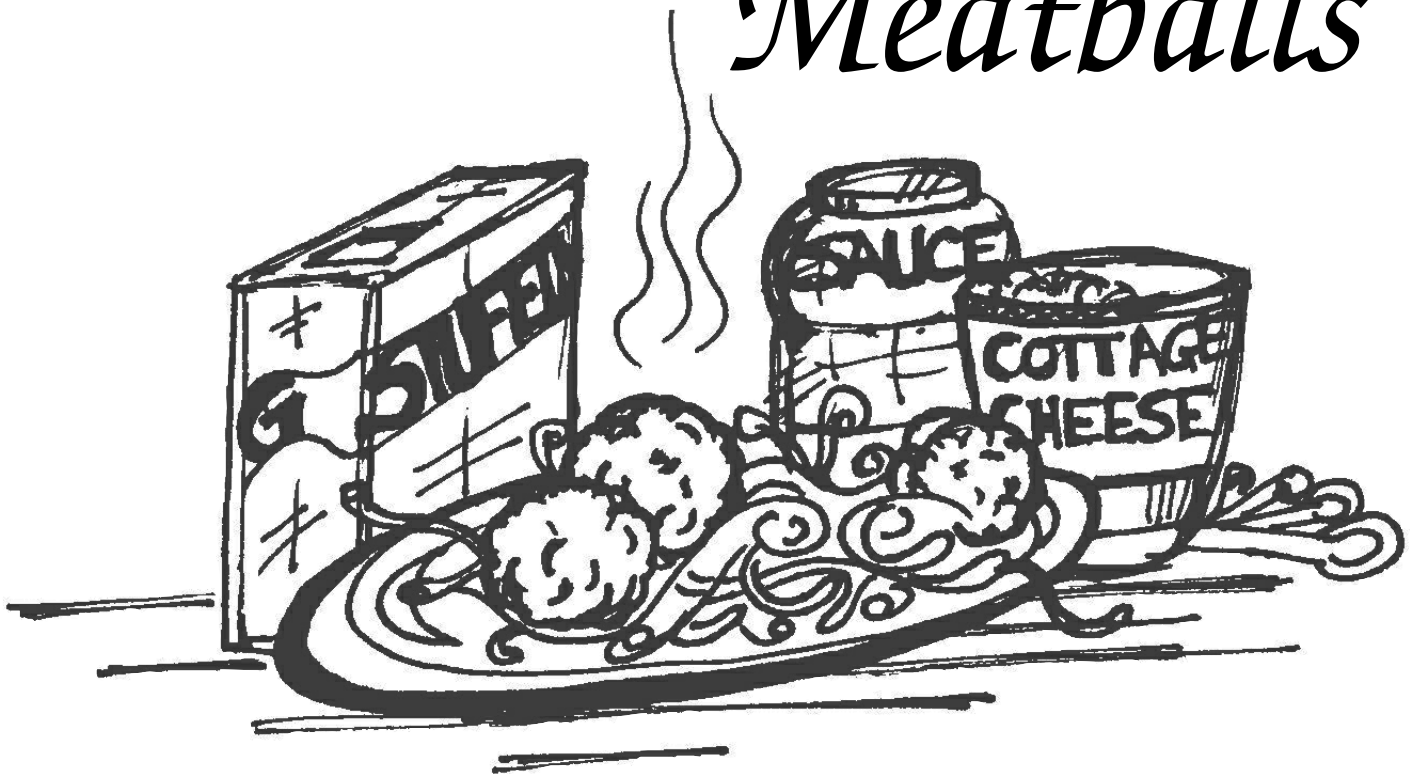
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Let us know what you think, what you do.

How about it?

No-Meat Meatballs



In connection with my wanting to find recipes for my two vegetarian daughters, I sent for a booklet called "Introducing Cottage Cheese" in 1977 from the Borden company.

This recipe was a hit with the whole family. Now, instead of making a meat and vegetarian dish, I make these "No-Meat Meatballs" enough for everyone. My grandchildren even like them – they think they are having "spaghetti and meatballs".

Ingredients:

1 cup cottage cheese	1/2 cup chopped onion
1 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese	1 tsp basil leaves
4 eggs well beaten	1/2 tsp seasoned salt
2 cups herb-seasoned stuffing mix	1/2 tsp ground sage
1 1/2 cups coarsely chopped walnuts	1 (15 oz.) jar marinara sauce

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In large bowl, combine all ingredients except sauce; mix well. Using about 1/3 cup stuffing for each, shape into 12 balls. Arrange in lightly greased 8" square baking dish; spoon sauce evenly over top. Bake uncovered 30-35 minutes or until bubbly. Serve hot. Refrigerate leftovers

The Bugs

One of the things I like most about summer is the sound of cicadas. They usually begin their buzzing in late July. This year, those of us who anticipate with joy the return of the cicadas' call, will get a double treat. In addition to the annual summertime sizzle of the annual cicadas, there will be a spring concert of songs offered up by the 17-year periodical cicadas.

The last time the 17-year cicadas were singing was spring 1987. Robin was traveling through Princeton one day that spring and at the corner of Paul Robeson Place and Chambers Street she heard a strange loud machine like sound that was at the same time unworldly. At that location, there was a huge swarm of the cicadas. She told me about it and we made a trip to record this unique aural experience. The insects were all over every surface in the yard on that corner. Cicadas can achieve a population density of 1.5 million per acre! But densities of tens to hundreds of thousands are more common. We did not live in Roosevelt during the last emergence of the 17-year cicadas so I don't know what kind of population density of the insect we can expect here.

Don't fear the little critters. Cicadas are about 1.5 inches long and they will not hurt you even if they land on you. If one does land on you and you leave it there for a very long time it may decide you are a tree and try to feed off your arm, in which case you will feel a very brief pinprick. The bug is not poisonous and it does not spread disease. Native Americans used to eat them. They are said to taste like asparagus. During the 1987 emergence cicada recipes appeared in newspapers. If you're not interested

in eating them, they can also be used as fishing bait.

Folklore tells us that the W marking on the periodical cicada's back presages war or other unpleasantness.

So, get your fishing poles, frying pans or recorders ready. The 17-year periodical cicadas are due to emerge from the ground in late May or early June. If the wet weather trend of the last couple of months continues, the insects should be able to dig out of the soft earth with ease. February, March and April had above average precipitation. In April, the monthly rainfall total was already above normal by the middle of the month.

Weather Event

On May 20, 1915, New Jersey residents saw a brilliant solar halo. Five circles displaying rainbow colors were seen encircling the sun.

Weather Word

Scud clouds are ragged low clouds, usually stratus fractus. The name is most often used when such clouds are moving rapidly beneath a layer of nimbostratus. ■

March 15 - April 15, 2004

Day	High	Low	Avg	Precip
15	58.6	36.9	47.8	0.00
16	42.8	31.8	37.3	0.00
17	36.7	30.2	33.5	0.40
18	46.0	29.8	37.9	0.40
19	44.4	32.9	38.7	0.40
20	52.3	25.0	38.7	0.35
21	51.8	37.2	44.5	0.10
22	39.2	27.0	33.1	0.00
23	45.9	17.8	31.9	0.00
24	61.2	30.2	45.7	0.00
25	55.9	42.1	49.0	0.00
26	73.2	44.6	58.9	0.10
27	69.1	51.6	60.4	0.00
28	63.7	47.3	55.5	0.00
29	53.8	36.0	44.9	0.00
30	45.9	35.6	40.8	0.00
31	51.3	39.0	45.2	0.37
1	61.0	43.3	52.2	0.20
2	47.3	42.3	44.8	0.05
3	51.8	39.9	45.9	0.55
4	53.4	37.0	45.2	0.07
5	45.9	31.1	38.5	0.30
6	54.0	30.9	42.5	0.00
7	68.5	42.6	55.6	0.00
8	59.4	34.9	47.2	0.00
9	65.3	41.0	53.2	0.12
10	62.4	34.2	48.3	0.00
11	51.4	43.0	47.2	0.00
12	54.3	41.7	48.0	0.18
13	60.6	41.2	50.9	1.15
14	59.7	49.1	54.4	0.95
15	61.9	42.6	52.3	0.72
Total Precipitation			6.41"	

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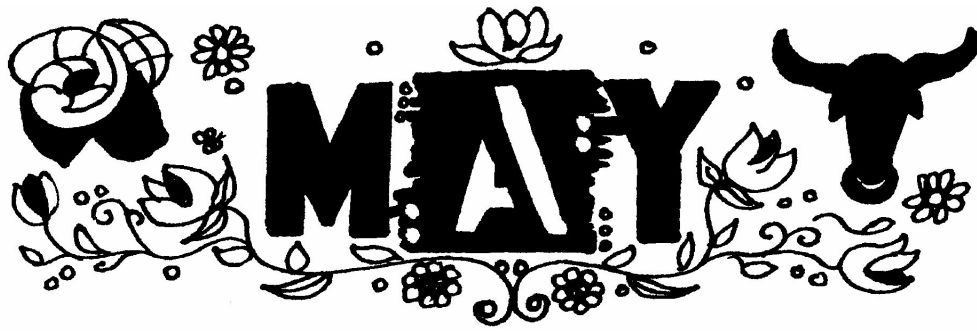
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May

1	Sat		RAP Program Roosevelt String Band Borough Hall
3	Mon		RPS Teacher/Staff Appreciation Wk Larisa Bondy, PTA President 609-443-7430
		7 pm	Council Committee Meeting Borough Hall Mike Hamilton, President 609-443-5227
		8 pm	Council Agenda Meeting, Borough Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 609-443-6818
4	Tues	12 noon	Blood Pressure Check Borough Hall
		1 pm	Seniors Meeting Borough Hall Gerry Millar, President 609-448-0351
5	Wed		♻️ RECYCLE
6	Thurs	7:30 pm	Board of Education Meeting RPS Jill Lipoti, President 609-448-9214
9	Sun		MOTHER'S DAY
10	Mon		Voters Registration Deadline for Primary Elections Ann Baker, Democratic Comm Chairperson 609-448-5215
		7 pm	Council Action Meeting Borough Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 609-443-6818
		7:30 pm	PTA Meeting RPS Larisa Bondy, President 609-443-7430
11	Tues	7:30 pm	Planning Board Meeting Borough Hall Ralph Seligman, Chairman 609-448-2340
14	Fri		RPS Pizza Day
15	Sat	9 am	PTA Town Wide Yard Sale
		9 am	PTA Plant Sale Post Office Larisa Bondy, President 609-443-7430
17	Mon	7 pm	Council Committee Meeting Borough Hall Mike Hamilton, President 609-443-5227
19	Wed		♻️ RECYCLE

7:30 pm Environmental Commission Meeting
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23 Sun. Democratic Committee Fundraiser
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24 Mon **MEMORIAL DAY**

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27 Thurs Kindergarten Orientation
Dale Weinbach, CSA 609-448-2798

28 Fri RPS Pizza Day

31 Mon 7 pm Council Committee Meeting
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Mike Hamilton, President 609-443-5227

June Preview

1	Tues		RPS Field Day
			RPS Early Dismissal
		12 noon	Blood Pressure Check Borough Hall
		1 pm	Seniors Meeting Borough Hall Gerry Millar, President 609-448-0351
2	Wed		RPS Early Dismissal
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