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BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

Council and Public Discuss Bulletin Board Policy, Zoning and Infrastructure Issues and Bears; Lake Drive Reconstruction Proceeds

By Michael Ticktin

Mayor Neil Marko began the September 12 meeting by announcing that the pre-construction meeting for the replacement of pavement and curbing on part of Lake Drive had taken place and that the project was expected to be finished by early October. Administrator Bob Clark then reported that he had spoken with the affected residents and that their main concern was the width of curb cuts. Noting that the maximum allowed under the current ordinance is 20 feet, but also noting that the Planning Board had been working on new parking requirements for a considerable period of time, he asked the Council if this was likely to be changed. Mr. Marko suggested addressing that question to the Planning Board.

Mr. Clark further reported that a change order to allow the additional 300 feet of repaving had been submitted to the New Jersey Department of Transportation and was likely to be approved because the contractor's bid was sufficiently low that the additional work would still be covered by the State grant, and would therefore not involve the expenditure of any local funds. He also said that the municipal engineer would be contacting Monmouth County in order to resolve the issue of responsibility for repairs at the intersections of CR-571 with Oscar Drive and South Valley Road and would

be looking into filling a depression in the road on Farm Lane and paving the roadway at the cemetery. He also said that the Borough of Hightstown had expressed an interest in entering into an interlocal agreement with Roosevelt for garbage collection, which might be of interest to Roosevelt due to information indicating that Waste Management, Inc. had doubled its charges to the Borough of Allentown and would be likely to do the same to Roosevelt when the current contract expires. In order to do this, however, it would be necessary to make sure that Hightstown could take garbage from Roosevelt across the county line to the Mercer County disposal facility.

On another subject, Mr. Clark recommended that the Council authorize him to remove postings of "hate speech" from the municipally-controlled bulletin board at the post office. He distinguished the posting of such messages, such as postings including swastikas, from the distribution of leaflets, saying that such distribution was constitutionally-protected speech, but that the municipality has the right to control the use of its bulletin board. He also recommended that the Council adopt a resolution condemning hate speech, including all prejudiced, discriminatory and inflammatory public dis-

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. New hours will soon be announced.

Have you ever wanted to be a reporter? The *Bulletin* needs you to cover meetings. Please call Michael Ticktin (448-0363) or Bess Tremper (448-2701) to volunteer.

OPEN MIC CAFÉ

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2006
8 p.m. in the municipal building



ATTENTION ALL ROOSEVELT RESIDENTS, past and present, ages 13 through adult! **ROOSEVELT'S 1ST ANNUAL OPEN MIC CAFÉ** is just around the corner and we need to start planning. So, if you like to perform in an informal cafe atmosphere (singing, music, poetry, comedy etc.,) please fill out the short form below and mail it to either . . .

JUDY NAHMIAS
P.O. Box 206
Roosevelt, NJ 08555

or

DEIRDRE SHEEAN
P.O. Box 620
Roosevelt, NJ 08555

NAME: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ NJ 08555

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

A short description of your performance

How long will your performance last? _____

Do you need any special props? _____

How much time will you need to set up, break down? _____

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Status of Recall Effort Uncertain

All through this past summer, a great deal of public attention, locally, regionally and even nationally, has been focused on the efforts of a committee headed by Dolores Chasan, Virginia Edwards and Jill Joyce, with Jeff Ellentuck as spokesman, to place on the ballot in a special election a proposal to recall and replace Mayor Neil Marko. A recall petition containing

more than the 150 names—one-quarter of the number of registered voters as of the last election—needed was submitted to Borough Clerk Krystyna Olejnik. However, on August 12, Mrs. Olejnik, in consultation with the municipal attorney, ruled that the petition was invalid because it failed to either state the reason for the recall or, alternatively, to state that no reason

was being given. She also rejected a subsequent appeal of that decision. In response, on August 23, the committee filed a new notice of intent to file a recall petition. However, as of the date that this issue of the Bulletin is going to press, no new petition has been filed. ■

PLANNING BOARD NEWS

By Michael Ticktin

Horse Farm Receives Preliminary Approval

The Planning Board, at its September 13 meeting, gave preliminary site plan approval to plans submitted by Richard Annunziata for a 120-horse farm on Nurko Road. Prior to this submission, Mr. Annunziata had substantially reduced the scope of the plan he had earlier submitted for concept review, eliminating barns and parking spaces. Prior to receiving preliminary approval, he had received approvals from the Monmouth County Agricultural Development Board and from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. In order to receive final site plan approval, he will have to amend the plans to incorporate

changes recommended by the municipal engineer, Carmela Roberts, and approved by the Planning Board. A recommendation that Mr. Annunziata be required to widen the southern half of Nurko Road was not approved by the Board, since the Board saw no benefit to the community in encouraging faster driving on that street. Mr. Annunziata indicated that, signs on the property notwithstanding, he was not planning to sell it and was planning to proceed with the construction of his new home and the development of the horse farm, which will include a training facility for racehorses.

In response to a question from Administrator Bob Clark about the

recommendations the Board would be making to the Council concerning driveway widths, Board Chairman Ralph Seligman said that the 20-foot maximum width would be retained, and would include flare-outs at the street.

The Board agenda also included presentation of a concept plan for the Pine Valley Swim Club property by Sparkling Pools, Inc. However, no representative of the company was present at the meeting and no correspondence was received seeking to reschedule the presentation. ■

From the Mayor

Greetings everyone. I hope you all had a good summer. Roosevelt has been quite a tumultuous place these past few months. The big change this September is that we now have three schools in Roosevelt. To many of us, this is old news, and to some of us, the question is why is this news at all? But to a small minority, the new yeshiva school is the bane of Roosevelt. I think though, that it is time to give new neighbors a chance. In fact, I think that we should use this new school year as a time to try to reestablish relations with all of our neighbors, new and old. From what I see, some of us already have started that process.

A few days ago, I drove out of town. My normal path out of town takes me down Homestead Lane. Homestead Lane has quite a few children on it, and it also has the synagogue. That day, as I drove out, I noticed several of the young yeshiva boys doing what young boys do. They were out in front of the synagogue playing football. As I drove past them, I thought to myself, the mere fact that these children were out running and playing could be disturbing to some of the neighbors. I further thought that maybe I should say something to the Rabbi. Maybe I should suggest that the boys play in the backyard instead of the front?

As I continued down Homestead Lane, within just about one hundred yards from the synagogue, I came across another group of children play-

ing football in their front yard. Then it dawned on me. On any other day, I would have just driven past these children playing football and, with the exception of hoping they stay safe, I would not have given their playing a second thought. In fact, it gives me a good feeling when I see children running and playing outside. (It is certainly better than inside playing video games!)

The point here is that what I must try to do, what I would hope we would all try to do, is to just be fair. The yeshiva boys playing football are no different than the other kids playing football. If the noise of children, any children, playing football or tag or some other game is overwhelming for you, than I am sorry but children and their play are an important part of the human condition and necessary for our existence. Get over it.

Yesterday, as I drove out of town, the yeshiva boys were at it again, playing football in the front yard. This time however, they were not alone. Some of those other children from down the street were also in the front of the synagogue playing football too. It is amazing how children, without the so called knowledge and experience of adults, but also without the prejudices that such experience brings, can be such a beacon of neighborliness. I just hope that the rest of us can be as these children have been.

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. 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.

Tidbit of information: The First Aid Squad was incorporated in 1949. It has had its ups and downs, but regardless, it has served the Roosevelt community faithfully. First Aiders are available twenty four hours a day and seven days a week. They are dispatched without regard to who the patient is. All first aiders are dedicated to serve the community and all of our residents. Our First Aid Squad is gaining respect in our area and often provides mutual aid to surrounding communities. This is sometimes a thankless job, but someone has to do it. We are always looking for volunteers to serve. If you can serve, send an email to firstaid@borough.roosevelt.nj.us and we will provide you with more information. ■

From the Office of the Principal, Shari Payson

The 2005-2006 school year is off to an exciting start at Roosevelt Public School. Welcome current and new members of the community. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff, families and the community for their warm welcome. It is an honor to be working with such dedicated and professional staff and such a caring and involved community.

We began the new school year with two new staff members. Donna Gazzani is teaching first grade and Maritza Reyes-Albert is our new Spanish teacher. Please join me in wishing them a warm welcome. The Roosevelt Community Nursery opened its doors on September 7, 2005 to approximately 15 students. We are pleased that they are a part of our school community.

The Roosevelt mission statement and district goals, together with the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards, drive the educational program of our school. The mission of the Roosevelt Public School is to educate and inspire students to excel academically, to become independent and creative thinkers, skillful communicators and lifelong learners. In addition to incorporating differentiated instruction, technology, portfolio assessment and rubrics into the classroom curriculum, our district goals are to increase student achievement in the areas of math and language arts. We are continuing our tradition of excellence in education through small class sizes, staff development, keeping our curriculum current, collaboration and your help.

It is my personal goal to enhance the concept of "community of learners" in Roosevelt. The school is a part of the community and I will do what I can to continue to expand the relationship

with the school community.

The county approved our school's Professional Development and Mentoring Plans. These plans outline the scope and implementation of our staff development opportunities and our plan to mentor new teachers. We are continuing to implement our three year technology plan which includes holding technology classes in our state-of-the-art computer lab, utilizing digital and video cameras, the Internet and grade level applications and software to enhance the curriculum.

On another note... Many residents are aware that there have been a few bear sightings in Roosevelt. I want to assure the residents that the school community is addressing this situation and taking precautionary measures to avoid having a bear wander onto school grounds. We are implementing best practices as prescribed by Kelsey Burgess, head of the Bear Project for the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. Kelsey advised me that black bears typically do not bother humans. He (Kelsey), was not at all concerned about the one bear that was in Assunpink, but understood my concerns. I am in the process of submitting a request to the DEP to have a representative speak to the school and the community to address our concerns. In the meantime, below are the

measures (per Kelsey) that the school has implemented to avoid encountering a bear on school grounds:

A larger dumpster has been obtained and is to be kept closed.

We have asked Rossi's to make sure that their dumpster is kept closed.

The garbage pails that are on the playground have been sanitized and will be sanitized two times per month.

Students are not permitted to bring food of any kind onto the playground.

Teachers are asked to bring walkie talkies and whistles with them when they go outside.

Teachers/students have been asked not to put bird feeders or bird food outside their windows.

Teachers have addressed, "What to do if you see a bear" with their classes.

Documents from the DEP Web site regarding bears have been distributed.

Residents have been asked to refrain from bringing pets onto the school grounds.

Please log on to www.njfishandwildlife.com to obtain additional information.

Please feel free to call to arrange to meet with me regarding any pertinent issues, concerns, and/or questions.

It's going to be a great school year!

Very truly yours,

October School Dates

October 4 & 5	School Closed
October 7	Pizza Day
October 13	School Closed
October 25	Early Dismissal, Parent/Teacher Conferences
October 27	Early Dismissal, Parent/Teacher Conferences

By Jill Joyce and Deidra Pizzarelli

Welcome back to school!

As this goes to print, the PTA will have already had the Teacher's Luncheon, our first meeting, Fall fundraiser and Back to School Night. Now that is the way to start the school year.

The PTA would like to thank everyone who helped with the Teacher's Luncheon. It went very well and the teachers enjoyed all the good food.

Can we top the events for October, well let's see, there is Picture Day and we are also having our first assembly, which we are coordinating with the Rec. Committee. The assembly will be Stranger Danger. It will teach our children what to do when approached by a stranger. We thank the Rec. Committee for helping us to achieve this important message to our children. Trick or Treat for the kids will be held at the school. The children can go and receive treats. Volunteers are always welcome.

Stay tuned for more events as they happen.

Our next PTA meeting will be held on October 6th at 7:30.



Black Bear Update and the Roosevelt Woodland Trail Continues

Thank you for all the black bear reports. I received most of them just after submitting my last *Bulletin* article. I tried to "Stop the Presses" and add more recent information and I hope no one was misled.

Based on my information one brash bruin circled the town stopping first at some garbage cans behind at least one house on Tamara Drive. The large trash containers could not have been moved and toppled by dogs or raccoons. Although the bear was not actually seen, the report is deemed very reliable. It was next sighted crossing from Hilltop Swim Cub toward the horse farm in the early evening. Another reporter (second hand) said a friend saw a bear crossing Nurko Road again in daylight. The direction of movement wasn't made clear. This was all in one week in the middle of July 2005 and it is believed to be the meanderings of only one bear.

The Fish and Wildlife Biologists at Assunpink HQ were notified and they will be kept informed of all future sightings and encounters. They were also kind to leave black bear literature at the Borough Hall for those interested to pick up and read especially if you have outdoor pets and small children. There is a protocol regarding black bear encounters and I will include this information in a future article. In the meantime, channel all reports of sightings through me at 609-443-6204 or Roosevelt Borough Hall.

Tim Hartley has been anxious to get started on the continuation of the Roosevelt Woodland Trail. On Sunday, August 7th, Tim, Beth Battel and I took a two hour early morning walk over the proposed route for section 'D,' the fourth segment in our trail plan.

We began at the Roosevelt Woodland Trail sign on the macadam path between Lake Drive and Solar Village and headed in a southeasterly direction. Our path skirted the backyards of Lake Drive residents at an elevation quite higher than Empty Box Brook. This led us to the corner of the horse farm property and onto some of their trails leading us back towards Empty Box Brook.

All of a sudden we found ourselves peering into the Empty Box Brook Gorge! A wonderful sight. Then looking up to our right was a steeper climb to what I called Empty Box Peak. Beth said this was the highest point in the whole area and what a view. I can hardly wait to go back after leaf drop this autumn.

Descending to the stream we found a nice spot to cross noting deer and raccoon tracks as we did so. Soon we were at the edge of the field below the Roosevelt cemetery. Two or three possible routes were discussed and many possibilities need to be considered before the final trail is laid out. Still keeping a brisk pace we followed the brook back to where we started. It was a grand experience and we hope that families with children of all ages will someday soon be able to self-guide themselves along the same route throughout the year and see the ever-changing displays which are nature's gift to us all.

Our next scheduled Roosevelt Environmental Commission meeting will be Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m. on October 19, 2005. Everyone who is anyone is welcomed to attend. If anyone has a newsworthy nature note or comment of environmental concern, please give me a call. Thank you for reading this column. ■

Yoga

The Recreation Department is continuing its very popular Yoga program this Fall at Roosevelt Borough Hall. Classes will be instructed by Kym Kulp, a certified yoga instructor who teaches at the Peddie School and throughout the area. While yoga mats will be provided, participants are welcomed to bring their own. Classes will be offered on the following Tuesday nights from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.: September 6, 13, 20, 27, October 11, 18. The cost of the program is \$60.00 per person. Walk-ins are welcomed!

Movie Schedule

The Recreation Department invites all area residents to the Roosevelt Public School amphitheater to enjoy the following free movie events. Bring your blankets and chairs for a night of free fun! In the event of inclement weather, the movies will be moved indoors at the school.

Saturday, October 1st, 7:00 p.m. "THE SANDLOT"

Scotty Smalls moves to a new neighborhood with his mom and stepdad, and wants to learn to play baseball. The neighborhood baseball guru Rodriquez takes Smalls under his wing, and soon he's part of the local baseball buddies. They fall into adventures involving baseball, tree house sleep-ins, the pretty lifeguard at the local pool, the snooty rival ball team, and the traveling fair. Beyond the fence at the back of the sandlot menaces a legendary ball-eating dog called The Beast, and the kids inevitably must deal with him.

Saturday, October 8th, 7:00 p.m. "Beetlejuice"

Barbara and Adam Maitland find themselves trapped as ghosts in their beautiful New England farmhouse. Their peace is disrupted when a yuppie family, the Deetz, buy their house. The Maitlands are too nice and harmless as ghosts and all their efforts to scare the Deetz away were unsuccessful. They eventually turn to another ghost 'Beetlejuice' for help.

Martial Arts Program

A number of Martial Arts programs, co-sponsored by the Shaolin Kun Fu Institute in Hightstown, are being offered to the community this fall. Adult and youth programs are available, including a "Kid Safe" program for children ages 5 – 12. Programs begin the week of October 10th. Detailed information, including dates, times and cost, is available at Borough Hall.

Community Dance Night - "Dancing with the Stars"

Residents are invited to a Community Dance Night on October 29th at the Roosevelt School, from 7 p.m. – 10 p.m.. This special event will be led and DJ 'd by Candace Woodward-Clough. Candace has extensive training in Ballroom Dance, Jazz, Tap, Acting and Singing. She has

acted, danced in or choreographed several Off-Broadway and summer stock productions, as well as movies, soap operas and videos.

The night will start with an hour of brief instruction of various types of dances, based upon the interest of those in attendance. The remaining two hours will be devoted to an open dance party! No dance experience is required – adults and children are welcomed. Light refreshments will be served.

After School Theatre Program

The Recreation Department is sponsoring "Playing Around With Theatre" beginning October 20th for students in Grades K - 6. In this workshop, students will participate in theatre games, movement, and arts activities as they learn about improvisation and character development.

Classes will be held on the following Thursdays: October 20, November 3, 17, December 1, 8, 15 from 2:45pm – 3:45 p.m.. The cost of the program is \$75.00.

For further information on any Recreation Department programs or for a registration form, please contact (609) 448-0539, x3. The Recreation Department is also looking for ideas for new programs, activities, and trips. Please let us know what you would like to see offered to our community!

Zoning: Look Before You Leap!

by Bob Francis, Zoning Officer

Are you thinking about a modification to your yard? To your house? Your parking area? Are you thinking of adding a window? A door? A fence? A shed?

The guidelines for all of this, and much more, are carefully explained in the "Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of Roosevelt." The intent of this ordinance is to keep our Borough safe and beautiful. For more information, please check out www.web2sons.org **before you start!**

The Issue

What do you think about?
 I don't want to talk about it.
 It would do no good anyway.
 When everyone is speaking
 No one is listening.
 Except to hear confirmation
 Of what they already hold to be true
 Or to hone the sharp edge of argu-
 ment's sword.
 The words have done their damage
 already.
 The breath fans the flames of anger
 Kindled by the reopening of old
 wounds
 The remembrance of rejection.

I seek instead the silence of unknow-
 ing
 Wherein can be heard
 The whisper of the Old Man
 Still audible though spoken three
 millennia past.
 "Let the mud settle
 And the water clear.
 Right action will arise of itself.

Kevin McNally
July 3, 2005

Let Them Eat Cake

Residents of Roosevelt were invited to a seventieth birthday celebration for Social Security, with cake, at the Roosevelt Memorial August 13, apparently sponsored by Citizen Action, a Democratic group fighting the Bush administration's attempts to privatize the program.

Under the benign gaze of Jonathan Shahn's head of FDR, and of reporters from the *Packet* and the *Examiner*, the public was welcomed with bagels, fruit and drinks. The heat was oppressive but the mood upbeat as Phyllis Salowe-Kaye attempted to get all to sing a "Social Security Song" to the tune of "This Land is Your Land."

A series of speakers followed, including Roosevelt residents Jonathan Shahn, Pat Moser and Mike Hamilton. Former Mayor and Councilman Hamilton provided a short history of how Roosevelt was founded. Councilwoman Moser read a resolution passed by Roosevelt's Borough Council in support of Social Security, and sculptor Jonathan Shahn gave an interesting description of a mural painted by Ben Shahn on both sides of a long corridor in what was then a Social Security building in Washington, D.C. It can now be seen by going on a tour of Voice of America. On one side of this corridor, Shahn depicted the miseries of life without a social safety net, and on the opposite side, a more idealized society, with agriculture, construction and boys playing handball.

Conspicuously absent were Mayor Marko, his detractors, any Republicans, or lobbyist for any other issue. The one exception was a man passing out literature supporting Lyndon Larouche.

From outside of town, Marilyn Askin, President of AARP NJ spoke, and so did Congressman Frank Pallone. They warned of the dangers (The word Enron came up) of trusting Social Security to the financial markets. Ms. Askin pointed out that today's workers pay more than 12% of their wages to Social Security, whereas at inception, workers paid 1%.

The most interesting speaker was Lily Eskilsen, Treasurer of the National Education Association. Her speech was incisive, funny and skewered the opposition most effectively. After her remarks one member of the audience shouted "Run for President!"

Senator John Corzine, the Democratic gubernatorial candidate, also spoke strongly and with enthusiasm. He conceded that Congress may

need to "tweak" Social Security, but maintained that private accounts are not the answer. After his speech the cake was cut and the crowd dispersed. There was no audience input. Except for the historical background, there was no educational element that would help the public understand what actually happens to the money they pay in to Social Security, and why it is or is not secure under the current system.

Roosevelt resident Jamie Witherspoon, seen directing traffic, was skeptical that Congressmen, who are not enrolled in Social Security themselves, would be motivated to exert themselves to improve it. Unravelling the smoke and rhetoric surrounding Social Security and arriving at the hard financial truth is no piece of cake, but a little birthday cake along the way is still kind of sweet.

Thank you, Social Security.
Frances G. Duckett

From: Senior New Lines, Monmouth Cty Office of Aging Did You Hear The Good News?

The good news for Monmouth County PAAD (Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled) enrollees who receive Medicare is that their benefits will continue with their \$5.00 co-pay; however, they will need to enroll in the Medicare Part D program beginning November 15, 2005. PAAD will assist these recipients in enrolling in a plan that best fits their needs.

Although all PAAD enrollees will have their premiums paid by the state, New Jersey is in the process of identifying those PAAD enrollees, who will be eligible for the federal subsidy as noted above. Since the federal government will pay for these premiums and other co-pays and deductibles, New Jersey does not want to lose this

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reimbursement. Eligible PAAD recipients who have incomes at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Level (\$19,245 for a couple and \$14,355 for a single person per year) are receiving a letter and revised PAAD application that must be completed and returned to PAAD as soon as possible. This application is exactly the same as the federal subsidy application and collects income and asset information. PAAD does not have an asset limit. PAAD is only collecting this information to determine eligibility for the federal subsidy program and will send this information to the Social Security Administration. PAAD enrollees who receive the revised PAAD application must complete it and return it to PAAD even if they completed the federal application. As stated earlier, PAAD will send the revised PAD application to Social Security.

All PAAD enrollees need to be assured that their current benefit of a \$5.00 co-pay will continue with no additional cost to them. PAAD will cover the premium, deductible and co-insurance amounts associated with Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Program.

Senior Gold members do not have to enroll in Medicare Part D to keep Senior Gold benefits, but they may save money if they do enroll. Senior Gold will advise its members of the Medicare Prescription Drug Programs (PDP) in New Jersey and offer them help to enroll if they so choose. Senior Gold members will be receiving additional information by mail.

If you have prescription drug coverage from an employer group or union, you will get a letter from your employer or union that tells you if

your plan covers as much or more than a Medicare prescription drug plan. These letters must be mailed by November 14, 2005.

If you have a Medigap policy with drug coverage, you will get a detailed letter from your insurance company telling you whether or not your policy covers as much or more than a Medicare prescription drug plan. This notice will explain your rights and choices.

If you are a PAAD enrollee or you need more information about any of the information provided here, please call 1-800-792-9745.

Zoning Information for the Residents of Roosevelt

Why is the Zoning Officer looked at as the 'Bad Guy'?

Consider the maxim that ignorance of the law is no excuse. Ignorance of the law by a person who commits an offense is not an excuse for committing the offense. How can we fix this to be worthy of our attention?

First, communication of all kinds is the key to getting information out. Second, we can ask questions about the things we want to do. Third, find out who to contact for the information needed.

Purpose. Such regulations are deemed necessary to further the advancement of the borough as a social, economic and political unit, to promote the general welfare of the residents and the Borough.

Here are a few things to know about the zoning ordinances. NO

1. Shed on side yard
2. Building in green belt
3. Building over 30'
4. Junk or unregistered, unmovable cars on property

5. Fence over 6'
6. Nuisance factors
7. Windows or doors on side yard within 25' of property lines

Zoning Officer Duties: Informs the residents of the community about the zoning rules passed by the Council and planning board. Check the town for violations of an ordinance or resolution.

Help the resident to comply with zoning.

Zoning Officer: The Zoning Officer is hereby given the duty, power and authority to enforce the provisions of this ordinance.

Complaints of Violation Any person may file a complaint if there is any reason to believe a violation of this ordinance exists. All such complaints must be in writing and shall be filed with the Zoning Officer who shall properly record such complaint and investigate.

The answer to the question about the 'Bad Guy' is, the non-complying resident or owner is the BAD GUY.

The Zoning Officer is not the one that is not in compliance with the ordinance.

When you or I break a law we didn't know existed, "ignorance is no excuse."

If something needs to be changed bring it before the Council and planning board.

Web site links to more information below...

www.web2sons.org is the unofficial Roosevelt web site.

View site plan review at this web address: <http://www.web2sons.org/zoning/siteplan.pdf>

Robert Francis
Zoning Officer

In Memoriam

The writers are former Roosevelt residents

Dear Ilus,

I wish you had said good-bye, but I know that circumstances wouldn't permit it. You deserved better than this. Better than these few paragraphs. Better than no announcement in July when you passed away.

A toast to you, my sweet and wonderful friend. You have been my mother and my sister. You have put up with me and my multiple invented house guests. You have supported my art. You have always had an unshakable spirit and tenacity no matter how dire the circumstances. I could always look forward to a lively political discussion during a visit with you couched by a delicious meal. Then some new amazement would greet me in the living room; a new embroidery, painting or design you were working on.

When I graduated from Roosevelt public school, you gave me the most beautiful amethyst earrings. I still have them. When I turned 21, you gave me a beautifully embroidered handmade pocketbook. I have your brown velvet cape you gave me when I turned 40.

I have planned a banquet in your honor. Wild flowers, fiddlers, birds, and folk dancers. You will be dressed in your silk black and white floral dress wearing your small black leather shoes. We will pick out one of your antique pins. You will look lovely. We will make a handmade inlaid box lined in chinese silk for you to rest in. We

will read poems and sing to celebrate your life and your spirit. We will hang your cookie sculptures from the trees. Afterward, we will have an exhibit of your paintings. And, of course, we will serve your famous Hungarian goulash.

You fought bravely through these last years of isolation and pain in that terrible place and yet continued to rally despite everything. I don't blame you for wanting to go—I just wanted to say good-bye.

So, farewell my darling. I hope to see you in the next world. You promised you would make reservations and I'm holding you to it.

You are loved by many and will be dearly missed.

Always, Siri Nadler

When through the "grapevine," I learned that Ilus had passed away more than a month ago, sometime in July, hardly anyone knew.

There were no headlines, no memorials, no eulogies — She was the loveliest, most wonderful person I had ever met. She was my dearest friend.

We met more than 50 years ago, when I was a student of Prestopino's at the New School, and he invited my husband and me to come out for a picnic where we met Ilus. After that, we and our two children saw Ilus each time we were out to Roosevelt — and eventually bought a house which we used weekends as we both worked

in New York. We met many people who became friends. We saw Ilus every weekend. Her house was always filled with friends or children she was baking cookies with or teaching to crochet "granny squares." Ellie, her sister, loved to sing and dance, and we always looked forward to weekends.

When Ilus and her sister Ellie gave up Roosevelt and were in a nursing home, many of her Roosevelt friends and I would visit them. When Ellie passed away, I continued to visit Ilus.

We loved her company. She told wonderful stories about her childhood, her adventures before she came to this country — and after. We were always sorry we didn't tape the stories. Her grandson dedicated his PhD to her.

Ilus loved Roosevelt. She always spoke of her life there and many times mentioned that she wanted to die there.

She will always be remembered by those who knew her. This is to her.

Miriam Bell ■

Q: How many Virginians does it take to change a light bulb? A: Three. One to change the light bulb, and two to talk about how good the old one was.”

When I moved from Richmond, Virginia to New Jersey as a Douglass College freshman, my roommate pointed out to me that when ancestral origins were discussed, I was the only person she knew who reported coming from a state, rather than from a country. Until then, the idea that others had a more recent trans-Atlantic connection was not part of my experience and phrases such as “second generation” were not part of my vocabulary. Always ready to adapt, I spent many years rejecting my links to the South. I would be surprised, however, when Southern feelings would sneak up on me: a well placed “y’all”; a moment of loyalty when visiting the Union cemetery at Gettysburg, where only one Confederate soldier is accidentally buried.

I grew up outside of Richmond, Va., interestingly, in a development that consisted of contemporary boxy houses with big windows, each house situated on its property to provide a view of the woods. In high school, we were taught that the Civil War was about States’ Rights and that the slavery issue was of secondary importance, since, after all, Robert E. Lee was a kind man who freed his slaves early on. My high school freshman history teacher threatened to fail me if I once again mentioned that the Union’s victory was vital to our unity as a nation. Everyone in my high school was just like me with regard to cultural background, but it was never talked about. Our sameness was so pervasive that it escaped our awareness.

I have to hand it to my parents who taught me very directly not to take the privilege that comes with being in the dominant culture for granted. I was punished when I repeated the preju-

dicial comments of my friends, and di-



My shot-gun toting grandmother!

lies, and had an optimistic view of the modern world. They grew up and were married in eastern North Carolina, relocating to Newport News, Va. to escape the effects of the Great Depression on rural living. My grandfather, George Leroy Davis, was a machinist for the Newport News shipyard. He had a reputation for humility, honesty and a heavy foot on the gas pedal. The first of these qualities served him well when he had to appear in front of the judge to explain his speeding tickets. My grandfather accepted all people for who they were, as part of his Christian responsibility. It was my grandmother’s contention that he harbored no racist thoughts, but I do have a memory of my father provoking him to share a very racist song that he had learned as a child. (My father enjoyed authentic American music as well as exposing people’s hypocrisies.) My grandfather died before it was verified that he was a Mayflower descendant, although he probably would have been unfazed by such information. My grandfather loved God and his children,

but mostly he loved my grandmother and still publicly commented on the shapeliness of her legs even when they were both well into their 70’s.

His wife, Etta Mae Smith Davis, was valedictorian of her normal school class. She did not pursue work outside of the home, instead providing home-based support for her husband and four children. I was always happy to be in her care, which occurred often as my parents pursued their education and careers. She taught me the many tastes of southern cooking: fried okra, sweet potato pie and hot suppers that were ready every day by 5 o’clock, after my grandfather had gotten home, washed up and watched his daily installment of “The Edge of Night”. My grandmother believed in fresh air and sunshine, but she also taught me how to sew, to enjoy a good book and to look forward to a midmorning glass of Coke. Later, I learned about her depression, attributed in part to her homebound ways that left many parts of her self unfulfilled.

My father, on the other hand, developed his penchant toward progressive thought through an almost lifelong rebellion against a family who epitomized the Southern light bulb joke. I am lucky to have memories of his grandmother, a tiny but stern woman who dipped snuff, could touch her toes at 85 years old, and taught my grandmother that sex was for men to enjoy and women to endure. (My grandmother passed this knowledge on to me with a twinkle in her eye that led me to believe that she felt otherwise.)

My grandmother spent her youth in Alliance, North Carolina. She lived the life of a country lady, complete with

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course. He also reported that a sound system for the public meeting room had been ordered, in response to complaints of attendees at meetings who have said they were unable to hear the proceedings, and that the carpet had been cleaned, at a cost of \$345. In order to recoup future carpet cleaning costs, he recommended that the Council establish a small, nonrefundable fee for private users of the room.

Mr. Clark also advised the Council that masonry contractor Arthur Stinson had provided an estimate for the repair of the sidewalks at the Solar Village housing project and that this estimate had been submitted to the Rural Resources Administration (formerly Farmers Home Administration) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the agency that funds the project. Such repair is necessary in order that the project may receive a certificate of inspection from the Bureau of Housing Inspection of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs. This certificate, in turn, is necessary in order for the Borough to get the units in Solar Village credited towards satisfaction of our affordable housing obligation. Councilwoman Pat Moser, who is also the president of the Roosevelt Senior Citizens Housing Corporation, the nonprofit corporation that owns Solar Village, thanked both Mr. Stinson and architect Bert Ellentuck for their pro bono work regarding the sidewalks.

The meeting then moved into the public portion. Mr. Ellentuck presented a petition with 226 signatures protesting the establishment of a full-time school at the synagogue as a violation of zoning requirements. Specifically, the petition protested the disruption of a "quiet residential neighborhood" by a use that is "different in kind and intensity" than previous uses of the building and would give rise to noise, traffic and overcrowding and be incompatible with

the neighborhood.

Dolores Chasan protested that she and her husband had been subjected to doorbell ringing at early hours of the morning. Melissa Branco and Lois Hunt reported similar harassment. All of their houses are located on the south side of Homestead Lane. Councilman Michael Hamilton said that Mayor Marko should notify the State Police of these incidents. Mr. Marko said he would do so. Mrs. Chasan also protested the use of the municipal building by persons conducting activities from which they derive income without payment of a rental fee.

The discussion then returned to the subject of the bulletin board that had been raised previously by Mr. Clark. Freda Hepner protested the practice of some people of removing postings with which they disagree. She urged the Council to make it clear that all non-hate messages are allowed. Herb Johnson urged that the State Police be notified of any posting of hate speech. Ed Moser said that there should be a sign telling people not to remove other people's postings. Mr. Marko recommended that a set of rules for the use of the bulletin board be posted. Mr. Hamilton said that people should put their names on whatever it is they post. Kim Dexheimer stated that the bulletin board needs to be repaired. Mr. Clark agreed that it should be fixed, but said that it does not pose any imminent danger to anyone and that there are higher priorities.

Returning to the subject of the petition presented by Mr. Ellentuck, Ms. Branco told the Council that she was present when a member of the First Aid Squad allegedly warned someone not to sign the petition, with the clear implication that the First Aid Squad would be displeased if the person did so and would retaliate by refusing assistance in the event of an emergency call. Herb

Johnson called upon Mayor Marko, who is also the head of the First Aid Squad, to respond to the possible intention of members of the First Aid Squad to discriminate against people based on positions they have taken. Mr. Marko replied that there is "absolutely no discrimination against anyone ever" and that this matter would be discussed at the next meeting of the First Aid Squad. Mr. Johnson also said that, as a member of the Senior Citizens Organization, he was pleased to see that the carpet was cleaned and would want his organization, though its members are always careful about cleaning up, to pay its fair share of cleaning costs and not be exempt from any fee.

Mr. Ellentuck then said that the community faces a problem because Congregation Anshei Roosevelt and its yeshiva tenant "refuse to acknowledge that this is a zoning violation." Charles Harding asked if the Council could not stop the new use of the building. Tina Kaufman said that she had observed the students at recess outside of the building and wondered how the 150 students that the yeshiva has indicated that it would like to have there eventually could possibly conduct their recreational activities in so small a space. Joe Petric stated that the school should be shut down, alleging that the building does not meet code requirements. Lois Hunt asked why no inspection was done before the yeshiva moved in. Shan Ellentuck accused the Council and the zoning officer of dereliction for not challenging the legality of the use of the building by the yeshiva. Tom Curry stated that a private school at such a location is prohibited by the zoning ordinance and asked why it has been allowed to happen. He called upon the Council to be proactive in enforcing codes. John Impellizeri expressed concern about traffic hazards faced by the students when they walk through

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the streets after dark, and about possible municipal liability should anything happen to them. Freda Hepner said that her major concern is that the children at the school may be in danger because the building does not meet code requirements. Arlene Stinson questioned why there had been no safety inspections since the new use was introduced, saying that she had called the Division of Fire Safety of the Department of Community Affairs and they had no record of any change of use. Councilman Hamilton said that he had called the Monmouth County Health Department to convey citizen concerns about possible health code violations and said that it is the mayor's responsibility to make sure that all laws are enforced. Mayor Marko said that he would find out which agency is responsible for inspections and what is required. Michael Ticktin said that the person to talk to about enforcement of the Uniform Construction Code is the representative of the Bureau of Local Code Enforcement who is here every Monday.

Pearl Seligman asked if the Council has looked into the carrying costs that would be imposed on the community if there were to be 150 students at the yeshiva. Mr. Hamilton said that the Finance committee, of which he is the chairman, would have to plan for such a scenario. Frances Duckett asked if we could get aid for any needed infrastructure improvements through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Mr. Clark, who was about to be formally designated as CDBG representative, replied that Solar Village was the only income-eligible neighborhood in which CDBG funds could be used, though they could be used to repair or improve homes of persons of low or moderate income or for curb cuts needed for handicapped accessibility. He said that

he would apply for whatever funding might be available. He also said that he would make sure we got a free defibrillator, one of which is being distributed to each municipality by the State.

Zoning Officer Bob Francis then addressed the Council and the assembled members of the public and expressed his conviction that "communication is the key to keeping the Borough in good condition." He commended residents for generally keeping the community in good shape. However, he said, there were problems he was addressing, including failure to post visible house numbers, driveways having widths of more than 20 feet without benefit of any variance, improperly-located sheds and boats, and unregistered cars. He also stated, in response to concerns that had been expressed about enforcement in the case of the synagogue and yeshiva, that he was studying the issue and would take such action as might be appropriate.

The meeting then moved on to committee reports. Reporting for the Finance committee, Councilman Hamilton said that the new Masterson financial system software was up and running, that the committee was reviewing spending procedures used by the Borough of Sea Bright, as well as requiring three quotes for all purchases over \$1,000, instead of over \$3,150, as required by the Local Public Contracts Law, that the committee was recommending that exterior maintenance of utility buildings be paid out of the general fund, rather than the utility fund, that there was a need to budget for potential litigation expenses, as well as for a new bulletin board and a shed to protect the well, and that \$7,500 was needed to outfit firefighters. He also cited a 1999 report on infrastructure that had been prepared in response to an application for development of the 109-acre parcel between North Valley Road

and the cemetery which showed that a new water tower would be needed to accommodate an additional 50 or so homes, and indicated that the impact of 150 resident students, should the yeshiva realize its stated goal, would be similar in scope, and indicated that the Borough would have to plan for the possibility of having to meet the costs resulting from such a population increase. The 1999 report indicated that the water tower was already being operated at 25% over capacity and that the cost of supplying the additional water might have been as high as \$850,000 at that time. Mr. Hamilton also reported that arrangements were being made with the Monmouth County Probation Division to have persons convicted of minor offenses provide free labor to the Borough to satisfy community service sentences.

Councilman Jeff Hunt, reporting for the Utilities committee, stated that all water meters are now equipped for radio reading and that the first reading would be done on September 15. Sample bills showing water usage, but not imposing actual payments, would be distributed to all users prior to January, when the rate schedule will take effect. The data obtained from this reading would be used in establishing a schedule of water rates, including setting the gallonage after which incremental charges would be imposed. Mr. Hunt said that Sam Cannizzaro, the water and sewer utility collector, would be available to meet with users to explain the bills.

Councilwoman Peggy Malkin, reporting for the Environment, Health and Safety committee, told the Council that the Fire Company is being revitalized and three new applications have been received. With the three new members, there will be a total of nine members. The Fire Company is scheduled to meet

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on the first and third Thursday evenings of each month, from 7:00 to 10:00.

The Council adopted an ordinance redefining the duties of the administrator. The change in duties is that the administrator is no longer also the purchasing agent. Instead, a separate position of purchasing agent has been created, which is being filled by Borough Clerk Krystyna Olejnik.

In other action, the Council appointed Administrator Clark as the Borough's representative to the Monmouth County CDBG program, adopted a corrective action plan recommended in the 2004 annual audit report, approved a worksite agreement with the Monmouth Probation Division Community Service Program, approved payment of \$855 for a wall-mounted air-conditioner and heater, authorized use of the municipal building by the Fire Company on the first and third Thursdays, and appointed Councilman Dan Hoffman to the Recreation committee.

And then there is the bear. Tom Curry reported that the bear was recently seen in the area of the woods between Oscar Drive and Homestead Lane and has shown a considerable interest in apples and trash cans. Ed Moser noted that there are three general types of bears, based on their behavior: those who stay out of sight, those who go into trash cans and those who break into houses. Mr. Moser characterized the Roosevelt bear as "inoffensive," but cautioned against running away in the event of an encounter, since the bear can, and would, outrun any person. Mayor Marko suggested that the school have a program to educate the students about what to do if they encounter a bear. Information about living with bears is available at the municipal building. ■

TWO SQUARE MILES OF STORIES

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horse back riding and duck hunting (see picture). She left Alliance to marry my grandfather, Carl Edwin Woodruff, of Newport News, a salesperson and a part time inventor who enjoyed his Southern Comfort, hiding it in my dresser when he came to visit. Alliance is a beautiful town near the city of New Bern. I remember it as having one paved road that was lined with tiger lilies in the spring. One could pick scuppernong grapes there, although the season was very brief. My grandmother couldn't wait to get back to her home, and did so as soon as my grandfather retired. As in Roosevelt, families there tend to venture out and then return, and she lived her golden years with three of her brothers and sisters nearby.

My grandmother perpetuated Southern values through her emphasis on social structure and class differences. She had strong opinions about how people should behave and was not particularly open to deviations from her worldview. My father, with glee, frequently challenged her racial attitudes. My grandmother did not like conflict, so these arguments were usually one sided. From her I learned, perhaps to a fault, that civility comes first. Despite her allegiance to the way things should be done, my grandmother conveyed independence. She worked hard and maintained, with some ambivalence, employment outside of the home. She learned to drive, survived a car accident that killed my grandfather and with great sadness outlived her younger son. She spent her later years traveling with her friends, and I was there when she attended the first interracial marriage in our family.

I owe much of my upbringing to my grandparents. They provided stability and day care during my parents' frequent moves and job changes. When my parents divorced, they remained models of constancy. I am sorry not to

have any Civil War stories to tell, but an old picture of a Confederate soldier in my grandmother's belongings leads me to believe that there are stories. Like many other unpleasant things, this may be one that just wasn't talked about.

And so I'm left to integrate the lessons that they taught me: Be polite, even when you don't feel it. Follow your dreams, but put your family first. Accept change, but respect the past. Stay flexible, both mentally and physically. And above all, enjoy! ■

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:

Pearl Seligman	448-2340
Bess Tremper	448-2701

By Jack Rindt, Roosevelt First Aid Squad Training Officer

Roosevelt First Aid Squad Training and Response News

For the month of July and August the Roosevelt First Aid Squad handled 23 first aid calls.

In month of July, the Squad responded to 12 first aid calls: in Roosevelt, two fire stand-bys and three motor vehicle accidents and seven mutual aid calls to Millstone Township which were all medical emergencies.

The training that was given in July was Preventing Disease Transmission. This training is mandated by the State of New Jersey Department of Health for all EMTs.

In the month of August, the Squad responded to 11 first aid calls: in Roosevelt, one fire stand-by, six medical emergencies, and four mutual aid calls to Millstone Township, of which three were motor vehicle accidents and one was a medical emergency.

The training that was given in August was Assessment of Trauma Patients.

The Squad responded to 64 emergencies from January 1 to August 31. Last year, the Squad did a total of 73. Our calls have increased.

About our Federal Grant: I found out last week that we did not receive the grant. The Squad will reapply for the next round of grants. We are also looking at other grants. The Squad is looking for an accountant who would

like to volunteer some time to help us with our financial records, which may help us with grants.

The Squad would like to thank Judith Goetzmann for a generous donation.

The Squad has started to put away funds for the new ambulance. Any contributions for the new ambulance are welcome. Please send checks to 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 found.

If you want a challenge, help your community, maybe start a career or just help people, join the Roosevelt First Aid Squad. **WE NEED MEMBERS!**

The Squad only has seven Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) 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. Thank you, ■

By Clare Sacharoff

At our meeting on September 6, the senior citizens club thanked Dolores Chasan for her many years of dedicated service as our treasurer and reluctantly accepted her resignation. We welcomed Karen Block as our new treasurer to become effective in October.

On September 27th for the regularly scheduled trip, the group went to Rova farms flea market followed by lunch at the Rova farms restaurant.

On September 30th, there was a box lunch held at the Borough Hall and enjoyed by all. Florie Johnson is doing an outstanding job as the coordinator of these lunches.

On November 13th, there will be a trip to Lilly Langtree together with Millstone, where participants will have dinner and a show. This will cost each member \$42.00 including bus fare.

There are \$10.00 food coupons distributed to senior citizens to be redeemed at specific farm markets. In October, those interested will go to Rifkins farm market to redeem their coupons.

Tony Wisowaty will host the October meeting.

Everyone enjoyed a potluck lunch at the September meeting. ■

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?

Quick! Get Supper on the Table!



Even those of us who love to cook don't always have time – or the inclination – to spend hours in the kitchen. So here are two time-tested recipes for supper in a flash, and one dish that takes longer to cook, but only minutes to prepare.

My mother, who wouldn't touch a recipe that had more than six ingredients, would have been proud of me; not one of these has more than four!

Pasta with Tuna & Tomato Sauce

This is a take on a classic Italian recipe. It's fast (20 minutes by my watch), it's tasty, and you probably have everything you need in the pantry.

- 1 lb. spaghetti
- 2 cans (7 oz.) of canned tuna fish in oil, drained
- 1 jar (14 oz.) of prepared marinara sauce.
- 1 tablespoon of capers (optional)

While the spaghetti is cooking, heat the marinara sauce. Drain the spaghetti & plop into a bowl. Add the tuna fish to the sauce & stir to warm the fish. Toss in some capers & stir to mix it all. Pour the sauce over the spaghetti. Enjoy.

Serves 4

Pork Chops & Sauerkraut

It's the sauerkraut that stars in this dish. It's delicious!

- Four loin pork chops – about 1" thick
- 2 cups of sauerkraut, drained
- 1 cup of sour cream
- Caraway seeds

Heat a heavy frying pan until hot but not smoking. Grease the pan by holding the fatty edge of each chop on the hot surface to render a little of the fat. Lay the chops flat & sauté them until they're browned on both sides. Remove the chops to a plate and plop the sauerkraut into the pan, scraping up the browned bits. Spread the kraut over the bottom of the pan and layer the chops on top. Cover the pan. Cook over very low heat for about half an hour, or until chops are no longer pink inside. Uncover the pan, add sour cream and caraway seeds, and stir to warm through.

Serves 4

Peel n' Eat Shrimp

Very few calories... only 3 ingredients... and just about 15 minutes to make– start to finish.

- About 1/2 lb. small shrimp per person
- 1/2 small onion per person, cut in quarters
- Old Bay seasoning

Wash shrimp & pat dry. Put shrimp and onion in a brown paper bag. Sprinkle generously with Old Bay seasoning. Shake the bag to dust the contents with the Old Bay. Steam shrimp until they turn pink – 5 to 8 minutes. Serve with lots of napkins & a big bowl for the shrimp shells. ■

Summer 2005

It was not a summer in which I chose to spend much time outside. We got into the hottest stretch of the summer early. On June 8 the mercury hit 90.3 degrees in Roosevelt. The next day the high was 91.6. There was a respite on June 10 with temperatures in the mid-80's and then on the 11th the first heat wave and the longest heat wave of the season started. For the next five days we had high temperatures in the 90s.

There were four heat waves (three or more consecutive days of 90 degrees or above) last summer. And there were long dry spells as well. The hottest day of the summer was June 27 when the temperature reached 95.7 degrees. There were a total of 24 days of 90+ high temperatures in the period of June through August, nine days in June, seven in July and eight in August. The average temperature in Roosevelt for summer 2005 was 75.7 degrees, 3.6 degrees above normal.

June set the record for the summer in dry days, 25 days without rain. There was a 16-day dry spell that started June 11. It was followed by the day with the most rainfall for the summer. A torrential downpour dropped 2.70 inches of rain on June 27. There were only two other days that had rainfall of one inch or greater.

June had a total of 4.34 inches, just above normal and July brought 7.46 inches, nearly 2.5 inches greater than normal. August was the only summer month with below normal rainfall,

only 2.11 inches fell. That's less than half the normal rainfall for the month. There were 23 days without measured precipitation in August and 21 in July. Despite the high number of rain-free days, the humidity seemed unbearable much of the season. The total precipitation for the entire summer (13.91 inches) was 0.8 inches above normal.

Except for a brief few comfortable days in early September, the humid weather predominated from mid-August through mid-September. There was also very little precipitation as reflected in the following chart.

Now we're all closing up the windows for the heating season and I thought I'd share a website with you that can give you information regarding indoor air pollution. It's the American Lung Association at www.lungusa.org. The site also has an interesting article on the effects of wood burning on outdoor air quality. Look for the articles under the Air Quality tab.

An offshore wind is a wind blowing from land to sea. ■

Weather Word

July 15 - August 15, 2005

Day	High	Low	Avg	Precip
15	85.3	70.3	77.8	0.00
16	77.9	67.3	72.6	0.25
17	84.6	63.0	73.8	0.11
18	81.5	60.4	71.0	0.00
19	81.3	69.0	75.2	0.00
20	85.8	68.9	77.4	0.18
21	91.2	71.8	81.5	0.00
22	86.5	61.3	73.9	0.00
23	81.7	57.6	69.7	0.00
24	81.5	59.4	70.5	0.00
25	80.2	53.8	67.0	0.00
26	81.7	54.0	67.9	0.00
27	85.1	65.1	75.1	0.00
28	86.9	69.4	78.2	0.00
29	87.3	68.0	77.7	0.00
30	86.5	72.9	79.7	0.00
31	89.2	75.0	82.1	0.52
1	82.9	64.6	73.8	0.00
2	85.1	60.1	72.6	0.00
3	81.3	58.6	70.0	0.00
4	81.9	55.2	68.6	0.00
5	79.3	59.2	69.3	0.00
6	79.9	55.2	67.6	0.00
7	79.5	51.8	65.7	0.00
8	82.4	57.0	69.7	0.00
9	78.8	58.3	68.6	0.00
10	78.3	53.8	66.1	0.00
11	77.7	56.3	67.0	0.00
12	84.2	59.0	71.6	0.00
13	87.6	60.3	74.0	0.00
14	83.7	64.8	74.3	0.00
15	84.6	71.6	78.1	0.00
Total Precipitation			1.06	

ROOSEVELT ARTS PROJECT

2005 - 2006 SEASON

Saturday, October 15, 2005 Walking Tour, 2 p.m. Film, 3:30 p.m.

A SCREENING OF THE FILM *MY ARCHITECT ABOUT LOUIS KAHN*

Louis Kahn played an important role in designing our community. The film will be preceded by a walking tour starting at the municipal building and including a visit to the Ben Shahn mural. The tour will be led by Alan Mallach. After the film there will be a discussion of Roosevelt's architecture and planning of Roosevelt.

Saturday, November 5, 2005: Opening reception, 5 to 8 p.m. Concert 8 p.m.

Sunday, November 6, 2005: Exhibit continues, 12 to 4 p.m. Talk on Landau's art. 2 p.m.

Saturday, November 12, 2005: Exhibit continues, 12 to 4 p.m.

JACOB LANDAU, OPEN STUDIO WITH ART EXHIBIT

This exhibit will feature Jacob Landau's original drawings, lithographs, woodcuts, and watercolors from his earliest days to 2001. The Landau studio is at #30 Lake Drive (a geodesic dome).

Saturday, December 10, 2005

ROOSEVELT POETS- AN ALMOST WINTER SOLSTICE READING

Saturday, January 21, 2006

OPEN MIC CAFÉ:

Roosevelt residents to present music, song, poetry, and comedy. Sign up with Judy Nahmias (443-5290) or Deirdre Sheean (443-4179)

Saturday, February 11, 2006

SCHUBERT'S SONGS AND PIANO MUSIC, WITH ALAN MALLACH, PIANIST, AND CECELIA TICKTIN, SOPRANO

Saturday, March 11, 2006

FATHER-DAUGHTER, SINGING TEAMS

David and Rachel Brahinsky and John and Lily Parrott bring us music and song.

Friday, April 21 and Saturday, April 22, 2006

THE ROOSEVELT STRING BAND

Saturday, May 20, 2006

BITS OF ART- THE LATEST IN DIGITAL MUSIC AND ART, WITH GARTON & RADKIEWICZ

Saturday, June 17th, 2006

ART BY ROOSEVELT ARTISTS SELECTED FROM PRIVATE COLLECTIONS IN ROOSEVELT

The exhibit will be in the Hayden Gallery in the factory, 11a.m to 7 p.m.

All events are at 8 p.m. in the Municipal Building except where otherwise noted.

Voluntary Contribution:

For most events \$5 per adult. For the String Band \$10 per adult, \$5 for seniors and children.

For Further information call Robin Gould, 448-4616. See also www.music.columbia.edu/roosevelt

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The Bulletin publishes free-of-charge public information listings from Roosevelt residents and business, and from those in the immediate vicinity with ties to Roosevelt. Write: Roosevelt Borough *Bulletin*, Box 221, Roosevelt, NJ 08555. Contributions are appreciated and are tax-deductible (suggested: \$40.00/year, \$50.00 if over 5 lines.) Deadline is the 15th of each month.

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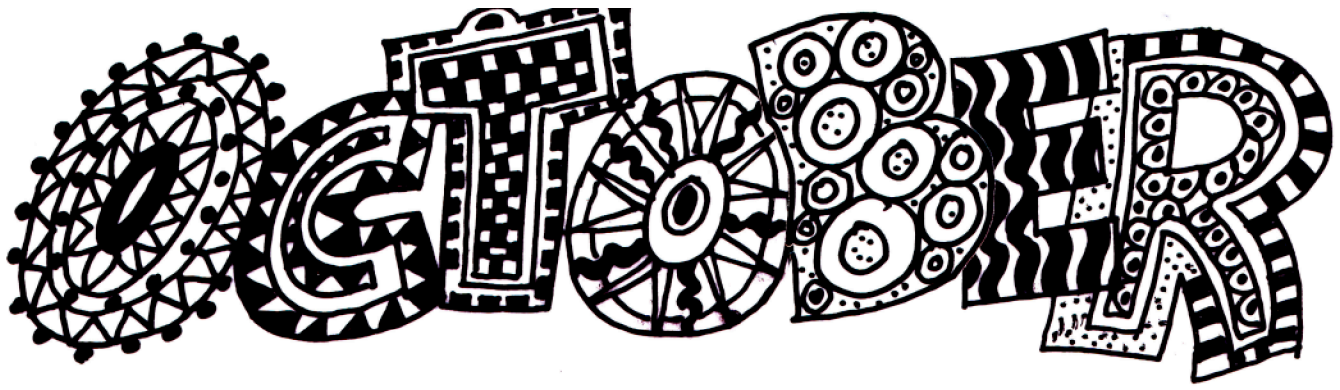
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October

3	Mon	Rosh Hashanah Begins at Sundown
	7 pm	Council Committee Meeting Boro Hall Beth Battel, President 448-7701
	8 pm	Council Agenda Meeting, Borough Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 443-6818
4	Tues	Rosh Hashanah – RPS Closed
	12 pm	Senior Blood Pressure Check Boro Hall
	1 pm	Seniors Meeting Borough Hall Gerry Millar, President 448-0351
5	Wed	RECYCLE Rosh Hashanah – RPS Closed
6	Thurs	7:30 pm PTA Meeting RPS Jill Joyce, President 443-9423
7	Fri	RPS Pizza Day
10	Mon	7 pm Council Action Meeting Boro Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 443-6818
11	Tues	7:30 pm Planning Board Meeting Boro Hall Ralph Seligman 448-2340
13	Thurs	Yom Kippur– RPS Closed
15	Sat	2 pm RAP Program - Walking Tour of Roosevelt & Ben Shahn Mural, Boro Hall
	3:30 pm	RAP Program - Film: <i>My Architect</i> Boro Hall (see RAP Page)
17	Mon	7 pm Council Committee Meeting Boro Hall Beth Battel, President 448-7701
19	Wed	RECYCLE RPS - School Pictures
	7:30 pm	Environmental Commission Meeting Borough Hall Dave Schwendeman, Chair 443-6204
20	Thurs	7:30 pm Synagogue Board Meeting Elly Shapiro 443-3575
21	Fri	RPS Pizza Day

24	Mon	7 pm Council Committee Meeting as needed Borough Hall Beth Battel, President 448-7701
24	Wed	RPS Early Dismissal, Parent Conferences
25	Thurs	RPS Early Dismissal, Parent Conferences
30	Sun	Daylight Savings Time Ends
31	Mon	Halloween
		5:30 pm- PTA Trick or Treat at RPS 8:30 pm

November Preview

2	Wed	PTA Book Fair RPS Jill Joyce, President 443-9423
3	Thurs	PTA Book Fair RPS Jill Joyce, President 443-9423
5	Sat	5-8 pm RAP Program - Jacob Landau, Open Studio with Art Exhibit (see RAP Page)
		8 pm RAP Program - Concert with David Brahinsky and friends (See RAP Page)
6	Sun	12-4 pm RAP Program - Jacob Landau, Open Studio with Art Exhibit (see RAP Page)
		2 pm RAP Program - Talk on Landau's art, Dr. Saliba Sarsar (see RAP Page)

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