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BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

Affordable Housing Zone Ordinance Adopted; Development Fee Ordinance Held Pending COAH Approval of Affordable Housing Plan; Utility Fee Ordinance Introduced

By Michael Ticktin

At its October 10 meeting, the Borough Council adopted an ordinance designating two properties—the Roosevelt Senior Citizens Housing Corporation’s “Solar Village” complex on North Valley Road and the proposed group home site at 44 North Rochdale Avenue that was subdivided from the Borough-owned former gas station property—as a new affordable housing zoning district. The only use permitted in this district is rental housing affordable to persons or households of low or moderate income, in accordance with the rules of the Council on Affordable Housing (COAH). All but one of the 21 units at the Solar Village are already subject to income limitations and rent controls administered by the Rural Resources Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture (formerly the Farmers Home Administration). Inclusion of the Solar Village in the affordable housing zoning district is necessary in order to enable Roosevelt to get credit for all 21 units towards meeting the quota of 29 “second round” units established under COAH rules. Once final

arrangements are made, and they are in the process of being made, for the construction of a three-bedroom group home for developmentally disabled adults at 44 North Rochdale Avenue, the Borough would get credit for an additional five units—one for each bedroom and two “rental bonus” credits. The remaining three units would be provided through a “regional contribution agreement” with a “receiving municipality”—most likely Asbury Park—under which Roosevelt would contribute \$35,000 per unit. By obtaining credit for 29 units, and making provision for an additional unit of affordable housing in the event that eight non-subsidized homes are built between now and 2014, the Borough will have protected itself against any new “builder’s remedy” lawsuit similar to the one brought by U.S. Home Corporation a few years ago.

In a further move to implement the affordable housing plan, the Council had a hearing on an ordinance establishing mandatory development fees of 1% of equalized assessed value for

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please report any bear sightings to:
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Kim Tinnes
Wildlife Control
609-259-7955

IMPORTANT TO ALL SENIORS!

A representative from the Office on Aging from Monmouth County will come to speak to seniors about the new medicine Paid B Prescription that will become part of Medicare. Borough Hall on 12/6 at 1:00 p.m.

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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Zoning Information for the Residents of Roosevelt

Quote:

A man is called selfish not for pursuing his own good, but for neglecting his neighbor's.

Richard Whately

Why have Zoning?

It protects the Boro from becoming a dumping ground, for beautification, to protect the residents, and I heard this phrase many times – **quality of life**.

Why a Zoning Officer?

So neighbors can be neighbors No one should have to complain if we all respect our neighbors and each other. The Zoning Officer works for all residents of the Boro.

I have been cursed at and have heard all kinds of excuses to not comply with the zoning ordinances.

Example: That's not hurting anything or anybody. Why are you on my back?

I am not on your back; you need to comply with the laws.

I would like to thank those residents who have complied with the zoning in correcting violations.

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 complaints and investigate.

If there are zoning issues that need deleting or changing then bring them before the Council and Planning Board.

Things To Know.

Information on SHED Ordinance – Zoning and State Construction Official

Over 100 square feet or better must have footings. Need permit.

Under 100 square feet must have tie downs. No permit needed.

To apply, we need copy of survey with shed located on map and setbacks noted.

Also need spec of prefab shed or plans if it is stick built.

Inspections:

Footing

Final

Certificate of approval will be issued when all inspections are completed.

See the full ordinance for other requirements.

Information on Fences – Ordinance Section 5.630 Administration

Application for fences shall be made in writing to the Zoning Officer of the Borough of Roosevelt, setting forth the following information:

A permit fee of \$10.00 shall be paid to the Borough of Roosevelt and given to the Zoning Officer at the time application is made. No fence shall be erected until the Zoning Officer has issued a permit for said fence.

See the full ordinance for other requirements.

Information on Water Restrictions – Resolution (Not an Ordinance, but enforceable)

Water restrictions start June 15 every year - water lawns, wash cars, fill pools between 6am and noon.

Even street numbers even days odd numbers odd days. Violation is \$200 fine and/or 30 days in jail.

Information on Trash Cans – Resolution (Not an Ordinance, but enforceable)

Trash is not to be put out to the curb more then one day before pickup

Trash cans are to be removed from the curb with one day after pickup

General Building Information

If you are building, remodeling, or adding onto your house or business, it must be done in accordance with Zoning and the State Uniform Construction Code and generally requires a building permit. Check with Zoning and the State Construction Official at the Borough during the planning stages of your project, well before you begin construction, to make sure that you are proceeding according to Code and do not need to appear before the Planning Board. An early visit will eliminate unnecessary delays in completing your project. For example, if you are creating a non-conforming use you will be required to apply for a variance from the Planning Board.

You may need to survey your lot and provide copies of your plans to the Construction Official, especially if it is a large project. All completed construction permit applications must include a copy of the proposal for the project. When your plans are complete, the appropriate inspector will examine them and may ask for changes to comply with the Code. These changes may involve such things as using different building materials or using different building methods. ■

From the Mayor

Hello everyone. I want to take this opportunity to bring you all up to speed on what is going on at the Borough Hall. Recently, many of the Borough meetings have been dominated by individuals who are coming to meetings to generally attack me and to try to embarrass me. I usually let this roll off my back, except when someone, such as Councilman Hamilton, goes out of his way to encourage one-side discussions and half-truths. This has had a negative effect on Borough activities. We have a backlog of issues that could choke a cow, but instead of concentrating on these issues at meetings, we have interminable discussions, encouraged by a couple of Council members, about religious matters that should not concern government. Councilman Hamilton has recently started discussing the future funding for utilities work that may be needed for Yeshiva students. His discussion involves dredging up questionable information from the ill-fated Notterman tract proposal of several years ago. He misuses the data pertaining to that sixty five unit housing proposal to make frightening predictions about water needs for Yeshiva expansion not likely to occur. Now, make no mistake about it, the purpose of this discussion is to frighten the public.

Recently, litigation has descended onto the Borough, but it is not the litigation that Councilman Hamilton predicted. In case you did not know, the Recall Committee has decided to sue me and the Borough Clerk over her rejection of the recall petition.

This litigation seeks to overturn the decision of the Borough Clerk. The reason that the original recall petitions were rejected was because the Recall Committee ignored the clear requirements of the very recall statute that allows them to collect signatures. That law specifies how they are supposed to collect signatures, but instead of following the law, they ignored it. When their petition was invalidated, they then cried that their errors were minor, however, the law is, as they say, the law, except to the Recall Committee, that seems to think that the law does not apply to them. Of course one thing that is not in dispute is who is going to pay for this. The Borough Attorney will defend this case and you and I will be paying his fee. The current estimates are that this will cost the Borough roughly \$5,000 in attorneys fees. This is on top of the couple of thousand already spent on this. If the Recall Committee is successful, which I doubt, then we may have the cost of a recall election (nearly another \$4,000). All of this will be paid for by local taxpayers.

In addition, the Borough Zoning Enforcement Official, following a complaint by a neighbor of the synagogue, recently ruled that the current activities of the Yeshiva at the synagogue are permissible. That does not seem to sit very well with some in town, who have chosen to appeal that decision to the Planning Board. What you have then is more expense for the Borough, as the Planning Board, the Planning Board attorney, the Zoning Enforcement Official and the Borough

Attorney and a cast of others all get together to hear the appeal. All you get from this is the bill.

In other Borough news, the Council has gotten around to putting together an ordinance that will move us from a flat rate water bill to a consumption based bill. This has not been without its own internal arguments. The Utility Committee, chaired by Councilman Hunt has worked hard on this and our professionals have reviewed and made their recommendations. The current ordinance calls for a base amount of 10,000 gallons per month for each household and the minimum payment of the existing \$149 per month rate. For those that use in excess of that, there will be excess use charges of 4/10ths of a cent per gallon. Some on the Council have been expressing concern that the base amount is too low, but the fact is that about half the users in town use less than 10,000 gallons per month during the summer. The purpose of the State (and make no mistake about this – we are doing this because the State ordered us to) order to have consumption based billing is to encourage water conservation. Hopefully, in the future and maybe as early as next year, we will be able to revisit the rates, if any inequities occur. Until then, I strongly encourage all ratepayers to make sure that they redouble their efforts to not waste water. It will be well worth it.

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

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From the Office of the Principal, Shari Payson

Roosevelt Public School is looking forward to our November events and falling behind to reflect on our October events. October brought more than just fall colors and trick-or-treating. The week of October 17th was Violence Awareness Week and the week of October 23rd was National Red Ribbon Week. To commemorate both, RPS students were engaged in activities to promote respect, kindness, character education, violence prevention, and staying drug free. RPS already incorporates a program called Second Step into the daily curriculum. Second Step is a violence-prevention curriculum designed to reduce impulsive and aggressive behavior in children by increasing their social competency skills. Second Step teaches skills in empathy, impulse control, problem solving, appropriate social behavior, and anger management. One of the new activities that we implemented this year was *Handprints Across RPS*. Students were given the opportunity to leave their handprint or mark on the school. They also utilized the RPS Rights and Responsibilities Guidelines to pledge citizenship, respect, kindness, etc. Additionally, the PTA sponsored an assembly entitled, Stranger Danger.

October 23rd began Red Ribbon Week. This is when people across the country promise to stay drug free and fight drug use by wearing red ribbons, T-shirts, stickers-anything red! Red Ribbon Week originated in 1985 in honor of DEA Agent Enrique Camarena, who was kidnapped and killed in Mexico while investigating drug traffickers. His family wore red ribbons as a sign of respect for his belief that one person can make a difference. Over 100,000 schools and

organizations nationwide celebrate Red Ribbon Week, making it the most successful drug prevention event ever. Our students participated in drug prevention activities and wore red ribbons, showing their support for a healthy, drug-free lifestyle.

In looking ahead to November, the Student Council is gearing up for elections to coincide with regular elections on November 8th. Parents/guardians, please be certain to vote. Bringing your child to vote is an excellent way to demonstrate our voting privilege. Your actions always speak louder than your words, so by bringing your children to vote, you are showing them the part that each person can play in our democracy.

We look forward to welcoming guests for American Education Week. Join us November 13-19, 2005 to celebrate American Education Week (AEW). This year's theme, "A Strong America Starts with Great Public Schools," highlights the importance of bringing together teachers, school staff, parents, students, and communities in a unified effort to build great public schools. In addition, the theme reflects New Jersey Education Association's vision of calling upon

America to provide public school students with quality schools so that they can grow, prosper, and achieve in the 21st century, in turn creating a strong America. Please call the school if you would like to visit.

Our students are involved in a number of fund-raisers this year. The Student Council is sponsoring a clothing drive to help raise money for needy families. Please donate any clothing, shoes and accessories handbags, belts, scarves, ties, soft household items such as bedding, curtains, towels, stuffed animals etc. Pack the items in plastic garbage bags and drop them off at the school. RPS is also getting close to one of our favorite sixth grade fund-raising activities. Soon you will be able to order fabulous pies for the holidays. There are many varieties, and the proceeds help sponsor the sixth grade trip in the spring. Residents who are Target shoppers can also help the school by registering to have 1% of your Target purchases designated to Roosevelt School.

Thank you for your generosity and support. Have a happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

Shari Payson, Principal

November School Dates

November 1	PTA Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
November 2 & 3	PTA Sponsored Book Fair
November 4	Pizza Day
November 8	Election Day - Early Dismissal
November 10 & 11	School Closed
November 18	Pizza Day
November 23	Early Dismissal
November 24 & 25	School Closed - Happy Holiday

By Jill Joyce and Deidra Pizzarelli

HAPPY FALL!!

We have had a very busy October. Let us do a recap of all the events, we had our Stranger Danger Assembly on October 18th and the kids really enjoyed it. We thank Kelly Mitchell for arranging this event. Our Fall Fest was cancelled for the 22nd, however was rescheduled for the 29th and we would like to thank everyone who helped organize this event who are: Amy Block, Maryann Block, Geryl Hickey, Thomi Hickey, Jim Carnevale, Diane Zahora. Leslie Carnevale and her girl scout troop for making and decorating the bags. Also thanks, to Heidi Mendies for supplying us with the pumpkins and Jay Goldman for giving the children hayrides on his tractor.

So you say, what could possibly top this fun filled month, well, we will be having the Scholastic Book Fair on November 2nd and November 3rd. The kids really enjoy this event and making their wish lists. The Thanksgiving assembly is on November 23rd, this is where we have wonderful baked goods and apple cider for all the classes.

For the month of December we will be having our Make A Wreath fundraiser at the school. This event will be December 10th, please mark your calendars. It is a fun day. More information to follow.

Thank you to all our parents who volunteer. We can't do it without you!!!!

*Jill Joyce
Deidra Pizzarelli* ■

SEMI-ANNUAL LITTER PICK-UP WELL ATTENDED

The morning started out cool and pleasant but soon warmed up. Teams spread out as usual and covered most sections typically littered. All and all the town was pretty clean. I didn't get a head count but the event was managed quite successfully by Ron Kostar and Ann Goldman with help from the county and their truck.

Brunch was hosted by Lenny, Michele and Roman Hillis as usual and it was delicious as usual and a good time was had by all.

Black bear are still being sighted in the Roosevelt area. In order for us Rooseveltians to get a handle on this new mammalian visitor to town please call either me, Dave Schwendeman at 609-443-6204 or Kristyna at Roosevelt Borough Hall 609-448-0539 to report sightings, damage or for questions. We will try to keep a local log and track movement for our particular bears. You can always call the Assunpink as well anytime but they may or may not get that information back to us. For a REAL emergency dial 911 and the State Police will respond.

I've tried to download some information about living in harmony with black bear from the State Division of Fish and Wildlife. I will include these bear facts in this column from time to

time if I can figure out how to do it. In the meantime you can browse the website yourself at www.njfishandwildlife.org.

This news item came in mid-September but missed the last issue of the Bulletin. Charlie Harding, down on Pine Drive, reported seeing a great blue heron in his backyard recently (mid-September). This is a huge bird that feeds mostly on pond and stream fish. It was a positive identification since Michelle, his daughter, captured the heron's picture on her cell phone camera! Good thinking and great reporting and thank you. I hope the bird is a sign that fish are still in our streams. However, this bird common to the lakes of Assunpink, also likes goldfish and the more expensive koi often found in backyard landscapes as I found out from Ginny Edwards.

Our next scheduled Roosevelt Environmental Commission meeting will be Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm on November 16, 2005. Everyone who is anyone is welcomed to attend and if anyone has a newsworthy nature note or comment of environmental concern, please give me a call. Thank you for reading this column. ■

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

To keep it alive, it needs to be used.

**"A town library would be a terrible thing
to lose!"**

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 6:30pm – 7:30pm. The cost of the program is \$60.00 per person. Please contact us for specific dates. Walk-ins are welcomed!

Foreign Films

The Recreation Department invites all area residents to Borough Hall on December 6th at 7:45 for the first of many Foreign Films.

The Unbearable Lightness of Being

Tomas is a doctor and a lady-killer in 1960s Czechoslovakia, an apolitical man who is struck with love for the bookish country girl Tereza; his more sophisticated sometime lover Sabina eventually accepts their relationship and the two women form an electric friendship. The three are caught up in the events of the Prague Spring (1968), until the Soviet tanks crush the non-violent rebels; their illusions are shattered and their lives change forever.

Newark Museum Trip

The Recreation Department is sponsoring a bus trip to the highly acclaimed Newark Museum.

Registration Deadline is November 5th:

When: Saturday, November 19th

Where: Bus Will Leave the Roosevelt School

Depart: 12:00pm

Return: Approximately 6:00pm

Cost: \$10.00

The Newark Museum invites you to enjoy its outstanding collections, exhibitions, programs and educational resources in its multi-building campus located in the heart of the Downtown Arts District of Newark. The Museum complex, the largest in New Jersey, weaves together 80 galleries of art and science, a mini zoo, planetarium, gift shops, cafe, auditorium, sculpture garden, schoolhouse and the Ballantine House, the restored 1885 mansion that is a National Historic Landmark. The Museum Shop and Museum Café will be open for lunch and shopping during our stay. Participants will have the opportunity to tour the museum from approximately 1:00pm – 5:00pm.

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.

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!

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To the Editor:

A recent issue of *Defenders of Wildlife* magazine has an informative article about the effects of wild deer in the woods. Some people argue that “the deer were here first,” whatever that may mean. In the first place, the deer-were-first argument is specious on a couple of grounds: the deer that live here currently were not here first; and because of laws limiting deer hunting, there are more deer than ever before. Apparently, 75,000 hunters, the main control on the deer population, stop hunting every year, nationally. There are no top predators in most of the country able to pursue and fell a deer. Deer birth control drugs are largely ineffective. One partial solution that has been proposed is that hunters can not take a buck until they have taken a doe.

Deer are destroying the natural understory of the forest, displacing smaller animals, including plant-eaters and carnivores, mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians.

There are about 90,000 deer in Pennsylvania alone. There are estimated to be more deer in the current United States than when Columbus landed in the West Indies.

I believe that people ought to think about farmers, gardeners (have you ever tried to grow tulips with deer in the area?), chipmunks, rabbits, pheasant and grouse.

Very truly yours,

Ed Moser

September 19's special meeting of the Roosevelt Borough Mayor & Council meeting led me to wonder if interpretations of our land use laws are being twisted to fit the current high school operation at the synagogue rather than the reverse.

I read a book just this month from the '50s. It's amazing how defini-

tions can change in a mere 40+ years. Imagine how they change in centuries! In this book, the detective stated that he felt gay, meaning happy, and I laughed. Today the word has a different definition, yet a good word. In the encyclopedia one of its meanings is “merry.” Times change.

So too, in pre-Christian time, the word “synagogue,” which meaning also includes in the encyclopedia a place of “religious learning,” had no schools then as we interpret the meaning of “school” today. Likewise, a church can be defined as a school – religious instructions occur there as well. The word “church” a translation of the word “synagogue?” It may have come from the Greek language, but is used so as to differentiate from “synagogue?” They are both places of worship within which religious instructions are given. Many words are used for places of worship, all offer religious education.

Doesn't the State of NJ require people up to the age of 18 to receive a given formal curriculum? By their own admission, the gentlemen of this high school have stated that there would be students of high school age. You may call it a yeshiva; I'll refer to it as a high school from now on. You can call it whatever you want to in any other language you wish; in the English language it is a private high school.

Our own Mayor is a member of our local synagogue; not so long off it's board; not so long ago it's president. Mayor Marko couldn't give us a “yes” or “no” as to whether there is a school there? He is hiding behind the mask of our borough attorney's guidance; he doesn't have to be forthcoming with information. What nonsense! Is he laughing at his public and thinking his subjects stupid as we chase our tails. Councilman Hunt was most

correct in stating that he felt as if he were in a philosophy class during these discussions.

We have a code enforcement/zoning officer who has just been hired. He has had no formal training for a professional position that is handling this most important issue – that is, all of our land use laws and local ordinances. It is very pathetic to put such power with someone who is ignorant of the law while in the birth of his learning process by which he's being self-educated with the help of our municipal attorney. I have every faith that he will do very well with time, but right now he is a novice.

I now ask, why our borough attorney? We have a perfectly qualified land use attorney who can answer a hypothetical question regarding zoning/planning, who can give a qualified opinion/interpretation and guidance of our land use law to the Council and Mr. Francis, our code official.

Those of our governing officials, not knowing they can turn to their planning/zoning board for an interpretation, are skirting the obvious issue here by dwelling upon inspections rather than the main concern of whether a high school can exist in our residential zones. They can ask that board for an interpretation. High school: full time, formal education, not part time, occasional religious instructions. Can one exist in a residential zone according to our land use laws? If not. Then a variance may be sought. Making the inspection issue more important than the use issue is merely procrastination.

Thank you,

Nancy L. Warnick

To the Editor:

Am I the only one who is annoyed

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"Midsummer" in Roosevelt's Woods

If you studied with a teacher who treated all-things-Shakespeare with deadly seriousness, you may have had difficulty figuring out why *A Midsummer Night's Dream* was considered a comedy. But if you "study" the same play with Margaret Schlinski and the Roosevelt Community Players, you'll know why because you'll laugh your head off.

The "magic" happened outdoors behind a Roosevelt house on September 17 and 18, two glorious sunny afternoons when we watched many of our multi-talented neighbors romp around in our communal woods in a spirited, imaginative production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare, directed by Margaret Schlinski.

The performance took place in Frances Duckett's backyard, where the audience sat facing the lush, natural setting formed by the woods. Within those woods, local artists, some of whom were also in the cast, had added a few simple, effective sets. These included low walls on left and right stage that defined the area in which the play was enacted. In the center toward the back of the "stage" and surrounded by trees, stood the most outstanding set of all, one that established the mood of the play even before it began. This was *Lady in the Woods*, a sculpture by Gary Edelstein of a lithe young woman, a spirit poised to take flight in a sprightly dance celebrating life and love and beauty (my interpretation). The sight of this "lady" before the play was exciting enough to keep me happy even before the action began.

Midsummer, with its twenty-one characters, magic-induced confusions, and plots and subplots, can be difficult to grasp at first reading. This Schlinski production made it crystal clear and highly entertaining, and the enthusiastic portrayals by the cast brought to life the characters they played.

Karyn Grunwald as Hermia and Robert Axel as Lysander were convincing as lovers. Bob Clark playing Theseus, Duke of Athens, and Judith McNally, Hippolyta, the Amazon



Lady in the Woods
Photo by Devon Kostar

queen, carried themselves with a haughtiness befitting their station. Rod Tuloss and Evelyn Schlinski as king and queen of the fairies respectively, did well as the royal pair who start the mixups because of their argument, and later set things straight when they become reconciled. Tom Powers as Puck did a good job at his mischief. Angel Cloughly as Helen and Ron Kostar as Demetrius skillfully contributed to the humor and plot complications. Kevin McNally was suitably intractable as Hermia's father.

Then there was the play within the play, an entertainment planned by a group of craftsmen for the oncoming wedding of Theseus and Hippolyta. Paul Freedman as carpenter Peter Quince was the convincingly smug, self-important director of the amateur players who were to perform *Pyramus and Thisby*. Frances Duckett as Snug, the joiner, was whimsical as a man playing the role of a lion. Ani Rosskam in the role of bellows mender Francis Flute who played Thisby, was hilarious enacting Thisby's "tragic" end when she fumbled with the stage dagger while trying to "kill" herself. The other craftsmen-actors were Jacob Wall as Nick Bottom, the weaver who played *Pyramus* (and who earlier had been turned into a donkey by Puck and then restored to his own self); Kevin McNally as Tom Stout, tinker; and Daniel Garton as Robin Starveling, the apprentice.

Titania's fairies were played gracefully by Kelsey Reinbold, Abigail Schwendeman, Gheyene Dermody, and Daniel Garton.

Brad Garton contributed the background music. The delightful costumes were created by June Ord and June Counterman; sets: Ani Rosskam and Frances Duckett; publicity and graphics: Deirdre Sheean; video: Jack Leech; photographer: Devon Kostar. Frances Duckett made the ass's head, and Bill Counterman helped with "everything."

This production was sponsored by the Roosevelt Recreation Department and the Roosevelt Arts Project. ■

Six Grandmothers

I have four grandmothers and Florie has two.

My father's mother, Cornelia Maud Ewing, was born April 15, 1876, near Sutton, in Braxton County, West Virginia, descended from Welch and Irish ancestors. My sister, Evalena Maud, born in Sutton in 1921, five years after Grandma Maud died, was named after this grandmother of ours.

The photograph of Maud at age 26 was taken at the St. Louis World's Fair in 1902, to celebrate her husband "striking it rich." He, William Adam Johnson, had invented a more efficient steam engine after tinkering with one he bought to power his sawmill in West Virginia. It received Patent No. 698,510 on 4/29/02. All his family were proud of him for that and other ways of his, particularly for his being a good husband and father. The World's Fair flyer we have has pictures of my grandfather and his Wm. A. Johnson Steam Engine. Grandma Maud gave birth to nine children. My father was the third born in 1898. He was a lumberman in his father's sawmills and then a carpenter in Akron, Ohio until he became a U. S. Marine. Aboard a cruiser, he was in the cook's crew and he was the sparring partner for the Navy's lightweight boxer. When docked in the Brooklyn Navy Yard, he met my mother, Anna Bertha Margulies.

He left the Marines telling the Commander the Marines had not lived up to their promise of three square meals each day, and then they eloped to Elkton, Maryland, lucky for me! Then he became a builder.

When my father was a boy, he squeezed the bellows to keep the coals red hot while my Grandpa



Cornelia Maud Ewing at the St. Louis World's Fair in 1902

Adam forged tools or parts to repair machines. My father watched Grandpa make a squirrel rifle barrel, and then mount it on a stock with parts he made. (It now remains with my oldest son in Virginia.) I have three wood planes this Grandpa made, and one my father made. They sit on a bookcase in our living room.

Grandma Maud died a year after her ninth child died. My father was 18 then. Ten years later, Grandpa married Nanny Ganoe, who already had two sons and a daughter. This grandma was a skilled guitar and harmonica player. She played them at many events and on radio station WWVA, which my father and I could hear in New York at nighttime. Thus I learned to love country music and, after my first child was born, to play a guitar. Two of Nanny's sons, Uncles Lester and Wheeler, each

made beautiful violins and guitars. Lester came to Tarrytown, N.Y. to get work with my father. Uncle Lester would usually play a song on his guitar, always softly, the way he talked. He got married and moved upstate, near West Point. I got to see Nanny only twice. The last time we were there, Grandpa Adam had lost his center vision, but he was still able to hit near the bullseye when he and my father tried out grandpa's rifle. That may have contributed to my liking to go hunting with my father in the Catskills twice after Thanksgiving Days 40 years ago. We never killed any game, but we loved tramping in the wooded mountains.

My mother's parents had married in Austria, had a son, and a daughter before Grandpa Louis Margulies came to New York City where he became a tailor. My mom was the first of his three children born in America. Her mother's name (Americanized) is Miriam Charap Margulies. Her father died young and her mother managed an inn on her family's farm. She and Grandpa were Orthodox Jews, as my Aunt Gussie, at 102, still is. My mom was always a liberal Jewish woman. My father's relatives all seemed to be Methodists, but my parents, I now realize, were both humanists, although my father was a Republican!

I think I saw Grandma "Miriam" only once, in a N.Y.C. apartment on First Avenue near Houston Street. She died at age 50. Before long Grandpa married Sadie and I would always have chicken and dumplings when we visited in N.Y.C. She loved it when I exclaimed the one Yiddish expression I knew, "meshugeneh kopp." When I

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TWO SQUARE MILES OF STORIES

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was twelve my mom got my younger brother and me to start going to classes to learn to read Hebrew. Once was all I went. I had gone to a Sunday School at age seven only once. A girl I admired went to the Second Reformed Church in Tarrytown and my Scoutmaster said the twelfth Scout Law meant "being active in a religious group." So at age 13 I became active and could always answer the most questions in the Bible study Question bees.

Florie's Grandma Florence Tackman McBride gave birth to Florie's mom, Mildred and then five sons, who all became wonderful uncles for Florie, the last being, David Eib. Mildred's father, Percy McBride, had died in the Influenza Epidemic of 1919. "Nana Florence" then married Mr. Eib who died five years later, then married George de la Vega. All of Nana's ancestors were German-American. Florie spent many weekends staying with her Nana in Milltown, NJ.

Nana took her by bus to Colorado when she was thirteen to visit two uncles who were in an Air Force School. We visited Nana often as she visited us often, even staying three days after Christmas when we lived in a big farmhouse in Freehold, with our six children and a quarter horse "J.D. LEGS." It was part of hundreds of important memories Florie had of her Nana. Florie never met her Grandpa Percy because of his early death. His mother was Spanish, Forencia, and his father was a Scottish seaman, Alexander McBride. They met in Spain and got married in Australia.

Mildred married George McCarty in New Brunswick, NJ. His father was a Ferry boat captain, descended from Irish Protestants. They wore orange ties on Saint Patty's Day. George's mother, Frieda Mueller, was born in Germany. Florie remembers

this Grandma as a frail and sweet woman. She looked like an Indian woman wearing her dark hair in a bun. She died when Florie was about eight years old.

I met three of my four grandmothers and Florie met both of hers. It occurs to me now that it was sad that neither my mother nor Florie's mother ever met their grandmothers! How good that my children and grandchildren have had many heartwarming times with their grandparents!

That is an extended account of our six grandmothers, but may I comment briefly about three other "Nanas" in my family. Florie and our daughter Evelyn are grandmothers now. (We now have two precious great granddaughters!) Another grandmother in my family is my father's grandmother, Mary Jane Matheny. At her 90th birthday, a newspaper told her life story. She was a Confederate grapevine messenger at ages 10 through 14. Many West Virginians felt Northerners were arrogant, abusive mine operators and industrialists. Her father was a Rebel war hero. When Robert Johnson returned from a Union prison after the Civil War, she nursed him back to health and they married, she at 16, he at 26, in Braxton County, WV. ■

About Two Square Miles Of Stories

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

For information telephone:

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FROM THE MAYOR

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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.. In May, on the third Monday at 8 p.m., 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 make a meeting, perhaps you want to email us. My email is mayor@borough.roosevelt.nj.us or you can reach the Council by e-mailing council@borough.roosevelt.nj.us. If you want, you can call me at the Borough Hall (448-0539) and press 1.

Tidbit of information: We do quite a bit here with very few people. Walk into any other municipal building around here and you will see many local employees. We have only two full time employees – the Borough Clerk and the Water Sewer Operator. You may see other Borough employees around but they are all part timers. Many of those part timers are even Borough residents and they often put in many more hours than they get paid for. Elected officials come and go, but our employees, even the part timers, have shown loyalty through the years. The work output that we get from so few employees is quite amazing. ■

BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

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residential buildings and 2% of equalized assessed valuation for non-residential buildings for all new construction, and all alterations having a value in excess of \$40,000, other than affordable housing. The revenue collected would be placed in a trust fund that would be used to help subsidize affordable housing, thus reducing the need to use tax revenue for that purpose. The ordinance could not be moved to final adoption because a municipality must have substantive certification from COAH before it can adopt such an ordinance. The proposed ordinance is being submitted to COAH for its approval.

The Council also introduced an ordinance establishing new consumption-based water-sewer utility fees, to be effective January 1, 2006. The bi-monthly base fee for residential users remains \$298 (\$149/month), but there will be a charge of four-tenths of a cent per gallon for all water use above the first 20,000 gallons, or 10,000 gallons /month. Councilman Dan Hoffman protested that this rate schedule would result in rate increases for an estimated 45% of users, and that he found this not to be acceptable. Councilman Jeff Hunt, chairman of the Utilities committee, said in response that this ordinance had been prepared based on the combined expertise of the Borough's financial and utility professionals and that time limitations were such that this ordinance had to be introduced without further delay in order to meet the extended deadline of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, which ordered the Borough to establish consumption-based rates several years ago. The Council introduced the ordinance as drafted, but agreed to monitor consumption and revenue and make any future revisions to the ordinance that might be warranted.

In other business, Administrator Bob Clark reported that he had accompanied Zoning Officer Bob Francis on his inspection of the yeshiva at the synagogue, that Mr. Francis, acting in accordance with advice he had received from Ira Karasick, Esq., the municipal attorney, had found no zoning violations, and that there were no cited violations of any other codes. He reported that work of the Lake Drive reconstruction was being held up by the weather, recommended that a back-up water-sewer operator be hired, to be paid on an as-needed basis, that arrangements be made for snowplowing by the Borough on public school property, that Roosevelt enter into negotiations with East Windsor for an interlocal agreement under which East Windsor would provide leaf removal services, and that the Council request a one-year extension on property revaluation from the Monmouth County Tax Board because of the amount of time it took for the Division of Taxation to approve the tax maps. He also said that he would provide a schedule of Council meetings to the State Police so that the new commander of the regional station in Hamilton that serves Roosevelt would be able to come and speak. In his new capacity as Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) representative, Mr. Clark said that funds were being made available, on a lottery basis, for low and moderate income homeowners (maximum being \$46,000 for a family of two, with higher maximums for larger families) to rehabilitate their homes and that notice of this lottery would appear in the press.

In his report as chairman of the Utilities committee, Councilman Hunt described how the booster pump at the water plant was fixed by replacing a foot valve that was part of the original

1930s equipment. Also as part of that emergency work, up to four feet of iron sludge was removed from the tank in a more cost-effective way than that previously used, thus pointing to future savings.

Councilman Hoffman, reporting for the Public Works committee, expressed support for having the Borough do snow plowing on school property. Mayor Neil Marko cautioned that this could be done as a courtesy, but that roads and municipal facilities would have to be plowed first. Councilman Hunt asked that the Board of Education be asked, in exchange, to plow the sidewalk on School Lane in order to allow students to go from Pine Drive to the school without having to walk in the street.

Councilwoman Peggy Malkin, chairwoman of the Environment, Health and Safety committee, said that she had met with the First Aid Squad and had been assured that the alleged comments by a First Aid Squad member implying that there would be retaliation against political opponents of Mayor Marko in the event that they needed the services of the Squad did not reflect the position of the Squad and that the integrity of the Squad would never be compromised by any personal or political considerations.

Zoning Officer Francis called upon all residents to comply with the ordinance concerning trash cans, and not place them at the street earlier than Tuesday and take them from the street by Thursday. He asked that the zoning ordinance be amended to make clear his right, in his official capacity, to enter upon private property without any liability to charges of trespassing. He also reported on his visit to the yeshiva at the synagogue, where he had found that there were twelve ninth-grade students using two classrooms, that he

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found no zoning violations, that there were approvals from the Division of Fire Safety and the Monmouth County Board of Health, that no construction was being done, that the survey work observed several months ago was done in connection with possible future construction in the rear of the building, and that current plans called for 50 to 60 students within the next four to five years.

Bert Ellentuck asked Mr. Francis if he reserved the right to issue violation notices should there be any future zoning violations at the synagogue. Mr. Francis said that he did. Mr. Ellentuck criticized the letter from the municipal attorney on which Mr. Francis relied for his determination, saying that Mr. Karasick acknowledged that a private high school at that location was a violation of the zoning ordinance, but that his reference to a State law saying that a private school "accredited by the New Jersey Department of Education" had to be allowed in any district in which a public school was allowed was misplaced, since Mr. Francis had no evidence, as he acknowledged, that this school is so accredited. Mr. Ellentuck also called upon the Council to act on Mr. Karasick's recommendation that the zoning ordinance be amended to establish standards for private schools.

Referring to correspondence from Mr. Karasick notifying the Council that a lawsuit had been filed to contest the determination by Municipal Clerk Krystyna Olejnik that the petition filed by the Committee to Recall Neil Marko as Mayor of the Borough of Roosevelt was defective in that it failed to expressly state that no reason was being given, Councilman Michael Hamilton questioned whether it was incumbent upon the Council to pay the cost of defending the lawsuit, since the Borough itself was not a defendant. Administrator Clark pointed out that Mr. Karasick's contract obligates him to defend municipal

officials and employees who are sued in their official capacity, as is the case with Mrs. Olejnik.

The Council also adopted resolutions renewing Roosevelt's membership in the Monmouth Municipal Joint Insurance Fund—an entity that reduces the insurance costs of member municipalities by making them part of a larger pool, approving a resolution to apply for additional funding from the Department of Environmental Protection for site remediation at the Borough-owned former gas station site, and lifting summer water restrictions, which are imposed every year because of the limited capacity of the water system. The Council also authorized the Administrator to send a letter to the County Tax Board requesting a one-year extension on the revaluation order. Realty Appraisal, the firm that will be conducting the revaluation, had advised Tax Assessor Michael Ticktin that, as a result of the extensive time that it had taken for the Division of Taxation to approve the tax map, it was not possible to conduct the revaluation in time for implementation in 2006. The Council further approved the hiring, recommended by Mr. Clark, of Gregg Possiel as back-up water-sewer operator.

The Council also approved the use of the Borough Hall by Wynn Vest for a birthday party on October 16. ■

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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that the Borough of Roosevelt has set the "base rate" for water use so high that low users, such as hospitalized seniors and singles will get absolutely no price break? The point of metering is proportional billing in order to deter excess use. How does it motivate a high user to conserve if low users are paying more than their share to ease the burden on him? The proposed system does not reward average users for conserving. Why should they, if it does not change their bill? The Borough of Roosevelt needs to replace defective meters, not ignore them, and billing should be proportional in the interest of fairness. Please let the Borough Council know if you agree.

Sincerely,
Frances G. Duckett ■



By Jack Rindt, Roosevelt First Aid Squad Training Officer

In September the Squad responded to seven first aid calls. In Roosevelt, four were medical emergencies, one a motor vehicle accident, and two were mutual aid calls to Millstone Township, one a medical emergency and one a motor vehicle accident.

The training that was given in September went over splinting and using a KED.

The Squad has responded to 70 emergencies from January 1 to September 30. Last year the Squad did a total of 73. Our calls have increased.

The First Aid Squad would like the town to understand that regardless of race, religion or politics or anything else, as long as we have members that are home and can respond, we will respond and give you the best care that we can. Because our membership pool is small, at times it is hard for us to respond, we need you to join.

The Squad only has six Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT's) at this time. We are always looking for new

members to join and we pay for all training. New members can join at the age of 16 and become New Jersey Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs). Becoming an Emergency Medical Technician with the Roosevelt First Aid Squad -could lead to paying positions with career Ambulance companies.

Do you want to challenge, help your community, maybe start a career or just help people? Join the Roosevelt First Aid Squad. WE NEED MEMBERS!

The Squad has started to put away funds for the new ambulance. We welcome contributions. Please make out checks to Roosevelt First Aid Squad, P.O. Box 274, Roosevelt, NJ 08555. The First Aid Squad is always thankful. A second ambulance in town will help insure that one will always be available.

Thank you. ■

By Clare Sacharoff

The senior citizens of Roosevelt visited Delicious Orchards on Oct. 18th which was preceded by brunch at Johnny B's.

A delicious chicken luncheon was enjoyed by all Oct. 27 at the Borough Hall. A luncheon is held the last Friday of each month.

At the Kelsey Theater in Mercer County Community College, a musical was performed entitled "They're Playing Our Song" Oct. 23rd. Several members drove and picked up interested passangers.

Mrs. Chasan appealed to all members to notify any new residents or people who have never registered to file the proper papers in order to qualify for the election which will be held Nov. 8, 2005.

Bob Clark addressed the group stating that two-member families who earn less than \$46,000 may qualify for a home improvement program from Monmouth County, there will be applications in various newspapers to be completed and then a lottery will be drawn. Forty households will be chosen from the County. He advised us to look into this matter.

Robin Gould will be hostess for November. ■

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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?

Yellow Squash Casserole

I came across this recipe which is among my favorites. So I made it for our recent senior meeting to share with them. It was a huge success and I'm hoping you Bulletin readers can use and enjoy it also.

- 1/4 c chopped onion
- 6 c yellow squash, sliced and drained
- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- 1 c dairy sour cream
- 1 c shredded carrots
- 1 - 8 oz pkg herb seasoned stuffing (Pepperidge Farm is best)
- 1/2 c butter or margarine, melted

Cook squash and onion in salt water 5 minutes – drain. Combine cream of chicken soup and sour cream. Stir in shredded carrots. Fold in drained squash and onion. Combine stuffing mix and melted butter. Spread 1/2 on bottom of 12 x 7 1/2 x 2 inch baking dish. Spoon vegetable mixture over. Sprinkle remains of stuffing over vegetables. Bake 350 oven for 25 – 30 minutes until heated through.



The Drought Watch Has Ended

You may not have known that New Jersey was under a drought watch in September and early October. The National Weather Service canceled the watch on October 17. Why was the drought watch canceled in what is normally the second driest month of the year? Because by mid-October more than three times the normal amount of rain for the entire month had fallen. You must recall that long stretch of foul weather. It lasted nine days.

On average, October brings 3.15 inches of precipitation. February is normally the driest month. Only 2.94 inches fall. July is the wettest month, with an average rainfall of 5.08 inches. August and then September follow it. This year September and October both went against their nature. September brought only 1.74 inches. The nine days from October 6 through the fifteenth brought a whopping 10.23 inches. Day after day it was rainy; sometimes there was very heavy rain, others times there was just light drizzle. On each of two days in a row, the twelfth and the thirteenth, over two inches of rain fell. Another three days during the period each brought over an inch of rain.

We were lucky in Roosevelt. There seemed to be little significant flooding. Some shore towns and towns in North Jersey ordered evacuations.

The good news regarding tropical storms and hurricanes is that we have run out of 2005's official names for the

storms. That means we can't have any more hurricanes, right? Wilma was the last of the storms to get a name from the initial 2005 name list. It was named in mid-October. Where do any further names come from? Can the Weather Service use unused names from past years? Do they have to think up new names for the rest of this year? What really interests me is why there are no names on this years list beginning with the letters X (Xavier), Y (Yolanda), and Z (Zelda). It turns out that NOAA will name any additional hurricanes using the Greek alphabet starting with Alpha.

Winter Outlook

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Climate Prediction Center October 12, 2005 Winter Outlook is calling for warmer conditions for most of the country. But here in the east there are equal chances of warmer, cooler or normal winter temperatures. Put simply, there is no clear trend yet for winter 2005-2006 temperatures or precipitation.

Weather Word

A "wadi" in regions of the Middle East and North Africa is a streambed or channel that only carries water during the rainy season. In the southwest United States, the equivalent terms would be arroyo or wash. ■

September 15 - October 15, 2005

Day	High	Low	Avg	Precip
15	84.6	71.6	78.1	0.00
16	84.6	72.1	78.4	1.50
17	83.3	69.8	76.6	0.00
18	80.4	60.3	70.4	0.00
19	81.3	58.1	69.7	0.00
20	81.0	65.1	73.1	0.00
21	78.1	59.2	68.7	0.00
22	81.5	56.1	68.8	0.00
23	85.5	64.2	74.9	0.00
24	73.2	58.8	66.0	0.00
25	76.1	51.8	64.0	0.00
26	81.0	61.7	71.4	0.00
27	72.9	60.8	66.9	0.24
28	74.8	46.6	60.7	0.00
29	77.0	59.5	68.3	0.00
30	63.9	41.5	52.7	0.00
1	70.7	43.0	56.9	0.00
2	74.7	46.6	60.7	0.00
3	74.7	48.4	61.6	0.00
4	73.6	58.1	65.9	0.00
5	77.7	54.5	66.1	0.00
6	75.2	60.3	67.8	0.00
7	78.3	66.7	72.5	0.15
8	73.6	32.6	53.1	1.60
9	63.1	55.2	59.2	1.87
10	61.7	57.0	59.4	0.17
11	64.4	58.1	61.3	0.10
12	60.1	52.7	56.4	1.06
13	61.5	54.5	58.0	2.75
14	62.4	57.9	60.2	2.25
15	70.5	59.0	64.8	0.28
Total Precipitation				11.97

ROOSEVELT ARTS PROJECT

2005 - 2006 SEASON

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.

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November

1	Tues	12 pm	Senior Blood Pressure Check	Boro Hall
		1 pm	Seniors Meeting Gerry Millar, President	Borough Hall 448-0351
		7:30 pm	PTA Meeting Jill Joyce Deidre Pizzarelli	RPS 443-9423 or 448-2126
2	Wed		♻️ RECYCLE	
			PTA Book Fair Jill Joyce Deidre Pizzarelli	RPS 443-9423 or 448-2126
3	Thurs		PTA Book Fair Jill Joyce Deidre Pizzarelli	RPS 443-9423 or 448-2126
4	Fri		RPS Pizza Day	
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)	
7	Mon	7 pm	Council Committee Meeting	Boro Hall Beth Battel, President 448-7701
		8 pm	Council Agenda Meeting	Borough Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 443-6818
8	Tues	6 am - 8 pm	ELECTION DAY - Voting at Borough Hall	
			RPS Early Dismissal	
10	Thur		RPS Closed - NJEA Convention	
11	Fri		RPS Closed - NJEA Convention	
14	Mon	7:30 pm	Council Action Meeting	Boro Hall Beth Battel, President 448-7701
15	Tues	7:30 pm	Planning Board Meeting	Borough Hall Ralph Seligman 448-2340

16	Wed		♻️ RECYCLE	
		7:30 pm	Environmental Commission Meeting	Borough Hall Dave Schwendeman, Chair 443-6204
17	Thurs	7:30 pm	Synagogue Board Meeting	Elly Shapiro 443-3575
		7:30 pm	Roosevelt School Board Meeting	RPS Linda Grayson, President 443-6462
18	Fri		RPS Pizza Day	
21	Mon	7:30 pm	Council Committee Meeting	Boro Hall Beth Battel, President 448-7701
23	Wed		RPS Thanksgiving School Performance	
			RPS Early Dismissal	
24	Thurs		Thanksgiving — RPS Closed	
25	Fri		RPS Closed	
2	Wed		♻️ RECYCLE	

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2	Fri		RPS Pizza Day	
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		8 pm	Council Agenda Meeting	Borough Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 443-6818
6	Tues	12 pm	Senior Blood Pressure Check	Boro Hall
		1 pm	Seniors Meeting	Borough Hall Gerry Millar, President 448-0351
5	Sat	5-8 pm	RAP Program - Roosevelt Poets, An Almost Winter Solstice Reading (see RAP Page)	

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