

# Bulletin

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## BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

By Michael Ticktin

### Borough Files for Injunction for 28 Homestead Lane; Concerns Expressed Regarding Future of Roosevelt Post Office

Speaking at the October 13 meeting of the Borough Council, municipal attorney Richard Shaklee announced that the Borough had, on October 8, filed an action in the Superior Court of New Jersey to require Congregation Yeshivas Me'on Hatorah to cease using the residence at 28 Homestead Lane as a dormitory. This action follows the memorialization by the Planning Board, at its October 6 meeting, of its unanimous decision in August upholding the determination by Zoning Officer Ralph Kirkland that the residence was being used as a dormitory, in violation of the Roosevelt zoning ordinance. According to Mr. Shaklee, no date had yet been set for a court hearing.

Also at the October 13 meeting, Councilwoman Peggy Malkin expressed concern that the Roosevelt post office might close at the end of the current lease on the building, which she said would be in about two years. She called for residents to write letters to our representatives in Congress telling them of the vital role that the

post office plays in the life of the community and asking for their help in keeping it open. The Postal Service has lost a lot of revenue due to the widespread use of electronic communication and is undergoing a nationwide restructuring, and the Roosevelt post office has not been doing the volume of business that it needs to do in order to remain viable. If and when the post office is actually closed, Roosevelt residents would presumably get home delivery from another post office. (Postmaster Lena Morrell subsequently stated that she had not been advised of any plans to close the post office.)

The Council passed a resolution authorizing execution of an agreement for the restoration of the bust of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt that is near the school. The statue was created by Jonathan Shahn in 1962. The cost of the restoration is being entirely paid by the Fund for Roosevelt, which raised funds from the community for this purpose. The consent of the Council is needed because the statue belongs to the municipality.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the 33rd edition of the *Roosevelt Borough Bulletin*.

As usual, there will be nine issues starting with this one (October) through July, 2010, leaving out January 2010.

We will do our best to make the *Bulletin* both informative and interesting with the help of our devoted writers and production people.

If you want to contact the *Bulletin*, please look at our masthead to the right with our address and telephone number as shown.

NOTE! New dates and times for the Council meetings. They are the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 7 p.m. Come and see what's happening!

Please report any bear sightings to:  
State Bureau of Wildlife Management  
Kim Tinnes  
Wildlife Control  
609-259-7955

As well as to David Schwendeman, 443-6204



Parents: It has come to our attention that many children as well as teenagers have been playing in the streets. Before there is an accident because of on-coming cars, please make sure that this practice is stopped.

Though the *Examiner*, our weekly source of local and regional news, is not longer distributed free of charge in printed form, it can be accessed online at <http://examiner.gmnews.com>.



"Louie" Carpenter, Summer 2009  
Happy birthday, Louie, Nov. 14th!

### PLEASE REMEMBER:

**Thoughtful neighbors  
pick up after their dogs.  
Are you a thoughtful  
neighbor?**

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# From the Mayor

By Elsbeth Battel

Dear Neighbors,

Last month, I encouraged you to “Go outside and play;” this month, I must add a caveat, “but be aware that it is hunting season already.” Bow hunting has begun and, for the first time, the NJ Legislature has allowed hunting on Sundays, as well as the rest of the week. Most of the publicly owned open land around the perimeter of Roosevelt is part of either the Assunpink Wildlife Management Area or Monmouth County parkland, and both are currently open to bow-hunters with permits. The hunters may only fire their weapons from tree stands, which, given the downward angle of their aim, limits the distance an arrow is likely to fly, but it is nevertheless wise to be cautious. My advice is to wear brightly colored clothing, because deer very rarely do so.

Personally, I think if I ever had to kill an animal to eat, I'd become a vegetarian, but part of the rationale for allowing hunting is that the income from the sale of hunting licenses

provides much of the funds used to purchase and maintain the woods and open spaces. Furthermore, there is severe damage being done to the ecosystem by the deer population. Their territory has shrunk, there are no longer any natural predators (if one doesn't count cars) and there are more deer alive today in New Jersey than any other time in history. Being browsers, they are eating all the undergrowth in the forest, which is habitat for smaller animals and birds, as well as the saplings which would become the trees of the future, so the population needs to be controlled, but I wish we could find some other way to do it. There had been another bill before the Assembly to shrink the safety zone distance from an occupied structure from 450' to 150', but that failed. Signs to post any safety zones on your property can be obtained free from the Borough Hall or the Fish and Wildlife office in the Assunpink.

Beth ■

## BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS (CONT'D.)

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The Council also adopted a resolution appointing Ralph Kirkland as code enforcement officer, in which capacity he will enforce all ordinances not otherwise assigned for enforcement, a resolution setting salaries for municipal officials and employees for 2009, and an ordinance establishing an annual salary range of \$500 to \$1,000 for the code enforcement officer.

Councilman Dan Hoffman reported that he would be meeting with the Mayor of Hightstown to discuss opportunities to increase the sharing of services that now exists. Hightstown currently maintains Roosevelt's streets—other than Route 571, which is maintained by Monmouth County—while Roosevelt provides zoning enforcement services to Hightstown. ■



Scene Around Roosevelt: WWII Monument, Rochdale Ave. near RPS

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who wish to receive the *BULLETIN*. We will be pleased to  
continue sending them the *BULLETIN* when we receive their  
contributions which, of course, can be for the same amount  
(or more) as in the past.

## From the Office of the Interim CSA/Principal, Shari Payson

As I sit to write this letter, I can look out the window and see the trees beginning to change color. The trees are being transformed and this same miracle happens every day in school. Within the first six weeks of school, much like the trees outside, children have flourished and displayed their unique colors.

The school year continues in a very positive mode. The week of October 19th was National Red Ribbon Week. To commemorate, RPS students and staff wore red ribbons and were engaged in activities to promote respect, kindness, and living a drug free lifestyle. Over 100,000 schools and organizations nationwide celebrate Red Ribbon Week, making it the most successful drug prevention event ever. We also had a very successful PTA sponsored book fair and KidStuff fundraiser.

Coupled with Red Ribbon Week and part of our ongoing effort to enhance our character education program, many of the classes are engaged in service learning projects. The Sixth graders are embarking on a "Do One Thing" campaign. Each student selected an activity from the "Do One Thing" Web site and is responsible for the research, advertising and promotion of the activity. Activities include collecting food and animal products for *World Animal Day*, gathering and dispersing food for *World Food Day*, availing students' services for *Volunteer Day*, and for facilitating appropriate activities for *Earth Day*.

The Sixth graders are also honing in on their entrepreneurial skills through their successful bulb sale

and are looking forward to their next fundraiser, the annual Thanksgiving Pie Sale. Brochures and order forms will be posted on our Web site the first week in November. You may also obtain an order form at the school.

Second graders are going to collect books for elementary school children in Trenton. Should you wish to donate your gently used books, it would be appreciated.

All grades have paired with "buddies" from other grades and are working on cooperative learning activities.

The 88th annual American Education Week will take place **November 15–21**. This year's theme, *Great Public Schools: A Basic Right and Our Responsibility*, "reflects the calls upon America to provide students with quality public schools so that they can grow, prosper, and achieve in the 21st century." On Tuesday, November 17th, parents, guardians and community members are invited into the classrooms for a hands-on experience of what the day is like for RPS students.

Our annual Thanksgiving Assembly will take place on Tuesday, November 24th at 9:30 a.m. and our Winter Concert will be held on December 15th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to share in these special events.

I would like to thank those that participate in Target's "Take Charge of Education" program. Through this program RPS receives a percentage of the amount of each purchase that you make in the form of a cash donation from Target. We received about \$300

this year. If you would like to participate, visit [www.target.com/tcoe](http://www.target.com/tcoe), or call 1-800-316-6142 to designate our school. Grandparents, alumni, neighbors and friends can take part, too.

Thank you for your support of the teachers, the students and the school. Have a happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

Shari Payson,  
Interim CSA/Principal ■

### NOVEMBER/DECEMBER EVENTS

#### NOVEMBER

- 11/2 Meeting With Dr. Sheerin  
7:00 p.m. –RPS Gym
- 11/3 Early Dismissal/  
Staff In-Services
- 11/5–6 School Closed
- 11/10 PTA Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 11/13 Pizza Day
- 11/17 Parent Visitation–  
American Education Week
- 11/18 Picture Make-Up Day
- 11/19 Board of Ed. Meeting  
7:30 p.m.
- 11/24 Thanksgiving Assembly  
9:30 p.m.
- 11/25 Early Dismissal
- 11/26 School Closed–Thanksgiving
- 11/27 School Closed

#### DECEMBER

- 12/4 Pizza Day
- 12/15 Winter Concert 7:00 p.m.
- 12/23 Early Dismissal
- 12/24–1/3 School Closed







MISSION

*To educate and inspire all students to excel academically\*, to become independent and creative thinkers, skillful communicators and lifelong learners. Roosevelt Public School nurtures and challenges the unique potential of each student so that our children will develop individual, social and civic responsibility as well as respect for themselves, each other, and the environment.*

*\*to achieve or exceed N.J. CCCS at all grade levels*

Last year the words, "To achieve or exceed the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards at all grade levels," was added to Roosevelt School's mission statement by the

Roosevelt Board of Education. This summer, teachers and administration reviewed and revised curriculum for the 2009-2010 school year to meet these standards, which specifically describe what students should know and be able to do.

Reviewed and approved by the Board for the 2009-2010 school year were the following curricula:

- Gifted and Talented
- Career Education and Consumer, Family and Life Skills
- Pre-School
- Art
- World Language
- Technology
- Health/Physical Education

The Character Education Curriculum is under revision and will be reviewed. An ad-hoc committee, consisting of board members, staff, and parents, is providing input on a more effective Character Education program

that addresses bullying and a safe school environment, and will become a part of the curriculum.

Learning objectives/outcomes for all grade levels and for all curriculum content areas will be completed and posted on the school website by November. Benchmark assessments will be given several times during the year to determine if students are meeting or exceeding grade level expectations. This data will be used to guide further student instruction at Roosevelt School throughout this school year.

Curriculum Committee ■

Each month the Roosevelt Board of Education is going to submit an article to keep the public apprised of Board goals, decisions, and activities

TOWN TOPICS

**Several Roosevelt Artists' Work to be Shown in New Egypt**

Allentown Art Guild Art Exhibit—  
[www.allentownartguild.org](http://www.allentownartguild.org)  
 Laurita Winery, 35 Archertown Road,  
 New Egypt, NJ. 1-800-LAURITA.  
[www.lauritawinery.com](http://www.lauritawinery.com)

*VISIONS OF HOPE*, exhibit by the Allentown Art Guild, featuring works of art that will include paintings in oil, watercolor, acrylic and mixed media; mobiles; stained glass; jewelry; photography and ceramics. Each artist interprets the theme in a unique way, but all of the works demonstrate great technical skill and originality.

Free Admission. October 12, 2009, January 7, 2010. Opening reception on November 15th 2–5 pm. Refreshments served. Several Roosevelt artists are included in the exhibit.

Contact Info:  
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## Edwin Martin Moser

(July 9, 1933 – September 25, 2009)

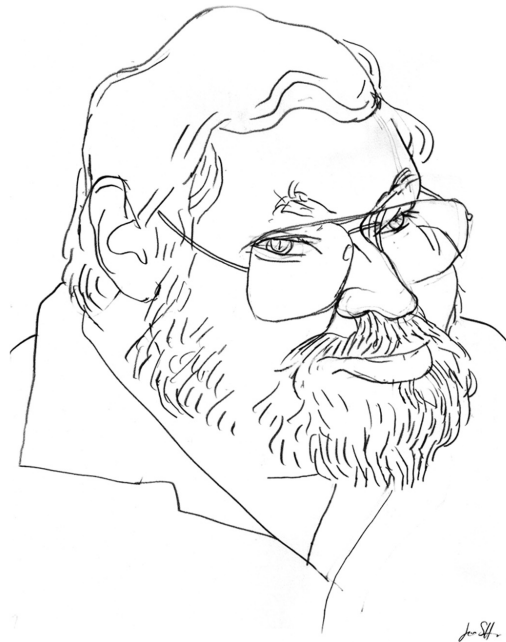
Edwin Moser, longtime Roosevelt civic leader and supporter of many worthy causes, died at the age of 76 after a long and courageous battle against kidney and heart disease and diabetes. A stranger's kidney, donated a decade ago, had enabled Ed to continue fighting for many admirable causes while mellowing domestically into a doting and beloved patriarch for his second wife, Pat's, brood of six daughters, 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

His education and career, as well as an innate sense of justice and fairness, prepared Ed well for a lifetime of advocating for those old, deep values that point us toward a better world. Although his principled stances often encountered opposition and scorn from complacent majorities and vested interests, Ed usually, and sometimes bravely, stood in the vanguard of worthwhile and necessary progress. He persistently cajoled, mentored or shamed people into behaving righteously toward one another. His most stinging arguments, however, were reserved for hypocrisy, the double standard, elitism and repression of minorities.

Growing up in a family of Jewish workers in Brooklyn, Ed obtained a bachelor's degree in history from Brooklyn College in 1954. His lifelong devotion to education included learning French, German, Russian, Spanish and Yiddish. Not long before his death, he received Hebrew instruction from Rebbetzin Gitty Eisenberg of the local Yeshiva.

At college in the early 1950s, Ed witnessed, and came to loathe, the abuses of McCarthyism. He condemned the victimization of some of his favorite professors by what he called "the McCarthyite witch-hunting, into which the Brooklyn College administration of the time jumped with both feet and both fists." Nonetheless, appreciative of the college's "high academic tradition" and its "service to the people in the city who need it most," Ed obtained his master's degree there in 1960.

Ed pursued a doctoral degree at the University of Pittsburgh. As a young and much-admired professor of history at Trenton State College (now The College of New Jersey), Ed felt the



residual sting of McCarthyism when, in the mid-1960s, the Commissioner of Education refused to sign off on his reappointment to the faculty upon learning that Ed had formerly been a member of the Communist Party.

Ed continued to teach history and sociology at different times at Fairleigh Dickinson, Rutgers and Essex County College. He also taught at the Peddie School, where one of his daughters was a student.

An early advocate of African-American studies and affirmative action policies, Ed eventually went to work for New Jersey's Division on Civil Rights as Supervisor of its Special Investigations Unit. Some admiring former students joined the ranks of his co-workers. Ed's cases led to admission of girl players on Little League teams and the recruitment of

women as State Police troopers. His vigorous pro-labor stance during a 1979 job action by state employees led to a full-time position on the Executive Board of Local 1033 of the Communications Workers of America (CWA) representing 6,000 state workers.

His substantial local government experience confirmed what the historian in Ed already knew: that plowing public revenue into military misadventures and pork-laden projects at the federal level and pay-to-play schemes at the state level leaves precious little beyond oppressive property taxes to pay for essential municipal services. When he joined the Borough Council in 1985, Ed noted: "Unless we all look for ways to reform the general tax structure, we will always be in crisis. But since we're boxed into dependence on local property taxes, we must share the poverty in such a way that basic necessary services are somehow accomplished."

Ed moved to Roosevelt in 1964. He and his first wife, Rema, raised their two daughters here. He substitute-taught in the Roosevelt Public School and ran a program for the PTA. A longstanding active member of the Roosevelt Democratic Club, he served for several years as an elected Democratic Party Committeeman.

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## WE REMEMBER ED MOSER

The Roosevelt Environmental Commission lost a member and a friend last month with the passing of Ed Moser. He had been very active and vocal regarding many issues around town over the years. I got to know him through the commission and he helped me with ‘Robert’s Rules of Order’ and various other questions of procedure and protocol. He was always there for events and projects and he will be sincerely missed..

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Hunting season is in full swing now. They have a lot of rules to follow but if you do see a suspected violation snap a picture as proof and call the authorities. Otherwise, it’s a he said/she said (or she said/he said...etc.) situation.

Safety Zone signs are available at the Assunpink Headquarters but you must follow precise posting directions. I usually have extra copies of the hunting rules with me and some were left in the Borough Hall Office.

## TAXIDERMY STUDIO VISITORS

Thank you to all who visited the Schwendeman homestead and taxidermy studio October 3rd. Despite a little early rain the day was an unqualified success. I’m pretty sure our guests had a good time. Anyone who missed this event is welcome to visit during regular business hours. Please call 732-828-0249 to make sure I’m there to give you the tour.

## LEAVES AND WOOD DEBRIS

We talked about leaves in previous columns, but here we go again. We cannot and do not advocate dumping leaves into the green acre areas around

town. I realize leaves are a problem but short of hiring a commercial firm or landscaper to properly remove them, we can only suggest the following.

First find an unused corner of your yard or garden and create two or three four foot squares on the ground. Make a pile of leaves in one section and for every inch of leaves and kitchen greens cover with 1–2 inch soil. I also add wood ashes when available but make sure they are out and not hot or still glowing or we are going to have a real problem. Dish the pile in middle for rain water or you have to add water periodically. Turn or mix the pile early spring. When you start finding worms you’ve got good soil for planting. Sift out the worms and go fishing when you are done planting. I’d make a site for two or three 4 foot square piles so you can have one in development and one to use. Add kitchen and vegetable waste, coffee grinds but no dairy, meats, fish, etc.

Composted soil is a good thing. Use it around the house and yard and share it with friends who have no leaves.

Wood debris will be scheduled for the spring. Meanwhile burn smaller pieces in fireplaces, chimneys, etc. or give to neighbors who can use it.

## LITTER PICK-UP REPORT

by Abigail Schwendeman

### Roosevelt is Keeping “Green”

“Saving the environment is the responsibility of the people,” states local environmentalist, David Schwendeman. That is just what Roosevelt is doing by cleaning up its streets.

Twice a year, since the early 90s, the citizens of Roosevelt have been meeting at the Post Office and grabbing a clear, plastic bag, a poker, and a set of gloves (provided by John Minton of the Monmouth County Waste Management Department). On a sheet of paper, the names of the streets in

Roosevelt are listed and assigned to Rooseveltians wishing to do their part.

Flyers, handed to the kids at school and signs posted on the bulletin board attract people to the Litter Pick-Up. “The Hillis’s and I are the organizers of it. We call people who call people who call more people until we have a whole tree full of informed Townsfolk,” says Roosevelt citizen and future member of the Environmental Committee, Ron Kostar.

According to Kostar, about 40-50 Rooseveltians showed up. Eighth grader, Sage Duchai states, “It’s always nice to see people doing good for the community, and for nature.”

For some, this is a hobby, but for many, this is a tradition. “As long as I can remember, it’s been something my family did with the town since I was six or seven,” fellow HHS student, Jack Curry recalls.

“It’s important to do volunteer work in town and this is a good ‘hands-on’ project. I like the camaraderie of all the towns’ people picking up garbage. We have such a good time picking up garbage.” Kostar says with a laugh.

Afterwards, Leonard and Michelle Hillis host a party in their backyard for all the volunteers. At the brunch t-shirts are passed out in commemoration of a job well done. Along with the shirts designed by local artist, Jon Shahn, fruit baskets provided by Heidi Mendies were given to every family who participated.

There’s a lot we can do to help clean up our community and picking up trash is one of the easiest things we can do.

According to David Rothfuss, the Litter Pick-Up, “helps strengthen the community by getting people involved in a common goal.”

If you would like to help clean up the environment, you too can organize a Litter Pick-Up in your town. Just go to your local waste management program

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## ED MOSER (CONT'D.)

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Rooseveltians benefited from Ed's perseverance in local government. Over the years, he served on Borough Council, School Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Planning Board and Environmental Commission. After winning the bitterly contested 1987 Democratic Primary election for mayor with the support of all members of the Governing Body except his opponent, and with nearly double the votes of his opponent, Ed was defeated in the general election by a surprise write-in campaign waged for a popular former mayor. Overcoming his disappointment, Ed demonstrated customary resilience through dedicated, continuing service on the Borough Council and, later, in other offices. He remained active on the Planning Board and Environmental Commission until declining health forced him to resign both positions less than three months before his death.

Son of the late Solomon and Dorothy (Cohen) Moser and step-grandfather of the late Collin Todd, Ed is survived by his wife of 22 years, Patricia; step-daughters, Professor Linda (Lowry) Williams of Australia, Lesley (Koshinski) Gorski of Browns Mills, NJ, Marie (Koshinski) Dobbs of Burlington Township, NJ, Cynthia (Koshinski) Beckwith of Browns Mills, Sandra Koshinski of Richmond, VA, and Christine (Koshinski) Martin of Boston; step-grandchildren, Mauve, Joseph, Bryan, Melissa, Tyler, Amanda, Morgan, Lauren and Autumn; step-great-grandchildren, Erica, Jasmine, Jaden, Logan, Levi, Akaylah, Aiyanah, Uriah, Aliajah and Collin; brother-in-law, Richard Lowry (Julie) of England; and daughters Elise Moser of Montreal, Quebec, and Mical Moser of Brooklyn.

Family and friends gathered to commend and remember Ed at his and Pat's home. Pat wants all her neighbors and friends to know that her appreciation for their many kindnesses and expressions of sympathy knows no bounds. Ashes will be interred during a future unveiling at the Roosevelt Cemetery. ■

## ENVIRONMENTAL (CONT'D.)

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and request a town clean-up in your area. Who knew picking up garbage could be so much fun?

## OUR NEXT MEETING

Our next scheduled Roosevelt Environmental Commission meetings will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m. on November 18, 2009. Everyone is welcome to attend and there is a chance for public comment and questions during each meeting.

If anyone has a newsworthy nature note of interest or comment of environmental concern, please give me a call at 609-443-6204 or drop a note to P.O. Box 203. Thank you for reading this column and please visit the [recgreen.ning.com](http://recgreen.ning.com) Web site. ■

**AND PLEASE WALK  
THE ROOSEVELT  
WOODLAND TRAIL**



## LETTERS to the EDITOR

On the afternoon of October 10, 2009, the Roosevelt First Aid Squad had a celebration and dedication for their new ambulance.

I decided to go over about 2 p.m. to see the new ambulance. As I came close, I noticed the smell of meat being grilled. I was asked by Jack Rendt if I wanted a hamburger. I said I had just eaten lunch. He replied, "Have a hot dog then." I told him I wanted to see the new ambulance first. Carol Watchler graciously showed me all the features of the ambulance and answered my questions. It was obvious that this ambulance is a wonderful addition to the equipment of the squad and beneficial to

our community. It also impressed me to see the squad members enjoying time together. It reminded me of the times the squad enjoyed working together in the past.

The squad is a wonderful way to serve the community and best of all no words can express the rewards you feel when you help someone. The rewards you receive are well worth the time it takes to be a member of the squad. If you feel a little tug on your heart to help our community, contact the squad by e-mail at [FMFD7568@verizon.net](mailto:FMFD7568@verizon.net).

Good luck to all who now serve on the Roosevelt First Aid Squad to help our community.

By the way Jack, you still owe me that hot dog.

Thanks,  
June Counterman ■



**Please obey  
the posted  
speed limits  
in town.**



The First Aid Squad has responded to 92 calls in and out of town for the year of 2009. Our emergency calls included a medical emergency, cardiac emergency, fire stand-bys, motor vehicle and bicycle accidents, emergency transport, difficult breathing, and mutual aid to Millstone Township

For September, the new members of the Squad attend an Incident Command Course known as I-100. This is the start for the Squad meeting the federal and state requirements for the Incident Command System. The members receive 2 CEU's for this training.

The Squad like to Congratulate Melissa Branco and Naomi Goldman for passing their New Jersey State EMT exam. Good job, Ladies.

We are always looking for new members. We will pay for the training that is needed. If anyone is interested please contact a Squad member or stop in during our training for an application and an EMT training schedule. By receiving your Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), you can help your community and have a great opportunity to start a new career as an EMT. If you would like to join or receive information about becoming an EMT please e-mail FMFD7568@verizon.net.

We would like to thank all the residents of Roosevelt for their generous donations to the Squad. Without your support we could not operate. Thank You!!!

If any one wishes to make a donation, you can send it to the Roosevelt

First Aid Squad at P.O. Box 274, Roosevelt, NJ 08555. Remember, all donations are tax deductible and greatly appreciated.

First Aid Squad History: In January 1963 the Squad changed the elections from January to November. April 1964 Ben Surasky was elected as 2nd Lieutenant. March 1973 the Squad had three calls. In April 1973 new certifications for all Squad members known as the "5 Points" which was Standard and Advance First Aid, CPR, Defensive Driving and Child Birth was in place.



**HEALTH NOTES:**

**Spinal Injuries**

EMT's always have to assess the mechanism of injury (MOI) to determine the potential for spinal injuries. Certain MOIs creates a high index of suspicion for spinal injury. Some injuries resulting in spinal trauma are motor vehicle crashes, pedestrian motor vehicle collisions, falls, blunt trauma, penetrating trauma to the head, neck or torso, motorcycle crashes, hangings, diving accidents and recreation and sport trauma just to name a few. In unresponsive trauma patients with an MOI the EMT always assume a spine injury. The EMT would first check ABC's Airway, breathing and circulation. Once we assess that the patient's ABC's and the patient is breathing adequately our next response would be placing the patients head in a neutral position.

If the patient is responsive, the EMT will ask them questions. "Does your

neck or back hurt? What happen? Where does it hurt? Can you wiggle your fingers and toes? Can you feel me touching your fingers? Your toes?

After the patient head is in the neutral position we then would apply a cervical collar and secure the patient to a back board. Keep their neck and back in a straight line.

Why we do this? The ability to walk, move the extremities, or feel sensations or the absence of pain does not necessarily rule out a spinal cord injury. Patients with spinal injuries may also complain of constant or intermittent pain along the spinal column or in the extremities, or pain independent of movement or palpation. Patients with severe spinal injury may lose sensation or experience paralysis in the upper or lower extremities below the suspected level of injury or may be incontinent.



There are still houses in town that do not have house numbers or the number are too small to see from the street. Please check the numbers posted on your house to ensure that they are large and colorful enough so Emergency Services and State Police can see them from the road. There are many houses in town that do not have numbers or cannot be seen from the road, especially at night.

Remember if you need help, please "Dial 911".

Jack Rindt, EMT-D  
Captain

Roosevelt First Aid Squad  
FMFD7568@verizon.net ■

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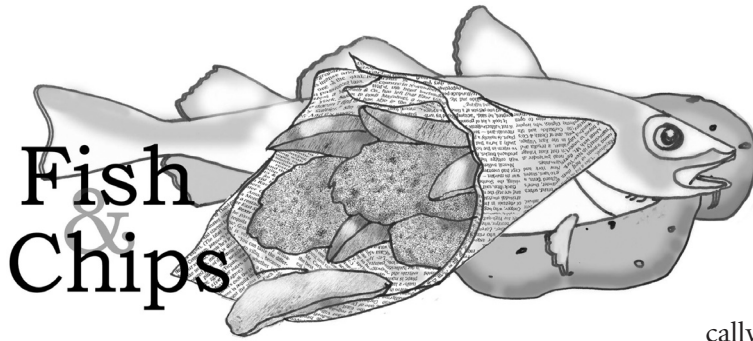
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“Fish n’ chips” is the great English comfort food. According to Wikipedia “In 1860 the first fish and chip shop was opened in London by Jewish proprietor Joseph Malin who married together ‘fish fried in the Jewish fashion’ with chips.” This tasty combo is classically served in a newspaper cone with a splash of malt vinegar (and with a pint of good English beer).

“Traditional” chips are chunkier than American-style French fries. In this recipe they’re soaked before cooking, to get rid of excess starch, and fried in two batches for maximum crispness.

If you’re leery about eating a lot of fried food, toss the soaked & dried potatoes in a couple of tablespoons of olive oil, spread them on a baking sheet, & roast them in a 400 degree oven for about 45 minutes, turning them once.

Make sure not to crowd the potatoes or the fish in the oil. They shouldn’t be touching in the skillet. It’s better to cook them in batches. Just remember to get the oil back up to the right heat between batches.

Enjoy the cooking & enjoy the eating!

## Classic Fish and Chips

2 servings

- 1/2 cup all purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 cup beer (preferably Guinness Stout or another dark beer)
- 3/4 pound cod, haddock or flounder fillets (about 3/4” thick), cut crosswise into 1 1/2”-wide strips
- 1 or 2 baking potatoes, about a pound
- Dash of cayenne pepper
- Dash of Old Bay seasoning
- Salt & pepper
- Vegetable oil (for deep-frying)
- Malt vinegar or apple cider vinegar

—Heat oven to 200°F.

—Peel potatoes & cut in half the long way, then cut lengthwise into 1/2” thick strips.

—Soak potato strips in warm water for 10-20 minutes. Drain & pat dry with paper towels.

—Pour about 3/4” of oil into a big heavy skillet. Heat until thermometer registers 350°F or until a cube of bread tossed in the pot sizzles when it hits the oil.

—Add potato strips to skillet & fry until edges are just golden – about 3 minutes.

—Using tongs move potato strips to paper towels to drain & let cool for about half an hour.

(Note: You can do the potatoes to this point a few hours earlier. Hold at room temperature until you’re ready to fry again.)

—Fry potatoes a 2nd time until golden brown & crisp, stirring often, about 4-5 minutes.

—Keep warm in the oven on a baking sheet covered with paper towels while frying fish.

—Whisk flour & 1/2 cup water in medium bowl until smooth batter forms.

—Sprinkle fish with salt, pepper, cayenne & Old Bay.

—Using tongs, add fish strips to the batter, stir to coat, & drain excess back into the bowl.

—Increase temperature of the frying oil to 375°F. (No thermometer? Just guess—and then test with a small piece of battered fish.)

—Add fish to skillet & fry until coating is golden & crisp & fish is just opaque in center, about 3 minutes per side.

—Transfer fish to paper towels, sprinkle with salt & pepper & serve with the potatoes & a splash of the vinegar. ■

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## ROOSEVELT ARTS PROJECT 2009 - 2010 Season

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November 14, 8:00 PM, Borough Hall

### **ALAN MALLACH, PIANO RECITAL: NOCTURNES AND BALLADES, MOODS AND STORIES**

**The nocturne and the ballade are the archetypal Romantic musical form, the one designed to set a mood, the other to tell a story. After Chopin's example, many of the greatest-and lesser-Romantic composers created some of their finest work in these forms. Alan Mallach will perform works of Chopin, Brahms, and Grieg, as well as lesser-known composers, illuminating their works and their lives with his insightful and entertaining commentary.**

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December 12, 12:00 - 5:00 PM, Assifa Space, Linz/Bowen House, 40 Tamara Drive

### **2ND ANNUAL EXHIBITION AND SALE OF WORKS BY SHEILA LINZ AND NAOMI BRAHINSKY - JOINED THIS YEAR BY AMANDA SLAMM**

**A recent collection of paintings, ceramics and beadwork will be on display by Sheila Linz, Naomi Brahinsky, and Amanda Slamm**

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January 9, 8:00 PM, Borough Hall

### **OPEN MIC CAFÉ**

**Roosevelt residents 13 and older, past and present, are invited to sing, read, do comedy, or play an instrument. If you wish to participate, please call Deirdre Sheean 443-4179.**

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February 20, 8:00 PM, Borough Hall

### **THE ROOSEVELT POETS**

**Join the Roosevelt poets & friends in celebrating the 60th anniversary of Dylan Thomas' arrival in NYC for his 1st US poetry reading tour! You (think you) know what to expect, plus music & refreshments.**

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March 20, 12 - 5 PM, The Factory, 15 Oscar Drive

### **JONATHAN SHAHN'S SCULPTURE OF THE HEAD OF MARTIN LUTHER KING**

**A Collection of Drawings, Prints, and Sculpture of the Artist's family, some friends, and himself.**

### **WISKA RADKIEWICZ'S FILM**

**The film offers a personal look at the artist's work and witnesses the process in which, over time, a sculpture comes into being. The film will be shown several times during the afternoon.**

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April 23 & 24, 8:00 PM, Borough Hall

## **THE ROOSEVELT STRING BAND**

**With David Brahinsky on guitar and vocals, Ed Cedar on bass, guitar, mandolin and one vocal, Paul Prestopino on every string instrument imaginable and at least one vocal, Sarah Houtz on vocals, Joe Pepitone on bass and guitar, and Howie Jacobson, in a guest appearance where he attempts to steal the show once again (and usually does).**

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May 22, 1:00 PM, Borough Hall

**TOURS AND SCREENINGS AT ROOSEVELT BOROUGH HALL FROM 1 - 4 PM. THE ROUNDTABLE WILL TAKE PLACE FROM 4 TO 5:30 PM, FOLLOWED BY A RECEPTION AT BOROUGH HALL.**

## **ROOSEVELT BAUHAUS: AN ARCHITECTURE DAY**

**A series of events will explore Roosevelt's rich heritage of Bauhaus architecture, and the ways in which that heritage has been affected by the changes of the past 70+ years. The day will include guided and self guided tours of Roosevelt and its houses, including houses that have been creatively altered or expanded; screenings of Ben Johnson's engaging documentary "Jersey Homesteads: In the Architectural Vanguard"; and a roundtable conversation, featuring residents, architects and architectural historians, on the significance of Roosevelt's Bauhaus architecture and the challenges of making it work in the 21st century.**

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May 22, 1:00 – 5:00 PM, Assifa Space, Linz/Bowen House, 40 Tamara Drive

## **WORKS ON PAPER AND PHOTOGRAPHY BY LOCAL ARTISTS**

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Other events of Interest...

**"Jersey Homesteads: In the Architectural Vanguard" by Ben Johnson & Fletcher Grayson will be screened at The NJ Film Festival Fall '09, November 8, at 7:00 PM, at Rutgers University, College Avenue Campus, Scott Hall, Rm 123.**

Voluntary Contribution:

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

Visit RAP's webpage at <http://music.columbia.edu/roosevelt>. Use the link at the top of the page to sign up for our e-mail list. For further information call Robin Gould at (609) 448-4616. ■



**I find sweet peace in depths of autumn woods,  
Where grow the ragged ferns and  
roughened moss;  
The naked, silent trees have taught me this,  
The loss of beauty is not always loss!**

—ELIZABETH STODDARD, *November*

September in Roosevelt was wetter and a little cooler than normal. September rainfall totaled 5.47 inches. Normal is 4.28 inches.

The normal average temperature for September is 65.1 degrees. September 2009 had an average temperature of 64.5 degrees. Our hottest day was the fifth when the high temperature was 84.2 degrees. The hottest day on record in any September for our area was September 2, 1953 when the mercury topped out at 103 degrees. No days dipped below freezing during the month. The coldest night was the twentieth. The low was 43.1 degrees.

Statewide the average temperature for the month was also little on the cool side. However, nationally, the average temperature for September was above normal. On a regional level, the West experienced its warmest September on record. The Northwest and West North Central experienced their sixth and eleventh warmest such periods. Below-normal temperatures were recorded in the South and Northeast.

While precipitation equaled the long-term average for the contiguous U.S., regional amounts varied widely. The South experienced its sixth-wettest September, which was countered by the sixth-driest period around the Great Lakes and upper Midwest region. In our region statewide precipitation varied from a bit above normal in New Jersey to much below normal in Maine and New Hampshire. Pennsylvania, New York and Connecticut all had less than average September rainfall.

The current Winter Outlook from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric

Association (NOAA) calls for a slightly better than even chance of having colder temperatures than normal in our area. The precipitation prediction is for equal chances of above, normal or below normal precipitation.

The *Old Farmer's Almanac* says the winter will be colder than normal in our region with below normal precipitation.

But what of the persimmon seed? What does it say? Weather folklore holds that you can predict the weather with a persimmon seed. Cut open a persimmon seed and look at the shape of the kernel inside. If the kernel is spoon-shaped, lots of heavy, wet snow will fall. If it is fork-shaped, you can expect powdery, light snow and a mild winter. If the kernel is knife-shaped, icy, cutting winds will occur for the next few months. It is best to use ripe seeds. Thanks to the *Old Farmer's Almanac* Web site for that information.



**Weather Word**

**CONVECTION—**

Convection: Motions in a fluid that result in the transport and mixing of the fluid's properties. In meteorology, convection usually refers to atmospheric motions that are predominantly vertical, such as rising air currents due to surface heating. The rising of heated surface air and the sinking of cooler air aloft is often called free convection. ■

Day	High	Low	Avg	Precip	Heat'g Degree Days	Cool'g Degree Days
15	78.7	59.0	68.9	0.00	0.0	0.0
16	66.3	60.3	63.3	0.35	1.7	0.0
17	64.5	52.3	58.4	0.01	6.6	0.0
18	74.1	51.5	62.8	0.00	2.2	0.0
19	69.8	47.7	58.8	0.00	6.3	0.0
20	74.8	43.1	59.0	0.00	6.1	0.0
21	76.5	47.1	61.8	0.00	3.2	0.0
22	77.4	48.6	63.0	0.00	2.0	0.0
23	80.1	64.3	72.2	0.00	0.0	2.2
24	81.9	66.6	74.3	1.10	0.0	4.3
25	72.3	52.2	62.3	0.00	2.8	0.0
26	67.6	47.7	57.7	0.00	7.4	0.0
27	73.4	57.4	65.4	1.05	0.0	0.0
28	74.5	54.3	64.4	0.15	0.6	0.0
29	68.9	47.8	58.4	0.45	6.7	0.0
30	65.3	45.5	55.4	0.00	9.6	0.0
1	60.8	41.4	51.1	0.00	13.9	0.0
2	66.2	41.0	53.6	0.00	11.4	0.0
3	71.8	59.7	65.8	0.10	0.0	0.0
4	72.0	59.4	65.7	0.25	0.0	0.0
5	65.5	48.6	57.1	0.00	8.0	0.0
6	64.2	43.2	53.7	0.00	11.3	0.0
7	70.3	55.4	62.9	0.10	2.2	0.0
8	65.7	46.0	55.9	0.15	9.2	0.0
9	75.7	53.6	64.7	0.00	0.3	0.0
10	70.3	47.1	58.7	0.00	6.3	0.0
11	64.0	39.7	51.9	0.00	13.2	0.0
12	42.6	34.7	38.7	0.00	26.4	0.0
13	66.0	41.2	53.6	0.00	11.4	0.0
14	53.7	34.4	44.1	0.00	21.0	0.0
15	45.7	41.4	43.6	0.00	21.5	0.0
<b>Total Rainfall</b>				<b>3.71</b>		
<b>Total Heating Degree-days</b>					<b>210.8</b>	
<b>Total Cooling Degree-days</b>						<b>6.4</b>

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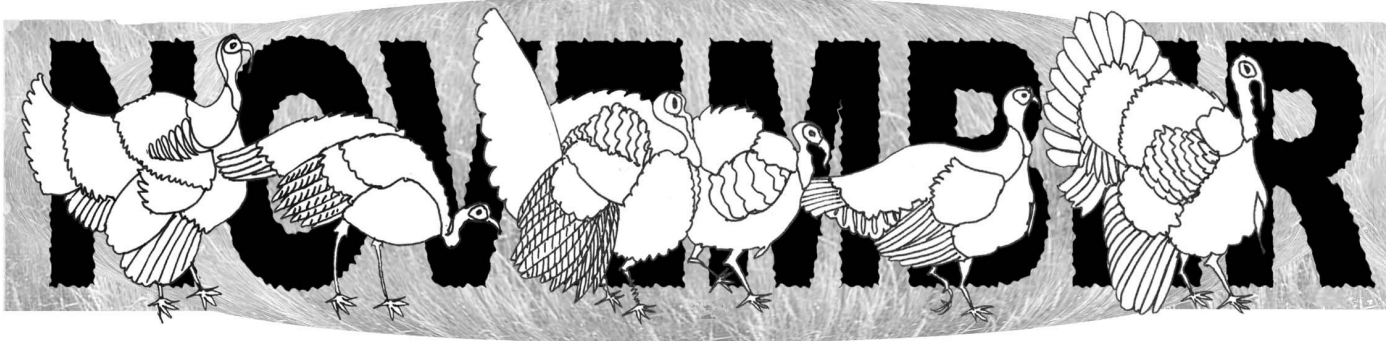
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## NOVEMBER

2 Mon.	12:30 p.m. Blood Pressure check, Borough Hall 1:00 p.m. Seniors Meeting, Borough Hall, Gerry Millar, President, 448-0351
3 Tues.	RPS Early Dismissal General Election Day, Borough Hall, Polls open 6 a.m. – 8 p.m. Krystyna Bieracka-Olejnik, Clerk, 448-0539. Election for Borough Council, County Freeholders, State Assembly, Governor
5 Thurs.	School Closed, NJEA Convention
6 Fri.	School Closed, NJEA Convention
8 Sun.	10:00 a.m. Roosevelt First Aid Squad, Training, Jack Rindt, Captain, 448-9475
9 Mon.	7:00 p.m. Council Action Meeting, Borough Hall, Beth Battel, Mayor, 448-7701
10 Tues.	7:30 p.m. Planning Board, Borough Hall, Jane Rothfuss, Chair, 448-3713
11 Wed.	RECYCLE 
18 Wed.	7:30 p.m. Environmental Commission, Borough Hall, Dave Schwendeman, Chair, 443-6204
19 Thurs.	7:30 p.m. Board of Education, RPS Library, Assenka Oksiloff, President, 918-1529

## DECEMBER

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13 Sun.	10:00 a.m. Roosevelt First Aid Squad, Training, Jack Rindt, Captain, 448-9475
14 Mon.	7:00 p.m. Council Action Meeting, Borough Hall, Beth Battel, Mayor, 448-7701
15 Tues.	8:00 p.m. Roosevelt First Aid Squad Business Meeting, Neil Marko, 443-3748
17 Thurs.	7:30 p.m. Board of Education, RPS Library, Assenka Oksiloff, President, 918-1529
23 Wed	RECYCLE  RPS Early Dismissal
24-31	School Closed, Winter Recess
28 Mon.	7:00 p.m. Council Action Meeting, Borough Hall, Beth Battel, Mayor, 448-7701

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