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BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

By Michael Ticktin

Council Passes Ordinances Clarifying Appointments to Municipal Office; Emergency Management Operators Appointed

At its February 10 meeting, the Council adopted two ordinances concerning appointments to municipal office. The first ordinance separated the positions of purchasing agent and administrator. It has been several years since the Borough last had an administrator and this ordinance change makes it clear that the purchasing agent, which the Borough does have, does not also serve as administrator. The second ordinance codified the existing practice of making appointments, except where otherwise provided by statute, at the annual reorganization meeting at the beginning of January for the current calendar year only.

The Council also passed resolutions appointing April Suk as the Operator of Emergency Management and Kelly Tyres as the Deputy Operator. The Council also approved its meeting schedule for the year. Meetings will be held on the second and fourth Monday of each month, except in April, when the first meeting will be on the first Monday, April 7, and the second May and first October meetings, which will be held on Tuesdays (May 27 and October 14) due to holidays.

Councilman Tom Curry and Deputy EM Operator Kelly Tyres urged all residents to remove their cars from the

street when snow is expected so that the streets can be properly plowed.

The Council thanked the Roosevelt Arts Project for the donation of 35 new chairs for the Borough Hall. It also authorized the writing of a letter to the Department of Environmental Protection concerning the need to do something about the swamp formation and forest destruction caused by the beaver dams on local waterways.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the 37th edition of the Roosevelt Borough Bulletin. There will be ten issues running from October 2013 through September, 2014. We will not publish in January and August 2014.

We welcome your emailed submissions for articles, letters, poems, artwork, and other items of interest. Please send your submissions and inquiries to Rick Pressler (rooseveltbulletin submissions@gmail.com). Non-digital submissions will be accommodated to the best of our ability, but we cannot guarantee publication. Inclusion of all items is subject to the availability of space and the editorial judgment of our Editor. Items must be received by the 15th of the month to be included in the next issue.

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From the Mayor

By Elsbeth Battel

Dear Neighbors,

Spring, spring, spring, spring.....I'm sorry, that's all that's on my mind right now. Since we write our articles several weeks before publication, I hope my wish has come true by the time you're reading this.

As I'm writing, we have ~14 inches on the ground and another 6-8" forecast for this afternoon and evening. Robins, please come back- you can nest on the house again, and I promise to keep the dogs out of the yard while your fledglings are learning to fly, just as I did last year.

On the subject of natural animals, one of causes of the rising and spreading of the streams through town has been identified as beaver dams. Councilman Curry has identified several large dens (beaver housing developments) along Empty Box Brook and Assunpink Creek. The DEP's solution is to live trap and remove the beavers and demolish the dams. That should allow the water to follow its natural course out of Roosevelt yards and into Lake Assunpink, solving one of our long term problems.

The Planning Board welcomes a new Chair this year, Isaac Menda. Meetings of the Planning Board will be either the first or third Tuesdays of the month, watch for confirmation of the exact date on the bulletin boards at the post office or in the Borough Hall. There are still two available seats as alternate members of the Planning Board open. If anyone is interested, please drop me a line, or stop by a meeting.

Stay well,
Beth



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

The Roosevelt Public School Communications Plan

In August 2014, a special committee of teachers, parents, administrators, and Board of Education members was organized to formalize the school’s Communications Plan. This group’s goal was “To develop a consistent and accurate communications system to inform and engage internal and external community members in order to foster a web of mutual trust, respect and collaboration.” Internal community members were defined as teachers, staff, parents, administrators, and BOE members. External members were defined as other Roosevelt community members, media, and others stakeholders such as parents of potential School Choice students. The following summarizes the action plan that was developed.

Strategy: Have systems and protocols in place so all parents and staff receive important news in a timely manner.

- Adopt and implement third-party parent notification system for notify-

ing parents via voice, text, and email messaging. (Responsible Party: CSA)

- Create a school directory (with opt-out option) by grade with email addresses, cell phone numbers, home numbers, and mailing addresses. (Responsible Party: CSA)

- Have a designated weekday when school-wide communications will be posted on website and distributed through student backpacks. (Announcement page on website; backpack news to parents once a week.) (Responsible Party: CSA with teachers/staff)

The Board of Education has purchased a parent notification system (RealTime) that will also complete all the required state reports, saving our staff many hours of data input work. The teachers and staff are receiving professional development on its use, and we hope to set up the parent notification portion by the end of this school year. Eventually, it will also be used for report cards and lesson plans. Hopefully, this system will also be used to set up the school directory.

Strategy: Create a protocol for updating the school website, including all teacher pages, so we communicate timely expectations for student achievement.

One part of this was updating our website (rps1.org) to be mobile device friendly; this was completed in the fall. Each teacher is now listed by what they teach, so you can put a friendly face along with the names. For Spring 2014 other tasks include:

- Teachers/administration/board to update their web pages regularly (teachers, staff, BOE)
- Rewrite teacher job descriptions to include web page updates (BOE Personnel and Policy)
- Assess the web site information by the Board to determine whether it

is adequate. (BOE Legislative/Public Relations Committee)

Strategy: Develop tools for reporting classroom work, curriculum, and achievements

- This may become a monthly newsletter (CSA/BOE)

Strategy: Respond to parents questions and needs in a timely, clear and courteous manner in order to promote a culture of openness and transparency.

- Administrators, teacher, and board members will return phone calls and emails within 24 hours. Communications will observe the chain of command

- The Board of Education will review its own response practices and policies.

Strategy: Find multiple means for soliciting feedback, opinions, and needs of stakeholders to support data-driven decisions.

- Provide regular updates on how to report a problem, including dissemination of chain of command diagram and contact information. (BOE)

- Conduct a School Climate Survey. (BOE)

Strategy: Ensure that multiple stakeholders are engaged in the planning process and provide opportunities for collaboration.

- Teacher representative and administrator regularly attend Board and PTA meetings – Administrator provides report to PTA: Board representatives regularly attend PTA meetings. Representatives report back to their members. (Teachers/Admin/BOE)
- Distribute BOE highlights to teachers, parents, and the community

(BOE)

Eventually, board notes will be distributed through the RealTime student information system; for now, these notes will be posted on the school bulletin board near the school entrance, one week after board meetings (where BOE agendas are also posted).

Strategy: Keep stakeholders apprised of Board of Education activities and provide opportunities for public input and collaboration

•Publicly announce the scheduling of BOE meetings in the local newspapers, via automated message system, and on RPS website at least 1 week prior. (BOE)

•Post minutes from BOE meetings in a timely manner. (Administration)

•Publish meeting highlights on the school website and send email to parents and community members with a link. (BOE)

•Post meeting dates on website calendar. (BOE)

•Disclose as much information as possible to the public before decisions are made. (BOE)

•Allow public participation in committees when appropriate. (BOE)

We have begun to make real strides towards better communication, and we hope to maintain this momentum. One current area of difficulty is communicating about the budget—it relies on State Aid funding that remains unknown at this time (the state controls the data and dates of release). The Board will be given baseline budget information at its meeting on February 27, 2014, which should include a brief discussion of State Aid as amounts are being released that day. The BOE will be having a special meeting on March 13, 2014, at 7:30 pm, to review and adopt the annual school budget. Budget discussions will

continue prior to the public budget hearing in late April.



Sisterhood Trip on May 4

Please note that the Sisterhood trip to Philadelphia is on Sunday May 4, 2014 (it was listed incorrectly in last month's Bulletin).

Anyone interested in going by bus to the National Museum of Jewish History featuring an exhibit of Jewish athletes, please call: Karen Block at (609) 426-1560. We are also going to visit Congregation Mikveh Israel, "Synagogue of the American Revolution," which is the oldest continuous synagogue in the United States. The total charge of \$50.00 per person includes the bus and entrance into the synagogue and the museum. Lunch is on your own. We can make suggestions regarding restaurants. The bus will depart Roosevelt at 9:00 a.m. and return at approximately at 5:00 p.m.

ELECTRONICS

RECYCLING

State law now prohibits disposal of computers and TVs with trash. Free drop-off. Program open to all Monmouth County residents, small businesses, and institutions. Limited to one pick-up truckload.

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Introducing our New Studio Art Teacher

Roosevelt Public School is committed to having our students continue the community's rich heritage of learning about and making art. For many years, the school has underwritten an arts enrichment program for our students outside of the regular school day; this is in addition to the art classes that are part of their regular academic schedule.

It is my pleasure to introduce Ewa Koziar, the new Studio Art Teacher at Roosevelt Public School. Ms. Koziar is a native of Poland who came to the United States as a teenager and attended West Windsor High School and Ewing High School. She is a graduate of The College of New Jersey and we are delighted to have her sharing her artistic talents at RPS. Below is a statement from Ms. Koziar.

Greetings from the Studio Art Program at Roosevelt Public School



I would like to thank the Roosevelt Public School's administration, Board of Education, fellow faculty and staff, and—most importantly—students and their families for welcoming me into their community.

I was fortunate to become a part of the Roosevelt art community by instructing the Studio Art class since December, 2013. The Studio Art program at Roosevelt Public School has been continuing the local tradition of supporting the arts in the area of Roosevelt, NJ, where many artists, including Ben Shahn, were able to

make some of their finest artworks. We meet every week for two hours, during which the students are able to expand their art knowledge, as well as improve their art skills. As a young art instructor and artist, I am thrilled to share my passion for education and art with the youngest members of the Roosevelt community.

I try to design our weekly lessons to meet both our students' interests and their needs. At the beginning of our Studio Art classes we established the list of each student's favorite art techniques and media, trying to find the art projects that would expand the students' knowledge, improve their art skills, and bring them the joy of making art.

Our first project was a great way for me to get to know the students better – we created Name Art, which focused on using fonts and symbols to express students' preferences. Playing with famous artwork puzzle pieces has been an interesting and creative way to break the ice and learn about famous paintings. Throughout the first course of eight sessions, students were able to learn about creating different textures by using a variety of materials, such as felt, tissue paper, construction paper, cotton balls, cardboard, etc. We also experienced some three-dimensional art by working with modeling clay, which was one of the most memorable activities for Studio Art students. One of the most exciting art projects was definitely the sewing lesson. Some of the students were exposed to sewing for the very first time, and I was honored to be the one who showed them how to sew. We used felt and embroidery threads to learn the basic techniques of sewing. Students created mini pillows which they later stuffed with a filling. It was an unforgettable experience for

all of us! In our most recent lesson, we learned about the variety of lines. Students created abstract line designs using black marker and oil pastels.

I am looking forward to continue working with the young artists of Roosevelt Public School, and I hope our next Studio Art sessions will be another wonderful opportunity to make art together.

Ewa M. Koziar



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WEATHER ALMANAC

By Ron Filepp

January 2013

Day	Cool'g/Heat'g Degree					
	High	Low	Avg	Precip	Snow	Days
1	37.6	21.0	29.3	0.00	0.00	35.7
2	34.9	23.7	29.3	0.30	3.00	35.7
3	24.4	7.5	16.0	0.60	6.00	49.1
4	27.1	0.1	13.6	0.00	0.00	51.4
5	47.5	12.9	30.2	0.05	0.00	34.8
6	56.5	30.9	43.7	0.41	0.00	21.3
7	31.5	4.6	18.1	0.00	0.00	47.0
8	22.6	9.5	16.1	0.00	0.00	49.0
9	32.0	17.4	24.7	0.00	0.00	40.3
10	37.0	21.9	29.5	0.13	0.00	35.6
11	61.0	35.1	48.1	0.66	0.00	17.0
12	53.6	31.1	42.4	0.00	0.00	22.7
13	57.4	28.4	42.9	0.00	0.00	22.1
14	48.7	44.1	46.4	0.33	0.00	18.6
15	52.9	34.2	43.6	0.00	0.00	21.5
16	42.3	35.1	38.7	0.00	0.00	26.3
17	43.0	25.2	34.1	0.00	0.00	30.9
18	39.7	25.0	32.4	0.02	0.00	32.7
19	30.0	21.6	25.8	0.00	0.00	39.2
20	49.3	30.7	40.0	0.00	0.00	25.0
21	37.8	12.2	25.0	1.40	14.00	40.0
22	15.8	4.6	10.2	0.00	0.00	54.8
23	21.2	1.8	11.5	0.00	0.00	53.5
24	18.1	1.6	9.9	0.00	0.00	55.2
25	32.0	13.5	22.8	0.15	1.50	42.3
26	28.4	13.3	20.9	0.00	0.00	44.2
27	45.9	24.8	35.4	0.04	0.00	29.7
28	12.0	12.7	12.4	0.00	0.00	52.7
29	20.5	12.0	16.3	0.08	0.75	48.8
30	27.3	5.4	16.4	0.00	0.00	48.7
31	42.6	13.3	28.0	0.02	0.00	37.1
Totals			4.19	25.25	1162.1	

March is the Month of Expectation.

The things we do not know --

The Persons of prognostication

Are coming now --

We try to show becoming firmness --

But pompous Joy

Betrays us, as his first Betrothal

Betrays a Boy.

From "The Single Hound" by Emily Dickinson



The First Aid Squad has responded to 13 emergency calls for the month of January.

The Squad responded in Roosevelt to 6 fire stand-bys, 1 stroke and 1 respiratory emergency. Mutual aid into Millstone Twp. 1 altered mental state, 1 emergency transport and 3 motor vehicle accidents. With the motor vehicle accident, one of the patients (pediatric) was flown by helicopter to a trauma center and the second patient was transported by ground.

In January, the Squad did their annual CPR/AED training to keep up their skills and certification. All EMTs who attended received continuing education units. Twenty people attended the class. Attendees included members of the Roosevelt First Aid Squad, Freehold First Aid Squad, MONOC Education, Roosevelt Recreation, Roosevelt Fire Company, and residents of Roosevelt who just wanted to learn CPR.

As the Squad sent out our donation letters, we included copies of "My Personal Medication Record" form. Please fill out the form and place it on your refrigerator. Include only your current medication on it. This would be a great help to the Squad members if they had to come to your home in an emergency. If you need additional copies, contact any Squad member.

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 anyone wishes to make a donation, please send it to the Roosevelt First Aid Squad at P.O. Box 274, Roosevelt, NJ 08555. All donations are tax deductible and greatly appreciated.

We are always looking for new members. We will pay for the basic

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training that is needed. If anyone is interested please contact any Squad member or stop in during our training for an application. If you would like to join or receive information about becoming an EMT please email rooseveltfirstaidsquad@yahoo.com, or contact us through facebook.

Health Notes

What is hypothermia? The body maintains a relatively stable temperature whereby heat production is balanced by heat loss. Normally, the core body temperature (when measured rectally) is 98.6 degrees F or 37 degrees C. When the outside environment gets too cold or the body's heat production decreases, hypothermia occurs (hypo=less + thermia=temperature). Hypothermia is defined as having a core body temperature less than 95 degrees.

Body temperature is controlled in the part of the brain called the hypothalamus, which is responsible for recognizing alterations in body temperature and responding appropriately. The body produces heat through the metabolic processes in cells that support vital body functions. Most heat is lost at the skin surface by convection, conduction, radiation, and evaporation. If the environment gets colder, the body may need to generate more heat by shivering (increasing muscle activity that promotes heat formation). But if heat loss is greater than the body's ability to make more, then the body's core temperature will fall.

As the temperature falls, the body shunts blood away from the skin and exposure to the elements. Blood flow is increased to the vital organs of

the body including the heart, lungs, kidney, and brain. The heart and brain are most sensitive to cold, and the electrical activity in these organs slows in response to cold. If the body temperature continues to decrease, organs begin to fail, and eventually death will occur.

How is hypothermia treated?

Care for the hypothermic patient begins when the person is found.

- First aid should be initiated.
- The patient should be removed from the cold environment and placed in a warm shelter away from the wind. Wet clothing should be removed and replaced with a warm, dry covering including head covering.
- Emergency medical services should be activated (call 911 if available) as soon as possible.
- The patient's breathing should be monitored, and if it becomes dangerously slow or stops, CPR should be initiated.
- Rough handling or jerking of the patient should be minimized if the person is lethargic or unconscious. This may cause an irritable heart to develop electrical abnormalities such as ventricular fibrillation.
- Rewarming should be started by applying warm compresses to the chest, neck, and groin. Hot water should not be used. Because there may be associated frostbite, direct heat should not be applied to the body. Instead, warm blankets and body to body contact may be needed as a first aid measure.
- The severity of hypothermia and the patient's mental status and ability to function will determine what further treatment is necessary. Passive rewarming with warm clothing in a warm environment may be all that is required for a conscious person who is shivering.
- Active rewarming may be considered for those who are colder, showing signs of confusion, or have

RESCUE SQUAD (CONT'D.)

other medical conditions that need attention. Warmed intravenous fluids, warming blankets, and warmed humidified air may be provided in the hospital.

- More aggressive core rewarming may include infusing warm fluids into the stomach or bladder, irrigating warm solutions into the chest or abdominal cavity, and in some situations, placing the patient on dialysis or heart bypass to rewarm the body.

Each of the above options needs to be specifically tailored to the patient's situation and presentation.

One axiom that continues to be followed in emergency medical care is that a patient is not dead until they are "warm and dead." Vital signs like breathing, heartbeat, and blood pressure may be difficult to detect in a severely hypothermic patient, and often efforts are made to try prolonged resuscitation until the patient is warmed. Occasional stories are reported in the press about patients, especially children, who have been resuscitated from severe hypothermia due to immersion in cold water.

There are still many houses in town that do not have house numbers or have numbers that are too difficult to see from the street. Please check the numbers posted on your house to ensure they are large and visible enough for emergency services and State Police to see from the road, especially at night.

Remember if you need help in an emergency, dial 911.

Jack Rindt, EMT, Captain

Roosevelt First Aid Squad

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Roosevelt First Aid Squad



"And Yet Still I Volunteer"

By Eric Levdahl

I try to save this child, but he's met his fate.

His innocent eyes are void of hate.

He and his father weren't walking far
when they were both struck down by a drunkard's car.

This night I know I will not sleep.

These terrible images my mind will keep.

I know these nightmares linger near.

And yet still I volunteer.

Her eyes well up – compress the chest.

Say a silent prayer – then two quick breaths.

She's done this many times before.

This fight for life kneeling on the floor.

But this time it's her best friend's mom
whose lifeless body she is working on.

This call like others will end in tears.

And yet still she volunteers.

From slumber woke by a siren's wail

he rushes out in the bitter gale.

While others sleep this stormy night,

a raging blaze this man will fight.

He bravely puts himself in danger

to save the home of a total stranger.

Body cold and tired, he feels his years.

And yet still he volunteers.

We train, we test, we do our best.

We give an awful lot of time
and don't get paid a single dime.

Thanks is a word we seldom hear.

And yet still we volunteer.

My first year as Chief has flown by quite rapidly but with a positive vibe in the department and in the community. When I started there were four active members in the department; at the conclusion of the year we had eleven active members, which is amazing in our small community. We have been growing as a department and will continue to do so both in firematics and as a staple on which the town can depend. Being a small department means that we all have to do a lot to make things happen and work properly; our success is based on that. I would like to thank all of the new members for putting time into the activities and the whole town for their support. I would also like to thank a few members individually who have gone above and beyond the call of duty:

- Chris Suk has taken a commanding lead in the department by taking charge of situations and using good judgment; he is going to be a positive leader in the department.

- April Suk has put more time and effort into completing all of the necessary documentation than I could have ever asked—thanks. She is constantly working on something to benefit the department and the town, and has successfully gotten us multiple grants to help outfit our new personnel and to provide the Solar Village with brand new, up to date, Smoke/ carbon monoxide detectors. She is amazing and greatly appreciated!

- John Lenart has a wealth of knowledge coming from the State, and he brings that and his unique abilities (such as fit testing the members, which is a yearly requirement) at no cost, helping to offset our budget expenses.

- Shannon Archer (who most know is my wife) has been supportive of my choice to become Chief, knowing that it will take time away from her

and the kids. She has also decided to help us in our effort to rebuild the department by becoming an associate member and volunteering as secretary. She has been excellent in keeping all communications flowing so that all members are aware of what is going on, as well as assisting in anything she is asked to do. Thanks Honey, Love Ya!

We are working hard to make the Roosevelt Fire Department a pillar in the community and are striving to remain a viable Fire Department. The new members added this year will be going to fire school to receive Firefighter certification. This is great, and we are all proud and thankful that they are doing so. It is a 180-hour course, so it is a pretty big commitment. We are also working on updating our equipment (especially the trucks), and the Borough has agreed to expand the fire house so we can fit a newer truck inside, as well as add some room for gear and storage. This is great, and we thank the town for doing this as it is imperative that we update our truck which dates to 1970. We also have more ideas and events to implement this year to go along with those we started last year which turned to be a great success. Any participation by the town folks in these events is greatly appreciated.

I have been honored by being reelected this year to serve as Chief, and I hope to continue our growth and presence within the community. Chris Suk has been promoted to Captain for the coming year and I expect the department to be a great success with the support of its members—as well as the whole town—as we move forward.

Thank You
Chief Dan Archer

Important Reminders from Roosevelt Borough and the Public Works Department

Attention Residents...

Please—No Parking on the roads when they are snow covered (per Ordinance 27-5).



No Parking in front of fire hydrants. You must park at least 10 feet from the hydrant (N.J.S.A. 39:4-138).



It's time to renew your dog licenses.



Any questions please contact the Borough Hall @ (609) 448-0539

Thanks so much
Kelly



REMINDER FOR RECYCLING:



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Letter to the Editor:

I trust that every resident of Roosevelt will join me in congratulating and thanking Kelly Mitchell, Tom Curry, our volunteer firemen, and everyone else who helped keep our roads clear and our town intact during this harsh winter. Well done!

Bob Petrilla

Roosevelt Volunteer Fire Company

EGG HUNT

Sunday, April 13

11 AM

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Roosevelt Public School Baseball Field

2A School Lane, Roosevelt, NJ

*All proceeds go towards saving for a new fire truck

A View from a Council Seat

Hi to all my fellow Rooseveltians; it's great to be on the Council again. I look forward to working with fellow Council members and, of course, our Mayor Beth over the next three years.

The Council, in their wisdom (or because they figured the Boro Utility is the most time consuming and biggest pain), decided to give it to Stu. It's my own doing since I bragged about my past experience, and the Council said, "OK big shot, give it your best and show us something." I just gave myself a big challenge and somehow, some way, I intend to meet that challenge.

By the way, I just came in from the cold—I mean so cold I can't feel my feet or hands—having just stood outside for three hours. Our Emergency Team and Public Works employee Kelly have been outside directing traffic for five hours—and are still out there at 8:00 pm. That's dedication to our town!

They are out there because we had a water main break on Rochdale Avenue, by the post office. Water main breaks are not unusual, especially in the winter; this one was repaired quickly. KTK, a contractor the Boro uses, responded within 30 minutes of getting the call from our Utility Operator. The quick response from Boro employees and the contractor helped keep the closing of Rochdale Avenue to the shortest time possible.

Snow, snow, and more snow coming—oh, how I wish it would stop snowing. I would like to thank my neighbor, you know who you are, for plowing my driveway. I didn't ask—he just did it on his own. What a great neighbor! Thanks again.

The water plant will be undergoing reconstruction and upgrading this year. We will keep the public informed of times when you will need to limit water use. Water quality will improve with a more modern and efficient water facility, and we hope operating costs will go down.

Our water rates are high; I believe by making our utilities run more efficiently and reducing operating cost we can, at least, stabilize rates. Reducing water rates is possible, but not in the short term. In Roosevelt, the sewer rate is fixed. This means your rate is not calculated by your water usage. Most communities calculate sewer rates based on water consumption. I know you think our rates are high, but there are many communities whose rates are as high as ours. Producing clean water is expensive.

I see by the closing of your eye lids, I've bored you enough, so I'll just say see you around sometime.

Until next time,

Your Council Member,
Stu Kaufman



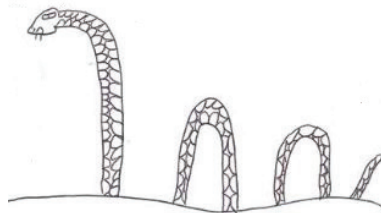
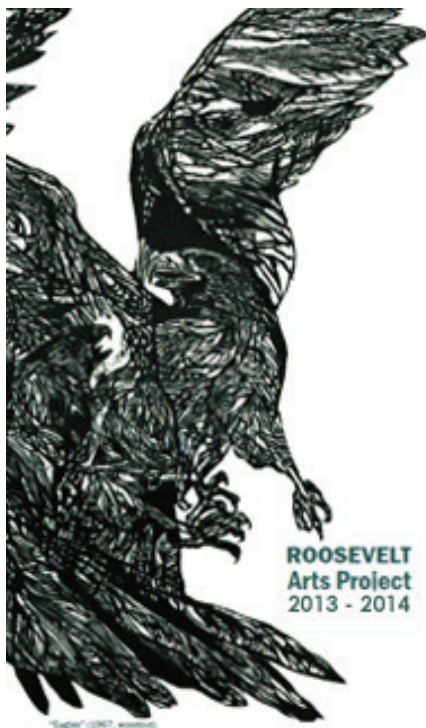
The Roosevelt Arts Project

This year's Roosevelt Arts Project (RAP) season is dedicated to the theme of the arts in education. As public schools find themselves under growing pressure to concentrate on standardized tests organized around an increasingly constricted core curriculum, and

forced to operate under increasing cost constraints, the arts, rather than being seen as an integral part of any child's education, are being increasingly seen as a frill, or at best an adjunct to that education.

While as artists we can be accused of special pleading, we nonetheless consider this not unfortunate, but tragic. There is abundant and compelling evidence that the arts play a central role in motivating children, increasing their engagement with school, and enhancing their performance in academic areas like math and reading. As artists, though, we recognize the immense practical value of the arts in creating an educated, highly-skilled population, but we also know that their value goes far beyond the practical.

An engagement with the arts, whether it be through music, poetry, painting, theater or video, fosters the creativity, critical thinking and sense of wonder of each child in ways that test-driven curricula cannot even begin to. It is the arts that enable her to become an adult aware of her inner creative strengths and appreciative of the beauty of nature and the works of art that surround all of us every day. We all need the skills to earn our livings, and enable the United States to compete in the global economy, and yet if we are to be worthy of the civilization that has nurtured us, we need more than that, we need the soul that only the arts can provide.



Drawings by Roosevelt Public School students

The Roosevelt Mural

The mural shown in the header was created by Ben Shahn in 1937-38 to commemorate the New Deal resettlement community of Jersey Homesteads, now called Roosevelt, N.J. The mural can still be seen in the Roosevelt Public School. As one of the first and finest art works in the town, it is only appropriate that it should serve as the header for the RAP site.

NEW: a video of the excellent talk given by Alan Mallach about the mural as part of RAP's 25th anniversary celebration is now available on this web site <http://music.columbia.edu/roosevelt>. Or if your browser blocks popups, you can also find it on YouTube.

ROOSEVELT ARTS PROJECT 2013-2014 SEASON

DATE/ VENUE	EVENT	DESCRIPTION
12:00 - 5:00 PM Saturday, March 1, 2014 Roosevelt Public School (RPS)	An Experimental Workshop: The Value of Art in the Community	We want to gather a variety of stories and reflections around the role of art in our community. Your participation will help shape a collective project. Open to all residents -- past and present. Come spend the afternoon or even just an hour at this informal work space. We'll provide the coffee. Keep an eye on the Roosevelt Bulletin for more information.
12:00 - 5:00 PM Saturday & Sunday, April 5&6, 2014 Assifa Space	"A Moment in Time": Work by Roosevelt Photographers	Photographs by current and former Roosevelt residents. Come and re-experience these moments long after the capture of the images.
8:00 PM Friday & Saturday, May 9&10, 2014 Borough Hall	Roosevelt String Band	In our 26th year, the Roosevelt String Band will perform many songs that we haven't done before and some we have. As usual, it will include ballads and blues, songs of love and peace, songs of troubled times and songs to help make the good times roll. We also plan to continue the tradition of having the audience sing along with some of our songs, so practice your scales and harmonies!

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 to sign up for our e-mail list. For further information call Robin Gould at (609) 448-4616.

BREAKING BREAD

Sugar Cookies

Submitted by
Hope Pressler

Approx. 5 dozen

1 1/2 cups butter
2 cups sugar
4 eggs
1 tsp vanilla extract

5 cups flour
2 tsp baking powder
1 tsp salt

This is the perfect recipe for using cookie cutters. Make it ahead of time and keep it in the refrigerator.

Preparation Instructions

Cream butter and sugar until smooth. Add eggs and vanilla. Add baking powder, salt, and flour.

Cover and chill for at least 1 hour. This dough can also be kept in the refrigerator for a few weeks if you want to make smaller batches of cookies at a time.

Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

Roll out dough onto a floured surface about 1/4 inch thick.

Cut into shapes with cookie cutters. Place cookies on an ungreased cookie sheet.

Bake 6-8 minutes.

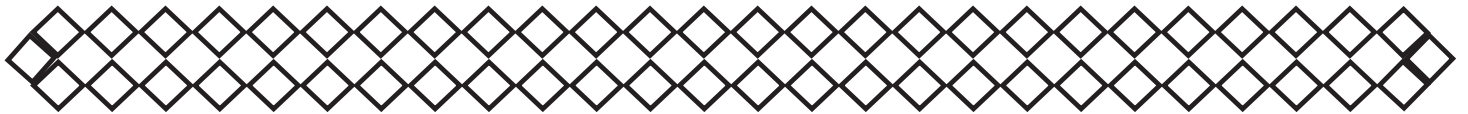
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9 Sun..	9:00 am	Roosevelt First Aid Squad, Training Jack Rindt, Training Officer
10 Mon.	7:00 pm	Council Action Meeting, Boro Hall Beth Battel, Mayor, 448-7701
12 Wed.		Recycling Pickup ♻️
13 Thurs.	7:00 pm	Roosevelt Volunteer Fire Company, Business Meeting Chris Suk, President 490-0931
13 Thurs	7:30 pm	RPS Board of Education, Budget Meeting
18 Tues.	8:00 pm	Roosevelt First Aid Squad, Business Meeting, Jeff Klein, President
19 Weds.	7:30	Environmental Comm. Mtg., Borough Hall, Stu Kaufman, Chair. 448-4921
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25 Tues.		Early dismissal -Parent Conferences: Roosevelt Public School
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27 Thurs.	7:30 p.m.	RPS Board of Education, Natalie Warner, President, 903-1061
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