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BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

Water Rates to Rise; Action on Parking, Cat and ATV Ordinances Deferred

By Michael Ticktin

The financial status of the municipal water-sewer utility was a major topic of discussion at the November meeting of the Borough Council. Utility committee chairman Jeff Hunt reported on a meeting that he and finance committee chairman Michael Hamilton had had with the Borough's financial professionals and Toby Moore, the operator of the utility systems, to discuss establishment of rates. It was the conclusion of the participants in the meeting that at least nine months of consumption records would be needed in order to establish a rate schedule that would both provide the revenue needed and do so on a fair and reasonable basis. The Borough has asked the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) to extend its deadline for implementation of consumption-based billing. It is awaiting a response to this request. Meanwhile, the Borough is facing a deficit of about \$80,000 in its utilities budget. In order to cover this deficit, it may be necessary to increase the monthly base rate to as much as \$140, which is

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Moser Re-elected to Council; Malkin Elected but Declines

By Michael Ticktin

On November 2, Councilwoman Pat Moser received 342 votes to win re-election without opposition. Peggy Malkin was also elected, receiving 344 votes. However, Ms. Malkin has advised the *Bulletin* that she will be unable to serve for personal reasons and will be so notifying the Mayor and Council and the municipal Democratic Committee, which consists of Ann Baker and Kirk Rothfuss. The position will become vacant as of the date that Ms. Malkin submits her letter or January 1, whichever comes later. At that point, it will be the obligation of the Democratic committee to submit a list of three potential candidates to the Council, which will then select one of those individuals to serve for the first year of the term. There will have to be an election to fill the seat for the unexpired term next year.

In other election news, the Kerry-Edwards ticket received 343 votes, thereby carrying Roosevelt over the Bush-Cheney ticket, which received 147, and the Nader-Camejo (7), Badnarik-Campagna (3) and Van Auken-Lawrence (1) tickets. Democratic candidates for Congress and Monmouth County Sheriff and Chosen Freeholders also won in Roosevelt but, like the head of the ticket, failed to win the election. ■

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

As usual, we do not publish in January, so the next *Bulletin* will come out during the first week of February, 2005.

During the winter months, the library will not be open on Wednesday evenings. But it may be visited from 3 to 4 p.m. most days when the staff is available to help check out books.

Are you attending RAP events? There are some interesting ones coming up. Check page 17.

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

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

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Planning for Affordable Housing Continues

At its November 9 meeting, the Planning Board continued to prepare the Borough to meet its State-mandated affordable housing obligation. Roosevelt must petition the State Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) to certify its plan by March 26 or risk being subjected to so-called “builder’s remedy” lawsuits asking the courts to permit large, market-price housing developments with a portion of the total units devoted to low- and moderate-income dwellings.

Roosevelt’s current obligation is to provide for eight affordable units. This is being accomplished, in part, by agreeing to permit Princeton-based Community Options, Inc. to construct a group home on a new lot created in the portion of the property occupied by the abandoned service station that is north of the existing house. The organization would build a three-bedroom home for three adults with developmental disabilities. The rental status of the three units would enable the Borough to obtain credit for five affordable dwellings. The remaining three would come from either a regional contribution agreement (RCA) with Asbury Park or the construction of ancillary apartments in existing residences. In October, the Board recommended the RCA option to the Borough Council.

In November, Michael Ticktin, Chairman of the Planning Board’s Redevelopment Committee, said Roosevelt also will have to submit a plan for COAH’s latest (third) round of affordable housing obligations. Under the third-round mandate, according to Mr. Ticktin, municipi-

palities will have to provide for one affordable housing unit whenever eight market-price units have been built. He said Roosevelt has space for 18 homes on land currently zoned for residences. He added that if jurisdiction over a Witches Hollow Road tract were transferred to Millstone Township to add to a proposed park, the number of potential homes in Roosevelt would be reduced to 12. Thus, the Borough would have to plan for just one more affordable unit to meet its third-round COAH obligation.

The Board unanimously passed Mr. Ticktin’s motion that the Council send a Fair Share Plan to COAH that would provide for implementation of one of two options should Roosevelt ever approve construction of eight market-price units. The first option would be to ask Community Options to add another bedroom to its group home, and the second option would be to construct an affordable house on Borough-owned property.

In other business, Mayor Neil Marko, who also serves on the Planning Board, asked the Board to provide guidance to the Council regarding parking restrictions on Borough streets. Board Chairman Ralph Seligman said the Council should draft an ordinance and ask the Board to review it and to make recommendations.

Board committees continue to prepare proposed zoning and parking amendments for comments by the Board’s consultants and the public. After considering the comments, the Board will forward final ordinance amendment recommendations to the Council.

Board member Ed Moser, who also serves on the Borough Environmental Commission, reported on the Commission’s October meeting. After hearing from Sven Hoeger of Creative Habitat, the Consultant for Roosevelt’s Action Now Grant, the Commission came to the consensus that grant funds should be devoted to reestablishing the traditional stream channel for Empty Box Brook. Without intervention, silting from construction and other human causes will turn large portions of the area between South Valley Road and Rochdale Avenue into a treeless meadow, according to Mr. Moser. The Commission also authorized the planting of trees to help screen the Cemetery from neighboring homes in Millstone Township. Mr. Moser further reported that the Commission continues to grapple with how to combat the problem of continued abuse of the Cemetery by off-road vehicles. ■



From the Mayor

On Friday morning, November 19th of this month, I got a phone call from our Water Sewer operator. It was one of those phone calls that I really dread. The message was that we have a water main break. Now water main breaks are inevitable, just like death and taxes. There is no one to “blame” for it and even if there was, what’s the point. The focus was to immediately assess the damage and determine a course of action. Our business administrator first called our Hightstown. If you don’t know, we have an agreement with Hightstown for them to do some repairs that are beyond our ability here. They do a good job and are far less expensive than a private contractor. This “water main break” was unfortunately, even beyond their ability - at eight feet down it was too deep.

Our next course of action was a contractor that we have been dealing with for years. Unfortunately, the contractor could not get to us until sometime in the late afternoon or early evening, which meant that we would be paying him his overtime rate. What else could we do? As water main breaks go, this was a small one. The water tower was not draining immediately and the plant was easily able to make up any lost volume. The fear, however, was that this small break could very quickly turn into a major break that could drain the tower very quickly. This would mean the town could be out of water in a matter of minutes and it could take hours or even days to restore normal service. To complicate matters, as incredible as it sounds, this section of main has no shutoff valve, other than to shut off all the water to the entire borough.

The contractor made it here on time, then they started digging, and pumping. Pumping because as I previously mentioned, there is no shutoff for this main. Finally they got to the pipe. What they found, however, was not a water main

break, but instead they found that what was broken was one of connections that serve water to a resident. The first question I asked was “Why did this break?” as this particular connection was only about 15 years old. The answer was immediately provided by the contractor - because the connection was plastic. He added that while a plastic water pipe might work in some circumstances, we know today that it does not work for service connections eight feet down. Indeed, the contractor says he fixes many of these 15 to 20 year old plastic service connections, and we had two of them right there, one broken and the other a problem waiting to happen.

When the original contractor was installing this service connection he had had an engineer design it using the prevailing techniques. In any case, it was done properly for that time. Nobody from the town said “we have been using iron pipe for 100 years and we know it works and lasts, maybe plastic pipe might not be the best choice.” Also, when they were building the town, nobody said, “to turn off the water to this section of main, we need a valve here” so one was not put it. Indeed, over the last 80 or so years, when this particular water main was dug up and repaired, and it was repaired several times, nobody bothered to put in a shutoff valve. This is so frustrating for us.

That attitude is not part of this Council or Mayor. We are not going to do the wrong or cheap thing and wait for someone else to fix it. While we have the ground open, we are going to put that valve in and we are going to partially replace those service lines with iron pipe that won’t easily crack. If it is broken or a problem waiting to happen, we are not going to sit around and wait for a failure or pass our problems off to the next generation. We will still agonize over every penny we spend and

still explore ways to reduce our costs or increase our revenue. We will do the best job we can do, but we still need your help. We need you to watch what we are doing and to make sure we do the right thing. We need you to supervise and to voice your opinion at our meetings. We need you to come and tell us if something sounds unreasonable.

In my business, we have a saying “Not enough time to do it right, but plenty of time to do it again!” Well not here and not now!

In closing, I would like to remind all of you that your Borough Council and I would like to hear from you. We have meetings the first three Mondays of each month. The first Monday is a Committee Meeting at 7 pm followed by an Agenda Meeting at 8. The next Monday is our Action Meeting at 7 pm. The third Monday is another Committee Meeting at 7 pm. In May, on the third Monday at 8pm, we will also have a Special Meeting that includes a public hearing on the budget. You are all welcome and encouraged to come. If you can’t make a meeting, perhaps you want to email us. My email is mayor@borough.roosevelt.nj.us or you can reach the Council by emailing council@borough.roosevelt.nj.us. If you want, you can call me at the Borough Hall (448-0539) and press 1.

Tidbit of information: More about our Water Plant. Our operator works hard to keep everything running. We still have pipes and equipment in our plant that are original, never been changed. We recently changed our main well control unit. The previous unit was so old, that company went out of business before I was born! Kudos to our staff for keeping this stuff running, and running well I might add. ■

From the Office of the CSA, Dr. Dale Weinbach

What might we expect in education during the second term of the Bush administration? Certainly, there will be continued support of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. This is the legislation that drives the mandates and requirements across the states, including New Jersey. The President's fiscal 2005 budget request represents a 3% increase in discretionary funds for the U.S. Department of Education. In the past Congress has allocated a significantly higher amount, however, this year the Congress is expected to approve the increase as is. High school students face assessments each year in grades 9-11 and states may be required to participate in the 12th grade National Assessment of Education Progress.

On the state level, all districts in New Jersey continue to struggle with an imposed budget cap of 2.5-3%. This leaves boards very little wiggle room to provide dollars needed for salaries, benefits, building maintenance and educational programming.

Despite these restrictions we continue to provide our Roosevelt teachers with professional development so that they remain current with research proven strategies and programs for the classroom. Keyboarding has been implemented in grades K-6. Both the social studies and science curriculum

are being reviewed and aligned to the latest New Jersey State Curriculum Content Standards. In addition to aligned to state standards, we are in communication with the East Windsor district so that our students are comfortable when they enter the seventh grade at Kreps.

After much deliberation, I have decided to close the evening library program for the winter months. Therefore the library will not be available on Wednesday evenings effective immediately until further notice. However, residents should feel free to visit the library from 3:00-4:00 most days when the office staff is available to help check out books.

Thank you to our residents who supported our sixth grade fundraiser by purchasing pies for Thanksgiving. The sixth grade class will have other special sales this year and they are grateful for your continued support. Our entire student population performed at our annual Thanksgiving show. Our talented students proved they are really poised when it comes to state performance. I hope everyone had a loving Thanksgiving.

The staff and students at Roosevelt Public School join me in offering season's greetings and wishing everyone a safe, healthy and happy New Year! ■

RCNS December Newsletter

By Ginny Weber

December is a very exciting month at RCNS. Keeping healthy as the weather turns cold is very important. The children will learn that covering sneezes and washing hands will prevent the spread of germs. They will also learn about dressing appropriately for the winter. Last month we learned how to keep safe and healthy by staying away from things we don't know, especially medicines and poisons.

Just as people need to get ready for winter, animals need to get ready for the cold weather as well. The children will learn that some animals store food and grow thicker fur for the long winter months while others hibernate. Still others, they will learn, will migrate to warmer climates until spring.

We have lots of fun reading the story of "The Gingerbread Man" and making our own gingerbread projects. The children learn that this time of year is a time of generosity and giving to those we love. They will make special gifts for Mom and Dad as well as many other special seasonal projects.

As we look around outside, we notice how many trees have lost their leaves. We will learn about conifers and evergreens and that those kinds of trees have needles instead of leaves.

We are eagerly anticipating the fun we are sure to have at our annual Winter Wonderland party. There will be games, holiday crafts, and food for everyone. It's a great way to say goodbye to 2004!

Happy Holidays to all! ■

Nov. 4 & 5		School closed
Dec. 1 & 2	.....	PTA Holiday Gift Fair
Dec. 3	.....	Pizza
Dec. 7	.....	Early dismissal
Dec. 16	.....	Board of Ed Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 17	.....	Pizza
Dec. 23	.....	Early dismissal
Dec. 24	.....	School closed
January 3	.....	School resumes

Three months running this year already and the PTA has been as busy as ever.

A brief recap of the fall... "You want us to do what???" Just kidding. Frankly, after putting out the Roosevelt Phone book last year, no task is too daunting (and by the way, copies still available at the Borough Hall). So far we have already baked and cooked for luncheons and parties, already handed out Halloween treats and run two successful fundraisers. We have sold wrapping paper and Scholastic books. And first thing in December we have our Holiday Gift fair, run by Amy Block this year, which allows kids to shop at the school for friends and family. This is always fun, for the kids and the holiday helpers.

This year we are trying something new with our **"Make Your Own Wreath" event on Saturday, December 4th**. We hope to see many townspeople at this fun event run by Kathleen Towle. Greenery, wires, pinecones and glitter, how can this not be fun??

We spent some of our hard earned

funds on contributing to the Air Conditioning for the school (ok, this time of year it seems silly, but it does get warm again every Spring!) We also sponsored an assembly in which a magician, well, he did magic; we were thinking he could cook, but we went with the magic.

In January we host a day of fun called Schoolhouse Hookey. Any local talents with ideas and/or time who would like to play for the day, please let us know. We usually have 4 activities for the day ranging from musical to artistic to sporty.

And speaking of needing volunteers, (didn't someone say volunteers?), it is never too early to volunteer to work at the annual Winter Carnival or find donations for the Chinese Auction. This year it is scheduled for March 5th. The "people" power needed for this event is enormous. We welcome recent RPS graduates as well as any neighbors from Roosevelt who may or may not have children in the school. Seniors and new neighbors welcome. Please feel free to contact me at anytime during the

year if you are interested in working at a game or helping with the Auction. I can be reached at 443-7430.

Our returning Board consists of myself as President, Susan Dermody as VP, Leslie Carnevale as Treasurer and Jill Joyce as Secretary. However, we added and welcome Deidra Pizzarelli this year as Co-President. She's been soaking it all in and working on all the events. It's never too early to think about running (for or from) a board position for next year. This is the 3rd year for all the board members and certainly at least some of us will be slipping quietly into PTA retirement land, dressing in aprons with cookie cutter patterns on them and muttering, "How much of your profit do we get on that?"

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Monday, January 10th at 7:30 p.m.** Join us for coffee and a snack and **free babysitting** is provided by town renowned babysitter Emily Silverstein, (you've heard the talk, now see her in action at RPS!). ■

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Post election... I'm thinking back to the weekend before. The day after "mischief night" I went for some business at the First Aid Squad building and upon returning to my car noticed that it had been written on with a message that was most unwelcome: "#\$%*!" ending with the b-word (rhymes with which). I was a little stunned, forgetting for a moment to adhere to one of the four principles, "Take nothing personally," or to remember that such actions are telling you more about the perpetrator than the target. A couple of kind passers-by stopped with me for a few moments to soothe my jarred feelings.

Later, as things came into perspec-

tive, I thought, "Oh, if you mean I am a strong, independent woman, I'll take that description. I just wouldn't use your word for it and your action is a violation." Is it ironic that, in my retirement, one of my primary works has become presenting workshops to school staff on reduction of bias and valuing our differences and helping schools put policies and practices in place to foster respect?

To the persons who wrote on my car I want to say: Talk with me directly, get to know me, work together on some common goals. In our small town there are good opportunities to join together across generations for things like the litter pickup, town celebrations. Maybe

there's a way you can help the First Aid Squad which is my focus for volunteering at this time.

As for the bigger picture, after this election I truly believe that our great need is to get to know one another across differences and work together on common goals. In this fragile world of ours, I urge all of us to get to know others, even those whose racial and religious differences make us see them as our adversaries, and look for the ways we can build community together.

I stand by the message that I have placed on the back of my car: Diversity is our strength.

Sincerely,

Carol Watchler ■

Vandalism On Roosevelt Woodland Trail!

By David Schwendeman

It really hurts to have to announce this and I hope and pray that our town folk are not involved. Several sections of wooden boardwalks have been dismantled and destroyed. One was at the beginning of section C just in from Rochdale near Rossi's and the others, about five, were near the stream in Roosevelt Woodland Trail section B between Tamara Drive and Rochdale.

These wooden boardwalk units cost money and considerable time to construct. They are placed in wet areas of the trail so most of the trail can be walked in sneakers without fear of getting muddy. It is a shame that some people (it wasn't the animals!) want to spoil the quality of life for the rest of us. Please report any information to a member of the Roosevelt Environmental Commission or any town official. Parents can ask your children if there is any suspicious fort building going on in the woods. And if the perpetrators (Vandals) read this, please stop ruining our trails!

Litter Pickup Report

About forty adults and children participated on Sunday, November 7th in the semi-annual town-wide litter pick-up. We met at the post office and were issued our gloves, litter pokers and garbage bags. Then small groups were assigned certain areas or roadsides to clean. Recyclables were separated from other garbage and a truck from the county retrieved the bags.

About 12:30 p.m. a traditional and delicious brunch was hosted by Leonard, Roman and Michele Guye Hillis at their home. There, T-shirts

featuring the artwork of John Shahn were given to everyone. And a good time was had by all.

Watch for the next one. Newcomers are always welcome. I wonder what would happen if everyone in town came to the Spring litter pick-up???

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Roosevelt Environmental Commission will be December 15th at 7:30 p.m. in the Borough Hall. We never have refreshments but the public is invited to attend our meetings and thank you for reading this column. Happy Holidays too!

Empty Box Brook Restoration Proposed

By Ed Moser

The Environmental Commission suspended its order of business to hear from Sven Hoeger, one of the partners in Creative Habitat, the Borough's Consultant on its Action Now Grant. There is currently an unexpended balance of \$101,000. There is an unexpended matching fund from the Borough of \$17,000.

It was proposed that the Commission expend \$50,000 of the Grant money through Creative Habitat, none of which would be matched by the Borough.

Certain problems and possibilities were presented: Empty Box Brook does not go right through as a channeled and banked stream. There is a distance of 50 or 100 yards where the stream essentially disappears, replaced by wet earth, with occasional rivulets which go through, until the brook resumes its traditional course. This is largely a result of silting-up from con-

struction and other human causes.

We can opt to try to dig parts of the channel open, but that may not be possible with the resources available to us. One problem is that the traditional channel is not always immediately obvious. Another is that heavy equipment may do damage in excess of the benefit it might offer. One possibility is to mobilize residents and Boy Scouts for digs, but this may be harder and less satisfying than it sounds. Another major possibility is to allow the area to remain as is, and to help it become a meadow, which is the next stage in wetlands development.

Saving the channel would require tree growth and the encouragement of native shrubs that are beneficial to channel retention. This option would also be most beneficial to the endangered wood turtle, and would help a number of plants that are on the threatened species list.

The plan would also call for creation of planting beds within the stream area to help cultivate beneficial plants. He showed us several diagrams of potential planting schemes. Also discussed briefly was the possibility of starting a nursery of native plants, and receiving income from selling them to individuals and other communities.

The consensus was to try to reestablish the traditional stream channel.

The Commission then voted to authorize the plantings of trees in the general area of the cemetery to screen it from neighboring homes. There was some discussion about continued abuse of the cemetery by off-road vehicles, and about how to combat such abuse. ■

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

This summer and early fall Pine Drive neighbor Henry John-Alder ran by me more than once while I was sitting outside in a lounge chair reading. Henry was training for the ING New York City Marathon, which recently took place on November 7th, and I decided to atone at least partly for my slothfulness by asking Henry about his experience. The following is a paraphrase of our conversation:

NN: How long have you been running Henry?

HJ-A: I guess for about 12 years.

NN: And long distances?

HJ-A: In the early 1990's I ran some 5 and 10 K races, and then a colleague of mine at Rutgers convinced me to run a long relay that went from New Brunswick to Princeton and we did pretty well, and I guess that's when I thought I might be able to run in marathons. I ran my first New York Marathon in 1995. At the time my goal was to run a sub 3-hour marathon, and I did that first in Washington, DC in the Marine Corps Marathon. Then when I ran the Pittsburgh race in 2 hours and 56 minutes and the Paris Marathon in about the same, I set my sites on breaking 3 hours in New York.

NN: And did you ?

HJ-A: Yes, in 2002.

NN: How about this year?

HJ-A: This year I ran it in 3 hours, 5-and-a-half minutes, which was good for 665th place among 36,555 finishers, or 22nd out of 2,437 men in the 50-54 age group. I was happy with this year's race, which was much better than last year.

NN: What's it like running with that many other runners?

HJ-A: Crowded. I mean very crowded at the starting line, but the race organizers do a good job of separating runners according to their expected times, by dividing them into

three groups that start on the top and lower decks of the Verrazano Narrows Bridge. Still, at the starting line you're surrounded by thousands of runners from all around the world, especially Europeans, and you hear all kinds of different languages. It's exciting! And a little wet sometimes. Water management is a big problem just before the start. Once the race begins though, the pack begins to thin out, and by the time we hit the last ten miles or so, in Manhattan, the pack has thinned out considerably and you have room to run.

NN: How do you train for a marathon?

HJ-A: Well, there's a prescribed regimen, which I followed this year, that has you running about 50 miles a week, which translates into about 6 miles a day and longer distances on the weekends. And then about 5 months before the marathon you start working up to 70 miles a week, which I broke down into 7 miles a day during the week and 20 miles on the weekend. You shorten your distances just before the marathon.

NN: And please just refresh my memory, but how long is a marathon?

HJ-A: It's 26.2 miles, or roughly - and I've tried to break this down - about 30,000 strides.

NN: And you ran that in just over 3 hours which means ...

HJ-A: I averaged around 8 and a half miles per hour, or slightly more than 7 minutes per mile.

NN: And the leaders?

HJ-A: The elite runners in the front of the pack are in a different universe from us mere mortals. The leaders run 26.2 miles in less than 2 hours and 10 minutes, or slightly over 5 minutes per mile. Or slightly under 12 mph! I can't run a single half mile that fast, let alone 26 consecutive miles. Three

hours is sort of a badge of merit for us mortals.

NN: What is memorable Henry about the New York marathon?

HJ-A: Well, it's a difficult course, the course goes up and down, the bridges are particularly steep and hard to climb, but I think probably the most memorable thing about it is the number of runners from around the world who participate and the different neighborhoods that you pass through. Like I said, we started on the Verrazano Bridge and then went up 4th Avenue and into Brooklyn and across the Pulaski Bridge into Queens. The Hasidic section of Williamsburg is interesting because the people lining the streets are quiet, very quiet, which is very unlike the Dominican section of Brooklyn and later parts of Queens and Manhattan. Then when we cross over the 59th Street Bridge and drop into Manhattan on 1st Avenue it's like entering a canyon of cheering spectators! They are very loud and inspiring. Then we head toward the Bronx via the Willis Avenue Bridge, and the Bronx, which marks the 20-mile mark, is particularly grueling. Then it's back down into Manhattan where you might have a tendency to think you're nearing the end but even then you still have about 5 miles to go!

NN: How do you know how you're doing while you're running?

HJ-A: Well, they have distance markers posted about every mile along the course and they also post your time, so you know how far you've run and how fast you're running. I'm a fast starter and slow finisher, so this time when I got to about the midway mark I knew I was going to have trouble breaking 3 hours, but when I got into Manhattan I just kept running slow and steady and I was passing people. And I still

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In Memoriam

Carl Johnson 1942-2004

A Daughter's Tribute

Carl Johnson died on October 31st. The following is the eulogy delivered by his daughter Karen Kertesz at his funeral.

Today is the saddest day of my life. Yet I feel that I am the luckiest person in the world. I am so fortunate to have enjoyed the love of my father for over thirty years. He was the most incredible person I have ever known. To me, he was so much more than my father. He was my teacher, my confidant and my friend. We were so close, so alike. There are no words to describe the love we shared. I can only say that I am incredibly blessed to have shared a bond so deep with my father.

He and I spoke every day. We had conversations that would continue for hours. These might be about anything, from the meaning of life to the weather. No matter what the topic, my Dad always had something of great value to share. He had a wealth of

knowledge that would astound even the most intelligent person. All my life, I have learned from him. That is a gift that I will treasure forever.

Dad was so knowledgeable because he lived a full and amazing life. He traveled all over the world, served his country in the army, was a park ranger, a police officer, a photographer. He was a blackjack dealer, an electrician, a fireman; he was even Santa Claus. He spent time as a commander of the American Legion, as an extra in several feature films, a banker and founder and CEO of his own corporation. Most importantly of all, he was a loving, dedicated husband, father, brother and Pop-Pop to his four grandchildren. He had so much to give, and he openly shared it all.

He took so much pride in all he did. He was a man who insisted on doing everything right, a man of principle and honesty. He was extremely dedicated to his family, especially to the love of his life, my mother, his wife

of over 34 years. He was an extremely successful man, both professionally and personally. I admire him for this, and for so much more.

I am grateful for the love he has left with me. It is a gift I will hold in my heart forever. The success of a parent is always measured in the life of the children they raise. I am proud of my brother and sister and I think I speak for all of us when I say we couldn't have asked for more. We are among the lucky few who got to enjoy being close to their father even as adults. A reflection of my father's success can be seen in the lives of his children and grandchildren.

I consider myself the luckiest person in the world to have shared so much of my father's life. I am proud of who I am today and I owe it all to him. I would ask all of you to remember him the way I will; strong, independent, smart, witty, unique and amazing; a man who gave 100% of himself in all that he did. ■

Bill Klein 1962-2004

The following is the eulogy delivered by his brother Jeff Klein at his funeral.

'Today is a sad day. We have lost a son, a brother, a nephew, and uncle and a good friend. A truly gentle soul is being laid to rest.

Bill always had a kind word about everyone. He held that ability to allow people to feel good about themselves, and to bring out that part of people that was kind and giving.

Not always, he certainly had the ability to infuriate you, but it was never with malice or a mean spirit. It was just Bill being Bill.

I remember there was a time during the winter a few years ago, I was staying at the house here in Roosevelt and was awakened in the middle of the night by the sound of hammering and

an electric saw buzzing away in the attic. I jumped out of bed, very irritated, and walked outside into the cold and up the stairs to the attic. I opened the door and there was Bill, covered in sawdust and I said to him "Bill, what are you doing up here at 3am?" He took off his protective goggles and looked up at me, and with all sincerity and an apologetic smile said, "Oh sorry, did I wake you up?" "Yes" I replied emphatically. To which he said "I just had to finish this table tonight so I could bring it over to my friends tomorrow as their wedding present." I was disarmed and could only look at him and say "Ok, is there anything I can do to help?"

That was Bill.

But the story I want to share about Bill is one that happened to me after learning of his death. Even now, as

sad as I am, he makes me feel better. After hearing the news and arriving in Roosevelt, I began to absorb the shock of the loss. I stepped outside into night and stood in the front yard of the house, hands in my pockets and looking up at the stars. It was a very quiet night and the only sound I could hear was coming from our neighbor's house, The Atwoods. It was the sound of the children playing in the room that Bill had rebuilt for them from what used to be the garage. The kids were talking and laughing and just having a good time. And as I heard this, I smiled and thought, 'What a wonderful gift Bill had and was able to share with people. To be able to use his hands to build a place where children could go and feel comfortable and safe and warm.'

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From Trenton to Ocracoke

My parents met in a Loft's candy store on Broad Street in Trenton in 1939, where my mother worked behind the counter and my dad, according to my mother, kept coming back for Jordan almonds. Three years earlier my father had graduated from Trenton State College and was teaching and taking graduate courses on the weekends at Columbia University, while my mother was still studying and preparing to teach. Within a year they were married, but with World War II beckoning on the horizon and my older brother at the very least in the back of their minds, my mother, like most women of her generation, would put her college education and career on hold and wait almost twenty years before earning her degree and entering her own classroom.

Two years later my father in 1941 was drafted and shipped out to Alabama, where he endured basic training while sleeping in tents on the ground during what he often referred to as "the coldest, most miserable three months of [his] life." After basic training the Army would send him to South and Central America, first to Panama then Peru and later Guatemala, where he would spend the duration of the war teaching English to young local military officers preparing to be sent to West Point or Annapolis for further training. Following the war my father stayed in touch with a number of his students and always spoke fondly of the people and cultures of South America.

When the war ended in 1945 Bill Kostar, Sr. returned to his wife and by then his first son, William Jr, who was already almost three by then, and with the help of the GI Bill he and my mother would buy a three acre lot surrounded by woods and fields on Nursery Road



My parents in Anniston, Alabama on Dec. 12, 1943

within walking distance of the Mercer County Airport and Mountain View Golf Course. My father's brothers: Ed, John and Frank (aka Jinks) would pitch in and together they would build a modest yellow five room house where my sister and older brother and I grew up and where my mother still lives today. Dad would resume teaching history at Trenton High School, where he would remain, the last 15 years as a Vice Principal, until retiring in 1977.

My father's family and my mother's family were like night and day, or maybe they were more like land and water.

My father's parents were stocky, stubborn, serious landlocked Slavic peasants. My grandmother, who was as short and compact as a stump, lorded over her Matriarchy with a kind but heavy hand. Her house was always filled with Old World food smells – pierogies, kielbasa, potato pancakes, boiled cabbage and my favorite piggies-in-the-blanket, and any major decision made in our family always passed through

her. There was never any doubt who was in charge in my father's mother's home. I remember sitting on a nail crate in my grandmother's kitchen that doubled as a dining room sipping orange juice from a cold mayonnaise jar listening to my father and grandmother bounce between Polish and some kind of strange and funny American English. Years later I recognized the life in my grandparent's house when I read a novel by the Russian novelist Maxim Gorky.

My father's father, who was very quiet but had kind eyes and elegant looking work hands, was usually slipping outside to escape grandmom and putter in his tiny vineyard or to tend to his chickens, dog and cats, cow and two or three goats in the barn. Sometimes I went out and helped him and we usually worked without saying a word. Grandpop Kostar kept a large garden with pumpkins and rhubarb and harvested enough corn in his fields to sell. His ten acre farm in rural Ewing was hardly impressive by today's standards, but it represented freedom to him and his wife – it was their refuge and their haven — especially for grandpop, who had fled southern Poland as a teenager in order to avoid being drawn into yet another war with Germany or Russia: living first in Wilkes Barre where he worked for a while as a coal miner; then moving to Trenton where he maintained and fixed kilns for Scammel Tile; before finally retiring in the 1950's to their small farm on Lower Ferry Road that probably reminded him of his childhood on a farm outside Krakow.

My grandparents had lost their house in Trenton to the Depression, and subsequently Grandmom Kostar

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TWO SQUARE MILES OF STORIES

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became a pack rat, saving and storing everything she touched in a room that was located in the back of their house. It was a special room crammed with boxes and memorabilia and all kinds of strange, exotic stuff. My grandmother would open the room for only festive occasions like weddings and funerals, Christmas and Easter. There were crucifixes with suffering Jesuses alongside photographs of Franklin Roosevelt and later John F. Kennedy hanging on the walls. There were all kinds of little wooden icons and keep sakes like Ukrainian eggs, unwrapped Christmas presents, artificial flowers and boxes of glassware and China. The air in the room, I remember now, smelled like ham and cloves and chocolate Easter eggs, and there was something mysterious, foreign and a little scary about the room. But I looked forward to going into it on holidays because it was unlike any room I had seen or have seen since; it was cluttered, chaotic and surprising, and my grandmother was in her element sorting through her belongings in that room.

On the maternal side of my family, my mother's parents were southern island fishing people who came north and reluctantly settled in Riverside, New Jersey because of my grandfather's job as an inspector for the Army Corps of Engineers. Every summer though we would visit the town where my mother and town grew up and where my grandparents still had family, plenty of family.

Every August my mother and father, older brother and younger sister would pile into a Chevy station wagon and drive down to the tip of Cape Hatteras on the North Carolina Outer Banks and then board a ferry that would take us over to Ocracoke Island. There, in a house my grandfather built on a sand street that looks like it was taken

right out of "To Kill a Mockingbird," we would vacation for a week or two. Ocracoke is surrounded by water – two very large bodies of water – which makes it a magical place for kids, a place where you can kick off your shoes and swimming in the ocean leads to crabbing in the bay leads to fishing, etc. Ocracoke is also a place where my parents could take a much-needed break from work and relax.

And since my maternal grandparents were born into the two largest families on Ocracoke – the Howards and the O'Neal's – of the 400 local people living on the island about half of them seemed to be at the very least our second cousins.

The people who live on Ocracoke are gregarious and hospitable, the weathered but open survivors of hard work on or near the water and of extreme weather, and they love to get together and cook and eat. Ocracoke was a place where both my mother and father enjoyed life without work. During the day we would drift from one unplanned activity to another; and in the evenings my mother and her cousins would cook big southern meals of clam chowder, baked bluefish, fried chicken, fried oysters, sweet potatoes, stewed tomatoes, hushpuppies and sun tea and our relatives would gather in my grandparents' living room or, mosquitoes permitting, on the front porch.

There people would talk and laugh and tell stories and usually somebody would break out a guitar and sing songs with titles like "Paddy's Holler" and "Will the Circle Be Unbroken." My favorite aunt Leela, who never married, had a longtime suitor named Oscar, a fishing boat captain, who got up before dawn every morning and would fall asleep in the same chair at about the same time every night, regardless of the commotion. My Grandpop Howard,

who's name was Laurence, was cool and a star of sorts – he was willowy and stylishly bespeckled and he wore colored suspenders and Panalite hats; he knew net fishing inside out and he was, as he often reminded us, in his day a legendary duck hunter. Grandpop Howard also had earned a modest regional reputation as a duck blind carver; and he was an avid and accomplished gardener, bowler, crooner, stamp collector and bird watcher; but more than anything he was a wonderful storyteller – his stories were witty, ironic and droll, and he could, and would sit and tell stories for hours. And other people would join in.

My parents got a chance of kick back in Ocracoke. So if I didn't know differently I might have thought this photograph was taken while they were in Ocracoke in the 1950's; but actually it was snapped in December, 1943 while my father was taking a break from basic training outside Fort McClellan, Alabama and my mother had flown down there to cheer him up. ■

About Two Square Miles Of Stories

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

For information telephone:

Pearl Seligman	448-2340
Bess Tremper	448-2701

By Clare Sacharoff

The Senior Club welcomed a new member at its November 1st meeting. She is Doris McCyntire of the Roosevelt Senior Housing.

We were deeply saddened by the sudden death of Carl Johnson, husband of our member Beth Johnson.

A \$25 donation will be sent to the Roosevelt First Aid Squad in his memory.

On November 16th, the Senior Citizens lunched at Friendly's followed by a trip to the Freehold Raceway Mall.

On November 5th several members enjoyed a performance called "To Kill a Mockingbird" put on by Peddie students at the Peddie School.

For the December meeting the club has invited Erik Schubiger, Roosevelt's recreational director to discuss possible future trips.

Pat Moser provided refreshments for the November meeting while Alice McBride will serve as hostess for the December meeting. ■

RESIDENTS!

This is your newspaper. We would be happy to hear from you either in the form of letters or articles which we would be pleased to include in our publication each month.

That's what this paper is for — to help us to get to know one another as well as to let you know what is happening in the town.

Let us know what you think, what you do.

How about it?

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

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had life in my legs the last 5 miles and when I crossed the Finish Line in Central Park.

NN: What hurts worst when you finish?

HJ-A: (laughter) Your body! Your whole body aches! But I guess your legs hurt worst. Yes, I think it's your legs! The race organizers want you to keep moving, moving and walking, to keep your blood circulating, after you finish and I did for a while but then I had to lie down. My legs ached!

NN: So now that you trained so hard for so long and ran a good marathon are you going to take some time off?

HJ-A: Well, not exactly. I ran 8 miles today and I've entered a 10 mile race in Mercer County Park scheduled for December 12. I guess once you get running you just want to keep going. In fact, I remember the first time I ran the New York Marathon and when I finished I said I would never run a marathon again, and then twenty minutes later I was thinking about my next marathon. I guess running just gets in your blood.

NN: And your next marathon?

HJ-A: I'm planning to run either in Chicago next fall or possibly up in Burlington, Vermont in a race scheduled for next spring. On a friendlier, flatter course, I'd like to think I can still break 3 hours even after turning 50. ■

IN MEMORIAM

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To me that was the true spirit of Bill. That room is such a small piece of this world, yet his talent and the inherent kindness that went into building it, solid and strong, made their home and this world just that much better and more beautiful.

And as I go around Roosevelt, I see that spirit all over. An extra room on this house, a beautiful paint job on that house, and I feel fortunate, and it really makes me feel like I am home.

Bill worked so hard everyday to be a good person, to be a better person than the day before. He took care of mom and worked everyday. He was trying so hard to realize his dream of one day being able to buy and renovate old houses in the area. To take something broken down and decaying, and restore it back to its' original beauty and strength. To give people a place to live from what was before, unliveable. He may not have fully gotten the chance to truly reach that dream, but as I see everyone here today who have come to pay your last respects and to have had an opportunity to have spoken to all the people Bill has known over the years from around the country, and to hear all the kind things people have said about him, I realize that he succeeded in the part of this life that really matters most. And that part is how you treat the people you meet during the journey on the way to your dreams.

Bill, you are surrounded today by people who love and care about you. People you have touched with kindness. You really did a great job in this life. We are all so proud of you. May you now and forever Rest In Peace. ■

REVIEWS

Cool Women Light Warm Fires

By Judith McNally

The Roosevelt Arts Project was privileged to sponsor Cool Women, Saturday evening, November 6, at the Roosevelt Boro Hall. The reading, "Cool Women Light Warm Fires," featured seven poets. The group began as a critique group, and now reads as a performance group with sold out volumes of their poetry.

The members are Eloise Bruce, Carolyn Edelman, Lois Harrod, Betty Lies, Joyce Lott, Judy Michaels, and Penelope Schott. They read in three rounds, choosing poems improvisationally, and performing one poem in each round. Eloise Bruce's husband, David Keller, a former Roosevelt resident and ongoing RAP Board member, helped bring Cool Women to Roosevelt.

Here are a few lines from each poet, in each round (the punctuation is mine):

Round 1

Eloise: Even the snakes wiggle and sing

Carolyn: The cave itself cooperating in new art

Lois: I like the way the light binds the skin

Betty: This trip, she thinks, has been a slow flaying

Joyce: I believe the yamakas on your head kept your wisdom from flying up to God

Judy: Who said we learn by going where we have to go?

Penelope: If I leave my house and come back too soon, I discover the chairs conversing in a circle

Round 2

Eloise: Our poems are the space between us and God

Carolyn: She, seated, sketching the beautiful onion

Lois: Joy ties the lizard tail

Betty: Year's Fall has been like sex

Joyce: Snow clung to beach grass

Judy: To die is different from what anyone supposed and luckier

Penelope: Snow which nails crows to the covered asphalt

Round 3

Eloise: (birdsong sounds) Sugar sweet sugar sweet

Carolyn: I picture you, engrossed in trout....evergreen shadows inscribe their own haiku

Lois: Someone who did not know the limits of sand or water....feathers as translucent as white bells

Betty: I would not have my words play tricks. Word like light can curve around the shoulders of the Earth

Joyce: "A Country You've Never Visited" You don't know his language. All you know is how he dances inside you

Judy: We separate for two weeks. I lose his chin....He spends my birthday at a theme park but won't tell me what theme.

Penelope: "Scotch Broom" The long caravan of our lives seems small and far off.

The Roosevelt audience was highly appreciative, applauding after each poem. Thanks, Cool Women!

First Aid Squad

By Carol Watchler

The Roosevelt First Aid Squad thanks those who have made donations and purchased the Roosevelt 50 year Anniversary book. Interested persons can still get a copy of the book for a \$5.00 donation. (Please add \$5.00 additional for postage and handling if you are ordering from out of town.) Send to RFAS, P.O. Box 274, Roosevelt, NJ 08555.

The First Aid Squad made a major purchase during the past month of a new stretcher for the ambulance. This new addition should assure greater ease and safety in transporting patients.

November 21 promises to be an interesting day for Squad members who will be hosting a day-long training on geriatric emergency medical services. The class will be presented by personnel from MONOC, the Monmouth Ocean Hospital Service Corporation, and will include participants from other squads.

Anyone interested in joining the First Aid Squad should contact Elise Cousineau, elisecousineau@comcast.net for help in determining the courses which are required for certification. ■

BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

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the amount that it was prior to being reduced to \$120 several years ago. The exact amount of the increase will be determined prior to the end of 2004.

Councilman Hunt also said that plans to accept septic waste for processing at the sewage treatment plant were being “temporarily delayed” because of concerns raised by Councilman Hamilton about the consequences for the residents of Pine Drive of having up to five trucks a day going down the entire length of the street, despite the presence of children playing and the proximity of the school. Mr. Hamilton proposed that the Council seek an alternate site, such as the water treatment plant on Oscar Drive in the industrial zone, where septic waste could be pumped into the sewage system. Mr. Hunt responded that it would not be a simple matter to accommodate such pumping at a remote location and tens of thousands of dollars might be needed to create a suitable facility. Mr. Hamilton said that safety concerns must have priority. Mayor Neil Marko suggested that we have the trucks go to the sewage treatment plant until such time as a suitable facility is built elsewhere. Councilman Dan Hoffman replied that, once established, direct pumping at the sewage treatment plant “could become a habit” and no effort would then be made to find an alternative. He also said that his major concern was how we were going to address the problem of the \$80,000 shortfall.

Councilman Hoffman, in his capac-

ity as chairman of the public works committee, reported that the road work on Pine Drive had been completed, that the fall town clean-up had gone well and the PSE&G would be opening a trench on Rochdale Avenue in order to make repairs.

The Council adopted an ordinance establishing a revised Administrative Code. The Administrative Code defines the structure of the Borough government, including the duties of the designated committees of the Council. The Council deferred any action on two ordinances concerning parking at certain locations and “management of the feral cat population,” due to concerns raised by Municipal Attorney Ira Karasick. During the public portion, Jaymee Witherspoon, who has been working with Dr. Michael Petranto in trapping and neutering the cats, questioned the need for any ordinance regulating who would be allowed to feed the cats and to make sure that they were neutered and received veterinary care.

In other business, the Council approved resolutions authorizing up to 20 mowings of municipal lands, inserting recycling revenue in the amount of \$152.95 into the budget, and supporting “16 Days of Activism” in opposition to gender violence. Motions were approved to authorize the spending of \$1,000 for repair to the Borough pick-up truck, to authorize the Mayor to execute the 2005 SCAT Transportation Agreement with Monmouth County, to allow use of

the Borough Hall on December 15 for a meeting of Brownie troop 1298, and to accept a proposal for road sanding from Hendrickson Equipment for the coming winter. There was discussion, but not introduction, of the proposed ordinance limiting the use of all-terrain vehicles to lots of six acres or more, and not closer than 150 feet to any property line. Some members urged the inclusion of snowmobiles in the ordinance.

Earlier in the meeting, Administrator Harold Klein had reported that he recommended having the Hightstown Public Works Department apply blacktop to holes in the pavement of Oscar Drive and several other locations, including the portion of School Lane that is on Board of Education property. There was some discussion as to the appropriateness of the Borough paying for road repairs on school property. Mayor Marko said that this was the Board of Education’s responsibility. Councilman Hamilton stated that it was all coming from the same taxpayers’ pockets regardless. The end result was that the Council agreed to ask Hightstown to include the holes in the pavement on school property in their repair list. The holes were filled the next day. ■



Potato pancakes in some form or other appear in every country that grows potatoes. I did a quick online search and easily found recipes from Germany, Finland, Poland, Ireland, India and Ecuador.

These tasty potato patties, or latkes, are a traditional Hanukkah treat. Because they're fried in oil, they're served at this happy holiday in commemoration of a miracle that happened about 160 BCE. It's told that when the Macabees rebelled against the tyrant Antiochus and regained the Temple in Jerusalem, they wished to relight the sacred eternal flame. To their dismay they discovered that there was only enough sanctified oil to burn for one day, and that it would take eight days to produce more. Miraculously, however, the oil burned for the full eight days.

It seems like a big jump from such a great miracle centuries ago to making potato pancakes today, but that's the custom. Interestingly, in Israeli and Sephardic (Mediterranean and Near Eastern) Jewish traditions, the Hanukkah treat is donuts – fried in oil, of course.

When Ashkenazim, the Jews of Eastern France, Germany and Eastern Europe, emigrated to the United States, they brought along many traditional recipes, including potato pancakes. In those European countries potato pancakes are a favorite side dish with roast goose, game birds, pork, and roasted or stewed beef. They could easily appear at the Christmas table. Served with applesauce or sour cream, they can also stand on their own as a delicious and filling main dish.

Getting all the water out of the raw potato mix is extremely important if the pancakes are to be crisp. A scientifically-minded friend of mine realized that what she needed to do the job was a centrifuge, some devise to spin the liquid out of the mix. So she wrapped her grated and chopped potato in a dish towel and put it in her washing machine on the spin cycle. I didn't see her do it, and I wouldn't risk it myself, but she swore it worked like a charm.

Potato Pancakes

Makes 36+

5 lb russet (baking) potatoes, peeled
1 teaspoon salt

2 cups very finely chopped or grated
onion – excess liquid drained off.
 $\frac{1}{3}$ cup matzoh meal or flour

4 large egg,s lightly beaten
1 to 3 cups corn oil

- Using the food processor grater disk, grate $\frac{2}{3}$ of the potatoes (or coarsely grate by hand) transferring to a large bowl of cold water as grated.
- Using the food processor cutting blades, (or by hand) chop the last $\frac{1}{3}$ of the potatoes, along with any chunks left from the grating process. Chop them very fine, but don't puree them.
- Transfer to the bowl of cold water.
- Line a colander with a dishtowel and put several cups of the processed potatoes into the towel.
- Let them drain for a minute or two, then fold the sides of the towel over the potatoes and, grabbing the ends of the towel, twist it to wring out as much liquid as you can. Twist hard – the drier the potato mash, the crisper the potatoes!

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A partial answer to air pollution created by the generation of electricity may be blowing in the wind. But wind power can also have negative effects on local and world climate according to two recent studies. Princeton University researcher Somnath Baidya Roy and his colleagues used a hypothetical wind farm consisting of 10,000 wind turbines in their study. The research shows that such an array of turbines would produce little effect on local surface air temperatures during the day. But at night the turbines worked to bring down warmer air to the surface. The warmer air raised surface temperatures an average of 3.6 degrees Fahrenheit. These findings were supported by observations made at a wind farm in California.

The second study was reported on in the November 16, 2004 edition of Proceedings of the National Academy of Science magazine. It examined the influence of large-scale wind power on the global climate. Using enough wind turbines to generate the world's current consumption of electricity would produce a change in the global climate. It appears that the use of this huge number of turbines worldwide would lower temperatures at the earth's poles and raise temperatures slightly over the rest of the planet.

Basically, wind turbines absorb energy from the wind. That energy is no longer available to help move both cold and warm air over the globe. Researchers believe that redesigning the turbines to be more efficient would help reduce the effects on both the local and global climates.

The researchers of one study fear opponents of environmental regulation could twist the results to fit their own agendas. While the small change the massive use of wind turbines could cause is significant, they insist it is a far better alternative for the generation of electricity than the use of fossil fuels.

Winter Predictions

The latest prediction, as of this writing, from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Climate Prediction Center for the months of December, January and February calls for a 50% chance of below normal temperatures and equal chances (33.3%) of above normal, normal and below normal precipitation for this winter. The Old Farmers' Almanac predicts a colder and snowier winter than normal with the bulk of the cold and snowy weather occurring late in the season.

Whether the winter brings a little snow or a lot of snow, it doesn't hurt to prepare for snow now. Just last December, a northeaster hit our area on December 5 and 6 dumping approximately 15 inches of snow on the ground. Happy Holidays!

Weather Word

The troposphere, the lowest layer of the atmosphere where we live and where the temperature decreases with height. Most of earth's weather occurs in this layer. ■

October 15 - November 15, 2004

Day	High	Low	Avg	Precip
15	68.7	52.3	60.5	0.26
16	63.1	45.1	54.1	0.22
17	58.5	40.1	49.3	0.09
18	58.6	36.0	47.3	0.00
19	53.1	49.1	51.1	0.75
20	54.5	49.8	52.2	0.26
21	55.4	46.9	51.2	0.10
22	56.7	45.5	51.1	0.32
23	57.4	38.5	48.0	0.06
24	55.6	43.2	49.4	0.00
25	58.0	40.6	49.3	0.00
26	58.8	46.4	52.6	0.00
27	60.6	39.7	50.2	0.00
28	56.5	40.5	48.5	0.00
29	56.0	37.9	47.0	0.00
30	63.0	55.0	59.0	0.20
31	70.2	57.0	63.6	0.00
1	61.3	46.0	53.7	0.00
2	64.2	42.6	53.4	0.00
3	58.5	42.1	50.3	0.00
4	50.0	33.8	41.9	0.00
5	55.9	41.4	48.7	1.70
6	57.7	36.0	46.9	0.00
7	65.7	39.7	52.7	0.00
8	51.8	36.3	44.1	0.00
9	42.6	29.3	36.0	0.00
10	43.5	22.8	33.2	0.00
11	55.4	35.6	45.5	0.00
12	44.8	37.4	41.1	0.00
13	44.6	34.0	39.3	1.68
14	47.7	25.5	36.6	0.00
15	55.4	29.3	42.4	0.00
Total Precipitation	5.64"			

ROOSEVELT ARTS PROJECT

2004-2005 SEASON

Saturday, December 11, 2004

8 p.m. at the Borough Hall

ALAN MALLACH PERFORMS PIANO MUSIC OF THE 1910'S

The 1910's were a time of musical upheaval, with romanticism, modernism and nationalism challenging one another against a backdrop of war and revolution. Alan Mallach, pianist, will perform works by composers such as Bartok, Prokofiev, Debussy, Satie, Medtner, Parry, and Schoenberg adding his own enlightening commentary on the composers and their times.



Debussy

Saturday, January 8, 2005

8 p.m. at the Borough Hall (In the event of snow, this program will take place on January 15)

RON ORLANDO AND FRIENDS

Ron Orlando and his friends will perform American roots music including cuts from his new CD, "Jasper, Texas."

Saturday, February 5, 2005

8 p.m. at the Borough Hall

THE OUTLAW AND THE KING

A reading of an opera libretto by David Herrstrom for a chamber opera in progress by Mark Zuckerman

Saturday, February 12, 2005

8 p.m. at the Borough Hall

ROOSEVELT POETS CELEBRATE THE YEAR OF THE ROOSTER.



Sunday, March 6, 2005

2 p.m. concert is a joint presentation of RAP and CAPPs at the Swig Art Center, Peddie School

THE NEW JERSEY SAXOPHONE QUARTET PLAYS MUSIC OF MARK ZUCKERMAN

Saturday, April 2, 2005

SOUNDSCAPES AND LANDSCAPES, WITH BRAD GARTON AND KATE JOHN-ALDER

Friday and Saturday, May 13 and 14, 2005

8 p.m. at the Borough Hall

THE ROOSEVELT STRING BAND

Postponed until next season

A SCREENING OF THE FILM MY ARCHITECT ABOUT LOUIS KAHN

All events are at Roosevelt Borough Hall in the Municipal Building on Route 571 except where otherwise noted. For Further information call Robin Gould, 448-4616.

Voluntary Contribution:

For most events \$5 per adult except for Mark Zuckerman tickets at Peddie School in advance call 490-7550 or at the door, \$10. For the String Band \$10 per adult, \$5 for seniors and children.

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BREAKING BREAD

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- Put the wrung-out potatoes into another large bowl, and keep wringing out the wet potatoes, a couple of cups at a time, until all are squeezed as dry as possible.
- To the bowl of potatoes, add the onion, eggs, matzoh meal or flour, and salt.
- Let sit for 20-30 minutes.
- Drain off excess liquid.
- Line a cookie sheet with paper towels or other absorbent material. (I use brown paper bags, as my mother did.) Keep additional paper towels handy.
- Heat 1/4 cup oil in a 12-inch skillet over moderately high heat until hot but not smoking.
- Test your potato mixture by making a sample latke. With a slotted kitchen spoon, just scoop up some of the mixture & drop it into the hot oil, patting it into a roundish shape.
- When the edges are browned, turn the latke over & cook the other side.
- Drain on the paper towel until cool enough to taste.
- Taste. Add salt, if needed.
- If your test latke was too runny, add more matzoh meal or flour, a little at a time.
- Make 4 or 5 potato pancakes a time. (You want to keep the oil very hot, so as to make the pancakes crisp & not too greasy.)

Latkes are best eaten right out of the frying pan, but they can be made ahead and reheated on a rack set over a baking sheet in a 350°F oven, about 5 minutes. They can also be frozen and reheated, as above, for 12-15 minutes or so. ■

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4	Sat	10 am - 1 pm	PTA Wreath Making Larisa Bondy, PTA President 609-443-7430
6	Mon	7 pm	Council Committee Meeting Borough Hall Mike Hamilton, President 609-443-5227
		8 pm	Council Agenda Meeting, Borough Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 609-443-6818
7	Tues		RPS Early Dismissal
		12:30 pm	Senior Blood Pressure Check Borough Hall
		1 pm	Seniors Meeting Borough Hall Gerry Millar, President 609-448-0351
			Hanukkah Begins at Sundown
8	Wed		Hanukkah
11	Sat	8 pm	RAP Program Alan Mallach, 1910's Piano Music (see RAP Page)
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15	Wed		RECYCLE
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22	Wed		RPS Closed
23	Thurs		RPS Early Dismissal - Winter Recess Begins
25	Sat		Christmas Day
26	Sun		Kwanza Begins
29	Wed		RECYCLE

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