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2018 Budget Adopted--Municipal Tax Rate Unchanged; Settlement With NJDEP after Correction of Violations at Water Plant

By Michael Ticktin

At its meeting of June 26, the Borough Council adopted the 2018 municipal budget, which is retroactive to January 1, 2018. The new budget anticipates maintenance of the current municipal purpose tax rate of \$0.755 per \$100 of assessed valuation, for a total of \$648,086, and does not anticipate any change in current water-sewer utility rates. Tax bills for 2018, which will be issued once all budgets have been filed, will show not only the municipal purpose tax, but also the taxes payable to the school district and to Monmouth County.

Also at the June 26 meeting, the Council noted a letter of resignation from Housing Inspector/Assistant Zoning Officer/Assistant Code Enforcement Officer John Marini. Mr. Marini had been solely responsible for enforcement of all zoning, housing and other code enforcement ordinances since this past January. With his departure, there will be no one enforcing these codes until a new code official is hired.

Other correspondence reported at the June 26 meeting included a letter of resignation from Environmental Commission member Stacey Bonna, which leaves two vacant regular member positions on the Commission, and a letter from Borough Engineer Carmela Roberts in which she noted that the Borough has been awarded grants for repaving of part of Homestead Lane and of Elm and Cedar Courts. She recommended that, prior to repaving, the water mains at those locations be replaced to improve service, and that similar replacement of water mains be completed whenever repaving is done in the future.

At the prior meeting of June 11, correspondence included a letter from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) regarding a settlement agreement between NJDEP and the Borough for violations of the Safe Drinking Water Act. Following an inspection of the water treatment plant in which NJDEP determined that all violations previously cited had been abated, the assessed penalty of \$5,000 was reduced to \$1,696, which the Borough agreed to pay. A letter was also received from the United States Environmental Protection Administration regarding a compliance evaluation inspection conducted at the sewage treatment plant on May 7, 2018. The new sewage treatment system operator is dealing with the issues raised in that report and no fines or penalties have been assessed.

Resolutions and ordinances adopted at the June 11 meeting included an ordinance amending the salary ordinance to include summer camp positions, an ordinance establishing a cap bank to allow for unanticipated expenses during the year (such as expenses in response to litigation) and resolutions setting fees for the summer camp, setting reimbursement guidelines for the July 4 celebration, and appointing municipal court employees (who are the same employees previously appointed by Millstone to the joint municipal court).



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the 41st edition of the Roosevelt Borough Bulletin. There will be ten issues running from September through July. We will not publish in January and August.

Roosevelt Borough Bulletin Submission Process

The Bulletin welcomes submissions for news items, information of local interest, letters to the editor, poetry, and visual arts. We ask all contributors to adhere to the following submission guidelines:

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- Most submissions will also be added to the Bulletin web site. Allow up to one week for submissions to appear online after publication of the print edition.
- Please name your files with your last name, or the name of your organization, and the month.

It's natural that people have second thoughts about what they've written, but we want to discourage multiple submissions of the same thing, whenever possible. When this is necessary, the revised version should be clearly named as a revision.

The Bulletin board members are thrilled to see that people are utilizing the Bulletin as a forum for communicating about our community's most critical issues. And it is impressive that Roosevelt has supported this publication for so many decades by contributing both financially and intellectually. We are committed to providing you with the best publication possible—your support of our submission guidelines will enable our volunteers to most effectively meet that goal.

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Macaroni and Cheese Casserole

- 8 ounces elbow macaroni
- 2 cups shredded gouda cheese
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1 small can of sliced mushrooms
- 1 small jar of pimientos, chopped
- Cheese cracker crumbs

Preparation Instructions

1. Boil the elbow macaroni.
2. Drain the macaroni.
3. Return the macaroni to the hot pot.
4. Add the cheese, mayonnaise, cream of mushroom soup, mushrooms, and pimientos to the pot with the macaroni.
5. Mix well.
6. Pour the contents of the pot into a baking dish.
7. Top with cheese cracker crumbs.
8. Bake, uncovered, at 350° for 20-30 minutes.



This recipe can be made ahead of time. Follow the instructions through step six. Refrigerate until you are ready to serve the casserole. Preheat the oven to 350°, add the cheese crackers, and bake until it is heated through.



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The Senior Citizen Group meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Borough Hall.

At 1:30 pm we frequently have guests who speak about a variety of topics, generally applicable to everyone. Finances, health, and safety in the home are a few examples. Notices will be on the bulletin board at the P.O. All residents are welcome to take advantage of this worthwhile program.

Thank you.
Geraldine Millar
President, Seniors



Sculpture by William Pressler

Free Health Services Available from the Monmouth County Health Department; State-funded Lead Safe Home Remediation Grants also Available

by Michael Ticktin

The Borough of Roosevelt is one of the 26 municipalities in which health services are provided by the Monmouth County Health Department. Free or low-cost services provided by the Health Department to residents of the 26 municipalities include the following:

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- * healthy travel vaccinations
- * hypertension screening
- * child immunizations
- * adult immunizations
- * well child physicals
- * STDI clinics
- * tuberculosis program
- * women's health, including mammography and pap testing
- * health education

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We pay for training and uniform. Neighbors helping neighbors. Without volunteers, the ambulance cannot drive itself and residents might be forced to wait for an ambulance from another town. Time matters when you need help.

If interested, please email rooseveltfirstaidsquad@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your support.

County Clerk Hanlon Launches Free Fraud Protection Service

Monmouth County Clerk Christine Giordano Hanlon is launching a new service to combat property fraud.

The new Property Fraud Alert system, launched today, is a free subscription service that allows Monmouth County property owners to have their name/property monitored within the Recording Division of the County Clerk's Office, in order to track possibly fraudulent activity.

"Property fraud is considered a growing trend," Hanlon said. "The new Property Fraud Alert will enable users in Monmouth County to proactively respond to potentially fraudulent activity involving their property."

Monmouth County property owners can subscribe to the free alert system by visiting the Property Fraud Alert system online at PropertyFraudAlert.com, or on the phone by calling 800-728-3858. In order to subscribe, property owners must choose "Monmouth County, NJ" from the dropdown menu and provide their name or business name. Property owners may register additional names free of charge to cover common misspellings.

A subscriber can easily verify the information received via an alert and view the actual document that was recorded by visiting the Monmouth County Open Public Record Search website at oprs.co.monmouth.nj.us, or by calling the Property Fraud Alert call center at 800-728-3858. The call center is available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

If you have any questions about the Property Fraud Alert service, please call the Monmouth County Clerk's Office at 732-431-7324, ext. 8909 or e-mail CountyClerk@co.monmouth.nj.us.

Property Maintenance Reminder

This is a reminder to the residents and property owners in town that it is their responsibility to maintain their property according to community standards. These are some examples of property maintenance issues that are becoming all too common in Roosevelt.

- Please mow your lawns. Grass height must not exceed 10 inches.
- Do not store excessive amounts of clutter in your yards. The front yard should not be used for permanent storage of equipment or debris.
- Excessive visual damage to the exterior of your home. Things such as broken or boarded up windows or hanging gutters need to be repaired

Failure to maintain your property detracts from the beauty of the community, it is disrespectful to your neighbors, and it is against the law.

The code enforcement officer has the authority to issue warnings and summonses for property owners who do not comply with the statute. Receiving a summons means a court appearance and, if found guilty, fines range from \$250 up to or greater than \$1000.

Travels

Day one on the safari- Saturday,
1/19/08

Finally we were about to meet and join the group and go into the mysterious jungle. There's a Yiddish expression I rarely find satisfying in translation: "I was full of shpilkes" --hairpins."

The plan for the trip had been simple: First fly to London because history told me that the British had colonized much of Africa, which made me think that flights from London would be more frequent than from the States. From London I'd planned to go to a Botswana & Namibia Safari (more about why I chose that one later*); following that, I'd fly to Australia, New Zealand, Argentina (Patagonia), and back to Newark.

There's an explanation for its simplicity: when my wife (Freda) was dying of lung cancer for two years, at one point the oncologist suggested a three-month-break in her chemotherapy. Before we discovered that when one's red blood cell count is low, one shouldn't fly, one Friday evening we started to make plans. Relaxing with a glass of wine in Roosevelt, we speculated on a trip around the Southern Hemisphere where we'd never been. I asked her, how she'd like to visit the Southern Hemisphere. This was the first time she truly smiled since her terminal diagnosis.

The prospect of the trip became infectious as we fantasized about the places we'd visit. As much as I believed in its possible implementation, I hadn't realized the impact it would make on me as well. A year after she died, I decided to go see the Southern Hemisphere before it

would become too difficult for me to travel.

You thought I forgot about the reason for the trip's simplicity, but I haven't. Once I decided to do it, I went to my daughter's apartment for a week to use her fast Internet access. In those days, all I could get in Roosevelt was "dial up." I labored for a week trying to decide which plane to take in which direction and for how long, not wanting to wind up on a Hyatt Hotel-grand-tour where everyone would get dressed up for dinner and discuss how much better it was back home or how quaint the native's little feet were. I wanted to do my own thing. One month after having spent a whole week of making calls and trying to decide which tours to join and which to ignore, I spent another frustrating weekend attempting to finalize the plans. It took me all that time to realize that by using the Internet and the commercial travel magazines, I had initiated an amalgam of tours that not only ran into each other but also didn't really make me happy.

Just before I gave up, I had an epiphany: I wanted to be the Wandering Jew. I wanted to take risks. I didn't want a bed waiting for me wherever I went. I wanted to feel insecure in my secure travel plans. I scrapped all the plans, except a camping safari that exemplified how I really wanted to go, and made vague plans as to where I'd stay.

*Now comes the explanation why I chose the particular jungle safari I'd picked. It was hard to decide. The idea of camping in the jungle was too intriguing to pass up, but

I chose the Colorado company I went with for only one reason; their ad read as follows: "When you're in your tent at night and you hear all kinds of noises, be assured that whatever you think it is, you are correct--stay in your tent and don't come out." Since I'm writing this, you can be sure I never left my tent at night.

So back in Africa: The beginning of the next day went well, even though breakfast was awful, but it was made bearable by the chance to meet and talk with Heather, an Idahoan lawyer who had come to Africa on safaris several times. By the end of the day our group was also comprised of five Germans and one Portuguese. We met Keoledocswee, our guide and driver, or "Master" as he called himself. Later that day I asked him if it was his way of being ironic to make up for all the years that the white man had insisted on being called Master. He simply smiled and said that White folks couldn't pronounce his name. I promptly proved him wrong, so he smiled acquiescing to my suggestion. We also met Daniel, the German translator, and a very sweet young cook named Victor. Crossing from Zambia to Botswana on a pontoon was the second time I felt I was really in Africa; the sights were incredible. In this foliage dense jungle, trucks were lined up for miles along the river, waiting for paperwork to be cleared and for room on the pontoon, which could really only take one 40-foot truck at a time; we were told that they typically had to wait for two weeks to cross with the truck.

Cinder block buildings on each side of the river were all that told us that we weren't isolated in the jungle. The dirt road, speckled with straw-thatched huts that led to the river on both sides wasn't comforting. Aside from the trucks and a few cars, men, women and children lined the road waiting to get into the cinder-block building that served as a border station where one waited interminably for the chance to get passports reviewed. We needed to fill out papers on both sides. Fortunately, we got through quickly, but the Africans seemed distraught, or perhaps it was I, who identified with them, yet I don't know why. Perhaps the evident poverty interfered with the clear process of crossing a border. A bus would meet some of the pedestrians, or a car would meet some people, but most would just walk, although there were no homes in sight anywhere. A mother, who was nursing her baby on the pontoon, stopped nursing, tearing the baby from her elongated breast when she spotted me looking at her. The unaccustomed American no doubt glaring unwittingly.

We continued to Kasane, Botswana, along the Chobe River, where we got to our camp. Although they were pretty basic, there were separate toilets; common showers and our tents were already set up for us. We had lunch (sadly, not to my liking) deli-meats and cheese with bread. This turned out to be our lunch diet throughout. (I should have looked for a more expensive tour.)

We went on an afternoon river cruise to do some bird and mammal watching. Hippos, warthogs, darters and others were seen,

although mostly at a distance, and not necessarily by me. (I had gone to see the ophthalmologist just before I left to make sure I had no sign of melanoma. He told me that I do have cataracts in both eyes that will have to be removed when I return, meanwhile I couldn't see as well as I might have. I think it made the young people on the trip more certain that I must be old. I'm so glad I could help them try to sort out how old I was. People are busy with such mundane issues: sight.)

Dinner consisted of cooked vegetables and grilled meat, some pasta and a lot of rice, which would pretty much be the fare for two weeks. The most challenging experience was getting ready with inadequate lighting in my tent. The large flashlight wasn't working. I forgot that I had a self-standing flashlight, and the book light was awkward to use. Getting things out of my small suitcase and going to

brush my teeth with a bottle of water was a test at best. I couldn't write, couldn't read, but I could listen to the iPod I'd brought. I was tired enough to fall asleep right away. I woke at two and four but fortunately fell asleep again without having to use the toilet. In the morning, I learned how to break the tent down. While doing so I couldn't wait until I'd have to put it back up. "Before you rejoice, think of putting this thirty pound monstrosity up. When I had read the ad for the trip, I thought "tent" connoted "pup' tent," like I had used in the US Army in 1955, not the heavy canvas tents they used during WWII.

Day three and others, next time...



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when the world makes no sense
when everything bad happens
and it builds an electric fence

it's a punch to the stomach
a shock to the heart
unthinkable for the brain
and a fail from the start

it's this feeling of sadness
this feeling of craze
it's like everything's tipped over
and nothing stays

the people want to be happy
think about it, who doesn't?
it's just too crazy to understand
for the people who mustn't

why does this happen
why does it get worse
the answer is in front of you
don't worry, it's not a curse

those people right over there
bet on the wrong guy
hoping he'd win
they fought on the other side

this is the result
of fighting and violence
this is the call
for voices to speak out from the silence

-- Emily Ng

The fines are growing
Old problems are neglected
Please fix our sewer.

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American Life in Poetry: Column 690 BY TED KOOSER, U.S. POET LAUREATE

James Crews, who lives in Vermont, was for two years our assistant at American Life in Poetry. A fine poet in his own right, he has just published a new book, *Telling My Father*, the winner of the 2017 Cowles Poetry Prize from Southeast Missouri State University Press.

Strict Diet

Though the doctors said no salt,
salt was all my father craved.
His body bloated, skin water-logged
and gray, still he wanted potato chips,
honey-baked ham, greasy slabs
of Polish sausage from Piekutowski's.
He begged for pepperoni pizza,
garlic butter, ribs slathered in sauce.
But when I did the shopping,
I searched only for labels that said
low sodium and no preservatives, instead
bringing home heads of broccoli,
turkey burgers, shredded wheat.
And when he died anyway,
guilt gnawed me like an ulcer—
how could I have denied him
his few final pleasures?—
until I found Big Mac wrappers
stuffed under the car seat,
jars of pickles in the hall closet,
and hidden among wads of tissues
near the night stand, his stash—
a half-used canister of salt.
I sat down on his sagging mattress
now stripped of stained sheets
and studied that blue label
with the girl in the yellow dress
holding her umbrella against a rain
of salt still falling from the sky.

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Dog License Period January 2018

Hi! This is “**Rover**”, Roosevelt’s official pooch, with a reminder that the 2018 licensing period for dogs will begin on January 2, 2018. In NJ all dogs over the age of 7 mos. are required to be licensed on a yearly basis. Dogs licensed from Jan. 2 thru Jan. 31 will not incur a late fee. Thereafter, a late fee of \$1.00 per dog for each outstanding month will be charged.

In order to license your dog for 2018, you will need to present a rabies certificate that **will not** expire before **Oct 31, 2018**; as an example, if the rabies certificate expires on Oct. 30, 2018, you will still need a new certificate in order to license your dog. The only exception to this NJ state requirement is for those dogs who have a verified medical condition and/or reaction to the rabies vaccines; in this case, the owner must present a signed, current statement (2018) from the treating veterinarian indicating that the dog cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons.

The fees for the initial licensing period (Jan 2 – Jan 31, 2018) are as follows:

	Neutered/Spayed Dogs	Non-Neutered Dogs
License fee:	\$7.00	\$7.00
NJ Registration fee:	1.00	1.00
Clinic fee	.20	.20
NJ Pet Population Control	--	3.00
Late fee	-----	-----
Total	\$8.20	\$11.20

Payment should be in exact cash or by check as the office most likely will not have change available. Sorry, credit or debit cards are not accepted. Best days for licenses are Tues - Thurs from 10 am – 3:30 pm. If you would like your license(s) mailed to you, you will need to send us a copy of the current rabies certificate, check or money order and you will need to supply a stamped self-addressed envelope – postage: .47 for 1 – 2 licenses, .68 for 3 – 4 licenses; over 4 licenses needed, please come into the office. Once again, dependent on weather and road conditions, we will try to schedule two evenings during the month of January for license issuance for those who are not available during the day but wish to license their dogs at the office.

This is Rover signing out and saying thanks for your help, understanding, cooperation and dog biscuits.

Milkweeds

Continuing our series of articles highlighting the native species that we need to encourage, this month we spotlight milkweeds.

On May 6, 2016, our Mayor signed a Proclamation to restore habitat for the imperiled monarch butterfly in Roosevelt. Since then the Environmental Commission has planted milkweeds, written instructions for germinating milkweed seeds and provided seeds to Roosevelt Public School students. For those of you who have not yet planted them, a few more words about milkweeds...

Milkweeds are the only host plants for the monarch butterfly; that is, even though they will take nectar from other flowers, they will only lay their eggs on milkweeds. Monarchs fly northward every year from their mountainous wintering grounds in Mexico, but not in one long flight to the northern limit of their range. It takes several generations and each flies a little farther north. A Monarch generation goes from egg to adult in about a month, and flies on. In the fall, they all head south to spend the winter in a warmer climate, just like many New Jersey residents.

Milkweeds help protect the monarch. Monarch caterpillars are immune to and absorb the bitter, cardiotoxic steroids from the milkweeds on which they feed. "You are what you eat!" These compounds make the caterpillars and butterflies unpalatable and their bright colors are a warning sign. In self-defense, milkweeds exude milky sap, which contains about 2% latex. Not enough to make it a commercially viable source for rubber. The toxic properties of milkweeds also make them low on the list of culinary delights of our four footed residents, deer.

There are 130+ milkweed species,

25-40 in the US, depending on your reference source. There are at least nine species of milkweed native to Monmouth County:

common milkweed (*Asclepias syriaca*), swamp milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*), butterfly milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*), purple milkweed (*Asclepias purpurascens*), clasping milkweed (*Asclepias amplexicaulis*), poke milkweed (*Asclepias exaltata*), red milkweed (*Asclepias rubra*), redring milkweed (*Asclepias variegata*), whorled milkweed (*Asclepias verticillata*), and green comet milkweed (*Asclepias viridiflora*).

The first three are more common than the others and can be purchased locally as plants or seeds. The best place to look is those nurseries that sell native plants and wildflowers. Common milkweed can be weedy, since it spreads by underground shoots. It is good for 'wild' areas that can be contained with a lawn mower. The others are better behaved and are clump forming. Swamp milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*) is about 3 ft tall and typically has pink flowers, but the selection 'Ice Ballet' has white flowers. In spite of its name, it does not need a swamp and will do well in average well-drained soil. If you have a drier location, butterfly milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*) would be a good choice. This species is about 20 inches tall and has orange flowers, but 'Hello Yellow' has yellow flowers. 'Gay Butterflies' is a strain that has red, orange, or yellow flowers.

Dogbane, aka indian hemp (*Apocynum cannabinum*) is a milkweed relative, locally common, and often mistaken for a milkweed. It has the same sort of milky sap and cardiotoxic steroids, but the seedpods are very slender and hang down, and

the stems are solid whereas milkweeds have hollow stems. There is one web page that says that dogbane can also serve as a host for the monarch caterpillars, but I suspect the plant was misidentified, since many other pages specifically state that they starve when fed dogbane leaves. Don't you love the web.

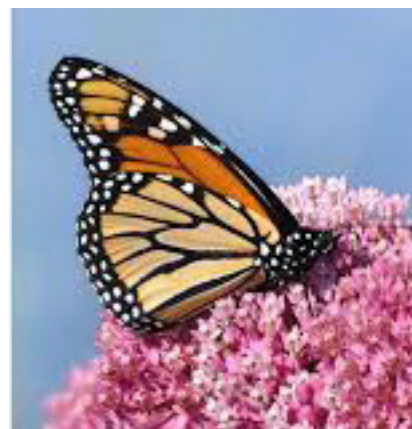
If your plants are like mine, they might be visited by fuzzy caterpillars. They are not monarchs, which have black, yellow and white bands, and smooth skin. They are the milkweed tussock caterpillars, aka milkweed tiger moth caterpillars (*Euchaetes egle*), which also absorb the toxic compounds for self-defense. Other visitors include the red milkweed beetle (*Tetraopes tetraphthalmus*), the orange and black milkweed leaf beetle (*Labidomera clivicollis*), and the orange-red and black large milkweed bug (*Oncopeltus fasciatus*). You can have a colorful menagerie in your own backyard.

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Milkweeds: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Asclepias>

Search *Asclepias* at <https://monarchbutterfly.wildflower.org/plants/> or <http://monarchbutterfly.missouribotanicalgarden.org/>

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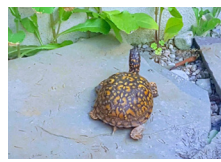
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"Here kitty, kitty" — with Kimberly Felong and Vindhia Gordon.



Mary Macher is surrounded by beauty. These double day lilies brighten her back yard.



Sharyn (North Valley) shares her yard with lots of colorful friends. — with Sharyn Walz.

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Roving Reporter – 4 hours a month – Write short features that focus on Roosevelt-specific themes.

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Please park your vehicles in the right direction only. Parking on the wrong side of the street or in the wrong direction makes your vehicle difficult for oncoming traffic to see, especially in foggy or dark conditions. Vehicles parked on the wrong side of the street are subject to towing.

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PET WASTE POLLUTES OUR WATERS

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP PROTECT OUR WATERS

Pick up after your pets. Properly dispose of pet waste into the trash. Animal waste contains coliform bacteria, which is harmful to our health.

Carry a newspaper or plastic bag to pick up the waste while walking your pet

When treating your pet and yard for fleas or ticks, check with your veterinarian for safe substitutes. Never dispose of flea dip liquid on the ground or in the storm drain. It should be disposed of as a household hazardous waste.

Visit www.state.nj.us/dep/dshw/rnp/hhwcp for list of county household hazardous waste disposal centers.

Do not feed wildlife such as geese, pigeons, ducks and deer.

Feeding results in more pollution from their waste.

For more information please contact the following:

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Camp Roosevelt is well underway this season, with 32 campers enjoying the beautiful summer weather in our natural community! The campers have been spending most of their time outdoors learning and playing new and classic field games, appreciating wildlife and outdoors skills on nature walks, and highlighting all their tremendous creativity through art projects. Camp activities range from football to yoga, from tie-dye to sand art, and from movie making to fort building. Water play is a daily event as well, allowing all who are willing get wet to cool off with games, relays and general water frolic!

So far this summer we were lucky enough to have a presentation from Diane Lowrie from the State Parks and Forestry Department. Campers learned how to pack a camping backpack and how to put up and take down a tent. Local volunteers are always welcome to come and show our campers the amazing collection of abilities, skills, and projects in our unique town.

Campers are also taking weekly trips to places like the Manasquan Reservoir, Turkey Swamp Park, Grounds for Sculpture and more. Feel free to stop by the school and watch the fun the campers, aged 1st grade through 7th are enjoying! Camp Roosevelt continues through August 17th!



Free Food Distribution

To All Roosevelt Residents:

Do we have any needy families in Roosevelt? I'm sure we must; there is nothing to be embarrassed about. Times are hard, people are out of work or on a fixed income.

Food is distributed, free of charge, by volunteers one Friday and Saturday a month between 12:00 and 1:00 pm at the Clarksburg Community Center, Route 571, next to the Clarksburg Fire House. You have to pick it up yourself since there is no delivery. No questions as to eligibility will be asked.

The Saturdays do vary, so when I find out which Saturday, I will put a notice on the bulletin board at the Roosevelt Post Office. Call me if you have questions.

Geraldine Millar
609.448.0351

USED ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT:

Used Computers – towers and monitors only, laptops and Televisions may be brought to the Hightstown Public Works Yard located at 156 Bank St. for disposal. Please place inside the walk-in Good Will container. Hours of operation for drop off are: Monday through Friday, 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM.

Rocking it in Roosevelt!

An art movement in Roosevelt! Design and paint rocks, add a clear coat, and hide them around town. Once you find a treasure, you can keep it, collect it, trade it, or re-hide it for someone else to find. What a great way to brighten someone's day!

Take a picture with your treasure and post them on the Facebook group! It'll be fun to see who can find your creations!

Rocks don't need to be fancy, but we do have some amazing artists in town.



**Join Us at Facebook group: Rocking it in Roosevelt!
- Be Kind To One Another**

County Division of Transportation Expands Hours

The Monmouth County Division of Transportation is pleased to announce that beginning Monday, October 2, 2017, SCAT transportation services will be expanding its hours of operation. For further information, please call 732.431.6480 ext.1. This change may be able to accommodate your transportation needs, including:

- Medical
- Share-Ride
- Dialysis
- College Classes
- Disabled Work
- And much more,,,



Sculpture by William Pressler

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7	Tues.	7:00 pm	Planning Board Borough Hall
8	Weds.		Recycling Pickup ♻️
13	Mon.	7:00 pm	Council Meeting, Borough Hall Peggy Malkin, Mayor
15	Weds.	7:00 pm	Environmental Comm. Mtg., Borough Hall,
21	Tues.	7:00 pm	Roosevelt First Aid Squad, Business Meeting, John Vo, President
22	Weds.		Recycling Pickup ♻️
23	Thurs.	7:30 pm	RPS Board of Education, Ken LeCompte, President
27	Tues.	7:00 pm	Council Meeting, Borough Hall Peggy Malkin, Mayor

SEPTEMBER

3	Mon.		Labor Day
4	Tues.	12:30 pm	Senior Citizens Meeting, Borough Hall
4	Tues.	7:00 pm	Planning Board Borough Hall
5	Weds.		Recycling Pickup ♻️
6	Thurs.		Roosevelt Public School Opens
10	Mon.		Roosevelt Public School Closed
11	Tues.		Roosevelt Public School Closed
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