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#### BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

By Michael Ticktin

## Zoning Enforcement Ordinance Adopted; Environmental Resources Inventory Consulting Agreement Approved; Ordinance to Renew Comcast Cable TV Service Introduced

At its April 28 meeting, the Borough Council amended the zoning ordinance to remove language limiting the enforcement authority of the zoning officer to cases in which a written complaint is submitted by another person. Now, like any other law enforcement officer, and like zoning officers elsewhere, the zoning officer will have full authority to enforce the ordinance whenever he or she sees it being violated. Any complaints concerning alleged violations not visible from the street should still be submitted to the zoning officer in writing in order to provide evidence of probable cause, should that prove necessary.

Also at the April 28 meeting, the Council approved a resolution approving an agreement under which the Borough will become a member of the North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System. By joining the NJWCPS the Borough can expect to save on the cost of disposal of sludge from the sewage treatment plant. Councilman Stu Kaufman, chair of the Utilities Committee, also reported that Verizon, which makes annual payments to the utilities budget for the right to use the water tower as a cell tower, had completed construction of a new structure to house its generator there.

No Council meeting was held on May 12 due to the lack of a quorum.

At the May 27 meeting, the Council adopted a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a consulting agreement with Rutgers University for Professor JeanMarie Hartman to prepare a new Environmental Resources Inventory for the Borough. Funding for this project is being provided by grants from Sustainable New Jersey and the Fund for Roosevelt. Professor Hartman prepared the Borough's last Natural Resources Inventory, as it was then called, in 1993. For further details of this project, see the Environmental Commission report in this issue of the Bulletin.

Also at the May 27 meeting, the Council passed a resolution supporting the Borough's application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) for funding for a new sidewalk on the east side of North Rochdale Avenue between Homestead Lane and Farm Lane and requesting Monmouth County, which owns the roadway, to adopt a similar resolution of support. A resolution was also passed awarding a contract for \$159, 213.13 to the Earle Companies of Farmingdale, NJ, for improvements to

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

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

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

The MEALS ON WHEELS program delivers prepared meals to Roosevelt seniors who need this assistance. Though meals are provided free of charge to recipients, the cost to the program is \$2.50 per meal. Donations to help cover these costs may be sent to Interfaith Neighbors, 810 Fourth Avenue, Asbury Park, NJ 07712.

SENIOR CITIZENS: There is a S.C.A.T. bus provided by Monmouth County Division of Transportation that comes to Roosevelt on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and will take you shopping to ShopRite in East Windsor. The bus will pick you up at your home, you spend  $1\,\frac{1}{2}$  hours shopping, and the bus will take you home and leave your groceries at your door. There is no charge to you for this service.

If you wish to go, you must call the S.C.A.T. bus <u>Tuesday no later than 3:00 p.m.</u> at 732-431-6485 and press 1. Give them your name, address, and the town you are from, and your interest in going on Wednesday, the next day.

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## From the Mayor

Dear Neighbors,

By Elsbeth Battel

This is the time of year when we celebrate the achievements of all our students who are moving up in the academic pursuits. Congratulations to all graduating seniors! You are moving on to new schools and/or benefiting from your education by entering your chosen career. It should be a time of great satisfaction and excitement for you.

My advice? Take this time of your lives to explore new fields or areas while you can—before you become committed to any one career or location. Now is your chance to travel and see the place of your dreams, or try what you have always considered the one job for you, if even just for the summer. Also consider some volunteer work for a worthwhile organization; it will enhance your resumé and give you great satisfaction.

Best wishes also to students moving from one grade to the next. A good education will always serve you well.

Beth

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Nurko Road—the money to come from an NJDOT grant.

Other resolutions were passed authorizing removal of junk vehicles from utilities properties and approving a note for \$558,000 to the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust for interim financing for repairs and

improvements to the water treatment system. Finally, an ordinance was introduced and approved on first reading to grant renewal of the municipal consent given to Comcast to construct, connect, operate and maintain a cable TV and communications system in Roosevelt.



Keep up to date with the latest happenings, events and announcements. Follow the Borough of Roosevelt on Facebook: www.facebook.com/RooseveltBoro

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#### BOARD OF EDUCATION NEWS



#### MISSION

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

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

#### 2014-2015 Budget Passes

On April 24, 2014, The Roosevelt School District Board of Education adopted the operating budget for the 2014-2015 school year. The budget as adopted meets the Board's goal of stability within the district and increases the programs delivered to the students attending our schools. The budget also plans for the future as it includes funds for capital projects to improve the learning conditions of our school.

In planning the 2014-2015 school budget, the Board was faced with a unique situation in that its final long term debt payment had been satisfied during the current school year. The Board, administration, and district professionals have been working since July on a plan to improve the facilities. The 2014-2015 school budget includes a capital project to excavate and grade the school grounds in an effort to decrease water infiltration into the school. By inclusion of this capital project, the district has stabilized any significant fluctuations in school taxes for the next two years.

The 2014-2015 school budget includes a minor increase in State

Aid of \$12,715. This increase will be used directly for instruction and will increase services for both regular and special education students along with providing for greater professional development for our staff.

When you look at the entire school district budget expenses, the overall increase is \$17,094 or .67% over the current year. When you consider the tax levy for both the general fund (operating budget) and debt service fund (long term debt), the tax levy has increased \$32,144. This increase will result in an increase of school taxes on the average home assessed at \$244,279 of \$123 per year.

Please continue to visit the Roosevelt School District web site www.RPS1. org for additional information regarding the budget and capital projects that will be introduced in the near future.

## **Special Education Program Audit Presentation**

At the April 24th meeting the special education audit consultant shared that disabled students with an IEP have increased >50% over the past 5 years to approximately 10 (3 out of district currently). She made many recommendations to additional staffing and re-training that can better utilize teacher and student time and keep the district compliant with state laws. A copy of this report is available from the CSA.

#### **BOE Membership Petitions**

The Roosevelt Board of Education is always looking for new members to become involved. State law requires that all school-board nominating petitions for the November election be delivered to the appropriate county clerk by 4 p.m. on July 28, 2014 (even if the clerk's operating hours extend past that time). The actual start of your service would be January 2015. Find out more information at http://www.njsba.org/about/candidacy/nominating-petitions/njsba-november-important-dates.pdf or contact

RPS BOE at rpsboe@gmail.com

#### **RPS 6th Grade Graduation**

Please join us at the FDR Memorial Amphitheater (or gym if raining) on Saturday June 14th at 4 pm for the 6th grade graduation. It's a town-wide special event to celebrate the uniqueness of each graduate. Cake is served in the school lobby direct following.

## 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/hhwcps 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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#### ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISION

The Environmental Commission is excited to announce the launch of a new Environmental Resources Inventory for Roosevelt!

#### A what?

An Environmental Resources Inventory (ERI) is a survey of current environmental conditions. It helps identify existing or potential issues, and provides the factual basis for municipal policies and planning designed to protect the environment.

Under New Jersey state law, Environmental Commissions have the authority and responsibility to conduct ERIs for inclusion in municipal master plans and other land use considerations.

The first ERI in Roosevelt was completed in 1993. Input from that inventory helped strengthen protections for the town's sustainable future, and successfully guided the borough through critical development issues during the past two decades. Now it's time for an update, so we can assess any significant environmental changes since 1993.

Thanks to a generous donation by the Fund for Roosevelt, work will begin this summer, and is expected to take about six months to complete. The survey will look at our soil, water, wetlands, vegetation, wildlife, geology, and topography, as well as land use that affects those resources.

When completed, the new ERI will provide multiple benefits:

- Identify current or potential threats to the environment of Roosevelt, and provide guidance for developing effective responses.
- Focus the priorities for environmental protection, informing decisions by the Borough Council and Planning Board, including review and any needed revisions of the municipal master plan.
- Guide the Environmental Commission to take further actions that will have the best impact on the environment of our community.

The updated ERI will be led by Rutgers professor JeanMarie Hartman, Ph.D., a specialist in community ecology, who also conducted Roosevelt's previous ERI. Dr. Hartman will be assisted by students from her research lab, who will be in town to collect data from site visits.

The ERI will kick off at the next meeting of the Environmental Commission, on Wednesday, June 18, at 7:30 pm in the Borough Hall. Dr. Hartman will be there to talk about the project, and to learn from Roosevelt residents. Come have your say – let us know what local environmental issues matter the most to you!

You can participate – and have fun, too!

Volunteers are needed to help with field observations and other simple tasks. It's easy, fun, and takes little time – plus, it can be customized to your interests and availability. If you like going around town, just for the pleasure of exploring and enjoying what we have here in Roosevelt, here's your chance to make a valuable contribution at the same time.

The information you collect will become an important part of the data to be analyzed. And the more we collect, the more useful the ERI will be.

To learn more about participating in the ERI, contact Eitan Grunwald at 609-426-4636 or eitan@eitangrunwald.com.

## YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN A NEW ERI!

What's an ERI?

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The Roosevelt Environmental Commission will be conducting an ERI this summer. The survey will look at our soil, water, wetlands, vegetation, wildlife, geology, topography, and land use.

The ERI will help identify any existing or potential threats to the environment of Roosevelt, and provide guidance for developing effective responses.

Give us your input on June 18!

Let us know what local environmental issues matter most to you, and learn more about the ERI from project leader Dr. JeanMarie Hartman of Rutgers, a specialist in community ecology.

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#### SCHOOL NEWS

We are about to end a very successful school year; I am honored to be a part of such a dedicated and talented faculty who work hard every day to help students do their very best to learn and to achieve and to be in a community which values the individual achievements of each child and lends its support in so many ways.

As we near the end of the year, I thought that you might want to hear something about what our new RPS Teachers have been engaged in.

Ms. Wolf, our Fourth Grade Teacher, and Ms. Swinarski, our Technology Teacher, led a successful STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) enrichment program for our fourth, fifth, and sixth graders. For six weeks after school, Mr. LeCompte, a parent volunteer, coached our children to meet the challenge of building wind-powered vehicles entirely out of recyclables! The children met the challenge and were treated to a closing talk on patents and trademarks from Mr. Cohen, an attorney. The children are pictured below with their vehicles.



I have invited our Spanish Teacher, Ms. Ruppel, our Art Teacher, Ms. Witlieb, and our Librarian, Ms. Pillsbury, to highlight what they have been covering this last quarter, and I am sharing what they have written with you. My hope is that you – parents and grandparents and neighbors and friends - will discuss these topics with our children, ask them to teach you a few words in Spanish, tell you

about a favorite book or fairy tale, or let them be the guide on your next museum visit this summer!

Sincerely,

Mary Robinson Cohen

#### Spanish, Ms. Ruppel

Kindergarten: During the third and fourth marking periods, students in kindergarten will be focused on various vocabulary units. After completing units on colors, numbers, greetings and days of the week, we are now beginning our sections on the months of the year and family members. Each of these units will be consistently reinforced and intertwined to promote Spanish language usage both inside and outside the classroom.

First and Second Grades: Over the previous months, students in first and second grades have completed units on the days of the week, colors, shapes and family members. Currently students have been finding ways to discuss their likes and dislikes in the target language intertwined

with foods and customs of specific Latin American countries. Over the next few weeks, the first and second graders will be making collages to express their preferences of specific foods. As the year comes to a close, first graders will begin a vocabulary unit on places in the school and community as well as clothing items worn during each of the Spanish seasons. The second graders will

review places in the school before beginning a unit on basic adjectives that describe the members of their families.

Over the past few weeks, third and fourth grade students have been diligently working on describing people and places with Spanish adjectives. They are currently working on projects to describe family members in Spanish and will then begin differen-

tiating the verbs ser and estar, which mean to be, as well as other commonly used verbs. Students have begun writing in sentence form over the past few weeks and are doing a wonderful job describing photo images with Spanish adjectives. Previously, the students completed units involving weather, months, days of the week, interrogative words, body parts and Spanish culture. The fourth graders recently enjoyed an in-class activity that included linking song lyrics together while listening to a Spanish song by a current artist named Faruko. Activities such as this will be repeated as well as vocabulary drills such as the fly shatter game, which students performed fantastically.

Currently the fifth and sixth grades are working on adjectives and descriptive words. They have been using verbs like ser and estar to describe both permanent and temporary states of being in the Spanish class (a very advanced unit.) Also, as the year comes to a close, the older grades will be reading from Berto y sus buenas ideas by Magaly Rodríguez, a book completely in Spanish. They will also be working with interrogative words in Spanish and using them to form their own questions and answers. Earlier in the year, the fourth and fifth graders worked on units such as time, temperature, seasons, months, days of the week, articles, clothing and school supplies. The students frequently use dry erase boards, photos and physical responses to demonstrate their knowledge of the units in discussion.

#### Art, Ms. Wittlieb

Kindergarten: During the fourth marking period, Kindergarten students have been working on the unit called Art and Life in the Past. We started off the unit with students creating artwork that might have been drawn by early humans. I showed my students early cave drawing from Lascaux, France that tell a

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story on the walls of the caves. For the next project, students had fun exploring ancient Egypt as they drew themselves as Egyptian Pharaoh's. Students are now working on making Grecian Urns out of model magic clay then they will color them with markers and draw pictures on the urns to tell a story.

First Grade: Students are working on a new unit called Three Dimensional Effects during the fourth marking period. Students worked on a project where they drew the corner of the art room to measure the accuracy of drawing the walls meeting. Then we discussed three dimensional objects in Van Gogh's Bedroom of Arles and students began working on the next project of drawing their own bedrooms. Students have been learning about perspective and developing techniques for placing objects in the foreground and background of a picture. Students used watercolors for the next project as they painted a bridge over a lake and added other details to the landscape. I showed students the work of Piet Mondrian and discussed the lines, shapes, and colors used in his artwork. Then students created their own Mondrian compositions using black strips of paper and intersecting them to create squares and rectangles that they then colored in using primary color pastels.

Second Grade: Students worked on a unit called Positive and Negative Space. Students have been exploring several different ways artists create positive and negative space in artwork. The students have been experimenting with a variety of techniques and styles. Students explored the works of Georgia O'Keefe and began with a project where they realistically drew an enlarged flower on their paper and then painted the flower using primary and secondary Students identified symbolic representations of the sun or moon on Native American masks.

Then students began to create Native American masks that incorporated both symmetrical and radial balance. Students are now working on a new unit called Everyday Art. They are in the process of weaving on cardboard looms as they create small Navajo blankets.

Third Grade: Students learned about the art form of printmaking. Students learned to consider the technical and expressive qualities of prints and developed their skills in printmaking through activities in this unit. They observed a copy of the painting called 'The Scream' by Edvard Munch and proceeded to draw a picture of themselves screaming; then they drew the picture on a piece of foam board, coated the board with ink using a brayer, and printed it. Students really enjoyed this project. Students are now in the process of creating mythical paper mache sculptures and will later paint them.

Fourth Grade: Students are working on a unit called The Wonders of America. Students are creating artwork based on information that they learn about the beauty of America. They have been learning how to mix paints to get the desired effects on their compositions. They started the unit by drawing and then painting The Grand Canyon. They were shown pictures of this natural beauty and I showed them how to draw it. Students are in the process of drawing the Statue of Liberty; then they will draw a New York City background.

Fifth and Sixth grades: Students investigated the process that artists use when making ceramic vessels. Students looked at visuals of African and Native American ceramic pots. Then they created their own clay containers using coil techniques. Students created a story coil pot of a theme of their choice.

Now students are learning two elements of visual art, color and value. They will be completing a monochromatic painting. Students will

complete a landscape painting using a color hue (color of choice) mixed with white and a hue mixed with black values creating tints and shades. This will enable students to practice blending and color mixing. Students are being introduced to artists who use monochromatic painting in their work. Students are in the process of replicating a value scale ranging from black to white. They have chosen an artwork that has significant contrast and completed a rough pencil sketch of the painting. Students will redraw their painting in color value scale onto good painting paper.

#### Library, Ms. Pillsbury

In the library I am taking a whole school approach to teaching your children. By introducing books on similar topics to each grade, I believe this fosters conversations between siblings and with the whole family.

My first week with the students coincided with Dr. Seuss's birthday. It just doesn't get better than that! I read books by Dr. Seuss to the younger students, and a biography about Dr. Seuss to the older children. The following week we explored libraries and librarians through age appropriate books. The first graders giggled their way through Curious George's adventures in the library.

I then explored fractured fairy tales with each class. I had the students recount the tales of Goldilocks and the Three Bears one week, and Little Red Riding Hood over two following two weeks. After talking about the original tale, I then read them stories where the story changes. A particularly favorite story was "Goldilocks and the Three LiBEARians." Kindergarteners, in particular, laughed heartily with these tales. The fourth graders and I talked about how Little Red Riding Hood has all of the makings of a bad plot, yet is a classic. We talked through ways to make it a story that would earn a higher grade in school.



## **Roosevelt Fourth of July Celebration**



#### 10:00AM - Neighborhood Pet Show!

Bring your dog, bring your fish, or bring your pet rock! Join us under the big oak tree next to Roosevelt Public School. Awards will be presented for **Friendliest**, **Softest**, **Best Jumper**, **Best Dressed**, **Shiniest Fur**, **Quietest**, **Best sniffer**, **Most Fun**, and many more!

#### 10:30AM - Picnic Game Pre-Registration

Register for Corn Hole Tournament, Cheeto Head, Three Legged Race & Water Balloon Toss games.



#### 11:00AM - Fourth of July Parade

All parade participants should meet at the school at 10:45AM. Parade begins at 11:00. Decorate your bikes, scooters, wagons and join us for the Roosevelt Fourth of July Parade! The new extended parade route will start and end at the school, and encompass both sides of town for a total of 2.21 miles. We have invited neighboring fire departments, first aid squads and local scouting groups this year!

#### Noon – Fourth of July BBQ

\*\* GAMES \*\* FOOD \*\* BOUNCE HOUSE \*\* 50/50 \*\* LIVE DJ \*\* DUNK TANK \*\*

We encourage residents to bring their favorite dessert or side dish to share with friends and neighbors.

#### 1:00PM - Kids Picnic Games

Pick a teammate and come join us for some rousing games of Cheeto Head, Water Balloon Toss and a Three Legged Race! Three different age groups will compete for hundreds of dollars in prizes! Space is limited, so please pre-register at the Pet Show. (\$4 per team per game or \$10 for all three)

#### 2:00 - Corn Hole Tournament

Teams compete for prizes in our first ever Corn Hole tournament! (18 & over | \$10 per team) Space is limited so please pre-register at the Pet Show.

#### 2:30 – Nozzle Knockdown

Kids get to experience what it's like to knock down a fire (targets) with a real fire hose!

#### 3:00 - Fire Truck Sprinkler Party

Bring your bathing suit! Enjoy a run in our giant fire-hose sprinkler!

All proceeds from 50/50, Kids Picnic Games and Corn Hole Tournament will go towards helping the Roosevelt Fire Department purchase a new fire truck. All proceeds from the dunk tank will benefit the Roosevelt Fourth of July Committee and help to fund future improvements of the Fourth of July Picnic.



## **Fourth of July Parade Route**

All parade participants should meet at the school at 10:45, the Parade begins at 11:00.

This year the parade route will be expanded to include the Eastern half of town. The parade route will leave the school, making a right onto Pine Drive, crossing to Homestead Lane. It will then make a right onto North Valley road, a left onto Farm lane and then turn left at the post office.\*\* The parade will then proceed down Rochdale to Tamara, around Tamara to Pine and end up back at the school.

Walkers who do not wish to walk the entire parade route can drop off or join in at the Post Office and walk half of the route.



We ask that participants for both the parade and the picnic utilize the school for parking.

The Deli Parking lot will be off limits to picnic goers as it is being reserved for visiting Emergency Vehicles.

#### RESCUE SQUAD NEWS

The First Aid Squad has responded to 70 emergency calls from January 1 to April 30.

For the month of April the Squad responded to 12 calls.

The Squad responded in Roosevelt to 1 fire stand-by, 1 crisis transport and 1 emergency transport, 1 MVA, 1 fall, and 1 respiratory.

Mutual aid into Millstone Twp., 1 fall, 1 MVA, 1 respiratory, 1 abdominal pain, 1 knee injury.

Mutual aid into Upper Freehold Twp. 1 MVA.

In April the training was OSHA Right-to-Know. This class is given every other year under OSHA standards. This class is a must to all emergency first responders. All Squad member's that attended received 4 CEUs for their EMT recertification.

June 1 will start the Squad's 66th. year of service to the Borough of Roosevelt and the surrounding communities.

As the Squad sent out our donation letters we included "My Personal Medication" form. Please full the form out and place it on your refrigerator, including only your current medication. This would be a great help to the Squad members if we had to come to your home in an emergency. If you miss place it the form contact any Squad member for a new one or if you need more than one.

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

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

Roosevelt First Aid Squad 33 North Rochdale Ave. P.O. Box 274 Roosevelt, New Jersey 08555 Est. 1948

We are always looking for new members. We will pay for the basic training that is needed. If anyone is interested please contact any Squad member or stop in during our training for an application. If you would like to join or receive information about becoming an EMT, please email rooseveltfirstaidsquad@yahoo.com. We are now on facebook.

You might not have been hearing the town emergency services siren. Monmouth County radio room has put into service new dispatching radios. We have learned that the County radio room has not put in the tones needed to activate the siren for fire or EMS. Once they work out all the problems in the new system, they will work on the siren. All members of the emergency services have pagers, which they can carry so if there is a call they can still be notified.

#### **Health Notes**

Lower respiratory tract infection, while often used as a synonym for pneumonia, can also be applied to other types of infection including lung abscess and acute bronchitis. Symptoms include shortness of breath, weakness, high fever, coughing and fatigue. Lower respiratory tract infections place a considerable strain on the health budget and are generally more serious than upper respiratory infections. Since 1993 there has been a slight reduction in the total number of deaths from lower respiratory tract infection. However in 2002 they were still the leading cause of deaths among all infectious diseases, and they accounted for 3.9 million deaths worldwide and 6.9% of all deaths that year.

There are a number of acute and chronic infections that can affect the lower respiratory tract. The two most common infections are bronchitis and pneumonia. Influenza affects both the upper and lower respiratory tracts. It is important to use appropriate antibiotic selection based on the infecting organism and to ensure this therapy changes with the evolving nature of these infections and the emerging resistance to conventional therapies.

Bronchitis can be classified as either acute or chronic. Acute bronchitis can be defined as acute bacterial or viral infection of the larger airways in healthy patients with no history of recurrent disease.

Pneumonia occurs in a variety of situations and treatment must vary according to the situation. It is classified as either community or hospital acquired depending on where the patient contracted the infection. It is life-threatening in the elderly or those who are immunocompromised.

What is an upper respiratory infection?

The upper respiratory tract includes the sinuses, nasal passages, pharynx, and larynx. These structures direct the air we breathe from the outside to the trachea and eventually to the lungs for respiration to take place.

An upper respiratory tract infection, or upper respiratory infection, is an infectious process of any of the components of the upper airway.

Infection of the specific areas of the upper respiratory tract can be named specifically. Examples of these may include rhinits (inflammation of the nasal cavity), sinus infection (sinusitis or rhinosinusitis) - inflammation of the sinuses located around the nose, common cold (nasopharyngitis) - inflammation of the nares, pharynx, hypopharynx, uvula, and tonsils, pharyngitis (inflammation of the pharynx, uvula, and tonsils), epiglottitis (inflammation of the upper

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portion of the larynx or the epiglottis), laryngitis (inflammation of the larynx), laryngotracheitis (inflammation of the larynx and the trachea), and tracheitis (inflammation of the trachea).

Upper respiratory infections are one of the most frequent causes of doctors visits with varying symptoms ranging from runny nose, sore throat cough, to breathing difficulty, and lethargy. In the United States, upper respiratory infections are the most common illness leading to missing school or work.

Although upper respiratory infections can happen at any time, they are most common in the fall and winter months, from September until March. This may be explained because these are the usual school months when children and adolescents spend a lot of time in groups and inside closed doors. Furthermore, many viruses of upper respiratory infection thrive in the low humidity of the winter.

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

Remember if you need help please dial 911.

Jack Rindt, EMT (I), Captain Roosevelt First Aid Squad rooseveltfirstaidsquad@yahoo.com

#### **SCHOOL NEWS**

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Recently I conducted whole school lessons on Earth Day and Bicycling, where I read stories on those topics to most of the classes. When we talked about bicycles, we also talked about the differences between fiction and non-fiction. The second graders really grasped the differences and enjoyed talking about them. The book "Gretchen the Bicycle Dog" was a big hit.

Most recently I introduced them to wonderful works by Patricia Polacco. She is an author and illustrator who created books that appeal to all ages, even adults. As our kindergarteners are passionate about Dr. Seuss, that week I read Patricia Polacco's favorite Dr. Seuss book ("Horton Hatches an Egg") to them, as well as a book by the author. I hope to continue to introduce them to good writers and illustrators.

The fifth and sixth graders have been working on a book talk project. The aim is for them to "sell" their classmates on the different books in our collection. It is serving the dual purpose of letting me know what types of books they love to read so I can use my resources to purchase additional books they will love. I've been impressed with their ability to keep it within the time limit and not give away the ending.

I love introducing good books to your children. After we read, I talk to them about the books. They then pick out books to read at home. It is amazing how quickly the time flies. I hope they are enjoying their books and sharing them with you.



I wonder if the sepulchre
Is not a lonesome way,
When men and boys, and larks and June
Go down the fields to hay!
From "Time and Eternity" by Emily Dickinson

#### WEATHER ALMANAC

By Ron Filepp

#### March 2014

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#### ROOSEVELT VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

On May 3rd, the Roosevelt Volunteer Fire Company hand delivered over 300 Community Calendars to every household in town. This is our largest fundraiser to date and we are thrilled with the feedback we have received in regards to the calendar. We hope to make the Roosevelt Community Calendar a staple in town and encourage any local businesses or organizations that would like their business or events listed in our 2nd edition to get in contact with us over the next few months.

In addition, we have received a tremendous response from our cover letter, and have raised more than \$5,000 towards the purchase of a new fire engine. To the more than 50 families that have sent in donations so far, THANK YOU! Every dollar is a huge help, and we especially have been enjoying the notes and the cards that people have been sending in along with their donations.

We have five more fundraisers planned for 2014 including Fourth of July Picnic Games, a Comedy Night in September, our new improved

Town Hayride in October, a Pancake Breakfast in November, and, of course, Santa's Delivery Service in December. We are hopeful that by February of next year we will be able to reach our goal of \$35,000 and bring a new Fire Truck home to Roosevelt.

In order to accommodate a larger fire truck, the Borough Council has been working on obtaining bids from builders to add a larger bay to the existing Fire House. As part of this project, the Fire Company has been researching grants that could cover all or part of the cost for the expansion and has been working

with FEMA with regards to their Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, as well as the USDA with regards to their Community Facilities Grant programs and Rural Community Development Initiative. We realize that after the brutal winter we had, there are several areas in town that need improvements, and finding the funds to make those improvements has become increasingly difficult. Our goal is to continue to improve the Fire Department, yet be as self-sufficient as possible.

To that end, are also working on grants to cover the upcoming costs for the additional turnout gear we will need for the next seven probationary members that will come out of the academy in the coming months. We have applied for the Globe Turnout Gear Giveaway and were one of the first 200 fire departments to apply, earning us a free membership to the National Volunteer Fire Council. Globe gives away 52 sets of gear each year, up to four sets per department. They will begin announcing the winners

in July of this year so we are hopeful that we will be one of the departments that are chosen. We are also working on four additional grant opportunities through the National Firefighters Endowment, Fireman's Fund Insurance Company Heritage Program, Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation, and the Kinney Memorial Foundation.

As always, we cannot continue to grow without the help of our volunteers, and we are always seeking new members. If you're interested in the different opportunities the fire department has to offer, please contact Chief Dan Archer at chiefarcher@rooseveltfire.org.

PS: We wanted to publicly thank Justin Lenart who worked tirelessly for two days to surprise the members of the company by creating gear racks out of milk crates. Our gear is now hanging neatly in the fire house, and our bunker pants are nice and dry, even after the rest of the firehouse is completely flooded. THANK YOU JUSTIN!



#### REPORT FROM YOUR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

#### A View from a Council Seat

When you read this it will be late spring early summer, Roosevelt in full spring bloom. Backyard gardens are started, flower gardens are tended to, and I've mowed my lawn a gazillion times—well it feels like that to me, mowing is not one of my favorite spring /summer sports. It's late spring and the boys of summer are here. I am a Bronx boy who grew up in the shadow of Yankee stadium. I got to see Mantle, Maris, Berra, Ford, and Stengel. For six bucks you saw a doubleheader, that was seven hours of baseball, heaven for a young boy. I may have moved to the sticks, but I can't seem to wipe the diamond dust off my sneakers.

Nostalgia is over and here comes the not so great part—our Utilities. I can report no new water main breaks, but the two winter water main breaks have put a serious dent into our Utility revenues. I will be meeting with the Borough CFO to discuss what our budget looks like for the coming year. There are projects that need to be done to maintain our system. One project is to upgrade and modernize the lift station at the end of Lake Drive. A lift station is nothing more than a pump at the bottom of a sewer well. The houses on this part of Lake Drive are at the bottom of a hill and their sewage has to go up hill.

The lift station has to be serviced from time to time. It is outdated and costs more to service than it should. Based on invoices over the last eight years, the extra money it cost to maintain our present lift station could have upgraded and modernized the lift station and eased our budget. I will be speaking to our CFO on how to fund this project; sometimes you have to spend money to save money over the long term. I have to say again, based on current expenses, don't be surprised if rates have to go up. I know nobody wants to read this, but it may come to that. Anyone who has questions or would like to see our plants can call or email (s2k2000@ comcast.net). Hate to end on a down note, so I hope all of us have a wonderful summer with all the good stuff and none of the not so good stuff.

Until next time, stay well.

Utility Committee Chairperson

Stu Kaufman

### June Senior Citizens Meeting Canceled

Due to the primary election, the June Senior Citizens meeting has been canceled. The meetings will resume on July 1, 12:30 pm, at Borough Hall.

#### Recreation Department Open Gym Program Provides Fun Activities for Roosevelt Children

The Roosevelt Recreation
Department once again coordinated a FREE Open Gym program for children throughout the Winter and Spring. Over 20 children participated in various indoor activities on Wednesday nights including basketball, floor hockey and wiffle ball. Once the weather turned for the better, the program continued outside with kickball, a Roosevelt favorite.

The Recreation Department would like to thank Roosevelt Volunteer Firefighters Lester Alvarado, Tim Curry and Matt Lawson, former program participants, for volunteering their time with supervising this popular program. For more information on volunteer opportunities or recreation programs, contact (609) 448-0539, ext. 3.

## ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

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

Items accepted:

- Computer cases, CPUs
- Keyboards, Mice
- Monitors, Scanners
- Printers, Cables
- Laptops, Peripherals
- Televisions
- · Radios, Cameras
- Telephones
- Copiers, Fax Machines
- VCRs, DVD Players
- Stereo Components

#### Location:

MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP Dept. of Public Works Garage Recycling Center 899 Perrineville Rd. Open on Saturday & Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

For additional sites within Monmouth County, please visit www.visitmonmouth.com/page.aspx-?ID3021

## REMINDER FOR RECYCLING:



Always leave at least 3 feet between your garbage can and recyclable container(s). The arm that lifts the garbage can needs enough room to operate so it can avoid knocking over other containers.

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26 Thurs.	7:30 p.m	RPS Board of Education, Natalie Warner, President, 609-903-1061	31 Thurs.	7:30 p.m.	RPS Board of Education, Natalie Warner, President, 609-903-1061

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