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MASTER PLAN GOES PUBLIC

By Bob Clark

Roosevelt residents will have an opportunity to comment on the Borough's newly completed Master Plan tonight at a special meeting of the Planning Board at the Borough Hall at 8 p.m.

The new Master Plan was developed in compliance with the New Jersey Land Use Act. It is intended to serve as a long-range guide for the orderly development of the town. A zoning ordinance to regulate local land use will be based on the planning goals contained in the Master Plan.

Final adoption of the plan will occur at a separate public meeting for which no date has been set. Copies of the Master Plan proposal are available to the public at the Borough Hall and may be signed out for a \$5 deposit.

Roosevelt's Master Plan serves as much more than a legal document. It relates the history of the Borough and its planning heritage, describes the cluster zoning concept that underlies the town's design, provides impressions of Planning Board members about the Borough's appearance, lists limitations on growth--water and sewer systems and soil conditions-- and states problems

faced by Borough residents and planners.

The present draft calls for staged growth over a period of 40 years. During the first 10 years 22 presently vacant residential lots, served by existing roads, sewer lines and water lines, could be developed. Land presently zoned agricultural, east of North Valley Road between Oscar Drive and Empty Box Brook, would be eligible for residential development in keeping with the traditional design over the next 30 years. (Continued on page 16.)

SPECIAL TRASH PICK-UP, COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP SET FOR NOVEMBER 5

The borough's garbage contractor will collect all items not normally picked up on their regular runs on November 3, according to Liz Johnson, borough clerk.

Washers, dryers, water heaters, and other large appliances and bundles will be picked up then. Doors should be removed from refrigerators that are intended for the pick-up as a safety measure.

Tree clippings, tree limbs, etc., must be bundled and tied or placed in containers so that they can be easily picked up. Nothing should be over four feet long.

ACTION TAKEN ON GARBAGE CONTRACT, SNOWPLOW, CROSSING GUARD

Council Still Undecided on Borough Hall Use

By Bob Clark

At its Sept. 13 regular monthly meeting, the Borough Council received a legal opinion from Borough Attorney Samuel Sagotsky recommending that individual use of the Borough Hall be prohibited to avoid Borough liability for injuries on the premises.

At present nonprofit organizations may use the Borough Hall. At an earlier Council meeting a group of residents petitioned the Council to permit individual use.

Council Member Ted Marton requested that the Council examine the possibility of arranging for private users to purchase single event insurance. He also
recommended that the Borough Attorney
be asked whether the fact that the Borough would not charge a fee would eliminate the risk of Borough liability. The
Council tabled the matter until such information can be obtained.

School Board President George Katz sent a letter to the Council noting the Borough's legal obligation to provide crossing guards for the School. The Council voted Sept. 13 to find and hire a guard and two alternates. The guard will be responsible for notifying the alternates if he cannot attend. Mayor Barth strongly recommended that CETA employees not be used as crossing guards.

In other action Recreation Committee Chairperson Lou Esakoff called for a more detailed report from PTA officers on the Summer Program for Children, which the Council helped to finance.

The Council renewed its contract with IDS for garbage collection for three

more years at an annual price of \$13,800. The price increased \$1,300 after three years at \$12,500. IDS was the only bidder for the contract.

The Council received bids and decided to pay the low bidder, Solomon Dodge, \$8,482 for a four wheel drive, 3/4 ton pick-up truck with a snowplow package.

The Council also accepted a bid for \$1,320 to replace three garage doors at the Borough Hall.

During the public participation portion of the meeting, Paul Corman asked when the Lake Drive extension would be completed so that residents could avoid the hazard of pulling out onto Route 571 at the blind intersection with South Valley Road.

The Council accepted the resignation of Edwin Moser from the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

ROOSEVELT BOROUGH BULLETIN

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Museum Representative Describes Cultural Topics

By Elly Shapiro

A handful of Rooseveltians met at the Borough Hall Sept. 17 to discuss the possibility of participating in several cultural outreach programs sponsored by the Monmouth Museum in Lincroft.

Sandra Jacobs, artist in residence at the museum under a CETA grant, came to Roosevelt every Thursday this summer at the invitation of Esther Pogrebin and the Senior Citizens. She returned Sept. 17 to discuss cooperative cultural programs. Committee people Elle Bermowitz, Judith Goetzmann and Ilus Lobl provided publicity and refreshments for the meeting.

Some of the programs discussed were folk dancing, discussion groups, a walking tour of Roosevelt open to outsiders, a community cookbook including narrative about the contributors and an annual Roosevelt Day celebration.

The possibility of the formation of a Roosevelt Council on the Arts was raised by Christopher and Stefan Martin. This council would include Roosevelt representatives of all the arts and could serve as a liaison between Monmouth County cultural programs and Roosevelt. They could, in particular, be made aware of grants and other funds for which the town might qualify.

Anyone desiring further information should contact Judith Goetzmann at 443-4948.

BULLETIN EXTENDS GET WELL WISHES TO RECOVERING ROOSEVELTIANS

The Bulletin staff extends its get well wishes to members of the community who have recently suffered illnesses: Sandy Orlando, Bill Weisenfeld, Jenny Altman, and David Spero.

Council Seeks Federal Funds

By Bob Clark

The Borough Council recently filed an application with County officials for Federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant money.

Citizens Participation Committee members Lynn Friedman, Esther Marton, Sissy Porter, Leonard Sacharoff and Israel Weissman considered the recommendations of funding expert Barry Silberstein of Schoor Engineering, the Borough engineering firm, and held two public hearings on Sept. 6 and 8. The committee recommended that the Council apply for money to aid a neighborhood of original Roosevelt homes along Pine Drive to Rochdale and on Tamara Drive, including all side courts, and along Homestead Lane to the water tower.

The application seeks funding for up to \$6,000 per home for "code violation type" improvements. It also seeks up to \$350,000 for water and sewer line repairs in the specified neighborhood. If approved by the County and the Federal Government, the grant money would be provided over a three-year period.

There is no guarantee that funding will be approved. In the past the Borough's applications for community-wide projects have been rejected because of a high median income. Last year 53 municipalities in Monmouth County applied for \$25 million, although only \$5 million was available. The program favors projects in designated neighborhoods.

HEARS REPORT ON HIGH SCHOOL LITIGATION

School Board Accepts Jelinek's Resignation

By Elly Shapiro

A special School Board meeting was held Aug. 29 to hear Joyce Usiskin, Board Attorney, describe the current status of the hearings that will decide where Roosevelt students will attend high school in the future. She said East Windsor District completed its case opposing Roosevelt students at an Aug. 14 hearing. Roosevelt's case is scheduled to be heard Oct. 14, although Ms. Usiskin plans to file a motion for dismissal before then.

If this motion is granted, the case would be ended for this school year. If not, Ms. Usiskin would have our statistics ready for a defense and would analyze those that East Windsor submitted.

East Windsor's case was based on a projected increase in students in the East Windsor Master Plan and state guidelines for high school capacity. The projected student population in - crease in East Windsor goes against the national trend of decreasing enrollment. Roosevelt's defense will be built around this apparent contradiction.

In other action, the Board accepted the resignation of President Jane Jelinek who is moving with her family to Freehold. The Board members accepted the resignation with regret.

The Board approved the hiring of Susan Luty as a Title I/Compensatory Education Aide at \$3.50 per hour.

The list of this year's substitutes and salary guidelines for substitutes was approved. Lynn Frank was approved as a lunchroom aide substitute.

Roosevelt has joined a Monmouth county pilot program involving a substitute "pool." Teachers will call a number if they need a substitute, and this service

will contact an approved substitute.

Monetary transactions included the purchase of school lunches from Morton Foods and milk from Decker's Dairy.

Some funds were transferred into an interest-bearing account, and several small accounts were consolidated.

An appropriation of \$250 was approved for painting the girls' restroom. William Ostergaard was hired for the job.

The Board heard a detailed description of an extensive study of the Pine Barrens being taught by Jane Fremon. The six field trips leading up to a three-day camping trip for the fourth and fifth grades were discussed and money for them was appropriated. All transportation costs are 100 percent reimbursable from the state.

The position of media aide was eliminated. Instead, a pilot program was approved in which Laurence Altman, Naomi Brahinsky and Sara Prestopino will work in the classrooms, with teachers present, to bring art and music to the pupils. Each artist would be paid a stipend of \$2,400 at the end of the school year for working two and a half days per week.



Teacher Contract Ratified; Horowitz to Join Board

At a special meeting on Sept. 26, School Board members gave final ratification to a contract with the local teachers' union and heard George Katz announce that he will appoint Cynthia Horowitz to the School Board at the Oct. 17 Board meeting.

The teachers' contract, which covers salaries for the current school year, still needs final ratification by teachers. Details of the contract will be reported in this newspaper when ratification is complete.

Horowitz was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Board that was created by the resignation of Jane Jelinek.

In other action, the Board awarded a \$4,700 transportation contract to Gratton Bus Company of Freehold, the lower of two bidders. The company will supply daily transportation for two students who attend school out of the district.

SARAH GOLDBERG RESIGNS AS POSTMASTER

Sarah Goldberg, a familiar face to nearly every Rooseveltian, retired as Roosevelt postmaster September 26.

Mrs. Goldberg has been postmaster since December 1965. She has been unable to work during the past few months due to illness.

She said last week that her health is slowly improving, but her doctors warned that returning to her job could aggravate the illness, and prolong recovery.

"I miss all the Rooseveltians, and I'm sorry that I had to leave the job," she said. "Everyone was always nice to me--I love the community." She said the post office will be very capably managed in the upcoming weeks by Gerry Millar, the officer in charge, and her assistant Diana Kline.

Katz Heads Board

By Lynn Frank

The Roosevelt Board of Education elected George Katz president on Sept. 12 and named Hortense Socholitzky vice president.

Katz was elected following the resignation of former Board President Jane Jelinek.

Board members agreed that Katz should continue to serve on the buildings and grounds committee. The new Board president appointed Pat Kaye to fill his position on the negotiations committee.

The Board received letters of interest from Dave Cooper and Cynthia Horowitz regarding the vacant seat on the Board. Katz said he will interview both residents and make the appointment.

In other Board business, Helen Barth was hired as a part-time clerk. Mrs. Barth was formerly approved to perform supplemental clerical duties at the school. on an "as needed" basis. The action taken by the Board spreads her work hours over the school year.

The Board approved Cheryl Ferro as a substitute teacher. Linda Block and Yona Weissman were approved as lunchroom substitutes.

Approved on second reading were three policies dealing with: district educational goals, non-discrimination and district legal status.

FIRST AID SQUAD WORKS TO EARN MONEY FOR NEW MEDICAL AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT

The Roosevelt First Aid Squad sold more than 200 hoagies at its fund-raising sale September 24, according to June Counterman, squad captain.

Roosevelt Committee Seeks "Landmark" Status

By Leslie Weiner

Rooseveltians will enjoy the prestige and practical advantages of living in a town recognized as an "historic landmark" if a recently submitted application wins state and federal approval.

The application to establish Roosevelt as an historic district listed in the National Register of Historic Places was prepared by a volunteer citizens' committee including Leslie Weiner, Marilyn Vigiano, Aaron Datz and Edwin Rosskam.

The group has researched and compiled the necessary data and submitted a request for certification to the State Historical Preservation Officer. If approved, the request for historic status will be forwarded to the National Park Service for final decision.

What would be the benefits of living in a "landmark town"? Aside from the ego boost of owning property in a community officially acknowledged as special, there is a pragmatic plus. There may be tax advantages stemming from federal funds allotted for restoration work in historic areas.

Committee chairman Leslie Weiner said: "Roosevelt's designation as an historic place would not only honor the past, but preserve the character of one of the most unusual working-class towns in the U.S. It would safeguard against trendy growth that has spoiled the quality of life in so many sections of the country."

Roosevelt's design is already famous in the field of city planning.

A remarkable social history blends here in Roosevelt with a unique physical setting. The town's designation as an historic landmark would celebrate both.

Council Sells Borough Hall, Retains Parkland Title

By Bob Clark

At a special meeting on Aug. 30, the Borough Council authorized the sale of the old Borough Hall on Homestead Lane to John R. Soloway for \$28,000. Council members Lou Esakoff, Ted Marton and Art Shapiro voted in favor of the sale. Council member Arnold Sokolow voted against it.

In other action the Council voted 3 to 2 to deny the Borough Board of Park Commissioner's request that Boroughowned parkland along Clarksburg Road, at the Memorial and at the two triangles on Pine and Homestead be turned over to the Park Commission along with a \$1,000 annual budget for repairs, replacement of picnic furniture and grounds

Lou Esakoff and Art Shapiro voted in favor of the Park Commissioners' proposal as outlined by Commissioners Peter Berlinrut and Michael Ticktin. Esakoff commented, however, that he would be against releasing any funds until the laws against vandalism are more strictly enforced.

Mayor Barth voted with Ted Marton and Arnold Sokolow to break the tie. All three cited the need for Council control over specific expenditures in a small community. They assured the Park Commissioners that they enjoyed Council support and that worthwhile projects recommended by the Commissioners would be funded on an individual basis.

Art Fair:

November 18 and 19
Proceeds Benefit School
Sponsored by PTA

Morris Bressler is The Thinking Immigrant's

By David Herrstrom

"Another little story... another little story," the phrase becomes a refrain as we talk, and the words pour from Morris Bressler as if under great pressure.

"Recently, in Lengrad," he begins again, a cloud of white hair chorusing his face, "I visited a synagogue . . . "
He stabs the air with his finger and goes on: The only worshippers, he says, describing the scene, are elderly people dressed in the same somber clothes, their eyes fixed on the floor. Looking at them, he is suddenly overcome by their loss of hope and begins to weep. But as he cries softly, several of the members come over to him and firmly announce: "You're not allowed to weep."

This self-defined "thinking immi - grant," who "couldn't take orders," is not usually given to tears; but as his story implies, he is at the core both Russian and Jewish. Though he refuses to join any civic or religious clubs, referring to himself with a touch of irony as the "least disciplined man in the world," he's proud to be Jewish.

A young man of twenty-four, Bressler, while studying to be a mathematician, left Russia for the great American Melting Pot. But throughout his life in jobs as various as parquet-floor layer, teacher and life insurance salesman, he has refused to be "melted." His determination to be a "thinking immigrant" meant that he would remember his Jewishness. Though it's "foolish to limit Jewish culture to a state," he says, it's clear, especially after the Holocaust, that Zionism is a necessity. A "thinking immigrant" insists on getting "back to the source." The texts of Judaism along

with Russian literature are the springs of Mr. Bressler's life.

I had seen him often, rhythmically jabbing the street with his walking stick, from a distance looking much larger than he is. But my first encounter was in the post office, where my hint of an interest in literature brought forth a wonderful cascade of stories about the Russian poet Lermontov, as if the rock had been struck with the rod.

As a student of Russian culture who has taught at the Lawrenceville School, Mr. Bressler is animated by his subject. He turned to Russian literature because in his early days he "found solace in books," and, more important, he says, it's only through study that "you find your source."

Mr. Bressler learned early, growing up in a czarist regime at the beginning of this century, that literature was "the only way to express your spiritual life." For this reason, as a modern Soviet poet has observed, "all the tyrants of Russia have always feared poets as their most dangerous enemies." For Mr. Bressler, to be Russian is to love literature; to be human is to need literature. He'll never forget that day, as a Russian schoolboy, when the news of T olstoy's death came, and his teacher announced that the "heart of Russia stopped beating!"

As Mr. Bressler declaims a poem by Joseph Brodsky, first in English and then in Russian, with its beautiful singing vowels - "Fish chew oxygen . . . Fish don't shed tears" - I am made aware of his life's pulse. Here is an American-Russian-Jew telling stories and reading to me, who wears a sweatshirt and yet looks aristocratic, who is smaller than I and yet looms over me,

(Continued on Page 16)

P.T.A. Needs Help to Support School, Community

By Jo Ellen Grossman

Roosevelt's P. T. A. is alive and well, and hoping to attract new members this fall.

At present our membership represents less than 10 percent of Roosevelt's population even though most of our services are aimed at the entire community and not just the school population.

Members of the P.T.A. need not be parents of R.P.S. students - everyone is invited to join.

Perhaps many of you are unaware of what the P.T.A. is responsible for. Our largest events are for the whole community: the 4th of July picnic (for which the P.T.A. provides 60 percent of the necessary funds), and the annual Arts and Crafts Fair.

Focusing on the children, there have been the annual Halloween Party and Easter Egg Hunt. The P. T. A. has in the past organized after-school movies on early closing days and is now working to reinstate this activity. The Summer Vacation Program, which will enter its third season in 1979, is a huge success due to the many volunteer hours spent by a few P. T. A. members. This year the project was partially funded (15 percent) by the Borough Council.

And last, but surely not least, the P. T.A. is the sponsor of the "Bulletin," which you are presently reading and, we hope, enjoying.

Money raised by the P.T.A. has been spent on equipment and furnishings for the school such as a videotape machine, movie projector, carpeting for the hall-way and other items. By supporting the organization you support the school. Some of you may expect that our taxes are high enough to cover these expenditures. Unfortunately, after the neces-

sities, there is little left for the extras.

The P. T. A. helps to provide many of these.

If 100 percent of our town's adult population paid the low membership cost of one dollar per person, our treasury would grow by approximately \$800 and we would not have to work so hard at fund-raising projects.

Joining our organization does not always necessitate your being called on to work at various functions, although additional help is greatly needed. Joining means you support the P. T. A., the things we do and our purpose for doing them: the school and the whole community.

The next general meeting is Oct. 20 at 8 p.m. in the school. Please join us.

Senior Citizens Make Holiday Plans

By Helga Wisowaty

Our September meetings were concerned with plans for future projects and holidays.

On September 13, Cherie Curry and Tom Burris came to Roosevelt to investigate our needs and to inform us of the many programs available to senior citizens. Ms. Curry is the acting supervisor and Mr. Burris is the social worker for western Monmouth County.

June Ord, director of welfare, also attended this meeting. Ms. Ord has a degree in social services, and can be contacted by Roosevelt residents in case of financial need or for advice pertaining to welfare.

After the meeting a delicious lunch was enjoyed by everyone.

NORMA KUSHNER'S MELTING POT: CHEESE SOUP

By Elly Shapiro

It was a unique and thoroughly enjoyable experience. I was ushered into Norma Kushner's scrupulously clean kitchen and seated at a beautifully laid table. This must be how Craig Claiborne feels when he does a restaurant review, I thought.

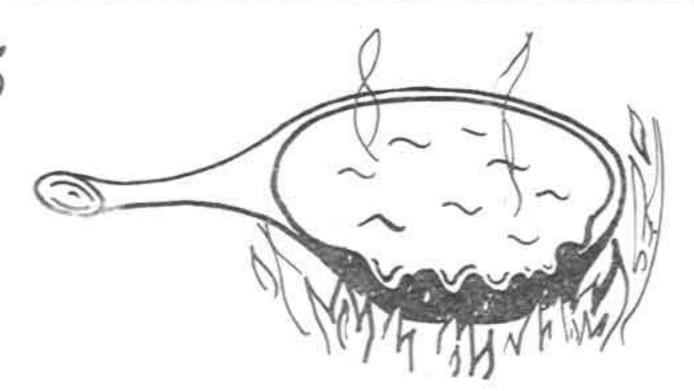
In this setting, Norma served me a cheese soup, first cold with fresh dill crumbled on top, and then the same soup, heated. What a difficult decision to make--which way did it taste better? No matter! I'll leave the temperature up to you. In fact, this soup is so loosely structured that your own creative flair can come out:

Into a large saucepan, slice or dice any raw, cleaned vegetable you desire. The choice is limitless, for you can combine as few or as many as you would like. White and yellow turnips are great, as is celery, carrots or any other vegetable that does not fall apart during a moderate cooking time.

Cover these vegetables with cold water, add a handful of uncooked rice for body and allow to reach a boil.

Lower the heat to a simmer and allow the vegetables to soften, adding water if necessary and seasoning to your taste.

When the stock is ready, add half a package of diced Primula brand Nor-wegian processed cheese. (Look for it at Foodtown. If unavailable, perhaps you can experiment with another easy melting cheese.) This cheese will lend



its delicate flavor to the vegetables and stock, producing a soup for all seasons. Thank you Norma!

Artisans Signing Up FOR NOVEMBER Art FAIR

Over 35 participants have already signed up for the PTA's two-day art and craft fair and sale planned for November 18 and 19 in the RPS gymnasium.

There is room and time to accept more applications. Interested persons should contact Jo Ellen Grossman, 443-3779, or Ruth Emmans, 448-9580.

Hours for the fair will be 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Nov. 18, and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 19. Donations will be requested from guests at the door.

Exhibitors are asked to pay a registration fee or to donate a piece of their work worth at least \$30 to be given away as door prizes.

More than 100 exhibitors participated in last year's fair.

LAURENCE ALTMAN RECEIVES \$3,000 GRANT FROM NEW JERSEY COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

Laurence Altman, Pine Drive, recently received the Mason Gross Fellowship Award of \$3,000 to support his creation - of a major musical work.

Under the grant, Altman will compose an opera based on <u>Vanuck</u>, a children's book.

PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

School has begun smoothly and we seem to be heading for a productive and purposeful year.

I'd like to take this opportunity to bring you up-to-date on our school's efforts to fulfill the requirements of the new education laws on "T & E" or "Thorough and Efficient."

The New Jersey State Constitution guarantees each child the right to a thorough and efficient education. In 1975 the state passed legislation which defined "Thorough and Efficient." Every local school district is to go through a process that is intended to assure each student a thorough and efficient education. The process is outlined by the There are five main steps: state. 1) Goal setting - each district is to set district goals for its schools. (We have done this. Copies are available at the school.) 2) Establishing standards and objectives - each district must set standards and objectives which will enable the school to know how it is meeting its goals. 3) Needs assessment - the district must establish procedures by which it can assess what needs to be done so that children can meet the goals set for them. 4) Program development and implementation - each district must then put into practice programs which will help students move toward goal attain ment. 5) Program evaluation - the entire process must be evaluated and adjusted according to the evaluation.

As a way to see that the mandates of the legislation are being met, the County Offices of Education have been given the major responsibility of monitoring all local districts to see that they are in

compliance. This will result in schools receiving a designation of "approval," "disapproval" or "approved with conditions." Our school was monitored and will be rated next year. The following recommendations were noted:

- 1. The district is commended for the close and continuous communication maintained with the community.
- 2. The district is commended for the identification and use of community services, talents and interests in planning for continuous educational improvement.
- 3. The district is commended for an educational program which provides for the development of individual talents and interests and diverse learning styles to motivate pupil achievement.
- 4. The district is commended for ongoing communication between teaching staff members and the parents of pupils participating in state compensatory preventive remedial programs.

We use Tuesday early closing times to work on the completion of the tasks which lead to the fulfillment of the law. The work is arduous, but important.

We feel that we are providing a comprehensive and continually improving program for the children at R. P. S.

Lew Gantwerk

BOROUGH HIRES CROSSING GUARDS

Three Roosevelt residents have agreed to serve as crossing guards to insure safety for school children who must cross Route 571 to get to school.

Israel Weisman was recently hired by the borough as crossing guard, along with substitute crossing guards Paul Corman and Jack Yudin.

The borough has ordered a reflecting vest and hand-held stop sign. PARENTS HELP KINDERGARTEN By Jean Herman

Ever since their Back-to-School night September 13, Kindergarten parents have been active with and for the class.

Mrs. Braun and Mrs. Grossman chaperoned the class on the Primary Group's trip to Battleview Orchards. Mrs. Herman has taken charge of scheduling mothers to come into the classroom for thirty minutes each morning so that the Dale Avenue individual progress program can be developed for each child; as this is being written, Mrs. Pigott, Mrs. Kaye, and Mrs. Braun have been in. Mrs. Kaye, Mr. Goetzmann, and Mr. Johnson came to the classroom on the evening of Sept. 21, bringing tools and materials to fix up the sandbox, the block shelves, the housekeeping units, and other equipment, making the classroom facilities more usable and enjoyable. Many parents have sent in items which will be put to good use in the classroom; these include old magazines, juice containers, coffee cans, storage containers, child-sized rocking chairs, and play equipment. Thanks to the interest and help of the parents, the Kindergarten is off to a good start!

Volunteer Coach Leads Soccer Enthusiasts

By Jeff Barth

The RPS Soccer Team is in the process of a rebuilding season.

In his first year at the helm is volunteer coach Jeff Klein, a former soccer player here. Klein said, "I'm trying to get these kids into shape with some basics: drills, sprints, that kind of thing.

Because there was no soccer team at RPS last year, most of the players have no soccer experience. The field is located in the outfield of the school's baseball diamond. Their goals consist of any four shirts that happen to be

STUDENTS EXPLORE JERSEY PINE *BARRENS*

By Jane Fremon

On Thursday, September 14, the RPS Room 5 class of fourth and fifth graders went on a canoe trip on the Oswego River in the New Jersey Pine Barrens. This trip was part of a study the class is doing on the Pine Barrens.

We collected pitcher plants and sundews, two types of carnivorous plants that grow in the acid soil by the river.

We found bog iron along the riverband and passed under a bridge that leads to the town of Martha, an abandoned iron furnace town from the 1800s. The water of the Oswego River looks like tea because there are cedar trees along the river that stain the water.

In places the canoeing was very difficult because the river is very narrow and at times is only a few inches deep. We spent a lot of time pushing ourselves off sand bars and logs.

handy. It is no wonder that there will be no home games for Roosevelt this year.

One quality the "Dragons" do have in their favor is determination. Of the entire sixth, seventh and eighth grades, all but six children are on the co-ed team, for a total of 28 players.

Jeff will be looking to Ricky Jaeger, Jackie Rector, Sander White and goalie Michael Miller to lead the squad during the 1978 campaign.

"I never thought coaching a bunch of kids would be this hard," Jeff said recently.

"We lack experience," he said. "But we're here for fun."

Neighborhood Notes



By Peter Berlinrut

It has happened more than once that in conversation with people in town the subject of taxes comes up and my interlocutor asked with indignation, "What do we get for our money anyway?"

That question has always had an unsympathetic ring in my ears. It carries
an odd and harsh implication. While I
am every bit as opposed to high taxes
as the next person and groan and moan
over the pain of paying them, I am
forced to take a modest exception.

Roosevelt is not a business. To the best of my knowledge, no one makes any money out of running it. Our council members contribute their services gratis (and the work is often time-consuming and wearying). The mayor puts in long hours and much concern over water, roads, dogs, garbage collection, finances, young upstarts who practice vandalism, etc.

Not a complaining type, Mayor Barth nevertheless has confided to me that the graft he collects is minimal. In fact, backed into a corner, he breaks down and admits there is no graft at all. The only compensation for his arduous efforts is the satisfaction of serving the community. That is not a satisfaction to be underestimated, but as cynics take pleasure in reminding us, it cannot be banked. Jersey Central Power and Light will not give you one kilowatt of power for it.

The people who are paid for serving the town swear on the Bible they are not getting rich. The diamonds flaunted by our borough clerk were purchased with funds not forthcoming from our treasury. The yachts so proudly sailed by our tax collector, our treasurer and our water money collector were all obtained by mysterious and perhaps dubious means but not from our public funds. I as building inspector and zoning officer (and don't you dare drive a nail in your house without first begging me for a permit which I may graciously bestow if I find you sympatico) am paid the munificent wage of \$600 per year. And you certainly cannot lodge any fiscal grievance against me because the fees we collect for building permits and certificates of occupancy exceed my compensation considerably.

So - no one is getting rich from your taxes; no one is feeding hoggishly at the public trough; no one is fattening on your plasma. If taxes are high, it's because our collective expenses are high. And if you know anyone who has any promising ideas of how to lower them, please beg or hire him or her to enlighten us.

Meanwhile the injured and indignant air that lodges in the complaint, "What am I getting for my money?" isn't too ingratiating. It implies wrongly that you're buying something and that the seller is profiting excessively or improperly. The wiser and more germane question to raise is, "What can we do to lower our expenses in some substantial way?"

MATTHEW LEEFER ENTERS GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

Matthew Leefer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Leefer, Homestead Lane, entered Georgetown University Law School this fall.

Matthew recently graduated from the-University of Maryland with a bachelor of science in zoology. He will live in Washington, D. C. will attending Georgetown.

Change Peaks in Roosevelt

By Hortense Socholitzky

Once upon a time, in the "Olden Days," a Roosevelt resident, who must have been feeling particularly mean, gave direction to his house to a first-time Roosevelt visitor: "You can't miss it," he assured his friend. "It's a white house with a flat roof."

Well, times have changed. Things are different now. Now the Friedmans don't have to identify their house as the "next to last of the one-story houses on Pine Drive," Nor do the Socholitzkys have to say, "We're 3/10 of a mile from the corner; the only house with the open porch with an orange chair on it." Or the Barths: "We're to the left of a two-story double house opposite the school." Or the Schlinskis: "Next to the last house on the right on the way to Paradise Hill." And there are others, too, who now have an easier way to direct visitors to their homes.

Is it visible house numbers, or the family name prominently displayed? Oh no, surely not that. Old time Rooseveltians seem always to have believed only the insecure put either name or number on their houses. "We know who we are," they seem to say. "And that's what counts."

No. It's peaked roofs--red, grey, brown, black, white--that have made the changes. And that have, to some eyes, perked up the look of Roosevelt with a welcome variety. To some it is almost heresy to alter the shape of a Roosevelt house, and we understand that it is only in the last few years that building permits for peaked roofs were granted, because of official reluctance to change the original look.

Now some of us can say, "Ours is the house with the red (or grey, brown, black, etc.) peaked roof." Or, "We're next door to the house with the red, grey, brown, black," etc. And no matter how one views them--as esthetic improvement, increased insulation or heretical construction--peaked roofs seem to be in Roosevelt to stay. And the, dc make the houses cooler in summer and warmer in winter, and less damp in any season. Except--horrible thought!-- if the town should be granted the designation, now being sought, as a National Historical Town, will we have to flatten our roofs?

Stolen Car Story Breaks 13-Year Habit

By Pat Kaye

At 2 a.m. on August 23, Laurie and Josette Altman of Pine Drive joked about the car they heard starting up outside.

"Maybe it's ours," Laurie said with the sarcastic assurance of a man who had left keys in his cars for the past 13 years in Roosevelt.

At 6 a.m. the same morning, Laurie, on his way to play tennis, found his green Volvo stationwagon missing.

He called his insurance company right after the police left, and by Friday the firm had agreed to settle his claim.

"I had to start teaching the next week,"
Laurie recalled recently. The music
teacher did not want his insurance checkor his teaching schedule--to be held up
by a postal strike that was threatening
to erupt.

So on Monday, he took the car's title to Bricktown and secured his insurance payment in person.

The mail arrived the next day, and so did Billy Klein, another Pine Drive resident, who reported to the Altmans that he had spotted their car near some apartments close to Hightstown High School.

Klein's report proved accurate. The Altmans' car had eluded Hightstown and State Police.

The fishing rods, newly acquired air conditoner and borrowed life jackets that - had been in the car when it was stolen were still there.

It was out of gas.

The insurance company got the car.
The Altmans got the fishing gear, the air conditioner and a new cup hook.
The thieves got away.

Philadelphia's Italian Market: Go, Taste, Enjoy

By Irv Rose

Fresh salads, homemade cheeses, eggs, freshly killed chickens, meat and vegetables are all available at the Italian Market on South 9th Street in Philadelphia.

It's worth the trip, not only for the excellent bargains, but also for a terrific ethnic experience. The pushcarts are a cornucopia of good foods and dry goods. The smells of the food and the sounds of the merchants touting their wares and prices makes one imagine that he or she has been transported to Europe or to America at the turn of the century. The Italian market captures the feeling of what shopping must have been like for our courageous ancestors who fled Europe to America, the land of plenty. And plenty is what you'll see, smell, hear and taste at the market.

Take Claudio's where hundreds of cheeses and salamis are hung from the ceiling; it's like being in a cheese fairy-land. In addition, there are barrels of salads--mild for most of us, and hot and spicy for those who thrive on the exotic. Mushroom salads, olives, cauliflower, peppers Go see, smell and taste for yourself.

Of the many meat markets you might want to try Esposito's, where veal, lamb and beef are sold by the ton and at Easter you can see live lambs in a pen on the street waiting to be slaughtered.

Homemade pasta, ravioli and sauces are also available at, as an observer described it, "America's biggest fresh air fiesta." To experience this fiesta yourself, it's best to go on Saturday. That's when it's most crowded. Enjoy the milling throngs; listen to the babel of languages; listen to the give-and-take between vendor and customer. When you go, don't forget to bring a huge shopping bag since you will probably buy more than you thought you would, and you can save the 25 cents to buy one!

You get to this charming, bustling market by taking the New Jersey Turn-pike south to the Pennsylvania Turnpike. Then take Route 95 south to Philadel-phia. Get off at Vine Street. Go west on Vine Street to 10th Street. Turn left (south) on 10th Street and drive to Washington Avenue (about 15 to 18 blocks on 10th Street). Park and walk to 9th Street, where you'll feel like Hansel and Gretel at the candy house.

The market is open Monday through Saturday.

Buon Appetito!



Photo by M. Rose

DAVID ARNOLD PERFORMS IN ACTIVE ACTUMN SCHEDULE THROUGHOUT COUNTRY

Last May we reported that Roosevelt resident David Arnold was making his operatic debut at the Philadelphia Academy in Mozart's Marriage of Figaro. A Philadelphia critic called Arnold's "an exceptionally fine voice, rich and resonant, well managed and placed . . . "

This summer, Arnold performed at the Chautauqua Festival in New York state.

During the fall, Arnold will perform with the Chamber Opera Orchestra in Boston. In October he will be featured soloist at three Bach concerts with the Marlboro Music Festival in Vermont, and in November with the John Oliver Chorale in Boston's Jordan Hall. A Messiah performance with the Detroit Symphony will end his engagements for 1978.

LOVE AND ANARCHY TO BE SHOWN OCTOBER 13

Love and Anarchy a movie, will be shown October 13 at 8 in the Borough Hall. The film has been ordered and will be shown by Mrs. Dotty Beinin, librarian.

Admission is free, and all borough residents are invited to attend.

BULLETIN STAFF EXTENDS SYMPATHY TO FAMILY OF IZZY OBLAS

The Bulletin staff extends it sympathy to the family of Izzy Oblas, who died recently. Mr. Oblas, a long time Rooseveltian, died in Florida, where he had been living for a few months.

BULLETIN STAFF EXTENDS CONDOLENCES TO RABBI JACOBS

The Bulletin staff extends its condolences to Rabbi Jay Jacobs at the death of his monther, Mrs. Evelyn Jacobs, Philadelphia. POST OFFICE AUTO ACCIDENT FRIGHTENS RESIDENTS, STAFF, BUT INJURES NO ONE

By Merle Rose

On a quiet, misty Thursday morning, August 31, while Gerry Millar was busy taking care of a customer, she heard a loud crash. She quickly discovered that glass was flying into the outer lobby of the Post Office. Apparently, a car, driven by an unidentified out-of-towner, had hit the frame of the window, smashed the foundation in, and knocked the door so that it was inoperable.

Mrs. Millar responded immediately by calling the state police and the Post Office inspectors. "Security and safety were my first thoughts. One, two, three, the inspectors and state police were here," said Mrs. Millar. The officials took the report and soon had maintenance men there to board up the door, and clear away the splintered glass. The window was replaced the following day when a glazier was available.

Fortunately, no one was standing in the outer lobby or outside when the car hit the window. Glass fragments cluttered the lobby outside and inside and large jagged pieces of glass remained in the frame. No injuries were reported, and no cause was immediately apparent.

As soon as things were under control, business continued, as usual, but out of the back door of the post office for a short time.

STEPHEN HALPERN, BARBARA LEWIS MARRY

Stephen Halpern, son of Mrs. Ann Blutstein, Lake Drive, and Barbara Lewis were married August 27 at Forsgate Country Club in Jamesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Halpern now live in Hightstown.

MASTER PLAN GOES PUBLIC

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The draft envisions no expansion of the commercial areas and a reduction in the size of the area presently zoned for industry. It recommends that the Borough apply for placement on the State and National Registers of Historic Places in order to enhance the town's image and allow residents to achieve tax deductions for restoration work.

After adoption of the Master Plan, the Planning Board, under the leadership of Chairman Ralph Seligman, will work on a new zoning ordinance, updated subdivision and site plan review regulations, a capital improvements program and an official map of the Borough.

Morris Bressler

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who is 78 and yet is young. After 40 years in Roosevelt, he can call it his "nest," because he knows where he comes from.

I look at him and his wife sitting on their couch, sunlight streaming through the windows, and remember the Russian fairytale ending: "They celebrated their wedding and are still alive to this very day and chewing bread."

Mayor Leon Barth recently asked that the Bulletin warn residents that during the upcoming winter, borough ordinances regarding on-street parking during show storms will be strictly enforced. Cars parked on the sides of streets will be towed if they are not moved by their owners, so that snow removal can be more easily accomplished.

PRESIDENT AND MANAGER OF LITTLE LEAGUE RESIGN AFTER EIGHT-YEAR INVOLVEMENT

By Merle Rose

Gerry Millar, president of Little League, and her husband, John, manager, have resigned their positions after leading the Little League teams for eight years. Sheila Jaeger has also resigned as secretary. All three say they feel they have served long enough, and encourage other parents and community residents to volunteer for the now vacant positions.

Anyone interested in any of the positions should attend the October meeting of the Little League. The date, time, and place will be posted soon on the community bulletin board at the post office.

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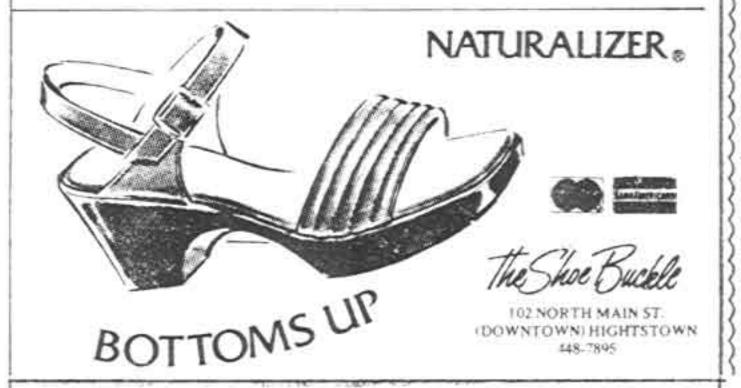


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ROOSEVELT COMMUNITY-SCHOOL CALENDAR

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4 Wednesday - 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Bookmobile, store parking lot

Thursday - 8 p.m. Informal Hearing on Master Plan, Borough Hall

Monday - 8 p.m. Borough Council Agenda Meeting, Borough Hall

Monday - 8 p.m. School Board Agenda Meeting, School

10 Tuesday - 4 to 9 p.m. Last Day for Voters' Registration, Borough Hall

11 Wednesday - YOM KIPPWR, NO MEETINGS

12 Thursday - 8 p.m. Regular Council Meeting, Borough Hall

13 Friday - 8 p.m. Free Film: Love and Anarchy, Borough Hall

16 Monday - 8 p.m. Title I Parents Advisory Meeting, School

7 Tuesday - 9:30 A.M. M.C.O.S.S., for Senior Citizens, Borough Hall

7 Tuesday ... R.P.S. Early Closing, Curriculum Development

17 Tuesday - 8 p.m. Regular School Board Meeting, school

17 Tuesday - 8 p.m. First Aid/Fire Drill

19 Thursday - 8 p.m. P.T.A. Meeting: Lew Gantwerk describes R.P.S.

curriculum

23 Monday - 8 p.m. Regular Planning Board Meeting, Borough Hall

24 Tuesday - 8 p.m. First Aid Meeting

November 1978

Wednesday - 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Bookmobile, Store Parking Lot

Wednesday - 7:30 p m. Senior Citizens Meeting, Borough Hall

Friday . . . COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DAY, special trash pick-up

Sunday First Aid Breakfast, Borough Hall

Monday - 7:30 p.m. Deborah Meeting, Borough Hall

Monday - 8 p.m. Council Agenda Meeting, Borough Hall

Tuesday - 7 A.M. to 8 P.M. ELECTIONS, Borough Hall, VOTE TODAY!

Wednesday - 8 p.m. Regular Council Meeting, Borough Hall