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## BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

By Michael Ticktin

### Yeshiva Litigation Ends With New Jersey Supreme Court Denying Certification; Deli May Re-open Soon

At the September 26 meeting of the Borough Council, municipal attorney Richard Shaklee announced that he had been advised by Planning Board attorney Michele Donato that the New Jersey Supreme Court had denied the petition by Yeshiva Me'on Hatorah and Congregation Anshei Roosevelt for certification of their appeal of the decision by Judge Lawrence Lawson of the Law Division, which was upheld by the Appellate Division, that the Yeshiva could not operate its school in the synagogue building without municipal zoning approval. The denial brings an end to the lawsuit, since it was previously dismissed by the Federal trial and appellate courts. Judge Lawson's decision upholding the determination by the Planning Board in the companion case that the house at 28 Homestead Lane was being used as a dormitory, in violation of the zoning ordinance, was not appealed.

In response to a question concerning the status of the Roosevelt Deli property asked by Dolores Chasen at the October 11 meeting, Mayor Beth Battel stated that there had been one bidder for the liquor license that was offered for sale by the Borough, that his bid had been for \$50,100,

which was \$100 over the minimum bid, that his background was being checked by the State Police, as required by State law, and that, if his purchase of the liquor license is approved, it is expected that he will re-open the Deli property, though what he plans to sell there, aside from alcoholic beverages, is not yet known.

Councilman Ralph Warnick presented a list of vehicles, machinery and other items that he had found at the Borough Hall, the utility plants and the former gas station property that appear not to be needed by the Borough and could be offered for sale at a public auction. In order for any such sale to take place, the Council must first determine which items it wishes to sell and adopt a resolution authorizing such a sale.

Councilwoman Peggy Malkin presented a report prepared by Councilman Jeff Ellentuck, who was not able to attend the October 11 meeting, reporting on the results of a meeting between representatives of the Council's Finance, Public Works and Environment, Health and Safety committees, the Office of Emergency Management, the Fire Department and the First Aid Squad to discuss issues

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the 35th edition of the *Roosevelt Borough Bulletin*.

As usual, there were nine issues starting with October 2011 through July, 2012, leaving out January 2012.

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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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 ½ 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 SCAT bus Tuesday no later than 3:00 p.m. 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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### PLEASE REMEMBER:

**Thoughtful neighbors pick up after their dogs.  
Are you a thoughtful neighbor?**

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# From the Mayor

By Elsbeth Battel

Dear Neighbors,

This Tuesday, November 8th is Election Day and I encourage everyone to come out and vote. It is also a good time to bring your children to the polls to help make them familiar with one of the greatest rights of American citizens.

For the past six years it has been my privilege to serve as mayor of Roosevelt and once again I am running for election to that office. Although Councilman Hoffman, who has served several terms, has chosen not to run this year, former Mayor and Councilman Mike Hamilton will be running in his stead, and Councilman Ellentuck will be up for re-election. Our focus will be on finally

settling the DEP issues which have delayed our ability to clean up and sell the former gas station, finding a grant or other means to re-finance the 1990's Water/Sewer loan and thus enable us to lower the W/S rates, establish an emergency calling system to notify citizens in case of a crisis and to codify our ordinances to create a consistent, coherent, up to date book of ordinances. I hope you will come out and support us on Election Day.

Thank you,

Beth ■

## BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS (CONT'D.)

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involving the Borough's response to the Hurricane Irene emergency. The participants determined that there was a need for a discrete radio frequency and sufficient radios to allow for communication between first responders and Borough representatives, that we should acquire a portable generator, sump pump and chain saw for use by the Fire Department, as well as a pole saw for use by Public Works, that there be cable or FIOS TV access for the Borough Hall, that there should be a centralized list

of names and telephone numbers of emergency personnel maintained at the Borough Hall, that a large Borough map listing all street addresses should be prepared, that there should be a limited use municipal credit card, consistent with State regulations, that could be used to purchase gasoline for emergency vehicles, that a "reverse 911 system" for notifying residents in emergencies be set up, and that all equipment be inventoried and a tracking system of all such equipment be maintained. ■

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# From the Office of CSA/Principal

## Dear Roosevelt Families,

Roosevelt Public School has had a great beginning this year! Our students have come to school ready to learn and are displaying proper respect towards themselves and others. The staff is working hard to create new learning activities for our students. I have had the opportunity to observe classroom activity and have seen a great deal of student work. As a result of these experiences I have been able to see the high quality of education going on at RPS. We will continue to work hard to insure that this quality continues throughout all that we do!

We recently have had interactive whiteboards installed in three of our classrooms. These whiteboards

will give our teachers the ability to visually display and incorporate technology into everyday lessons.

In addition to providing a strong focus on the academics, we also work very hard at making our school a safe, caring environment, for both our students and staff.

Not only does November bring us beautiful leaves and a brisk chill to the air but also important school events:

November 1st & 2nd:  
Parent/Teacher Conferences (Early dismissal for students)

November 10th & 11th: School Closed for NJEA Convention

November 23rd: Thanksgiving Assembly - Early Dismissal

November 24th & 25th: School Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

Happy autumn to everyone and please remember that the lines of communication are always open for the optimal growth of our students and community as a whole.

Respectfully,

Dr. Joseph S. Campisi  
CSA,  
Roosevelt Public School



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**Wear Your Bike Helmet.**



## 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*

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As we rake up our fall leaves and dig out our sweaters for the winter time, the Roosevelt Board of Education would like to take a moment to share our goals for the 2011-12 school year with the community. The Board consists of the following individuals:

Natalie Warner, President and member since 2006

Assenka Oksiloff, Vice President and member since 2004

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Ed Goetzmann, member since 2010

Jaymie Kosa, Member since 2005

Anna Johnson, member since 2006

Allen Newrath, member since 1987

Eric Vuolle, member since 2006

Kelly Yang, member since 2007

The school board, an elected body of fellow citizens, is the advocate for our community when decisions are made about our children's education. The board has a number of important responsibilities:

1) We are the district's financial watchdogs, insuring that the taxpayer's dollars are used as effectively as possible in educating our children;

2) We create and enforce policies that support the RPS mission;

3) We make key hiring decisions in the administration.

After a nine-month-long search, we hired Dr. Joseph Campisi in July to lead the staff and students in honoring our mission to educate and inspire all of our students to excel academically, to become independent and creative thinkers, skillful communicators and lifelong learners. We also created the following goals for the 2011-12 school year with Dr. Campisi at our annual retreat:

- To re-establish a working relationship with the new School Business Administrator (based on the traditional Board/Business Administrator roles)

- To continue to investigate the send/receive relationships and determine what school system/structure best meets the needs of our students, without over-burdening the taxpayers.

- To improve collaborative communication among all community members

Throughout the year, at our meetings the various committees will report on the progress made toward accomplishing these goals. Our

meetings, which are announced in the *Asbury Park Press*, on the bulletin board, in the post office, and on our website ([www.rps1.org](http://www.rps1.org)), are typically held on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. We usually gather together in the lobby, under the mural. We welcome feedback, encourage people to attend and look forward to creating a better school for our community.

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### Invitation for all community members who would like to serve on an ad-hoc committee

The committee's purpose is to investigate whether our RPS students should start 6th grade at the Krepes Middle School or remain at RPS. On November 7, 2011 in the gymnasium at 7:15 p.m., join us for an informal meeting to discuss the process, timeline of events, and establish the committee members. ■

Each month the Roosevelt Board of Education is going to submit an article to keep the public apprised of Board goals, decisions, and activities

## REVIEW: “Roosevelt’s Women Artists” Art Exhibit

By Jim Hayden

Roosevelt Arts Project’s first offering of its 2011-2012 season was a great showing of the Women Artists of Roosevelt. Curated by Frances Duckett, herself included in the exhibit and represented by over 20 paintings, the show spanned generations young and old, old timers as well as first timers with mediums familiar and unusual. The talent of all was casually displayed with sometimes similar themes repeated by the various artists.

First Frances Duckett’s plein aire acrylics are always favorites. She included many of the local recognizable areas – some fleetingly. An acrylic painting of an old barn which upon completing the painting would soon be torn down. She also included many of the paintings of her time spent in New York City.

The show immediately got your attention upon entering the factory hallway space. A large hand-made quilt of fabric “coins” of various prints lent it a Chuck Close quality. This great example of folk art was by the late Agnes Miller or “Grandma Porter” as she was known to many.

The local woods and swamp struck similar and familiar themes. Photos by Gabrielle Balon as well as paintings by Duckett and Judy Nahmias featured the local woods. And Judy Nahmias’ inclusion of works leading in a new direction by use of rice paper and inks—were both expressive and unexpected.

Robin Axel also included some impressive newer pieces as well as a large canvas representing her bubbles series.

The deft and impressive portraits by Amy Medford captured her subjects beautifully and lent them a lasting haunting effect.

The sole entry by Deirdre Sheehan, “After the Fall” was a sobering image of structure boarded shuttered and abandoned, a wry commentary on the state of the housing market.

A juxtaposed Sheila Linz’ near photo realist painting “water, lilies, sky” was simply beautiful in its execution and caused you to get lost in the image.

And ceramics with their classic firing treatment were Naomi Brahinsky’s contribution to the exhibit and lent depth, texture and dimension.

Some of the strongest inclusions in the show were by its first timers and younger artists.

Angel Cloughly’s award winning “Dragon Boats” was touching and yet whimsical. As well as her “Spicy Heart” a mixed media piece in which she added real spices to the image. Her daughter Abigail Schwendeman’s “Fetus” was both serene and a bit unsettling. It seemed to compliment a grouping of Barbara Atwoods disparate mixed media pieces which were amazing and evoked responses by viewers.

Young Naomi Goldman’s collages seemed to underscore the power of imagery and abstraction.

Photos by Gabrielle Balon were wonderfully composed, her diptychs especially effective.

Pieces shown posthumously by Augusta Chasan, Josette Altman and Liz Dauber lent the exhibit a sense of history.

Landscapes in both acrylic and pastels by Ellen McGuff Silverman were included in the exhibit but a falling “Icarus” in the woods was a highlight of the show. The sculpture created with an unexpected use of material—lowly packing tape—yet reminiscent of George Seagal.

In all, the exhibit was a great starting point to move forward RAP’s arts season; a strong beginning which will ultimately lead to the next year which will be a celebration of the 25th Anniversary of Roosevelt Art’s Project’s endeavors. I say, “Brava!” ■

## Farm Festivities

By Carol Watchler

Over the course of a sunny Sunday afternoon, more than thirty families gathered on October 16 to celebrate the first season of Mendies Family Farm’s Community Supported Agriculture (CSA). The potluck picnic included end-of-season specialties such as pickled okra, great salad greens and a delicious array of member’s favorite dishes.

Besides sumptuous picnic fare, members were treated to a campfire and marshmallow roast, a search for the perfect pumpkin which delighted the children, and a chance to pick from the final round of flowers that have beautified the season. Sweet-tasting stevia was the popular herb of the day as members shared hints about using and preserving herbs. The herb garden has been a favorite spot throughout the season along with additional pick-your-own possibilities.

In mid-afternoon the group gathered for a session of spirited songs with “working the land” themes offered by David Brahinsky with his mellow bass voice and guitar accompaniment. This was followed by discussion about bringing kitchen/garden compost materials to the farm to enrich soil in the coming season.

Many members of the CSA have signed up for a winter share and look forward to a season of root vegetables and cool weather crops. A future article will detail the farming strategies that will enable Lawrence and Heidi Mendies to extend local organic produce far beyond the usual New Jersey growing season. ■

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*late afternoons*

at 4:30 on most days the wild turkeys and buzzards show up and long shadows float in from the woods and i just hold on. it used to be when my phone would ring at this time and we'd talk about the lynches and the underwoods and the new folks who moved in down the street: how they're doing, who married whom, and when he passed away. but no more

deflecting shield. now the broad shadows roll through and it's all i can manage to hunker down and remember the timbre and rise of your voice and the black and white ashes in your urn, and marvel as the fact of your body disappears and even your voice grows more and more garbled and faint.

i accept loss as being the earned state of middle age. and over time i've come to expect the long afternoon shadows and their bitter taste and hollow ring, and even welcome the squalls and squawks of these awkward birds that kick up memory pieces when they pass through here around 4:30 most afternoons.

Ron Kostar, 9/2011

***It is getting dark earlier...***

**If you walk after dark, please wear light-colored clothing**

**. . . or wear some reflective gear**

**. . . or at least carry a flashlight.**

**Remember to walk facing traffic,**

**. . . not with the traffic coming at your back.**

***SEE AND BE SEEN!***

The First Aid Squad has responded to 165 emergency calls from January 1 to September 30, 2011. In Roosevelt: emergency transports, cardiacs, lift assists, motor vehicle accidents, fire call, allergic reaction and syncope. In Millstone: emergency transports, leg and knee injuries, Hazardous Material Incident, seizure and respiratory emergencies. In Manalapan Twp.: seizure, broken leg and left assist. In Freehold Twp.: head injury and a motor vehicle accident.

The training for September was the use of the Kendrick extrication device (K.E.D.), traction splints, and board and collaring patients.

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!!!

Anyone who wishes to make a donation can 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.

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 and an EMT training schedule. If you would like to join or receive information about becoming an EMT please e-mail FMFD7568@verizon.net.

First Aid Squad History: March 1979, The East Windsor Rescue Squad II requested the Roosevelt First Aid Squad be their mutual aid squad when needed. Karen Blair join the Squad. April 1979, The Millstone First Aid Squad requested that Roosevelt First Aid Squad be their mutual aid squad when needed. June 1979 the Squad receives new jackets. In June 1979 the state allowed EMT's to receive special license plates.

• • • • • **Health Notes:**

• **Stroke**

A stroke, previously known medically as a cerebrovascular accident (CVA), is the rapidly developing loss of brain function(s) due to disturbance in the blood supply to the brain. This can be due to ischemia (lack of blood flow) caused by blockage (thrombosis, arterial embolism), or a hemorrhage (leakage of blood). As a result, the affected area of the brain is unable to function, which might result in an inability to move one or more limbs on side of the body, inability to understand or formulate speech, or an inability to see one side of the visual field.

A stroke is a medical emergency and can cause permanent neurological damage, complications, and death. It is the leading cause of adult disability in the United States and Europe and the second leading cause of death worldwide. Risk factors for stroke include old age, hypertension (high blood pressure), previous stroke or transient ischemic attack (TIA), diabetes, high cholesterol, cigarette smoking and atrial fibrillation. High blood pressure is the most important modifiable risk factor of stroke.

A silent stroke is a stroke that does not have any outward symptoms, and the patients are typically unaware they have suffered a stroke. Despite not causing identifiable symptoms, a silent stroke still causes damage to the brain, and places the patient at increased risk for both transient ischemic attack and major stroke in the future. Conversely, those who have suffered a major stroke are at risk of having silent strokes.] In a broad study in 1998, more than 11 million people were estimated to have experienced a stroke in the United States. Approximately 770,000 of these strokes were symptomatic and 11 million

were first-ever silent MRI infarcts or hemorrhages. Silent strokes typically cause lesions which are detected via the use of neuroimaging such as MRI. Silent strokes are estimated to occur at five times the rate of symptomatic strokes. The risk of silent stroke increases with age, but may also affect younger adults and children, especially those with acute anemia.

• **Signs and Symptoms**

Stroke symptoms typically start suddenly, over seconds to minutes, and in most cases do not progress further. The symptoms depend on the area of the brain affected. The more extensive the area of brain affected, the more functions that are likely to be lost. Some forms of stroke can cause additional symptoms. For example, in intracranial hemorrhage, the affected area may compress other structures. Most forms of stroke are not associated with headache, apart from subarachnoid hemorrhage and cerebral venous thrombosis and occasionally intracerebral hemorrhage.

Remember, always call 911

There are still houses in town that either do not have house numbers or have numbers that are too small to see from the street. Please check the numbers posted on your house to ensure that they are large and colorful enough so Emergency Services and State Police can see them from the road, especially at night.

Jack Rindt, EMT-D  
Captain  
Roosevelt First Aid Squad  
FMFD7568@verizon.net



**Remember, if you need help, just Dial 911.**

I find sweet peace in depths of autumn woods,  
 Where grow the ragged ferns and roughened moss;  
 The naked, silent trees have taught me this,  
 The loss of beauty is not always loss!

~ Elizabeth Stoddard, from "November"

**November**

The *Old Farmers Almanac* is calling for a cooler and drier than normal November in our area of the nation. The Climate Prediction Center of the National Weather Service couches their forecast thus: "there are equal chances for below, near, and above-normal mean temperature during the period as there were no strong and consistent climate signals amongst the available forecast tools in these areas." In plain English, that would read: we could have colder, warmer or average temperatures and precipitation could be more, less or average. Nothing like going out on a limb.

**September**

Roosevelt was considerably warmer than normal in September. The monthly average temperature came in at 4.2 degrees Fahrenheit above normal. No single day stood out as being extremely hot. Temperatures never got above the mid 80's. However, there were many days with highs above 80 degrees. Temperatures were warm enough during the month to nearly cut in half the number of heating degree days we normally experience in September. By the same token, temperatures were not so warm that we saw an uptick in the number of cooling degree days. Indeed, we had about 9 fewer cooling degree days than we typically have for the month.

September was also another wet month in town. It was not as wet as August. I haven't seen a month with as much rain as August 2011 in all the years I've lived here.

On the global scale, September 2011 was the 8th warmest September on

record. Climatologists also watch the extent of Arctic ice for signs of global warming. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association says "The average Arctic sea ice extent for the month was 34.5 percent below average, ranking as the second smallest September extent since satellite records began in 1979. The extent was 938,000 sq. miles (2.43 million sq. kilometers) below average and 120,000 sq. miles (310,000 square kilometers) above the record low September extent set in 2007."

**Weather Word**

**CLIMATE:** Climate is the historical record and description of average daily and in seasonal weather events that help describe a region. Statistics are generally drawn over several decades. The word is derived from the Greek klima, meaning inclination, and reflects the importance early scholars attributed to the sun's influence.

**Weather Humor**

**Q:** Why did the baker work outside at night? **A:** So he wouldn't have to frost the cakes.

**Q:** Why is the sky not happy on clear days? **A:** It has the blues.

**Q:** What's the difference between weather and climate? **A:** You can't weather a tree, but you can climate.

**Weather Lore**

Ash before oak  
 There'll be smoke;  
 Oak before ash,  
 There'll be a smash.

This piece of weather lore means that if leaves emerge on ash trees before they emerge on oak trees, there will be hot weather (smoke). If the reverse, it will be windy (smash). ■

**September 2011**

Day	High	Low	Avg	Precip	Heat'g Degree Days	Cool'g Degree Days
1	82.2	57.9	70.1	0.00	0.0	0.0
2	80.1	58.1	69.1	0.00	0.0	0.0
3	81.0	60.6	70.8	0.00	0.0	0.8
4	83.3	66.2	74.8	0.00	0.0	4.8
5	85.6	67.5	76.6	0.00	0.0	6.6
6	73.4	60.6	67.0	0.20	0.0	0.0
7	76.3	62.2	69.3	1.08	0.0	0.0
8	77.0	66.0	71.5	1.70	0.0	1.5
9	80.2	65.8	73.0	0.05	0.0	3.0
10	81.9	65.1	73.5	0.00	0.0	3.5
11	74.1	62.8	68.5	0.00	0.0	0.0
12	81.0	61.7	71.4	0.00	0.0	1.3
13	84.0	64.8	74.4	0.00	0.0	4.4
14	82.8	64.8	73.8	0.00	0.0	3.8
15	78.1	54.5	66.3	0.00	0.0	0.0
16	66.0	44.2	55.1	0.25	9.9	0.0
17	68.7	48.6	58.7	0.00	6.3	0.0
18	68.0	49.1	58.6	0.00	6.5	0.0
19	69.8	47.3	58.6	0.00	6.5	0.0
20	70.5	57.0	63.8	0.06	1.3	0.0
21	76.8	57.4	67.1	0.05	0.0	0.0
22	81.5	66.9	74.2	0.20	0.0	4.2
23	73.9	68.2	71.1	0.02	0.0	1.1
24	78.3	66.9	72.6	1.50	0.0	2.6
25	81.5	65.8	73.7	0.05	0.0	3.7
26	81.0	66.7	73.9	0.03	0.0	3.8
27	80.6	65.7	73.2	0.00	0.0	3.2
28	80.1	67.8	74.0	0.00	0.0	3.9
29	77.0	58.8	67.9	0.00	0.0	0.0
30	77.2	55.2	66.2	0.00	0.0	0.0
<b>Totals</b>				<b>5.19</b>	<b>30.4</b>	<b>52.2</b>

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To the Borough *Bulletin*

Frances Duckett would like to thank all who participated in the show “Roosevelt’s Women Artists,” which took place at the factory Sept 17 and 18. I would most especially like to thank John Wojnicki of Action Packaging, and his assistant Robin Carroll for making the venue available, RAP for booking it and covering the insurance, and Jennifer Kohlhepp for providing advance publicity. We also thank Judy Nahmias and Margaret Schlinski for helping with cleanup. and all those generous people who brought cookies. Most of all I’d like to thank Jim Hayden for his expertise in hanging the show. It looked much better, thanks to Jim!

Sincerely,

Frances G. Duckett ■

**A Special Thank You**

In last month’s *Bulletin* I turned, as usual, to my favorite monthly article: Environmental Commission News, written by Dave Schwendeman. Every month I planned to write a letter in response to Dave’s pictures, info and stories of our local lands. I have enjoyed Dave’s articles immensely. I wanted to thank him for them and I wanted to thank him for the amazing trails that run the breadth of Roosevelt’s borders. Most of us have traveled those paths at least once.

I live in the Solar Village now and daily I walk our section of the nature trail that goes past Solar Village to the graveyard. Everyday I say to myself, “Thank you, Dave, for making this trail available.”

Now I read that Dave Schwendeman is resigning his appointment to the Commission after 20 years of devoted service. I am so sad to hear this and figure if I was ever going to write, now is the time!

Thank you, Dave, from ALL of us— Please don’t go! But, if you must, know you have left a lasting legacy.

Sincerely,

Margaret Schlinski ■

Community Unity is a group of residents from Hightstown, East Windsor, and Roosevelt which plans events to promote thriving, integrated communities.

Meetings held second Wednesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, upstairs, on Rev. William Powell Dr. in Hightstown. Take Reed St. off Mechanic St.

For more information, call Steve at 609-448-3017 or Lenore at 609-448-6470.

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## ROOSEVELT ARTS PROJECT 2011 - 2012 Season

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Saturday, November 12, 8:00 p.m., Borough Hall

### THE RUSSIAN PIANO

Russian music has a unique soul, hard to define but recognizably there, and generations of Russian composers have used the piano as the medium for some of their deepest thoughts and ideas. In this (mostly) solo piano program, Alan Mallach will explore the riches of the Russian piano starting with music by Tchaikovsky and ending with selections from Dimitri Shostakovich's piano masterpiece, the Twenty Four Preludes and Fugues, and including music by Nicolai Medtner and a rarely-heard 'Melodrama' from the pen of Anton Arensky.

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Saturday, January 21, 8:00 p.m., Borough Hall

### ROOSEVELT'S GOT TALENT!

Come join us for a night of storytellers, singers, musicians, and other as yet unknown talents. Call 918-0757 to be added to our roster of acts or be spontaneous & sign up the night of the show (if time allows). Open Mike Night is sure to have fun & merriment for all ages. Better than those "idol" shows, because it's live & there are no judges.

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Sunday, February 12, 10:00 a.m., Borough Hall

### MUSIC-PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Come help support the Roosevelt Arts Project and enjoy a morning of delectable 'down-home' Roosevelt pancakes accompanied by delightful ambient electronic/computer music supplied by Roosevelt resident Brad Garton and friends from Columbia & Princeton Universities. This event is intended as a fund-raiser for the upcoming 25th Anniversary Celebration. There is no better way to start a Sunday morning in February!

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Saturday, March 24, 8:00 p.m. Borough Hall

### 2012: THE YEAR OF THE FATTED CALF OR HOW I STOPPED WORRYING & LEARNED TO LOVE THE NORM

### YET ANOTHER CELEBRATION OF ORDINARY CONSCIOUSNESS & THE ORDINARY WORLD!

Featuring words by the usual suspects: Czyzewski, Herrstrom, Kostar, McNally & possibly other voices not yet heard or known since we're at the edge of something both Mayan & not.

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Friday and Saturday, May 4 & 5, 8:00 p.m., Borough Hall

## **THE ROOSEVELT STRING BAND**

**The String Band (as it is known in Roosevelt) returns for its annual concert featuring mostly contemporary singer/songwriter hits, traditional folk, blues and bluegrass. Band members include David Brahinsky on vocals and guitar, Paul Prestopino on a variety of string instruments (and at least one vocal), Ed Cedar on bass and guitar, Sam Cedar on vocals and Joe Pepitone and Sarah Houtz (Kai Altair) promise to show up as well. This year's program promises to feature (as usual!) songs with deep metaphysical insights, social and political commentary, gut wrenching humor and plain fun.**

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Sunday, June 24, 1-5:00 p.m., Assifa Space, 40 Tamara Drive

## **"TALKING HEADS"**

**A show of portraits by Roosevelt Artists and special guest artists with live music on the patio. Come enjoy the day for a pot luck picnic, art, music, and good company!**

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Voluntary Contribution:

For most events \$5 per adult, for the String Band \$10 per adult, \$5 for seniors and children.

Visit RAP's webpage at <http://music.columbia.edu/roosevelt>. Use the link at the top of the page to sign up for our e-mail list. For further information call Robin Gould at (609) 448-4616. ■

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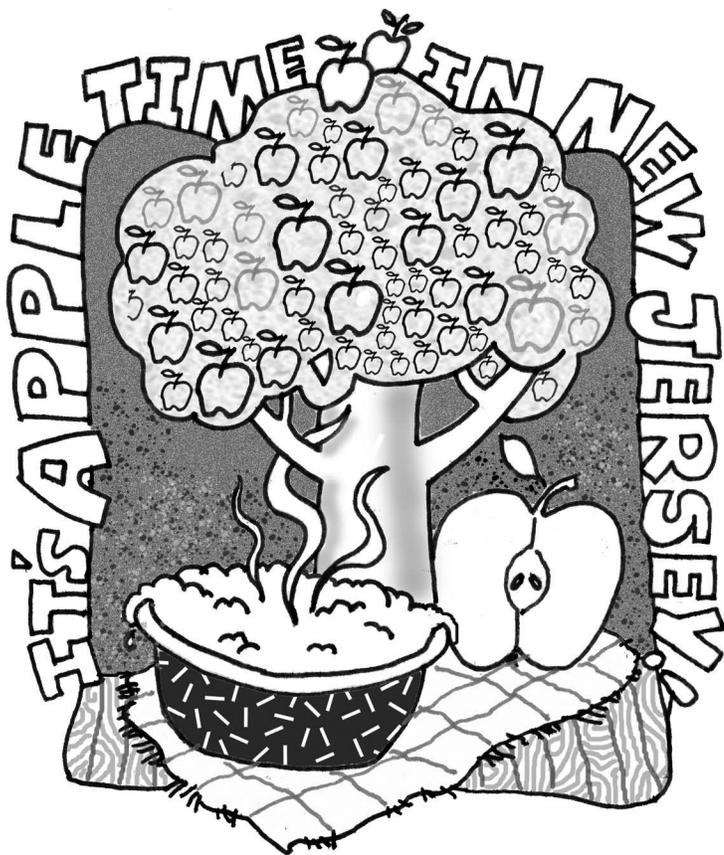
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Crunchy, sweet, aromatic, tart, crisp...red, yellow, green...nothing says Fall like apples.

This is the autumn dessert that is most often requested by my family. Everyone can help by picking, washing, peeling, and cutting the apples. Use your favorite variety or mix different apples.

While your apple crisp is in the oven sit down and share with the little ones a favorite book of mine: *Rain Makes Applesauce* by Julian Scheer and Marvin Bileck. Another fun apple read is *Johnny Appleseed* a tall tale retold and illustrated by Steven Kellogg.

Enjoy!



## Apple Crisp

- 8 apples (peeled and sliced)
- 1 1/2 C oatmeal  
(Quaker Quick Oats, uncooked)
- 1/2 C softened butter
- 1 C brown sugar
- 3/4 tsp cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp nutmeg

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- Butter an 8" x 8" x 2" pan
- Add peeled and sliced apples to pan
- Cut butter into dry ingredients
- Sprinkle over apples
- Bake 45-50 minutes
- Serve warm with vanilla ice cream, fresh whipped cream, or warm vanilla sauce

\*This recipe makes delicious peach crisp, too—just substitute peaches for apples.

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**NOVEMBER**

1 Tues.		Deadline for applications for mail-in ballot RPS Early Dismissal, Parent Conferences
2 Wed.		RPS Early Dismissal, Parent Conferences
7 Mon.	12:30 p.m. 1:00 p.m.	Blood pressure check, Borough Hall Seniors Meeting, Borough Hall Pat Moser, President, 448-4865
8 Tues.	6 a.m. - 8 p.m.	General Election Day, Borough Hall Krystyna Bieracka-Olejnik, Clerk, 448-0539. Election for Borough Council, Mayor, County Freeholders, Surrogate
9 Wed.	7:30 p.m.	RECYCLE  Planning Board, Borough Hall, Jane Rothfuss, Chair. 448-3713
10 Thurs.		School Closed, NJEA Convention
11 Fri.		School Closed, NJEA Convention
12 Sat.	8:00 p.m.	RAP, Borough Hall, The Russian Piano, Alan Mallach (see RAP, page 12)
13 Sun.	10:00 a.m.	First Aid Squad, Training, Jack Rindt, Captain, 448-9475
14 Mon.	7:00 p.m.	Council Action Meeting, Borough Hall, Beth Battel, Mayor, 448-7701
15 Tues.	7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	PTA, Stacy O'Donnell, President 423-8105 Planning Board, Borough Hall, Jane Rothfuss, Chair, 448-3713 First Aid Squad, Business meeting, Jeff Klein, President, 448-0509
16 Wed.	7:30 p.m.	Environmental Commission, Borough Hall Ann Kassahun, Secretary, 443-4155
17 Thurs.	7:30 p.m.	RPS Board of Education, RPS Lobby, Natalie Warner, President, 448-2913
23 Wed.		RECYCLE  RPS Early Dismissal

24 Thurs.		Thanksgiving
25 Fri.		Thanksgiving
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26 Mon. - 30 Fri.		School Closed, Winter Recess
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