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June Council Report Municipal Budget Adopted; No Tax Rate or Water-Sewer Rate Changes; NJDOT Awards Funding for Farm Ln. Improvements

by Michael Ticktin

At its meeting of June 10, the Borough Council adopted the 2019 municipal budget, which does not include any increase in either the municipal tax rate or bi-monthly water-sewer rates. However, since the taxes billed to property owners also include taxes payable to the school district and the county, the lack of change in the municipal tax rate does not mean that there will be no change in the total tax rate.

Also at the June 10 meeting, the Council adopted a Fiber Optics Cable ordinance establishing fees and procedures for applications to install fiber optics cables in public rights-of-way and other municipally-owned lands. The Council also adopted a resolution approving a rights-of-way use agreement with Cross River Fiber, LLC for the installation of fiber optic cables on existing utility poles. Since this installation, in contrast to any underground installation, will not require any engineering work involving municipal property, the applicant is not being required to pay an escrow to cover engineering costs. The Council also approved the hiring and payment of the following summer camp personnel: Gus Vuolle as camp supervisor, Amanda Ambrosino,

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August Council Report Due Date for 3rd Quarter Taxes Extended to Sept. 9; Council Considers Tree Ordinance

by Michael Ticktin

At its meeting of August 12, the Council approved a resolution extending to September 9 the date by which property taxes for the 3rd quarter of 2019 are due. As of the date of the meeting, taxpayers had not yet received their new tax bills, the reason being that the school district rate could not be set until the amount of State aid was determined and the Tax Collector therefore recommended that the date for payment be extended to September 9.

Councilman Joe Trammell reported on his visit to the JCP&L emergency control facility. He brought back a form (available at www.firstenergycorp.com/billinserts/JCPL or by calling 1-800-662-3115) that should be submitted to JCP&L by any customer who either has a private well or has someone in the household who depends on electrically-operated life-support equipment. JCP&L will use that information to contact the customer if there is likely to be any power outage affecting electric service for more than 24 hours so that preparations can be made. JCP&L also stresses the importance of having a contingency plan, such as a battery backup, for life-support equipment.

The Council also adopted a resolution requesting the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to allow inclusion in the adopted budget, and appropriation, of a \$4,000 Clean Communities Grant. The grant had not

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the 43rd edition of the Roosevelt Borough Bulletin. There will be ten issues running from September through July. We will not publish in January and August.

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- Please include images as separate files. If you have multiple files, please put them into a zip file, if possible. Please submit only JPEG images.
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- Most submissions will also be added to the Bulletin web site. Allow up to one week for submissions to appear online after publication of the print edition.
- Please name your files with your last name, or the name of your organization, and the month.

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

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

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Larisa Bondy and Crystal Raines as assistant camp supervisors and Liam Biggers-Brookhouse, Mark Felong, Lily Hezrony, Trevor Kosa, Liam O'Donnell and Rhiannon Vo as counselors. The Council also agreed to have Allen Tree Service remove several large dead trees around the grave of community founder Benjamin Brown in the municipal cemetery.

At the June 24 meeting, the Council received a letter from Municipal Engineer Carmela Roberts stating that the Borough has been awarded aid from the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) in the amount of \$240,000 for improvements to Farm Lane and recommending (1) that the sewer lines under Farm Lane be televised for condition in order to determine if replacement at the same time is required and (2) that the Council consider replacing water lines there as well. The Council adopted a resolution authorizing Ms. Roberts to make a grant application to NJDOT for improvements to the entire length of School Lane. Ms. Roberts had recommended that the grant application for this year be for School Lane, Tamara Drive or Pine Drive between the Pine-Tamara triangle and North Rochdale Avenue. Also at the June 24 meeting, the Council approved a contract for website and email hosting with City Connections, LLC for \$2,040.

At the July 8 meeting, which will be the last meeting until August 12 because the Council is meeting only once a month during July and August, the Council voted to award a three-year contract for professional cemetery management services to Sutphen Memorial, Inc., of Hopewell (and Hightstown). The payment for cemetery management services will be \$9,300 per year, which represents a \$2,000 per year reduction from the amount previously paid.

Mayor Peggy Malkin thanked all who volunteered to make the municipal Fourth of July celebration successful.



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August Council Report

yet been approved at the time that the budget was adopted. Councilman Michael Hamilton described the resolution as a "routine budgeting matter."

The Council also discussed, without taking any action, the possibility of adopting a tree ordinance. Sample ordinances provided by Greg Cannon, the municipal attorney, included one from Allentown that deals only with trees on public property and one from Rumson that regulates removal of trees on private property. Mayor Peggy Malkin stated that removal of trees by property owners has been a cause of concern in recent years, especially when new owners have moved in and immediately started cutting down trees.

In another matter, the Council approved the appointment of Mayor Peggy Malkin as Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC) and of Rob Masterson as Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator (Deputy EMC) for terms ending December 31, 2019. These appointments were made necessary by the resignations of Mr. Masterson as EMC and former councilman Cody Parker as Deputy EMC. Mr. Masterson had to resign as EMC because he has moved to Millstone, but he is not required to be a Roosevelt resident to serve as Deputy EMC, thus his appointment to the latter title. Mayor Malkin stated that Mr. Masterson will continue to be the person in actual charge of the Emergency Management program.

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Butterflies, Hummingbirds and Wild Columbine

Continuing our series of articles highlighting the native species that we need to encourage, this month we spotlight the eastern red columbine (*Aquilegia canadensis*).

Eastern red columbine, aka, wild columbine, Canada columbine, honeysuckle, meeting-houses, or rock-bells, is one of several columbines native to North America, but the only one native to New Jersey. It can be found throughout the US and Canada from the Rockies eastward.

Eastern red columbine is a



Eastern red columbine
(*Aquilegia canadensis*)

Photo: Clarence A. Rechenthin
USDA

perennial herb with compound leaves. It grows 6-36 inches tall. The flowers are downward facing, and all five petals have a long tubular spur that projects backward. The genus name *Aquilegia* is derived from the Latin *aquila*, which means “eagle,” and refers to the spurs’ resemblance to eagle’s talons. The spurs contain the nectar. Sepals are petal-like and typically red. Petals are yellow and become redder at the tip of the spur. Plants bloom from March to July. The fruit is made up of five parallel pods containing black seeds. Although the plants are perennials, they are not exceptionally long lived. If they are planted in a favorable location, there will be seedlings, which will bloom in their second year, and eventually replace the parent plants. Columbine likes a partly sunny or shady spot that is relatively moist, rich, and not overly acidic soil. Providing a little pulverized limestone wouldn’t hurt. In addition to the wild type, there are several

commercial varieties, which vary in height and flower color.

Eastern red columbine flowers are a favorite for butterflies and hummingbirds and provide an early source of nectar. There is a columbine leafminer insect that attacks the garden varieties of columbine, but it is rarely found on wild columbine. Eastern red columbine is reportedly moderately resistant to deer and rabbits. I have noticed evidence of minor browsing in the early spring, but the plants recover and bloom.

So support the butterflies and hummers, plant columbine.

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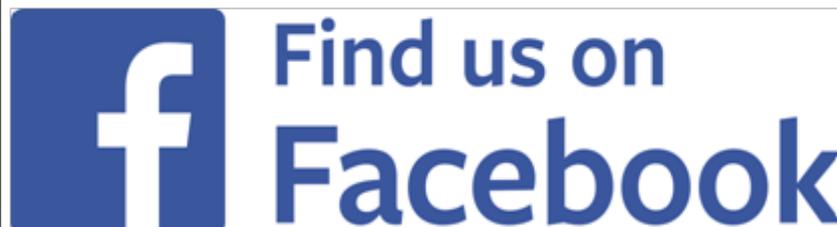
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Senior Group Meetings

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

At 12:30 pm we frequently have guests who speak about a variety of topics, generally applicable to everyone. Finances, health, and safety in the home are a few examples. Notices will be on the bulletin board at the P.O. All residents are welcome to take advantage of this worthwhile program.

Thank you.
Geraldine Millar, President, Seniors



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Borough Birds
June 25th 2019



Wild Turkey - I didn't know Roosevelt had wild turkeys until I found a flock of them under my bird feeder last year. The wild turkey is one of North America's largest birds. Very easy to identify (think Thanksgiving), the wild turkey has long legs and a long neck with brown feathers. Males have very large plumage with a red/blue head and a fanned tail. Females are smaller and lankier in appearance than males. Females also possess feathers that are a darker shade of brown. Only males can make the classic gobbling sound while females make softer clicking and chirping noises. Wild turkeys are capable of flying and will roost in trees. Roosevelt is a perfect town for wild turkeys as it offers both forested lands and open fields. A few weeks ago I spotted a flock of nine crossing Rochdale Avenue (leaving the

school property, crossing Rochdale and going behind the houses).

Ruby Throated Hummingbird

- The Eastern United States' only breeding species of hummingbird is the ruby throated. Both males and females have an emerald green body and white belly. The males have the brilliant red/orange throat which gives the species its name. The males green body will also appear crisper than the females. By beating its wings 53 times per second, it can elegantly hover near food sources. To feed on the nectar within flowers, a ruby throated will



stick its long needle like bill into the flower and extract the nectar with its tongue. Commercial hummingbird feeders offer a little perch for them to rest while extracting sugar water but hummingbirds are capable of hovering while eating. In addition to

nectar, they will eat tiny insects (on a leaf or catch them in midair) and have even been observed taking trapped prey from a spider's nest. An adult ruby throated hummingbird may eat twice its body weight in food every day, which it burns up with the high metabolism necessary to sustain its fast paced movements. You can attract hummingbirds to your yard by planting bright tubular flowers and adding a hummingbird feeder. Fill the feeder with a mixture of sugar (1 part) and water (3 parts).

Gray Catbird - One of the most common birds in Roosevelt around this time of the year is the gray catbird. As the name implies, this medium sized bird is nearly all gray but has a black cap (head) and a few rust colored tail feathers. While perched to sing, their long tail points downwards and gives the catbird a hunched appearance. The catbird gets its name from the meow-like call it makes in addition to its long musical calls which often mimics other bird's calls. It forages for berries and insects by flipping leaves over and moving through the underbrush of our woodlands but will take advantage of your yard's birdfeeder as well. The gray catbird is not one of Roosevelt's most stylish birds but it is fun to watch and



is worth attracting to your yard.

To learn more about birds in our area, I suggest visiting allaboutbirds.com and downloading the Merlin app (both from The Cornell Lab).

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Museum to Feature Roosevelt Exhibit

By Rick Pressler

This November, the Morven Museum and Garden in Princeton, NJ, will open its newest exhibition “Searching for Utopia: Roosevelt, NJ.” The first of its kind, this show will examine the history of Roosevelt, from its early days as an antidote to the Great Depression to a twenty-first century arts community.

The exhibit will run from November 15, 2019 to May 10, 2020, with an opening reception November 14 at 5:30 pm.

The Morven Museum and Garden is located at 55 Stockton St., Princeton, NJ. Phone: 609.924.8144.

Thank you to Ana Debevec for alerting the Bulletin to this exhibit.

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In Roosevelt, locally grown food is available at Mendies Farm, which operates a roadside stand and CSA (Community Supported Agriculture, where members buy a share of the produce grown on the farm). The farm is owned and managed by Roosevelt residents Lawrence and Heidi Mendies.

Mendies Family Farm; Farm Stand and CSA

65 N Rochdale Avenue, Roosevelt, NJ
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<http://www.mendiesfarm.com/>

In neighboring towns, locations offering locally grown food include:

Produce Paradise: (roadside stand) Assunpink Wildlife Management Area, on the Clarksburg-Robbinsville Road, by the large sycamore trees.

Fun Fridays in Hightstown: 6/21 – 9/19 that takes place every 3rd Friday. Along with locally grown produce, there will also be food trucks, craft vendors and live music. Location: Association Park, Grant Ave, Hightstown, NJ
Operated by Hightstown Parks and Recreation <https://www.hightstownborough.com/events/fun-fridays-2/>

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You're Gonna Need an Ocean of Calamine Lotion

Continuing our series of articles highlighting the native species, this time with one to avoid, poison ivy. A few of you might remember The Coasters' 1959 hit, "Poison Ivy." Not many toxic plants make it to the pop charts, but then few have name recognition like poison ivy. You may have heard the rhymes to help you avoid it: "Leaves of three, leave them be" and "Hairy Vine, No Friend of Mine".

Eastern poison ivy or just plain poison ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*) is a native species, and a member of a family that includes poison oak and poison sumac. According to the USDA, South Jersey marks the northern limit for poison oak. We'll save poison sumac for another time. Poison ivy is not related to the invasive English ivy, but it shares some similarities in growth patterns. Both have a phase in which they creep over the ground, taking root along the way, and a phase climbing trees using clinging roots that sprout from the stem. Unlike English ivy, poison ivy plants contain urushiols, a class of oily chemicals that combine with skin proteins. The resulting modified proteins are recognized by the body's immune system as foreign proteins. For most people, an itchy rash results; for others watery blisters. In general, not a good thing.



"Hairy Vine, No Friend of Mine"
Poison ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*)
Photo: S Taylor

It is not necessary to touch the leaves to get 'poison ivy'. The whole plant contains urushiol. So you can get a rash in the middle of winter by touching a broken stem. You can also get it by touching your pets that may have become contaminated. Contaminated clothing and shoes are also sources of exposure. Contact with poison ivy does not guarantee a rash. About 15% of the population are not allergic. Remember, proper prior planning prevents painful pustules. Wear gloves, long pants and long sleeves and carefully remove them directly into the washing machine. Failing that, prompt action is the solution. Since it takes about 10 minutes for half of the urushiol on the skin to be absorbed. Wash the affected area thoroughly with dish washing liquid or other oil removing detergent. Don't use hot water; it opens the pores in the skin. Washing later may not prevent a rash, but it may lessen its severity. If you do get a rash, there are products to treat your symptoms or contact your physician.

Poison ivy is everywhere thanks to birds that eat the yellowish or greenish berries in the fall and distribute the seeds with a starter dose of fertilizer. The key to its control is to be on the lookout for the seedlings. When they are very small, I have found it easy to put my hand in a plastic bag, grab the plant pulling it out roots and all and then turning the bag inside out for disposal. To minimize the risk, some disposable nitrile gloves wouldn't be a bad idea. Larger infestations require herbicide. I have noticed that plants climbing and that do not have a lot of ground growth, die if they are cut off at the ground. Remember your tools will be contaminated with urushiol, and they will stay contaminated for years, if you don't wash it off. Whatever you do, **DO NOT** burn poison ivy. Urushiol



"Leaves of three, leave them be"
Poison ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*)
Photo: S Taylor

vapors in the smoke are bad news.

While walking the local trails, you might see "leaves of three" or a scary hairy vine. So be alert and stay on the trail. The Ron Filepp Roosevelt Woodland Trail, named in memory of Ron because of his many years of quiet dedication to the trail maintenance, is not completely free of poison ivy, especially in the more open sections where the sunlight is brighter. The trail entrance on Tamara heading east requires particular attention. There is also poison ivy along the Rocky Brook Trail and most others. You may notice some of the poison ivy plants are missing some of their leaves at ground level. One of the few redeeming values of our resident deer population is that they eat poison ivy. Don't let poison ivy keep you from enjoying the great outdoors.

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Poison Ivy

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toxicodendron_radicans

Urushiol

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Urushiol>

Symptoms

<https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/poison-ivy/symptoms-causes/syc-20376485>

WHAT IS “RAP”?

One of my neighbors asked me the other day, “What in the world is RAP?” (Otherwise known as the Roosevelt Arts Project.)

RAP is a group of your talented neighbors who put on entertaining, spirited events once a month for you to enjoy!

There are musicians and painters and poets and puppeteers in town, who delight in sharing their talents with you.

Each event has a “curator” – RAP’s unwritten tongue-in-cheek motto is something like “if you come up with an idea, then you’re the one who carries it out.” – who is responsible for flyers and refreshments, setting up the chairs, etc. No worry, however, because there’s a RAP Board of Trustees, whose members are more than willing to help out with events.

Most events take place in the Roosevelt Borough Hall, on Saturday nights at 8 p.m. Admission is a suggested donation of \$5, except for the annual String Band, which is \$10. Refreshments are free.

So come on out, for a night on the town, once a month during the school year. Soon you’ll find a RAP brochure in your Post Office box, with more details on each event.

There’s also a RAP website, which provides more information about RAP and its artists as well as the season’s schedule (and you can sign up for an email reminder of the current month’s event): www.rooseveltartsproject.org/

And of course ideas from you for future events are most welcome! David Herrstrom, RAP President, would be happy to hear from you: 609-443-4421.

Something for everyone – hope to see you there for the 2019 – 2020 RAP season lineup!

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The Roosevelt Arts Project (RAP) is a collaborative venture of friends and neighbors in and around Roosevelt, New Jersey. Bringing together artists in a variety of media, our mission is to foster collaboration and present their work to the public.

Founded in 1986 by the nationally known artists, Bernarda Bryson Shahn and Jacob Landau, and others including writers and musicians, the Roosevelt Arts Project presents a series of annual programs. This varied series premieres new works by Roosevelt playwrights, painters and potters, folk singers, poets, and composers, as well as experimental collaborations.

DATE	VENUE	EVENT
Saturday, September 28 1:00 - 4:00 PM	Roosevelt Woodland Trail The walk begins at the trailhead across from the Roosevelt, NJ Post Office on Route 571.	Art Walk and Open-Air Gallery along the Ron Filepp Trail Back by popular demand! Enjoy a crisp early fall afternoon walk down a winding trail along a brook. Take in the sights and sounds of nature, and view paintings, sculptures, and photographs installed by local artists. Listen to live music, observe artists sketching en plein air, and locate the six artist-decorated Adirondack-style chairs along the way. \$5 suggested contribution
Saturday, October 26 7:00 - 10:00 PM	Roosevelt Public School 2 School Lane Roosevelt, NJ 08555	Benjamin Brown: In Pursuit of the Cooperative Dream A reading by local residents of a scripted documentary explores the question of who Benjamin Brown was, supplemented by projected visuals and audio clips, followed by a Q&A. \$5 suggested contribution
Saturday, November 2 8:00 PM	Borough Hall 33 North Rochdale Ave. Roosevelt, NJ 08555	The Glory of Russian and German Song Opera star and Roosevelt native Cheri Rose Katz joins with pianist Alan Mallach to present a concert of some of the greatest works of Russian and German song, featuring Wagner's lyrical Wesendonck Lieder and Mussorgsky's gripping cycle, Songs and Dances of Death. \$5 suggested contribution
Saturday, December 7 Noon to 4:00 PM	Roosevelt Public School 2 School Lane Roosevelt, NJ 08555	\$100-or-Less Art and Craft Sale Find the perfect holiday gifts from among the variety of one-of-a-kind arts and crafts created by local and area artisans—all for \$100 or less. Plus food, drinks, and music. There is a suggested donation of \$5 per person. Sale commissions and admission are shared equally between RAP and the Roosevelt Education Foundation.

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JCP&L customers can subscribe to email and text message alert notifications to receive weather updates in advance of major storms and updates on scheduled or extended power outages. Visit www.firstenergycorp.com/connect to enroll.

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- Please do not pour household grease down your drain. This clogs the sewer lines and the repairs are costly.
- Your water/sewer bill reflects the added maintenance costs caused by these wipes and household grease.
- Please put your wipes, paper towels and household grease in the trash.

Thank you.



RECYCLING DATES
September 4, 18
November 2, 16, 30

LETTERS

Dial 911 and wait for help to arrive

I am a retired member of the Roosevelt First Aid Squad. I served for 25 years, many of them as Captain. Bill served for many years also.

On Saturday, August 17, Bill choked on some food. 911 was called immediately. The Heimlich maneuver was performed by Bryan. Shortly after that, Bill began breathing and regained consciousness. Being trained as an EMT taught me how to handle this situation. Thank God, Bryan was also trained to do the Heimlich maneuver. If Bryan was not home, things might be different now.

The Police arrived first. Finally 2 EMT's from Millstone arrived in a Fire truck. Bryan and I had Bill stabilized at this point.

We then had a lot of time together waiting for the ambulance to come. They assured me that the ambulance was on the way. It finally arrived about 40 to 45 minutes after the 911 call. I was appalled at the time it took. You might expect this amount of time in a foreign country but not in the United States. No one should have to go through what I had to go through.

If Roosevelt is unable to get sufficient volunteers then it is time to have our own paid First Aid Squad. This emergency system should be corrected immediately .

June Counterman

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.

What's in your Water?

By John Holden, H2O Services, LLC, Roosevelt Water Department

As a result of recent news in Newark, NJ, the Roosevelt Water Department has received questions from residents regarding lead in their drinking water. We would like the residents to know that the Roosevelt Water Department is in compliance with all State and Federal safe drinking water regulations.

The Water Department's samples for lead in drinking water are in accordance with the approved Lead and Copper Sampling Plan. There have not been any samples in Roosevelt that have exceeded maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) for lead. In fact there has not been any Lead detected in any of the samples taken.

Lead sample results have been sent to the individual homeowners at each sample site in accordance with regulation. If a resident is concerned with lead leaching into their water from internal house piping, you can always let your water run for a period of 30 - 60 seconds before using the water for drinking or food preparation. Lead can only leach into water that has been still in the pipes for a period of time. In addition, water quality reports, also known as a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), contain general information about the water system as well as any contaminants detected and are sent to all residents annually.

Recycling Reminders

The Roosevelt Environmental Commission would like to remind our fellow citizens of a few recycling tips. All of the following information (and more) can be found in the "Recycling 101" article written by Steve Taylor in the March 2019 Bulletin (available at <http://rooseveltboroughbulletin.org>).

Please remember:

- Do not put items inside of plastic bags in the recycling container; keep them loose.
- Plastic bags can be recycled at local grocery stores.
- Most clean paper can be put out for recycling.
- Cardboard should be flattened. Packaging tape and staples need to be removed.

The Roosevelt First Aid Squad needs you!

"The Rescue squad desperately needs your help. We pay for training and uniforms. Keep volunteerism alive! for more info email us at

rooseveltfirstaidsquad@yahoo.com"

by Natalie Biello, Trustee for the Roosevelt Public School Education Foundation

Roosevelt Public School Education Foundation Supports Our Growing Students

The Roosevelt Public School Garden Club is growing, in more ways than one! Next year, teachers Kathy Faunce and Donna Gazzani would like to expand the club into the Garden and Cooking Club. During winter months and on rainy Garden Club days, the teachers will be able to shift to lessons on how children can incorporate what they're growing into healthy snacks and meals.



Encouraging healthy eating is just one of the many benefits of gardening with children. The children engage all their senses, enhance fine motor skills, are introduced to a wide range of science concepts and math skills, learn responsibility as well as planning and organizational skills, and become thoughtful environmental stewards. Most importantly, the kids love it!

RPSEF was proud to support the



Garden Club this year with a grant for plants and supplies for their raised beds, butterfly garden and the garden in front of the school. One unfortunate but necessary response to the drastic funding cuts RPS is facing is that after school clubs can no longer be covered in the budget. A goal of the RPSEF is to fully fund the Garden and Cooking Club next year and we hope we can count on your support!

RPSEF was also proud to bring Young Audiences, Arts for Learning to Roosevelt this year. The students enjoyed expanding their learning through a program called Beyond the Beat.

Audience participation was key as the children experienced musical genres flow from classical to ragtime to improvisational and beyond.

Using musical instruments, beat boxing, and creative materials like rusty brake shoes, garbage cans and wooden stools the students learned that music is always at hand if they just look around.

The high energy percussion ensemble Exit 9 gave the kids a tightly choreographed performance and engaged the children in all aspects of the performance. RPSEF was very excited to fund this grant because it was a unique way to incorporate many areas of study required by common core curriculum in a creative musical way!

As we feel the reverberations of deeper cuts into our school budget RPSEF's



mission of funding teacher written grants that are outside the scope of the school budget becomes even more important. This community is defined by inventive thinking and a passion for learning and creativity and you'd be hard pressed to find teachers more genuinely invested in their students than in Roosevelt.

Supporting the teacher's desire to expand their student's educational opportunities outside the scope of the school budget is an imperative we shouldn't squander. You can count on



the Roosevelt Public School Education Foundation to work even harder next year to meet the growing needs of our students and we hope we can count on you for support!



Martin Scorsese shows us Bob Dylan’ changing in his brilliant documentary film “The Rolling Thunder Review”

In the summer of 1975 Bob Dylan recruited some musicians and poets (Joan Baez, Rambling Jack Elliot, Allen Ginsberg, Roger McGuinn, Joni Mitchell, Sam Shepard, Mick Ronson, among others) and soon they were touring the country (with Dylan driving the bus) and playing relatively small venues in towns where few other big-name musicians performed.

Dylan was at loose ends. His marriage to his first wife Sara Dylan, the muse of “Sad-Eyed Lady of the Low Lands” and other beautiful love songs, was imploding, and Dylan was entering a retrograde period. Things were falling apart. So he put together a band and hit the road in an effort to “touch and be touched by the people” and to remake himself and put the pieces back together.

Self-painted in white face while performing, Dylan of the Rolling Thunder Revue is part-Dionysus and

part-Proteus: rail-thin and barely of body, Jagger-animated, his face changing with each song, if not every other line. (“He who is not busy being born / is busy dying.”). By then Dylan had long-since thrown his folk guitar and folksy earnestness to the wind and now he was flinging his ambivalent images and telling his poignant stories overtop the rhythms of driving Punk-like guitar riffs (the band included David Bowie’s lead guitarist), and a sound made gypsy-like and more alluring by a Siren violin (played Scarlet Rivera).

Dylan recites, he sings; he scowls, growls, spits and listens to his band mates, and he responds and changes. He’s Dionysus, both trickster and angry prophet, and in the course of he tour and Scorsese’s filming his face includes multitudes. And the people that come to see and hear

him in places like Bangor, Worcester, Hattiesburg, Fort Worth, Wichita, and Forth Collins sense something special, if not transcendent, is going on.

It was fall, 1975 and Saigon had fallen in April and the counterculture was reeling and dispersing.

Dylan’s response to the personal and cultural breakdown was rejuvenation-through-carnival, and his tour features mask-making and changing at its best. Dionysians like Rabelais, Walt Whitman and Mack and the gang in “Cannery Row” would have loved this tour, and I can’t believe I missed it. But if you missed it too, you can see and experience it now, up-close and both in front and backstage, in the documentary film “The Rolling Thunder Review,” directed by the great Martin Scorsese, and now on Netflix. Dylan is animated, ambiguous and mesmerizing.

*******ROOSEVELT RESIDENTS*****BULK PICK-UP*****
OCTOBER 21, 2019**

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

Major appliances and large bulky metal items, including stoves, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, hot water heaters can be placed curbside for collection. Doors from refrigerators, freezers, stoves must be removed from the hinges.

In accordance with DEP regulations, all Freon must be removed from refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers and air conditioners. Licensed refrigeration persons’ stickers must be attached to these items.

Furniture

Carpeting must be cut to 36” widths, rolled and tied into bundles not heavier than 45 pounds.

All small items must be placed in containers (other than cardboard boxes) – not heavier than 45 pounds.

Collection will start at 7:00 am
Items placed on curbs which are not in conformance with these guidelines will not be picked up and should be removed.

PROHIBITED ITEMS:

- Tv Sets!!
- Computer Equipment
- Construction/Demolition Materials
- Tires
- Car Batteries
- Paint Cans
- Chain Link Fence
- Car Parts
- Small Machines With Oil Or Gasoline
- Small Machines (I.e. Lawn Mowers) Can Be Picked Up If Gasoline And Oil Are Removed
- Large Items Must Be Broken Down In Size To Equal No More Than 45 Pounds Per Lift
- Lawn Debris – Grass Clippings – Leaves – Tree Branches - Sticks
- Stone Or Concrete Products
- Batteries Of Any Kind
- Hazardous Waste Materials
- Fluorescent Light Tubes
- Recyclable Materials
- Propane Bottles Or Gas Cans

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- 3 Tues. 12:30 pm Senior Citizens Meeting

- 4 Weds. Recycling Pickup ♻️

- 9 Mon. 7:00 pm Council Meeting, Borough Hall
Peggy Malkin, Mayor

- 17 Tues. 7:00 pm Roosevelt First Aid Squad,
Business Meeting, John Vo, Pres.

- 18 Weds. 7:00 pm Environmental Comm. Mtg.,
Borough Hall

- 18 Weds. Recycling Pickup ♻️

- 23 Mon. 7:00 pm Council Meeting, Borough Hall
Peggy Malkin, Mayor

- 26 Thurs. 7:30 pm RPS Board of Education,
Roosevelt Public School
Ken LeCompte, President

- 28 Sat. 1:00 - 4:00 **Art Walk and Open-Air Gallery
along the Ron Filepp Trail.
The walk begins at the trail
head across from the Roosevelt
Post Office on Route 571.
There is a suggested donation
of \$5 per person.**

O C T O B E R

- 1 Tues. 7:00 pm Planning Board, Borough Hall

- 1 Tues. 12:30 pm Senior Citizens Meeting
Borough Hall

- 2 Weds. Recycling Pickup ♻️

- 14 Mon. Branch Pickup

- 15 Tues. 7:00 pm Council Meeting, Borough Hall
Peggy Malkin, Mayor

- 15 Tues. 7:00 pm Roosevelt First Aid Squad,
Business Meeting,
John Vo, President

- 16 Weds. 7:00 pm Environmental Comm. Mtg.,
Borough Hall

- 16 Weds. Recycling Pickup ♻️

- 24 Thurs. 7:30 pm RPS Board of Education,
Roosevelt Public School
Ken LeCompte, President

- 26 Sat. 7:00pm **The Roosevelt Arts Project
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of the Cooperative Dream" Roosevelt
Public School, suggested donation \$5.**

- 28 Tues. 7:00 pm Council Meeting, Borough Hall
Peggy Malkin, Mayor

- 30 Weds. Recycling Pickup ♻️

- 31 Thurs. Halloween -
Watch out for Trick-or-Treaters!

Construction and Permits

The Construction Official has
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