

# Bulletin

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## BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

By Michael Ticktin

### Budget Approved With No Increase in Municipal Tax Rate; Unpaved Section of Oscar Drive to Become Part of County Park Trail System; Special Committee Considering Future Use of Gas Station Property for Offices or Restaurant

At its July 14 meeting, the Borough Council adopted the municipal budget for 2014. General appropriations increased from \$1,074,123 to \$1,080,896--an increase of \$6,773 that can be absorbed without increasing the tax rate, there being sufficient surplus for that purpose.

At the July 28 meeting, the Council adopted a resolution authorizing the vacation and conveyance to the Monmouth County Park System of approximately 1273 feet of the unpaved section of Oscar Drive immediately west of the border with Millstone Township that is bordered on both sides by land that is part of the Perrineville Lake County Park. The Borough is retaining ownership of the portion of the unpaved section of Oscar drive that lies between the section vacated and conveyed and the intersection with North Valley Road in order to assure that it will never become a through road, but will give the Park System an easement to construct and maintain a connecting trail for pedestrian, equestrian, bicycle and other non-motorized use. Once constructed, this trail will provide Roosevelt residents with a connection to the Rocky Brook Trail through the Perrineville Lake County Park that will be in addition to the access that is now provided at the small parking area on

North Rochdale Avenue north of Oscar Drive and via the spur of the Woodland Trail that begins on the north side of Eleanor Lane near the cemetery.

At the August 11 meeting, Councilman Jeff Ellentuck, who serves as chairman of the special committee on the redevelopment of the gas station property that was appointed by Mayor Beth Battel, reported that it was the recommendation of the special committee that any new firehouse be built on the Borough Hall property, rather than at the gas station property, and that, once final clearance of the site is obtained from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the Borough seek to have it redeveloped for office or restaurant use, either of which would be permitted under the current commercial zoning. Alan Mallach, a member of the special committee who served for many years as chairman of the Planning Board and is a nationally-recognized expert on redevelopment, will be preparing a report on the redevelopment of the property. The property was acquired by the Borough through tax lien foreclosure and has been designated as a redevelopment zone, thus giving the Borough the legal ability to enter into, and enforce, a redevelopment agreement.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the 38th edition of the Roosevelt Borough Bulletin. There will be ten issues running from September 2014 through July, 2015. We will not publish in January and August 2015.

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

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

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

**SENIOR CITIZENS:** There is a S.C.A.T. bus provided by Monmouth County Division of Transportation that comes to Roosevelt on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and will take you shopping to ShopRite in East Windsor. The bus will pick you up at your home, you spend 1 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 S.C.A.T. 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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# From the Mayor

Dear Neighbors,

By Elsbeth Battel

This was the best summer ever in my memory! (My apologies to people who prefer more heat and humidity because they were marvelously absent this year.) Let's hope the winter is also mild.

The Environmental Commission is well under way with the Environmental Resource Inventory; thanks to all of you who have donated your time and energy to make it happen. It helps us to identify our bounties so we can preserve them as well as identify the hazards so we can alleviate them.

Good luck to all you students who are moving up into a new level of schooling, and best of luck to all who are starting in new careers.

Beth

## **BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS (CONT'D)**

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As noted in a Public Hearing Notice published on page 5 of this issue of the Bulletin, the Council will be holding a hearing at its September 8 meeting on a proposal to exchange 2.56 acres of Green-Acres restricted land having frontage on Clarksburg Road and Spruce Lane for 12.80

acres of woodland behind the homes on the north side of Lake Drive that is now under private ownership. The land proposed for exchange would be kept undeveloped, thus preserving the existing viewshed.



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## Natural Hazard Mitigation: What Roosevelt Residents Can Do

by Michael Ticktin

The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office has issued the following notice:

"Monmouth County and its 53 municipalities have been working on the update of the Monmouth County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan since August of 2012. The draft of the updated plan is expected to be released in the early fall. The first county wide plan was completed in 2009. The plan is a documented evaluation of the natural hazards to which a community is susceptible and the extent to which these events will occur. It identifies an area's vulnerability to the effects of natural hazards and the goals, objectives and actions required to minimize future loss. Mitigation is preparation and planning now to reduce loss of life and property later, by lessening the impacts of future disasters.

"This plan allows the county and the participating municipalities to apply for pre and post disaster mitigation grant funding through FEMA.

"Once it is released, residents can review the draft of the all natural hazard-mitigation plan for the county and its 53 municipalities by visiting: [www.monmouthsheriff.org](http://www.monmouthsheriff.org), click on the OEM icon and select Hazard Mitigation Planning."

The Sheriff's Office goes on to state as follows on its website:

"Natural hazards have the potential to cause property loss, loss of life, economic hardship, and threats to public health and safety. While an important aspect of emergency management deals with disaster recovery those actions that a community must take to repair damages and make itself whole in the wake of a natural disaster an equally important aspect of emergency management involves hazard mitigation. Hazard mitigation measures are efforts taken before a disaster happens to lessen the impact that future disasters of that type will have on people and property in the community. They are things you do today to be more protected in the future. Hazard mitigation actions taken in advance of a hazard event are essential to breaking the typical disaster cycle of damage, reconstruction, and repeated damage. With careful selection, hazard mitigation actions can be long-term, cost-effective means of reducing the risk of loss and help create a more disaster-resistant and sustainable community."

Unlike the many other municipalities in Monmouth County that suffered extensive damage during Superstorm Sandy, Roosevelt does not have to deal with the hazard of flooding. While the potential for loss of electrical power remains a concern, it is one that is beyond our control and has to be addressed by JCP&L. The one hazard listed by FEMA and the Sheriff's Office, however, that we can do something about is the potential for wildfire. Every spring and autumn, the Borough arranges for fallen branches to be picked up and disposed of. In the interest of reducing the potential for danger to life and property from wildfire, it is imperative that all residents cooperate in the collection of dead branches from their own properties and, to the extent that they are able to do so, from adjacent woodlands. The next branch collection is planned for early October. Please note the date when it is announced and do your part to ensure that the wildfire hazard is reduced.

## ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

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

Items accepted:

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

Location:

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

For additional sites within Monmouth County, please visit [www.visitmonmouth.com/page.aspx?ID3021](http://www.visitmonmouth.com/page.aspx?ID3021)

### REMINDER FOR RECYCLING:



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

# ROOSEVELT PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION FOUNDATION

## Wine and Dessert Fundraiser to Support Roosevelt Public School

The Roosevelt Public School Education Foundation is hosting a fund raising event on Friday, September 5, 2014, at Maria Del Piano's home, 16 Tamara Drive, Roosevelt, from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. Wines that pair well with desserts, as well as a variety of homemade desserts including fresh fruit cobblers will be served. Tickets purchased in advance are \$15; tickets are \$20 at the door. For advance tickets, call or text 973 508-7971; or mail a check to RPSEF, P. O. Box 22, Roosevelt, NJ 08555. You may also send an email to rpsefdn@gmail.com. You must be 21 or older to attend.

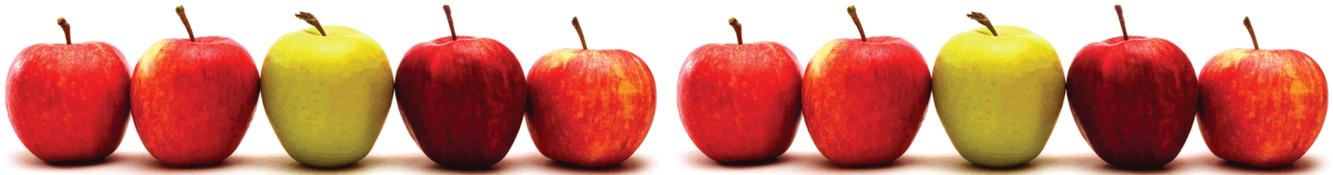
Please join us for an evening of relaxation and catching up with friends as the summer ends and we get ready for a new school year. Proceeds from the event will be used to support programs and materials for the students at Roosevelt Public School (RPS) that cannot be funded within the school budget. Thank you to Jonathan Shahn for the design of our flyer which is included with this Bulletin.

Our next event is a mushroom walk/talk planned for October so that you can learn more about the colorful fungi that appear around Roosevelt and the sandy Pine Barrens to our south and east.

As previously reported in the Bulletin, the Foundation won a fine arts grant for a kiln and supplies for the school. The school is now preparing for the kiln installation so that students can make and fire hand built pottery. The kiln's first use will be in the RPS studio art program.

We would like to thank Nhya Gordon of Roosevelt for designing the beautiful dragon logo for our foundation. The dragon will appear in a future Bulletin article.

Roosevelt Public School Education Foundation



### PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the Borough of Roosevelt has filed a request with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, proposing the diversion of 2.56 acres of Borough owned, Green Acres Restricted Land in connection with the acquisition of additional Green Acres Restricted Land fronting on South Valley Road. As compensation for the proposed diversion, the Borough of Roosevelt proposes to divert 2.56 acres of Borough Owned land, commonly known as Lot 23, Block 7 as shown on the tax maps of the Borough of Roosevelt, having frontage on Clarksburg Road and Spruce Lane, to the owner of the adjacent land known as Lot 10.02, Block 7, in exchange for 12.80 acres consisting of a portion of Lot 10.01, Block 7, having frontage on South Valley Road. The proposed diversion of compensation allows the Borough of Roosevelt the ability to add to the Greenbelt land located behind the residential properties adjacent to a portion of Lot 10.01 in Block 7. The proposed diversion would also preserve the view shed from Route 571 in front of Lot 23, Block 7.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.8(a), a hearing to obtain public comments on this request will be held at: Roosevelt Municipal Offices, located at 33 North Rochdale Avenue, Roosevelt on September 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

All information submitted by the Borough of Roosevelt to the Green Acres Program in support of this requested diversion of parkland is available for public inspection at the Borough Hall of the Borough of Roosevelt, located at 33 North Rochdale Avenue, and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Green Acres Program, Bureau of Legal Services and Stewardship. Written comments on the diversion request may be directed to the Borough Clerk at 33 North Rochdale Avenue, Roosevelt, NJ 08555. Please also send a copy of any written comments submitted on this request to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, Bureau of Legal Services and Stewardship, P.O. Box 412, Trenton, NJ 08625-0412. Public comment on this diversion request will be accepted during the public hearing on September 8, 2014 and in writing until September 22, 2014.

# BOARD OF EDUCATION

## RPS Referendum for Capital Improvements to be included on ballot November 4th, 2014

Our Roosevelt Public School is in need of serious capital improvements. The 2012-2013 School year was delayed due to an infiltration of mold causing the air quality to be unsafe for our children. The mold was remediated but major issues have since been found with the building envelope.

The Roosevelt School District Board of Education sought proposals from architects to assist the Board of Education in their review of Roosevelt Public School, specifically to address existing building envelope (exterior walls and roofing) concerns and site drainage.

USA Architects Planners + Interior Designers of Somerville, New Jersey, was selected to perform this task. The architects began their work in the District by conducting a site and building survey, analyzing and documenting existing conditions, materials, and systems to augment existing information that was on hand. The project was submitted, reviewed and approved by the State Department of Education who authorized aid in the amount of 40% of the total project cost.

The building envelope, (i.e.; roofing system, exterior walls), were set as the highest priority since the performance of any building begins with maintaining an envelope that protects the occupants from the elements. It was strongly felt by the Board that if Roosevelt Public School's thermal and moisture protection systems and barriers could be remedied it would improve upon the overall health and safety of the students.

The scope of work includes the replacement/repair of existing roofing and related components and restoration of the building's exterior stucco system, including any and all

structural deficiencies. Site drainage improvements will be completed this year with current budget funds.

The existing roof is beyond its useful life and is in need of repair/upgrades in some areas and replacement in others. The existing parapet and coping requires replacement and in some areas where there is no coping (capping) a provision for new coping is included in the project in order to eliminate water infiltration behind the existing stucco.

The existing stucco is failing. There are cracks, voids, and in some cases gaps exceeding several inches in diameter where water is penetrating and migrating into the building. It cannot be repaired and must be removed and replaced.

The existing storm water collection and underground drainage system requires improvements to collect and remove storm water runoff away from the building. There are areas around the existing building where soils are sinking adjacent to the building's foundation due to the collection and force of rainwater.

Without the repair of the building, it is unclear how long the safety standards of the building will be able to be maintained. In addition to the safety of the children attending RPS, the school's most treasured work of art, the mural by Ben Shahn, is at risk due to moisture and water intrusion from the leaking roof.

The State of New Jersey is funding 40% of the total costs of the project. If the referendum fails, aid will be removed from this District and reallocated to another school district. If the referendum passes, the Capital Improvement work will be conducted over the summer of 2015.

Please join us on Tuesday, September 16th when the BOE and USA Architects will take the community on a tour of the damage to the build-

ing envelop and answer questions as needed. The meeting will begin at 6:30pm in the lobby at the Roosevelt Public School. Please vote on November 4th.

## WEATHER ALMANAC

By Ron Filepp

### June 2014

Day	Cool'g/Heat'g Degree				
	High	Low	Avg Precip	Days	
1	76.1	45.9	61.0	0.00	0.0
2	79.9	50.4	65.2	0.00	0.0
3	87.6	59.5	73.6	0.10	3.6
4	83.7	62.8	73.3	0.00	3.3
5	72.7	59.5	66.1	0.25	0.0
6	75.0	54.3	64.7	0.00	0.0
7	78.8	51.6	65.2	0.00	0.0
8	82.6	57.0	69.8	0.00	0.0
9	76.1	62.8	69.5	0.60	0.0
10	82.0	66.6	74.3	0.00	4.3
11	69.8	60.1	65.0	0.00	0.0
12	76.1	59.5	67.8	0.00	0.0
13	84.2	67.3	75.8	0.20	5.8
14	78.8	59.9	69.4	0.00	0.0
15	77.9	51.8	64.9	0.00	0.0
16	84.7	69.6	77.2	0.00	7.2
17	91.8	64.8	78.3	0.00	8.3
18	90.5	72.1	81.3	0.00	11.3
19	78.1	64.4	71.3	0.20	1.3
20	79.3	54.7	67.0	0.00	0.0
21	78.8	60.3	69.6	0.00	0.0
22	82.6	59.7	71.2	0.00	1.2
23	84.6	58.1	71.4	0.00	1.3
24	86.0	60.3	73.2	0.00	3.2
25	90.5	65.3	77.9	0.00	7.9
26	85.5	68.0	76.8	0.00	6.8
27	83.7	65.3	74.5	0.00	4.5
28	84.5	59.0	71.8	0.00	1.8
29	85.8	57.4	71.6	0.00	1.6
30	87.6	63.7	75.7	0.00	5.7
Totals			1.35		78.7

# CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES OF THE MONMOUTH COUNTY FIRE ACADEMY



The Monmouth County Fire Academy graduated 22 firefighters from the Firefighter I Class 103 on June 25, 2014. Among the graduates were Roosevelt's Brendan Powers and Justin Lenart.

Graduates worked 188 hours over 30 sessions and received training in rescue, fire extinguishment, hazardous materials response, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, electrical safety, and care of hoses, ladders and other equipment.

Congratulations to our graduates and their families; attending Firefighter I is no small task, and only 60% of those who attend make it through to graduation. We appreciate all of the time and effort that it takes to complete the training and acknowledge your commitment to the Fire Company and the Borough of Roosevelt.

Roosevelt Volunteer Fire Company has five more members enrolled to complete the class beginning in August.

When half the drowsy world's a-bed  
And misty morning rises red,  
With jollity of horn and lusty cheer,  
Young Nimrod urges on his dwindling rout;  
Along the yellowing coverts we can hear  
His horse's hoofs thud hither and about:  
In mulberry coat he rides and makes  
Huge clamour in the sultry brakes.

from "Nimrod In September" by Siegfried Sassoon

## WEATHER ALMANAC

By Ron Filepp

### August 2014

Day	High	Low	Avg Precip	Cool'g/Heat'g Degree	Days
1	92.7	67.6	80.2	0.00	10.2
2	96.3	70.9	83.6	0.42	13.6
3	92.5	70.2	81.4	0.18	11.4
4	75.6	63.7	69.7	0.10	0.0
5	79.3	56.8	68.1	0.00	0.0
6	83.5	58.6	71.1	0.00	1.1
7	92.1	68.0	80.1	0.00	10.1
8	93.7	70.3	82.0	0.00	12.0
9	91.2	67.1	79.2	0.00	9.2
10	83.8	67.8	75.8	0.00	5.8
11	85.1	63.9	74.5	0.00	4.5
12	88.0	62.4	75.2	0.00	5.2
13	87.8	69.1	78.5	0.10	8.4
14	87.4	70.3	78.9	0.90	8.8
15	90.0	70.0	80.0	0.61	10.0
16	80.2	66.0	73.1	0.00	3.1
17	82.9	59.4	71.2	0.00	1.2
18	81.3	55.6	68.5	0.00	0.0
19	80.2	61.2	70.7	0.00	0.7
20	82.0	64.4	73.2	0.00	3.2
21	82.9	59.2	71.1	0.00	1.1
22	88.2	62.2	75.2	0.00	5.2
23	91.2	73.0	82.1	0.00	12.1
24	82.9	67.1	75.0	0.00	5.0
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28	85.6	65.3	75.5	0.67	5.4
29	78.6	58.5	68.6	0.00	0.0
30	79.3	56.1	67.7	0.00	0.0
31	84.4	57.9	71.2	0.00	1.2
Totals			2.98		158.9

## Solar Village Receives Federal Funding for Rehabilitation by Michael Ticktin

The Roosevelt Senior Citizens Housing Corporation, the community-based nonprofit organization that owns the Solar Village, has received approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, for a low interest loan of over one million dollars for a major project to rehabilitate the Solar Village housing units. Though the project won a design award when it was built 30 years ago, time has taken a toll on the materials with which it was built. The funding will pay for replacement roofing and siding on the exterior while, on the interior, kitchen, bathroom, and flooring issues will be addressed. Consistent with the budget approved by Rural Development, every effort will be made to choose durable materials that will last at least another 30 years.

Thanks to the ongoing cooperation of the residents, the managing agent (Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey) and its employees, USDA-Rural Development and the members of the Roosevelt community who have served on the board over the years, as well as those who have given their support as members of the Roosevelt Senior Citizens Housing Corporation, the units have been kept in good condition over the years. With the planned improvements to the interior and exterior of the units, it is the hope and expectation of all involved that the Solar Village will continue to play its part in maintaining Roosevelt as a vibrant community.



## Roosevelt Public School Special Education Services

Roosevelt Resident Parents of children ages three to twenty-one years of age, who notice any special problems in their child's development including fine and gross motor, speech/language development, acquisition of age appropriate cognitive skills or other significant development delays should contact Susan Goldfond, Coordinator of Child Study Team at 609-448-2798. This also applies to homeless children and children of families of migrant workers

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The First Aid Squad has responded to 134 emergency calls from January 1 to July 31.

For the month of June the Squad responded to 24 calls and for July 26 calls.

In June the Squad responded in Roosevelt to 1 fire stand-by, 1 fall, 1 cardiac, and 3 emergency transports.

Mutual aid into Millstone Twp., 3 MVA's, 1 cardiac, 2 unconscious, 1 fall, 3 emergency transports, 2 head injuries, 1 back injury and 3 diabetic.

In July the Squad responded in Roosevelt to 1 fire stand-by, 2 bee stings, 1 fall, 4 evacuations, 1 respiratory, and 1 emergency transport.

Mutual aid into Millstone Twp. 8 Emergency Transports, 2 falls, 1 cardiac (CPR in progress), 1 stroke, 1 left assist, 1 fire stand-by and 1 seizure.

Mutual aid into Freehold Twp. 1 fall.

In June, the training was on splinting, using the traction splint for femur fracture. In July, the training was on K.E.D. this for immobilizing the torso, head, and neck of a seated patient with a suspected spinal injury. This training is to keep all the EMT skills sharp.

The Squad would like to announce our two newest members: Justin Larnrt and Caitlin Powers. Both will be start their EMT training in the next few months.

As the Squad sent out our donation letters we included "My Personal Medication Record" form. Please complete the form with your current medication and place it on your refrigerator. This would be a great help to the Squad members if we had to come to your home in an emergency. If you misplace the form, or need additional copies, contact any Squad member.

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

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

If any one wishes to make a donation, you 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 required basic training. If interested, please contact any Squad member or stop in during our training for an application. If you would like to join or receive information about becoming an EMT please email roosevelt-firstaidsquad@yahoo.com. You can also find us on facebook.

## Health Notes:

**Drowning and near drowning:**  
Near-drowning is when a person is in danger of drowning. Each year, almost 8,000 people die from drowning. Seventy percent of all near-drowning victims recover; 25% die, and 5% have brain damage.

A toddler can drown in as little as 2 inches of water in a bathtub, sink, etc. Toilet bowls are unsafe, too, if a small child falls into one head-first.

One reason that near-drownings are difficult to count is that the term is not easy to define exactly. The standard medical definition of near-drowning is survival, at least temporarily, after suffocation by submersion in water or other liquid. Authorities differ on whether to include loss of consciousness as a criterion. Others draw a distinc-

tion between "wet near-drowning," in which fluid is aspirated into the lungs, and "dry near-drowning."

## Who is at Risk?

There are two times in your life when you are at the greatest risk of drowning. The first is when you are five years old or younger. The classic scenario is the child left unattended or poorly supervised near a swimming pool or bathtub. The second peak is when you are between 15 and 25 years old. Overwhelmingly males, victims in this category tend to drown while enjoying themselves at rivers, lakes, and beaches. Alcohol or illegal drugs are often involved. More than 50% of adult drowning deaths are believed to be alcohol-related.

If you were to rank, by importance, the risk factors that contribute to drowning and near-drowning, the list would look like this:

1. Inability to swim or overestimation of swimming capabilities
2. Risk-taking behavior, including the use of alcohol and illicit drugs
3. Inadequate adult supervision of children
4. Trauma (such as a physical injury), seizures, stroke, heart attack or heart arrhythmia
5. "Shallow water blackout" in which swimmers hyperventilate in order to swim longer under water. This can lead to a lack of oxygen in the brain and loss of consciousness.
6. Hypothermia, or lowered body temperature. This can lead to heart arrhythmia and rapid exhaustion.

## Salt Water vs. Fresh Water Drowning

Medical authorities traditionally made a great distinction between salt water and fresh water drownings. The theory was that because of its high salt content, sea water in the lungs would affect the body very differently from fresh water in a variety of ways. Although this is true in theory, very few survivors

**RESCUE SQUAD (CONT'D)**  
of near-drowning ingest enough water to make a difference and this rarely becomes an issue in treating patients who arrive at the hospital. In practice, water temperature and the presence of any contaminants are much more important considerations.

#### How Near-Drowning Damages the Body

Most of the effects of near-drowning on the body fall into one of two categories. The first includes interference with or stopping of breathing and the damage this does to the lungs, heart, brain and nervous system. The second includes all of the problems brought on by altered (usually lowered) body temperature, something that happens when we spend any length of time immersed in liquid.

When taken into the lungs, both salt and fresh water have the effect of washing out surfactant, the thin coating which bathes the inside of the lungs. The loss of surfactant creates breathing problems of its own, including pulmonary edema, fluid in the lung tissue, which can in turn bring on ARDS, or acute respiratory distress syndrome. Signs and symptoms of ARDS include shortness of breath and wheezing.

When the flow of air to the lungs is obstructed, the results include hypoxia (lowered levels of oxygen in the blood) and ischemia (loss of blood flow to the extremities). These lead to immediate neurological problems, including swelling of the brain and dangerous increases in intracranial pressure. About 20% of near-drowning victims sustain neurological damage; this is the number one cause when near-drowning victims cannot be revived after rescue.

Hypoxia and heart arrhythmia brought on by lowered body temperature are the most common heart and circulatory problems seen in near-drowning victims.

Finally, electrolyte imbalances are a

serious but extremely rare occurrence in near-drowning survivors. They happen in cases such as immersion in a liquid other than water, or in an exceptional environment such as the Dead Sea, whose high salt content can lead to life-threatening changes in the victim's magnesium and calcium levels.

#### First Aid at the Scene

The first thing to remember is that hypothermia can make it very difficult to find the pulse of a near-drowning survivor. Therefore, a careful search for pulse should be done, for at least a minute, before trying to restart the heart by chest compressions. The Heimlich or other maneuvers aimed at draining water from the body are of little use; it is much more important to try to get the victim breathing immediately instead. It is also vital to begin to bring the victim's body temperature back up to normal levels, using whatever means is at hand, from blankets to heaters or hot packs.

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

Remember if you need help please dial 911.

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#### PET WASTE POLLUTES OUR WATERS

##### WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP PROTECT OUR WATERS

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

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

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

Visit [www.state.nj.us/dep/dshw/rnp/hhwpcs](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/dshw/rnp/hhwpcs) for list of county household hazardous waste disposal centers.

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

Feeding results in more pollution from their waste.

For more information please contact the following:

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## ROOSEVELT FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE

Thank you to everyone that came out despite the weather to our Fourth of July Celebration! The day started cloudy but dry, and we had more than a dozen pets show up for our Annual Pet show. In addition to awarding trophies for Smallest Pet, Fluffiest Pet, Best Dressed, Best Smile, and several other categories we also held a raffle for prizes. Three lucky winners who entered pets won \$10 in gift certificates to Build a Bear, \$10 in gift certificates to Cheeburger Cheeburger and a \$15 iTunes gift card!



Shortly after the Pet Show, members of Hightstown Engine Company #1 and Millstone First Aid Squad joined with many walkers and bikers for our Fourth of July Parade. Once again, thankfully, the weather held as we paraded down our new longer parade route, which allowed residents on the east side of town as well as residents of Solar Village to enjoy the parade from their front yards. As this was the first time we've attempted this route and added additional vehicles, there were a few hiccups with traffic control and keeping all of the parade participants together.

We are already working with a few suggestions we received from residents as to how to improve the parade next year. Overall, we received a lot of positive feedback, and people loved seeing other organizations getting involved.



By far, the highlights of the picnic were the bounce house and the dunk tank! The bounce house was a very generous donation to the Fire Company from Bounce U in West Windsor. This donation allowed us to use the money usually reserved for the bounce house rental to purchase flags to hang on the poles throughout town. The bounce house was set up in the gym for weather related reasons, but it was an overwhelming success and entertained kids of all ages for the entire duration of the picnic. Second only to the bounce house was the Dunk Tank, which thanks to the generosity of Supreme Inflatable & Party Rentals of Manalapan was provided at a discount to our Fourth of July Celebration. Thank you to everyone who was brave enough to be dunked! The dunk tank raised over \$150 which will go into a fund to bring in additional improvements to the picnic next year.

We also received a lot of positive feedback about the hamburgers and hot dogs! John Lenart was an advocate about the quality of burgers to purchase for the event and his advice (and skills on the grill) obviously paid off. Bar S Foods donated all of the hot dogs for the event, and thanks to Chris Suk they were a big success as well. While we made sure to purchase additional kosher hot dogs, we

neglected to pick up veggie burgers for the event, something we will rectify for next year.



The Picnic games were also a success. In the four and under games, Marty McGrail won the Cheeto head competition, winning 2 free pizzas and 80 tokens at Chuck E. Cheese. Connor Suk won four passes to Jenkinson's Aquarium for the water balloon toss, and Hailey Suk and Corrine Edler who were unopposed in the Three-Legged Race, won two free passes to Sesame Place.

In the 5-10 year old group, Cash and Jimmy Colleton won four Trenton Thunder tickets for their win in the Cheeto Head competition; Ashlynn Yang and Chloe Colleton won four tickets to Adventure Aquarium for their win in the Water Balloon Toss; and Brenna and Tai took home four tickets to Morey's Pier Waterparks in Wildwood for their win in the Three-Legged Race. Last but not least, Caitlin Yang and Rachel Warner swept the games in the 11-16 year old group; winning four Starplex Movie Tickets for their win in Cheeto Head, four Lakewood Blue Claws tickets for the Water Balloon Toss, and four Shawnee Lift Tickets for their win in the Three-Legged Race. Thank you to all of our participants as well as all of the organizations that donated the prizes for the competition.

Last, but certainly not least, was our Cornhole Tournament. Congratulations to our third prize winners Sam Lopez and Lester Alvarado who each walked away with a \$10 gift card to Perkins Pancake House, our second prize winners Tim Curry and Matt Lawson who each won a \$20 gift card to Longhorn's Steakhouse, and our first prize winners Luke Vuolle and Luke Dermody who won both a \$75 Gift Certificate to TGI Friday's and \$75 in Gift Cards to Charlie Brown's Steakhouse.

The Fire Company's 50/50 raised \$90 towards a new fire truck and was won by Assenka Oksiloff.

The fire truck was on hand so that kids could use a real fire hose to knock down targets. The First Aid Squad was also present, giving free blood pressure checks to residents.

All in all, despite a few hiccups, a hurricane, and a little rain, we are very pleased with how everything turned out. The Fourth of July Celebration is only successful if it's attended and enjoyed by our friends and neighbors. If you have suggestions for next year, please reach out to us at [info@rooseveltfire.org](mailto:info@rooseveltfire.org).

We have also set up an online poll to gather feedback as well. Please take a few moments to go to [www.roosevelt-fire.com/poll](http://www.roosevelt-fire.com/poll) and answer a few short questions about your experience. Even if you didn't attend the picnic itself, we still welcome your feedback.



# OUR STREETS



# OUR TOWN

A Roosevelt Planning Board Public Hearing  
on the updating of Roosevelt's Adopted Master Plan  
Tuesday September 16, 2014 6:30PM - 8:30PM  
Roosevelt Borough Hall

What exactly is our 2001 Master Plan and what does it really mean to those of us living in Roosevelt? In short, it is a description of who we were then and what we might do over the coming years. To review the adopted master plan, see the History section of Roosevelt's web site ([web2sons.org](http://web2sons.org)).

On September 16th, the Roosevelt Planning Board invites the public and our elected officials to discuss the goals of the Master Plan. We'll review the goals that have been attained and those aspects of the plans which might still need work. For example, in the 2001 Master Plan, we laid the groundwork for preserving natural lands in Roosevelt. As a result of actions taken by the Borough and the Fund for Roosevelt, most of the borough is now dedicated for agricultural uses or otherwise preserved for the enjoyment of generations to come.

The Planning Board will also present a summary of the workshop held on August 19th on the subject of our streets. Are our streets all they could be? Do you think so? By attending the public hearing, you could discuss alternative improvements we'll be presenting for the Mayor and the Borough Council to consider implementing in the future.

Roosevelt remains a vibrant community;  
stay involved and keep it that way!

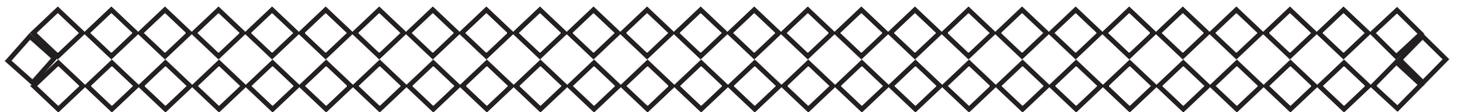
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