

# Bulletin

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## BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

### Mayor Reports Progress in Resolving Post Office Problems; Gas Station Redevelopment Awaits DEP Approval

By Michael Ticktin

Mayor Neil Marko opened the September 13 meeting of the Borough Council by announcing that he had met with representatives of the U.S. Postal Service and of Senator Jon Corzine’s office and that the result of the meeting was an agreement by the Postal Service that all mail addressed to Roosevelt boxholders will be delivered if it is possible to do so, even if it does not include the PO Box number. Mayor Marko said that the Postal Service representative was “appalled” that the Roosevelt post office had returned mail to senders, with PO Box number information affixed, rather than deliver it. The Postal Service representative did say, however, that it is important that Roosevelt boxholders use their box numbers and encourage those from whom they receive mail to do the same, since the Roosevelt post office now has the equivalent of two employees, rather than three as before, so efficiency in sorting the mail is necessary. Since the Roosevelt post office began its strict enforcement of the postal regulation concerning the use of box numbers, the percentage of Roosevelt boxholders regularly receiving mail addressed to the street address, or otherwise not hav-

ing the PO Box number on the second line, has declined from 25% to 10%. The Postal Service representative also said that the Postal Service wants to know about any cases in which businesses, such as credit card companies, that are allowed a reduced rate because they have agreed to pre-sort their mail, are not using the PO Box number. Any such company failing to use PO Box numbers would be violating the reduced rate agreement, and the Postal Service would want to take appropriate action.

In his discussions with the Postal Service, the Mayor also brought up the issue of the early closing hours that have been a source of great inconvenience to the many Roosevelt residents who would like to get their mail when they come home in the evening. The Postal Service representative agreed to seek to resolve this issue, although no specifics were given. In view of the more cooperative approach that the Postal Service now appears willing to take, the Mayor does not recommend that the Borough consider seeking home delivery from another post office.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our 2004-2005 season which, as usual, consists of nine issues, leaving out January, August and September of 2005.

We've had a vacation and are ready to do our best again.

### Large Garbage Pickup Wednesday, October 13, 2004

Washers, Dryers, Water Heaters, Other Large Appliances, Furniture, Tree Limbs and Scrap Wood are acceptable.

#### **The following items will not be accepted:**

Construction/Demolition materials, tires, paint cans, car parts, small machines with oil or gasoline inside, lawn debris, stone or concrete products, batteries, hazardous waste materials, and recyclables

Tree limbs and scrap wood must be cut, bundled and tied or placed in containers to allow for easy pick up. tree limbs cannot be greater than 4 feet in length. all small items must be placed in containers (other than cardboard boxes) - light enough to be lifted by employees.

**Do Not place trash on the curb prior to Saturday. Pick-up will start at 6:00 am on Wednesday.**

Items placed on curbs which are not in conformance with these guidelines will not be picked up and should be removed from the curb.

For more information call the Borough Hall 448-0539 ext. 4.

#### RECREATION PROGRAMS – FALL 2004

The Roosevelt Community Education and Recreation Coalition is offering various Recreation Programs this Fall. Classes include Adult Yoga, Youth Golf Lessons, Youth Drama, and an Adult/Youth Bowling program. Family trips are also being planned.

There will be no movies during the month of October.

Please contact the Roosevelt Community Education and Recreation Coalition at 448-0539, x3 for more information and a registration form.

Be a good citizen and attend the Borough Council Meetings on the first three Mondays in the month at 7 p.m.

Are you using our library at the school? It is open every Wednesday evening from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

PLEASE REMEMBER: Thoughtful neighbors pick up after their dogs. Are you a thoughtful neighbor?

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## COMMITTEES PREPARE ORDINANCE PROPOSALS FOR CONSULTANTS' COMMENTS

During the summer, Planning Board committees labored to finalize draft zoning and parking recommendations for legal and planning review. After Board Attorney Michele Donato and Planning Consultant Tom Thomas submit suggestions for changes, the public will have an opportunity to comment before the Board forwards the proposals to the Borough Council for consideration of ordinance amendments.

Tentative parking restrictions are summarized on page three of the July 2004 Bulletin. Jane Rothfuss is Chairwoman of the Board's Parking Committee. Members of the Committee are Board Chairman Ralph Seligman, Timothy Hartley, Edwin Moser and David Ticktin. Jessica Hecht, Chairwoman of the Zoning Committee, reported at the Board's September 14 meeting that she and Mr. Seligman are still putting the finishing touches on zoning recommendations relating to matters other than parking. When completed, these will be forwarded to Ms. Donato and Mr. Thomas, along with the parking proposals, for their comments. Other members of the Zoning Committee are Michael Ticktin and Mr. Moser.

Details of the Zoning Committee's suggested recommendations were not yet available. At the August 10 meeting, Ms. Donato said better municipal court enforcement might be obtained if as many parking restrictions as possible could be handled under the Borough's general police power ordinances rather than the zoning ordinance.

In June, Zoning Officer Ed Goetzmann reported that he issued warning notices to the owners of 19 unregistered vehicles parked around town. He added that one of the recipients telephoned him "threatening physical harm to me and damage to my car," prompting Mr. Goetzmann to file "a formal report with the ... State Police the next morning." He noted that he planned to serve warning notices to three more owners of unregistered vehicles in July. Meanwhile, he reported in August that several unregistered or unmovable vehicles "have disappeared." Mr. Goetzmann resigned as the Zoning Officer for personal reasons, but he will remain as the Borough's Housing Officer. The new Zoning Officer is Patrick Hynes, who also serves as Zoning Officer in Millstone Township and Ocean City. Chairman Seligman thanked Mr. Goetzmann for his service.

Michael Ticktin, Chairman of the Redevelopment and Affordable Housing Committee, recommended at the September 14 meeting that the Borough accept a proposal from Community Options, Inc. to develop a group home on a new lot created in the portion of the property occupied by the abandoned service station that is north of the existing house. The Princeton-based organization provides housing and employment support in seven states for more than 1,300 adults with developmental disabilities. Robert Stack, Community Options' President and CEO, submitted a seven-page proposal, dated August 30, to Mayor Neil Marko, with a copy for the Planning Board.

The proposal calls for Community Options' Ocean/Monmouth/Atlantic regional office to operate a facility in Roosevelt. The organization would build a three-bedroom home for three male or female ambulatory adult individuals. Provided with constant supervision while in the home and community, according to the proposal, the three residents would be "encouraged to develop peer relationships" with their housemates "and people in the community who share similar interests."

Andrea Bonaparte and Corey Hribar of Community Options' Mercer/Burlington office made a presentation and answered Board members' questions at the Board's August 10 meeting. Ms. Hecht reported that she had been favorably impressed with Community Options facilities she had seen in Mercer County but had not toured any facilities in the Ocean/Monmouth/Atlantic region.

Michael Ticktin said the rental status of the three units in the proposed facility would enable the Borough to obtain credit for five affordable dwellings. The State Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) has mandated that Roosevelt provide opportunities for the creation of eight moderate- or low-income housing units. Mr. Ticktin suggested that the Borough satisfy its affordable housing responsibility with the group home and either authorization for three auxiliary apartments built onto existing homes or activation of its regional contribution agreement (RCA) with Asbury Park. Under the RCA option, Roosevelt would pay \$75,000 to

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# From the Mayor

Hello everyone. I hope your summer was as nice as mine. Unfortunately, the Borough does not take a vacation and things must continue. I hope in this article and in those that follow, to bring you some new information about some of the more important issues that are going on in the Borough.

Earlier this month, I met with officials of the Post Office and with a representative of Senator Corzine. At that meeting, those officials expressed dismay over the problems that we had been having. At the end of that meeting, I was satisfied that we would soon be having better service.

In particular, postal officials have assured me that they will do whatever they can to make sure that the mail is delivered. But the task is becoming increasingly difficult. A short time ago, the number of employees that worked at our local post office went from three to two. There is no intention on the part of the post office to replace that third employee. Instead, they are trying to improve the efficiency of their operation.

One way of improving efficiency, is to make sure that all mail was properly addressed. We may think that there is no difference between mail that has only a street and mail that has a post office box number on it, but there is. In particular, if mail has a post office box number on it, then a replacement employee could put it into your box without a time consuming lookup. Also, if automated equipment could sort the mail by box number, then it would be much easier for even regular employees to put it into your box.

They just start at one end and one box follows another, without any jumping around.

But there are other reasons for making sure that your mail has a post office box number on it. Much of your mail comes from large mailers. These are companies like the electric utility and your bank or credit card company. Those companies make a deal with the post office to get a lower postage cost for first class mail. Part of the bargain is that they have to ensure that all the addresses on their mail are correct. The post office does this and gives them a better rate because the hope is that with clean and scrubbed addresses, the cost of delivery will be less. When one of those mailers does not use your post office box number, they are in effect, ripping off the post office and therefore ripping off us taxpayers and all the others who pay full price. If you receive mail from one of those companies, and they consistently do not use your post office box number, then the post office would like to get involved. Contact them.

In any event, the post office will try to deliver all the mail. You may still get a sticker on the outside of a letter, but even without a post office box number, if they can deliver it, they will.

Another topic that I discussed with them were the hours. As many of you are aware, the Roosevelt Post Office has regular daytime hours but no evening hours. This is somewhat of a burden on residents that possibly do not get home until the evening. The idea of not getting your mail until Saturday did not sit well with them. I expect that more reasonable hours or

some way for all residents to conveniently get their mail will soon be forthcoming.

In closing, I would like to remind all of you that your Borough Council and I would like to hear from you. We have meetings the first three Mondays of each month. The first Monday is a committee meeting at 7 pm followed by an Agenda meeting at 8. The next Monday is our Action meeting at 7 pm. The third Monday is another committee meeting at 7 pm. You are all welcome and encouraged to come to all. If you can't make a meeting, perhaps you want to email us. My email is [mayor@borough.roosevelt.nj.us](mailto:mayor@borough.roosevelt.nj.us) or you can reach the Council by emailing [council@borough.roosevelt.nj.us](mailto:council@borough.roosevelt.nj.us). If you want, you can call me at the Borough Hall (448-0539) and press 1.

Tidbit of information: Years ago in the seventies, the face of the mural in the school was removed and sent to Italy to be restored. When they removed it, they found the synopia, or the line drawing of the mural. When the mural came home, it was mounted on a canvas and aluminum frame. This was done so that when the building moves and settles, the mural could move independently and not crack. The synopia was also installed on a canvas frame. I am told it resides in some government office building in Camden. ■

# From the Office of the CSA, Dr. Dale Weinbach

The 2004-05 school year promises to be filled with exciting learning experiences for our Roosevelt students, parents and staff. In June, the Board of Education held a retreat and during this time the Board updated the district goals. The Roosevelt mission statement and district goals, together with the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards, drive the educational program of our school. Board members agreed that, *"A quality education is consistent with our mission statement and allows students to reach their potential academically and creatively, to be individually challenged and develop a sense of civil responsibility."* District goals address student achievement, facilities and funding, and specific board goals.

Our district three year technology plan was approved by the county. This plan outlines the scope and sequence for technology skills for the next several years. This year a keyboarding program will be implemented in grades K-6. Technology includes student facility with computers, digital cameras, video cameras, the Internet, and a myriad of applications and software. Technology serves as a learning tool across the curriculum.

State code mandates that each school district have an affirmative action officer. Ilene Levine serves in

that capacity, along with our affirmative action team. The purpose of this team is to assure equal access of all programs to all of our students, and to assure that our working environment is free of discrimination. In addition, the Board of Education regularly updates policy that supports affirmative action.

Roosevelt has been selected by the Department of Education to conduct a special education self assessment. This is a two year process during which the special education department is completely reviewed by members of the staff and community. If you would like to serve on the committee with school members, please contact me at school.

The RPS web site is up and running. There are links on the home page to school events, the calendar and all the classrooms. This year a monthly message from Jill Lipoti, the board president, has been added. Please check out our web site at [www.RPS1.org](http://www.RPS1.org).

Our school is the recipient of a grant that will enable all classes to participate with the Monmouth County Child Assault Prevention Program. CAP personnel will be visiting all the classrooms in October. Before the classroom visit, CAP presenters will have an evening for parents and in-service for teachers. The parent meeting

has been scheduled for October 13 at 7:30. Monmouth County has also initiated a new program for the safety and well being of children of all ages. This is called 2ND Floor. 2nd Floor is a help hotline for children and adolescents who need an understanding, nonjudgmental and caring person to listen to them.

Volunteer staff are available to listen and to guide students. Children are assured anonymity and confidentiality, except in life-threatening situations. When receiving an emergency phone call, 2nd Floor will initiate emergency call-trace procedures for police intervention. 2nd Floor is a service of 180, Turning Lives Around, Inc. The youth hotline is 888-222-2228, [www.2ndfloor.org](http://www.2ndfloor.org). Students will be receiving information about this hotline.

The school library is scheduled to be open on Wednesdays, from 7:00-8:30. Please contact me should you care to be a library volunteer.

The entire staff is grateful for the collaboration between the PTA and the Board of Education in providing air conditioners for each classroom. This certainly made the first few days of school easier and more conducive to learning.

It's going to be a great school year! ■

## October School Dates

October 8	Pizza	October 22	Pizza
October 11	Early dismissal	October 26 & 28	Early dismissal – Parent conferences
October 13	Meeting for Parents (re: Child Assault Prevention) - 7:30 p.m.	October 28	Board Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
October 21	Picture Day	October 31	Trick or Treat at school - 5:30-8:30 p.m.



Monmouth County Vocational School District  
**INFORMATION SESSIONS  
 FOR CLASS OF 2009**

**MANDATORY Attendance to be Eligible**

**New Bio-Technology High School  
 Kozloski Road, Freehold, NJ**

Thursday, October 21 . . . . . 7 PM  
 Saturday, October 23 . . . . . 10 AM  
 Thursday, November 16 . . . . . 7 PM  
 Saturday, November 20 . . . . . 10 AM

**Communications High School  
 of Monmouth County  
 New Bedford Road, Wall, NJ**

Saturday, October 16 . . . . . 10 AM  
 Wednesday, October 27 . . . . . 7 PM  
 Saturday, November 13 . . . . . 10 AM  
 Wednesday, November 17 . . . . . 7 PM

**High Technology High School  
 Parking Lot 4, Brookdale Campus  
 Newman Springs Rd, Lincroft, NJ**

Thursday, October 14 . . . . . 7 PM  
 Saturday, October 23 . . . . . 10 AM  
 Saturday, November 13 . . . . . 10 AM  
 Thursday, November 18 . . . . . 7 PM

**Marine Academy of  
 Science & Technology  
 Building 305, Sandy Hook, NJ**

Thursday, October 7 . . . . . 6:30 PM  
 Saturday, October 16 . . . . . 10 AM  
 Thursday, November 11 . . . . . 6:30 PM  
 Saturday, November 13 . . . . . 10 AM

**Monmouth County Academy  
 of Allied Health & Science  
 2325 Heck Avenue, Neptune, NJ**

Saturday, October 9 . . . . . 10 AM  
 Tuesday, October 19 . . . . . 7 PM  
 Tuesday, November 16 . . . . . 7 PM  
 Saturday, November 20 . . . . . 10 AM

Applications will only be available at these sessions

**Deadline for Submission of  
 Application is  
 December 3, 2004**

**Call: 732-431-6291**

By Clare Sacharoff

Senior Citizen News

On August 17<sup>th</sup> at Toms River, the Senior Club members enjoyed a cruise down Barnegat Bay while dining on board the paddleboat. It was an enjoyable afternoon.

The Thursday morning exercise class continues to thrive while our participating members have become agile and svelte not to mention healthy and strong. The next six week session began September 9th.

One could smell delicious odors wafting in the air September 7<sup>th</sup> when each member brought a covered dish for all to share at our monthly meeting. There was everything from chicken pasta dishes to ice cream, and sweet potato pie.

Rova Farms flea market was our destination for our regularly scheduled trip on the third Tuesday of the month.

On October 10th we will see a live production of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" at the Kelsey Theater. ■

Items for this column can be submitted to Ron Kostar by phone 443-4179, 18 Pine Drive, or e-mail at ronkostar1@aol.com.

*The following is a copy of Lian Garton's Valedictorian speech delivered last June at the Hightstown High School Graduation ceremonies. She is a Roosevelt resident.*

Good evening. I'm Lian Garton, the Class of 2004 Valedictorian. Congratulations Class of 2004. You have managed to survive HHS and are ready to move into a new setting. Hall monitors will no longer pester you for passes as you experience newfound freedom. But what will you do with that freedom? I'm not asking for the immediate response of "going to college" or "getting a job," but the far-reaching answer of what you intend to accomplish in your lifetime. Will you address the problems facing our nation? Will you improve the lives of other people? Will you seek the more personal objective of self-fulfillment?

I started the Philosophy Club at Hightstown in part because I did not know the answers to many introspective questions. I thought that I could find the answers by listening to the wise words of famous philosophers and my classmates. However, I have finally realized that I cannot simply borrow other people's ideas and treat them as my own. I must look within myself to figure out why I'm here and how I should spend my life. I encourage all of you to look at the direction you are headed and decide if its time to get a new compass or stay the course. The philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche once said: "At bottom, every man knows perfectly well that he is a unique being, only once on this earth; and by no extraordinary chance will such a marvelously picturesque piece of diversity in unity as he is, ever be put together a second time." Human cloning may be scientifically feasible

and identical twins share the same genetic code, but each person has a set of experiences that constitutes self. Never again will a person exactly like you live on this earth. Your life becomes significant in its uniqueness, so live it up.

The 2004 Olympics are coming to Greece this summer. All of the competing athletes have already found a way to exploit their exceptionality. The athletes continuously reach higher and higher. Will you do the same and meet upcoming challenges? Or will you be distracted by the easier, yet less fulfilling, way of life in mediocrity? Nietzsche also said: "life always gets harder toward the summit - the cold increases, the responsibility increases." In my experience, the increased cold and responsibility are well worth the view at the top. It is only when you have reached the peak that you see the surrounding mountains of various heights waiting for ascension. Pictures cannot capture the panoramic vista beheld after an arduous hike, yet some people who are unwilling to risk hiking up the path insist that pictures are good enough. Photos are similar to trophies in that the memory and experience attached to each of them are more important than the object itself. The photo or trophy is merely a shell; the most important part is invisible.

I agree with the words of Nietzsche: "Believe me! The secret of reaping the greatest fruitfulness and the greatest enjoyment from life is to live dangerously!" Living dangerously and taking risks will ensure that life is full of variety, and variety is the spice of life, after all. A flavor-filled life is characterized not only by risk-taking, but by a distinctive lifestyle as well. Two groups of people, the Nows and the Later, rep-

resent opposite ends of the lifestyle spectrum. The Later procrastinate to the maximum and concentrate on enjoying themselves in the present moment without regard to the future. The Nows try to accomplish as much as they can as quickly as possible. I respect both the Later for their enjoyment of life and the Nows for their overachievement, but each must be taken in moderation. I'm a little of both; though more Now than Later. The combination you choose to live out will reflect your personal values, so choose carefully. Just remember that life is waiting for you.

I wish you the best of luck in the years to come. Thank you.

### Other Community News

Haley Rae Reimbold, a junior at Hamilton College, was recently awarded the prestigious Russ Berrie Award for *Making a Difference*, an honor presented by the Bernie Company and Ramapo College to a college student who combines top grades and service to others. In addition to serving meals at shelters and soup kitchens in the Utica, NY area, Haley takes part in activities for homeless and needy families as the Director of the Hamilton Action Volunteer Outreach Coalition (HAVOC), a student organization that helps underprivileged people in the local community. Haley leads the Red Cross Campus Club and volunteers at a local day care center and tutors children near Hamilton College. She maintains Dean's List honors while juggling these community services. The Berrie Award carries a cash award of \$50,000.

Ina Clark, a senior at the Peddie

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*This appeared in the June 24th issue of the Examiner.*

## An Act of Kindness Worth Sharing

Last Saturday, while riding my horse in the Assunpink with my husband, my sister and friend, I had an accident that sent me to the emergency room. My horse spooked - threw his head back, hitting me square in the face and badly fracturing my nose.

We were quite far from our horse trailer, but headed back as quickly as we could. On the way, we had to ride the shoulder of the road for approximately a mile. It just so happens that at that exact time, a woman and her daughter were driving by. She saw that I had a large, white cloth over my face and stopped her car. She turned out to be an EMT (emergency medical technician) from Roosevelt. Her name is Elise Cousineau. Her daughter's name is Lyssa.

Elise rushed to my side and proceeded to access my injuries. She informed me that I must go to the hospital emergency right away. She wanted to place a call to the Roosevelt Emergency Squad to send an ambulance, but I pleaded with her not to. She then asked if she could at least drive me to the hospital herself. Her daughter immediately jumped out of the car and offered to help my husband take care of our horses and bring them to the trainer and back safely to our farm.

In the meantime, Elise drove me to CentraState Medical Center in Freehold Township, never leaving my side, and reassuring me that all would be OK. She continued to put cold packs on my face and nose to reduce the swelling. Elise waited with me for hours while I was admitted, transferred to a hospital room, sent for X-rays and even stayed awhile when my husband arrived to update him on my injuries.

The following day, I hear a knock on my door - it's Elise and her daughter Lyssa. They had come to deliver me a dozen long-stem red roses. "Why?" I asked. She simply replied, "Just to make you feel better." Such an act of kindness will never be forgotten, and I just wanted to share my story with the public to let them know that earthly angels do live amongst us, for I just dealt with two of them last weekend.

*Betty Bailey*

*Clarksburg section of Millstone*

## Reunion of RPS Class of 1968

Some of the members of the Roosevelt Public School class who graduated in 1968 traveled together from nursery school at Hechalutz through high school graduation. Some left after first grade or did not join us until seventh grade. Others came for a year or two and then left.

In the end, we were twelve. We were twelve children standing nervously beneath the bust of Franklin Delano Roosevelt at the edge of the reflecting pool. We sang "The Sounds of Silence." We listened to the speeches. We received our diplomas and off we went into the outside world: Hightstown High School. (RPS went through 8<sup>th</sup> grade then.) From there we went on with our lives. Yes, there was a reflecting pond then, and no, none of us ended up swimming during the graduation ceremony despite the boasting of our classmates.

Eleven of the twelve graduates gathered again in 2004 for a weekend reunion. So did many of those students who passed through or left the class early. The classmates and their families spent time together on and off throughout the weekend. On Saturday afternoon, former students

and their families, former teachers and parents came together at the school for a meet, greet and lunch.

It had been 36 to 44 years since some of us had seen each other. I expected to be surprised at the changes. Most did look different, but some of my classmates seemed to have changed very little during the intervening decades. All of them were still instantly recognizable. It was like opening a time capsule.

What was most surprising, however, was not the external evidence of the years. The surprise was the internal continuity with the past. We were children of a small, safe and unique community. It was also, for the most part, an insulated, liberal, mono-religious, single race community - just like any small town in the Midwest. The difference, as we later discovered, was that the rest of the normal world was quite different from our normal world.

As with children in other communities, we had our own little society and our own ways of interacting with each other. Think 'Leave it to Beaver' meets 'Lord of the Flies.'

If I had not been able to recognize my old classmates by sight, I would have recognized their voices, their expressions and the ways in which they interacted with each other. All of us moved away and many of us married and raised our own children. We left Roosevelt and became teachers, artisans, lawyers and businesspeople. Now, we are grown-ups and masters of our own domains, whatever they may be.

When we got together again after all these years, we became Roosevelt school children again. We were like brothers and sisters in many ways, with all that entails. When we met again, we fell into many of the same patterns and even some of the same voices. We also

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## REUNION OF RPS CLASS OF 1968

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learned things about our classmates that they would never have admitted as children. No, we did not learn about misdeeds and crimes, and if we did, I would not write of them here. What we learned about all these years later were the emotions of childhood, the inconsequential and not so inconsequential slights and kindnesses that were imprinted on the minds of the receivers, often without the awareness of the givers. In some ways it is sad that it took so long to clear these things up. Still, it was comforting and gratifying to hear them aired and, perhaps, now laid to rest.

Yes, the reunion was a fun event. It was wonderful to see the faces of siblings unseen for decades and to meet the children, many of them already grown. It was nice to reminisce about the old days and the events in Roosevelt that affected our lives. But, it was also wonderful to hear many of these people, my old classmates, speak about how nice it was to grow up in this little town with its feeling of community and safety. It makes me wonder what my children are experiencing now that they will remember, for good or bad, in 30 or 40 years. I hope it is all good.

*Jeff Ellentuck*

### Art in the Factory

The quiet early morning was little aware of the happenings to follow for the next two days. As I looked down the hallway one last time before the opening day of *Art in the Factory*, 2004, I realized my "Task Pygmalion" was indeed complete. This once dark, dusty and well trafficked Factory hallway had been transformed into a truly beautiful, well-lit, art gallery.

And the art that hung on the now fresh, white walls sparkled and shone

like jewelry around this already impressive space. All this was achieved through a concerted effort by a great many people: some very talented and dedicated volunteers. Others, the artists themselves, who graciously and enthusiastically lent their works. All coming together to support and promote the Fine Arts and make this such a wonderful event.

The weekend of June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004, will serve my memory well for the rest of my days. I was very lucky to be involved with such an undertaking. At times I seemed almost overwhelmed by the enormity of it, but with great guidance and sage advice, I have to finally admit that it had come off- and BETTER than good! For although both days were a bit cloudy, inside was aglow with quite the collection of diverse art, lit by a veritable snaking of wires and lights, but so well done, no spot was dim. And the Artists and visitors (of which seemed to be a great number) also seemed to glow. And conversations were enlightening. Yes, true, the weather wasn't great, but the event was greater than I had hoped. Even the humble yet comfortable snack area had become an impromptu "Salon Des Artistes". Presided over by none other than Bernada! What more could I have asked for? It was truly magical. All this, and all I had wanted to do, was to make those that had done this before me, proud. Yet I received so much more.

In part, I am waxing poetic over a Special Day. But to me, it was a once in a lifetime opportunity and I was only happy to be able to do what I was able to, because of that fact. But one fact remains: that I give thanks mostly. For the Volunteers. And the event group. And to RAP. And to the Town of Roosevelt with its incredible strength and harbor of talents. For without EACH of these, none of this event

would've been possible. Here's to more.

I thank you sincerely,  
*Jim Hayden*

### News from the Roosevelt First Aid Squad

*Carol Watchler*

Thanks to all who supported the First Aid Squad at the Fourth of July community gathering. Many folks were happy to obtain a copy of the Roosevelt 50 year book which was created in 1986 in celebration of Roosevelt's 50th anniversary. More copies are available at a cost of \$5 per book. This is a great chance for new Rooseveltians to see the history of our town and long time Rooseveltians to pass copies along to the next generation.

Anyone who would like to place an order can make a check for the desired number of books payable to "Roosevelt First Aid Squad, Inc" and send your request to RFAS, P.O. Box 274, Roosevelt, NJ 08555. These and any other donations are always welcome.

This support is helping RFAS to maintain up-to date equipment to serve the community. A few of our recent acquisitions to insure readiness include updated communications equipment, a new system for storing oxygen to make it more easily and safely available for transfer to the ambulance, reflective vests for all-weather use, and new suction equipment.

Over the summer we have provided response to 20 calls, 16 in Roosevelt and 4 as mutual aid to other communities. With our gradually expanding squad, we continue to be able to serve most of the in-town calls and also be available to respond when needed for our neighbors in Millstone.

We invite interested persons to con-

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# *In Memoriam*

Maurice Phillips

1916-2004

I would like to inform you of my father's death on March 29, 2004 due to a heart attack. My father, Maurice Phillips, Ph.D., moved to Roosevelt with his family in 1949. We lived at 17 Pine Drive. He moved from Roosevelt to Princeton in 1964.

Maurice Phillips was born in Boston, Massachusetts on February 3, 1916. He grew up, the oldest of 9 children, in Rochester, New York. He graduated from Cornell University School of Agriculture in 1938 and was a farmer until 1948. He then worked at Bordentown Reformatory, New

Jersey Psychiatric Hospital (Skillman) and finally went into private practice as a clinical psychologist in 1958. His office was in Princeton. He completed his Ph.D. at New York University in 1966. He retired just a few years ago, well past the age of 80.

He was married to Lore Phillips; they were later divorced. I, along with my sisters Charlotte Phillips and Elinor Phillips Tucker, grew up in Roosevelt.

He was an intelligent man of enormous energy and persistence. In addition to his busy clinical practice,

Maurice was an avid gardener and my parents had a large garden in Roosevelt. He also was a 4-H leader in the 1950's in Roosevelt while working full time and pursuing graduate studies. He later developed a great interest in propagating Amaryllis bulbs and at the time of his death had several hundred plants in various stages of development.

In addition to me and my sisters, he is succeeded by his second wife, their two children and 10 grandchildren.

*Laramie (Phillips) Palmer* ■

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## NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

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School, was inducted into the Cum Laude Society along with 11 classmates. Ina achieved high honors in 8 out of the last 9 terms and is a National Merit Scholarship semi-finalist. She attended the Governor's School on the Environment during July.

Ex-Rooseveltian Greg McGrath e-mailed to say that his wife and poet Dina Coe, both formerly of Roosevelt and now living in the hills of West Virginia, has been selected to appear in the 2004- 2005 edition of *Who's Who of American Women*. Greg reports enjoying life in WV where he and Dina have become active in the

local art scene, most recently performing with a drum and dance ensemble. Dina Coe's poems appeared recently or are forthcoming in a number of magazines, including *Barrow Street*, *The Chattahoochee Review*, *Poet Lore*, *Southern Poetry Review*, *Another Chicago Magazine*, *Hubbub*, *Louisiana Literature*, and elsewhere.

Judith Nahmias will participate in the "Tribute to One in Eight" art exhibit and sale, in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, on Friday, October 8, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Saturday, October 9, 9 a.m. - 12 Noon at Saint Peter's University Hospital-

Sister Marie de Pazzi Conference Center, 254 Easton Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ.

As another school year begins I encourage people to send their news. I would also like to invite two students, one from the high school and another from the middle school, to serve as liasons and reporters. Curiosity, but no prior writing or reporting experience is required! Please send your news to [Ronkostar1@aol.com](mailto:Ronkostar1@aol.com), or call me at 443-4179. ■

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## BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

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Mayor Marko also announced that he had received a letter from Community Options, Inc. expressing interest in building a group home for developmentally-disabled adults on the site subdivided from the gas station lot, and to the north of the existing house, that has been designated as our affordable housing zone. He is referring the letter to the Planning Board so that it may make its recommendations to the Council.

Administrator Harold Klein reported that the engineering firm of Schoor-DePalma had submitted its report on the remediation of the gas station to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and was awaiting a response. Once the DEP has approved the proposed plan of action, the Borough will be in a position to proceed with the redevelopment of the site by soliciting proposals and bids from potential purchasers. Since the site is in a designated redevelopment area, the Council, with the advice of the Planning Board, will be able to select a redeveloper based both on the nature of the proposed improvement and on the price offered for the property.

Mr. Klein also stated that, as requested by the Planning Board and Council, he had sent a letter to the owners of 23 Pine Drive advising them that the Borough would take action if they continued to let the building remain in its unrepaired state. If no action is taken by either the owner or the lienholder, the Borough will begin the process of taking ownership of the property by eminent domain, which it has legal authority to do since the property is a designated redevelopment area.

Councilman Jeff Hunt, chairman of the utilities committee, reported that

the committee would be meeting with Chief Financial Officer George Lang, Tax and Utilities Collector Sam Cannizzaro and Auditor Jerry Stankiewicz to get their recommendations as to the structuring of usage-based water rates. The initial rates would be subject to revision based upon further review of actual usage. The committee will also be discussing rates and procedures for the treatment of "gray water" brought in by septic tank pumping contractors.

Councilman Dan Hoffman, chairman of the Public Works committee, reported that he had received a letter from the Monmouth County Engineer concerning speed control and sidewalks on Rochdale Avenue and that he would be meeting with Monmouth County representatives to follow up.

Councilwoman Elly Shapiro introduced Recreation Director Eric Schubiger, who reported on the summer camp program. On the positive side, the camp expanded to an eight-week, six hour a day schedule in order to better serve the children and their families. After an absence of a year, the camp once again had the use of the pool at the Pine Valley Swim Club. For the first time, the camp offered trips to outside activities, such as roller skating, bowling, movies and miniature golf. The camp also had the benefit of the services of an onsite supervisor, Jeff Santanello, who is a teacher at the Roosevelt Public School. On the downside, the camp did not meet its expenses, largely due to the fact that fewer families than expected enrolled their children for the full eight weeks. In the future, it may be necessary to require families to commit themselves for a session of at least several weeks, rather than a week at a

time. Overall, however, the revenue of the recreation program was about equal to program expenses.

In response to a question from Alan Newrath concerning the paving of Pine Drive, Administrator Klein said that the work would be done starting in the first week of October. The section of the roadway to be affected will be between the Cooperative Circle Park triangle and the sewer plant.

Robert Francis called the Council's attention to the problem that he and others on Lake Drive have had with tree roots affecting sewer laterals. He called upon the Council to correct the problem involving pipes in the street before any repaving of the road. Mr. Klein said that he would ask Superintendent of Public Works Toby Moore to meet with Mr. Francis to discuss his specific problem and to advise him of the procedure that is to be followed.

In other action, the Council approved an ordinance appropriating \$7,000.00 for the Borough's share of the cost of acquiring development easements to the former Hoffman farm, introduced ordinances revising the Administrative Code and the salary ordinance, and approved resolutions appointing Creative Habitat Corporation as the environmental consultant to the Borough, amending the municipal budget to accept a \$5,000.00 stormwater grant from DEP, authorizing the Administrator to sign a soil erosion control application, and providing a partial reimbursement to the Roosevelt Public School for the purchase and installation of mulch. The Council also appointed Patrick N. Hynes as the new Zoning Officer. Mr. Hynes already serves in that capacity in Millstone Township. ■

# The Mural

I first saw Ben Shahn's mural online. I first saw Roosevelt when my husband, Steve, and I were looking for a new home. We were over in Allentown house-hunting when Steve remembered doing a house survey years ago in a little town in the area that had "funny-looking houses." We found our way over here, and he was right: It is a little town and I had never seen flat-topped houses like those before; but there was something about the town that we both liked.

When we were sure we wanted to buy a house in Roosevelt, Steve and I checked out the town on the Internet and read about Jersey Homesteads and the mural in the school. Folks we'd meet in town would ask, "Have you seen the mural?" When my curiosity had gotten the best of me, I walked to the school and took a look at it. My first impression was "Wow!" and then "What a powerful work of art." I looked at the images and could see the history I had read about on the Internet. Then I saw that up there, woven in with Shahn's images, was a picture of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory and I remembered that my grandmother was one of the girls who had worked there.

My mother's mom, Elizabeth Andriescak was originally from the plains in the northeastern part of Hungary. She and her brother,



Elizabeth Andriescak and Mary Macher

Stephen, had been orphaned when quite young and Grandma was raised on a farm by an aunt. Evidently this aunt had a little money for when she was in her late teens (probably around 1906 or 07), her aunt gave her a trip to America to visit Stephen who had emigrated to the U.S. and was working in New York City. I can only imagine her surprise when she returned to Hungary and found that a marriage had been arranged for her. Well, apparently it didn't sound that great to her because she promptly returned to America, stayed with Stephen and his wife in New York City, and got a job at the Shirtwaist factory. I don't know exactly what her duties were, but I

understand that Grandma was an excellent seamstress; she had probably inherited her talent from her father who had been a tailor. Fortunately, she left Triangle before the infamous fire, worked as a nanny for a family in Cranford, NJ, married my grandfather, and raised a family of her own.

It was a surprise to see an image from my family's history in a mural in this small town that Steve and I now call home. Roosevelt is a small town with a lot of history and a lot to like. And I'm glad that we found our way here. ■

## About Two Square Miles Of Stories

Everyone in our two-square mile town has old family photographs and memories of the people in them. These pictures and your memories are narratives waiting to enrich us all. So, join us in a Roosevelt Show and Tell project - find an old picture or two and tell us a story in a few paragraphs.

For information telephone:

Marilyn Magnes 448-6402  
Pearl Seligran 448-2340



To the Editor:

### CALLING ALL SINGLES

I'm new to the area and looking to start a singles group for widowed, divorced, and separated men and women, ages 55 – 70 for friendship. Call Joyce for information at 448-3378.

To the Editor:

Living in Brooklyn, I've imagined farms to be monotonous, neglected and spooky. But a recent trip to an organic farm in Roosevelt, NJ changed my mind. Managed by Jay and Ann Goldman, the farm is a "Community Supported Garden." My friend Victoria Estok who also occasionally works there, showed me around.

The farm exists on contributions from about 30 families who buy shares in exchange for receiving vegetables each week from June through October. It is clearly loved by its caretakers. It is gratifying to visit, both beautiful and useful.

I glazed over at first. My questions, I figured, would be irrelevant. And I couldn't recognize a single plant. (When Victoria stuck a sage leaf under my nose, I thought it was mint.) It took a minute to adjust to the setting. The small plot is dramatically bordered on three sides by trees. (Was this encirclement cozy or menacing?) The low hanging sky appealed to my brooding side: it most resembles a Dutch painting on overcast days.

Then I looked at the plot. Tomatoes, zinnias and Asian greens flank a large field surrounded by a wire gate. Within, ten kinds of lettuce, squash, eggplant, cucumber and sunflowers are planted in vertical rows. Nearby are a pumpkin patch, a cooler which contains the weekly shares, an herb garden and a greenhouse. Victoria joked about living in the greenhouse permanently.

I've been to Roosevelt twice, and I really like it. In this artist community, everyone seems to not only know every-

one else, but people even recognize all of their neighbor's dogs and cars. The town's size is humorously inviting to outsiders. At a party for example, I learned that the grassy lane behind the host's house is everyone's backyard.

How long will such towns last? While other suburbanites live in relative isolation, Roosevelt residents have held onto a rare intimacy. And the farm reflects this intimacy. Growing vegetables for your neighbors has an immediacy that can't be found in office work.

Residents should visit the farm. It inspires a calming equilibrium and you'll recognize how a living attachment to the earth encourages greater attachment to others. (I felt grateful after my visit.) Even though I don't live in Roosevelt, I'm making a contribution. Maybe the caretakers can send a squash in the mail.

*Ned Higgins*

To the Editor,

I read with interest your problem with many feral or wild cats.

I clipped this little article years ago and thought it might be interesting to you in deciding how to solve the problem.

"P.S. Sandy and Bob Miller of Ellicott City, MD, sent me an interesting chart distributed by the Maryland SPCA:

Two uncontrolled breeding cats — plus all their kittens and all their kittens' kittens, if none are ever neutered or spayed, add up to: first year: 12; second year: 66; third year: 382; fourth year: 2,201; fifth year: 12,680; sixth year: 73,041; seventh year: 420,715; eighth year: 2,423,316; ninth year: 13,958,290."

Boggles your mind, doesn't it?

A truly wild cat is almost impossible to tame. But good luck to you.

Sincerely,

*Betty Leech, Oskaloosa, KS*

## FIRST AID SQUAD

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sider joining the First Aid Squad. The training and work is rigorous and challenging, but definitely rewarding. For information about becoming a member, contact Elise Cousineau at 371-3344 or [elisecousineau@comcast.net](mailto:elisecousineau@comcast.net).

Roosevelt is a town of many walkers. A great concern of the First Aid Squad is the safety of all, so this seems like a good time for a reminder of the rules of the road for pedestrians. Some of us older folks remember the grade school days of creating "safety posters" with these messages: Walk on the left side facing traffic. Wear white after dark. We can update the last one to read: Wear reflective clothing and carry a flashlight after dark. These basic safety guides haven't changed in all these years and can actually be found on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration website, [www.nhsta.gov/kids/biketour/pedsafety/](http://www.nhsta.gov/kids/biketour/pedsafety/). ■



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# Theme and Variations



Summer is melon time. Autumn is squash time. When the trees turn to gold, it's time to revel in the golden flesh of acorn squash, butternut squash, hubbard squash, kabocha squash – and of course, glorious sunset-colored pumpkin.

Autumn is also the time when a bowl of steaming hot soup suddenly seems like the perfect comfort food. One of the nice things about soup is that you can be creative and improvise with the recipe, varying the ingredients and the proportions quite a bit, without creating problems. It's dangerous to double the flour in a cake, for instance, without changing it drastically, but you can easily increase the amount of chicken in chicken soup or, as you'll see in the following recipe, play any number of variations on a basic theme.

## Autumn Pumpkin Soup

Serves 8

Note: The pulp from a jack-o'-lantern pumpkin can be used if it's boiled, pureed, condensed, and strained, but you'll find that smaller "pie" varieties are sweeter, firmer, and less stringy. Look for pumpkins called Munchkins, Jack Be Little, or Spookie – they're known as cheese, sugar, or milk pumpkins.

### Ingredients:

8 cups coarsely chopped pumpkin (about 3 lbs.)	6 cups low-salt chicken broth
? cup butter	1 teaspoon dried thyme
1 large onion, chopped	? teaspoon dried sage
4 large garlic cloves, minced	salt to taste
1 large, tart apple, peeled & chopped	? cup whipping cream
	2 teaspoons sugar

1. In a large pot, melt the butter.
2. Add onion and garlic, and sauté until tender, about 10 minutes.
3. Add broth, chopped pumpkin, chopped apple, and herbs.
4. Cover and bring to a boil.
5. Reduce heat and simmer for 20 - 25 minutes, or until pumpkin is very soft.
6. Working in batches, puree the vegetables, with some of the broth, in a food processor, blender, or food mill.
7. Return the puree to the same pot.
8. Add the whipping cream and sugar.
9. Stir well, salt to taste, and simmer to re-warm.

Serve with crusty bread or crisp crackers.

Now – for some variations:

- ✓ Use half butternut squash and half acorn squash – or all butternut – instead of pumpkin. Rather than struggling to peel these hard-shelled vegetables, cut them in half and bake for half an hour or so in a medium (425°) oven. Then scoop out the flesh and add to the pot with the broth, etc. at Stage 3 above.
- ✓ In a pinch, substitute two 15-ounce cans of solid pack pumpkin.
- ✓ Vegetarian? Vegetable stock works fine in place of chicken stock.
- ✓ Use a small amount of olive oil instead of butter, and fat-free half-and-half instead of whipping cream.
- ✓ Eliminate the thyme, sage, and sugar and substitute 1? teaspoons of curry powder OR ? teaspoon of ground ginger OR chopped jalapeño pepper OR 1 teaspoon of Chinese five-spice powder OR a combination of powdered cinnamon and nutmeg.

Instead of serving immediately, let the soup cool, refrigerate it, and let it sit overnight to meld the flavors. It's even better on Day #2. ■

**Sandy Tomatoes**

One of the things I look forward to in summer is good, local, fresh, vine-ripened tomatoes. New Jersey is famous for its tomatoes. Large, heavy tomatoes impress many people. But, taste and just as important texture, are more important to the true tomato lover. Tomatoes need lots of hot, sunny, humid days. They like lots of water, but should be planted in soil through which water drains quickly. Another very important element to a good tomato-growing season is warm nights.

The fruit benefits from warm nights with low temperatures above 70 degrees. Summer 2004 was a disappointing season for most New Jersey tomatoes. It was too cool, too cloudy and too wet. In my experience last summer, there was only one exception to the dismal local crop.

Near the beginning of the local tomato season, Amanda Slamm told Robin and me that nearby Westhaven Farms had delicious grape tomatoes. We bought some and they were by far the best we tasted all summer. They were meaty and nearly as sweet as candy. The other tomatoes I ate were very grainy in texture, an unsatisfying condition that leaves you with the feel of sand in your mouth. Oh well, there's always next year.

Here are some specifics on a summer of sandy tomatoes. We had only five days when daytime high temperatures rose to 90 degrees or higher. Last summer had fewer 90+ days than any Roosevelt summer in the last seven years. 1999 had the most 90+ days in that period, 36. Last summer there was not one heat wave (high temperatures of 90 or greater on at least three consecutive days). The highest temperature was 91.4

degrees and that occurred early in the season, on June 9. Nighttime low temperatures dropped below the tomatoes favored range (70 degrees and above) on all but seven nights. The highest low temperature was only 71.8 on July 31. The average temperature for last summer was about one-half a degree below normal.

What about wet? June was dry with only 2.18 inches of rain. July had more than double the amount of normal rainfall with 10.7 inches. There was 4.18 inches of rainfall in August, slightly below normal. Overall, the summer had 17.06 inches of rain fell. That's almost four inches above normal.

**Weather Word**

*Propagation* - the movement of an atmospheric phenomenon. This term is typically applied to the motion of thunderstorms into regions favorable for their continued development. Source: Oklahoma Climatological Survey web site ■

**August 15 - September 15, 2004**

Day	High	Low	Avg	Precip
15	79.9	66.7	73.3	0.92
16	77.0	66.4	71.7	0.16
17	79.0	60.1	69.6	1.00
18	83.7	64.6	74.2	0.08
19	84.6	68.4	76.5	0.00
20	89.4	70.7	80.1	0.00
21	88.0	65.8	76.9	0.00
22	75.4	54.0	64.7	0.17
23	80.6	55.8	68.2	0.00
24	81.1	62.6	71.9	0.00
25	79.0	61.2	70.1	0.00
26	79.5	57.0	68.3	0.00
27	84.2	61.3	72.8	0.00
28	86.9	68.4	77.7	0.00
29	85.8	67.1	76.5	0.00
30	87.6	69.1	78.4	0.00
31	82.9	67.6	75.3	1.10
1	81.5	56.3	68.9	0.15
2	78.6	57.0	67.8	0.00
3	80.2	55.6	67.9	0.00
4	81.5	61.5	71.5	0.00
5	72.9	62.8	67.9	0.05
6	75.9	54.3	65.1	0.00
7	81.0	63.5	72.3	0.00
8	84.9	70.0	77.5	0.00
9	84.6	70.0	77.3	0.17
10	78.8	61.0	69.9	0.20
11	74.5	57.4	66.0	0.12
12	76.1	52.9	64.5	0.00
13	82.9	59.4	71.2	0.00
14	76.6	61.0	68.8	0.00
15	76.5	59.0	67.8	0.00

Total Precipitation 4.12"

## PLANNING BOARD NEWS

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Asbury Park in return for that city's commitment to satisfy the remaining three units of Roosevelt's affordable housing obligation.

All those present at the September meeting — Chairman Seligman, Mayor Marko, Councilwoman Beth Battel, Michael Ticktin, David Ticktin, Ms. Hecht and Mary Ann Rossi — voted in favor of Michael Ticktin's motion to recommend to the Borough Council that it convey title to the two-acre lot to Community Options for nominal consideration, so long as the property reverts to the Borough if it is used in a manner inconsistent with the contemplated group-home use. The motion also recommends that the Council meet the remaining three units of the Borough's affordable housing obligation with either an RCA or auxiliary apartments. The Board will ask Planning Consultant Thomas to draft a consistent housing element for the Borough's Master Plan and fair share affordable housing plan for submission to COAH.

At the August 10 meeting, Mr. Seligman distributed material and maps regarding the State Planning Commission's "Cross Acceptance" process confirming Roosevelt's status under the State Development Plan. Mr. Thomas prepared the maps. Mr. Seligman provided Roosevelt's data during a meeting in Freehold on July 29. The process helps insure that roads and other infrastructure inconsistent with the State Development Plan will not be built.

At Mayor Marko's request, the Board discussed whether to seek State funding for improvements to Oscar

Drive/Witches Hollow Road to accommodate a bicycle path. Such a path would permit a safer alternative than highway travel for a stretch of a proposed bikeway planned to run from Trenton to Point Pleasant. Discussion was tabled until the October 12 meeting in order to obtain input from Millstone Township officials. In July, Mayor Marko appointed alternate member Mary Ann Rossi to full membership on the Planning Board to fill the seat vacated when Robert Petrilla resigned. The term expires on December 31, 2005. The alternate position remains vacant. ■

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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To the Editor:

It seems that it has been only a short time since I wrote to ask you to vote for me for the Borough Council. My first three-year term has flown by, and now I'm looking forward to your support for a second term.

I am currently the Chair of the Health and Safety Committee. I am also a member of two other Council committees, but my very favorite assignment is as liaison with the Senior Citizens of Roosevelt. I have even been asked to become a member of the Solar Village Board, and I look forward to serving there. I was Roosevelt's representative to discussions with Hightstown Borough, to examine the possibility of sharing municipal services in order to save Roosevelt money. This is still in its developmental stages, but we are certainly looking for ways to get the most service for our money.

I was described once as "tight as a drum" on financial issues. I took this as a compliment, and I am dedicated to watching every last dollar of our taxes.

Finally, I managed to survive three years of endless and frequent meetings of the Council.

I respectfully ask you for your vote, for the opportunity to spend three more years in service to the community.

*Pat Moser* ■

### RESIDENTS!

This is your newspaper. We would be happy to hear from you either in the form of letters or articles which we would be pleased to include in our publication each month.

That's what this paper is for — to help us to get to know one another as well as to let you know what is happening in the town.

Let us know what you think, what you do.

How about it?



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# ROOSEVELT ARTS PROJECT

## 2004 - 5 SEASON

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Saturday, October 9, 2004 - Art Exhibit - Opening reception, 5 - 8 p.m.

Concert with David Brahinsky & Friends, 8 p.m.

Sunday, October 10, 2004 - Exhibit continues 12 - 3 p.m.

Talk by David Herrstrom, 2 p.m.

Jacob Landau' studio, 30 Lake Drive

### **TYING THE PAST TO THE PRESENT**

An exhibition of works by Roosevelt artists past and present, including Jacob Landau, Sol Libsohn, Bernarda Bryson Shahn, Bob Mueller, Peter Vince, Naomi Brahinsky, Jim Hayden and others.

Music by David Brahinsky and friends on Saturday.

David Herrstrom talks about the work of Jacob Landau on Sunday.

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Saturday, November 6, 2004

8 p.m. at the Borough Hall

### **“COOL WOMEN READ THEIR POETRY”**

Cool women are not only cool but wise, beginning years ago, meeting to look at each other's work and powerfully create it as art. We never thought we would become bards, yet our experience leads us to become speakers of our lives and the lives of others. We are Eloise Bruce, Carolyn Foote Edelmann, Joyce Greenberg Lott, Lois Marie Harrod, Betty Bonham Lies, Judith Michaels and Penelope Scambly Schott. Come share our words, our stories, and our experiences.



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Saturday, December 11, 2004

8 p.m. at the Borough Hall

### **ALAN MALLACH PERFORMS PIANO MUSIC OF THE 1910'S**

The 1910's were a time of musical upheaval, with romanticism, modernism and nationalism challenging one another against a backdrop of war and revolution. Alan Mallach, pianist, will perform works by composers such as Bartok, Prokofiev, Debussy, Satie, Mompou and Rachmaninov, adding his own enlightening commentary on the composers and their times.



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Saturday, January 8, 2005

8 p.m. at the Borough Hall (In the event of snow, this program will take place on January 15)

### **RON ORLANDO AND FRIENDS**

Ron Orlando and his friends will perform American roots music including cuts from his new CD, "Jasper, Texas."

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Saturday, February 12, 2005

8 p.m. at the Borough Hall

### **ROOSEVELT POETS**

The Roosevelt poets celebrate the Year of the Rooster.



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All events are at 8 p.m. at Roosevelt Borough Hall except where otherwise noted.

Events for March through June to follow.

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### **Voluntary Contribution:**

For most events \$5 per adult.

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## October

4	Mon	7 pm	Council Committee Meeting Borough Hall Mike Hamilton, President 609-443-5227
		8 pm	Council Agenda Meeting, Borough Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 609-443-6818
5	Tues	12 noon	Senior Blood Pressure Check Borough Hall
		1 pm	Seniors Meeting Borough Hall Gerry Millar, President 609-448-0351
6	Wed		♻️ RECYCLE
8	Fri		RPS Pizza Day
9	Sat	5-8 pm	RAP Program, Art exhibit Opening Reception, David Brahinsky Concert (see RAP Page)
10	Sun	12-3 pm	RAP Program, Art exhibit David Herrstrom talk (see RAP Page)
11	Mon		RPS Early Dismissal, Professional Development
		7 pm	Council Action Meeting Borough Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 609-443-6818
12	Tues	7:30 pm	Planning Board Meeting Borough Hall Ralph Seligman, Chairman 609-448-2340
13	Wed	7:30 pm	Meeting for Parents, Child Assault Prevention
18	Mon	7 pm	Council Committee Meeting Borough Hall Mike Hamilton, President 609-443-5227
		7:30 pm	PTA Meeting, RPS Larisa Bondy, PTA President 609-443-7430
20	Wed		♻️ RECYCLE
		7:30 pm	Environmental Commission Meeting David Schwendeman, Chairman 609-443-6204
21	Thurs		RPS School Pictures
	Thurs	7:30 pm	Synagogue Board Meeting Neil Marko 609-443-6818

22	Fri		RPS Pizza Day
24	Sun		United Nations Day
25	Mon	7 pm	Council Committee Meeting as needed Borough Hall Mike Hamilton, President 609-443-5227
26	Tues		RPS Early Dismissal, Parent Conferences
28	Thurs		RPS Early Dismissal, Parent Conferences
		7:30 pm	Board of Education Meeting RPS Jill Lipoti, President 609-448-9214
31	Sun		Daylight Savings Time Ends  Halloween
		5:30- 8:80 pm	PTA Trick or Treat at RPS

## November

1	Mon	7 pm	Council Committee Meeting Borough Hall Mike Hamilton, President 609-443-5227
		8 pm	Council Agenda Meeting, Borough Hall Neil Marko, Mayor 609-443-6818
2	Tues		Election Day
6	Sat	8 pm	RAP Program, "Cool Women Read Their Poetry" (see RAP Page)
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