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BOROUGH COUNCIL NEWS

By Mary Macher and Michael Ticktin

Council Hears Environmental Commission Presentation on Stormwater Issues; New Schedule of Fees and Escrows for Land Use Applications Adopted

At its October 12 meeting, the Council heard a presentation by David Schwendeman, Chairman of the Environmental Commission, concerning compliance with Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) stormwater regulations. Mr. Schwendeman reported that members of the Commission have observed individuals in town dumping prohibited substances down the storm drains, which empty into Assunpink Brook. This cannot be allowed to continue. There have also been instances of blockage of the storm drains and culverts, all of which have to be kept open at all times. The Commission is investigating if road salt can produce a harmful chemical imbalance. When asked about the impact of using chemical weed killers to clear the gutters and the kill weed in cracks in the road, Mr. Schwendeman replied that the best way to remove the weeds was to do so physically. He will look into any hazards involved with using chemicals such as Roundup®.

Mr. Schwendeman’s presentation to the Council was part of a broader effort to comply with DEP rules requiring municipalities to conduct educational activities as a condition of their stormwater permits. In a recent letter, Carmela Roberts, the municipal engineer, advised the Council that failure to earn ten points for educational activities

every year could lead to the imposition of fines by DEP. These activities include the following: up to five school presentations per year (one point per visit); maintaining a stormwater related webpage on the municipal website, including a link for information about the municipality’s stormwater management plan at www.cleanwater.nj.org; a stormwater display at the municipal building or at an event, such as the 4th of July picnic; giving away at least enough pens or magnets with a stormwater message for 10% of the population—pens saying “keep our storm drains clean” are available at the Borough Hall; having a school poster contest and displaying the posters in public buildings; stormwater training for municipal official, one example of such being Mr. Schwendeman’s presentation; and mailing of information concerning stormwater management to all residents. According to Mayor Beth Battel, the Borough has earned its ten points for this year.

The Council also adopted an ordinance amending the zoning ordinance and establishing a new schedule of fees and escrows for land use applications, including site plans, subdivisions, variances, appeals, interpretations, conditional uses, permits and copies. The application fee for a hardship (“C”) variance application is now \$250 (plus

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the 34th edition of the *Roosevelt Borough Bulletin*.

As usual, there will be nine issues starting with October 2010 through July, 2011, leaving out January 2011.

We will do our best to make the *Bulletin* both informative and interesting with the help of our devoted writers and production people.

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All artists are invited to Roosevelt Public School on Wednesday evenings from 7–10 p.m., to work on some form of art. No instruction, just a place to gather with other artists to do your own thing (no oils please). We will gather in the lobby of the school, except when that is in use, we will meet in the art room upstairs. For more information please call Barbara Atwood at: 918-0757 or e-mail her at: barbatwood@comcast.net.

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.

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If you wish to go, you must call the SCAT bus Tuesday no later than 3:00 p.m. at 732-431-6485 and press 1. Give them your name, address, and the town you are from, and your interest in going on Wednesday, the next day.

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If you are able to help, please contact Bess Tremper (609-448-2701) or write to P.O. Box 221. Thank you.

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From the Mayor

By Elsbeth Battel

Dear Neighbors,

This is one of my favorite subjects; appreciation of the volunteers in Roosevelt. We had an incident at the farm last month that required the help of the First Aid Squad. Their response was immediate and thoroughly professional. I was impressed at how well they responded and handled the emergency.

We have to consider for a moment what our situation would be if the wonderful people who volunteer were not so selfless as to donate their services to our community; we might have to wait up to a half an hour for an ambulance to be dispatched from Freehold, or have to spend tax dollars

to hire a crew to stand by in Roosevelt, or just call a taxi and hope we live as far as the hospital.

Both the First Aid Squad and the Fire Department members go through rigorous training, which takes time away from their family and daily activities, as well as a great deal of effort and studying to pass the exams, all so they can serve town for absolutely no compensation other than our thanks.

Well I, for one, say THANK YOU! You are the BEST!

Beth ■

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a \$750 escrow), while the fee for a use ("D") variance or an appeal of a determination by the zoning officer is now \$500, plus an escrow of \$5,000 per use variance or \$1,000 per appeal. The need for a more comprehensive fee schedule was made apparent when the Roosevelt Preservation Association appealed the decision by the then-zoning officer that the establishment of a yeshiva in the synagogue building was within the scope of the permitted use, thus leading to the case that was argued earlier this month in the Appellate Division, and no fee or escrow could be charged to cover the legal costs incurred by the Borough because there was no fee for such appeals in the existing ordinance.

Councilwoman Arlene Stinson reported that the Council would be advertising for an on-call person to assist Borough Clerk Krystyna Olejnik.

An existing ordinance permits the appointment of a deputy clerk.

Councilman Tom Curry reported that a water meter on Lake Drive had been found to be defective and was replaced. The resident's billing will be adjusted based on prior usage.

Councilwoman Peggy Malkin stated that the Council is discussing what course of action to take with regard to water-sewer delinquencies. As a matter of policy, Roosevelt has never shut off water to an occupied residence, though this is regularly done in other municipalities. An ordinance dealing with this issue may be drafted. Councilman Jeff Ellentuck noted that the water-sewer utility does not have any reserves to draw on when bills are not paid. Mr. Ellentuck also said that discussions are continuing with Hightstown regarding additional shared services and complimented the Environmental Commission and all

participants on the good job done at the town clean-up on October 10.

In the public portion, Lorraine Hartley asked if it might be possible to set up a fund to assist residents who were having difficulty paying their water-sewer bills. She was told that the Borough could not set up such a fund, but private citizens could certainly do so. Tim Hartley stated that there were inaccuracies in the October 2010 *Bulletin* reporting on the grant for construction of a bicycle lane on Rochdale Avenue, in that the lane was actually to be a combined path for both bicyclists and pedestrians, and was to be a minimum of 8 feet wide. Accommodating the path might include possible meandering around existing trees, saving the trees where possible. The intent of this lane was to provide a safe walkway for families and individual pedestrians.

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From the Office of the Assistant Superintendent/Principal, Shari Payson

Roosevelt Public School is looking forward to our November events and falling behind to reflect on our October events. October brought more than just fall colors and trick-or-treating. The PTA sponsored a wonderful Fall Festival, complete with sack races, pie eating contest, and a chili cook-off. Thank you to everyone that helped out with and attended this event. They also sponsored the KidStuff fundraiser and are sponsoring the upcoming Book Fair, which takes place November 1st – 3rd. (See website for further information.)

The week of October 25th was National Red Ribbon Week. To commemorate, RPS students were engaged in activities to promote respect, kindness, character education, violence prevention, and staying drug free. People across the country promise to stay drug free and fight drug use by wearing red ribbons, T-shirts, stickers—anything red! Red Ribbon Week originated in 1985 in honor of DEA Agent Enrique Camarena, who was kidnapped and killed in Mexico while investigating drug traffickers. His family wore red ribbons as a sign of respect for his belief that one person can make a difference. Over 100,000 schools and organizations nationwide

celebrate Red Ribbon Week, making it the most successful drug prevention event ever. Our students participated in drug prevention activities and wore red ribbons, showing their support for a healthy, drug-free lifestyle.

RPS incorporates a program called The Responsive Classroom into the daily curriculum. The Responsive Classroom is an approach to elementary teaching that emphasizes social, emotional, and academic growth in a strong and safe school community. The goal is to enable optimal student learning. Created by classroom teachers and backed by evidence from independent research, the Responsive Classroom approach is based on the premise that children learn best when they have both academic and social-emotional skills. The approach therefore consists of classroom and school wide practices for deliberately helping children build academic and social-emotional competencies.

In looking ahead to November, the Student Council is gearing up for elections to coincide with regular elections on November 2nd. Parents/guardians, please be certain to vote. Bringing your child to vote is an excellent way to demonstrate our voting privilege. Your actions always speak louder than

your words, so by bringing your children to vote, you are showing them the part that each person can play in our democracy.

We look forward to welcoming guests for American Education Week. Join us November 15–19 to celebrate American Education Week (AEW). This year's theme: Great Public Schools: A Basic Right and Our Responsibility, reflects the NJ Education Association's calling upon America to provide students with quality public schools so that they can grow, prosper, and achieve in the 21st century. Please call the school if you would like to visit the school.

RPS is also getting close to one of our favorite sixth grade fund-raising activities. Soon you will be able to order fabulous pies for the holidays. There are many varieties, and the proceeds help sponsor the sixth grade trip in the spring. Please contact the school or a 6th grade student if you would like to order pies.

Thank you for your generosity and support. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call.

Shari Payson,
Assistant
Superintendent/Principal



By David Schwendeman

A GOOD DEED DOER

Every once in a while we hear about something that restores our faith in humanity and this one involves “the good deed doer”. Someone reported a fallen tree blocking the Roosevelt Woodland Trail section ‘D’. Before we could assess the situation for ourselves, someone with the initials ‘A.G.’ was observed using his own chain saw removing the fallen tree and debris.

Perhaps he would prefer to remain anonymous but I know who it was and I thank him for his help keeping the Roosevelt Woodland Trail passable for the growing number of people using the trails around Roosevelt. That’s community spirit and A.G.: Thank you once again.

CONTEMPLATING THE APPLE!

The Autumn harvest season is upon us which includes apple picking for many people. On a recent evening I found an apple on the counter and thought that it would be just the right snack for the evening. I could have had some cookies (two to three bites each and 20 seconds to eat) or a candy bar (four to six bites and 4 minutes to eat) but I chose the apple.

I carried it to my “Archie Bunker” chair and set it nearby. I try to multi-task while watching TV but often start day-dreaming. Then I spied the apple. “What an amazing invention, no, development, no--UNIQUE THING!” I felt like a Guru contemplating the ‘essence’ of the Apple in the grand scheme of the universe.

What a design concept as I held it in my hand. The color advertises where it is and how ripe it is. The skin provides packaging and storage capacity. (Some people can store apples from one harvest to the next spanning a full years time in a cool root cellars.) And inside is a delicious, sweet, curiously textured pulp,

just right for our human mouths to take about 23 -25 bites. It took me a whole one hour episode of “Dancing ...”...er... “CSI New York” to eat the whole thing. Eating the apple actually helped clean my teeth, gave my jaw muscles some exercise.

But above all, it tasted GOOD! It was an experience as “American as Apple Pie”! And, by the way, have a very Happy Thanksgiving!

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE LAST MEETING

Yes, I missed the last Litter Pick-up Day and many people keep reminding me. Anyway, it was reported that there seemed to be less litter than usual. The turnout was mostly the same crews that always show up to enjoy the camaraderie, sunshine and exercise all for FREE on Litter Pick-up Days here in beautiful Roosevelt, New Jersey!

As a small town, we still have to comply with rules and regulations just like bigger towns that have much greater resources and staff with which to comply. One of those requirements meant that I was to speak to the Mayor and Council about Storm Water Treatment in town and what we are doing about it. The main thing is keeping storm drains clear of leaves and debris and it is the citizens that see and report problems quickly that helps keep the cost of running this small town bearable. Also it is important to keep weeds from growing between curbs and roadbeds. Report any such overgrowth to borough officials or Roosevelt Environmental Commission members. Thank you.

A list of about a dozen items was reviewed. Wood Duck nest boxes will be started in January. Evergreen trees will be tagged around the schoolyard this winter. And we are still looking for a beaver in Roosevelt photo. Meeting adjourned.

OUR NEXT MEETING

Our next scheduled Roosevelt Environmental Commission meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm on November 17, 2010. Everyone is welcome to attend and there is a chance for public comment and questions during each meeting.

If anyone has a newsworthy nature note of interest or comment of environmental concern, please give me a call at 609-443-6204 or drop a note to P.O. Box 203. Thank you for reading this column and please visit and contribute your thoughts and observations to the recgreen.ning.com website.

AND PLEASE
WALK THE ROOSEVELT
WOODLAND TRAIL
(The colors may still be spectacular
and critters easier to see!) ■

TOWN TOPICS

Town Resident Steve Trelise in Comedy Show to Support Local Area PTAs

By Steve Trelise

Roosevelt residents can see a very funny comedy show and support our PTA at the same time! On November 20th New Jersey 101.5 radio personality, former Miss New Jersey and “One Funny Mother” Dena Blizzard will be performing with Stanley Cup Champion turned comic Dave Schultz and Roosevelt’s own [Steve Trelise at Tavern On The Lake](#) in Hightstown.

For every Roosevelt resident who attends, a \$5.00 donation will be made to the Roosevelt PTA. Show starts at 8 p.m. with a dinner buffet at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$29.99 for dinner and show and \$20.00 for show only and can be purchased that night, online at www.sarcasmcomedy.com or by calling 609-443-6180. ■

In Memoriam

Betty Leech

By Elizabeth Ann Leech

Betty Leech, mother of Bill Leech passed away October 4, 2010. Betty visited Roosevelt over the last 30 years becoming close friends with many people here in town.

Betty Jean (Wright) Leech was born Jan. 4, 1921, near Grantville, KS, to Mary Ritchie Wright and Robert Talmadge Wright.

Mrs. Leech was a singer, a community volunteer, non-stop doer and worker, an environmentalist and conservationist, inspired grandparent, gardener and a Democrat.

She graduated from Perry High School in 1938 and attended Washburn College, where she was a voice student. In 1943, she entered a talent competition at a "Truth or Consequences" War Bond fund-raising radio show at Topeka Municipal Auditorium and won, earning a scholarship to study at the Juilliard School of Music in New York City, from which she eventually earned her bachelor's and master's degrees. She married William Crandall Leech, of Oskaloosa, in November 1950, just a few years after running into him in New York City, where he, her former high school music teacher, was studying law at Columbia University on the GI Bill. Mr. Leech, who served in Normandy and fought in the Battle of the Bulge, died in January 1993.

In her early years in Oskaloosa, Mrs. Leech helped found the Women's Civic Group, which bought land for Oskaloosa's first city park. The group helped landscape and equip the park, and it was deeded to the city in 1957. With her husband and many other volunteers and leaders, she helped develop and improve Old Jefferson Town in Oskaloosa, doing everything from planting trees and removing crumbling plaster to creating a museum in honor of the life and work of Jefferson County native artist John Steuart Curry. She was the first woman member of the Oskaloosa school board.

She worked hard, well into her 80's, preserving native prairie grasses and flowers on her Jefferson County farm, and planted 600 trees along the banks of Slough Creek to halt soil erosion. In 1996, she was awarded Kansas Forest Stewardship Landowner of the Year by the Kansas Forest Service and Kansas Forest Conservationist of the year by the Kansas Wildlife Federation. She also waged a life-long chemical-free war against Russian thistles and other noxious plants.

In recent years, Mrs. Leech supported and eagerly watched the preservation by the Shawnee County Historical Society of the home of her great-grandparents—Col. John and Mary Jane Ritchie, Topeka pioneers, active opponents of slavery and supporters of women's voting rights—and the home

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In Memoriam

Honey Sochowitzky

By Elinor Sochowitzky

Hortense (Honey) Sochowitzky died on September 4, 2010, slightly less than three months shy of her 100th birthday. Honey lived in Roosevelt for fifty years, moving to California with her husband Sidney (Soch) in 2002 when she could no longer drive and life in Roosevelt became too difficult.

Honey was quite active in Borough activities, serving as both a member and president of the PTA and the Board of Education. After her retirement from teaching autistic children, Honey continued to teach – working with high school students needing special help, assisting visiting scholars at Princeton with their English conversation, and volunteering in the third grade at Roosevelt Public School. For many years she was the copy editor of the Borough *Bulletin*—her efforts in this regard were even mentioned in a 1989 article in the *L.A. Times*.

At a memorial service in California on Saturday, September 11, her daughter Elinor spoke:

For only a short time in her life my Mom was an English teacher, but language and words were always important to her. For that reason, I'm going to talk about my Mom by mentioning a couple of labels that I think describe her well.

First—she was an independent woman. And she was an independent woman before it was popular. Her Mom, my grandmother, was a suffragette. Honey always disliked it when the feminists of the 60s and 70s talked about how they started the women's movement, because she knew it started a long time before that. Honey worked nearly all her life—I was a latch key kid before the word was invented. When my parents moved to New Jersey in 1951 she was the one who learned to drive—not that many women did so back then. And, at Claremont House and Monarch Place, she tried her best to stay independent as long as she physically could. She only started referring to herself as an old lady about 2-3 years ago.

She was an Athlete—We always thought that her physical activity when she was young was the reason she was so physically resilient in her old age. She was always a walker, until her legs started to hurt, and she played some basketball and other sports in high school and in college. At a mother daughter fun night when I was a sophomore at Hightstown High School, she amazed the entire gymnasium by making ten or twelve foul shots all in a row – at the time she was 4 feet ten and one half inches tall – taller than she was here but still pretty short!!

She was also a Creative Businesswoman—Honey was a free lance manuscript typist in New York and when she first moved to New Jersey, and she and a friend also operated a food truck bringing lunch to workers in the area. (That business ended rather quickly; Honey and her friend Florence's "liver surprise" sandwiches did not go over too well.) And the

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of her grandparents, Hale and Anna Ritchie She inherited her ancestors' passion for humanitarian and world issues, supporting multiples causes all her life. In 1995, she was quoted in a *New York Times* article arguing that her monthly Social Security check was unconscionably high.

A mezzo-soprano, she was active in music in Jefferson County for decades. She taught voice lessons, mentored voice students from the University of Kansas, and sang for two generations of church services at the Oskaloosa First Presbyterian Church, where the choir was directed by her husband. . While living in New York, she sang with the Robert Shaw Collegiate Chorale, and made numerous trips to New York over the years to see her sister and catch up on opera performances. In her final days, she sang with and was sung to by friends at her bedside.

Mrs. Leech is survived by a son, William Wright Leech, of Roosevelt, N.J.; a daughter, Elizabeth Ann Leech, of Mercer Island, Wa.; and three grandchildren, Jonathan Hale Frazier, Jackson Oliver Edwin David Leech and Rosalie Margaret Frazier. She encouraged a great love of the outdoors in her grandchildren, leading them through muddy creeks, collecting noteworthy rocks, bones and more, and reading many, many books to them. Her sister, Margaret Maxwell, and brother, Richard Hale Wright, are deceased.

A memorial service is planned for November. The family suggests memorial contributions to the Hospice program of Jefferson County, the Jefferson County Historical Society Endowment Fund or the Shawnee County Historical Society's Hale Ritchie house project. Donations may be sent through Barnett Funeral Home in Oskaloosa. ■

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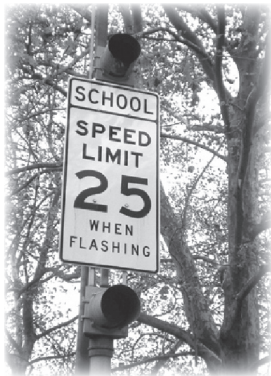
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speed limits
in town.**

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police, when they arrested her in the mid 1930s, did so because they thought she was running a dance hall without a license. (It was really a party to raise money for the union she was helping to organize.)

Honey was a life long Teacher—She worked with autistic children for many, many years at a school in New Jersey. She loved the work with the children, and delighted in the progress, however small, that her students made. Only a couple of months ago she repeated to me one of her favorite stories from those years—she took one of her students, who had never talked, to a pet shop, many years before pet therapy was an accepted therapy. When the mynah bird said “What’s your name?” the little boy, without missing a beat, answered the bird. This exchange was repeated a number of times, and Honey was so proud.

Her work as an English teacher impacted everyone she knew, as she was always correcting our grammar. Only a few years ago she corrected something I said and then, for the first time I could remember, asked if it was okay that she had done that. I said she wouldn’t be my mother if she didn’t. The first time I was able to correct her grammar—a misuse of “can” when she should have said “may” -- was just a couple of months ago.

Honey was a traveler, although not as much as she would have liked. She traveled to Europe in the late 1930s on the ship the Normandy—alone (another sign of her independent streak— to visit countries in Europe as well as Russia. My Dad didn’t like to travel much, so she and I went to Greece and Turkey together in 1983 and to Nova Scotia a couple of years later. When she didn’t travel physically, she read books about other countries and cultures. And when I was 19 and wanted to travel to Europe by myself, I knew my parents didn’t want me to go but had no choice as they felt traveling was the best experience a young person could have.

Primarily, though, I think Honey was a friend—She was very concerned about moving to California – She felt that my Dad was always good at talking to people and making friends but she didn’t see that in herself, and was worried that she wouldn’t make any friends here. In fact, she has a lot of wonderful friends here; really good friends. She also kept in touch with friends over many years and physical separations —both with her contemporaries and with many younger people as well. The daughter of her oldest and dearest friend since college is here, and came to visit Honey just a couple of years ago; one of my friends who loves my Mom came with me to visit a few years ago and came here on her own just a couple of months ago to visit with Honey; many people (both her contemporaries and their children) kept in touch with her, either by phone or mail, and a number of both my friends and David’s had relationships with Honey totally independent of either of us, and contacted her periodically to get her thoughts on things or just to chat.

Most important, I think, Honey was strong and resilient. Both her parents were dead by the time she was twelve – she was raised by an aunt and uncle. In 1951 she moved from the City she loved to a small town in the middle of farm land, which she never really loved in the same way that she loved New York, though she loved her friends and neighbors there and stayed in regular touch with many of them after she and my Dad moved to California. At 91 she moved and had a good life for herself, for which we have so many of you here in California to thank. Honey survived, thrived, and lived by her basic human values of kindness, generosity, honesty, and treating all people equally, her whole life. The most important thing she gave to me, in addition to those values, is a similar inner strength which is with me always, keeps me going, and which I will cherish forever. ■

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

—ELIZABETH STODDARD, *November*

It was warmer and drier than normal in Roosevelt this September. The average temperature for the month was 3.3 degrees above normal. Rainfall was below normal by 0.80 inches. September was eighth month out of nine in 2010 that had above normal temperatures. Only February had below normal temperatures.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) tells us that on the global scale:

- The first nine months of 2010 tied with the same period in 1998 for the warmest combined land and ocean surface temperature on record.

- The past 14 Septembers are the 14 warmest Septembers on record.

- This September marked the first time in modern history that the Northwest Passage and the Northern Sea Route were ice free

- Each of the 10 warmest average global temperatures recorded since 1880 have occurred in the last thirteen years. The warmest year-to-date on record, through September, was 1998 (note: although 1998 was the warmest year through September, a late-year surge in 2005 made that year the warmest total year).

- Arctic sea ice reached its annual minimum on Sept. 19, according to the National Snow and Ice Data Center. The average extent of 1.89 million square miles (4.90 million square kilometers) was the third lowest September sea ice extent on record (30.4 percent below average). The annual record was set in 2007 (38.9 percent below average). This year also marked the 14th consecutive September with below-average Arctic sea ice extent.

November

The outlook for November from the Climate Prediction Center of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is for equal chances of above, below or normal precipitation. The CPC forecasts above normal chances for a drier than normal November.

LongRangeWeather calls for warmer drier weather for November with an average temperature two degrees above normal and precipitation 0.92 inches below average.

<http://www.longrangeweather.com/weather-forecasts/US-City.aspx>

The less scientific but always interesting *Old Farmer's Almanac* says November 2010: in our region will have an average temperature of 47 °. That's about 2.5 degrees above normal. And precipitation will be about 2" below average.

Weather Humor

Q: What happens when fog lifts in California? A: UCLA!

Concerned about what will happen to cities if the polar ice caps melt? Don't be. New names have already been chosen: Atlantis City, New Jersey; Pariscope, France; Sail 'Em, Massachusetts; Floodelphia, Pennsylvania; Helsunki, Finland.

Weather Word

Diamond Dust is non-branched (snow crystals are branched) ice crystals in the form of needles, columns, or plates. ■

September, 2010

Day	High	Low	Avg	Precip	Cool'g Degree Days	Heat'g Degree Days
1	95.2	63.9	79.6	0.00	0.0	9.6
2	93.2	69.1	81.2	0.00	0.0	11.2
3	86.7	68.0	77.4	0.00	0.0	7.3
4	82.4	63.5	73.0	0.00	0.0	3.0
5	75.7	52.9	64.3	0.00	0.7	0.0
6	80.8	48.1	64.5	0.00	0.5	0.0
7	88.9	60.8	74.9	0.00	0.0	4.8
8	88.0	69.4	78.7	0.00	0.0	8.7
9	71.9	58.3	65.1	0.00	0.0	0.0
10	75.6	55.2	65.4	0.00	0.0	0.0
11	76.8	50.2	63.5	0.00	1.5	0.0
12	70.5	57.6	64.1	0.00	1.0	0.0
13	76.6	58.1	67.4	0.25	0.0	0.0
14	77.2	53.8	65.5	0.20	0.0	0.0
15	73.0	49.1	61.1	0.00	4.0	0.0
16	82.0	50.4	66.2	0.00	0.0	0.0
17	78.4	57.0	67.7	1.25	0.0	0.0
18	74.7	49.1	61.9	0.10	3.1	0.0
19	78.6	52.9	65.8	0.00	0.0	0.0
20	73.6	56.8	65.2	0.00	0.0	0.0
21	73.6	44.6	59.1	0.00	5.9	0.0
22	84.2	58.6	71.4	0.00	0.0	1.4
23	80.4	61.5	71.0	0.23	0.0	1.0
24	42.4	64.2	53.3	0.00	11.7	0.0
25	85.3	63.7	74.5	0.00	0.0	4.5
26	73.0	59.9	66.5	0.00	0.0	0.0
27	75.4	62.4	68.9	0.00	0.0	0.0
28	79.2	68.4	73.8	0.50	0.0	3.8
29	77.5	58.8	68.2	0.10	0.0	0.0
30	79.3	64.6	72.0	0.89	0.0	1.9
Totals				3.52	28.4	57.2

ROOSEVELT ARTS PROJECT 2010 - 2011 Season

November 13 & 14, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. both days, The Factory, 15 Oscar Drive

A LIFE IN CRAFTSMANSHIP

Gary Edelstein has been about woodworking for most of his life; it is an adventure that continues to this day. After almost 40 years of involvement he is still excited about technique and design. The works on display show the evolution of Gary's interests and abilities. As a Roosevelt resident of 30 years, he has been influenced and inspired by the artists and creative spirit of this unique town.

December 11, 8:00 p.m., Borough Hall

THE ROOSEVELT POETS

Join the Roosevelt poets for an evening of Epistemological Wrestling with the Invisible World with guest appearances by Spinoza & maybe even Wittgenstein!

Friday, January 21 & Saturday, January 22, 8:00 p.m., Borough Hall

ROOSEVELT STRING BAND - IN CONCERT

Band regulars David Brahinsky, Paul Prestopino, Ed Ceder, and Howie Jacobson will again be joined by new band regular Sam Ceder (and hoped for guests from the past, Sarah Houtz and Joe Pepitone), for a winter season version of singer/songwriter hits, traditional folk, blues and bluegrass; songs to warm the hearts, the bodies and the souls of wo(men) and hint at the promise of Spring to come.

February 12, 8:00 p.m., Borough Hall

THE BEETHOVEN CONNECTION

Alan Mallach takes a look at the fascinating story of Ludwig van Beethoven, his teachers, his pupils and his friends in early 19th century Vienna, presenting a piano recital with commentary that will include music by Beethoven, Haydn, Schubert, Ferdinand Ries, concluding with the powerful *11th Piano Sonata* by Carl Czerny.

March 12, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m., Assifa Space, 40 Tamara Drive

ASSIFA SPACE ART SHOW

Assifa Space presents a show of Roosevelt artists and guest artists co-curated by guest curator, Ilene Dube, art critic and art blogger.

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April 16 & 17th, 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. both days, The Factory, 15 Oscar Drive & North Valley Road

JIM HAYDEN - WORKS, 30 YEARS AND COUNTING (AN INTRODUCTION THROUGH RETROSPECTIVE)

Roosevelt's favorite outsider artist returns for a solo show of his diverse works spanning thirty years of creating. Works to include early drawings, acrylics, assemblages, sculpture as well as many pieces created in the 10 years here in Roosevelt.

May 14, 8:00 p.m., Borough Hall

MUSIC E-VENT

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This time of year the local market stands have beautiful heads of cabbage for such reasonable prices. To extend and continue to take advantage of buying local I've put Slaw on the menu, numerous times. It's a versatile salad that goes well with most broiled, roasted or pan seared meats. When choosing a head I look for one that is firm and has some weight to it. Cutting it is simple, I make a small slice and then stand the head on the cut side to level and keep it steady, as I begin to make the thinnest possible slices through the remainder of the head. When I near the core I cut it out and continue slicing, until I have enough for my meal.

What's left of the head, gets wrapped in a towel, paper or cloth, and stored in a plastic bag in the 'fridge. It will stay fresh for at least 2 weeks.

When I make this for parties I cut the outer leaves, from the head, in such a way so they are still attached to the core and form a natural bowl shape. Then I fit a serving bowl into the space and fill it with the slaw.

Basic Cole Slaw

10-12 servings

6 cups very thinly sliced cabbage. Can be all the same type or a combo of different varieties, red, savoy or green.

1/2 Cup + 2 Tb. apple cider vinegar

1/2 Cup Canola or Corn Oil

2 Tb. Honey

Water

Salt & Pepper

Pour vinegar, oil and honey into a pint container, add enough water to make a pint and shake well to dissolve the honey.

Place cabbage into a large plastic bag with a good seal, and pour the dressing over the cabbage.

Marinate for a minimum of 4 to a max. of 24 hours. Turn the bag every so often to distribute the marinade evenly.

Season to taste with salt & pepper before serving.

If there are any left-overs they'll last around another 4 days in your 'fridge.

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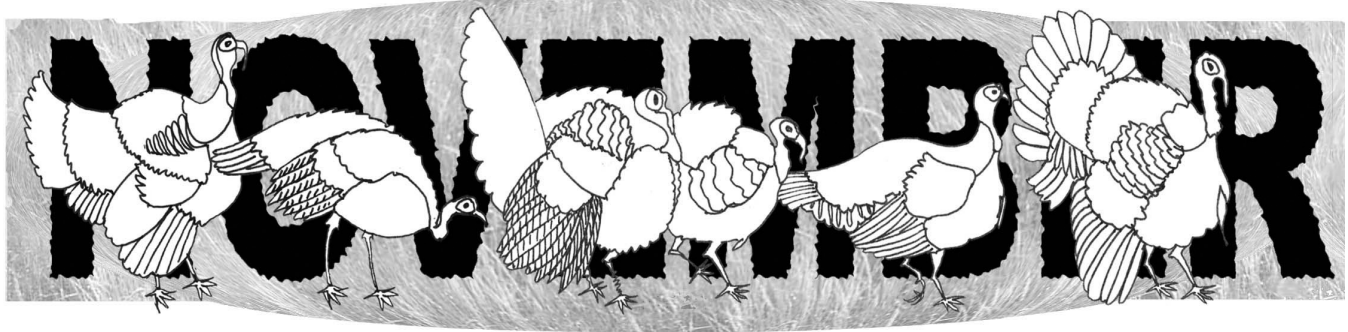
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5 Fri.	RPS Closed, NJEA Convention
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