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Council Enacts Revised Dog Ordinance; Enforcement to be Done by Manalapan Township Under Interlocal Services Agreement; Council Solicits Bids for Retail Liquor License

by Michael Ticktin

At its August 2 meeting, which was held on a Tuesday instead of the previous day in order to allow sufficient time between introduction and adoption of the municipal budget, the Council adopted a revised dog ordinance. The new ordinance was necessary in order to make it consistent with the requirements of the new enforcing agency, Western Monmouth Animal Control, an agency under the direction and control of Manalapan Township. In order to implement the new relationship, Roosevelt and Manalapan entered into a shared services interlocal agreement for the remainder of 2022 that will be subject to renewal in subsequent years. Under the agreement, Roosevelt will pay Western Monmouth Animal Control \$1,000 per month for its services.

In addition to restating provisions of the existing ordinance, the revised ordinance specifically authorizes an Animal Control Officer designated by Western Monmouth Animal Control to seize and humanely dispose of "any dog or dog hybrid which the Animal Control Officer has reasonable cause to believe has attacked a person...or has caused serious bodily injury ...to a person during and unprovoked attack and poses a serious threat of harm to persons or domestic animals; or has engage in dog fighting activities...; or has been trained, tormented, badgered, baited or encouraged to engage in unprovoked attacks upon persons or domestic animals." Furthermore, the revised ordinance establishes a fee of \$60 to be paid to the Borough for return of any animal that is seized, which fee is to be in addition to any fee charged by a kennel for the custody, care, maintenance, control or disposal of the animal.

The ordinance and the interlocal agreement were adopted in response to citizen complaints about incidents in which vicious dogs attacked people and other animals and no effective enforcement action was taken.

In other action, the Council invited submission of bids for the single alcoholic beverage retail sales license that the Borough is authorized to issue. The last license issue by the Borough was deemed to be inactive by order of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control dated April 7, 2017 and thereupon ceased to exist. The Council set a minimum bid price of \$150,000. The owner of the long-vacant Roosevelt Deli property has indicated that he cannot rent the store if it does not have a liquor license, so the Council is making a license available and hoping that it will attract bidders.

The Council requested a hearing with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to appeal the reclassification of the Borough from Tier B to Tier A under the Stormwater Permitting Program. Since it would be more difficult and costly for the Borough to comply with the higher Tier A requirements, the Borough will be asking DEP to reconsider the classification in light of the Borough's size and ability to incur increased regulatory and administrative costs.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the 44th edition of the Roosevelt Borough Bulletin. Issues run from September through July. We will not publish in January and August.

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The Bulletin welcomes submissions for news items, information of local interest, letters to the editor, poetry, and visual arts. We ask all contributors to adhere to the following submission guidelines:

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- Please include images as separate files.
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- Most submissions will also be added to the Bulletin web site. Allow up to one week for submissions to appear online after publication of the print edition.
- Please name your files with your last name, or the name of your organization, and the month.

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

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

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 S.C.A.T. bus at 732-431-6485 and press 1. Give them your name, address, and the town you are from, and where you wish to go.

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RPS students returned to school on September 6 and there's joy in the land. The smiles from teachers, parents and students were infectious. We all look forward to a productive and exciting year.

Board of Education elections are included on the November ballot. The following current RPS BOE members personally request that you write in their names on your ballot:

For three-year terms:

JUDITH GOETZMANN
LEO GORDON
DAN LEIBOWITZ

For a two-year term:

HEATHER GISKE

Please note that this request comes from the candidates--not from the RPS Board of Education.

Thank you for your support!



American Life in Poetry Column 910

By Kwame Dawes

In His Lover's House, A Father Rises

By Roxane Beth Johnson

The end's always there at the beginning
Dad said, quoting a prophet who knew then
what we'd come to—beings held in two hands
first slick with water, last a bowl of ash.
As a girl, I ironed his shirts, seams stained
from sweat, hot-washed in bleach turned yellow, and grass
scent of clean white rose under the iron's
scald and steam I used to press his shirts out.
How fitting in the end a heap were found
in his lover's house, the last I heard
of him who told me always that the grass
and ants were ancestors come back to see
if we'd crush them, then forget them again—
like dust their lives so small compared to ours.

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Roosevelt Youths Organize Lake Cleanup

Written by: Samantha Vo and Zachary Pressler

On July 10, 2022, a cleanup was held at Rising Sun Lake, organized by Samantha Vo and Zachary Pressler. The purpose of the cleanup was to make a cleaner and safer environment for the creatures in the lake as well as the people who regularly visit it.

Seventeen volunteers participated in the cleanup, counting the organizers. Some came because of the flyers in the Bulletin and others were attracted by the sign up table at Rising Sun Lake on the day of the cleanup. Most of the volunteers cleaned along the paths surrounding the lake, while others used kayaks to get trash out of the water. In the end, 22 bags of trash were collected. The amount of trash weighed around 150 pounds, and consisted of cans, used cigarettes, plastic bags, glass bottles, and many other materials that people threw in or around the lake. Oddly a whole comforter was found abandoned in the woods that surround the lake.



The amount of trash that was found at Rising Sun Lake was unnerving to say the least. It seemed as if people would litter everywhere, and not even try to hide it. The paths that go around the lake are very nice and well made, but were covered in litter. Not only does this make people not want to walk on the paths and visit the beautiful lake, but it also affects the natural environment in and around the lake. If everyone would do their little part and pick up after themselves we can keep our lake's beauty.

The organizers will be contacting Clean Communities and The Watershed Institute to look into making the Rising Sun Cleanup a regular part of the community's annual cleanup efforts.

Special thanks to several organizations and individuals who assisted in the organizing of this event....

- Anthony Morrell from Monmouth County Clean Communities for bringing the supplies needed for the cleanup as well as disposing of the trash afterwards.
- Peter Winkler from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for helping organize the permits needed for the clean up.

The project advisors

- Mary Tulloss and Ellen Silverman supported the project and gave advice on who to contact.



- Maria Dellasala from the Borough Hall who helped us get connected to Monmouth County Clean Communities to secure the tools needed for the clean up.
- To all the Volunteers - thank you for dedicating your Sunday afternoon to help clean up Rising Sun Lake. You have made sure that others get to experience such a beautiful place.



RPSEF Fundraiser—Ice Cream!

Roosevelt Public School Education Foundation is hosting our first school year fundraiser!

Four Boys Ice Cream

Friday, September 30, 2022

6pm-8pm

122 S. Main Street, Hightstown.

CASH ONLY!

20% of the sales for the evening will go towards RPSEF!



After ordering ice cream, we invite you to meet us at the Peddie Lake to spend time with RPS students and the Roosevelt community. Donations can also be made through our website, www.rpsef.org. Thank you for your support. We hope to see you at the fundraiser!

Rocking it in Roosevelt!

Go out on the trails and find some rocks and post them on the Rocking it in Roosevelt Facebook page.



Join Us at Facebook group: Rocking it in Roosevelt!
- Be Kind To One Another

Charlotte Bondy

By Filip Bondy

Charlotte Bondy, 90, from Roosevelt, who escaped the Nazis in Germany as a child and later emigrated to America via Cuba, died on July 22 following a series of health issues.

Bondy, nee Berger, moved to Roosevelt 22 years ago after spending four decades in East Brunswick. But long before that, she survived a harrowing journey from Breslau, Germany, after her Jewish family felt the full brunt of Kristalnacht. Charlotte could see a nearby synagogue go up in flames and the Gestapo came unsuccessfully to the apartment a few days later to find her father. The once-well-off family fled the country by train, hiding a few precious jewels inside Charlotte's half-violin. Charlotte was six

years old at the time. They then took a boat to Cuba, and scraped by selling hard candies in Havana. Two years later, the Bergers found a sponsor who afforded them entry into the United States. In New York City, they opened a homemade candy store in Washington Heights.

Charlotte soon attended the High School of Music and Art and honed her brilliant soprano voice. She sang on demo records and was an extra in the film, "So Young, So Bad." She would later sing parts in an East Brunswick community theater company, where she was once singled out by a local reviewer as having "the voice of an angel."

She met her husband, Ota, a Czech immigrant, in Vineland

in 1950 and was soon married at age 18. He spoke no German, and she spoke no Czech, but they managed very well in English. They spent their lives together, and their family grew to include three more generations. Charlotte sang folk songs to all of them. She had a song in her head at all times, and would hum constantly as she went about her business. She worked for several years as a pre-K music teacher in East Brunswick. When she moved to Roosevelt, she became a member of the Roosevelt Senior Citizens. She is survived by a daughter, Larisa; a son, Filip; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Her husband, Ota, died in 2011.

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Road obstruction	911 /State Police 609-584-5000
Trees down	911 /State Police 609-584-5000
Health Emergency	911
Comcast outage	1-800-COMCAST
FloS outage	(800) 837-4966
Wildlife Issues	877-927-6337



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New Jersey
Department of Environmental Protection

24-Hour Hotline

1-877-WARNDEP or 1-877-927-6337

For reporting spills, hazardous discharges, and other environmental emergencies.

July 4th Celebration

After a COVID hiatus, the Roosevelt Environmental Commission (REC) once again joined Roosevelt's July 4th Celebration to raise environmental awareness. The Roosevelt Environmental 'Wheel of Fortune' made a return appearance. The kids seemed to have fun answering questions. The game was supposed to teach about conservation, pollution, and Roosevelt's wildlife, but the children did so well that harder questions may be needed for next year. There was also a Climate Change Plinko game on loan from ANJEC (The Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions). It targeted the environmental impact of bottles, bags and balloons, and the human body. Players received temporary tattoo transfers with pictures of insects, flowers, and animals.

For the adults, there was information about various activities and projects sponsored by the Environmental Commission and funded by the Sustainable Jersey Grants Program and the PSEG Foundation. Many of these activities were described in the brochure at the REC table. Among those presented on the 4th was our Adopt-A-Storm Drain Project. Drains are 'adopted' by signing the Pledge form



Games and ANJEC Poster

Photo S Taylor

and selecting a drain on the chart indicating the locations of all our drains. Adopters receive a pair of work gloves. This keeps our drains clear and prevents flooding. Instructions for signing up can be found on the Borough website on the Environmental Commission webpage. We have 67 drains, and so far 16 adopters have signed up. Please pitch in. ANJEC also provided a display on constructing Rain Gardens to control runoff.

There was also information about the summer community programs: the weekly Crop Swap (a place to distribute/exchange excess crops from your garden, Thursdays from 5-7 PM near Solar Village), information on "First Friday's", and a "Reclaiming a Landscape" workshop. The July events will also include a composting demo "How to Build a Composter Workshop" on the 16th. The workshop will take place at the trailhead near the Franklin Roosevelt bust. During the 4th celebration, Mayor Malkin dedicated the new Trail Head Sign/Kiosk and the Compost Display area with a ceremonial ribbon cutting.

Two special guests attended our Celebration, a pair of monarch butterflies. They stopped by for a snack at the milkweed plants in the school's garden. The Environmental Commission distributed free potted swamp milkweed plants (*Asclepias incarnate*) to bring monarchs to our yards. About 60 plants were distributed. Planting milkweed provides habitat for monarchs and also attracts and supports pollinators.



Mayor Malkin dedicates the new Trail Sign/Kiosk - July 4, 2022

Photo E Silverman

References:

ANJEC – The Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions

<https://anjec.org>

Sustainable Jersey Grants & Technical Assistance Programs/ Funded by PSEG

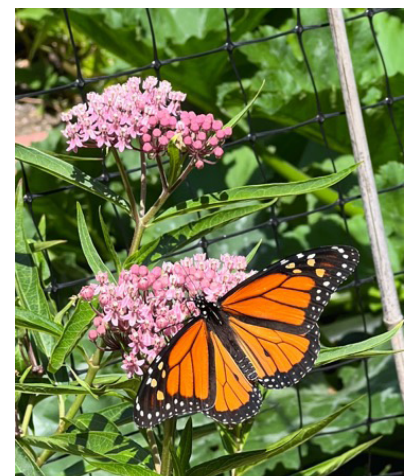
<https://www.sustainablejersey.com/grants/>

Environmental Commission - Adopt-A-Storm Drain Project

<https://rooseveltnj.us/boards-commissions/environmental-commission>

New Jersey Monarch Butterfly Conservation Guide

<https://www.nj.gov/dep/docs/monarch-guide.pdf>



Monarch Butterfly on Swamp Milkweed

Photo E Taylor

LETTERS

Dear Neighbors,

I am writing in reference to the cannabis cultivation opportunity in our town. For those of you who do not already know, I am Heidi Mendies owner of Mendies Farm, LLC. Seventeen years ago, my husband Lawrence and I were blessed to be able to purchase this farm through the Fund for Roosevelt, Inc., a non-profit organization in Roosevelt, with Rodham Tulloss who was Acting Director at the time, with a goal of preserving farmland in Roosevelt. Thirteen years ago, we opened a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program growing vegetables and herbs for the community. Lawrence has been pioneering four-seasons farming using no fertilizers, herbicides or fungicides, and has put us in a leading position for growing naturally grown food year-round in Central Jersey. Lawrence will continue to focus on the CSA.

Now, I would like to address the opportunity for cannabis cultivation. On July 8, 2022, a letter from the Fund for Roosevelt was sent to the mayor and borough council with various concerns about how cultivation could impact the community. The business plan that has been developed and will be presented at a borough council

meeting addresses these concerns, but importantly nothing that will be implemented would alter our mission to provide organic and sustainable products or negatively impact our community.

Cannabis is an agricultural product, and as with all the agricultural products on our farm, will be grown naturally and use black out systems (limiting light intrusion). It will be powered with biomass renewable energy. The growing area will include carbon filters and be oriented to best take advantage of prevailing winds, so that any potential odor will be minimized. Our farm has its own water source and will not impinge on any water usage from the community.

There were also concerns about traffic and security. The cultivation enterprise does not require a large staff and would employ local residents as much as possible, keeping traffic negligible. Any additional trucks would be only during harvest and would not make a discernable change to our current agricultural operation. As to security, it will be implemented in guidance with Section NJ 17:30-10.3(c) of the Cannabis Regulatory Commission¹.

My husband and I have been an active part of this community since moving here nearly twenty years ago. Our children were raised here, we built

our business here—this is our home. Any community concerns are the same as our concerns. We will work closely with borough council, but we ask for your support to encourage council to make a Motion to Amend Ordinance 2021-02 to allow for a Class I Cultivation License². We would very much appreciate if you are in support to reach out to the Roosevelt Borough Council³.

Sincerely,
Heidi Mendies
65 N. Rochdale Avenue

¹ <https://www.nj.gov/cannabis/documents/rules/NJAC%201730%20Personal%20Use%20Cannabis.pdf>

² <https://www.rooseveltnj.us/images/council/agendas-minutes/2021/BC-minutes-081621.pdf>

³ <https://www.rooseveltnj.us/government/council-members>

The following letter was submitted by the Fund for Roosevelt to the Roosevelt Borough Council at its July 18 meeting.

July 8, 2022

Honorable Mayor and Members of
Borough Council
Borough of Roosevelt
Roosevelt NJ 08555

Since its founding in 1999, the Fund for Roosevelt has led the way in preserving the Jersey Homesteads Greenbelt, the area set aside for agriculture in the original town plan, and a key element in the Borough's designation as a National Register historic site. The most significant part of the Greenbelt is the land

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on both sides of County Road 571, from the point one enters the Borough of Roosevelt to just short of Borough Hall. With the active support of Monmouth County, the New Jersey Farmland Protection Program, and the contributions of many Roosevelt residents and others, virtually that entire area has been preserved as open space or farmland. Some of it is part of Monmouth County's open space inventory, while over half of the land was acquired by the Fund for Roosevelt and then sold to private owners subject to easements designed to ensure that the land would be used exclusively for agriculture. The Fund has the legal responsibility and authority to monitor compliance with those easements and has taken legal action in the past to compel one of the landowners to correct a violation of the rules governing their property.

As trustees of the Fund for Roosevelt, therefore, we are not only concerned about any potential use of property in the Greenbelt as residents of the community, but in our fiduciary capacity as stewards of the Greenbelt. Thus, the proposal that we understand before Borough Council to authorize cannabis cultivation facilities in the Greenbelt is a matter of direct concern to us. At the risk of setting forth information with which Borough Council is already familiar, a cannabis cultivation facility is very different from the conventional idea of a farm.

Cannabis cultivation takes place in large greenhouses. These are not simple, easily erected, and dismantled hoop houses, but permanent structures often 20 feet or more high with extensive plumbing, electrical and HVAC systems. The

greenhouses are brightly lit night and day and utilize vast amounts of water (according to one source >5 gallons/plant/day) and electricity. Because of the value of the crop and the nature of cannabis as still largely a cash business, extensive security systems, including fencing, surveillance cameras and alarms, are typically installed around the facility. In addition, as has been widely reported, the facility can generate significant unpleasant odors (referred to in the literature as "skunky"), likely to affect much of the community. Other than highly speculative and uncertain financial benefits, we cannot see any benefits to the proposal that would offset the potential negative effects.

The visual impact of the greenhouses, the lighting, and the odors can potentially be regulated. But while setback requirements, lighting standards, and air purification equipment can be required by the Borough, that raises the question of enforcement. Should there be a failure to comply with any requirement, whether because of equipment failure, negligence, or deliberate violation, the Borough may not have the personnel or financial resources to ensure timely enforcement.

In the final analysis, while we do not question the good faith and intent of the individuals who have proposed this project, we feel that there are two compelling reasons for the Borough Council to refrain from supporting this proposal:

The proposed use, while perhaps technically considered agricultural, is incompatible with the historic use of the Greenbelt and its contribution to the historic character of the community, as well as the role of the Greenbelt today as

a green buffer between the village and the increasingly developed land outside the Borough; and

The risk of negative impacts, including light pollution and noxious odors, is far too great to be offset by any hypothetical benefits to the community.

For these reasons, the officers and trustees of the Fund for Roosevelt respectfully urge the Mayor and Borough Council to reject the proposal for cannabis cultivation in the Jersey Homesteads Greenbelt.

For the Fund for Roosevelt,

Thomas Curry - President
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Jeff Ellentuck - Trustee
Rick Pressler - Trustee
Michael Ticktin - Trustee

Save our Sewers – Don't Flush Wipes

- Please do not flush wipes or paper towels down your toilet. Even the wipes that are labeled "flushable" are not treatable in our sewage treatment plant. They clog up the equipment and the repairs are costly.
- Please do not pour household grease down your drain. This clogs the sewer lines and the repairs are costly.
- Your water/sewer bill reflects the added maintenance costs caused by these wipes and household grease.
- Please put your wipes, paper towels and household grease in the trash.

Thank you.



RECYCLING DATES

September 14, 28

MAY 12, 26

Parking Reminder

Please park your vehicles in the right direction only. Parking on the wrong side of the street or in the wrong direction makes your vehicle difficult for oncoming traffic to see, especially in foggy or dark conditions. Vehicles parked on the wrong side of the street are subject to towing.

Roosevelt Borough's website:

www.rooseveltnj.us

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Why is locally grown food important?

- It tastes better because it's picked when fresh, not harvested in advance for long-distance shipping.
- It's better for your health because fresh food contains more nutrients.
- It's better for the environment because it maintains open space and promotes sustainable practices.
- It's better for the community because it supports and creates a connection with local farm families.
- It's better for the climate because it reduces carbon emissions from long-haul transport of food.

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

Mendies Family Farm; Farm Stand and CSA

65 N Rochdale Avenue, Roosevelt, NJ
609-820-8809

<http://www.mendiesfarm.com/>

In neighboring towns, locations offering locally grown food include:

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

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

Appelget Family Farm

135 Conover Rd., West Windsor, NJ
609-902-8372

<https://www.appelgetfarm.com/>

Windsor Farm and Market

1202 Windsor Road, Windsor, NJ
(609) 443-9379

<https://www.windsorfarmandmarket.com/>

Robbinsville Farmers Market 6/25-8/27 Tuesdays, 3:30-7:00 pm

The Shoppes at Foxmoor
1095 Washington Blvd, Robbinsville, NJ 08691
Farmers Market Contact:
Kevin Holt, kholt@robbinsville.net
609-259-3600 x1131

Corner-Copia

619 Mercer Street
Hightstown, New Jersey 08520
(609) 208-9116

<http://www.corner-copia.com/farm-market/>

Lee Turkey Farm

201 Hickory Corner Road, East Windsor, NJ 8520
609-448-0629

<https://www.leeturkeyfarm.com/>

KJD Farm, LLC

1510 Old York Road, Robbinsville, NJ 08691
(609) 977-5937

Windy Acres Farm & CSA

214 Windsor Road, Robbinsville, NJ
Amy Giovanelli
(609) 722-2122

Farm market is open to general public located at 214 Windsor Rd, Robbinsville NJ 08691. Open 5 days. Starting early June 4 thru October 1, 2019. Hours of operation: Tuesday-Friday 11:00 am to 6:00 pm, Saturday 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Closed Sunday and Monday.

<http://windyacresfarmllc.com/>

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BE A GOOD
NEIGHBOR
Please clean-up after your dog.



from Light Year Leap

563.

The flowers want water not blood.
The flowers know how
Children bloom in this classroom of brightness,
Petals bending to petals.

In storm of death, petals silent
As flowers bend to the sun window
Determined as thorns
To climb out, bearing the children like leaves.

— for the 18 children murdered in Uvale, TX, 24 May 2022.

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574.

Child of a tree, rock, fence post—shadow
you are yet mine,
said Light,
even running with runners or lying in the street, taller than a phone pole.

So why don't you show yourself?
Ever you hide from me,
said Shadow.
You are the nothing we know, I'm forced to admit, the nothing that is something.

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578.

Morning spreads itself
on lake, thinner than cobweb.
Let me, yes, be caught.

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582.

I emerged this morning from my night body
and put on my day body.

My desires bounced back & forth between them
like a shuttlecock. My thoughts shunned one then the other.
Neither knew how to win.

My memory crouched on the ground.
Defeated by yesterday, it pretended to not even know my day body.

*

-- David Sten Herrstrom

Zoolie and Moish

Nineteen twenty-six when Zoolie and Moish graduated from Evander High School was not the best year for them to do that. You'd think they were idiots for graduating then, but it had only to do with when they were born; they really had done well in school. The impending economic downfall didn't bode well for them. College had never been in either one's horizon. As the depression began to set in, they'd wonder what they'd be able to do. Moish would say "it looks like being a teacher may be a safe bet to keep a job." "Moish, what are you talking about? We need to go continue with Normal School or some Teacher's College before we could even apply. My father is dead, and my mother depends on my brother. You think you can go to school and make enough dough to make it?" Moish laughed at the ridiculousness of the question. They'd been buddies since first grade and knew really next to nothing about each other's financial status, except that neither one had any savings. What became clear very quickly, was they'd have to find work during dire financial times.

Despite their diminutive size, they loved to play basketball on the school playground. Zoolie kept wondering if folks who stopped to watch them shoot baskets thought they were still high school students. "Zoolie, why do you keep looking out at the people watching us?" "I'm sure they all think we're still high school students. I worked my butt off to graduate, and they think we're cute students." He thought they needed to find some public park court where they'd look adult. Moish would say, "Yeh, now it's better! They're all watching us and smiling to themselves that we're out of work bums. I'd rather be a cute high school player."

One afternoon, while sitting on a park bench taking a break from shooting hoops or feigning shots against each other, they noticed a letter carrier

in uniform pass by with a leather sack full of envelopes of different sizes. They not so much as cared about the guy's outfit, or cap, or bag, as the fact that he barely seemed a couple of years older than they. Moish nearly jumped out of his sneakers without jumping up. "Look at this guy! He probably graduated high school last year. I'll bet he's got that job for life. When is the last time you heard of a government worker losing a job? It's as good as being a teacher and you don't have to go to college." Zoolie hadn't laughed this hard since graduation and said, "With all the running we do around this stupid court, we could instead probably walk the entire city with a bag on our shoulders and get paid!"

They resolved that the next day they'd put on their best suit and go to their local post office in the Bronx and present themselves as the fastest mail carriers in their borough. And so, they did all they'd planned and presented themselves to a clerk at the Fordham Avenue P.O. After they fumbled through the reason they were there, the clerk explained that all postal hiring procedures went through the main branch on the Grand Concourse and 161st. They saved thirty cents by running down to 161st without getting their shirts soiled. They got there just before noon. The postmaster relegated them to a personnel manager heading out for lunch. Although the postmaster gratuitously smiled, he told him "Take care of these promising young lads and give them the forms to fill out before you go."

As soon as they were outside again, they found a bench and leafed through the four-page form and realized how thrilled they were that they'd gone to high school.

They, nevertheless, each ran home to make sure a parent could help with the form. It was a straightforward request for all the information that pertained to them. Four days later they

By Al Hepner

returned at an appointed time. To their amazement, they discovered they had to not only be thoroughly interviewed, but one never got a job as a carrier without first lugging bags in the post office and sorting them by city blocks so they could then be separated by streets and then by carriers. Those were the preliminary jobs carriers had done before they got to meet the public on their routes.

(To be continued in the next issue: Moish and Zoolie get interviewed...)

Attention Roosevelt Residents

The general speed limit on Borough roads is 25 mph except route 571, Windsor Road and Nurko Road.

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The Rise and Fall of Benedict Arnold Part Two

By Sam Ashburner

Part one of this series set up Benedict Arnold as a capable but exhausting character. He jumped at the opportunity for glory by seizing Fort Ticonderoga in 1775 and doggedly volunteering to lead a second detachment up to Quebec to support General Richard Montgomery. By November 14th 1775 Arnold and most of his Kennebec expedition had crossed the St. Lawrence River before being discovered by a patrolling frigate.

Arnold's gamble had not paid off. Arnold was lucky to have crossed 500 men before being discovered but the surprise attack on the city was not to be. Arnold instead set up camp on the Plains of Abraham, outside of Quebec city walls. The next morning a courier brought Arnold a report stating that Colonel Allan Maclean, commander of British forces in Quebec, was about to mount an attack. He waited apprehensively for the British to attack but it never came. Instead, Arnold took it upon himself to strike first.

Claiming that an American sentry was captured, Arnold marched forward with two columns in a challenge to Maclean but was quickly repelled by British cannon fire. Arnold was now forced to wait for General Montgomery's Army to arrive. He had lost his chance to win the city on his own. On November 19th Arnold decided to move his Army back twenty-five miles to Pointe-aux-Trembles. This decision was appropriate considering the poor state of his men and dwindling supplies. Arnold had learned in the five days on the Plains that a majority of their muskets were unserviceable, and his supply of ammunition had been reduced by the dreadful weather. Montgomery arrived at Arnold's headquarters on December 2nd. Arnold respected Montgomery and no issues regarding rank were exposed. In a letter to General Phillip Schuyler, head of the Northern Department, Montgomery reported that Arnold's division was "exceedingly fine" and represented a

"style of discipline among them much superior to what I have been used to see this campaign." He regarded Arnold as "active, intelligent and enterprising."

Montgomery's plan to take Quebec was to overwhelm the lower portion of the city and force a surrender. Montgomery's plan also involved waiting for a snowstorm to act as cover. An attempt to capture the city was made but ultimately failed. Not only did the storm not create any significant impact, but Maclean seemed to have anticipated their move and concentrated his troops in the lower segment of Quebec.

On the night of December 30, 1775, the American forces made their move. Arnold's duty was to engage two barricades, neutralize them and meet up with Montgomery inside of the city. He and his men were attacked from all sides, including from men perched on top of the city walls. Arnold was truly valiant in his next move. He took the initial barricade but shortly after was hit by a musket ball in the calf "about midway and, in an oblique course, passed between the tibia and fibula" and lodged itself at the top of his Achilles. Arnold was forced to leave the field of battle less than an hour into the assault. He made it to the hospital where Dr. Isaac Senter extracted the bullet. Arnold lay in the hospital desperately awaiting reports from his own detachment along with Montgomery's. Dr. Senter describes Arnold's fortitude in his journal, "He would neither be removed, nor suffer a man from the hospital to retreat. He ordered his pistols loaded, with a sword on his bed, adding that he was determined to kill as many as possible if they came into the room."

Out on the battlefield, Arnold's men held the first barricade but were slaughtered at the second. Their weapons, too wet to fire, were useless. Not far away, General Montgomery and his aides were hit with cannon fire and killed. Montgomery's detachment fell under

the command of Colonel Donald Campbell, who turned and ran. The attack on Quebec was officially a failure. Arnold wrote to General David Wooster, the nearest American commander in Montreal, and urged him to send weapons and reinforcements. He also asked Wooster to make his way to Quebec and take command. Arnold, stricken not only with a bullet wound but also suffering from gout, was in no condition to perform his duties. Arnold kept morale as high as possible until January 1776. Many of his men had expiring enlistments and were preparing to leave for home. Only fourteen men from the original Kennebec expedition remained in Quebec. On learning of Wooster's plans to remain in Montreal, Arnold's own morale began to sink. Back in the colonies, the reports of Arnold's actions spread rapidly. His character was one of both fact and fiction, and Congress displayed a divided opinion of Arnold. He was promoted to Brigadier General but received no reply to his letters requesting five thousand men and an experienced general. Furthermore, Arnold learned that Colonel John Brown had protested directly to Congress about his own denial of promotion at the hands of Arnold. This was true; Arnold had personal reasons to deny Brown's promotion: it was Brown who slandered Arnold's actions at Ticonderoga and Arnold blamed Brown directly for Congress' unfavorable attitude.



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21	Weds..	7:00 pm	Environmental Commission, conducted by video conference. See agenda for details: https://www.rooseveltnj.us/ec-agendas-minutes
22	Thrs..	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Trail Work on the Roosevelt Woodland Trail. Roosevelt Green Team.
22	Thurs.	7:30 pm	RPS Board of Education, by video conference Ken LeCompte, President
22	Thurs.		Crop Swap Corner of North Valley & Farm Ln.
24	Sat.	9:30 am - 3:00 pm	Community Garage Sale Day
24	Sat	7:30 pm	Movie Night: The Addams Family 2. Roosevelt Borough Mayor & Council. Ampitheater at Roosevelt Head. Cold drinks and snacks.
28	Weds.		Recycling Pickup 

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