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**IMPORTANT DATE**

**Easter Egg Hunt**  
**Saturday, March 31**  
**10:00 AM**  
**Freedom Park**

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The Latest Edition of

# Riverdale News & Events

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## Horse Owner's Workshop

Sunday, March 25 - 6:00 PM

**Mike's Feed Farm**

90 Hamburg Turnpike, Riverdale, NJ

973-839-7747

Limited Seating. Please Sign Up Early

Guest Speaker:

**Roberta Gleicher**

Purina Mills Equine Nutrition Expert



**Expert advice for the health and longevity of your horse.**

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*Prizes*

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## Seniors have first meeting in the new Community Center!



The Riverdale Senior Citizen Club held its first meeting in the new Senior Community Center on February 19. All were thrilled with their new center and showed appreciation and much gratitude. They certainly deserve it!

## Fire Department Making Plans for 100th



The Riverdale Volunteer Fire Department is conducting a fund-raiser to provide for the year-long celebration of its **100th Anniversary**. If you would like to assist them, purchase a commemorative t-shirt. It comes in four colors: green, blue, yellow and grey, and sizes youth, s-m-l-xl all for \$12.00; xxl - xxxxl sell for \$15.00. Please call Pat Cleary 973-831-1584.

## Mercedes Swanson, Librarian - 20 Years of Service



Mercedes Swanson has served the Borough for the past twenty years through her association with the Riverdale Library. Mrs. Swanson, who always had time to listen to the young library patrons with genuine interest, was presented with gifts by the Borough in gratitude. The Board of Trustees of the Riverdale Library presented her with a certificate and a gift certificate at their February meeting. The Governing Body feted her at their regular February meeting also. Mercedes, we love ya! Thank you for everything.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Engagements, Weddings, Birthdays, Graduations, Births, Anniversaries, etc.  
Tell us about your family!



Nico and Sal Negrini both won gold medals at the Twin County District Wrestling Championship on February 18. Nico (on left) won the gold for the 63 pound weight class and Sal won the gold for the 90 pound weight class. Congratulations to Nico and Sal and their proud parents!

Happy 9th Birthday to **Mariah Garcia** on March 1. Love Aunt Kris, Uncle Ron & the Boys.

Happy Birthday to **Diane Szabo** on March 8. Love Anne, Frank & Kristin.

Happy 23rd Birthday to **Annamarie Budesheim** on March 4. Love from all.

Happy 1st Birthday to **Anthony Kaulfers** on March 9. Love Mommy, Daddy and Angelica.

Happy 11th Birthday **Craig Appel** on March 22. Love Mom, Dad, Chris and Kevin.

Happy Birthday to **Paul Carelli** on March 25. Love June, Michael, Tommy and Samantha!

*Police Anniversaries*  
Crossing Guard **Frank Sorgi** on January 13, completed 10 years of service, protecting our school children.

Lieutenant **Rich Roemmele** on February 8 had 25 years.

Chief **Tom Soules** will have 30 years on March 16.  
*We all feel safer knowing these guardians are at the helm.*

### Health Clinics

March 5th MONDAY - Blood Pressure Screening  
9-11 am - Senior Center

March 22nd THURSDAY - Blood Pressure Screening  
9-11 am - Health Dept.

### The Nurse's Station

Stacey Dakake, MSN, RN



### THE EARLY WARNING SIGNS OF A STROKE

The American Stroke Association says these are the warning signs of stroke: Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body. *Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding.* Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes. *Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination.* Sudden, severe headache with no known cause.

The majority of strokes happen at home. Only half of stroke victims arrive in the ER by ambulance. Many victims drive themselves or have a family member drive them to the hospital. This can be potentially fatal if symptoms worsen in route and the patient loses the ability to steer the vehicle. **IF YOU OR SOMEONE WITH YOU IS HAVING A STROKE, CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY.** The Pompton Lakes/Riverdale First Aid Squad will be sent to transport the patient to the hospital.

\* Check the time the first symptoms appear. It is very important to take immediate action. If given within three hours of the start of symptoms, a clot-busting drug can reduce long-term disability of the stroke.

## Recreation

June Carelli, Director 973-616-0288

**Adult Night-Out - Crazy Bowling**  
Saturday, March 17 - Oakland Bowl - 7:00 pm  
\$20/person (incl. 2 games, Hot/Cold Buffet and soda)  
Call Kristin Appel 831-8187 or Mary Wolbach 831-1383

**Toddler Spring Sports Camp**  
Come Play a Little of Everything! - Ages: 2 thru 5  
Starts: April 14 (6 week program) @ 10:00 - 11:00  
Freedom Park and/or Riverdale School Field  
Fees: \$40/child (includes t-shirt, ball/trophy)  
REGISTRATION: Wed., March 7 @ 7 - 8 pm  
at the new Community Center on Loy Ave. (behind the school.) Call: Lori Clinton 973-616-4406

**Annual Easter Egg Hunt**  
Saturday, March 31 @ 10:00 am  
Freedom Park, Dalton Drive - Ages 2 - 14  
Meet the Easter Bunny.  
Bring your own basket to collect as many eggs as you can.  
Look for Golden Tickets.  
Guess the number of Jelly Beans in the jar.  
Goodies and prizes found throughout!  
Call: Mary Wolbach 973-831-1383  
Kristin Appel 973-831-8187  
JoEllen Schrock 973-879-1640 (cell)

### BASEBALL SEASON IS COMING!

**New York Mets vs Florida Marlins**  
Tuesday, May 1 @ 7:10 pm Gametime  
Shea Stadium \$20/ticket (incl. Bus and Game)  
OR

**New York Yankees vs Toronto Blue Jays**  
Tuesday, July 17 @ 7:05 pm Gametime  
Yankee Stadium \$22/ticket (incl. Bus and Game)  
Tier Reserved Seating.  
SIGN-UP for either Game NOW:  
June Carelli 973-616-0288

**Men's Winter Basketball - Mondays - 7:00 pm**  
Riverdale School Gym. Runs throughout winter season. Show up and play! Call: Gary Pasquariello 973-616-0733

**Riverdale Names Charles Quant, Sr. as Borough Historian.** Anyone interested in assisting in the gathering of old photos, memorabilia, etc. please call Charlie at the Borough Hall at 973-835-4060 ext 237. Old photos we'll accept or duplicate for you.

Copy deadline is the 4th Monday of each month. The publishing date will be the 1st Wednesday of the following month. Pictures, stories, weddings, births, scholastic, armed services, etc. are all welcome. We reserve the right to edit articles for space. Photos should be e-mailed or on disc in a JPEG format. Please send all information any time during the month to [mayer@riverdaleNJ.com](mailto:mayer@riverdaleNJ.com)

## FIRE DEPARTMENT



### One Hundred Years Later - Still Going Strong!

In 2007 the Riverdale Volunteer Fire Department will celebrate its **100th Anniversary**, with events planned throughout the year to acknowledge such a feat. If anyone is interested in joining us in the beginning of our second century of service to the community, stop by the fire house any Monday night, or call 973-831-1584.

### Ladies Auxiliary Spaghetti Dinner

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Riverdale Fire Department will hold a **Spaghetti Dinner** on Saturday, April 28, 2007 from 4 - 7:30 PM at the Firehouse. *All you can eat* Adults \$7.00, Seniors \$6.00 and Children (12 and under) \$5.00. For tickets call Marge 973-835-5851 or Jean 973-835-0137.



### Riverdale C.E.R.T welcomes five new members

Riverdale Borough CERT team welcomes five new members that recently graduated from a class given by Lincoln Park. Jo Ellen Schrock, Pete Leifer, Lois Leifer, Linda Roetman, and Judy James completed the course. The course educated members about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact our community. The training consists of basic disaster response, light fire safety, light search and rescue, as well as team organization and minimal medical operations. This course is for members of the community that want to assist in emergency operations and the local Fire, First Aid and Police Department.

### New Borough Website Up and Running

finally!  
[www.RiverdaleNJ.com](http://www.RiverdaleNJ.com)



## Library News

For more information, call (973) 835-5044 [www.riverdalelibrary.org](http://www.riverdalelibrary.org)

### Infant and Pre-School Story Times

**Baby Time** - Infants - 2 years  
Mondays, March 5, 12, 19 & 26 - 11:15 to 11:45 a.m.  
*It's baby time at the library. Designed especially for infants and active toddlers, it is a half hour of rhyme, song, movement, and shared reading.*

**Snowflake Stories** - Ages 2 - 5  
Mondays, March 5, 12, 19 & 26 - 10:15-11:00 am or 1:30-2:15 pm  
*Snowmen, sledding and skating are in our tales, plus funny animals and funny children. Let's cozy up with some good stories this winter and rhyme and crafts.*

**Bedtime Stories** - Tuesday, March 27 - 7:00 to 7:45 PM  
*Join us for bedtime stories, cookies and milk. Younger patrons may want to wear pajamas and bring teddy.*

**Irish Folk Tales** - K through 5th Grade  
Friday, March 9 - 4:00 to 4:45 PM

*It's no blarney! We'll hear wonderful Irish folk tales, sing a tune, and make a wee leprechaun craft in an after-school program. Join in the fun!*

### Teen Program

**Bagels and Books** - Grades 6 - 8 welcome!  
Saturday, March 3 - 11:00 - 11:45 AM  
*Join us for breakfast and a look at a new and award-winning titles.*

### Adult Programs

**How to Sell Your House** - Saturday, March 24 - 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
*Tips and tricks to selling your house fast and for maximum profit in today's tough market by a team of experts from Pristine Realty. Refreshments served. Registration, please call Nancy Barr at 973-787-0123 or call the Library 835-5044.*

**Parenting Workshop on Child Safety & Discipline** - Saturday, March 31 10 AM - 12 Noon. *Learn why "stranger danger" programs don't work and what you can do so your children (pre-K to teen) follow proven safety strategies. Child Psychologist Maria Salvanto discusses real life advice, examples and solutions that parents can use when talking to their children.*

**Book Discussion Group** - Monday, March 26, 6:30 PM  
*The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho. Join this lively discussion about a novel about the mystical search of a Spanish shepherd boy seeking his destiny, resolving the conflict between security and ambition. Copies of the book are available at the library.

**Exhibit and Open House.** Anthropologist Janet Pollak displays her award winning ethnographic photography from Slovakia where she has spent years researching her family roots. Opens mid-March.



**An old camera (1950's vintage) and an old gas mask (Cold War vintage) Historian Chas. Quant rescued from being thrown away. Anything you may have of some historical value (photos especially) please call Charles Quant, 973-835-4060 Ext. 237.**



- Leonardo Da Vinci invented the scissors.
- It is impossible to sneeze with your eyes open.
- The cruise liner, QE2, moves only six inches for each gallon of diesel fuel that it burns.