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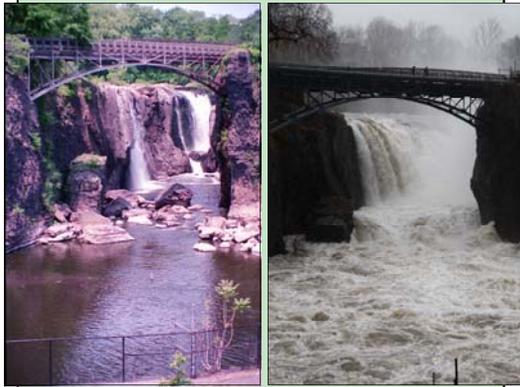
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April 2010



During a private ceremony a plaque from the Riverdale Police Dept. dedicated in

memory of **Special Officer Eddie Aungst** was presented to Eddie's family. It now hangs in the lobby.



Photos of the Paterson Great Falls taken by Riverdale OEM photographer **Don Pruden**. The one on the left was taken in 1994, the photo on the right was taken on March 15, 2010.



The biggest and most rewarding book sale ever by the Friends raised over \$8,100! What a great group volunteers we have!

Riverdale Borough made of the best people on earth.

Mr. Pricone's Science Class' Fair



Thank you to all of our generous practice members and to everyone in the

community who stopped by just to drop off food. **Stewart Family Chiropractic** had a great food drive collecting almost 400 pounds of food. There truly is a "pot of gold" under every rainbow. Most of the food collected was donated to the Riverdale Food Pantry. With gratitude, Dr. Gary Stewart



Riverdale School kids helping out the Friends of the Library set up for the annual book sale. Mr. Cortright accompanied them. L-R: **Mary Dougherty, Kaitlyn Sautner, Spencer Vogel, Harlee York.**

The Auxiliary of the Riverdale Fire Department will be holding its **11th Annual All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Dinner** on **April 24, between 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM** at Riverdale Firehouse, 56 Post Lane. The menu consists of spaghetti and meatballs, salad, bread, dessert and beverages. The tickets will remain at the same low price: \$7.00 for adults, \$6.00 for seniors and \$5.00 for children 12 and under. With advance notice, Riverdale Senior Citizens may place orders for home delivery if they are unable to attend. Jean 973-835-0137 or Dorothy 973-839-0943.



High Marks for Clean Water



Continuous, strong sunlight does all the hard work of SODIS. But the following tips help the process along.

- 1 Use bottles of clear PET plastic rather than glass. Studies show water from sun-warmed PET is safe to drink.
- 2 Do not disturb bottles while they sit in the sun.
- 3 Store water in bottle to prevent recontamination.

“Retrieve a discarded water bottle. Tear off the label and fill with any water that’s not too murky from a creek, standpipe or puddle. Place bottle on a piece of metal in full sun. In six hours the UVA radiation will kill viruses, bacteria and parasites in the water, making it safe to drink.

“SODIS, the acronym for the Swiss-pioneered water-disinfection program, is now being used all over the world to provide drinking water for some four million people. In Tanzania in 2006 a school started using SODIS to disinfect its contaminated tap water, placing bottles on the building’s corrugated metal roof. The result? Absenteeism due to diarrhea dropped considerably, and examination scores soared....”

Taken from the National Geographic April 2010, Mark Jenkins.

Beginning with the upcoming School Board/Budget elections ALL polling districts will be at the Senior Community Center on Loy Avenue. No longer with the voting take place in the Municipal Building or the Library.

Senior Moments

The first meeting of the month was held on March 1st. Rachael Lender spoke to us on Senior Safety. She gave us so many ideas on things to watch out for and be careful of falling and other accidents. * Sign ups were taken for hearing testing to be done shortly. * Discussion was held on plans for the Memorial Day Parade. The Seniors will be marching. Rides will be available for those who would like to be in the parade, but can’t march. Advance notice should be given to make arrangements. **President Moehring** has purchased little flags to be given out to the children along the parade route. * Two gold star “85+” birthdays were celebrated in March by **Jean Battersby** and **Bette Barcigliano**.

The second meeting of the month was held on March 15 with a St. Patrick’s Day theme. Green tablecloths and shamrocks adorned the tables, and green beads to wear around our necks. However, the luncheon was postponed due to the inclement weather. * **Susan Graham** was in the hospital following a car accident on January 13. She went from the hospital to the rehab center for 2 months and finally came home on March 20. We missed you, Susan, and can’t wait to have you back at our meetings. * We have lost a dear, sweet long time active member. **Julia Burdi** passed away on March 1. She was 99 years old and her goal was to reach 100 and have a big party, but that was not to be. She was always so sweet and helpful. We will miss her so much. She will always be in our hearts. * **Edith Goebel** underwent heart surgery in Morristown Hospital and is now recuperating in Cedar Crest Rehabilitation. Good luck and good health to you, Edie. Hope to see you back soon. * Don’t forget our Food Pantry. The need is always there. Presented by *Marion Davis*

Announcements

Happy 6th Birthday, **Amie Lin Lombard** on April 18. Love Dad, Mom & Weezer xoxo



Happy 4th Birthday to **Alyssa Skye Enrique** on April 7. We wish you a very special birthday and love you so much. Love Mommy, Daddy and Hailey xoxo.



Happy 11th Birthday, **Emily Clinton**. Love Mom, Dad & Kyle.

Happy 20th Birthday, **Anthony Budesheim** on April 19. Love from the family.

Happy 50th Birthday, **George Szabo**, on March 31. Love, Diane, Nicole, Tara & Bryan.

Happy April Police Department Birthdays to **Dispatcher James Nolan** (7th), **Patrolman Rob DiGirolamo** (10th) and **Sergeant Greg Bogert** (15th).

Big sister Morgan and Proud Parents Jimmy & Christine announce the birth of **MacKenzie Karen O’Connell**. Born January 29 at 4:40am, weighing in at 7 lbs 5 oz and 20 inches long.



Computer Recycling

Monitors no longer accepted. May be placed in trash.

Items Accepted: ~~Computer monitors~~, computers/laptops, keyboards, mice, modems, external drives, scanners, printers, copy machines, cables, other computer peripherals, VCR’s, DVD players, stereos, radios, phones, fax machines, camcorders, electric typewriters, and most media (floppies, CD’s, DVD’s), telephones, cell phones and similar products.

Did You Know - April Facts?

- ◆ The American Revolutionary War began on April 19, 1775.
- ◆ On April 3rd 1860 the Pony Express began.
- ◆ April 15, 1912 R.M.S. Titanic struck an iceberg and sank.
- ◆ On April 9th in the year 1865 General Robert E. Lee commander of the Confederate Army surrendered to U.S. Grant and the official end of the American Civil War took place.



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973-835-5044

INFANT & PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Pre-School programs run April 5 to June 2.
No programs on Monday, May 31.

Baby Time—For infants up to 2 years old with a caregiver. On Mondays, 11:00–11:30 am.

Totally Twos—For two-year-olds with a caregiver. On Mondays, 10:15–10:45 am.

Story Time—For ages 3 through 5
Wednesdays, 10:15–11:00 am. Or 1:30–2:15 pm.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Puppy Pals Reading Club Kindergarten–5th grade. 2nd Tues of each month. April 13 and continuing throughout 2010, 4:00–5:00 pm.

Breakfast Book Club Children in grades 2-5. Copies of *Magic School Bus Chapter Book: Space Explorers* by Eva Moore are available at the circ desk as of April 15. Book group for children and parents, with craft and breakfast, is on Sat, May 15, 10:15–11:30 am. New members welcome!

Join us!

Lego Lab K–5th grade. 4th Tues of each month.

TEEN PROGRAMS — Grades 6 and up

Teen Craft

April 6, 6:30–8:00 pm. Learn to embroider! Update your favorite tee shirt, your jeans and more! Simple embroidery techniques will let you personalize and add BLING to anything you own!

Teen Book Discussion Group



Tuesday, April 20, 6:00–7:00 pm. *The Gravesavers* by Sheree Fitch. Sandwiches or pizza served. Sign up now and pick up your copy!

BOOK SALE

The 8th Annual Friends of the Library Book Sale was a great success! See lead article.

MONTHLY

Photography Club—Mon, April 26. 7:00–8:00
All Photographers welcome! Learn! Share!

HOURS

Monday	10 - 8	Thursday	10 - 8
Tuesday	10 - 8	Friday	10 - 5
Wednesday	10 - 5	Saturday	10 - 4

CHECK IT OUT!

Find out about our new books online. Monthly highlights on some of our new books for adults and kids! www.riverdalelibrary.org on the bottom right.

Also BOOKLETTERS (same place) amazing ideas for books you'll like —pick mysteries, best sellers, or a 100 more! Links to catalog to check availability! Also, sign up for a monthly email of your favorites.

DVDs for adults are now renewable online!! Fast & easy. Use your 4-digit pin & library card number.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

April 26—AUTHOR TALK! *Black Flowers* by E.F. Watkins (from Wanaque, NJ). After a former employee of her husband's company dies of a drug overdose on her front lawn, Allison discovers a pattern of mysterious deaths by electrocution and fears for her family if she dares to interfere with the company's terrifying secret plans.



MARCH HIGH-

Lauren and Matthew Spencer enjoy a book with Jean Luc at the March meeting of

LIGHTS

Justin Nailbone and Jean Luc kick back with a good book at the March meeting of Puppy Pals.



Justin Nailbone, Dominique Scerbak, and Noelle Vacca paint rainbows during the St. Patrick's Day craft



Garden Club—Tues, April 27, 7:00–8:00 pm
Gardening for everyone, in every season!

Gypsy Knitters—Every Thursday 4:00–8:00 pm.
Bring a project and join in!



The Auxiliary of the Riverdale Fire Department is pleased to offer the **Grace Peine Memorial Scholarship** in the amount of \$1000 to a college-bound Riverdale high school senior. Applications will be available online (www.RiverdaleNJ.gov) and at the borough hall after April 5. Applications must be received no later than May 15, 2010. The scholarship will be presented at the Memorial Day ceremonies.

Bowling Champs!



These are the champions of the Children's Winter Bowling Teams.
Girls l-r: **Kaitlyn Maloney**
Ayla Markowski,
Nicole Lotterman
Boys l-r:
Joseph Soto, Sean Bastian,
Charlie Dube



Dance Recital

The Community Center dance class had its recital on March 19 to the enjoyment of many family and friends.



Volunteers Needed!

The Riverdale Food Pantry is in need of volunteers to help out one or two days a month. Please call **Linda Roetman** at the Borough Hall. 973-835-4060 x6

News from School

School news at your fingertips

From the Desk of Dr. Betty Ann Wyks



State Cuts Aid to Riverdale School by 83.2% for 2010-2011 School Year.

District officials are faced with many critical decisions as the budget process continues. Our budget, which is predominantly funded via Riverdale taxpayer dollars (94% this year) will face cuts at all levels. Our intention is to keep our children in the forefront of all decisions made and attempt to maintain programs which provide them with a quality education. It is likely, however, that some of our programs will be scaled back to accomplish putting forth a budget which will *not* result in an overall tax increase for Riverdale taxpayers.

The public hearing on the budget is set for March 31 (this Wednesday) at 7:30 pm in the school library. It will also be presented to the PTA on April 15. For further information, please consult our district website www.rpsnj.org, or call the Board of Education Office at 973-839-1300 x6.

The school election vote is Tuesday, April 20, between the hours of 2 PM and 9 PM. The polls are located at the Riverdale Senior Community Center on Loy Avenue.



Riverdale Fire Department

The department is looking to boost its roster with residents or workers in town and can respond to fires and other emergencies. Finding and holding on to new members, especially during the day, has long been a problem for volunteer fire departments.

Riverdale Fire Department has a Junior Fire Department and is currently looking for young adults between the ages of 16 and 18 to join. "Most of newest recruits started out as junior fire fighters," says Chief Dan Sturm. Continues the chief, "We are able to put the younger members through training earlier and retain them as opposed to an older resident who has families and other responsibilities. The increase in hours on the department and increase in the level of required training - Level 1 Firefighter went from 60 hours to 150 - discourages potential volunteers." Chief Sturm adds he was one of the town's first junior firefighters and the training and discipline has carried him through more than 30 years of fire fighting. The Chief would recommend it to anybody that is looking for a way of helping out the town. Stop by the firehouse any Monday night at 7 PM or call 973-831-1584.

The Riverdale Woman's Club



The next meeting of the Riverdale Woman's Club will be held on April 7 at 7:30 PM at the Community Center. All women are invited to join us for our timely program, "Bring in the Spring with Gardening." For more information about our club, please

contact the Membership Chairman at 973-835-3269.

Congratulations to **Peter Campbell** and **Gabrielle Revis** on their recent awards at Pompton Lakes High School. Peter was named "Student of the Marking Period" in Science and Gabi was named "Student of the Marking Period" in Social Studies and Foreign Language. This is a school wide award and quite an accomplishment for these two freshmen.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

(973) 706-6471-Office

jcarelli@riverdaleborough.com

Call or e-mail to Register or for Questions on Activities listed in here.

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Saturday, April 3 / 9:30am - 11:00am

Community Center / \$2 Adult / \$1 Child

Includes Continental Breakfast, Picture with Easter Bunny, Face Painting & Tattoo's

Must Call to Reserve a Seat: (973) 706-6471



Town Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 3 / 11:00am

Community Center Backyard

Ages 2 thru 5th Grade Students

Bring your own basket to collect eggs.

Find the egg with a golden ticket. Win a Prize!

Guess how many Jelly Beans. Win a Prize!

Every child gets a special Easter Treat!



FREE ADULT VISION SCREENING

Riverdale Community Center

Tuesday, April 27 / 10:00 am—12:00pm

Screening will Include:

1. Distance Visual Acuity Test

2. Measure Eye Pressure (No drops needed)



No Cost - MUST CALL in advance for appointment:
 Pequannock Township Health Dept
 (973) 835-5700, Ext 111



Let's Go Met's!

Wednesday, May 26th

NY Mets vs Philadelphia Philly's

7:10p Game time / CITI Field, Flushing, NY

Call To Reserve: \$40 per ticket

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***NEW* Pilates**

Riverdale Community Center

Classes Begin: Tuesday, May 4,, 7:30pm (1 hr)

Instructor: Julia / Cost: \$6.00 per person

Bring a Yoga Mat or Towel. (no shoes required in class)

Please call to sign-up:

(973) 706-6471 Community Center Office

Spring Kidde Multi-Sport Clinic - Ages 3 to 6

Falcon Sports Academy at Riverdale Community Center Fields

Clinic begins Sunday, May 2 through June 13

Choose your class time: either 1:00 pm or 2:00 pm

\$15.00 per class (payment in advance required) Includes T-shirt Awards, Experienced Instructors providing fun and motivating skills plus a Mini-Olympics on the last day. Call 973-706-6471.

Multi-Sports will teach your young athletes fundamentals through dynamic drills & fun group games. Kids will participate in Soccer, Baseball, Flag Football, Basketball, Tennis, La Crosse and Golf.

Looking forward to our annual

Memorial Day Parade

Monday, May 31 @ 10:00 am.

Keep an eye out for our

Movies Under the Stars

Friday, June 11 @ 8:00 pm Community Center Backyard

More information in the June Newsletter

YOGA

Riverdale Community Center

Every Thursday / 7:30-8:45pm

Cost: \$6.00 Class / Call to sign-up: (973) 706-6471

Spring Kids Dance Class

Tap & Ballet Class - Riverdale Community Center - \$6.00 per class (10 week)
 Begins Friday, April 16 at 4:00 pm. Recommended for Ages 3 thru 6

Hip Hop Dance Class - Community Center - \$6.00 per class (10 week program)
 Begins Friday, April 16 at 5:00 pm. Recommended for Ages 6 thru middle school

"New" Broadway Musical Class - Community Center-\$6.00 per class (10 weeks)
 Begins Friday, April 16 at 6:00 pm. Recommended for 2nd grade thru 8th grade

Tot's Music Class

Riverdale Community Center

(Recommended for 18 months thru 4 years old)

Bring your tot's in to participate in a comprehensive preschool music program.

Every Friday, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Cost: \$8.00 Class (\$10 Walk-in's)

2010 Summer Rec Counselor Positions

Applications are now being accepted

Available @ Riverdale Borough Hall Front Offices

MUST BE at least 16 YEARS OLD to apply

June 28th—August 1 (5 weeks)

(973) 706-6471 Recreation Dept Office

Community Center Instructors NEEDED

Senior Chair Aerobics Instructor

Exercise Instructors (any style exercise)

Toddler Activity Instructors

Knitting / Crochet Teachers

Call June Carelli, Rec Director @ 973-706-6471

Dear Friend and Neighbor,

I would like to personally and cordially invite you to a dinner party which I will be hosting on Thursday, April 22nd at 6:15 p.m. at our beautiful Riverdale Senior Community Center.

The evening is planned to include a fine dinner and time with our neighbors and friends. I will also briefly be presenting some ideas and information about how you can lower your healthcare costs and how you can lower your family's need for medication, therefore helping to "green" up the most important environment of all, the internal environment of our own bodies.

My wife, Donna, and I look forward to your good company at this fun, informative, and delicious evening. Please R.S.V.P no later than April 20th. Please call to let us know how many adults will be attending: 973-835-5773, or e-mail DrGaryDC@optonline.net.

Sincerely,

Gary C. Stewart, D.C.



Riverdale - You're Invited!



What: Dinner and a brief informative talk
When: Thursday, April 22, 2010, 6:15 p.m.
Where: Riverdale Senior Community Center, 57 Loy Ave
R.S.V.P.: 973-835-5773 or e-mail DrGaryDC@optonline.net
Please R.S.V.P. by April 20th.



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ANYONE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING ABOUT 2 HOURS PER MONTH TO ASSIST IN THE PANTRY PLEASE CALL LINDA ROETMAN AT THE BOROUGH HALL. 973-835-4060 X6.



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Summer Concerts start Wednesday July 14

Annual Street Fair on Labor Day

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Don't Miss it!

This Saturday, April 3
9:30 to 11:30 AM
Senior Community Center

Adults - \$2.00

Children - \$1.00

Includes Continental Breakfast,
Picture with Easter Bunny
Face painting and Tattoos

Must call to reserve a seat: 973-706-6471

