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Happy Holidays!

The spirit of kids from 1 to 92 were bright as the traditional Holiday Parade traveled along The Boulevard on Friday evening, November 25th.

Floats, bands, community

groups, antique cars, fire trucks plus Santa met at Williams Avenue at 7:00 p.m. and marched along The Boulevard to Henry Street.

Immediately after the pa-

rade, Santa met with children at The Senior Center (320 Boulevard), for photos and treats sponsored by Kathy Dunn Cultural Center and Heights Flower Shoppe.

There were over 8,000 give-a-ways.

The parade line-up was as follows: The Hasbrouck Heights Police Department Honor Guard led the Parade

along with Honor Guards from the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department and the Boy Scouts.

The Hasbrouck Heights

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- Oak Grove & Jefferson 6:05 to 6:25 p.m.
- Oldfield & Division 6:35 to 6:55 p.m.
- Cleveland & Summit 7:05 to 7:20 p.m.

Any parent who cannot get a child to a Santa stop due to illness or handicap can make special arrangements by calling the Fire Chief at 201-288-0082.

Holiday Decoration And Display Contest

Ho. Ho. Ho. Hop in your sleigh and join the fun. Check out the festive displays on The Boulevard and in your neighborhood with yards, homes, lamp posts and doors seasonally dressed for the holidays.

Judging is Saturday and Sunday, December 17 & 18, with final selections on Monday December 19.

This annual tradition is sponsored by Mayor's Celebrations Committee. ###

VFW Christmas Dinner Dance

The VFW Post 4591 is hosting a Christmas Dinner Dance on Saturday, December 10 from at 7:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. at the Post. The public is invited.

Cost is \$25 per person and includes open bar, Chicken Francaise dinner, live music by Peter Lieberman and dancing.

Reservations due December 5. Call 201-288-1112 for reservations and info. ###

Photos w/Santa

Free photos with Santa will be held on Sunday, December 4, 2005 from 10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bill O'Shea's Florist (*At The Circle*), in association with Bob Major Photography (*164 Franklin Avenue*). ###

Your Pet's Photo with Mrs. Claus

On December 4th, FOCAS will present pet photos with Mrs. Claus at the American Legion, 100 Liberty Street in Little Ferry from noon to 3:00 p.m.

Cost per photo is \$5.00. Refreshments are available. Holiday gifts and pet items for sale. Benefit Angel Fund. ###

Pizza With Santa

The Hasbrouck Heights Junior Women's Club is sponsoring Pizza with Santa on Friday, December 9 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building. Cost is \$8 per person and includes photo with santa, craft, goody bag, pizza, refreshments and raffle. For tickets call Nicole at 201-288-6064 ###



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The Solution? The most effective deterrent to heat loss is a set of glass fireplace doors that can be opened when a fire is blazing and closed when the fire is dying. But always remember to give the fire enough oxygen to burn.

Call John Depken if you have any questions that you would like answered in this column



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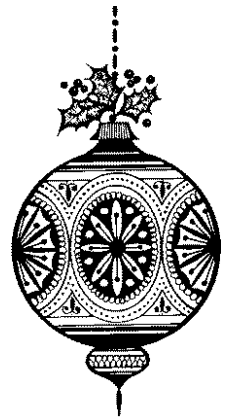
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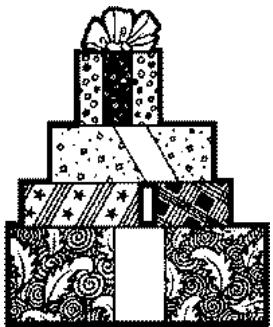


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Buying online is so easy, a couple of clicks, type in your credit card information and voila! No standing in lines, or hassles with parking, just relax and click.

Before you begin flexing your mouse, here are some important factors to consider.

Find out if the website you are visiting has a privacy policy. The same thing goes for your card issuer. Know how your personal information will be handled.

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Most merchants use SSL, the secure socket layer protocol. To tell whether a merchant is running SSL:

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- Your browser indicates when you are using SSL. Netscape shows locked padlock. Microsoft's Internet Explorer shows a lock on the status bar when SSL is encrypting the information. Similarly, AOL shows a lock on the bottom right-hand corner when SSL is encrypting information.

- Many online merchants will advertise the fact they are running a secure server. Look for a notice on the home page, or a security section somewhere on the site.

Allow yourself plenty of time. Just because you are shopping online doesn't mean you can wait until the last minute. Allow enough time for shipping and back orders when necessary.

Keep all your records. Print out privacy policies, warranties, price guarantees and other important information.

Verify the e-store. If you're shopping with a merchant for the first time, look for the Trust-e symbol or a Better Business Bureau online seal, which indicate the seller has been independently audited and deemed trustworthy. ####

What's Cookin'

Just in time for Christmas, The Friends of the Library Community Cookbook, "What's Cookin' in Hasbrouck Heights," is available. The cookbook is comprised of favorite recipes collected from Heights notables. Copies cost \$7, and are available at the Library. Call Maryetta at 201-288-3242 for more info. ####

Sinatra Fans Delighted



Melissa Singlevich, Mike Conti and Mel Glazer

Entertainment-wise, area residents had a groovy time with inside stories about Frank Sinatra and his friends. They heard his songs and the stories behind them.

The presentation "Frank Sinatra as seen through the eyes and ears of a songwriter -- Mel Glazer," was held at the Library on Saturday, November 5, 2005.

This program looked at Sinatra's singing style, technique, and legacy to illuminate what set him apart from other popular singers of his era.

The audience traveled the streets of Hoboken in the 1920's, where Sinatra experienced the ills of poverty and prejudice. Glazer propelled those attending through the highs and lows, the laughter and the tears of the greatest popular singer of all time.

Frank Sinatra has special meaning to the residents of

Hasbrouck Heights because he and his family lived here in town during his early career.

Several residents brought their memorabilia to the program and shared their collections of local Sinatra history at the end of the program.

As a raconteur, songwriter, lecturer, and university instructor, Mel Glazer interacted with the audience in a stimulating program that let them get to know the man from a wonderfully fresh perspective, personally and professionally. ####

"The Voice" Collection



Frank Sinatra memorabilia, from the extensive collection of long-time local resident and devoted fan Mike Conti, was on display during November at the HH Free Public Library. Among the items displayed were photographs, scrapbooks, record albums, song sheets, etc. ####



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Mid-Bergen Rotary Beefsteak & Auction



Mid-Bergen Rotary Club held its 29th Beefsteak & Chinese Auction on Friday November 4th, 2005 at the VFW Hall in Hasbrouck Heights. It proved to be a great success.

Club President Ruth Nebiar thanked everyone who attended, volunteered or generously donated prizes or cash. "You are truly an example of Service Above Self" (*Rotary International's Motto*).

Fun was had by all with dancing and music provided by Rotarian Dan Shiver of the Paterson Rotary Club.

High school students from the Interact Club of Bergen County Technical School in Teterboro helped set up and were prize runners throughout the evening (*Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people ages 14-18*).

Over recent years Mid-Bergen Rotary has donated and supported organizations both within the community and worldwide: The Faith Foundation, Emmanuel Cancer Fund,

Aviation Hall of Fame, Habitat for Humanity and the Wheel Chair Foundation.

The focus with this year's Beefsteak event was the Gift of Life and the Dictionary Project.

The Gift of Life provides life saving cardiac surgeries to children from around the world. Currently Mid-Bergen Rotary is sponsoring an eighteen month old boy from Mexico who underwent a heart operation on November 2nd at the Maria Fareri Children's Hospital, Westchester Medical Center, Valhalla, New York.

The Dictionary Project is a community project that ensures that every third grade school child within its service area of Hasbrouck Heights, Wood-Ridge, Teterboro and South Hackensack, receives a dictionary.

This has been a great success with students and teachers with over 300 dictionaries donated this school year.

Mid-Bergen Rotary Club was originally chartered as the Teterboro Rotary Club on February 8, 1962.

As the 1960's progressed the club grew with members from the surrounding towns of Hasbrouck Heights, Wood-Ridge and South Hackensack thereby prompting its name change to Mid-Bergen.

The club meets every Tuesday at 12:15 pm at the Holiday Inn, Hasbrouck Heights.

For more information visit the club's website at www.Mid-BergenRotary.org.

Rotary International has over 32,000 clubs throughout 170 countries worldwide and this year celebrates its 100 year anniversary, founded by Paul Harris in 1905. ####



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Veterans Day Service Nov. 11 at 11 a.m.

On Friday, November 11, at Memorial Park, a brief service was held at 11:00 a.m. The service was co-sponsored by VFW Post 4591 and the American Legion Post 106.

The service began with remarks by American Legion Commander Michael Cahill with an invocation by Gilbert Hunt.

Mayor Ronald R. Jones and Councilman Thomas Meli spoke about recognizing the Veterans' service to America's freedom.

VFW Commander Elmer J. Winterfeld spoke about America's tribute to Veterans.

Gilbert Hunt gave the benediction and Sal Altomare concluded the service by leading the assembly in the singing of God Bless America. ###



Michael Cahill



Ronald Jones



Thomas Meli



Elmer Winterfeld



Gilbert Hunt



Sal Altomare

About the Pavers

Engraved brick pavers with Veterans' names were placed in a Memorial Walkway in Veterans Park on Terrace & Passaic late April 2003.

About 120 bricks were engraved and integrated into the walkway surrounding the Memorial Stone, and as of December 31, 2004, there are about 200 with more on order.

Bricks are available to all Veterans from all services.

To participate, it is not necessary for the Veteran to be a member of the VFW or American Legion, nor be a deceased Veteran. Bricks are 4" x 8" with 13 characters per line with a maximum of 3 lines. Cost \$50 each.

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American Legion

James B. Scarr Post 106

Part Seven of a series about our American Legion.

The 1950's

In the last two installments we showed both plans for the proposed Veterans Memorial Building in town. However, this was not the only activity that Post 106 was involved with.

Around 1946 the Post started to publish a newsletter, "The Veterans Voice," that continued for many years.

For some years, into the late 50's, it was a six-page paper that gave news of the Post 106 Veterans' World.

It continued into the 70's, albeit smaller. We also sent young men to Boys' State and gave awards for Oratory and History to the High School students.

But the most important item was to get the Memorial Building constructed and so the newly reconstituted (*nineteen members*) building committee, led over the next few years by Commanders Hamilton, Duerloo, Gottschalk (*2 terms*), and R. Flannery, sprang into action.

Bonds were sold, pleas were made, and funding drives started but despite all efforts, by 1953 not enough money (\$35,000 to \$50,000) had been raised (*those figures will give you an idea of inflation over the years*).

Things looked bleak for Post 106, but at that point Mrs. Albert E. Browne, widow of Mr. A. E. Browne, indicated that she would be willing to sell

her house at 106 Terrace Avenue to the Post if the Post could find her a proper living situation.

Fortunately we were able to do so, and after getting the Borough to agree to allow us to sell the property on the Boulevard and use the proceeds from the sale to buy the Brownes' house, and of course, the Post agreeing to repay the Borough, we closed the deal.

During this time we continued to observe the Memorial Day and Armistice Day celebrations, visited the Veterans Home, participated in and donated to various local causes, and maintained all the activities we were used to doing. Our Post ceremonies were held as usual at the Pioneer Club and The Old Homestead. Some things must remain constant.

By late 1954, with Neil Parrott as Commander, we were finally in our new home, faced with the problems all buyers of an older building face, it having been built circa 1895.

Paul Brunckhorst became Commander in 1955 and in the following months we built a new low wall parallel to the south side of the building to level the grounds and landscaped the property.

Roy Roylance was Commander in 1956. Much was done at this point to help fellow Veterans get their proper benefits.

Also about this time we started to celebrate Memorial Day and Armistice Day in conjunction with VFW Post 4591 which had been founded in 1955. The usual Post ceremo-

nies and parties continued.

Our second two-term Commander (1957/1958), Michael Sarapa, took office. Raffles and yard sales were used to raise money to support the Post. Electrical and plumbing improvements were made to the building.

We sponsored a team in the American Legion Baseball League as well as all of the other activities.

In 1959 Gordon Hiltbold became the Commander and we had a real live wire in charge. Fund raising efforts increased, Americanism programs were carried out in the schools, the social life of the Post prospered, visits to the Veterans Home increased, and we had a good year.

The next year Gordon became the Historian for the Bergen County American Legion.

We will cover the 1960's and 1970's in the next installment. ###



Post 106 Installation of Officers October 3, 1953. Neil Parrott receiving gavel from County Adjutant Dorothy Farguharson. Photo by Ray Roylance



(l-r) County Historian Leo Larkin, County Vice Commander William Steeper, Commander Ray Roylance, Past Commander Paul Brunckhorst. Photo by George F. Knoll



The correspondent for this series is American Legion Commander Michael Cahill.



Attention Veterans:

The American Legion Post 106 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4591 are inviting new members to their Posts.

These organizations have stood and fought for Veterans' rights and are on the forefront of preserving benefits that have been earned.

For more information call the American Legion at 201-288-4028, or the VFW at 201-288-1112. ###

Am. Legion Seeks "Active Duty" Names

The James B. Scarr Post 106, American Legion of Hasbrouck Heights, needs your help. They are seeking the names and addresses of all servicemen and women from our community who are currently serving in the military.

They have planned something special to recognize and honor them for their service to their country.

Please contact the Legion with this information by leaving a message on their answering machine 201-288-4322 or by giving the information to any member or the Post. ###

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VFW Holds New Year's Eve Dinner Dance

The VFW Post 4591 is hosting a New Year's Eve Party on December 31 starting at 7:00 p.m. at the Post. The public is invited.

Cost is \$75 per person and includes an open bar from 7:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., prime rib dinner, champagne toast "at the magic moment," music by The Symphonics and dancing.

Call the Post at 201-288-1112 for more information and reservations. ###



CROP WALK November 13

This year's CROP WALK began on Sunday, November 13, at 1:30 p.m. at Corpus Christi Church.

Neighbors walked to support worldwide programs to

help eliminate poverty and hunger. The 2.4 mile route was along Burton & Oak Grove. About \$5,000 was pledged by the community.

Following the event, light

refreshments were served by the Corpus Christi Rosarians. Coffee was donated by Starbucks.

The CROPWALK is an interfaith community event that helps local food pantries and food banks, offers shelter for refugees and displaced fami-

lies, and provides food and water in parts of Africa where drought related famine imper-

ils millions of families.

For more information call Joe at 201-462-0220. ###

Christmas Spirit at Corpus Christi School

One of the most difficult things for many families to do during the busy Christmas season is to create a spiritual and charitable atmosphere while at the same time making the "fun" that binds family memories at this time of year.

Corpus Christi School is able to address all these needs with a December schedule of activities that combines holiday reflection and Christmas celebration.

The Giving Tree will be displayed in the school's Chapel lobby throughout the holiday season with its ornaments of "need" for deserving families in the area.

Specific items such as "Boys, size 14 sweat pants" are written on an ornament. Parish members and school families look forward to taking an ornament, purchasing the item, wrapping the gift and returning it back to the Chapel lobby for distribution.

Add some well deserved fun to your busy holiday season by attending Corpus Christi School's Tricky Tray on Friday, December 2nd. This year's theme is "Peace on Earth". The cost for this fund raising event is \$12.00 and includes the entry fee, twenty-five tickets for entrance prizes, a door prize ticket, coffee and dessert. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

First Reconciliation is scheduled on December 3rd for all 2nd graders planning on celebrating First Communion in the spring.

The always popular Spirit Day on the 11th will allow the students to shed their uniforms for the day and don their favorite red and green clothing with their \$1 donation going towards Catholic charities.

Santa Secret Shop Week, which starts on the 12th, gives Corpus Christi students the ability to shop for their family and friends with an extensive selection of inexpensive holiday gift items. Now if they could just learn how to keep those special presents secret until Christmas Day!

It doesn't feel like Christmas without a concert of favorite carols and holiday songs. Corpus Christi School's

Children's Choir and Grades K-2 will present a concert on December 14th for family and friends.

Santa Claus has planned a special breakfast visit to the school on Sunday, December 18th from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The Advent Prayer Service and classroom Christmas parties are scheduled for December 23rd.

School will then be closed for Christmas vacation and will reopen Tuesday, January 3rd.

For additional information about any of these events, please call the school office at 201-288-0614. Story by Sonya Buckman ####

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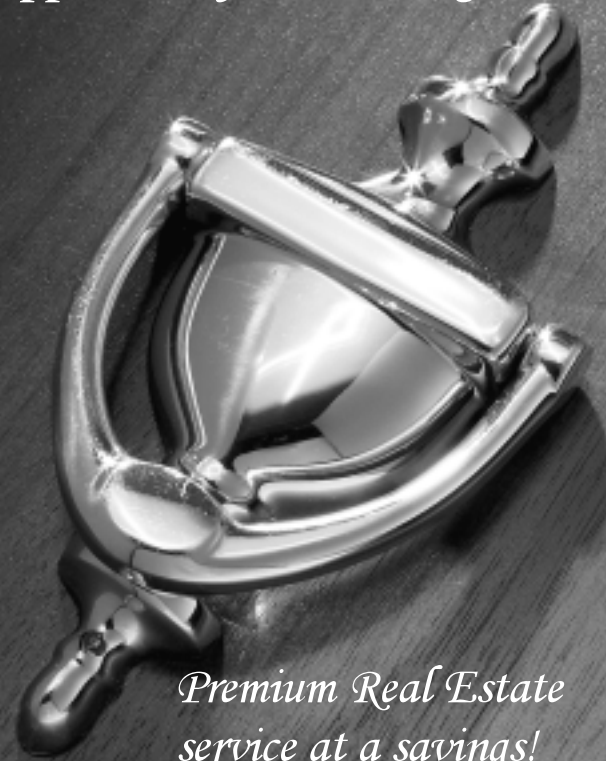
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Friendly Neighbors Kick Off Their Annual Fund Drive

by Jackie Mazza

The members of the Friendly Neighbors held their fall meeting on Friday, November 4 at the home of Ginny Isler. Plans were made for the 2005 campaign that officially begins on Thanksgiving Day and goes through New Year's Day.

The Friendly Neighbors, an organization that has been in existence since 1939, consists of a group of local women who donate their time and energy to raise gifts of money and food for needy local families. Over the years, there have been special friends of the organization, including one "angel" who anonymously donates gen-

erously all through the year. These special friends make it possible to help our neighbors who are in need. Please open your hearts and your pocket-books and help our neighbors.

Donations, which are gratefully accepted any time during the year, can be mailed to: Mrs. Pat Boer, Treasurer, at 307 Roosevelt Avenue in Hasbrouck Heights.

We have received our first donation of the campaign from Rosemary A. Smith, a long-time giver! Additionally, a food drive was held by Euclid School. Members of the Student Council brought the donations to the Lutheran Church for distribution to needy families in town. ###

Santa to Visit Kearny Federal

Santa is scheduled to visit the Kearny Federal Savings Wood-Ridge Office at 250 Valley Boulevard, on Saturday, December 3rd, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Santa has been visiting this branch and bringing joy to families and friends for many years. Stop in and experience an afternoon full of happiness and laughter as neighborhood

families listen to old St. Nick recite "The Night Before Christmas." Upon Santa's grand entrance, children of all ages will be welcomed with free candy canes and a stuffed toy. For the grand finale, children will have the opportunity to have their photo taken with Santa, while anxiously revealing what they want for Christmas this year! ###

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Holiday "Road Trip" Tips

Lt. Thomas Archer of the Hasbrouck Heights Traffic Bureau offers these suggestions for safe holiday travel.

Before leaving, be sure to secure your house. Lock all doors and windows, and don't forget to set the alarm.

Also, give your home that lived-in look to repel potential burglars by having a friend collect your mail, setting lights on timers and not leaving details of your trip on the answering machine.

Packing light saves time and energy when it comes to filling the trunk with fragile bags packed with gifts.

Don't leave valuables in your car. Pack all items, especially brightly wrapped packages, in the trunk. If afraid of squashed bows, wait until you arrive to wrap the gifts.

One tip for packing lighter is to ship your gifts to your destination ahead of time. Allow at least two to three weeks for your package to arrive, for the holidays are hectic times for courier services like UPS and Federal Express.

Plan Ahead

Holiday travelers are at a higher risk for accidents. Avoid peak travel days.

People leave on long trips on the last workday before the holiday to visit family and friends in what can be a stressful time – increasing the potential for fatigue.

- Plan enough travel time for your trip to include breaks.
- Plan your route before you leave and take along a map so you are prepared if you need to take a detour or alternate route due to road conditions or accidents.
- Travel information Web

sites and 5-1-1 telephone services provide estimated travel times, road and weather conditions, accident reports and other helpful information.

• Don't leave on a long trip after eating a large meal. Never drink and drive.

Be Prepared

Traffic incidents such as crashes and disabled vehicles cause 25 percent of congestion. Make sure your vehicle is ready for the trip.

• Preventive maintenance means checking all fluid levels (*oil, anti-freeze, transmission, wiper, etc.*), new belts and hoses, battery, lights, etc.

• Check your tire tread and pressure. Know where your spare tire is located and how to change it.

• Be prepared. Take along emergency equipment, especially if winter driving conditions are anticipated: flares, working flashlight (*and spare batteries*), gloves, boots, hat, coat and blanket, jumper cables, extra wiper fluid, water, first aid kit, non-perishable snacks (*e.g., canned nuts, energy bars, dried fruits*), snow brush, scraper and snow shovel, bag of kitty litter or 2 pieces of burlap for extra traction.

• Make sure you have a charged cell phone (*invest in a car lighter charger and hands free headset*).

Drive Safely

- Buckle up and use child

Traffic Circle Protocol:

Incoming vehicles must yield to traffic already traveling in The Circle

safety seats properly.

• Once on the road, drive carefully, patiently and stifle any burgeoning impulses of road rage. Try not to view other cars and traffic signals as personal obstacles. Work with your fellow drivers and not against them. Indicate lane changes and give everyone plenty of room. Also, be forgiving when someone demonstrates reckless driving.

- Obey speed limits.
- Don't tailgate. Be patient.

Always leave enough room between you and the car ahead of you. Use the two-second rule (*the National Safety Council is recommending 3 seconds*). After the vehicle ahead of you passes a stationary object, begin counting (*i.e., one thousand one, one thousand two*). If you reached the object before you counted to two, you are following too closely. Increase this time for bad weather conditions (*and double these distances when following motorcycles*).

- Stay alert and minimize distractions.

• Scan the road and the sides of the road well ahead of you. Scan the area 12 seconds ahead of you so you have that much more time to react to unexpected conditions (*e.g., deer, falling rocks, debris on the road, unexpected braking*

cars, etc.)

• When driving in work zones, pay extra attention to signs and crew flaggers.

• Avoid sudden stops and starts that can cause skidding or sliding, especially in bad weather.

• Slow down when driving on snowy or icy roads where stopping distances are much longer. Leave more distance between your vehicle and the one ahead.

• Drive carefully and slowly around snowplows.

• If you break down, move your vehicle to the right side of the road out of the flow of traffic and as far from the traveled portion of the roadway as possible; raise the hood of your vehicle or use emergency flashers; and remain in your disabled vehicle if possible. It will be more likely that another motorist will report it.

• Overall, try to make driving fun, and view it as part of the holiday, not as a chore. If traveling with children, get everyone involved by singing or reminiscing about favorite past holidays. The ride will be over before you know it, and you'll actually look forward to the drive back home.

The Hasbrouck Heights Police Department wishes you a safe holiday trip. ###

Santa's Visit Highlights AHOF Holiday Season

Santa is scheduled to depart the North Pole at Midnight and is expected to arrive at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 10, 2005 at the Aviation Hall of Fame. Santa will have candy and gifts for the kids.

Bring your camera for this photo opportunity! Children under 6 (*six*) years of age will be able to meet and greet Santa Claus inside the museum free of charge, when accompanied by an adult.

Regular museum admission price is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for seniors and children over 6 (*six*) years old.

The museum will open at 10:00 a.m., to accommodate expected interest in this special event, and the public is advised to arrive early in order to obtain good parking.

The visit of Santa Claus is presented annually by the New Jersey Aviation Hall of Fame & Museum, located at 400 Fred Wehran Drive on the east side of the airport. For more info call 201-288-6344. ###

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"Holiday greetings provide a way for us to connect with friends and family, a goal that continues to grow in importance," says Wendy Shotts, Hallmark product manager. "Though today's lifestyles are busy, consumers tell us they look forward to this once-a-year chance to share news about their families and to hear from loved ones."

Here are some tips from the experts at Hallmark to help you make your card-sending merry and bright.

• Holiday cards are available in most stores following Halloween. Buy your cards early, and write a few cards each day during October and November.

• Make card-sending a family activity. Let older children help with addressing, signing and placing stamps on the cards. Younger children can decorate the backs of the envelopes with stickers.

• Running out of time? Don't worry. Most people are

happy to hear from you no matter when your greetings arrive. Or you can skip the Christmas cards in favor of New Year's cards.

Holiday Card Etiquette Tips

Here are some etiquette tips from the experts at Hallmark to help you address and sign your cards.

For Family and Friends:

• Personalize your cards with a little note, and always sign the card – even if your name is printed.

• Keep your signature informal – no courtesy titles, and to close friends and relatives, no last names either. Traditionally, family signatures begin with the father's name, then the mother's and finally the children, or simply "John, Mary and Family."

• If a card is from more than one person, the person who signs it should write his or her name last as a gesture of courtesy.

• When sending a card to a couple with two different last

names, address the card to "Mary Smith and John Jones." If there are children, write "Mary Smith, John Jones and Family."

• When addressing cards to family and social friends, include the children's names.

For Business/Work Relationships:

• Mail cards for business associates to the office. If you are social friends, however, or have met the person's spouse or significant other, send cards to the home.

• Business greeting cards should be more tailored and formal than cards for family and social friends. Messages are brief and usually secular.

• Sign only your name to a card for a business associate, unless your spouse has met the recipient.

• If your family creates a holiday newsletter, do not send it to co-workers unless you have a very close personal relationship with them.

Special Situations:

• When sending a card to someone of a different tradition or ethnic background, choose a card with a secular design and sentiment, such as "Happy Holidays" or "Season's Greetings," or those with general good wishes or wishes for

peace. As an alternative, send a Thanksgiving or New Year's card instead. Hallmark offers many options for these holidays as well.

How to Properly Place a Card in the Envelope:

• Insert the folded side into the envelope with the design face up toward the flap.

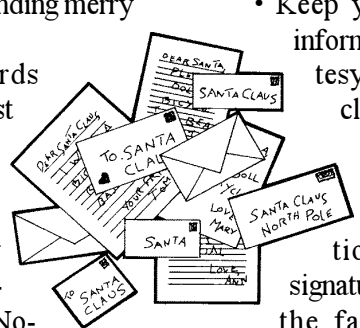
Mailing Notes:

• Save yourself holiday hassles by mailing early – any time after Thanksgiving and before New Year's Day is appropriate

• Mail cards first class so they will be forwarded or returned to you if the address cannot be located.

• Include your return address to comply with the U.S. Postal Service's request and to help your friends keep their mailing lists up to date.

Resource: Hallmark ###



Kiwanis Collects Canceled Stamps

As your receive greeting cards from around the world, remember, the Kiwanis Club of Hasbrouck Heights/Teterboro is collecting all canceled stamps both foreign and US.

The stamps are sold to collectors and the monies received from the sale support the St. Benedict's Day Nursery and Infant Hospital of Georgetown, St. Vincent of the West Indies.

St. Benedict's cares daily for 175 children from age 3 months to 4-1/2 years -- at which time they enter a government infant school.

If you would like to help the Kiwanis Club in collecting canceled stamps, please trim the stamps to 1/4 inch around the stamps. The stamps can be dropped off or sent to: The Gazette Newspaper, 343 Boulevard, HH. ###

Heights Post Office Extends Retail Hours

Effective October 1, 2005, the Hasbrouck Heights Post Office, located at 185 Boulevard, will open at 10:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and will open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday.

Postal officials say many services such as: buying stamps, paying for postage, confirming delivery and using Click-N-Ship to print mailing labels, and even requesting a package pick up at their home or office at no extra charge, are available online at www.usps.com ###



Photo by Bob Major

Happy Holidays

from Mayor Ronald R. Jones, Members of the Council and all Borough of Hasbrouck Heights Employees

HHMA Annual Tree Sale



The Hasbrouck Heights Men's Association will be selling Christmas trees again this holiday season next to Bill O'Shea's Florist at The Circle.

They will be carrying an array of trees of various sizes and prices.

This sale has been a Hasbrouck Heights holiday tradition for over forty years.

The money raised goes to the HHMA Scholarship Fund that benefits graduating high school seniors from Hasbrouck Heights who want to attend college.

The Hasbrouck Heights Men's Association wants to thank area residents for their on-going support of their sale and they wish everyone a Happy Holiday season. ###

Tips on Selecting A Tree

Use these practical tips to be a more informed consumer and to ensure a great experience with your real tree:

- Be sure you know what size (*height and width*) you need before heading to the retail lot.
- Often, a tree obtained soon after its arrival on the retail lot will be very fresh because it was cut recently.
- Do a freshness test on the trees. Green needles on fresh trees break crisply when bent sharply with the fingers — much like a fresh carrot.
- Pines have different indicators because of the fibrous nature of their needles compared to firs. The needles on fresh pines do not break, unless they are very dry.
- Look for other indicators of dryness or deterioration: excessive needle loss, discolored foliage, musty odor, needle pliability, and wrinkled bark. A good rule-of-thumb is, when in doubt about the freshness of a tree, select another one.
- Some species simply last longer and remain fresh much longer than others.

Consumer Tree Care Tips

When a Christmas tree is

cut, over half of its weight is water. With proper care, you can maintain the quality of your displayed trees. Below are a number of tips relating to the care of displayed trees:

- Displaying trees in water is the most effective way of maintaining their freshness and minimizing needle loss.
- In selecting a tree, make sure that the "handle" at the bottom is long enough to allow the trunk to fit into your tree stand.
- Make a fresh cut to remove a 1/4" to 1" thick disk of wood from the base of the trunk before putting the tree in the stand. Make the cut perpendicular to the stem axis.
- Once home, place the tree in water as soon as possible. Don't bruise the cut surface or get it dirty.
- If needed, trees can be temporarily stored for several days in a cool location. Place the freshly cut trunk in a bucket that is kept full of water. The tree may need to be supported in some manner to keep it from tipping over.
- To display the tree indoors, use a stand with an adequate water holding capacity for the tree. As a general rule, stands should provide 1 quart of water per inch of stem diameter. Devices are available that help maintain a constant water level in the stand.
- Keep displayed trees away from sources of heat (*fireplaces, heaters, heat vents, direct sunlight*). Lowering the room temperature will slow the drying process.
- The temperature of the water used to fill the stand is not important and does not affect water uptake.
- Check the stand daily to make sure that the level of water does not go below the base

of the tree.

- Drilling a hole in the base of the trunk does not improve water uptake.
- Applying film-forming anti-transpirants to the tree does not have a significant effect on the rate of moisture loss from the tree.
- Adding water-holding gels to the stand is not beneficial and can reduce the amount of water in the stand that is available to the tree.
- Do not use additives in the water, including floral preservatives, commercial tree preservatives, molasses, sugar, bleach, soft drinks, aspirin, honey, and other concoctions. Clean water is all that is needed to maintain freshness.
- Displaying trees in water with proper care is the most effective way of maintaining a tree's moisture.
- Use of miniature lights will produce much less heat and reduce drying of the tree.
- Always inspect light sets prior to placing them on the tree. If worn, replace with a new set.
- Do not overload electrical circuits.
- Always turn off the lights when leaving the house or when going to bed.
- Monitor the tree for freshness.
- Never burn any part of a Christmas tree in a wood stove or fireplace. ###

Keep Fire Hydrants Cleared of Snow

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SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Monday, December 5, 12, 19, 26

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Tuesday, December 6, 20, 27

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2:00 p.m. Adv. Senior Yoga by Kim \$1.00

Wednesday, December 14, 21, 28

10:00 a.m. Senior Aerobics by Kim \$1.00

Thursday, December 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

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Thursday, December 22

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Friday, December 16, 23, 30

Noon to 3:00 p.m. Games, cards & coffee

Friday, December 2, 9

10:00 a.m. Fun Bingo

1:00 p.m. Movie Day

White Christmas..... December 2

(*Bing Crosby & Danny Kaye*)

Jingle All The Way December 9

(*Arnold Schwarzenegger*)

CLUB MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 7

10:00 a.m. Leisure Club Executive Meeting

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, December 13

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About Christmas Trees

Each year, fires occurring during the holiday season injure 2,600 individuals and cause over \$930 million in damage. According to the United States Fire Administration (USFA), there are simple life-saving steps you can take to ensure a safe and happy holiday.

By following some of the outlined precautionary tips, individuals can greatly reduce their chances of becoming a holiday fire casualty.

Preventing Holiday Tree Fires

• **Holiday Tree Fire Hazards** -- Special fire safety precautions need to be taken when keeping a live tree in the house. A burning tree can rapidly fill a room with fire and deadly gases.

• **Selecting a tree for the holiday** -- needles on fresh trees should be green and hard to pull back from the branches, and the needle should not break if the tree has been freshly cut.

The trunk should be sticky to the touch. Old trees can be identified by bouncing the tree trunk on the ground. If many needles fall off, the tree has probably dried out and is a fire hazard.

Caring for Your Tree

• Do not place your tree close to a heat source, including a fireplace or heat vent. The

heat will dry out the tree, causing it to be more easily ignited by heat, flame or sparks.

• Be careful not to drop or flick cigarette ashes near a tree.

• Do not put your live tree up too early or leave it up for longer than two weeks.

Water That Tree!

What's a holiday party or even the traditional Christmas morning scene itself without a beautifully decorated tree?

If your household, as well as those of more than 33 million other American homes, includes a natural tree in its festivities, "keep the tree watered."

That's good advice and not just to create a fragrant indoor winter wonderland atmosphere.

Christmas trees account for 400 fires annually, resulting in 10 deaths, 80 injuries and more than \$15 million in property damage.

Typically, shorts in electrical lights or open flames from candles, lighters or matches start tree fires. Well-watered trees are not a problem. Dry and neglected trees can be.

Disposing of Your Tree

Never put tree branches or needles in a fireplace or woodburning stove. When the tree becomes dry, discard it promptly.

The Hasbrouck Heights

DPW will pick up trees on Thursday for Zone 1 and Friday for Zone 2. Please remove tree stands, rope and plastic bags. Artificial Christmas trees are disposed of on trash days.

The DPW does recycle Christmas trees into mulch.

Holiday Lights

• Inspect holiday lights each year for frayed wires, bare spots, gaps in the insulation, broken or cracked sockets, and excessive kinking or wear before putting them up.

• Use only lighting listed by an approved testing laboratory.

• Do not leave holiday lights on unattended.

Holiday Decorations

• All decorations should be nonflammable or flame-retardant and placed away from heat vents.

• Never put wrapping paper in a fireplace because it can throw off dangerous sparks and produce a chemical buildup in the home that could cause an explosion.

• If you are using an artificial tree, make sure it is flame retardant.

Candle Care

• If you do use candles, make sure they are in stable holders and place them where they cannot be easily knocked down. Never leave the house

with candles burning.

• Never put lit candles on a tree.

• Do not go near a holiday tree with an open flame - candles, lighters or matches.

• Finally, as in every season, have working smoke alarms installed on every level of your home, test them monthly and keep them clean and equipped with fresh batteries at all times.

Know when and how to call for help. And remember to practice your home escape plan.

Quick Tree Facts

• There are approximately 25-30 million real Christmas trees sold in the U.S. every year.

• Approximately 330,000 real Christmas trees are sold via e-commerce or catalogue and shipped mail-order.

• North-American real Christmas trees are grown in all 50 states and Canada. Eighty percent (80%) of artificial trees are manufactured in China.

• Real trees are a renewable, recyclable resource. Artificial trees contain non-biodegradable plastics and possible metal toxins such as lead.

• For every real Christmas tree harvested, up to 3 seedlings are planted in its place the following spring.

• There are about 500,000 acres in production for growing Christmas trees in the U.S. Each acre provides the daily oxygen requirements of 18 people.

• There are about 21,000 Christmas tree growers in the U.S., and over 100,000 people employed full or part-time in the industry.

• It can take as many as 15 years to grow a tree of average retail sale height (6 - 7 feet) or as little as 4 years, but the average growing time is 7 years.

• The top Christmas tree producing states are Oregon, North Carolina, Michigan,

Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Michigan.

• The top selling Christmas trees are: Balsam fir, Douglas-fir, Fraser fir, Noble fir, Scotch pine, Virginia pine, and White pine.

Some Folklore and Historical Facts

• 1510, the first decorated Christmas tree is in Riga, Latvia. Early Christmas trees are decorated with paper, fruits and sweets.

• 1531, the first retail Christmas tree lots are started in German cities.

• By the 1600's, Christmas trees are decorated with ribbon, tin shapes, small books and lace as well as food.

• 18th century, the first recorded Christmas tree decorated with candles.

• 1777, the tradition of the Christmas tree is brought to Colonial America by Hessian troops fighting for Britain in the Revolution War.

• 1804, U.S. soldiers stationed at Fort Dearborn (*now Chicago*) bring evergreen trees into their barracks at Christmas.

• 1842, Charles Minnegrode introduces the custom of a decorated Christmas tree in Williamsburg, Va.

• 1851, Mark Carr opens a retail Christmas tree lot in New York City, the first in the United States.

• 1856, Franklin Pierce, our 14th President, brings the first Christmas tree into the White House.

• 1923, President Calvin Coolidge starts the National Christmas tree Lighting Ceremony now held every year on the White House lawn. ###

Leisure Club Celebrates Christmas

The Hasbrouck Heights Leisure Club Christmas Party will be held at the Graycliff on Tuesday, December 13 from noon to 4:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35 each. Deadline for reservations is December 6.

For more information call Alice at 201-288-4732. ###

Warm Winter Clothing Needed

Help keep our neighbors warm by donating new or used coats, hats, mittens, scarves, socks and new blankets.

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Tina and Nina Messery learn how to make a bow by Harvey Jaffe of Designer Dispatch Ribbons and Floral Accessories at Bill O'Shea's Open House on November 20, 2005. This annual event traditionally kicks off the region's holiday season. There was plenty of food, with live music by Emile Chessan.

Feed The Hungry For The Holidays

As well as "Brightening The Boulevard," this annual appeal has generated thousands of dollars every year to benefit The Center for Food Action.

A \$10 contribution buys a bright red ribbon with your name on it, placed along the Boulevard beginning Thanksgiving until Valentine's Day.

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Forms are available at the Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library, Senior Center and Bill O'Shea's Florist.

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Eggplant Rollatine	\$35.00	\$60.00
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Cavatelli w/Chicken & Broccoli	\$45.00	\$70.00
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Sausage & Peppers	\$40.00	\$70.00
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Chicken Piccata	\$45.00	\$80.00
Veal Parmigiana	\$55.00	\$90.00
Veal Marsala	\$55.00	\$90.00
Veal Francaise	\$55.00	\$90.00
Veal Piccata	\$55.00	\$90.00
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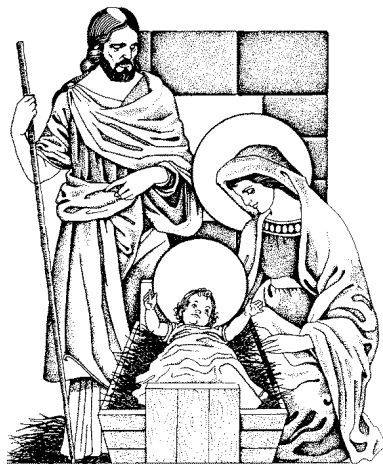
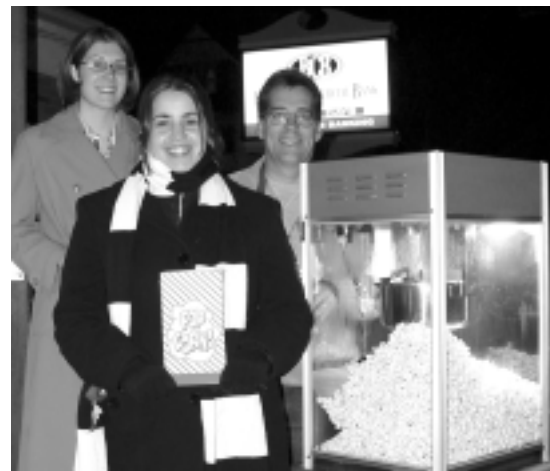
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Boulevard Carnivale

Otterstedt Insurance Agency at 417 Boulevard, held a free pre-parade carnivale on November 25 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

There were hot dogs, cotton candy, pretzels, popcorn, candy canes, free raffle, carnivale booth with prizes, face painting, balloon sculpting and free pictures with Santa Claus. Hot chocolate stations included the Municipal Complex, Bergen Commercial Bank, Century 21, etc.

Additionally, many businesses to include Caffe Bella, Shapes, Regina Bakery, Quiznos, etc., offered plenty of goodies to enhance the festivities. ###



Church Christmas Service Schedules

The Churches of Hasbrouck Heights invite you and your family to join us to celebrate the joyous Christmas Season

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31 Passaic • 201-288-4139
Dec. 24 -- 7:00 p.m. Worship
Dec. 25 -- 11:00 a.m. - Noon

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE (EPISCOPAL)

Terrace & Jefferson • 201-288-0002
Dec. 24 -- 6:00 p.m. (Family) and 10:30/11 p.m.
Dec. 25 -- 10:00 a.m. Worship Celebration

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

Burton & Washington • 201-288-1122
Dec. 24 -- 8:00 p.m. Worship
Dec. 25 - 10:00 a.m. Lessons and Carols

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Burton & Division • 201-288-4636
Dec. 24 -- 6:30 p.m. (Family) and 11:00 p.m.
Dec. 25 -- 10:30 a.m. Lessons and Carols

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Burton & Hamilton Avenue • 201-288-6889
Dec. 24 -- 7:00 p.m. (Family) and 10:30/11:00 p.m.
Dec. 25 -- 11:00 a.m. Service with Communion

CORPUS CHRISTI R.C. CHURCH

Boulevard & Kipp • 201-288-4844
Dec. 24 -- 4:00; 4:15 (Church) 6:00; 8:00 and 12 midnight
Dec. 25 -- 9:00; 10:30; 12 Noon (All services in Chapel except 4:15 Dec. 24)

THE COMMUNITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Boulevard & Charlton Avenue • 201-288-0622
Dec. 25 -- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Annual Ecumenical Epiphany Walk

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Hasbrouck Heights 2005 Holiday

Santa Claus Comes To Town

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High School Marching Band followed the Mid-Bergen Rotary Club marchers.

The Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, Oradell Animal Hospital, the BCFPB Bagpipers, various sport teams on small floats (*provided by Lenox Towing*) and many antique cars (*by Reliable Relics*) paraded.

Hackensack University Medical Center provided several floats plus a contingency of festive marchers.

The excitement continued with the

Park Ridge High School Marching Band, leading Santa's personal float (*sponsored by Otterstedt Insurance Agency*) down The Boulevard.

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department followed with their equipment and personnel.

The event was sponsored by the Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce.

To view previous Holiday Chamber parades, check out www.hasbrouck-heights.net ###



ay Parade Along the Boulevard



Merry Christmas



Hasbrouck Heights Council of Churches A Christmas Birthday

by Reverend Edward J. Glasser
Community United Church of Christ

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given: And the government is upon his shoulders; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor of the Mighty God, of the Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace" (Isa. 9:5).

Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel meaning God with us. (Matt. 1:23)

The naming of a baby is quite a process. There are books you can purchase on names and their meanings. Many believe a name given will determine a child's destiny.

The name given to Mary's son is Jesus which means Savior, Deliverer, deliverance through Jehovah. It is written, "Thou shalt call his name JESUS; for it is he that shall save his people from their sins" (Matt. 1:21).

What was Jesus' last name? Most people will say "Christ." There were no last names in those days. "Christ" is simply the Greek version of the Hebrew word meaning Shecaniah or abiding in conscious oneness with Spirit." It is not a name but a depth potential in man that Jesus discovered and released.

Paul referred to this potential when he said, "Christ in you, your hope of glory." Jesus was called "Jesus Christ in the same manner as historians refer to "Alexander the Great" and "Richard the Lion-hearted."

Jesus' birth date is still argued that it probably was 4 B.C. and in the month of July or August. If we look at Jesus' teachings and understand that he came into the world as the Light of the world for us to become enlightened by his teachings, then no wonder December 25th could be considered the time of the New Light (*understanding*) as the days start to get longer and we have more light.

During the hustle of buying presents, cooking, and mall visits, our anxieties lead us to forget what Christmas is all about. We worry about the tur-

key, the right gift (*maybe being judged by what we buy*) and so on.

Our Savior's birthday!!!

A mother took her three little girls to several department stores and malls to shop. They saw many a Santa Claus. One of the girls said "I sat on the lap of the real Santa Claus." Her mom asked, "How do you know the real Santa?" The girl replied, "Only the real Santa would say - "Christmas morning when you wake up don't forget to say Happy Birthday to Jesus."

The message of Bethlehem is that all human beings are members of one family, brothers and sisters of Jesus the Christ or, Jesus would not have said "Our Father who art in heaven..." The Star that shone over the stable on that night shines in the heart of every man, woman, and child upon the earth—the Star gives hope and dignity and meaning to all our lives. We thank you God for your Son, our brother, Jesus Christ. **Merry Christmas!** ####

Class of '66

HHHS Class of 1966 will be celebrating their 40th reunion October 7, 2006 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Secaucus, NJ.

Anyone from the Class of '66 who wishes to be part of this celebration can contact any of the following classmates.

If you know the whereabouts of any members of the Class of '66, the information will be appreciated.

Contact: Marilyn (Cook) Rosenberg, 201-788-0511; Carmen Del Sole, 201-288-8513; or Fred Zilian, 401-683-2660. ####

HHFD Holiday Tip
Don't leave lit candles or fireplaces unattended

H.O.P.E.

"HOPE" (*Helping Other Parents Endure*) is a support group for parents grieving the death of a child.

For more information please call 201-288-6886 or e-mail bmmc917@optonline.net

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9:30 a.m. Early Morning Praise & Worship Service
9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday School classes for children & adults
11 a.m. Children's Church Services - ages 3 thru 6th grade
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service
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5:00 p.m. Saturday (Chapel)
7:30 a.m. (Church), 9:00 a.m. (Chapel), 10:30 a.m. (Chapel),
12 noon (Chapel) and 6:00 p.m. (Chapel)

Daily Masses: (Church)
Mon.-Fri. 6:30 a.m. • 8:00 a.m. • Sat. - 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation (Confession):

Sat. 4-4:45 p.m.

Corpus Christi Links

www.rc.net/newark/corpuschristi/index.html
Corpus Christi School [www.corpuschristischool.net]
Knights of Columbus Council 7041 [www.kofc7041.org]
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Monday - 7:30 p.m., N.A. Women's Meeting
Tuesday & Friday - 12 noon, N.A. Meeting

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Rev. Dianna L. Smith, Pastor
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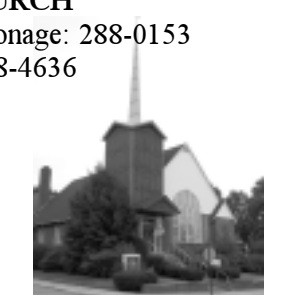


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Tuesday - 10:00 a.m. - Bible Study
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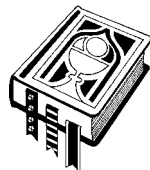
Saturday
5:00 p.m. Communion Contemporary Setting
Sunday
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School/Adult Learning Forum
11:00 a.m. Holy Communion
Monday: 3:30 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal
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Welcome Rev. Dianna L. Smith

by Justin Watrel

In the post 9-11 world, people are beginning to look at their spirituality in a new light as religion has taken on a new place in our lives.

People are looking for someone who not only can deliver the teaching of religion with energy and understanding, but at the same time be personable and approachable.

The First Reformed Church of Hasbrouck Heights has found such a person in their new Minister, Dianna Smith.

Minister Smith comes to us via the Prattsville Reformed Dutch Church of Prattsville, New York and the United Reformed Church of Sullivan County in Youngsville, New York.

Dianna Smith was born in the Bronx and spent her growing up years in Kingston, NY in the Hudson Valley, where most of her family still lives.

She met her husband, Paul, through her best friend when she was a teenager.

Years later, they met again in the late 70's. She added, "I asked him if he wanted to go see the movie "Grease" with me.

It was as if time had never passed. I was convinced that he wouldn't come and was surprised and delighted when he said yes."

The couple have a daughter, Hannah, age three and a half and two children from Paul's first marriage. "Hannah gets so excited with all the events Hasbrouck Heights offers to children," Minister Smith said.

Originally trained as a lawyer, she graduated from Pace University School of Law with a Doctorate in Law. Reverend Smith concentrated in the area of Estate Law in her practice.

She added, "I enjoyed the law and working with people but after awhile it started to feel non-fulfilling. I started working more with the elderly on wills and Medicaid issues and saw the way they were being treated. So I started getting more involved with senior citizens through my church. I wanted to use my talents to help people who could not help themselves. As I got more involved with the church, I found



a calling to help people. Once I stood in front of the congregation to give a speech, I was hooked."

"In the mid-nineties I was at a crossroads in my career," Minister Smith explained. "I was offered a job in a good mid-sized firm in Westchester and it finally dawned on me what I really wanted to do. It was as if someone hit me over the head to wake me up. It was then I got more involved with the church."

After she decided on a career change, she pursued a Masters in Divinity at Drew University and has been a Minister since 1996.

"When I started to talk to the congregation, I knew this was the right decision in my life," she said.

She went on to work as a student pastor at a church in Kingston and then on to the church in Sullivan County. At her next church she lead a major fundraising campaign.

She was approached by the search team in Hasbrouck Heights to come to our town.

I felt I had done what I could with the current ministry. When I found this church, through the search committee, both my husband and I knew it was the right move.

Unlike other churches where you get assigned, the Reformed Church lets you pretty much go anywhere."

"We moved to Hasbrouck Heights during that six day period in October when it rained every day. Everything got soaked, all we could do is laugh about it," Minister Smith explained.

Now settled in, she is spending her time getting to know the people of her congregation. "I try to be as energetic as possible," she said. "We have between 70 to 90 people in the congregation. I want to get to know the people of the congregation and find what is meaningful to them.

Some of my goals are to work on our educational programs as well as working with young people to see how religion plays a role in their lives.

We are trying to create a sense of community of faith that fosters the sense of identity of who we are.

With people questioning themselves with their purpose in life, "people don't follow their calling in life of what they want to do and what will make them happy.

It is so sad to see people miserable in the situation they are in, full of unrealistic goals and no sense of direction.

I try talking with them to find out what it is that they really want out of life."

When asked how she does it all, she said, "I laugh easily and want to put everyone in the congregation at ease and feel the same way.

I think my faith has given me that freedom. I love life and I love people. I look at life abundantly and like to grab it with both hands."

We welcome Minister Smith and her family to Hasbrouck Heights and hope they enjoy being part of the community as we do having them become a part of it. ###

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The event was sponsored by: Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce, Bill O'Shea, Chairman, in cooperation with 2005 Home School Association Chair, Mary Neumann (*Corpus Christi*), and PTA Chairs: Kim Quatrone & Lesley Giaquinto (*Lincoln*) and Cheryl Cutruzzula (*Euclid*).
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Silly Willy The Magician entertained the children and their families. Juice and cookies were served. Event sponsored by Mayor's Celebration Committee. ###



For more photos of this event go to:
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Bible Baptist Church held its 2nd Annual "Trunk or Treat" on Sunday, October 30th.

From 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. the church closed its parking lot for this free, fun event which provided a safe, fun alternative to trick-or-treating.

Children up to the 6th Grade had the opportunity to walk through the parking lot full of decorated automobile trunks and fill their bags with lots of goodies and special treats.

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Seniors' Haunted Halloween Party

On Wednesday, October 26 from noon to 4:00 p.m., Heights seniors had a frightful good time at their Annual Hasbrouck Heights Senior Citizen Haunted Halloween Party at the Senior Center (320 Boulevard).

There was music, dancing, lunch and refreshments. Costumes were optional, but many did get into the spirit and dressed festively.

The event was open to all town seniors who signed up. The party was sponsored by Century 21/Eudan Realty located at 257 Boulevard. ###



The December 2005 edition of The Gazette is available on line at: www.hasbrouck-heights.net/gazette

Flu Vaccine

The Hasbrouck Height Health Department has been informed by the Bergen County Department of Health Services that an additional 80 doses of Flu Vaccine will be available to residents.

Residents must pre-register at the Health Department and show proof of their Medicare - part B. Clients who are covered by a Managed Care Plan (HMO) are requested to see their own physician.

The program will be held on Thursday, December 8th from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Senior Center of the Municipal Complex at 320 Boulevard.

The Health Department reminds residents that only those who pre-registered will be eligible. For more information contact Marilyn deRussy at 201-288-1636 during business hours. ###

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Heights Author Delves into 9-11

Justin Watrel of Hasbrouck Heights has recently published his first book of a trilogy, set in New York City.

Firehouse 101 is a story about a displaced New Yorker who moves back East after 9-11.

He faces a city challenged and changed after the attacks.

Mr. Watrel and his friend were walking through midtown Manhattan one afternoon when they saw a 9-11 memorial at Engine 65. After talking to a firefighter at the house, his friend commented on how she believed the firemen had never completely understood how their work that day affected each and every person in the city.

"This was the starting point for my book," Mr. Watrel said.

Firehouse 101 is one of the first novels to explore the emotional aftermath of the 9-11 tragedy through the lives of ordinary citizens.

This book may be ordered online at: www.iuniverse.com or calling 1-800-288-4677. ###



What Happens To All Those Leaves?

The DPW continued the service of curb-side leaf collection from October 15th until December 1st.

The DPW consolidated leaves into larger piles on the street. Heavy equipment then picked up and took the leaves to the DPW yard on Plant Road.

The collected leaves were then loaded into containers and taken by the DPW to a transfer station in Kearny operated by Nature's Choice. The Borough pays about \$8.50 per cubic yard for disposal.

At the Kearny Transfer Station, leaves are loaded into even larger containers and taken to the Nature's Choice Class "C" facility located in

Belvidere, NJ (Warren County.)

Leaves are recycled into a peat moss type compost. Leaves lose 80% of their volume during composting. The compost is then screened.

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Nature's Choice provides organic waste services for over 200 NJ municipal, county and state agencies, has four locations for disposal of yard waste and five sites for pick-up of organic landscape products. For more information go to: www.natureschoicecorp.com



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Whitman Visits Free Public Library

Through the auspices of former Mayor and Assemblywoman Rose M. Heck, former Gov. Christine Todd Whitman made a special appearance at 1

p.m. on November 22 in the Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library located on the second floor of the Municipal Building.

Five years ago at the Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights, Governor Whitman signed into legislation the Library Construction bill sponsored by Assemblywoman Rose Marie Heck.

This provided for \$700,000 of support for this Borough's Library construction project, and benefited dozens of libraries across the state in providing matching funds for construction, renovation and expansion.

Library Director Michele Reutty gave Ms. Whitman a tour of the Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library which directly benefited from the former Governor's efforts.

Governor Whitman gave a brief talk about her experiences as Governor of New Jersey and Head of the Environmental Protection Agency.

She signed copies of her New York Times Bestseller, "It's My Party, Too."

Copies can be purchased at the Library where the profits from these sales will benefit The Friends of the Library. For further information, call 201-288-0488. ###

Heights Medical Brings Doctors Back into Homes

Technology has, without a doubt, taken an advance in this day and age making lives easier than ever.

But, in the field of medicine, it has never replaced the human interaction between doctor and patient.

In an effort to recapture the days when doctors used to make house calls, Heights Medical has announced the launch of a web-site designed to allow patients to "speak" to their doctor 24 hours a day.

As early as the 1960's, doctors visited patients at home. In fact, the term, "bedside manner," dates back to the time when doctors visited patients who were literally sick in bed.

Visits were made to treat a host of maladies, to assist clearing a bad cold, to prescribing chicken soup for the flu.

As technology began to become a more intrusive part of our lives, patients were scheduling appointments, requesting specialist referrals and prescription refills on the telephone.

Heights Medical has created a painless trend in making patient lives adaptable to the internet.

Heights Medical patients will now be able to log on to www.heightsmedical.com and access anything and everything they need in order to stay healthy, avoiding the telephone.

The web-site provides an array of useful information such as Heights Medical's physician biographies, services, office policy, contact information, appointment scheduling, patient registration, specialist referral requests, prescription refills and

medical information links.

Heights Medical's web-site is designed to act as an effective tool to help patients receive results when they want them and how they want them.

With over 60,000 lifetime patients, the family-oriented medical office is determined to continue to maintain patients' lives at ease in a smooth consistency outside of the office and inside their homes.

The web-site will simplify patients' lifestyles by the touch of a mouse so the staff can continue to listen to patient symptoms, provide a prescription and answer all concerns needed at time of visit.

"I feel the future of communications will be web-sites," says Dr. Thomas Bellavia. Heights Medical has clearly made a smart approach!

For further information regarding Heights Medical's web site log on to www.heightsmedical.com or contact Dr. Thomas Bellavia direct at 201-288-6781 or via e-mail at bellavia@heightsmedical.com.

Heights Medical is a family-oriented medical office located in southern Bergen County staffed by Internists, Family Doctors and Advanced Family Nurse Practitioner.

All of the physicians have had many years of training and experience treating patients in the office, the hospital and the home.

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It's a Family Affair

charged in late 1969 with the rank of Second Class Petty Officer. Ed served four years active duty and two years inactive reserves.

Once his naval service was behind him, he met and married Mary Jane (*nee Trnosky of Carteret*) in 1969 and they had a son, Eddie (III).

Ed got involved with the fire service in 1972, when he joined the Carteret Fire Department.

His uncle had been a member at the time and had encouraged him to join.

His time in the Navy had served him well as he had been exposed to firefighting while aboard the ship. "One of the reasons why I joined was that I enjoyed being part of an organized staff," Ed explained. "I learned a lot from the fire service and over time I saw how the department was respected by the community."

Ed remained on the department until 1982 with the death of his wife. "It was tough to do it being a single dad raising a son alone."

Ed's life changed again when he met Carolyn Arnoldi of Lodi. They created a blended family with their marriage in 1985 with Ed's son, Eddie and Carolyn's daughter, Lisa.

They eventually settled in Hasbrouck Heights in 1985. Carolyn's father, Charles Arnoldi had been a member of the Lodi Fire Department for 58 years (Engine 615), so it was natural for her to have a firefighting husband.

Ed joined the HHFD in

1988. Since he has been a member of the Department, Ed has held the positions of Treasurer, Lieutenant of Engine One, Captain and Lieutenant of the Rescue Squad and is a current member of the Honor Guard.

Since his retirement after 35 years with BP/Amoco as a terminal operator, Ed now serves as the Captain of the Fire Prevention Bureau for Hasbrouck Heights, which inspects buildings and businesses for our town. He also serves as the Property Maintenance Officer of Hasbrouck Heights.

Now this father of two splits his time between work, the fire department and his hobby as a professional jazz drummer. "I learned music from my father, who also was a professional drummer."

Ed passed his love of firefighting onto his son, Eddie. Eddie was born in Perth Amboy and raised in Carteret. He was ten when his father remarried. They moved to Hasbrouck Heights, where Eddie attended school.

A 1991 alumnus of Hasbrouck Heights High School, Eddie was an honor student and also lettered in football, bowling, and his first love, baseball. Eddie is a major Yankees fan.

Eddie has worked at BP/Amoco for five years.

During the holidays, Eddie works at the Garden State Plaza in traffic security. Eddie also has a major love of history and is involved with many Civil War reenactments of which he is a Captain in the Union Army.

A highlight of his reenactments was performing in the movies, "Gettysburg" and "Glory."

Eddie currently lives in Lodi with his wife Christina, who is a daycare provider and a Registered CNA. They have two daughters, Sarah - five, and Gabriella - eight months.

Eddie met his wife, a San Francisco native, through a mutual friend. "I really give my wife a lot of respect. She uprooted herself away from her family to become part of mine. I really love her for that," Eddie said with pride.

Coming from a firefighting family, where his grandfather served for almost 60 years and a father who served for almost 27 years, it was natural for Eddie to follow in the family footsteps into the firehouse.

"I am lucky," Eddie explained. "My dad has been a big influence in my life."

I have worked side by side with my dad at BP/Amoco and the Fire Department --- and he is my best friend and I respect him. I have learned so much about respect and life by watching him." In his time in the Fire Department, Eddie has served as an officer since 1997, serving as Lieutenant for five years and Captain for three years as well as also being Secretary for Engine One.

"When I joined the Fire Department, things were still pretty old guard traditional but were beginning to change as a new group of younger members started to join.

Emphasis on training and experience was on the rise during this time and the Department was bridging the old with the new. The attitude about firefighting hasn't changed though. Once you're a fireman, you are a fireman for life. You respect that tradition and privilege. There is a sense of camaraderie that the older generation instills in the new. There is a great pride and dignity of giving back to the community to protect life and property."

Both father and son agree that it is rewarding giving back to the community. "I love the history of the fire service," says Eddie, "and I take a lot of pride in Engine One and what goes on with everyone in the company.

"I try my best for the company and make sure that everyone goes home after a night's call." Ed added, "You sometimes see some pretty unpleasant things but you do your best to protect everyone."

We thank the Carters for their fine contribution to the Fire Department and to the community. ####



Photo by Bob Major

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department includes many families who actively participate together. This series presents a glimpse of those who serve our community.

A Visit With The Carter Family

By Justin Watrel

One of the long serving father-son(s) teams on the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department are Edmund Carter Jr. and his son, Eddie (III).

Edmund Carter Jr. was born in Newark, NJ and lived part of his childhood in Elizabeth. His family eventually moved on to Carteret when he

was eight.

Ed is one of six children of Edmund and Katherine Ann Carter and has a brother and four sisters who are living all over the country.

After he finished high school, Ed decided he wanted to enlist in the Navy.

In 1965, after training, he was assigned to the Sixth Fleet aboard the Aircraft Carrier USS Shangri-la. Ed held the rank of Airman, launching and landing combat aircraft from the carrier's flight deck as a flight signalman.

Ed also served aboard the USS Compass Island which was a geographic research ship that tested navigation equipment for Polaris Submarines.

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The Hasbrouck Heights Food Pantry, located in Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, was officially opened on April 25, 2005 and has continued to be open on a weekly basis every Monday (with the exception of holidays which fall on a Monday, then it is open on Tuesday) from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

There are now 18 volunteers who graciously donate their time and talent.

They are Ronald Billetz, Charles Giamo, Margo Giamo, Dorothy Petroulas, Marion Rolando; Elsie Sternbach, Ethel Ball, Mary Jones, Louise Davenport, Alice Davenport, Patricia Thomasey, Claire Derco, Marie Miller, Marge Heeren, Ellie Thompson, Helen O'Shea, Eileen Gavin and Neil Reyngoudt.

Those who are in need of groceries, paper products and toiletries and reside in Hasbrouck Heights are welcome to come during the hours of operation to replenish their pantries.

Special thanks to all who have kept the shelves stocked or made donations, including the Friendly Neighbors, Corpus Christi Church, First Reformed Church, St. John's Episcopal Church, United Methodist Church, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Hasbrouck Heights

Middle School, Euclid and Lincoln Schools, Claire and Bob Derco, Amy, Dorothy and Patrick McCarthy and Troop 524 Girl Scouts Beth Manzo, Lisa Barral and Theresa Gasparino, who walked up and down streets in their neighborhood and collected groceries which were delivered by Beth's grandparents, Tony and Carol Bonillo.

And in the Hasbrouck Heights holiday spirit, Connie Margagliano donated an entire dinner including a turkey, Corpus Christi Brownie Troop 1180 donated lovely food baskets, the Contemporary Club donated Shop Rite certificates, and the Borough Hall employees, including Lori French, Conchita Parker, Angela Ferraro, Carol Palmieri, Dorothy Bernice, Marilyn deRussy, Bernice Baker, Nick Melfi, Rob Brady, Nancy Halloran, Michael Kronyak and Rose Marie Sees donated turkeys to make Thanksgiving a happy one for ten families.

Also, a special thank you to Karen McDowell and the Corpus Christi Rosary Society who donated 12 bags of toys and the Contemporary Club who donated 12 filled stockings which will be used as part of the Christmas program.

For more information about the Food Pantry, please call 201-288-0195. ###

Canine Influenza Update

Canine influenza is a recently appearing highly contagious viral respiratory infection of dogs.

It has been suggested that the virus may have mutated from the equine influenza virus, allowing it to infect dogs.

Since it is a newly appearing virus virtually all dogs are susceptible to infection since they have no antibodies to fight the virus.

Since the virus is carried in respiratory secretions, dogs are potentially exposed to the virus in any place where dogs are in close contact with each other. Examples are boarding kennels, groomers, canine daycare facilities, dog shows, dog runs, and parks. The disease may also be spread by contact with contaminated items such as dog toys, blankets, clothes, and even hands.

Canine influenza presents itself in two forms—a mild self-limiting form and a severe pneumonic form. Dogs with the mild form have a cough that will last for 2-4 weeks often accompanied by a mucoid nasal discharge. The severe form quickly turns into pneumonia with a high fever, lethargy and inappetence undoubtedly as a consequence of secondary bacterial infections.

Infection with canine influenza is determined by a blood test. The disease has been reported in over 26 states and there have been over three dozen confirmed cases in New Jersey.

If your dog shows signs of coughing and/or nasal discharge you should contact your veterinarian who can perform the blood test to rule out canine influenza. If your dog should be positive on the test, treatment generally consists of supportive care with good nutrition and antibiotics. The severe form requires hospitalization for intravenous fluids and antibiotics and respiratory therapy.

Although most dogs recover uneventfully from canine influenza, the severe form with pneumonia can lead to death, but fortunately these cases number less than 5%. As with most infectious diseases the very young and the very old are at greatest risk. Luckily, there is no evidence that canine influenza virus can be transmitted from dogs to humans.

by Dr. John G. DeVries, DVM, Diplomate, ABVP, Hasbrouck Heights-Oradell Veterinary Group

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Kiwanis Club Pancake Breakfast

The Hasbrouck Heights Kiwanis Club held its Annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, November 20, 8 a.m. at the Corpus Christi cafeteria. There

were many drawings. All proceeds benefit community projects. This annual event has been a Hasbrouck Heights tradition for over 30 years. ###


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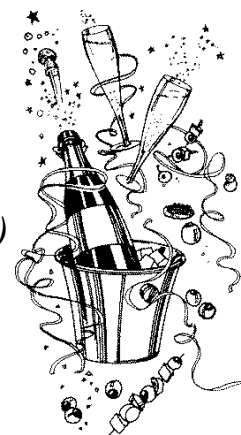
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HHPD Police Card Program Updated

The Hasbrouck Heights Police Department announced on Wednesday, November 23 that the new Police Collection

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aged to collect all 32, then they will receive a prize. The program began in 1999. This is the fourth printing. Cards are paid

for by sponsors. The HHPD is one of the few Police Departments in New Jersey that offers a full collection. ###



The Hasbrouck Heights Girl Scouts at their table in the Senior Center during the Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library Book and Bake sale on November 19, 2005

Dog License Renewal Info

Marilyn deRussy, Secretary to the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Health, reminds all dog owners that their 2005 dog license will expire on January 31, 2006 and must be renewed during the month of January to avoid an administrative fee in addition to the cost of the license.

All licenses will be issued in number order as they are received.

Licenses will be available starting Wednesday, January 4, 2006.

Owners are reminded that the dog(s) must be immunized against rabies for the first 10 full months of 2006. Dogs with rabies immunizations which will expire prior to October 2006 should receive a booster prior to applying for the new license.

Fees for the year 2006 will

remain the same: \$7.00 if altered; \$10.00 unaltered.

Licenses can be obtained by mail by enclosing a copy of the current rabies certificate, proof of spaying or neutering along with the license fee with checks made payable to: Borough of Hasbrouck Heights and sent with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Health Department, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604.

If applying in person, the Health Department will issue the license between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to noon and from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Failure to renew a license will result in legal action. All licenses are issued in the order they are received. Please call 201-288-1636 to advise the Health Department if you no longer have your pet. ###

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Hasbrouck Heights \$689,900
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Lodi \$749,000
4 year old 2 family in a very desirable location. Custom home has all large rooms with lots of amenities. The main apartment has hardwood floors throughout, skylights in the kitchen and main bathroom, a security system, central air, glass sliding doors from the dining area to a new deck plus much more. The ground floor apartment has a living room, spacious EIK, 2 bedrooms and a full ceramic tile bath. There is a separate area for a washer & dryer hook up. This is truly an outstanding home.



Waldwick \$624,900
Old world charm abounds. Updated 100 year old home on park-like property. Pavers sidewalk leads to 3 season porch which enters into cozy LR, newer MEIK w/pantry, new appliances, dining area and laundry, FDR w/crown molding and chair rail. Large partially covered deck views lush garden, waterfall & Koi pond.



Wood-Ridge \$455,000
Charming 3 bedroom Colonial with open porch. Move right into this well maintained home. Features crown molding, new front & back doors. 1st floor features an entrance foyer leading into a formal dining room with a fireplace, living room and newly renovated kitchen, new full bathroom with skylight. 2nd floor features master bedroom with bath, and two additional bedrooms. There is a walk up attic that can be converted into a fourth bedroom or office. Detached 2 car garage with automatic door opener.



Washington Township \$495,000
3 bedroom, 3 bathroom expanded Cape Cod. Large LR w/bay window and fireplace. The eat-in-kitchen has new appliances, ceramic tile floor and granite countertops (to be installed). There is a large master bedroom w/ double and single closets on the first floor and another bedroom along with a full marble bathroom. 2nd floor has two nice sized rooms. There is a new full marble bathroom and plenty of storage. Basement is full and finished with another full bath.



Dumont \$414,000
All brick Cape on 50' x 100' lot with large 14' x 28' deck. First floor offers EIK, living room, formal dining room with sliders to deck, bedroom and bath. Second floor has 2 bedrooms. Basement is partially finished with two rooms (one could be fourth bedroom or office), laundry and large storage closet. 3 zone gas heat, newer vinyl replacement windows, newer roof & driveway (5 years). Home has been immaculately maintained and is clean as a whistle.



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