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Future Fire Chief Jason with his mom, Colleen, look on as Mayor Ronald R. Jones administers the Fire Chief Oath of Office to Joseph Taylor, Jr.

Hasbrouck Heights/Teterboro Get New Fire Chief

During the 2005 Reorganization Meeting on January 1, 2005, Joseph Taylor, Jr. was sworn in as the new Fire Chief of the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department for the first year

of his two-year term. The Fire Department also serves the Borough of Teterboro.

Chief Taylor will oversee a volunteer department of 54 men and women who operate

two engine companies, ladder company, rescue company and ambulance squad.

In 2004, the department responded to 500 fire and emergency calls and 1,090 am-

balance calls.

During a fire emergency, the Fire Department performs many activities simultaneously under the Fire Chief's command — equipment is de-

ployed, rescue teams search the home/business, hoses are connected, activated and brought in to attack the fire from the inside, ladder compa-

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VFW Honor Guard with honored vets: Daniel Vecchio, Joe Calacione (a former POW who was awarded the Silver Star), Marc DeFlorio, Charlie Petro (sitting—who received the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, and on D-Day landed on Omaha Beach), Mike Conti and Tony Mayo during Memorial Walkway Dedication ceremonies held on June 14, 2003.
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VFW Post 4591 Celebrates 50th

In 1954, James Falbo, Joseph Midlar, Joseph Lagatutta and Edward Neikirk were approached by Phil D'Amico and John and Muriel Stark of the Garfield VFW Post to start a VFW in Hasbrouck Heights.

They contacted many Veterans: The first meeting was held in Joseph and Helen Lagatutta's home with subsequent meetings being held at the Reformed Church. As the membership increased, they met at the Municipal Building and the Pioneer Club.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4591 was chartered January 8, 1955 with 163 men as charter members -- of which nine are still living.

The Ladies Auxiliary was also chartered on January 8, 1955 with 51 women charter members -- of which three are still living.

When chartered, VFW Post 4591 was the largest Post installed in New Jersey.

The original charter installation was held at the Corpus Christi Annex Building.

Four years later plans were started to build their own Post Building and in September 1961 the Post was dedicated.

Kathy Dunn sang at the building dedication.

Joe was the first commander and his wife, Helen, was the first president of the

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There is a limit of 2 per household when you show your Firearms ID Card. ###

HH Little League Field Clean Up March 19 & 26

The Hasbrouck Heights Little League reminds parents that the annual field clean up and maintenance is scheduled from 7 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 19 and March 26.

Bring a rake. Continental breakfast provided. ###

VFW Aux Holds Valentine Dance

The Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Post 4591 in Hasbrouck Heights is holding a Valentine Dinner Dance on February 12th at 7:00 p.m. until 11:30 p.m.

Dinner includes open bar, soup, salad, pasta, roast beef, vegetables, dessert & coffee.

Live music is by "Swing Shift." The dance is open to the public.

For more info call Pauline at 201-288-1919 or Florence at 201-288-8854. ###

2005 Chamber Info

Any business or professional seeking information regarding participation in the 2005 Chamber of Commerce should contact Ray Vorisek at 201-288-5464. ###

Keep Fire Hydrants Cleared of Snow

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department asks that when it snows, residents and businesses should make an effort to keep fire hydrants clear and accessible. ###

HH Little League Pancake Breakfast Will Be Held at VFW

The HH Little League will hold its 10th Annual Pancake Breakfast on April 10, 2005 from 7 a.m. to noon at the VFW Hall on Veterans Place. Over 1,000 attend this popular event.

The menu includes pancakes, sausage, sweet rolls, bagels, juice, milk and coffee.

Admission is -- adult \$5, child \$3 and under 4 free.

The sports auction will follow from noon to 1 p.m. ###

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rumors, question dubious information and try and help you better understand your energy situation.

Energy prices are up -- but compared to what?

Maybe we are too spoiled. Energy prices have not kept up with inflation in the 80's & 90's. If they had, we would be paying over \$70 for a barrel of crude oil -- not the mid 40's we are paying now. Here is a little perspective for you to consider. Looking through this week's sales flyers I found these:

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Joseph Taylor, Jr. is New Fire Chief

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nies vent as needed, "F.A.S.T. Teams" are on standby to assist trapped firefighters, EMS is on standby, support personnel are ready (*help change air tanks, get tools, etc.*), equipment and personnel from other communities are positioned at the fire house to respond to other emergencies, etc.

The ability to mobilize the equipment and personnel in short response time, and to activate these resources in an efficient manner to serve our community during such an emergency, represents hours of training in the department.

The Fire Chief's non-emergency duties include: department daily administration (*records, purchase orders, budgets, etc.*), personnel, equipment maintenance, on-going department training, etc.

The Chief presides over department meetings, organizes

drills and conducts the annual inspection of Department members and apparatus.

He is involved in pre-planning for emergencies at target buildings such as the Hilton, trussed roof structures and hazards such as the railroad, Teterboro manufacturing facilities and the airport.

Along with Captain James Halloran, the Chief works with Teterboro's regional postal facility's management to prepare for a possible anthrax incident.

Chief Taylor works with Fire Prevention officials during Fire Safety Week.

The Chief coordinates Fire Department operations at special events such as the Easter Egg Hunt, Memorial Day and Chamber Holiday Parades, Memorial weekend 24-hour bicycle marathon, Rau-Fitzgerald Memorial 5k Run/one mile walk, Mason's 5k Walk for

Dyslexic Children, Town Day and the Department's annual Santa Ride Around Town.

The Chief represents the Fire Department at the Mayor and Council meetings, and with other borough officials.

He also represents the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department at mutual aid official functions in other communities.

Chief Taylor's plans for his term include: first and foremost to protect life and property and to make sure no one gets hurt and that everyone is safe.

Second is to square away the new fire house, and third is to consolidate the three fire companies into one department so that there are one set of administrative rules.

He stated, "As we settle into our new fire house, my goal this year is to make the Fire Department more efficient, with accountability and better re-

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On June 1, 2003, then First Assistant Fire Chief Joseph Taylor, Jr., participates during "live fire" training exercises held in Middletown, NJ

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sponse time to serve the communities of Hasbrouck Heights and Teterboro."

Taylor's career began in 1986 when, as a senior in Hasbrouck Heights High School and walking home after school along The Boulevard, he watched a Hamilton Avenue house fire. Two weeks later he joined the Department.

He started as a probationary fireman and over ten years trained in Firefighter One, Two and Three courses.

Firefighter One and Two pertain to basic and intermediate fire fighting, and Three to Tactics.

He has formal training as an EMT, HAZMAT technician and a heavy rescue technician.

In 1996 he started as an EMT for the City of Hackensack (*emergency services*) and previously was an EMT with Ambu-Aide in Hasbrouck Heights (*non-emergency transport services*).

Fire Chiefs work their way up the chain of command. As a member of Engine Company #1, Taylor was elected by the company for the position of 2nd Assistant Chief.

Two years later the Department members elected him as 1st Assistant Chief and then as Fire Chief. Fire Chiefs generally serve two-year terms.

Taylor was born in Hackensack Hospital and spent his childhood in Hasbrouck Heights. Two of his grandparents and dad also grew up in Hasbrouck Heights.

Taylor is married to the former Colleen Kelley and has a three year old son, Jason. He and his family live in Hasbrouck Heights on Hasbrouck Avenue. ###



Members of Engine Company #2 present out-going Fire Chief Robert Thomasey with a memento of his term of office

Fire Department Holds Installation Dinner



Replica of the memento

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department held their installation dinner for Fire Chief Joseph Taylor, Jr. and the Department officers at The Venetian on January 15, 2005.

The program began with introduction by former Fire Chief Tony Greco and a benediction by Firefighter Thomas Rubino.

A toast was made by 2nd Assistant Chief Michael Ratkowski with comments by 1st Assistant Chief Angelo Roccamo. Speakers included Mayor Ronald Jones, Fire Commissioner Thomas Meli, and

Fire Chief Joseph Taylor, Jr.

Boro officials, Mutual Aid Fire Chiefs representing Wood-Ridge, Wallington, Little Ferry, Carlstadt, Moonachie and Lodi and other dignitaries attended.

Recognition was given to the immediate past Fire Chief Robert Thomasey, Former Fire Chief Vincent Monahan and to the various department personnel to include: presentation of ex-officer badges, etc.

Floral bouquets were given to the Chiefs' wives. Master of Ceremonies was former Fire Chief Tony Greco. ###

The 15 Minute Child Break

The "Child Break" is a free, one-hour, interactive presentation that informs, encourages and empowers parents to listen

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- What are today's kids going through on a daily basis?
- What are some resources, community/parent groups that can assist me and my child/children?
- How do I strengthen my parenting skills?

The program is presented by Lori Clark at a special Town Hall Meeting, 7:30 p.m. on Monday, February 28, 2005 at the Senior Center, 320 Boulevard. Light refreshments will be served.

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Construction photo taken August 15, 2002. When completed the structure held (l-r) Rescue Truck, Engine #1, Ladder Truck, Engine #2 and two Ambulances parked behind each other. Firemen's equipment was set along the back. A trailer behind the unit held the Department's offices. Old Engine #1 was parked by the trailer.

Kiss Goodbye

The "Hershey Kiss," as it was fondly called by the Fire Department, is going to Nutley.

The "Kiss" had been the third home to the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department.

After the "Big Fire" on December 10, 1999, the Department wintered at Kundert Motors on Terrace Avenue.

During the summer of 2000, two temporary Butler Buildings were constructed on Hamilton Avenue; one to house the ambulances and the other to house Engine #2 and the Rescue Truck. In October 2000, the Department moved back to Hamilton Avenue and along with The Imken Wing which was still serviceable and

housed the Ladder Truck and Engine #1. The three structures served the Department.

Due to the demolition of old Boro Hall and the construction of the new Public Safety Building, the Department subsequently had to move for a third time.

There was some discussion about locating the Department to the Honeywell Parking lot on Green Street in Teterboro (about 1.5 miles from Hamilton Avenue), but they eventually moved to the "Hershey Kiss" on Central Avenue on September 3, 2002.

The Department moved to its new Fire House at 248

Hamilton Avenue on October 2, 2004.

The Hershey Kiss cost about \$210,000 plus utilities and was paid for by insurance.

The Central Avenue space will now be used for Municipal Complex parking.

The Butler Buildings cost about \$229,000 plus utilities and was paid for by insurance.

The large Butler Building was moved to the DPW yard and the smaller Butler Building was given to the Lyndhurst Police Department.

For more information about the HHFD go to: [www.hasbrouck-heights.net/hhfd]. ###



Fire Department wintering at Kundert Motors on Terrace



Construction of the larger Butler Building on Hamilton

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VFW Post -- 50 years of History

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Ladies Auxiliary.

Helen was an Army nurse who served in the European Theater in World War II for two 1/2 years with the 250th Station Hospital.

Land for the Post was donated by the borough and the Post bought 4 lots for parking through personal loans which were paid for by 10 members.

The field artillery piece located in the front of the Post was acquired in 1963-1964 from the government. It is a 75 mm carriage gun M2A3 (SN/1471) that was made in 1941 by Parish Pressed Steel Company.

Additions to the building were made in about 1966 to include an office and storage. In 1983 a walk-in refrigerator was built. The coat room was added in 1976.

The stucco with gravel finish on the front was done in 1990 and the sides and back were done in 1992.



VFW Membership

Post membership helps make vets aware of their en-

titlements. Any qualified veteran interested in joining should contact the Post for more information at 201-288-1112.

There are about 446 current members. Hackensack and Maywood closed their post and gave up their charter with some members transferring to the Post. Wood-Ridge and Carlstadt closed their Post but maintain their charter.

There are 44 VFW Posts in Bergen County and about 350 in New Jersey. There are about 55,000 members of the VFW in the state.

The post represents all services. VFW membership is available to all U.S. service members who have earned an overseas campaign, are currently on active-duty, and who have been honorably discharged from the U.S. armed forces. In addition, the service member must be a U.S. citizen.

Note: A 1995 VFW Congressional Charter amendment makes eligible all those who have served 30 consecutive days or 60 non-consecutive days on the Korean peninsula or in its territorial waters from June 30, 1949, until the present.

Post 4591 members have seen combat in WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Bosnia, Gulf War, Somalia, Beirut, Grenada, Panama, Cuban Blockade, Cold War to 1955, and Iraq.

During the Post history, just about every medal has been presented to the various VFW Post members -- and with oak leaf clusters representing mul-

multiple presentations. A partial list includes: The Silver Star, Bronze Star, Service Commendations, Campaign and occupation ribbons, Prisoner of War, Good Conduct, NJ Distinguished Service Medal, Purple Heart, etc.

The Purple Heart is awarded in the Name of the President to any member of the Armed Forces who, while serving was killed or wounded and required treatment by a medical officer.

Post Activities

- Sponsor the Memorial Day Parade and Service*.
- Provide the Colors for the Fireworks Program.
- Sponsor a Bicycle Safety program during Town Day.
- Conduct Veteran's Day Service*.
- March in the Chamber Holiday Parade and then host the "after the parade" party at the Post.
- They participated in the Flag raising ceremony following the 9-11-01 tragedy.
- The Post also participated in the Support the Troops Rally in Lodi in 2002.

* Alternating years with the American Legion

Post Support

Vietnam War Memorial Dedication in October 29, 2002 honoring Robert P. Gandil, Thomas J. Halden and Michael J. Macarell who were killed in the

conflict.

Post 4591 was instrumental in organizing the Veterans' Memorial Walkway in Memorial Park on June 14, 2003 in which a veteran's name is engraved in a brick and placed around the Memorial Monument.

The Post assists veterans with VA benefits, death benefits, obtaining medals, records, etc. They assist active duty servicemen with phone calling cards, donations, etc.

VFW Post 4591 members can be seen around town selling Poppies on Memorial Day weekend at ShopRite and IHOP. Veterans present their poppies at the Memorial Stone during the Memorial Day Service in honor of past veterans who have served our country.

Post Outreach

Post 4591 also supports the Veteran's Home in Paramus, VA East Orange Hospital, Lyons Hospital, and actively works with homeless vets in the area.

The Ladies Auxiliary helps with financial support to Ladies Auxiliary members.

Along with other NJ VFWs, the Post also supports the New Jersey cottage in the VFW Children's Home in Eaton Rapids, Michigan -- 36 cottages, Home for Children -- for needy children of veterans and those on active duty.

Years ago the Post had a MOC group -- The Military Order of the Cootie which is the

Honor Degree of the VFW.

The Cootie's slogan of "Keep 'Em Smilin' in Beds of White," refers to bringing cheer to the hospitalized veterans, whether in VA Medical Centers, community hospitals or nursing homes. Often the Cooties visit as a Clown or other costumed character, designed to put a smile on the faces of our veterans.

In the 1950's, the Post Cooties visited Hasbrouck Heights Hospital and entertained disabled children. The Post Cooties have since disbanded.

The Post co-sponsors and chaperons class trips of Heights students to such places as the Intrepid Museum.

The Post sponsors the Voice of Democracy Essay Contest for the High School and the Youth Essay Contest for the Jr. High School.

The Post provides speakers for the schools in Hasbrouck Heights.

The Post sponsors teams for the Little League, Babe Ruth and Midget football teams.

Post 4591 donated a bullet proof vest to the Hasbrouck Heights Police Department.

The Post has donated to the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department gel blankets for burn victims and towards the thermal imaging camera.

For about 34 years the Post has donated their facility and helped with the food for the MDA Labor Day Telethon.

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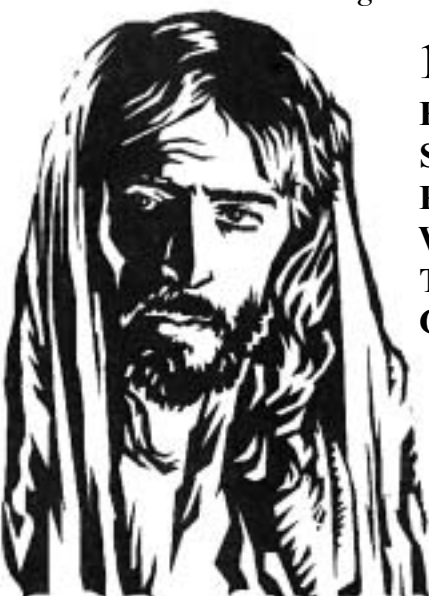


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About the artillery piece in front of the Post ...

The gun is a French design Model 1897M that was used for many years. It was used in WWI by the US and the UK as well as the French. The carriage at the time was made of wooden spoke wheels and later replaced in WWII with steel and rubber wheels. Parish Steel Co. was the only manufacturer of the carriage which was called the M2A3.

It was built in 1941 and was mainly used in the Pacific. The gun was also mounted on Army half tracks as an anti-tank weapon. It appears that there are only two in existence. *Special thanks to Oscar Hernandez for the info. ###*



Picture of this type gun during WWI

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Other organizations that use this facility are the DVA (*Disabled Veterans of America Chapter 15*) and the VVA (*Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 800*).

Other groups that use the facility include unions, church groups, Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce, etc.

The facility holds 250 people and is available for rental and catering for events.

Post Fund Raisers

The Post hosts an Atlantic City trip on the last Wednesday of the month with profits helping defray the building expenses.

The Post also holds smoke-free bingo every Thursday night from 7:30 to about 10 p.m. with all profits from this event going to support charitable activities.

Bingo was started in 1956 before the building was started and was held at Zimmerman's Hall in Carlstadt.

Currently about 75-80 attend, but over 10 years ago, the attendance was from 100-150.

VFW History

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States traces its roots back to 1899 when veterans of the Spanish-American War (1898) and the Philippine Insurrection (1899-1902) founded local organizations to secure rights and benefits for their service.

Many arrived home wounded or sick. There was no medical care or veterans' pension for them, and they were left to care for themselves.

In their misery, some of these veterans banded together and formed organizations with what would become known as the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

After chapters were formed in Ohio, Colorado and

Pennsylvania, the movement quickly gained momentum.

By 1915, membership grew to 5,000; by 1936, membership was almost 200,000.

National Membership

The membership includes veterans from all wars and active-duty service members who have been involved in expeditionary campaigns.

Historically, membership roll call has included notable veterans like Alvin York, Audie Murphy, Carl Sandburg and John Glenn and eight U.S. Presidents including Theodore Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, Dwight D. Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson, Richard M. Nixon, Gerald R. Ford and George Bush.

John F. Kennedy equated VFW with America's freedom and security. Whether on the battlefield or in the classroom, VFW members are there, ever-ready to help those in need. ###

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. Contact Boro Clerk's office at 201-288-0195.



Hasbrouck Heights/Teterboro Kiwanis Club Annual Rainbow Fund Appeal

You can make a difference!

It's time for the Annual Kiwanis/Rainbow Fund appeal to the residents and businesses of Hasbrouck Heights and Teterboro.

In 2004, thanks to you, three developmentally disabled youngsters went to the Rainbow Summer Day Program for six weeks. You made the difference for these Hasbrouck Heights families - your friends and neighbors.



The 2005 Kiwanis goal is to continue to help these developmentally disabled youngsters attend a special six week Rainbow Summer Day Program at Ramapo College. This unique program will enable these children to have the opportunity to participate in activities that meet their very special needs.



The Hasbrouck Heights/Teterboro Kiwanis Club appeals to your generosity. The cost is about \$3,000 per child. They are asking the community's help by passing the proverbial "hat". You can make a difference for several special children with your generous contribution of \$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00 or more.

Please make your check payable to the "Kiwanis/Rainbow Fund" and send it to Dr. Burnett Eglov, 219 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604

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The second Annual Dinner Dance was held at "Terribile's" in Lodi on January 19, 1957



One of the Post's early parade floats (circa 1970's)



The post co-sponsors and chaperons class trips of Heights students to such places at the Intrepid Museum in November 6, 2002.



Early view of VFW Post 4591 (circa 1976)



View of VFW Post 4591 as it looks today

Our 50th Anniversary 1955-2005



Monument Park at Passaic Avenue, services are conducted by the community.



There are hundreds of stories shared each Veterans Day ...Left — John was on the Iwo Jima beach with the photographer who shot the famous flag raising photo. Right — Paul Petrozelli celebrated his birthday ... he was born on Armistice Day, November 11, 1914



Vietnam Veterans Honor Guard. On Sunday, October 27, 2002 at 2:00 p.m., a Vietnam War Memorial Dedication to the Memory of Robert P. Gandil, Thomas J. Holden and Michael J. Macarell was held at the Veterans Memorial Park.



The Labor Day Muscular Dystrophy Telethon begins on Sunday, at 9 p.m. and runs through Monday to 7 p.m. The regional pledge center at VFW Post 4591 has served Northern NJ, Manhattan and Staten Island for over 30 years. Here is the crew at the VFW Post 4591 on September 1, 2003 providing critical support.



Some of the patches worn by Post members of the units they served. Post 4591 members have seen combat in WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Bosnia, Gulf War, Somalia, Beirut, Grenada, Panama, Cuban Blockade, Cold War to 1955, and Iraq.

DPW Does a Great Job ... Again!

As the alert for the first blizzard of the season, the Department of Public Works was prepared with all plows and salt spreaders loaded by noon on Saturday, January 22, 2005. That evening the pre-planning -- plow -- salt and snow



The DPW yard just as the snow began to fall Saturday afternoon with (left) the plows and spreaders on standby and (right) plenty of road salt ready in the shed. Trucks to the right are used for snow removal.



(Left) Salting the hill on Pasadena Avenue above Terrace (Right) Plowing the Boulevard in front of Boro Hall.



Salting Williams Avenue & The Boulevard Sunday morning

removal -- went into action.

The town was set up into four sections: two-truck teams with plows and spreaders covering the north, central and south sections.

The roads on the hill from Terrace to Rt. 17 were handled by front end loaders.

Smaller "mason's style" dump trucks took care of boro property, cul de sacs and dead end streets.

The curb-to-curb plowing service was accomplished in part by the no on-street parking from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. rule.

On Sunday morning after the snow was plowed, salt was then applied to the roads as needed.

Snow removal began on Sunday evening with the schools and churches being done first, followed by the sidewalks and curbs along the Boulevard Business District. ###

Curb-to-curb plowing was done on Saturday evening



The Boulevard in front of the High School looking towards Williams Avenue on Sunday Morning.

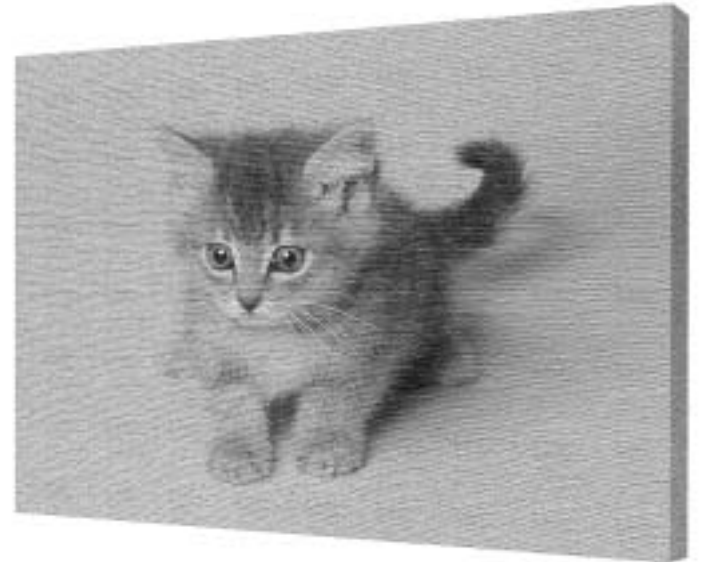


The Boulevard at La Salle Avenue looking towards Kipp Avenue on Sunday Morning.



Oak Grove behind Hitchcock Field looking south towards Kipp Avenue on Sunday Morning.

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Scenes Around Snowy Heights

Back to back snow storms dropped over a foot of snow during January 22, 23, 2005.

A snow emergency was

declared by Acting Governor Codey until 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, allowing work crews to clean up the roadways.

This week-end storm gave folks a chance to clean up their walks and driveways -- and the kids a chance to play. ###



The 9-11 Memorial Gazebo and Fireman's Memorial



Corpus Christi Church was snowed in on Sunday Morning. Masses were held in the Chapel.



Seasonably dressed for digging out sidewalks



Just playing on a mound of snow



Sledding in Miers Park



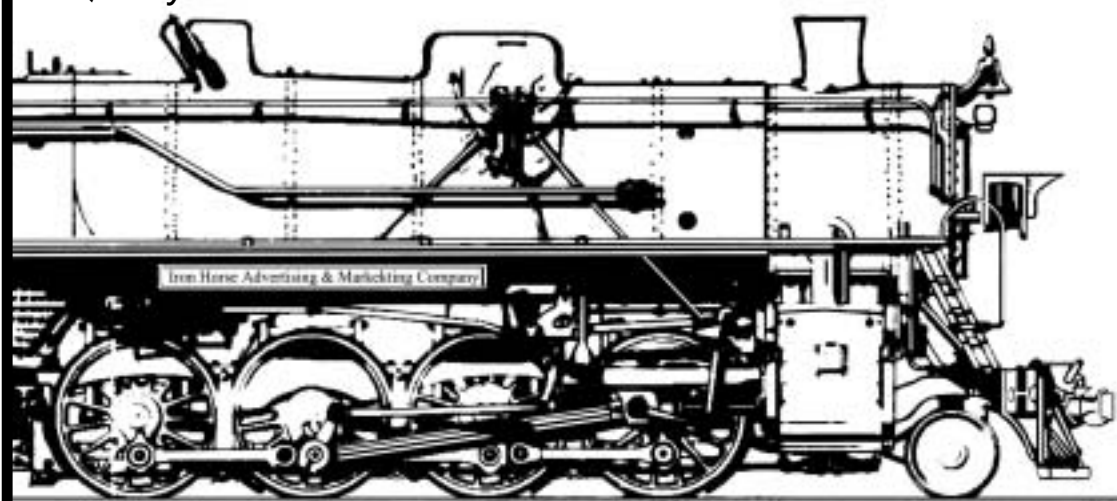
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The Center for Food Action received a check on January 19, 2005 for \$1,800 from Bill O'Shea during a brief ceremony at Bill O'Shea's Florist at the Circle in Hasbrouck Heights. (l-r) Peter Gallo, Jr., Bill O'Shea, Patricia Espy (Executive Director, Center for Food Action) and Martin Saccomano

Center for Food Action gets \$1,800 from Ribbons

The Center for Food Action (CFA) received a check on January 19, 2005 for \$1,800 during a brief ceremony at Bill O'Shea's Florist at the Circle in Hasbrouck Heights.

This donation was the result of hundreds of bright red ribbons decorating the Boulevard in Hasbrouck Heights and Wood-Ridge during this recent holiday season.

Area residents donated \$10 to the Center For Food Action. Bill O'Shea's Florist provided a beautiful red ribbon with the contributor's name on it. Contributors who donated \$50 received embellished ribbons.

The ribbons were placed on

every tree and telephone pole along the Boulevard in Hasbrouck Heights (from Route 46 to Wood-Ridge), by Knights of Columbus Msgr. Fitzpatrick Council 7041, and in Wood-Ridge (from Hasbrouck Heights to Carlstadt), by Knights of Columbus St. Anthony Council 11585. The ribbons are removed after Valentine's Day.

The Center For Food Action is a non-profit food center that has served our area's needy since 1976. CFA always welcomes donations of basic non-perishable food items such as juice, cereal, canned goods, pasta, baby food, etc. ###



Banner was posted across The Boulevard at The Circle during December 2004 to promote the annual program

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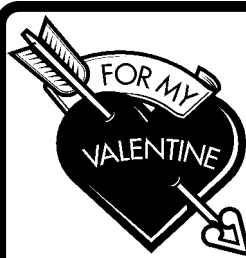
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There are videos and DVDs on T'ai Chi, Tae-Bo, and with Richard Simmons, you can "Sweat to the Oldies." If you are looking for a lifetime hobby for exercise, check out our videos on golf, tennis and bass fishing.

How's your financial health-is your goal this year to get a handle on your investments? "Nine Steps to Financial Freedom", "Smart Women Finish Rich" and "Rich Dad, Poor Dad," can be found in the video and book-on-tape sections, respectively, as well as the non-fiction book area. We also have Suze Orman's PBS Special.

Planning on sprucing up your home? Trading Spaces has published several books and HGTV programs such as "Design on a Dime" have done so, too. We also have the Trading Spaces video sub-titled, "They Hated It!"

Clutter management is a problem for most people. Make this the year you get your act together. Clutter guru Jamie Novak, who has appeared on "Mission: Organization", will provide us with one of her trainees to conduct a "Clutter Club." Meeting once a month. The leader will suggest solutions to



Library Board of Trustees 2005 Reorganization Meeting

The Trustees of the Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library held its reorganization meeting on January 12, 2005. (l-r) Dr. Gerald Sternbach, Friends of the Library Liaison Mickey Maschio, Maryetta Saccomano, Dr. Burnett Eglow, Library Director Michele Reutty, Library Board President Peter Gallo, Jr., Lisa Traina, Mayor's Alternate Thomas Verrastro and Councilman Thomas Meli. Unavailable for photo are: Mayor Ronald R. Jones, Superintendent of Schools Joseph Luongo and Superintendent's Alternate Donna Mikulka. The Library Board meets the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Library located at 320 Boulevard. Residents are welcome at these meetings. ###

problems such as taming the paper tiger, what to do when your kids have more toys than FAO Schwartz and how to set up a system that is workable for the whole family. Contact the Library in March for further information.

If your resolution is to learn to play chess, the piano or the guitar, to learn French or Italian or to learn how to knit, we

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Novel, author Marian Calabro will be conducting two creative writing sessions. Participants must commit to attending both sessions, but will do the writing at the seminar. These sessions will begin in March and enrollment is limited.

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Epiphany Procession held January 9th

An Ecumenical Procession was held on Sunday, January 9, 2005, from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m..

The public was invited to attend and join the procession at any church. Participants followed the path of the star and followed the angels' herald. Select players were costumed.

At each church sanctuary there was a tableau to recount the Journey of the Magi, and included a brief reciting of liturgy.

The "Gathering" began at Community United Church of Christ. The star was lit and the procession was heralded by angels. The walk traveled south along The Boulevard with a left at Division.

At First United Methodist Church there was the "Gathering of The Shepherds."

At Holy Trinity Lutheran Church there was a calling of the First Magi, Gaspar, with the gift of gold.

At St. John the Divine Episcopal Church there was a calling of the Second Magi, Melchior, with the gift of frankincense.

At the First Reformed Church there was a calling of the Third Magi, Belthasar, with the gift of Myrrh.

At Corpus Christi RC Church the Holy Family concluded the procession and finished the liturgy.


La Befana visited with goodies for the kids. Light refreshments followed.

Epiphany is the climax of the Christmas Season.

In Western churches, it remembers the coming of the wise men bringing gifts to visit the Christ child, and by so doing, "reveal" Jesus to the world as Lord and King. ###

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Consultations are held on the fourth Thursday of each month. No appointment is necessary.

Scheduled dates are: January 27, February 24, March 24, April 28, May 26, June 23, July 28, August 25, September 22, October 27 and December 22.

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This program is part of the Borough's health contract with Bergen County Department of Health Services.

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For more information contact Marilyn deRussy at 201-288-1636. ###



Fifth Grade DARE Essay Winners (l-r) Bernardo Valente, Stefanie Grossano, Ninoska Culellar, with Police Chief Michael Colaneri, Rebecca Ratkowski, Kenny Hesse and Nicholas Sciancalepore. Photo by Shawn Mullins

HHPD Holds DARE 5th Grade Graduation

On January 19, 2005, a fifth grade DARE graduation was held at the Old High School Gym at 7:00 p.m. for Euclid and Lincoln School students.

During the ceremony, presentations were made to fifth grade essay contest winners.

Essay topics reflected rea-

sions to stay drug free and avoid violence -- anger management.

A party with a DJ was held after the ceremony. Refreshments were provided by the PTA.

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Dog license renewal due

2005 dog license renewal was due by January 31, 2005.

Fees: \$7.00 if altered; \$10.00 unaltered with a \$10 late fee charged after February 1 until June 1, 2005 -- when the late fee is then \$20.

Proof of valid rabies immunization must be submitted with payment. Immunizations which expire during 2005 require a booster prior to obtaining a license.

Failure to renew a license will result in legal action. Please call and advise the Health Department if you no longer have your pet.

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Class of '55 Reunion

50th Class Reunion is scheduled for Oct. 21-23 at the Ramada Inn in Rochelle Park. For more info contact Mrs. Baker at 201-935-2268. ###

Free Adult ESL Spring Classes

Free Adult ESL (*English-as-a-Second Language*) Classes will start at St. John the Divine Episcopal Church, 229 Terrace Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights, on Wednesday, March 2nd at 7:00 p.m..

All new and returning students must be registered to take the classes, and new students must also take an informal language assessment test on Wednesday, February 16th or Wednesday, February 23rd at 7:00 p.m..

The last class of this 12 week session, which meets every Wednesday from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., will be May 25.

The ESL classes will provide free English language instruction at beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels to people from other countries and other language backgrounds.

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HHPD offers group tours

The Hasbrouck Heights Police Department announced that guided tours of their new facility at 248 Hamilton Avenue are now available to community organizations.

Please contact Chief Mike Colaneri at 201-288-1000 for more information. ###

Heights 2005 Reorganization Meeting

On January 1, 2005 at 11:45 a.m., a Sine Die Meeting was held to conclude 2004 business.

Councilwoman Marlene Verrastro was presented a Proclamation by the Mayor, Council and Boro Clerk Rose Marie Sees for her nine years of service on the Council. Ms. Verrastro made departing com-

ments.

Bergen County Executive Dennis McNerney administered the Oath of Office to Leonard Introna.

Former Assemblyman Matthew Ahearn, Esq. administered the Oath of Office to Carol J. Skiba.

Upon the seating of new

council members, Mayor Ronald R. Jones declared the 2005 Reorganization Meeting in session.

There was a Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation by the Reverend Monsignor Rodrigo San Pedro, Adjunct Clergy of Corpus Christi Church.

The Mayor administered the Oath of Office to Fire Chief Joseph Taylor, Jr., 1st Assistant Fire Chief Angelo Roccamo and 2nd Assistant Fire Chief Michael Ratkowski.

The Mayor administered the Oath of Office to 2005 Fire Department Company Officers.

There was an announce-

ment of council assignments. The Council elected Justin DiPisa as their Council President and named Ronald Kistner as their representative to the Planning Board.

Mayor Jones made his appointments and requested Council confirmation.

The Mayor delivered his State of the Borough Address which was followed by each Council person making their comments.

The concluding Benediction was provided by Reverend Dr. Katherine Ellison.

The meeting was adjourned and light refreshments were served in the Senior Center. ###

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