

BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS

PLAINS TALK

November 2007

**Prosecutor
Robert A. Bianchi**



**Sheriff
Edward V. Rochford**



Top County Law Enforcement Officials Residing in Morris Plains

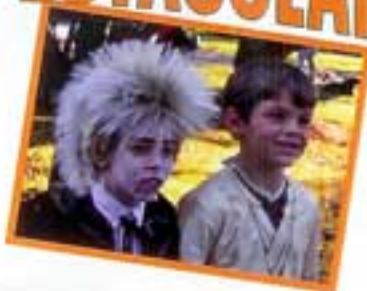
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Mayor Frank J. Druetzler

Council President Donald F. Underhill

**Councilmembers: Ralph R. Rotando, Suzanne B. McCluskey,
George J. Coogan, Stephen S. Welsh & Joseph Cecala, Jr.**

HALLOWEEN SPECTACULAR!



Edward V. Rochford, Morris County Sheriff

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Edward V. Rochford will be starting his sixth term as Morris County Sheriff. Previously he was Deputy Chief of Police in Morris Twp. where he served for 27 years.

During that time he received more than 50 departmental awards including being honored as "Police Officer of the Year."

Ed was born and raised in the Fairchild section of Morris Township. Recently he and his wife Diana, along with their two "Leonberger" dogs, Norton and Nikki, moved to the "Community of Caring," Morris Plains! Ed is a lifelong resident of Morris County.

Sheriff Rochford is a graduate of the City University of New York.

John Jay College of Criminal Justice. He is also a graduate of the F.B.I. National Academy in Quantico, Virginia and the National Sheriffs' Institute of Longmont, Colorado. Sheriff Rochford is a graduate of the Morris County Chamber of Commerce Leadership Morris Program.

Ed is also the President and Executive Director of the Sheriffs' Association of New Jersey representing the other twenty Sheriffs' in the state.

Sheriff Rochford is on the advisory boards of the Dean and Betty Gallo Prostate Cancer Center at the Cancer Institute of New Jersey, the College of Saint Elizabeth's Justice Studies

Program, the County College of Morris Criminal Justice Program, and the Academy for Law and Public Safety. Sheriff Rochford is also on the Board of Trustees of the Morris County Urban League, and is a life member of the Morris County Chapter of the N.A.A.C.P. He is also Honorary Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, Metro-West, Whippany, N.J.

We welcome Ed & Diana to the Community of Caring!



Robert A. Bianchi, Esq. Morris County Prosecutor

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Prosecutor Robert A. Bianchi, Esq., graduated from Seton Hall Preparatory School in 1981. He earned his undergraduate Bachelor of Arts degree in American Studies/History from Providence College in 1985, having graduated with high honors of Magna Cum Laude.

Prosecutor Bianchi thereafter earned his Juris Doctor degree from Seton Hall University School of Law in 1988. In 1988, he was admitted to the New Jersey State Bar as an Attorney at Law, and was also admitted to the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey.

In 1997, he was admitted to the 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals, Federal District Court of New Jersey.

Prosecutor Bianchi began his legal career as an Assistant Prosecutor at the busy Hudson County Prosecutor's Office in 1989. He remained in that office for 7 years.

Prosecutor Bianchi was formally nominated on May 10, 2007 by Governor Jon S. Corzine to serve as the Morris County Prosecutor, and was unanimously confirmed by the New Jersey Senate Judiciary Committee. He was thereafter unanimously confirmed

by the full Senate on June 18, 2007 and was sworn in as Morris County Prosecutor on June 22, 2007.

Bob and Michelle Bianchi have been residents of Morris Plains since 2005. Congratulations Bob and best wishes to both of you from the Community of Caring!



Chiefs of Police

Morris Plains is also very fortunate to have three Police Chiefs living in the Borough. They are John Drake III, Chatham Borough Chief of Police, Pete Demnitz, Morristown Chief of Police, and Steve Gallagher, Hanover Township Chief of Police.



By Chris Hanifin
Morris Minute Men
First Aid Squad
NJ State Society of
Physician Assistants

*Knowing the
signs of stroke
could save a life*

Imagine that you are working around your house when you suddenly develop severe weakness of your right arm and leg. Did you know that the actions you take over the next few minutes will make the difference between full recovery and being permanently incapacitated?

According to the American Stroke Association, stroke is the third leading cause of death in the United States. Around 700,000 American suffer a stroke each year and 150,000 of these stroke victims die. On average, an American dies of a stroke every 3-4 minutes. Many stroke victims find themselves permanently unable to speak or walk.

Stroke is not so much a disease of the brain as it is a disease of the blood vessels. Damaged blood vessels may clot and cause a lack of blood flow to an area of the brain. This will cause the affected area of the brain to die, just like heart muscle dies in a heart attack. Damaged blood vessels in the brain may also rupture and cause bleeding into the brain.

Keeping the heart and brain healthy means keeping your blood vessels healthy. The risk factors for stroke are generally the same as those for heart disease. Working with your clinician to **control your blood pressure** appears to be the single most important thing you can do to decrease your risk of stroke. Smoking is also a major risk factor because it introduces chemicals into the blood vessels that damage their walls. Diet and exercise are important in reducing the risk of stroke. Obesity, high cholesterol and uncontrolled diabetes are also factors that contribute to blood vessel damage.

Because your brain controls so many different functions, stroke may cause a variety of different symptoms. Stroke symptoms typically develop suddenly. Sudden weakness, numbness or loss of coordination of one side of the face or a limb may indicate a stroke is occurring. Confusion, difficulty speaking and difficulty understanding may be present. Visual disturbances, dizziness and loss of balance are other common symptoms. While these symptoms occur in many conditions other than stroke, they need to be quickly and carefully investigated.

If you notice these symptoms, urgent evaluation is necessary. Time is brain - with each passing minute, millions of brain cells may die or be damaged. The past several years have brought remarkable advances in the treatment of stroke. Thanks to so-called "clot busting" medications developed to treat heart attacks, the effects of a stroke can often be diminished, and occasionally completely reversed. But these drugs can only be safely used if given within the first few hours of a stroke. We have two excellent stroke care facilities in the area - Morristown Memorial Hospital and Overlook Hospital in Summit.

In many cases, the person most in control of the outcome following a stroke is the stroke victim. Knowing the common symptoms of a stroke and promptly calling 911 provide the best chance for recovery.



65 Years of Community Service ~ Morris Minute Men First Aid Squad Volunteer EMS for Morris Plains & Morris Twp since 1942

by Mark Wintle

What's the most exciting thing you've ever done in your life? Become an EMT and that answer will change - regularly. Are you the kind of person that steps up to help when there's a need? Are you curious and like to learn new things? Do you tell your kids about the value of service and helping others? Joining a volunteer squad gets you involved in your community, is exciting, educational, and will make you a role model - or even a hero to your kids. Plus it's a good way to stay healthy and active. We're looking for stay at home parents, telecommuters, teachers, recent retirees, or anyone with some hours available during the weekday. Training is provided, including free EMT classes. Free keychain first-aid kit just for taking a fun tour. Bring your kids. No obligation to join. More info at our web site.

www.MorrisMinuteMen.org

Call 973-539-1776 today



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Fire Chiefs
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Morris Plains Library Association

77 Glenbrook Road, Morris Plains, NJ 07950-2246
 Telephone: 973-538-2599 Facsimile: 973-538-8974

Story Time is Back!!!

Fall into the season with Story Time. Our Morris Plains Library program begins again on Wednesday, November 7th, for children ages 3 to 5. Please join us from 10:30 am to 11 am. Adults come and meet new friends and enjoy a cup of Dunkin' Donuts coffee and a munchkin while *your munchkin* enjoys a story.

Registration requested at the front desk or simply call 973-538-2599 to sign up. I look forward to meeting you and your child! Let each Wednesday begin with a story! Camille Garretson, Story Teller

Summer Reading Program Breaks Record

Our summer reading program had a record number of children participating in the statewide "Get A Clue" reading program. A total of 19 children from grades 5 - 8 read more than 380 books.

Students signed up in late June and contracted to read as many books as they could by Friday, August 17. All registered readers also took home a packet of fun-filled activities based on the "Get A Clue" theme.

This year's sponsors were Friendly's, Morris Plains Pharmacy, The Sports Page, and Super Stop and Shop. They provided prizes for the readers, including toys, workbooks, games, and gift certificates.

"The children who participated did an outstanding job, reading far more books than I would have imagined," said Mrs. Vicki Egner, the program coordinator.

Many thanks again to all our wonderful sponsors and to all the great young readers from Morris Plains!!

Children's Book Nook

Twenty children in grades 3 to 5 also joined a new summer reading group book club. Under the aegis of volunteer Mrs. Sapna Shah, the children met every two weeks to discuss their assigned book. The two discussion groups met with their group leader Nikky Shah and Nayna Shah.

A little fun party concluded the interesting program. Our thanks go to Sapna and her terrific children.

SENIOR LUNCH & LEARN

Have You Had Your Legal Checkup Today?

Who: Fran J. Garb, Esq.

Law Office of Fran J. Garb

222 Ridgedale Avenue, Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927

973-605-1177

*Practicing in general litigation & elder law,
among other legal practice areas*

Topics: Are you legally healthy?

Do you know where your essential records are?

What is a Power of Attorney, Will, Living Will?

Why you need each of these documents

When: 12:00pm – 1:30pm

Wednesday, November 28, 2007

Where: Morris Plains Community Center, Jim Fear Drive

****Wheelchair Accessible Facility****

Reservations required at the Community Center by November 23rd

Sponsored by the Morris Plains Municipal Alliance Committee



Borough Updates

Mark Your Calendars!

**MORRIS PLAINS
REORGANIZATION
MEETING
THURSDAY
JANUARY 3, 2008
AT 7:00 P.M.**

Jersey Central Power & Light Company continues to upgrade our electric infrastructure. They are putting in a new transformer and new switches and cables at the electric substation behind the Railroad Station.

Pfizer, owners on the west side of Tabor Road, will demolish Building #170. That is the first building, consisting of 160,000 square feet on the left side of Tabor Road when you go from the underpass and head to Route 10. The demolition will be completed by December 2008.

Johnson & Johnson is expected to sell their site on the east side of Tabor Road, but will lease a portion of the building for their 800 employees located in Morris Plains.

The Borough will soon be awarding contracts for next year's town reevaluation.

Basketball (MPBA) Opening Day Information

By Paul Rominski, MPBA President



**MPBA
Opening Day
Saturday,
December 1st**

The 3rd Annual MPBA Opening Day Ceremonies will take place in the Borough Gym on Saturday, Dec. 1st at 10am. Over 240 Morris Plains' children will parade into the gym under the watchful eyes of their parents and coaches.

MPBA President Paul Rominski will start the ceremonies with a few welcoming remarks and Mayor Frank Druetzler will kick off the festivities with some words of encouragement for the young athletes.

Members of the Morris Plains Council, Recreation Commission and the Board of Education will be on hand to participate in the event and lend their support to the program.

The Travel basketball teams who compete against other towns will be introduced to the crowd, but the highlight of the ceremony will be a shooting contest for all the players. This is where tomorrow's basketball stars will get an opportunity to show

off their shooting skills.

Prizes (courtesy of Friendly's Ice Cream, Clearview Cinema (Morristown), Parisi Speed School, Pizza Hut, Dunkin Donuts) will be awarded to all players who make the shot in the basket. All the children go home winners at the end of Opening Day, as they will receive a gift bag filled with items donated by local vendors (Commerce Bank, Johnson & Johnson, Terry's Pet Depot, Mack-Cali).

Christmas Tree Lighting

Come join your neighbors for the annual Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony in front of the freight station on Sunday, December 2nd at 6:00 p.m. at Merchant's Block. The Morris Plains Businessmen's Association sponsors this 20-year plus event. The highlight of the evening is the arrival of the gentleman in the red suit with the bushy white beard. He will make his grand entrance, with sled and reindeer, with the help of the Morris Plains Fire Department. Bring the kids and have their picture taken with Santa himself! Have some hot chocolate & cookies, sing carols & get in the Holiday Spirit!



Rabies Clinic

Saturday, January 12th

(Snow Date January 19th)

1:00 - 3:00 PM

Borough Garage, Borough Terrace



DOGS *must* be on a
on leash or in carrier

One pet at a time.

CATS *must* be
in a carrier

Community Park is the Hot Spot for Hot Rods!



Cars, cars, cars and more cars! The Borough School 8th Grade Class hosted a Car Show at Community Park on Saturday October 7th. The weather was perfect for spectators to view over 50 cars and join in the fun. Proceeds from the event help to fund the spring class trip to Washington, D.C. In addition, the class is selling Holiday Luminary Kits, Wreaths and magazines. Contact the Borough School or any 8th grade student if you are interested in purchasing items. Thank you for your support!

WINDOW PAINTING



Morris Plains Recreation

FAMILY BINGO NIGHT
 November 9, 7:30pm
 MP Community Center



Prizes, Snacks & Family Fun!
 \$10/family to register

BOOK CLUB WITH CHARLOTT LAMM

Secret Life of Bees

By Miller

Wed., November 28 at 7:30pm

Morris Plains Community Center




"Mini Session" Schedule
 At the MP Community Center
 November 27 – December 20

Tuesdays		
7:30pm-8:30pm (Min. 5)		\$40
✓ Evening Yoga with Peg Clark		
Wednesdays		
9:30am-10:30am (Min. 5)		\$40
✓ Pilates with Val Shandlay		
Adult Knitting (Main Office)		Free
✓ 7:00pm-9:00pm		
Thursdays		
7:30pm-8:30pm (Min. 5)		\$40
✓ Evening Yoga with Claire Lichtenstein		

Kids in the Kitchen Cooking Classes
 at the MP Community Center
 Wednesdays

Grades 1-4		
Nov 7	7:00-8:00pm	Thanksgiving Theme
Dec 5	7:00-8:00pm	Holiday Theme
Jan 9	7:00-8:00pm	Winter Warm Up
Grades 5-8		
Nov 14	7:00-8:00pm	Thanksgiving Theme
Dec 12	7:00-8:00pm	Holiday Theme
Jan 16	7:00-8:00pm	Winter Warm Up

\$18 per class or a set of 3 for \$50

Minimum class size is 8 participants. Registered participants will be notified prior to the class date if cancellation is necessary and fees will be refunded according to the Recreation Department's policy.



Hobby Quest Aviation Club

Community Center
 Mondays 4pm-5.30pm
 Nov 26, Dec 3, Dec 10, Dec 17

Build model airplanes that really fly!
 \$75 Registration fee
 includes instruction, tools and materials.

K-5 Students. 9 Student Minimum.

Borough School Gym Recreation Programs

<i>Men's Indoor Soccer</i>	8:30 pm
Tues. eves thru March – Dominic Alberto, Coordinator	
<i>Men's Indoor Basketball</i>	8:30 pm
Thurs. eves thru March – Kevin Bodnar, Coordinator	

**Elaine's
Tours**
973 627 0931

November 27th \$135
Radio City Christmas Show & Waldorf Astoria
Lunch & Tour—first Mezz seats—call ASAP!!!

December 3rd, 4th & 10th
NYC Christmas Lights
European Christmas Market
Professionally Guided Tour
Includes Dessert in Little Italy
Call for price!

Dec. 8th- 9th/2 days/\$289 pp-dbl
Christmas in Cape May & Lancaster
Includes Longwood Gardens, Spectacular
Christmas Show in Lancaster, PA
Dutch Smorgasbord. Visit 3 Victorian houses,
take tour on Holly Trolley & enjoy Victorian
Luncheon & Tea. Also includes overnight
accommodation with breakfast!

December 13th—\$70/pp
Candlelight Carol Concert at Sacred Heart
Cathedral & Rodizio Dinner

January 18—February 3rd
Holland America Hawaii Cruise —
Call for details before November 20th!!



MAKING MAGIC

Mondays 4pm-5pm ~ Jan 14 - Mar 24

Community Center

Children discover secrets used by
real magicians, building many of
the tricks themselves!

\$135 Registration Fee
Grades K- 5. 9 Student Minimum!

Call to register: 973.538.3544

**HOLD THE
DATE!
COMEDY
NIGHT
February 9th
Bretton Woods**



SmartSitters Babysitting Class

Ages 9 and up
Saturday, February 9
9am-3pm
MP Community Center
973.538.3544

\$45 registration fee
Bring a bag lunch

BE SAFE....BE CERTIFIED!



Call 973 538 3544 or visit
www.MorrisPlainsBoro.org
for more program info! Look
for details on the *Snowman
Building Contest* and *Zumba*,
the hottest new dance class
around! Other activities are
getting organized today so
watch the website for
updates!

By Shawn O'Connell

Fall is soccer season in Morris Plains, and the 2007 season has been an enjoyable and exciting one for all participants. Things kicked off on September 8th with our opening day ceremonies and wrapped up on November 3 with the final games and the traditional end of season pizza parties. Ride by Simon's Park on any Saturday in the fall and you'll see Morris Plains at its best!

Game days kick off at 9:00 AM with our Lee's Clinic program for kindergarten players where they get an introduction to soccer skills and also get a chance to play scrimmage games against their friends. Lee's Clinic is followed by back to back games played by our 14 Division teams with players from the first to fifth grade.

**FIRST GRADE SOCCER TEAMS**

after a well played match. The Morris Plains Soccer Board would like to thank all the coaches, volunteers, parents, and community members who help make this happen.

**4TH & 5TH GRADE SOCCER TEAMS**

You'll see exciting competition, hear the roar of the crowd as a goal is scored or a great save is made by a goalie and of course you'll see tremendous sportsmanship as each team lines up at midfield to slap hands and say "good game"

Most of all we would like to thank and congratulate all our soccer players on a successful and exciting season. We hope to see you this spring for our Spring Soccer Program and again next fall for the 2008 Fall Soccer Season.

3rd Annual MP Fall Festival Craft and Gift Show

Beautiful weather, talented crafters and terrific volunteers all contributed to a very successful 3rd Annual MP Fall Festival Craft and Gift Show. The show was a huge success with over 40 vendors selling everything from original artwork to flowering bulbs. 500 residents and visitors attended the event on Sat., October 6th. Awards were given to local Morris Plains artist Jo Bradney for the "Best

Overall Booth" display and Melissa Destesi for "Most Unique Items". Both award recipients will receive a no charge exhibit space at next years event.

A special thank you to Sydney Leach for all of her help organizing the show and Teen Center students and parents for all of their help during the event!



BOROUGH SCHOOL'S 9/11 REMEMBRANCE



SIX YEARS and LOOKING BACK

By Samantha Southard

It's been six years
Since that day in September
That day in September
We all remember

It began with the plane
It crashed into the tower
Down it fell
From such force & power

Everything was on fire
Almost all were crying
Smoke was suffocating
And people were dying

When word got around
We were frightened to death
We prayed for our family
We held our breath

Things were disastrous
Everyone was torn
Through our hearts
Went a painful thorn

The world was hazy
For quite a while
But our faces forced
A hopeful smile

The country united
We all stood collectively
Rebuilding our pride
We did effectively

It's been six years
Since that day in September
That day in September
We'll forever remember

9/11 REFLECTION

By Jessica Urrutia

September 11th.

It's not just a date.

Not anymore.

Not since 2001.

Few who remember when this day happened will every forget it. The black smoke billowing up to the sky. Confusion, fear, and panic, reaching out to the homes all over our nation. Although six years has passed the memories still hurt for countless people.

I was only a second grader on 9/11, but I can remember the day. I can still vaguely hear the sounds of the loudspeaker, calling students home early. Everyone in my class thought it was sort of funny that by one in the afternoon there were only a handful of kids left. After all, I didn't find out

what had gone on in New York City until I found out from my dad when he picked me up at three o'clock from school. But now that I'm older and know why those kids were called home, I also know that what happened that day was far from funny.

Six years ago, on September 11th, my mom still worked in New York City. When my dad told me about the terrorists that had flown planes into the World Trade Center buildings, I automatically thought of her and terror flooded my senses. It was soon wiped away when I found out she was fine. For thousands of other kids, however, the news they received of loved ones gone forever probably still haunts their memories to this day.

My uncle had a friend who was a New York City firefighter, who I had met just weeks

before during the summertime. Little did I know, this would be the last time I ever saw him. Sadly, he was killed, valiantly trying to help others escape from the debris. He had a three year old daughter at the time. She might never remember her father, which is something no child should ever have to endure.

When the terrorists killed all those innocent people, they thought they would be helping to tear apart the United States. But instead, they have made us even stronger. Neighbors reached out. Strangers helped each other. Millions of American flags now wave proudly over homes in remembrance.

So when you think of September 11th, don't just think of the date. Think of the people whose lives have been affected by it.

A DAY OF SADNESS

By Michael Manley

It began as a day, a normal day
Thoughts cheery and bright.
Yet, later that day
There was a dreadful, awful sight.

That day was one of our most tragic
days in America

The date of September 11, 2001.
For on that day as we all know
Terrible, frightening & heartbreaking
things were done.

When the World Trade Center
The Twin Towers, some people would call
Had two planes crash into them
And both of them would crumble and fall

People working panicked.
They started to scream with fear & shout.
All of them desperately pushed & shoved.
Trying to get out.

Only some people survived
Not one with a happy face.

But this isn't the only tragedy
That unfortunately took place.

On the same date,
That planes flew into the Twin Tower
A plane flew into the Pentagon
With the same strong force and power

It destroyed part of the Pentagon
With one strong blow.
But did that break America?
Absolutely not, never, a big No!

Yes, it will always be a day of sadness,
When so many people lost their lives.
It also did harm to other people.
Such as the dying families, kids,
husbands and wives.

Yet, America will always stand together
Through good and bad, thick and thin.
America will be the same as it was
A great nation as it always has been.

God bless America
And let us all stand strong —
For having freedom and equality
Where all of us belong



Interfaith Food Pantry by Rick Nyquist

The Central Morris AARP #5397, which meets at the Morris Plains Community Center, conducted a food drive for the Interfaith Food Pantry at the Morris Plains ShopRite and Stop-and-Shop on Sunday, October 14, 2007. The residents of Morris Plains, and other shoppers, reached deep into their pockets to make the food drive a big success. Approximately 15 grocery baskets and nearly \$300 were collected for the Interfaith Food Pantry.

The attached picture shows two of the Central Morris AARP members dropping off groceries at the Food Pantry (located at the Morris County Complex on West Hanover Ave.) at the completion of the day's collection.

Red Ribbon Week by Laurie Fu



Borough School Student Council members visited an October Borough Council meeting to share information about the

national celebration of Drug Free Schools Week, (Red Ribbon Week) and to convey what their fellow students would be doing in school to learn about substance abuse prevention during this important recognition. At the meeting, Mayor Druetzler read a resolution proclaiming the observance of Red Ribbon Week in Morris Plains. Red ribbons were displayed on trees at the schools and around the town to raise awareness in the community. A community forum,

held at Borough School, provided community members the opportunity to ask questions of a panel of school and municipal representatives regarding substance abuse prevention for our youth. Drug Free Schools Week activities are made possible each year by the Morris Plains School District, the Borough Council, the Home and School Association and the Municipal Alliance Committee.

Anniversaries

Marie & Ed
Dobbins
60th Wedding
Anniversary

Peggy & Robert
Krozer
60th Wedding
Anniversary

Charles & Shirley
Gregory
50th Wedding
Anniversary

Jacqueline &
Richard Markey
50th Wedding
Anniversary



MORRIS PLAINS MUSEUM ASSOCIATION

WE SALUTE

THE MORRIS PLAINS FIRE ASSOCIATION

The proud 100 year history of the Fire Association is on display at our museum. The grand opening was a two day event. A reception was held for the firemen and their families on Friday, October 12th. One hundred guests attended and their comments were positive. Saturday was for the general public. Our visitors were impressed at the dedication and time consuming work of our volunteer firemen.

Don't miss the exhibit. The history of the Fire Association is an important part of our town. The Museum Association is grateful for the contribution to the exhibit from: Larry and Mary Everitt, Phil McEntee, Jackie Deskovich, Dave and Debra Guida (Livingston Camera Mart)

Help the Fire Association Fund Raiser- *The Centennial Book*- \$5.00; mugs, \$25.00

These are on sale at the Museum.



Local History

While at the museum, visit another new exhibit. Learn about Jonathan W. Roberts and the outstanding contribution he made to this area.

For Christmas the Museum is selling 48" x 9" panoramic prints of Morris Plains (as seen above) taken in 1915.



The Museum is open every Saturday from 10AM to 2PM. Volunteers to our Association are welcome.

For further information: call Dan Myers 973-267-3303 or Karleen Leahey 973-538-2545

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Art In Motion Academy of Dance provides dance instruction from age 2 through adult. Dance classes include Ballet, Contemporary Ballet, Pointe, Modern, Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop and Musical Theater. Call today!

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SLEEPY'S MATTRESS STORE, Kohl's Shopping

Sleepy's has replaced Rockaway Bedding in the Kohl Shopping Center. They are currently having their Grand Opening!



Don & Joanne Prisco,
Mayor Frank Druetzler &
Tracey & Dan Silverschotz

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Massage Envy

GRAND OPENING MID-NOVEMBER!
973-539-2900

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Our staff here at Massage Envy in Morris Plains would love for you to experience the benefits of Massage Envy by being one of the first guests at our new clinic. Simply call 973-539-2900 to schedule your appointment.

GRAND OPENING END OF NOVEMBER Harmon Face Values, Kohl's Shopping Center

Featuring over 20,000 brand name cosmetics, health & beauty items at discount prices every day. Harmon Face Values' extensive line of merchandise includes favorite brand name cosmetics from Revlon, Almay, L'Oreal, Maybelline and Cover Girl, just to name a few. Harmon Face Values offers the quality of all of your favorite brand names with knowledgeable, quick and friendly service. Satisfaction is guaranteed!

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Breakfast &
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Speedwell Avenue

**Little League
Sportsmanship
Award Winners**



**Nick Hussey and
Rubana Islam**

This award is given to the "graduating" softball and baseball players.

A Reminder from Our Department of Public Works

*****PARKING GUIDELINES*****

by Joseph Signorelli, Jr., Superintendent

DURING SNOW & ICE STORMS



Plowing and sanding of Borough streets is difficult when vehicles park haphazardly on both sides of the streets. The result is narrowed roadways that restrict all traffic, but more important, restrict emergency vehicle access.

To help the Borough provide improved snow plowing and sanding service to you, the residents, and unrestricted access of emergency vehicles, we request your assistance.

PRIOR TO & FOR DURATION OF ICE & SNOW STORM:

1. Please park only on one side of the street.
2. On odd numbered dates, please park on the side with odd numbered houses.
3. Similarly, on even numbered dates, please park on the side with even numbered houses.
4. Please move your vehicle to the appropriate side of the street by 9:00 AM each morning.
5. Please do not park along the turn-around area of cul-de-sacs.

If possible, park in your driveway during inclement weather.



Don't Let This Happen To You!

Town Trivia!



Who is this long time Borough volunteer enjoying life on an island in the middle of the Pacific Ocean?

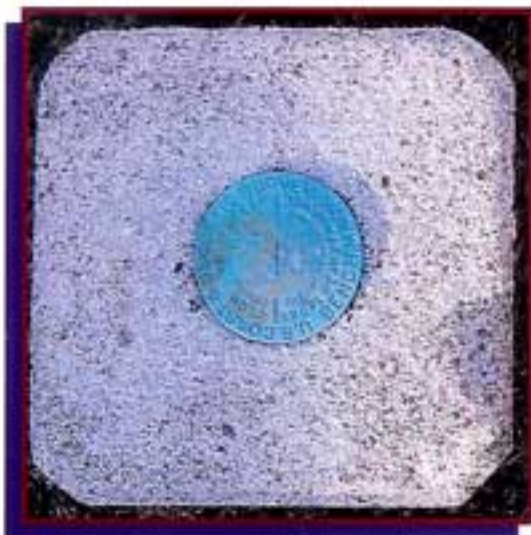
DO YOU KNOW WHERE THE ONLY SEA LEVEL MONUMENT IN MORRIS PLAINS IS?

This concrete block can readily be seen from the sidewalk along one of the Borough streets. It was installed in 1935 by a US Government Agency as a benchmark setting the elevation above sea level. The bronze disk on top of the concrete post reads:

**MORRIS PLAINS
1935**

**399.01 Feet Above Sea Level
\$250 Fine or Imprisonment for
Disturbing This Mark.**

The answer will be in the next issue of
Plains Talk!



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*Seasons' Greetings to the
Residents of the Borough of Morris Plains*

We, the Mayor and Borough Council,
Wish To Extend To All Of You Our Best Wishes
For A Very Happy Holiday Season.



Peace It Has Been Our Pleasure To Serve You.
We Look Forward To A Fruitful Year And Trust
That You And Yours Will Enjoy The Benefits
Of This Great Country.



MAY THE NEW YEAR BRING PROSPERITY AND HAPPINESS TO ALL

The deadline for the next Plains Talk is February 1st. To submit articles for the next newsletter, e-mail your article to PlainsTalk@MorrisPlainsBoro.org. All e-mails received will receive a reply confirmation of receipt.