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Bogota Senior Citizens Club held its annual luncheon and honored members celebrating their eighty fifth birthday this year. The affair was held at The Dynasty in Saddle Brook. Shown above are President Evelyn Stawicki, honorees Betty Haubert, Madeline Banks, Frieda Heimbuch, seated Jessi Galizia, and at extreme right Vice President Marion Weber.

From The Mayor
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be investing extensively in Olsen Park. We will be installing a 34 foot by 44 foot picnic pavilion, renovated basketball and tennis courts, new children's playground facilities and many other park upgrades. We expect to have most of the work done for the spring season.

Next year we also hope to do improvements to the Central Avenue Firehouse.

But most importantly we will continue to work to keep taxes down while maintaining services for all of the residents of Bogota. To all our residents, have a safe and happy holiday season.

Sincerely,
Steven Lonagan, Mayor

The Bogota Quarterly

Recycling Calendar Inside

October, November, December, 2006

From The Mayor

Dear Neighbor,

On September 30, 2006 we were pleased to dedicate the newly refurbished Leonia Ave Park and dedicate it to the memory of Vincent Petrik, a well-known and respected member of our community. Thank you to all the participants who helped to honor Vincent's memory.

We will soon finish the renovations to our Ambulance and Rescue Building. The interior finishes are being completed as we go to press. We have also finished the renovation to our police department.

Our tree program is in full swing. Over one hundred trees were planted this summer and we are currently trimming and taking down trees that have exceeded their usefulness. Our tree program will continue throughout the fall.

Palisade Ave is being renovated in our business district and will include block curbs, pavers and new decorative street lighting. Soon we will be repaving the length of Queen Anne Road, Fairview Ave, parts of Dunn Ave. and South St.

I am very happy to announce that we will

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Disposal of Flags

The VFW would like to remind all residents that they may properly dispose of old, worn and unused flags by placing them in the Flag Painted mailbox in front of the library. The library is located at 375 Larch Ave, immediately adjacent to Borough Hall. Flags placed in the "Flag Box" in front of the library will be collected and properly retired by members of the VFW.



Police Department Receives Award

The Bogota Police Department was recognized for several traffic safety programs initiated by local officials. Shown accepting the award and commendations for the Department are Police Commissioner and Councilwoman Melissa Schnipp, Police Chief Frank Gurnari, Captain Michael Brophy, and Bergen County Office of Highway Safety Deputy Director Chip Greiner. Councilwoman Schnipp stated that, "Once again The Bogota Police Department excels among all others and all the residents of Bogota should be justly proud". The Bogota Police Department received the "2006 Award for Outstanding Police Department" from the Bergen County Police Office of Highway Safety The award was presented at a ceremony attended by local officials on September 14 at the Stony Hill Inn, Hackensack.

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Did You Know?

The transmitters on all these phones were made using carbon granules, an invention of Thomas Edison. It made telephone conversations of over a few miles possible.



- Steven Lonagan
Mayor
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RECREATION PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

BOGOTA RECREATION
Tree Lighting will be on December 8th, 2006 at 7:30 pm at Borough Hall. There will be cookies and hot chocolate served. Remember to bring canned goods for the Girl Scouts. We will also be giving away Toys R Us gift certificates so be sure to attend.

BASKETBALL: Fliers will be going out to the schools for registration. Watch the backpacks.

FLOOR HOCKEY: Fliers will be going out to the schools also

FOOTBALL & CHEERING: are already underway so come out and support them.

DANCE CLASSES: Started Sept. 19th, but

it's not too late to sign up at the Rec. Classes are on Tuesday and Friday each week, with special preschool classes on Friday Mornings.

ADULT BASKETBALL: Will be starting again. Call the Rec for details.

ADULT VOLLEYBALL: We are going to try and start up the adult volleyball again, so anyone interested, please contact me at the Rec.

BASEBALL: Fliers should be going out in Nov. or Dec. So be on the look out for them.

We had a great Summer Camp this year and I would just like to thank all my counselors for all their help this summer, and special thanks to Karol Misa for her help in running the camp.

If anyone has any questions or would like to talk with me, please call Jim Moore at (201) 487-4368.

HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Simple Things To Do To Prevent Problems

Bogota is a nice town but unfortunately it is not a perfect place. Often times we think that this is Bogota and we do not need to lock our houses or cars. Often times the members of the Bogota Police Department are taking reports from people that have had someone enter into their car or home. These victims have their personal possessions stolen and their lives altered in one way or another. These are very unfortunate events but ones that are easily preventable.

These tips will not guarantee 100% safety but they will substantially increase the odds that you will not be a victim of crime. Some of these ideas are very simple and easy to do but are often overlooked and forgotten. Take some extra time and follow these tips. Most criminals are lazy and will go after open cars and houses, if yours is locked they will more than likely move on to one that is not.

1. Lock your car at all times, even if in your driveway
2. Do not leave anything of great importance or value in your car (laptop, cell phone, etc.)
3. Lock the front and back doors of your home
4. Do not leave your windows open (top or bottom floors) when you are out
5. If you go away, stop the mail or have someone pick it up everyday
6. Stop newspaper deliveries
7. Let a relative, friend or neighbor you trust know when you will be away
8. Call the Bogota Police Department and advise them of your trip and who we can contact about your house and property in the event of an emergency
9. Beware of strangers and strange incidents, it never hurts to call the Bogota Police Department to let us know of your concerns
10. Know your surroundings and your neighbors, they see things and know things that you do not.

If you have any questions about this topic please call the Bogota Police Department at 201-487-2400. We have Officers trained in Crime Prevention and we can arrange for an Officer to come to your home for a free security assessment of your home.

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

SCHOOLS OPEN

PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY
With the beginning of another school year, the Bogota Police Department would like to remind everyone to please drive carefully especially while in a school zone. Here are a few rules to keep mind while driving that will make the roads safer for all of us.

1-Always wear your seatbelt and make sure that all passengers are wearing theirs

2-Be alert and make sure to yield to all pedestrians standing in a crosswalk waiting to cross the street – pedestrians in a crosswalk have the right of way.

3-Obey the speed limit- the speed limit in all school and residential areas is 25 MPH.

4-Make sure to stop for a school bus with it's red lights are flash-

Home Security Survey Available

The Bogota Police Department is offering a free home security survey to residents as part of our Community Policing and Crime Prevention Programs. A Bogota Police Officer will come to your residence and conduct an inspection of your home, and then offer recommendations on how to improve the security and safety of your home. Any resident wanting to schedule and appointment for a security survey may call Sergeant Craig Lynch at 201-487-2400.

ing while picking up or discharging passengers.

5-Be alert for School Crossing Guards who are assisting children across the street on their way to and from school.

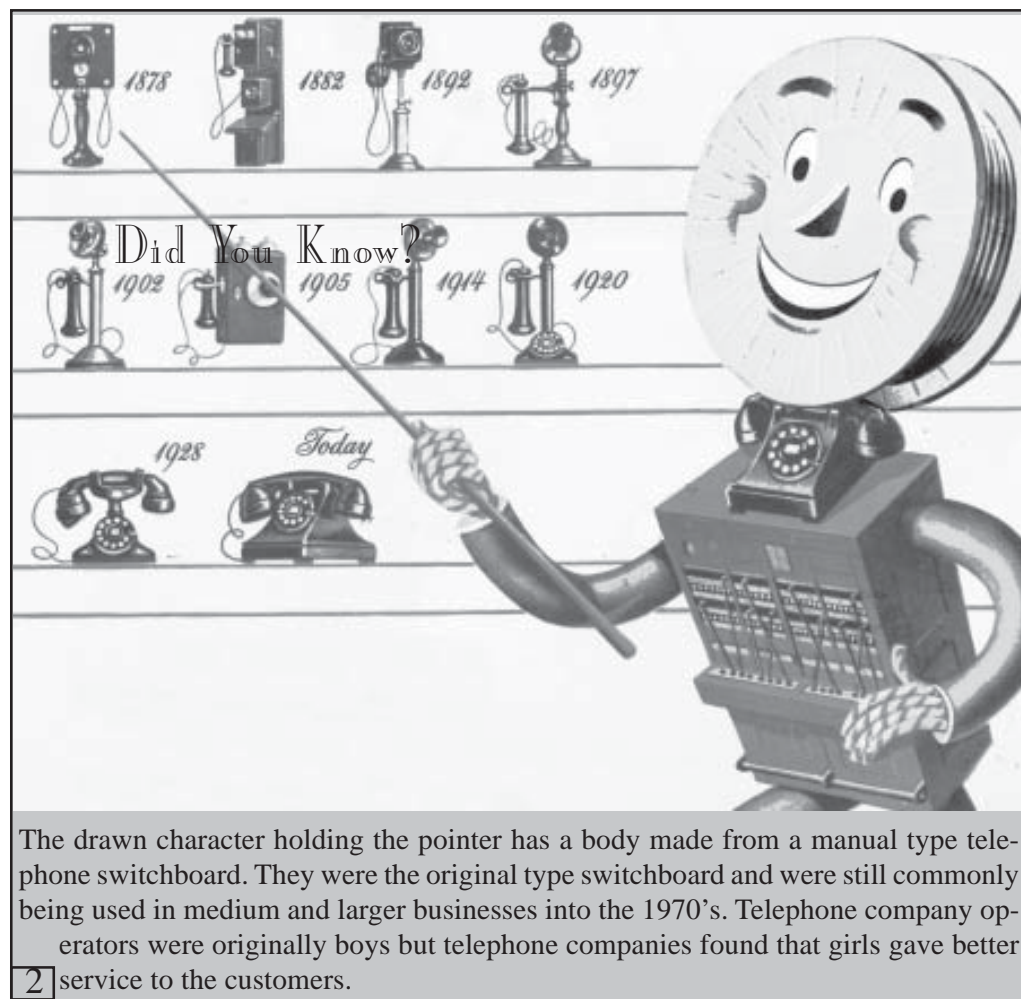
6-Obey parking restrictions especially in school zones, as illegally parked cars can create a hazard for everyone, especially the children.

7-Don't drive while being distracted by talking on a cell phone, eating, drinking etc. because taking your eyes off the road even for a second can lead to an accident.


Free Gun Trigger Locks Available

The Bogota Police Department is distributing free gun trigger locks to any resident interested. The locks are available at Police Headquarters and can be picked up at anytime.

There are a limited number of locks available which will be given out on a first come first served basis. Anyone with questions regarding this program can contact Capt. Michael Brophy at (201) 487-2400.



The drawn character holding the pointer has a body made from a manual type telephone switchboard. They were the original type switchboard and were still commonly being used in medium and larger businesses into the 1970's. Telephone company operators were originally boys but telephone companies found that girls gave better service to the customers.



**Gooney Bird Detachment
Marine Corps League**

Post Office Box 1775
New Millford, N.J. 07646

Dear contributors, supporters, participants and friends of the Marine Corps Reserve "TOYS for TOTS" program.

On November 10, 2006, (The Marine Corps Birthday) the Marine Corps League, Gooney Bird Detachment, will start their annual "TOYS for TOTS" Program.

The Marine Corps League, Gooney Bird Detachment has again assigned Commandant John Wilkins (a Bogota resident) and Senior Vice Commandant Donald W. Bann as Co-Chairmen of the "TOYS for TOTS" program in the Bogota area.

Boxes will be set up with permission in The Bogota Borough Hall, Bogota Police Station, your local banks, and any other place that are wishing to do so too.

E. Roy Bixby and Lillian Steen Schools have been collecting toys for many years. They have put a smile on the faces of thousands of unfortunate children in the years gone by.

If you are unable to drop the toys off, we will be happy to pick them up.

Checks may be made out to name and address above and writing (TOYS for TOTS) on the left bottom of check.

For more information, please call Donald W. Bann at 201-836-0038 or E-mail him at gold50card@optonline.net.

**GOD BLESS ALL OUR TROOPS AND GOD BLESS AMERICA.
BRING THEM ALL HOME SAFE AND SOUND.**

Commandant John Wilkins
Bogota "TOYS for TOTS"

Sr. Vice Commandant Don Bann
Bogota "TOYS for TOTS"

BOGOTA HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Keeping Food Safe After a Natural Disaster or Power Outage

Identify and throw away any food that may not be safe to eat.

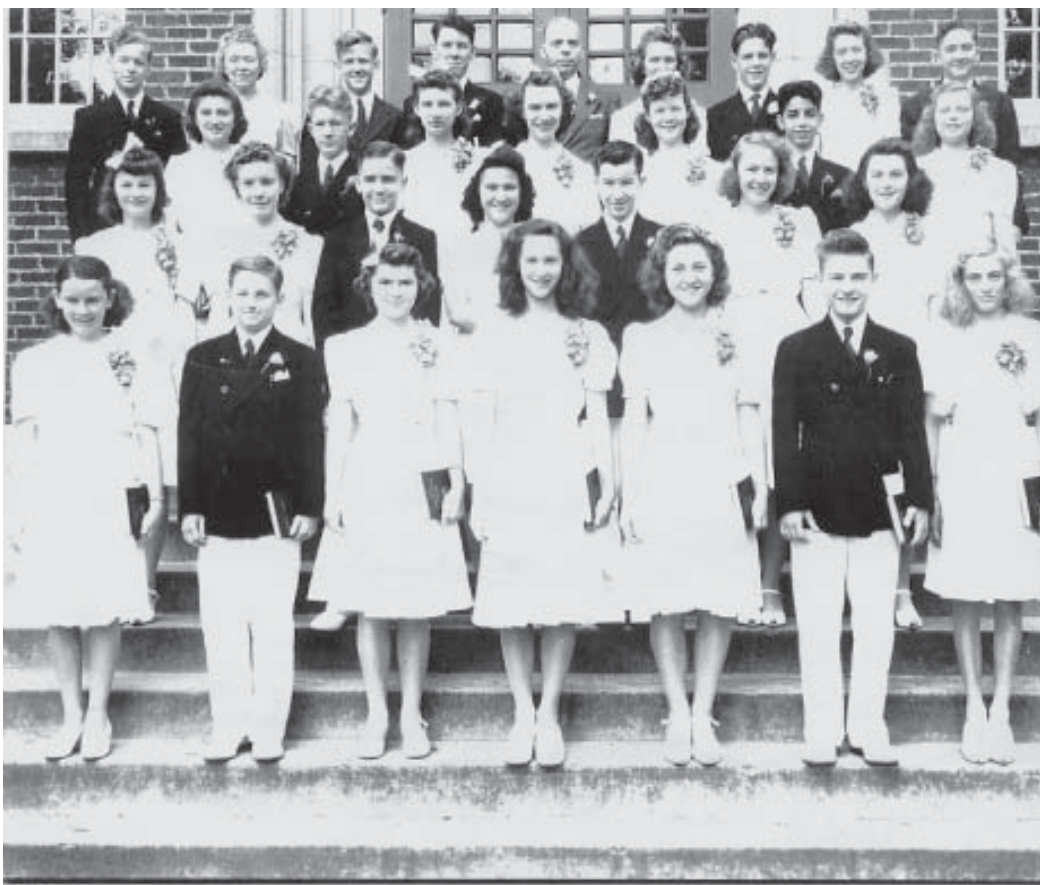
- Throw away food that may have come in contact with flood or storm water
- Throw away food that has an unusual odor, color or texture
- Throw away perishable foods (including meat, poultry, fish, eggs and leftovers) that have been above 40 degrees Fahrenheit (F) for two hours or more.
- Thawed food that contains ice crystals or is 40 degrees F or below can be refrozen or cooked.
- Throw away canned goods that are bulging, opened or damaged.
- Food containers with screw caps, snap lids, crimped cans, soda bottles twist caps, flip tops, snap open tops and home canned foods should be discarded if they have come in contact with floodwater because they cannot be disinfected.
- If cans have come in contact with floodwater or storm water, remove the labels, wash the cans, and dip them in a solution of 1 cup bleach in 5 gallons of water. Re-label the cans with a marker.
- Do not use contaminated water to wash dishes, brush your teeth, wash and prepare food, wash your hands, make ice, or make baby formula.
- While power is out, keep the refrigerator and freezer doors closed as much as possible.
- Add block ice or dry ice to your refrigerator if the electricity is expected to be off longer than 4 hours. Wear heavy gloves when handling ice.
- If there is no water available for hand washing, use alcohol based sanitizers.

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Senior News



On June 15, 2006 the Bogota High School Class of 1946 held their 60th reunion at Tuxedo Country Club in Tuxedo, New York. Pictured top row left to right, Dot Smith, Dick Cunneen, Helen Gableman Hoeland, Marilyn Reimer Hogan, Ralph Sciutto, Helen Ernst, Donald Oakley, Bill Lund, Linda Gattuso, Principal Bixby School, Bottom Row left to right, June Reimer Springer, Hellen Kovak Bergren, Bob Jacoby, Marilyn Griess Kellar, June Boswell Bell.



1942 ~ Eighth Grade Graduation

Class of 1942 from School #3 now known as Bixby School. The gentleman in the top row center is E. Roy Bixby, then principal as well as eighth grade teacher.

Library News

Many THANK YOU'S to all our summer volunteers...Don Kyu, Tommy, Mariam and Nazarin. Much gratitude to Mr. Condon for his chess expertise, Mr. Lemakos for his help; Laura Giumarra for the knitting program, Kay Horn for her storytelling; Elliott Banen, Crystal Blanton, Cornelia Geraghty and Francie Silos for their unique Readings Under the Stars (more often in the Back Room this summer!). Without you, our summer programs would not exist.

FALL PROGRAMS

MONDAYS

CHESS CLUB for young adults will meet at 8PM starting OCT.16th. in the BACK ROOM of the Library. ☺

TUESDAYS

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB for 4th and

5th graders will meet 1ST TUESDAY of the month,. Come to the Library's Back Room at 3:30-4:00pm on OCT. 3RD. YOUNGADULT BOOK CLUB for6TH and 7th graders will meet the 3RD TUESDAY of the month, in the Back Room at 3:30-4:00pm.on OCT. 17th.

THURSDAYS

STORYTIME for children 2-3 years old. 10:30am-11:00am . Caregivers, please stay with the children.

STORYTIME for children 4-5 years old 1:30PM-2:15PM . Caregivers may use this time to browse in the Library , or are welcome to stay with the children. Both programs will be upstairs in the Senior Center and begin OCT.5.

AMERICAN GIRL BOOK CLUB 3:30-4:15 pm the FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH beginning Oct. 5. This is open to 1st through 3rd graders and will be held upstairs in the Senior Center.

SATURDAYS

STORIES AND TALES for pre-kindergarteners to first-graders will be held at 10:30am in the Back Room of the Library, and starts October 7th.

ADULT PROGRAMS

2nd THURSDAY of the month 7:30pm **BOGOTA BOOK DISCUSSION** in the Back Room of the Library.

1st and 3rd THURSDAYS of the month **YARN TWISTERS** 7:00PM in the Back Room of the Library.

1st MONDAY of the month, the **FRIENDS OF THE BOGOTA LIBRARY** meet at 7:30pm.

The **Friends of the Bogota Library** are sponsoring two upcoming programs:

OCTOBER 24TH we will have a dramatic reading of **Washington Irving's ICHABOD CRANE** upstairs in the Senior Center.

DECEMBER 1 the Traveling Lantern Theatre Company will present the English classic " **A Christmas Carol**" by Charles Dickens at Steen School. Please watch for further details and...thanks for your support!

Did You Know?

The people in Bogota probably used all but the 1872 model phone in this display and even this one could have been used.

PLEASE CURB YOUR DOG

Respect your neighbor's property and public property meant to be enjoyed by all. Clean up after your dog. Bogota has an ordinance requiring anyone walking a dog on a public street or property to carry a pooper-scooper or other device for cleaning up after the dog. Anyone failing to be so equipped or failing to clean up after a dog is subject to a \$50 fine.

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Mr. Robert Jacoby, Bogota High School Class of 1946, and his wife Monica presenting a check for over \$22,355, a gift from the Class of 1946 to Superintendent Negron and High School Principal Oftedal.