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Beating the Pros

The Wood-Ridge High School Rotary Interact Club held a benefit Basketball Game on March 14, 2008. See story on page 15 and photos on pages 16 and 17.

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W-R Police Chief Warns --No Cell Phones While Driving

Wood-Ridge Chief of Police Joseph T. Rutigliano reminds area residents that the new law regarding the use of hand-held cell phones or electronic communication devices while driving, will be aggressively enforced.

The new law, which took effect March 1, 2008, states that motorists may be stopped and ticketed solely for illegally using a hand-held cell phone (unless it is used hands-free.)

The law also prohibits text messaging or sending an electronic message via a cell phone or electronic communications device while driving.

Previously, the law was only enforceable as a secondary offense, but it is now considered a primary motor vehicle offense.

The limited exception includes the operator using a cell phone while driving with one hand on the steering wheel

• If it is used to report a fire, a traffic accident, a serious

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road hazard or medical or hazardous materials emergency

- To report the operator of another motor vehicle who is driving in a reckless, careless or otherwise unsafe manner or who appears to be driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs
- The operator has reason to fear for his life or safety, or believes that a criminal act may be perpetrated against himself or another person. ###

McGahn/Woods **Retirement Dinner**

A retirement dinner, honoring two of Moonachie's finest, will be held at The Graycliff on Wednesday, April 9th, from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Moonachie Police Chief Michael McGahn is retiring after 30 years of service, and Detective Michael Woods is retiring after 25 years of ser-

Cost is \$25 at the door and includes a buffet dinner. Cash bar. Please RSVP for head count by April 2 by calling Det. Sgt. Tom Schmidt or Det. Jim McNeice at 201-641-4696.

File of Life

The Community Awareness Access for All Committee invites all Hasbrouck Heights residents to pick up a "File of Life" packet.

"File of Life" packets include a front door sticker, a medical information card and a magnet holder to place the card on the refrigerator door.

This information is used in case of a medical emergency.

Police and ambulance personnel will be able to access medical information from this card such as medications, medical conditions, allergies and emergency contacts.

"File of Life" packets are available free at Police Headquarters, Fire Department, Borough Clerk's Office, Police Department sub-station in the Municipal Complex and Commerce Bank.

The Community Awareness Access for All Committee meets 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month in the Municipal Complex. All Hasbrouck Heights residents are welcome to attend. ###

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School Board & Budget Elections April 15, 2008

Hasbrouck Heights: 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Moonachie: 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Teterboro: 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wood-Ridge: 2 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Hasbrouck Heights will have two separate additional budget proposals on their ballot. The taxes, if raised, will be used exclusively for the purposes stated and will not be incorporated into the district's base budget in subsequent years. These proposed expeditures are in addition to those necessary to achieve the Core Curriculum Content.

Summary

#1: In addition to the regular budget, the board seeks an additional \$196,000 for the relocation of the main offices from the second floor to the first floor in both the Lincoln and Euclid Schools.

#2: In addition to the regular budget, the board seeks an additional \$350,000 for the installation of new window casements in all district schools.

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Train Strikes Car on Tracks

On March 7, 2008, at about 6:30 p.m., the first tones sounded with the announcement, "A car is under a train."

It was dark, cold, and raining heavily when the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department responded.

It was reported that a car at the Malcolm/Franklin Avenue and Rt. 17 intersection, drove north on the railroad tracks and got stuck about five feet onto the tracks (with the driver thinking it was a road).

The driver exited the vehicle prior to the northbound train's approach.

The engineer of the northbound Pascack Valley Line train, with 550 passengers on board, applied the train brakes shortly before striking the rear of the 1992 white Nissan sedan driven by Melissa Miller, 49, of Clifton Park, NY.

The rear of the vehicle was jammed under the front of the locomotive on the western track of the siding, facing north, when it stopped about 600 feet from the intersection. (Reference: in line with the HH Little League Press Box.)

The rear of the vehicle was completely crushed to past the driver's seat. The air was filled with the smell of gasoline from Malcolm Avenue to the accident scene.

Upon arrival, the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department walked through the train to check for injuries. All passengers appeared okay. The engineer seemed shaken.

NJ Transit officials and HHFD Chiefs Michael Ratkowski, Kevin Todd and Richard Giarratana studied the situation and discussed various options.

HHFD Engine One parked at the rear of the Quest parking lot in Teterboro and Lodi Rescue parked in a lot on Route 17 North; both raised their tower lights to illuminate the scene.

For scene safety, all department members returned to the staging area near the Shell Station, except for essential rescue personnel.

The engineer reversed the train to see if the car would dislodge, but it didn't.

HHFD then got chains from the Rescue Truck parked along the tracks (behind the last train car). The HHFD chained the car to the tracks. When the locomotive engineer reversed the train the second time, the vehicle became dislodged.

Transit officials checked the locomotive for damage, as well as the siding switch and tracks.

Transit officials decided to back up the train and connect with the train waiting at the Wood-Ridge station.

By this time, five other trains were delayed up to 90 minutes.

The towing company truck (parked in a Rt. 17 North lot about 100' across Riser Ditch

to the tracks), using heavy-duty cable, rolled the car off the tracks, reconfigured the cable, then dragged the car through Riser Ditch and up to the shoulder of Rt. 17.

NJ Transit began running their trains on the eastern siding track.

It was reported that NJ Transit Police conducted a field sobriety test, then took the driver to HHPD Headquarters for a for a breathalyzer test, before taking her to NJ Transit Headquarters. NJ Transit Police charged the driver with DWI.

Police on the scene included NJ Transit and Bergen County, Moonachie Police at Industrial and Malcolm, Hasbrouck Heights Police (Chief Michael Colaneri, Det. Alan Baker, Sgt. Michael Vargo, Officers Jeffrey Werner and Corey Lange).

While the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department was working the call, mutual aid fire departments were stationed at HHFD Headquarters to handle any town emergencies. They included: Little Ferry, Wallington and Wood-Ridge.

For more information about this intersection and railroad siding, see **The Gazette Newspaper**, February issue, pages 14 and 15. Available online at: www.The-Gazette-Newspaper. com ###

Stay Alive! Don't Drink and Drive

The New Rules of Small Business Financing

Change has swept through businesses, the business owner industries, society, and careers. Over the last few years, change and its companion (information technology), is altering the face of small business financing. The decision of loan approval is determined by a computerized credit scoring program, unless a business requires a loan or credit product over \$100,000.

Automated credit scoring reduces the subjectivity of the loan process and improves the bank's profitability. Having a relationship with your banker does help in some areas, but not with automated credit scor-

It may benefit some companies when the subjectivity is removed. For instance, a commercial banker with many failed restaurants in his credit portfolio may be more inclined to decline your loan. The credit scoring system would remove any bias present in the decisionmaking process. The other possible benefit is credit scoring removes the need for a business plan and only financials are required.

In light of the "new rules" governing the small business financing process for small

Commander's Pet Project

The VFW will hold a dinner dance, beginning at 7:00 p.m. until 11:30 p.m., on April 19, 2008. Cost is \$30 per person and includes Loin of Pork dinner with all the trimmings, live music by Joe Caroselli, a four hour open bar plus wine, beer and soda.

VFW Post 4591 announced that they have a new chef and invite you to come and try him

Post dinners always offer table service and meals are served on dishes with silverware, cloth napkins and table cloths. There is plenty of parking and the facility is handicap accessible.

This event benefits the Commander's Pet Project which is supporting three veterans homes in New Jersey (Paramus, Menlo Park and Vineland). Members of the Veterans Home in Paramus will be guests of the Post.

The public is invited. Table and couple reservations are requested by April 9th. For reservations or more information call Mike at 201-288-3654, Astrid at 201-970-3144, Andy at 973-773-1812 or the Post at 201-288-1112. ###

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can adopt these strategies:

Small Business Financing Strategies for the New Lending Environment

- Assess Credit Needs: If the amount needed is closer to \$100,000, apply for \$110,000 or more. Usually if the bank wants a business plan, it might not be using a credit model.
- Get Your Credit Report: Before making a loan or credit application, obtain your credit report and check for errors and omissions.
- Be Accurate: If you are applying for less than \$100,000 and the bank is using credit scoring automation, go over all questions for the loan or credit application. Make certain the data you provide is accurate and ask questions to understand the information in the application.
- Watch Your Code: Make sure you provide an accurate description of your business. The bank can code your com-

pany by NAICS (North American Industry Classification *System*) or the dated SIC codes. Inaccurate coding can alter the outcome of the approval.

- Know Why: If your application is declined, ask for an explanation or a "human" review.
- Find a Bank: Consider the type of bank you select for applying for small business financing. A larger bank or institution will use the automated credit scoring system more. Seek out local community banks or specialty banks for a particular industry.

The new changes to the small business financing market represent an intensifying competitive industry. Many non-bank players are forcing banks to adapt to the market or lose market share. For the small business owner, this means a greater choice and service as all companies wake-up to the size and power of small business. ###

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On Sunday, March 16, at about 1 p.m., the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department, with assistance from the Wood-Ridge Fire Department, responded to a smoke condition on Harrison Avenue.

The homeowner had started a fire in the fireplace when the top of the chimney caught fire. It appears that a squirrel's nest on top of the chimney caught fire.

The departments put out the fire with a pressurized water extinguisher, and cleared the top of the chimney of debris.

The residents returned home, but the squirrel is seeking a new residence. ###

Keep your family safe by checking for product recalls

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Prevention Bureau recommends that you periodically check the US Consumer Product Safety Commission's web site for recent recalls and product safety news at: www.cpsc.gov

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W-R/Carlstadt Battle Blaze

The Carlstadt and Wood-Ridge Fire Departments were called into service at about 3:15 p.m., Saturday, February 23, 2008.

Published reports stated that the fire was caused by a broken water pipe on the second floor bathroom toilet that leaked onto electrical wiring in the first-floor utility room -- short circuiting and causing

The 70 year old homeowner stated that she discovered the leak when she returned home at about 2:30 p.m. and called her son for help. But the fire

started before she could get out the door.

The fire started in the front door area, traveled up the staircase and shot out second floor windows, then traveled to the back of the home.

The blaze engulfed the Carlstadt 8th Street home before firefighters arrived.

It took firefighters more than an hour to extinguish. Rutherford Fire Department provided the F.A.S.T team. The home was destroyed. The fire is under investigation. No injuries were reported. *Photos* by Dennis Kronyak. ###

Beware of Placing International Phone Calls Without Realizing it

The Hasbrouck Heights Police Department warns the public about making international phone calls without realizing it.

It is not easy to tell if you are dialing an international telephone number. In most cases, you have to dial "011" to begin a call to a foreign country.

But there are locations outside the United States whose telephone numbers may look like domestic long-distance calls, but they are actually international calls and international rates apply.

For example, 809, 284 and 876 are area codes in the Caribbean.

And you don't find out about the higher international call rates until you receive your phone bill.

There are "urban legends" that state all "809" calls are scams. According to AT&T, some of these "urban myths" contain misinformation, especially the highly exaggerated cost of a phone call to the 809 area code -- which is a legitimate area code for the Dominican Republic; 284 -- British Virgin Islands and 876 -- Jamaica.

But beware. There are many scams that deceive consumers into calling an international number.

You may see an ad for a service that directs you to call a specific number or you may receive a page, and e-mail message or an "urgent" message on your answering machine. All messages direct you to call a number for more information -- almost always an international number.

Such scams (including urban myths) being reported: you get a call telling you that they have information about a family member who is ill or someone has been arrested, died or to let you know that you have won a wonderful prize, etc.

In each case you are told to call the "809" number right away. Since there are so many new area codes, people unknowingly return these calls, assuming they are making a domestic long distance call.

Caution should be exercised since the 809 area code may be a "pay-per-call" num-

ber (such as 900 numbers in the United States), but there are no legal requirements that callers be informed that they are being charged extra.

When you return one of these "pay-per-call" 809 calls, the scammers try to keep you on the phone as long as possible, and you may be charged high rates for the call.

It may be difficult to get credit for these charges if you do get scammed, since you did make the call and resolving the problem involves getting credit from international phone companies.

The Hasbrouck Heights Police Department suggests that you be cautious about calling area codes you don't recognize.

- Check your telephone directory or call the operator to determine where the area code is before making your call.
- Control access to your telephone so unauthorized callers do not use your phone to call these services. A block on calls to "900" services will not stop calls to "011" or "809" numbers. If you are sure you won't need to make international calls, call your long-distance carrier and ask them to put an international block on your telephone line.

• If you are a victim of this scam, report it to your local police department.

AT&T stated that if you believe that you have been scammed, contact the carrier with whom the charge originated, whose name and toll-free telephone number should be printed on the same bill page as the charge in question. Often the problem can be resolved with a single phone call.

The FCC states that if you are billed for a call you made as a result of this scam, first try and resolve the matter with your telephone company. If you are unable to resolve it directly, you can file a complaint with the FCC. There is no charge for filing a complaint. The FCC web site is www.fcc. gov/cgb/complaints.html or call: 1-888-CALL-FCC (1-888-225-5322). ###

Smoke Detectors Save Lives



(l-r) Barbara Smith, Bergen County Sheriff Leo McGuire, Marie Viducich and District Lt. Governor Frank Pinto.

Sheriff Warns Against Identity Theft

In Shakespeare's play, "Othello," there is the line which reads, "But he that filches from me my good name/Robs me of that which not enriches him/ and makes me poor indeed." In reality, Identity Theft does that very thing. Someone, by taking your identity, uses your name for criminal purposes.

Bergen County Sheriff Leo McGuire was the guest at a recent meeting of the Hasbrouck Heights/Teterboro Kiwanis Club. His topic was "Identity Theft." He stated that each year, more than 9.3 million Americans become victims of this crime.

Sheriff McGuire stressed that when your personal in-

formation is stolen it is used without your knowledge to commit fraud or other crimes; it could destroy your credit and ruin your good name. It could also cost you much time and money to resolve.

Some of the ways criminals obtain information about you are through scams, dumpster diving, unsecured transactions and stealing wallets or purses.

His presentation focused on how one could protect himself/herself against Identity Theft. Some suggestions the Sheriff made were: to shred all documents and paperwork that have any personal information before discarding them; do not carry your Social Security card in your wallet or purse or write this number on a check; and not to give out personal information on the phone, through the mail, or over the Internet unless you know who you are dealing with.

Sheriff McGuire stated that under federal law, we are entitled to a free copy of our credit report from each credit agency every 12 months. We should do this to check it out and see who has made inquiries about you. The number to phone for your free copies is 1-877-322-8228 or on the Internet www.AnnualCreditReport.com Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###



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From Iraq to Moonachie

Meet Moonachie's First Female Police Officer -- Kelly Ricardo

Kelly Ricardo is a lifelong resident of Moonachie. She attended R.L. Craig School and is a graduate of Wood-Ridge High School.

Since 8th Grade, Kelly wanted to be a nurse or doctor. That's why she joined the Moonachie First Aid and Rescue Squad in 2002 and became a certified EMT. But things change.

She enlisted in the US Army in August 2003 for an 8-year commitment (six years reserve and 2 years inactive reserve), attending basic training at Ft. Jackson, SC, January 2004, then advanced training for supply in Ft. Lee, VA, March 2004. Upon completing her training, she returned to her reserve unit, the 920th Transportation Company in Jersey City.

She was called to active duty in October 2004 (she was the only soldier from the 920th to be called up). She first mobilized at Ft. Dix, NJ, from October to December 2004, receiving Military Police training.

PFC Ricardo's first deployment was in October 25, 2005 with the 306th MP Battalion, serving with soldiers from Kentucky, Michigan, New York and Virgina.

At age 19, she went to Iraq for 18 months, serving at Abu Ghraib Prison. Here prisoners are processed and incarcerated, although they may be transferred to other camps after sentencing.

At Abu Ghraib she did corrections work to include providing food, clothing, water, medical care, supervising bathroom and personal care, in-processing prisoners, DNA eye scans, etc.

After working in the prison hospital with the detainees, she decided that she didn't want to

With the exception of being in her personal quarters, Kelly always wore an IBA vest (In-

terceptor Body Armor) which weighs 15 pounds, plus the weight of full rounds of bullets, first aid pouch, etc.

She said they took armed convoys everywhere, even to Burger King, Subway, PX, etc. There were always convoys to **Baghdad International Airport** to pick up or send detainees. They went everywhere with loaded weapons and were on guard all the time - it just wasn't a bus ride!

While stationed in Iraq, it was always immediate alert status with weapons on hand at all times. There were ongoing minor firefights at the perimeter, and mortar attacks. She was in one major combat conflict where she fired her M-16. She commented, "of course the attack on our compound occurred when I was in my "T" shirt and shorts."

In Iraq, she stayed in a two story building, with the top floor housing about 20 women. There was a plywood

partition separating the soldiers. Personal area included a bed, footlocker, shelves, desk everyone made their own space. She had her own laptop computer that played movies. There was no barracks TV. However, she

had air conditioning in her quarters. The bathrooms were port-a-johns. They took showers in a trailer. If there was no water, they used 3-liter bottles of water to wash.

They had access to phones and Internet at a center near the mess hall. There is no "Stars and Stripes" newspaper or "Armed Forces Radio/Telebe a nurse for the rest of her vision." There was a camp newspaper that was run off on a copier. In the mess hall, CNN played all the time. Muslim prayers were broadcast

throughout the compound.

Her treat was getting mail from family, her best friend Kevin Mulvaney and Members of the Moonachie First Aid and Rescue Squad, which she will always cherish. The return address had to be burned for security.

The Army supplied only basic needs. She received amenities from www.operationac. com, where people would adopt a soldier. Six or seven people sent Kelly stuff – boots, shirts, air mattress, movies, personal care items, etc. "Those benefactors made you -- feel like a person -- you made friends with them," she said.

In the camp, they did not have reveille, retreat or any formations. Officers were not saluted. No civilian clothes were permitted and you always had to be in the correct military uniform. Kelly's daily life consisted of waking up and getting ready for work -- 12+ hour shifts, seven days a week

> -- then back to her personal space, shower, watch a movie, make phone calls, do laundry, etc. It was a dry camp with no EM club. There was nothing special for holidays,

except what came in care packages, which was shared.

She said, haircuts were \$3 and mused that she had long hair before going to Iraq.

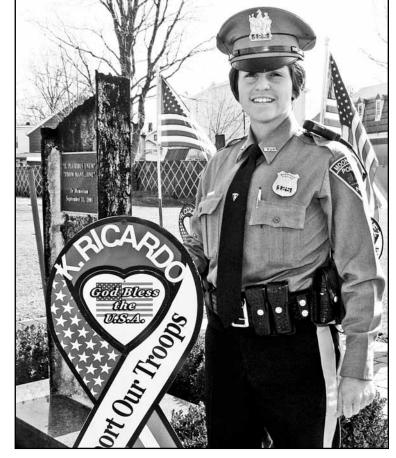
She served a full tour except for an emergency leave due to two deaths in the family. Her battalion returned to Ft. Dix and demobilized in December 2005.

Upon her return, she was named "the most motivated soldier in the Battalion" and was informed that she had to give a seven minute speech in front of 800 people.

She said, "attitude and a set character got me through my Iraq deployment." Adding, "every minute you don't smile, is happiness you'll never see."

She became a Sgt. (E5) upon her return and is working on becoming an E6, which will probably mean going to NCO

She said, "I was 19 years old when I went to Iraq. I grew up quickly being away from home and doing things on my own. I appreciate my parents



more. The phone calls to home were special."

"The world became a lot different when I saw dead bodies, or someone I knew died from a sniper. But I am proud of myself. I saw war. I lived life in nowhere land where it was 147 degrees, detached from my family and friends. I grew up fast."

After two weeks at home, she took a job at Teterboro Airport FBO First Aviation, as a line service technician.

After 6 months, she took the standard Civil Service exam for law enforcement, with a preference for municipal police work. She said that because of her special relationship with the community, she wanted to be a Moonachie Police Of-

The Borough of Moonachie hired her as their first female police officer in 2007, and she went to the Bergen County Police Academy two weeks later to begin the 21week/five month police curriculum training.

Of the 52 cadets at the Academy, there was one other woman, who quit after two days due to an injury. She graduated the Academy's "Class of 99." Her favorite class was "defensive tactics." And the worst was PT (physical training).

The Academy was not like Army basic training. She stated that when she went into the service she was physically fit, being active in track and basketball in high school, so there was a smooth transition from civilian to soldier. But with the time off after service and working a civilian job, she

said that she was out of shape for the rigorous physical training at the Academy.

Upon graduation, Kelly began the standard one-year probationary period where she works rotating shifts. For the first three months, she trains with Field Training Officer Sgt. Richard Behrens on patrol. She receives customized training orientation for Moonachie Police procedures, such as the protocol for traffic stops, writing a summons, court, etc. After orientation, she will be allowed to patrol alone.

She is looking forward to advancing through the ranks and is determined to be a detective, stating, "I have 24 years left to accomplish this goal." But who knows, maybe someday she may become the first female Police Chief.

She plans on writing her memoirs someday.

Kelly feels that she brings to the department translation skills (bilingual Spanish/English), youthful enthusiasm and military experience. She believes that her fellow officers have accepted her.

Kelly stated that she loves Moonachie and welcomes the opportunity to serve her community.

She is the youngest of three siblings and the first in her family to go to Iraq. Her older sister, Leslie, served in Korea, Iraq and has been reactivated for Kuwait. Her older brother, Roberto, is in the Army Reserve.

Her parents, Xenia and Roberto, have resided in Moonachie since September 1985.



HH Little League Pancake Breakfast

The HH Little League will hold its 13th Annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 13th, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the VFW Hall on Veterans Place.

The menu includes pan-

Hasbrouck Heights
Little League
Opening Day
April 12 at 9:00 a.m.

HHSA Soccer Registation April 2

The Hasbrouck Heights Soccer Association (HHSA) will hold registration on April 2nd from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Registration will take place at the Hasbrouck Heights Senior Center located at 320 Boulevard -- Central Avenue entrance.

All Hasbrouck Heights children with a birth date before Dec. 31, 2003 are eligible.

Registration forms are available at: hhscoccer.com Forms must be accompanied with small picture of the child and copy of birth certificate.

Cost schedule is: first child in family \$75 (\$90 after June 1), second child in family \$65, and no charge for any additional children in family. Only checks and cash are accepted.

The HHSA is looking for volunteers in the following areas: coach, referee, field maintenance, fund raising, booster, entertainment, parade, etc. ###

Benefit Softball

Moonachie Scouts Pack #2 vs. Moonachie First Aid & Rescue Squad square off at 1 p.m., Saturday, April 26, for a benefit softball game.

The match-up will be at Tucci Field on Redneck Avenue. Donation is \$5. Proceeds support "Autism Speaks."

There will be contests, games, prizes and music provided by Z100 Party Patrol. ###

Scouts "Try It Patch"

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The HH Little League will cakes, sausage, sweet rolls, crumb cake, bagels, juice, milk akfast on Sunday, April and coffee.

This event usually serves about 1,500 breakfasts.

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

The Chinese-style sports memorabilia auction will follow from noon to 1 p.m.

Winners do not have to be present at the time of the drawing to win.

Proceeds will be used towards concession stand expansion and new (handicapped accessible) bathroom facilities.

Call Gary at 201-615-5864 for more information. ###

HH Little League Field Clean Up

The Hasbrouck Heights Little League reminds parents that the annual field clean up and maintenance is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 29. Field maintenance is mandatory for all managers and coaches.Bring a rake. Continental breakfast provided. ###

5K Run/1 Mile Walk April 13

On April 13, 2008 the Hasbrouck Heights Education Association will sponsor its tenth annual five kilometer and one mile run/walk to raise money for their scholarship fund.

The 5k run is called the Rau-Fitzgerald Memorial Run and the 1 mile walk is the Cheryl Terlemezian 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk.

The event begins at Hasbrouck Heights High School at 365 Boulevard. Check-in starts at 8:00 a.m. The 5k Run/Walk starts at 9:30 a.m. 5K awards will be presented at 10:15 a.m. with medals for top male and female, and medals for top three males and females in these categories: 18 and under, 19-29, 30-39, 40-49 and 50 and over.

The 1 mile Walk/Run starts at 10:30 a.m. Kiddy races (ages 2-8) begin at 10:45 a.m.

Pre-registration is \$18 (with day of race \$20), children under 18 for 5K \$10 and 1 mile \$5. Kiddy Race is \$5. There is a \$50 family rate.

Amenities include: "T" shirt, timing system, awards, post-race refreshments, restrooms and parking.

This event is to benefit Hasbrouck Heights students.

Corporate sponsorships and donations are welcomed.

Registration form and additional information is available at: http://hhschools.org/raufitz08.html For more information call Barbara at 201-288-1426 or email: Babsbiz@optonline.net ###

W-R/Moonachie LL Opening Day

The Wood-Ridge/Moon-achie Little League has scheduled Opening Day for April 12, 2008. It begins at 11 a.m., with a parade starting at the Wood-Ridge CVS, down The Boulevard to Union Avenue, then to the 6th Street Field. ###

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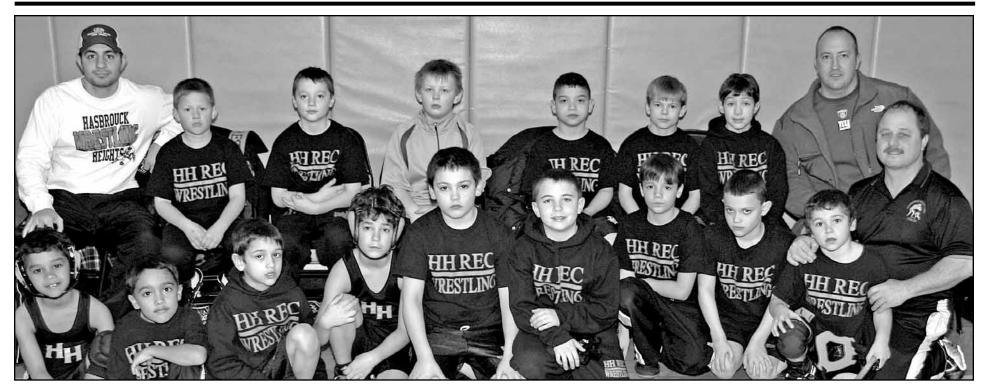
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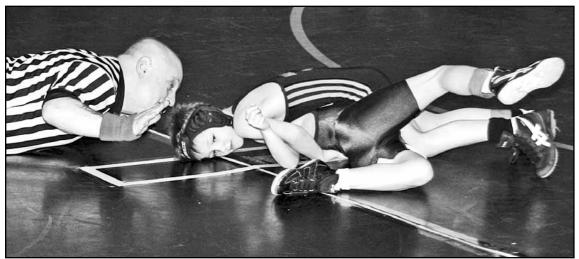


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Feintuch Memorial Wrestling Tournament

The Andy Feintuch Memorial Wrestling Tournament was held on Sunday, February 24th, from 8:45 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., at the Hasbrouck Heights High School in the new gym.

Ten towns participated in this qualifying District Tournament with about 600 wrestlers from Hasbrouck Heights, Glen Rock, Montvale/Woodcliff Lake, Riverdale, New Milford, Waldwick, Saddle River, Cliffside Park, West Highlands and Union City.

The Heights team earned 8 gold, 13 silver and 10 bronze medals.

This invitational tournament was hosted by the Hasbrouck Heights Recreation Department. The Recreation Director is Robert Brady.

The top two winners of each weight class advanced to the Regional Tournament held March 2nd in Hackensack.

Pulling gold were John Iurato, Nate Onorato and Marc Mastropietro. Silver was awarded to Jason Dal Cortivo, Ethan Palladino and Alex Hodulik. Bronze was earned by Steven Salerno and Sven Nielsen.

Sven Nielsen finished second at the Fair Lawn State Qualifier held March 9th.

Sven joins "Heights Rec" wrestlers Marc Mastropietro, Jason Dal Cortivo and Daniel Dal Cortivo, who will compete at the USAW New Jersey State Championship Finals. The team competes in the Twin-County Junior Wrestling League (TCJWL).

The Hasbrouck Heights Recreation Wrestling Program was established in the 1970's for children 6 years old (1st Grade) to 14 years old (8th Grade). Typically, 50 to 60 kids participate annually, with 56 boys participating in the 2007-2008 recreation wrestling program.

The program is funded by the Hasbrouck Heights Recreation Department.

Registration fee is \$45 per child and includes uniform, practice uniform, tournament entry fees, insurance and practice/training and supervision.

Wrestlers practice at the Franklin Fitness Center two to three times a week for the 16 tournaments/matches.

The program's goal is to instill positive values such as goal setting and self-discipline, while at the same time making the sport an enjoyable experi-

The Hasbrouck Heights volunteer coaches were: Dan Guido (Head Coach), Steve Dal Cortivo, Alex Garcia, Drew Goodman, Marty Innis, Brian Moran, Dan O'Malley, George Rose and Mark Stefanelli.

Many volunteers helped make this event possible, such as the volunteer parents of the program. Rosanna Guido coordinated the volunteers.

The program website is: www.hasbrouckheightsrecwrestling.com ###

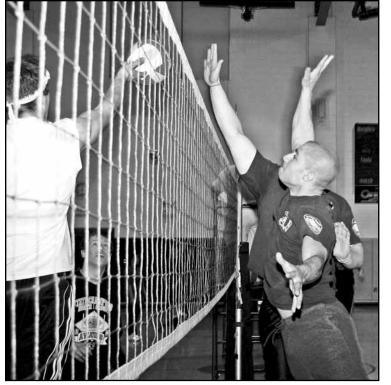


The Andy Feintuch Memorial Wrestling Tournament was named as a tribute to the person who dedicated his adult life to the betterment of Hasbrouck Heights and had been a pillar of the community since he began his 28 year career in the Borough in 1972.

As Recreation Director, Andy Feintuch began the wrestling program in Hasbrouck Heights.

Mr. Feintuch collapsed while watching a wrestling match during the 35th tournament in 2000 and died a short time later at age 49. ###





Benefit Volleyball

Volleyball games between the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department, Hasbrouck Heights HHHS faculty and HHHS students were held February 29, 2008, in the new High School Gym, starting at 7 p.m.

Coach Nick Delcalzo briefed the players on the rules of engagement. Photo above shows all of the players.

Two games were played simultaneously, side by side.

Players and fans had a great time during this friendly competition. Proceeds to benefit HHHS Project Graduation for each grade level, 9-12. ###







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HH Municipal Complex Rocks

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"Random Selection" with Bernie Valente, Will Tahan and the Twins of Doom -- Jason and Shawn Sproviero.

• "Burning Testament" with Paris Maloupis, Manohar Katara and Dan Rynerson.

• "Heart Attack" with Ray Hohnecker, Chris Goodlof, Sean Krazit, Mikey Montalbano and Geena Lucibello.

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Brittany in a split with Fran Crespo, Julie Sheridan, Rachael Dallara

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Seven years ago, four year old Brittany Gudanowski stepped through the door of **Xcel Tae Kwon Do Center** in Hasbrouck Heights.

Her parents, Meg and Paul, thought Tae Kwon Do might be a fun activity for their young

Master Steven Lee, a former US National Team member and head instructor at Xcel Tae Kwon Do Center, remembers how focused Brittany was, even at an early age. He recalls that every time she would advance in rank, within a day of receiving her new curriculum, she would have all her new requirements memorized.

She fell in love with the sport aspect of Tae Kwon Do as well. Tae Kwon Do is not only a great form of self defense, but is also a popular full medal Olympic sport.

There are local, regional, national and internationally sanctioned Olympic Tae Kwon Do tournaments with 20 million practitioners world wide, which makes it the most practiced martial art in the world.

Olympic Tae Kwon Do competition is a contact sport; one of few contact sports which allows and encourages young

girls to participate.

In Olympic Tae Kwon Do competition, athletes face each other in the ring trying to out kick, out-punch and out-strategize each other.

Head contact is not allowed for young kids, and safety equipment is required (which covers the sensitive areas of the body).

Because it is a fighting sport, toughness is the most important character, followed by dedication, and finally, skill. Dedication will improve skill in time, but ultimately toughness, in the form of the indomitable spirit, is how Tae Kwon Do champions are made.

Master Steven Lee knew he had to focus a bit more on Brittany when he witnessed what happened the very first time she started sparring. During that match, a boy she was sparring with missed his target and accidentally kicked Brittany in the face. He held his breath for a moment to see Brittany's reaction, but there was none.

Since that first sparring session Brittany, has done extremely well in competitive Tae Kwon Do.

She has racked up countless championship gold medals including six NJ State Championship titles.

Some kids have a knack for shooting hoops or swinging a bat, but Brittany's forte is taking on opponents in the squared circle. She does enjoy other sports such as soccer, which became an indirect beneficiary from her seven years of kicking in Tae Kwon Do training.

She also does well in school, which is a requirement being a student of Xcel Tae Kwon Do Center. She often brings home a straight A report card.

She loves to volunteer and teach the up and coming Tae Kwon Do students, such as her little brother, Keith. They all look up to her and want to become like her some day.

With her hard work ethic, strong family support and expert training from Xcel Tae Kwon Do Center in Hasbrouck Heights, we will not be surprised to see her name on the National Team roster some day, representing the USA in Olympic competitions world wide. Story by Master Steven Lee. ###

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In celebration of "Read bookmarks have been professionally printed by **Minuteman** Press of Hasbrouck Heights, and are available to give out at The Library's children's desk.

> Each winner also received a gift certificate to Barnes &

grade read their favorite book to a small group of children and parents.

The winners are: from First Grade, Lincoln School, Gabriela Gallen, Second Grade,

Noble. The winner of each Lincoln School, Gary Gonzales, and Fifth Grade, Corpus Christi, Deidre Dzugay. All the entries' bookmarks are on display at The Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library.

A special thanks to all the

contestants and to Mrs. Nickles, who also shares a birthday with Dr. Seuss. Story by Lisa Mason. ###

THINK GREEN

Moonachie Summer Recreation Program

The 2008 Moonachie Summer Recreation Program begins June 24th, ends August 1st and will be closed July 4th. It is divided into two groups: Pre-K/Kindergarten and First through 7th Grade.

PreK/Kindergarten runs from 8:30 a.m. until noon, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

First through 7th Grade runs from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The program is held at the R. L. Craig School.

This program is open to Moonachie children (proof of residency required). Family registration fee is \$10 for the first child with each additional child \$5. Field trips and other special activities are extra.

Registration forms will be distributed through the R. L. Craig School on Thursday, May 29 and available at the Municipal Building. ###

AHOF Open Cockpit Day

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Rec Trek 2008 Program

The HH Recreation Department announced details of the 2008 Summer Playground Program.

This year's six week camp will be held in Woodland Park from June 23rd through August 1st, Monday through Friday (weather permitting), except Friday, July 4th.

This is a full time summer day camp which means children stay through lunch with their counselors. Parents do not have to pick up their children until 3:30 p.m.

Children are expected to bring their own lunch and drink, but are allowed to go home for lunch with their parent's permission.

Each day the child comes to the park they must sign in with the counselor at the main table and may not leave until their parents sign them out.

Each day there will be playground activities such as kick ball, coloring, table games, wiffle ball, stick ball, jump ropes, arts & crafts, children's and teen activities, contests, etc., as well as story telling, craft sessions and special theme days.

Numerous field trips are scheduled to include: Bowcraft Amusement Park, Wild West City, Icehouse, Six Flags Great Adventure and Medieval Times.

Trips are geared for all ages and will be supervised by camp counselors.

Special theme days include Anti-Drug Day, I Love America Day, Halloween in July Day, Carnival Day, Camp Talent Show and Olympic Day.

The Recreation Department stated there will be enough supervision to handle the children and that children's safety is a main priority.

Registration will be done ahead of time in the Recreation Department Office, April 28th and May 5th, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. -- there will be no sign up in the park.

Trip registration is May 19th, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Recreation Department.

Registration is on a firstcome, first-served basis. You must register for the complete program to participate in any of the activities.

Camp Rec Trek is open to all Hasbrouck Heights boys and girls ages 6 through 14 who are permanent residents of Hasbrouck Heights.

Proof of residency and birth certificates must be shown upon demand.

The cost is \$60 per child plus optional trips. The nonrefundable fee includes all playground activities, most theme days and a "Rec Trek" camp shirt.

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"Brunch with the Bunny"

The Junior Women's Club of Hasbrouck Heights sponsored "Brunch with the Bunny" on Saturday, March 8th, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Senior Center at the Municipal Complex.

The event was sold out, with 150 tickets purchased in advance. The program included a light brunch buffet.

Johnny Magic entertained with a half hour show, inviting several children to assist him as junior magicians.

There was a "Guess the Number of Jelly Beans in the Jar Contest." (The total number is displayed in one of the advertisements in this issue. Just for fun, see if you can find it!)

The Easter Bunny arrived and all children received a free photo with the Bunny. Parents were also welcome to take advantage of this photo opportunity.

There were four gift baskets and one plant raffled off.

The Junior Women's Club has been sponsoring "Brunch with the Bunny" for over 10 years, and before that they held "Bagels with the Bunny."

This event is ideal for children 8 years and under.

All proceeds benefit local charities and scholarships.

Johnny Magic's web-site is www.meninmagic.com ###

Healthy Kids Day

The YMCA of Greater Bergen County is hosting "Healthy Kids Day" on Saturday, April 12, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at 360 Main Street, Hackensack.

Families and their children, ages 2-12, are invited to attend "Healthy Kids Day," for a special afternoon of free family learning and fun.

This event features fitness testing with fun elements like karate demonstrations and give-a-ways, health screenings, etc. For more information call 201-487-6600. ###







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The Annual Easter Egg Hunt was held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, March 15, 2008, at Depken Field.

The event was open to all Heights pre-schoolers (age 4-5) through Third Graders. No parents or underage children were allowed on the field. The Easter Bunny visited. Every child received a prize.

This event was sponsored by the Mayor's Celebration Committee.

Moonachie

The Moonachie Annual Egg Hunt was held 11 a.m., Saturday, March 15, at Robert L. Craig School. The event was open to K through the 3rd Grade. About 50 children attended, along with the Easter Bunny. Prizes and refreshments followed. Event sponsored by the Mayor's Celebrations Committee.

Wood-Ridge

- The Knights of Columbus St. Anthony Council 11585 held their Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, March 22, on the Assumption Church grounds for Pre-K through 3rd Grade. Refreshments followed.
- A Spring Egg Hunt was scheduled for March 15, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Catherine Doyle Elementary School. Program included contests. This activity was sponsored by the Wood-Ridge PTA. ###

(Left) Photos of Heights Egg Hunt. (Right) Photos of Moonachie Egg Hunt.











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Retired NFL player, Lonnie Allgood, brought his "Pros for Kids NFL and NBA" team of 7 professional athletes to play six different teams from the Moonachie/Wood-Ridge community in a "Dare to Dream" Charity Basketball Game.

The charity event was held 7 p.m., March 14, 2008, in the Wood-Ridge High School Gymnasium.

After all the players warmed up on the court with some practice shots, the program began with the WRHS band playing "Rock Around the Clock."

The Pledge of Allegiance was led and the Alma Mater was sung by the WRHS Chorale group. The Chorale Director, Melissa Manolakakis, sang "God Bless America."

Speakers included WRHS Principal, Mr. Tom Corbo, Interact Club Advisor, Mrs. Lucia DiNapoli and District 7490 Gift of Life Representative, Executive Director Ray Hough.

The concluding speaker was CEO and founder of "Dreams For Kids," Lonnie Allgood, former football player for the University of Syracuse (drafted by the Cincinnati Bengals), played for the New Orleans Saints and Buffalo Bills. Mr. Allgood is also a member of the Red Bank Rotary Club.

The evening's game included: Lee Rouson, two-time Super Bowl Champion for The Giants; Odessa Turner, Super Bowl Champion for The Giants; Harry Flaherty, Dallas Cowboys; Derek Murphy, Harlem Globetrotters; Sam Washington, Cleveland Cavaliers; Kevin Riley, Portland Trailblazers and Allen Swindell, Seattle Super Sonics.

The first half of the basketball game was played; first quarter, teachers, second quarter, parents and third quarter, WR Alumni.

During halftime, the WR Interact Club, along with younger grade school kids, presented a show, "Putting On the Hits Preview."

There was an autograph session, "Pros for Kids" NFL Store, tricky tray auction, food, face painting, music, 50/50, a sports memorabilia raffle, etc.

The second half of the game was played: fourth quarter, elementary school, fifth quarter, middle school and sixth quarter, WRHS students.

Between the fifth and sixth quarter, one lucky 7th Grader, Matthew Clerken, had a shot of a lifetime -- with a half court shot, that if made, the prize was worth \$5,000. His ticket was purchased by his parents.

The members of the WRHS Interact Club partnered with "Dreams for Kids" and did a lot of behind the scenes support work on this successful event.

They got the sponsors, advertisers, food, give-a-ways, tickets, DJ's, worked with the Board of Education, etc.

The WRHS Interact Club is a service club for young people ages 14-18 and is sponsored by the Mid-Bergen Rotary Club.

The WRHS Interact Club's goal is to raise money to sponsor one child through the Gift of Life Foundation (\$3,000 per child). The proceeds for this "Dare to Dream" event will be used towards that goal.

The Gift of Life Foundation provides the resources for Rotary Clubs and Interact Clubs to sponsor a child to have a life-saving heart operation.

Mr. Allgood is the CEO/founder of a non-profit organization called "Dreams for Kids." He organizes these events with schools, community clubs and church organizations.

Allgood believes that parents, teachers and coaches are the real motivators who guide children toward positive adult lifestyles. "I'm gonna come through once, but you guys will be here forever," he said.

Founded in 1999, "Dreams For Kids" provides motivational speakers for student assembly programs, after school programs, municipal and civic events, banquets, sales meetings, sporting events, etc.

Additionally, "Dreams For Kids" organizes fund raising sporting events such as basketball, softball, baseball, flag football, golf, etc., by bringing star professional athletes to their community.

In cooperation with professional athletes, "Dreams For Kids" delivers a positive message to kids, to help build strong character, and motivation for kids to achieve their dreams.

Currently, "Dreams for Kids" is in 35 NYC schools and about 20 NJ schools.

For more information about "Dreams for Kids" call 732-809-5320 or go to: dreamsforkids.org

The WRHS Interact Club is sponsored by the Mid-Bergen Rotary Club. The Rotary coordinator for this Interact Club is Myrna Gallipoli.

The Mid-Bergen Rotary Club was chartered in 1962 and serves the Hasbrouck Heights, S. Hackensack, Teterboro and Wood-Ridge area. They meet at noon every Tuesday at the Hasbrouck Heights Holiday

For more information about the Mid-Bergen Rotary Club go to: www.midbergenrotary.com ###

See photos on pages 16 & 17

Blue Devils Beat 7



The perfect partnership: WRHS Interact Club, (l-r) Sam Washington, Alan Swindall, Kevin Riley, Derrick Murphy, Lee Rouson, Odessa Turner, and Harry Flaherty and the











- WRHS band playing "Rock Around the Clock."
- WRHS Chorale group
- Lonnie Allgood with welcoming remarks.

(Left) Chorale Director, Melissa Manolakakis, singing "God Bless America."

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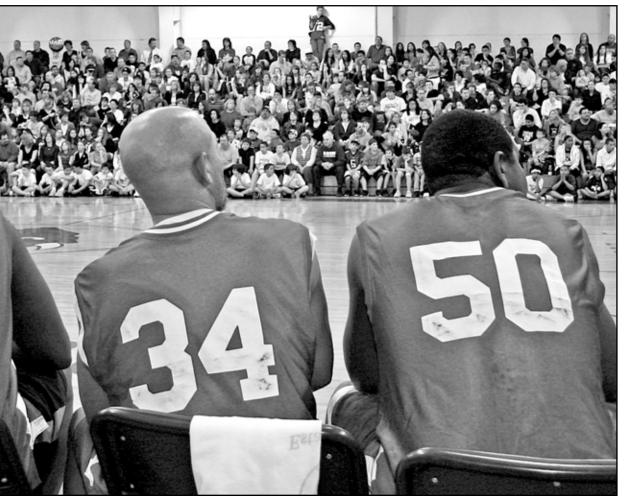


ne Mid-Bergen Rotary Club, with Lonnie Allgood at the end -- Behind this partnership are the communities of Moonachie and Wood-Ridge showing their support.





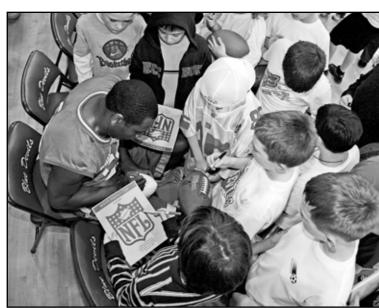








Derek Murphy of the Harlem Globetrotters



Sam Washington of the Cleveland Cavaliers

Corpus Christi School Gets Back to Business



As sweaters replace down jackets, and windows are flung open to grab fresh spring air, Corpus Christi School students get back to work after their Easter break.

The weeks prior to the break were an exciting period for fundraising for special charities. The St. Patrick's "Spirit Day," in which the students were permitted to wear green and white clothing instead of their uniform for a small donation, raised \$760 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

The month starts off with a little fun with the Upper Grades pizza night scheduled for Friday, April 4th.

Fun for parents will take place on Friday, April 11th, from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., when Corpus Christi School Casino Night is scheduled at Wellington, 301 Union Street in Hackensack. Tickets are \$50 per person and include open bar, hors d'oeuvres, tricky tray prizes and can be purchased by calling Charlotte at 201-669-7696.

The annual Spring Concert will take place on the 16th with Grades 3, 4, 5 and the school choir participating.

The final Open House of

the school year for new families will take place on Thursday, April 16th, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Class registration for the 2008/2009 school year and tours of the school, both at the Early Childhood Learning Center (*PreK3 and PreK4*) and the Main School (*K-8*), will take place on that day. For more information on class availability, please call 201-288-0614.

There is no school on Monday, April 21st for a Deanery In-Service Day.

Corpus Christi School parents are encouraged to attend the April 23rd HSA meeting to cast their vote for Parent Advisory Board members. Information about the candidates will be forthcoming to all parents before the election.

On the 24th, the 5th Grade will make a trip to Care One at Wellington to read with the residents.

On the 29th, the First Grade will tour Hackensack University Medical Center and the 4th Grade will make their traditional trip to Trenton to learn first hand about New Jersey government. Story and photos provided by Sonya Buckman. ###











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Young Pioneers Traveling West

On February 29, 2008, 2nd Graders from the R. L. Craig School, held a performance entitled "Westward Ho!" for 150 parents and fellow students PreK through 4th Grade.

The performance was the culmination of a month and a half curriculum based on the pioneers' lives while traveling

The premise was people were dissatisfied living in the east and traveled west. The story illustrated the difficulties and joys of the trip.

For this 45 minute musical, they learned speaking parts, used western props and had a supporting slide show.

They learned and sang six songs, featuring "Ghost Riders in the Sky" -- which delighted

the audience.

They also performed the western dance, "The Cotton Eve Joe."

Twenty-six children participated. They were assisted by two student teachers who wrote this script, Lauren Hughes and Laurie McGahn. The teachers were Mrs. Elise Henion and Mrs. Sandy Salvatorriello, who played the guitar.

Mrs. Henion said, "It was a joy being with these students who worked tirelessly in learning their songs and lines. The student teachers did a fantastic job writing such a professional script."

Mrs. Salvatorriello exclaimed, "The students knew the words to the songs better than we did." ###

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RLC School Uses Parent Notification System

Beginning in September verse 9-1-1 through Global Connect's Parent Notification System. The Moonachie Robert L. Craig School can send prerecorded messages to parents, students and staff members within minutes.

The cost is \$2 a year per student, with unlimited calling. Only the people in the selected database receive calls. Messages can be sent to everyone on the call list of an early dismissal, or narrowed to specific segments -- such as notifying only the parents affected that a bus is late.

According to Mark Solimo, School Superintendent, they have used the service about seven times this school year, using it mostly for weather-re-

lated delays, cancellation and 2007, the Moonachie Board early dismissals. The system of Education began using re- has also been used to remind parents regarding the distribution of progress reports and report cards.

> Mr. Solimo simply logs on to the Global Connect's system, records a message, selects the appropriate call list and schedules distribution time. This takes about five minutes.

> The message is broadcast immediately to everyone on the designated RLC person call list at the rate of about 75 calls a minute. If there is no answer, the system continues to redial until the party is reached. The system has the capability of calling multiple numbers for each student.

> The program does leave a message, and does track how

many calls were answered.

A real-time reporting feature allows school administrators to see which contacts have been reached, and an instant callback feature allows contacts to return the call for more information.

A major factor in this system is maintaining the contact database of current phone numbers. This happens frequently because of cell phone numbers changing, updating new and departing students, etc.

Unlike traditional phone chains, where select parents are called, who then call other parents, who call other parents... this system reaches everyone simultaneously with the same message. Parents find this notification process more reliable and convenient. ###

Practical Lawn Care Tips

As spring approaches and green returns to the landscape, winter-weakened lawns need help and care to come back to lush, healthy life.

According to an EPA national home and garden survey, homeowners spend about \$40 billion to service and improve damaged lawns to maintain a lush appearance.

Experts in lawn care services say now is the time to fertilize your lawn, control weeds and pests and check for and treat winter-related diseases in your grass. April is a good time to ensure a beautiful summer lawn. Proper fertilization and mowing, plus weed and pest control, will stop problems before they ruin your lawn for the whole season.

Fertilization: One of the most crucial lawn services is fertilizing during the spring because this feeding replenishes the reserves used during the dormant winter period and fuels grass's rapid growth phase.

A balanced fertilizer consisting of nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium is best, with 30 percent of the nitrogen slow release.

Don't over-fertilize your lawn -- no more than one pound of nitrogen should be applied per 1,000 square feet.

The best way to prevent weeds is with a thick, healthy lawn and routine care.

Weed control: Apply a pre-emergent weed killer on lawns to prevent grassy weeds from germinating.

Spring broadleaf weeds like dandelions, clovers and plantains, are best prevented by

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As spring approaches and maintaining a proper mowing en returns to the landscape, height and fertilization.

After a mild winter, annual weeds that germinate in the fall, like henbit and chickweed, will be more visible and require higher levels of broadleaf weed control through herbicides.

Pest control/Disease repair: Severe winters may increase the incidence of winter diseases such as snow mold and Bermuda dead spot. Proper cultural care is important in helping your lawn recover from stress related winter diseases. Properly timed fertilizer application and mowing at the recommended height for your grass type are two items that will aid in the recovery of your lawn.

Mowing: Setting your mower at a very low height is never recommended for any lawn, even during the first mowing of the season, because it increases weeds by exposing the soil surface to sunlight and removes stored nutrients in the leaf blade.

Cool weather grasses, such as bluegrass, ryegrass and fescues, should maintain a height of 2.5 to 3.5 inches.

Warm season grasses, like Bermuda, Zoysia, St. Augustine and Centipede, should be kept at 1.5 to 2.5 inches tall.

Spring is the perfect time to plant summer annuals and vegetables, but not for seeding lawns, which is best done in fall. In the fall, fewer weeds, more moisture and cooler temperatures allow seedlings to develop. ###

Moonachie Grass Collection

The Borough of Moonachie will pick up-grass, yard waste and tree trimmings every Wednesday, beginning April 2nd, through October 29th.

Grass is not collected at the Recycling Depot any longer and must be placed at the curb in compostible paper bags for collection.

Compostible paper bags are available for residents only (at cost) at Moonachie Borough Hall during business hours. Cost is three bags for a \$1 (maximum 15 bags at one time.)

Tree trimmings (less than 6" in diameter) must be cut in four foot lengths and bundled not to exceed 50 pounds. Tree stumps, tree trunks and branches exceeding 6 inches will not be picked up and must be disposed of by the resident.

Composting

Residents are strongly encouraged to compost grass clippings in their backyard in a small bin or pile. It can be used as fertilizer or as a ground cover to deter weeds in flowerbeds and gardens. It should not be used in gardens if the lawn has been treated with chemicals.

Mulching mowers allow you to "cut it and leave it" on the lawn. Grass naturally decomposes and provides food for new growth. ###

> Wood-Ridge Radio Broadcasts at 1580 AM

Spring Maintenance Tips

A home is one of life's most important investments. Keeping it properly maintained can help reduce the risk of loss and help ensure the safety and well being of friends and family.

Just in time for spring, Otterstedt Insurance Agency and Travelers Insurance offer these maintenance tips to prepare your home for warmer weather and keep it safe year-round.

- Inspect your smoke detectors. Make sure there is one on each floor of your home. Change the batteries at least every six months.
- Check the light bulbs in all your fixtures to be sure that they are the correct wattage as recommended by the manufacturer.
- Replace lamps that use high-producing bulbs (such as halogen) with those that use fluorescent bulbs and operate at much cooler temperatures.
- Check your electrical outlets for potential fire hazards such as frayed wires or loose-fitting plugs. Be sure not to overload electrical outlets, fuse boxes, extension cords or any other power service.
- Keep a multi-purpose fire extinguisher accessible that is filled and ready for operation.
- Have your air conditioning systems inspected by a professional.
- Check for damage to your roof, and clean gutters and downspouts to keep debris from accumulating.

- Check your water heater for leaks and corrosion, and keep surrounding area clear.
- Clean and/or replace your furnace filter.
- Clean the clothes dryer exhaust duct and space under the dryer. Remove all lint, dust, and pieces of material or cloth.
- Inspect washing machine hoses and replace hoses that show signs of wear or leakage with stronger reinforced hoses. Turn off the water when not in use to prevent water damage if a hose breaks.
- In your yard, remove all dead trees and keep healthy trees and bushes trimmed and away from utility wires. Do not attempt to remove tree limbs from power lines. Call the power company to request assistance.
- Safely store oil and gas for lawn equipment and tools in vented, secure areas.
- Repair driveway and walkways that are cracked, broken or uneven to provide a level walking surface.

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Influential People Who Never Lived

While browsing through The Library one day, I came across a book entitled "The 100: A Ranking of the Most Influential Persons in History" by Michael H. Hart. This book fascinated me and I just had to review it to see who the author selected and why these selections were made. I guess this book, which was published and updated years ago, must have caught the eyes of many others.

No doubt it caught the eyes of authors Allan Lazar, Dan Karlan and Jeremy Salter. Together they collaborated on an idea so unbelievable that it had to be done. Why not publish a list of the most influential people who never lived?

This list must include characters of fiction, myth, legends, television and movies; characters who have shaped our society; characters who have changed our behavior; and characters who set the course of history.

The task was not easy. When they completed their list with the research in support of each name, their publisher reduced the number to 101. The end product was "The 101 Most Influential People Who Never Lived."

Co-authors Lazar, Karlan and Salter were recent guests at The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights. They treated the audience to amazing stories about some of the characters from their book.

They discussed the Legends -- William Tell, Rosie the Riveter, Smokey the Bear, the Marlboro Man, Barbie, Jim Crow, Nancy Drew and Hamlet -- and how they influenced our lives. They discussed the many days and hours of research they needed to determine if the person really lived. Some of the other characters discussed were King Arthur, the Loch Ness Monster, Saint Valentine, The Little Engine That Could, and

authors was not only entertaining but interesting. They signed books, answered questions, but most importantly, shared information. Story and photo by Peter Gallo Jr. ###

John Doe. The evening with the co-

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Classic Broadway with a Twist comes to **Heights Library**

The music and personalities of the great Broadway composers, including Gershwin, Rodgers, Kern, Berlin and Bernstein, are brought to life when pianist and speaker, Nina Deutsch, takes center stage. Nina will perform on Sunday afternoon, April 20, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. This free program will be held in the Senior Center meeting room at 320 Boulevard.

This program will include classic favorites such as "Tonight," "Maria," "The Sound of Music," "Always," "Can't Help Loving Dat Man" and many others. Nina will also share interesting biographical details about the composers. The songs are done as sing-a-longs with the audience.

Nina Deutsch, a graduate of Juilliard and Yale, has studied with eminent pianists and educators. She has performed as soloist in over 1,500 concerts and recitals around the world. Though she is best known as an interpreter of the music of Charles Ives, her repertoire ranges from Bach to Boulez to popular music and jazz. So come prepared to thoroughly enjoy yourselves and learn a bit about the lives of some of our greatest Broadway composers.

This program is offered through the Horizons Speakers Bureau of the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, a state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities. To register call 201-288-0484 or log on to http://hasbrouckheights.bccls.org ###

Craft Night for Teens Features Finger Kniting

The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights will sponsor a fun-filled evening for teens to learn the wildly popular art of finger knitting.

The teens will join the regularly scheduled monthly adult craft group, called "Crafts-to-Share," on Tuesday evening, April 1 at 6:30 pm.

Mimi Hui, Library Director, will demonstrate this popular method of knitting by using your fingers. All supplies will be provided by The Library.

The Crafts-to-Share Club is held the first Tuesday of the month from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Craft members have adopted the name "Crafts-to-Share" because it captures the essence of the club. This is a chance to share your talents or develop some new ones and enjoy the camaraderie.

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Mr. Schulze was the prime mover in converting the old Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library on Division Avenue, into the Learning Center. He was the first Learning Center Chairman. The Center was dedicated October 2, 2004. (Dedication story: www.hasbrouck-heights.com/news04/ masons.shtml)

The Hasbrouck Heights Center currently tutors 34 dyslexic children and has a waiting list of about 35 children. They use the Orton-Gillingham method of teaching. The service is free.

For more information, call Gil Hunt at 201-288-4608. Or go to: www.childrenslearningcenters.org ###

All-You-Can-Eat Dessert Party

The Friends of Wood-Ridge Memorial Library have set the date for the annual Dessert Party fundraiser on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 at 7 p. m., in the Wood-Ridge Senior Center at the corner of Hackensack Street and Highland Avenue, adjacent to The Library.

Admission is \$10 at the door for the homemade all-youcan-eat desserts.

Tickets will not be sold in advance. The Friends of the Library will also serve coffee and tea.

At the Dessert Party, actor and author Chris Lucas of Wood-Ridge will make a presentation "The Man Behind the Mouse: An Evening with Walt Disney" on the life and work of Walt Disney. ###

St. John's Annual Plant Sale & Flea Market

Mark your calendars!! Spring is just around the corner and it is time to start planning our gardens.

This year St. John's plant sale will be held on Saturday, May 3rd, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., on the lawn. As in previous years, all our plants are hand picked at the nursery by our experienced gardeners.

Flowering plants, hanging pots, and vegetable plants will be offered for sale. Pre-order forms are available by calling Gale at 201-288-0002 and leaving a message. All plants are reasonably priced and of the highest quality. ###

Tea Party

The Friends of The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights request the pleasure of your company for a Sunday Afternoon Tea and Delights to be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., on April 27, in the Senior Center at 320 Boulevard.

Harpist Ardis Cavin will be performing. Gift baskets will be raffled off. Tickets are \$30 per person and are available at The Library. Seating is limited. No tickets will be sold at the door. Proceeds will benefit the Friends to support ongoing library programming. For information, call 201-288-0488. ###

A Walk in The Woods

Wood-Ridge Memorial Library is hosting its Book Discussion Group every third Tuesday of the month at 7:15 p. m. All are welcome.

The book to be discussed on Tuesday, April 15, 2008 is Bill Bryson's "A Walk in the Woods: Rediscovering America on the Appalachian Trail" (1998), a personal account of the history and sights along the mountain trail that stretches from Georgia to Maine. ###

Curriculum Expo at RLC

Moonachie residents are invited to attend the Robert L. Craig School Curriculum Expo, Art Exhibit and Variety Showdown on Thursday, April 10, 2008, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Parents and children can visit the cafeteria and view art exhibits produced by the students under the supervision of RLC's art teacher, Ms. Lee Ten Hoeve.

In the gymnasium, at 7:30 p.m., guests can enjoy the Variety Showdown '08 which showcases the students' singing, dancing and instrumental abilities.

Complimentary blood pressure checks will be administered by RLC School Nurse, Donna Gallo.

This event is designed to build pride and spark enthusiasm and support for the school by bringing together students, parents, teachers and neighbors. ###

Full Pink Moon

The April full moon will appear on Sunday, April 20, 2008, at 10:27. It is called the "Full Pink Moon."

According to the "Farmer's Almanac," this name came from the herb moss pink, or wild ground phlox, which is one of the earliest widespread flowers of the spring.

Other names include the "Full Sprouting Grass Moon," the "Egg Moon," and, among Coastal tribes, the "Full Fish Moon," because this was the time that the shad swam upstream to spawn.

The Native American Indians of the northern and eastern United States kept track of the seasons by giving a name to each recurring full moon. European settlers followed the custom. ###

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Rutgers University's Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center will host New Jersey's first statewide forum on aviation policy on April 16, 2008, beginning at 1:00 p.m,. at the Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy in New Brunswick. Titled "New Jersey Aviation Policy Forum: Issues, Challenges and Solutions for the 21st Century," the event is free and open to the public; to attend, please RSVP to: vtc@policy.rutgers.edu

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The forum is targeted toward state and local transportation planners and policymakers, engineering firms,

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airport managers, and others with an interest in the future of air travel in New Jersey. The forum will include remarks and presentations by industry leaders, and federal and state officials.

New Jersey Transportation Commissioner Kris Kolluri has been invited to present the Keynote Address. Manny Weiss, the FAA's Eastern Regional Administrator, will provide a federal perspective and Arlene Feldman, president of the New Jersey Aviation Association, will present the industry's perspective.

The forum will also include a panel discussion involving representatives from regional planning agencies. ###

Hasbrouck Heights Chamber Meeting

The Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce has scheduled a general meeting at 7 p.m., April 10th, at The Free Public Library. The public is welcome to attend. ###

Boulevard Beautification

The Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with the HH Garden Club, invites businesses and residents to sponsor a flower pot with planting to be placed along The Boulevard during

Cost is \$150 and includes the purchase of a fiberglass pot, soil, mulch and plantings.

The work will be done by the Garden Club at the DPW after the May 15th frost date.

Once the plantings have been completed, the DPW will then move the flower pots to their Boulevard location, and has agreed to water the plants during the season. After the summer, the DPW will collect the flower pots and store them for the winter.

Green thumb volunteers are welcome to help with the initial planting.

Recognition for sponsors will be located in the Municipal Complex. Call Ray for more info at 201-288-5464. ###



The Center for Food Action received a check on March 13, 2008 for \$1,200 from Bill O'Shea during a brief ceremony at Bill O'Shea's Florist. (l-r) Martin Saccomano, Bill O'Shea, Thelma Fedele (Director of Emergency Services, Center for Food Action) and Peter Gallo Jr.

CFA Gets \$1,200

The Center for Food Action (CFA) received a check on March 13, 2008 for \$1,200 during a brief ceremony at **Bill** O'Shea's Florist, 231 Boulevard, 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 trees and telephone poles 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 were 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. ###

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Pharmacist Corner

The Truth About **Head Lice & Nit Removal**

Due to the recent outbreak of head lice in the local schools. I wanted to provide information that separates the facts from the many myths regarding head lice infestation.

- · Head lice are small reddish-brown wingless insects, about the size of a sesame seed, that DO NOT fly or jump. They are passed through direct head to head contact, but also from sharing hats, brushes, and headrests.
- Head lice cannot live more than 48 hours off of a human head; therefore, pets are not affected because lice need human blood from your head to live, colonize, and lay eggs, known as nits, which are grayish-white. Lice do not care if your head is clean or dirty or if you are rich or poor -- they only want your blood.
- · An adult female louse lays 3-8 eggs per day, which are glued at an angle to the side of the hair shaft. They take 7-10 days to hatch and 7-10 days to become an adult and start laying eggs themselves.
- · Only those infested should be treated. I have received many calls about this. You will be wasting your time and money and possibly cause side effects by using a pesticide to kill something that is not there and will not prevent an infestation.
 - Remember, most of the

treatments involve the use of pesticides, which lice have developed some resistance to. DO NOT switch to another over the counter or prescription product as a last resort if the first one didn't work.

- lice and the nits with a specialized comb, preferably the Licemeister comb, due to its construction, is the best method. Split the hair in sections using clips and be very thorough. Check the head each day until no nits are found for 3 days.
- NEVER use sprays in your house or on clothing, unless they can't be washed. It is much safer to wash bedding and clothing in hot water and dry in a hot dryer. Also, combs and brushes should be soaked in hot water for 10 minutes. Vacuuming is the safest and best way to remove lice or fallen hairs with attached nits.
- My final note deals with the natural or homeopathic products such as Fairy Tales shampoo or repellant. Due to the lack of any studies on these products, none of them have been proven safe or effective.

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Practical Tips for a Healthier You

Family Fun Fitness

First, I want to wish my son, Matthew, a very happy 20th birthday! Where does the time go? It seems just like yesterday when I was holding him in my arms keeping him safe and warm. Now a college student, Matt is flourishing into a healthy and bright young

As I think back, there was not much time to take care of me. Families, jobs, responsibilities, all took a heavy toll on my health. I did try to fit in some alone time just for me. I think about how I tried to fit in exercise and fitness time while I spent quality family time. Here are some helpful hints that have worked for me when it comes to putting some more steps into your day if you are a busy bee like me!

1. Go outside and play! Adults have a right to play just like kids. I still like going

out and gather up some of the neighborhood kids and throw a football around or kick a soccer ball with them. Nothing like modeling good sportsmanship and fitness. Plus, it is a great way to keep an eye on them while getting them moving

- 2. If you have little ones, consider joining a mommy and me, daddy and me exercise fitness program. Contact your local Y or fitness facility to see if they have a trial class. Movement time can be spent together instead of eating in front of the TV.
- 3. Walk the neighborhood. Now that the nice weather is here, take that stroll with the kids around and see all the beautiful trees, flowers, shops, lakes and parks. Wear a fanny pack to hold keys and a little bit of money so that you can swing your arms and get that heart rate going.

- 4. Try a new fitness activity. I have not been on roller skates or ice skates in a while. I know that would be a fun and exhilarating activity. The investment in family time and fitness is priceless!
- 5. Great game -- Play tag! Ok, you may find running around a bit more than you bargained, for but in all honesty, kids adore this game. What a great way to play and burn up some calories! Count to 10 and then walk, run, hop, skip, jump your way to catch the young ones. Take turns being "it."

No matter what your pleasure, keep moving and enjoy the spring air.

Exercise is a great way to relieve stress, burn calories, and keep fit. See you soon!

Got a question? Email me SuzanneKinzler@yahoo.com

Suzanne Kinzler is a Health/Physical Ed Certified Educator and author of, "A Multicultural Approach to Physical Education," 2002 Human Kinetics Publishing Co. ###

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Harpist Entertains at AARP Meeting

At the last meeting of AARP Central Bergen Chapter 418, Harpist, Ardis Cavin, used her skill as a musician and entertainer to captivate her audience. She used the occasion of St. Patrick's Day to interweave her music with the history of Ireland.

Ms. Cavin's performance was typical of the folk/Celtic musician. She sang, played the harp and told fascinating stories behind the songs.

When she explained the meaning of the words of the song "Danny Boy," one could understand the sorrow and suffering felt by the Irish at the time of the Potato Famine.

At the conclusion of her program, many in the audience approached her to acknowledge her excellent presentation.

AARP President Marie Gallo, informed all of future programs. On April 11th, Ridgewood Attorney Michael Manna, will discuss Elder Law; and, on May 9th, David Kennedy will entertain us with his one-man presentation of Mark



Twain's "Wit and Wisdom."

Other activities planned prior to the summer break are a Trip to Penn's Peak in Pennsylvania on Thursday, May 8th, for a family-style dinner and to see "Nunsensations Vegas Revue." The cost is \$53 for members and \$55 for non-members. The Installation Dinner is scheduled for Friday, June 13th, at The Fiesta. For more information about the trip, contact Julia at 201-288-1693. Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###

April 2008 Heights Senior Calendar

Open to All Hasbrouck Heights Seniors

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Monday, April 7, 14, 21, 28 10:00 a.m. Games, cards & coffee Tuesday, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 10:00 a.m. Line Dancing \$1.00 2:00 p.m. Adv. Chair Yoga \$1.00 6:00 p.m. Games, cards & coffee

Wednesday, April 2, 16, 23, 30

2:00 p.m. Senior Paced Aerobics \$1.00

Thursday, April 3, 10, 17, 24 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Games, television, & social activities 2:00 p.m. Senior Yoga \$1.00

Friday, April 11, 25 10:00 a.m. Fun Bingo

Friday, April 4, 18

10:00 a.m. Games, cards & coffee **Friday**, April 4, 11, 25 -- 1:00 p.m. Movies *Check Center Bulletin Board for listings*

CLUB MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, April 2

10:00 a.m. Leisure Club Executive Meeting

Wednesday, April 9

1:00 p.m. Leisure Club Regular Meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, April 10. Seniors will meet in the High School Media Center at 8:45 a.m. Continental breakfast, school tour, visit classrooms, lunch and student entertainment. Sign up at Center.

Wednesday, April 23, Brownstone Restaurant Comedy: "Family Reunion Fiasco" 1 hour open bar -- Family Style Dinner, \$55 per person. Call Joe at 201-288-9150 or Charlie at 201-869-8215

Nonagenarian -- Young at Heart

A nonagenarian is a person 90 years old or between 90 and 100 years old.

Edna Crawford celebrated the third anniversary of her 30th birthday with her many friends and relatives. The special affair took place in the day room at the Senior Housing on Hamilton Avenue.

Many of her guests were life long friends whom she touched with her warm independent view of life. One bicycled seven miles from Manhattan to attend her party; one had shared a trip to France with Edna when they were both younger; and another was a member of a hiking group they joined together. There was one who disclosed how Edna taught her young son how to play golf only after reading how to do it; and another plays tennis with her weekly and attributed her love for the sport to Edna's encouragement. One of Edna's guests shared their experiences on a camping trip; another related their bicycling up and down the Boardwalk in Atlantic City years before the casinos were there; and still another is part of a book discussion group to which they both belong.

Aside from the fact that Edna loved to hike, read, ride a bicycle, camp out, golf and play tennis, she sings with a Garfield group, loves to sew, play billiards, bake and attend the theater. Once, at a trip to the theater, Edna was singled out by the performer and they had a lively, witty, and unscheduled conversation during the performance. The audience assumed that Edna was part of the show. The performer was Dame Edna, the Australian purple-haired diva.

Edna's horoscope for her birthday was right on the mark when it read "Your unique way of helping others will bring special rewards your way this year." However, it puzzled her when it further stated "An older or experienced individual will



help you out."

Older and Experienced?

Edna was born in 1918, the year the United States was struggling through the First World War. That year, an epidemic of influenza took the lives of more than 650,000 Americans. Fuel shortages and food rationing were daily facts of life. It was also the year the Boston Red Sox won the World Series for the third time in four years with the help of their young player named Babe Ruth, their ace pitcher, transformed into a great slugger.

It was also the year US Corporal Alvin York almost single-handedly killed 25 German soldiers and captured 132; the year in Russia the Royal Family, headed by Emperor Nicholas II, was murdered; the year the US Congress established time zones and approved Daylight Saving Time; and the year World War I ended at the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month.

When Edna was 6 years old, her mother passed away. Her father was left with three children, all girls, ages 4, 6 and 8. He was unable to care for them and placed them in the Hope Farm School, a school for disadvantaged children located

in Dutchess County, New York. Edna and her younger sister were placed in one group home and her older sister was placed in another home, and had little contact with them. Edna had to grow up fast because she now had to take care of her younger sister; and this she did willingly and protectively. She remained at the Hope Farm School for 10 years. Although her two sisters' memories of the experience there were negative, Edna made the best of it and has fond memories of her stay.

She attended School #23 in Jersey City and graduated high school. One of her many jobs was working with a printer -- setting type, etc.

When Edna was asked to provide more information about her life for this article, she replied "What do you want to do? Write my epitaph?"

Therefore, not to do that, briefly, Edna has lived in the Bronx, Secaucus and Hasbrouck Heights; and parented two boys; one lives in Florida and the other passed away two years ago in London.

Edna is a soft spoken, petite, independent, athletic and warm-hearted woman who can easily charm you with her wit, and win your friendship. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr.* ###

Leisure Club Revises Bylaws

The Leisure Club elects its officers every two years. No person can serve in the same office beyond two terms (four consecutive years). Since all of its present officers are now completing the last year of their second term, the Leisure Club had to revise their bylaws and remove term limitations.

At the February meeting, members were presented the bylaws revision and advised that discussion and voting would take place at the March meeting.

At the March meeting, members were advised that this change makes it possible

The Leisure Club elects its cers every two years. No included) to seek any office at election time. The change was ce beyond two terms (four approved.

President John Fitzin explained that, in September a nominating committee would be formed to recommend candidates and announce their selections at the November meeting. Nominations can also be made from the floor. Election of officers will take place at the November meeting.

The Executive Board of the Leisure Club is now preparing for the club's "Spring Into Summer" social to be held on Wednesday, June 11th at the Senior Center from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The social is open to paid members who purchase a \$2.00 ticket in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door. Refreshments will be served and the music will be provided by a DJ.

This social does not take the place of the annual "Summer Get-Together" which will be held in August with hot dogs featured on the menu.

At their last meeting, the members were entertained by musician Don Anthony. Discount cards to **IHOP** were also distributed. Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###

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Representing each Hasbrouck Heights Church, these women organized and conducted the World Day of Prayer Service on March 7, 2008.

God's Wisdom Provides New Understanding

On Friday, March 7th, at 1 p.m., women representing every Church in Hasbrouck Heights, organized and conducted a World Day of Prayer (WDP) Service at The Community Church of Christ.

This year, WDP featured the women of Guyana, a South American nation, who developed the theme of "God's Wisdom Provides New Understanding" to express the awesomeness of God's creation.

The service, written by Guyana's women, calls us to



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On Friday, March 7th, at care for all of creation and inm., women representing vites us to rejoice with them at the astonishing natural beauty of Guyana.

The prayer service conducted in Hasbrouck Heights included singing hymns, prayers and scripture readings relating to Guyana life today. Complementing the service, was a slide show depicting Guyana life, culture and geography.

WDP is a worldwide ecumenical movement of women who come together to observe a common day of prayer.

Throughout the entire day, women (men were also welcome) collectively pray starting on the west side of the international dateline at sunrise and ending on the east side at sunset.

The prayers of people from 170 countries and regions follow the sun's path around the globe, with the first sunrise and

ending at the last sunset.

As WDP 2008 was observed, billions of God's people are suffering from violence, neglect, poverty and political injustice.

Women and children, especially, are denied basic human rights and are victims of those who would exploit and abuse them. ###

Felician Sister Mary Rosaire Dombrowski

Funeral services for Sister Mary Rosaire Dombrowski were held at the Felician Sisters' Infirmary (Our Lady of Lourdes Hall Chapel) at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday morning, February 14, 2008.

Following the Mass of Christian Burial, Sister was laid to rest in the Felician Sisters' Cemetery in Lodi. There was an evening prayer service Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m., also at Our Lady of Lourdes Hall Chapel. Sister Mary Rosaire died on Monday, February 11, 2008. She was 97 years old and had been in a religious order for 80 years.

The former Leocadia Dombrowski, Sister Rosaire was born and raised in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She entered the postulancy of the Felician Sisters in Lodi, New Jersey on July 31, 1927, and received the Felician habit on August 26, 1928. She made first religious vows on February 27, 1930 and professed final vows on February 27, 1936. ###

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(l-r) Thomas E. Mason Jr., Event Chair Gilbert Hunt, Guest Speaker, Dr. Edward G. Williams, MD and Guest Clergy Rev. Tim Ippolito, Pastor, Faith Reformed Church, Lodi.

Noted Cardiologist, Dr. Williams, Speaks at Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast

Congregants representing every Hasbrouck Heights Church and others hailing from Churches in neighboring communities came together to share fellowship at the 17th Annual Men and Boys' Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast hosted by the men of the First Reformed Church of Hasbrouck Heights on March 9, 2008.

There was a brief prayer and worship service in the Church Sanctuary, followed by breakfast in Fellowship Hall.

The opening prayer was given by The Reverend George W. Yoder, Pastor, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Event chair Gil Hunt recognized the various attending congregations and passed the honor of introducing the guest speaker, noted cardiologist, Dr. Edward G. Williams, to local attorney, Thomas E. Mason Jr., who is also Dr. Williams' cousin. Members of their extended family settled in Hasbrouck Heights in 1912.

Dr. Williams was raised in Hasbrouck Heights, attending the First Reformed Church and was active in the Church's youth groups.

Dr. Williams and his wife, Margaret, have been married for over 40 years. They have eight children and 14 grandchildren.

Dr. Williams graduated Hasbrouck Heights High School in 1955 and is a 2007 Inductee to the Hasbrouck Heights Hall of Fame.

Williams earned a Bachelor's Degree in Engineering and Physics with an emphasis on Pre-medical studies from Lehigh University.

Dr. Williams earned his Doctorate in Medicine from the prestigious Columbia University School of Medicine, followed by intensive medical training at Manhattan's St. Luke's Hospital where he served his surgical internship, medical residency and cardiology fellowship.

In recent years, he served as the President of the medical staff of Trinitas Hosptial in Elizabeth.

In 1966, he became a com-

missioned officer in the US Army with the rank of Captain. Subsequently, he became Commanding Officer of the 4th Infantry, Company C, 4th Medical Battalion, 4th Infantry Division.

Unlike today, during the Vietnam conflict, Army officers who were medical doctors had the same duties as any other "line officer."

While in Vietnam, Dr. Williams wore two hats, that of combat surgeon and that of an infantry command officer engaged in combat with the Viet Cong. He was on active duty through 1968.

During his talk, Dr. Williams noted the timing of this ecumenical breakfast with Lent -- coming together. As with the group in the Body of Christ, we come together with our various talents -- talents that the Lord has given us.

For the better part of the last two decades, he and his family have, for one Saturday night every month, opened their home in Watchung to host those seeking to study the Bible. These gatherings commonly are attended by approximately two hundred people.

The benediction prayer was given by Rev. Tim Ippolito, Pastor, Faith Reformed Church, Lodi, who came to realize only after listening to Dr. Williams speak, that before he decided to become a minister, he had been in attendance at the religious gatherings conducted at Dr. Williams' home.

A signed poster of NY Jets wide receiver Jerricho Cotchery was raffled off.

Previous speakers have included professional sports figures, business and government officials. Story by Thomas E. Mason Jr. ###

The Lions Club annual fireworks have been tentatively scheduled for July 2, 2008 at Depken Field (Route 17 & Franklin Avenue). The rain date is July 3 and extended rain date is July 5th.



Reflections

What is Faith?

Deacon Erik Soldwedel Church of St. John the Divine

The long and sometimes strange winter has now officially ended and we are experiencing the beauty of a season filled with new life.

Flowers are beginning to fill the gardens and preparations for our summer vegetable gardens are in the works. Spring cleaning in and out of our houses is a common Saturday sight.

Preparations for the many weddings and, for some high school students, arrangements for their first spring formal or prom is soon to be a reality.

The baseball bats are cracking in Florida and opening day is soon to be upon us! The Western Christian Church has celebrated Easter, the Feast of Resurrection and Celebration of Jesus Christ's rejection of a mortal grave.

The current political campaign for the White House has been in the forefront of our lives through a hailstorm of advertisements and constant reminders that with enough money you can monopolize the TV and radio with self-serving advertisements and campaigns of innuendo and smear!

I, for one, am very weary of this political season. I find the puffery to be all too familiar and the lack of action all too frustrating.

I suggest that we take a step away from the politics of today in favor of establishing and seeking a lasting action to a social injustice in our own community.

We live in the shadow of a major medical center that offers life saving treatment and surgery for countless people. I have been a patient at this medical center and my wife and I give thanks for the surgeons and nurses and the entire staff for the wonderful care we were given while patients.

We also give thanks for the fact we have medical insurance that not only covers hospitalization, but offers us well care and physician office appointments.

However, there are too many people who cannot find treatment at local physicians and walk-in emergency clinics because they do not have health insurance.

This is a tragedy that just sixteen short years ago I felt was not worthy of a national debate. Now I find myself outraged and angry that we

cannot, and do not offer well care and simple medical exams inclusive of office visits that are affordable for the working poor and those who go without health insurance.

This also affects the ever increasing population of senior citizens who are given prescriptions for medicines that some may think are precious metals, since the amounts are small, but cost is extremely high. Too many people cannot afford life saving pharmaceuticals.

The realization that we cannot do anything with regards to the problem I have outlined is unacceptable.

The faith communities in our towns have, in the past, stood in solidarity to feed the hungry, clothe the naked and shelter the homeless.

These same Churches offer safe meeting places for organizations that assist in addiction and recovery groups.

- Why not offer a Walkin Clinic for well care health checkups?
- Why not enlist our local physicians and nurses to help?
- Why not team with pharmacies and drug companies in an effort to assist those who need our help?

Providing health care access today is as important as any of the past movements for the right to vote for women, people of color and the abolition of slavery.

Faith communities through the centuries have supported

and lifted up the oppressed and marginalized. Where do we stand on this very important issue?

You, the reader, may wonder why a clergyperson is writing about such a need. The answer is simple, that we are called by our faith to act when there is injustice.

Historically, we have acted and now we are being called to act once again. The debate is clear and the action is not!

Words are wonderful, but until the words create a mechanism or an outlet for the uninsured to obtain the basics of health care, we fall short.

When I was growing up in the 1960's and 70's, we never thought that there was a need for a Parish Nurse – yet today many Churches have a member of the congregation who offers nursing assistance to fellow congregants. This is the type of action we need to build upon and allow to blossom.

Many people planted bulbs last fall prior to the ground freezing and the winter snows have nourished these bulbs so they flower this spring and brighten our gardens and pathways. Now let us nourish those among us who are in need of simple medical treatment.

The challenge is clear and the opportunity stands before us. This is more than digging into our treasure, it is an opportunity to work together as a community using our talent and our time in order to help our neighbors. We are a community that believes in action – now is the time to initiate an action! ###

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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 Church/School Websites

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Terrace & Jefferson, HH • 288-0002 Rev. Joseph Pickard, Vicar Erik Soldwedel, Deacon www.saintjohnthedivine.com www.careonthecorner.org

Sunday - 10:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite II - Church School Monday - 7:30 p.m., N.A. Women's Meeting

Tuesday & Friday - 12 noon, N.A. Meeting

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Burton & Washington Place, HH Church Office: 201-288-1122 Rev. Dianna L. Smith, Pastor www.churches.rca.org/firstrefhh/

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Saturday

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Tuesday: 7:30 p.m. Bible Study

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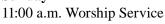
Reconciliation (Confession): Sat. 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Friday Adoration of Blessed Sacrament: 11 a.m. to Noon

Church Schedules: Moonachie

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221 Moonachie Road Church Office: 201-641-4919 Rev. Kimberly Chastain, Pastor Sunday





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31 Chamberlain Ave., Little Ferry • Office: 201-641-2988

Rev. Arthur Frank Humphrey, Pastor

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8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Daily Masses: (Church)

Mon.-Fri.: 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m. • Sat. - 8:00 a.m. **Reconciliation (Confession):** Sat. 11:00 - 12:00 p.m.

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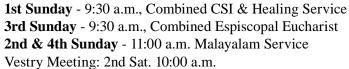
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"The Saint Joseph Table"

The Saint Joseph Society of Lodi hosted "The Saint Joseph Table" on Saturday, March 15th, at 7 p.m., in the school gym. About 250 attended.

A tableau honoring St. Joseph was at the head of the main "Sharing Table."

As people entered, they placed their food on the sharing table. Rev. Michael Marotta, C.R.M, Pastor, blessed the food. There was live entertainment during the evening.

This "St. Joseph Table" takes place on or about the actual Saint Day of Saint Joseph, March 19th.

Because this holiday often falls during Lent, the dishes are all meatless.

"St. Joseph's Pasta," which is a spaghetti with a meatless red sauce, was prepared in the school kitchen.

Some of the traditional foods that make up the celebration are the "Saint Joseph Pasta" (buccatini-long pasta, sardines, toasted bread crumbs, fennel, in a red sauce), St. Joseph's Day Cream Puffs (Sfingi di San Giuseppe - an Italian pastry, a large cream puff traditionally filled with ricotta), and many different Italian breads (Pane di San Giuseppe).

In addition to the traditional foods, many people bake or cook something to bring for what is known as the "Sharing Table" at many "Saint Joseph Tables."

"It's a time of getting together, kind of like Thanksgiving," said Antonino Pollaro, President of the St. Joseph Society in Lodi.

Mr. Pollaro elaborated by giving a brief history of the "Tavolata di San Giuseppe" ("Saint Joseph Table").

The "Saint Joseph Table" was founded in Sicily during the Middle Ages.

History tells us that Sicily had been in severe drought for an extended period of time. No crops grew and countless people died of famine.

The peasants prayed to Saint Joseph to intercede with God on their behalf to bring



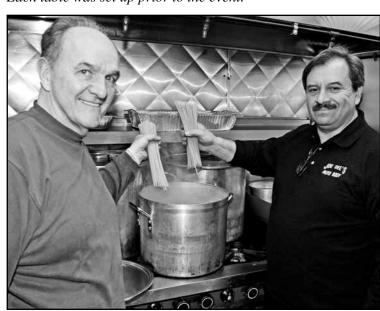
Maria Scimeca brought a platter of cheeses and olives to the sharing table.



View of the main "Sharing Table" with a tableau honoring St. Joseph at the head. There was another table of food that was the length of the gym.



Each table was set up prior to the event.



"St. Joseph's Pasta," a spaghetti with a meatless red sauce, was prepared in the school kitchen.

much needed rain to the island. Their promise in return was to have a special feast honoring Saint Joseph.

By miracle, the rains came and the peasants were able to plant their crops.

With the harvest, the people prepared a feast of foods from their crops which has become known as the "Tavolata di San Giuseppe" ("The Saint Joseph Table").

The Saint Joseph Society of Lodi began holding this event when it was founded in 1915 and celebrated "The Saint Joseph Table" for decades, but the tradition declined during the 1970's due to declining membership in The Society

This event was reinstituted in the 1980's by Josephine Smiraldi (who passed last year and was remembered with her photo placed on the table).



Josephine Smiraldi was honored with her photo placed on the table (center).



Society President Antonino Pollaro with his two children.

Understanding Autism

In recognition of April as "National Autism Month," the Kiwanis Club of Hasbrouck Heights/Teterboro will present an in-depth presentation on Autism on April 3rd, at 7:00 p.m., in the Hasbrouck Heights Library Meeting Room.

Local Autism-awareness advocate and Bergen County resident, Wayne Bardowell, the father of a young child with Autism, will speak about his own experiences as well as the

W-R Library News

Wood-Ridge Memorial Library has added two new clubs for students into their weekly schedule of activities, which will begin on April 9th and continue through July 16th. To accommodate this new schedule, the weekly Storytime will now be held on Wednesdays from 5 p.m.-5:30 p.m. for 3-5 year olds, and 5:30-6 p.m. for 5-10 year olds.

New to The Library is the Library Volunteer Club, which will meet on Wednesdays from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. and Thursdays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Also, new to the schedule is the Chess Club, which will meet on Wednesdays from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m.

The Library Volunteer Club is for students of all ages who want to assist the Youth Services Librarian with basic library maintenance and decoration projects.

The Chess Club is for children ages 6 through 12 who want to team up with other young chess players to practice and learn new skills.

Playtime for Young Children, ages 6 months to 4 years old, will still be on Fridays from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., featuring songs and dancing, snacks, a picture coloring craft, and a playtime with soft building blocks and toys.

If you have any questions, please contact the Youth Services Librarian, Ms. Christina Park, at 201-438-2455. ###

Pancake Breakfast To Assist Lodi Post

Rochelle Park's American Legion Post 170 will sponsor a pancake breakfast on Sunday April 6, 2008, to benefit Lodi American Legion Post 136, whose Post home was destroyed by fire.

The breakfast will be held at Post 170, 33 West Passaic Street, Rochelle Park from 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. and will feature juice, eggs, pancakes, sausage, and coffee or tea. Donation of \$3.00 is requested.

Tax-deductible donations to The American Legion Post 136 Rebuilding Fund, PO Box 36, Lodi, NJ 07644-0036 are welcomed. ###

In recognition of April as importance of early detection.

His organization, "Let's Make a Difference Against Autism (LMADAA)," leads an effort to bring the struggle of Autism to the public eye.

The presentation is open to the general public. For more information please contact the Kiwanis at hhkiwanis@gmail. com ###

Holy Trinity Concert Schedule

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is pleased to announce the piano recital of Elena Antimova as part of their spring concert series, which will be held on Friday, March 28, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Winner of numerous awards, the native Bulgarian pianist and composer will be featured in a piano recital performing works spanning both nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

The musical offering will include Janacek's "In The Mists," a seldom heard work celebrating nature, along with Beethoven's exciting "Waldstein" Piano Sonata and Chopin's Noble Third Piano Sonata.

The concert series continues on April 11 with the Tappan Zee High School Choir under the direction of Russell Wagoner performing a preview of their London Tour which will take place later in the month.

All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. and are open to the public. Cost is a free will offering (suggested minimum donation is \$10.00.) Light refreshments will be served following each program.

For further information, call the Church office at 201-288-6889. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is located at Burton and Hamilton Avenues in Hasbrouck Heights. ###

Free Health Consultation

The Hasbrouck Heights Health Department advises residents over 18 years old that free health consultations are scheduled to be held at the Municipal Complex, on April 24, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

No appointment is necessary. Services include: health history evaluation, blood pressure measurements, height & weight measurements, individualized counseling and education, referral and follow-up and a confidential consultation with a Public Health Nurse.

For information, call Laura French at 201-288-1636. ###

FOCAS Holds Flea Market

FOCAS kicks-off its 2008 Flea Market season, Saturday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, April 27, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the American Legion, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry.

This market features specialty items, a selection of household items, jewelry, collectibles, electronics, linens, games, toys, pet supplies, cds/videos, and more. Refreshments are available.

Flea Market merchandise donations are accepted at the American Legion on the Friday from 4 to 6 p.m. and Saturday (all day) of the Flea Market weekend. For more information call the FOCAS Help Line at 201-943-4019, or visit www. focas.us ###



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Only one thousand tickets will be sold at \$35 each and are available on a first come, first served basis.

For tickets, contact Gale at 201-288-9460 or stop by Care on the Corner's office at 333 Franklin Avenue in Hasbrouck Heights.

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For more information, call Vickie at 201-288-4074 or Ruth at 973-699-7419.

The Mid-Bergen Rotary Club meets at noon, every Tuesday at the **Hasbrouck Heights Holiday Inn.** ###

Pasta Buffet

The Parish Social Life Committee of Saint Margaret of Cortona Church, at the corner of Liberty St. and Chamberlain Ave., Little Ferry, will host a Pasta Buffet on Saturday, May 3, 2008, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Dinner will be served in Marnell Hall in Saint Margaret of Cortona's Parish Center.

The menu includes stuffed shells, tortellini, penne, and rigatoni. Sauces for these will include Carbonara, Arabiatta, Marinara, Vodka, plus, meatballs will be available.

Cost is \$12 per meal, and includes pastas, sauces, cake, coffee and tea. Take-out orders are available.

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HH Memorial Day Parade May 26th

The Annual Memorial Day Parade is scheduled to start at 10:00 a.m., on May 26th, at Williams Avenue, march along Terrace Avenue and conclude at Memorial Park at Passaic Avenue.

A brief Veterans ceremony will be held, followed by services at the Fireman's Memorial at The Circle.

This annual event is cosponsored by the James B. Scarr Post 106 American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4591. The public is encouraged to participate in this patriotic event. ###

St. Margaret Church **Holds Flea Market**

The Parish Social Life Committee of Saint Margaret of Cortona Church, at the corner of Liberty St. and Chamberlain Ave., Little Ferry, NJ will host an Indoor Flea Market.

The Flea Market will be April 26, 2008, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Breakfast and lunch will be available.

Vendors can request a contract by calling Ellie at 201-641-0883. Tables are 8 ft. by 30 inches at \$25. Tables and chairs supplied. ###

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The R.L. Craig School 8th Grade students will sponsor a car wash on May 3, 2008, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Moonachie Borough Hall. Cost is \$5. Proceeds to benefit 8th Grade activities, including their trip to Washington, D.C. For more information, call 201-440-4383. ###

Rummage Sale

The Guild for Christian Services will hold their Spring Rummage Sale at the First Reformed Church on April 18th and 19th, from 9:30 a.m.

Items for sale include clothing, shoes, toys, books and household items. Donations welcome. Proceeds will go to Church projects and missions. The Guild holds rummage sales every spring and fall. ###

Chinese Auction

The Woman's Club of Hasbrouck Heights is holding a Chinese Auction and light lunch at noon on April 16, 2008 in the Senior Center. Donation is \$15.

Lots of prizes to bid on and a fun time for all. Handicap access and parking available. This event is to raise funds for their High School Scholarship and other donations. ###

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HH Garden Club

The HHGC will be holding their meeting on Thursday, April 17, 2008, at 6:45 p.m., beginning with refreshments. The public is always welcome.

The guest speaker will be John Michalski, President of the Great Swamp Bonsai Club, who will give a lecture and workshop on bonsai.

The club is starting to think about the preparation of our gardens and planning a couple of trips. The Boulevard in Bloom program is in the planning stages. On May 31st, the Club will have a table at the Town Garage Sale.

All meetings are held at the HH Municipal Building, on the second floor, by The Library.

For further information contact: Judy at 201-288-2615.

Blue & Gold Brunch

Moonachie Pack 2 Cub Scouts will hold their Blue and Gold Brunch at The Graycliff, Saturday, April 5, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25. Call Joanne at 201-296-0331 for details. ###

Dinner & Fashion Show April 7th

VFW District 2 Ladies Auxiliary will be holding their Annual Dinner & Fashion Show on Monday, April 7th at The Fiesta, in Wood-Ridge, starting at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 and include choice of Roast Beef, Chicken, or Fish entrees. Fashions will be presented by The Dress Barn.

The public is invited. For reservations and tickets call Louise at 201-797-8759. ###

Care On The Corner Golf Outing June 4th

Care on the Corner will sponsor their 4th Annual Golf Outing at Bear Brook Golf Club in Newton, NJ on Wednesday, June 4, 2008.

BBQ lunch and registration is at noon, with a shotgun golf start at 1:00 p.m. and the dinner at 5:00 p.m.

Prizes are for the closest to the pin, longest drive contest, score prizes and hole-in-one wins a car.

Sponsorships are available. Cost is \$150 per golfer. Dinner is \$50 per person. To sign up, call Care on the Corner at 201-288-0002. ###

Lions Golf Outing

The tournament is scheduled for June 6th at the New York Country Club with a 10 a.m. start. Fee is \$125 and includes golf, cart, lunch and awards dinner.

The event is sponsored by the Hasbrouck Heights Lions Club. All proceeds to benefit various community charities.

Journal ad sponsorships are available. For more info call Mr. Luongo at 201-393-8145. ###

Loyalty Day

VFW Post 4591 will conduct Loyalty Day services on April 25, 2008, starting at 7:30 p.m., at the Post.

Light refreshments will be served. The public is welcome to attend. ###

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Farmers' Market Continues in '08

The Farmers' Market is scheduled to begin on June 24th and continue every Tuesday from Noon to 6:00 p.m. until late September, at the corner of The Boulevard and Washington Place.

This Farmers' Market is scheduled to host the same farmers/vendors as last year.

According to Chamber President Ray Vorisek, Hasbrouck Heights businesses and community organizations are invited to set up a free table for one Tuesday afternoon during the 2008 Market. Limited positions are available. Call Ray at 201-288-5464 for more information.

During Farmers' Market days, Boulevard businesses are permitted to take advantage of "Sidewalk Sale" opportunities and set up tables in front of their stores. ###

Chamber Banner Days

The Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce is planning a "Banner Days" sidewalk sale for the weekend of June 5, 6, and 7, 2008

About 25 businesses participate in this annual event.

Any business or professional seeking information should contact George at 201-288-2130. ###

HHFD Annual Inspection May 10

The public is invited to attend The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department Annual Inspection, at 7:00 p.m., on Saturday, May 10, 2008.

Department personnel will be in full dress uniform. The equipment and fire headquarters will be presented for inspection. Department personnel will be available to answer any questions. The event is attended by local officials as well as Fire Chiefs from area towns. ###

2nd Quarter Taxes due May 1, 2008

Tax Collector Conchita C. Parker announced that taxes will be received Saturday morning, April 26th from 9 a.m. to noon for the 2nd quarter taxes which are due May 1st at the Tax Office located at the Municipal Complex, 320 Boulevard.

This arrangement follows the custom established many years ago in the Borough for the convenience of the taxpayers in meeting the quarterly payment due. For additional information call 201-288-1152. ###

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Hasbrouck Heights \$425,000 This 3 BR Cape Cod features nice size LR, large FDR w/hardwood floors & sliding doors to back covered patio. Basement has finished room and laundry room. Amenities include central air, one car garage. Residential location near park. Tour at: www.gatewaytohomes.com/2806776



Hasbrouck Heights \$580,000 Large 3 BR, 2 bath Split Level home located on quiet dead end street. Offers tiled entry foyer, bright sunny LR with hardwood floors, tiled formal DR w/entrance to patio & modern eat-inkitchen w/tile floors & Corian counters. Lower level: FR & full bath. Features include a finished basement, C/A & attached garage. Tour at www.gatewaytohomes.com/2736904



Wood-Ridge \$379,000 Lovely Cape set on corner lot has 3 bedrooms with the potential for a 4th. This completely renovated home has new hardwood floors, carpet, kitchen, recessed lighting, & furnace. Amenities include: fireplace in living room and one car garage. Tour at www. gatewaytohomes.com/2745364



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Hasbrouck Heights \$850,000 New Custom Built Victorian Colonial set on large lot. Features lemonade porch, EF, Formal LR, Formal DR, large kitchen w/breakfast area, FR w/fpl and 1/2 bath. Hardwood floors & tile on the 1st floor. 2nd floor: MBR suite w/full bath, 3 BRs & full bath. C/ A. Full basement, 2 car detached garage. Tour at www.gatewaytohomes. com/2741563



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