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Summertime

Our yards are accented with red, white and blue. We watch grand parades with honor guards leading our Veterans, marching bands, Scouts, floats, antique cars and fire engines. Family and friends share juicy cheeseburgers, sizzling steak sandwiches, grilled hot dogs, salads, corn-on-the-cob, sweet watermelon, ice cream, ice cold beverages and other picnic treats, during a relaxed BBQ. Shrieking children run through sprinklers on sweltering days. Playing games of softball, frisbee, horse shoes. Fun with sparklers and firecrackers. Enjoying evening concerts. Darkness welcomes spectacular community fireworks. But summer begins with a delightful July 4th children's parade, heralding our Independence Day Celebrations. *See page 13. ###*

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Enjoying the Aviation Experience

The Aviation Hall of Fame hosted Open Cockpit Day on Saturday, June 17, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Visitors had the opportunity to sit in the cockpit of a very rare Lockheed Bushmaster plane, a M*A*S*H Bell 47 helicopter made famous during the Korean War.

They explored the cabin of the world's only surviving restored cockpit of the Martin 202 airliner and they went inside the HH52A, U.S. Coast Guard rescue helicopter.

Also, on display were the Bell AH-1 Cobra helicopter and

the OV-1A Mohawk observation/attack aircraft, as well as other aviation cockpits including our newest exhibits: a General Aviation Trainer (G.A.T-1) and a Glider recently donated by Jersey Ridge Soaring.

For young astronauts, we have our working display of the International Space Station (ISS) along with uniforms and items used by the many Astronauts like Buzz Aldrin, Scott and Mark Kelly, to name just a few.

Inside the Great Room were displays ranging from Lindbergh to the Hindenburg.

Families are welcome to the next Open Cockpit Day September 10, 2023. Admission: \$20 for adults, \$12 for seniors and children under 12. No discounts, Library Passes or Membership Passes can be used on Open Cockpit Days.

The Museum is located at 400 Fred Wehran Drive, adjacent to the Teterboro Control Tower. Come see why our Museum has been named as "One of the 10 Best Museums in the State of NJ." For more information call 201-288-6344 or go to: www.njahof.org ###





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The Carlstadt Public School held its 157th Annual School Picnic on Saturday, June 17, 2023 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event began with a parade of local officials, CPS students and alumni, emergency vehicles starting at the Village Green and ending at Lindbergh Field. Everyone enjoyed cookies, hot dogs, and cotton candy. There were games, rides and DJ entertainment. *Photos and story by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*

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AL Picnic
Sept. 9

American Legion Post 310 will hold its 41st Annual Picnic on Saturday, September 9, 2023, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., at American Legion Post 310, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry. Rain or Shine.

All you can eat, BBQ chicken, Baby Back spareribs, hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage and peppers, clams on a half shell, corn on the cob, Manhattan Clam Chowder, salads, draft beer and soda included. Our bar will be closed for non-ticket holders.

Entertainment by DJ Jack Jam. There will be a 50/50 drawing. Please bring your lawn chair. Large Pavilion on site and tents in case of inclement weather.

Cost is \$35 per person at the door or after September 5. Advance tickets \$30.

All proceeds go to support Veterans and children's programs. For additional information, call 201-807-0470. ###

Beefsteak
Sept. 15

American Legion Post 310, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry, is hosting an "All You Can Eat Beefsteak" on Friday, September 15, 2023, at 7 p.m.

Cost is \$55 pp and includes draft beer and soda. Prepared by Nightingale Catering. For tickets, call 201-807-0470. ###

Beefsteak
September 22

The Rosary Confraternity of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 127 Paterson Avenue, Wallington is sponsoring a "Beefsteak" catered by "Hap Nightingale," with a mini tricky tray on Friday, September 22, 2023, at 7 p.m. in the Great Hall (*handicapped accessible*).

The tickets are \$45 per person and include dinner, coffee/tea and dessert. BYOB. No one under the age of 18 will be admitted. Doors open at 6 p.m. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Seating is by reservation only. Purchase tickets by mailing your name, address, phone number, number of tickets requested, to MSH Church, 127 Paterson Avenue, Wallington, NJ, 07057, and labeled "Attention: Rosary Confraternity Beefsteak."

If you wish a table of eight or ten, submit full payment with a list of attendees, otherwise group seating cannot be guaranteed. Checks are to be made payable to Most Sacred Heart Rosary Confraternity.

For more information, call the Most Sacred Heart Rectory at 973-778-7405 during regular business hours. ###

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Free Lunch
Saturday

The First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie for the "Free Lunch Saturday" program, will be held August 12, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.

August lunch is Chicken and Rice (*while supplies last*).

This program is an expansion of the Church's ministry of feeding hungry bodies and hungry hearts. If the economy's got you down, or you want to share a meal with others, come for the food and fellowship. There are no strings attached. A free-will offering is taken. ###

Beefsteak
November 18

The Wood-Ridge Fire Department is hosting a full Beefsteak Dinner with beer, wine, soda and dessert on Saturday, November 18, 2023, at the W-R Intermediate School, 151 First Street. Seating starts at 6 p.m.

Cost \$60 pp. There will be door prizes, Tricky Tray prizes, 50/50 raffle and music.

Food presented by "World Famous Nightingale Catering--The King of the Beef Steak." Email ticket requests to: wrfire125@gmail.com ###

Elks Breakfast
1st Sunday

Elmwood Park/Paterson Elks Lodge 60, 192 Market Street, Elmwood Park, will host a breakfast, the first Sunday of every month, 8 a.m.-11:30 a.m. \$10 pp. Children 6-10, \$5. Free for children under 6. Open to the public.

Breakfast includes: juice, eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage, hash browns, toast, hot and cold cereal, muffins and bagels, hot chocolate, coffee or tea. Reservations preferred. Call Dennis at 201-791-6149. ###

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Nurses' Scholarship Benefit Dinner September 22

BERGEN COUNTY --- Continuing an over 70-year tradition, the Bergen County American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary are again hosting the annual George F. Axt Memorial Fund Dinner to benefit nursing scholarships.

The event will be held on Friday, September 22, 2023, at Joseph M. Lane American Legion Post 136 in Lodi. Tickets are \$20 each and include dinner, coffee and dessert. Sponsorships are also available.

Checks may be made payable to "BCAL," with "George F. Axt Memorial Fund" referenced in the memo portion of the check. Mail to: Vincent C. Martorano, BCAL Finance Officer, 83 Hook Mountain Road, Montville, NJ 07045-9619. Additional info: 201-264-4622 or email alaunit136lodinj@gmail.com and https://bcnj.al.org/george-f-axt-memorial-fund-nurses-scholarship/

This year's event will honor the combat nursing service of Woodcliff Lake resident and Wood-Ridge native Colonel Scott J. Pomygalski, CRNA, USAR (Ret.), a member of Hillsdale American Legion Post 162.

Colonel Pomygalski was deployed six times to far forward combat areas where he served as a nurse anesthetist.

He served on active duty during Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom, Freedom's Sentinel and Inherent Resolve, and recently retired with 33 years in the National Guard and U.S. Army Reserves. *Provided by Margaret Frontera. ###*

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Performing Arts Program

Care on the Corner announces the Kids on the Corner Summer Theater Workshop. Kids on the Corner is a Performing Arts Program for children in Grades 2 – 7.

This session marks the 45th production of Kids on the Corner. The goal of Kids on the Corner is to educate and enlighten children in different art forms and cultural experiences.

The children are offered opportunities to learn about history, culture, visual arts, theater production, set design, costume design, music and acting.

The Performing Arts Workshop meets Monday through Thursday, August 28 to 31 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Under the direction of Jennifer Ashline, the group will present "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Ghostbusters." All are welcome to see the production on Thursday, August 31, 2023 at 7 p.m.

This project is being directed by Jennifer Ashline. Jen has a Master of Arts degree with a high concentration in Popular Culture. She is also the creative director for Care on the Corner's Satellite Program Arts Today in NJ.

The group meets at the Care Center, 333 Franklin Ave, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ. Call the Care Center at 201-288-9460 to register. There is a \$50 registration fee. Space is limited. Please register early. Scholarships are available. ###

Moonachie Family Fun Day August 5

Come celebrate on Saturday, August 5, 2023, from 1-4 p.m. Moonachie Family Fun Day is sponsored by the Mayor and Council, at the Moonachie Civic Center Park.

Free hamburgers, hot dogs, refreshments, water inflatables and entertainment. Bring your bathing suit, a towel, chairs and blanket! Rain date August 6.

For more information, call 201-206-8774 ###

NewARTS Classes

Care on the Corner is excited to offer NewARTS Kids August Art Classes for children ages 5 through 11 for the aspiring young artist in your family.

Under the direction of Debra M. Cook, young artists will have fun while being creative. Students will explore different mediums each week that will stimulate their imaginations and creative expression. They will be using acrylics, watercolors, and glow in the dark paints.

Session Dates:

- The Art of Tuscany, August 22
- Under the Sea for 5 to 7 year-olds; Ocean Sunrise for 8 to 11 year-olds, August 23
- Adventures in Space, August 24

Tuesday through Thursday, August 22 through August 24: 10 to 11 a.m. for 5 to 7 year-olds

Tuesday through Thursday, August 22 through August 24: 11:10 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. for 8 to 11-year-olds

The group meets in the Care Center at 333 Franklin Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights.

Call the Care Center at 201-288-9460 to register. Space is limited to 12 children per class.

Tuition is \$80 and includes all materials. Scholarships available.

Debra M. Cook is returning to teach these classes. Debra has been teaching ART to children for over 25 years. Her classes are so much fun making art, exploring new ideas, and being creative. ###

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LF Family Fun Day Sept. 23

Together, We're Better. Come celebrate the many cultures that make us a community.

The Mayor and Council invite Little Ferry residents to Family Fun Day, Saturday, September 23, 2023 (*rd Sept. 24*) from 1 to 9 p.m. at Willow Lake Park (*Main and Pickens Street*).

There will be amusements, food trucks, music, vendors Biergarten, free giveaways, and more.

Fireworks display is scheduled for 8:15 p.m. ###

Moving Wall Sept. 1 to 3

The Vietnam "Moving Wall," the traveling half-size replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, will arrive at Bergenfield High School, August 31, with the opening ceremony Friday, September 1 at 9 a.m.

The closing ceremony is Sunday, September 3 at 8 p.m. and the Wall departs September 4, 2023. Viewing hours from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information: <http://www.themovingwall.org/> ###

Free Movie Night September 22

Evangel Christian Church, 165 Main Street, Little Ferry, NJ 07643, will be hosting a free Community Movie Night on Friday, September 22, 2023.

Bring your lawn chair or blanket to the Evangel Christian Church Lawn at 8:30 p.m.

The movie: "Daddy/Daughter Day Trip" (*Starring Rob Schneider*) starts at 8:30 p.m. ###

National Night Out

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August 1, 2023
Starts at 6 p.m.
Borough Hall parking lot
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Rutherford
August 1, 2023
Starts at 7 p.m.
Lincoln Park

Cancelled Stamps

The Leisure Club of Hasbrouck Heights collects cancelled stamps. Trim the stamps to 1/4 inch around the stamps. Old envelopes and postcards are also being collected. If envelopes, postcards etc., are more than 40 years old, do not cut off the stamps, but save the whole envelope/ postcard. The stamps can be dropped off: **The Gazette Newspaper**, 345 Boulevard, Suite 5, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604. ###

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Bill Introduced to Reduce Helicopter Noise

Increasing whirlybird pollution bedeviling urban communities demands federal response to reduce racket

WASHINGTON, DC, June 7, 2023 – U.S. Representatives Bill Pascrell, Jr. (D-NJ-09) and Donald S. Beyer, Jr. (D-VA-08) today introduced the Reduce Helicopter Noise Act to take federal action that would rein in the growing noise of helicopter flights over American communities.

“In urban and suburban communities like ours, the number of complaints about commercial helicopter noise has grown exponentially,” said Congressman Pascrell.

“This noise is often more than a mere nuisance but a significant quality-of-life hardship that shakes homes and severely disturbs sleeping patterns. The sound of a whirlybird hovering above your house is no picnic.

As commercial helicopter noise grows in the tristate region and across America, the federal government can and must seek ways to curb the problem. Our legislation would implement well researched recommendations to reduce helicopter noise in New Jersey, New York, and beyond.”

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from Noise Act (*REDUCE HELICOPTER Noise Act*) is co-led by Reps. Pascrell and Beyer, and sponsored by several Senators and Congressmen.

Studies detailing the negative impacts of aircraft noise, including from helicopters, have found it causes disturbances that can increase community annoyance, disrupt sleep, adversely affect academic performance of children, and even increase the risk for cardiovascular disease.

The Reduce Helicopter Noise Act would direct the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to establish a helicopter noise complaint information sharing database to receive, collect, and provide access to information regarding helicopter noise complaints.

FAA and helicopter operators would be required to share complaints received to ensure the appropriate actor receive such complaint and requires proper complaints to be addressed.

This approach follows recommendations made by the Government Accountability Office (GAO) for the D.C. area in January 2021. The bill would take the GAOs suggested mechanism and establish it

for the whole nation.

Additionally, Pascrell’s bill would improve FAA officials’ ability to identify the helicopter operators by providing more transparency of the helicopters’ ownership structure. Background on these issues has been assessed by the GAO in separate reports in March 2020 and January 2021, respectively.

Since being inundated with North Jersey constituent complaints, Congressman Pascrell has crusaded against helicopter noise over urban and suburban communities.

In September 2022, Pascrell demanded the FAA seek ways to crack down on commercial helicopter noise.

On March 15, 2023, Pascrell joined several tristate congressmembers pushing FAA and National Park Service leaders to address commercial helicopter noise.

On April 18, 2023, Pascrell asked members of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee to add new measures to the FAA reauthorization bill to address the growing problem of helicopter noise over communities in North Jersey, as well as New York City. *Provided by Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr. Office. ###*

2 Charged in Catalytic Converter Thefts

Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced charges against Noe Gabriel Hernandez (*DOB: 10/21/1998; single; unemployed*) and Juan Rosario (*DOB: 03/12/1998; single; unemployed*) both from Allentown, PA, for burglary, theft, and criminal mischief.

The arrests are the result of a joint investigation by the Bergen County Prosecutor’s Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love and the Bergen County Sheriff’s Office under the direction of Sheriff Anthony Cureton.

On Monday, March 20, 2023, a theft of approximately 17 catalytic converters from vehicles owned and operated by the County of Bergen occurred at 178 Essex Street, Lodi, NJ.

Subsequently, detectives from the Bergen County Prosecutor’s Office were notified of the incident and initiated an investigation with their partners at the Bergen County Sheriff’s Office.

Detectives were later alerted to a second burglary at the County facility that occurred on Monday, May 1, 2023. During the second burglary, Bergen County Sheriff’s Officers discovered two catalytic convert-

ers had been removed from County owned vehicles.

During an investigation by the Bergen County Prosecutor’s Office Special Investigations Squad and the Bergen County Sheriff’s Office, Hernandez and Rosario were identified as suspects.

On Friday, June 23, 2023, detectives from the Bergen County Prosecutor’s Office located and arrested Hernandez without incident.

Hernandez and Rosario were each charged with two counts of third-degree burglary, two counts of third-degree theft, and two counts of third-degree criminal mischief.

Hernandez was remanded to the Bergen County Jail pending his first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack, NJ. An arrest warrant was issued for Rosario.

Prosecutor Musella states that the charges are merely accusations and that the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. He thanked the Bergen County Sheriff’s Office for its assistance. *Source: BCPO. ###*

Mass of Anointing October 14

Most Sacred Heart Share and Care cordially invites all parishioners, families, friends and visitors to celebrate a Mass of Anointing at Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 127 Paterson Avenue, Wallington, on Saturday, October 14, 2023, at 11 a.m. Come experience the beautiful serenity, peace and comfort for mind, body and soul offered at this Mass

Grief Support

GriefShare is a support group that meets weekly to offer help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend. They meet Monday evenings at 7 p.m. at Bible Baptist Church, 31 Passaic Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights. For more information call 201-288-4139, ext. 2, email BBCGriefShare@gmail.com or go to: www.griefshare.org ###

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(Never known to fail) Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and show me, herein you are my mother, Oh, Holy Mary, Mother Queen of Heaven and Earth! I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. There are some that can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein you are my mother. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3x). Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3x). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who gave me the gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me, I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. The person must say this prayer three consecutive days. After three days, the request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted. P.M. ###

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Free blood-pressure screenings - on the 4th Tuesday of the month beginning at 11:30 a.m. Membership is \$15 per year. Contact Debbie for membership at 201-803-4708 and Raynette for trips at 201-726-3604. Payment must be received 2 weeks prior to an event. All trips leave and return to CVS Parking Lot, Paterson Avenue, East Rutherford.

• August 17: Spirit of NJ Cruise. 2 hour cruise on the Hudson and East River. Buffet on the ship with entertainment. Bus leaves CVS parking lot 10:30 sharp. \$82 pp.

• August 21: Caesars Atlantic City Bus Trip. Bus leaves CVS parking lot at 9:30 sharp. \$35 pp. \$30 back slot pay.

• September 18: Caesars Atlantic City Bus Trip. Bus leaves CVS parking lot at 9:30 sharp. \$35 pp. \$30 back slot pay.

• September 20: La Festival Italiano. The Casa Blanca, Oak Ridge. Luncheon and Entertainment. Bus leaves CVS parking lot 10 a.m. sharp. \$62.

• October 5: Octoberfest. the Shore Club, Spring Lake. Luncheon and Entertainment. Bus leaves CVS parking lot at 9:30 a.m. sharp. \$68.

• October 16: Caesars Atlantic City Bus Trip. Bus leaves CVS parking lot at 9:30 sharp. \$35 pp. \$30 back slot pay. ###

HH Leisure Club
Christmas Party

The Leisure Club of Hasbrouck Heights will hold its annual Christmas Party on December 6, 2023, at The Fiesta, from 1 to 5 p.m. The cost is \$60 for members and \$65 for non-members.

No tickets will be sold after November 8, 2023. Mark your calendars. Details to follow. For more information call Astrid at 201-288-5612. ###

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We have interesting events at our regular meeting days with guest speakers and entertainment. We follow protocols of CDC. We are planning for more varieties of programs, such as cultural events, hands on arts and crafts, musical events and much more.

Trips

All trips leave from the parking lot at Broad and Orchard Streets. Arrive 15 minutes before. Call Helene at 201-463-3000 for details.

• August 9/10: Delaware overnight. Call for details. \$245/\$325.

• August 16: Indoor picnic at the Civic Center. Noon.

• September 7: Surfflight Buckalew's. Grumpy Old Men. \$70. Bus leaves 9:30 a.m. Returns 4:30 p.m.

October 11: Krucker's. Octoberfest. Breakfast, lunch, dinner, music, dance, drink, games. Bus leaves 9:30 a.m. Returns 5 p.m. ###

Bergen County
LGBTQ Seniors
Meet Aug. 8, 21, 18

Bergen County LGBTQ+ Alliance (BCLA), a new non-profit organization, hosts a seniors (60+) group that meets on the second Tuesday and the third Monday of each month in person and the third Friday virtually. All meetings begin at 11:30 a.m.

The next meetings are on Tuesday, August 8, Monday, August 21 and Friday, August 18, 2023. The Tuesday meeting will be held at The Rutherford Pancake House, 40 Park Avenue, Rutherford and the Monday meeting will be held at CoZie Café, 14-25 Plaza Road N (Radburn Plaza Building), Fair Lawn. Light lunch will be served at the in-person meetings. Contact us at Nick@bergencountyLGBTQ.org or 201-470-8946 for info and/or the link. ###

Your quote for today:

"I've missed more than 9,000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. 26 times I've been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life, and that is why I succeed." Michael Jordan. ###

AARP Chapter
#2015 Lodi

The AARP Chapter #2015 of Lodi meets at noon the third Tuesday of every month at the Lodi Senior Citizens Building, 22 Walnut Place. Each meeting will have either a speaker or entertainment as well as light refreshments.

New members are welcome. 2023 dues are \$10 for the year. National AARP membership is also required. For membership information contact Stan at 973-779-8544.

• August 15: Regular monthly meeting. Frozen Summer Treats.

• September 19: Regular monthly meeting. Speaker from NJ AARP: Downsizing & decluttering- You can't take it with you.

• September 20: Bus Trip - Wind Creek Casino & Resort, Bethlehem, PA. Tickets are \$35 with a \$25 comp. For info call Anna at 973-249-2950, or Kathy at 973-779-8544. Provided by Kathleen Zalenski. ###

BC Senior Picnic
September 12

Bergen County will host their Annual Senior Citizen Picnic on September 12, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Van Saun County Park, Paramus. Rain date is September 19, 2023.

Residents 60+ years are invited for lunch, music and entertainment, craft fair, informational tables, etc.

Limited handicap accessible parking is available. For special needs, call 201-336-7416 at least two weeks prior to request special accommodations.

Event is sponsored by Bergen County Department of Human Services, Division of Senior Services ADRC. ###

Craft Vendors Wanted

Does your organization have an arts and crafts group? Would you like to promote your group and build your membership by selling your hand-made crafts?

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Uncle Eddie: Final Alarm

Edward Frey, Jr., 84, of Carlstadt, known to all as Uncle Eddie, passed away on Sunday, July 9, 2023, after a short illness.

Ed's career after graduating from East Rutherford High School began by joining the U.S. Army Reserve.

Ed then chose to apply for the local plumbing union and after completing the apprenticeship program, went on to receive his master plumbing license.

After 25 years, Ed moved into the local building inspection group and began working for the Borough of Carlstadt along with several other municipalities. He also became a fire sub code official.

Ed joined the Carlstadt Fire Department in 1960, and rose through the ranks from fire officer to becoming Chief of the Department in 1979. Ed's passion for the fire service continued for more than 30 years until he retired after fifty years of service. During his long career, Ed was secretary of the Carlstadt Exempt Association for seventeen years and secretary of the Carlstadt Relief Association for twenty years.

Ed also found the time to belong to many Firematic organizations. He was a life member of the New Jersey State Exempt Association, New Jersey State Fire Chiefs Association, active member of the International Association of Fire Chiefs and member of the New York State Fire Chiefs

Association. He was a trustee and life member of the South Bergen Mutual Aid Association. Ed was also a member of C.R.E.W Mutual Aid Group and Life Member New Jersey-New York Volunteer Firemen's Association for the past sixty years. Ed was also a long-time active member of the Bergen County Firemen's Home Association, and served as president in 2011.

Dear brother of Nancy Frey, Alice Phillips and her husband, Ron and the late Eileen Frey. Loving uncle of Keri Stellato and her husband Mark and Ron Phillips, Jr. and his wife, Betty. Cherished great uncle of Brianna and Brooke Stellato.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Bergen County Firemen's Home Association, c/o Mr. Jeff Parma, 277 Harriott Avenue. Harrington Park, NJ 07640.

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James Halloran was recognized by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Department of New Jersey, with the Good Citizenship Award. He is shown here with the New Jersey State Commander Jay Godin. Mr. Halloran is the current commander of Major General Phillip Kearny Camp #20 of the SUVCW. Photo by Dave Hann. ###

Garden of the Seasons

The Hasbrouck Heights Garden Club GARDEN OF THE SEASONS CONTEST is open for the Summer 2023 season. The summer contest is for front and side yards only and runs thru August 27.

If you wish to enter the Summer contest, please leave a message for Audrey Gall at

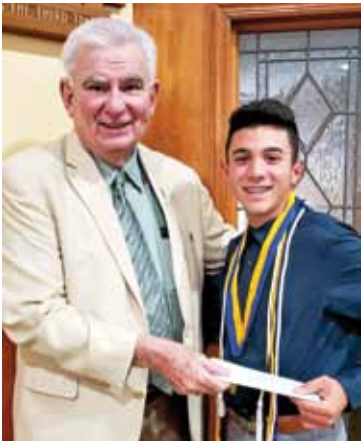
201-288-8943 for an application.

In addition, the Garden Club members will ride through town searching for contest candidates during the contest dates. We will carry Garden Club ID. Our members will leave an application at your home if you have a qualifying garden.

The Garden Club is always open to all and meets on the third Wednesday of each month (except July, August and December) at 6 p.m., with refreshments served at 5:30 p.m. Please join us in the Meeting Room across from the Library in Boro Hall located at 320 Boulevard and bring a friend. ###

HH Library will be hosting a Block Party: "All Together Block Now" on August 4, 2023 from 4 to 10 p.m.

The HH Garden Club has been invited to join this special event! The theme is renewing our connections with one another in our community. We welcome you to stop by and see what is happening with the Garden Club. Our booth will be available between 4 and 6 p.m. ###



At the June 9, 2023 awards ceremony of Corpus Christi Grammar School, Jack Nagel presented the 2023 Audrey L. Nagel Scholarship to Nicholas J. Percontino.

The award has been given in memory of Audrey, who passed away in 2009, by her husband, Jack, since 2010.

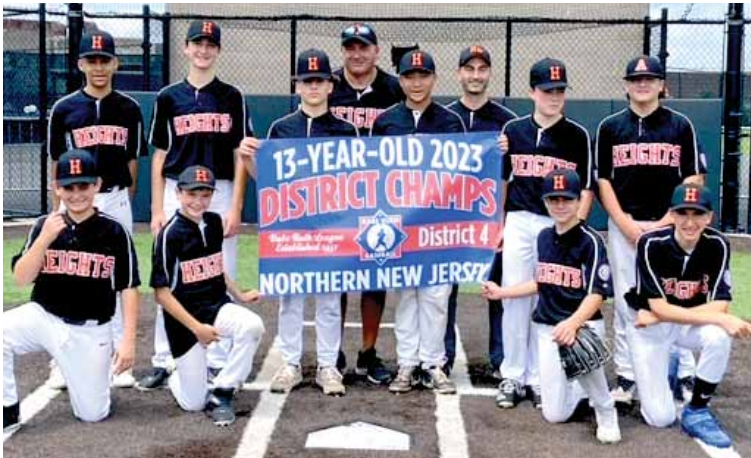
Audrey graduated from Assumption School in Wood-Ridge in 1962. She loved her time there and felt it was the foundation for both her educational and overall development. Since Assumption School closed in 2010 the award is now presented to a Wood-Ridge resident who is graduating from a Catholic Grammar School and will be attending a Catholic High School in September.

Nicholas, who was Student Council President, graduated with High Honors and will be attending St. Joseph's Regional High School. ###



Claus Entertains Kip Strawberry Tea

The Kip Center held their Annual Strawberry Tea on June 30, 2023. Singer/actor Anthony Duke Claus was the featured entertainer. Here he is pictured with Mrs. Florence Ray, a member of the Kip Center. Provided by Mrs. Lorraine Gallipoli. ###



Hasbrouck Heights took the lead late in the game for a 4-2 victory over Rutherford on Saturday to secure the Babe Ruth District 4 13U All-Star Championship.

Matthew Samperi was credited with the victory for Hasbrouck Heights as he went 5 1/3 giving up just one hit and recording 11 strikeouts. His only trouble came in the 2nd when he walked two and hit two more to allow the only runs of the game. However, he was able to settle down and gave the Aviators a chance to get back into the game.

Hasbrouck Heights was able to tie the score in the top of the 4th by using their speed to turn a couple of walks into two runs. Matthew Tucci and Mason Abromowicz drew back-to-back one out walks and stole second and third on a perfectly timed double steal. David Despaigne brought Matthew home with a ground out to 3rd and Mason used his wheels to steal home during the next at bat.

Hasbrouck Heights took the lead for good in the 6th. Nick Haines singled on a line drive to right and stole second to get in scoring position with 2 outs. Ethan Salazar wasted no time and drove a first pitch fastball to second which could not be handled. As Ethan beat out a close play at first, Nick never stopped running and scored from second on the infield single.

In the bottom of the 6th, Matthew Tucci came on in relief for Heights and immediately saw his defense step up. With a man on first and one out, Nick Haines turned a sure-fire single into a force out at second on a one-hop line drive to right. After an errant pick-off moved the runner to

second, Jack Focarino fired a bullet from behind the plate to cut the runner down at third and end the inning.

Hasbrouck Heights would get the insurance run in the top of the 7th with a leadoff single and stolen base by Caden Fiant and a double by Cole Sudol who led the Aviators with three hits.

Matthew Tucci relied on the defense again in the 7th as Matt Samperi made a nice grab in foul territory and Matthew Dawson scooped a hard grounder for the first two outs. A two out double was hustled in by right fielder Jake Rodrigues which was stranded as Matthew Tucci got the final batter to pop out to Matt Samperi in a fitting end. Provided by Brad and Maria Tucci. ###

Fly Fishing Instruction

East Jersey Chapter Trout Unlimited, a local chapter of National Trout Unlimited is offering an Autumn 2023 fly fishing instruction for beginners & intermediate anglers.

Classes are Tuesday nights from 7 to 9 p.m. beginning September 19 thru November 7, 2023. Cost is \$85.

Held at Wayne Fire House PLO#2, Alps Road ramp at 970 Route 23, Wayne.

All instructors are experienced, chapter volunteers, longtime fly fishermen. Instruction in fly casting techniques, fly selection, fly fishing tackle, i.e., lines and leader, knots, entomology and how to read a stream. All equipment is provided; however, using one's own is encouraged.

To register or for further information call or text Joe Fusco at 201-739-4229 or call Doug Penna at 201-288-4409. ###



Free School Supplies August 19

Evangel Christian Church, 165 Main Street, Little Ferry, NJ 07643, will be providing a free Backpack/School Supplies Give-Away K-12 (while supplies last) on Saturday, August 19, 2023 starting at 11 a.m.

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and darkness, good and evil. Kids learned they can be part of God's kingdom and be equipped with the armor of God to become Keepers of the Kingdom who stand strong in today's battle for truth! This year, 100% of the children's offerings went to support Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. Through this project, Samaritan's Purse partners with the local Church worldwide to share the Good News of Jesus

Christ and make disciples of the nations. For more information about how you can support Operation Christmas Child or introduce them to your Church or organization go to www.samaritanspurse.org For more information about Bible Baptist and their children's programs go to www.biblebaptist.net ###



Rutherford Children Celebrate Patriotism



The Rutherford Recreation Department's 91st Annual Baby Parade was held on Saturday, July 1, 2023 at 10 a.m. It began as the High School and proceeded to Lincoln Park where contestants passed in review before the panel of judges.

Rutherford residents, ages newborn through 5 years old, were welcomed to participate in this adorable Rutherford tradition. Residents were encouraged to decorate their child's stroller, bike, wagon, etc., with

patriotic or other themes and to have their children dress for the role.

This is a wonderful community event that showcases the artistic talent of parents and the incredible cuteness factor of Rutherford children.

The Grand Prize winner received a \$100 savings bond and 6 runners-up received a \$50 savings bond. Event was sponsored by the Recreation Office. For additional information, call 201-460-3015. ###





LFPD Held a Fishing Derby

On June 17, 2023, the Fishing Derby was held at Indian Lake at Lakeview Park, sponsored by the Little Ferry Police Activities League. The event was for Little Ferry residents only.

No fishing license was needed for anyone under 15. Limited bait, tackle and fishing poles were available on a first come basis. This was a catch and release event. Prizes were awarded to each age group. ###



Cynthia L. Forster, Division Director, BC Department of Parks & Recreation, Division of Cultural & Historical Affairs explaining the displays. ###

Bergen County Celebrates Juneteenth

Saturday, June 17, 2023, at 12 p.m. – Juneteenth Celebration hosted by the Bergen County NAACP, in partnership with the County of Bergen – Overpeck County Park, Leonia

Also, on Saturday, June 17, from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Bergen County’s Division of Community Transportation provided continuous shuttle transportation from Overpeck County Park to Gethsemane Cemetery to allow attendees to visit both events.

The County’s Division of Cultural & Historic Affairs (DCHA) under the County’s Department of Parks opened the County-owned historic site Gethsemane Cemetery in Little Ferry from Saturday, June 17

to Monday, June 19 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m., for self-guided tours. The cemetery, which dates back to 1860, is a historic one-acre burial ground that served as the eternal resting place for African Americans who lived in Hackensack from the late 1800s to the early 1900s. Among those buried -- former slaves, wealthy land-owners, and two Civil War Veterans.

The public can also access a recorded tour of Gethsemane Cemetery on the Bergen County website featuring historian Dr. Arnold Brown of Englewood, who was instrumental in saving this location. For more information, contact the Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs at 201-336-7272. ###



As part of the **Hasbrouck Heights Police Junior Police Academy**, on Friday, June 30, 2023, Hackensack Air One landed on Hitchcock Field (behind the High School) and showed the students the helicopter and first aid equipment.

The program was sponsored by Hasbrouck Heights Police Department under the direction of Chief Joe Rinke, Lt. Jeff Werner and Sgt. Brad Dussault. Photo by Tony Greco. ###



A Wedding to Remember

On Saturday, June 24, 2023, at 3 p.m. a fire alarm was received for 650 Terrace Avenue, The Hilton Hotel. Upon arrival, Hasbrouck Heights Fire Chiefs (60,61,62), were informed of a fire in the lower floor kitchen area. The fire was minor in nature. A signal 10-30 was transmitted and Mutual Aid from Wood-Ridge responded. The fire was quickly contained with one 2-1/2" attack line and a supply line from a hydrant and the building Fire Department connection.

The Department did have a problem with proper building evacuation, but were able to rectify the situation. They actually took a photo with the bride and groom of a wedding that was being held there. No injuries to civilians or firefighters. Fire was under control in 7 minutes. Photo provided by HHFD. ###



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Dental Injury Prevention

Preventing dental injuries and injuries to your mouth by practicing commonsense strategies may go a long way to avoiding many situations. Most tooth injuries are a lifelong injury. Thus, a broken tooth is unable to mend itself and requires dental procedures to restore the mouth to the preinjury form and function.

Common recreational injuries in the summer occur during swimming, diving, trampolines, bicycling, skate boarding, basketball, etc.

For instance, the trampoline injury is common when there are more than one person jumping. As one person comes down they can hit their head / mouth upon the other person

often rising which accentuates the force of the impact. Ouch! During the recreational activities, supervision, adhering to recommended safety protocols, using protective equipment, and good old common sense will create a more pleasurable and safe experience.

As the summer progresses, organized sports begin their training practices. Soccer, football, baseball (*fall ball*), softball, cheering, basketball. Of course, football is the ultimate contact sport.

However, in my experience, there is one sport which has sent more patients to my office due to a dental injury. Many of **The Gazette Newspaper** readers may unfortunately remember those instances. That sport is baseball and softball.

It is rarely thought of by the athletes, parents, and coaches to consider using protective mouth guards during play for these sports. It is seen more now than ever in professional baseball where the batters' helmets are equipped with faceguards. Well fitted mouth guards will provide excellent protection while being cost effective. There are some good store bought mouth guards available. However, not all mouth guards are appropriate for every person. For instance, those who wear orthodontic appliances, will require a special type of mouth guard.

I advise anyone who is active either recreationally or in organized sports to consult with their dentist and determine what type of mouth guard is most appropriate for their activity.

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Footnotes

By Dr. Kenya Lazovik, DPM

Don't let your feet ruin your day at the beach

Millions of Americans hit the beach this summer to enjoy the sun and sand. Here are some safety tips to make sure your day at the beach is nothing but enjoyable.

- Puncture wounds and cuts: Wear shoes to protect your feet from puncture wounds and cuts caused by sea shells, broken glass and other sharp objects. Be especially aware of old planking on the boardwalk.

Don't go in the water if your skin gets cut – bacteria in oceans and lakes can cause serious infection. To avoid complications from a puncture wound, see a podiatrist for

treatment within 24 hours.

- Jellyfish stings: Remember that a jellyfish washed up on the beach can still sting if you step on it. If their tentacles stick to the foot or ankle, remove them, but protect your hands from getting stung too. Vinegar, meat tenderizer or baking soda reduce pain and swelling. Most jellyfish stings heal within days, but if they don't, medical treatment is required.

- Sunburns: Feet get sunburn too. Rare but deadly skin cancers can occur on the foot. Don't forget to apply sunscreen to the tops and bottoms of your feet.

- Burns: Sand, sidewalks and paved surfaces get hot in the summer sun. Wear shoes to protect your soles from getting burned, especially if you have diabetes.

- Ankle injuries, arch and heel pain: Walking, jogging and playing sports on soft, uneven surfaces like sand

frequently leads to arch pain, heel pain, ankle sprains and other injuries. Athletic shoes provide the heel cushioning and arch support that flip-flops lack. If injuries occur, use rest, ice, compression and elevation to ease pain and swelling. Any injury that does not resolve within a few days should be examined by a podiatrist.

- Diabetes risks: The 20 million Americans with diabetes face serious foot safety risks at the beach. The disease causes poor blood circulation and numbness in the feet. A diabetic may not feel pain from a cut, puncture wound or burn.

Any type of skin break on a diabetic foot has the potential to get infected and ulcerate if it isn't noticed right away. Diabetics should always wear shoes to the beach, and remove them regularly to check for foreign objects like sand and shells that can cause sores, ulcers and infections.

For further information about ankle fractures and sprains or other foot and ankle problems, contact Dr. Lazovik, Dr. Dayana Sawh or Dr. Rana Moses at North Jersey Foot & Ankle Center at 862-233-8438. www.NJfootandankle.com ###

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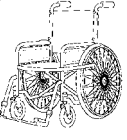
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Historically Speaking

By James J. Halloran



It's Official

Over the years, the State of New Jersey has adopted various symbols pertaining to the state. These vary from a coat of arms to a microbe.

The coat of arms appears on the seal of the State of New Jersey. It was adopted by a joint committee of the two houses of the New Jersey Legislature in 1776 (see *The Gazette Newspaper*, May 2015). The Flag of the State of New Jersey has the coat of arms centered on it.

The official state colors are buff and blue (*Jersey Blue*). General George Washington assigned these colors to delineate the uniforms of troops from New Jersey, during the Revolutionary War.

The state has an official insect. No, it is not the mosquito! It is the honeybee. Governor Brendan Byrne made it official on June 20, 1974.

The horse is the state animal. The horse is depicted on the coat of arms. The Eastern Gold Finch is the official bird. The official dog is the Seeing Eye Dog. The official fish is the Brook Trout. The reptile is the Bog Turtle. The Knobby Whelk is the official shell. It is better known as "Scungilli."

As we are known as the Garden State, there are a number of florals that have official status. The Violet is the state flower. The Red Oak is the state tree.

In 2004, the Blueberry was made the official fruit. In 1916, Ms. Elizabeth Coleman White developed the nation's first cultivated blueberry. There is a Blueberry Festival every year at Whitesbog, Brown's Mills, Pemberton Township, New Jersey.

Hadrosaurus Foulkii is the state dinosaur. It was larger than an elephant and had the

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features of both a lizard and a bird. It was discovered by William Foulke at Haddonfield, New Jersey.

The State of New Jersey has two official ships. In Camden, New Jersey is berthed the USS New Jersey, (BB 62). This highly decorated battleship has seen action in three wars, WWII, Korea and Vietnam. It is now a museum and is open to the public.

The other is the Tall Ship, A. J. Meerwald. This is a two masted Delaware Bay Oyster Schooner. Built in 1928, the ship was gaff rigged and used as an oyster dredger. The Meerwald had been restored by the Bayshore Center at Bivalve, New Jersey. The ship has regular cruises from that location.

The Square Dance is the official dance of New Jersey. The state designated this in 1983.

Yes, New Jersey has an official microbe. It is the *Streptomyces Griseus*. It was discovered in the soil of New Jersey in 1916. In 1942, Rutgers University researcher, Selman Wakman, using the microbe, created Streptomycin. He was awarded the Nobel Prize for Medicine in 1952.

New Jersey has the distinction of being the only state with an official demon. This is the "Jersey Devil" (see *The Gazette Newspaper*, September 2022). It was accorded this "Honor" in 1939.

Sadly, New Jersey is the only state, of the fifty states, without a state song. In 1942, a strong contender was "The Jersey Bounce." It hit the number one spot for four weeks and was recorded by many artists. A number of Eighth Air Force bombers were named "The Jersey Bounce" by their crews. New Jersey native, Lt. Col. Donald Pierini, named all three P-51 fighters, that he flew, "Jersey Bounce." Maybe New Jersey artists like Bruce Springsteen or Jon Bon Jovi can be encouraged to write the song? ###

Artful Thinking

By Artie Maglionico • Lodi Historian

August 2023

Don't tell me it's July already. I told you not to tell me that!

Are any of you invited to a Christmas in July celebration? Lucky you! Some people might say that decking the halls in July is rushing things a bit. Not me! I for one think that celebrating the Yule Tide in the hottest month of the year might cool us down enough to spread some holiday cheer in the process. Like the song says "We need a little Christmas right this very moment." So with that having been said let me be the first to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy 4th of July.

By the way does anyone out there know how and when a July Christmas made its way onto the summer scene? The first I ever heard of it was in the Laurel and Hardy Classic, "The March of the Wooden Soldiers."

It was the villain, Barnaby, who blurted it out from his upstairs bedroom window to Stan Laurel who was delivering a large Christmas present, bow and all, to the wicked landlord, Barnaby. Of course, Oliver Hardy was in the box. It was all a ploy to enter the house and steel an overdue mortgage for the old woman and the shoe that had so many children... well you know the rest. It was then that Barnaby asked as he looked down at the wooden box "Christmas in the middle of July?"

A few months ago, thanks to Middle School Principal Michael Cardone and Head Custodian Mark Nocito, I was taken on a tour of what used to be Old Lodi High School (now the middle school).

I guess to me and the generations of students who walked through those, dimly lit, hallowed halls of their Alma Mater it will forever be LHS. "Near the Saddle River waters on a lofty hill stands our noble alma mater praised in glory still."

Give me a moment while I collect myself. Kleenex anybody?

Anyway, those halls aren't dimly lit anymore. In fact the entire school is as clean and as bright as when it first opened its doors back in 1934.

Being there again, the first time since I graduated in 1965, brought back a rush of memories that came at me from all directions. Though the hallways and classrooms have changed, I saw my surroundings the way it used to be when I was a fresh faced kid bouncing off the walls like a pin ball making my way to the next class.

My tour was truly a sentimental journey where, in my mind, I was bumping into all of those beautiful kids I went to school with, many of which are no longer with us, at least in the physical sense.

Spiritually they were all there waiting for me in my home room, history class, study hall, cafeteria, and gym class. Cherished echoes of the past followed me and were heard on each floor.

The pièce de resistance (that's French) was following my tour guide, Head Custodian Mark Nocito, as we ascended into the monumental tower that has become a landmark for the ages.

That experience was a first for me and I cherished every bit of it. As the Borough Historian it was a trip into the deepest recesses of the past as far back as the eye could see. On those ancient walls were the names of those students who passed

that way over the years. Names that dated back to the earliest origins of LHS. At the urging of Mark Nocito and Principal Michael Cardone, who gave me a magic marker, I signed my name and Graduation date on that same wall; Artie Mags Class of 1965. Now that was a trip down memory lane. Thanks again to Principal Michael Cardone and Custodian Mark Nocito.

If any of you kids I went to High School with are reading this, please know that you were all on that tour with me. It was a pleasure to see you all again especially you, Class of '65.

Having an outdoor get together? Well don't forget to take me along. I like my burgers well done thank you very much, heavy on the ketchup.

On July 14th the Rock and Roll group, The Individuals, performed at the Lodi Amphitheater. The concert began at 7 p.m. sharp and attracted a standing room only crowd.

Band members include: Guitarists Joey Bart and Ken Rocha, Drummer Glenn Loiacono, Bass Guitarist Tyler Gabbanelli and Donnie Maskal on Keyboard. All take part in vocals. "It's family and work during the day," says Joey Bart, but at night it's all rock and roll!"

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Let's Go Traveling!

By Rick Ardis

August 2023 Washington D.C.

Our nation's capital city, Washington, D.C., is an excellent choice for a family vacation. Close to New Jersey, it is easily accessible by Amtrak, short flights, or a quick car trip on Interstate 95. The city and surrounding areas provide a myriad of sights and experiences.

The United States Congress chose the site of the new capital of our new nation in 1790. The first Congressional meetings were held there in 1800 after meeting previously in New York and Philadelphia.

Prior to the end of the Revolutionary War, Princeton, Trenton, Baltimore, Lancaster, and York, PA had served as de facto capitals of our fledgling nation.

So that the city would be independent of local control, a location straddling the Potomac River was chosen with Maryland ceding land on the east bank including the port of Georgetown, and Virginia relinquishing territory including its city of Alexandria and what is now Arlington.

The federal district was a square with sides of approximately ten miles each turned 45 degrees to appear as a diamond.

In 1846 the federal government returned to Virginia the portion of the federal land which lay west of the river.

George Washington appointed Pierre L'Enfant to design an appropriate plan for government buildings at the selected location. L'Enfant's plan was much more grandiose.

The Capitol Building occupies a spot atop the highest hill in the central part of the city. Streets were laid out in a north/south and east/west grid pattern.

Grand avenues named after the states were situated at angles. The intersection of the avenues and grid created parks, squares, and circles which provide airy open space.

From the Capitol west to the riverbank is the National Mall and Reflecting Pool. Many people regard Washington, D.C. as one of the most impressive capital cities.

The area along the National Mall is bounded by Constitution and Independence Avenues and is the location of most sights of interest to the visitor.

The Smithsonian Institution is the largest complex of museums, education, and research centers in the world.

Among the popular exhibits are the American History Museum, Air and Space Museum, African American Museum, American Indian Museum, and Natural History Museum. Other units are focused on art. These include the National Gallery of Art, the Freer Gallery of Art, and the Hirshhorn Art Museum. Each of these exhibits offer free admission, although some require advanced reservations for timed entry.

The Smithsonian also operates the nearby National Zoological Park in Washington's Rock Creek Park. The zoo is open year-round with free admission and unique events.

Due to space constraints at the Air and Space Museum, the Smithsonian opened the Udvar-Hazy Center at Washington Dulles International Airport west of D.C. in Fairfax, Virginia. In this expanded space, new and larger exhibits could be displayed. These include a Space Shuttle, a Concorde SST, and other commercial, military, and private aircraft. There are no admission fees, but there are charges for simulators, and movies in the IMAX Theater on an 86-foot-wide.

Many other free attractions abound in and around the city. The US Capitol Building, White House, and Supreme Court offer tours. The Library of Congress, National Archives (*featuring the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution*), Postal Museum, United States Holocaust Museum, and

United States Mint also offer tours.

The Washington Monument, Lincoln Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, and memorials and monuments to casualties of American wars are open-air and easily accessible. One of the most popular sights to witness is the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier across the Potomac in Arlington National Cemetery.

In addition to the numerous free options, there are other activities and sights with a charge. The area is home to teams in each of the major sports, plus other leagues, and collegiate competition. Theater and concert offerings are like any other large American city. However, the most prominent area attraction is George Washington's home at Mount Vernon.

Washington is a very walkable city, with excellent public transportation for longer distances. Additionally, options for trolley and double-decker bus tours provide narrated highlights of the city.

As with any large city, Washington provides endless culinary options. While exploring the D.C.'s many neighborhoods, a visitor can find food to satisfy any taste. Italian, French, Steakhouse, Vietnamese, Ethiopian, and other ethnic eateries thrive throughout the city. Seafood options are plentiful on Maine Avenue along the river. Connecticut Avenue is home to many restaurants, from fast food to high end, and many different cuisines. Ben's Chili Bowl is a staple on U Street serving unique half-smokes, chili dogs, and milkshakes.

One of my favorite restaurants is Martin's Tavern on Wisconsin Avenue in the Georgetown neighborhood. The menu features comfort foods in a compact dining room. (*One of the booths is where JFK proposed to Jacqueline Bouvier*). I also enjoy The Old Ebbitt Grill near the White House. Founded in 1856, it is Washington's oldest saloon and noted for crab cakes and oysters.

I first visited Washington, D.C. as a Cub Scout and have returned to the city quite often. During each visit I have found something new to experience whether traveling for business or solely vacation. Every American should take the opportunity travel to the nation's capital at least once.###

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Real Estate Insight

By Mary Ellen Courtney

Thoughts on Back-to-School

Earlier this year, a nice young couple decided to sell their condo in Jersey City and move to one of the towns down here in our desirable south central Bergen County area. The main reason they moved? Their son Robbie, age 5, starts school this week.

It's a typical realtor story but it highlights the quality of our local school districts which, I can tell from long experience, accounts immeasurably for the allure and value others put on residential real estate around here.

"We definitely moved here for the schools," Robbie's mom told us. "We wanted our kids to be with other children whose parents had as much involvement with education.

The people here have similar backgrounds to ours. Those are the types of people you want to become friends with, whose kids you want your kids to become friends with."

All over the country, parents are preparing this week to send their children back to school, spending hundreds of dollars on books, clothes and groceries for brown bag lunches. And, for many families, another key back-to-school purchase is... a new home!

Online giant, Trulia, conducted a survey that compared the ratio of families with children aged 5 to 9 versus families with children aged 0 to 4.

The results, unsurprisingly, showed that the most attractive communities for families with school-aged kids are traditional suburbs like those around here, where many of us grew up.

The communities that are the least attractive to parents with school-age children (*the districts with the lowest ratios of 5-to-9 year olds and 0-to-4 year olds*) tended to be densely-populated areas that are popular with young professionals and students, yet have high real estate prices. Notable among them is Hoboken, which has only 39 children of elementary school age for every 100 preschool-aged children.

We in the real estate business see up close the migration trends motivating many 30-39

year olds.

A fair number of people in this age group may originate in the centers of cities but, we note, a substantial outflow of them as their kids approach school age. It would appear that, setting their own interests aside, these more mature, responsible couples think more now along the lines of what's in the best interests of their kids.

(*Our own son, Martin, father of two, made a similar decision last year when he and his wife gave up their hipster lifestyle in Williamsburg, Brooklyn and transitioned to the more staid environment of Beacon, NY.*)

The fact is, though, that buying in a community with a good school district can benefit you even if you don't have kids.

Realtor.com did a survey recently which showed that school district boundaries impact the buying decision for more than 60 percent of home buyers.

Schools have always been closely tied to real estate sales but, more than ever, education is often seen as a factor that is even more important than price, commute time and nearby amenities. It means high resale value.

We're fortunate to have that (*and more!*), right here in our local area. Just last year, the Hasbrouck Heights School District was acclaimed 84th best school district in New Jersey according to the 2022 Niche Rankings, a research & rating standard.

More broadly, Niche rated Bergen as the county in New Jersey with the best school system, ranking Hasbrouck Heights 23rd out of the 60 districts in the county and giving the Boro's education capabilities an overall grade of A-. Likewise, other towns in our local area performed surprisingly well.

Good Schools. Good for your kids and good for you, smart home buying/owning parents!

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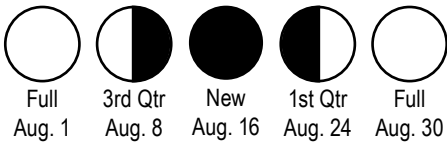
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Sturgeon Moon Plus a Blue Moon



This year, August has two full moons—and, they are both supermoons!

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For more than half a century, whenever two full Moons appeared in a single month (*which happens on average every 2 1/2 to 3 years*), the second has been christened a “Blue Moon.” (*In our lexicon, we describe an unusual event as happening “Once in a Blue Moon.”*)

According to “The Farmer’s Almanac,” the fishing tribes are given credit for the naming of this moon, since sturgeon, a large fish of the Great Lakes and Lake Champlain and other major bodies of water, were most readily caught during August.

The lake sturgeon has a greenish-grey color and a pointed snout with two pairs of whisker-like tactile organs dangling near the mouth. It is sometimes called a “living fossil,” as it belongs to a family of fish that has existed for more than 135 million years.

Lake sturgeons are extremely long-lived. The males can reach 55 years, while females can live up to 150 years! And they can grow to be enormous. They are the American continent’s largest fish and can grow to over 2 meters long (6 feet) and weigh around 90 kilos (200 pounds).

Lake sturgeons do not only live in lakes; they also live in rivers, but not in the ocean.

This monster fish used to be a major part of the ecosystems in North America’s Great Lakes, Hudson Bay, and in the Mississippi River, and they were once found all the way from Canada to Alabama.

Today, the lake sturgeon has become one of the rarest

fish in North America because of intense overfishing in the 19th century, pollution, and damage to their habitat and breeding grounds due to agriculture and lumbering.

A few tribes knew it as the “Full Red Moon” because, as the Moon rises, it appears reddish through any sultry haze. It was also called the “Green Corn Moon,” “Grain Moon,” “Fruit Moon,” and “Barley Moon,” all inspired by various crops that can be harvested in August. 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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The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights is located at 320 Boulevard in Hasbrouck Heights, on the second floor of the municipal building. Our programs and services are offered to everyone.

For more information, call 201-288-0488 for details or visit us online at <http://hasbrouckheights.bccls.org> ###

LF Washington School Seeks Memorabilia

Washington School in Little Ferry has welcomed generations of our community's students through its doors over the course of the past 109 years. During this time, Little Ferry Public Schools has proudly established a strong connection with the community that drives our mission of delivering an exceptional educational program to all students.

District leaders understand that our residents have count-

less memories within the walls of this school. That's why the Board of Education is seeking to connect those who taught in and attended the Washington School with our current and future school community.

Members of the Little Ferry Public Schools Board of Education know that a new school cannot be built without honoring its past and are seeking artifacts from the Washington School's history. If you have

photos or items that showcase the history of the school, we ask that you share them with us.

We are collecting photos, memories and memorabilia now!

Submit your scanned photos to LittleFerryFuture@lfboe.org or drop them off at Memorial Middle School, 130 Liberty Street (go to Main Door 1).

Questions? Please email: LittleFerryFuture@lfboe.org

Carlstadt Concerts

The Carlstadt 2023, free outdoor summer concert series lineup is as follows:

- August 1 (at Lindbergh Field) - "Mushmouth"
- August 15 - "52nd Street Band"
- September 5 - "Fillet of Soul"
- September 19 - "The Nerds"

The concerts are held Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Village Green Park (August 1 will be at Lindbergh Field). All rain dates are the following Tuesday.

Carlstadt Recreation hosts these events and funded by sponsors. ###

Rewind Concert September 23

Senior Concert with Rewind. Saturday, September 23, 1 to 2 p.m., Hasbrouck Heights Senior Center. Featuring John Delgiodice of Hasbrouck Heights on guitar, Ken Cohen of Kenilworth on drums, and Rich Loughlin of Oceanport on bass.

Rewind has been entertaining since 2017. Their mix of classic rock from the 50's though the 80's will have you singing and dancing! Refreshments will be served. Registration is encouraged.

Sponsored by the HH Friends of the Library. ###

Rutherford 2023 Summer Concerts

The Rutherford Summer Concert Series will be held at Lincoln Park, Hutzel Bandshell on Park Avenue on Thursdays from 8 to 10 p.m. Rain dates are the following Monday.

- July 27: Royal Scam
- August 3: Big House
- August 10: Kimon & the Prophets
- August 17: Kurt & Marty Band. ###

BC Concert Schedule

The Amphitheater at Overpeck County Park – 199 Challenger Road, Ridgefield Park

- Thursday, July 27, 7 p.m. – David Cedeño & His Orchestra (Variety of Latin Music)
- Thursday, August 3, 7 p.m. – The Chiclettes (Tribute to Decades of Female Artists)
- Thursday, August 10, 7 p.m. – Here's Elton (Tribute to Elton John)

The Stage at Riverside County Park–South – 453 River Road, North Arlington

- Tuesday, August 8, 7 p.m. – The Ronald Reagans: Big '80s Show (Biggest Hits of the '80s)
- All concerts and movies are free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets for viewing. All events are weather permitting. To keep up with the latest updates visit www.co.bergen.nj.us or follow the Bergen County Parks System on social media: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter ###

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Carlstadt Public Library

Carlstadt Library, 420 Hackensack Street, Carlstadt, NJ 07072. 201-438-8866, Handicap accessible. bccls.org or www.carlstadtlibrary.org

- **Grab-n-Go Crafts for Adults.** Paint-your-own wooden gnome. Craft kits available at the circulation desk beginning August 1, while supplies last. One per person.
- **Movie Madness.** "The next Chapter" starring Jane Fonda and Diane Keaton, Tuesday, August 1 at 1 p.m. or Wednesday, August 2 at 6 p.m. Seating is limited. Registration is required
- **African Mask Making.** Wednesday, August 9 at 7 p.m. for an evening of art and storytelling. Participants create a one-of-a-kind mask while listening to stories from the Kingdom of Benin. All materials provided. Space is limited. Registration required.

Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library

Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604. 201-288-0488, <http://hasbrouckheightslibrary.org>.

The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights is open. For the most up-to-date information and guidelines, visit us online. Call 201-288-0488 to speak with a staff member or email hashcirt@bccls.org.

The Library's summer hours of operation are as follows: Mondays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesdays through Thursdays 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Closed on Saturdays.

Return Library materials in our book box at the rear of the Municipal Building. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.

- For CHILDREN**
- **Mystery Grab & Go Craft Bags.** Stop by the Children's Desk throughout the month and pick up a mystery craft bag for at-home fun! While supplies last; no registration required.
 - **Fresh Air Storytime at Central Ave. Playground.** Wednesdays, August 9 & 23 at 11 a.m. We're taking storytime back outside with stories,

- **Adventures in Kindergarten - Adults.** Thursday, August 10 at 7 p.m. for an evening of humorous storytelling with resident Kathie Rizzo who will share amusing stories from her time as a Kindergarten teacher that will have the audience rolling in the aisles. Space is limited. Registration required.
- **Cook the Books! - Cookbook Club.** Calling all amateur chefs. Wednesday, August 16, at 7 p.m. A different cookbook is selected each month. Participants prepare a dish for club members to sample. August pick is "Once Upon a Chef: The Cookbook" by Jennifer Segal. Copies available at the Circulation Desk. Space is limited. Registration is required.
- **Cupcake Bouquet.** Attend a cupcake decorating class with Stephanie from Steph's Baking Boutique. Learn how to create a floral cupcake bouquet and leave with some delicious treats to enjoy on Thursday, August 24 at 7 p.m. All materials supplied. Space is limited.

songs, bubbles, and more! Bring a blanket, mat, or chair to sit on. Meet in the small playground off of Central Ave. Program subject to location change in case of inclement weather. Registration required so we have a way to contact participants for updates.

- **Read-to-a-Dog.** Thursday, August 10, 6 to 7 p.m. Our friend, Oscar, is back and ready to listen! Get some reading practice in, bring one of your books or choose from ours. Registration is limited.
- **Summer Game Lounge Open Play.** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m. Our Nintendo Switch game lounge will be open for after-school play with friends! Multi-player games are available, including Mario Kart and Super Smash Bros (*or bring your own!*). Reservations requested.
- **Lego Club.** Wednesdays, August 9 and 23, 4 to 5 p.m. All builders are invited to Lego Club! We'll free-build and discuss all things Lego with fellow fans. We'll provide the bricks, you supply the ideas!
- **Summer Break Movie for Kids** Friday, August 25 at 2 p.m. Come beat the heat and enjoy a movie on our big screen TV. Snacks will be provided.

- For ADULTS NEW SERVICES**
- **Library of Things.** A

- **Gift Bags.** Tuesday, August 29 at 7 p.m. for an evening of creativity and recycling. Participants will create a unique gift bag made from newspaper and decorating odds and ends. Some materials will be provided. Participants may also bring extra to personalize their bag. Space is limited. Registration required.
- **As the Page Turns - Adult Book Club.** Calling fellow bookworms! Discuss the novel "Every Summer After" by Carley Fortune on Wednesday, August 30 at 7 p.m. New members welcome! Copies are at the Circulation Desk, also access the e-book or audiobook on Hoopla and Libby!
- **Storytime at the Library with Miss Risa.** Children, ages 6 months to 5 years, and their caregivers to Storytime at the Library on Wednesdays, August 2, 9 and 16 at 3:30 p.m. Registration required.
- **Music with Miss Nita at the Village Green.** Thursdays, August 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 at

collection of non-traditional Library items that are available for borrowing. The Library currently has 3 different kinds of collections that fall under the Library of Things umbrella: Mobile Hotspots, Puzzle Sets, and iPads. Each collection has its own policies and rules, and it is available to borrow for at-home use! We hope to incorporate more items in the near future!

- **Digital Literacy Assessments.** The Library is now an approved testing location for the Northstar Digital Literacy Program, offering free testing and assessments of computer and internet skills.

Grow your understanding of digital literacy topics to improve your chances of getting a job, excelling at school, and so much more! Test yourself

Wood-Ridge Memorial Library

Wood-Ridge Memorial Library, 231 Hackensack Street, Wood-Ridge, NJ 07075. 201-438-2455. <https://woodridgememoriallibrary.org>

- **Music with Miss Nita.** Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. Join us to shake, wiggle, sing, and dance! This program is for babies and toddlers. Registration required the week before each class.

- 10:30 a.m. Babies, toddlers and preschool children will enjoy songs, rhymes, movement and instrument play. Register for each session.
- **Healthy Education Workshop.** Children, ages 5 and up, on Tuesday, August 1 at 4 p.m. Kelly Grippo from the Mid-Bergen Health Commission will teach children about how physical activity promotes wellness. This workshop will include mini prizes and healthy snacks. Space is limited. Registration required.
 - **Kindness Movie Afternoon.** Watch "Charlotte's Web" on Thursday, August 3 at 3:30 p.m. Registration is required.
 - **Abakadoodle Art Class.** Children ages 5 and up for an art program with Abakadoodle on Tuesdays, August 8, 15, and 22 at 4 p.m. Learn painting and drawing skills and create a new piece of art at each class. Space is limited. Registration required.
 - **Secrets of Magic Workshop.** Thursday, August 10 at 3:30 p.m. For children 8 and up. Magician Joe Fischer will share behind-the-scenes secrets to becoming a magician. Each child will receive a "bag of tricks" to become a real magician! Space is limited. Registration required.

on any number of skills such as Computer Basics, Internet, Email, and Microsoft Excel. Assessments can be done at home or in the Library.

Test takers can receive certificates and/or digital badges when they pass Northstar assessments in a proctored environment at a Northstar testing location.

- **Learn Online.** You don't have to visit the Library to learn something new. You can do it from the comfort of your own home!

With your Library card, you have Kanopy and Hoopla. Use Kanopy to access The Great Courses lecture series, and Hoopla to hone your craft skills via Craftsy! Please see a staff member for more information or a demo or any of the new services mentioned above!

- **STEAM Lab for Kids.** August 1, 4 p.m. Ages 5-10. Join Miss Lauren for a science and technology based afternoon of fun! All materials provided. Registration required for each child.
- **Story Time with Miss Lauren.** August 3 at 11 a.m. Join Miss Lauren for a toddler story time. This program is for kids aged 2 to 5 and their caregivers. Registration is required.
- **Movie Matinee.** At the Civic Center. August 4 at 1 p.m. We will provide a big

- tion required.
- **Popsicle Knitting.** For children ages 6 and up. Thursday, August 17 at 4 p.m. to learn the technique of Popsicle Knitting. Create a fun and easy knitted snake, while learning the basics of knitting. Space is limited. Registration required.
 - **Read-and-Bead Summer Reading Program.** All Together Now! Read to earn beads for your own keychain or necklace. The Summer Reading Program runs through Friday, August 25; stop by the Library to register.
 - **Take-It-and-Make-It-Crafts for Kids.** For children of all ages. This month's craft is a kindness leaf to add to our summer reading kindness tree. Craft kits will be available through August 25, while supplies last. Call 201-438-8866, ext. 203 for more information.
 - **1000 Books Before Kindergarten.** Reading together creates lifelong memories and helps develop pre-literacy skills. Children who are read to at an early age have larger vocabularies and are more successful in school. Children from birth to 5 years old can participate. Stop by to pick up the program packet, and check out some books. ###

ONGOING PROGRAMS

- **Crafts-to-Share Club.** Tuesday, August 8, 6 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday, August 23, 1 to 3 p.m. Drop in to chat and work on a crafty project! Enjoy other crafters while you knit, crochet, embroider or craft anything! We have donated yarn for any crafters looking to create for a good cause. In-person and Zoom.
- **Adult Book Club.** 4th Tuesday of every month, In-Person & via Zoom August 23 at 7 p.m. "The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue" by V.E. Schwab

Join us for an evening of fun, literary discussion! Pick up a copy at the Library or use the Hoopla or Libby app to enjoy the ebook or eAudiobook on your smartphone or tablet. ###

- screen, snacks, and beverages. We'll be watching "Book Club: The Next Chapter." PG-13. Run time 1h 47m.
- **Book Club.** August 17 at 7 p.m. Meet us at Gus's to discuss this month's selection! Email director@woodridge.bccls.org, or see our calendar for the book title.
 - **Crafts for Grown Ups.** August 25 at 6 p.m. We'll be creating a lovely early fall craft! Registration is required. ###

Rutherford
Public Library

Rutherford Public Library, 150 Park Avenue, Rutherford NJ. 201-939-8600. rutherfordlibrary.org, [facebook.com/rutherfordpubliclibrary](https://www.facebook.com/rutherfordpubliclibrary) and [twitter@Rutherford_pl](https://twitter.com/Rutherford_pl).

Hours: Monday-Wednesday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m, Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m, Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. During July and August, the Library is closed on Saturdays.

• **Summer Reading Program - for Children, Teens, & Adults.** Runs through September 23. Rack up prizes with this summer’s theme of “All Together Now.” The Children’s Department features related events and crafts. It’s not too late to sign up!

• **Creativebug Live Craft Classes and How-to Videos.** Use creativebug, an innovative resource for craft projects. Featuring live classes, how-to videos, links, and resources for needlepoint, sewing, paper crafts, jewelry making, woodwork, leather, and more—all free with your Library card. Visit our website to get started.

• **SAT & ACT Success.** High school students and their parents are encouraged to attend this virtual workshop regarding college entrance exams to learn: the differences between the SAT and ACT, keys to achieving one’s highest score, and how the SAT/ACT can impact merit aid and scholarships. Registration is required. Participants will be emailed the Zoom link.

• **Children’s Programs.** Celebrate reading milestones with our Summer Reading Program and offers “All Together Now” themed events and crafts.

- Play Date, a multi-award-winning, husband-and-wife, indie-rock duo featuring Greg Attonito and singer-songwriter, Shanti Wintergate, will get the whole family (*ages 3 and up*) boppin’ and singing along on Friday, August 4 at 2 p.m.

- Children from Kulture Kool Camp will present their “Cool Bucket Drumming Concert” Friday, August 18 at 10:30 a.m. for ages 4 and up. No registration required for Play Date or Cool Bucket Drumming Concert.

- Registration is required for Book Bingo, Tuesdays at 3:15 p.m., August 1, 8, & 15; and Cooking with Miss Bhavna, Tuesdays, August 1 & 8 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom. Sign up for each session.

• **Virtual Author Talks.**
- NYT bestselling author Robert Jones, Jr., discusses his 2022 "Publishing Triangle."
- Edmund White Award for "Debut Fiction" novel, The "Prophets," Tuesday, August 15 at 4 p.m.

- NYT bestselling author of "The Mortal Instruments" series, Cassandra Clare, discusses her last book in The Last Hours series, "Chain of Thorns," Wednesday, August 23 at 8 p.m.

- And just in time for college admissions, best-selling higher education author, Jeff Selingo discusses his latest, "Who Gets In and Why: A Year Inside College Admissions," Wednesday, August 30 at 2 p.m.

If you are interested in one of our Author Talks but can’t attend, you can register for the event and receive a link to the recording after. Past Author Talks are also available.

• **Grab & Go Doorside Pickup.** Services provided. Order books from the BCCLS catalog at www.bccls.org or submit a Grab & Go form (*from our website*) for the adult or children’s collection! If you don’t have access to a computer, call 201-939-8600 and our team will order items for you!

• **On-Demand Yoga.** Enjoy yoga 24/7, anywhere with an internet connection. This video database has class offerings and meditation tapes for all ages and experience levels; and story time for children. New classes are added all the time! Send an email to reference@rutherford.bccls.org with your name and Library card number for the information you need to access virtual yoga lessons.

• **ESL In-Person and Virtual Classes.** In-person and virtual ESL classes resume August 7. In-person ESL meets Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Advanced ESL classes are on hold for the summer. Virtual ESL classes are held Mondays through Thursdays, Registration for in-person classes is required and must be done in person at the circulation desk.

• **Monthly Movie.** Join us for a screening the last Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m., sponsored by the Friends of the Library. No registration.

• **Book Club.** Every month we hold a Monday Night Book Group, Cook-a-Book Book Club, Spice Club cooking event, Read ‘Em & Eat Book Club, and YA Book Talk in addition to our special programs.

• **Teen Volunteers & Programs.** Every month for teens, we host a YA Book Talk, Teen Game Time (*Fridays, 3:30 p.m.*), Community Service Club (*Thursdays, 3 p.m.*), Doodling to De-Stress, and a teen craft. We have volunteer opportunities for middle/high school students. Email marion.johnson@rutherford.bccls.org for details.

• **Tech Tutor.** Available by appointment for tech help or lessons. Email marion.johnson@rutherford.bccls.org.

Wallington
Public Library

Wallington JFK Memorial Library, 92 Hathaway St. Wallington, NJ 07057. 973-471-1692. www.wallingtonpubliclibrary.org

The Wallington Library is open and hosting in-person programs. To receive our monthly newsletter by email sign up on our website. Updated information can also be found on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

Registration required for all programs unless stated.

• **Second Grade Summer Book Club.** Tuesday, August 1 at 3 pm. Discuss "Dinosaurs Before Dark" by Mary Pope Osborne. Open to children going into 2nd Grade.

• **Children's Henna Program.** Thursday, August 3 at 3:30 p.m. Open to children ages 5-10. Have beautiful henna patterns drawn on your hands!

• **Rainbow Reads Book Club.** Friday, August 4 at 3 p.m. Rainbow Reads is an LGBTQ-friendly book club for queer & allied youth in Grades 9-12. It’s a safe place to share thoughts around books we are reading and to talk about ideas and issues. In August, we'll be discussing "Cemetery Boys" by Aiden Thomas.

• **Ocean Hazards and Beach Safety: Sharks vs Rip Currents.** Tuesday, August 8

at 11:30 a.m. A family event for all ages! Learn how to stay safe this summer when at the beach.

• **3rd & 4th Grade Summer Book Club.** Tuesday, August 8 at 3 p.m. Discuss "Mr. Popper's Penguins" by Richard Atwater. Open to children going into 3rd & 4th Grade.

• **Children's Craft: Cityscapes.** Thursday, August 10 at 3 p.m. Create a fun nighttime cityscape by painting, cutting, and coloring. Open to ages 6 -12.

• **Cyanotype "Sun Printing" Adult Craft.** Friday, August 11 at 11 a.m. Discover the fascinating art of cyanotype! Using sunlight and a special mix of chemicals. Turn ordinary objects into stunning blue masterpieces. Rain date TBD.

• **Monday Afternoon Book Club.** August 14 at 2 p.m. Discuss "The Shack" by William Young. New members welcome! No registration required.

• **Polish Heroes in World History.** Monday, August 14 at 4:30 p.m. Learn about different Polish Heroes throughout history! Open to children going into Grades 1 - 3.

• **Reading to Rosie.** Wednesday, August 16 at 1 p.m. Rosie loves reading, hugs, and belly rubs! Open to children of all ages.

• **Children's Yoga Time.** Thursday, August 17, 2023 at 4 p.m. Be sure to bring some water and a yoga mat or towel

with you! Open to ages 6-12.

• **5th & 6th Grade Summer Book Club.** Tuesday, August 22 at 3 p.m. Discuss "Fish in a Tree" by Lynda Mullaly Hunt. Open to children going into 5th & 6th Grade.

• **Music with Miss Nita.** Wednesday, August 23 at 1 p.m. Join Miss Nita for singing, dancing, and more! Open to children ages 0 - 5 and caregivers.

• **Children's End of Summer Reading Party.** Friday, August 25 at 2:30 p.m. All children who participated in our 2023 Summer Reading Program are invited to our End of Summer Reading Party! No registration required.

• **Adult Book Club.** Wednesday, August 30 at 2 p.m. For August we will discuss "Dial A for Aunties" by Jesse Q. Sutanto. Stop by the Library to pick up a copy or check out Libby for a digital version. New members welcome!

Our 2023 Summer Reading Programs are still going until the end of the month!

• **Children's Take Home Craft Kits** will be available the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month! Grab one while supplies last!

Be sure to check the Library's website for more details on these programs and to see what other great activities and events we add in August!

Read to Your Child

Lodi
Memorial Library

Lodi Memorial Library, One Memorial Drive, Lodi, NJ 07644. 973-365-4044. <http://lodi.bccls.org/>

• **Chair Yoga.** A six-week yoga class for people experiencing joint pain and stiffness. Students will use chairs rather than yoga mats. Classes on Tuesdays 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. August 22 & 29 and September 5, 12, 19, 26. Registration is required. You must reserve a spot for each session you wish to attend. Sponsored by The Friends of Lodi Memorial Library.

• **Tuesday Night Book Club.** Tuesday, August 8, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Book is "Jacqueline in Paris" by Ann Mah – 342 page. Contact director@lodi.bccls.org for more information about our book club meetings.

• **Semi-Monthly Movie.** Afternoon movies twice a month at the Library. August the movie: "Book Club: The Next Chapter" on August 9 at 1 p.m. and "Avatar: The Way of Water" on August 23 at 1 p.m.

• **Adult Crafts.** In-Person. August’s craft will be stained glass mandala suncatchers on Wednesday, August 16 at 1:30 p.m. Registration required.

Register online at lodi.bccls.org or call the Library to reserve your spot - 973-365-4044 ext 2.

• **Color Your Stress Away.** Friday, August 11, 1:30 p.m. A coloring club just for adults! Join us the 2nd Friday of each month for a relaxing hour of coloring, complete with meditative music and refreshments. Materials will be provided, but feel free to bring your own crayons or colored pencils.

• **Adult Coloring Pages, Mazes and Community Puzzle.** Always available for adults. Come to the Library to de-stress with our free coloring materials, fun mazes, and beautiful puzzles. ###

Children
Special Programs

• **Anime Club.** – Grades 6-12, In-person, Wednesday, August 9, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Watch a movie, get some snacks, and make a craft. Registration required.

Summer Reading.
• **Unique Creatures Animal Show.** Grades K-5. In Person, Tuesday, August 8 from 2:30 to 3:15 p.m. Online

registration required.

• **End of Summer Reading Party** including a performance by TaleWise. All ages. In Person. We will also have snacks, a Tricky Tray for up to Grade 5, and will announce the reading prize winners. Friday, August 18 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Online registration required.

• **Draft Program.** Grades 3 to 12. In Person. Thursday, August 3, 10 and/or 17 from 2 to 3 p.m. for a special craft. Online registration required.

• **Lodi Game Club.** All ages (*12 and under must be accompanied by an adult*). Join us for all kinds of games every Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. No registration necessary.

• **High School Hang-out.** Grades 9-12. Every Tuesday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the conference room for games, movies, and other fun activities.

• **Grab & Go Craft – Grades Pre K - 2.** A new grab & go project will be available each Monday! While supplies last. No registration.

• **Legos.** – All ages. Tuesdays from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Children’s Room. Make your own creations with Legos. No registration necessary.

• **Storytime.** Every Tuesday and Friday at 11 a.m. No registration necessary. ###

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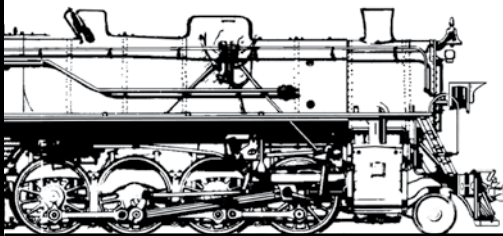
On July 1, 2023 the Boardwalk @ the Boro was held along Memorial Drive, Lodi, NJ (*in front of Borough Hall*) starting at 1 p.m.
Activities included food trucks and specialty vendors, family games, bounce houses, 360 photo booth tent, facing painting & balloon twisting, beer garden, Dr. Dunn family magic show.
Live entertainment included Kimon & The Prophets and Fillet of Soul concerts. The day concluded with fireworks. ###



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