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Honoring Veterans

Saving Hallowed Ground commemorates the World War I Centennial, with their 20' x 30' American Flag for ceremonial use, honoring the sacrifices of soldiers and citizens during World War I.

Rutherford included this program as part of their WWI Veterans Day Commemorative Remembrance. Under the direction of Saving Hallowed Ground Executive Director, Eugene Hough, two lines of white-gloved patriots faced each other and shook hands. Hough then unfurled the flag, with each volunteer taking hold.

He instructed the complete unfurling by the volunteers, who then rotated the flag counterclockwise. Hough then instructed the refolding. He completed the final triangular folding. "Taps" was played.

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AWS Holiday/Christmas Party Dec. 2

ATTENTION: The Social event of the year is COMING! The AWS Holiday/Christmas Party is Saturday, December 2, 2017, at the Fiesta banquet hall. You do not want to miss that. Last year's was amazing. This year we are anticipating that we will be sold out, get your tickets early.

Please check our blog for news and updates regarding our club at <http://wineclub201.blogspot.com>. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you there. *Chapter President Angel Martinez and all around good wine guy Vice President Philip Miuccio. Cheers & Salute! ###*

The Nutcracker

Garden State Ballet will hold its annual performance of "The Nutcracker" at The Rutherford Public Library on Saturday, December 16, 2017, at 1 p.m. Light refreshments will follow. Admission is free and all are welcome to attend. ###

Winter Christmas Show Model Railroad Exhibits

The excitement and "Romance of Railroads," and the enjoyment of building and displaying model trains has kept the Society of Model Engineers going since 1926, making it the oldest model train group in the United States.

The members operate a train museum and two large "Railroad Empires" covering almost 5,000 square feet.

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is 40 by 70 feet and has almost 20 scale miles of train track, with detailed scenic diorama with realistic track work, roads, interesting structures, bridges and tunnels.

The "HO" Scale layout is approximately 30 by 45 feet. It also, is fully scenic with miles of scale track. Over 50,000 miniature trees have been installed by the members to depict Northern New Jersey.

Santa Visits the AHOF Dec. 2

Santa is scheduled to depart the North Pole at Midnight and is expected to arrive at 11 a.m. on Saturday, December 2, 2017 at the Aviation Hall of Fame, Teterboro.

He and his elf will circle the museum several times in a helicopter, and then ride into the parking lot in an airport fire truck. Santa will have candy and gifts for the kids.

Bring your camera for this photo opportunity! Children under 12 years of age will be able to meet and greet Santa Claus inside the museum free of charge, when accompanied by an adult. Adult admission is \$8, \$6 seniors and children free.

The museum will open at 10 a.m. to accommodate expected interest in this special event. The visit of Santa Claus is presented annually by the New Jersey Aviation Hall of Fame & Museum, located at 400 Fred Wehran Drive, Teterboro, NJ. For more info call 201-288-6344. ###

Many of the models are one of a kind and were handmade by Society members. Trains of all types, passenger, freight, and circus trains, will be operating continuously.

Also on display will be the Society's collection of historic railroad memorabilia signage, railroad lanterns, steam locomotive bells and whistles, railroad photos, etc.

The Society's Annual Winter Christmas Show will be November 24, 25 and 26, and December 2 and 3, 2017, from 1 to 6 p.m., at 341 Hoboken Road, Carlstadt. Donation is \$7 for adults and \$1 for children.

For more information call 201-939-9212 or go to: www.ModelEngineers.org ###

See February 2017 **The Gazette Newspaper** for a tour of the Society of Model Engineers exhibits. www.the-gazette-newspaper.com/images/gazette/feb17.pdf

Pet Photos with Mrs. Claus

FOCAS (*Friends of the County Animal Shelter, Inc.*) will be hosting holiday pet pictures with Mrs. Claus and a Special Holiday Gift Fair on Sunday, December 3, 2017, at the American Legion, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. The cost per photo is \$8. All pets are welcome. Pets should be up-to-date on all shots and appropriately restrained. There will be refreshments, fabulous holiday gifts on sale for pets and people and a drawing each hour. Let FOCAS put some "cheer" in your holiday!

Annual event proceeds benefit the FOCAS Angel Fund that provides veterinary medical care for sick, homeless and abandoned animals. ###

Carlstadt FD Open House Party

On Saturday, December 9, 2017, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Carlstadt children can meet Santa and receive a treat and have light refreshments. Bring your camera. ###

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Annual Christmas Delaware River Crossing Reenactment

On Christmas Day every year, re-enactors assemble at Washington Crossing State Park, Pennsylvania, and make their way across the Delaware River to New Jersey.

The annual event commemorates the Christmas Day crossing made by Gen. George Washington and his troops in 1776. It was an historic undertaking that resulted in defeat of the Hessian troops in the Battle of Trenton.

You can attend this year's event in Washington Crossing State Park, Pennsylvania. The event/village activities will occur from noon to 3 p.m., with the crossing time occurring around 1 p.m. (*weather permitting*), beginning at the Pennsylvania side at Washington Crossing State Park. This is a free event.

The first printed reference to Christmas trees appeared in Germany in 1531.

Those who cannot attend on Christmas can watch a full dress rehearsal on December 10, 2017 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (*actual crossing at 1 p.m.*).

The cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children age five to 11, and free for those under five (*proceeds support future park programs*).

During the first crossing event, hundreds of troops row across the river in uniform just as they do on Christmas Day. In addition, special Colonial-era activities and demonstrations throughout the historic village provide your family with a full day of fun and learning. A great way to see the reenactment if you can't make it on December 25!

The Christmas Day Crossing is noon to 3 p.m. with the actual crossing at 1 p.m. Cost is free.

For more information go to: www.ushistory.org/washingtoncrossing/ ###

Artful Thinking

By Artie Maglionico • Lodi Historian

Christmas 17 By Artie Maglionico

It's December and like the song, performed by the late Andy Williams says, "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year." The season of Christmas. And now for your reading enjoyment a Christmas poem.

Christmas

Merry Christmas
To us all
To the short and to the tall
To the strong
And to the weak
May we find
The peace we seek.
We won't have to
Look that far.
Peace is here
It's where we are.
Peace is Christmas
Mine and yours
From our front porch
To distant shores.
Merry Christmas
to us all
in the kitchen
in the hall
Place a star
High on the tree
And wrap a gift
From you to me.
Fini

Let's face it folks, as holidays go there is nothing else like it. Just take a look around you and allow yourself to become absorbed by the love, good will and joy that the true meaning of Christmas embraces. Forget the chaos that surrounds us at the malls and shopping centers, no, that is not Christmas! The urgency that comes with the "get them while they're hot" attitude separates us from our original mission.

Okay so our hearts are in the right place, however the shopping frenzy sends us into a labyrinth of panic stricken hyperventilation, Merry Christmas. Some of it is actually frightening, isn't it folks? I don't know, am I wrong about all of this? Yes, I know that in today's fast paced world a moment's lack of focus can very well send a Christmas shop-

per home empty handed. We might, dare I say it, have to consider settling for less, Ouch! I'm going to give you a moment or two to recover from that last statement. I'll meet you in the next paragraph.

With all of that having been said, come the dusk of Christmas Eve we find ourselves giving in to joyous spirit that has been waiting for us with open arms. It's the spirit of Christmas and there's no running from it. Hey, even Ebenezer Scrooge surrendered to it.

The following is an original poem describing Christmas Eve the way I remember it. Who knows maybe you can recognize yourself within the lines.

Christmas at Grandma's

We'd gather at my grandma's house
Every Christmas Eve.
Together all the relatives
Thirty I believe.
The table stretched from wall to wall
As the cellar came to life.
Filled with song and laughter
Every husband every wife.
An empty space could not be found
Still no one pushed or shoved.
We kids ran free like Christmas elves
In the midst of those we loved.
They loved us too...quite dearly
And it glowed on every face.

We huddled in a Christmas dream
In the warmth of their embrace.
The food...Dear God...how plentiful
How tenderly prepared.
Italian hands and loving hearts
We ate, we drank, and shared.
Yes we shared a crowded cellar
We shared each memory
Placed like sacred ornaments
On my grandma's Christmas tree.

Finished
That folks was Christmas the way we all celebrated it. Come to think of it there was no exchanging of gifts at these gatherings. That tradition was practiced at the homes of each

family and usually took place on Christmas morning. No there wasn't any gift giving at these functions. The gift was being together and enjoying to the fullest every moment of one another's company.

They're all gone now aunts, uncles, cousins, parents and siblings, all of those souls who brought Christmas with them and made those early years among the most memorable and most treasured holidays of my life.

They will all live forever in my heart and in the above poem. I'm sure that you have similar memories for that is what Christmas is, a garden of memories.

They bloom each Christmas and bring to life the loved ones who have long since gone and cause us to embrace quite dearly those loved ones who are still with us.

Yes folks, Christmas, at least for me, has changed drastically over the last 20 years or so and not necessarily for the better. My loved ones have since crossed the Jordan. But it never fails, that unmistakable loving spirit of Christmas comes to my rescue and lifts me to a higher place where both inner peace and contentment call home. That is where I left Christmas as a child and that dear friends is where I shall continue to find it now and for Christmases to come, however many remain.

Wow! the year really flew by didn't it? Look at how far we have traveled within the lines and paragraphs of this column we call "Artful Thinking." No, it's not my column folks rather it's all of ours, mine and yours.

Through this column we have grown closer over the years and have made it our business to meet once a month, right here, to share some memories and revisit the people and places that are woven deep into the fabric of our lives.

This goes for people both in and around the town of Lodi including our readers from overseas. Yes there are a few. We all made it to December and are ready to take part in our Christmas traditions. In doing so it becomes a perfect time to make peace on earth and good will toward men a reality that is year round and lifelong.

So, here's wishing you all the merriest of Christmases as well as a happy, healthy and safe new year.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to our men and women serving in the Armed Forces near and far and to their families. Another heartfelt Christmas greeting goes out to all of our Veterans. Oh yes, Merry Christmas to My Aunt Josephine Daleo Maglionico.

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Shop vendors with jewelry, seasonal décor, designer chocolates, children's books, all-natural bodycare products, and more.

Visit the Church's Blessings Boutique featuring new and gently used clothing, giftware, housewares, small furniture, and brand new, bargain-priced baby clothing.

Refreshments, free raffles, and more holiday fun included. Free admission. Street parking.

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For more information visit <http://www.rutherfordmc.org/> or e-mail lindatelesco@yahoo.com ###

Stories with Santa

On Friday, December 15, 2017, at 6:30 p.m., The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library invites children to Stories with Santa at the Wood-Ridge Civic Center, located at 495 Highland Avenue. Santa will be joined by storyteller LuAnn Adams, who will present "Tacky the Penguin" and "Other Frosty Winter Tales." Advance registration is required. To register, please call The Library at 201-438-2455. ###

Old Time Broadcasts on Local Community FM Radio

WSBP-LP (94.3 FM) is planning to rebroadcast old-time radio shows for Christmas Day, Monday, December 25, 2017, at the same time slot.

Due to their location in Wood-Ridge, it would be best to review their coverage area online at <http://www.wsbp943.org> ###

Toys for Tots

- American Legion Lodi Post 136, 41 Union Street, Lodi, from 9:30 a.m. till noon, is a collection point for the Marine Corps Toys for Tots program as well as accepting food donations for the food pantry. For more information, call Frank at 201-906-1592. ###

- About 40 Police Departments are also participating in the "Toys for Tots" program with a collection date of December 18. Contact your Police Department about participation. ###



HH Fire Dept. To Take Santa Around Heights

On December 17, 2017, the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department Santa schedule is as follows...

- Central & Boulevard (Boro Hall) 3:30 p.m. to 3:50 p.m.
- Collins & Baldwin 4 p.m. to 4:20 p.m.
- Hasbrouck & Ottawa 4:30 p.m. to 4:50 p.m.
- Paterson & Burton 5 p.m. to 5:20 p.m.
- Oak Grove & La Salle 5:30 p.m. to 5:55 p.m.
- Oak Grove & Jefferson 6:05 p.m. to 6:25 p.m.
- Oldfield & VFW 6:35 p.m. to 6:55 p.m.
- Cleveland & Summit 7:05 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
- Cleveland & Woodland 7:45 p.m.

Any parent who cannot get a child to a Santa stop due to illness or handicap can make special arrangements by calling the Fire Chief at 201-288-0082. ###

Pictures With Santa Dec. 2

During their Christmas Tree Sale, the Hasbrouck Men's Association welcomes you to take your picture with Santa, on Saturday, December 2, 2017, from 2 to 4 p.m., at Terrace Avenue and Franklin Avenue.

Bring your own camera to take your family photo. No purchase necessary.

The HHMA is a non-profit, volunteer organization that raises money for college scholarships.

Wallington FD Breakfast With Santa

Wallington Fire Department, Park Row Hose Co. 3, will be hosting their annual Pancake Breakfast with Santa on Sunday, December 3, 2017, from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the Wallington Civic Center, 24 Union Boulevard, Wallington. There will be pictures with Santa.

Donations, \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids ages 4 to 12. Tickets are available at the door. ###

East Rutherford FD Santa Around Town

On December 16, 2017, starting at about 9:30 a.m., East Rutherford residents can meet Santa on their street. Be sure to listen for the Fire Department sirens. ###

Little Ferry FD Santa Around Town

On Saturday, December 16, 2017, starting at 11 a.m. Please wait on the street corners. Be patient, Santa has lots of boys and girls to visit. ###

Lodi FD Santa Around Town

On Sunday, December 17, 2017, starting at 9:30 a.m., Lodi residents can meet Santa on their street corner. Be sure to listen for the Fire Department sirens. ###

Moonachie FD Santa Around Town

On Saturday, December 16, 2017, starting at 1 p.m., Santa will be stopping at intersections at the end of streets throughout the community.

All families are encouraged to walk up to the intersections and meet with Santa. Be patient, Santa has lots of boys and girls to visit. ###

Rutherford FD Santa Around Town

On Saturday, December 23, 2017, starting at 3 p.m., Santa will be going throughout the community.

All families are encouraged to meet with Santa. Be patient, Santa has lots of boys and girls to visit. ###

So. Hackensack FD Santa Around Town

On Saturday, December 16, 2017, starting at noon. Please wait on the street corners. Be patient, Santa has lots of boys and girls to visit. ###

Wallington FD Santa Around Town

On Saturday, December 16, 2017, the Wallington Fire Department will randomly escort Santa up and down every street in the Borough. Just listen for the sirens. Firefighters will hand out candy at the intersections. ###

WRFD Santa Around Town

On Saturday, December 16, 2017, the Wood-Ridge Fire Department will have pictures with Santa at the firehouse from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Starting at about 3 p.m., they will randomly escort Santa up and down every street in the Borough. Just listen for the sirens. Firefighters will hand out candy at the intersections. ###

Yuletide-named towns in the United States include Santa Claus, located in Arizona and Indiana, Noel in Missouri, and Christmas in both Arizona and Florida. ###

Your Fire Chiefs Offer These Christmas Tree Safety Tips

- Any string of lights with worn, frayed or broken cords or loose bulb connections should not be used. Connect no more than three strands of push-in bulbs and a maximum of 50 bulbs for screw-in bulbs.
- Always unplug Christmas tree lights before leaving home or going to bed.
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Wood-Ridge Jr./Sr. High School Performing Arts Upcoming Events

Wood-Ridge Jr./Sr. High School Holiday Concert is Wednesday, December 20, 2017, at 7 p.m., in The Wood-Ridge Jr./Sr. High School Auditorium. All are welcome and admission is free. They have 100 students in the High School Choir Grades 9-12; 80 students in the Middle School Choir Grades 7-8; and 50 students in Glee Club (*select choir*) Grades 7-12; and the Concert Band of 30 students. Hope you can all make it! Snow date is December 21, 2017, same time and same place. ###

HH School Holiday Concert

The Hasbrouck Heights Jr./Sr. High School Holiday Concert is Wednesday, December 20, 2017, at 7 p.m. in the auditorium. Open to the public with free admission and open seating! All are welcome to hear the joyous sounds of the Holidays. ###

Christmas Concert December 3

The Chopin Singing Society (*Men's Chorus*) presents its annual Christmas Concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, December 3, 2017, at the Polish People's Home, 1-3 Monroe Street, Passaic. The Chorus is under the direction of Anthony Tabash. Included in the ticket price is a hot buffet and guest artists. The Chopin Chorus has been singing for 107 years. For tickets and information, call Arthur Sroka at 973-916-0788. ###

Blue Chip Quartet December 10

Under the sponsorship of the Wood-Ridge Historical Society, The Blue Chip Quartet will present a program of holiday music on December 10, 2017, in the Arnault/Bianchi House on First Street, at 1:30 p.m.

Foster the goodwill of the season by attending and enjoying the harmonies, a light lunch, and dessert. Admission is free. Donations are gratefully accepted. ###

Festival of Lessons and Carols Dec. 17

St. Margaret of Cortona Parish in Little Ferry will host their Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 17, 2017 at 3 p.m.

With anticipation of the Christ Child during the season of Advent, the Parish Choirs will present songs of the season, along with audience participation of traditional Christmas Carols. The event will spotlight other choral selections.

The Church is located at the corner of Liberty Street and Chamberlain Avenue in Little Ferry. Handicap accessible.

For more information, call Eileen at 201-843-1097. ###

Assumption Church Advent Concert December 17

The Adult and Children's Choir of the Assumption Church in Wood-Ridge will hold its Annual Advent Concert on Sunday, December 17, 2017. The concert will be held in the Church at 3:30 p.m.

All who enjoy good traditional Advent Music are encouraged to attend. It is hoped that the program will bring back memories of joyful experiences with your families and friends. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr.* ###

Christmas Decoration Contest

The Hasbrouck Heights Mayor's Committee on Community Celebrations will be holding its annual judging of Christmas House and Commercial Decorations Friday through Sunday, December 15 through 17, 2017. The final round of judging will be on Monday, December 18, 2017.

Multiple categories will be judged. The Committee asks that all Hasbrouck Heights residents keep their decorations lit and aptly shown from 7 p.m. until 11 p.m. on those evenings so that all displays may be properly evaluated. It is also requested that your address be made clearly visible to the judging members.

All residents and commercial establishments are encouraged to participate in the contest and help make our community look festive. ###

Don't leave lit candles or fireplaces unattended.

Community Tree Lightings

Carlstadt will hold their Tree Lighting at Borough Hall on Thursday, December 7, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. ###

East Rutherford will hold their Tree Lighting at Borough Hall. Check with them for details. Bring your camera for photos with Santa. Refreshments will be served. ###

Little Ferry will hold their Tree Lighting on Friday, December 1, 2017, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., in the Borough Hall parking lot. The Memorial School Choir is scheduled to sing. Santa will be available in

the Municipal Building lobby. Bring your camera.

Lodi will host its Annual Tree Lighting on Friday, December 1, 2017, starting at 6:30 p.m., at Borough Hall. Holiday music will be provided by the Lodi HS Band and Choir.

Moonachie will hold their Annual Tree Lighting event (*rain or shine*) on Saturday, December 2, 2017, at 7 p.m., at Civic Center. Refreshments and photos with Santa will follow.

South Hackensack will hold their tree lighting on December 1, 2017, at 6 p.m. at the Town Hall. ###

Festival of Trees and Wreaths

Kip Center is preparing for its 23rd Annual Festival of Trees and Wreaths. Each year, individuals, organizations, Church groups, school classes and clubs decorate trees and wreaths with a theme of their choice.

Trees, Wreaths, and Centerpieces will be displayed at the Center until December 9, 2017, at which time they will be raffled off to support programs, services and activities at the center. Tickets will be 10 for \$5 or 25 for \$10. The community is invited to come and visit the display Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call Cathy at 201-460-1600 for more information. ###

W-R Girl Scout Tree Lighting December 3

The Annual Girl Scout Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held Sunday, December 3, 2017, 5 p.m., at Veteran's Park on Valley Boulevard. Sing Christmas carols by the tree and as we walk to the Civic Center for a snack, activities and fun.

Please bring a non-perishable food item for the food pantry. Friends interested in Girl Scouting are welcome.

Sponsored by Junior Girl Scout Troop 95825. ###

Wreaths and Grave Blankets

Starting November 25, 2017, The Moonachie First Aid and Rescue Squad is holding their Annual Christmas Wreath & Grave Blanket Sale.

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The Hasbrouck Heights Men's Association will be selling Christmas Trees this Holiday Season at St. John the Divine, at the corner of Franklin and Terrace.

They will be carrying an array of trees of various sizes and prices. This sale has been a Hasbrouck Heights holiday tradition for over twenty years.

The money raised goes to the HHMA Scholarship Fund that benefits graduating high school seniors from Hasbrouck Heights who want to attend college. The Hasbrouck Heights Men's Association wants to thank area residents for their on-going support of their sale and they wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season. ###

There are twelve courses in the Ukrainian Christmas Eve supper. According to the Christian tradition, each course is dedicated to one of Christ's apostles. ###

This Holiday Season, Share Food, Cheer and Smiles with Everyone!

Now more than ever all of us need to learn to talk WITH each other instead of AT each other. We need to become a little more patient with our friends, neighbors, family and strangers. In doing so we will learn that there are more important things going on in this world than looking to buy the biggest and shiniest new thing, but instead learn to be kind and helpful with each other. Sit back, relax, have a glass of wine and enjoy it with family, friends and even people we have just met. The more we do that the better we will understand the true meaning to finding peace and happiness.

The Christmas Holiday season is once again here and brings with it the much appreciated reason for us to be just that much nicer than we are during the rest of the year.

Having a nice bottle of wine just adds to the charm and during these special times there is nothing like the sound of popping open a bottle of the bubbly to bring a smile to everyone's face, just don't point the bottle at anyone.

There are many types of Champagne and sparkling wines from around the world to choose from. (*Only sparkling wine that comes from the region of France. Champaign is called "Champaign," anything else must be called sparkling wine.*)

Champagne is the most

well-known, but there are other variations such as Crémant from France, Spanish Cava, Italian Prosecco or Spumante, and Sekt from Germany.

Having a glass ready for your guests from the following list once they arrive will put you on the top of the most gracious host list. These delightful wines will pair well with your appetizers, pasta (*seriously you're going to try and not have a pasta course*)? I didn't think so. A good cavatelli and broccoli is a nice touch). It will go with any of your main course dishes that you may prepare be it turkey, ham, pork loin or any seafood dish. Of course, dessert with Champagne or sparkling wine just really finishes off the night.

You will not go wrong

- picking a couple of these.
- Piper Heidsieck Brut - Champagne, France, The Piper-Heidsieck Brut is an excellent choice, perfect if you are serving an upscale holiday meal for guests and family.
 - Louis Bouillot Perle d'Aurore Rose - Burgundy, France, If you're having trouble buying a sparkling wine that isn't Champagne, Louis Bouillot Perle d'Aurore is a nice choice. A sophisticated Rose made using the Champagne method with a bouquet and palate that features cherry and strawberry notes.
 - Gruet Blanc de Noirs Sparkling Wine - New Mexico, US, You would not believe that New Mexico as an excellent wine-making region, but they have won various awards with this affordable American sparkling wine.
 - La Marca Prosecco - Veneto, Italy, The method of producing Italian prosecco makes it less expensive than French Champagne but not in quality. The delicate apple and honeysuckle flavors are sure to please everyone.
 - Segura Viudas Cava - Penedes, Spain, Spanish cava is an excellent entree into the world of sparkling wines, especially the Segura Viuda.
 - Domaine Chandon Blanc de Noirs - California, Rated 90+ points by major wine reviewing publications. This is a delightful sweet, but doesn't overwhelm the palate like other fruit-forward sparkling wines.

Wine Bonus #1

Michael Jappy - Wine Sommelier, fancy term for big time wine guy wrote this regarding Christmas Holiday and we think it really is on point.

• The Main Event - After the presents have been opened, the focus rightly turns to the all-important Christmas feast.

The hearty Christmas lunch is one of the most highly anticipated meals of the year and is often the only time of year that the whole family gets to gather round the dinner table.

Special events deserve special wines, and there are

- no more special wines than those of Champagne and other sparkling wines from around the world.
- Sparkling wines don't need to be savored only on special occasions, but they certainly help to bring a certain something to special days, so liven up your Christmas by putting some fizz into every element of the day's festivities!
- #### Wine Bonus #2
- Doesn't like Champagne and sparkling wines, cheez!
- Seriously... we need to talk about that later. For now, here is a list of other wines that will help you this holiday season with your Christmas dinner and parties.
- Kendall Jackson Vintner's Reserve Chardonnay 2013 (CA) - This Chardonnay is a delicious compilation of fruit and smoke, full-bodied and balanced.
 - Apple, melon and pear dominate the palate and are well supported by a rich, buttery texture.
 - Chateau Ste. Michelle Columbia Valley Riesling 2013 (WA) - As America's number one selling Riesling, Chateau Ste. Michelle makes a series of outstanding Rieslings at various price points. Those seeking a "nice, sweet" Riesling are looking for - plenty of peach, good dose of acidity and nice overall off-dry style.
 - St. Supery Sauvignon Blanc Napa Valley 2013 (CA) - Citrus fruits burst to the forefront with orange, lemon and lime defining the palate. This Sauvignon Blanc also boasts a refreshing spirit with lots of spunk - earth, slate and balanced acidity all move within the wine providing ample elegance, familiarity and vibrancy for a festive holiday gathering.
 - SevenHills Pinot Gris 2012 (OR) - A terrific Pinot Gris for the price and the flavor! This one will catch your attention with the honeyed pears and crisp apple flavor, followed by a refreshing finish. Pair this one with your favorite hors d'oeuvres.
 - King Estate Acrobat Pinot Noir 2012 (OR) - A super-

value Pinot Noir from one of Oregon's largest producers. This Pinot Noir has remarkable fruit on the nose with ripe raspberry and cherry vying for attention. The palate flavors center on cranberry and cherry fruit with a soft tannin structure and engaging finish. Perfect for picnics!

- Rex Goliath Pinot Noir (CA) - Named after a 47 pound Texas rooster from the early 1900s, this Pinot Noir offers an undistracted aroma of ripe berries and a hint of spice.

The flavor profile consists largely of strawberries and raspberries, with very subtle tannins and light weight acidity. A pleasant, supple Pinot Noir with enough versatility to go with everything.

- Yellow Tail Shiraz (Aus) - The Yellow Tail Shiraz has good berry fruit-forward flavor, with raspberries rising to the top of the palate and a decent finish.
- Korbel Champagne Brut - Whether you're celebrating something specific or just need to have a bottle of bubbly on hand. This is a champagne stand by that is perfect for party goers, the price is right, the taste is good and many guests just elect to have a sip or two anyway.

Of course you already know but for you locals please see SoHam at **Meadowlands Liquors** for your wine and spirit needs. He will help you to make your selection easy.

On behalf of all of us here at the American Wine Society Meadowlands Chapter we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Joyfully Happy Holiday season. May you and your family and friends enjoy and be safe. Until next month, Enjoy, drink, cheers and Salute!

President and Wine Judge Angel Martinez, Vice President Philip Miuccio and Treasurer Denise Griner. All around wine guys and gal, American Wine Society, Meadowlands Chapter. ###

The Christmas season begins at sundown on December 24th and lasts through sundown on January 5th. For that reason, this season is also known as the Twelve Days of Christmas. ###



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Wallington Library
December Events

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Children’s Programming

Monday and Tuesday are reserved each week for Story & Craft time beginning at 3:30 p.m. Each week, read a book, make a craft and share a snack!

• **Game Day** Wednesday, December 6, 2017, at 3:30 p.m., in The Library.

• **Pizza & Pages** will be held Saturday, December 9, 2017, at noon.

Adult Programming

• **Coloring for Adults** will be held Tuesday, December 12, and Tuesday, December 26, 2017, at 6:30 p.m., in The Library.

• **Computer Coach** Computer Coach is held each Friday by appointment only! Please call ahead to schedule. Hope to see you at The Library!

For information, call 973-471-1692. ###

Tech Tutor

Looking to maximize free content for your tablet, Kindle, or smart phone? The Rutherford Public Library is offering an appointment based Tech Tutor service to provide personalized instruction on downloading free e-books, e-magazines, audiobooks, music, and movies to personal devices. Librarians can also assist with research, setting up e-mail accounts, and basic computer instruction. For an appointment or for more information, please call 201-939-8600 and ask for Reference. ###

Centennial Gala
December 1

The Hasbrouck Heights Public Library will celebrate the Centennial Gala on Friday, December 1, 2017, from 6 to 9 p.m., at 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights.

There will be entertainment, light refreshments, historic displays and recognition of Centennial Club members and Centennial Star donors.

To register, call 201-288-0488. ###

Musical
Mornings

Music with Guitar Bob will be held on Friday, December 1, 8, and 15, 2017, from 11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers at The Rutherford Public Library. Come by for singing, dancing, and fun! No advance registration is required. ###

Knit, Read
and Discuss

The Knit One, Read Two knitting/book discussion group at The Rutherford Public Library will meet on Wednesday, December 6, 2017, at 6 p.m. to discuss "Five Days at Memorial" by Sheri Fink. All those who knit or crochet are warmly invited to bring their needlework and join the discussion. Copies of the book are available at the Main Desk. For more information, please call 201-939-8600.

Monday Evening
Book Group

On Monday, December 18, 2017, at 6:30 p.m., the Monday Evening Book Group will meet to discuss "One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich" by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn. Copies of the book are available at the Main Desk of The Rutherford Public Library. ###

Daytime
Reading Group

On Friday, December 1, 2017, at 1:30 p.m., the Daytime Reading Group will meet at the 55 Kip Center to discuss "A Spool of Blue Thread" by Anne Tyler. Copies of the book are available at the Main Desk of The Rutherford Public Library, 150 Park Avenue, Rutherford. ###

Wood-Ridge
Memorial Library
Book Club

On Tuesday, December 19, 2017, at 7:15 p.m., join your neighbors and friends at The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library to discuss "A New York Christmas" by Anne Perry. Copies of the book are available at the Circulation Desk. All are welcome. ###

Film Screening

On Wednesday, December 27, 2017, at 6 p.m., The Friends of The Library of Rutherford will present a free film screening of "Love the Coopers" at The Rutherford Public Library. The intertwined stories of four generations of Coopers unfold right before the annual family reunion on Christmas Eve. Starring Steve Martin, Diane Keaton, John Goodman. The film will be shown in The Library's Glass Room. For more information, call 201- 939-8600. ###

The popular Christmas song "Jingle Bells" was composed in 1857 by James Pierpont, and was originally called "One-Horse Open Sleigh." ###

Paws to Read

Young readers wanted! On Monday, December 11, 2017, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., children are invited to The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library to read to Rodney, an award-winning certified therapy dog. Children ages 5 and older may register for a 15-minute session. Therapy dogs provide a safe, nurturing experience for emergent readers to practice their literacy skills. To register, please call The Library at 201-438-2455. ###

Conversation
Group

English language learners are invited to attend the English Conversation Group at The Rutherford Public Library. The group will meet on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and on Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The group provides a good opportunity to practice spoken English in an informal setting. This is a free program and all are welcome. No registration is required. For information, please call 201-939-8600. ###

Basic ESL

The Rutherford Public Library will host Basic English as a Second Language classes taught by a certified ESL instructor. The classes are intended for beginner to intermediate level students and will be held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. Students may register in person at the Main Desk. For more information, please call 201-939-8600. ###

W-R ESL

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library hosts English as a Second Language classes for adults at no charge. Classes meet every Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday morning at 10:15 a.m. No registration is required. For more information, please call The Library at 201-438-2455. ###

Drop-In
Storytime

Drop-in story time will be held at The Rutherford Public Library on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. All children from infants to 5-year-olds and their caregivers are warmly invited to stop by for stories and fun. Make some new friends and get ready for reading! No registration is required. ###

Circle Time with
Sukey Molloy

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library will host Circle Time! with Sukey Molloy on Thursday, December 14, 2017, at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Join Sukey Molloy for her award winning series of musical play activities, designed to encourage movement, play and song in the developing years. Children ages 6 months to 5 years of age and their caregivers are warmly invited to attend and may register for one session. Classes will be held at the Wood-Ridge Civic Center, registration is required. Registration opens three weeks prior to the program. To register, please call The Library at 201-438-2455. ###

Mothers of
Pre-schoolers

Hasbrouck Heights MOPS invites moms of kids ages 0-6 from any town to join them at their next event on Thursday December 28, 2017, from 7 to 9 p.m. Be encouraged, connect, make a friend. Join MOPS! Please RSVP by December 26, 2017, so that they have enough yummy snacks for you. Event hosted by Bible Baptist Church, 31 Passaic Ave., Hasbrouck Heights. Free MOPS Kids childcare provided by RSVP only. Monthly Friday morning get together and outings too. For more info: hasbrouckhtsmops@gmail.com; (862) 239-MOPS; Fb – Hasbrouck Heights NJ MOPS ###

December Birthstone
Turquoise

Music with
Miss Nita

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library will host free music-and-movement classes with Miss Nita on Wednesday, December 13, 2017, at 9:15 a.m. and 10 a.m. Come share the joys of making music together! Children ages 5 and under and their caregivers are warmly invited to attend and may register for one session on each date. Classes will be held at the Wood-Ridge Civic Center. Registration is required. Registration opens three weeks prior to the program. To register please call The Library at 201-438-2455. ###

Felician Reading
Center Spring
Program

The Felician Reading Center will offer a Spring Reading Improvement Program for students in Grades 2, 3 and 4.

The program will begin on January 22, 2018 and end on May 3, 2018. The classes are held twice a week - Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

The program will aim to increase Reading Speed with primary emphasis on the improvement of Phonics, Comprehension and Vocabulary Skills.

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The Hasbrouck Heights Library December 2017 Events

December is a frenzied month of sweets and food and crowds and decorations and a whirligig of energy and exhaustion, yet The Library is here as a place of refuge and comfort, of escape and warmth.

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.

For Movie Lovers

Binge Watch Is Back! Patrons who take out any combination of 10 Hasbrouck Heights-owned DVDs will receive a full-size box of candy and microwave popcorn. Any patron, regardless of residence, can participate.

Holiday Movies – Get in the holiday spirit at The Library! We will be showing holiday movies on Tuesday afternoons, November 28, through December 19, 2017, at 3:30 p.m. All movies are rated PG and the event is for all ages.

Winter Break Movies – When school's not in session, we host movies! Shows start at 1 p.m. on December 26, 27 and 28, 2017. Refreshments will be served.

Children

Winter Story Time Registration – Start your winter mornings with stories! Registration starts Tuesday, January 2, 2018. Classes begin Tuesday, January 23, 2018, and will run for six weeks.

• **Tiny Tots** is for ages birth to 2 ½ and their caregiver. Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. and Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

• **Preschool** is for children ages 3 ½ to 5. Tuesdays, 1:15 p.m. to 2 p.m.

• **Book Buddies** is for children ages: 2 ½ to 3 ½. Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Santa Story Times – Join us for a jolly visit from Santa! We will read stories, give Santa Christmas lists and take pictures. We will be having two visits this year, so make sure you register for only ONE: either the 11 a.m. or the 7 p.m. session, Monday, December 11, 2017. This is an all ages event.

Hello Winter Craft & Storytime – Join us, along with the Junior Woman's Club of Hasbrouck Heights, in welcoming winter. Thursday, December 21, 2017, at 3:30 p.m. for children in Grades K-3.

Holiday Bingo – Join us for a game of Holiday Bingo and win prizes! We will be meeting on Thursday, December 14, 2017, starting at 3:30 p.m. for ages 5-12.

Lego Club – Join the Hasbrouck Heights Lego Club! Show off your architectural talents and come create with us. Legos will be provided. Tuesday, Dec. 5 & 19, 2017, starting at 3:30 p.m. for ages 5-12.

Book Clubs for Kids

Join one of our two book clubs for kids. Books for both groups, along with more information are available at the Children's Desk.

• **Best Books** is for students in Grades 2-3, and meets on the first Friday of each month.

• **Critics' Choice** is for students in Grades 4-6, and meets on the third Friday of each month.

Teens

• **Teen Holiday Karaoke Night** – Come to The Library after hours and unleash your inner rock star! The Library will be hosting a karaoke night for teens on Friday, December 8, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Ugly Sweater Gingerbread Man Contest – Decorate your gingerbread man with the ugliest sweater and win a prize! The contest will be held on Thursday, December 14, 2017, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. We will provide the gingerbread, frosting, and other materials. First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded.

Recycled DIY Club – Get crafty with us! Learn how to create crafts using every day, recycled materials. The Recycled DIY Club will be held on the first Wednesday of every month, with our next meeting December 6, 2017, from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. We will be making snow globes out of recycled glass jars.

Teen Readers' Club – We meet on the second Tuesday of each month to discuss a book, eat snacks and play games. On Tuesday, December 12, 2017, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., we will discuss "Feed" by M.T. Anderson.

Teen Advisory Board – Teens can participate in community service projects, learn about upcoming volunteer opportunities, have a say in teen programming at The Library, and make suggestions for books to add to The Library's YA collection. The next Teen Advisory Board meeting will be held on Thursday, December 21, from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Programs are for teens in Grades 6 through 12. Registration is required; call 201-288-0488.

Adult

• **Painting Party** – Under the training and guidance of "Bee 'N Crafty," adults and teens will have the opportunity to paint a winter scene on an 11 x 14 inch oil canvas. Supplies will be provided. Wednesday, December 20, 2017, from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the community room of the municipal building. Limited seating. Sign up early. Refreshments will be served.

• **Adult Book Club** – Join us for a conversation and refreshments on Liane Moriarty's "Big Little Lies", the novel that inspired the popular HBO limited series. Tuesday, December 26, 2017, at 7 p.m.

Crafts-to-Share Club

Participants knit and make homemade items that they donate to local community organizations like Hackensack University Medical Center and Tomorrows Children's Fund. The Library is happy to accept donations of yarn on behalf of the Club. They meet on the first Tuesday evening of each month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and on the third Wednesday afternoon of every month from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The next meeting dates are December 5, and 13, 2017. Registration is not required.

From Saint to Santa

As part of our Mondays at The Library series of lectures, Dr. Michael Norris will explore how a Turkish Bishop evolved into one of Christianity's most beloved saints and then transformed into Santa Claus through American art. December 18, at 3 p.m. Dr. Norris has a Ph.D. in art history from the University of California at Santa Barbara and spent twenty years at the Cloisters Museum and the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. He lives in Teaneck.

Tai Chi – Paul Barcia, a Tai Chi practitioner for 20 years, will be leading this class on the third Monday of every month in The Library's conference room from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The next session is December 18, 2017. These workshops are free and people of all ages are encouraged to attend. Registration is not required.

Writers & Authors Group Writers discuss their work and publishing strategies on the third Tuesday of every month. December 19, 2017, at 7 p.m. Registration is not required.

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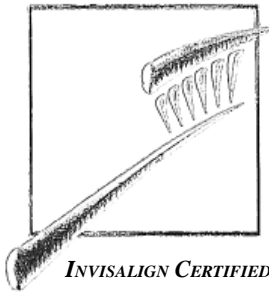


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Jerry’s Barber Shop Marks Support the Rutherford Community Chest

Some small businesses might consider it a success if they survive a year, or five years, or twenty. Any small business would be fortunate if they were to survive the great depression, which took place from 1929 until the late 1930s. Jerry’s Barber Shop did and has become a staple on the Boulevard in Hasbrouck Heights.

Opened in 1927, Jerry’s Barber Shop is marking 90 years of business in Hasbrouck Heights. Jerry Sr. opened his shop at a different location as Jerry’s Sanitary Barber Shop. Years later he moved his shop to its present location, 460 Boulevard.

Jerry J. Maiuri Sr. was born in Italy in 1899. He came to America and worked as a barber before he decided to open his own business. He started as a local, one-person operation in 1927, the shop grew and at one

time he employed seven full time barbers. The name of the barbershop changed to Jerry’s Barber Shop in 1960.

In 1967, after working in his shop for 40 years, Jerry Sr. turned his business over to his son, Jerry. He at one time had five full time barbers working for him. For the last 37 years he and Victor Petrino have been servicing the men, women and children of the community.

Jerry and Vic work well together. They are friendly, take good care of their customers, carry on an intelligent conversation, and know what kind of haircut you want and execute it with ease. All to the relaxing taped background music made popular in the 40s and 50s.

Provided by Peter Gallo Jr. ###

The 42nd Annual Fundraising Drive Neighbors Helping Neighbors kicked off in mid-October with a mailing to over 1750 Rutherford residents. This project is the primary source of funds that enables the Community Chest to help seven Rutherford not-for-profit organizations: Rutherford Cub Scouts, Rutherford Boy Scouts, Rutherford Girl Scouts, Meadowlands Museum, Rutherford Food Pantry and Rutherford Social Services.

In the first 30 days they have raised almost one-half of the projected goal.

To date there have been three donations made as memorial gifts to honor friends and family who have passed on. The Rutherford Com-

munity chest, Inc. wishes to honor these memorials: Angel Abin, Barbara Chadwick, Alice Helble and Agnes Grzsouski.

Starting as the War Fund in 1946. The Chest has been one of the major donors to Rutherford's youth groups and the less fortunate who have fallen on hard times.

Run by a small group of a dozen or so volunteers the "Chest" also sponsors a Post Card and Ephemera show each spring.

If you would like to help send your donation to the Rutherford Community Chest at PO Box 263, Rutherford, NJ 07070. ###

Rutherford Food Pantry

The Pantry is located in the basement of Rutherford Borough Hall. It is a volunteer non-profit which is a joint effort of community faith congregations, organizations and concerned citizens. Call 201-460-3000 x3168 to volunteer. Food donations are welcome during hours of service. Recipient eligibility is determined by local pastors, social services and other designated organizations. A completed and approved referral is required. Limitations apply. For more information go to: www.rutherford-nj.com/pantry ###

In Medieval England, Nicholas was just another saint - he had not yet been referred to as Santa Claus and he had nothing to do with Christmas. ###

Park Avenue Toastmasters

Looking to develop speaking and leadership skills? Ace a job interview? Ignite your career? Toastmasters International is a world leader in communication and leadership development. The Park Avenue Toastmasters will meet at The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library on Monday, December 4 and Monday, December 18, 2017, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. ###

W-R Memorial Library Chess Club

On Wednesday, December 6, 2017, The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library will host a free Chess Club for learners of all ages. Children meet from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Adult beginning players meet from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Designed for all ability levels, the Chess Club is led by a coach who can teach new chess players the basics, and help experienced players sharpen their skills. ###

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Pierrepont School is Stomping Out Bullying

Pierrepont School in Ruth-
erford, NJ, was selected by the
NY Jets to host a Stomp Out
Bullying Assembly. Bryce Pet-
ty and Jonathan Harris from the
Jets and Ross Ellis, the founder
of Stomp Out Bullying, spoke

to 5th and 6th Graders. The Jets
also recognized the four stu-
dents who have been selected as
Upstanders of the Week! This
fantastic assembly was part of
Pierrepont School's Week of
Respect activities. *Provided by
JoAnn Hughes. ###*



Tai Chi Class in Hasbrouck Heights

A Tai Chi class for seniors
is now being offered at the
Hasbrouck Heights Senior
Center. The class is held every
Monday afternoon from 1 p.m.
to 2:30 p.m.

The instructor for this class
is James Jan. He is an expe-

rienced instructor who has
for many years been teaching
classes throughout Bergen
County.

Tai Chi exercise can help
improve balance, strength, and
mental cognition. It's known to
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friends and family to join them
in wearing Orange with posi-
tive messages on Unity Day,
October 25, 2017.

Many classmates partici-
pated. The Girl Scouts are
completing Project Standing up
Against Bullying and choosing
to be kind to everyone.

Unity Day is organized
by the Pacer Center as part of
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*Leave the Belly to Santa This Holiday Season:
Tips to Avoid Overeating*

The holiday season is our favorite time of the year to gather, give back, and typically overeat to a regretful extent. I know what you're thinking, "It's the time of year when it's okay to indulge a little!" I say that's fine! A little treat now and then isn't sending anyone over the deep end on their diet. The problems arise when we overextend our appetites to ingest much more than our body needs.

Overeating has a harmful effect on the body's metabolism. In the February 5, 2010 issue of "Cell," researchers at Harvard School of Public Health reported that overeating can destroy your body's regular metabolic response.

Even short-term overeating has serious health effects, according to a 2009 Swedish study published in the journal "Molecular Medicine." Subjects in good health with lean body types were invited to consume high calorie diets for just four weeks, and researchers were able to link the overeating to the development of insulin resistance.

Beyond the science at hand, overeating just makes you feel yucky and uncomfortable afterwards. So, here are some tips to help you leave the holiday belly to Santa this year.

Control Your Portion & Control Your Waist Line

Portion control is vital to avoid overeating, especially during the holidays, know that you'll have more opportunities to eat festive snacks and desserts. You don't have to deprive yourself, just make plates with smaller portions. A helpful hack is to use a smaller plate. Studies from Cornell University have shown that this can reduce food intake by 20-25%, which is pretty good for such an easy thing to do!

Find the Fiber

Steer your buffet plate towards foods with higher fiber levels this holiday season to help you stay full for longer. Holiday staples like acorn squash, brussels sprouts, nuts, broccoli, apples, and sweet potatoes, are all rich in fiber. They'll help to avoid overeating much more than other holiday items like meats, cheeses, mashed potatoes, and sweets. For appetizers, opt for the bowl of nuts, for entrees take an extra helping of brussels sprouts or broccoli instead of ham, and pick up a sweet potato pie for

dessert rather than pumpkin.

Curb Your Need for Speed

Slow down. Enjoy each bite and put your fork down while chewing, then take a drink between each bite. This gives your body enough time to trigger your brain that you are satisfied, not necessarily full. The benefits of slow eating include better digestion, better hydration, easier weight loss or maintenance, and greater satisfaction with our meals.

Meanwhile, eating quickly leads to poor digestion, increased weight gain, and reduced satisfaction from the meal. The message is as clear: slow down your eating and enjoy improved health and well being this holiday season.

Planning & Preparation

Did you know that when you feel hungry, you're often just thirsty? According to a study in Physiology & Behavior, 60% of the time people will eat instead of drink when their body is actually in need of a tall glass of water.

Help your holiday habits by planning to stay well-hydrated throughout the day and especially before you head out to any holiday parties. Preparation is also key. Prepare some healthy snacks to munch on throughout the day.


If you tend to get hungry between meals, and have a tempting box of seasonal pastries sitting on the counter at work, bring along a 200-calorie, whole grain, high-fiber snack. A little planning helps your heart, and your budget.

The holidays don't have to be a gut-busting fiasco. Stick to your limits and leave the belly to Santa!

Michelle Moore, Wellness Director, Meadowlands YMCA
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After "A Christmas Carol," Charles Dickens wrote several other Christmas stories, one each year, but none was as successful as the original. ###



Daisy Troop 97130 has been working on the **"3 Cheers for Animals"** journey. On November 3, 2017 they visited the Animal Hospital of Hasbrouck Heights. Dr. Mia Frezzo took them on a tour and they learned that animals go to their doctor for checkups just like we do. Thank you, Dr. Mia! *Provided by Jane Koegel. ###*

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Rutherford School Donates Candy



Pierrepont School's Service Club sponsored a Halloween Candy GIVE BACK drive. Students and their families donated 270 pounds of the Halloween candy they received to Operation Gratitude, an organization that provides care packages to deployed military and first responders. Service Club members and their classmates are pictured showing off some of the treats that were collected.

From left to right: Shlok Shah, Aidan Paul, Brandon Fedarick, Om Sonani, Ariana Menjivar, Alyssa Schaefer, Fiona Waller, Catherine Paolazzi, Ria Kamat. *Provided by JoAnn Hughes. ###*

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Window Painting

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Stash the Trash

Moonachie Stash the Trash was held on Saturday, October 28, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., at The Moonachie Civic Center. There were hot dogs and refreshments for all of the volunteers. Community Cleanup sponsored by Borough of Moonachie, South Bergen Rotary and Bergen County Clean Communities. ###



Moonachie Town-Wide Food Drive

First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie joyfully held its 12th Annual Town-wide Food Drive, at the Church on October 20 and 21, 2017.

In a time when so many people are in need, it is good to find ways to help out, and even a single can or boxed item can make a difference in fighting hunger.

According to the workers at the Center for Food Action, the need is greater than ever

this year. They are having a hard time keeping enough food on the shelves.

Most needed items include: canned meat, canned tuna, canned chicken, canned beef stew, Parmalat, 100% fruit juice, macaroni and cheese, canned pasta, peanut butter and jelly, canned fruit, pancake mix, and syrup, canned soup, rice, baked beans, cleaning supplies, paper goods and large-size disposable diapers.

The "Little White Church" on Moonachie Road has been ministering in the community for over one hundred years. Additional donations are welcome. The Church collects food for the CFA year round. Go to cfan.org

The Moonachie EMS Squad delivered announcements throughout Moonachie at the end of September. Any questions call Linda at 201-641-1272. ###



W-R Knights Win Award

The Knights of Columbus, St. Anthony Council 11585 is the winner of the Columbian Award for the 2016-2017 fraternal year. The Columbian Award is presented for excellence in sponsoring programs that serve the Church, community, families, culture of life, and youth organizations, as well as Council members. The Knights of Columbus International headquarters, located in New Haven, CT, made the announcement.

On October 23, 2017, District Deputy Stephen Hutnick, presented the award to Past Grant Knight Gary Lepore. He stated that the award shows the Council's dedication to the order. It serves as a reminder and an inspiration to the members to continue to promote the ideals of the Knights of Columbus.

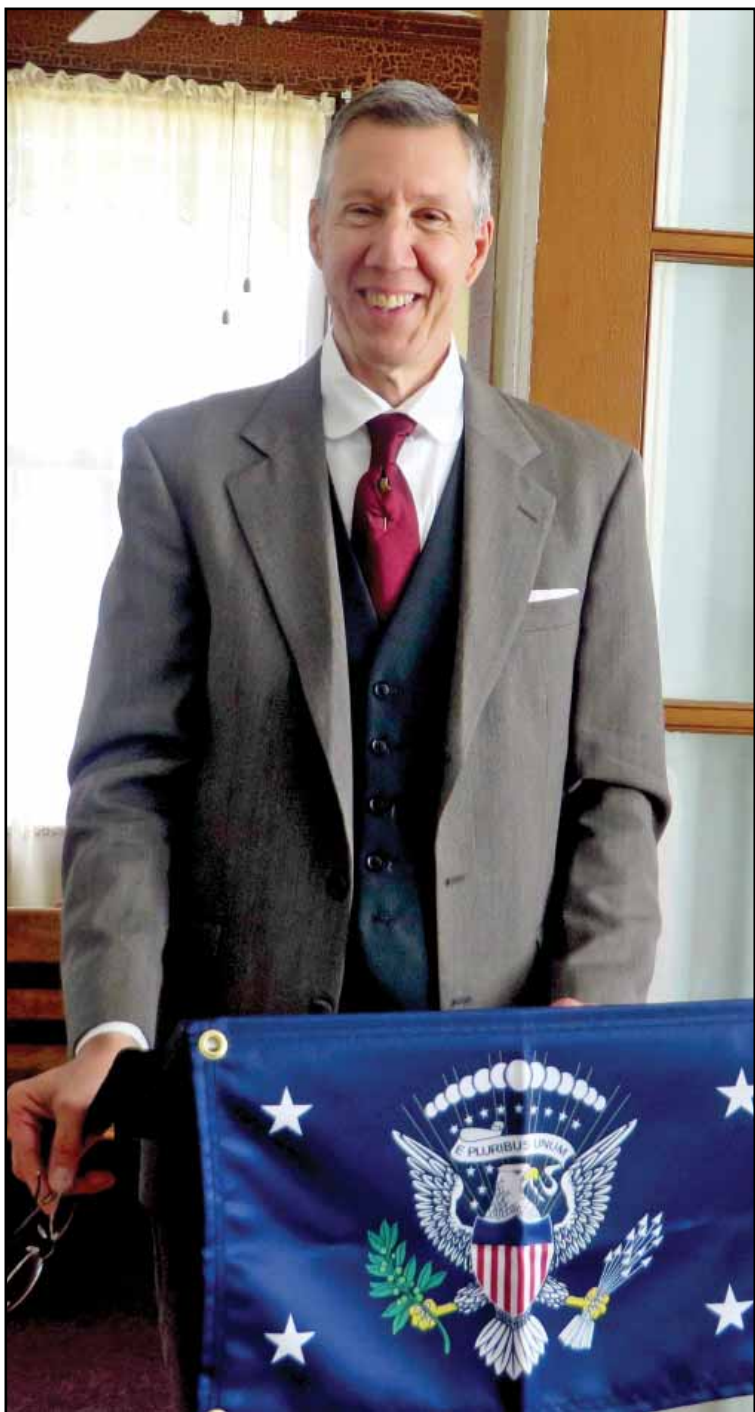
The Council is already off to a good start for this fraternal year. Members of the Council serve as Music Ministers, Couples Ministers,

Eucharistic Ministers, ushers and lectors. They presented Respect Life Activities throughout the month of October, and have participated in the Trunk or Treat for Halloween. The Council has donated to the Wood-Ridge High School Girls Soccer team and the local Recreation Basketball program. It is now planning to host the annual free throw contest and their Annual Breakfast with Santa.

On October 22, the Council hosted the Annual Parish Picnic. As part of that event, member, John Milne, who was the chairman of the Parish raffle, presented the Church with 50% of the more than \$9,000 raised. Photo and story provided by Marie and Peter Gallo Jr. ###

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Woodrow Wilson Remembered

The Wood-Ridge Historical Society called upon Mr. Neill Hartley, a professional actor, director and educator to once again entertain the local residents. Neill is recognized for his outstanding one-man shows. He is able to realistically transform himself into historical and fictional characters. His eight exciting one-man shows include his portrayal of Woodrow Wilson, Ichabod Crane, P.T. Barnum, Sherlock Holmes, Joshua Lionel Cowen, Charles Lindbergh and two different shows about FDR.

On October 22, 2017, in the Bianchi House, in Wood-Ridge, Neill portrayed our 28th

President of the United States, Woodrow Wilson. The main focus of the performance was on Wilson's turbulent years leading to World War I.

Neill has an amazing way of bringing the character he is portraying to life. He enjoys what he is doing and is able to make you believe what you are seeing and hearing are actually happening.

It is understandable that during the month of October, 2017, he was scheduled to do 29 one-man shows throughout the state portraying five of his famous characters. *Photo and story provided by Marie and Peter Gallo Jr. ###*



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Roast Beef Dinner a Success

The Women's Guild of The First Reformed Church in Hasbrouck Heights welcomed the public to their annual roast beef dinner on November 4, 2017. The menu consisted of roast beef, glazed carrots, and two types of mashed potatoes, rolls, dessert, and coffee/tea or iced tea. The roast beef was rare and well done. No matter how you wanted it, it was delicious.

The Guild's annual dinner is one of the many fundraisers they hold to raise funds for their Church and other local and national charities. It served not only as a fundraiser, but also as

a way to bring people together to enjoy a home cooked meal out.

All who attended enjoyed the dinner complete with an excellent pound cake dessert with berries and strawberries topped with whipped cream. Of course, there was plenty of food for seconds and even thirds.

The Women's Guild of the First Reformed Church is an asset to their Church. They are a dedicated group of women of faith, who work cooperatively together for long hours and seek no rewards but the satisfaction of helping their Church. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr. Photo by Marie Gallo. ###*



Cultural Event a Success in the Heights

Culture came alive through the musical performances held at The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights on November 4, 2017. Over 100 residents and music lovers attended this 90 minute program.

The program was entitled "From Baroque to Broadway." This refers to musical selections from composers from the 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries. Two accomplished musicians from Hasbrouck Heights performed the works of Handel, Mozart, Schubert, Hahn, De Falla, Brahms, Chopin, De Sarasate, Williams, Bernstein, Porter, Bolcom and Rodgers.

The program, performed by Jose Pietri-Coimbre, and Maritza Alvarez, included opera arias and art songs from the standard classical repertoire, solo violin and piano selections, and American ballads and love songs.

José Pietri-Coimbre has distinguished himself as an orchestral, chamber music, and solo violinist, and additionally as a tenor soloist. He has also been a member of the Puerto Rico Opera Chorus, Puerto Rico Symphony Orchestra, Maryland Chamber Orchestra, and the Sebastian Chamber Players. He is currently a Program Manager, Chairperson of Chamber Music and instructor at Third Street Music School in New York City.

Maritza R. Alvarez, as a pianist, has appeared in solo and chamber music performances in New Jersey, New York, Kansas and Puerto Rico. She also performs piano duos with her husband, Luis, and was a member of the Cuarteto En-sueno. Currently, she teaches music and choir at the Academy at Saint Mary, Rutherford.

This year, The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights has been celebrating its 100th Anniversary. Because of this, The Friends of The Library have been scheduling a series of musical events that have been held throughout the year. All who attended agreed that the performers gave their best... and more. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr. Photo by Marie Gallo. ###*



Garfield High School 60th Reunion

On Sunday, October 22, 2017, Classmates of Garfield High School Class of 1957, held the 60th Reunion at the Fiesta in Wood-Ridge. Classmates came from Florida, Virginia, New York State and all over New Jersey to celebrate the event. The friendships rekindled in 1967 with the 10th Reunion and continued and endured through the years. An annual dinner is planned for next year. ###

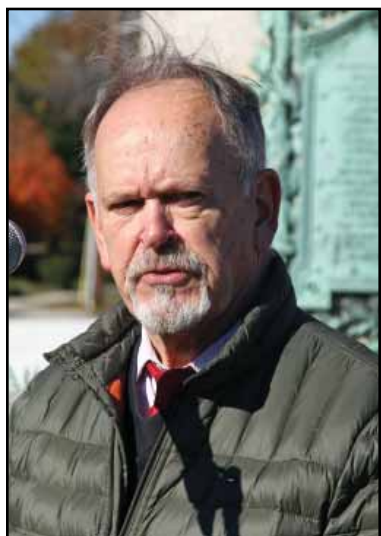
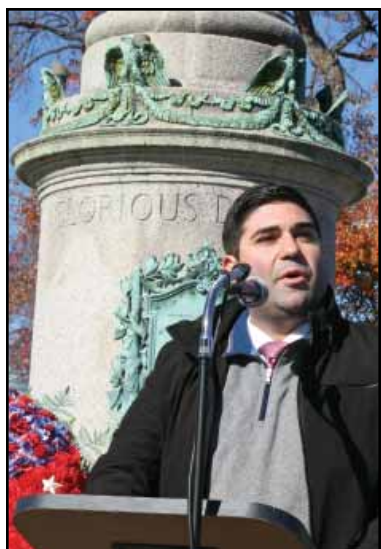
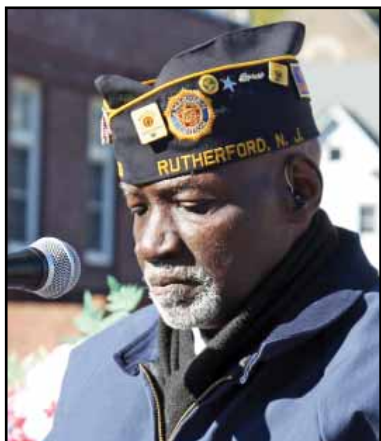
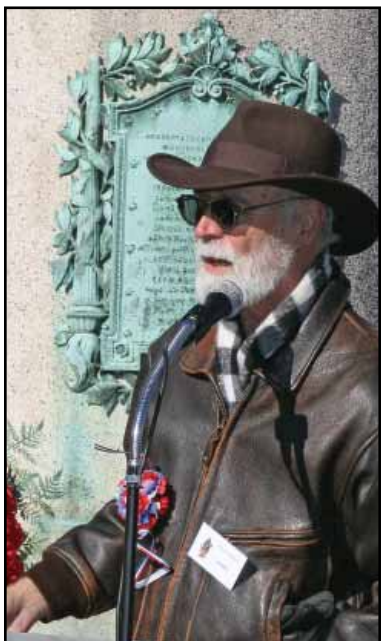


Keeping Warm with Knitting Gifts

When the Parishoners of Assumption Parish in Wood-Ridge were asked to help the IHA (Washington Township), they responded with love with knitting needles and crochet hooks!

On the last weekend in October, the "fruits of their labor" were part of the presentation of gifts at all the Masses. Over 287 hats, scarves plus a few headbands and mittens were donated to help warm those who have little. Money raised is used to research Pediatric Cancer. *Photo by Marie Gallo. ###*

Commemorating the Centennial



Story by Rod Leith,
Rutherford Borough Historian

Note: Rutherford's Veterans Day ceremony was also organized to commemorate the centennial of World War I, honoring Rutherford's 672 men and women who served.

The Rutherford Veterans Alliance, which traditionally sponsors the Veterans Day ceremony, agreed to have Rutherford's World War I Centennial Committee organize the event.

A large contingent of the public gathered around Rutherford's WWI Monument, joined by elected officials, representatives of Rutherford's three Veterans organizations, as well as Boy Scout leaders and troop members.

John Trosky, Chairman, Rutherford WWI Centennial Committee, introduced Rod Leith, serving as Rutherford's Borough Historian since 2003.

"Rutherford Remembers: Who were among the World War I heroes of Rutherford?"

Thank you John (Trosky). My brief remarks this morning are about respect for men and women who helped make this the community we have today --- it is about those who served to protect our liberty.

First, it's important to thank people who have helped Rutherford remember. Some historians say World War I was the forgotten war. But because of people like Kyle Davis and his brother, Gavin, they made it their duty to spruce up a neglected Sunset Park --- this piece of ground is Rutherford's official WWI Memorial Park. These two young men made it a place worthy of the honor.

There is also credit due to Joe DeSalvo. As mayor in 2013, when few would have had the foresight, Joe DeSalvo appointed

a WWI Centennial Committee made up of respected citizens like Virginia Marass, Ted Van Winkle and William Galloway. They went to work to formulate worthwhile events to mark the centennial of the war's commencement in 1914 in Europe.

In 2014, descendants of WWI Veterans were invited to take a bow for people like Herbert Alexander Barrows, who at 18 years of age, was the first Rutherford soldier to die. Airman Barrows died during aviation training in Houston, Texas, far from his family. Roger Barrows was one of the family on hand when a plaque was unveiled over off Orient Way. Roger Barrows, a 1944 graduate of Rutherford High School, died this past year. We are thankful he was with us for honors bestowed on Memorial Day 2014.

There were others like Herbert Barrows who died for the cause. Others died under sorrow-

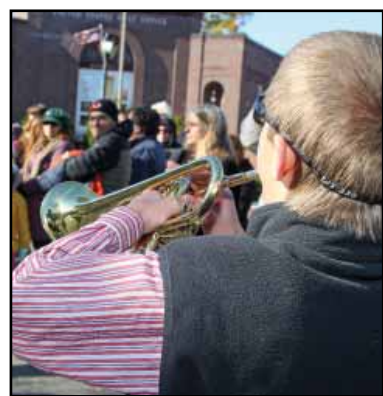
ful circumstances and horrific conditions. Consider Clarence Decker, a soldier at Camp Dix. He committed suicide on leave one weekend here in Rutherford. The untold story of a soldier suffering an unfortunate death offers a lesson of the personal impact war can have on young men.

Rutherford remembers. Just this year members of American Legion Post 453 dedicated a grave stone for WWI veteran William Coleman Hodge. Private Hodge was a young stevedore-soldier serving at Camp Stuart in Newport News, Virginia, to help prepare troops for embarkment to the front in Europe. He suffered a most dreadful death February 22, 1918 from chronic tuberculosis. He was buried without a grave marker in March 1918 over at East Ridgelawn Cemetery. One hundred years later, Private Hodge was given his due.

Others died in action. We remember Gerald Ellis Reynolds. Canadian-born, Lt. Reynolds signed up in 1915 with the Canadian Air Force. He was killed in flight during a night bombing raid over Bapaume, France.

Some of Rutherford's heroes never left home. Over the way at 216 West Passaic Avenue lived Cosmo Farquhar, a Scottish-born cipher expert --- a code breaker of unusual skill. In February 1917, several months before war was declared, two agents of United States military intelligence quietly came to Farquhar's home. There they spent a good part of the next several days hovered over charts of data, as they succeeded in breaking a German code --- an accomplishment that helped uncover a nest of U-boats parked off the Atlantic Coast within striking distance of New Jersey. God only knows how many lives could have been lost had those German subs gone

Centennial of World War I



The Rutherford World War I Centennial Committee presented a Veterans Day Remembrance on November 11, 2017 at 11 a.m. at the WWI Memorial Monument on Park Avenue.

John A. Trosky, Chairperson of the Rutherford WWI Centennial Committee made welcoming remarks and introductions. Councilman Mark Goldsack spoke. Rod Leith, Borough Historian, provided commentary of Rutherford's participation (*see below*). Benediction was given by Charles Gunn.

The reading of the names of Rutherford Veterans who died in service to their coun-

try during World War I was done by Debbie Paul, American Legion Post 109, John Chrzanowski, VFW Post 227 and Charles Gunn, American Legion Post 453. A bell was rung at each name.

Eugene Hough from "Saving Hallowed Ground" led the ceremonial flag folding with Veterans, Scouts and public participating. Bugler Nazar Fedorko played "Taps."

The public was invited to The Rutherford Library for light refreshments and to view an extensive WWI Memorial exhibit of artifacts, family mementos, books, posters and movies. ###

undetected.

Rutherford remembers its heroes of all ethnic background, of all colors and national origin.

Gunnery-sergeant Morgan W. Yates, whose family lived at 77 Eastern Way, joined the 369th Regiment, better known as the "Harlem Hellfighters." Yates was with the 369th during the Battle of Chateau Thierry. He was wounded during skirmishes in the Argonne Forest. This all-black regiment received the Croix de Guerre, France's highest military honor, for its action in the capture of Sechault, France. Yates came home and became commander of Post 453. He spearheading construction of its headquarters on Meadow Road.

Rutherford remembers 100 years ago this year when a little known film director named Douglas Fairbanks came to town to make a silent film that was a spoof on the fledgling anti-war movement. It was called "In

Again, Out Again," and scenes were filmed here on Park Avenue and in a house at 171 Montross Avenue. In the film, Fairbanks can be seen breaking into this house through a second story window.

In this same house on Montross Avenue resided a young English-born landscaper named John Cridland Latham. Latham joined the Machine Gun Company of the 107th Infantry which was on maneuvers near Le Catelet, France. Sergeant Latham and two comrades from Summit, NJ, came upon severely wounded crewmen of an American tank unit.

They saved the crewmen and fought their way to safety behind the American lines. Latham received the nation's highest military honor --- the Congressional Medal of Honor. He later settled in Darien, CT, where he led efforts to create victory gardens during WWII. He is buried

in Arlington National Cemetery.

Latham's exploits are recorded on September 29, 1918 --- a critical time of the war effort and a fateful date for three other Rutherford soldiers. Rutherford remembers Lowell Conrad, a Nova Scotia-born soldier; as well as Thomas Everett and Charles Schneider.

All three died on September 29 in battles near the Hindenburg Line. The date marks the crucial point when troops of the American Expeditionary Force broke through the Hindenburg Line, turning the tide against the German army.

Dozens of the 672 Rutherford citizens who served in WWI were women. They were young women like Anna Keziah Alyea and her cousin, Mae Brinkerhoff. They left the comfort of their homes and well-paying bank jobs to join the YMCA's military aid services in Europe. The two cousins were credited

in a YMCA report with helping establish a Liberty and Victory Hut, welcoming American servicemen in Coblenz, France. Mae Brinkerhoff, the daughter of a former Rutherford mayor, came home and would later convert the family's house at 51 Donaldson into a rooming house. Among her tenants were Maxwell Becton and Fairleigh Dickinson, founders of Becton Dickinson Company.

Last but not least, Rutherford remembers a man who organized the United War and Community Chest, then known as the War Chest, and today it is the Community Chest. Charles Arthur Van Winkle, whose grandfather, Daniel Van Winkle, was a founder of Rutherford, served as president of the War Chest, which raised more than \$20,000 (*that is \$416,262 in 2017 dollars*) for the American Red Cross aid to American troops. Those contributions to the War

Chest represented 80 percent of Rutherford households. As the war came to an end, the War Chest's remaining fund of \$8,000 was put toward design and construction of a memorial monument dedicated to "Soldiers of Rutherford who fell in the late war."

The man responsible for designing the monument was himself a war hero. Captain Edgar Irving Williams was with the American Red Cross ambulance service, stationed in Italy during the war. There he supervised ambulance drivers who included volunteers like Ernest Hemingway. William's design of the WWI Monument is unique among military memorials, with its shining beacon at its highest reach. For Williams, this electric light was a flame, shining into the heavens, representing the light of those young men who sacrificed their lives for our freedom." ###

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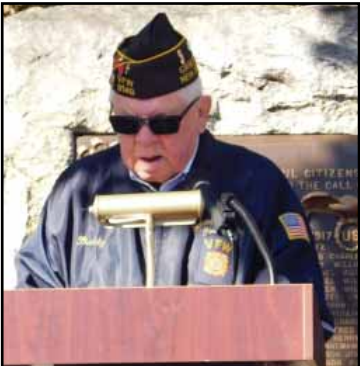
Wood-Ridge

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Salute to Veterans

In recognition of Veterans Day, the New Jersey Aviation Hall of Fame and Museum hosted its 8th Annual Regional Veterans Ceremony honoring all Veterans and those on active duty. The event was held Sunday, November 5, 2017, from 11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. This brief program recognized and thanked all Veterans for their service and dedication to our country.

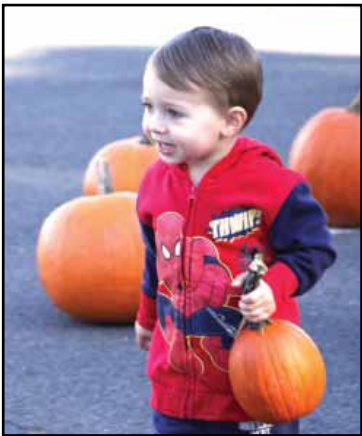
Under a 12' x 18' American Flag suspended from the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department Ladder Truck, the program included several Honor Guards presenting the colors with a Drum Line from the Hasbrouck Heights High School Band.

Patriotic songs were sung by the members of the

Wood-Ridge Jr./Sr. High School Glee Club. Their repertoire included: "Star Spangled Banner," "Amazing Grace," "God Bless America," etc. Wood-Ridge Assistant Chief Elizabeth Ferry played "Taps." The Civil Air Patrol Cadets supported the ceremony. Several Scouting organizations took part in the ceremony as well. Retired West Milford Fire Department Firefighter/Fire Department Chaplain Ralph Villecca provided the Invocation and Benediction. Additionally, FF Villecca provided a 9-11 Memorial Remembrance and was joined by HH Fire Chief Angelo Roccamo and WR Assistant Fire Chief Elizabeth Ferry to present a floral tribute at the Memorial Stone. ###

Kids Delighted at Pumpkin Pick

On October 14, 2017, Little Ferry children up to Grade 4 picked, painted and took home a pumpkin at the Memorial School basketball court. Event was free for Little Ferry residents and included a candy apple and goody bag. Sponsored by the Little Ferry Mayor and Council. ###



Celebrating an Autumn Festival

The students of The Felician School for Exceptional Children, as well as the Children from The Felician University Child Care Center, had fun at the Autumn Festival on October 26, 2017.

The students had fun picking the perfect pumpkin. They danced to All American Folk Dances at the Barn Dance with Music Therapist Barbara Giaquinto.

The students also learned gross and fine motor skills going through the Fun House with Physical Education teachers, Occupational and Physical Therapists. Program Coordinator Maryanne Protzo. ###

Harvest Festival

This year's Harvest Festival, hosted by **Bible Baptist Church** was well attended. People were asked to drop off a nonperishable food item for the Hasbrouck Heights Food Pantry. Eileen Dammann, Director of Children's Ministries, who put this event together, expressed thanks to all the people who came and contributed to the Food Pantry and to all the volunteers from the Church who helped make it a success. Families and individuals who came played games of challenge like "The Walls of Jericho," they heard a story from the Apostle Paul & Silas, painted pumpkins and did crafts. Cupcake decorating and face painting were the most popular as was the inflatable obstacle course. *Photos provided by Bible Baptist Church. ###*

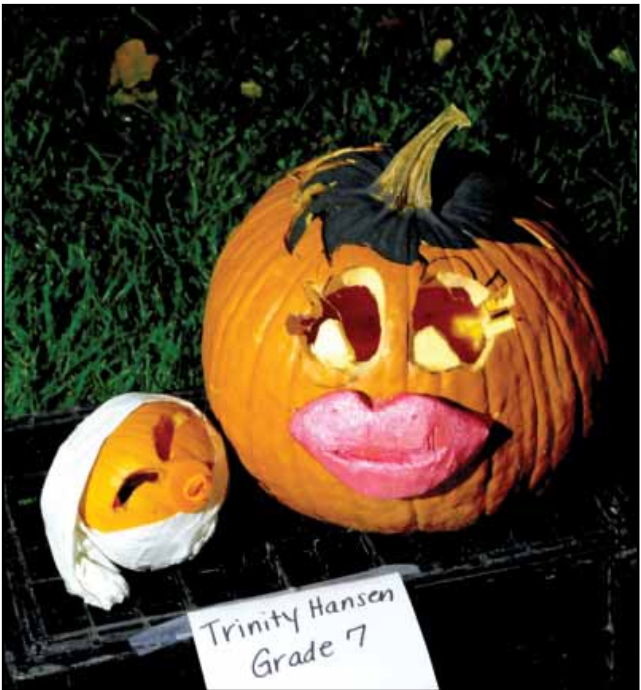


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Carlstadt Public School Pumpkin Carving Samples

Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr.





Halloween In The Park

Woodland Park was invaded by ghosts, goblins, aliens and assorted scary characters on the evening of Tuesday, October 17, 2017.

Last year, over 600 participated in this event.

Halloween in the Park began at 6:15 p.m. and concluded at 9:30 p.m.

Every 15 minutes, two hayride trailers took turns collecting riders at the Harrison Avenue end of the pavilion and went around to the back section of the park where they were frightened by a variety of terrifying citizens of the night.

Youngsters signed up for the earlier time slots as the fright station were less scary.

After the horrific experience ride, they escaped at the Roosevelt Avenue end of the pavilion — where they were treated to cider and cookies.

The pavilion fireplace was warm and glowing. Al DeAngelo and Pantophobia Haunted Attractions assisted in this event.

Organizations “set-up” and operated fright stations. The event was sponsored by the Hasbrouck Heights Recreation Department. For more information call 201-288-4143. ###

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W-R Lions Do Vision Screening

Members of the Wood-Ridge Lions Club participated in two vision screening projects conducted by Lions of District 16N. Wood-Ridge Lions Ken Turtoro, Mike Roman, Rich McCullough, and Dennis Brubaker joined with other Lion volunteers in this initiative to screen students in three elementary schools in Hillsdale (Sept.) and three elementary schools in Ridgefield (Oct.).

Nearly 1,000 students from Kindergarten through early grades were screened using a special camera which is designed to test young children for vision deficiencies, including amblyopia (lazy eye) and other potential eye problems.

The screenings were done with parental consent and done under the school nurse's supervision. If a vision problem was detected, the school nurse was responsible to follow up with the parents and/or guardian for referral to an eye care professional.

Lions Vision Screening is part of the Lions Clubs International KIDSIGHT USA program.

As one of their important ongoing service projects, Wood-Ridge Lions annually conduct vision screenings at Catherine E. Doyle Elementary School in Wood-Ridge and Robert L. Craig Elementary School in Moonachie. The Club plans to schedule screenings at both schools later in the school year. Submitted by: Dennis Brubaker, Secretary – Wood-Ridge Lions Club. ###



Filling You In

By Jeffrey E. Mason, D.M.D.

The Oral Dangers of Tobacco Use

Smoking is the leading preventable cause of death in the United States. Smoking cigarettes or using other tobacco products is harmful to your mouth, including your teeth and gums, and can be deadly.

How does smoking impact my oral health?

Each year, about 443,000 people die prematurely due to smoking or exposure to secondhand smoke, and 8.6 million people live with a serious illness caused by smoking. Smoking can impact your overall oral health in a number of ways:

- Reducing blood flow and the supply of vital nutrients to your gums, including vitamin C, which can lead to gum disease, bone loss and tooth loss.
- Decreasing the amount of saliva that flows through your mouth
- Affecting the appearance of your teeth, making them discolored with the yellow and brown stains that nicotine and tar leave behind
- Causing inflammation of the roof of your mouth
- Giving you bad breath
- Causing you to lose your sense of taste

Most importantly, smoking causes oral cancer, which is the sixth most common cancer, accounting for nearly 5 percent of all cases. More than 43,000 Americans and 4,000 Canadians were expected to be diagnosed with oral or pharyngeal cancer in 2016, resulting in more than 8,000 deaths (or about one per hour). If oropharyngeal (throat) cancer is included, the number of expected deaths increases to more than 15,000 per year.

Are cigars safe to smoke?

Cigar smoking is not safe because they contain the same toxic and carcinogenic compounds that cigarettes do. Cigar smoking increases your risk for oral cancer, lung cancer, and larynx and esophageal cancers.

Are smokeless tobacco and e-cigarettes safe?

No. The use of smoke-

less tobacco (including chew, snuff or "dip" and snuff, all of which contain nicotine and are addictive) increases your risk for developing gum disease. Smokeless tobacco use also can lead to gum recession, the pulling away of the gum tissue from the teeth. Smokeless tobacco users also are four to six times more likely to develop oral cancer.

In fact, the area of your mouth where you place smokeless tobacco is 50 times more likely to be a site of oral cancer. The use of battery-operated electronic nicotine-delivery systems, such as electronic cigarettes, also is not recommended. E-cigarettes have grown in popularity over the past decade, and there currently isn't much research available about how they may affect your health. However, experts say the nicotine inhalation that occurs while using an e-cigarette can make you susceptible to bacteria buildup in your mouth, as well as tooth decay and dry mouth.

What should I do if I want to quit smoking?

The nicotine found in tobacco products is highly addictive, so quitting can be difficult. But there are ways to successfully stop using tobacco. These include nicotine replacement therapies, such as nasal spray and inhalers, patches, and gum and lozenges, all of which are available to buy over-the-counter. A variety of prescription medications are available as well. For some, smoking-cessation support groups are a helpful resource in the quitting process. These programs are available in both in-person and online community formats. If you're a smoker, it's never too late to quit. Research has shown that quitting at any age will improve your health and increase your life expectancy. Talk with your dentist for more information. Ref: Academy of General Dentistry 2017

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Story by David Kriso
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on the Bergen County Line. Train schedules and fares can be viewed at NJTransit.com. Ticket vending machines are available at all station platforms. The ride to Hoboken Terminal is approximately twenty-five minutes.
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Real Estate Insight

By Mary Ellen Courtney



I was reading an article the other day on an issue that we realtors know well. It stated that the “extended period of extreme mortgage distress and defaults in the U.S. housing market, better known as the ‘foreclosure crisis,’ has faded from view as the economy continues its slow recovery.”

Data from the Mortgage Bankers Association suggests further that “the crisis – though not quite over for the nation as a whole – has ended in some states...”

Well, that’s not the case here in New Jersey – not by a long shot! According to housing data provided recently by RealtyTrac, foreclosure rates in the Garden State were the highest in the nation in 2016 with one in every 691 housing units having a foreclosure filing. In total, 66,592 properties were in the foreclosure process last year, from default notices to bank repossessions.

Foreclosure is a long and heartbreaking process for a homeowner. Life can sometimes throw you real bad curveballs, affecting your financial situation and your ability to meet your mortgage repayments. Through no fault of your own, you could be in serious danger of foreclosure.

But it doesn’t have to be hopeless. When looking for a solution to defaulting on their mortgage payments, many scared owners ask: “Can I sell my house if it is in foreclosure?” The short answer is yes; you can sell your home up until it is sold at auction or the

bank takes possession of the property. During this period of time, the home is considered to be in “pre-foreclosure” and you have an opportunity to settle your debts with the lender.

Homeowners typically have to meet some conditions to qualify for a pre-foreclosure sale. One is that the bank will require the homeowner to use a real estate broker instead of trying to sell the home on his/her own. Time is definitely of the essence!

Because the foreclosure mess is so great in New Jersey, many brokers have positioned themselves as ‘short-sale’ [i.e. when a lender agrees to accept less than the outstanding balance on the mortgage] experts.

In our office, for example, we have one full-time experienced realtor, Tom Corrente, who became a certified Short Sale Specialist via Significa, a company renowned for handling the entire loss mitigation/short sale process.

Like other short sale professionals, Tom and Significa act on behalf of the distressed homeowner. They negotiate with the lender on a dollar amount agreement that allows them to be paid/settled in full (zero balance on the mortgage debt) with minimal credit damage to the owner. And there is almost no cost to the homeowner – most fees and settlement expenses are paid by the lender and the buyer. In fact, if they meet program guidelines, they may actually be eligible for money in moving assistance!

The truth is, Tom says, lenders hate foreclosures as much as the unfortunate homeowners: “They’re legal, financial and PR headaches. That’s why most lenders agree to a short sale. They don’t want to spend their time foreclosing on, owning and selling property – it costs them a lot of money.”

The length of the short sale process in New Jersey depends on several variables. One of them is how long it will take to get an offer. The right Short Sale specialist usually has many cash buyers and can get cash offers for ‘as is’ properties without the homeowner having to make any repairs.

Once an offer is accepted, a contract is drawn up by the specialist-agent to finalize the agreement.

Tom got his Short Sale Certification because he wanted to offer the best possible outcome to distressed homeowners. A cousin of his was evicted in the 1990s from his upstate NY home for the few thousand dollars he owed in mortgage payments. Not being in the business at the time, Tom had no idea how to help the guy who was “too embarrassed to reach out to anyone.” Said Tom: “If I knew then what I know now, he would have fought, and he’d probably still be in that house.”

Mary Ellen Courtney is owner of Real Living Gateway Realtors, 201-288-0004. www.GatewayToHomes.com ###

Cold Moon

The December full moon appears on Sunday, December 3, 2017, at 10:47 a.m. and is called the “Full Cold Moon.”

According to “The Farmer’s Almanac,” this month the winter cold fastens its grip, and nights are at their longest and darkest. It is also called the “Moon Before Yule.”

The term “Long Night Moon” is a double appropriate name because the midwinter night is indeed long, and because the moon is above the horizon for a long time.

The midwinter full moon has a high trajectory across the sky because it is opposite a low sun. Other names for this moon include “Full Long Night Moon.”

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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Moonachie Senior Trips

The final trip for 2017, scheduled by the Moonachie Senior Club this year.

• On Wednesday, December 13, the Club will be going to the elegant Hunterdon Hills Playhouse to see, listen and enjoy a Holiday Musical revue.

There is a selection of five wonderful and tasty luncheons to choose from at time of arrival plus their famous Viennese dessert tables. The cost is \$67.50. The bus leaves at 9:30 a.m.

Remember, you do not have to be a member of the Moonachie Club to enjoy a wonderful day out with friends and neighbors. The tour busses leave from the Moonachie Senior Center which is right behind the Moonachie First Aid Squad on Moonachie Road.

For information and reservations please contact Audrey Evers, group leader, at 201-440-2710. *Provided by Charles Pallas.* ###

East Rutherford Seniors

Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at the Civic Center, 37 Vreeland Avenue, at 1 p.m. Refreshments are served and Bingo follows each meeting. Free blood-pressure screenings are held on the 4th Tuesday of the month beginning at 11:30 a.m. New members are welcome. Please contact Josephine at 201-460-1989.

Caesar’s Casino

The East Rutherford Seniors sponsor a bus trip to Caesar’s Casino every 3rd Monday of the month. The cost is \$30 with a return of \$30 slot-play. Bus leaves the CVS parking lot, Paterson Avenue, East Rutherford, at 9:30 a.m. All payments must be made in advance. For reservations and info, contact Josephine at 201-460-1989. ###

Upcoming Bus Trip

December 4, 2017, The East Rutherford Seniors are sponsoring a bus trip to the Tropicana Casino to see a Christmas show, “Holiday Jubilee.” Included is the bus and show. A buffet lunch, \$15 slot-play. The bus leaves from the CVS parking lot Paterson Ave, at 9 a.m. For info and reservations contact Josephine at 201-460-1989. ###

East Rutherford Seniors Christmas Party

The annual East Rutherford Seniors Christmas Party (for members only) will be held on Wednesday, December 20, 2017. Please contact Josephine at 201-460-1989 for information and reservations. ###

Bingo!

Little Ferry Seniors: Bingo is played every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at the Senior Center starting at 12:30 p.m. Refreshments served. For more info call 201-440-4815. ###

Little Ferry Seniors

The Little Ferry Seniors have their meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 1 p.m. located at 95 Main Street Senior Center.

Little Ferry residents age 62 or older are welcome to join and participate in luncheons and bus trips. For more information, call Robert at 201-440-4815 or 201-641-3704. ###

Carlstadt Friendship Club

The Carlstadt Senior Friendship Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at the Civic Center at 1:30 p.m.

On December 12, 2017, is the Christmas Party at the Fiesta open to all Carlstadt seniors. An added event is December 15, 2017, to "Sight & Sound" in Lancaster, PA. See Helene at any of their meetings for more info. ###

Lodi Senior Club News

The Lodi Senior Citizens Club meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month.

Every Thursday is “Fun Day.” They have a Pool Table, and Shuffle Board. Do what your doctor says, “Keep Movin” with exercise and line dancing or Bingo, card playing or come and enjoy the hot new adult coloring craze in the art corner or just come and enjoy a day with friends.

Non-members are welcome on Thursdays.

Planned Trips & Events

December 8 - Christmas Party at the Venetian...\$47 Members, \$52 Non-Members. Tickets are going fast! Call 973-472-6994. Leave name and number.

December 12 - Pizza in the Club.

PLUS they usually have entertainment at most of their Tuesday meetings. Come join if you are a Lodi resident, 55 years or older on Tuesdays. Non-members on Thursdays. For more information, call 973-472-6994 and leave a message. ###

In 1947, Toys for Tots started making the holidays a little happier for children by organizing its first Christmas toy drive for needy youngsters. ##

Lodi AARP #2015 Program Schedule

The AARP Chapter #2015 of Lodi meets at noon the third Tuesday of every month at the Lodi Senior Center, 22 Walnut Place. Each meeting will have either a speaker or entertainment as well as light refreshments. New members are welcome. Dues for 2018 are \$10 for the year. National AARP membership is also required. For membership information contact Stan at 973-779-8544.

Upcoming events:

December 19, 2017, Regular monthly meeting. Pizza luncheon. Entertainment by the Lodi High School Choir.

Upcoming events for 2018

• January 16, 2018, Regular monthly meeting. Speaker TBA.

• January 19, 2018, Winter Wonderland luncheon dance. at the Venetian, 546 River Dr., Garfield. From 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tickets are \$45 for Lodi AARP members & \$50 for non-members.

• March 14, 2018, Bus Trip to Doolan’s in Spring Lake for St. Patrick’s Day Festival.

• May 18, 2018, Installation Luncheon dance at the Venetian, 546 River Dr., Garfield.

• July 18, 2018, Bus trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse. Performance of “Nunsense.”

• September 19, 2018, Bus trip to Resorts Casino Atlantic City.

• November 14, 2018, Bus trip to Sands Casino, Bethlehem, PA. ###

Wallington AARP Chapter #4115 Welcomes Members

AARP of Wallington is hosting a Christmas party on December 18, 2017, at 1 p.m. at Krakus Restaurant in Wallington. The cost is \$27 pp and everyone is welcome. See Whitey, Helen or Eleanor.

AARP Chapter #4115 meets on the third Tuesday of the month at the Civic Center at 24 Union Boulevard in Wallington at 1:30 p.m. An informative meeting is held, followed by coffee and refreshments, after which Bingo is played. They are looking for current members to attend as well as new members from the surrounding towns to join. They look forward to greeting you. *Story by Eleanor Costa.* ###

Electric Christmas tree lights were first used in 1895. The idea for using electric Christmas lights came from an American, Ralph E. Morris. The new lights proved safer than the traditional candles. ###

December 2017 Heights Senior Calendar

*Open to All Hasbrouck Heights Seniors
Check bulletin board for any change.*

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Monday, December 4, 11, 18

10:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. Senior Lounge Open to all

10:00 a.m. Games, Cards and Coffee

1:00 - 2:30 p.m. Tai Chi (new) \$1.00

Monday, December 25, Closed Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 5, 12, 19, 26

10.00 a.m. Line dancing \$1.00

12:45 p.m. Beginner’s Line Dancing \$1.00

2:00 p.m. Adv. Chair Yoga \$1.00

6:00 p.m. Card Games Night

Wednesday, December 6

10:30 Leisure Club Board Meeting

2 p.m. Senior Stretch and Flex

Wednesday, December 13

12:30 p.m. Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 13, 20, 27

10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. Senior Lounge Open to all

10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mahjong

10:00 a.m. Games, Cards and Coffee

2:00 p.m. Senior Stretch & Flex \$1.00

Thursday, December 7, 14, 21 28

10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. Senior Lounge Open to all

10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. Games, Cards and Coffee

10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mahjong

2:00 p.m. Senior Yoga \$1.00

Friday, December 1, 15

10:00 a.m. Fun Bingo

10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. Senior Lounge Open to all

12 p.m. Zumba Gold \$1.00

1:00 p.m. to 3 p.m. Games, Cards & Coffee

Friday, December 8,

12 p.m. Zumba Gold \$1.00

1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Games, Cards & Coffee

Friday, December 29

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Thursday, December 7, at 3:30 p.m.

Members of Hasbrouck Heights Girl Scouts invite all seniors at the Senior Center to their Fourth Annual Senior Holiday Party where they will serve, cookies, cake, water, hot cocoa and coffee. There will also be free BINGO with prizes and the singing of familiar Christmas Songs.

Christmas Party

Wednesday, December, 13, 2017, Noon to 4 p.m.

The Annual Christmas Party at the Venetian. The cost is \$48 pp. for members; \$53 for non-members. You must provide your own transportation. Contact Marilyn at 201-288-4762.

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This pre-Thanksgiving Dinner was prepared and served by Giresi's Caterers of Lodi.

The meal was as close as one can get to a home cooked meal. The turkey was moist and tender, the mashed potatoes were light and fluffy, the sautéed green beans with mushrooms were outstanding and the yams were cooked to perfection.

There was also stuffing, cranberry sauce with crushed pineapples, gravy, fresh rolls and salad. Of course, the meal could not have been complete without water, soda, coffee and delicious cake. There was plenty of food for all and much to take home.

All who attended enjoyed themselves with their friends and neighbors. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###*

Heights Seniors Holiday Party

The Annual Holiday Party, sponsored by the Leisure Club, open to all Heights seniors, is scheduled for Wednesday, December 13, 2017, at the Venetian, from noon to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$48 pp for members and \$53 pp for non-members.

Payment should be made as soon as possible. Call Marilyn at 201-288-4762 for details. ###

In 1996, Christmas caroling was banned at two major malls in Pensacola, Florida. Apparently, shoppers and merchants complained the carolers were too loud and took up too much space. ###

Casino Bus Trip

The HH VFW Post 4591 sponsors Casino Bus Trips on the last Wednesday of each month. Bus departs at 10 a.m. The cost is \$35 paid in advance; includes a continental breakfast from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Games, prizes and a movie make the travel time pass quickly. For details call Andy at 973-773-1812, or the Post at 201-288-1112. ###

Kip Center Casino Trip

The Kip Center hosts a Sands Casino Trip the second Monday of every month. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. from the Kip Center, 55 Kip Avenue, Rutherford. The cost is \$30.

You will get \$30 back when you arrive. 55 Kip Members first priority, but spaces are generally available for your friends. Reserve early.

New to the Kip Center? Give it a try, there is always something going on! Call 201-460-1600 for more information. ###

MSH Rosary Confraternity Bus Trip To Sands

Come and enjoy a day at the beautiful Sands Casino & Luxury Shopping Outlet Stores with the Rosary Confraternity of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 127 Paterson Avenue, Wallington, on Tuesday, December 5, 2017. The bus will leave from in front of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church at 9 a.m. sharp, and from the Sands Casino at 4 p.m. The price is \$35 and includes bus transportation, a \$20 free slots play, and a \$5 food voucher.

Payment is due at the time of the reservation. Checks should be made payable to "MSH Rosary Confraternity", placed with your reservation information in an envelope marked "Sands Trip", and dropped off or mailed to the Rectory at 127 Paterson Avenue, Wallington 07057 no later than Wednesday, November 22. ###

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Post 106 Installs Officers

The members of the James B. Scarr Post 106, American Legion, their wives and the wives of past Post member's celebrated the Post's 98th Anniversary at a luncheon held on September 16, 2017 at the Bistro Cucina Italiana in Moonachie. Bergen County Vice Commander Michael Burhart assisted by Past New Jersey State Commander of the American Legion, Roger Gengaro, administered the Oath of Office to the 2017-2018 officers.

The following elected officers were installed: Commander Michael J. Cahill, Adjutant Frank Zabransky, Finance Officer Melvin Thompson, Membership Chairman Patrick McCarthy, Service Officer Melvin Thompson and Boys State Chairmen Peter J. Gallo Jr. and Thomas Romano.

The following were appointed to serve as follows: First Vice Commander Patrick McCarthy, Second Vice Commander Joseph T. Cavalli, Chaplain Stephan Herinya, Judge Advocate Ralph Lagriola, Sergeant At Arms Joseph F. Romano, Publicity Chairman Patrick McCarthy, Historian, James White, Boy Scouts Liaison Melvin Thompson and Rehabilitation Chairman Melvin Thompson.

Commander Cahill was re-elected for the 20th time. He reminded all that along with the installation of officers the Post was celebrating its 98th Anniversary. During the past year, the Post has sponsored eight local boys to attend the New Jersey Boys' State Program. It has awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to local high school students. It awarded three prizes to winners of their essay contest and four prizes to winners of their art contest.

It has participated in Annual Memorial Day Parade and Veterans Day Services and has made many donations to local and state Veteran programs and projects.

Post 106 invites all Veterans from every branch of service to join the Post. Together they can help to preserve Veterans' rights. For information, contact Commander Michael Cahill at 201-288-1026 or Membership Chairman Patrick McCarthy at 201-288-6777. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###*

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From the Porch . . .

Fall is here and winter is not far behind. We, again, thank you for all that you contribute to our ministries at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Hasbrouck Heights. Through the end of December, SWIM, Single Women in Mission, is remembering those who are homeless on our streets and in our shelters. They are now gathering men's white or black crew socks and men's white or black T-shirts, size large, for The Palisades Emergency Residence Corporation (PERC), an organization that provides emergency shelter, a day program, support services, a soup kitchen, and a food pantry for the needy in Union City and Hudson County. Please help them to share some comfort and warmth during the upcoming cold winter days and nights. These small things you contribute can make a huge difference to someone in need.

Your gifts for PERC may be left in the box on the porch at 92 Burton Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights. For more information call 201-288-6889. ###

Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired, signifies in the final sense a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and not clothed.-- General Dwight D. Eisenhower

The Longest Night Service

Pastor Debbie Rundecker, of First Reformed Church, Hasbrouck Heights, offers "The Longest Night" service, which is a special time of gathering for those who find the season of Advent and Christmas a difficult time.

It is a somber and quiet time of worship, a time to acknowledge our pain and draw comfort and strength from the One who calls us from our darkest nights into the dawn.

First Reformed Church is at the corner of Burton Avenue and Washington Place. All are welcome. Bring a family member or friend who may be in need of God's comfort even while trying to celebrate the holidays. Thursday, December 21, 2017, at 7 p.m.

For more information, call the office at 201-288-1122 or Pastor Debbie at 973-600-5848.

Coping with Grief and the Holidays

On Sunday, December 3, 2017, in St. Joseph's Rectory, 120 Hoboken Road, East Rutherford, a grief recovery seminar will be held from 2 to 4 p.m.

The guest speaker is Patricia Lane, L.C.S.W., Hospice Bereavement Coordinator. Call 201-438-6708 if you plan to attend. All are welcome. ###

A Blue Christmas Service

Christmas can be a painful time for some. It may be the first Christmas without a loved family member who has recently died, it may be a time that has always been difficult.

The anguish of broken relationships, the insecurity of unemployment, the weariness of ill health, the pain of isolation, all these can make us feel very alone in the midst of the celebrating and spending.

Come out, and join with us on Thursday, December 21, 2017, at Christ Church, 251 State Street, Hackensack, in a service of reflection and hope for the longest night of the year. The service seeks to comfort people by reminding them of the real reason for the season, that we are not alone, and that light will come again.

Everyone, regardless of Church background (or lack of it) is welcome.

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Christmas Eve Service

The First Presbyterian Church in Carlstadt is having Christmas Eve Services December 24, 2017, at 10 a.m., 4 p.m. and 11 p.m. All are welcome. ###

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

The Felician Sisters welcome all who want to pray before the Blessed Sacrament to come to Immaculate Conception Chapel at 260 South Main Street in Lodi as follows:

- Monday through Friday weekday mornings: 6:45 a.m. Celebration of the Eucharist; 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament

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For national holidays, this schedule may change so call Sister Mary Virginia at 973-473-7447 ext 114 for information. Leave a call back number if you get voice mail. ###

Silent Night was written in 1818, by an Austrian priest Joseph Mohr. He was told the day before Christmas that the Church organ was broken and would not be prepared in time for Christmas Eve.

He was saddened by this and could not think of Christmas without music, so he wanted to write a carol that could be sung by choir to guitar music. He sat down and wrote three stanzas. Later that night the people in the little Austrian Church sang "Stille Nacht" for the first time. ###

Decorating The First Reformed Church of HH

The First Reformed Church of Hasbrouck Heights will once again be decorating the Sanctuary with poinsettias, given in memory of family and friends.

If you would like to share in this joy of remembrance, please send your information and check to Mrs. Ruth Feehan, 248 Raymond Street, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604 or call the Church office at 201-288-1122.

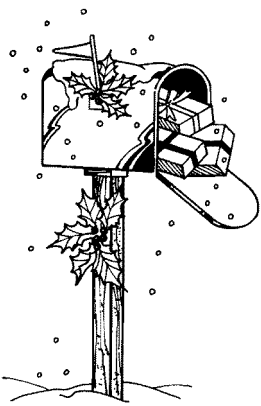
The deadline for orders is Sunday, December 17, 2017. Please specify if the donation is In Memory Of or In Honor Of (or both). The email address for First Reformed Church is firstrefhh@optonline.net. Blessing for a Merry Christmas! ###

Corpus Christi Rosary Society

The Rosary Society annual Christmas Gathering will be Sunday, December 3, 2017, from 12 to 4 p.m. at the Risotto House in Hasbrouck Heights. The ticket price of \$35 includes a full-course dinner with three entrée choices plus a ticket for the door prizes. There will also be a 50/50 raffle.

We encourage the women to join us in prayer and service to the parish. Members are required to say one decade of the Rosary daily, to attend the monthly liturgy and meeting, to pray the Rosary for deceased members, and to participate whenever possible in various service projects.

Come to a General Meeting or call Membership Chairperson Maria DeFedele at 201-727-0820 for further information. Submitted by Carol Viceconte. ###



Cancelled Stamps Wanted

Thirteen years ago, in 2004, the Kiwanis Club of Hasbrouck Heights started a project collecting cancelled stamps. They came upon a letter from a Sister Ann Mary, a retired Carmelite Sister who was collecting stamps and selling them to dealers.

The money helped children at St. Benedict's Day Nursery and Infant Hospital of Georgetown, St. Vincent of the West Indies. She collected stamps until 2008. In 2008, the AARP Chapter 418 took this project as one of their own. Kiwanis Club has since disbanded.

In August of 2008, the AARP Chapter 418 found another organization that was collecting stamps. After a phone call to them (Ulseth Lodge Sons of Norway NLC) in Calumet, MI, they decided to send the cancelled stamps to them.

The Lodge collects and sends the stamps to a facility where they are sorted and packaged to sell to collectors and dealers. The proceeds are donated to the Norwegian Health System to aid physically and mentally challenged children and youth.

In June 2015, the AARP Chapter 418 disbanded. The Leisure Club of Hasbrouck Heights then took over the project. If you would like to help the Leisure Club of Hasbrouck Heights in collecting cancelled stamps, please 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, please do not cut off the stamps, but save the whole envelope/postcard.

The stamps can be dropped off or sent to: **The Gazette Newspaper**, 345 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604. Or bring them to a Leisure Club meeting. ###

Wood Ridge Memorial Foundation To Honor Five at Annual Spring Dinner

Wood-Ridge Memorial Foundation president Paul Calocino announced at the Foundation fall meeting the names of the 5 people that will be honored at the annual spring dinner dance on Friday, March 9, 2018. This year, 2 members of the community and 3 teachers in the school system will be recognized.

Annette Altamura, raised in Wood-Ridge, a graduate of Wood-Ridge High School, Class of 1980, residing for over 40 years in the Borough, married 33 years to her husband, Councilman Ezio Altamura, with one daughter, Christina. Annette passed away in August of this year. She graced our community throughout her years in Wood-Ridge serving in various capacities along the way. From her years serving as CCD teacher at Assumption Church to serving as a judge for the Wood-Ridge Memorial Foundation scholarship fund to her 13 years as Legislative Aide to Senator Paul Sarlo, Annette was always going above and beyond to help and serve those in need. Her genuine compassion for others was truly one of her greatest gifts. She will not be forgotten by those that were fortunate enough to know her.

Bob Valenti, he and his wife, Diane, have been married for 36 years and have resided in Wood-Ridge with their two children for over 25 years. Bob had served on the Wood-Ridge Board of Education for close to 20 years before departing after his term was completed this year. He is an active member of the Wood-Ridge Lions Club as well as over 24 years with the junior football program. He has coached both the boys and girls recreation basketball and has been involved with many of the other youth sports programs.

Terri Nass, a teacher in the Wood-Ridge System for 33 years. She has taught in all 3 schools over that time period. Presently, she is at the Doyle School where her interaction with the youngest of our students helps tremendously with their development. She and her husband, Rich, of 28 years have 3 children. Some of her accomplishments have been

named Teacher of the Year, being selected as an advocate for the Special Olympics and serving as President, Vice President and Secretary of the WREA. She has also chaired many events such as Trunk or Treat, Gingerbread Making with Grandparents and Mother's Day Tea with Dads.

Laura Johnson, resides in Montvale with her husband, Bob, and daughter, Brooke. A member of the Wood-Ridge Staff since 1989 where she has taught 4th Grade for most of her tenure. Her enthusiasm and love for teaching is as abundant now as when she started and has been recognized by being honored as Teacher of the Year in 1999. Besides in the classroom she has been involved with multiple projects, including writing criteria. She has been an advisor for the Safety Patrol and Student Council as well as working with the after school program and as home instructor. She is also very active in her daughter's Girl Scout Troop.

Ted Colarusso, a member of the High School Science Department for 22 years, he and his wife of 21 years are the proud parents of their son, Thomas, an Eagle Scout in Wood-Ridge. He has been quite active over these many years. He has taught several of the high school science honors courses and has developed multiple electives to help enrich many of his students. Outside the classroom he has been play Co-director for many years, Drama Director, Senior Class Advisor, Yearbook Advisor, Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach and other clubs within the school. He was Teacher of the year in 2002 and a Disney Nominee for Teacher of the year in 2005. His impact on his students will be felt for years to come.

Calocino, is pleased to present these five outstanding individuals to be recognized by the Memorial Foundation and the community. All of the proceeds raised at this event, will be used to fund the anticipated 16 awards totaling over \$34,000 this coming June.

The dinner will be held at The Fiesta, and will include a full course dinner with beer, wine and soda included. Entertainment will be provided by the Alan Quinn Orchestra. Dinner tickets are \$80 per person are available now and you may reserve or purchase tickets by calling event chairman Jack Nagel at 201-641-2803 or e-mail janpro911@aol.com ###



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Veterans Today

By Thomas Marshall

Jumping Badger was born around 1831, in the Dakota Territory. He took his time with things and did not hurry or move around fast like most small boys do in youth. He received the nickname “Slow.” As a Lakota Indian, part of his duty to the tribe is to fight when needed. This often happened at a young age for most Indian Tribes. Jumping Badger was about 14 when he accompanied his father and his uncle “Four Horns” on a raiding party against their enemies, The Crow. During the raid, Jumping Badger counted coup on an enemy Crow. Counting coup is a term used to signify that a warrior has won prestige over another warrior.

This is done by doing any of the following, stealing his horse, touching a warrior with the hand, killing the warrior without you yourself getting injured. You could also kill the first enemy warrior. All this means you have counted coup on your enemy. You must risk injury or death to be considered as counting coup on your enemy.

Jumping Badger was celebrated by his band of Lakota by counting coup. His act of bravery was witnessed by other warriors. Like many cultures, brave warriors are decorated after battle. In the Lakota tribe counting coup allows a warrior to wear one white eagles’ feather in his hair as a sign of his bravery.

At the celebration Jumping Badger received another high honor. His father “Buffalo Bull that sits down” bestowed upon his son his very own name. So Jumping Badger becomes Buffalo Bull that sits down. It would be shortened in time and he is more known by the abbreviation of that name, Sitting Bull.

By 1864, the nation was involved in the Civil War. The Indian Tribes were involved in protecting their own land from encroachment. Settlers were killed and the U.S. Army went on the offensive. This became known as the Dakota War. This conflict saw the Indians of North and South Dakota fighting the U.S. Army. Sitting Bulls’ group of Lakota was not involved in the initial fighting but, his Lakota tribe was attacked and driven back by the Army. Involved in the conflict now Sitting Bull led raids on the U.S. Army where he could. Sitting Bull was wounded when he and his warriors attacked a wagon train. He was shot but he recovered. He fought in the Battle of the Badlands, where

Sitting Bull and his warriors tried to stop the U.S. Army from building forts along the Missouri River. He fought in the Battle of Killdeer Mountain in 1864. This expedition by the U.S. Army ultimately pushed the Indian tribes west of the Missouri River. It didn’t take the fight out of the Indians though.

Red Cloud, another Lakota Chief not affiliated with Sitting Bull's band, led attacks on forts in 1866 to keep the U.S. Army away from Montana. This would be the start of Red Cloud’s War.

Sitting Bull led many raids and also attacked forts in support of Red Cloud and his Oglala Lakota.

The U.S. Government wanted to end hostilities in 1868. They began Peace talks with the waring Indians. Red Cloud demanded that the U.S. abandon several forts, Fort Phil Kearny and Fort Smith among them. The government agreed and on July 2, 1868, the treaty of Fort Laramie was signed. Sitting Bull viewed this treaty as a way of giving land to the U.S. He didn’t sign it and stated he didn’t agree to it. So he continued his raiding parties and attacked settlers and forts where he could.

By 1871, the west was changing. The railroad had eyes on the Lakota land that Sitting Bull and his people resided on in the northern plains. When the surveyors came to map out a rail route, they were attacked by Sitting Bull and his warriors. This would be the start of the Great Sioux War of 1876. The surveyors brought soldiers with them for protection the following year but they were attacked and turned back again. The backers of the rail line began to pull out duo to loss of money.

In 1874, Lt. Colonel George Armstrong Custer was ordered to explore the Black Hills for gold. It was assumed that there were large deposits of it in the Hills. It was reported back to Washington after this expedition that gold indeed resided there. The government had to protect the Sioux in accordance with the Laramie Treaty. They also knew that not every one of the Lakota was on the reservation and would make problems with anyone digging gold in the Black Hills. President Grant issued an order and declared any of the Lakota that was not on a reservation according to the Laramie Treaty would be considered hostile. This would allow the Army to use military action against the Lakota bands

such as the one Sitting Bull was with.

This was now 1875, and the northern plains tribes, Cheyenne, Hunkapapa, Oglala all camped together for what is known as a Sun Dance.

A Sun Dance is held for the purpose of healing and many of the tribal members make sacrifices for the good of the tribe. At this point in time, Sitting Bull had already become a leader to his people. He declared during the Sun Dance that The Great Spirit had given their enemies to them and that they were to destroy them. Many have speculated that this was a premonition. The Indians took this as a good omen. Although at the time they didn’t quite know who the enemy was.

Sitting Bull, by early 1876, had these tribes and people with him. He refused to live on the reservation. He wanted to remain on the plains without the government interfering with Indian Independence. Many of the Indians that agreed with him joined his growing band. He proclaimed visions of dead soldiers and horses falling into his camp. Many warriors left the reservations to join him after hearing of his prophecy.

On June 25, 1876, Lt. Colonel George Custer and his 7th Calvary, attacked Sitting Bulls’ camp, which was near the Big Horn River in Montana. The size of the camp can be imagined by Custer’s last written note sent to his Jr. Officer, “big village, bring pack, bring pack.” Custer didn’t have enough men. He had in the neighborhood of 700. He divided his force and attacked the large village. Sitting Bull had over 3,000 warriors and more guns then Custer. His attack was repulsed and quickly turns into a route.

Custer is killed along with 268 of his command. The Plains Indians achieved a victory in what is called the Battle of Little Big Horn. It would seem that Sitting Bull’s premonition came true.

Sitting Bull did not take an active part in the battle but the victory was part of his doing. He raised the Plains Indians confidence. He was the main reason they were gathered where they were. He also realized that they could not stay there any longer. He knew more soldiers would come. The U.S. Army raised a larger force and sent troops to the area. Sitting Bull moved his people around and in May of 1877 crossed the border into Canada.

The Indians remained in Canada for four years. Starvation would eventually end Sitting Bull’s exile. He could not

feed the people and in July of 1881 he decided to surrender to the American forces.

Subjected to life on the Reservation, Sitting Bull found a new career as part of Buffalo Bill’s Wild West Show. He toured Canada and the Eastern United States.

This was the time before TV and computers and the people of the East had not seen what a real live Indian looked like in person. He earned \$50 a week and like athletes today, he charged for his autograph and photos.

He returned to the Reservation in 1889 and he quickly ran into a dispute with the Indian Agent assigned to monitor the Indians. James McLaughlin, the agent, was not too happy with Sitting Bull returning. The Ghost Dance had come to the Reservation. The Ghost Dance was a religious ceremony that had dancers chant and dance for the return of the Buffalo and their deceased relatives.

McLaughlin became alarmed because he viewed it as a way of the Indians looking to renew conflict with the Army. Sitting Bull's presence did not relieve his stress. Everyone knew that Sitting Bull was viewed as a great leader and the Indians may rally around him.

Sitting Bull at this time resided at Fort Yates. Sitting Bull allowed the Ghost Dance in the camp and he also didn’t like the idea that the Agent McLaughlin was trying to sell part of the reservation land. McLaughlin feared that Sitting Bull would take the Ghost Dancers and flee the reservation and start a war. So he ordered his arrest. The policemen on the reservations were Indians. This allowed for Indians to police Indians and prevent any communication problems that would further complicate any disturbance that may arise.

On December 15, 1890, at around 5:30 in the morning, Indian Agency policemen knocked on his door and entered Sitting Bull’s house. They told him he was under arrest.

Confused to be sure, Sitting Bull was irate that he was awakened with this news and not even sure why he was under arrest. He argued and would not go quietly. People began to wake up and gather to see what

the disturbance was about. He was told to mount the horse so they could leave and Sitting Bull refused.

Lt. Bull Head, the policeman in charge, was shot by an Indian by the name of “Catch the Bear”. Bull Head responded by shooting Sitting Bull in the chest. Red Tomahawk, another policeman shot Sitting Bull in the head, and he fell to the floor. A gun battle erupted and when the shooting stopped, eight policemen were killed along with two horses. Several of Sitting Bull’s followers were dead. Hit in the chest and in the head Sitting Bull clung to life. This was 1890, but even today with better medicine it would be hard to save him. At around 12:30 p.m. Sitting Bull died.

He was buried at Fort Yates where he died but the story doesn’t end there. In 1953, realizing that the burial site of the Indian Chief would be a great attraction to the newly built casino, citizens of the town of Mobridge, South Dakota crossed over into North Dakota and proceeded to Fort Yates.

There in the cover of darkness dug up Sitting Bull's remains and reburied them in Mobridge. North Dakota still claims to this day that they dug up only the bones of a long dead horse. Others say the bones they stole were from an old white man. So, as it is two states that didn’t want him when he was alive both claim him in death.

He is admired today by many. He was one of the last to surrender of the Plains Indians. He refused to go into treaties. This would cause him trouble but he fought for what he believed in. He was pictured on a postage stamp and he even has a college named in his honor.

In the same year of 1890, when he died, the Congress declared the frontier closed. So, in a way, he was buried with a way of life that basically had become obsolete in a fast paced changing world.

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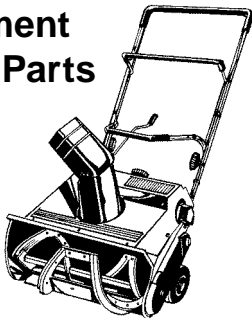
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WRPD Jr. Police Academy

On August 21, 2017, Wood-Ridge Police Chief Goscinski welcomed 29 enthusiastic boys and girls to the town's first Jr. Police Academy.

The recruits were introduced to the many different phases of police work by members of the Wood-Ridge Police Department including motor vehicle stops, self-defense, handcuffing, and a demonstration from the Motorcycle unit.

They were brought to the Bergen County Police and Fire Academy where they were able to witness an actual academy class and with the help from Wood-Ridge Fire Department, put out a fire.

Officers from Bergen County Sheriff's Department K-9, Bomb Squad and Regional SWAT team all gave demonstrations on what their departments provide the residents of Bergen County.

The recruits were lectured on personal safety at home and in schools. They were each fingerprinted while informed about the Detective Bureau's responsibilities.

Officers used the Department's "Drunk Carts" and "Drunk Goggles" to stress the importance of not driving while intoxicated. The recruits were able to use the drug goggles as they attempted to make free

throws to show how drugs affect their coordination.

The final day was a graduation ceremony with speeches by Chief Goscinski, Police Commissioner Ezio Altamura and Jr. Academy Instructors Detective Marchitelli and Officer Vitkovsky.

The boys and girls were treated to pizza donated by Emilia Romagna Restaurant and a dunk tank and water slide donated by Fun Time Entertainment.

The Department is looking forward to holding the Jr. Police Academy next year. *Story and photos provided by the Wood-Ridge Police Department. ###*



Fire Engine Rides with WRFD

The Wood-Ridge Fire Department held fire engine rides on Sunday, November 5, 2017.

Children, ages 5-13, were treated to donuts and apple cider, saw a short film on fire prevention and then took a ride around town inside of an actual fire truck! The Bergen County Fire Prevention trailer was on-site so that children could experience a "smoke-filled" environment.

A parent or guardian was present the day of the event to sign a permission slip for their child to participate. It was a day of fun that your child will never forget! *Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*

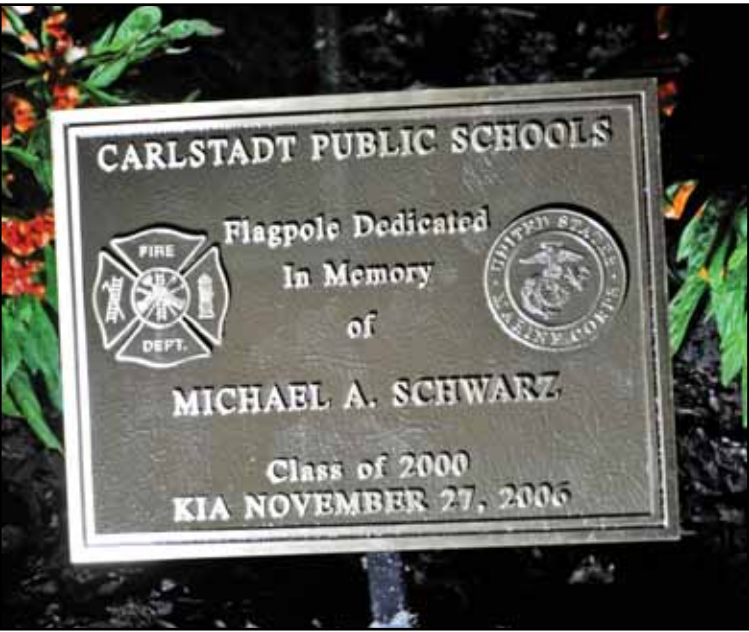


Sensitive Santa’s Workshop

The Carlstadt Volunteer Ambulance Corps presented “Sensitive Santa’s Workshop,” a free event for special needs children and people of all ages, and their immediate family, on Sunday, November 5, 2017, from 3 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Saturday, November 11, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Event was open to all area residents.

Children met one-on-one, privately and by reservation only. There were no lines, pressure, crowds, loud music or flash photos. CVAC provided a photographer who took pictures of the child with Santa free of charge.

There were snacks and crafts. Children had an opportunity to write a note, or paste a photo or drawing of their wishes directly onto Santa’s List. Call 201-438-7289 or 201-741-3285 for details. Photos by Dennis Kronymak Sr. ###



On Monday, November 6, 2017, at 6 p.m, a flag pole dedication ceremony was held in front of Carlstadt Public School, to honor the memory of LCpl Michael A. Schwarz, Class of 2000. Photo by Dennis Kronymak Sr. ###

Holiday “Road Trip” Tips

Suggestions for Safe Holiday Travel

- Before leaving, be sure to secure your house. Lock all doors and windows, and don’t forget to set the alarm.
- Also, give your home that lived-in look to repel potential burglars by having a friend collect your mail, setting lights on timers and not leaving details of your trip on the answering machine.
- Don’t leave valuables in your car. Pack all items, especially brightly wrapped packages, in the trunk. If afraid of squashed bows, wait until you arrive to wrap the gifts.
- One tip for packing lighter is to ship your gifts to your destination ahead of time. Allow at least two to three weeks for your package to arrive, for the holidays are hectic times for courier services like UPS and Federal Express.

Plan Ahead

Holiday travelers are at a higher risk for accidents. Avoid peak travel days.

People leave on long trips on the last workday before the holiday to visit family and friends in what can be a stressful time – increasing the potential for fatigue.

- Plan enough travel time for your trip to include breaks.

- Plan your route before you leave and take along a map or GPS so you are prepared if you need to take a detour or alternate route due to road conditions or accidents.

- Travel information Web sites and 5-1-1 telephone services provide estimated travel times, road and weather conditions, accident reports and other helpful information.

- Don’t leave on a long trip after eating a large meal. Never drink and drive.

Drive Safely

- Buckle up and use child safety seats properly.

- Once on the road, drive carefully, patiently and stifle road rage. Indicate lane changes and give everyone plenty of room. Be forgiving when

someone drives recklessly.

- Don’t text or use your cell phone when driving.
- Obey speed limits.
- Don’t tailgate. Be patient.
- Stay alert and minimize distractions.

- Avoid sudden stops and starts. Slow down when driving on snowy or icy roads where stopping distances are much longer. Leave more distance between your vehicle and the one ahead.

- Overall, try to make driving fun, and view it as part of the holiday, not as a chore. If traveling with children, get everyone involved by singing or reminiscing about favorite past holidays. The ride will be over before you know it, and you’ll actually look forward to the drive back home. ###

Chimney Safety Tips

Chimney maintenance is vital to your family’s safety. The Rutherford Fire Department offers these tips:

- Have your chimney inspected and cleaned on a regular basis.

- When possible, burn seasoned woods (*dryness of the wood is more important than hard wood versus soft wood*).

- Smaller, hotter fires will

burn more completely and produce less smoke than larger fires.

- Do not burn cardboard boxes or trash, as they can spark a chimney fire.

- Install stovepipe thermometers, which help monitor flue temperatures where wood stoves are in use, then adjust burning practices as needed. ###



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Lodi Fire Department Quick Response

On a cold November 10, 2017, at 7:56 p.m., Lodi Fire units were dispatched to 24 Charles Street for a reported house fire. A minute later, Lodi Police Department confirmed a working fire with fire showing from the top floor of a dwelling.

The fire was quickly knocked down and contained to one room. There were no injuries reported. Mutual Aid from Saddle Brook for an engine and Garfield for a ladder, assisted on scene. The fire was under control in about a half hour by Chief of Department John Funk. Fire is under investigation by Lodi Fire Prevention. *Provided by Damien Danis. ###*



MVA Injures Two

On November 12, 2017, the Carlstadt Fire Department, Carlstadt Volunteer Ambulance Corps and Wood-Ridge EMS responded to a motor vehicle accident at Hackensack and Broad Streets in Carlstadt. Two injuries were reported. Air bags were deployed. The vehicles were so entwined that they had to be pulled apart by the wreckers. *Photos by Denis Kronyak Sr. ###*



Extrication Drill

On October 21, 2017, The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department held an extrication drill at the DPW yard. A vehicle was crushed. Using "Jaws of Life" tools, rescuers removed the "injured" party. *Photos by Lisa Ratkowski. ###*





HHFD Welcomes New Juniors

Juniors joining the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department at the Mayor and Council meeting on September 26, 2017. (l-r) FF Nicholas Coviello, Juniors Ryan Moots, Edward Finch, Nicholas Cali, Duncan McCabe, EMS Lt. Rebecca Ratkowski and FF Marc Nazeh. Photo by Lisa Ratkowski. ###



All You Can Eat Breakfast

The Wood-Ridge Fire Department hosted an “All You Can Eat” Breakfast on Sunday, October 29, 2017. Menu included eggs, sausage, juice, coffee, tea, milk, roll and butter. There was a big screen TV raffle and 50/50s. Photo by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###

CVAC Receives Award for Assisting at Plane Crash

On May 15, 2017, a jet plane crashed on approach to Teterboro Airport. The incident happened on Kero Road in Carlstadt. The Carlstadt Volunteer Ambulance Corps responded and was the first medical unit on scene. On October 4, 2017, the Bergen County 200 Club gave awards for meritorious service. The CVAC received one of the awards. Accepting the award

for CVAC was Captain Collette. Members in attendance were Captain Collette, Stacey Schmidt, Joseph Biggy Sr., Heather Schmidt, Destiny Cardona, Cathy Cromelin, Sharon Dunn. Unable to attend were Greg Schmidt, Matthew Kronyak. ###

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HHFD Open House

On the afternoon of October 22, 2017, the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department held an Open House at Fire Headquarters for the community. Families met with firefighters and inspected the fire fighting, rescue and EMS equipment. A short safety film was presented. Youngsters used a fire hose to put out a prop fire.

Kids were taught fire safety in the new inflatable fire safety house.

Members conducted a drill by rescuing a dummy trapped under a car using special air bag pillows to lift a motor vehicle so the "injured" could be extricated and prepared for transport. Informational packets were distributed. There were light refreshments. ###



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Custom Ranch with Extended Family Possibilities! Features LR, DR, MEIK, Fam Rm, 2 BRs & bath on the main level; downstairs: 2nd Kitchen, 2nd Fam Rm + 2 add'l rooms and 3rd full bath. Wide lot, patio & pool. Top Area!



HASBROUCK HEIGHTS
\$669,000

Vintage 6 over 6 All Brick Federal Style Colonial Two Family on 1/4 acre property in Heights Best Area!! Altogether, 16 rooms in 2 gorgeous units. Custom built, with extras & one-of-a kind special features. A truly rare offering!



HILLSDALE
\$659,000

Expanded Bi-Level w/In-Law Suite in Primo Northern Bergen County neighborhood! 11 rooms total, 4 BRs, 3 full baths, 2 fpls, 4 zone heat, central vac, patio, hot tub and nearly 11,000 square feet of property!! Fantastic!



MAHWAH
\$829,000

Magnificent Center Hall Colonial in Desirable Fardale Section! Boasts EF, LR, DR, MEIK, Fam. Rm. w/fpl, 3/4 BRs, 3 1/2 baths, laundry room, full fin'd basement, pool, Jacuzzi and a ton of other amenities! Truly Indescribable!



WOOD-RIDGE
\$429,000

Totally Renovated Colonial! Re-made entirely 12 years ago: LR, DR, gorgeous MEIK, 3 BRs, 2 full baths and full finished basement with Fam. Rm., utilities & storage. 2 car detached garage. Most sought-after neighborhood!



HASBROUCK HEIGHTS
\$35,000

Rare Business Opportunity! Well-established Deli/Catering trade with deep & loyal customer following. Altogether 1,400 sq.ft., seating for 12, full storage basement. Equipment incl. Good, visible location. Comfortable lease terms!



CARLSTADT
\$350,000

Location, Location! Spacious, charming, older Colonial. Enclosed heated porch, LR, DR, MEIK, 3 BRs, one full bath and two half baths. Partly finished basement, garage and the Boro's top area for locale and convenience!

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MAYWOOD RENTAL
\$1,950/Month

Whole House Rental! In classy Maywood, this cozy home offers LR, DR, fully operational Kitchen, 2 BRs, 1 1/2 baths, attic, full basement for storage and laundry. Freshly painted and carpeted thru-out. Great neighborhood!



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LODI RENTAL
\$1,800/Month

Modern, bright, spacious 3 bedroom apartment in desirable Heights proximity location! Boasts LR, DR, Fam Rm, MEIK, 3 BRs and bath, all scrubbed and freshly painted! Shared use of yard, parking....must be seen!



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HASBROUCK HEIGHTS RENTAL
\$1,600/Month

Centrally Located and Near Everything! Old World Charm, updated. Totally Inviting! LR, DR, MEIK, 2 BRs, bath, heated porch, laundry, storage, use of yard. Literally steps away from public trans, shopping...everything!



OFFICE RENTAL

HASBROUCK HEIGHTS
\$1,900/Month

For the Discerning Professional! 1,350 sq. ft. office space formerly occupied by upscale dental clinic. No expense spared. Reception Area, Modern Kitchen, Wet Bar, 2 Bathrooms, with new built-ins, crown moldings... Classy!

Looking for a Career Change? Call us. We offer you a real opportunity for success!



Cheers to the New Year!

From all of us at Real Living Gateway Realtors: Best Wishes to Everyone for a Happy Holiday Season and a Very Merry Christmas!



Thomas Corrente
Top Sales Partner
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