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Area Fire Departments reorganize and install their officers for 2016. Mayor and Councils express their faith in their Fire Departments, grateful for the services of their highly trained volunteers; stewards who maintain and operate expensive resources that can be counted upon to keep their communities safe in times of dangerous, chaotic, life-threatening emergencies.

At this time, Fire Chiefs publicly express appreciation of their elected officials for their continued support; and the confidence of the men and women under their command.

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# Be Safe

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Holiday donations were received by the Center for Hope and Safety from the entire Teterboro family which included Atlantic Aviation; Dassault Falcon Jet; Jet Aviation – TEB; Landmark; Meridian-TEB; Signature Flight Support-TEB; Aviation Hall of Fame and Museum ###

## Stewper Bowl

Football’s big event is just around the corner, and the Rutherford Community Pantry is asking neighbors and local businesses to mark the moment by contributing to the 2016 Stewper Bowl donation drive in January and February.

The RCP is collecting stews and other hearty meat meals that the pantry can distribute to families this winter.

Items that can help the Stewper Bowl drive include canned stews, chili, chicken, Vienna sausages, pasta with meatballs, Spam, sloppy joes, clam sauce, hash, and beef soups.

A great way to collect for the drive is by asking family and friends attending football-themed parties to bring an item to contribute toward a group donation.

And residents, neighbors, and friends can drop off items anytime at the RCP, which is located in the basement of Borough Hall at 176 Park Avenue in Rutherford.

The Rutherford Community Pantry is a volunteer, non-profit organization that meets emergency and ongoing needs for food and personal hygiene items.

For more information, or to inquire about our monthly needs lists and volunteer opportunities, visit [rutherford-nj.com/government/departments/social-services/food-pantry](http://rutherford-nj.com/government/departments/social-services/food-pantry), or call 201-460-3000, ext. 3168. ###

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Groundhog Day February 2

According to folklore, if it is cloudy when a groundhog emerges from its burrow on this day, then spring will come early; if it is sunny, the groundhog will supposedly see its shadow and retreat back into its burrow, and the winter weather will continue for six more weeks.

Punxsutawney held its first Groundhog Day in the United States in the 1800s. The first official trek to Gobbler's Knob near, Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, was made on February

2, 1887.

Movies, advertisements, cartoons and other media have portrayed the legendary role of the groundhog in popular culture.

The term "Groundhog Day" is a phrase that is sometimes used to express if the same events or actions occur repetitively for a period of time.

Groundhog Day, already a widely recognized and popular tradition, received widespread attention as a result of the 1993 film "Groundhog Day." ###

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Sunday Afternoon  
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February 14

The Friends of The Hasbrouck Heights Library request the pleasure of your company for a Sunday Afternoon Tea and Concert to be held on Sunday, February 14, 2016 in the Senior Center located at 320 Boulevard from 1-4 p.m.

This is a wonderful way to spend a lovely afternoon on Valentine's Day, enjoying the company of others, drinking tea, and listening to live harp music provided by well-known performer and teacher, Ardis Cavin, along with five other harpists. Tickets are \$30 per person.

This event will be catered

Share The Love

Would you like to remember a special someone this Valentine's Day?

The Guild of Reformed Church Women invite you to share your feelings and at the same time show your caring by signing their special Valentine and making a donation to the Friendly Neighbors.

This is a good time for sharing your love, as well as sending a message of love to others who need to feel that others care.

The card is posted in Hoffman Hall of First Reformed Church through February 14.

If you cannot make it to the Church, you may mail your message (*which will be added to the card*) and donation payable to Friendly Neighbors c/o Women's Guild of the First Reformed Church, P. O. Box 66, Hasbrouck Heights, by February 12. For further information, call the Church at 201-288-1122 or Estella at 201-288-0378. ###

by Market Basket. The menu will include salad, various finger sandwiches, imported sliced cheeses with baguettes, and a variety choice of teas.

The afternoon tea will be followed by a concert and will conclude with dessert of chocolate dipped strawberries, petit fours, and miniature pastries.

The music selection specially picked for this occasion will include songs of love, as well as pieces from folk, pop, and the classics.

The harpists will be led by Ardis Cavin who has been performing throughout the tri-state area. She teaches piano, harp, and voice. With a Master's Degree in Music from Indiana University, Ms. Cavin is currently an adjunct professor at Bergen Community College in Paramus, NJ. She also teaches at the Dwight Englewood School and her private studio in Englewood, NJ.

Tickets are available at the Hasbrouck Heights Public Library. Purchase early. Seating is limited. No tickets will be sold at the door. Proceeds will go to support ongoing Library programs. For further details, please call 201-288-0488. ###

Valentine's Party

Little Ferry Squadron 310 is hosting a Valentine's Party Fundraiser on Saturday, February 13, 2016, starting at 7 p.m. until ???

Donation is \$20 and includes food, wine and beer. Every lady gets a rose! Music by DJ Jack Jam.

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The event will be held at 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry. For more information please call 201-641-9774. ###

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Walt Disney World:  
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On March 1, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., travel author, David Kriso, will give his presentation, "Walt Disney World: To the Mouse, the Castle, and Beyond!" at The Lodi Library.

The program is designed for first time and minimally experienced Disney travelers.

Topics will include: a historic profile of the WDW Resort, hotel choices, transportation, must do's, dining, and upcoming attractions.

For more information about the author, go to: DEKTravelJournal.com ###

Cruising: Making  
Waves & Sense

On February 18, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., travel author, David Kriso, will give his presentation, "Cruising: Making Waves & Sense," at the Lodi Memorial Library.

The program is designed for novice cruisers and those seeking helpful hints for future cruises. The presentation will include the following topics: embarkation/disembarkation, a cruiser's packing cheat sheet, on board charge accounts, passenger health, duty free shopping, and on board dining. For more about the author, go to: DEKTravelJournal.com ###

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# Fish & Chips March 5

Saint Margaret of Cortona's Parish Social Life Committee is sponsoring their 12th annual Fish and Chips Dinner on Saturday, March 5, 2016.

Cooking will be done by Tastefully British. Dinner will be served from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. at the St. Margaret's Auditorium on Chamberlain Avenue, Little Ferry (*wheel chair accessible*.)

Cost is \$15 per meal, and includes fish, chips, cake, coffee and tea. No tickets will be sold at the door. Take-out orders are available. For information, call Ellie at 201-641-0883. ###

# St. Patrick's Day Party

American Legion Post 310, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry is hosting their Annual St. Patrick's Day Party on Saturday, March 12, 2016, from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Donation is \$8 per person and includes Corned Beef, cabbage, potatoes, coffee and dessert. For more information call 201-641-9774. Proceeds to benefit Veterans and children. ###

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# Lasagna Dinner & Tricky Tray

The Rosary Society of Corpus Christi Church, Hasbrouck Heights, is hosting a Lasagna Dinner on Friday, February 26, 2016, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., in the Corpus Christi School cafeteria.

A delicious dinner of meatless lasagna (*to observe Friday abstinence during Lent*), salad, bread, tea/coffee, soft drinks, and dessert will be served.

To make the menu family friendly, ziti with sauce will be available. It is asked that you make this request when purchasing tickets. Take-out available. The evening will include a Tricky Tray and 50/50 drawing. The dinner donation is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under (*toddlers free*). To purchase tickets, please call Jackie at 201-288-2767. ###

# Pancake Breakfast February 14

The St. Michael's Council of the Knights of Columbus are having their monthly buffet-style Family Breakfast on Sunday, February 14, 2016, 8:30 a.m. to noon at 39 Washington Street, Lodi.

Menu includes: all-you-can-eat fresh scrambled eggs, pancakes, French toast (*to order*), sausage, bacon, hash browns, fresh rolls, orange juice, fresh hot coffee, and tea.

Adults: \$6; children over 6: \$4; children 6 and under: free. Profits to benefit local charities. ###

# Fish & Chips February 10

The Rosary Altar Society of St. Joseph's Church, East Rutherford, is sponsoring a Fish and Chips dinner on Ash Wednesday, February 10, 2016, from 5 to 7 p.m., in the St. Joseph's School cafeteria, 120 Hoboken Road, East Rutherford. Event catered by Thistle Fish & Chips.

Tickets are \$13 for adults and \$9 for children under 12 years of age. Take out is available. Tickets will be sold after all Masses. For tickets please call Lorraine at 201-896-9387. No tickets will be sold at the door. ###

# Fish and Chips April 8

VFW Post 809 is hosting it's Third Annual Fish and Chips Dinner on April 8, 2016 at their Post on Main Street, Little Ferry, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Menu is cod with chips (*french fries*) and cole slaw. Dessert and coffee. Chicken will be available. Homemade clam chowder will be available for \$3 a pint or \$5 a quart. Food is prepared by Tastefully British.

Cost is \$15 for adults and kids under 12 are \$8. Take outs available. For tickets call 201-641-9759 after 1 p.m. or stop by the Post. No tickets will be sold at the door. ###

# Fish and Chips February 26

The Holy Rosary Society of St. Joseph's Church in Lodi is sponsoring their Annual Fish & Chips Dinner on Friday, February 26, 2016, from 6 to 8 p.m., in the school auditorium on Spring Street.

Menu includes batter dipped cod, french fries, cole slaw, mac & cheese. Extra piece of fish is \$6 each.

Tickets: \$15. For tickets call Carole at 551-265-8750 or Sharon at 201-920-9071 before February 18. No tickets will be sold at the door. ###

# A Mid-Winter Dinner Dance February 14

Carlstadt Turnverein will host "A Mid-Winter Dinner Dance" on Sunday, February 14, 2016, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Carlstadt Turn Hall. Donation is \$40 per person and includes food, drink, coffee and cake with live music by Bud and Linda. For reservations, call 973-777-6677 or 201-652-0968. ###

**February Flower**  
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# Rice Cake & Butter Lamb Sale

The Rosary Confraternity of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in Wallington will be conducting its 12th Annual Rice Cake and Butter Lamb Sale on Saturday, March 12, 2016.

Rice Cake, as well as Butter Lambs, will be available by advance order only. No Rice cakes or Butter lambs will be available for purchase on March 12.

Prices are:

- Rice Cake: \$5 per pound
- Rice Cake: Whole \$30
- Butter Lambs (*salted or unsalted*): \$5 each

All advanced orders must be received no later than Friday, February 26. Payment is due at the time the order is placed. Checks should be made payable to: MSH Confraternity. Orders must be picked up on Saturday, March 12, only between the hours of 1 p.m. through 4 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

For additional information or to place an order, call Eileen at 201-933-0576, Chris at 973-778-8879 or Ginny at 201-715-2087. ###

# W-R Knights Corned Beef Dinner March 12

The Knights of Columbus of Saint Anthony Council 11585 in Wood-Ridge will host their 8th Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner on Saturday, March 12, 2016.

The dinner will be served from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. and will take place in the Father Patrick Morris Hall in the basement of the Assumption Church.

The menu will consist of mouth watering tender corned beef with flavored potatoes and cabbage. This will be served with both Irish soda bread and rye bread.

The cost is \$20 per person. Members of the Knights are selling the tickets. PG ###

# Free Lunch Saturday

Everyone is invited to the First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie for the "Free Lunch Saturday" program, which will be held on February 6, 2016, at 11:30 a.m. This hot lunch features "Chicken Marsala."

This program is an expansion of the Church's ministry of feeding hungry bodies and hungry hearts, and continues on the first Saturday of every month. If the economy's got you down, or you want to share a meal with others, come and be a part of this celebration of the Moonachie community. There is no charge and there are no strings attached! ###

# Carlstadt/ER Lions Pancake Breakfast March 5

Carlstadt/East Rutherford Lions Club will hold its Annual Pancake Breakfast event on March 5, 2016, from 8 a.m. to noon at the the East Rutherford Civic Center, Vreeland Avenue, East Rutherford.

Price per ticket for an adult is \$5 and children under 5 are free. For tickets call 201-306-0987. Walk-ins are welcome.

The Carlstadt/East Rutherford Lions Club meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month at the Park Tavern Restaurant on Park Avenue in East Rutherford. Meeting times are at 6 p.m. and held over dinner. New members are always welcome. ###

# American Legion Pancake Breakfast Feb. 21 & March 20

The American Legion Posts 170 of Rochelle Park and 136 of Lodi cordially invite you to their pancake Breakfasts Sunday, February 21 and March 20, 2016 from 8 a.m. to noon at 33 West Passaic Street, Rochelle Park. Tickets are \$4 per person; children under 10 free.

Menu includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, juice, tea, coffee, homeade crumb cake (while supplies last).

All proceeds to benefit county Legion teams. ###

# HHJWC St. Pat's Party! March 11

Join the Junior Women's Club of Hasbrouck Heights annual St. Patrick's Day party at the Hasbrouck Heights VFW Post 4591 on Friday, March 11, 2016, from 7 to 11 p.m.


Ticket price is \$55 per person and includes Irish dinner buffet (*corned beef, chicken, pasta*), beer, wine and soda. Tables of 10 may be purchased for \$500.

Live Irish entertainment featuring the Mike McGovern band, as well as Tricky Tray raffle prizes and 50/50. Attendees must be 21 or older to attend. All proceeds will benefit Junior Women's Club charities and local scholarships.


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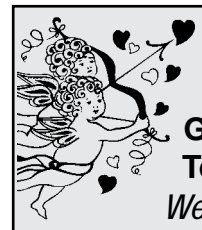
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- February 9 – Internet & Email Basics: How to search for websites; navigate between web pages, search within websites and change Internet preferences.

- February 13 - Google Apps: Learn a suite of “cloud” tools for file management, word processing, spreadsheets, collaborative work and more.

- February 16 – Intro to Microsoft Word: Learn to create, save and format a document. Basic computer and keyboard typing skills are required.

- February 23 and February 27 – Intro to Microsoft Excel: Learn to create and format a spreadsheet, enter numeric and text information and basic number operations.

Space is limited. Advance registration required. All classes are held in the 1st floor Conference Room at Lodi Memorial Library, One Memorial Drive.

One-on-one 30-minute sessions with the instructor are also available, for assistance with setting up Email and other topics on request. Call 973-365-4044 to make an appointment.

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Conversation Group

English language learners are invited to attend the English Conversation Group at The Rutherford Public Library on Monday, from 10-11:30 a.m. and on Thursday, from 1-2:30 p.m., to practice spoken English in an informal setting. This is a free program and all are welcome. No registration is required. For information, call 201-939-8600, ext. 7. ###

Ask Your Librarian

The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights is pleased to unveil “Ask Your Librarian” service effective immediately. You can now schedule a personal session with your Librarian to answer questions you may have or learn how to use the resources that your local Library provides.

Some examples of the things you may wish to find out about include, free eMagazines, free movies, ebooks, and music. Free access to consumer reports online, free business resources such as prospecting databases, how to use Facebook, how to search the Internet, and how to use email.

Registration is requested. To register, please call 201-288-6653. When you call, please indicate your area of interest. Hours are Tuesday, 5 to 6 p.m. and Thursday, 1 to 2 p.m. Hours may be expanded as needed. A session may be any amount of time up to 1 hour. ###

Basic ESL

The Rutherford Public Library has ongoing 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 Reference Desk. For more information, please call 201-939-8600, ext. 7. ###

ER Basic ESL

East Rutherford Memorial Library has ongoing English as a Second Language classes with Ms. Wanda. The classes are intended for beginner to intermediate level students. They will be held on Tuesday and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. through March 10, 2016.

A detailed calendar can be obtained at The Library or by email. Any other questions please call 201-939-3930 or email, reference@eastrutherford.bccls.org ###

W-R ESL Classes

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library holds 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. ###

February Birthstone  
Amethyst

Chocolate Trivia

Do you love chocolate and want to put your knowledge to the test? Join The Carlstadt Library for a fun trivia game about all things chocolate on February 3, 2016 at 7 p.m. Play for a chance to win some prizes and while you’re there, grab some goodies. All are welcome! No registration required. ###

Chocolate Dishes Delicious and Nutritious!

Love chocolate but don’t love the pounds that can come with it?

On February 24, 2016, starting at 7 p.m., The Carlstadt Public Library presents a one hour special program by Samantha Pappas, a registered dietician at the ShopRite of Wallington. She will demonstrate how to make some mouthwatering chocolate treats that won’t break your calorie bank!

Registration is required. Call Rebecca at 201-438-8866 ex. 204 to register! ###

Unwind and Color

On February 17, 2016, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., at The Carlstadt Library, come and experience the latest trend in relaxation, adult coloring books!

Studies show coloring can have a calming effect on the adult mind and helps promote overall wellness. Coloring pages from books designed especially for adults as well as colored pencils, gel pens and markers will be provided.

Call Rebecca at 201-438-8866 ex. 204 to register.

The Carlstadt Library is located 420 Hackensack Street, Carlstadt. ###

Carlstadt Crafty Crafters

Get your craft on with the new adult only Craft Club. On February 20, 2016, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., they will be making DIY heart tote bags, or go out on a limb and make your own design!

All supplies are provided by The Carlstadt Library. The Club meets every third Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Supplies and space are limited. Call Rebecca at 201-438-8866 ex. 204 to register! The Carlstadt Library is located at 420 Hackensack Street, Carlstadt, NJ. ###

Leap Year

On Tuesday, February 23, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., The Friends of The Library of Rutherford will present a free screening of “Leap Year.”

When Anna’s four-year anniversary to her boyfriend passes without an engagement ring, she decides to take matters into her own hands. Inspired by an Irish tradition that allows women to propose to men on Leap Day, Anna follows Jeremy to Dublin to propose to him. But after landing on the wrong side of Ireland, she must enlist the help of Declan, a handsome and carefree local man, to get her across the country. Along the way, they discover that the road to love can take you to very unexpected places. Starring Amy Adams and Adam Scott. The film will be shown in The Library Auditorium. ###

Free Movies

Lodi Library shows newly released movies every Wednesday starting at 1:30 p.m. and classic movies on the first and third Friday of each month at 12:30 p.m.

For more information on which movies are showing each week, visit <http://lodi.bccls.org/> or come into The Lodi Library or call 973-365-4044. ###

Movie Tuesdays

Let Carlstadt Library “take” you to the movies every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. for a feature film.

- The Intern: February 9, 2016, Running time: 2 hr 1 m
- Everest: February 23, 2016, Running time: 2 hr 2 m

\*Movies are subject to change

Popcorn and beverages will be provided. No registration required for this free event!

Call Rebecca at 201-438-8866 ex. 204 for more information about this month’s selections. ###

Friday Matinees

The East Rutherford Memorial Library will be hosting Friday Matinees at 2 p.m. All movies are free of charge, for adults only. Coffee and snacks will be provided. For any additional questions please call 201-939-3930. ###

ER Craft Circle

The East Rutherford Memorial Library Craft Circle meets 6:30 to 8 p.m. the 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursday of every month. Beginners welcome. For more information call Chris at 201-939-3930. ###

Knit, Read and Discuss

The Knit One, Read Two knitting/book discussion group at The Rutherford Public Library will meet on Wednesday, February 3, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., to discuss “All the Light We Cannot See,” by Anthony Doerr. The meeting will be held in The Library Auditorium. All those who knit or crochet are warmly invited to bring their needlework and join the discussion. For more information call 201-939-8600. ###

Monday Evening Book Group

On Monday, February 8, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., the Monday Evening Reading Group will meet at The Rutherford Public to discuss “The Invention of Wings,” by Sue Monk Kidd. Copies of the book are available at the circulation desk. ###

Daytime Reading Group

On Friday, February 26, 2016,, at 1:30 p.m., the Daytime Reading Group will meet at the 55 Kip Center to discuss “The Cruellest Month,” by Louise Penny. Copies of the books are available at The Rutherford Public Library. ###

The Glass Lake

On Tuesday, February 16, 2016, at 7:15 p.m, join your neighbors and friends at The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library to discuss the book “The Glass Lake” by Maeve Binchy. Copies of the books are available at the Circulation Desk. All are welcome. ###

Cookbook Club

The next meeting of the Cookbook Club will be on Saturday, February 13, 2016 at Lodi Memorial Library from 2 to 3 p.m.. They try new recipes and share their results. We will be making recipes from Mark Bittman’s Kitchen Matrix.

New members welcome. For more information, call 973-365-4044. ###

Carlstadt Evening Book Club

On Wednesday, February 10, 2016 t 7 p.m. the Carlstadt Evening Book Club will discuss “The Rosie Project” by Gaeme Simsion.

Light refreshments will be served. New members always welcome! Call Rebecca at 201-438-8866 ex. 204 for further information. ###

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are always in style



# Museum Passes

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library offers free admission passes to 12 NJ and NYC museums, including the American Museum of Natural History, the Museum of Modern Art, the Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum, Imagine That!!! A New Jersey Children's Museum, and Grounds for Sculpture.

Each pass offers free admission for adults and children; some passes offer additional discounts at the their gift shop.

Passes may be borrowed by any Wood-Ridge resident, age 18 and older, with a library card in good standing. Passes are loaned for three days and may be reserved online at WoodRidgeMemorialLibrary.org. For more information or to reserve a pass by phone, please call The Library at 201-438-2455. ###



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# Calling All Writers to the HH Library

The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights is interested in organizing and sponsoring a Writer's Club. Anyone who writes or has a desire to may participate.

The group will determine the ground rules and objectives in the initial meetings. Goals will be set by the group but some of them will include: assistance in every phase of writing, plan and schedule community readings, provide encouragement, and share experiences to help fellow writers along the way.

Let's get together to see how we can help one another to grow in our writing and publishing endeavors.

The first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 7 p.m. in The Library conference room. Please register at <http://hasbrouckheights.bccls.org> and go to calendar or call 201-288- 6653. ###

# Book Sale February 20

The Friends of the Wood-Ridge Memorial Library will hold its Winter Book Sale on Saturday, February 20, 2016 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Wood-Ridge Senior Center, adjacent to The Library. All proceeds benefit The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library. Come support the Friends and get some great deals! ###

# W-R Storytime for Preschool Pals and Toddler Time

• Preschool Pals will meet at The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library on Tuesday, February 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2016 at noon. Children, ages 4 and 5 years, get ready for Kindergarten with weekly themed stories, songs, and a craft.

• Toddler Time on Thursday, February 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2016, at 10:30 a.m. Children ages 3 and under enjoy weekly themed stories, songs, rhymes and movement.

Registration is required; space is limited. Please call The Wood-Ridge Library at 201-438-2455 to register. ###

# Paws for Reading

Young Readers Wanted! On Tuesday, February 9 and February 23, 2016, at 6 p.m., children are invited to The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library to read to Teddy.

Teddy, a certified therapy dog, loves to listen to stories! 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. ###

## Reduce Reuse Recycle

# Family Movie Matinee

Starting on Saturday, February 6, 2016 at 11 a.m., The Carlstadt Public Library presents a family friendly matinee every first Saturday of the month.

They will be showing classic family films, complete with popcorn and juice boxes. Kick back, relax, and enjoy the show! Call 201-438-8866 ext. 203 for details, or email [childrens@carlstadt.bccls.org](mailto:childrens@carlstadt.bccls.org). The Carlstadt Public Library is located at 420 Hackensack St. in Carlstadt, NJ, 07072. ###

# Crafternoon

On Wednesday, at 3:30 p.m., all month, at The Carlstadt Library, Miss Nina presents lovely crafts every week! Flex your creative muscles and bring something truly unique home. They use all different kinds of medium from glitter to glue, so please dress appropriately.

This program is offered to all children above the age of five. If you have any questions, please call 201-438-8866 ext. 203 or email [childrens@carlstadt.bccls.org](mailto:childrens@carlstadt.bccls.org) ###

# Carlstadt Story Time

On Thursday, 10:30 a.m., join Miss Erin for fun, wiggles, giggles, music, bubbles, crafts, dancing and STORIES! They have the most fun at Story Time!

This program is for babies to age five and caregivers. No registration needed! Questions? Call 201-438-8866 ext. 203 or email [childrens@carlstadt.bccls.edu](mailto:childrens@carlstadt.bccls.edu). ###

# Lego Club

Lego Club is back again at The Carlstadt Library! They will be building and learning together in a friendly atmosphere on Thursday, February 11, 2016.

If you have any Legos to donate, please contact Miss Erin at 201-438-8866 ext. 203, or via email: [childrens@carlstadt.bccls.org](mailto:childrens@carlstadt.bccls.org). ###

# Family & Friends Game Night

On Monday, February 8, 2016, The Carlstadt Public Library is busting out new and classic board games for a fun family & friends game night!

Bring your own, or play their collection of games. Game play starts at 6 and lasts until 8 p.m. Call 201-438-8866 ext. 203 for more information. ###

# Checkers for Kids

It's the game of Kings! The Carlstadt Public Library has got the boards, you bring your A game! Lessons will be provided, along with tournament play for older kids. Ages six and up are welcome to attend! Starts at 3:30 p.m. on February 18, 2016. Call 201-438-8866 ext. 203 for more information. ###

# Wii Smash Brothers Tourney

Super Smash is at The Carlstadt Library! Come play this popular game on their big-screen TV in a winner-takes-bragging rights brawl.

They will be playing until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2016. Children ages ten and up are welcome to attend this event. Call 201-438-8866 ext. 203 or email [childrens@carlstadt.bccls.org](mailto:childrens@carlstadt.bccls.org) for more information. ###

# W-R Chess Club

On Wednesday, February 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2016, The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library will host a free Chess Club for learners of all ages. Children meet from 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Adult beginning players meet from 4:30 p.m. – 5 p.m.

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# Artful Thinking

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The Return to Saddle River

You cannot write about Lodi History without mentioning one of the town’s most popular citizens ... Mr. Ronald Giles. I have known Ron since 1959, when we played on opposing teams for what was Lodi’s first organized Junior football league.

Ron, a member of the Lodi High School graduating Class of 1965, as I was, spent his 4 year run entertaining the student body with song and comedy. He has been entertaining us ever since on a much larger scale.

His attraction to the stage began as early as his 4th birthday when he and his mom went to see Nat King Cole perform at Palisades Amusement Park. From that moment on Ron knew what his calling was.

“I heard the laughter and applause,” recalls Ron, “I knew right then that the stage was where I wanted to be.”

Today Ron is known throughout the area for his tribute to Frank Sinatra and has recently teamed up with former Lodi resident guitarist Paul Speziale.

The talented Mr. Giles is a recent member of the Screen Actors Guild and has had parts in films such as “Brutal Massacre” with the late Gunnar Hansen of Texas Chainsaw Massacre fame.

A disabled Vet, who served both in Viet Nam and the Middle East, Ron does two shows a month at area Veterans’ hospitals. Ron can be seen at jazz and cabaret clubs, restaurants, weddings, EMT organizations as well as The Lodi Memorial Library.

Ron has many of the same memories that I do. I’m not sure if he ever rafted down the Saddle River, but I’ll bet he knows the kids who did. Among them were Johnny Rannou, Rocco Albano, Anthony Maglionico and your Artful Thinker.

It can be said that Johnny Rannou was a risk taker and because of this was first in many endeavors among them... smoking...wearing a baseball uniform...kissing a girl...(my cousin Johnny no doubt had him beat in that undertaking since he was 3 years older), having a paper route...and climbing on to a wooden raft on the Saddle River.

It was still in that summer of 1961...what was left of it. These were the “Dog Days” mid-August...little or no rain ... temperature in the 90s and very humid. Life on the street

was spent sitting in the shade or, when we had the energy, venturing out to the gutter to burst tar bubbles. When that happened it wasn’t long before you’d hear someone blurt out “Let’s do something...summer is almost over!”

Johnny Rannou suggested that we take a walk down to the hot dog/hamburger joint that had recently opened up at the end of Contant Avenue, just above the river named the Cove which, by the way, was air conditioned. Air conditioning back in 1961 was still a rarity and businesses such as the Cove used to advertise using a large banner hung over the entrance that simply read in very bold print “Air Conditioned.”

Johnny Rannou being the only kid on the block with a job, and since there were only four of us ... myself, Bruce, Rocco, and Anthony, offered to buy us all a small Coke. A small Coke set you back 10 cents. True, the glasses didn’t hold much... but hey...Rannou was buying so who was going to complain.

The only problem was that we couldn’t nurse our drinks in cool comfort since we were keeping other customers from sitting at the counter. “Hurry up you kids!” shouted the guy behind the counter. “If you’re not going to get something to eat then finish up.”

That request didn’t set too well with Bruce who was known for nursing a bottle of soda. A Pepsi and a 10 cent bag of Wise Potato Chips lasted him all day. “Last time I’m coming to this place” he growled as he gulped down his soda. The Cove closed down the following winter.

“That’s what they get for telling us to hurry up!” Bruce was known to have said.

Once outside, we walked onto the Route 46 Bridge and looked down at the river. There caught in the shallows was an abandoned wooden raft left to rot in the mid August sun. Upon noticing the raft, Johnny Rannou immediately suggested that we investigate.

“I thought we were through with the river,” said Rocco.

“We were through with frogging,” answered Rannou, “not rafting.”

“Come on Rocco,” insisted Bruce, “lets have some fun... you only live once.”

“Yea...I know,” answered Rocco, “that’s why I am not going ..you only live once!”

As Rocco spoke Johnny Rannou and Bruce had already made their way down to the river.

The rest of us lagged be-

hind, hoping that Rocco could come up with something convincing enough to keep us from boarding the raft.

“You’ll drown!” Not convincing enough. Moments later we were all standing on the river bank, Rocco included, looking at the raft that was stuck on a sand bar about 6 feet from shore.

On the deck was a thick rope half of which was dangling off the side and into the water. The problem arose as to who was going to brave the knee deep, murky brown waters of the Saddle River, board the raft and throw us the rope, so we could pull it to shore and climb on.

“Hey John, this was your idea,” said Rocco, “why don’t you throw us the rope?”

“No problem,” replied Johnny Rannou, with a lit cigarette hanging from his mouth. “Let’s do it!”

He emptied his pockets of all his valuables, including an unopened pack of Chesterfield cigarettes, and a book of matches and handed them over to Rocco. He then rolled up his pants and bravely entered the water.

“Ain’t ya taking your sneakers off ?” asked Bruce.

“You kidding?” Johnny Rannou replied “I don’t know what I’m stepping on under there. Come to think of it, I don’t want to know!”

No more than 5 steps into the river, and Rannou was in up to his waist.

“Good thing you rolled your pants up,” laughed my cousin Anthony

Johnny Rannou gave a disgruntled smirk and turned away.

The water shallowed considerably as he approached the sand bar. Once there, he boosted himself onto the raft and told the rest of us, who were safe and dry on shore, to prepare to catch the rope. As he got to his feet we noticed that his sneakers were caked with thick, black mud. We couldn’t see his sneakers at all ...all we could see were these two enormous globules of soggy mud attached to his ankles.

“Hey Rannou!” shouted Rocco “I like your new sneakers.”

The rope landed barely close enough for us to reach it. Bruce took a step or two into the water, picked up the rope and handed it to Rocco.

“What are you giving it to me for?” asked Rocco, “I ain’t getting on that raft.”

“You’re the strongest,” replied Bruce, “At least help us to pull it to shore.”

Rocco was without a doubt the strongest of the group and at 11 years old, was already lifting 50 lb. sides of beef onto his father’s chopping block.

“Alright,” he said in an angry tone, “give me the rope.”

He gave a couple of feeble tugs and then reminded the rest of us that we were all in this together. “Come on you guys,” he shouted, “help me pull.”

We all grabbed a section of the rope and began to tug. As we did it came to me and my cousin Anthony’s attention that Rocco was the only one straining...the rest of us were just going through the motions.

Rocco had actually pulled that raft to shore by himself, with Johnny Rannou on board no less. His sneakers alone must have weighed 10 lbs each. Of course, we never told Rocco, not while we were standing so close to him any way!

“You coming Rocco?” I asked as I waited to climb aboard. Not surprisingly, Rocco paused for a moment and climbed aboard

“What the heck,” he said as he boarded, “we might as well sail together.”

Soon we were setting sail, five adventurous sailors on the “Bounding Main,” or in this case, The Saddle River.

Once we were aboard “our gallant bark,” my cousin Anthony picked up the long piece of timber that was laying, to keep with the nautical flavor, “amidships.”

He used it to push the raft clear of the sand bar and out into the open river. Once we reached the deeper water, he used it to keep the raft steady. Let me tell ya friends, Huck Finn would have been proud of my cousin Anthony, as he steered us onto unknown waters.

This was definitely a river worthy raft...built, no doubt, by someone who had the right tools and knew how to use them. True it was a little weather beaten and in places somewhat warped but it was a sturdy vessel and it suited us well.

I’m not sure as to how big it was but it held the five of us with room to spare. The surface of the raft must have been closed in at one time, because there were remnants of a wooden railing which was held in place by posts that were still standing on each of the four corners. In the center of this floating vessel stood another wooden post only this one had to be at least 8 feet high, or so we surmised. At the top of the post were pieces of, what looked to be, faded black cloth which were fastened to the wood by silver nails the surfaces of which glittered in the sunlight.

Rocco suggested that the ragged pieces of cloth must have been from what was once a flag of some sort. No sooner did we ponder Rocco’s theory, when the raft came to an abrupt stop.

“What the heck did you hit?” asked Johnny Rannou.

“Was that a freaking refrigerator?” asked Rocco.

“No!” replied Anthony sarcastically, “it was an iceberg... abandon ship!”

Having survived our encounter with a household appliance, we continued to sail downstream at a friendly pace. The further we sailed downstream, the cleaner the river became. The river widened substantially as we approached the Arnot Street bridge, and as we sailed beyond it, we were pleasantly surprised as to how much cleaner the shore line was. There were dense trees on both sides of the river ,and the sounds of wild life emanating from them distanced us, if only psychologically, from the changes that were taking place in other parts of our world.

But just beyond the tree line could be seen the tall, deserted, red brick buildings that were once part of the largest textile mill in the U.S.A. The factories spread across the heart of Lodi, and as we passed, we could see in the distance, just off Arnot Street, the giant smoke stacks. During WWII, those same smoke stacks used to let loose with dense puffs of black,fiery smoke.

In front of the smoke stacks, closer to the bridge was a monster of a water tower... black in color with the bold white letters UPDW (*United Piece Dye Works*) painted across the belly of the tank.

We had passed that same water tower on foot hundreds of times during the course of our lives, but now we were seeing it from a different perspective.

Looking up at it from the raft the water tower seemed wider and taller than ever. It seemed to take on a life of it’s own as if it was going to reach down and scoop us up as we drifted by.

No doubt about it we were awe struck by the size and magnitude of that black, ominous, looking tower, yet at the same time realizing that it had long since outlived its usefulness... the tank was empty!

Further down we noticed a few kids fishing off of a cement pier, not with fishing poles, but with long, crooked tree branches with a line and hook attached to them.

“Catch anything?” Rocco called out.

“Yea,” answered one of the kids as he held up an old muddy boot.

“Waddia gonna do if you catch the other boot?” laughed Johnny Rannou.

“Wear them to Church!” replied the same kid.

“Good idea!” yelled my cousin Anthony, “then you can save their soles.”

We cringed over my cous-



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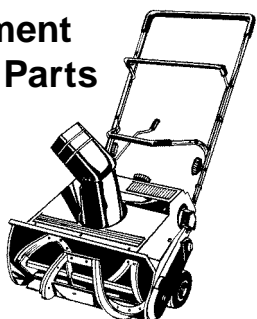
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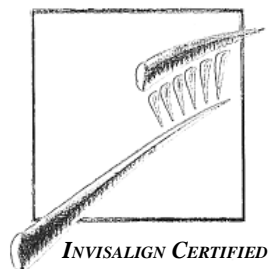
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in's play on words, as we continued on our journey down the river.

Up ahead, to our surprise, was another bridge. A dilapidated, wooden structure with trolley tracks going across it.

Until then we didn't know the bridge existed. We heard about a bridge located somewhere along the river that kids use to dive from, before the water became too polluted to swim in.

My older brother Eugene, who was already 18 years old, used to tell me stories about a swimming hole down the river that he and his friends used to frequent when they were younger. I was no more than 8 years old at the time, however, I did recall him mentioning something about a bridge that was used for jumping off of. I told the story to the others and we all agreed that this was the place my brother had spoken about.

Yea, the bridge was pretty beat up alright, and we couldn't wait to clear it in fear that the darn thing might collapse on top of us.

As we sailed away from that forgotten bridge I turned around to take another look at it. I didn't want to remember it being in such a rundown condition. I imagined, instead, how it must have looked in the early years when, it served a much needed purpose, getting UPDW workers across the river. It made me feel a little better about leaving it behind.

Just then Rocco noticed that Johnny Rannou had a couple of leaches attached to his calf while another one was having a meal on the back of his knee.

"Hey John," said Rocco calmly, "don't look now but you've got a few parasites on your legs."

"What you mean...parasites?!!" he replied nervously.

Bruce and me ran over to see what Rocco was talking about.

"Leeches," I said in amazement, "you got freaking leeches on the back of your legs."

"There sucking the blood out of you," exclaimed Bruce!

"Well get them the heck off of me," shouted Rannou, as he attempted to look at the back of his leg.

"How?" asked Bruce.

"I don't know!" shouted a noticeably worried Johnny Rannou. "Pull the freaking things off."

"Don't do that," insisted Rocco, "you'll pull his skin off

with them."

Johnny Rannou caught the sight of blood dripping down the side of his calf. "Is that my blood?" he asked nervously.

"Well it ain't ours," replied Rocco, "thats for sure."

"Get those things off of my freaking leg," shouted Rannou, "I'm bleeding to death."

"We'll burn them off," said my cousin Anthony as he handed the 2 x 4 to Bruce. "Light up a cigarette."

Rocco, who was still holding on to Johnny Rannou's cigarettes, pulled one out of his shirt pocket, handed it to him along with the match book. Johnny lit it up took a long drag, exhaled and handed the cigarette to Anthony.

Anthony's first attempt was slightly off the mark, causing Johnny Rannou to shout out in pain. "Ouch," he yelled, "not me ...the leech!"

We all tried, unsuccessfully, to hold back our laughter which only added insult to injury...But we laughed all the more.

Finally all three of those blood suckers succumbed to the burning cigarette and had fallen into a lifeless heap onto the deck.

"You see?" said my cousin Anthony as he looked at the dead leeches. "Cigarettes are truly bad for your health!"

He then handed it back to Johnny Rannou who immediately took a deep and penetrating drag.

"Ah!" he sighed as he exhaled "so round...so firm...so fully packed...so friendly to the draw."

"And they're good for removing blood suckers too," chuckled Rocco.

Just then we all noticed that the raft had begun to pick up speed. Anthony grabbed the 2x4 out of Bruce's hands, and attempted to push the raft closer to shore ...into the shallows. The water was moving faster now the force of which snatched the timber from my cousin's grasp and knocked him to the floor.

Suddenly the raft had turned sideways and we were soon freewheeling downstream at a goodly pace, bouncing off of exposed boulders and downed trees along the way. We hung on for dear life as the raft rushed down stream out of control.

The raft then righted itself allowing us to get a decent look at what was lying ahead. It came to my attention that the river had seemed to disappear before my eyes...which, and we all realized at the same time, meant that there was a waterfall in our future and we didn't need a crystal ball to let us know.

The closer we got the louder it got until finally we had to make a decision either to jump

off now or go down with the ship, which was no decision at all. We were abandoning ship at all costs. Not 50 feet from the edge of the drop-off the river narrowed allowing us to make our way to the shoreline. Suddenly, we heard Rannou calling for help. We looked up to find him clutching desperately onto, of all things, a bathroom sink that was caught between two rocks at the edge of the waterfall. We ran along the muddy shoreline to the spot where Rannou was dangling. The raft had already gone over and was continuing its journey down the river without us...upside down. The only part that was left behind was the flag pole. It had broken off at the base of the raft and somehow managed to remain in an upright position at the side of the falls closest to us.

"Don't let go," I yelled to Rannou, who was holding on to the water spicket with both hands.

"Why didn't I think of that," he shouted back, "what would I do without you?"

"Don't be scared," said Anthony "It's only a 10 foot drop...but hang on anyway just in case."

"Just in case what?" Replied the panic stricken Rannou.

"Just in case we figure out a way to fish you out of there," shouted Anthony.

Rocco reached for the broken flag pole but it was just out of his reach.

"One of us is going to have to climb down and get it," said Rocco. "It's the only way we can get him to shore...he'll have to grab it and we can pull him in."

"Who's gonna climb down?" I asked.

My cousin Anthony being the lightest and the more flexible of the crew, volunteered.

The plan worked and we were soon able to extend the pole out to Rannou, and pulled him safely back to shore.

"Hey John...were ya scared?" asked Anthony.

"Darn right I was scared!" replied Rannou.

"What were you thinking when you held on to that bathroom sink?" asked Anthony.

"I was wishing there was a toilet bowl next to it!" replied Johnny Rannou.

With that we headed back to the Arnot Street bridge, found our way to the road and walked up the hill to Westervelt Place, never again to return to the Saddle River.

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Okay...so maybe it didn't happen exactly like that, but there was definitely a wooden raft. If you don't believe me then ask my cousin Anthony.

If you have any comments, reach me at [LodiHistorian@hotmail.com](mailto:LodiHistorian@hotmail.com). ###

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# HH Garden Club News

The Hasbrouck Heights Garden Club will be having their meeting on February 18, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the HH Senior Center, 320 Boulevard. Refreshments will be served followed by the meeting. All are welcome to join. For further information contact Judy at 201-288-2615 or The Library, 201-288-0484, in case of inclement weather. ###

# Mothers of Pre-schoolers

Moms don't always know how much they need mom friends until they have them. Sharing your fears and frustrations, hopes and joys with your friends at MOPS will lighten your load and brighten your days. So why not join them at "Flourishing Friendships" on Thursday, February 25, 2016, 7-9 p.m. Hasbrouck Heights MOPS welcomes moms from any town to join them! Free MOPPETS childcare by RSVP only. Monthly Friday morning get together and outings too. For more info: hasbrouckhtsmops@gmail.com; 862-239-MOPS; Fb - Hasbrouck Heights Mothers of Preschoolers ###

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# Roast Pork Luncheon

The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Presbyterian Church of Carlstadt will sponsor their monthly luncheon on Tuesday, February 9, 2016, in the Community Hall, Third Street, Carlstadt. Roast Pork dinners will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donation is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children/students. For take out orders call 201-438-5526. In case of inclement weather, call 201-438-5526. ###

# Environmental Scholarship

Hackensack Riverkeeper, the citizen-steward of the Hackensack River Watershed, is accepting applications for the 2016 Ron Vellekamp Environmental Scholarship. Applications must be post-marked no later than Earth Day, April 22, 2016. The winner of the \$1,000 unrestricted award will be announced June 1. Full application criteria are available online at www.hackensackriverkeeper.org ###

**Shamrock 5K Run**  
The 5th Annual 5K Michael Cassidy Shamrock 'N' Run/Walk will be held rain or shine, 10 a.m., Saturday, March 12, 2016 at Monona Avenue, Memorial Park in Rutherford. Pre-registration ends March 3. Price is \$25/\$30 day of race. Check-in starts at 8 a.m.

First 500 registrants receive a race shirt. Race packets, tech shirts and bib numbers may be picked up at Rutherford High School, Friday, March 11 between 5 and 8 p.m. Scenic Rutherford neighborhood; event sanctioned and course certified by USATF-NJ. Timing and scoring by Elite Racing Systems. Race results will be posted at eliteracingsystems.com and RunSign-Up.com Proceeds to benefit national Brain Tumor Society. For details go to www.shamrocknrun5K.org. ###

# Devils Hockey Game Fundraiser

The Rutherford Education Foundation is having a NJ Devils Hockey Game Fundraiser on Friday, February 26, 2016 at 7 p.m. The NJ Devils will play the Tampa Bay Lightning at the Prudential Center in Newark. Tickets: \$50 per person. Includes REF Group Onscreen Welcome, Group Seating, Devils Group Gift and a Post-Game Group Photo at center ice! For more info, contact Rich at 973-309-3522. For mail-in tickets, make checks payable to "Rutherford Education Foundation" and send to PO Box 246, Rutherford, NJ 07070. ###

# Whiskey Tasting Fundraiser Jan. 30

The Rutherford Education Foundation will have a Whiskey Tasting Fundraiser on Saturday, January 30, 2016. Experience a guided tour of whiskey selections from Woodford Reserve Distillery, presented by a whiskey master. Hosted by Mason's Cellar, Rutherford. Light fare from Matera's on Park included. Tickets are \$75 per person. Two sessions available: 6 p.m. or 8 p.m. Seating is limited! For tickets contact Andrew at michalsa@me.com, Matt at mcoppolaus@yahoo.com, or stop by Mason's Cellar. ###

**Trip to the Sands Casino February 15**  
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# 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., a casino voucher and a goody bag on your trip home. 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. ###

# Sands Casino March 19

VFW Post 809, Main Street, Little Ferry, is hosting a bus trip to Sands Casino on March 19, 2016. Bus departs Post about 10 a.m. and returns around 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$35 with \$20 back to play and \$5 food voucher. For tickets call 201-641-9759. ###

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# WR Band Festival Feb. 2

The Sixth Annual Wood-Ridge Schools Band Festival 2016 Concert will be held on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 12:30 p.m. at the Wood-Ridge Jr/Sr High School Auditorium, 258 Hackensack Street, Wood-Ridge. This free one-hour concert is open to the public. Under the direction of Mrs. Baumgartner, Mrs. Sterba, Mr. Santoro, Mrs. Manolakakis, band students from WRIS (Grades 4-6) and Jr. Sr. HS Band (Grades 7-12) will perform. ###

# W-R Kindergarten Registration

Registration for the 2016/2017 Wood-Ridge Kindergarten classes will be held at the Catherine E. Doyle School from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9 and Thursday, March 10, 2016, by appointment only. Children are eligible if they turn five (5) years old on or before October 1, 2016. Contact Mrs. Tiesi at 201-933-6777 for registration and medical forms. ###

# RLC Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration

Pre-school and Kindergarten registrations are currently being held for children new to the Robert L. Craig School. Call Mrs. Lacey between 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. at 201-641-5833 ext. 109 for the Pre-school registration process. Children who will be 4 years old on or before October 1, 2016 are eligible for Pre-school. Children who will be 5 years old on or before October 1, 2016 are eligible for Kindergarten. Call Mrs. Tozzini for details at 201-641-5833 ext. 100. ###

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**NewARTS Kids**  
Care on the Corner announces the Spring 2016 Session of NewARTS Kids, an art program for children in Grades 2-6. Do you have an aspiring young artist in the family? This five (5) week course will have students exploring the Art is Self Expression. Each week will feature a new theme starting with a "day you will never forget!" Materials vary each week. Spring Session 2016 is February 19 to March 18. (5 weeks) on Fridays from 4- 5 p.m. at the Parish Hall of St. John the Divine, Hasbrouck Heights. Call 201-288-9460 to register. There is a \$25 materials fee. Scholarships available. ###

# Fall 2016 Rutherford School Registration

If your child will be entering Kindergarten or Grade One in the Rutherford Public Schools in September 2016, please call the Registration Office at 201-438-7675, x1112, to provide the district with some basic data to begin the registration process. To be eligible for Kindergarten, a child must be five years old on or before October 1, 2016. To be eligible for entrance into first grade a child must be six years old on or before October 1, 2016. If you anticipate transferring a child into Grade Two or above, you may also call now. At this time you will simply need to give your child's name, address, phone number, parent or guardian names, date of birth, and school currently attending. In a few weeks you will receive a packet of information with the details of proving residency in Rutherford, which is the first step in the process. Surveys of potential students are also done through the schools. If you have responded to one of these, it is not necessary to call the office again. Provided by JoAnn Hughes. ###

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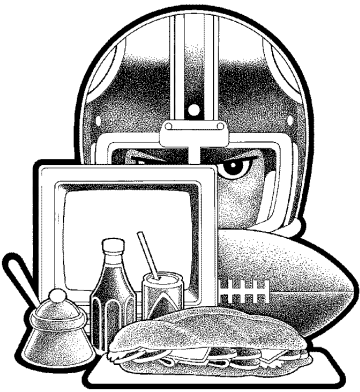
# Super Bowl Party Tips

No matter which teams are playing, you should get the gang together, stock your fridge with all the food and drink that matter, and set up the television just right in order to appreciate America's most watched sports event.

- Without proper decorations, your Bowl bash will be incomplete.

Put up banners of the competing teams on your wall or hang streamers bearing the team colors. Get Super Bowl paper plates, tablecloths and other decorative things.

- Next to the excitement of the game itself, your party will be most remembered for



the food provided. Your decorations may be great, but if the snacks and main dishes aren't hits, no one will be pleased.

The main meal should be tasty, simple and filling.

- Make it easy and cater your party. Check out the menus at **Hasbrouck Heights Pizzeria**. Order in advance since Super Bowl Sunday is one of the busiest nights for delivery-based restaurants.
- Set up the food in an assembly line so that everyone can customize their own dinner.

Stick to a buffet set-up in order to ease serving and eating. That way, everyone can enjoy the food while watching the game, and most importantly, you can too.

- If you want to impress, have a Super Bowl cake.
- To make clean up easier, use plastic cups, plates and utensils. Of course, napkins should be readily available so that, in the event of a spill, help is close by.
- Keep the beer in a cooler close by so you don't have to run to the fridge. Aside from the suds, have plenty of soft drinks and water on hand for the designated drivers.
- Avoid offering hard liquor on Super Bowl Sunday. Football is a sport that begs for beer, nothing else. **Meadowland Wine and Liquor** sells the coldest beer in town.
- Keep radios and even small televisions set up around the house so that wanderers and those serving food don't miss a

single down. You can even put one in the john if your guests are real football fanatics.

- It's always fun to mix in a little video game action on Super Bowl Sunday. If the halftime show is dull, set up your Playstation 2 or Xbox, and play football. Select the teams that are actually playing in the the Super Bowl and square off for some extra fun.
- Some people like to add to the entertainment by organizing betting pools. Ideally, these games are done in a way that even the guests who don't know a thing about football can join in.

For instance, you can bet on who will score the next touchdown, what the score at the end of each quarter will be or even who'll win the coin toss.

Make charts or grids so that the wagers are clear and keep the pot low so that no one blows their wallet.

- Invest in a few foam "bad-call bricks" to throw at the TV so your guests can express their feelings about the refs without doing damage to your house.
- Keep a football around and throw some NFL magazines on the coffee table as good finishing touches.
- If it's a real manly, poker-night type night, pass cigars around. Make sure there are enough chairs for everyone to sit on. Provide a side room for those who came for the food and atmosphere, and not the actual game.
- Spray some air freshner around as soon as everyone leaves, so the smell of cigars does not linger.
- Think ahead and place garbage cans around your place so that wherever your guests are, they can find a place for their trash. At the end of the night, all you have to do is collect the garbage bags, instead of checking under the couch for crumpled napkins.
- Organizing and hosting a Super Bowl party doesn't have to be time-consuming or stressful. Do it right, and you'll be able to watch the whole game, enjoy some great food and relax with your friends. ###

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# Bee-ing The Best

On Friday, January 8, 2016, the Junior Women’s Club of Hasbrouck Heights held its 23rd Annual Spelling Bee at Kiefer Auditorium in the Hasbrouck Heights Middle/High School. Thirty-one top spellers from the 4th and 5th Grade classes

of Corpus Christi, Euclid and Lincoln Schools competed to be the best. The winners were: 3rd Place: Alexa Papasavas, 5th Grade, Corpus Christi School; Second Place: Annabelle Swalsky, 5th Grade Lincoln School,

and First Place: Lauren Gumban, 4th Grade Corpus Christi School. Awards were given to these spellers. Judges were Robert La Morte, Trustee, Hasbrouck Heights BOE, Connie Doheny, Trustee, Hasbrouck Heights BOE, and Mimi Hui, Director,

Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library. The Spelling Bee rules were read by Karen Felicetti, Reading Specialist, Lincoln School. The Pronouncer was Cindy Capozzi, Media Specialist, Lincoln School. The Moderator was Lori Zorat, President JWC.

The top three spellers from this event were invited to participate in the Regional Spelling Bee. Winners from the District Spelling Bee compete in the State Spelling Bee on March 5, 2016 at NJSFWC Headquarters in New Brunswick. ###



On the afternoon of Sunday, December 13, 2015, The Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library hosted a **Holiday Concert** in the HH Senior Center featuring the Chanteurs, a community outreach of the New Jersey Choral Society. *Photo by Marie Gallo. ###*



On Sunday afternoon, January 3, 2016, the Assumption Church combined Children’s and Adult Choir, along with several soloists, held a **Concert** in honor of the Epiphany. *Photo by Marie Gallo. ###*



The Student Council organized **Mustache Monday** on November 30, 2015 for Spirit Week. The students and staff purchased mustaches to wear all day to support the East Rutherford Police Department’s fundraiser “No Shave November.” This fundraiser raised money for cancer treatment and research. Faust School raised \$136.73 in donations. Students enjoyed wearing their mustaches and supporting this good cause. *Provided by Jessica Gerity. ###*



## Student Initiates Book Drive

Mackenzie Vellis, a Second Grade student at Washington School in Rutherford, recently organized a book drive to benefit the Vietnam Veterans of America. After presenting her idea to Principal William Mulcahy, Mackenzie wrote a flyer for distribution and provided baskets for the collection. In all, well over 100 books were collected and donated. *Provided by JoAnn Hughes. ###*





Marie Schrieks, Board Member, Elaine Zayak, Justin Watrel, Special Events, Friends President Judy Schroeder and Board Member Marilyn De Molli.

### Figure Skater Elaine Zayak Stars in Teens, Tots & Toys: the Holiday Festival

US, World Champion & Olympian Figure Skater Elaine Zayak was the guest of honor at The Friends of Lodi Memorial Library's First Annual "Teens, Tots & Toys: the Holiday Festival" on December 19, 2015.

Ms. Zayak did a reading from the "Skating Shoes" by Noel Streatfeild, followed by a Q & A and an autograph session.

The Friends of The Library President Judy Schroeder presented Ms. Zayak with an honorary membership to the Friends of The Lodi Memorial Library and Lodi Mayor Emil Carafa presented Ms. Zayak

with a Lodi Borough Medal and read a proclamation from the Borough of Lodi honoring her many accomplishments.

The visit was followed by a showing of the film "Arthur Christmas" and then a family creative fest of Gingerbread House making.

A large donation of toys and children's books were donated by patrons and given to the Emmanuel Cancer Foundation by The Friends of The Lodi Memorial Library and the staff of The Lodi Memorial Library. The mascot for the event was "Tinker Street, the magical elf." *Provided by Justin Watrel. ###*



Catherine E. Doyle School Third Grade Speech Students along with representatives from the Holiness Pentecostal Church of Christ in Newark, NJ.

Each year, the Third Grade speech students conduct a drive for new or gently used goods to donate to the homeless shelter associated with Pastor Hamilton and the Church.

Speech teachers, Ms. Jennifer Allen and Ms. Lauren Rustad are helping to continue a twenty plus year tradition started by their past speech teacher, Mrs. Janie Feinberg.

The speech students made announcements in their classrooms daily, helped to collect and collate the items, and then assisted in filling two commercial size vans with all of the items. *Provided by Anthony J. Albro. ###*



On Thursday, December 10, 2015, A.S. Faust Intermediate School performed their annual **Winter Concert** at Becton Regional High School. A total of 107 band members and 101 choir members participated in front of a large audience of family and friends.

Highlights from the program included "All About that Bass," and "Feliz Navidad," performed by the concert band, and a swinging arrangement of "Frosty the Snowman" by the jazz band.

The concert choir featured two soloists, Leianna Rodriguez, "Last Christmas" and Zalma Chacon, "Do You Want to Build a Snowman?" The enthusiastic music students' performance put all who attended into the holiday spirit. *Provided by Jessica Gerity. ###*



In grateful recognition of their dedicated service to the community, the Rutherford Chapter of UNICO National honored the Rutherford Police Department with the prestigious **Mille Grazie Award** (*A Thousand Thanks*).

(l-r): Committee members Barbara Laborim, RPD Captain Patrick Feliciano, RPD Chief John Russo, Dolores Gennaro, Joan Tidona (not pictured Dr. Jim Cuozzo). *Provided by Joan Tidona. ###*



(l-r) UNICO member James Rizzo, Captain Feliciano, Chief Russo, Rutherford UNICO President Frank Tidona. *Provided by Joan Tidona. ###*



### Rutherford Students Collect Toy Bear Holiday Gifts for Preschoolers

Student members of the Rutherford High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) and Future Teachers of America (FTA) Clubs, under the direction of the advisor Mrs. Drewes, Mrs. Leonard, and Mrs. Nastasi, held a successful Bear Drive for pre-K students of Whitney M. Young Jr. School, PS 15 in Jersey City.

Contributions from students, teachers, and support staff enabled the Clubs to collect over 115 teddy bears.

Upon arriving at PS 15, the RHS students were met by Mrs. Hoffman, pre-school teacher, and were told stories of the hardships that the children face on a regular basis.

Violence and tragedy permeate these young lives in ways that the RHS students could not even imagine. While these bears may seem insignificant to some, to these children they may represent the only gift they received during the holiday season.

It was an experience that the students will not soon forget. One of the FBLA members, Jillian Davis, described the impact these bears had on the children, "These bears mean so much to the children, you can just see it on their faces."

Caption: Pictured from left to right are RHS students Ryan McNeilly, Dan Feliciano, Zach Campbell, and Emily Tsiolas, four of the committee members who worked on the drive. *Provided by JoAnn Hughes. ##*



On Sunday, December 13, 2015, the St. Anthony Council Knights of Columbus held their annual **Breakfast with Santa** in the Wood-Ridge Middle School cafeteria. Several hundred enjoyed this traditional event featuring all you can eat pancakes, sausage, juice, coffee, etc. *Photo provided by Marie Gallo. ###*





The First Graders at McKenzie School in East Rutherford donated 64 pairs of **Warm Pajamas** to children in need! Each pair of pajamas will be paired with a Scholastic Book and delivered to children in this local area. The activity was coordinated by the First Grade team. *Provided by Karen Dey. ###*



The Fourth Grade research unit culminated in the **Wax Museum** at McKenzie School in East Rutherford. Under the direction of Mrs. Dey, media specialist, the students wrote reports about famous Americans. On the day of the museum, the eighty-five Fourth Graders dressed as their person of choice. Pictured are Cole Thomas who was Louis Armstrong and Camille Diaz who was Betsy Ross. All Kindergartners, First, Second, and Third Graders visited the museum. *Provided by Karen Dey. ###*



The **Dewey Decimal System** is part of the Second Grade media curriculum at McKenzie School in East Rutherford. Michael Hernandez is pictured on the story steps in the media center with the three page booklet which he created about tigers. *Provided by Karen Dey. ###*

## Catherine Cassidy Authors Hasbrouck Heights Book

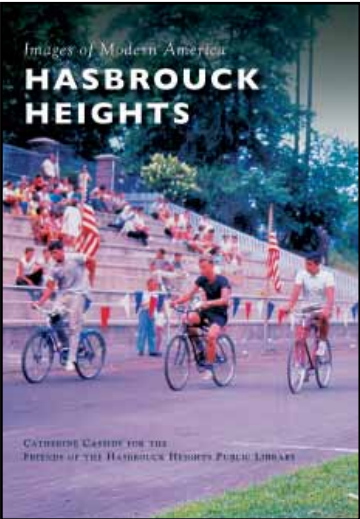
Telling a story in pictures is Hasbrouck Heights, the newest addition to Arcadia Publishing's popular Images of Modern America series.

The book, by local author, Catherine Cassidy, is for the Friends of the Hasbrouck Heights Public Library. The book boasts full color images, many of which have never been published, and showcases memories of days gone by.

Hasbrouck Heights was incorporated over 100 years ago as a farming community. However, the building of the railroad brought an influx of people, and this agricultural town located a few miles outside of Manhattan morphed into a commuter's dream.

The farms died out, and the postwar housing boom made Hasbrouck Heights into the Borough it is today.

During the last 50 years, the town has relatively stayed the same. Businesses may change, but the time-tested traditions that make up Hasbrouck Heights have stayed true. One can watch children paint the store windows for Halloween in



autumn or attend the Easter egg hunt in spring. New traditions, like the inception of Town Day and the street fair, have sprung up as well and will continue for years.

All profits from the sale of the book are being donated to The Friends of the Library.

This 96 page softcover book will be available at The Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library starting February 22, 2016. Price is \$22.99.

This is Ms. Cassidy's second Arcadia book on Hasbrouck Heights. The first was published in 2006 and represented the early years. ###



The **Fourth Grade Enrichment Students**, under the direction of Mrs. Dey and Mrs. Speer, enrichment teachers at McKenzie School in East Rutherford, recently participated in the annual art convocation, The Environment Through the Artist's Eyes, run by the Meadowlands West Gifted and Talented Consortium. On the first day of their two day experience, the group analyzed works of art at the Newark Museum. On the following day, they sketched outdoors at the Meadowlands Environment Center in Lyndhurst and then created their own art masterpieces using various media. The group is pictured with their finished art work at the Environment Center. *Provided by Karen Dey. ###*

**Drive Responsibly**



Mr. Peeters' Fourth Grade class at McKenzie School in East Rutherford earned a pizza party for reading the most as part of the school's **Roaring Readers** program. Roaring Readers is a comprehensive school-wide reading initiative that supports balanced literacy. The program facilitates a positive school culture of learning and achievement. Each student engages in some form of reading activity for a minimum of 20 minutes per day for five days a week. *Provided by Karen Dey. ###*



The **Roaring Readers** theme for the 2015-2016 school year at McKenzie School in East Rutherford is Dive Into a Good Book. The Fourth Grade enrichment students recently hosted the first reading rally of the year. Roaring Readers is a comprehensive school-wide reading initiative that supports balanced literacy. The program facilitates a positive school culture of learning and achievement. Each student engages in some form of reading activity for a minimum of 20 minutes per day for five days a week. *Provided by Karen Dey. ###*



The class winners of the Fourth Grade **Drug Free Poster Contest**, under the direction of Mrs. Speer, art teacher at McKenzie School in East Rutherford, are Katira Cooley, Sofia Reboso Lopez, Gabriella O'Hare, and Kinjal Gupta. *Provided by Karen Dey. ###*





Christmas Spirit, Help Feed Neighbors

Girl Scouts of Northern New Jersey Junior Troop 5216 Wood-Ridge celebrated the season by lighting the Wood-Ridge Girl Scout Friendship Tree, a Memorial of WRGS Past, Present and Future. The GS sang carols as they continued on to the Civic Center where a collection of food and household items was made for Our Lady of Assumption’s food pantry. All participants enjoyed snacks and crafts relating to Holiday traditions from around the world. *Provided by Sandra O’Byrne. ###*



The East Rutherford Memorial Library had a **Special visit from Santa Claus** on Saturday, December 19, 2015! Santa came to read a book to the children and find out what they wanted for Christmas. Children and families were able to take pictures with the special guest of honor. Afterwards the children made a craft, inspired by our special guest. More than 20 children and family members came and had a fun, festive afternoon! *Provided by Maria Russo. ###*



Financial Help for College Bound Students

College Financial Aid Counselors were invited to Lodi High School’s annual Financial Aid and FAFSA Day in order to meet with students and families and help them complete their FAFSA applications. This year, 16 financial aid counselors from various colleges attended the event on January 14, 2016. Approximately 80 students registered for the event. Out of those 80 students, approximately 60 parents/guardians accompanied their students to meet with financial aid counselors. Each student and family who participated in the event completed their FAFSA applications and left with additional financial aid and scholarship resources. They hope to offer the same event again on February 11, 2016. *Provided by Christine Orosz. ###*



John Halligan offered an engaging presentation to the students of Rutherford’s Pierrepont School prior to the holiday season. Mr. Halligan shared the extremely moving story of his son’s life experience and eventual death. Students of Pierrepont School participated respectfully and asked compassionate and insightful questions. Mr. Halligan’s focus on the importance of being true to oneself and being kind to others was well received. He also stressed making good choices and communicating with family. Photo: John Halligan shakes hands with Eighth-Grader Jake Linsalata. *Provided by JoAnn Hughes. ###*



On Wednesday, January 20, 2016, Wood-Ridge Intermediate Sixth Grade science students enjoyed a visit from the **Liberty Science Center Traveling Scientist Program**. Ms. Drudy, Wood-Ridge Intermediate School Science teacher, chose a cow eyeball dissection lesson for the students. This Liberty Science Center Traveling Scientist Program was funded by a grant awarded to a member of the Wood-Ridge Public Education Foundation. *Photos by David Taylor. ###*



Rutherford High School FBLA Participants Win

Students from Rutherford High School participated in the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Regional Competition on December 5, 2015. Over 50 students competed in a variety of business-related events such as: Business Calculations, Business Communications, Business Law, Sports Management, Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Accounting, Business Technology, and Computer Applications. All competitive events are done online. Students participate in these events along with FBLA members from the North Jersey region. Students who place in the top ten at the regional level advance to the FBLA State Competition held in February 2016 in Atlantic City, NJ. This year’s regional winners representing Rutherford are Julia Vaccarella - Accounting 1, Thomas Kim - Introduction to Business Technology, and Parker Fisher - Computer Applications. In preparation for the State Competition, these students will continue practicing and studying. They will use the knowledge they have gained from their business elective classes and expand this by studying supplementary materials. The students who place in the top two spots at the state level will have the experience of participating at the international level in Atlanta, Georgia, June 29 through July 2, 2016. From left to right –Business Education teacher Judy Leonard, Julia Vaccarella, Parker Fisher, Thomas Kim, and Business Education teacher Carol Drewes. *Provided by JoAnn Hughes. ###*

Middle School Musical Filled with Fun and Nostalgia

Mrs. Erin Schneeweiss, who has been directing Hasbrouck Heights Middle School’s plays for many years, selected a great one this school year. The musical comedy “Parents Just Don’t Understand” was performed on December 11 and 12, 2015. The script was enjoyable, upbeat, wholesome and easy to stage. It allowed the flexibility to get many students to participate. The plot centers on a family’s road trip at the end of a school year. The leads were played by Ryan Quish, the father, Janet Stathem, the mother and their 14 year old son, Steven Kelly and 16 year old daughter, Katelyn Scannell. During their long trip everyone has lots of extra time to reminisce about the past year. We too can remember those family vacations when the youngsters were stuck in the backseat of your car for hours on end annoying each other, as well as annoying their parents. The play consists of a collection of hilarious scenes that families are going to be able to relate to. Here we see the father teaching his daughter how to drive; the mother trying to help the son pick out his school clothes; the family



at their first funeral together; the father giving his son “The Talk;” the youngster interaction with their grand parents; and the daughter’s dreams of a sweet sixteen birthday bash being crushed by her parents’ bizarre party plans. The middle school students did a great job singing, dancing and acting. The cast worked together to emphasis the point “You can pick your friends, but you can’t pick your parents.” Yet in the end it’s the parents that you love the most, even if they “Just don’t understand you!” *Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###*





# Angelic Voices Sing Th

On Sunday, January 3, 2016, the Felician Sisters of the Immaculate Conception Province of Lodi, NJ, presented a sacred concert entitled “The Glory of Christmas -- Feast of the Epiphany,” in the Immaculate Conception Convent Chapel.

The Sisters hope that their gift of music deepens the spirit of Christmas for all who attended to celebrate the Feast of Epiphany, known as “Little Christmas” in many countries.

Joining the Felician Sisters’ Choir, under the direction of Sister Mary Virginia Tomasiak CSSF, on the organ/piano, and Sister Maria Magdalena Val-  
lellanes, vocalist, were several guest artists.

They included: vocalists Miriam Irene, Miriam Steinberg and Brittany VanderGroef, violinist Nicole DiMaria Picciallo, violinist Sarah Cantos accordi-  
onist/vocalist Sal Torino, trumpeter David DeRienzo, flutist Catherine McMahon, percussion and chimes by Sr. Mary Angelica Smialowicz.

- The Immaculate Conception High School Choral Group led by Katelyn DeGennaro and Michael Wada.

- Felician School for Exceptional Children Bell Choir.

- ICHS liturgical dancers and Sacred Dancers Linda Telesco, Director, “Spirit Dance Troupe,” an inter-faith dance ministry, performed at the altar during several chorales.

Sister Theresa Mary Martin, CSSF, President Emeritus, Felician University, provided Proclamation of God’s Word as well as opening and closing remarks.

The two hour concert included an audio-visual presentation about the Felician Mission in Haiti.

For the Grand Finale, all participants assembled at the altar and concluded the “Joy to the World” and Sister Mary Virginia was presented with a bouquet of roses.

Goodwill offerings were accepted to benefit the Felician Sisters’ Mission in Haiti.

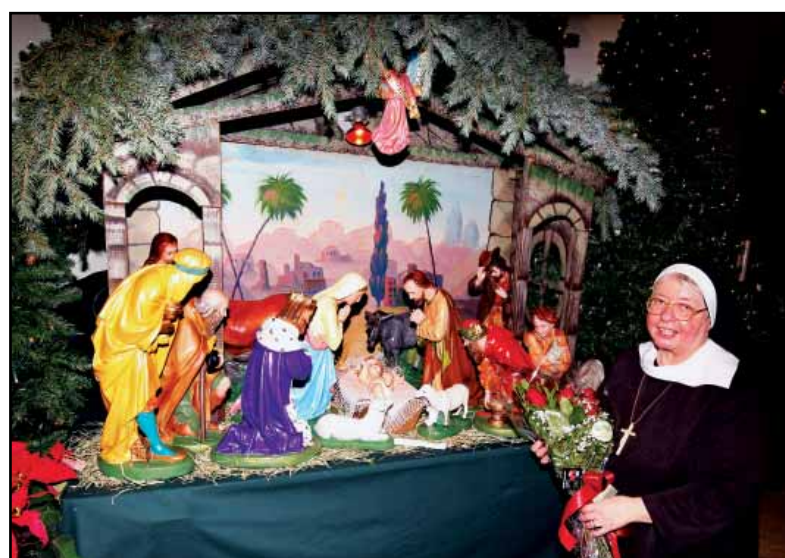
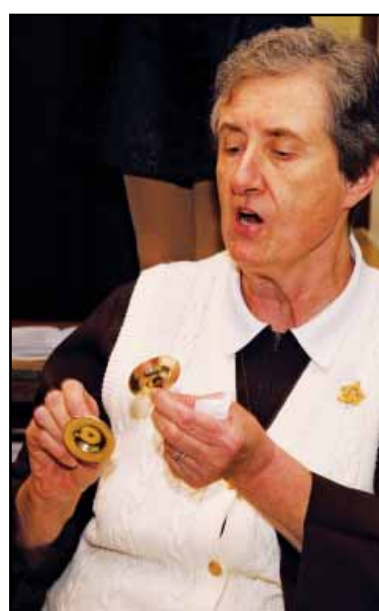
The Felician Sisters’ Choir has presented “The Glory of Christmas Concert” annually for the last decade. CDs of the Felician Sisters’ Choir are available by calling 973-473-7447.

The Immaculate Conception Province of the Felician Sisters was established in Lodi in 1913. For more information, go to [www.felicianslodi.org](http://www.felicianslodi.org) ###





# The Glory of Christmas







## Heights Library Board Reorganizes for 2016

The Board of Trustees of The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights held its reorganization meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2016. Lisa Traina was elected Board President along with Patricia Link as Secretary and Rose Heck as Treasurer. The Board meets on the third Tuesday of each month, at 7:30 p.m., to conduct Library business. Photo (l-r) Friends Rep. Mickey Maschio, Marlene Verrastro, BOE Alternate Linda Mansfield, John Baratta, Mayor Jack DeLorenzo, Library Director Mimi Hui, Lisa Traina, Rose Ellen Lorber-Termaat, Patricia Link, Council Liaison Sonya Buckman, and Rose Heck. Not shown: BOE Supt. Matthew Helfant. ###



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2	Real Living Gateway Realtors	54	\$20,060,500	\$371,491	6.37
3	Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Merendino Realty	33	\$13,543,500	\$410,409	3.89
4	Century 21 Eudan Realty	32	\$10,276,700	\$321,147	3.77
5	Vikki Healey Properties, LLC	22	\$8,465,500	\$384,795	2.59

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(l-r) Councilman Philip Romero, Councilman, Ezio I. Altamura, Councilman Joseph DiMarco, Mayor Paul A. Sarlo, Councilwoman Catherine Cassidy, Councilman Dominick Azzolini, Councilman Edward Marino.

## Wood-Ridge 2016 Reorganization Meeting

On January 1, 2016, at about 3 p.m., the Borough of Wood-Ridge held a reorganization meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the attending Cub Scout Pack 183, with an Invocation by Father Richard J. Mucowski, O.F.M., Assumption Church.

The results of the November 2015 election were announced by Bergen County Clerk John S. Hogan.

The Oath of Office was administered to Mayor Paul A. Sarlo, Ezio I. Altamura and Edward J. Marino. Councilwoman Catherine Cassidy was elected

as Council President.

Appointments for Borough positions were made to include Borough Administrator Christopher W. Eilert, Borough Attorney Paul S. Barbire, Borough Engineer Michael J. Neglia. There was an adoption of the By-Laws for 2016.

Mayor and Council standing committees and liaison to Boards and Commissions were made.

The Mayor made his appointments to include: Planning Board, Recreation, Shade Tree, Veterans, and Events Commissions.

Council members made statements. The Mayor gave his Annual Address.

There was a swearing in of newly appointed Members of Boards and Commissions. The meeting was open to the public. A complete list of all appointments is available at the Borough Clerk's Office. ###



(l-r) Councilman Thomas Sarlo, Councilwoman Peggy Steinhilber, Councilman George Muller, Mayor Mauro D. Raguseo, Councilman Ronald Anzalone, Councilwoman Roberta Henriquez, and Councilman Stephen Lanum.

## Little Ferry 2016 Reorganization Meeting

Following a Sine Die meeting on January 7, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., the Borough of Little Ferry held a reorganization meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and Invocation given by Rev. Paul Bruno of Evangel Christian Church.

The results of the November 2015 election were announced by Bergen County Clerk John S. Hogan.

The Oath of Office was

administered to Mayor Mauro D. Raguseo, Councilman Ronald Anzalone and Councilman George J. Muller. By-laws for 2016 were adopted.

Henriquez, who is the longest-serving councilwoman in Bergen County and has served on the Little Ferry council for 29 years, was elected as council president in a unanimous vote motioned by Muller and seconded by Anzalone.

Appointments for Borough positions were read with confirmation given where required. They included Borough Attorney Joseph Monaghan, Borough Engineer Job & Job, Borough Auditor Dieter Lerch, Bonding Attorney McManimon, Scotland and Baumann, Code Enforcement Officer Gino Tessaro, etc. A complete list is available at the Borough Clerk's Office.

The Mayor made Council committee assignments. There was a presentation of the Badge to Police Commissioner Thomas Sarlo.

Consent Agenda resolutions were voted upon.

George Shihanian Jr. and Michael Lee were sworn in as Little Ferry Police Officers (see photo on page 31).

There were comments from the Council. All those

who were appointed to the Boards or other positions in the Borough were sworn in by the Borough Attorney.

The State of the Borough Address was given by Mayor Raguseo, followed by comments from the Council. The Benediction was given by Rev. Paul Bruno. The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served. ###

**A complete list of all municipal appointments for each community is available at their Borough Clerk's Office**





(l-r) Councilman Robert J. Bauer, Sr., Councilman Antonio Cirillo, Councilwoman Kathleen Kinsella, Mayor Dennis Vaccaro, Councilwoman Lucille Millar, Councilman Manuel Martinez and Councilman Bruce Surak.

## Moonachie 2016 Reorganization Meeting

On January 3, 2016, at noon, the Borough of Moonachie held a brief reorganization meeting at the Kathryn E. Flynn Civic Center.

Assemblywoman Marlene Caride, Assemblyman Gary Schaer, and Bergen County Clerk John S. Hogan spoke.

Mayor Dennis Vaccaro ad-

ministered the Oath of Office to Councilman Bruce Surak and Lucille Millar.

The reorganization meeting was called to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Resolutions for appointments were made to include Frank Migliorino as Borough

Attorney, Kevin Boswell as Borough Engineer, Paul Lerch as Borough Auditor, Helene Herbert as Special Tax Counsel.

The Council adopted existing By-Laws of the Mayor and Council and set the schedule of 2016 meetings. DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole was appointed

for services in connection with the issuance of bonds and notes and Gail Fitzgerald for services as Financial Consultant.

Mayor Vaccaro made appointments with confirmation by the Council to include: Borough Administrator Anthony Ciannamea, Prosecutor Gregg Padovano, Public De-

fender Mark Musella, Property Maintenance Official Buddy Evers, Superintendent of Public Works Mary Ellen Lyons, etc. A complete list is available at the Borough Clerk's Office.

Consent resolutions and payment of bills were passed. Council Committees for 2016 were assigned. ###



l-r: Councilwoman Pamela J. Link, Councilwoman Sonya Buckman, Councilman Justin A. DiPisa, Mayor Jack DeLorenzo, Councilman David Gonzalez, Councilman Russell A. Lipari and Councilman Peter Traina III.

## Hasbrouck Heights 2016 Reorganization Meeting

On January 1, 2016, at about noon, Jeff Parrott, Sussex County Clerk, administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Jack DeLorenzo. Mark DiPisa, Esq. administered the Oath of Office to Councilmen Russell Lipari and Peter Traina III.

Mayor DeLorenzo admin-

istered the Oath of Offices to the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department officers.

On Sunday, January 3, 2016, at about 11:45 a.m., a Sine Die Meeting was held to conclude 2015 business.

After a brief recess, Mayor Jack DeLorenzo declared the

2016 Reorganization Meeting in session.

There was a Salute to the Flag. Conchita Parker led the singing of "God Bless America," and an Invocation was given by Deacon Paul Carris, Corpus Christi Church.

There was an announcement of council assignments,

consent agenda.

Councilman David Gonzalez was appointed as Council President: Councilwoman Sonya Buckman as Planning Board representative. Mayor DeLorenzo made his appointments and delivered his Inaugural Address. Council members made their comments.

Deacon Paul Carris provided the concluding Benediction. The meeting was adjourned. Refreshments were served in the Senior Center.

For a complete list of all appointments and Mayor's address, go to: [www.hasbrouck-heights.nj.us](http://www.hasbrouck-heights.nj.us) ###



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*l-r: Councilman Bill Shockley, Mayor Craig Lahullier, Borough Clerk Claire Foy, Councilman James Lenoy, Councilman David Stoltz, Councilman Joseph Emerson, Councilman Robert J. Zimmermann, Borough Attorney Dennis C. Ritchie. Not shown: Councilman Richard Bartlett.*

## Carlstadt 2016 Reorganization Meeting

On January 1, 2016, at 12:30 p.m., the Carlstadt Mayor and Council held a Sine Die Meeting to conclude 2015 business, followed by their 2016 Reorganization meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance

was made, followed by the Invocation shared by Rev. Donald Pitches, Pastor Carlstadt First Presbyterian Church and Rev. Arokiadoss Raji, Parochial Vicar St. Joseph Church (ER). The Oath of Office was

administered to Mayor Craig Lahullier and Councilmen Bill Shockley and Bob Zimmermann, and badges were presented to elected officials. The Council President is David Stoltz. The Mayor gave his An-

nual Message. Consent agenda was approved. The Mayor made appointments and selection of standing committees. There was a resolution on 2016 salaries, followed by hearing of citizens. Presentations and

comments were made, followed by Benediction. The meeting was adjourned. Refreshments followed. A complete list of all appointments is available at the Borough Clerk's Office. *Photo by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*



*l-r: , Councilman Frank Nunziato, Councilwoman Stephanie McGowan, Councilman Jack Manzo, Mayor Joseph DeSalvo, Jr., Councilman Mark O'Connor, Councilwoman Carolyn Smith and Sean Walker.*

## Rutherford 2016 Reorganization Meeting

On January 1, 2016, a Sine Die Meeting was held to conclude 2015 business. The year 2016 began with Mayor Joesph DeSalvo, Jr. and Councilmen Frank Nunziato

and Sean Walkerbeing being administered the Oath of Office. Upon seating, they gave their remarks. The Invocation was given by Rev. Michael J. Kreder, Pastor, Church of Saint Mary, fol-

lowed by the Salute to the Flag. Councilman Nunziato was elected as Council President. Mayor DeSalvo appointed the council committee liaisons assignments. The Mayor made appointments with confirma-

tion by the Council. Mayor DeSalvo made his remarks. There were numerous presentations of longevity awards to various Borough employees. The consent agenda was approved. The meeting concluded with

Benediction by Rev. Ray Frazier, Pastor Mt. Ararat Baptist Church. The Borough Clerk's Office has the complete list of all appointments and committees. ###



*l-r: Councilman Joel Brizzi, Councilman Jeffrey Lahullier, Councilman Edward Ravettine, Mayor James L. Cassella, Councilman Saverio Stallone, Councilman George Perry and Councilman Michael Homaychak.*

## East Rutherford 2016 Reorganization Meeting

Due to a medical situation, Councilman George Perry was administered the Oath of Office outside Borough Hall prior to the Sine Die meeting, on January 1, 2015.

The Sine Die Meeting followed in Council Chambers conclude 2015 business. The year 2016 began with administering the Oath of Office to Mayor James L. Cassella

and Jeffrey Lahullier. There was a Salute to the Flag, roll call, and invocation. Crossing Guards were appointed for 2016. Resolutions were approved. Board mem-

bers were reappointed. Council committees were assigned. The Mayor made his New Year's Address. The meeting was adjourned. Refreshments were served.

The Borough Clerk's Office has the complete list of all appointments and committees. ###  
*For excerpts of the Mayor's Annual Message go to page 24.*



*Selected excerpts from East Rutherford Mayor James L. Cassella's Annual Address given on January 1, 2016*



Mayor James L. Cassella

I am honored today to have been sworn in, once again, as Mayor of East Rutherford; I thank the people for that honor.

As I begin my 32nd year on this governing body and as has been the case in my previous 31 years, we will face many challenges. We have had many successes but there is so much more to do and hopefully we have learned from some mistakes but one thing I can assure the people of East Rutherford is that I will address the many challenges we face with no less enthusiasm than I did on January 1st, 1985 when, with my father holding the Bible, I was first sworn into office as a member of this governing body.

Once again I have the privilege of welcoming back Councilmen George Perry and Jeffrey Lahullier. I thank them both for their past service and look forward to working with them along with all the Council members in 2016.

Thank you to Superior Court Judge, Honorable Peter Melchionne for issuing to me The Oath of Office.

As we end 2015 and enter 2016 we are saddened by the loss of former Mayor Jim Plosia who passed away last week. He sat in this chair for 26 years and on this council for 6 years. He was truly dedicated to the people of East Rutherford and personally helped so many.

Looking back at 2015 we did make great strides in our efforts to finalize an agreement with Triple Five; the developers of the American Dream project.

Although we are close, there are still some outstanding issues. If it seems as if I have been talking about this project on New Year's Day for the last twelve to thirteen years, going back to the Xanadu project; it is because I have. There has been much frustration but I do believe something should be happening soon; however, negotiating with Triple Five has been very difficult and I cannot make any promises about when this agreement might be finalized or when we might start receiving the tens of millions of dollars that have been agreed to. Just to emphasize

the frustration, I had not heard from them in months until just last week when I finally, after months of silence, I had an opportunity to meet with Tony Armlin, who leads the Triple 5 Group. The discussions were productive; I did receive an update on their progress plus a tour of the facility. I can say that after hearing about how they have progressed and seeing firsthand how much construction has taken place, it appears that the bond issues should be taking place soon but as I said, I would be reluctant to make any predictions. One thing I am sure of is that our professionals have been doing an outstanding job fighting for the people of East Rutherford; protecting the taxpayers. I have no doubt about their efforts going forward.

Financially we are in better shape than we have been in a while. We did see some financial benefits from new ratables in 2015 plus our tax collection rate was up over 98.5% and should be the same in 2016; however, we still need to be conservative in our spending and in our hiring practices plus our debt is higher than I believe it should be. We need to control costs and spend only when it is absolutely necessary. Having said that, in 2015, we, just 2 weeks ago, received an upgraded rating from Moody's. Their report was positive based on our "conservative" approach to the financial practices we have initiated. Hopefully that continues in 2016. I have to thank our CFO Anthony Bianchi for the fine job that he is doing.

Residential property taxes continue to be, except for Teterboro, the second lowest in Bergen County and well below the state average. Our municipal tax levy has not increased in 2 years but maintaining stable taxes has become more difficult with pension, employee and insurance costs escalating. For example, our pension costs have increased \$100,000 for 2016. Plus we have the added burden of having to deal with court ordered tax appeal settlements.

Right now we have an ongoing appeal in the federal courts filed by the Federal Reserve Bank which is becoming quite costly but conversely, in an unusual situation, we have filed a tax appeal against the owners of the office building next to the Hilton on Route 3. The basis for our claim is that the office building's assessment which was ordered by the court, is too low based on what it was recently sold for. We will continue to fight for what we believe are fair assessments.

As important as the American Dream project is and the effect it will have on East Rutherford, it is not the only issue that will have a major effect on us. Density housing can affect us as much as, if not more, than American Dream.

We have been saddled with numerous applications for this type of housing. In some areas it may make sense but, for sure, in many areas it makes no sense whatsoever, especially in the Meadowlands District where we have no control over and certain areas of Carlton Hill. We have objected strongly in writing and in person to the NJSEA, expressing our opposition to this type of development. I can assure the people of East Rutherford that I will continue to express my opposition to these developments whether in the Meadowlands or in other areas of town where density housing is not appropriate and take the fight as far as we legally can to try to stop them; however, we must continue to keep in mind and understand that we are still under a court order that allows planning and zoning decisions to be overturned by the court appointed master. It doesn't matter whether the action taken was by one of our local boards or the NJSEA. We need to walk a fine line because of the court order and because of regulations set up by the Council on Affordable Housing known to all of us as COAH. It should also be pointed out that these developments do bring in substantial tax dollars. Although we were against it, the Monarch development located just off of Route 3, approved by the Meadowlands Commission, now part of the NJ Sports and Exposition Authority, brought in close to a million dollars in 2015 and the recently approved Sterling development is projected to bring in approximately \$700,000 dollars. The question is, of course, even though monies from these projects are substantial do they offset any services that are required?

What makes this so much more difficult is that because of inaction by the state legislators, the governor's office and COAH, the affordable housing issue is, once again, back in the courts. Our municipal attorney, Richard Allen, has been doing an excellent job defending us and our position but it has become an impossible situation that has left not just us but all the municipalities in the State of New Jersey in a terrible position in trying to move forward with development and, worse yet, it is has been very costly to the taxpayers. Home rule is being attacked from all

sides and it is distressing and frustrating when these bodies do nothing to correct the situation. What makes it so frustrating? Well, start with the fact that it has been forty years since the first Supreme Court ruling on affordable housing, known as the "Mount Laurel Decision" was decided and we are still arguing about what the solution to this issue should be; it has been almost 10 years that we have been under a court order and you have the Fair Housing Council challenging every reasonable solution. This is not government's finest hour. In the meantime, we are trying to establish a feasible development plan with one hand tied behind our back. There is no reason to expect any conclusion to the affordable housing issue any time soon but I am still hoping to work with the Council to put in place some type of plan.

We can continue to voice our objections to these types of housing developments but that does nothing to legally stop them, we need to do more. Although difficult to stop entirely because of the court order and the affordable housing issues I do believe we can have more control if we would take seriously the idea of initiating redevelopment plans in the areas that we have designated as "in need of redevelopment." We have been presented with plans prepared by a professional planner but we have not addressed them. What has been presented to us are not etched in stone and can be changed so if the council disagrees with a professional planner and wants to change it they can but we need to act. We need to stop the politics and start addressing this issue in a professional and realistic manner that benefits the people of East Rutherford.

In 2015 our ongoing road program continued with a number of streets in the process of being resurfaced and in some areas problematic sewer lines and sidewalks replaced. This program will continue in 2016. Also and at last, Stanley Street was completed as was the upgrades at the Hackensack Street entrance to Riggin Field.

The summer concert series were once again a great success especially on our "National Night Out" which was the same night as one of the concerts.

Thank you to our Police Department and Neighborhood Watch for an outstanding job. This past September, on 2 consecutive late summer Thursday evenings, Councilman Brizzi arranged to have concerts at our 911 Park on Park Avenue. That, along with our summer concerts series and with the weather cooperating, our residents were treated to some great entertainment.

Thanks to Councilman Brizzi for all his efforts in arranging these concerts and for the donations received that offset much of the costs. The concerts, along with the Columbus Week-End festivities, organized by the Civic Pride Committee, bring a positive image to our community. Thanks to all who were involved for their hard work in organizing these events.

We continue to pursue, with Rutherford, acquiring the former railroad line bordering the two municipalities. We have been trying to obtain permission from North Fork Southern to allow our environmental engineer's access to the property so they can give us an estimated cost for an environmental cleanup of the property which needs to be done before it can be purchased. We need this environmental study done before we can move forward. Councilman Lahullier put much effort into this in 2015 and is hopeful for some positive results in 2016.

During the past year we have entered into 2 shared service agreements; the establishment of a shared building department with Carlstadt and Rutherford and a shared service agreement with Rutherford for the purchase of gasoline.

Also, in 2015 we purchased a new senior bus and have upgraded our website. Thank you to Councilman Homyachak for overseeing the website upgrade.

We continue to upgrade our equipment in all our departments which allows us to better serve and protect our community; in many cases using grant money or forfeiture money to offset the expense for taxpayers.

We have so many wonderful volunteers and board members who dedicate their valuable time. Thank you to each and every one of them and thank you to our Veterans, especially for their service defending this great nation of ours but also for their continuing service to our community.

Our Veterans of Foreign Wars now have a new home with the completion of the renovations to the former court offices. A dedication was held in 2015.

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers all of those many friends who were, in some way, a part of East Rutherford, some older and some way too young, including former Mayor Jim Plosia and former volunteer firemen, Ed Neubauer and Ronnie Coldon who have passed on.

Happy New Year and God Bless You.



Carlstadt Senior Friendship Club

The Carlstadt Senior Friendship Club meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. at the Carlstadt Civic Center. The Borough nurse is available at the first meeting of the month to take blood pressure readings of Carlstadt residents at 1 p.m. Meetings are informative and interesting and they welcome any Carlstadt resident to join. Entertainment and/or information for seniors is presented at each meeting.

Eleanor will be collecting Christmas card fronts with no visible writing on them at the next meeting, February 3.

Scheduled trips are February 23 Hunterdon Hills; April 13 Stony Hill, and an extended visit to Woodloch Pines in Pennsylvania from May 9-13. These are open to the general public if space is available. Call Bruce 201-953-4988. ###

**Bingo** is held every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at the **Little Ferry Senior Center**, 95 Main Street, at 12:30 p.m. ###

HH Leisure Club Starts New Year

The Leisure Club started the New Year off by greeting Hasbrouck Heights’ new Mayor and being entertained by an old (long-standing) friend. Eighty members attended the meeting held on January 13, 2016 with five new members.

Newly elected Mayor Jack DeLorenzo greeted all and wished everyone a Happy New Year. He affirmed that he was elected to serve all the residents and will do this to the best of his ability. He also stated that he will listen to the problems of the seniors and will work hard to fulfill their needs.

After the regular business meeting, vocalist, Mike Gintella, entertained the group. Mike is an excellent entertainer who can do justice to songs made famous by Frank Sinatra or Elvis Presley. He also sang songs, which the group participated in vocally as well as physically.

Vice President Dot Fitzin announced that the program scheduled for the February 10 meeting should be an interesting one. A representative from the Bergen County K-9 unit will discuss the role these

dogs play in assisting solving crimes. A dog will also be on hand for a demonstration.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Matthew Helfant and members of his staff will also be on hand. They will discuss a bond referendum the Board of Education has proposed and which residents will be asked to vote upon on March 8, 2016. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###*

ER Seniors

The East Rutherford Seniors held their annual Holiday Party at San Carlo Restaurant, Lyndhurst, on December 17, 2015, with a full course dinner along with a performance by “A Touch of Sinatra” (tribute to Frank Sinatra’s 100 year birthday; Dean Martin, Perry Como and Pat Boone).

Angie Russo (their 100 year old member) was crowned Queen of the Winterland Ball.

The East Rutherford Seniors will hold their February meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month.

A Valentine’s Pizza Party on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 will start at noon. \$10 Annual dues are now being collected. New members welcome. Must be 55+ yrs. old and an East Rutherford resident.

Free blood pressure screenings are held at 11:30 a.m. prior to the 4th Tuesday meetings.

The East Rutherford Seniors have planned a trip to Resorts, Atlantic City on Monday, February 22, 2016. Cost is \$27 with a \$25 slot return. Non-members welcome. Must have players card and/or photo i.d. to claim comps. Bus departs CVS lot, Paterson Avenue, East Rutherford at 9 a.m. with boarding at 8:45 a.m. Bingo is played on the bus. A free fun raffle is held on all trips. For reservations and info about other monthly casino trips contact Carole 201-655-3149.

Additionally, monthly senior trips will start in March; call Carole for trip calendar 201-655-3149. *Provided by Carole Cosentino. ###*

Lodi AARP

The AARP Chapter 2015 of Lodi meets the third Tuesday of every month at noon at the Lodi Boys and Girls Club. New members are welcome. Dues are \$10 per year. For information contact Stan at 973-779-8544. Upcoming meetings and events are:

- February 16, 2016 - regular meeting with entertainment by Artie & Jack.

- March 15, 2016 - regular meeting with speaker from Kessler Rehab.

- March 23, 2016 - Bus trip to Bethlehem Sands Casino Resort. ###

February 2016 Heights Senior Calendar

Open to All Hasbrouck Heights Seniors  
SENIOR ACTIVITIES

**Monday**, February 1, 8, 22, 29  
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Games, cards & coffee  
11:00 a.m. Mahjong

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Senior Lounge open to all  
**Tuesday**, February 2, 9, 16, 23

10:00 a.m. Line Dancing \$1.00  
2:00 p.m. Adv. Chair Yoga \$1.00  
6:00 p.m. Card Game Night

**Wednesday**, February 17, 24  
10:00 a.m. Games, cards & coffee  
10:00 a.m. Mahjong  
2:00 p.m. Senior Aerobics \$1.00  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Senior Lounge open to all

**Thursday**, February 4, 11, 18, 25  
10:00 a.m. Games, cards & coffee  
11:00 a.m. Mahjong  
2:00 p.m. Senior Yoga \$1.00  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Senior Lounge open to all

**Friday**, Friday February 5, 19  
12 p.m. Zumba Gold \$1.00  
1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Games, cards & coffee  
**Friday**, February 12, 26  
10:00 a.m. Fun Bingo  
*Check Center Bulletin Board for any changes*

Note: The Municipal Building will be closed on Monday, February 15 - Presidents Day.

CLUB MEETING SCHEDULE

**Wednesday**, February 3  
10:30 a.m. Executive Board Meeting  
**Wednesday**, February 10  
12:30 p.m. Leisure Club Meeting  
Program: BC K-9 Unit, plus Superintendent of Schools Dr. Matthew Helfant

UPCOMING TRIPS

**Trip to Brownstone for St. Patrick Celebration**  
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Lodi Senior Club News

The Lodi Senior Citizens Club meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, for members only. Lodi residents over the age of 55 are welcome. Membership is \$13 per year. Every Thursday the Club opens 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. with non-members welcome. Programs include: Senior exercise 11 a.m. to 12. p.m.; Line dancing 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.; Bingo 12:45 p.m. to 2 p.m.

The Club has a pool table, a shuffle board, cards, art center, a Library, games, Chit-Chat and bocce (in season). Refreshments are served. For information, call during open hours at 973-472-6994. For bus, call Kim at 973-332- between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. The Lodi Senior Club 2016 events include:

- February 24: Sands Casino Trip, PA

- April 15: Installation Dinner, Venetian
- June 8: Shrimp Box, NJ Luncheon and Cruise
- August 17: Mt. Airy Casino Trip, PA
- October 12: Peddler’s Village, PA, Luncheon and Show
- December 9: Christmas Party, Venetian ###

Vic’s Hoofers

Vic’s Hoofers, a ladies social club, meets on the first Thursday of the month at the Carlstadt Civic Center on 4th Street at 7 p.m. There is always an activity, with refreshments. In February the activity is “Mexican Train,” an easy to learn fun game. A fun evening for local women. Come aboard the train on February 4, 2016. Dues are \$12 per year. Call Sophie at 201-939-3819. ###



# W-R Memorial Foundation to Honor Six at Spring Dinner

Wood-Ridge Memorial Foundation President Paul Calocino is pleased to announce the Foundation’s selection committee’s choices to be recognized at their annual dinner dance on Friday, May 6, 2016.

• Norman & Midge Pettersen – Married for 56 years they served the community with great pride as they raised their four children. They were both involved with Little League and other youth sports as well as the Scouting programs.

They are best known for their commitment to the Borough through their 45 years as members of the Wood-Ridge Fire Department and the Ladies Auxiliary. They are the proud grandparents of nine.

• Ed Pfeifer – A resident of the Borough since 1943 he has been very involved with many community activities. An Army Veteran (1955-57) he continues his service to his

country as an active member with The American Legion. He has served as commander, director of the Boy’s and Girl’s State program, and for years organized the annual Memorial Day Parade. He served 15 years on the Borough Council and during that time was liaison to many of the boards that serve the community. He is also very active with Assumption Church, having served as an usher for over 60 years. He is also a member of the Knights of Columbus and Contemporary Club. Ed and his late wife, Ronnie, of 53 years, until her passing in 2009, had three children and six grandchildren.

• Phil Romero – When one thinks of youth sports in Wood-Ridge, the first person that comes to mind is Phil. He has served as president of the Wood-Ridge Little League for the past 15 years and 11 years as president of the Babe Ruth League. He has been in-

involved with the soccer, biddy basketball and junior football programs.

His dedication to the youth of the community is unmatched. He is also a member of the Knights of Columbus. Phil has been a member of the Wood-Ridge Council since 2012 and has served on many of the council committees. Phil and his wife, Kelly ,are the proud parents of three children Justin, Nicholas and Amanda. They recently welcomed daughter-in-law Danielle, into the family.

• Maria Barrows – Married and the mother of three children, Maria has been a member of the Wood-Ridge Public School District since 1989. Maria has served our students in several capacities. She began her career in the high school teaching both Italian and Spanish.

In 1999 she began her career as a guidance counselor where she has distinguished herself as an intricate part in our students’ development and advancement. Working with

each student through the difficult and challenging choices of what colleges to attend and careers to pursue, she has helped many of our students choose the best path for them to travel.

• Melissa Ayvas Manolakakis – A lifelong resident of the Borough, Melissa has distinguished herself within the Wood-Ridge teaching community. She began her career in the school system in 2003 as a music teacher and choir director. She has taken this program to heights never before reached.

Her students have performed in holiday and spring concerts, school musicals, graduations, and community events. She has also collaborated with other organizations to bring new and exciting experiences to her students including New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Papermill Playhouse, NJ News 12 Sounds of the Season, American Young Voices and Carnegie Hall-Manhattan Concert Productions. All of these extra activities have led

her students to a greater love and appreciation of music. Melissa and her husband, Mike, have two children.

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. Tickets are \$80 per person and will be available in March. You may reserve tickets in advance by calling event chairman Jack Nagel at 201-641-2803 or e-mail janpro911@aol.com ###

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**Real Estate Insight**

By Mary Ellen Courtney

**Solar Panels  
Pros & Cons**

You're seeing more and more of them appear in our Bergen County neighborhoods. Solar Panels.

They derive clean, pure energy from the sun, they combat greenhouse gas emissions and reduce our collective dependence on fossil fuel. And they save money: installing solar panels will reduce your electricity bill and might even provide you income by generating power you can sell to the utility.

But installing solar panels on your house can often cost well over \$20,000 and many homeowners today turn to leasing programs to avoid these upfront costs.

Most leases are for 20 years, and that can present a real problem if you decide to sell your house before the lease is completed.

Statistics show that the average home in our area sells every 5 to 7 years. That means that a potential buyer for your home equipped with solar panels is buying not only the house, but a lease obligation as well.

**Quick story:** local home sellers we represented recently were entirely happy with the leased solar panels they installed a few years back.

When they decided to sell, we found them a buyer who also appreciated the environmental and financial benefits

of solar panels. But then there was a hitch just as the sale was about to go through. The buyers all of a sudden disclosed that they hadn't really looked at the solar lease (*though they were given a copy at the outset*) and didn't like the fact that the lease was going to continue for another 15-16 years.

In last-minute negotiations, the sellers' attorney advised a \$10,000 credit to the buyer in exchange for him assuming the balance of the lease.

In this case, you could argue that those leased solar panels on the roof reduced the value of the seller's home.

For those people who own (*as opposed to lease*) rooftop power systems, solar adds value to the home – that, at least according to studies funded by the U.S. Energy Department (*"about \$25,000 for the average installation in California"*).

But leased systems are another story because they're considered personal property rather than a part of the house.

For many potential buyers, a solar lease is a liability rather than an asset; they may not wish to continue using the panels, which are certain to become technologically outdated as time goes on, if they even still work...

Solar leases were introduced in 2008 and only started to take off a couple of years ago. As much as 70% of the residential systems being

installed now are financed through leases, according to GTM Research.

Most of the systems in place remain in the hands of the original customer, suggesting the difficulties in selling these properties are just beginning.

"Some buyers just won't be on board" (*with assuming a solar lease*), said an analyst with Bloomberg News. "Even if you save money every month, you limit yourself to a certain subset of buyers."

But SolarCity Corp., the biggest name in solar installation and backed by billionaire Elon Musk, doesn't think there will be a problem.

"They (homebuyers) are essentially moving into a home with a lower cost of ownership, a lower cost of energy," said a spokesman for the California firm. "It becomes a selling point instead of a point of misunderstanding."

Maybe so. But it's an issue that we in the real estate industry are – increasingly – grappling with now: how to value homes with energy efficient systems.

It seems to come down to how these projects are paid for. Asking a potential buyer to take over a 20-year obligation is, I think frankly, asking a lot. Buying puts the onus on the current owner, but could increase the value of the home.

There just isn't, yet, a long history of sales involving such homes....

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**Full Snow Moon**

The February full moon will appear on Monday, February 22, 2016, at 1:20 p.m. It is called the "Full Snow Moon."

The heaviest snow usually falls during February, according to the Farmer's Almanac. Some tribes also referred to this Moon as the "Full Hunger Moon," since harsh weather conditions made hunting difficult.

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. ###

**Holiday Fest 2015 Another Success**

The Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce's third annual Holiday Fest was another success. The event, which started on November 27, 2015 and ran for 17 days, was designed to give significant discounts to customers while adding some fun and excitement to the shopping experience.

In the end, 4,117 prize tickets were collected by the 40 local businesses that participated in the event and 24 prizes were awarded with an estimated value of \$3,800.

During the event, shoppers were presented with a prize entry ticket for every purchase they made at a participating retailer. At the end of the 17 days, all tickets were collected and a drawing for the prizes was held at The Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library on December 14, 2015. Library Director Mimi Hui assisted Chamber

Treasurer Peter Gallo in drawing the names of the winners.

Some of the prizes awarded this year included a 14K White Gold Diamond Pearl Ring valued at \$1,500 (*donated by Danson Jewelers*), a 50" LG led TV valued at \$500, a pair of Broadway Tickets valued at \$360, an iPad Mini valued at \$320, a Volvo for a weekend valued at \$200. Additionally, many gift baskets, Visa gift cards, AMC gift cards, and gift certificates were donated by the local merchants and were awarded.

A list of prizewinners can be found at [HeightsHolidayFest.com](http://HeightsHolidayFest.com). Door prizes were also given out to 4 lucky people who attended the live drawing.

The Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce meets the 1st Wednesday of the month at the Hasbrouck Heights Library. The meetings are at 8 a.m. and last approximately one hour. Meetings are open to all. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###*

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# Passion to be presented at Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 127 Paterson Avenue, Wallington, will host the Relics of the Passion program on Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 7 p.m. in an event designed to connect participants to the roots of their faith.

The event is sponsored by Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, in collaboration with the Apostolate for Holy Relics. The Apostolate is guardian for more than 1,200 relics organized into special collections, such as the 8 rare relics that make up Relics of the Passion.

It is rare to see a group of related holy relics all in one place as is presented in this program. Collections such as this are generally seen only in Rome or the Holy Land.

The relics are used to bring together a unique program of meditations and prayers commemorating the events relative to each relic and its significance in the Passion of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

The documents for these relics have been reviewed and authenticated prior to the first tour in 2007. The Relics have

been venerated in many archdioceses and dioceses throughout the world.

Tours are generally scheduled only during the Lenten season and are limited by the travel availability of the members of the Apostolate.

A presentation of the Relics of the Passion may only be seen in a given geographic area once, and very less likely twice or more times, in a lifetime.

The 8 relics include: a piece of the True Cross; a piece of the table from the room where the Last Supper took place; a piece of the Column of Flagellation; a piece of the Crown of Thorns; a replica fashioned using the filings from the true nails of the cross; a relic from the head of St. Longinus, the centurion who pierced the side of Christ while he was hanging on the cross; a picture of (of the effigy of) the Veil of Veronica; and the final relic is Sindonis D.N.J.C., which is the exterior wrapping that the Shroud of Turin was rolled in when it was being venerated.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church has been designated by the Archdiocese of Newark as a Pilgrimage Church during the Year of Mercy.

Everyone is invited to attend this very memorable and moving program. For additional information, please contact Carol at 201-935-0273. ###

## Knit and Crochet-in Sunday, February 21

Members of Holy Trinity invite you to their winter "Knit and Crochet-In" to be held on Sunday, February 21, 2016 from 2 - 5 p.m. In case of snow, the event will take place on February 28.

Have some fun, meet new people, bring a project you've been working on or one you would like to start, or even choose one when you get there.

Learn about Holy Trinity's Prayer Shawl Ministry, Warm up America Blankets and other programs that will welcome our handmade shawls, hats, blankets and scarves.

Patterns, ideas and other giveaways will be available. Simple instructions for knitting and crocheting, as well as help from our "experts," will be available, too.

Please call Dianna at 201-843-5769 to let her know you will attend. "Knit and Crochet-In" is open to all who are interested in knitting and crocheting, no matter what level they are. They look forward to seeing you there. The event will take place in the multi-purpose room at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church at 92 Burton Avenue in Hasbrouck Heights.

If you would like to find out more about Holy Trinity, you can visit our website at holytrinityhasbrouckheights.com. *Provided by Judy Danilchick.* ###

## Scouting for Food

Troop 17 and Cub Pack 17 of Hasbrouck Heights will be taking part in the National Scouting program of Scouting For Food on Saturday, March 19, 2016 from 9 a.m. until noon.

Scouts will be coming around to collect donated food and non perishable items for the local food bank.

Please leave items in shopping bags on front steps of your homes. Bags may also be brought to the Hasbrouck Heights Food Bank.

This program provides community service within our own neighborhood and is part of the Good Turn for America, "helping others at all times" program. Please consider making a donation. ###



**Deadline for the March Gazette is February 5th**

## FROM THE PORCH at Holy Trinity

Thanks to all who continue to leave food donations in the box on the porch at 92 Burton Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights. The area food pantries are always particularly grateful to have their shelves restocked after the holidays.

Unfortunately, hunger knows no season so we encourage you to continue to leave something whenever you walk or ride by our Church and we will see that it gets to the food banks.

In addition to food donations, during the month of February, they will also be collecting items for Easter baskets.

## Ministry Collects Ensure Feb. 6-7

Assumption Parish Community will be observing AIDS Compassion Weekend at all the Sunday and Anticipated Masses of February 6-7, 2016.

Please extend a warm welcome to anyone you know living with HIV/AIDS. ###

*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*

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## ThyCa Meetings

Thyroid Cancer Survivors' Association, Inc. will meet on Thursday, February 4, 2016, from 6 to 8 p.m. at The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library. All are welcome. No registration required. For more information call Kerri at 860-938-6996. ###

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## Filling You In

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

### A Reason to Smile

Replacing missing teeth can radically improve a person's smile and quality of life. Whether you're young, old, or in-between, dentures can help improve the way you look, feel, eat, and speak. It can even help your self-confidence.

### What is a denture?

A denture is a custom-made removable replacement for missing teeth and adjacent tissues. It is made of acrylic resin, sometimes in combination with various metals. A full or complete denture replaces all of the teeth, while a partial denture fills in the spaces created by missing teeth and prevents other teeth from changing position.

### What causes tooth loss?

Patients can become entirely edentulous (*without teeth*) due to many reasons, the most prevalent being removal because of dental disease (*e.g., periodontal disease and tooth decay*). Other reasons include tooth developmental defects caused by severe malnutrition, genetic defects, trauma, or drug use.

### Who needs a denture?

Both younger patients and older patients can be fitted for dentures.

Candidates for complete dentures have lost most or all of their teeth. A partial denture is suitable for those who have some natural teeth remaining. Dentures can help patients in a number of ways, including:

- Mastication—chewing ability is improved by replacing edentulous areas with dentures.
- Aesthetics—the presence of teeth provides a natural facial appearance. Wearing a

denture to replace missing teeth provides support for the lips and cheeks, correcting the collapsed appearance that occurs after losing teeth.

- Phonetics—replacing missing teeth helps improve pronunciation of syllables and vowels.

- Self-esteem—patients feel better about themselves.

### How do you care for dentures?

A denture is fragile, so it is important to handle it with care. Remove and brush the denture daily, preferably with a brush designed specifically for cleaning dentures, using a denture cleanser. Never use harsh, abrasive cleansers, including toothpastes, because they may scratch the surface of the denture, leaving it susceptible to plaque and stains.

Don't sterilize your denture with boiling water because it will cause it to become warped. If you wear a partial denture, be sure to remove it before brushing your natural teeth.

### Why do I have to clean my dentures?

Keeping your dentures clean is vital for good oral health and overall health. Like natural teeth, dentures attract plaque, become stained, and collect food particles that can cause bad breath or irritate your gums.

### Should dentures be worn at night?

If you're new to wearing dentures, your dentist may

## Tai Chi Classes

The East Rutherford Memorial Library will be hosting a four class course of Tai Chi classes given by Gary T. McCabe on Mondays for the month of February at 12 p.m.

Tai Chi is an excellent mind body exercise, integrating internal kung fu, meditative awareness, Taoist philosophy, and the physics of effortless movement. Registration is requested, so call 201-939-3930 or email Chris Hartigan at [hartigan@eastrutherford.bccls.org](mailto:hartigan@eastrutherford.bccls.org) ###



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advise you to wear it almost constantly during the first two weeks—even while you sleep. Under normal circumstances, however, it is considered best to remove it at night. Removing the denture at night allows the gum tissue to rest and allows normal stimulation and cleansing by the tongue and saliva.

Clean your dentures in cleanser solution, as directed by your dentist. When not in use, you should soak your dentures in water. Get in the habit of keeping the denture in the same safe and handy place to reduce the likelihood of misplacing it.

### How often should I see my dentist?

It is important to continue having regular dental checkups so your dentist can examine your oral tissues for signs of disease or cancer. As you age, your mouth will continue to change. To maintain a proper fit over time, it may be necessary to adjust or possibly remake your denture. Never attempt to adjust a denture yourself. When in doubt, consult your dentist.

*Reference: Academy of General Dentistry 2013*

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## Free Tai Chi Workshops

The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights will sponsor workshops focused on Tai Chi Short Form. These workshops are free and people of all ages are encouraged to attend.

They will be held once a month in the Senior Center at 320 Boulevard from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the third Monday of every month. No registration is required. Because of holidays, the group will meet on Monday, February 22. The regular schedule will resume in March.

Tai Chi has been referred to as "yoga in motion." It is an exercise system that combines slow, graceful movement with calm regular breathing. Tai Chi has many styles and has become very popular as a means of maintaining good health and feelings of relaxation. These workshops will teach you what Tai Chi is, how to perform the basic movements, and how you benefit from it.

The instructor, Paul Barcia, has been practicing Tai Chi for over 15 years. Paul has been conducting this class for over 3 years for our community. He is a local businessman with a passion for Tai Chi and desire to spread his knowledge and experience. He studied under a well-recognized teacher, B. P. Chan. ###



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# Veterans Today

By Thomas Marshall

February, it is cold and dreary and everyone is waiting for the weather to warm. Well it is nothing new in New Jersey.

For anyone studying history, the winter's effects can be seen in the movements of troops. The colder months in the northern states during the Revolutionary War show large scale troop movements slow down.

Moving through the snow is difficult to do. Getting forage for the horses and oxen as well as supplies of food and winter clothes for the men become the main problems. One of the reasons the war shifts from the northern states to the southern states, I always thought, had something to do with cold winters in the north.

Certainly not the only reason but with the British Generals stationed in a cold New York City basically idle till spring, I figured it was natural for them to think about where they could conduct operations.

History shows they decided to take the southern colonies back from American hands. So, main operations shifted south. There wasn't much snow but they soon found that the southern colonies had their own type of environment that would prove not much easier to operate in. In the south British troops found stifling heat, deep dark swamps and miserable bogs and wet land. They also found plenty of armed patriots. They might have wished they were stuck with the snow.

The British captured Savannah, Georgia on December 29, 1778. To take control of all of Georgia they also captured Augusta, Georgia. The reader would note that the idea here with the British movements is to take control of the southern colonies, but also they expected a large population of southerners to join their ranks and stamp out the rebels and end the Revolution.

That was a good plan as long as you're near the water and you have a large navy to support your movements, this would work. But Georgia is a big land area and there are places where sloops and battle-ships and barges can't go.

Far from the ocean, the British soldier found himself on equal footing with the local patriots to fight it out rifle to rifle in the bogs and dark swamps of the back country, just as the American patriots wanted.

British Brigadier General Augustine Prevost took command of Savannah and as planned immediately wanted the locals to join the British

cause. He sent Lt. Colonel Archibald Campbell to take Augusta and recruit new men for the cause and he did so.

Campbell also sent Colonel John Boyd into the North and South Carolina interior to recruit more men. Boyd did well for himself, collecting over 600 loyalists.

These men had a grand time on the march. Acting like fools instead of soldiers, they robbed and plundered their neighbors that took the side of the American cause. Looting and robbing ultimately worked against the British cause. Anyone that was robbed, certainly would never be coaxed back to the British side.

Colonel John Dooly was an American patriot. He and his men were on the north side of the Savannah River. He joined his men with Colonel Andrew Pickens. They had over 300 men and they were planning to cross the Savannah and conduct operations in Georgia.

On February 10, 1779, they crossed the river and attempted to attack a British camp not far from Augusta. When they reached the campsite they found that the British had left. The British ran to Carr's Fort, a small stockade in the Georgia frontier.

Pickens set up a siege to force them to surrender, but he soon received news that Boyd and his Loyalists were moving through southern South Carolina attempting to reach Augusta. Now what would you do? Drop the siege for a chance to take the larger force of the enemy? Or stick with the siege to capture the sure prize?

Pickens decided to drop the siege and attempted to catch up with Boyd and his larger force. He knew that Boyd and his men would have to cross the river to get into Georgia so he set up his men at the mouth of the Broad River, believing that the Loyalists would cross there, and waited. Boyd didn't cross there. Boyd tried further north, but the Loyalist crossing was contested by a few patriots. He moved even further north and finally crossed the river. Shadowed now by a small patriot force he could not shake or drive off, his movements were well known. Inside the borders of Wilkes County, Georgia now, Boyd and his men rested on a piece of high ground next to Kettle Creek.

Colonel Andrew Pickens now had his chance. The Loyalist camp's position was known and he rushed to the area. Once there his plan was made known to his troops. He would lead an

attack on the camp as Colonel Dooly and his men would circle the right flank and Lt. Colonel Elijah Clarke with his Georgians would circle the left flank. The flanks would move in behind the camp to prevent any loyalist from escaping and they would all be captured or killed.

On February 14, 1779, Colonel John Boyd had posted guards as is proper for any military encampment. Pickens sent forward his scouts and the scouts exchanged gunfire with the guards. This gunfire put the camp on alert.

Surprise was now out of the question but Pickens pressed forward with the attack. Colonel Boyd, now aware of Pickens' approach, formed a battle line close to the creek and moved forward to oppose Pickens.

As the two lines converged the battle was hotly contested. The flash of musketry and gunpowder smoke filled the air as wounded and dead men covered the ground. Dooly's men and Clarke's men had trouble moving through the swamp to circle the Loyalist position but as Pickens' men drove back the Loyalist line the flankers emerged from the trees.

Colonel John Boyd was mortally wounded and command of the Loyalists fell to his second in command, William Spurgen. Spurgen rallied his men and the battle raged on. The loyalists now realizing they are surrounded; many decided it was time to make an escape.

Retreating Loyalists ran across Kettle Creek in the rear of their position to flee. Colonel John Dooly seeing this charged forward with some of his men and killed or captured many of them. He also had his horse shot from under him.

The Loyalist position collapsed from the patriot attack on all sides. Loyalists ran through the swamps to escape. Seventy of them were dead at the Creek and the wounded with those that surrendered were now prisoners. The battle of Kettle Creek was over. A great American victory.

Pickens knew Boyd before the war. Boyd was from South Carolina. Boyd asked Pickens to take a brooch to his wife, which Pickens agreed to do, and then the mortally wounded Boyd died.

This is not a large battle by any means but it was meaningful. The British could now see getting recruits for their army was going to be difficult. They also realized operating in the

interior was going to be not as easy as they wished.

The battle was also American against American. The Loyalists lived here before the war just like the patriots. The only difference was which side they took.

A small cemetery sits on top of the site of the Battle of Kettle Creek now. There is a marker letting passers-by know what happened should they take the time to read it.

February, it is cold and dreary, and the ladies are waiting for Valentine's Day. Men don't forget the ladies or you may wind up buried beside a creek. ###

## Vietnam Veterans of America Meetings

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 800, 100 Main Street, Little Ferry, NJ, cordially invites you to attend their general meetings held on the third Monday of each month at 8 p.m. (*excluding August*).

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# Hasbrouck Heights 5th Grade D.A.R.E. Culmination

On January 14, 2016, 5th Grade students from Hasbrouck Heights Euclid and Lincoln Schools participated in the 27th D.A.R.E. Culmination ceremony at the old gym at the Hasbrouck Heights High School.

Parents and family watched from the bleachers as the stu-

dents marched into the gym, joined in the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of "God Bless America."

Co-Masters of Ceremony, Isabella Franchina, Euclid School, and Daniel Wixon, Lincoln School, made welcoming remarks.

In unison, the 5th Graders

spoke their rights. Comments were made by Mayor Jack DeLorenzo, HH Police Chief Michael Colaneri, and Superintendent Dr. Matt Helfant.

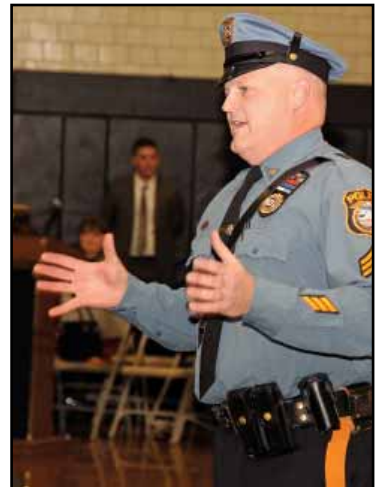
The 5th Grade students provided a musical presentation.

Essay winners Meghan Stellhoorn, Grace Oettinger,

Ava Brescia, Emily Eckert, Wyatt Bugge and Gavin Fiant, were presented with gifts.

D/Sgt. Alan Baker provided concluding remarks.

Students were then treated to a party with refreshments and a DJ. ###



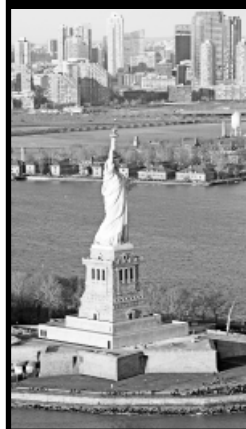
At the conclusion of the Little Ferry annual reorganization meeting on January 7, 2016, two new police officers, Michael Lee and George Shihanian, Jr. were sworn into duty. Photo above include Police Chief Ralph Verdi and Mayor Mauro Raguseo. ###



## Beefing it Up for Special Olympics

On January 22, 2016, the Hasbrouck Heights Police Department held their 14th Annual Beefsteak Fundraiser to benefit the Special Olympics. This was their largest beefsteak ever -- selling out with over 380 attending, generating over \$16,285 and consuming 900 pounds of beef. Their first Beefsteak was held at the Pioneer Club, with subsequent Beefsteaks held at the Hasbrouck Heights VFW. ###

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The Master of Ceremonies were Wood-Ridge Firefighters Dennis Kronyak Jr. and Ex-Chief Thomas Bischoff who made welcoming remarks.

The Ceremony began with Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence. The Invocation was given by WRFD Chaplain, Deacon Frank Matera.

There was the introduction

of officers and the Oath of Office by NJ Senator and Wood-Ridge Mayor, Paul Sarlo.

The 2016 Officers are: Chief of Department Ronald Phillips Jr., First Assistant Chief Kenneth Schulz, Second Assistant Chief Elizabeth Ferry (*the Department's first woman officer*), Captain Michael Cribben, Lieutenant William Bergner, Lieutenant Justin Berta, Corresponding Secretary Gregory Gorab, Recording Secretary Thomas Bischoff Jr. and Treasurer Ron-

ald Phillips Sr.

The Emergency Squad Officers were sworn in by Mayor Paul Sarlo. The 2016 WRFD Emergency Squad Officers - Captain Dennis Kronyak III, Corresponding Secretary Kevin Cribben, Recording Secretary Elizabeth Ferry and Treasurer Steve Sarracino.

Remarks were made by Ex-Squad Captain Anthony Pennisi. Presentations were made.

Recognition was given to FF Scott Sherman who retired in February 2015 after 39 years

of service.

2nd Assistant Chief/EMT Elizabeth Ferry, FF Paramedic Eric Yaple and FF/EMT Daniel O'Beirne were honored for a successful CPR/AED Save for reviving a woman who had gone into cardiac arrest in 2015.

Chief Ronald Phillips Jr., Captain Michael Cribben, Lt. Justin Berta, FF/EMT Gilbert Ruiz, FF/EMT Daniel O'Beirne and EMT Kelly Yaple were honored with an EMS Unit Citation for actions taken at an industrial accident by sav-

ing a man's leg and his life after a severe injury in 2015.

Mayor Sarlo, Fire Commissioner Dominick Azzolini and Chief Ron Phillips Jr. made remarks.

Presentations by Mutual Aid Departments were made to Chief Phillips, followed by a toast by Ex-Chief Ronald Phillips Sr., who also commented that the Department responded to 24 working fires in 2015.

The program concluded with Benediction by Deacon FF Frank Matera. ###





During a Lodi Fire Department meeting on Tuesday, December 29, 2015, members were recognized for their efforts during Hurricane Irene and Superstorm Sandy.

Lodi Fire Fighters Recognized

During the December 29th Department meeting, with the Fire Chiefs and his son, and a standing ovation, Firefighter Al Luna was made an honorary ex-chief and was presented his helmet and badge and authorized to add the ex-chiefs' detailing to his uniform. (The request for a Chief's car was denied.)

Firefighter Luna started in 1965 and held positions of Captain, Lieutenant, President, Vice-President, Trustee, etc. On November 22, 2015 the Lodi Fire Department honored Firefighter Al Luna and the late ex-chief Joe Ciolino on 50 years of dedicated service. ###



Lodi 2016 Fire Department Officers

On January 19, 2016, Mayor Emil Carafa, Jr. gave the Oath of Office to the Officers of the Lodi Fire Department. They are (l-r): Lieutenant Jade Babcock, Lieutenant Sam Millala, Lieutenant Mike Lortz, Lieutenant Antonio Mercado, 3rd Asst. Chief Ron Cannici, 2nd Asst Chief Richard Dowson, 1st Asst. Chief John Funk, Honorary Chief Al Luna, Captain Steven Cassiello, Captain Justin Ricco and Captain Pat Licata. Not shown: Chief Michael Varrecchia. ###



Mayor Dennis Vaccaro administered the Oath of Office to Moonachie Fire Department Officers during the installation dinner on January 22, 2016. The Moonachie Fire Officers: Chief Justin Derevyanik, 1st Assistant Chief William G. Hunt and 2nd Assistant Chief Fred Dressel IV, Captains: Dave Kaneshige, Steve Rozansky, Leuitenants: Frank Smith and Mark Mulvaney. Story and event photos will appear in the March issue of The Gazette Newspaper.###





## HHFD 2016 Officers Take Oath of Office

On January 1, 2016, Mayor Jack DeLorenzo administered the Oath of Office to the Fire Department Officers.

Mayor DeLorenzo administered the Oath of Office individually to Chief Patrick Hayes and Second Assistant

Chief Robert Knobloch.

Mayor DeLorenzo administered the Oath of Office to the Department Officers as a group. The 2016 Fire Department Officers: Secretary, Justin Watrel; Treasurer, David Gum-

brecht. • Engine Company One: Captain, Robert Pietz, Lieutenant, Bernardo Valente; Secretary, Justin Watrel; Treasurer, Christian Semencz. • Engine Company Two: Captain, David Gumbrecht; Lieutenant Alfred

Cirelli; Secretary, Antonio Cirillo Jr.; Treasurer, Patrick Mucha. • Hook and Ladder Company One: Captain, Peter Kolodziej; Lieutenant, Jeffrey Rubino; Secretary, Andrew Waring; Treasurer, Mark

Kubler. • Ambulance Squad: Captain Allison Saabye; Lieutenant, Rebecca Ratkowski; Ambulance/Rescue Secretary, Hipen Shah. Rescue Squad: Captain Kevin Todd; Lieutenant, Michael LeSane. ###

## Little Ferry Fire Department 2016 Officers Take Oath

On Friday, December 18, 2015, The Little Ferry Mayor and Council held a special meeting for the annual reorganization of the Fire Department.

Fire Chief Alfred Gerber III read the annual report of the Fire Department. Secretary Brian W. Busico, Secretary to the Board of Fire Officers, advised the Mayor and Council of the Officers for the year 2016, and upon motion was accepted.

The Oaths of Office were



administered by Fire Commissioner Ronald Anzalone.

Badges were presented to: Chief Michael Mickendrow,

Deputy Chief John C. Schwedhelm, Battalion Chief William Riedel, Capt. Hose Company Lorenzo Migale, Capt. Hook &

Ladder Robert Fuchs, Lt. Hose Company Ryan Romero and Lt. Hook & Ladder Anthony DiBlazio.

Fire Commissioner Anza-

lone presented plaque and Ex-Chief badge to Alfred Gerber III and the white helmet to new Fire Chief Michael Mickendrow. ###

## Carlstadt Fire Department 2016 Officers Take Oath of Office



On the evening of January 8, 2016, the Carlstadt Fire Department installed its 2016 Officers in a ceremony held in the Borough Council Chambers.

The program began with 2015 Chief Thomas Sabia receiving his Ex-Chief's Badge by Carlstadt Mayor Craig Lahullier, who congratulated the Chief on a job well done during his term.

With Mayor Craig Lahullier presiding, the 2016 Officers took their Oaths of Office: Chief Tony D'Amico, Assistant Chief Stephen Capuano, Deputy Chief Brian Cervasio

Battalion Chief Henry Riveros and President of the Board Robert Brown.

• Hook & Ladder Co. #1: Captain Dave Cabri, 1st Lt. Steven Sass Jr. and 2nd Lt. Jason Colombo.

• Bergen Engine Co. #1: Captain James Schmidt, 1st Lt. Dennis Kronyak Jr., 2nd Lt. Larry Lang.

• Working Company Engine Co. #2: Captain Walter Stankiewicz, 1st Lt. James Moore and 2nd Lt. John Sanzari Jr.

• F-Troop Engine Co. #3:

Captain Gene Popejoy Jr., 1st Lt. Gary Colombo and 2nd Lt. Joseph Taylor Jr.

• Emergency Squad: Captain Joseph P. Biggy, 1st Lt. Julio Rodriguez, and 2nd Lt. Thomas J. Sabia.

At the conclusion of all Officers receiving their Oath of Office, 2016 Chief Tony D'Amico presented Battalion Chief Henry Riveros with his Chief's white helmet.

Additionally, a brief ceremony was conducted to honor John Brentzel Jr., who died in the line of duty on December 23, 1993. The Carlstadt Fire Department had his badge retired and a Plaque with that badge was presented to his family. *Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*







At about 10 a.m. on December 17, 2015, a car traveling north on Terrace Avenue, near Harrison Avenue, struck a utility pole causing the pole to break and bring down power wires to the road. The driver reported a neck injury with HH EMS responding and transported to HUMC. The air bag was deployed. No other vehicles were involved. Responding were HH ambulance 603, Fire Engines and Rescue 614. PSE&G and Verizon responded and secured the power and utility lines. ###



## Drive-thru Car Fire

On at about 11:30 p.m. on December 15, 2015, at the Route 17S Taco Bell in Hasbrouck Heights, a 26 year old Rutherford man discovered his car trunk on fire. The fire engulfed the trunk and spread to the passenger compartment. The driver suffered a minor burn to his arm and did not seek medical treatment.

The restaurant closed for the night due to smoke damage and reopened in the morning. The cause of the fire is under investigation. *Photo provided by the HHFD.* ###

## Bus Shatters Utility Pole

On January 13, 2016, at about 8:50 a.m., a No. 76 NJ Transit bus traveling up Hackensack Street across from the Carlstadt Volunteer Ambulance Corps in Carlstadt, pulverized a utility pole, pulled down power lines, a separate street lamp, displaced tree planers, etc.

The operator lost control and claimed that the bus may have slid on black ice. No injuries were reported. The bus suffered extensive damage. The three passengers taking the bus from Newark Penn Station to Hackensack were accommodated on another bus. *Photo by Dennis Kronyak Sr.* ###



On January 8, 2016 at about 2:30 p.m., the Carlstadt Fire Department responded to a garage fire on 2nd Street. There was extensive over hall. No injuries were reported. *Photo by Dennis Kronyak Sr.* ###



Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department escorting Santa around town on December 20, 2015. *Photo by Rob Knobloch.* ###



Wood-Ridge Fire Department escorting Santa around town on December 19, 2015. *Photo by Dennis Kronyak Sr.* ###



Little Ferry Hose Co. #1 make their rounds with Santa up in the chimney to deliver all the toys to the good girls and boys on Christmas morning! They have been doing Operation Santa route going on 30 years now, passing through the town to the delight of all the children and making stops at Firefighters 'homes, where children from surrounding homes could walk up and meet Santa then receive a candy cane from him!

This is the first year they used this float, built by the members of Hose Co. They used their antique 1953 Mack with Santa sitting on the top, but Sandy destroyed that engine and tradition... so a new tradition has begun! *Provided by Gary DeFilippis.* ###





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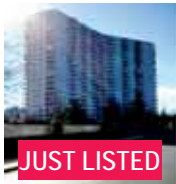
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