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South Hackensack Memorial School held a fundraiser on May 24, 2023 where the 8th Grade Basketball team took on the South Hackensack Police Department. The event was a huge success! In the end, the PD was victorious with a final score of 53-46, but the 8th Grade Bulldogs played hard until the very end! It was such an exciting game! *Photo provided by Scott Team Consulting, LLC. ###*



The Carlstadt Police Department ready to receive the "Torch" from the Wood-Ridge Police Department on Hackensack Street on Friday, June 9, 2023. The 40th Anniversary Annual Law Enforcement Torch Run benefits the Special Olympics. *Photo by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*



On Wednesday, May 17, 2023, Hasbrouck Heights Cub Scout Pack 17 held its Bridging Ceremony. We had six Scouts earn the highest achievement in Cub Scouts, as they earned their Arrows of Light. They then crossed over the bridge and became members of Boy Scout Troop 17.

The 6 boys who bridged over are as follows: Griffin Birth, Connor Simmons, Markellos Mavrianos, Jared Thomasey, Tyler Stenten and Aaron Desire. *Provided by Craig Birth. ###*



On Sunday, June 11, 2023, the Wood-Ridge Strikers U11 boys won their final game for the spring season, finishing the season undefeated with a record of 8-0-2 in the 10 games played topping the flight of of six teams. The team worked hard this spring and their teamwork and dedication truly paid off. *Provided by Ben Walsh. ###*



Memorial School of South Hackensack celebrated Arbor Day on April 28, 2023. Pictured are Kathy Veprek, Shade Tree Member, Frank Cagas, Committee Member and Shade Tree Chairman and Jason Chirichella, School Superintendent. Members of the 7th and 8th Grade wrote poems to commemorate the day. *Photo by Brian Veprek. ###*



The Woman's Club of Carlstadt presented 70 Mother's Day gift bags to the residents at The Center for Hope and Safety. The center offers a safe refuge and support to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and human trafficking. Their programs and services inform survivors of their options and support them in their choices. Pictured on the left, Carol Dalessandro, Civic Engagement and on the right, Janet Drogo, Outreach Chair and committee member. *###*



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AL Picnic  
Sept. 9

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

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

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

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

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

**Beefsteak  
Sept. 15**

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

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

Pig Roast  
July 15

Sons of the American Legion Squadron 310 will host the Art Jensen Jr. Annual Pig Roast on Saturday, July 15, 2023, from 3 to 7 p.m. at their Post, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry.

Cost is \$30 in advance. \$35 after July 11. Children under 12 eat free.

Menu includes hamburgers, hot dogs, BBQ chicken, two-100 lb. pigs, London Broil, fresh corn on the cob, mussels and salads, beer and soda.

Music by DJ Bill Regan. Permit # 103362. For additional information, please call 201-807-0470. ###

Free Lunch  
Saturday

The First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie for the "Free Lunch Saturday" program, will be held July 8, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.

July lunch is turkey sandwiches (while supplies last).

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

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Beefsteak  
September 22

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

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

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

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

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

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Beefsteak  
November 18

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

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

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

Elks Breakfast  
1st Sunday

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

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



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# Golf Outing July 17

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Lower Bergen County (BG-CLBC) will host its 18th Annual Elite Golf Outing on Monday, July 17, 2023 at the Arcola Country Club in Paramus.

Registration and complimentary breakfast begin at 7:30 a.m., followed by a shotgun start at 9 a.m., a catered lunch, open bar, silent auction, exciting contests and awards immediately following, around 1 p.m.

The cost of admission is \$435 per golfer or \$1,700 per foursome. Lunch tickets are \$100 each and sponsorship opportunities are available for as little as \$225.

Funds from the 18th Annual Elite Golf Outing will support youth programs and services the BGCLBC provides across its six locations.

To participate in the golf outing, become a sponsor or learn more, visit [www.bgcclbc.org/elite-golf](http://www.bgcclbc.org/elite-golf).

For more information, contact Melissa McKinney at [melissa.mckinney@bgcoflodi.org](mailto:melissa.mckinney@bgcoflodi.org) or 974-473-7410, ext. 104. ###

# Wind Creek Casino Trip Oct. 7

The Wood-Ridge Lions Club will sponsor a bus trip to Wind Creek Casino in Bethlehem, PA, on October 7, 2023. Cost is \$40 (*paid in advance*).

Upon arrival, a \$25 slot voucher will be given. A 50/50 and a raffle will be held during travel time. All attendees must be 21 or over and have valid government issued ID.

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# W-R PBA Golf Outing Sept. 11

The Wood-Ridge PBA Local #313 is hosting their 23rd Annual Golf Outing on September 11, 2023 at Wild Turkey at Crystal Springs Golf Course, Hamburg, NJ.

Registration and breakfast from 7 to 8 a.m. Shotgun start at 8:30 a.m.

Fees are \$175 per golfer. \$700 per foursome. \$200 for tee and green sponsors. Special donations: One vest donation \$1,000; Beverage cart sponsor \$1,500.

Includes greens fees and cart, breakfast, lunch at the turn, banquet dinner, beer/wine, gifts and prizes.

Please RSVP to Fran at 201-939-0476 opt 4 or email: [fpolito@woodridgepolice.org](mailto:fpolito@woodridgepolice.org).

Make checks payable to Wood-Ridge PBA #313 and send to: Wood-Ridge PBA #313, 85 Humboldt Street, Wood-Ridge, NJ 07075 Attn: Golf Committee. ###

# Mount Zion Baptist Church Celebrates 100th Anniversary

"100 Years and Still Serving," Mt. Zion is "The Church with the Big Heart," established in 1923 and incorporated 1926 in South Hackensack.

Celebration events: July 15, 2023, noon in Veterans Park, Phillips Avenue, South Hackensack (*rd July 16*). On July 22 at 11:30 a.m. there will be a Banquet Luncheon at The Graycliff, Moonachie. On July 23 at 11 a.m. there will be a Worship Service, 25 Rev. Dr. Robert L. Curry Drive, South Hackensack. For more information call 201-487-6277. ###

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# Bergen County LGBTQ Seniors Meet July 11, 17, 21

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

The next meetings are on Tuesday, July 11, Monday, July 17 and Friday, July 21. The Tuesday meeting will be held at The Rutherford Pancake House, 40 Park Avenue, Rutherford and the Monday meeting will be held at CoZie Café, 14-25 Plaza Road N (*Radburn Plaza Building*), Fair Lawn. Light lunch will be served at the in person meetings.

Contact us at [Nick@bergen-countyLGBTQ.org](mailto:Nick@bergen-countyLGBTQ.org) or 201-470-8946 for info and/or the link. ###

# Rummage Sale July 20, 21, 22

The Annual Summer Rummage Sale at the First Reformed Church, Hasbrouck Heights, will be held Thursday, July 20, and Friday, July 21, 5:30 to 8 p.m., and Saturday, July 22, 2023, 9:30 a.m. to noon. Contributions accepted. Call the Church office for further information at 201-288-1122. ###

# Friday Night Dancing

The Hasbrouck Heights Elks Lodge 1962, 128 Baldwin Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights, will host dancing every Friday night from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. with DJ Gerri. Cost is \$12 at the door. Coffee included. Cash bar. For more information, call Cathy at 1-386-852-4881. ###

# Lodi Mayor & Council Reorganization July 1

Lodi Mayor and Council will hold their re-organization meeting at noon on July 1, 2023 at the Lodi Memorial Park Amphitheater. The public is welcome to attend. ###

# Resorts World July 25

On Tuesday, July 25, 2023, the Hasbrouck Heights VFW Post 4591 will sponsor a bus trip to Resorts World Casino, Catskills, NY. The cost is \$40 (*paid in advance*). Join us for a continental breakfast starting at 9 a.m. Play Bingo, 50/50. Sit back and enjoy entertainment. Bus leaves the VFW parking lot at 10 a.m.

For information, call Diane at 201-475-8898 or Gladys at 201-288-9074. ###

# FOCAS Holds Flea Market

FOCAS Flea Market will be held Saturday, July 1, 2023, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the American Legion, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry. Note that 2023 Flea Markets will be Saturday only events.

This market features specialty items that make unique gifts, a selection of household items, jewelry, collectibles, linens, games, toys, pet supplies, cds/videos, and more. Refreshments and baked goods are available.

Flea Market merchandise donations of clean, gently used or new items are gratefully accepted. (*Not accepted are TVs, PC monitors, golf bags and clubs, exercise and sports equipment, clothes or magazines or any items that are broken or not working.*)

They may be dropped off at the American Legion on Friday from 3 to 6 p.m.

All proceeds benefit homeless animals. For additional information, call the FOCAS Help Line at 201-943-4019, email [info@focasnews.org](mailto:info@focasnews.org), or visit [www.focasnews.org](http://www.focasnews.org)

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# Rutherford Baby Parade

The Rutherford Recreation Department 90th Annual Baby Parade will be held on Saturday, July 1, 2023. Check-in at 9:30 a.m. at 56 Elliott Place with 10 a.m. start time. Parade travels to Lincoln Park.

Rutherford residents, ages newborn through 5 years old, can participate in this adorable Rutherford tradition. Residents are encouraged to decorate their child's stroller, bike, wagon, etc., with patriotic or other themes and to have their children dress for the role.

This is a wonderful community event that showcases the artistic talent of parents and the incredible cuteness factor in Rutherford children. Pre-register at <http://rutherfordnj.recedesk.com>

The Grand Prize winner will receive a \$100 and 10 runner-ups will receive \$50. Event is sponsored by the Recreation Office. For additional information, call 201-460-3015.

After the parade, The Junior Woman's Club Chalk Drawing Contest will be held on Highland Cross. ###

# Rutherford Fireworks

On Saturday, July 1, 2023, fireworks are scheduled to be held at Memorial Park. Festivities begin around 7 p.m. DJ entertainment. Event sponsored by Felician University. Bring your lawn chair. ###

# Last Man Standing Raffle

American Legion Auxiliary Unit #142 is is hosting a Last Man Standing 50-50. 200 tickets to be sold. Winner will receive \$2,000. Donation is \$20. Winner need not be present. No substitution of prize given. Drawing is October 21, 2023 at 7 p.m. at the Post, 135 East Passaic Street, Maywood (294-6-42837). Bring your own snacks. Cash bar. Doors open at 6 p.m. Fund-raiser supports community projects. For tickets, call Debbie at 551-587-3699. ###

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## LF Washington School to be Demolished

Washington School, the 109-year-old elementary school that closed June 2018 due to its deteriorating condition will be demolished this summer to make way for a new school building.

The school was severely damaged during Superstorm Sandy, which left the school's gym, five classrooms and a computer lab under 4 feet of water.

Nike funded a new water-proof gym floor, and hundreds of thousands of dollars were spent on repairs to reopen the damaged classrooms.

But there were still building issues: The roof leaked, its classrooms were flood-prone, the walls hid asbestos and the school did not meet accessibility standards.

An architect and engineer inspected classrooms after part of a ceiling fell in a room the previous December. More compromised ceilings were found, each costing \$12,000 to \$15,000 to replace.

The district spent more than \$130,000 on emergency repairs, when officials learned that it would take millions more to fix. At the time, a feasibility study put the cost to rehabilitate the building at more than \$9 million.

It doesn't include costs for a much-needed addition to support current enrollment and the modernization of spaces.

Despite repairs over the years to preserve the building, Washington School no longer met building and accessibility codes, and classrooms and oth-

er spaces became outdated and in need of extensive updates.

Simply put, the brick building's 13 classrooms are unable to meet the district's needs.

That led to the decision to vacate the building in 2018. First and Second Grade classes moved into 16 modular classrooms behind Memorial School. Grades Kindergarten, 3 and 4 attend classes in the Elementary Building located in the Memorial Middle School.

"You have to remember this building is over 100 years old," said Superintendent Frank Scarafie, who is leaving the district next month after 18 years. "We've looked at every angle to preserve the building. It's part of Little Ferry's history. But we really need to look forward at what the community needs."

Plans for a new, larger building include science labs, modern classrooms and a cafeteria with a working kitchen.

Current plans call for a new middle school at the Washington School site, and for Memorial School to serve students in pre-K through 5th Grade.

The initial phase includes clearing the site. Work is slated to begin in June 2023. And is

expected to take four months. The site will be secured by a full perimeter fence.

Little Ferry Public Schools plan to honor the history of Washington School.

The district will inform the community about the project through a dedicated website, [lfboe.org/LittleFerryFuture](http://lfboe.org/LittleFerryFuture). Email questions about the project to: [LittleFerryFuture@lfboe.org](mailto:LittleFerryFuture@lfboe.org) Provided by Christine Jenter. ###

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Any East Rutherford senior resident, 50 years or older, is welcome to join the Club. Meetings are held at 1 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at the Senior Civic Center, 37 Vreeland Avenue. Refreshments are served. There are special events and parties for members.

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

• July 13: Something Rotten (comedy), SurfFlight Theatre, Beach Haven and lunch to follow. Bus leaves CVS parking lot at 9 a.m. sharp. \$65 pp.

• July 17: Caesars Atlantic Bus Trip. Bus leaves CVS parking lot at 9:30 sharp. \$35 pp. \$30 back slot play.

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

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

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

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

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Senior Friendship Club, Inc. meets at the Civic Center Building, every first and third Wednesday of each month. Every Thursday, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., card games and Mexican Train/dominoes.

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

**Trips**

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

• July 12: Wind Creek Casino. Leaves at 9 a.m., returns about 4 p.m. \$4. Bring ID (\$25 slots).

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

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

**Vic's Hoofers**

If you would like to meet new people and make new friends in a very welcoming environment, the Vic's Hoofers - a social organization - is for you.

We meet the first Thursday of the month at the Carlstadt Community Centre to enjoy and play a fun, interactive game. If you would care to join us, please call Alice Wood at 201-933-8561. ###

**LF Seniors**

Meetings are second Thursday of each month at 1 p.m. Refreshments are served. Bingo is the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 12 p.m., Pokeno is every Friday at 12:30 p.m. All meetings and games are held at Little Ferry Senior Center, 95 Main Street. New members always welcome. Dues are \$10 per year. Call Mary for further information at 201-686-8424. ###

**AARP Chapter  
#2015 Lodi**

LODI AARP Chapter #2015 has announced its 2023 scholarship winner. The \$500 award has been given to Olivia Volpe of Pompton Plains. Olivia, the daughter of Kristy and Marc Volpe and the granddaughter of Marie Volpe of Lodi, is a 2023 graduate of Pequannock High School. She plans to attend Ramapo College of New Jersey in the Fall.

The AARP Chapter #2015 of Lodi meets at noon the third Tuesday of every month at the Lodi Senior Citizens Building, 22 Walnut Place. Each meeting will have either a speaker or entertainment as well as light refreshments. New members are welcome. 2023 dues are \$10 for the year. National AARP membership is also required. For membership information contact Stan at 973-779-8544.

• July 18, 2023: Regular monthly meeting. Speaker: CBD, Medical Marijuana, Pain Management & Over the Counter Drugs.

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

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

• September 20: Bus Trip - Wind Creek Casino & Resort, Bethlehem, Pa. Ticket Info: TBA

*Provided by Kathleen Zaleski. ###*

**Moonachie  
Senior Club**

The Moonachie Senior Club meets every 3rd Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. Prior to the meeting, a nurse is available for health check-up and blood pressure screening.

Enjoy seasonal activities, informational speakers, special events and refreshments. Moonachie residents 60+ are welcome. Dues are \$10 a year. Call Maria at 201-819-4741.

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W-R Lions Step Up To Aid Camp Marcella

When Past District Governor and Wood-Ridge Lions Club Secretary, Dennis Brubaker, gave his report from the District Meeting to the Wood-Ridge Lions Club Board of Directors, it included an urgent appeal from the Directors of Camp Marcella.

The camp, located in Sussex County, has been the source of summer fun for many blind, sight impaired and severely handicapped youth.

The old wooden dock needed to be replaced to meet ADA requirements. The new floating dock equipped with protective guardrails and special ramps to accommodate wheel chairs and floating devices is going to cost \$40,000. In addition, a special dock gangway to connect the dock to land will cost an additional \$4,500.

The Camp Directors are reaching out to all clubs in the state for whatever support they can get. They are also submitting requests to both Lions International and NJ District 16N for any grant money that may be available.

The Wood-Ridge Lions Club Board of Directors voted

unanimously to donate the \$4,500 to cover the cost of the Dock Gangway required.

This was a huge help in order to get the dock installed for this year. Camp Marcella President Mike Pacala and Camp Executive Director/Treasurer Jose Nieto, who are both Past District Governors, expressed their sincere gratitude to the Wood-Ridge Club for this special request donation and also their continued annual support to help Camp Marcella provide the necessary means to accommodate the blind, sight impaired and physically challenged youth.

Also, at the Board of Director's meeting, the Scholarship Committee announced the recipients of 2023 Wood-Ridge Lions Scholarships. Three awards of \$1,500 were presented to Wood-Ridge High School Seniors at the High School Award Ceremonies on June 6:

Owen Caprio, in honor of the late Vinny Pascale and All Charter Club Members, Emile Dine, in the names of the late Jim Love and Phil Rottini. Satvik Gupta, in the name of the late William J. Nagel.

Awards of \$1,000 were sent to Lukas Tegge, a graduate of the Bergen County Academies, in the name of Lion Jack Nagel and Tyler Iglesias, a graduate of Bergen Tech - Teterboro in the name of all current Club Members.

The Club is now off for the summer and will meet again in September to begin our 83rd year of service to the community, state and the world as part of Lions Club International.

If you would like to "Help Us, Help Others" please mail your check to Wood-Ridge Lions Club, P.O. Box 166, Wood-Ridge, NJ 07075. *Provided by Jack Nagel. ###*

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Full Buck Moon

July's full "Buck Moon" is coming up—rising after sunset on Monday, July 3, 2023. This will be the biggest and brightest supermoon of the year, reaching peak illumination at 2:39 p.m. EDT. It will be below the horizon at that time, so plan to look towards the southeast after sunset to watch it rise into the sky.

While a supermoon is technically bigger and brighter than a regular full Moon, it only appears about 7% larger—an imperceptible difference to the human eye!

According to the Farmer's Almanac, The full Moon in July is called the "Buck Moon" because the antlers of male deer (bucks) are in full-growth mode at this time. Bucks shed and regrow their antlers each year, producing a larger and more impressive set as the years go by.

It is also often called the "Full Thunder Moon," for the reason that thunderstorms are most frequent during this time. Another name for July's moon is the "Full Hay Moon" and "Halfway Summer Moon."

Other names reference animals, including "Feather Moulting Moon" (Cree) and "Salmon Moon," a Tlingit term indicating when fish returned to the area and were ready to be harvested.

Plants are also featured prominently in July's Moon names. Some favorites are "Berry Moon" (*Anishinaabe*), "Moon When the Chokecherries are Ripe" (*Dakota*), "Month of the Ripe Corn Moon" (*Cherokee*), and "Raspberry Moon" (*Algonquin, Ojibwe*).

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. ###

July Flower  
Larkspur

Just A Thought

By Fritz Rethage

The Forgotten War

It was the first conflict of the Cold War.

At the end of the Second World War, Korea – which was occupied by Japan – was divided between North and South Korea, along the 38th Parallel.

By mid-1950 the North Korean Peoples Army (KPA) was made up of ten infantry divisions plus other units totalling some 223,000 men and supported by the Soviet Union. They invaded South Korea on June 25, 1950.

With indirect support from Communist China and the Soviet Union, 75,000 Communist troops overran the pro-Western South.

Republic of Korea (ROK) defenders had no tanks, artillery or heavy weapons to defend the position.

Within five days, the South Koreans lost 73,000 troops, and it's capital Seoul. The Communists rapidly advanced southwards, trapping South Korean and American troops in a 140 mile perimeter around the port of Pusan. July 1950 to September 18, 1950.

The United Nations immediately encouraged its members to support South Korea. More than 55 nations contributed to the South Korean cause with troops, supplies, or other forms of aid. Twenty-one countries participated militarily. The United States sent about 90% of the troops.

The United Nations commander General MacArthur ordered an amphibious landing at Inchon, a port halfway up the Korean Peninsula, September 15, 1950. His forces were able to drive the KPA back northwards to the Yalu River,

the border between China and North Korea.

China entered the war at this point and, again, pushed United Nations forces back into the south.

During the first half of 1951 fighting stalled. For the next two years, the opposing armies continued to face each other in trenches little more than a mile apart.

On July 27, 1953, an armistice was signed at Panmunjom by officials from the United States, the People's Republic of China, North Korea and South Korea, agreeing that Korea would remain a divided country, bringing the fighting to an end.

A demilitarized zone, DMZ, was created by adding 1.2 miles along each side of the 38th Parallel. Both sides maintain strong military occupation. The U.S. military today is reportedly 28,500.

While the Armistice ended all hostilities, no peace treaty has ever been signed between the North and South Korea. In essence, the war never ended.

The three-year war was exceptionally bloody and led to the deaths of 3 million people and tens of thousands of casualties.

• US Deaths: 36,574; (*Hostile*: 33,739, *Non-Hostile*: 2,835)

• US Wounded in Action - 103,284

• MIA: 7,600

• South Korea: 217,000 military, 1,000,000 civilian

• North Korea: 406,000 military, 600,000 civilian

• China: 600,000 military

This July 27, 2023 marks the 70th Anniversary of the end of the hostilities and pays tribute to those who served, fought and died on the Korean peninsula.

On behalf of those who served in Korea, on Memorial Day, please take a few moments to reflect on the loss of our blood and treasure -- that they were not forgotten -- by a forgotten war. ###

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Little Ferry Veterans 2023 Memorial Day Service

Little Ferry held services at Veterans Monument in front of the Memorial School on Liberty Street on May 27, 2023 at 11 a.m. Chaplain Victor Ruggiero gave the Invocation and Benediction. The "National Anthem" and "God Bless America" were sung by Barbara Demczyszyn. Wreaths were placed by several Veterans and community organizations. The Vietnam Veterans of America gave the rifle salute. John T. Garland piped "Amazing Grace" and "Military Service Themes." Little Ferry Mayor Mauro D. Raguseo, Bergen County Executive James J. Tedesco, BC Commissioners and Sheriff Anthony Cureton provided remarks. Veteran Fritz Rethage spoke about the Forgotten War. Refreshments were served at the Posts. This annual event is alternately sponsored by American Legion Post 310 and VFW Post 809. Previously, there was also a service in front of the Washington School. As the school is slated to be demolished, that monument was decommissioned and combined with the Monument in front of the Memorial School. ###



Hasbrouck Heights Memorial Day 2023 Service

On May 29, 2023, Hasbrouck Heights Veterans hosted a Memorial Service. Sal Altomare sang "God Bless America." Pastor Eric Dammann, Bible Baptist Church, gave the Invocation and Benediction. American Legion Commander Patrick McCarthy, Mayor Jack DeLorenzo and Colonel Timothy MacDonald made remarks. The roll call was read. Veterans, Scouts and the public placed "Poppies" at the base of the Monument. "Taps" was played by Kristen Abrenica and Alfonsus Agapinan. The traditional parade was canceled. ###

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CFD Service

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Mayor Robert Zimmerman, Fire Commissioner David Stoltz, Chief Robert Ordway (President NJSFA), Past Chief Richard Foy and Deputy Chief Robert Ruff, Jr. made remarks.

There was a presentation of Memorial Wreaths roll call, tolling of the bell, Piper Sharon Dunn played "Amazing Grace." A Department inspection and refreshments followed. *Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*



Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department 2023 Memorial Service

On May 29, 2023, a service was held at the Firemen's Memorial at The Circle, to honor and recognize the service of past Department members. *###*



Lodi Fire Department 2023 Memorial Service

The Lodi Fire Department held a Memorial Day Service on May 29, 2023. Department members, Police, EMS assembled in front of the Kennedy Firehouse and marched into Memorial Park.

The Department Chaplain, Peter Christiana, gave the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and "National Anthem."

The Fire Chiefs placed wreaths at the base of the monument. There was a roll call of the deceased members. "Taps" was played. Mayor Scott Luna made remarks. *###*



Wood-Ridge Fire Department 2023 Memorial Service

The Wood-Ridge Fire Department held their annual memorial on May 31, 2023. Exempt Association President Thomas Bischoff, Jr. led the service. Deacon Nick Valdez gave the Invocation and Benediction. Fire Chief Kenneth Schulz, Fire Commissioner Phil Romero and Mayor Paul Sarlo made remarks. The 134 names of deceased members were read with the tolling of the bell. *Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*





## Honoring Those Who Served

Mayor Scott Luna joined members of Lodi American Legion Post 136, Auxiliary Unit 136 and SAL Squadron 136, along with Boy Scouts from Paramus Troop 138 and Lodi Girl Scouts placed flags at St. Nicholas and Lodi Cemeteries on Saturday, May 20, 2023, in advance of the Memorial Day observance. *Photo by Margaret Frontera. ###*



## Carlstadt Street Fair Scenes

Event was held June 11, 2023 on Hackensack Street. Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###



## Memorial Flag Garden

On May 20, 2023, Armed Services Day, the Third Annual Memorial Day Flag Garden Service was held at First Reformed Church, Washington and Burton Avenues, Hasbrouck Heights. Each flag represents a man or woman who died in service, or since their return. Visitors were encouraged to wander among the flags and offer a prayer of gratitude for those who loved country more than life. The flags will remain until mid-July. ###



## All Female Rifle Team

Lodi American Legion Auxiliary Unit 136 Forms All Female Rifle Team for Memorial Day Services.

At the urging of Post Commander Fran Carrasco, Auxiliary members from Joseph M. Lane American Legion Post 136 formed an all female rifle team to participate in Memorial Day services at the Post on May 29, 2023. Pictured left to right: Linda Carrasco, Post Commander Fran Carrasco, Lorraine Carrasco-Rake, Margaret Frontera, Auxiliary President Sharon Salvacion and Sue Vomero.

The Auxiliary meets the second Monday of each month at the Post and welcomes new members. For more information, email [ALAUnit136LodiNJ@gmail.com](mailto:ALAUnit136LodiNJ@gmail.com) *Provided by Margaret Frontera. ###*





# Scenes From the W-R Street Fair June 11



## Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful

Project "Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful" celebrated its 23rd year on Sunday, June 4, 2023. Over 200 volunteers participated. It was held outdoors from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The purpose of this event is to raise awareness of our environment and the impact of litter. Hackensack Street and Valley Boulevard were cleaned, while flowers were freshly planted at the Library, Civic Center, Senior Center, Veterans Park on Valley Boulevard, C.E.

Doyle School and the Bianchi House historical property.

A shredding event was also held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the corner of Valley Boulevard and Highland Avenue, sponsored by the Bergen County Board of Health and BCUA.

This year's 2023 tee shirt art design contest was offered to students in Grades 7-8 with the winner, Ms. Eva Grace Amato-Mendez, receiving a check for \$100 at the day's event, compliments of the Mayor

and Council, with her artwork design and name prominently displayed on the front of each tee shirt.

A special thank you to Wendy's Restaurant of Wood-Ridge for providing the lemonade truck for all to enjoy! In addition, a big thank you to Spencer Savings Bank and Kearny Federal Bank for their giveaways, Tullo Ice of Hasbrouck Heights for their donation and the Bergen County Department of Health for the

use of their cleaning utensils.

It was gratifying to see the shared efforts of many organizations in town including the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Knights of Columbus, Transformation Life Church, WRHS National Honor Society students, Police Department, Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary, DPW, along with individual families all working together with enthusiasm and cooperation for the betterment of Wood-Ridge.

Wood-Ridge is a special place to live and it was certainly evident that friends and neighbors take pride in our community. I would like to encourage all residents and business owners to do their part to "Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful" all year round by picking up litter and recycling. Set an example for all to follow!

*Provided by Wood-Ridge Councilmen Ezio Altamura and Ed Marino, Co-Chairmen, KWRB. ###*





# Scenes From the Heights Street Fair June 4





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## PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

(Never known to fail) Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and show me, herein you are my mother, Oh, Holy Mary, Mother Queen of Heaven and Earth! I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. There are some that can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein you are my mother.

Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3x). Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3x). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal.

You who gave me the gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me, I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. thank you for your mercy toward me and mine.

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*'The clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power to tell just when the hands will stop, at late or early hour. Now is the only time you own. Live, love, toil with a will. Place no faith in time. For the clock may soon be still.' Unknown.*



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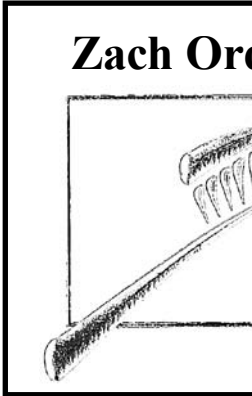




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**Filling You In**

By Jeffrey E. Mason, DMD, FAGD.

**How to keep your teeth for a lifetime**

It's a common myth that senior citizens are destined to lose their teeth. There is no reason seniors cannot keep their teeth for a lifetime, since tooth loss is simply the result of an oral disease – not the aging process.

The elderly, who make up the fastest growing segment of the U.S. population, are healthier and have kept more of their natural teeth than prior generations. But there's still room for improvement. Many seniors do not visit a dentist even once a year – one of the key preventive strategies in ensuring that teeth last a lifetime.

Family members should encourage seniors who are disabled or have trouble getting around to seek dental care. Seniors planning to enter

a nursing home should inquire about on-site dental care.

Regular dental visits are especially important for older people since many suffer from dry mouth, which slows down the flow of saliva. Saliva plays a major role in preventing tooth decay by rinsing away food particles and neutralizing harmful acids.

Dry mouth often comes with advanced age, but can also be caused by medications like antihistamines, decongestants, antidepressants and diuretics. Dry mouth can often be treated by a dentist.

Along with regular dental visits, seniors should floss daily and brush twice a day with a fluoride toothpaste. They should also ask their dentist about fluoride rinses and gels, since studies show that seniors who brush regularly with fluoride toothpaste or use a fluoride

rinse or gel regularly have fewer cavities.

Seniors are most likely to get cavities where old fillings have chipped or where root surfaces are left unprotected by receding gums.

Other suggestions for keeping teeth for a lifetime: snack in moderation and avoid snacks with sugars and starches, and alert the dentist to any change in medication.

Following these preventive measures should help prevent seniors from having to wear dentures. But even seniors with no teeth still need to visit the dentist regularly, since many aspects of oral health, such as adjusting ill-fitting dentures and oral cancer screenings, can be handled at routine dental visits.

*Reference: Academy of General Dentistry: Reviewed: January 2012*

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**Footnotes**

By Dr. Kenya Lazovik, DPM

**Consider orthotics to reduce knee pain**

Foot orthotics are custom arch supports that fit into your shoes. They can change your foot biomechanics and correct misalignment. Orthotics can make a significant impact on reducing or eliminating knee pain.

5 ways orthotics help knee pain:

- Orthotics can change how stress is distributed through the foot and ankle as weight is more evenly distributed over the bottom of your feet. This will ultimately change the distribution of forces through your knee.

- Orthotics can be made of shock-absorbing materials that reduce stress through the ankle and knee as you move.

- By changing the alignment of your feet and ankles you are changing the alignment of your knee.

For instance, when your foot excessively pronates (*rolls inward*) the lower leg and knee will rotate internally. This excessive torque can cause knee pain. By preventing excessive pronation orthotics improve the knee's alignment and reduce pain and pressure to knee, especially the medial component (*closest to the other leg*).

- Orthotics can make up

for biomechanical or structural issues in your feet and ankles that affect ankle and knee range of motion such as equinus and limb length discrepancies.

- Orthotics can prevent knee injury. A recent study of women's college basketball players found that ACL injuries were 7.14 times more likely in players who were not wearing foot orthoses.

If you are experiencing knee pain and want to find out if treating your foot function might help reduce your knee pain, call your local podiatrist today to be evaluated.

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

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Historically Speaking

By James J. Halloran



Mid-town Direct

Why is the top of the Empire State Building shaped that way? Was it just the Deco-Modern style of the 1930s or was it built for a special purpose?

In that era, it was surmised that international air travel would be by zeppelin. At that time, airplanes, had neither the range or the ability to carry many passengers. Traveling by sea took between five to fourteen days. This depended on the type of ship.

Zeppelins, like the GRAF ZEPPELIN and the HINDENBURG, could make the trip in just under three days.

When the Empire State Building was in the planning stage, it was proposed that a mooring post be added atop the building to dock zeppelins. Passengers could disembark in midtown New York. However, officials of New York, wisely vetoed the idea. All zeppelin arrivals to the NYC area were routed to the US Navy Air Station, Lakehurst, New Jersey.

A zeppelin is a lighter than air craft. The difference between a blimp or balloon is that the zeppelin has a rigid internal frame. The others do not. The zeppelin was the idea of Ferdinand Graf (Count) von Zeppelin.

Count Zeppelin was a young German Army officer in 1863. At that time, he was sent as an observer to the American Civil War. While in America, he was able to ascend in a balloon. The Union Army used balloons to observe and scout Confederate positions during the war. These balloons were tied to the ground.

Upon his retirement from the army in 1891, the Count devoted all of his time in developing rigid and powered lighter than air craft that could be steered. His first three airships nearly bankrupted him.

However, the German Imperial Army purchased his fourth airship. They would be

the main customer until the end of the First World War. Zeppelins were used as long-range bombers attacking Paris and London.

The Count died in 1917. His company would, after the war, build passenger carrying airships. The two most famous were the GRAF ZEPPELIN and the HINDENBURG.

The GRAF ZEPPELIN was 776 feet in length and 100 feet in diameter. During its career it made 590 flights and carried 34,000 passengers. It made the first passenger carrying flight around the world.

The HINDENBURG was 804 feet long and 135 feet in diameter. Both airships used hydrogen gas to make them lighter than air. The United States had the largest supply of helium gas, but refused to supply this to Germany for political reasons.

The zeppelin passenger carrying service came to a fiery end on May 6, 1937, at 7:25 pm. This is when the HINDENBURG was attempting to land at NAS Lakehurst, in New Jersey. A fire and explosion brought the airship down. There were 97 passengers and crew on board. Only 62 survived. The German Government would later scrap the GRAF ZEPPELIN.

Next time you view the New York skyline, just picture an 800-foot zeppelin attached to the Empire State Building. ###



Artful Thinking

By Artie Maglionico • Lodi Historian

July 2023

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

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

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

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

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

I guess to me and the generations of students who walked through those, dimly

lit, hallowed halls of their Alma Mater it will forever be LHS. "Near the Saddle River waters on a lofty hill stands our noble alma mater praised in glory still."

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

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

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

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

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

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

That experience was a first

for me and I cherished every bit of it. As the Borough Historian it was a trip into the deepest recesses of the past as far back as the eye could see. On those ancient walls were the names of those students who passed that way over the years. Names that dated back to the earliest origins of LHS. At the urging of Mark Nocito and Principal Michael Cardone, who gave me a magic marker, I signed my name and Graduation date on that same wall; Artie Mags Class of 1965. Now that was a trip down memory lane. Thanks again to Principal Michael Cardone and Custodian Mark Nocito.

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

In the meantime, have a happy and safe 4th of July. Having an outdoor get together? Well don't forget to take me along. I like my burgers well done thank you very much, heavy on the ketchup.

On July 14th the Rock and Roll group, The Individuals, will be performing at the Lodi Amphitheater. The concert begins at 7 p.m. sharp and is sure to attract a standing room only crowd. Better get there early.

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

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## Let's Go Traveling!

By Rick Ardis

### Booking Early July 2023

Early in my career in the travel industry, making plans early was essential. For trips during periods like Christmas, Hanukkah, New Year's, Thanksgiving, and other days of celebration and national holidays, it was even more important.

Back then there was often only one flight per day to many destinations and they filled quickly. At the time, Newark was not an international airport so a trip to Kennedy was required. The flights would often fill up ten months in advance during this era.

In 1978 the Airline Deregulation Act set in motion many changes within the transportation and travel industries. As more carriers entered the business, existing lines were also allowed to begin new routes, expanding competition. As the number of flights exploded, so did new destinations and resorts.

The expansion of capacity eventually spilled over into other areas of the industry. Choices of cruises also increased exponentially. Vacation travel had become far more commonplace and affordable.

Over the last 20 years, last-minute deals could often be found to fill excess capacity on airplanes, cruise ships,

and at hotels. Many travelers would often wait, searching for discounts on close-in bookings.

While some bargains can still be found during slower travel periods, the pendulum has begun to swing back.

As the world has begun to emerge from the effects of the pandemic, demand is outstripping capacity in many sectors of the travel industry.

During travel's downturn, older aircraft were retired, workers found jobs in other industries, and other factors have wreaked havoc on the travel experience. There are still shortages of qualified air traffic controllers in the vital New York and Florida regions.

Last year's rash of same day cancellations has led the airlines to reduce flights in our area by 10%. Average airfares for close-in bookings have risen dramatically in the last 12 months.

After two years of nearly no cruises, return to normalcy was slow while Covid vaccines and testing were still required to sail. With the lifting of these requirements by virtually all lines, bookings have exploded.

As I am writing this column in June, cruises from Cape Liberty Cruise Port in Bayonne are essentially sold-out through July. Sailings for the remainder of the summer season have limited choices.

Some destinations, like

Japan, are just reopening to foreign visitors. Earlier this year, I had clients who were interested in visiting the Land of the Rising Sun for late spring.

When I inquired with my contacts for Asia travel, they reported that they could not fulfill requests for travel before late summer as capacity is still limited.

We are once again in an age where planning in advance is essential. Now is the time to take action for travel during the holiday periods for later this year. Some of the Christmas Market River Cruises in Europe are already fully booked.

In general, it is recommended to book flights two to three months prior to travel. For travel during festive periods, doubling that time frame is essential.

The traditional carriers like United, American, and Delta usually open reservations 330 days in advance of the flight. For low-cost carriers, such as JetBlue, Southwest, or Spirit it may vary and only be six months in advance.

For those thinking of traveling in 2024, it's not too early to start planning. Some cruise lines even have their itineraries and availability open well into 2025. Several couples recently contacted me to plan a river cruise for December 2024. They had to select an alternate date due to lack of availability on their first choice. Tour companies offering guided vacations are also booking well into next year. Airfare can always be added after you have confirmed your land or sea journey.

Another benefit of planning early is to make sure your documents are in order. The current processing time for new and renewal passport applications is up to 13 weeks. Expedited service with an additional charge reduces the maximum time by only four weeks. Since many destinations at least six months remaining on your passport after you return home, it is imperative that this be part of your travel checklist. Some destinations may have additional requirements for entry necessitating more time completion.

The advantage of scheduling your journey early is that you are more likely to get the vacation of your choice while reducing the need to compromise. One more thing to plan for.....anticipate having a great time!

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## Real Estate Insight

By Mary Ellen Courtney

### Right & Wrong, Ordinarily Speaking

A while ago, my office agents and I attended a continuing education seminar at our Realtor Board office here in Hasbrouck Heights.

The New Jersey Real Estate Commission mandates that all of us real estate licensees complete 12 continuing-ed credits every two years to maintain our licenses. At least three hours of this requirement involves training in ethics.

Our instructor at the Board, Rhoda, was delightful; she had the bold temerity to suggest that there could be some of us in the audience who might consider the term 'Business Ethics' an oxymoron. But her point was not that all/some of business is inherently unethical.

Rather, she argued against the notion that the operative ethical principles of business are somehow specialized and different from (*occasionally, contrary to*) the ethical principles that govern our everyday lives.

The test of what is ethically acceptable or unacceptable in the business context, Rhoda said, is exactly the same as that which applies to our everyday, non-work circumstances. For her, it was all summed up in one principle, The Golden Rule. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

If you follow that, your behavior will be ethical; if you depart from it, it won't be; at work, or at home, in the office or in the neighborhood.

Rhoda's right, I believe, in stating that ethics in the context of the real estate business is simply an extension of ethics in general. There aren't special exceptions for real estate. It's as wrong to lie to your competitor as it is to lie to your neighbor. All of us, of course, have encountered different attitudes. We have all heard "But this is business" said as if it meant "Anything goes."

Certainly there are some who feel that way. People who would never cheat in a neighborhood card game can be perfectly content to deceive their customers or rip off their suppliers. But this doesn't show that such people are operating according to a special "business ethic"; rather, it simply reveals that, in the context of business, they have made the decision to be unethical.

If it's true though that eth-

ics in business and ethics in everyday life are the same, who needs a code?

The National Association of Realtors is deservedly proud of its Code of Ethics, a document first formulated in 1913, and amended at more than 30 different national conventions since then. With 17 articles, supplemented by over 70 standards of Practice and more than 140 official Case Interpretations, it presents a complex set of documents.

Nor is the NAR Code of Ethics a unique phenomenon. There are hundreds of professional and trade group codes of ethics. Physicians, lawyers, funeral directors and wedding planners – to name just a few – all have professional codes of ethics. Why are they needed?

They bring to our attention and provide direction with respect to issues that might not otherwise even have been identified as matters for an ethical concern. While ethical principles may remain the same, frequently the circumstances encountered in business are quite different than anything we experience in the non-business world. A professional code can help us to decipher those situations.

In many situations, they provide us with the wisdom and insight of those who have preceded us. Quite simply, they save us the trouble of reinventing the wheel. And professional ethics codes sometimes also cover matters that are not so much ethical as they are issues of professional etiquette or proper procedure. They help keep professionals 'on the same page' when they are interacting with each other. They also help remove the "shades of gray" that can be found in so many situations.

Rhoda said it best. Professional codes, like the one that guides us Realtors, are based on everyday ethical principles. Their real value resides in the fact that they show us how these principles can apply to specific business contexts often far removed from 'everyday' events...

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**Carlstadt Library**, 420 Hackensack Street, Carlstadt, NJ 07072. 201-438-8866, Handicap accessible. [bccls.org](http://bccls.org) or [www.carlstadtlibrary.org](http://www.carlstadtlibrary.org)

- **Movie Madness.** "Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret" starring Kathy Bates and Rachel McAdams on Tuesday, July 11, 1 p.m. or Wednesday, July 12, 6 p.m. Seating is limited. Registration is required.
- **Art in the Garden - Art Class.** Carlstadt Community Garden, at the corner of 7th Street and Division Avenue, Saturday, July 15, 10:30 a.m. for a morning of nature and painting. During this fun class participants will create a one-of-a-kind canvas art piece. All materials will be provided. Weather-permitting. Space is limited. Registration is required.
- **Cook the Books! - Cookbook Club.** Calling all amateur

- chefs for our monthly Cookbook Club meeting on Wednesday, July 19, 7 p.m. A different cookbook will be selected each month. Participants prepare a dish at home to bring to the club for members to sample. This month's club pick is "The Home Cook" by Alex Guarnaschelli. Copies are available at the Circulation Desk. Space is limited. Registration is required.
- **As the Page Turns - Adult Book Club.** Calling fellow bookworms! Discuss the novel "Horse" by Geraldine Brooks on Wednesday, July 26, 7 p.m. New members welcome! Copies are available at the Circulation Desk, also access the e-book or audiobook on Hoopla and Libby!
  - **Watercolor Florals - Beginners.** Beginner art class on Thursday, July 27, 6:30 p.m. Learn the basics of watercolors. Create your own floral masterpiece. All materials will be supplied. Space is limited. Registration is required.
  - **Storytime at the Library with Miss Risa.** Children, ages

- 6 months to 5 years, and their caregivers to Storytime at the Library on Wednesdays, July 5, 12, 19 and 26 at 3:30 p.m. Registration is required.
- **Music with Miss Nita at the Village Green.** Music with Miss Nita will be held at the Village Green on Thursdays, July 6, 13, 20, and 27 at 10:30 a.m. Babies, toddlers and preschool children will enjoy songs, rhymes, movement and instrument play. Register for each session.
  - **Kindness Movie Afternoon.** Watch "The Peanuts Movie" on Thursday, July 6 at 3:30 p.m. Space is limited and registration is required.
  - **Computer Coding Class.** Children Grades 3 through 6 are invited on Mondays, July 10, 17, 24 and 31 at 3:30 p.m. for computer coding classes with TechRoots Academy. Learn how to code your very own website. Please bring a laptop or ipad. If these items are not available, the coding class will supply. Space is limited and registration is required. Must

- be able to attend all 4 classes.
- **Babysitting 101.** Tweens and Teens ages 10 and up are invited on Tuesdays, July 11 and 18 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. for babysitting classes with FitChick CPR. Learn about preparing for babysitting, child development and basic home-alone responsibilities. Must be able to attend both classes to receive certification. Space is limited and registration is required.
  - **Beautiful Bugs.** Children ages 5 and up are invited on Thursday, July 13 at 3 p.m. for a bug workshop with the Bergen County Zoo. Learn the differences between insects and arachnids. Space is limited and registration is required.
  - **Pearl Observatory Planetarium.** The Carlstadt Library invites children ages 5 and up to view the Pearl Observatory Planetarium on Thursday, July 20, at 4 p.m. Explore the night sky and learn all about planets, stars and constellations. Space is limited.
  - **Graphic Novel Book Club.** Tweens and teens Grades 5 through 7 are invited to attend the graphic novel book club on Monday, July 24, 6 p.m. Read "Awkward" by Svetlana Chmakova and enjoy some

- pizza, soda and interesting discussion questions about this fun graphic novel. Pick up your copy. Space is limited and registration is required.
- **Zoo Career Workshop.** Children ages 9 and up are invited, Tuesday, July 25 at 3 p.m. for a zoo career discussion with the Bergen County Zoo. Learn about all the different types of jobs you can have in a zoo. Space is limited and registration is required.
  - **Read-and-Bead Summer Reading Program.** Celebrate kindness, friendship and unity. Kids and teens are invited to join our summer reading program, All Together Now! Read to earn beads for your own keychain or necklace, and enter the summer reading raffle. The Summer Reading Program runs through Friday, August 25.
  - **Take-It-and-Make-It-Crafts for Kids.** The Carlstadt Library invites children of all ages to pick up a monthly take-it-and-make-it craft. This month's craft is a kindness leaf to add to our summer reading kindness tree. Craft kits will be available from July 1 through August 25, while supplies last.

Libraries Are Fun!

**Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library**

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

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

Hours: Mondays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesdays thru Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Closed Saturdays July and August. Return Library materials in our book box at the rear of the Municipal Building. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.

- Summer Reading 2023**
- All Together Now! Summer reading is here. Register and log time and books read at our summer reading website [hhlibrary.readsquared.com](http://hhlibrary.readsquared.com). Kids up to Fifth Grade can earn brag tag prizes for each level completed and tweens and teens read for prize raffle tickets. Program runs through August 27.
- For the Whole Family**
- **Tiny Art Show.** Pick-up begins Wednesday, July 5, drop-off by Monday, July 24. Help fill our display case with a miniature art show! Stop by the Children's Desk

- and pick up a tiny canvas to take home and decorate however you wish - drop off by July 24 so we can show off all the masterpieces throughout the month of August.
- Friends of the Library**
- **Senior Concert with Rewind.** Saturday, September 23, 1 to 2 p.m. HH Senior Center. Featuring John Delgiodice of Hasbrouck Heights on guitar, Ken Cohen of Kenilworth on drums, and Rich Loughlin of Oceanport on bass, Rewind has been entertaining since 2017. Their mix of classic rock from the 50's though the 80's will have you singing and dancing! Refreshments will be served. Registration is encouraged.

- For CHILDREN**
- **Fresh Air Storytime at Central Ave. Playground.** Wednesdays, July 5 and 19 at 11 a.m. We're taking storytime back outside with stories, songs, bubbles, and more! Bring a blanket, mat, or chair to sit on. Meet in the small playground off of Central Ave. Program subject to location change in case of inclement weather. Registration required so we have a way to contact participants for updates.
  - **Read-to-a-Dog.** Thursday, July 6, 6 to 7 p.m. Our friend, Oscar, is back and ready to listen! Get some reading practice in, bring one of your books or choose from ours. Registration is limited.

- **Summer Game Lounge Open Play.** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m. Our Nintendo Switch game lounge will be open for after-school play with friends! Multi-player games are available, including Mario Kart and Super Smash Bros (*or bring your own!*). Reservations requested.
- **Making Music All Together Now.** Tuesday, July 11, 5 to 6 p.m. Join the City Winds Trio as they bring live music to our Library! We'll be introduced to percussion instruments, musical notes, rhythms and more, and we'll also work together to compose a melody! Registration required. Space is limited.
- **Lego Club.** Wednesdays, July 12 & 26, 4 to 5 p.m. All builders are invited to Lego Club! We'll free-build and discuss all things Lego with fellow fans. We'll provide the bricks, you supply the ideas!
- **Little Artists Craft.** Friday, July 14, 3:30 p.m. for ages 5 and up. Let your creativity soar with a fun summer craft! Registration is limited.
- **Family Storytime All Together Now.** July 25, 6 p.m. The whole family is welcome for this Tuesday storytime. Registration is limited.
- **Happy Birthday Harry Potter!** Monday, July 31, 3 p.m. You're invited to celebrate "the boy who lived" on his birthday. Come and enjoy crafts, trivia, cupcakes and more. Registration required. Space is limited.

- For TWEENS & TEENS**
- **Summer Book Club for Middle/High Schoolers.** Wednesdays, starting July 12 at 7 p.m. Summer's here and the time is right to read a great book with friends! Join us for Summer Book Club. Registration requested.
  - **Tye-Dye T-Shirt Extravaganza.** Thursday, July 20, 5 p.m. Create a groovy T-shirt by twisting, tying, dying, and drying! For ages 10 and up. Registration required.
- For ADULTS**
- **Crafts-to-Share Club.** Tuesday, July 11, 6 to 8 p.m. & Wednesday, July 26, 1 to 3 p.m. Drop in to chat and work on a crafty project! Enjoy other crafters while you knit, crochet, embroider or craft anything! We have donated yarn for any crafters looking to create for

- a good cause. In-person and Zoom.
- **Adult Book Club.** 4th Tuesday of every month, In-Person & via Zoom at 7 p.m. July 25. "The Guest List by Lucy Foley," Join us for an evening of fun, literary discussion! Pick up a copy at the Library, Hoopla or Libby app to enjoy the ebook or eAudiobook on your smartphone or tablet.
  - **English Conversation Circle.** No Drop-Ins; MUST apply. For anyone wishing to improve speaking English. Feel more confident by practicing in a relaxed and supportive environment with volunteers that care and other students with similar goals. Conversation topics range from everyday communication, learn vocabulary, pronunciation help, and more. Patrons must fill out an application. ###



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Hours: Monday-Wednesday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m, Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m, Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Saturdays. The Library will be closed Tuesday, July 4.

Friends of the Library  
Used Children's Book Sale.

Want to shake up your children's summer reading? Announcing our first Used Book Sale for Children's Books! Friday, July 21, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Monday, July 24, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Proceeds go toward Children's programs, Museum Passes, and other events at the library. We will not be accepting donations prior to this sale.

• **Summer Reading Program - for Children, Teens, & Adults.** We're at the halfway point of this year's Summer Reading Program, running from May 1 through September 23. Adults, teens, and children continue to rack up prizes and points with this summer's theme of "All Together Now." The Children's Department features related activities and crafts. Still need to join? It's not too late. Stop by the Library or visit our website to get started.

• **Creativebug Live Craft Classes and How-to Videos.** We are thrilled to announce that Rutherford patrons can now use creativebug, an innovative resource for all craft projects. Featuring live classes and how-to videos as well as links and resources for needlepoint, sewing, paper crafts, jewelry making, woodwork, leather, and more—all free with your Library card.

• **Virtual Author Talks.** We will feature a comic book author, a psychologist, and a memoirist this month.

- Charles Soule, NYT Bestselling author of "Daredevil & She-Hulk" and "Death of Wolverine" and "The Oracle Year," Saturday, July 15 at 2 p.m.

- Award-winning psychologist Ethan Kross will discuss his latest "The Voice in Our Head," Thursday, July 20 at 1 p.m.

- Erika Sanchez, NYT Bestselling author of "Crying in the Bathroom: A Memoir" and "I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter," Tuesday, July 25 at 4 p.m. If you are interested in one of our Author Talks but can't attend, you can register and receive a link to the recording.

• **Grab & Go Doorside Pickup.** The Rutherford Public Library continues to offer daily Grab & Go doorside pickup services. Patrons order books from the BCCLS catalog by visiting [www.bccls.org](http://www.bccls.org) or fill out a Grab & Go form for either the adult or children's collection, and our team will choose items for you based on what you like! These forms are available on our website, [RutherfordLibrary.org](http://RutherfordLibrary.org). If you don't have access to a computer, we encourage you to call the Library at 201-939-8600 and have our team order items for you!

• **On-Demand Yoga.** Rutherford Library patrons can enjoy yoga 24/7, anywhere with an internet connection. Brought to you by Bold Yoga and the Bendy Bookworm, this video database has class offerings for all ages and experience levels. New classes are added all the time! If interested, send an email to [reference@rutherford.bccls.org](mailto:reference@rutherford.bccls.org) with your name and Library card number and we will send you the information you need to access virtual yoga lessons online!

• **ESL In-Person and Virtual Classes.** The Rutherford Library in-person ESL classes meet Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Advanced ESL classes are on hold for the summer. Registration is required and must be done in person at the circulation desk.

• **Monthly Movie.** Screenings on the last Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m, sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

• **Teen Volunteers.** We are currently accepting teen volunteers in middle and high school can volunteer for various tasks. For more information, email: [marion.johnson@rutherford.bccls.org](mailto:marion.johnson@rutherford.bccls.org)

• **Tech Tutor.** Our tech librarian will be available by appointment. Fill out our online form or email [marion.johnson@rutherford.bccls.org](mailto:marion.johnson@rutherford.bccls.org)

• **Wireless Printing.** Print from your own device, anywhere! Rutherford Public Library now offers wireless printing that may be utilized from your own device inside the Library, or by sending a print job from offsite. Please note, jobs must be printed within 48 hours of submission. There are three options to print wirelessly. Visit <https://rutherfordlibrary.org/wireless-printing/> to learn more or download the full instruction sheet. ###

Wallington  
Public Library

**Wallington JFK Memorial Library**, 92 Hathaway St. Wallington, NJ 07057. 973-471-1692. [www.wallingtonpubliclibrary.org](http://www.wallingtonpubliclibrary.org)

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

• **Children's Craft: Circle, Square, & Triangle Challenge.** Thursday, July 6 at 3 p.m. Make as many different pictures as you can make out of a circle, square, or triangle. Open to ages 4 -12. Registration is required.

• **Queer Reads.** Friday - July 7 at 3 p.m. Queer Reads is an LGBTQ-friendly book club for kids 12-18. It's a safe place to share thoughts around books we are reading and to talk about ideas and issues. In July, we'll be discussing "Cemetery Boys" by Aiden Thomas. Registration required.

• **Polish Heroes in World History.** Monday, July 10 at 4:30 p.m. Learn about different Polish Heroes throughout history! Open to children going into Grades 1 - 3.

• **Second Grade Summer Book Club.** Tuesday, July 11 at 3 p.m. We will be discussing

"I Really Want a Bigger Piece" by Harriet Ziefert. Open to children going into 2nd Grade. Registration is required.

• **Music with Miss Nita.** Wednesday, July 12 at 1 p.m. Join Miss Nita for singing, dancing, and more! Open to children ages 0 - 5 and caregivers. Registration is required.

• **Children's Yoga Time.** Wednesday, July 12 at 4 p.m. Bring a yoga mat or towel. Open to ages 6-12. Registration is required.

• **3rd & 4th Grade Summer Book Club.** Tuesday, July 18 at 3 p.m. We will be discussing "Frindle" by Andrew Clements. Open to children going into 3rd & 4th Grade. Registration is required.

• **Reading to Rosie.** Wednesday, July 19 at 1 p.m. Rosie loves reading, hugs, and belly rubs! Open to children of all ages.

• **Grow, Evolve, Transform: Community Origami Display.** Wednesday, July 19 at 3 p.m. Folks of all ages learn and create origami butterflies! Butterflies made will be displayed on the Library bulletin board as a community created piece. Want to get a head start? Pick up a kit to make your butterflies at home, and drop them off by July 19th to have them on display!

• **5th & 6th Grade Summer Book Club.** Tuesday, July 25 at 3 p.m. We will be discussing "Restart" by Gor-

don Korman. Open to children going into 5th & 6th Grade. Registration is required.

• **Going Going Gone: What the Next Generation Won't Remember.** Wednesday, July 26 at 2:30 p.m. During the past 20 years, we've gained Smartphones, GPSs, Instagram, TikTok, Facebook and many other services and devices. However, we've also lost some things that we've grown up with. Maryanne Christiano-Mistretta will take a walk down memory lane and talk about products that are either on their way out the door, or completely obsolete. Some may surprise you! Share your views in this interactive lecture! Bring your old items for "Show & Tell!" Registration is required.

• **Adult Book Club.** Friday - July 28, 2023 at 1 p.m. For the month of July we will be discussing "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Backman. New members are always welcome! Registration is required.

*Our 2023 Summer Reading Programs have started! We have programs for all ages. Check our website or stop in at the Library to sign up today.*

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

*Check the Library's website for more programs, details and other great activities and events. ###*

Lodi  
Memorial Library

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

• **Meditation.** A guest instructor will teach the basics of Meditation. Meditation can wipe away the day's stress, bringing with it inner peace. Classes will be on Tuesdays, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Class dates are June 27 and July 11. Registration is required. Call 973-365-4044 ext. 2 to reserve your spot. You must reserve a spot for each session you wish to attend. Sponsored by The Friends of Lodi Memorial Library.

• **Tuesday Night Book Club.** Tuesday, July 11, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Book is "The Shadow of the Wind" by Carlos Ruiz Zafon – 486 pages. Contact [director@lodi.bccls.org](mailto:director@lodi.bccls.org) for more information about our book club meetings.

• **Semi-Monthly Movie.** For July the movies will be "Jerry & Marge Go Large" on July 12 at 1 p.m. and "Empire of Light" on July 26 at 1 p.m.

• **Adult Crafts.** In-Person. Craft to be announced. Please check website at [lodi.bccls.org/](http://lodi.bccls.org/) events Supplies are limited. Register by Friday, July 14.

Craft will be held in-person on Wednesday, July 19 at 1:30 p.m. Call Library to reserve your spot - 973-365-4044 ext 2.

• **Color Your Stress Away.** Friday, July 14, 2023, 2:00 p.m. A coloring club just for adults! Join us for a relaxing hour of coloring, complete with meditative music and refreshments. Materials will be provided, but feel free to bring your own crayons or colored pencils.

• **ESL Tutoring.** Volunteer to teach English as a Second Language. The next online 4-session Tutor Training Workshop will be August 1, 8, 15 and 27 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. via Zoom. Volunteers must be 18 or older. Contact [literacyvolunteerspv@gmail.com](mailto:literacyvolunteerspv@gmail.com) to register.

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

Children  
Special Programs

• **Anime Club.** – Grades 6-12, In-person, Wednesday, July 5, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Watch a movie, get some snacks, and make a craft. Registration required.

Summer Reading.

-ArtKids Academy Painting Program - Grades K-3. In Person, Wednesday, July 12, 3 to 4 p.m. Make a Rainbow themed artwork. Online registration required.

- ArtKids Academy Painting Program - Grades 4-8. In Person, Wednesday, July 26, 3 to 4 p.m. Create Peace themed artwork. Online registration required.

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

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

• **Grab & Go Craft – Grades Pre K - 2.** A new grab & go project will be available each Monday! While supplies last. Registration is not required.

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

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





# Rollover Shuts Down Rt. 46 W



On June 7, 2023, at 11:45 a.m., the Hasbrouck Heights Police Department received multiple 911 calls reporting a motor vehicle accident on Route 46 West near the Route 17 ramps.

Responding officers reported a over-turned Econoline van with entrapment.

Firefighters stabilized the vehicle, extricated the victim who was then transported to HUMC with non-life-threatening injuries.

The 63 year old Elmwood Park driver was charged with DWI and careless driving.

Route 46 West was shut down for about an hour. DOT assessed guard rail damage. David's Towing removed the vehicle.

Responders: Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department with a Rescue Truck and Engine. Wood-Ridge Fire Department with a Rescue Truck. Moonachie Police Department assisted with traffic. MICCOM BLS responded with ALS from Hackensack UMC. *Photos provided by HHFD. ###*



On May 24, 2023, at about 1:30 p.m., calls came into Rutherford Police of a 2-1/2 story wood-frame house fire on Bel-

ford Avenue. Chief Riser arrived and confirmed smoke showing from the attic. A second alarm

was summoned for manpower. Engine Co. 2 arrived and stretched hand lines. They were assisted by Engine Co. 4. The main body of fire was on the third floor attic area, with damage to second floor. Firefighters knocked the two-alarm down in minutes, had it under control in well under a half hour and saved the home. Mutual Aid responders at the scene or in coverage included firefighters from East Rutherford, Lyndhurst, North Arlington and Wallington.

The homeowners were home at the time and quickly exited the home when they saw all the smoke.

No injuries were reported. The cause is under investigation by police and fire official. *Photo provided by Tony Greco. ###*

# Regional Firefighter Convention Present Awards & Scholarships

This was the New Jersey/New York Volunteer Firemen's 108th Convention being held this year at Lyndhurst Firehouse, June 2, 2023. We gave out thousands of dollars of scholarships. We also gave out other awards for "beyond the line of duty for the Year 2022." *Photos by Ron Jeffers. ###*



The Hackensack Fire Department getting a Unit Citation award for catching 2 children mid-air from the 3rd floor fire escape. They then rescued 4 other children and 10 adults from an apartment fire on December 26, 2022 at 12:34 a.m. *###*



New Jersey/New York retiring Treasurer George Saigh receiving a plaque for over 25 Years as Association Treasurer, presented to him by 2nd Vice President Tony Chiodo. Pictured: George, his wife, Elaine, President Roy DeYoung Jr. and 1st Vice President Bryan Hennig. *###*



Master of Ceremonies Ex-Chief Rich Lindsay of Lyndhurst Fire Department receiving a thank you plaque on behalf of the Lyndhurst Fire Department, for hosting this event from President Roy DeYoung Jr., 1st Vice President Bryan Hennig and 2nd Vice President Tony Chiodo. *###*



Alan Silverman, retiring Assistant Treasurer for over 20 years. Pictured: Alan Silverman, 2nd Vice President Tony Chiodo, President Roy DeYoung Jr. and 1st Vice President Bryan Hennig. *###*

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With personnel in full dress uniform and equipment clean and polished, the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department conducted its Annual Inspection, at 7 p.m., on Saturday, May 20, 2023.

Due to the inclement weather, the event was held in the bays.

Chief Michael Greco called the Department to attention. Presentation of the Honor Guard, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call followed. Department Chaplain, Rev. Eric Dammann, gave the Invocation. Fire Commissioner Ron Kistner made remarks and recognized attending dignitaries.

Fire Chiefs include: Chief Michael Greco, 1st Assistant Chief Kevin Todd and 2nd Assistant Chief Cristian Fernandez.

The Department is contracted to provide fire service to the Borough of Teterboro, and has done so for over 60 years. In 2022, the Department

responded to 502 fire calls and other emergencies.

Its fleet includes two engines, one 105 foot ladder truck, one heavy rescue, and three chief's vehicles.

The Department was established in 1896, and is a member of the South Bergen Fire Chiefs Mutual Aid Association. ###



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173 Werimus Rd, Woodcliff Lake: Sprawling ranch features living room with fireplace, eat-in kitchen, heated sunroom. \$725,000



301 Highland Ave, Wood Ridge: 2-family duplex. Unit #1 has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Unit #2 has 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. \$899,000



53 Diamond Way, Moonachie: Lovely bi-level in a beautiful development. 1st floor primary bedroom. Modern kitchen. \$659,000



21 Cleverdon Rd, Ho-Ho-Kus: Magnificent colonial with 1st floor primary suite. Updated kitchen. Fully fenced yard. \$999,000



51 Spruce St, Midland Park: Wonderful colonial. Freshly painted. New flooring throughout. Updated bath. Private backyard. \$595,000



43 Dairy St, Midland Park: Spacious colonial. Large eat-in kitchen and dining room. Extended guest suite above garage. \$600,000



12 Smith St, Waldwick: Charming colonial in a convenient location close to transportation, shopping, dining, schools. \$599,000



22 Woodland Cross, Westwood: Lovingly maintained colonial. Kitchen with newer appliances. Sun-filled family room. \$598,000



8 Morgan Rd, Parsippany-Troy Hills: Charming colonial. Corner lot. Plenty of upgrades. Hardwood floors. \$699,000



71 Armstrong Ave, Wayne: Amazing ranch. Open concept living room, dining room and kitchen areas. \$479,000



84 Morris Ave, West Milford: Beautifully maintained ranch. Kitchen with granite counters and center island. \$488,000



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