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116th Gymnastic Exhibition

American Sokol Little Ferry held their 116th Annual Gymnastic Exhibition on Sunday, April 22, 2012.

The program began with a Grand March, National Anthem, posting of colors and welcoming remarks by President Joyce Nasta.

The "Tots" performed calisthenics routines and demonstrated skills with various apparatus.

The older "Sokolads and Sokolettes" showcased their

skills in tumbling and advanced use of apparatus.

Presentations were made and refreshments were served.

American Sokol Little Ferry offers weekly gymnastic classes for tots, children, teenagers and adults.

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Taught by experienced pi-

lots and educators, the students were introduced to basic aerodynamic theory. They designed and built their own gliders from raw materials and held a flight competition.

This comprehensive four-hour program is designed for

8 to 15-year old groups. The program also included a tour of the museum.

The Aviation Hall of Fame and Museum is located at 400 Fred Wehran Drive, Teterboro Airport. For more information call 201-288-6344 or go to: www.njahof.org



HHHS Students Career Forum

On Friday, April 27, 2012, about 475 Hasbrouck Heights High School students, Grades 9 through 12, participated in Career Day.

Students pre-selected five areas of interest. Each session was held during a regular class period of the school schedule. Students rotated to classrooms where professionals were stationed.

More than 25 professionals gave career path overviews in the sciences, arts, publishing, engineering, legal, technology, law enforcement, aerospace, medicine, military, politics, etc.



This was the first career forum in recent memory. It helps the school meet the goals of its "work-to-careers" curriculum. ###



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Primary Elections -- June 5

Polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.

- Last day to apply by mail for a mail-in ballot must be received by May 29 at the Bergen County Clerk's Office.
- Last day to apply in-person for a mail-in ballot at the Bergen County Clerk's Office is June 4 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Matthew Clerkin Earns Eagle Scout Designation

Matthew J. Clerkin, of Wood-Ridge, earned the highest rank in Scouting -- The Eagle Scout Badge.

To earn this award Matthew had to complete a minimum of 21 merit badges, hold positions of leadership in his troop and complete a major community service project.

While his karate class was holding a demonstration for a group of exceptional individuals, the seed for Matthew's Eagle Scout Project was planted.

He related to them because of his own battle with autism. Matthew decided that his project had to be something that would meet the needs of this group.

His project was to design and build a Memory Garden in Rutherford. With the approval of key individuals in Rutherford a site was approved. Matthew ran a bake sale to raise money and solicited materials from local business and community leaders. The project was completed with the help of his fellow Scouts.

The Memory Garden is lined with slates. The names of each individual in the special needs groups were painted on slates by the group members themselves. This is so that they could come and visit their own handiwork. Hundreds of

bulbs and perennials which will bloom and grow for years to come were planted in the garden. A birdbath and a bench are also part of the garden.

Matthew joined the Webelos in 2004. In 2006, after earning the highest award in Cub Scouting, the Arrow of Light, he joined Boy Scout Troup 181. From 2006 to the present, he has earned 24 merit badges. Matthew is currently the Assistant Senior Patrol Leader.

At the ceremony, held at the VFW Hall in Hasbrouck Heights on April 22, 2012, Matthew received many acknowledgements and citations from local, county and state groups and politicians as well as from the President and Vice-President of the United States.

Matthew is a junior at St. Mary High School, where he is

also a member of the National Honor Society. This summer he will be attending Ryder College for a week as a Boys State Delegate representing the Wood-Ridge American Legion.

The Boy Scouts of America's highest rank was originally

conceived as the Wolf Scout, but in 1911 it was changed to Eagle Scout.

The fact that a boy is an Eagle Scout has always carried with it a special significance, not only in Scouting but also as he enters higher education,

business or industry and community service.

Only about five percent of all Boy Scouts earn the rank of Eagle Scout. *Story and photos provided by Marie and Peter Gallo Jr. ###*



The Cheer House All Star Competition Team Youth 2 Category Team accomplished a remarkable Nationals Championship out of 4 all-stars competitions in their category teams. They achieved the National Champion Title out of 48 all-star teams competing in all categories. The event took place in Hershey Park, PA the weekend of April 21 and 22, a two day competition. Photo provided by Hernan Lopez. ###

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Felician College Child Care Center Celebrates 25th Anniversary



On Sunday, May 6, 2012, the Felician College Child Care Center celebrated its 25th Anniversary at their facility in Lodi, NJ, with a buffet luncheon celebrating childhood memories.

At about 2 p.m., there was a celebratory prayer service. In addition to the Felician Sisters and staff, many alumni, current students and their parents joined the celebration.

The Felician College Child Care Center was organized in response to surveys conducted among faculty, staff and students during 1985-1986, with the Center opening on August 31, 1987.

Sister Rose Mary Sauchelli was appointed the Director, while Sister Mary Joellen Zajac and Sister Mary Bridget Becker as teachers for the 2-1/2 to 5-1/2 year old children. Ms. Barbara Cullen Leach took the position of Center Secretary.

In 1990, Ms. Lynn Kahn

replaced Sister Bridget and subsequently other members joined the Center: Sister Mary Juventia Lipinski, Sister Mary Valenta Akalska, and Ms. Pamela Kelly.

The present staff is Sister Mary Angelica Smiatowicz, Ms. Kathy Christie, Sister Margaret Keslo, Ms. Madeline Hagen, Ms. Megha Shah, Ms. Liz Raido and Ms. Maryanne O'Connor along with pioneers, Sister Mary Joellen and Sister Rose Mary.

The Felician College Child Care Center has been in existence since 1987 and is a State Licensed Facility. The qualified and experienced staff includes Felician Sisters and Lay Teachers who all hold Early Childhood Degrees and are certified in CPR and First Aid.

The teacher/student ratio is state mandated allowing teachers to meet the individual needs of each child. Activities are planned to meet the developmental levels of the children in each age group. Children's needs are best fulfilled in dynamic, energetic programs which allow for optimum growth within a framework of reasonable limitations.

The Center is located at 260 South Main Street, Lodi NJ, and provides year-round services. For more information call 973-778-0093, or go to: felicianchildcare.com ###

Felician College Announces New President

Dr. Anne Prisco has been selected to serve as Felician College's fifth president.

She succeeds President Sister Theresa Mary Martin, whose innovative vision and steadfast guidance were the hallmarks of her unprecedented 28-year tenure.

"The depth and breadth of Dr. Prisco's academic and leadership experience together with a deep understanding of the Felician/Franciscan mission, make her uniquely qualified to lead the College to further prominence and distinction," said Sister M. Aquinas Szott, Chair, Presidential Search Committee Chair, Board of Trustees.

"Dr. Prisco brings to Fe-



lician more than 30 years of experience in higher education, where she has served in a number of roles including administrator, faculty member, consultant, and policy researcher," added Sister Aquinas.

Dr. Prisco, who will have the distinction of becoming the College's first lay president, will take office on July 1.

Before accepting a position at Loyola Marymount, Dr. Prisco was Vice Provost at Hunter College of the City University of New York, with responsibility for a myriad of areas that supported faculty and students and promoted the academic mission of that urban institution. She also worked with Lehman College, CUNY.

Dr. Prisco earned her bachelor's degree in family and consumer science at the University of Arizona, where she graduated summa cum laude and was named Outstanding Senior of the College of Agriculture. She earned an MBA in finance from Fordham University, and her Ph.D. in an interdisciplinary program in economics and education from Columbia University.

For more information, please contact Teri Gatto at gattot@felician.edu ###

Felician Summer Reading Camp

The Felician Reading Center will have a Summer Reading Camp during the month of July.

The camp will run from July 2 to July 27, 2012, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon. Felician Reading Camp will be held at 260 South Main Street in Lodi, New Jersey.

The camp will be supervised by qualified Felician Sisters. All children going into Grades 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 in September 2012 are invited to join.

There will be Reading Enrichment, Activities and Hands-on-Experiences.

You may register for 1 week, 2 weeks, 3 weeks or for all 4 weeks. The fee will be \$100 per week.

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Bergen Tech Showcases Talents

Students attending Bergen Tech Teterboro had record breaking results of 8 Gold medals, 9 Silver medals and 3 Bronze medals during the SkillsUSA New Jersey Championships held Saturday, March 31, 2012, at the Garden State Exhibit Center in Somerset County. More than 1,600 competed in over 90 hands-on skill and leadership contests .

NJ SkillsUSA Championships is the state-level competition for high school and post-secondary students who are enrolled in career and technical education training programs within the state.

First Place winners will represent the state of New Jersey at the 48th National SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference in Kansas City, Missouri the week of June 23-27, 2012.

Champions from Bergen Tech Teterboro include:

Gold for Quiz Bowl

• Zoe Zhang (Captain), AJ Trainor, Nauman Ahmed, Michael Cross and William Kim
Quiz Bowl tests the ability of a team of five competitors to quickly respond to questions covering the areas of academic knowledge, professional development and current events. The participants respond to a question by activating a buzzer system. The teams receive one point for a correct answer and lose a point for each incorrect answer. The active rounds (preliminary and finals) are 100 questions each.

Gold for Audio/Radio Production

• Nicole Simeone and Dan Avola
Challenges contestants in two-person teams to produce a 60-second to two-minute audio/radio production. The contestants are judged on the professionalism of their production, the quality of the audio and the conveyance of the information to the listener.

Gold for Computer Maintenance Technology

• Marvin Romero

Requires contestants to identify and repair computer hardware malfunctions, solve configuration problems, and install common components.

Silver for Job Skill Demonstration

• Emilia Dabek

Contestants demonstrate and explain an entry-level skill used in the occupational area for which they are training or outside of their training program. Any technical skill may be demonstrated.

Silver for Chapter Business Procedure

• Josh Mathew, Dana Matarlo, Siddi Surana, Krishna Rana, Shravani Pathek and Omonefe Itieite

Student teams of six members demonstrate their knowledge of parliamentary procedure in both a written exam and a team demonstration.

Silver for Related Technical Math

• Nilbhi Patel

On a written test, contestants demonstrate skills required to solve mathematical problems commonly found in the skilled trades and professional and technical occupations.

Silver for Job Interview

• Alec Margrini

Divided into three phases: completion of employment applications; preliminary interviews with receptionist; and, in-depth interviews. Contestants are evaluated on their understanding of employment procedures faced in applying for positions in the occupational areas for which they are training.

Bronze for Principles of Technology

• Philip Vendola

Evaluates contestants' understanding of basic technical concepts/principles of the applied sciences and ability to

demonstrate and explain the concept/principle in action and application. Any technical concept may be demonstrated, provided it is related to the principles of technology curriculum and incorporates basic principles of the applied

sciences.

Bronze for Occupational Health and Safety

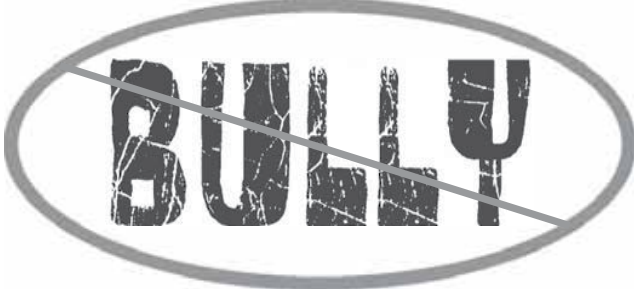
• Reshma John and Pooja Rana

Students demonstrate the safety and health endeavors

of their respective technical programs by putting together a scrapbook that highlights important programs, activities and events related to their school's health and safety program. ###

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Corpus Christi School Says Farewell to the Class of 2012

This month, as we wonder where the school year has gone, the 2011/2012 school year winds to a close. The 8th Grade class is saying their goodbyes to their long time teachers and preparing to graduate and move on to the next phase of their school career, while the Pre-schoolers and Kindergarteners prepare for their own graduation ceremonies. But before the last student leaves the building on June 13, exams, school trips and graduation activities are on the schedule.

On June 7, the 8th Grade will enjoy a day of fun and excitement at Hershey Park.

The Baccalaureate Mass and Communion Breakfast and Award Ceremony for the graduates will take place on June 9. The 8th Grade graduation will take place in the Chapel at 3 p.m. on June 10.

The Corpus Christi Parish Feast will take place on June 10.

The PreK3 and PreK4 will be putting on their end of the year shows on June 8 and 11 respectively and the Kindergarteners will celebrate their

graduation on June 12. The final day of school is on June 13 and will conclude with a Prayer Service and Award Ceremony.

Congratulations to all the graduates of Corpus Christi School Class of 2012 and as Dr. Seuss said so perfectly, "You're off to Great Places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting. So... get on your way!"

Corpus Christi will be offering a Summer Enrichment program that lasts about 4 weeks beginning June 25 and ending on July 26. This is a great program for those who feel their children are not performing as well as they should be or would like their children to maintain their reading or math level throughout the summer.

Please note that registration for the 2012/2013 school year is ongoing. Call the school office at 201-288-0614 for any information regarding the aforementioned events, registration materials and class availability. *Story by Maria Grace Billings. ###*

Farmers' Market Continues

The Farmers' Market is scheduled to begin on June 19, 2012 and continue every Tuesday from noon to 6 p.m. until late September, at the corner of The Boulevard and Central (municipal parking lot).

This Farmers' Market is scheduled to host more farmers/vendors than last year.

According to Chamber President Ray Vorisek, Hasbrouck Heights businesses and

community organizations are invited to set up a free table for one Tuesday afternoon during the 2012 Market. Limited positions are available. Call Ray at 201-288-5464 for more information.

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



Happy Mother's Day at IHOP

Carnations were presented to all the "Moms" who visited Hasbrouck Heights IHOP on Mother's Day. ###

HH Special Needs Parents Group Formed

Hasbrouck Heights Collaborative Parent Committee is part of the Special Education Parent Advisory Councils of NJ.

It is a district wide organization created by parents to become a voice of advocacy by supporting the emotional, social and academic well being of children with special needs.

They provide information, educational opportunities, resources and support to families and professionals striving to achieve the maximum benefit for all children in the community.

Brochures about the CPC will be given out at every IEP

meeting and be available at each school office, in order to expedite support and information to parents who are involved with the Special Education system.

Currently there are many resources listed on the Special Services section of the HH BOE website, with more added weekly.

The mission statement is:

- To ensure effective, appropriate learning environments for all of Hasbrouck Heights' special needs children.
- To enhance the family-school partnership in special education and to facilitate access to services in and outside the community.
- To facilitate active participation and acceptance of children with disabilities in the

community.

- To educate, support and mentor parents as they advocate for their child's special education needs.

- To provide opportunities for families to support each other and share information.

CPC representative in each school: Lincoln - Rita Perdomo, Euclid - Lisa Castellano, MS/HS - Antonette Vignola and Out of District - Chris Peters.

Meetings with guest speakers are held the 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:30 p.m., in the HS Media Center (during the school year).

For additional information contact: Dr. Matthew Helfant, Director of Special Services at 201-393-8191 or Ms. Chris Peters, CPC Presidents at multytasker@optonline.net. ###

Prom Gowns Wanted

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Lodi/Hackensack are collecting prom and graduation gowns. They will clean and distribute them to those who cannot afford them.

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Each of the children came to school equipped with a riding toy and helmet. A bicycle course was set up in front of the school and throughout the day groups of children took turns riding around. There were many parents who supported the event by coming to watch or volunteering to help.

The Trike-A-Thon is a fund raising event for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Thanks to the efforts of the parents, \$3,400 was sent to the hospital to help children with cancer. *Photo provided by New World Montessori School. ###*

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The Wood-Ridge Contemporary Club will sponsor a multi-family indoor lot sale, at the W-R Senior Center, 495 Highland Avenue on Saturday, June 2, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Rain or Shine.

Vendors are welcome. Tables can be rented for \$10 each. Space is limited. Make reservations early. For more information, call Nick at 201-939-6954. Refreshments available. ###

HH Town-wide Garage Sale

The Mayor's Committee on Community Celebrations invites all residents of Hasbrouck Heights to clean out your attic or basement and be part of the Hasbrouck Heights Annual Town Wide Garage Sale. This event is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, June 2 and 3, 2012, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. (Rain or Shine!)

There is a \$10 permit fee which will be donated to D.A.R.E., The Free Public Library and the Anti-Drug Alliance.

Limited space is available for Hasbrouck Heights apartment renters and fundraising organizations at the Central Avenue Parking Lot. You will need to bring your own table.

This sale does not count toward the two garage sales permitted per year.

The deadline to register is May 25, 2012 to get your name on the map. Free Maps will be available on the day of the sale at the Borough Hall Senior Center on Central Avenue. For more information, call the Borough Clerk's office at 201-288-0195. ###

FOCAS Holds Flea Market

FOCAS Flea Market is on Saturday, June 9, 2012, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, June 10, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the American Legion, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry.

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 are gratefully accepted. (Not accepted are TVs, PC monitors, exercise equipment, clothes or magazines.)

They may be dropped off at the American Legion on Friday from 4 to 6 p.m. and Saturday (all day) of the Flea Market weekend. ###

Hasbrouck Heights Garden Club

The final meeting of the Garden Club for the season will be held June 21, 2012, at the Borough Hall located at 320 Boulevard on the second floor of the building in The Library Meeting Room. Refreshments will be served at 6:45 p.m. A meeting follows at 7 p.m.

The workshop for the evening will be flower arranging. Some gardeners will participate in making flower arrangements. The next meeting will be in September.

The Hasbrouck Heights Garden Club wishes everyone a good summer.

The members have assembled the Boulevard in Bloom flower pots once again -- ENJOY! For further information please contact Judy at 201-288-2615. ###

Mt. Airy Lodge & Casino Trip June 13

Come and enjoy a day at the beautiful Mt. Airy Lodge & Casino on Wednesday, June 13, 2012. The bus will leave from in front of MSH Church at 9:30 a.m. sharp, returning at approximately 5:30 p.m. The price of \$30 includes bus transportation, a \$25 free slots play, and a \$10 food voucher.

Payment is due when the reservation is booked. Checks should be made payable to "MSH Rosary Confraternity," placed with the reservation form in an envelope marked "Mt. Airy Trip," and dropped off or mailed to the Rectory at 127 Paterson Avenue, Wallington 07057.

Note: Guests must present valid state or federal issued photo id in order to obtain their Mt. Airy Players Club Card or any motor coach incentive.

For information, call Ginny at 201-715-2087. ###

AC Bus Trips

The VFW sponsors Atlantic City Bus Trips on the last Wednesday of the month. Bus departs at 10 a.m. and returns at about 9:00-9:30 p.m.

Proceeds are used to help defray building expenses. Call the Post for more information at 201-288-1112. ###

The Adorno Fathers Trips

- Italy - In the Footsteps of St. Francis Caracciolo, October 8-18, 2012. \$2,995 pp/dbl. occ. (Airfare and transfers incl.)
 - The Holy Land, "Walk in the Footsteps of Jesus," November 11-20, 2012. \$2,798 pp/dbl. occ. (Airfare and taxes incl.)
 - Greece: In the Footsteps of Paul the Apostle, Cruise. April 13-23, 2013. \$3,398 pp/dbl. occ., outside cabin.
- For more information call Fr. Nony Villaluz, CRM or St. Joseph Church, Lodi, at 973-779-0643. ###

Yield to Pedestrians

Oldies Night Beefsteak

The Lodi Boys and Girls Clubs of Lodi/Hackensack is hosting an Oldies Night on June 9, 2012, from 7 to 11 p.m. in their bingo hall.

Entertainment provided by Reminisce Band. There is dancing, prizes and 50/50.

Donation is \$50 per person and includes beefsteak dinner, beer and soda. Cash bar. Deadline for tickets is June 1. Call 973-473-7410. ###

Baby Blue

On Saturday, June 9, 2012, from 7 to 11 p.m., the St. Michael's Council #2861 Knights of Columbus at 39 Washington Street, Lodi, is hosting their 2012 Summer Concert Spectacular with "Baby Blue."

Cost is \$30 and includes dinner, dessert and coffee. Maximum seating is 200.

Order tickets by mail: Baby Blue Tickets, 228 Paterson Avenue, Lodi, NJ 07644. Make checks payable to: St. Michael's Council #2861. Please include your return address. ###

July 4th Children's Patriotic Parade

The Hasbrouck Heights Annual Children's Parade is scheduled for 10 a.m., July 4, 2012, at Woodland Park. Sign-up is 9:30 a.m. in the Pavilion.

The parade will walk around Woodland Park back to the starting point where prizes will be awarded.

All classifications and categories will be judged prior to the parade.

Prizes will be awarded in the categories of patriotic, most original and most artistic to: costumed children on foot, wagons and tricycles, carriages, strollers, etc., decorated bicycles, floats, and grandparents' corner, with carriages and children on foot. Helmets are required for those on bicycles.

Prizes awarded: First Prize, Second Prize, Third Prize and Honorable Mention. All participants receive medals.

Registration is limited to Hasbrouck Heights children up to 10 years of age, excluding the grandparents' corner.

The event is sponsored by the Mayor's Celebrations Committee.

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**HH Library
Book & Bake Sale**

The Friends of The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights is pleased to announce its Spring Book & Bake Sale on Saturday & Sunday, June 2 and 3, 2012, in the Senior Center located on the first floor of Borough Hall. Entrance is on Central Avenue.

Gently used books and media along with delicious homemade baked goods will be available for purchase.

Hours are as follows: Saturday: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hardcover/trade paperback books \$1, paperback books \$.50, Media \$1 and some specialty items are individually priced.

Donations of books in good condition are now being accepted. Call The Library for details at 201-288-0488. ###

**Kindles & Video
Games Available**

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library has Kindles and video games available for loans.

They have added 4 Kindle e-readers to their collection for Wood-Ridge residents to check out, preloaded with many best-sellers including “The Help” by Kathryn Stockett, “The Hunger Games” trilogy by Suzanne Collins, “Kill Alex Cross” by James Patterson, and many more.

They have also added video games for the Wii and Xbox 360 to their collection, including titles such as Just Dance 3, Kirby’s Epic Yarn, Mario Sports Mix, and Mario & Sonic at the London 2012 Olympic Games for the Wii and Dance Central 2, Fifa Soccer 12, Sonic Generations, and Wipeout – In the Zone for Xbox 360.

Stop by and check out what’s new! ###

**Who Doesn’t Love
the Jersey Shore?**

Come learn all about it! The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library is hosting a program entitled “A History of the Jersey Shore.” The program will be held on June 19, 2012 at 7 p.m. at the Senior Center, located at 495 Highland Avenue, Wood-Ridge.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Kevin Woyce, author of the book, “Jersey Shore History and Facts.”

Registration is required. Please rsvp to Christine at hartigan@bccls.org or call The Library at 201-438-2455. ###

Frank Sinatra

On Wednesday, June 6, 2012, from 7-8 p.m., The Carlstadt Library will host "My Way: A Tribute to Frank Sinatra." Vocalist "Presley" will take you down Memory Lane to revisit classic favorites that include "Fly Me to the Moon," "Just the Way You Look Tonight," "I Got You Under My Skin," "My Way," and many more! Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome to attend! Call 201-438-8866 for more information. ###

**Practice English at
Conversation Group**

English language learners are invited to attend the English Conversation Group on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10-11:30 a.m. at The Rutherford Public Library. The group provides a good opportunity to practice spoken English in an informal setting.

This is a free program and all are welcome. The Rutherford Public Library is located at 150 Park Avenue, Rutherford. For more information call 201-939-8600 ext. 7. ###

**Carlstadt Library
YA Summer Events**

Tuesdays/ Please check website for times of events!

- June 12 "Hip-Hop" performers who will demonstrate late 60s style to present!
 - June 19 Popcorn & a Movie, "Sherlock Holmes & the Game of Shadows."
 - June 26 Faux Campfire including smores & ghost story.
 - July 3 Learn American Morse Code. Receive your own mini flashlight.
 - July 10 Become a zombie with facepaint & learn how to dance the "Thriller."
 - July 17 Make a glow-in-the-dark constellation T-shirt.
 - July 24 "Murder Mystery" Nite.
 - July 31 Crime Forensics Using your friend's fingerprints -- who stole the object?
 - August 7 Wrap It Up! Claim your reading prizes. Refreshments served.
- Have questions, call Ms. Nina at 201-438-8866 x203. ###

**Downloading Books to
Your Kindle and Nook**

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library will be hosting an evening for those of you needing assistance downloading books to your Kindles and Nooks from The Library catalog.

On June 11, 2012, come in with your device and they will be happy to assist you. Please sign up in advance by contacting Christine at hartigan@bccls.org or call The Library at 201-438-2455. ###

**ICHS Class of 1977
Reunion June 30**

The Class of 1977 of Immaculate Conception High School in Lodi will hold a 35th reunion at 7 p.m. on Saturday, June 30, 2012 at the LaReggia Restaurant located at 40 Wood Avenue in Secaucus at 7 p.m.

For more information call Nadine Mooers, Director of Institutional Advancement, at 973-472-7231 or nmooers@ichslodi.org ###

Buddy Holly Concert

The Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library is pleased to announce the return of Rave On, a Buddy Holly tribute band on Saturday, June 16, 2012, from 2-3:30 p.m. The free performance will be held in the Senior Center located at 320 Boulevard in Hasbrouck Heights. All ages are invited to attend.

Buddy Holly was a pioneering rock and roll musician with such hits as "Peggy Sue" and "That'll Be the Day."

On Feb. 3, 1959, Buddy Holly, The Big Bopper and Ritchie Valens, were killed in a plane crash during a blizzard. Holly was 23. Since then, February 3 has been dubbed "The Day the Music Died," made famous by the Don McLean song "American Pie."

Special thanks to The Friends of The Library for making this event possible. Mark your calendars for a fun filled afternoon! ###

Getting to Know Your Digital Camera

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library will be hosting a digital photo class on May 31, 2012, from 7 to 9 p.m. The class will be held at the Wood-Ridge Senior Center.

Well known NJ photographer: Walter Choroszewski brings his expertise, humor and techie know-how for an informal and fun Digital Photo

Class covering the basics of photography and how to apply them in the Digital Age!

Walter will help demystify menus and megapixels. He will evaluate Digital’s Pros and Cons; clarify expectations and the limitations of digital technology. Call 201-438-2455, or stop in to register. ###

Smart Estate Planning Seminar

On Tuesday, June 12, 2012, The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights will sponsor a seminar entitled “Smart Estate Planning.”

Elder Law Attorney Benjamin Eckman will talk about planning one’s estate, elder laws, and the rights of senior citizens.

This FREE program will be held 7 to 8:30 p.m. in The

Library Conference Room.

If you are planning for retirement, find yourself as a caregiver, or a person responsible for older family members, this is certainly a program you do not want to miss. To register please call 201-288-0488 or log on to <http://hasbrouckheights.bccls.org> and go to calendar. ###

HH Library Summer Programs

The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights has announced its plans for the Summer Reading Program: Dream Big—Read!

The program is designed to promote reading and literacy throughout the summer for children of all ages.

Children are expected to read, or be read to, for 2½ hours per week. Each week, they can stop by The Library to show their time log and receive stickers and prizes. When they complete five weeks of reading, they receive a special prize and certificate of completion.

In addition to the reading program, The Library will be offering Story Times, Book Discussions, Chess Club, and other special events for all ages.

To kick off the summer fun, The Library has invited Sciencetellers to perform where they will combine stories and science to jump start your imagination on Monday, June 25, 2012, from 7-7:45 p.m. Children in grades K-6 are invited to attend.

Registration for the summer programs begins on Friday June 22 and must be done in person. The summer reading

program begins July 5 and ends on August 24. Registration is required for all events, and first preference is given to residents and students of Hasbrouck Heights.

For more details and a complete list of activities for the entire summer, please call 201-288-0485. ###

The Grapes of Wrath

On Wednesday, June 13, 2012, from 7-8 p.m., the Carlstadt Library monthly book discussion group will discuss "The Grapes of Wrath" by John Steinbeck.

The migration of the Joad family to California from their dust-bowl farm in Oklahoma during the Great Depression is an experience of hopelessness of economic depression and unemployment.

Copies of the book are available at The Library for patrons to take out. Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome to attend! Call 201-438-8866 for more information. ###



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The only way to find out what checking account is right for you is examining your banking habits. Most people want a checking account that allows unlimited check writing.

Some checking accounts have a limit on the number of checks you can write each month. Exceed that number and you could find yourself paying a fee for each extra check.

A critical element in selecting a checking account is knowing the minimum balance you need to maintain. Many institutions let you open

a checking account with less than \$100 but require a much higher minimum -- maybe several hundred dollars higher -- to avoid fees.

Watch out for accounts that charge a monthly service fee regardless of how much money is kept in the account.

Is earning interest important to you? Interest checking accounts usually require a much higher minimum balance to earn interest or have other qualifications.

If you use a checking account simply to write checks and you just want to keep enough to cover payments, or if you can't be sure how much you'll keep in the account, find a free checking account.

Free checking accounts have no monthly service charges or per-item fees regardless of balance or activity. But often you can have a free account by doing something as simple as having your paycheck directly deposited into your account, or passing up the return of checks or check images.

Bouncing checks is very expensive. Non-sufficient funds fees are usually the highest fees charged. If you have trouble balancing a checkbook and you find yourself bouncing even one or two checks per year, it may be worthwhile to secure overdraft protection.

ATMs also play a role

when choosing a checking account. It's nice to find your bank's ATMs on every other street corner, but the best checking account for you may be at an institution that doesn't have a lot of ATMs. Find out what fees are charged if you use another institution's ATM and if there is a possibility of refunding some of them.

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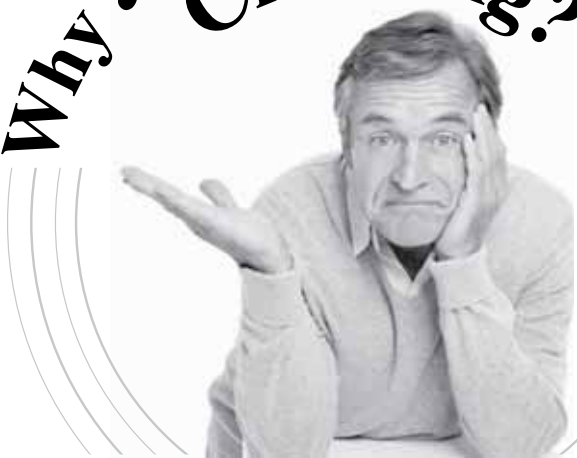
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Two WWII aircraft will also be featured:

- **Spitfire**, a British single-seat front-line fighter aircraft used during WWII. Designed as a short-range, high-performance interceptor considered as the backbone of the RAF Fighter command.

- **P-51 Mustang**, an American long-range, single-seat fighter and fighter-bomber used during WWII and Korean War. Used by the Eighth Air Force to escort bombers in raids over Germany.

Additional aircraft scheduled to be on display include:

- **F/A-18 Hornet**, in adversary colors and used in air-to-air training will be displayed. The F/A-18 has been used by the Blue Angels since 1986.

- **E-2C Hawkeye**, known as the Airborne Early Warning System, can track more than 600 targets and control more than 400 intercepts at one time.

Additional aircraft scheduled for exhibit include: EA-6 Prowler, Navy SNJ, T-6B Texan II, Bell Jet Ranger Helicopter, L-19, Cessna 337 Skymaster, Coast Guard HH-52A Helicopter, Rutan Defiant, NJ State Police helicopter, etc.

AHOF will offer informative walking tours of the displayed aircraft, etc.

Hangar One will be filled with many exhibits to include:

- The Army Air Forces Historical Association provides an extensive educational display dedicated to preserving the history of the United States Army Air Forces during World War II.

- Various organizations will provide displays to include: Civil Air Patrol, U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps, Paramus Flying Club, Great Dane Rescue, etc.

There will also a variety of aviation and military memorabilia vendors, etc.

The Port Authority of NY & NJ will display their crash/foam truck and runway maintenance equipment.

Additionally, over 150 street rods, old school gassers, classic cars, military vehicles,

etc. will be exhibited, and feature the "Green Hornet" car plus two "Batmobiles" (from the TV and movie). Show car trophies will be presented.

Kids of all ages will enjoy the BIG Wheel Races! Trophies for all the winners.

The Hasbrouck Heights Men's Association will operate a refreshment stand. The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department EMS will be there for any emergency.

The Civil Air Patrol, NJ Wing, Teterboro Composite Squadron and U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps, Iwo-Jima (LHD-7) Division will provide extensive perimeter security and parking management.

Many sponsors, Teterboro Airport FBOs, AvPorts, Port Authority, etc., provided much support to make this event a huge success.

This annual event is hosted by the NJ Aviation Hall of Fame and Museum. It will be held Saturday, June 16 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, June 17, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There is no parking at the airport. Follow signs for free off-site parking. There will be free bus service to/from the event.

Admission is adults -- \$14, seniors and children under 12 -- \$8.

This year's event will be a "Salute to Veterans." Veterans wearing their VFW or American Legion cap, as well as active duty personnel with ID, will be admitted free. ###

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TEB 5K Run July 21

The 15th Annual PSE&G Bergen County United Way Teterboro Airport 5K Run is scheduled for 8:30 a.m., on July 21, 2012, at Jet Aviation (*Moonachie Avenue*).

Last year's event attracted over 1,000 runners and this year even more are expected.

Well known as a "must-run" summer race, the course is certified and sanctioned by USATF and is a Grand Prix Series Race.

The course is flat out and back with only five turns, two water stops and mile clocks on the runway. Run is 500 USATF-NJ NBGP points.

Over \$10,000 Random Prize Giveaway, \$1,000 Super Random Grand Prize, Chrono-Track D-Tag Scoring, United Way Mini-Flyer Dashes, Food, DJ, etc.

Registration fee is \$20 before July 11, and \$25 after July 12. Early registration is advised. Security will be tight. Two forms of ID are required. All bags are subject to be searched. No one will be allowed entry to the airport and race staging area after 7:55 a.m.

Proceeds will benefit NJ 2-1-1; United Way's free state-wide 24 hour information and referral service that connects people with social services and community programs.

Race director is Mark Zenobia. Results will be at: www.compuscore.com. For more information go to: www.teterboroairport5k.org ###

Carlstadt Soccer Registration

The Carlstadt Recreation Soccer will be having registration for Soccer on June 12, June 13, and July 11, 2012, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Carlstadt Borough Hall Lobby, 500 Madison Street.

You must bring the child's birth certificate at the time of registration. You can download the application form from their website along with the medical forms at www.carlstadsoccer.com or you can pick one up at the Carlstadt Borough Hall anytime from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday or by calling 201-531-7182. ###

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This USATF sanctioned Grand Prix Event is 500 points. Pre-registration is \$20 with day of race \$25, starting at 7:30 a.m.

Register online until May 31 at www.raceforum.com/littleferry or register by mail before May 28. For race information, go to www.littleferry-nj.org/5k.html or email: Moses.racedirector@gmail.com

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Proceeds will be donated to Little Ferry first responders and the Little Ferry PBA, who contribute to the Wounded Warriors Project.

• Lost to us on May 5, 2006 Sgt. Matthew J. Fenton was a larger than life figure to those who were blessed to know him. Fatally injured while conducting combat operations in Iraq, Sgt. Fenton's service to our Country shall not be forgotten.

Sgt. Fenton was with the Forces Reserve's Inspector and Instructor Staff, 1st Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division Fort Devens, Massachusetts.

At his funeral, Sgt. Fenton was made an honorary Little Ferry Police Officer, the job which he was to hold upon his return to Little Ferry. ###

Relay For Life June 2-3

American Cancer Society "Relay For Life" will take place in Hasbrouck Heights at the Depken Field. It will run for 13 consecutive hours beginning at 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 2, 2012, and end at 6 a.m. on Sunday, June 3.

There will be lots of entertainment and activities, as well as the touching Survivor Lap, Luminaria Ceremony and Fight Back Ceremony throughout the event. Event Schedule Highlights - 5 p.m. registration begins; 7 p.m. Opening Ceremony; 7:30 p.m. Survivor's and Caretakers Lap; 10 p.m. Luminaria Ceremony; 1 a.m. Fight Back Ceremony; 6 a.m. Closing Ceremony.

Volunteers are needed to help on the day of the event, during the event and at its conclusion. Help is needed to set up, assist and clean up.

There are six levels of sponsorship; Hope \$250; Survivorship or Luminaria \$500; Celebrate \$1,000; Remember \$2,500; Fight Back \$5,000 and For a Cure \$7,500. This year's

goal is to raise \$70,000. Last year \$55,000 was raised.

Anyone who would like to make a contribution or become a team member should visit the Relay website www.relayforlife.org/hasbrouckheightsNJ for additional information. *Story by Marie Gallo.* ###

HH Little League Picnic

The Hasbrouck Heights Little League will hold its Annual Picnic on Saturday, June 23, 2012, starting at 11 a.m. at the Little League Complex. Rain date is June 24. Families can enjoy plenty of grilled foods, Italian ices and cold drinks. There will be several inflatable amusements.

It's a nice way to end the regular season. The event is open to all Hasbrouck Heights families participating in the 2012 season. The Hasbrouck Heights Little League was established in 1953. ###



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The Summer Adventure Club offers your child the chance to experience summer in a structured and educational, recreational and fun filled environment for \$3.50 per hour.

Sibling discounts available and scholarships available upon request.

There will be constant supervision by a trained counselor and children are grouped by age. Age groups are Juniors from 5 to 8 years old, and Intermediates from 9 to 11 years old.

Activities include swimming in an Olympic style pool, variety of games in an air-conditioned gymnasium to include a newly installed 20 ft. high Rock Wall, computer room, spend time in the newly renovated games room featuring the new Electronic Game Galaxy Room, weekly films, arts and crafts, etc.

For details call 973-473-7410 ext 105, email Michael.Hosier@bgcoflodi.org or go to www.bgcoflodi.org. ###

Moonachie Summer Rec

The Moonachie Summer Recreation Programs will begin on Monday, June 25, 2012, and end Friday, July 27. The program will be closed Wednesday, July 4.

The program is held at the R. L. Craig School and is divided into two groups: Pre-K/Kindergarten and First Grade through Seventh Grade. Both programs begin at 8:30 a.m.

The Pre-K/Kindergarten runs to noon Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday (*no activities on Thursdays*). The First Grade through Seventh Grade runs through 2:30 Monday through Friday. Moonachie resident fee is: first child \$25, and each additional child are \$10. Out of town residents are \$100 per week. For additional information, call Mr. Facendola at 201-206-8774. ###

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Ketcho's 5th Father-Son Golf

The Ketcho's 5th Annual Father-Son Golf Classic will be held on Saturday, July 21, 2012 at Shawnee Inn & Golf Resort. Start is at 6:30 a.m. with tee off at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$100 per player and includes full breakfast, 18 holes of Championship golf, cart, greens fees, afternoon barbecue, etc. Checks due by June 15.

For more information call 201-220-7831 or email: ketcho@aol.com ###

W-R Police Chief's Golf Outing September 28

The 12th Annual Wood-Ridge Police Chief's Golf Outing is scheduled for Friday, September 28, 2012, at the Apple Greens Golf Club in Highland, NY.

Cost is \$150 per golfer (dinner only is \$75), and includes breakfast, hot dog cart, beverage cart, golf w/cart, hole-in-one contest, gifts, prizes, etc. Shotgun start at 11 a.m./scramble format.

Starting at 6:30 p.m., there is an open bar, cocktail hour, buffet dinner and comedy show at the Fiesta.

The event is sponsored by the Wood-Ridge PBA Local 313 and is a fundraiser for the police body armor vest fund and various W-R recreation programs.

The W-R PBA will be hiring two 50-passenger tour buses leaving the Fiesta at 8 a.m. -- available on a strictly first-come-first-served basis.

Please RSVP by September 20, 2012. For more information, call 201-939-2497. ###

Wounded Warriors Golf Benefit

A day of golf and fun at the Black Bear Golf Course (Franklin, NJ) on Wednesday, May 30, 2012. Lunch and registration is at 11 a.m. Shotgun start is 1 p.m. Cocktail reception, dinner and prizes to follow. Cost is \$165 per golfer and \$660 per foursome, which includes lunch, greens fees, buffet dinner and beer/wine. Dinner and eligibility for prizes is \$50 pp. Sponsorships available.

Event sponsored by Meadowlands Board of Realtors and proceeds to benefit the "Wounded Warriors Project." For details call Dave at 201-288-5533 or Scott at 201-991-0032. ###

Carlstadt PBA 312 Golf Outing June 8

Carlstadt P.B.A. Local 312 will be hosting its 25th Annual Golf Outing on Friday, June 8, 2012, at The Knoll Country Club in Parsippany, NJ.

The cost is \$175 per golfer, and includes greens fees, cart, continental breakfast, BBQ at the turn, buffet luncheon with open bar, golfer's gift, on-course beverages, and awards.

There are also opportunities to sponsor a hole for \$200 or a tee for \$100.

Anyone interested in golfing or sponsoring a hole or a tee can contact Felix D'Amico, John Sanzari, or Jason Colombo at 201-438-4300. ###

Care On The Corner Golf Outing June 12

Care on the Corner will sponsor their Annual Golf Outing at SkyView Golf Club in Sparta, NJ on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 starting at noon. Event includes complimentary range balls, practice green, BBQ lunch at noon with shotgun start at 1 p.m. and dinner at 5 p.m.

Prizes and contests include: Hole-in-One contest, longest drive, closest to the pin, \$50,000 Shoot Out, straightest drive, Pot of Gold, putting contest and door prizes Cost: \$165 per golfer, \$660 per foursome, dinner only: \$50 per person.

Sponsorships are available. To sign up, call Care on the Corner at 201-288-0002, or register online at: www.careon-the-corner.org ###

Swim Club Kicks off its 51st Season

The Hasbrouck Heights Swim Club begins its 51st summer season on Saturday, May 26, 2012. There are memberships available to residents of Wood-Ridge and Hasbrouck Heights.

The club's board of trustees has planned another fun filled summer of events.

Among the many family activities, a barbecue picnic is scheduled for Sunday, June 24.

On Saturday, August 18, the club will host its annual Water Fun Fair, and the evenings of Sunday, July 8 and Friday, August 10 will see the return of the annual favorites, family movie night, and family fun night, respectively.

The club also offers daily activities to members, including an aquasize class, and swim lessons for children of club members.

The club boasts an award winning swim team and dive team which practice daily and compete with local clubs. The teams are coached by staff members and open to kids ages 5 to 16.

In addition, a life guard training course is held at the beginning of the summer, for those aged 15 and up who wish to gain Red Cross certification.

Said twenty year member, Pete Ganguzza, "It's a great family resource. My kids spent their summers here and learned to swim at the pool. Now my youngest swims competitively at his college and is a swim coach at the club."

For more information, please go to the club's web site at: www.hhswimclub.com ###

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Carlstadt Fresh Air Market

Carlstadt "Fresh Air Markets" are held at the Carlstadt Village Green located at the corner of Broad and Third Street. The first, held on April 29, 2012, was considered a big success. Some vendors actually sold out products.

The Fresh Air Market 2012 schedule is: June 10, July 22, September 16, and October 21, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

On Saturday, May 12, Carlstadt held a Green Fair Environmental Festival which included a day of eco demonstrations, children's crafts, Tenaflly Nature Center, Meadowland Commission, BCUA,



Food and Water Watch, MEVA earth volunteers, food, speakers, live music and fun.


These events are hosted by the Carlstadt Environmental Committee and the Green Team. For more information go to: www.greencarlstadt.org

Photos by Dennis Kronyak
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On May 6, 2012, Jonathan Green expert, Rich Imlay, was at The Corner Nursery to answer any gardening questions. ###

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Strawberry Moon

The June full moon appears on Monday, June 4, 2012, at 7:11 a.m. It is called the "Full Strawberry Moon."

According to the Farmer's Almanac, this name was universal to every Algonquin tribe.

The name reflects the relatively short season for harvesting strawberries that comes each year during June. Other names include the "Full Hot Moon," or in Europe, the "Full Rose Moon."

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



St. John's Annual Plant Sale

St. John's held their 33rd Annual Plant Sale. Pre-order sales were picked up Friday evening in the Church basement on May 4, 2012.

Over 200 flats of bedding

plants, geraniums, along with vinca vines, tomato plants, daisies and many beautiful hanging flower baskets were offered for sale. Proceeds support Church programs. ###



W-R Celebrates Arbor Day

On Saturday, April 21, 2012, the Boy Scouts, Girl Scout Daisies and the Wood-Ridge Lions Club all gathered to support the Shade Tree Commission celebrating Arbor Day. In addition to supporting Arbor Day, the Lions Club donated \$300 toward the purchase of new tree saplings. Lions International has a worldwide goal of planting over one million new trees.

Dennis Brubaker, Lions member and past President, said, "We are very proud to support the commission and help with the Lions International's goal." Wood-Ridge Shade Tree Commissioner George Meglio was happy to see the turn out by the Scouts; Meglio stated, "Tying together Arbor Day, the Lions goal and working with the Scouts was a great experience and a real small town family type event."

Under the direction of Victor Fontana, Shade Tree member, the Boy Scouts and Daisies all worked hard to plant 50 Norway Spruce saplings at the Union Avenue Recreation Field.

The Mayor, Council and DPW provided all the tools needed to get these trees planted, and continues its effort to care for the urban forest within Wood-Ridge.

Scout leaders Louis Agudelo and Sandy O'Byrne, were in

attendance and provided true leadership in this planting effort. Meglio went on to say "I send my heartfelt thanks to all the Scouts who participated in this event. In 1874 J. Sterling Morton, Arbor Day Sponsor, was proud of the success of Arbor Day and noted, "Other holidays repose upon the past, Arbor Day proposes for the future."

Meglio continued, "In the future these children will pass through this park, and they will admire these full grown and majestic trees, and they will speak of the day that planted little saplings and claim that they were part of this beautiful urban forest! That will be a great feeling for them." Story provided by George Meglio. ###



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The 4th Annual Stash the Trash Community Clean Up began on April 21, 2012, at 10 a.m., at the Moonachie Civic Center. All materials for clean-up were provided.

About 50 participated in the clean up to include The

South Bergen Rotary Club, Teterboro Airport, Moonachie DPW, Moonachie EMS Squad, Moonachie Athletic Association, Little Ferry DPW, students for community service credits, etc.

The areas cleaned up in-

cluded Industrial Avenue, Redneck Road, RLC School, Joseph Street Park, Garden Street, Congress Avenue, Empire Boulevard, State Street, etc.

About 22 bags of trash and 17 bags of recyclables were

collected. At the conclusion of the event a BBQ was held at the Moonachie Civic Center.

DPW Superintendent MaryEllen Lyons stated, "In a small town, these community events preserve the integrity of their sense of togetherness.

Keeping Moonachie clean is a year round job, and your continuing involvement is greatly appreciated."

If you have any questions, please email mlyons@moonachie.us, or call 201-376-8382. ###



Carlstadt Students Walk for Earth Day

On April 25, 2012, The Carlstadt Public School held its 5th Annual "Walk to School Wednesday" as part of its week long celebration of Earth Day.

Children met staff members at 8 a.m. at various locations around town then walked

to meet each group along the way. By the time the "human" school bus reached CPS, more than 220 students had joined the queue.

Students knew they were helping to save the atmosphere from greenhouse gases one step

at a time. This activity is one of the many planned for each day of the week by Carlstadt

Education Association members. CPS students know how to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and

Respect their planet. *Story by Mariann Kronyak. Photo by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*

Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful Day June 3

Volunteers are once again needed to help clean the shopping districts and raise awareness of the effects of litter in the community during the 13th Annual Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful Day.

Last year, over 125 volunteers participated! Both adults and children are welcome. The Bergen County Board of Health will provide cleaning utensils, gloves, brooms and bags.

Volunteers are asked to meet at the Wood-Ridge Senior Center on June 3, 2012, at 1 p.m. Free hot dogs and other refreshments will be served after the clean up.

To sign up, please call Borough Hall at 201-939-0202 extension 1, and leave your name and telephone number. Also, let them know how many adult or children's tee shirts should be ordered.

KWRB will also host a paper shredding event that day

at the Senior Center to be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Clean up your town and your home. For further information, please contact Councilman Ezio Altamura 201-531-0259 or 201-939-0202 ext 1.

Join your friends, neighbors, and help "KEEP WOOD-RIDGE BEAUTIFUL." ###

W-R Shred-it Event June 3

The Borough of Wood-Ridge, in conjunction with the BCUA Mobile On-site Shred Program, will be hosting a Community Paper Shredding Event on Sunday, June 3, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 495 Highland Avenue.

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Airport Community Marks Earth Day



In celebration of Earth Day 2012, on Friday, April 20, 2012, the Teterboro Airport community planted several flats of flowers at the NJ Aviation Hall of Fame.

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Little Ferry VFW Post 809 Installs Officers

The Petersilge-Velock V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary to Post 809 held their Installation of Officers for the 2012-2013 term. Diane Ruggiero, Past Bergen County District 2 President installed the Officers. Dixie Di Buono was the Installing Conductress. Immediately following the Installation a celebration was held at Dolce Novita Restaurant. *Story and photo provided by Adele Rovito.*



Veterans Today

By Thomas Marshall
VFW District 2 Commander

June marks the time of year when the Veterans groups go to Conventions to elect new leaders for the next year. The VFW, and the American Legion are always looking for members. If you served, stop by and join. We do a lot for Veterans but also the Community at large.

This June marks an anniversary of a chaotic moment in American History.

Six months after the Pearl Harbor attack Admiral Yamamoto wanted to eliminate America's Aircraft carriers in the Pacific. He planned and ordered Admiral Nagumo to attack a small island 1,300 miles northwest of Hawaii known as Midway, to draw the American Carriers out.

American code breakers broke the Japanese code and knew that Midway Island was their next target. The U.S. Navy scrambled to get as many ships together for the upcoming fight as they could.

Marines guarding the island soon picked up on radar the approach of a large Japanese task force heading their way.

Bombers were soon in the air to attack the Imperial fleet. Their fighter escort was kept behind to protect the Island.

They wouldn't have to wait long. Japanese bombers were soon over Midway Island.

Anti-aircraft fire soon filled the sky and the fighters went up to meet the enemy. They were overwhelmed by greater numbers and most of the planes were shot down by the Japanese fighters.

The American bombers that left before the Japanese arrived and attacked the Japanese fleet, but none of them scored a hit. They would be shot down by anti-aircraft and zero fighters protecting the carrier.

We carry sports figures down the canyon of heroes for winning the Super Bowl -- how about the American Pilot on this bombing mission that, knowing his bomber was too damaged by enemy fire to make it back, tried to crash it into the bridge of the Akagi.

He missed, but Nagumo didn't miss his try. His concern was now shifted to the problem of the airfield still intact on Midway and wanted to destroy it to prevent further use by American planes.

He soon received a report of an American task force just east of his position and it is recommended to him to attack it at once.

All you armchair Admirals out there, do you launch a second wave at Midway or

do you load your planes with torpedoes to attack the American fleet?

Don't think too hard on it. It doesn't matter anyway. Nagumo and his flagship are doomed. He was second guessing himself but Admiral Spruance of the U.S. Task force knew exactly what he was going to do.

The USS Hornet, The Yorktown, and the Enterprise were all ahead full on a course directly for the Japanese task force. Their planes were already in the air.

Torpedo Squadron 8 from the Hornet struck first and didn't get a single hit on any Japanese carrier.

Squadron 6 from the Enterprise came in next with no fighter escort. Again no hits and all planes lost.

These attacks did keep the enemy occupied and when a third squadron showed up from the southeast, most of the Japanese fighters went to meet them.

This was the crucial moment in this battle. From the northeast came the Vertical bombers from the Yorktown and the Enterprise. They were low on fuel but located the ships just in the nick of time.

The carrier Kaga received two hits from these planes.

The carrier Akagi was hit and the carrier Soryu was hit. All left burning and would soon be on the bottom of the Ocean.

Only the Hiryu was unscathed and launched a counter attack which damaged the Yorktown.

She was attacked again and she received more damage. Yorktown would later be torpedoed and sunk.

Hiryu would not escape. She was attacked in the afternoon and bombed by the planes from Enterprise, to share the same fate as the other three carriers in her task force.

The Japanese Imperial Fleet would lose four aircraft carriers, an oiler and a heavy cruiser along with 3,057 men. America would lose Yorktown.

For all those that spent April looking at video and pictures of Titanic, you won't get that here. Yorktown was found in 1998 along with a large piece of debris identified as part of the hangar from Kaga.

The rest of the ship along with the resting place of the Soryu, Kaga and Hiryu remain unknown.

Here's to the Marines and Sailors who made the fight of their lives in the middle of the Pacific at a place called Midway 70 years ago. ###

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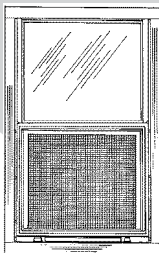
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The DAV helps eligible Veterans receive the benefits and services they have earned through their sacrifices.

DAV Bergen County/Chapter 15 invites "all disabled service-connected Veterans" to join. Monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday at the VFW Post 809 at 19:30 hours.

If you have any questions call Ignazio Valente at 201-421-5922. Website is: www.davchapter15.org ###



Little Ferry VFW Post 809

The Petersilge-Velock VFW Post 809 and its Ladies Auxiliary presented "A Tribute to Loyalty Day" on April 29, 2012.

Colors were posted and Terese McElroy provided an opening prayer. Post Commander William Weber led the Pledge of Allegiance. MC for this program was Irma Lo Presti, Auxiliary President.

The Post sponsored a coloring contest. First, 2nd and 3rd Place Certificate Awards and large American Flags were given to each Pre-K through 2nd Grade winners.

The theme of the Patriot's Pen Essay Contest was "Are You Proud of your Country?"

First Place winner, Yearman Yang, read his essay. Second Place was Destiny Nunez and 3rd Place was Sebastian Ocompo.

The Voice of Democracy Essay Contest theme was, "Is There Pride in Serving in Our Military?" Little Ferry First Place winner Dana-Kirstie Singson Pineda, from Bergen County Technical High, read her essay.

Presentations were made to Josephine Kurz as Outstanding Volunteer of the Year, and Michael Mickendrow as Outstanding Fire Fighter.

The principal speaker was 36th District Assemblyman Gary S. Schaer. VFW District 2

President Lauren Thomson and VFW District 2 Commander Thomas Marshall made remarks.

Guests were recognized. After a closing prayer by Terese McElroy, refreshments were served. *Photo by Adele Rovito.* ###



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Hasbrouck Heights VFW Post 4591

On May 4, 2012, VFW Post 4591 held a brief Loyalty Day service at the Post.

The program began with opening remarks by Past Post Commander Andy Gamble

and current Post Commander Michael Vaughn. Andy Proscia provided a prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

During the service, the Post awarded A Patriot Service Award to Staff Sergeant Mike

Sickels (USMC) in recognition of his devotion to service during Operation Iraqi Freedom and with the Black Sea Rotational Force.

Community Service Awards in recognition of their

invaluable contributions to our Community were presented to: Steven Daus, Nancy Halloran, Suzanne Kos, Jeffrey Werner.

In recognition of their contributions to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Outstanding

Volunteer Service Awards were presented to Rita Gadaleta, Pete Lentini and Thomas Mason.

Mayor Rose Heck and several council members witnessed the presentations. Light refreshments followed. ###



Wood-Ridge VFW Post 3616

About 150 attended the Loyalty Day services held at the Wood-Ridge Senior Center on April 25, 2012.

VFW Post 3616 Past Commander and Loyalty Day Chairman Burt Alkin led the ceremony. Post Commander Joe Cecere gave the Invocation and closing prayer, led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the singing of the National Anthem.

Alkin gave welcoming remarks about Loyalty Day and introductions. Ladies Auxiliary

President Jan West made remarks. The guest speaker was NJ Senator and Wood-Ridge Mayor Paul Sarlo.

The "Voice of Democracy" winners from WRHS were announced as follows: Kiersten M. Larsen -- First Place, Samantha Kronyak -- Second Place, and Melissa Plaza -- Third Place. Each then read their essays.

Greta Ostrovsky School Patriot's Pen Essay Winners were Olivia A. Bhargava and Stephanie M. Kucan.

Patriotic Art Winner was Griselly Govis of Passaic County Tech Institute.

Staff Sergeant Joanne Smith's retirement after 20 years of service in the Army was applauded.

VFW Post 3616 presentations were made by Skip Conroy and Burt Alkin to:

- Outstanding Law Enforcement Award: Lieutenant Scott Drotos
- Firefighter/EMT Award: Kenneth Schulz.

Commander Cecere gave the concluding prayer. The program concluded with the singing of "God Bless America," followed by refreshments.

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Real Estate Insight

By Mary Ellen Courtney



Financing Home Purchases 2012

Mortgage rates continue to be the rosy picture of the housing market. Concerns in late March had us seeing rates for 30-year fixed conforming loans rise above 4% for the first time in 2012.

This sparked fears that the low rate party was ending. But renewed worries about European debt brought investors streaming back into U.S. debt. And that, thankfully, served to bring mortgage rates in April back down into the threes.

These are truly the glory days for mortgage borrowers, at least from the standpoint of interest rates.

Times like these won't last forever, of course, but for now, it's like wow! The return of rates to record-low territory has given a boost to refinancers, with the number of refi applications surging. Spring homebuyers, though, should know that they are not in direct competition with the refinancers for the attention of lenders. Purchase applications almost always get priority.

I was reading that approximately one third of the refi applications today are from underwater homeowners who are starting to get the word that they can now refinance, thanks to the HARP rules for loans owned by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.

Freddie has, apparently, been more stingy in its approval of HARP-qualified borrowers, but word has it that they are going to take another look at their standards, giving new hope to some borrowers who

were previously denied a refi.

The persistence of low mortgage rates has helped to elevate home affordability figures off the charts, to 40-year best levels. Availability, though - not the rates themselves - has been somewhat a hurdle for buyers for some months now.

But maybe the picky underwriting and individual lender rules (*added to those already of Fannie, Freddie & FHA*) are beginning to ease up....

They will eventually, because lenders are starting more and more to see 'opportunity' in place of 'risk'. Some of the country's biggest lenders have posted stats showing higher & higher numbers of approved mortgages.

And the size of loans being approved is also rising, up, I read, \$20,000 in three months.

But qualified purchasers who want to wield the buying power of today's low rates need to get moving.

A Realtor.com survey showed that inventories of available homes are down over last year in 144 of 146 metro-area housing markets.

That's certainly been proved out here in Hasbrouck Heights and Wood Ridge where sold and under contract numbers are better than anybody has seen since 2007. The real estate market is healing nicely, I'd say....

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

Mosquito Season is Abuzz

Standing water means you could be raising mosquitoes!

Many generations of mosquitoes can breed right in your own yard. All mosquitoes need water to complete their life cycle. Mosquitoes also are not known to travel long distances from their water source.

Some mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water where they hatch in just a day or two. They can do this in water that has been standing for as little as four days.

Other mosquitoes may lay their eggs in old tires, tin cans, or other water-holding containers including bird baths, wading and small swimming pools, ornamental ponds, clogged gutters, flowerpots or the drip plates beneath them, cups, glasses, drink cans, etc.

The eggs may remain unhatched for weeks or even months until they are covered with water!

Yard and home checklist:

- Get rid of old tires, tin cans, buckets, drums, bottles, or any water holding containers
- Fill in or drain any low places (puddles, ruts) in yard
- Keep drains, ditches, and culverts clean of weeds and trash so water will drain properly
- Cover trash containers to keep out rain water
- Repair leaky pipes and outdoor faucets
- Empty plastic wading pool at least once a week and store it indoors when not in use
- Make sure your backyard pool is properly cared for while on vacation
- Fill in tree rot holes and hollow stumps that hold water with sand or concrete
- Change the water in bird baths and plant pots or drip trays at least once a week
- Keep grass cut short and shrubbery well trimmed around the house so adult mosquitoes will not hide there
- Keep gutters clean and free of debris and leaves.
- Store boats covered or upside down.

Protect yourself from mosquito bites

- If possible, avoid being outdoors in the early morning or in the evening.
- If you must go out, wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants and socks.
- The EPA and CDC advise the use of a mosquito repellent, following the instructions on the label.
- Check with your pediatrician before using a repellent on children.
- Keep windows and doors closed or covered with screens to prevent mosquitoes from

entering the house.

- Repair screens on windows, doors, porches, and patios.
- Some mosquito control methods do not do a very good job. For example, bug zappers do not work well to control biting mosquitoes since they do not emit carbon dioxide.
- Various birds and bats will eat mosquitoes, but there is little evidence that this cuts down on the number of mosquitos around homes.
- Electronic mosquito repelling devices don't stop mosquitoes biting people either. ###

Too Much Sun is Bad for Your Skin

Understanding UVA, UVB, SPF

Basking and working in the sun, without protecting your skin can lead to wrinkles, premature aging and, worst of all, skin cancer.

Sun damage is also responsible for leathery-looking skin, broken capillaries, wrinkles and hyperpigmentation, or age spots. While people are more aware of the sun's harmful effects, many do not protect themselves or use sunscreens.

Ultraviolet (UV) radiation that affects the skin is classified as UVA and UVB. UVA is the longest of the UV. It can penetrate into the deeper layers of the skin and plays a major role in skin aging and wrinkling. UVA penetrates glass and clouds.

UVB is responsible for burning, tanning, accelerating the skin aging and also plays a key role in the development of skin cancer. UVB varies by season, location and time of day. The most intense amount of UVB hits the U.S. between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Try not to schedule outdoor activity between these hours and seek playgrounds where shade - from trees or awnings - is plentiful. If your child has to be outdoors during these hours, be sure they're protected from the sun with a hat, sunglasses, etc.

What is SPF? Sun Protection Factor (SPF) measures the protection provided by a sunscreen against UVB.

Higher SPF numbers are preferable, but SPF measures protection only from UVB -- not UVA rays. When choosing a sunscreen, select a product that provides "broad-spectrum" protection for both UVA and UVB. If you are going to the beach or pool, make sure it is water-resistant and doesn't wash off in the water. Use an SPF of 15 or higher.

When to apply sunscreen

-- Apply sunscreen 20 minutes before going out into the sun to give it time to absorb into the skin. Be generous and regular -- about 1 ounce every 2 hours, and more often if you are swimming or perspiring.

Apply sunscreen to the top of your ears, back of hands, neck and toes.

Other protection tips:

- Use a hat to shield your face where sun damage frequently occurs.
- Be aware that the window glass in cars does not block all of the sun's harmful rays, making the driver's left side more prone to sun damage. Apply sunscreen before long car rides. ###

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

Crowns

What are crowns?

A crown is a restoration that covers, or "caps" a tooth to restore it to its normal shape and size, strengthening and improving the appearance of the tooth.

Crowns are necessary when a tooth is generally broken down and fillings won't solve the problem. If a tooth is cracked, a crown holds the tooth together to seal the cracks so the damage doesn't get worse.

Crowns are also used to support a large filling when there isn't enough of the tooth remaining, attach a bridge, protect weak teeth from fracturing, restore fractured teeth, or cover badly shaped or discolored teeth.

How is a crown placed?

To prepare a tooth for a crown, it is reduced so the crown can fit over it. An impression of teeth and gums is made and sent to the lab for the

crown fabrication. A temporary crown is fitted over the tooth until the permanent crown is made. On the next visit, the dentist removes the temporary crown and cements the permanent crown onto the tooth.

Will it look natural?

Yes. The dentist's main goal is the create crowns that look like natural teeth. That is why dentists take an impression. To achieve a certain look, a number of factors are considered, such as the color, bite, shape and length of your natural teeth. Anyone of these factors alone can affect your appearance.

If you have a certain cosmetic look in mind for your crown, discuss it with your dentist at your initial visit. When the procedure is complete, your teeth will not only be stronger, but they may be more attractive.

Why crowns and not veneers?

Crowns require more tooth

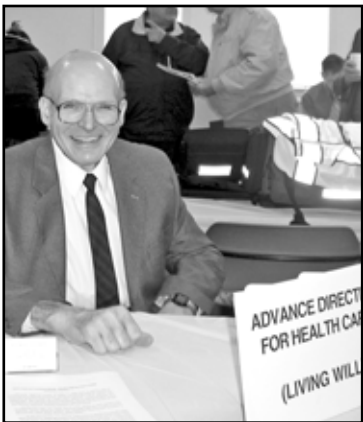
structure removal, hence, they cover more of the tooth than veneers. Crowns are stationary and are customarily indicated for teeth that have sustained significant loss of structure, or to replace missing teeth. Crowns may be placed on natural teeth or dental implants.

How should I take care of my crown?

To prevent damaging or fracturing the crowns, avoid chewing hard foods, ice or other objects. You also want to avoid teeth grinding. Besides visiting your dentist and brushing twice a day, cleaning between your teeth is vital with crowns. Floss or interdental cleaners (*specially shaped brushes and sticks*) are important tools to remove plaque from crown area where the gum meets the tooth. Plaque in that area can cause dental decay and gum disease.

Ref: sources and compilations, the Academy of General Dentistry. Dental patients reference information.

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Health Fair Expo IX

The Hasbrouck Heights Health Department held its Health Fair Expo IX on Saturday, April 28, 2012, at the Senior Center located at 320 Boulevard.

There was plenty of health information, prizes, give-aways, samples, literature, etc. Blood screening program was available. Non-perishable food donations were collected for the Hasbrouck Heights Food Pantry. Refreshments were served. *Photos by Marie Gallo. ###*



June 2012 Heights Senior Calendar

Open to All Hasbrouck Heights Seniors

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Monday, June 4, 11, 18, 25

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Games, cards & coffee
11:00 a.m. Mahjong

Tuesday, June 12, 19, 26

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

Wednesday, June 20, 27

10:00 a.m. Games, cards & coffee
2:00 p.m. Senior Aerobics \$1.00

Thursday, June 7, 14, 21, 28

10:00 a.m. Games, cards & coffee
11:00 a.m. Mahjong
2:00 p.m. Senior Yoga \$1.00

Friday, June 1, 15, 29

10:00 a.m. Games, cards & coffee

Friday, June 8, 22

10:00 a.m. Fun Bingo

Check Center Bulletin Board for any changes

The center will be closed on Tuesday, June 5 for Primary Election Day

CLUB MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 6, 10 a.m. Executive meeting.

Wednesday, June 13, 1 p.m. Monthly meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

OPEN TO ALL SENIORS

Trip to Platzl Brauhaus

Wednesday, July 11: Includes transportation, continental breakfast, BBQ lunch, dinner and entertainment. Call Kathy at 201-288-6651.

12th Annual Senior Picnic

Thursday, July 19: At Senior Center from noon to 4 p.m. You must sign up at the Center. Sponsored by Mayor and Council. Open to all HH Seniors.

Trip to Culinary Institute of America

Tuesday, October 30: Trip includes transportation, luncheon prepared by students and tour of the Institute. Price is \$70. Call Kathy at 201-288-6651.

When not in use, turn off the juice.



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AARP Members Love Bobby Byrne

Thirty-one friends and members of the Central Bergen Chapter 418, AARP traveled to Doolan's Restaurant in Spring Lake on April 24, 2012. They enjoyed an afternoon out, dining and being entertained by a production of "The Best of Broadway."

What they received was a marvelous meal and a show that would be a sell out if it were on Broadway.

The show headliner was Bobby Byrne (*Mr. Broadway*). Supporting him was comedian Richie Byrne and a band of excellent musicians.

Richie Byrne proved to be one of the funniest comedians around. He has a wholesome act that is extremely funny and entertaining. He is the warm



up act for the Dr. Oz TV Show.

Bobby Byrne has been a favorite entertainer for many years. He puts his heart into every song he sings and has a commanding presence. He had his audience cheering, yelling, clapping and singing along with him. He sang Broadway songs,

Irish songs, Italian songs, and an operatic song. He amazed all with his memory when he selected seven members of the audience at random, asked them their names and how to spell each name; then sang a song recalling each name and spelling the names also. He is a natural entertainer with charisma and wit.

All who spent the afternoon at Doolan's Restaurant felt they were treated to an unforgettable afternoon. One in which the food was outstanding and the entertainment was "First Rate!" Special thanks to Isabelle and Mike Byrne who were the hosts for the occasion.

Photo and story by Marie and Peter Gallo Jr. ###



AARP Members Learn More About US Presidents

Retired educator and present treasurer of the local AARP, Peter Gallo entertained the Central Bergen Chapter AARP #418 with a program entitled "Unknown Facts and Trivia about our Presidents." The program took place on May 11, 2012, the last meeting before the Club installs its officers at a luncheon in June.

Mr. Gallo focused in on eleven of the forty-three men who served as presidents, specifically George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, John Quincy Adams, Andrew Jackson, William Harrison, John Tyler, Zachary Taylor, Franklin Pierce, James Buchanan, Abraham Lincoln, and James Garfield. He provided evidence that the most powerful men in the United States are not superheroes; they have their own problems and peculiarity and are just men.

Some of the facts presented were that in the 56 presidential elections held since the first

in 1788, thirty-one presidents have had military experience; 14 vice presidents have become president; 13 men have served at least two or more full terms; and more Republicans than Democrats have been elected president.

Mr. Gallo also discussed the role of the House of Representatives in electing two of our presidents; the reasons some of our leaders fought duels; the reason one of our presidents was branded a traitor; which president left his bride-to-be at the altar; and what happened when one of our presidents refused to take the oath of office on the day it was scheduled.

During the business portion of the meeting, the members re-elected the present officers: Marie Gallo, president, Frank Zabransky, 1st vice president, David Davidowicz, 2nd vice-president and assistant treasurer, June Raymond and Janet Wright, co-secretaries, and Peter Gallo, treasurer. ###

Seniors Enjoy Bannon's Performance

All monthly meetings of the Leisure Club start off with a discussion of the business of the Club followed by a program. The meeting held on May 9, 2012, was no different than any others, but the program was outstanding. Club members were entertained by a dazzling performance by vocalist Robert Bannon.

Mr. Bannon was able to convey the emotions and the story of the songs he sang. He successfully engaged his audience in his performance. He was able to capture their attention as well as their hearts. It's programs like this that the members look forward to.

During the business portion of the afternoon, Club members were reminded that commencing with the meeting scheduled for September 12, all meetings will begin at 12:30 p.m. not 1 p.m.

Trip coordinator, Cathy Murray reviewed the two trips



that have been scheduled. On Wednesday, July 11, a trip has been planned to Platzl Brauhaus in Pomona, New York. It will include a continental breakfast, a barbeque, and a sit down dinner. The cost is \$60 per person. The bus will leave the Senior Center at 9:30 a.m.

Another trip is scheduled for Tuesday, October 30. It will be to the Culinary Institute of American in Hyde Park, New York. It will include a luncheon prepared by the chefs of tomorrow as well as a tour of the Institute. The cost is \$70. The

bus will leave the Senior Center at 7 a.m. If anyone is interested in attending a trip sponsored by the Leisure Club, they should contact Kathy at 201-288-6651.

The Annual Free Indoor Senior Citizens Picnic will be held on Thursday, July 19 in the Senior Center from noon to 4 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Mayor and Council and is open to all Hasbrouck Heights senior citizens You must sign up in the Senior Center or in the Borough Clerk's office. *Photo and story by Marie and Peter Gallo Jr. ###*

Carlstadt Senior Friendship Club

The Carlstadt Senior Friendship Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the

month at the Civic Center. Refreshments are served at 1 p.m. with the meeting commencing

at 1:30 p.m.

On May 12, 2012, the Club had a table in the park on Hoboken Road to participate in the Environmental Program. Seniors were invited to contribute environmentally friendly items to the table.

On June 20, they will have the end of year pizza party at the meeting. August 1 they will have an indoor BBQ. Everyone is invited.

Scheduled trips are June 19 West Point; July 17 Lake Hopatcong; August 7 River Cruise in Toms River; September 11 Mt. Airy.

An extended trip to Myrtle Beach is scheduled for September 23-29. This trip is open to all local seniors. Contact Eileen Garden, 1-201-933-6949. ###

Vic's Hoofers Auxiliary

The Vic's Hoofers Auxiliary is a woman's social club that meets the first Thursday of the month at the Carlstadt Civic Center. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. and an evening of fun and games are enjoyed. Refreshments are served and new members from Carlstadt, Wood-Ridge, East Rutherford, Wallington and surrounding towns are invited. Call Dolores 201-939-5163. ###

Lodi Seniors Club Seeks New Members

The Lodi Senior Citizens Club, announced the Club will be open every Thursday to anyone 55 or older who lives in Bergen County, including all neighboring towns. Recreational choices are senior yoga from 11 a.m. to noon, followed by Bingo at 1:00. Line dancing starts at 1 p.m. Games, ping pong, billiards, cards, or bocce in season or, you can just sit and chit chat. For members, the charge for a Thursday visit is 50 cents. The membership fee is \$10 per year. The cost for the day is \$2 pp. Refreshments are served. You do not have to be a member. For more information call the Club on Thursdays at 973-472-6994. ###

Leisure Club Visits Lancaster, PA

May 15, 2012 started off as a gloomy day with light showers, then heavy rain. However, by 10 a.m. the weather changed and the day turned out to be a warm comfortable day. This was the day members of the Leisure Club traveled to Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The group attended the Sight & Sound Theatre's production of "Jonah."

Jonah is the Biblical story of a prophet who fled because he did not like the message God had given him to share.

As Jonah flees from God, God causes a chain of events to bring Jonah back to his calling.

One of them is being swallowed by a whale. While inside the great fish, Jonah repents then God commands the fish to spit him up on dry land. Then God reiterates his call to Jonah.

Although Jonah responds to th Lord, the sincerity behind his obedience is unclear.

Finally, a series of events take place which brings Jonah closer to God.

A visit to Sight & Sound Theatre is truly a unique experience. The productions bring familiar Biblical stories to life on stage through original songs and spectacular staging. The professional actors attired in elaborate costumes, carefully detailed sets, trained animals, unmatched special effects and memorable music provide an event that the audience will never forget.

After the musical, the Leisure Club members dined at the famous Millers Smorgasbord Restaurant in Lancaster. Since 1928, the restaurant has been providing excellent meals. They have received the PA preferred rating, the AAA recommendation, and have been Reader's Choice and ServSafe Award Winners. *Story by Peter Gallo. ###*

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The opening night, Sunday, begins with a welcome dinner from 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. and is followed by the program from 6-8 p.m., Monday through

Thursday will be 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Registration is open to children ages 4 through 12. The cost is a suggested donation of \$10 per child. Please pick up your registration forms in the lobby of the Church or visit at www.holytrinityhasbrouck-heights.com to print a copy.

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Reflections

Wanted: A Friend

By Pastor Iraida Ruiz de Porras, *Pastor*
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Dear beloved child,
It’s been quite a while since we last had a meaningful quality time conversation. You have been through a lot, I know; but somehow you put the blame on me as if I didn’t care what happens to you on a day-to-day basis.

At times you can be so independent and self-sufficient and overwhelmingly busy that you don’t realize I have been by your side all along.

If you and I were in a true relationship you would know me better.

I yearn for your trust and for your love. I’m here for you all the time. I don’t want you to worry about anything.

I would rather you be still, not motionless, but seeking me in your stillness. I want you to know who I am and that you can find me anywhere at any time.

I want you to laugh and sing and rejoice every day; even during the toughest times. That shows me you trust me. I have made each day for you so that you may live it to the fullest, according to my plan.

You see, *your plans have consequences; my plans have purpose.*

I don’t want to impose, but if you would let me in your heart I would guide you so that you wouldn’t have to face the consequences of every rash decision you make.

Don’t get me wrong, you and I will disagree...plenty

of times! There will be times when you ask me for something and I will not grant it; not because I don’t love you or don’t listen to you but because I DO love you and I AM listening to you.

The things you ask for sometimes are not convenient or practical or may even feed into your very own personal agenda.

It might hurt others or yourself and I know deep down inside you don’t want to do that.

But even when you choose and decide on your own and you have to face the difficult consequences of your choices I am still by your side. I promised to be with you till the end of time. I am faithful.

You see, I saw all my children struggling too much. I knew that they needed someone to help them understand my love for them. So, I decided to spend some time with my children. Through Jesus’ presence I showed how much I truly love them and how I still love you today. My love is for all; steadfast, unfailing, and everlasting. It knows of no favorites. I laid my life for you. I resurrected. But like I told you before, I had a purpose. My plan was perfect then and is perfect now; even when you try to find the imperfections in my plans and at times suggest that I do things differently at the end of the day it always works out for the best. I do have your best

interest at heart.
Remember when that special someone passed away? That wasn’t me trying to punish you for what you did or didn’t do.

Death is not a tool for punishment that I use on random people on random days to make them feel miserable or to make me feel good.

Those who trust me and believe in me know that it is necessary to die in order to live. You may not understand it now, but eventually you will.

Death releases one from the physical pain and suffering into an abundance of life where there is no suffering, no fear.

And for those who remain, the physical loss of a loved one provides hope in a future where all shall gather once again in the company of the saints in my presence. On the other hand, those who reject me and do not believe in me or in my love for them choose death over life; eternal death.

Nevertheless, because I love you, you get to choose. I trust that at some point in your life you will choose life over death. Just know that I do not take pleasure in watching you suffer. I suffer with you, I cry with you.

Now do you understand why it is important that we get together more often? It will be difficult to try to do this on your own.

That’s why there are buildings where people, just like you, get together to meet me and learn more about me and my love for them. It’s called Church. Find one nearest you.

There are so many to choose from. You will know which the right one for you is when your heart starts racing with excitement and you feel peace and love in your heart from me and from others.

The Holy Spirit that lives within you will guide you into a Bible-based Church where your thirst and hunger will be satisfied in every way. Most importantly you will feel loved by me regardless of the circumstances in which you find yourself in when we meet.

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Heights Street Fair Thrills Thousands of Families

On Sunday, May 20, 2012, the Boulevard in Hasbrouck Heights was shut down from Washington Place to Raymond Street whereover 20,000 enjoyed an old-fashioned street fair.

It was fun for the whole family with many free attractions and fun-filled activities offering something for everyone.

Clowns, mimes, stiltwalkers, costume characters, jugglers, facepainters, tattoo, and balloon artists added to the festivities.

Free rides and amusements were presented including a 24-foot hydraulic rock climbing wall, bungee trampoline, trackless train, and a variety of inflatables.

The dunk tank was a big hit. Police Chief Michael Colaneri and several Borough Officials were good sports in taking a turn at "The Chair."

Proceeds benefit Special Olympics and the Anti-Drug program.

There were plenty of fun festival foods to feast upon – sausage and peppers, clam-bake, barbecue, gyros, pizza, hamburgers popcorn, cotton candy, pucker powder, shish-kebobs, kettle korn, ice cream, and more.

Over 150 unique craft, collectibles, specialty vendors and many Hasbrouck Heights businesses participated

At the main stage at Raymond Street, New Jersey's # 1 Oldies Band, and a crowd favorite, The Cameos, headlined the 4th Annual Hasbrouck Heights Street Fair. Heights' own Double Tap was a real crowd pleaser.

A children's stage at Kipp Avenue featured a variety of children's entertainment and exhibitions by local talent.

This FREE event was

made possible through the generosity of sponsors (*See ad on this page.*)

The event was hosted by the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights and the Mayor's Business Community Committee.

"Our initial two goals in putting together this event were to attract more people to our business district and to give people a day of family fun and entertainment. Hasbrouck Heights strives to be a family-friendly town and I believe this is just one of the ways in which we show it," said Mayor Rose Heck. ###

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On Sunday, June 24, a Solemn Procession will proceed from the Church on Union Street through the town for the Blessing of the Houses.

There will be rides featuring the ferris wheel and kiddy

rides, games of chance, nightly entertainment and delicious food. There are also hourly 50/50 raffles. The Grand Prize 50/50 will be called on Sunday night. The total of last year's grand prize raffle was over \$10,000.

Enjoy traditional Italian, Portuguese and Spanish foods, in addition to Seafood and Zeppolis.

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Church World Service is a well known organization that works locally, nationally and internationally for the good of the common people. They often are the first to respond to natural disasters; they are also active in many famine-stricken areas, working hand-in-hand with local disaster units. For further information, check out churchworldservice.org.

Send contributions to First Reformed Church, PO Box 66, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ, 07604 by Thursday, June 14. Make checks payable to Guild RCW. For more information, call First Reformed Church at 201-288-1122 or Estella at 201-288-0378. ###

A Train Ride "Shore" To Please

How often do you drive to the shore? How many times have you been stuck in traffic on the New Jersey Turnpike and the Garden State Parkway?

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We live near three major passenger train lines. There are the Pascack Valley Line, Bergen County Line, and the Main Line.

All three lines drop you off at one of two major terminals, Secaucus Junction and Hoboken Terminal. Secaucus and Hoboken are just minutes from each other. The fares are reasonable. The average round-trip cost to the New Jersey shore is \$28.

If you wish to travel to the shore by train, the vending machines give you the choice of connection via Secaucus or Hoboken.

The North Jersey Coast Line local trains operate out of New York City's Penn Station every hour. Long Branch is an hour and thirty minute ride.

Connecting through Hoboken is your very best option. As opposed to the North Jersey Coast Line local service out of New York-Penn, NJ Transit operates express service to Long Branch and Bay Head. The expresses skip many of the local stops.

The ride on the express is thirty to forty-five minutes shorter than the local service.

When getting off in Belmar, Spring Lake, Manasquan, Point Pleasant Beach, or Bay Head, the beach is within easy walking distance. You'll be on the beach in no time.

Having frequently taken the train to the shore over the years, I have seen tons of beach goers on board the train.

They're all decked out in their beach outfits, carrying their beach bags, and boogie boards. There's no need to feel left out.

Here is another big hint to share with you. Tons of people love to go biking down the shore on the boardwalks. To accommodate that, NJ Transit allows bicycles on board its

trains. Many of the cars have areas onboard where you can place your bike. There is no charge for taking your bike with you. Bikes ride FREE!

This coming summer season is going to be a heavily traveled one. We have already had some wild weather this past month, and there's definitely a whole lot more to follow.

When it comes to traveling to the New Jersey shore, the train is your best fit. With the level of traffic on the highways and the unpredictable gas prices, let NJ Transit help you avoid the inconvenience.

During the summer, we have a lot to look forward to. We have perfect tans to maintain, refreshing dips to in the ocean to enjoy, volleyball games to play, ice cream trucks to chase after, and TRAINS TO CATCH.

For information on train schedules and fares, visit NJTransit.com. Visit David's travel blog at DavidEKriso.blogspot.com. GoGiants577@yahoo.com *Story by David E. Kriso. ##*

Cat Show and Tricky Tray

FOCAS will hold its Annual Cat Show and Tricky Tray Auction on Sunday, June 3, 2012, at the American Legion, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry, NJ.

Stop by with your feline companion. Don't have a feline companion? Stop by anyway to join in the fun and participate in the Tricky Tray Auction. Refreshments served.

Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. Program and auction begin at 1:30 p.m. All cats must be six months or older, in carriers and current on all shots. The admission fee is \$5 per cat.

Cat Show and Tricky Tray Auction proceeds enable FOCAS to continue its work to provide humane services, programs and extraordinary medical care to shelter animals and our Feral/Stray Cat Spay or Neuter Program.

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Wood-Ridge PBA Annual Beefsteak, Auction & Comedy Show



About 400 attended the Wood-Ridge PBA Local 313 Annual Beefsteak/Comedy Show on Saturday, April 28, 2012, at the Fiesta.

Following dinner, a Tricky Tray and 50/50 raffle were held. Two comedians were the featured entertainment. A check for \$6,000 was presented to the Wood-Ridge Board of Education Student Activity fund.

The event generated over \$8,000 with the proceeds going towards the good and welfare of Wood-Ridge. Organizers were Joseph E. Biamonte Jr., Jeff Geisler and Joseph Rutigliano Jr.

This annual PBA 313 event has been held for over 15 years and was previously held at Assumption. This was the first time this event was held at the Fiesta. ###



Ribbons Benefit CFA

On Tuesday, May 1, 2012, John and Linda Kosakowski and the staff of **Bill O'Shea's Florist**, presented Patricia Espy, Executive Director of the Center for Food Action (CFA), a check for \$1,460.

This represented the proceeds of about 150 "Buy a Ribbons" that decorated the Boulevard in Hasbrouck Heights during this past Holiday Sea-

son. Bill O'Shea's Florist began the "Buy A Ribbon" program in 1998.

Additionally, Bill O'Shea's Florist supports the Center for Food Action by donating \$1 for every florist vase recycled, and 10% of 2012 prom purchases.

For more information about The Center for Food Action go to: cfanj.org ###



Women's Guild Serves Another Great Roast Beef Dinner

The Guild of Reformed Church Women's Annual Roast Beef Dinner was held on Saturday, April 28, 2012, at the First Reformed Church in Hasbrouck Heights. This annual affair draws many local residents as well as residents from neighboring communities. Each year as word spreads about the excellent meals that are prepared and served, the affair attracts more people. The food is delicious and plentiful. This meal and the Guild's Annual Turkey Dinner should not be missed.

Photo and story by Marie and Peter Gallo Jr. ###



HH Chamber/Library Hosted Networking Breakfast

On Tuesday, May 8, 2012, The Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce, in collaboration with The Hasbrouck Heights Public Library, held a networking breakfast for area businesses at the **Holiday Inn** in Hasbrouck Heights.

Special guest speaker was Bill Loges of ReferenceUSA, who demonstrated, in real time, how to access useful and targeted information.

Accessing Jerseyclicks.com and entering a valid library card number, Loges illustrated ways to do and refine the search. The data found can then be exported to an Excel

spreadsheet.

ReferenceUSA, based in Omaha, Nebraska, has 400 employees updating the data base daily, using various techniques. Information is verified via a phone call and updated monthly. ReferenceUSA supplies information to clients such as Google, Yahoo and GPS technology companies, etc.

Hasbrouck Heights Library Director Mimi Hui, stated that libraries offer businesses many resources through its BCCLS (*Bergen County Cooperative Library System*). ###

7th Annual Pride in our Priests Dinner

On Wednesday, May 8, 2012, the Knights of Columbus of the Archdiocese of Newark hosted their Fifth Annual Pride in Our Priests dinner at The Fiesta in Wood-Ridge. More than 500 men and women were in attendance. Of this number, 135 were priests and clergy.

The evening is open to all Knights and their wives, and is a great way for the Knights to show our Priests how proud we are of them.

Local priests from Wood-Ridge, Hasbrouck Heights and

Lodi were the guests of their local Knights of Columbus Councils.

At the dinner were Archbishop John Myers, the Auxiliary Bishops and the retired Bishops of the Archdiocese of Newark and our Worthy State Officers State Deputy Ph. D. Daniel Rossi, State Secretary Andrew Lipenta, State Treasurer Bruce DeMolli, State Advocate Anthony Moskal and

State Warden Robert Hatler.

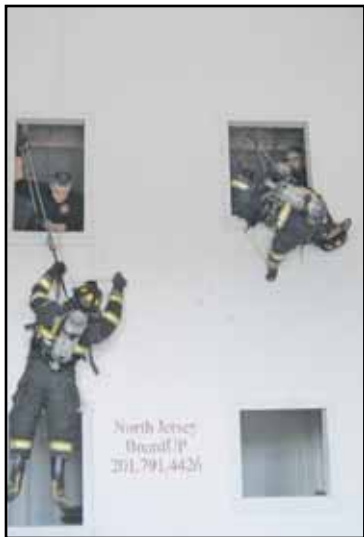
Master of Ceremonies State Warden Hatler presented a check for \$10,000 in behalf of the Knights to Archbishop Myers for the archdiocese to use in its many worthy programs.

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Firefighters Bail Out

On Saturday morning, April 14, 2012, 26 members of the Wood-Ridge Fire Department learned how to bail out using the Scott EZ-Scape 1 Personal Escape System (PES).

The 8-hour comprehensive course included 2-hours in-house lectures with 6-hours practical training at the Bergen County Fire Academy 2-story prefab simulator. Each firefighter practiced using the device six times. For safety, a harness was used during this training session.

The PES is an integrated self-rescue waist belt that allows firefighters to escape danger by jumping out of a window and descending 50 feet from the danger on life safety rope rated for at least 4,000 pounds static load.

The system's hand brakes are designed for use with gloved hands for easy deployment and controlled descent.

A durable forged-alloy steel hook makes it easy to anchor the system to a permanent fixture in the room, designed

to fit around pipe or the framework found in most apartments and office buildings.

These integrated self-rescue devices are compliant with the NFPA standards.

The PES were included in a FEMA Federal Assistance for Firefighters Grant (AFG) grant for 36 SCBAs (self contained breathing apparatus) the Wood-Ridge Fire Department was awarded. *Photos provided by the WRFD. ###*



Euclid Kindergartens Visit HH Public Safety Building

The Euclid School Kindergarten classes visited the Hasbrouck Heights Police and Fire Departments on May 8, 2012.

At the Police Department, they toured Chief Michael Colaneri's office, the cells, police desk, interrogation room, and a police car.

At the Fire Department, firefighter Chris Halloran talked to the students about fire safety and gave them a tour of

the firehouse. They also got to walk through the inside of an ambulance.

Firefighter Pete Kolodziej showed them how firefighters crawl wearing their turnout gear in order to keep away from the smoke when there is a real fire. The students watched a firefighter climb up the ladder on the ladder truck. *Photos provided by Patricia McSweeney. ###*



Moonachie PD Gets New Radios

On March 22, 2012, businessmen Moshe Evar, Rami Evar and Kel Evar of Home Dynamix LLC, were recognized by the Moonachie Mayor and Council with a proclamation and plaque for their \$17,000 donation to the Moonachie Police Department for new digital radios.

On behalf of Moonachie, Mayor Dennis Vaccaro expressed appreciation for their contribution and interest in public safety stating, "Due to budget constraints, this purchase was not in the municipal budget for 2012."

The Borough's 17 police

officers were recently outfitted with new Kenwood digital radios costing about \$19,500.

According to Police Chief Michael Maguire, "The out-of-date Motorola radios were about 16 years old.

This radio allows us to be FCC compliant. All emergency units go to narrow banding frequency for emergency responders.

We are able to program these radios to other agencies, including surrounding towns. In an emergency, we can all be on the same channel."

The radio features a microphone that can be secured on the shoulder for greater efficiency. The old radios were worn on the officers' duty belts.

Since 1986, Home Dynamix LLC, Carol Place, Moonachie, has manufactured and distributed floor covering products, shower curtains, fabric rings, oven mitts, potholders, bedding and window accessories in Moonachie. *Photo provided by the Moonachie Police Department. ###*

Summer Safety

- Store gasoline in safety cans manufactured and labeled for that purpose. Gasoline should never be stored inside your home. Gasoline should be stored outside, or in a well ventilated shed.

- Don't refuel lawn mowers, trimmers, edgers or other gasoline powered equipment while hot because the fumes may ignite and start a flash fire. Allow the equipment to cool. Use a funnel to prevent spills.

- Keep fertilizers and pool chemicals away from gasoline, oil and fuels. Pool chemicals (*chlorites*) and fertilizers (*nitrates*) are strong oxidizers and react violently with fuel vapors (*hydrocarbons*). Powdered and pellet chlorine should be kept in a cool, dry place. If water enters a chlorine container, it can react and possibly explode. Never add water to chlorine -- add chlorine to water to prevent a splash or violent reaction.

- Pesticides should not be accessible to children or pets and should be kept in tightly closed containers in a cool, dry place. If exposed to pesticides, rinse the affected materials off immediately and seek emergency treatment. Bring the container with you. ###

Scouts Visit CFD Fire House

On Wednesday, April 25, 2012, Boy Scout Troop 181 visited the Carlstadt Fire Department as part of their requirement to earn the Fire Safety merit badge.

Robert Moore, former Chief of the Carlstadt Fire Department, showed the boys the various pieces of equipment the department uses when battling fires or in their many rescue calls.

He demonstrated the use of the infra-red vision monitor which detects heat and explained how much water each truck could carry.

He showed the boys how the hooks were used to pull a ceiling down to check for fires between floors and determine a building safety.

He explained the oxygen equipment and jacket and protective clothing each fireman

wears and what it can safeguard against. Each boy was also required to prepare a home fire escape plan and fill out a home safety check list to fulfill the requirements of the merit badge.

Mr. Moore had visited the Boy Scout Troop meeting the prior week and gave a talk on fire safety which included fire extinguishers and types of home fire detectors and what you should do in case of a fire or an emergency.

The boys were very interested in what Mr. Moore taught them, as were the adults present, and everyone learned something.

The Fire Safety merit badge gives the Scouts real life information that they can carry with them throughout their years. *Story and photos provided by Susan Clerkin. ###*

Carlstadt Chimney Fire

On May 7, 2012, at about 5:30 p.m., the Carlstadt Fire Department was called to a chimney fire on 9th Street. The homeowner had lit the fireplace for the first time

in about a year and debris had built up from lack of use. Neighbors called due to flames, embers and smoke coming from the stack. Due to the elevation and location of the power lines, the Ladder Truck could not be deployed, so fire ighters had to use conventional ladders. By the time firefighters reached the stack, the fire had burnt itself out. No injuries or damage were reported. *Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*



Electrical Fire at Wesmont

On Monday, April 30, 2012, at about 1 p.m., the Wood-Ridge Fire Department received a call for a working fire/smoke condition at Avalon at Wesmont Station electrical room. Six transformers for the complex are located there. Three of the transformers have been operational. The three additional transformers were being energized by Public Service at the time. Although upon arrival, the fire had been put out by Public Service employees, firefighters thoroughly checked the facility. No injuries were reported. The cause is under investigation. Assisting WRFD were Fire Departments from Hasbrouck Heights, Lodi and Wallington. *Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*



Broken Pipe Draws WRFD

On Sunday, April 29, 2012, at about 1344 hours, the Wood-Ridge Fire Department was called on a water condition in a commercial building garage on Hackensack Street. A person passing by noticed water coming through a light fixture in the garage. Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department Ladder Truck checked the roof to make sure water was not coming from the air conditioning unit. After firefighters forced entry into the building, they found that on the second floor, a pipe near a water heater had



rusted away. It appeared that the water was running for some time. Firefighters secured the building power and water. While on this call, WRFD received another call of a mulch fire at Wesmont, adjacent to the building. A W-R Pumper and Carlstadt Engine responded. *Photo by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*

No Biggie

While Carlstadt Fire Department was working the 9th Street chimney fire (*see story above*), on May 7, 2012, at about 6 p.m. a call was received for a kitchen fire at Biggie's on Route 17 South. Carlstadt reassigned one Company and Mutual Aid Departments from East Rutherford, Little Ferry, Moonachie, Wallington and Wood-Ridge were deployed to assist.

It appeared that an exhaust vent malfunction, caused the vent filter to ignite and blow smoke back into the building. This issue was resolved. There was minor water damage in the kitchen. The Health Department was called. Biggie's was opened the next day. No injuries were reported. *Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###*

Wallington Wetdown

Wallington Fire Department Hose Company #3 will host a wetdown to christen their 2011 Pierce Arrow KT Pumper on Saturday, June 9, 2012, from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the VFW Picnic Grounds located at Main Avenue and Hathaway Street, Wallington, NJ. There will be food, music, beverages, mugs, "T" shirts, etc. ###

W-R Wetdown

The Wood-Ridge Fire Department will host a wetdown to christen Truck 904, 2012 Sutphen SL100, on September 22, 2012 from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Fire Headquarters, 85 Humboldt Street, Wood-Ridge, NJ. There will be food, music, beverages, mugs, "T" shirts, etc. ###

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HHFD Holds Annual Inspection

With personnel in full dress uniform and equipment clean and polished, The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department conducted its Annual Inspection, at 7:00 p.m., on Saturday, May 12, 2012.

The program began with Firefighter Thomas Rubino calling the Department to attention, the presentation of the Honor Guard, and the Pledge of Allegiance.

HHFD Chaplain, Deacon Vincent DeFede, provided the invocation. Mayor Rose Heck, Fire Commissioner David Gonzalez and Fire Chief Richard Giarratana made comments.

Area Fire Chiefs inspected the Department's equipment -- and they did a thorough job.

Local officials and the public also inspected the equipment and met with the men and women who serve.

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department operates with 40 volunteer members, includ-

ing EMS and Juniors.

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department has a Junior Squad for those between 16 and 18 years of age who offer on-scene support, but are not permitted to enter burning buildings.

Every firefighter must receive 25 weeks of basic firefighter training and every EMT receives 140 hours of basic training.

Many members continue extensive advanced training in the areas of search and rescue, vehicle operation, incident command, hazardous materials, first responder, mass decontamination, etc. The Department conducts training on a regular basis.

The Department is contracted to provide fire and ambulance service to the Borough of Teterboro, and has done so for over 60 years. In 2011, they responded to 1,540 ambulance

calls and 309 fire calls and other emergencies.

Its rolling stock includes two pumpers, 110 ft. ladder, heavy rescue truck, crash/foam truck, two ambulances and three chief SUVs. These assets are owned by the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights, but maintained by the volunteers.

The Department conducts only one fundraiser a year, with the proceeds providing training, supplies, etc.

The Department is a member of the South Bergen Fire Chiefs Mutual Aid Association, which helps to coordinate multi-departmental responses to large-scale incidents. Zone 2 includes Carlstadt, Little Ferry, Moonachie, Wallington and Wood-Ridge. These departments are also all volunteer.

The Department was established in 1896. Interested in joining? Call the Fire Chief at 201-288-0082. ###



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