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## Welcome Spring

The crocuses, daffodils and tulips pierce the dreary winter landscape. Dogwood, cherry and magnolia trees spring to their glory. The days are getting longer. Robins have arrived and migratory birds visit. Plant sales spring up. Neighbors are raking last year's wind-blown leaves, cleaning up their yards and planting grass seed, anticipating a carpet of green. The joy of planting colorful flowers and vegetables. Easter eggs were hunted. Religious services were observed. We know spring has arrived when the words "Play Ball" were shouted on Little League baseball fields across America!

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## Torn to Shreds

On Saturday morning, April 9, 2022, Hasbrouck Heights held its 24th Shred-it-Event at The Boulevard and Central Avenue parking lot. Residents and businesses brought in confidential documents to be shredded. A record breaking 11,650 pounds were shredded. The shredding program began in 2008. The weight gets filed with the state and goes toward the Borough's paper recycling tonnage grant. The spring event was sponsored by the Bergen County Utilities Authority. ###

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## Curriculum Expo at RLC

Moonachie residents are invited to attend the Robert L. Craig School Curriculum Expo on Wednesday, June 1 2022, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

This year's theme is "It Takes a Village!"

The Curriculum Expo showcases projects by Pre-K through 8th Grade in all subject areas. Parents and children can view art exhibits throughout the school and cafeteria.

This event is designed to build pride and spark enthusiasm and support for the school by bringing together students, parents, teachers and neighbors. ###

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At 1 p.m. on Sunday, April 10, 2022, Hasbrouck Heights GFWC-Contemporary Club The Circle Gazebo.

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. In 2008, pinwheels were adopted

as the official symbol of child abuse prevention.

The pinwheel was chosen planted a pinwheel garden at as a national symbol of prevention because it is whimsical and evokes childlike notions, and stands for the chance at healthy, happy and full lives

that all children deserve.

Children who are raised with safe, stable, and nurturing relationships and environments are more academically and financially successful and grow up to be productive, contributing members of their

communities. Pinwheels are a reminder that we all play a role in children's lives.

Pinwheel gardens represent our effort to focus on community activities that support families and public policies that prioritize prevention right from the start to make sure child abuse and neglect never occur.

Pinwheels are used to help educate communities about

the importance of supporting children and families.

Shining in the sun, the pinwheel is reflective of the bright future all children deserve and our belief that getting it right early is less costly than trying to fix it later. This is the 11th year the HH Contemporary Club participated in the pinwheel garden program. ###



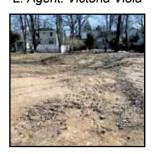
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## Mario Gabriel Fanego Joins Eagle Scout Rank

Mario Fanego is an amazing fourteen (14) year old Scout with Troop 17 in Hasbrouck Heights who achieved 53 Merit Badges, surpassing the 21 Eagle Merit Badge requirement.

He accumulated 56 outdoor camping nights, volunteered over 370 hours, and hiked 92 miles, earning the Boy Scouts of America National Camping

He started as a Cub Scout in 2014 and earned the Arrow of Light rank in 2018. Mario was also nominated and inducted into the Order of the Arrow, the National Boy Scout Honor Society.

He has earned multiple Religious Emblem awards, Light of Christ, Parvuli Dei, and Ad Altare Dei.

Mario's Eagle Project was a Memorial Reading Garden at Little Ferry's Memorial Middle School for his 7th Grade ELA Teacher, Ms. Sharon Aguilar, which consisted of fundraising, building and planting. Highlights include: An outdoor plaque outside of her old classroom, and an indoor plaque placed inside her old classroom, a memorial stone and bench, plants and shrubs were planted in the grounds, with two flower

beds and two planters, plus installation of an outdoor chess and checkerboard for Little Ferry students which included red and grey cement pavers and giant sized outdoor checker/ chess pieces.

(See The Gazette Newspaper, August 2021, page 2).

Mario is an Honor Student. In Eighth Grade he was awarded the Citizenship Award, Outstanding Achievement in Music, Outstanding Achievement in Instrumental Music Award. Mario was selected to participate as Councilman for a Day in Little Ferry.

He currently attends Applied Technology High School at Bergen Community College (Part of the Bergen County Technical Schools) with a focus in Mechatronics Engineering.

Mario is a talented musician who plays guitar, bass, piano, violin and multiple percussion instruments (snare drum, bass drum, drum set, triangle, marimba, and bells). His favorite musician is Eddie Van Halen. He loves swimming, basketball and plans on participating in the Bergen County Crew team. Provided by Dale Sipos, Boy Scout. ###



Ms. Sharon Aguilar



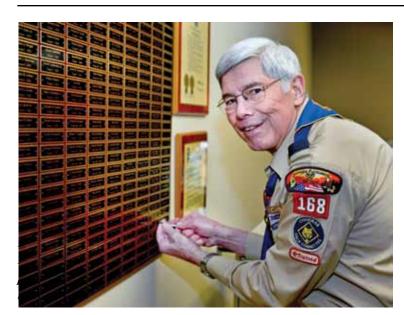












## **Over 100 Years of Rutherford Eagle Scouts Honored**

The rich legacy of Scouting 2021. They are: in Rutherford is witnessed by a simple wall plaque mounted upstairs in the town's Borough Hall. Each name plate on this plaque honors the growing list of Rutherford's Eagle Scouts.

To date, and for over 110 years, the highest rank of Scouting has been attained by only 251 Rutherford boys. Rutherford's first two Eagle Scouts earned their award in

Walter Carroll, Committee Chairman of Rutherford Boy Scout Troop 166B and Rutherford Cub Scout Pack 168, recently added another six name plates of Scouts that earned the Eagle rank during

Adian M. Allshouse Matthew J. Bronico Jason D. Delgado Anthony J. Masullo Vedic Patel Nicholas D. Valente

The plaque of Eagle Scouts is located close to the south side entrance of Rutherford's Borough Hall, right at the top of the main floor stairs.

Walter explains, "The plaque was started by Troop 166 in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the beginning of the Boy Scouts of America. A formal dedication of the plaque was held at Borough Hall on May 4, 2010.

In the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) program, there are seven Scout ranks: Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life and Eagle Scout; the highest rank attainable. Under five percent of all Scouts have achieved Eagle.

The requirements needed to strive for the rank include earning at least 21 merit badges and a demonstration of Scout Spirit which embodies an attitude of service, and leadership based upon the Scout Oath and the Scout Law.

To complete the achievement for Eagle Scout a candidate must also plan, organize, lead, and fully execute an extensive service project that also involves other Scouts.

Many Eagle Scouts have notable careers or rise to leadership positions in their lives.

The role call of United States Eagle Scouts contains a diverse range of men from poet Lawrence Ferlinghetti, film makers Michael Moore and Steven Spielberg, journalist, Ray Suarez, Mike Rowe, TV host of Dirty Jobs, Michael Bloomberg, former NYC Mayor, U.S. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, Stephen Breyer, Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, Gerald R. Ford, 38th President of the United States and over forty astronauts including Neil Armstrong, the first person to walk on the moon. Provided by William Neumann, 201 939-0370, fotogbill@aol.com ###

## Scouts Go Camping

(Fourth Graders) and the Arrow of Light Scouts (Fifth Graders) from Pack 183, Troop 181B (Scout troop for boys), and Troop 181G (Scout troop for girls) went on their annual joint camping trip in March 2022 to Camp Somers in Stanhope, New Jersey.

The Scouts and parents enjoyed sleeping on foam mattresses in a heated cabin and building fires with wood the Scouts collected.

Including parents, there were over 30 people hiking through the woods in rain, hail, and mostly sunshine.

As part of a camp service project, one leader split wood using a hydraulic wood splitter while the Scouts moved the

The Webelos Scouts wood to and from the machine.

Everyone made their own lunches and cooked their own dinners.

The younger Scouts learned about knife and ax safety, building fires, and first

Not counting the rain and hail during our hike, the weather for our weekend camping trip was beautiful and not too cold.

Troop 181G is a new troop which uses the traditional Boy Scout program but is only for girls. It does not replace the Girl Scout program. If you are interested in more information about Troop 181G, please contact Barry Goldman at BarryTroop181@gmail.com or call cell 551-206-7512. ###

## Cinco de Mayo! **Tricky Tray**

On Thursday, May 5, 2022, Church of the Transfiguration, Wallington, NJ, will host a "Cinco de Mayo!" Tricky Tray, at The Fiesta, Wood Ridge, NJ. Doors open at 6 p.m., auction begins at 7 p.m.

Admission is \$55 per person and includes Three Course Dinner, dessert, plus One Sheet of regular chances.

Advance admission ticket sales only. No tickets will be sold at the door. Tickets are available until April 24, 2022.

Express packs of gift chances are available for \$30, if purchased by April 24, 2022, or \$35 if purchased at the door.

For tickets, contact Dawn at 201-463-1512. Like us on Facebook for up-to-date info: Church of the Transfiguration Tricky Tray ###

#### Carlstadt Mixed Chorus 89th Music Festival

The Carlstadt Mixed Chorus will host their 89th Music Festival at the Carlstadt Turn Hall, 500 Broad Street, Carlstadt, at 2 p.m., on Sunday, May 1, 2022.

The program will feature the mixed chorus and professionnal soloists. Johanna Teubner-Prussack, Music Director. Dance music by "Barry Adler and Edi Spatarella." The kitchen and bar will be open. Donation is \$25. For reservations, call 973-777-6677 or 973-204-9933. ###

## Friday Night **Dancing**

The Hasbrouck Heights Elks Lodge 1962, 128 Baldwin Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights, will host dancing every Friday night from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. with DJ Gerri. Cost is \$10 at the door. Coffee included. Cash bar. For more information, call Cathy at 1-386-852-4881. ###

## of Rutherford

The Art Association of Rutherford will hold its May meeting, 8:15 p.m., May 12, 2022, at Tamblyn Civic Center, 30 Woodland Avenue, Ruth-

This is our annual art critique by a professional artist! Bring a piece and get tips on how to improve your work. Come in, the doors are open. A non-mandatory \$3 donation is suggested for non-members, but all are welcome!

For more information or questions, contact Lissanne at lissanneart@gmail.com

### Wind Creek **Casino Trip May 25**

The Hasbrouck Heights VFW Post 4591 will sponsor a bus trip to the Wind Creek Casino, Bethlehem, PA, on May 25, 2022. The cost is \$40 (paid in advance) and will include a continental breakfast from 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. To help the travel time pass, there will be a 50/50, Bingo and a movie. For further details, call Diane at 201-475-8898 or Gladys at 201-288-9074. ###

#### Wallington **Little League Pasta Dinner**

On Saturday, June 4, 2022, the Wallington Little League will be holding an Annual Family Pasta Dine-out Tricky Tray event. Tickets are \$15 pp. Player and children under 12 \$10. All of the monies that are raised will be given back in special baseball and softball outings, programs, and clinics.

Please donate an item or service to be raffled off. Gifts can be mailed to: Wallington Little League, c/o Joe/Adele Mulvaney, 2 Elizabeth Place, Wallington, NJ 07057.

If an item needs to be picked up, call Adele at 973-773-0951 or Joe at 973-632-3845. ###

#### Art Association FOCAS Holds Flea Market

FOCAS Flea Market is on Saturday, May 21, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the American Legion, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry.

Note that 2022 Flea Markets will only be Saturday

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

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

They may be dropped off at the American Legion on Friday from 3 to 6 p.m. All proceeds benefit homeless animals. For additional information, call the FOCAS Help Line at 201-943-4019, email info@focasnews. org, or visit www.focasnews. org FOCAS adheres to COV-ID compliance guidelines. ###

#### Bergen County LGBTQ Seniors Meet May 10, 20

Bergen County LGBTQ Alliance (BCLA), a new nonprofit organization, is initiating a seniors (60+) group that will meet on the second Tuesday of each month in person and the third Friday virtually.

The next meetings are on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 11:30 a.m. and Friday, May 20 at 11:30 a.m. The Tuesday meeting will be held at The Rutherford Pancake House, 40 Park Avenue, Rutherford. Refreshments will be served.

Contact us at Nick@bergencountyLGBTQ.org or 201-470-8946 for info and/or the link. ###



## Raffle **Basket**

American Legion's Auxiliary Unit #142 is sponsoring a \$300 Raffle Lottery Basket to fund comunity projects.

The drawing will be held 7 p.m., May 5, 2022, at American Legion Post #142, 135 East Passaic Street, Maywood, NJ, 07607. Winner need not be present. No substitution of prize given. For tickets, call Debbie at 551-587-3699. ###

## *50/50* Raffle

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Lower Bergen County is hosting a 50/50 raffle to support youth programs at their Clubs. Tickets are \$10 each.

The drawing will be held on May 2, 2022 at 12 p.m. It will be live streamed on Facebook and recorded. Winner will be notified by telephone and does not need to be present to win.

To buy tickets go to: www. bgclbergen.org/50-50-fundraiser or contact Melissa at 973-473-7410 x104 or email: melissa.mckinney@bgoflodi.

Only 2,500 tickets will be sold. Distribution is 50% of total amount received. First Prize 60%, Second Prize 28% and Third Prize is 12%. No substitution of prize offered. ###

### Last Man Standing Raffle

American Legion Auxiliary Unit #142 is is hosting a Last Man Standing 50-50. 200 tickets to be sold. Winner will receive \$2,000. Donation is \$20. Winner need not be present. No substitution of prize. Drawing is September 24, 2022 at 7 p.m. at the Post, 135 East Passaic Street, Maywood. Bring your own food. Cash bar. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. For tickets, call Debbie at 551-587-3699. ###

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#### Mother's Day: Give A Blanket

Once again, the Guild of Reformed Church Women of First Reformed Church, Hasbrouck Heights, invite you to participate in their annual Blanket of Honor Sunday project.

These \$10 donations per blanket, in honor of or in memory of any or all the significant women in your life, will be accepted through May 1, 2022, for inclusion in the Mother's Day bulletin.

The proceeds will be used by Church World Service to provide new blankets to be distributed to families wherever and whenever a disaster occurs, whether natural or man-made.

These blankets are used in a multitude of ways, not just for warmth. They provide a measure of dignity, a refuge, a source of protection, a means of carrying all one's belongings, a message that someone cares for them, wherever they may be in the world.

Please mail your check (\$10 per blanket) and send to First Reformed Church of Hasbrouck Heights, PO Box 66, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604.

Please include the name(s) of the women you wish to honor or remember.

The Guild women appreciate your assistance, as do the recipients, whether locally, nationally or world-wide. For further information, call 201-288-1122. ###

#### **Knights Annual** Father's Day **Breakfast** June 19

On Father's Day, June 19, 2022, the St. Anthony Council Knights of Columbus, from Wood-Ridge, will be holding their 13th Annual Father's Day Communion Breakfast.

Members of the Knights of Columbus, their friends and families, will attend the 9:30 a.m. Mass at the Assumption Church. The breakfast will take place at the Fiesta following the Mass.

For tickets, contact a member of the Wood-Ridge Knights of Columbus. ###

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#### Michael A. Schwarz Memorial **Scholarship**

Engine Company Two of the Carlstadt Fire Department has established a Scholarship in memory of Michael A. Schwarz, a 20-year-old Marine killed in action November 2006 in Iraq. Michael was a member of the Carlstadt Fire Department and a 2004 graduate of Becton Regional High School.

The scholarship is open to all Carlstadt residents graduating from high school this spring and furthering their education. The scholarship will be awarded to students who show dedication and service to their school and community.

Applications are available at the Carlstadt Borough Hall, 500 Madison Street, Carlstadt. The Borough Hall is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Scholarship applications must be completed and returned no later than May 15, 2022.

The members of Engine Two wish to thank everyone who donated to this scholatship fund. With your generous support, the memory of Michael and his devotion to serve his country and community will live for years to come. For more information about the scholasip, or to make a contribution, contact the Carlstadt Fire Department at 201-460-3942. ###

#### Scholarship Breakfast May 14

The Contemporary Club of Hasbrouck Heights is hosting a scholarship breakfast fundraiser on Saturday, May 14, 2022, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at Fisher's Cafe, 245 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights.

Cost is \$15 pp. Choice of eggs, pancakes or French toast with sausage, coffee, tea.

For tickets call 201-288-0495 or 201-665-9272 by May 10. Proceeds to benefit local high school scholarships. ###



#### **Loans Available** to HHHS Grads

Graduates of Hasbrouck Heights High School can apply for interest free loans to help pay the cost of post secondary

Loans from the Hasbrouck Heights Student Loan Council are available to students attending two year or four-year colleges or technical schools.

Loans are approved for the fall and spring semesters and are usually \$500 or \$750 per semester depending on the number of applicants.

Loans are interest free as long as the student stays in school and maintains passinggrades. Once the borrower leaves school or graduates, the loans remain interest free as long as the Council receives regular monthly payments.

You can request an application by e-mailing us at slfhh@hotmail.com or texting 201-970-6705. Applications must be returned by May 30, 2022. ###

#### **Seeking Aspiring Young Artists**

Care on the Corner is excited to announce NewARTS Kids for children Grades 1 - 6!

Young artists will have fun while creating with mixed mediums and techniques! Students will explore different mediums each week that will stimulate their imaginations and creative expression using acrylics, colored pencils, markers, oil pastels, and watercolors.

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

Session Dates are May 17, 24, and 31, 2022.

Students will have fun creating Monet in May, Under the Sea, Op Art (Optical Abstract Art)

- Tuesdays 4 to 5 p.m.,1st 3rd Graders
- Tuesdays 5 to 6 p.m.,4th – 6th Graders

Call 201-288-9460 to register. Space is limited to 8 children per class. Tuition is \$80 and includes all materials. Scholarships are available.

Debra M. Cook is returning to teach these classes. Debra has been teaching ART to children for over 25 years. She works to help each student develop the artist within them. It is her hope that they will continue to develop this positive "can do" approach in all areas of their lives as they learn and grow, not only as artists, but as the wonderful people they were meant to be. ###

## *May 21*

The First Reformed Church will hold a Memory Flag Garden Service on May 21, 2022 (Armed Forces Day) on the Church lawn, 300 Washington Place, Hasbrouck Heights.

Each flag has a Veteran's name attached. Flag request should be submitted by May 16, 2022, to firstrefhh@optonline.net

The public is invited to visit this garden. The flags will remain until mid-July.

The ceremony is to remember those who served and have passed into the nearer presence of God. For more information, call the Church office at 201-288-1122. ###

#### **AL Legion Riders Motorcycle Run** June 25

American Legion Riders Chapter 310 is hosting their 3rd Annual Motorcycle Run to raise funds for Serenity Paws Animal Rescue Inc. on Saturday, June 25, 2022. Donation is \$20 pp.

Riders meet up at 9 a.m., at American Legion Post 310 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry, NJ, 07643.

Kickstands up at 11 a.m. Return at 1 p.m. with party to follow. Music, food and draft beer included.

• Serenity Paws Animal Rescue Inc. is a 501c(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to reducing the number of unwanted animals through fundraising endeavors for the purpose of assisting in low cost spay and neuter programs.

Their goal is not raise only funds but to raise awareness of the tragedy of unwanted litters born every day.

They create an "oasis of serenity" for those most in need where they can live out the rest of their lives in contentment. Portion of the proceeds will go directly to Serenity Paws. This is a fundraiser! ###

#### Place Flags at **Veterans Graves**

Joseph M. Lane Post 136 of Lodi, NJ, welcomes volunteers to remove and replace the US Stars and Stripes from the graves of Veterans buried in Lodi cemeteries.

They will meet at 9 a.m. May 21, 2022 at the American Legion Hall, 41 Union Street Lodi, NJ 07644. All of welcome.###

## Flag Garden HH Street Fair June 5

On Sunday, June 5, 2022, the Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce will once again sponsor the New Hasbrouck Heights Street Fair. The event will be held along the Boulevard, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., rain or shine.

The street will be transformed into a giant block party. They are expecting to attract thousands of people from the community and other neighboring towns. They hope that you'll consider joining them for a fun-filled day.

- A Special Kids Traveling Shindig section will be brimming with all kinds of fun stuff to do. There will be kiddie rides, pony rides, petting zoo, trackless train ride, face painting, sand art, temporary tattoos, and much more.
- Come Hungry. Some of the local eateries will be participating, with outdoor dining, along with a variety of gourmet food trucks and food vendors serving gyro, shishkabobs, zeppoles, funnel cakes, fried Oreos, sausage/peppers, cheese steaks, empanadas, kettle corn, ice cream, lemon ice, candy and nuts, sweet breads, jams, sticky buns, pizza, burgers, fried hot dogs, pulled pork, steak sandwiches, tacos, and more.
- **Shopping.** This fair will feature over 100 exhibitors and local merchants selling products, new items, crafts and collectibles. If you like shopping outdoors, then this is the place to be.

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## Gift Auction June 5

On Sunday, June 5, 2022, Church Of The Transfiguration, located at 135 Hathaway Street, Wallington, will host a gift auction. Doors open at 1 p.m., auction starts at 2:30 p.m. Admission is \$10. Admission includes 1 sheet of tickets, coffee and cake. For information call Linda at 201-791-9272. Proceeds to benefit Church maintenance fund. ###

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## Free Lunch Saturday

With too many people getting sick from colds, the flu and Covid, the First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie "Free Lunch Saturday" program, will be held on May 7, 2022 at 11:30 a.m.

We will serve "To Go" with "catering" from a local restaurant to support our community. This program is an expansion of the Church's ministry of feeding hungry bodies and hungry hearts. If the economy's got you down, or you want to share a meal with others, come for the food and fellowship. There are no strings attached. A free-will offering is taken. ###

## Resorts World Catskills Bus Trip Oct. 23

American Legion Auxiliary Unit #142 is accepting reservations for a bus trip to Resorts World Catskills, Monticello, NY, October 23, 2022.

Bus departs 9:15 a.m., 135 East Passaic Street, Maywood, NJ. Cost is \$40. Get back \$25 slots, \$15 food. For tickets, call 551-587-3699. ###



### Nash East Concert May 14

Join the Hasbrouck Heights Public Library for another musical afternoon of fun on Saturday, May 14, 2022, from 1 to 2:15 p.m., at the Hasbrouck Heights Senior Center, 320 Boulevard.

Nash East covers a well-rounded mix of popular country music with an emphasis on the "Honky Tonk" hits of yesterday. Their music is so infectious that the most inhibited folks have no choice but to get up and dance! ###

#### Barber Shop Quartet May 22

The Wood-Ridge Historical Society invites you to enjoy an outdoor musical presentation on May 22, 2022, at 1:30 p.m., on the grounds of the Arnault/Bianchi House located on First Street.

Members of the Blue Chip Chorus, a men's a cappella group, will entertain you with popular and traditional music styles.

The group specializes in Barber Shop Quartet music. In the case of inclement weather, the event will take place in the Senior Center on Hackensack Street. Refreshments will be served, and admission is free. The Society will gratefully accept donations in support of future programs. *Provided by Dottie Dobek.* ###

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# Wallington Fashion Show Tricky Tray May 12

On Thursday, May 12, 2022, at 6 p.m., Wallington High School Home and School Organization, will host a Fashion Show/Dinner/Tricky Tray on the High School front lawn, 234 Main Avenue, Wallington.

Tables and chairs will be set up. Bring your favorite snacks. Admission is \$10 pp.

- Fashion Show begins at 6:30 p.m. (rain location WHS Gymnasium).
- Tricky Tray drop-in begins at 4 p.m. Calling begins approximately 6 p.m. Virtual event link will be posted. 25 guests per 30 minutes. Combo packs in advance or at the door: \$30 for 2 yellow sheets/ 2 blue sheets. Name/phone number must be written on back of tickets.

• Super raffle \$10 per ticket. For ticket information, call TJ Calabrese at 201-893-6748, Joe Brunacki 973-632-3845 or wallington.hso@gmail.com ###

#### **Rutherford Library Hosts Gala May 14**

The Rutherford Public Library Foundation is hosting its annual Gala at Il Villaggio on Saturday, May 14, 2022. Cocktail hour begins at 6:30 p.m.

The Gala is a great way to show your support for the Library and all the services it provides Rutherford and the surrounding area. Tickets are \$150. Bring some friends for a night of live music, open bar and great food!

The 2022 Gala Honoree is Rutherford Mayor Frank Nunziato, for his dedication to promoting volunteerism in Rutherford and his unwavering support of the Library.

To purchase tickets visit the Rutherford Public Library at 150 Park Ave or www.rutherfordlibrary.org/ foundation/2022-gala/ ###

Good manners are always in style

## Pasta Dinner May 20

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterian Church of Carlstadt will be sponsoring a Pasta Dinner on Friday, May 20, 2022, in the Church Community Hall on Third Street in Carlstadt from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Ziti with meatballs and sauce, garden salad, Italian bread, beverages and desserts, with coffee and tea, will be served.

Take-out orders available. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. Tickets may be purchased through the Church office, 201-438-5526, as well as through any LAS member after Sunday Church services. ###

## W-R Lions Golf Outing May 2

On May 2, 2022, Wood-Ridge Lions Club presents the 13th Annual Phil Rottini Golf Outing at the Meadows Golf Club, 79 Two Bridges Road, Lincoln Park. Cost is \$125 per person. Includes greens fee, cart, breakfast, lunch, giveaways and prizes. Singles and foursomes are welcome.

Breakfast 7:30 a.m. Shotgun start 9 a.m. Scramble format, team scorecard. Sponsorships are available: Tee signs \$75, Breakfast \$250 and Lunch \$750. For more information, call 201-926-1454 or 551-486-6197. ###

#### Elks Breakfast 1st Sunday

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

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

#### Classic Car and Motorcycle Show May 1

On Sunday, May 1, 2022, the Nam Knights of America will host their 28th Annual Classic Car and Motorcycle Show at their Clubhouse, 197 Washington Avenue, Carlstadt. Rain date is May 15. Gates open 9 a.m. for entries. Show starts at 11 a.m.

Admission for show participants is \$20. Spectators \$5. Children under 12 free. Free admission for disabled Veterans and Police Officers. Food and soda/water is available. No alcoholic beverages or pets.

This year, they are dedicating their show to our Health Care Heroes & First Responders. Without them we would not have made it through these difficult two years

Event benefits Veterans and Law Enforcement Officers.

For more information, call 201-438-4068 or go to www. namknights.org ###

## Great Duck Derby May 21

The Lions Club of Rutherford presents the GREAT DUCK DERBY on Saturday, May 21, 2022, (Rain date: May 22), from 12 noon to 3:30 p.m. Fun for the entire family!

Individually numbered plastic ducks will be released into a waterway along West Pierrepont Avenue, near Carmita Avenue, racing to the finish line.

Those interested will "adopt" a Duck for \$5 or a Quack Pack (6 ducks) for \$25. Over \$3,000 in prizes will be awarded to the "adoptive parents" of the 25 fastest lucky ducks. Winners do not need to be present to win. No cash equivalent prizes will be provided in lieu of the designated prizes. The day will include fun activities, crafts and games, refreshments and the duck race. Free to attend the event.

Questions: Contact Laura 201-893-1172.

Check out the Facebook page @RutherfordLionsClub for Duck Adoption locations. ###

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## HH Garden Club News

Hasbrouck Heights Garden Club has their meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, in the Library Meeting Room, Borough Hall, second floor, in collaboration with the "Friends of the Hasbrouck Heights Library" who will donate refreshments.

Come and join us. Pick up a flyer at the Library. Meet and Greet at 5:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Program begins 6 p.m.

The program for the evening is from "Buzz to Chirps and Flashes: Creating an ecofriendly garden."

The guest speaker is Lourdes Osorio, who has been a passionate gardener for 30 years. She is the creator of Native Plant Channel on YouTube and Facebook, an educational channel that produces videos to help gardeners grow native plants, that not only adds beauty but also provides an eco-friendly sanctuary for butterflies, bees and other pollinators.

Lourdes is an educator, Rutgers certified Master Gardener, and a member of the Board of Directors for Laurelwood Arboretum in Wayne, NJ ###

# HH Garden of the Seasons Contest

The Hasbrouck Heights Garden Club will be resuming the "Garden of the Season Contest" in 2022.

The spring contest is for front and side yards only and runs between March thru May 27, 2022.

If you wish to enter the contest, please leave a message for Audrey Gall at 201-288-8943 for an application.

In addition, the Garden Club members will ride through town searching for contest candidates during the contest dates. We will carry Garden Club signage. Our members will leave an application at your home if you have a qualifying garden. Your name and address will not be published in any publication. We will only share the winner with our members at our regular meeting following each contest.

The Garden Club is open to all and meets on the third Wednesday of each month (except July and August) at 5:30 p.m. Please join us in the Library Meeting Room at Borough Hall and bring a Friend. Provided by Audrey Gall. ###

## **AWS Meets May 20**

The American Wine Society Meadowlands Chapter is hosting a wine tasting meeting on Friday, May 20, 2022, from 6:30 to 9 p.m., at the awardwinning wine school, Make Wine with Us, 21 Currie Avenue, Wallington, NJ.

"It started with the Greeks." In the 8th century the Greeks brought grape vines to Italy and the rest as they say, is history. Italy has been making wine for over 2,800 years.

With 20 wine regions, and over 500 documented different kinds of grapes in circulation, and with a total number of over 2,000 grape varieties, Italy certainly has earned the title of "Land of the Grapevines."

To say that wine has not been at the center of life in Italy, would be an understatement. Find a picture of an Italian dinner without wine on the table, go ahead I dare you.

Italy is the top country in wine production in the world bar none, the country with the 2nd most is France, but they are behind Italy by over 600,000 liters.

## HH Library Friends News

The Hasbrouck Heights Friends of the Library will meet on Tuesday, May 3, 2022, at 7 p.m., in the Library.

The wreath-crafting group meets every other week. Consider joining us for some fun! Last time we held a wreath event, we had about 79 wreaths that were raffled off that night. The Wreath Event is scheduled to be in the evening of Friday, September 16. For more info, contact 201-288-5371.

In anticipation of Hasbrouck Heights Friends of the Library **Annual Book Sale** in September 2022, the Friends are accepting donations of gently used books the last week of the remaining months until August. The books may be dropped off at the Library. ###

### THINK GREEN

To try and sample all of the regions of Italian wines is impossible, but we are sure going to have fun trying.

lot of wine!"

This month, our very own Damon Falcone, newly AWS certified wine judge, will guide us through this regional tasting as he brings much knowledge and personal experience from his many trips to his home land, Italy to this class. Damon, I am sure, will delight us all with his quick wit, smile and details of his love of wine. Yea he is pretty cool too.

We will sample various varietals Pino Gris, Chianti, and Primativo, just to name a few. Damon will guide us as we taste and compare the regions. This will prove to be a wonderful evening of Italian wines; Magnifico!

Please come and check out what the rave is all about regarding our chapter, AWS-Meadowlands, the fastest growing chapter in NJ. Wines, delicious savory and sweet snacks, and YES of course Denise will be bringing her world-famous chocolate covered grapes. All of this enjoyed with the company of some fun-loving people. \$20 for AWS members and \$25 for guests. Such a Deal!

Seating is limited so please contact us at wineclub201@ gmail.com to reserve your seats and seats for your friends, also ask us about our upcoming Wine events. We look forward to meeting you and your friends. Cheers and Salute!

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Philip Miuccio AWS Meadowlands Vice chapter chair, the other good wine guy. ###

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#### St. John's Annual Plant Sale

Mark your calendars! Spring is just around the corner and it is time to start planning your gardens.

For the 43rd Annual Plant Sale, nursery grown plants and flowers and hanging pots will be available for pick-up just in time for Mother's Day, May 8, at St. John's Parish Hall, Hasbrouck Heights, on Friday, May 6, 2022 by appointment. There will not be any plants available on Saturday.

Only pre-orders for the 43rd Annual St. John's Plant

Sale are being accepted and due by Tuesday, May 3, 2022.

Flats, which contain one kind/one color, are \$14.

Pre-order forms are available by calling 201-288-9460 and leaving a message.

All plants are of the highest quality. As in previous years, all plants are hand picked at the nursery by experienced gardeners. There will be other plants available along with pots of plants when pre-orders are picked up. ###

## **Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful/ Shredding Event June 5**

The "Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful" Committee will hold its twenty-second annual downtown cleanup day on Sunday, June 5, 2022, between the hours of 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Volunteers are once again needed to help clean our shopping districts and raise awareness of the effects of litter in our community.

During our last "Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful Day" over 250 volunteers participated!! Both adults and children are welcome.

The Bergen County Board of Health will provide cleaning utensils, gloves, brooms and bags. Volunteers will be contacted and assigned certain time periods prior to the event and will be asked to meet at the Wood-Ridge Civic Center.

To sign up, please call Borough Hall at 201-939-0202 (ext.

109) and leave your name, telephone number and how many adult or children's T-shirts should be ordered by size. This year's event will be held with all safety protocols in place.

Do you have stuff to shred? Bring it to the Civic Center that day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (no hardcover books, photographs or X-rays). For further information, please contact Councilman Ezio Altamura 201-531-0259. ###

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## Rutherford Repair Café May 21

What do you do with that toaster that won't toast, that bike with the faulty brakes, that computer you can't get to boot up?

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The Rutherford Green Team will hold its third Repair Cafe on Saturday, May 21, 2022, from 12 to 4 p.m. *(rain date May 22)* in Lincoln Park in Rutherford.

Part social gathering, part repair shop, the Repair Café is an international phenomenon begun in Holland where community members volunteer to help fix things that people would otherwise throw out.

It will be an afternoon drop-in event where community members can bring in broken or non-functioning items to be fixed for free with the help of expert volunteers.

The purpose is not only to reduce waste but also to teach people how to fix things themselves.

Area residents are invited

to bring broken or non-functioning items to Lincoln Park, across from Borough Hall in Rutherford, where, on a first-come, first-served basis, they will be assisted and advised in making repairs. Participants must first register at the reception table across from Borough Hall. Participants are limited to two items at a time.

Expert volunteers will have the necessary tools and may have some spare parts available for a nominal fee, but participants are encouraged to obtain the necessary parts beforehand.

Rutherford's repair café will have the following stations: bicycles, clothing, sewing machine repair, small appliances, computers, lamps, furniture, small engines (lawnmowers), and possibly jewelry. There will be coffee, tea, and homemade baked goods, as well as a craft table (where adults and children will make art out of trash and recyclables).

To volunteer or for more information, contact Brian Hanson-Harding at brianhan-sonharding@gmail.com ###

#### Bicycle Safety and Car Seat Install/Inspection Day May 21

The Lodi Police Department will host a "Rolling and Patrolling" bicycle registration and car seat installation inspection day on Saturday, May 21, 2022, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Lodi Police headquarters.

Adults and teens are especially encouraged to attend.

In an effort to protect Lodi residents, the Lodi Police Department will be registering these items with a documented identifying etching. They will be giving away a free bicycle lock or a free helmet on a first come, first served basis. Proof of Lodi residency is required.

The Traffic Division will also be available to install new child car seats or perform safety checks on those installed. Proof of parental residency will be required.

For more information, call Lt. Anthony Mobilio at 973-473-7600, Ext. 8126 or go to www.lodipd.org ###

#### YMCA Golf Outing June 14

On Tuesday, June 14, 2022, the **Meadowlands YMCA** will hold its 21st Anniversary Charity Golf Outing at The Forest Hill Field Club, 9 Belleville Avenue, Bloomfield, NJ.

Shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. and scramble format.

All funds raised during the event will support the Meadowlands YMCA. This year they are focusing on driving out hunger and proceeds will benefit our newly established food pantry.

The price is \$500 per person and \$2,000 per foursome. Sponsorships are available for the golf outing, such as presenting sponsor, individual holes, dinner, lunch, and others.

For information, call Amanda Scully, ascully@meadowlandsymca.org or call 201-955-5300. To register or sponsor go to: MeadowlandsYMCA.org/golf ###

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## **Tools Of Hope**

The Women's Guild, through Church World Service (CWS), is again sponsoring Tools of Hope Sunday on Father's Day, a day on which we honor and/or remember all the significant men in our lives.

CWS offers a program, Tools of Hope, to help people throughout the world to become self-sufficient in maintaining the lives of their families and communities.

Hunger makes headlines when millions face starvation through famines caused by drought or brought about by

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

## PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

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

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

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

The person must say this prayer three consecutive days. After three days, the request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted. **N.M.** ###

war. However, lives of quiet desperation are routinely lived out by one in eight people who do not have an adequate share of the food resources of the earth. Tools of Hope offers the opportunity to place the right tool in the right hands—those who are eager and willing to work! Not only are actual tools—saws, hammers, hoes—provided, but also tree seedlings, wells, small loans, beehives, sewing machines, and even renewed skills. Hope can be brought on our part to these willing hands with a suggested donation of \$10 for each mention!

Please see a Guild member to submit your donations and completed forms starting today through Sunday, June 12.

You may also mail the form and your check to the Church office. First Reformed Church of Hasbrouck Heights, P.O. Box 66, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604. Checks should be made payable to: Guild of Reformed Church Women. ###

# Mass of Anointing May 14

Most Sacred Heart Share and Care cordially invites all parishioners, families, friends and visitors to celebrate a Mass of Anointing at Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 127 Paterson Avenue, Wallington, at 11 a.m., on Saturday, May 14, 2022. Come experience the beautiful serenity, peace and comfort for mind, body and soul offered at this Mass of Anointing.

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Breakfast May 8

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The St. Michael's Coun-

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throw away each day.

Wallington, NJ – A group of young children at Wallington's Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church are making the ultimate Lenten sacrifice — giving of themselves — through a unique charity project.

The activity began with the students of Rebecca Davis' First Grade religious education class students, each creating their own coin bank with two stapled paper bowls.

After bringing home their makeshift containers, the children are now filling them with their own money every day during Lent. Davis will collect these funds after Easter and donate them to NJ Food & Clothing Rescue, a nonprofit that runs a food pantry in the Church's parking lot every Saturday at 11:30 a.m.

"I hope this inspires them to be givers when they grow up," Davis said. "The philoso- Lodi KC Pancake phy I live by is if I have it, I share it. That's one of the foundational lessons of the Church, and I wish more people would follow it. I think the world would be a much better place if they did."

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First Grade religious education class students, each creating their own coin bank with two stapled paper bowls.

## **Blue Mass May 15**

Church of the Assumption of Our Blessed Lady in Wood-Ridge will be holding its sixth annual Blue Mass for all the men and women in law enforcement on Sunday, May 15, 2022, 11 a.m.

A Blue Mass is a Mass celebrated in the Catholic Church for those employed in the "public safety field" (i.e., police officers, firefighters, correctional officers, 911 operators and EMS personnel).

The Mass will recognize the sacrifice and dedication of all those who serve in law enforcement, fire and EMS both in Wood-Ridge and throughout other departments.

This Mass will be held in person as well as "Livestreamed" which can be viewed at https://www.facebook.com/ASSUMPTION-CHURCHWOODRIDGENJ.

All parishioners and those attending Mass in church will receive two keepsake prayer cards, one for Saint Michael and one for Saint Florian which will be blessed at the 11:00 Mass.

The Mass will be celebrated by Father Paul Keenan, OFM, WRPD Chaplain, Co-Celebrant Father Ronnie Nombre, Pastor, Assumption Church, Father Joseph A. D'Amico, Pastor, Saint Anastasia Church, Teaneck, NJ and Father George Gillen, Assumption Church. Father Paul will be returning to his hometown of Wood-Ridge where he previously served our faith

community here at Assumption and is currently serving at Saint Anthony Shrine in Boston, MA. Father Joe D'Amico, who has accepted our invitation for a second year, comes from a family of police and firefighters. Father Joe, who grew up in Brooklyn, NY serves as the Director of Prison Ministry for the Archdiocese of Newark.

This annual event is coordinated by Councilman & WR Police Commissioner Ezio Altamura, whose vision it is to honor our police, on this day and every day. Councilman Altamura stated "this Mass is an opportunity for our community to come together each year and show gratitude to our first responders and their families for all they do for us, this day and always."

Councilman Altamura wishes to thank Father Paul Keenan, Father Joe D'Amico, Father Ronnie Nombre and Father George Gillen, Music Minister and technical coordinator Gabe Valle and Rose Lepore from Assumption Church for all of their efforts to make this event a success.

Let us always keep in our prayers our local first responders, Police Chiefs Michael O'Donnell and John Korin (Ret.), Fire Chief Ken Schulz and EMS Captain Dennis Kronyak, and all of their men and women who selflessly serve the people of Wood-Ridge and our great country. ###

## What Is Shavuot (Shavuos)? And How Is Shavuot Celebrated?

The word Shavuot (or Shavuos) means "weeks." It celebrates the completion of the seven-week Omer counting period between Passover and Shavuot. It begins on the sunset, Saturday, June 4, and ends the evening of Monday June 6, 2022.

The Torah was given by God to the Jewish people on Mount Sinai on Shavuot more than 3,300 years ago. Every year on the holiday of Shavuot we renew our acceptance of God's gift, and God "re-gives" the Torah.

The giving of the Torah was a far-reaching spiritual event—one that touched the essence of the Jewish soul for all times. Sages have compared it to a wedding between God and the Jewish people. Shavuot also means "oaths," for on this day God swore eternal devotion to us, and we in turn pledged everlasting loyalty to Him.

In ancient times, two wheat loaves would be offered in the Holy Temple on Shavuot. It was also at this time that people would begin to bring bikkurim, their first and choicest fruits, to thank God for Israel's bounty.

#### **How Is Shavuot** Celebrated?

- Women and girls light holiday candles to usher in the holiday, on both the first and second evenings of the holidays. It is customary to stay up all night learning Torah on the first night of Shavuot.
- · All men, women and children should go to the synagogue on the first day of Sha-

vuot to hear the reading of the Ten Commandments.

- As on other holidays, special meals are eaten, and no "work" may be performed.
- It is customary to eat dairy foods on Shavuot. Menus range from traditional cheese blintzes to quiches, casseroles
- On the second day of Shavuot, the Yizkor memorial service is recited.
- Some communities read the Book of Ruth publicly, as King David—whose passing occurred on this day was a descendant of Ruth the Moabite.
- Some have the custom to decorate their homes (and synagogues) with flowers and sweet-smelling plants in advance of Shavuot. Source: chabad.org

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(l-r) Wood-Ridge Memorial Foundation 2020 Honorees Debra Greenaway, Melanie Rose-Rella. Bonnie Compagna and Elizabeth Ferry holding their gold engraved Crystal Flame Awards.



The late Wood-Ridge Mayor and Memorial Foundation President Paul Calocino's Family were invited to the dinner. A special tribute to Paul was made by current Wood-Ridge Mayor and New Jersev State Senator Paul Sarlo.

## 2020 Wood-Ridge Memorial Foundation Dinner FINALLY Held!

Finally, after five postponements, due to Covid-19, the Wood-Ridge Memorial Foundation annual dinner originally scheduled for March 13, 2020, was held March 11, 2022 at the Fiesta.

The 190 people in attendance celebrated coming together as a community once again to honor the 2020 hon-

Executive Director Jack Nagel opened the evening followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by VFW Past Commander Joe Cecere, and invocation by Father Ronnie Nombre from Assumption Church. Foundation President Linda Finke welcomed the attendees and introduced the honorees.

Wood-Ridge Public School system were Debra Greenaway, administrative assistant to the Wood-Ridge High School Principal, President of the Board of Health, and a community volunteer for many years.

Bonnie Campagna, who began her Wood-Ridge teaching career in 2002, and is currently a teacher of the Gifted & Talented program at both Doyle and the Intermediate School. She also served on the PTA Executive Board for 10 years, including a term as PTA President.

Melanie Rose Rella, also a teacher in the Wood-Ridge School System since 2002, has taught in all three schools and currently teaches physical education at the Intermediate School. Ms. Rella has been involved as a coach for softball, volleyball, and cheerleading.

Representing a commitment to public service and exemplifying continuous involvement and support of public safety was Elizabeth Ferry. Ms. Ferry, born and raised in Wood-Ridge, graduated Wood-Ridge High School and was a recipient of a Memorial Foundation Scholarship.

She has dedicated her adult life to community service, having been a member of the Wood-Ridge Emergency Squad and Fire Department for many years. In 2019, she served as the first female Fire Chief in Borough history.

Our 2020 honored couple, Honorees representing the representing the Wood Ridge education system and a commitment to public service, Andrea Marino, physical education teacher at Wood-Ridge High School and Wood-Ridge Councilmen Ed Marino. Ed and Andrea both grew up in Wood-Ridge and have been involved in many programs involving the youth of our com-

During the evening, two long time trustees that passed away since our last dinner were remembered; scholarship committee chairperson and 2013 honoree, Donald Rodriguez and founding trustee and past executive director, Rocco Gileo. Also remembered were past honoree and longtime Foundation supporter, Councilman Ed Pfieifer, and two young men, Eric Guglielmotti and Michael Maher. Eric and Michael epitomized what is great about our community and country. They each left behind a legacy of selflessness, kindness, friendship, and were true role models for the youth of a community.

A tribute to former Mayor and Foundation President Paul Calocino was given by Wood-Ridge Mayor and State Senator Paul Sarlo. Paul, who passed away in 2021, was a Foundation Trustee for 30 years, serving as President since 2008. During President Calocino's term, the WRMF scholarship fund grew from \$720,000 to 1.5 million dollars and the yearly scholarship awards, granted to Wood-Ridge graduating students, went from \$35,000 to \$55,000.

In the tribute to Paul, Mayor Sarlo remembered the dedication, fairness and calmness Calocino brought to the office while serving as Mayor. His untimely death left a void in so many people's lives as well as the many organizations in which he gave so much of his time and energy. The evening's presentations concluded with the Calocino Family receiving a special plaque in his honor from the Foundation Trustees.

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Foundation 2023 Dinner is tentatively planned for Friday, March 10. Provided by Jack *Nagel.* ###



#### Celebrating 100 Years of Service

The Lions Club of Rutherford proudly celebrated its 100th Anniversary with a dinner on March 26, 2022 at the Woman's Club of Rutherford Clubhouse. Photo provided by Laura O'Connor. ###



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#### **Ukranian Donation Drive**

Through the combined efforts of the Wallington Police Department, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Wallington Public Schools, the Borough of Wallington and the Wallington Mayor and Council, the Ukranian Donation Drive ended on April 1. We sincerely thank everyone who so generously donated to the Ukranian people. We give special thanks to Fr. Andriy Dudkevych, Pastor of St. Nicholas Ukranian Church, for handling the shipping of all the donations. *Provided* by MaryJane Kowalczyk. ###



HHMA 2022 Members

## HHMA Honors Their "Men of the Year"

On Friday, March 25, 2022, the Hasbrouck Heights Men's Association held their annual dinner for their members and spouses at Roma's in North sented their member award Arlington.

Their food and service are excellent and the membership enjoyed a wonderful dinner.

President Steve Palladino gave a warm welcome andtalked about the previous year's successes, with our Golf Outing and one of the best Christmas tree sales (sold out in 11 days).

The Executive Board prefor "Volunteer of the Year" to Mark Stefanelli, who made last year's Golf Outing a huge success.

HHMA "Man of the Year." honored resident and volunteer, Tony Bonelli. Mr. Bonelli was an athlete at Hasbrouck Heights High School who played multiple sports and led the school with many winning seasons.

For the last forty years, he helped in the HH Recreation Department, coaching teams, assisting in the grounds upkeep and, when he got older, contributed by assisting other coaches and lending his support to many of our town's youth teams. Provided by Justin Watrel. ###



On, Friday, April 8, 2022, Rutherford held the Mayor's Volunteer Recognition Dinner at the Meadowlands Racetrack. This year's honoree was Rutherford Volunteer First-Aid Ambulance Corps member, Patrick O'Keefe, for his dedication to Rutherford during the COVID pandemic. Patrick O'Keefe, RHS Class of '18, logged 400 hours of service for the Rutherford Volunteer Ambulance Corps between March and May of 2020. He took a total of 554 calls throughout 2020 and 2021. Provided by Kim Bogosian. ###



"Welcome to the Moulin Rouge," earned 3rd Place Seniors, Masha Ivanova (Little Ferry).



"My Cake Totoro," earned 1st Place Juniors, Emily Jin (Rutherford), Soyun Kim (Cliffside Park).



"Sea of Stars," Juniors, Isabella Garcia (Little Ferry), Ananya Jaising (Englewood Cliffs).



Competition judges were top area Chefs.

## weet Success

On March 24, 2022, Bergen County Academies in Hackensack hosted its 22nd Annual Chocolate Competition. Twenty-nine students demonstrated their impressive baking, pastry arts and artistic skills with 15 cake displays. They developed exquisite, edible pieces of art using chocolate as the medium.

Junior and senior students worked diligently during their class time and free periods devising imaginative themed masterpieces that were judged by industry professionals and visiting dignitaries.

The competition was conceived to encourage the students' creative visions, while applying the skills and techniques learned in the Academy for Culinary Arts and Hospitality Administration under the supervision of culinary teachers Chef Timothy Adriance and Chef John Branda. ###



### "Batter's Up"

After the pandemic delay of several years, the HH Little League held its 24th Annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, March 27, 2022, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the VFW Post 4591 Hall on Veterans Place. The menu included pancakes, sausage, crumb cake, donuts, bagels, juice, milk and coffee. This event usually serves about 1,500 breakfasts. The Tricky Tray style auction followed from noon to 1 p.m. Photo above is the "Breakfast Crew" who made the event successful. ###





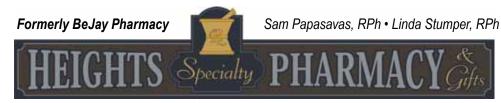






Opening Day, April 2, 2022, began with a parade from Borough Hall. President Neil Peterson recognized the HHLL Board Members, 12 year olds, former President Ken DeBaun, sponsors, coaches and managers. Isabela Gomez sang the National Anthem. Several players read the Little League Pledge. Retired umpire Gary Doran threw out the first pitch for *Play Ball!* ###





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## **Carlstadt Little League**

Scenes from Carlstadt Little League Opening Day on April 9, 2022. There was no parade this year. Everyone assembled at the field for ceremonies. *Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr.* ###















## Memorial Day 2022 Services

#### Carlstadt

On May 30, 2022, starting at 9 a.m., at the American Legion, Veterans will march along 3rd Street and end at Berrylawn Cemetery. Wreaths will be placed at Borough Hall and at Memorial Park on Hackensack Street.

#### **Hasbrouck Heights**

No Memorial Day Parade. Veterans Service at 11 a.m. The annual service at the Firemen's Memorial follows. Refreshments at VFW.

#### Lodi

May 30 service schedule: 8:30 a.m. Ambulance Corps, 9:15 a.m. Fire Department (Kennedy Drive), 10:15 a.m. VFW, 11 a.m. American Legion, 11:45 Police. Walkway for Peace Ceremony follows.

#### Little Ferry

On Saturday, May 28, 2022, at 9 a.m., there will be a placing of the wreath in the Hackensack River at the end of Washington Avenue.

At 10 a.m., both the VFW and American Legion will have ceremonies at their respective posts.

On Saturday, May 28, 2022, at 11 a.m., a combined community ceremony will be held at Washington and Memorial Schools, hosted by

American Legion. Refreshments follow.

#### Moonachie

On Saturday, May 28, 2022, Municipal Memorial Day services will be held at the Municipal Building at 10:30 a.m. Rain or shine.

The event will be live streamed through the Moonachie Fire Department and Moonachie Borough's Facebook page.

#### Rutherford

On Monday, May 30, 2022, there will be a small Memorial Service at 8:30 a.m. at the Union Memorial Bridge followed by "Taps" Salute at Sunset Park.

A parade will begin at 9 a.m. up Union Avenue to the front of Borough Hall.

#### Wallington

On May 30, 2022 the parade will start at VFW at 10 a.m., march down Union Boulevard to the Monument for a brief service. Mark Tomko is Grand Marshal. Service supported by Wallington HS Band and Choir.

#### Wood-Ridge

The Fire Department will hold their Memorial Services on Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at 7 p.m., at Fire Headquarters.





Recreation staff and volunteers.

Peter Cotton Tail with Recreation Director Jessica Lezcano.





Maisie Young and her family with Mayor Nunziato.



Rino Ferdinandi and her family with Mayor Nunziato.

Some pics from April 9, 2022, Rutherford Egg Hunt on Tryon Field. The two pics of the families are kids who found the golden eggs which won them large chocolate bunnies. *Provided by Kim Bogosian*. ###



For the second year, on April 3, 2022, the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department escorted a large furry bunny around town, to the delight of kids from 1 to 92. ###













## Easter Bunny Seen at Springfest 2022

On Saturday, April 2, 2022, the community of Carlstadt held Springfest -- A day of Family Fun at the Village Green Park from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There was a petting zoo and rides, Carlstadt Public Library activities, food, DJ, and a chance to meet and greet police, fire and CAC heros.

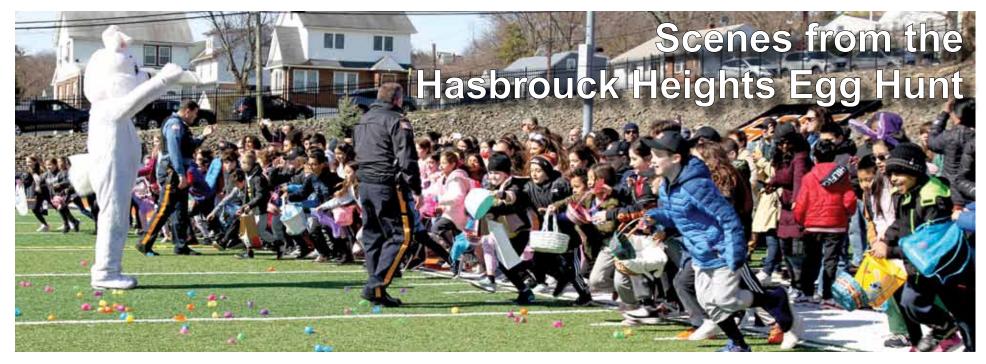
The Easter Bunny was available for photos.

There was an array of community vendors.

The event was a collaboration of civic and community organizations. *Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###* 

































### Historically Speaking By James J. Halloran



#### This Hallowed Ground

There are 639 acres, owned by the US Department of the Army, that are located just across the Potomac River, from Washington, DC. This is the site of Arlington National Cemetery. In the Cemetery are the graves of over 400,000 Veterans, their dependents and other famous Americans.

This property was the estate of Robert E. Lee. Arlington House, Lee's home, still stands inside the Cemetery. It is now operated by the National Park Service. When Lee joined the Confederacy, the property was confiscated by the US Government. This was not done to defenses of Washington. Three forts were built on the property.

As the American Civil War continued, a place was needed to bury the unidentified dead and of those, whose families could not afford a proper funeral. By early 1864, all of the cemeteries in or around Washington were at capacity.

Major General Montgomery C. Meigs, Quartermaster General of the US Army, was tasked to find a place for this purpose. General Meigs despised Lee for siding with the Confederacy and ordered burials to be held in the Lee estate. He wanted Lee, when he looked out his window, to see the graves of those that died because of his actions. Lee never returned to Arlington House. The Lee Family would be compensated for the property after the war.

Unlike other cemeteries, a burial plot can not be purchased here. It is reserved for America's honored dead. Here is the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers from WW I, WW II and Korea. Among those buried here are over 360 recipients of the Medal of Honor. Two US Presidents, William Howard Taft and John F. Kennedy, who had served in the US Military, are interred here.

Also buried here are Adpunish Lee, but to improve the mirals William "Bull" Halsey and Frank J. Fletcher, Generals William T. Sherman, Phillip Kearny, Omar Bradley and Colin Powell. Other famous Americans are Audie Murphy, Major, USA (Medal of Honor), Actor Lee Marvin, PFC, USMC, (Purple Heart, WW II), Heavyweight Champion Boxer Joe Louis, SGT, USA and Supreme Court Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Thurgood Marshall.

This past January, my wife and I were privileged to attend the funeral of Stephen Monti (see "The Cost of Freedom," The Gazette Newspaper, November, 2019), at Arlington National Cemetery.

When the Monti Fam-

ily was discussing funeral arrangements at Costa Memorial Home, they informed the staff that because Stephen was a recipient of the Purple Heart Medal, he was entitled to be buried at Arlington. The Costa staff made all the arrangements.

The service was scheduled for three p.m. We arrived a little after two p.m. on Memorial Drive and went to the first checkpoint. Upon stating we were there for a funeral, we were directed to a second checkpoint. Here, I had to produce a photo ID.

We were then directed to go to the end of the street and turn left. We were directed onto Eisenhower Drive and then were directed to an area that had four lanes. Here was an electronic sign. The second lane sign read "SP5 Stephen Monti."

We parked in one of the angled parking spots. The hearse took the first spot. The lane started to fill up with family and mourners. Stephen's son and daughter then proceeded to the Administration Center to review paperwork and receive family passes to the Cemetery.

An official car, marked with the seal of Arlington National Cemetery, parked in front of the hearse. The driver exited the car and went to each car to explain how the procession would proceed to the gravesite.

Shortly before three p.m., the official car, followed by the hearse and the rest of the procession, left the parking area and proceeded to Section 57 of the Cemetery.

As we approached the location, the official car pulled aside to allow the hearse to pass. We parked our cars as directed. A detail of six soldiers, in their blue dress uniform, on the right side of the road, commanded by a Staff Sergeant, stood at attention. The NCO saluted as the hearse passed them.

On the left side of the road were two additional soldiers. One was a Sergeant First Class and the other was an escort to the Arlington Lady. Here also was a member of the clergy. They, too, saluted as the hearse came to a stop.

The family and all present were invited to watch the dignified transfer of the American Flag-draped casket by the six-man detail. This was done with remarkable precision by a well-drilled team. The detail was then joined by the Sergeant First Class as NCO in charge.

As the detail set the casket down and held the American Flag over the casket, the family was invited to be seated. The rest of the mourners stood behind. The clergyman spoke to us. He then conducted the funeral service.

As this was going on, a detail of seven riflemen and an NCO formed on our left. When the clergyman concluded the service, the commands, "Ready, Aim, Fire," rang out. The men, firing in unison, were so timed as to sound as if it was one shot. This was done three times. They then came to "Present Arms" and those not holding the Flag rendered a hand salute. Off to our right,

a lone bugler played a flawless "Taps" despite the very cold

The six-man detail proceeded to fold the American Flag. This again was done with attention to detail so that the Flag was folded into a triangle. The Flag was solemnly passed up to the NCO in charge. He then presented it to the family. He saluted the Flag and returned to the casket and rendered a second salute.

The Arlington Lady then approached the family and presented them a note of condolence from General James C. McConville, Chief of Staff, United States Army and a personal note from her. The Arlington Ladies were formed when it was seen that at some funerals there were no mourners present. These ladies have vowed to attend all funerals except for the US Marine Corps burials. This is the Marine Corps choice, not the Arlington Ladies'. The Corps sends a representative to all USMC burials.

After the service, I saw a soldier picking up the spent shell casings from the firing party. Twenty-one casings were turned over to the family.

While we mourn the passing of Stephen Monti, we know he is in good company. We were very impressed with the solemnity and dignity in the way the Honor Guard of the US Army 3rd Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard) conducted the funeral of our honored hero, at this hallowed place. Photos by Clifford Crittenden, Arlington Media, Inc. ###



#### **Artful May 2022**

Happy Mother's Day to all of you wonderful moms both near and far. My dear old Mother gave birth to me during a snow storm. I won't say the year but bathrooms were still called "out houses." The further out the better.

A few years later the Doctor who delivered me made a house call. My Mom asked if he recognized me after so many years. He told her that he never forgets a face but where I was concerned he'll make an exception.

But seriously folks... Here's a Mother's day poem I'm certain that you will enjoy.

#### **Mother Dear**

By Artie Maglionico This poem is for Mothers only. Fathers step aside.

I want to share with all the Moms

A thought I've kept inside. Where would we be without you?

Yes you were always near To shower us with warmth and love

We thank you Mother Dear. The end

Folks I don't mind telling you, well maybe just a little, that after more than nine years of storytelling I suddenly found myself staring down a dry well.

The Muse must have taken the last train to Splitzville. My mind then returned to its natural state, i.e., Blank!

Yes folks, the proverbial well was empty. I was lost in a vast desert where lifeless thoughts blew by like tumble weed. Your Artful Thinker was fast becoming your Artful Stinker.

Let's face it folks. How many trips down Westervelt Place can I take before I wear out my welcome? If you said 127 you're spot on. The ghosts of the past are going to put up a roadblock with a sign that reads "Artie Mags no more."

Even as I write this I'm wondering why the Muse took off. Was it something I said? Just because I take all the credit for writing this column month after month is that any reason for him to vanish? Come to think of it, I guess it is. Before he split he left me a note that read "Artie your writing will take you far. Make sure you stay there."

What about all of those kids from Westervelt Place? Columbus School, the corner store, my cousin Anthony, Johnny Rannou, box ball games, dirt roads and, of course, everyone's favorite, the girl with red hair. By now you know them well.

I just cannot walk out on them after all the joy they have given us. There is more to remember and much more to tell you about.

That goes for you as well Hasbrouck Heights, Wallington, Little Ferry, Rutherford and Vienna Austria. You're part of the Artful Thinking experience. Any way...let's see. Where was I? Oh yeah.

How about those sentimental Christmas stories we shared? Lost dogs, my cousin Maria's funny looking Christmas tree, Family gatherings and Lou Albano's Holiday Italian sausage. Where would we

be without Lou's gastronomic delight? Writing about it keeps me closer to them all though many of them have long since crossed the Jordan.

Those marvelous people and places continue to bestow upon me much warmth and comfort. They all live here in this column and so do I for that matter. I'm getting teary eyed folks. I need to gather myself. I'll meet you in the next paragraph.

Still with me Candy? How about you Etta? Okay then let's move on

Thankfully there are those faithful readers who tell me how talented I am. And not bad looking either. A few kind words to that affect aimed at my ego, a huge target, is like rocket fuel that sends me toward the next column.

One compliment, takes me a long way at a blistering pace at giving the reader another opportunity to tell me that they enjoyed my latest column.

Hey folks, it's give and receive. What's wrong with that? I'm not sure as to how many readers I have but my aim is to reach out to everyone and spread some joy along the way.

Much of what I write comes to me while I'm doing other things like watching my clothes dry or counting how long it takes for water to boil.

Sometimes I complete an entire column in my head while jogging or power walking. That's why I'm always bumping into trees or knocking over trash cans. Also, I learned the hard way not to step on anything that will follow me home. Say no more!

Well the gift of creativity sends me beyond the limits of those common hours. When you enjoy what you are doing you become connected to a universal intelligence. Things come easy when that happens don't you agree folks? Wow I'm almost finished. Thanks for hanging in there with me. Don't tell the Muse that I managed to complete this column without him. Or did I?

I have some pretty good "stuff" planned for the summer months. Like I told you earlier there's a lot to remember and even more to write about. I'll meet you pool side and, oh yea, a glass of iced tea would be greatly appreciated.

As you know Memorial Day is fast approaching. It's important that we remember and honor those brave souls who went into battle and made the supreme sacrifice so that we can continue to embrace the freedom that comes from living in the greatest country in the history of the planet earth. The United States of America. May almighty God bless our Men and Women of our Military.

God Bless America!



## What's Up With Mortgage Rates?

The spring home-buying season is well underway and although the market is still strong, it's starting to shift in unpredictable ways. Mortgage rates are rising, inflation is spiking and soaring gas prices are squeezing budgets – budgets that were already facing affordability issues from the steady rise in home prices over the last few years.

"There are so many strange things going on right now," said Edward Seiler, VP for housing economics at the Mortgage Bankers Association. It's been 40 years since rates have risen like this alongside similar home price growth and high inflation.

This time around, the entire country also has a severe housing shortage. And then there's a new uncertain dynamic – the sudden rise of working from home, which is changing what home buyers want and where they live.

"Nobody really knows what's going to happen over the next year," Mr. Seilen said. That makes it hard to predict when rates might start to act as a brake on rising prices.

Rates and home prices could well continue rising together for a number of reasons tied to high inflation today.

Rents are soaring now, too. That means the alternative to buying isn't particularly appealing either. And in a time of high inflation, buying a home—and locking in today's monthly payment for the next 30 years—is a good way to shield yourself from rising rents.

In a context of 8% annual inflation, a 4.5 percent mortgage interest rate is actually a pretty decent deal.

So, with both mortgage rates and home values expected to increase throughout the year, it would seem to be better to buy sooner than later if you're able. The reason being it'll cost you more the longer you wait. And there's is a possible silver lining to buying a house right now. While you'll be paying a higher price and a higher mortgage rate than you would have last year, rising prices do have a long term benefit once you buy.

Consider this: If you purchase a home today valued at \$400,000 and put 10% down, you would be taking out a \$360,000 mortgage. At 4.42% fixed mortgage rate, your mortgage payment would be — according to my mortgage calculator - \$1,807 a month (this does not include insurance,

taxes and other fees because those vary by location).

Now, let's put that mortgage payment into a new perspective based on the substantial growth in equity that comes with the escalation in home prices.

Every quarter, Pulsenomics surveys a panel of 100 economists, investment strategists, and housing market analysts about their expectations for future home prices in the United States.

Recently, Pulsenomics released their latest 'Home Price Expectation Survey.' The survey reveals that the average of the experts' forecasts calls for a 9% increase in home values in 2022.

Based on those projections, a \$400,000 house you buy to-day could be valued at \$436,000 by this time next year. If you break that down, that means the equity in your home would increase by \$3,000 a month over that period. That's greater than the estimated monthly payment above. Granted, the increase in your net worth is tied to the home, but it is one way to put the home price appreciation to use in a way that benefits you.

Paying a higher price for a home and a higher mortgage rate can be a difficult pill to swallow. However, waiting will just cost you more. If you're ready, willing, and able to buy a home, now might be a better time than a year, or even six months from now...

Thinking of buying or selling a home this year? Nobody knows our local market better than the professionals at Terrie O'Connor Realtors' Gateway Group. Contact Manager Mary Ellen Courtney at 201-288-0004. She'll arrange for you to meet one of the best of area agents. You won't be disappointed! ###

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Spring hours of operation are: Mondays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesdays thru Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Return Library materials in our book box located in the back of the municipal building.

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. Visit the Library's website and click on "Calendar."

The Friends of the Library meeting will take place Tuesday, May 3, 2022, at 7 p.m., in the Library Large Meeting Room. All are welcome!

A Library of Things is a collection of non-traditional Library items that are available for borrowing. The Library currently has 4 different kinds of collections that fall under the Library of Things umbrella: Mobile Hotspots, Museum Passes, Puzzle Sets, and NJHealthConnect iPads.

Each of these collections has its own policies and rules, and is available to borrow for at-home use! We hope to incorporate more items in the near future!

#### For CHILDREN

- \*New\* Book Buddies **Craft and Storytime Starter.** Mondays, May 2 through May 23.
- Star Wars Day Storytime & Craft. Wednesday, May 4 at 3:30 p.m.; in-person for ages 5 and up.

May the 4th be with you! Join fellow padawans for a storytime and Star Wars craft. (To-go crafts are offered while supplies last for those who prefer an at-home experience). Registration is required for an in-person event.

- •Fresh Air Storytime at Central Ave Playground. Wednesdays, May 11 & 25 at 11 a.m. Outdoor storytime is back! Join us for storytime, songs, and the amazing bubble machine in-person at the small Central Avenue playground. Bring a blanket, mat, or chair for your child. Subject to cancellation due to inclement weather. Registration is limited.
- Little Artists Grab & Go - Paper Flower Wreath. Friday, May 13 / Saturday, May 14. April showers have brought May flowers. This month's craft is a paper flower wreath you can make at home. Pick up inside on Friday or Saturday. Best for Grades K-5.
- · Wednesday Workshop: Lava Lamp Experiment. Wednesday, May 18, 3:30 to 4 p.m., in-person. Oil+water+chemical reaction = cool science! Come join us after school for a simple experiment and create our own lava lamps. Best for Grades 2 and up. Registration is limited.
- LEGO Build-A-Block Tower Game. Thursday, May 26, 3:30 to 4 p.m, in-person for ages 5 and up. It's a race to see who can build the highest LEGO tower in this fun board game.. Bring your own mini-fig for the game board! Registration limited.

#### **For TEENS**

• Teen Craft-to-Go: Plum Blossom Tree Craft. May is Asian-American-Pacific Islander Heritage Month. In Japan and east Asia, flowers are not seen as fragile or weak, but powerful and noble. The plum blossom has graced many a samurai's family crest, and it's also the national flower of China. Stop by the Library to grab a plum blossom tree craft to-go bag on Tuesday, May 24 between 2 and 8 p.m. Program limited to 15 participants.

#### For TEENS & ADULTS · Cross Gen Crafts.

Thursday, May 12 at 6:30 p.m. - Calm Down Bottles. Let's get crafty! Cross Gen Crafts is a community across generational lines, and creates art in the process. Every session of Cross Gen Crafts features a new craft, with supplies provided. In-person in the Large Meeting Room.

#### For ADULTS • Holistic Mindful Meth-

ods. Monday, May 2, 3 p.m. Large Meeting Room. Presented by Healing 4 the Soul. This

workshop will go over holistic methods to help manage stress through mindfulness-awareness techniques. Learn about proper breathing exercises, aromatherapy through essential oils, crystals as a way to elevate your mood and mind, as well as how diet and lifestyle factors like movement impact overall health.

• Internet Genealogy: Using the Internet to Find Records, Family Information & Unknown Relatives. Wednesday, May 11 from 6:15 to 8:30 p.m. Large Meeting Room (previously scheduled for April 6).

Presented by Steven Gabai of the Genealogical Society of Bergen County. This two-hour presentation will go over how to do genealogy research online and the resources available to researchers. Perfect for anyone interested in starting a family genealogy project. Be prepared to take notes!

- From Buzz to Chirps and Flashes: Creating an Ecofriendly Garden. Wednesday, May 18. Meet & Greet at 5:30 p.m. Program Starts at 6 p.m. In collaboration with the Hasbrouck Heights Garden Club. Learn how to create a garden that buzzes with life and attracts butterflies, bees, fireflies, and other insects! This presentation discusses how our ecosystems are out of balance and what gardeners can do to improve the environment by creating habitats for many pollinators. Garden design, maintenance, and plant selection are addressed as well as specific host plants.
- Crafts-to-Share Club. Tuesday, May 10 from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 25 from 1 to 3 p.m. Drop in to chat and work on a crafty project! Enjoy getting to know other crafters in your community while you knit, crochet, embroider or craft anything! We have donated yarn for any crafters looking to create for a good cause. In-person and on Zoom.
- Adult Book Club. 4th Tuesday of every month, In-Person and via Zoom. May 24 at 7 p.m. - "Wish You Well" by David Baldacci. Join us for an evening of fun, literary discussion! Pick up a copy at the Library or use the Hoopla or Libby app to enjoy the ebook or eAudiobook on your smartphone or tablet. ###

Read to Your Child

#### Lodi **Memorial Library**

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

The Lodi Memorial Library is open to the public! Check out our outdoor and Grab & Go programs for children and teens. More programming information can be found online on our Facebook page and Website.

#### **Special Programs**

#### Chair Yoga is Back!

A six-week yoga class for people experiencing joint pain and stiffness. Students use chairs rather than yoga mats. Welcome our new instructor, Priti Dhariwal. See our website at lodi.bccls.org for instructor's background. Classes on Tuesdays 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Class dates are May 10, 17, 24, 31, June 7, 14. Registration required for each session. Sponsored by The Friends of Lodi Memorial Library.

· Adult Grab & Go Craft. Crepe Paper Flowers – Ranunculus. Crepe paper is easy to work with and creates realistic flowers that are perfect placed in a vase during spring. Grab one of our kits and learn how to make a beautiful Ranunculus.

Supplies are limited. Register by Friday, May 6. Pick up starting May 11. Call to register - 973-365-4044 ext 2.

- Tuesday Night Book Club. Tuesday, May 10, 2022 6:30 to 7:30. May's book is "The Ground Beneath Her Feet" by Salman Rushdie – 575 pages. Contact director@lodi. bccls.org for more information.
- Monthly Movie. The last Wednesday of each month. May 25 is "Death on the Nile," based on the Agatha Christie novel. ###

#### Children **Special Programs**

- Tasty Treats for Kids. Pickup starts Wednesday, May 11. Take home a tasty treat you can put together yourself! This grab & go program is open to kids in Grade Pre-K-3rd. Registration is required.
- In person or Grab & Go Crafts. In-person is Monday, May 9, 3:30-4:30 p.m., and Monday, May 23, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Pickup for Grab & Go starts Monday, May 9 and Monday, May 23.

Kids and teens in Grades 3-12 can register for May craft projects. This month we are making tea light planets and pompom coasters. Registration is required.

• In person or Grab & Go STEM Project. In person Tuesday, May 24 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Pickup for Grab & Go starts Tuesday, May 24.

Join Miss Emily to do a STEM activity either in-person or follow along with the video! Open to Grades Pre-K-2. Registration is required.

 Creative Cooking Grab & Go. Pickup starts Wednesday, May 18. Each month we have a different recipe for you create! Open to Grades 4-12. Registration is required. Please call 973-365-4044.

#### On-going:

- · Weekly Grab & Go Kids Crafts. Each week the Library will have a new craft that you can take home and make! Bags are first come, first served so be sure to show up early in the week. Toddlers to Grade 2. No registration required.
- In-Person Storytime. Join Miss Emily every Friday morning at 11 a.m. at the Library. Please call 973-365-4044 x2 to register. ###

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#### Rutherford Public Library

Rutherford Public Library, 150 Park Avenue, Rutherford NJ. 201-939-8600. rutherfordlibrary.org, facebook.com/rutherfordpubliclibrary and twitter@Rutherford\_pl.

Hours: Monday-Wednesday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday and Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m, and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Library will be closed Saturday, May 28 and Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day.

• Grab & Go Doorside Pickup. We continue to offer daily Grab & Go doorside pickup services for those who may not want to enter the building. Patrons are invited to order books from the BCCLS catalog by visiting www.bccls.org or fill out a Grab & Go form for either the adult or children's collection, and our team will choose items for you based on what you like! These forms are available on our website.

#### **ESL Classes**

Adult English-as-a-Second-Language classes at East Rutherford Library will begin again on Monday and Wednesday evenings from May 2 through June 15, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. Registration required either online at www. eastrutherford.bccls.org or call. 201-939-3930. Limited classes size. Priority given to East Rutherford Library card holders. ###

If you don't have access to a computer, we encourage you to call the Library at 201-939-8600 and have our team order items for you! You tell us what you want and when you'd like to pick your items up, and we'll have them ready for you.

#### **Upcoming Programs**

We continue to offer a mix of virtual and limited in-person programming for children and adults. Visit RutherfordLibrary. org and click on the Calendar tab to learn more of what's coming up. You can also call us at 201-939-8600 for more information.

Please note that ESL classes will return to in-person meetings beginning Monday, May 2. Additionally, we will be holding a 16-week program, beginning Monday, May 2, to prepare individuals for the U.S. citizenship test and interview. Registration forms are available at the circulation desk.

#### • Poster Printing.

We have a Canon eColor+ poster printer for Posters up to 24" x 36" that may be printed on matte or glossy paper. Acceptable file types include PDFs, JPGs, and PNGs. Please pay attention to copyright law when selecting a file to print. If you are not the creator of the image or if the image is not copyright free, you must not resell it or use it for financial gain. Poster printing is conducted by Library staff and may be arranged by emailing ruthcirc@bccls.org or calling 201-939-8600. ###

#### Carlstadt Public Library

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

- Virtual Crafts for Crafters. Wednesday, May 11, 2022, 7 p.m. Join certified art teacher and Zentangle® Instructor Mimi Topping to learn the art of Zentangle®, the fun and relaxing style of doodling. For ages 14 and up. Supplies provided. Please register. A Zoom access code will be e-mailed.
- The Big Dig Family Garden Time. Sunday, May 15 at 1 p.m. join the Carlstadt Library, for a hands-on family friendly planting event. Plant flowers in the butterfly gardens. Learn about the native plants that attract butterflies, birds and other pollinators. Kids and teens are invited to help plant the Library's new Read and Grow garden bed. Bring your gloves and tools! The Carlstadt Community Garden is at 7th Street and Division Avenue. Weather-permitting. Please register.
- Movie Madness. "West Side Story" (2021) on May 17 at 1 p.m. or May 18 at 6 p.m. Seating is limited. Registration required. One showing per person.
- Game On Board Games and Puzzles at the Library. Saturday, May 21 at 11 a.m. All games provided or

bring your own. Please register.

- As the Page Turns Adult Book Club. Calling fellow bookworms! Discuss the novel "Darling Rose Gold" by Stephanie Wrobel on Wednesday, May 25 at 7 p.m. at the Village Green Park, 3rd and Broad Streets. Copies are available at the Circulation Desk or access the e-book or audiobook on Hoopla and Libby! A folding chair is highly recommended. Please register.
- Take-It-and-Make-It
   Crafts for Kids. The Carlstadt Library welcomes children of all ages for a monthly take-it-and-make-it craft. This month's craft is a 3D Butterfly Ornament with Stickers. Kits available while supplies last. Please call 201-438-8866 for more information.
- Storytime at the Playground with Miss Risa. The Carlstadt Library invites children ages 6 months to 5 years and their caregivers to Story Time at the Playground on Wednesdays, May 4, 11, 18 and 25 at 11 a.m. Meet Miss Risa at Second and Broad Streets. For more information, call 201-438-8866.
- Music with Miss Nita LIVE! The Carlstadt Library welcomes Miss Nita at the Carlstadt Village Green, 3rd and Broad Streets, on Thursday, May 5, 12, 19, and 26 at 10:30 a.m. for songs, rhymes, movement and instrument play. Weather permitting, check the Carlstadt Facebook page. For ages 6 months to 5 years.Register for each session.

#### Wood-Ridge Memorial Library

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

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library is open to the public at 100% capacity. Computer time is limited to Sixty minutes, no advance reservation is required. The Book Drop is open for item returns. All loan requests are processed as Porch pick-up. Please see our website for updated information.

- English as a Second Language. Classes, Monday thru Friday, at 5 p.m. until May 27, for adults at no charge. Call the Library for details.
- Crafts for Grown-Ups. On May 12, join Miss Rebecca for a flower pot craft in the Library Reading Room. Registration required. Call us, or sign up on our website.
- Book Club. On May 26, join us for a lively discussion of a book chosen specifically for Book Club! All are welcome. Location to be determined; please call ahead to register, or sign up online.
- Mindfulness with Miranda for Adults. Join us for four sessions on the theories and practice of mindfulness every Monday in June at 7 p.m. on Zoom. This is a four part course, and registration is required. Please register online or call the Library. ###

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#### **ER Seniors**

May 18, 2022 Caesars Atlantic City Bus Trip is hosted by ER Seniors Club. Bus departs at 9:30 a.m. sharp, from CVS parking lot on Paterson Avenue. \$35 pp includes \$30 slot play. Call 201-803-4708 for details.

#### Upcoming Events Time and Prices TBA

• May 11: Lunch and Show "I Left my Dignity in my Other Purse," Hunterdon Hill Playhouse, Hampton, NJ. Show and Luncheon, Cash Bar, Salad, Choice of Four Entrees, Dessert, Coffee, Tea.

Bus leaves CVS Parking Lot 9 am sharp / departs event 3:30 p.m. \$60 pp.

- June 9: DOO WOP Tribute Show. Villa Roma Resort, Callicoon, NY. Welcome coffee and cake, fruit cup and soup, Roast Loin of Pork, Chicken Parm, Flounder Francaise, dessert, wine and use of facilities. Leaves CVS at 8:30 a.m. Departs event 3:30 p.m. \$60 pp.
- July 28: THE DRIFT-ERS - UNDER THE BOARD-WALK, Caesars Casino, Atlantic City. Leaves CVS Parking Lot 10 a.m. Departs event 5:45 p.m. \$57 pp, includes \$25 Slot Play and \$15 food voucher.
- August 4: ESCAPE TO MARGARITAVILLE, Surflight Theatre and lunch at The Black Whale, Beach Haven, NJ. Lunch: Soup or salad, Fish and Chips, cheeseburger, Salmon, BLT, sausage sandwich, Pasta Primavera, dessert, coffee, tea. Bus departs CVS Parking Lot, 9 a.m. Departs event 3:30 p.m. - \$60 pp.

GOOD NEWS EAST RUTHERFORD RESIDENTS We have lowered our membership age to 50 years old. If you know someone who would like to become a member, please join us at one of our meetings to see if it's something for you.

Any East Rutherford senior resident interested in joining the Club, meetings are held at 1 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at the Senior Civic Center, 37 Vreeland Avenue. Refreshments are served. There are special events and parties for members throughout the year.

Free blood-pressure screenings - on the 4th Tuesday of the month beginning at 11:30 a.m. Membership is \$15 per year. Contact Debbie for membership at 201-803-4708 and Josephine for trips at 201-981-6284. Payment must be received 2weeks prior to the event. ###

#### Carlstadt Senior Friendship Club

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

Senior Club Meetings are 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. We have interesting events at our regular meeting days with guest speakers and entertainment. We follow protocols of CDC to be on the safe side. We are planning for more varieties of programs, such as cultural events, hands on art and craft, musical events and much more.

#### **Trips**

- June 9: Paper Mill Playhouse. \$95 pp. Sister Act. Sofia's Italian Restaurant.
- July 13: Bucks County Playhouse, Kinky Boots. Lunch. Cost TBA.

Call Helene at 201-463-3000 for details. ###

## Moonachie Senior Club

Any seniors living in Moonachie, who are at least 60 years young, may join our Club. The dues are only \$10 a year, payable at our first meeting in January of every year.

At several of our meetings, we will have speakers on interesting topics and some form of entertainment. After every meeting, you will receive a small, tasty Club sandwich, a cup of tea or coffee, and some pastry. At the end of the year, you will also enjoy a Christmas party, at a local restaurant.

Anyone from Moonachie who might be interested in joing our Club, please call Roxane at 201-807-1085. *Provided by Charles Pallas.* ###

#### Vic's Hoofers Resume

The Vic's Hoofers, a ladies social group, meets on the first Thursday of the month at the Carlstadt Civic Center on 4th Street at 7 p.m. Women from surrounding towns are invited to join. Dues are \$15 per year.

So put down those electronic gadgets and join us for some good old fashion fun and laughter. Refreshments are served and fun activities are planned for each month. New members welcome. Call Alice at 201-933-8561. ###

#### LF Seniors

Little Ferry Bingo/Pokeno is held at the Senior Center on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Senior meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of the month at 1 p.m at Little Ferry Senior Center. *Provided by Gloria Martin.* ###

# Electronic Bingo Comes to Lodi Senior Citizens Club

Any senior living in Lodi, who is at least 55 years young, may join our Club. We are located at the Lodi Senior Building at 22 Walnut Street, Lodi.

The Club meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. We have free Blood Screenings on that day.

Every Thursday is Fun Day. We have a pool table, shuffleboard and Bingo. We welcome non-members on this day. We start each Thursday with our exercise class at 11:30 a.m.

Due to Covid, call for more information at 973-472-6994. *Provided by Don Stein.* ####

### Kip Center Monthly Casino Trip

Note: Due to COVID, check the Kip Center for current status.

The Kip Center hosts a Sands Casino Trip the second Monday of every month. Bus leaves at 9 a.m. from the Kip Center, 55 Kip Avenue, Rutherford. The cost is \$35.

55 Kip Members first priority, but spaces are generally available for your friends. Reserve early. New to the Kip Center? Give it a try, there is always something going on. Call 201-460-1600 for information. ###

#### Things to Do in Your Garden

- Remove winter mulches
- Clean up the garden/weed
- Have soil tests run
- Improve soil with organic matter and pre-plant incorporation of fertilizer
  - Rake & aerate lawn
  - Apply lime if needed
- Reset perennials that have frost-heaved
- Start vegetables and flowers from seed
- Sow seeds outdoors of hardy annuals, such as poppies and cornflower
- Plant sweet peas and garden peas on St. Patrick's Day, if soil is workable
- Plant cold-tolerant vegetables such as onions and peas (mid to late month)
- Look for and remove cedar apple rust galls on Eastern red cedar
- Plant or transplant trees and shrubs when soil is workable
- Fertilize trees and shrubs (late)
- Prune trees, shrubs that do not flower in spring *(unless renovation pruning)*

- Clean out all of your birdhouses now, so that they will be ready when the birds return.
- Repair any fencing, arbors, or trelliswork that is weak or has broken over the winter.
- Check the plants under the eaves of the house and under tall evergreens to see that they have sufficient moisture. ###

#### Yard Work Tips

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department EMS offers these safety tips for tackling fall clean up.

- When lifting heavy bags of mulch, use a wheelbarrow when possible, and remember to lift with your legs, not with your back.
- Be careful when pruning. Pruning from a ladder is especially dangerous.
- To avoid blisters when doing yard work, wear gloves.
- If you are doing a lot of raking, try an ergonomic rake, available at most hardware stores and garden centers. ###

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## Filling You In

By Jeffrey E. Mason, DMD, FAGD.

#### What is and what to do about Dry Mouth?

Xerostomia, commonly known as dry mouth, is a condition of the salivary glands which keep the mouth moist, thus preventing tooth decay and other oral health problems. When the salivary glands do not work properly, the amount of saliva in the mouth decreases, resulting in xerostomia.

Everyone has a dry mouth once in a while, but if you often find that your mouth is dry, it could be a sign of certain diseases and conditions, according to the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research.

#### What causes dry mouth?

Prescription and over-thecounter medications are the most common cause of dry mouth. There are more than 400 medications that can contribute to mouth dryness, including antihypertensives, antidepressants, painkillers, tranquilizers, diuretics and antihistamines. Dry mouth also can be caused by radiation therapy and chemotherapy, hormonal alterations or other diseases, such as diabetes, lupus, Alzheimer's disease and kidney disease. Other contributing factors include stress, anxiety, depression, nutritional deficiencies and dysfunction of the immune system.

How important is saliva? Saliva is a natural defense for teeth and is vital to every- day processes such as tasting, swallowing, speaking and digesting. Without it, the mouth is vulnerable to tooth decay and bacterial, fungal and viral infections. Human saliva is composed mostly of water, but also includes electrolytes, mucus, antibacterial compounds and various enzymes. The components of saliva play a major role in keeping your mouth healthy by rinsing away food particles, neutralizing harmful acids and providing

#### What are the signs and symptoms of dry mouth?

enzymes to help digest food.

- Increased need to sip or drink fluids when swallowing
  - Difficulty speaking
  - Difficulty swallowing
- Burning sensation or soreness in the mouth
- Inability to eat certain
- Diminished or altered sense of taste
  - Increased susceptibility

to oral infection

- Sleep interruptions due
- · Difficulty wearing dentures
  - Tooth decay
  - Gingivitis
- Halitosis (stale or bad breath)

How can my dentist help alleviate my symptoms of dry **mouth?** If you exhibit any of the symptoms of dry mouth, it's important to contact your dentist so that he or she can properly evaluate and diagnose the condition. A variety of methods are available to help patients manage dry mouth.

Your dentist may recommend using saliva substitutes and over-the-counter mouthwashes, gels and sprays.

In addition, your dentist may suggest that you change your diet, avoid alcohol, caffeine, smoking, citrus juices, dry foods and overly salty foods.

Of course, your dentist also will recommend brushing and flossing twice a day, chewing sugarless gum, drinking plenty of water and maintaining regular dental visits. For more information, talk with your dentist.

Reference: Academy of General Dentistry, 2017.

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## NJ Health Connect @The East **Rutherford Memorial Library**

The NJ State Library will be administering a state-wide telehealth program to address the inequities highlighted by the ongoing pandemic.

Public libraries throughout the state will play a role in bridging the gap by providing technology that offers links to telemed apps for doctor appointments, COVID sites, as well as many quality health resources.

East Brunswick Public Library, the statewide hub, has implemented "Just For The Health Of It" and has trained NJ librarians to implement a telehealth program in their own communities. The program is supported by American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, provided by the New Jersey State LIbrary from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

The East Rutherford Me-

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morial Library is among one of 152 selected libraries participating throughout the state. The focus is to address the needs among people who lack technology and those who cannot see a doctor during normal hours.

The program uses iPads that are preloaded with 24/7 telemedicine apps of major hospital systems in the state. iPads will contain multilingual health information; mental health resources, COVID updates, crisis hotlines, Zoom and Google apps to allow for telemed appointments.

We are pleased to be able to provide these iPads to those who need them in order to provide equal access to all. iPads will be available to all for in-library use and available to East Rutherford patrons for in-home use as well.

For more information, contact Terri Goldstein at 201-939-3930. ###

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## Mosquito Season is Abuzz

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 un-

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

Standing water means you hatched for weeks or even 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 mosguitoes 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 repellant, following the instructions on

the label.

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



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## **Open Cockpit Experience May 21**

As part of their 50th Anniversary, the Aviation Hall of Fame will host Open Cockpit Day on May 21, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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

Explore the cabin of the world's only surviving restored cockpit of the Martin 202 airliner.

You can also visit inside the HH52A, U.S. Coast Guard rescue helicopter. Also, on display are the Bell AH-1 Cobra helicopter and the OV-1A Mohawk

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Also popular with young people is our official Airport Rescue Firefighter Truck! For young astronauts, we have our working display of the International Space Station (ISS) along with uniforms and items used by the many Astronauts like Buzz Aldrin, Scott and Mark Kelly, to name just a few.

Admission: \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and children under 12. No discounts, Library Passes or Membership Passes can be used on Open Cockpit

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



May 8







#### Full Flower Moon

The May full moon will appear on Monday, May 16, 2022, at 12:14 a.m. It is called the "Full Flower Moon."

May's full Moon reaches its peak on May 15-16, 2022. Plus, this full Moon will coincide with a total lunar eclipse for most of North America.

According to The Farmer's Almanac, in most areas, flowers are abundant everywhere during this time. Thus, the name of this moon. Other names include the "Full Corn Planting Moon," "Milk Moon," "Leaf Budding Moon," "Egg Laying Moon," etc.

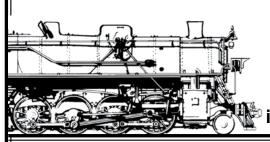
#### **Total Lunar Eclipse**

In some parts of the world, this month's full moon coincides with a total lunar eclipse! A lunar eclipse occurs when Earth stands directly between the Moon and the Sun, which results in Earth casting its shadow on the Moon. During a total lunar eclipse, the Moon is fully obscured by Earth's shadow, giving the Moon a reddish hue. ###

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## Jefferson Avenue House Fire



On March 30, 2022, at about 10 p.m., the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department was dispatched to Jefferson and Oldfield Avenues.

Upon arrival, firefighters found the basement engulfed. They cut open the garage door for access.

The working fire went to a second alarm. The blaze extended to the first floor. A 5" supply line was connected to the nearby hydrant to feed multiple attack lines. The fire was knocked down in about a half hour.

The home was checked for extensions and vented. No injuries were reported. The event is under investigation.

Assisting Mutual Aid Fire Departments included Carlstadt, Little Ferry, Lodi, Moonachie, Moonachie Ambulance/ Fire Rehab, S. Hackensack and Wood-Ridge. Wallington Fire Department provided Mutual Aid in the Hasbrouck Heights firehouse for town coverage. Photos provided by Anthony Greco and Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###







## HHFD Inspection May 21

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department will hold a Department Inspection at 7 p.m., on May 21, 2022, at Fire Headquarters, 248 Hamilton Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights.

In attendance will be Borough officials and Mutual Aid Chiefs. The public is welcome to inspect the personnel and equipment. "Due to COVID, the last inspection was held in 2019. ###

#### Wallington FD Memorial Service/ Inspection April 30

Wallington Fire Department will hold its Annual Memorial Service and Inspection on Saturday, April 30, 2022, at the Park Row Firehouse at 5 p.m. to remember members who answered their last alarm, followed by the Annual Inspection of the Fire Department personnel and equipment, by the Mayor and Council and Mutual Aid Chiefs. For more information, call Mark at 201-983-3249. ###

#### Carlstadt FD Celebrates 150th Anniversary

On Saturday, June 11, 2022 from 1 to 5 p.m., at the Jefferson Street Firehouse, the Carlstadt Fire Department will celebrate their 150th anniversary.

There will be food, beer, soda and fun for the whole family. Entertainment by Lifespeed. ###

#### Wood-Ridge Fire Department 125th Anniversary

The Wood-Ridge Fire Department, an all-volunteer organization, has served our Community for the past 125 years and during this time has seen much growth and advancement in terms of both personnel and equipment.

On July 9, 2022, the WRFD will be commemorating this milestone event with a monumental celebration reflecting on the rich history over the past 125 years of service to our families, friends, and neighbors within the Borough of Wood-Ridge and also to our surrounding communities.

To commemorate this event, we wish to invite all of you to attend the social event of the year! It will take place at the W-R Firehouse at 85 Humboldt Street on Saturday, July 9, 2022, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., with a rain date of Sunday, July 10, 2022.

There will be plenty of activities for you and your family to enjoy, including live music by the Andrea Nies Band, food, drink, water slide, bounce house and rides for the kids. "Family fun for all."

In addition, T-shirts, mugs, and challenge coins commemorating this event will be available.

So come join us on this special day and participate in the celebration with your family, friends, and neighbors and spend some time getting to know your volunteers.

This is our way of saying thanks for all of your support over the past 125 years from all of us at the WRFD. It is and always will be our HONOR to serve You. ###



## RPD Sgt. Zeigler Awarded 'NJ Instructor of the Year'

April 12, 2022 – Police Sergeant at Rutherford Police Department, Julie Ann Zeigler, was recognized as "New Jersey Instructor of the Year" by Law Enforcement Against Drugs & Violence (L.E.A.D.), a nation-

wide nonprofit committed to protecting communities from drugs and violence.

The award was presented to Sergeant Zeigler at L.E.A.D.'s Seventh Annual 21st Century **Drug and Violence Prevention** 

Training Conference in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

"We're pleased to congratulate Sergeant Zeigler on her outstanding work, during the school day, educating kids on the value of drug and violence prevention," said Nick DeMauro, CEO of L.E.A.D.

"She's doing an excellent job on protecting those in Rutherford from drugs and violence, and, in turn, bridging the gap between police forces and communities."

L.E.A.D. provides services "on the street" and "in the classroom" as it brings law enforcement and communities closer together. The "in the classroom" program is taught by 3000 trained instructors in 41 states. L.E.A.D. has the only proven effective, law enforcement-focused anti-drug, anti-violence curriculum for K-12 students in the U.S. The L.E.A.D. curriculum is taught over the course of a 10-week program to educate youth on how they can make smart decisions without the involvement of drugs or violence.

In Rutherford, the L.E.A.D. curriculum is taught to sixth Graders at Pierrepont School, and Sergeant Zeigler says that her agency hopes to bring back the after-school program that, pre-COVID-19, Lincoln School provided for the third grade. There are five trained instructors, including Sergeant Zeigler, who's also a trainer for L.E.A.D., in the Rutherford program.

"The more officers that students in Rutherford get to interact with the better, so it's extremely beneficial that our five officers are in the classroom. It gives our students exposure to the curriculum in different ways and connects with officers, building a foundation of trust, that's vital to community stability and community-police transparency."

As the first female police officer in Rutherford, Sergeant Zeigler has enjoyed watching some of her female students move on to also become law enforcement officers.

Women have something powerful to contribute to police work," she said. "Through engagement in the L.E.A.D. program, I've instilled in females the qualities they need to get ahead, including hard work, strength of mind, courage, competence and confidence."

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