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The dog days of summer have passed into memory with brisk, frosty mornings. Bright days behold luminescent leaf tapestries, majestic in grandeur. With a light wind, their rustling sings the song of a coming barren winter. Leaves silently begin to float, flutter and dance and blanket manicured lawns. Migrating geese draw a glance. The scent of fireplaces wafts through the crisp air, while inside, harvest warms with the taste of apple cider and the smell of baking pumpkin pie. The winter is long. Spring unfolds. Summer last. But those brief moments of autumn delights are to cherish.

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**Friendly Neighbors
Kicks Off Annual
Fund Drive**

Every year between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day, the Friendly Neighbors Organization of Hasbrouck Heights holds its annual fund-raising campaign.

This organization has been in existence since 1939 and consists of a group of 10 women from each of the Churches in town. They donate their time and effort to raising money for needy local families. Over the years, their group has had many special friends including men's and women's groups from the local Churches and civic groups.

This year they are helping 14 families with a total of 22 children. Their assistance includes food, cleaning supplies, and emergency help.

All funds go toward helping Hasbrouck Heights residents.

Since the economy is still weak and people are still struggling, celebrating the holidays with food and gifts is nearly impossible.

A wonderful way to honor a loved one is by donating in their memory.

Your donation, no matter how small, will make a difference, so please consider giving.

Donations can be mailed to Mrs. Pat Boer, Treasurer, 307 Roosevelt Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights. ###

**Skylands Manor
Tours Nov. 2**

Guided tours of the ground floor of historic Skylands Manor, a grand and historic Tudor Revival manor house built in the 1920s, located at the New Jersey State Botanical Garden, will be available on Sunday, November 2, 2014, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and conducted by NJBG volunteer tour guides, or docents.

The suggested donations for Manor House tours are: \$7 for adults; \$5 for seniors and students aged 13-18; \$3 for children aged 6-12; and free for children under age 6.

Self-guided Holiday Open House tours will also be available December 4-7 as NJBG celebrates "A Renaissance Holiday."

The New Jersey State Botanical Garden at Skylands, is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. every day of the year. Admission to the Garden is always free. Parking is also free in the fall, winter and spring.

NJBG/Skylands is located off Morris Road in Ringwood. For more information, call 973-962-9534 or visit www.njbg.org ###

**Felician Sisters
Rededicate and
Bless Chapel Organ**

The Felician Sisters of the Immaculate Conception Convent of Lodi, invite all to attend the Rededication and Blessing of the Immaculate Conception Convent Chapel Organ at 2 p.m., Saturday, November 22, 2014, in their Chapel.

The organ recently underwent major renovations and upgrading by the Peragallo Organ Company.

The ceremony will include:

- A concert by Mr. Joseph Wozniak who has given organ recitals at many Churches throughout the Newark Archdiocese, The National Cathedral and National Basilica both in Washington D.C. and St. Patrick's Cathedral in N.Y.C.,
- Dave DeRienzo, trumpeter, will enhance organ and choral selections.

• Sister Maria Magdalena Vallenganes will share her gift of vocal music during the concert. Sister Maria has been featured on the three CDs produced by the Felician Sisters - both as a soloist and as a member of the choir.

• Linda Telesco of the Spirit Dance Company will do a liturgical dance during the concert.

There is no admission. Good will offerings will be accepted and proceeds will be given to ministries sponsored by the Felician Sisters who are celebrating 140 years of Presence in North America. ###

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Moonachie 9th Annual Town-Wide Food Drive

First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie held its 9th Annual Town-Wide Food Drive at the Church on October 10 and 11, 2014. Over 80 bags were collected.

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

According to the workers at the Center for Food Action, the need is greater than ever this year. They are having a hard time keeping enough food on the shelves.

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

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

The Moonachie EMS Squad delivered announcements throughout Moonachie at the end of September. ###

Re/Max Winter Clothing Drive

Re/Max Trading Places is collecting gently used blankets, men's clothing, winter hats, scarves and gloves, etc. for the benefit of The Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal of Our Lady Queen of Angels in East Harlem. Items will go to men who are living life without a roof over their heads.

John Tamborini, Broker/Owner of Re/Max Trading Places said, "This is what the Lord calls us to do in (Matthew Chapter 25) 'I was naked and you clothed me.' We are called to see Christ in those who are in need. Please be generous."

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Santa Comes To Town

The spirit of kids from 1 to 92 are bright as the traditional Holiday Parade travels along The Boulevard in Hasbrouck Heights on Friday evening, November 28, 2014.

As folks get ready to enjoy the parade, they can visit one of the several hot chocolate stations along The Boulevard including the Municipal Complex, **Century 21 Eudan Realty**, TD Bank, etc.

To add to the festivities, **Heights Flower Shoppe** and **The Gazette Newspaper** will give away free helium balloons (*available at the Heights Flower Shoppe that evening*).

Floats, bands, community groups, antique cars, fire trucks, plus Santa will meet at Williams Avenue at 7 p.m. and march along The Boulevard to Henry Street.

Immediately after the parade, Santa will meet with children at TD Bank at The Circle for photos and treats.

At press time, the parade line-up is as follows:

The Hasbrouck Heights Po-

lice Department Honor Guard will lead the Parade, along with Honor Guards from the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department and the Boy Scouts.

Local Officials, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and various sport teams on small floats, provided by **Lenox Towing**, will follow.

The excitement continues with the Park Ridge High School Marching Band, and antique cars from **Reliable Relics**.

The Hasbrouck Heights High School Marching Band will lead Santa's personal float (*sponsored by **Otterstedt Insurance Agency***) down The Boulevard.

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department will then follow.

The event is sponsored by the Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce. Would you like to be part of the excitement? The Chamber welcomes volunteers to help with the parade. Call Ray at 201-288-5464 for more information. ###

Christmas Craft and Gift Fair

The Mission Committee of the First Presbyterian Church of Rutherford invites crafters and vendors to participate in its 3rd Annual Christmas Craft and Gift Fair, Saturday, November 22, 2014, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Church Parish House, 32 Ridge Road, Rutherford.

All proceeds will support the Rutherford Community Pantry and the Bergen Family Promise shelter in Hackensack. For information, contact Pat at bulldogsLBI@comcast.net or 201-390-8925. ###

Rutherford Community Chest Seeks Donations

The 68th Annual Drive of the Community Chest of Rutherford which supports local non-profit organizations began in October.

The Rutherford Boy and Girl Scouts, Rutherford Food Pantry, Rutherford Social Services, The Meadowlands Museum, Bridge Builder and Star Fish of Rutherford all currently benefit. Every dollar contributed stays in Rutherford.

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The Carlstadt Volunteer Ambulance Corps presents "Sensitive Santa's Workshop," a free event for children with special needs on November 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and November 9, 2014, from 1 to 4 p.m.

The event is for special needs children of all ages and their immediate family. Open to all area residents, but pre-registration is required.

Children meet one-on-one, privately and by reservation only. There are no lines, pressure, loud music or flash photos.

There will be snacks, crafts and children will have an opportunity to write a note, or paste a photo or drawing of their wishes directly onto Santa's List. Please call 201-438-7289 for details and to schedule your visit. ###

Santa Visits the AHOF

Santa is scheduled to depart the North Pole at Midnight and is expected to arrive at 11 a.m. on Saturday, December 6, 2014 at the Aviation Hall of Fame.

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

Bring your camera for this photo opportunity! Children under 12 years of age will be able to meet and greet Santa Claus inside the museum free of charge, when accompanied by an adult. Adult admission is \$7, \$5 seniors.

The museum will open at 10 a.m. to accommodate expected interest in this special event, and the public is advised to arrive early in order to obtain good parking.

The visit of Santa Claus is presented annually by the New Jersey Aviation Hall of Fame & Museum, located at 400 Fred Wehran Drive, Teterboro, NJ. For more info call 201-288-6344. ###



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Payment should be made as soon as possible. Tickets are available at the November Leisure Club meeting. Call Marilyn at 201-288-4762 for details. ###

Arts/Crafts Workshop

The Contemporary Club of Hasbrouck Heights is sponsoring an arts/crafts workshop on Saturday, November 8, 2014, at The Hasbrouck Heights Public Library, 320 Boulevard, from 1 to 4 p.m.

It will be a fun afternoon of sharing tips on scrap-booking, crocheting, knitting, making jewelry and Christmas ornaments

Light refreshments will be served. For reservations, please call Pat at 201-288-0495. ###

HH Men's Association Christmas Tree Sale

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

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

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

Holiday Bazaar November 15

It's that time of year again! Come join in the fun at the Annual Church Bazaar on Saturday, November 15, 2014, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie.

You never know what treasures you might find - which friends you might see - what delightful holiday foods such as imported chocolate and German Stollen you might take home to your table!

Kitchen available for breakfast and soup and sandwich lunch. Call Carol at 201-933-8045 for more information. ###

Holly Fair

Grace Episcopal Church will hold its 42nd Holly Fair on Friday, November 21, from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, November 22, 2014 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The doors will open to all the traditional booths: Christmas & crafts, silent auction, grandma's treasures, jewelry, toys, chef's delights and Tricky Tray drawing on Saturday.

Tasty food events will entice and please everyone's palate.

Admission is free. Grace Church is located at 128 West Passaic Avenue, Rutherford. For more information call 201-438-8623. ###

Holiday Shop & Happy Hour

The Junior Women's Club of Hasbrouck Heights, in conjunction with the Women's Club of Rutherford, is sponsoring a Holiday Shop and Happy Hour on Friday, November 21, 2014, at the Woman's Club of Rutherford Clubhouse, 201 Fairview Avenue, Rutherford from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Enjoy a night of shopping and cheers with local vendors and independent consultants who will be selling a variety of handmade and unique items. Start your holiday shopping early and join them for a fun night.

Entrance Fee is \$5 and includes light refreshments and 2 raffle tickets. (*To receive an additional raffle ticket, please bring a non-perishable food item to be donated to local food pantries.) Bring your own wine or beer. Adults only please.

Please contact Lori Zorat at 201-321-5274 or ljr6@aol.com, or visit: www.hhjuniors.org for more information. Story by by Lori Zorat. ###

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Community Tree Lightings

Carlstadt will hold their Tree lighting at Borough Hall on Thursday, December 4, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. ###

East Rutherford will hold their Tree Lighting at Borough Hall 7 p.m., Friday, December 5, 2014 at Borough Hall Park. Bring your camera for photos with Santa. Refreshments will be served. ###

The **Hasbrouck Heights** Annual Tree Lighting at The Circle will be held immediately after the Annual Holiday Parade on November 28, 2014. There will be plenty of hot cocoa and snacks. Santa will be available in the TD Bank lobby. Bring your camera. ###

Little Ferry will hold their Tree Lighting on Friday, December 5, 2014, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Borough Hall parking lot. The Memorial School Choir is scheduled to sing. Santa will be available in the Municipal Building lobby.

Christmas Excursion to the Westchester Broadway Dinner Theatre Dec. 5

This Christmas season, treat yourself or your loved ones to dinner and a very special holiday show Christmas Excursion to the Westchester Broadway Dinner Theatre on Friday, December 5, 2014. "It Happened One Christmas Eve" is a heart-warming musical about an infant left on a Brooklyn doorstep one Christmas Eve and the magic she brings to the lives of those who find her.

It captures the Christmas message of Love, Forgiveness, Understanding, Loyalty and Perverserance in a nostalgic blend of joy and sadness.

This show is filled with favorite Christmas carols and popular Seasonal songs and is sure to please the entire family.

The price of \$120 includes bus transportation, and your dinner and show package, including entrée of your choice, salad, vegetable, potato or pasta, fresh rolls and corn muffins, Chef's Choice dessert, coffee, decaffeinated coffee or regular tea prior to the performance.

The bus will leave from in front of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church (Wallington) promptly at 4 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m., with show time at 8 p.m.

All reservations are due no later than Friday, November 7, 2014! Payment is due at the time of reservation.

Please call Pat Wronko at 201-438-0636 or Ginny Topolski at 201-715-2087 for additional information and reservations.###

Bring your camera.

Lodi will host its Annual Tree Lighting on Friday, December 5, 2014, starting at 7 p.m. at Borough Hall. Holiday music will be provided by the Lodi HS Band and Choir.

Moonachie will hold their Annual Tree Lighting event (*rain or shine*) on Saturday, December 6, 2014, at 7 p.m., at Borough Hall. R. L. Craig students will sing Christmas Carols. Refreshments and photos with Santa will follow at the Firehouse. ###

Rutherford will hold their Annual Tree Lighting on Saturday, November 29, 2014 at 5 p.m. at The Library, following the Holiday Parade up Park Avenue. Entertainment by the Rutherford Community Band.

Wood-Ridge Annual Tree Lighting is on November 28, 2014, at Veterans Park, starting at 7 p.m. Christmas Carols will be sung by Middle and High School Chorale. Santa will be at The Gazebo to hear special secret wishes. Refreshments will be served. ###

Rutherford Lions Holiday Fruit Sale

The Lions Club of Rutherford announced their 2014 Annual Holiday Fruit Sale.

Available are grapefruit, navel oranges, tangerines and variety pack.

Delivery is direct from Florida by refrigerated trucks from the Golden Harvest Packing House. Orders received by November 28, 2014, should be received the weekend of December 13.

The Lions will notify you of the exact date and pick-up times and location. To place your order go to: www.Lions-ClubOfRutherford.org ###

Holiday Open House

55 Kip Center in Rutherford will host its annual Open House from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 29, 2014 with a craft fair, holiday boutique, bake shop, raffle sales for their Festival of Trees and Wreaths, and raffle sales for a handmade quilt. Refreshments available. For more info call 201-460-1600. ###

Your Fire Chiefs Offer These Safety Tips

- Thanksgiving is the peak day for home cooking fires.
- Three-fifths (59%) of reported home cooking fire injuries occurred when victims tried to fight the fire themselves.
- A CPSC study found that 83% of frying fires began in the first 15 minutes of cooking.
- Keep anything that can catch fire - *potholders, towels or curtains* - away from your stovetop.
- Have a "kid-free zone" of at least 3 feet around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

Wallington FD Holiday Parade

On Saturday, November 29, 2014, Wallington Fire Department will present its 13th Annual Holiday Parade.

The largest gathering of lighted and decorated fire trucks and floats in the nation will participate in Wallington Fire Department's 13th Annual Holiday Parade. This nighttime parade of over 2,500 participants starts at 6 p.m., and includes fire departments and organizations throughout the tri-state area.

Thousands of spectators line the 2-mile parade route featuring 250 lighted and decorated fire trucks and floats beginning on Mt. Pleasant and Roehrs Drive, concluding at Centennial Field. Participants will enjoy entertainment, refreshments and the presentation of various parade trophies, including The Chief's Trophy going to the Best Decorated Vehicle in the parade.

Visit www.wallingtonfd-holidayparade.webs.com or call 973-473-7612 for more information. ###

Breakfast With Santa

The St. Anthony Council of the Knights of Columbus invites all children and the young at heart to their Annual Pancake Breakfast at the Wood-Ridge Intermediate School Cafeteria in Wood-Ridge on Sunday, December 14, 2014, from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Santa will be their guest of honor. The menu will be "all you can eat" pancakes, sausages, orange juice and coffee for the adults. The cost is \$5 per person; children 5 and under will be admitted free. ###

An Afternoon of Music and Dance

The Carlstadt Mixed Chorus, with Ms. Johanna Teubner Prussak, Music Director, is hosting an Afternoon of Music and Dance at the Carlstadt Turn Hall in Carlstadt on Sunday, November 23, 2014 starting at 3:30 p.m. Donation is \$20 per person. Dance music by Bud Gramer. Food and drink are available. For reservations call 201-652-0968 or 973-777-6677. ###

Pet Photos with Mrs. Claus

FOCAS (*Friends of the County Animal Shelter, Inc.*) will be hosting holiday pet pictures with Mrs. Claus and a Special Holiday Gift Fair on Sunday, December 7, 2014, at the American Legion, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. The cost per photo is \$5. All pets are welcome. Pets should be up-to-date on all shots and appropriately restrained. There

will be refreshments, fabulous holiday gifts on sale for pets and people and a drawing each hour. Let FOCAS put some "cheer" in your holiday!

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

Cortona 5th Annual Fall Tricky Tray

St. Margaret of Cortona Parish will celebrate their 5th Annual Fall Tricky Tray on Saturday, November 1, 2014. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25 each.

The event will be held in the Parish Center, located at 31 Chamberlain Avenue in Little Ferry. Any questions or to purchase tickets please contact Cheryl at 201-641-9440. ###

Indoor Fall Flea Market Nov. 22

The Parish Social Life Committee of Saint Margaret of Cortona Roman Catholic Church is sponsoring an Indoor Fall Flea Market on Saturday, November 22, 2014 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tables are \$25 each. For information and contracts, call Ellie at 201-641-0883. ###

Festival of Trees and Wreaths

55 Kip Center, an older activity center in Rutherford, is preparing for its 20th annual Festival of Trees and Wreaths.

Each year, individuals, organizations, Church groups, school classes and clubs decorate trees and wreaths with a theme of their choice.

Entries are judged and ribbons are awarded for Most Beautiful, Most Creative and Best Use of Theme.

Beefsteak/ Comedy Night November 14

The Bergen County SPCA is hosting a Beefsteak Dinner Stand-up Comedy Night and Tricky Tray on November 14, 2014 at the IBEW Local Union 164, 65 West Century Road, Paramus. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Cost is \$55 per person and includes beef, beer, soda, and one sheet of tricky tray tickets. Beefsteak catered by The Brownstone. Proceeds to benefit Bergen County SPCA.

For tickets and info call Roni at 201-376-3263 or Cathy at 201-873-5044. Or go to: www.bergenspca.org ###

Holiday Dance with Peter Lieberman December 14

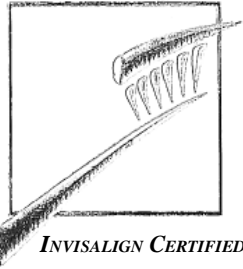
Come dressed in your holiday best on Sunday, December 14, 2014, when The Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Post 4591 in Hasbrouck Heights will host a Holiday Dance with Peter Lieberman from 1 to 4 p.m. Cost is \$15 and includes a hot lunch, dessert, coffee/tea. There will be a mini-tricky tray and 50/50.

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A Christmas Miracle (Part One)

Christmas is a season of miracles...don't you agree? Some are easy to recognize like a beautifully decorated Christmas Tree, or a choir of rosy cheeked carolers huddled on the street corner filling the wintry air with heavenly melodies.

Some miracles come gift wrapped like a new sled, or a warm comfy sweater. Miracles arrive when families gather together on Christmas Eve and express in magical ways the joy of the Lord.

Then there are those miracles that are carried across the heavens by Angels who place them on your door step in the middle of the night. That, folks, is where I come in!

My Christmas story actually begins on January 16, 1956...my eighth birthday. My parents, Vito and Lena, took me to a nearby animal shelter, better known in those days as "the dog pound" to make my birthday wish come true. I was to have the dog of my choice as long, that is, it met my mother's standards...a small male mixed breed that was already house-broken.

I took none of that into consideration as I went from cage to cage searching for a dog that "fit right" like a new pair of sneakers.

While Vito and Lena were busy picking out the "dog of my choice," I had already made eye contact with my K-9 SOUL MATE; a brown and white puppy with big clumsy paws and a brown, diamond shaped spot at the center of his head. I immediately called out to my mom and dad that their search was over.

"This is the one I want!" I shouted as I pointed to my new found companion. Even as I was speaking my mom

walked over holding a frisky little poodle that was licking her face and wagging its tail in joyful anticipation all for naught.

Actually my puppy fit my mom's original description. It was a male, a mixed breed, small since it was only a puppy, okay so it wasn't house broken but that, as it turned out, was my mother's problem.

Spread out the newspapers Vito and Lena and watch where you step...this mutt is coming home with us!

As we pulled into the drive way of our Arnot Street home, we were greeted by my older brother Eugene, and my two cousins, Marie and her kid sister Cathy, who lived on the second floor.

What a fuss they made over this smelly but loveable addition to our household.

Now folks, maybe it was due to the excitement over his new surroundings or maybe it was just his time to go but go he did moments after I placed him down on the kitchen floor.

"He's trying to mark his territory" said my brother with a sheepish grin. "I'll mark his territory with the tip of my shoe!" replied Lena trying to hold back her laughter. She said that since it was my dog I should be the one cleaning up his mess. I knew it was an idle threat, one that would be repeated every time the dog had an "accident."

Luckily for both me and the dog, my mom had him house-broken in a very short time...much shorter in fact than it took her to housebreak me.

I could not, for the life of me, come up with a suitable name for my new dog. "Spot" was the best I could do and that was because of the spot between his ears. "Here Spot." I called "here boy, here Spot!" Nope the dog wasn't buying it and neither was I. My brother suggested that we name him

after our last dog who died the year before and whose remains were buried on the side of our garage along with our cat Cloudy. "Dusty" he smiled "we'll call him Dusty."

Just as my brother spoke the name the dog's ears perked up and he ran over to my brother and began tugging at the rolled up cuff of his Levi's. "He knows his name" laughed my brother, "Dusty!"

By the spring of 1956, Dusty had woven himself deep into the fabric of our family and began to take on human characteristics.

Really folks, that dog thought he was human. He even had his own chair. It was a wooden rocking chair which was located in the kitchen, under a newly invented wall telephone, next to a window that overlooked the side entrance, which was all we ever used.

Getting Dusty off that chair was not an easy task. He'd growl and show his teeth as if he were going to bite my head off if I continued to disturb him. I used to annoy the heck out of him and growl and snarl though he did he never laid so much as a tooth on me. It was all show, all bark and no bite sort of thing.

As close as the rest of us were to our dog my mother had us all beat.

As far as Dusty was concerned Lena was the boss and come to think of it we felt the same way...uh, including Lena.

The dog responded to my mother's every command in military like fashion. If he was under foot she'd order him to get on his chair and off he'd go.

If it was time to eat she'd tell him to get his bowl and sure enough Dusty would come running out of the hallway with his tail wagging and his bowl dangling from his mouth.

The same with his cup. Yes folks, Dusty had his very own coffee cup. Of course no one ever drank from it other than the dog except maybe on special occasions when cups were in short supply... Just kidding folks!

"Go get your cup," my mom would say in an energetic tone "You want ice cream?" If she ignored him he'd drop the cup in front of her and begin to communicate with her in dog language. It wasn't a growl rather a garbled bark. We'd be sitting at the table in stitches as Lena pretended not to notice him. Finally, Lena would give in, but not before Dusty exhausted his entire vocabulary.

The only thing my mom balked at regarding the dog was taking him "outside." If there was someone else available at the time then that person was given the task. It never came at a good time...the "walk" that is.

It always came during your

favorite program or when it was cold and rainy and your socks were still drying on the radiator. Then came the time when I'd be sprawled out on the couch like a beached walrus and Dusty sat there in front of me giving me an urgent look telling me that his time had come.

I used to cover my eyes with the throw pillow hoping that when I removed it he'd be gone...no such luck!

My dad, against our wishes, used to open the side door and let the dog out on his own, gave him a few private moments, then call him back.

Every so often, for whatever reason, Vito would forget that he let the dog out. My mom was always the first to ask where the dog was. By that time Vito was already at the door calling for the dog to come in.

"Dusty" we'd hear him call. By the third "Dusty" the dog would dart up the steps make a right turn into the kitchen then a sharp left onto his rocking chair. My Mom was forever warning my dad not to let the dog out alone. "He likes to wander Vito" don't let him out alone. It was a warning that would come back to haunt the entire household.

The years that followed were, for me, filled with childhood crushes, red haired girls, close friendships, long summers and some nasty winters.

The winter of 1960/61 was especially fierce. It began snowing in late October and continued on and off until the following April. That year kids Halloween costumes were hidden under thick winter coats, gloves and woolen hats.

I recall trick or treating that year with the kids from Westervelt Place. A neighbor asked my pal Rocco, who he was supposed to be under the winter coat. "I'm not sure." replied Rocco "I think it's me under there."

By mid-November neighborhood kids were already hitting the slopes of Arnot Street with sleds, hockey skates, garbage can covers, their mother's ironing boards and whatever else was capable of sliding down the hill.

As we raced past my house I noticed my father and my brother shoveling the side walk. My dog was out there sniffing around in the fast accumulating snow while my cousins, Marie and Cathy, were frolicking about throwing snowballs at the kids as they sped by.

Daylight was fast giving way to evening's icy grip and it wasn't long before the Arnot Street hill was barren. All that could be heard was the angry wind whistling through the trees blowing the powdery snow into drifts so high that even the snow plows strained to get through.

I walked into the hallway, removed my winter gear, and joined the rest of my family in the warmth of our living room as they watched television.

My mom walked into the kitchen to check on the franks and beans she had baking in the oven. She noticed that the dog's rocking chair was empty and that food in his bowl was left untouched.

She re-entered the living room wiping her hands onto her apron and asked the dreaded question, "Where's the dog?"

My father and brother turned to each other with a foreboding look on their faces that told me in dead silence that something had gone horribly wrong.

My mother ran to the side door and in a despairing tone began calling the dog. "Dusty... here boy...here Dusty."

The urgency in Lena's voice echoed into the frigid night and soon became buried under the blinding snow. "Vito" shouted my mom "Don't tell me you forgot the dog out there. Didn't I tell you to keep him on the leash? You know he likes to roam. What did I tell you? Now go find that dog!"

The three of us got dressed and ventured out into the unfriendly night. Lena waited inside in case the dog found his way back.

The snow was coming down harder still and the howling of the wind muffled our voices and drove our words into the ground.

"Dusty" we yelled in long drawn out syllables "Here boy...here Dusty." Our voices cracked under the strain and our vision became increasingly impaired by the demonic gusts of wind that whipped us and stopped us in our tracks.

"Go home!" my father told me as he tried to shield me from the wintry onslaught. "We'll find that dog...go home." I remember giving Vito a hug and making my way home into the awaiting arms of that mighty fortress... Lena!

"Where's Daddy and your brother?" she asked as she helped me off with my boots. I told her that they were still looking for Dusty.

My mom was noticeably worried and that worried me. It was already 7 p.m. Two hours had passed since my father and brother began the search. Two hours in the blinding snow and dangerously cold temperature looking for our lost dog. A half an hour later they returned empty handed.

"We can't find him!" said my brother. "We looked high and low. Where the heck could he have gone? He just vanished into the night..Nowhere to be found."

End of Part One ###



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Information for potential donors wishing to make contributions can be found at www.bergenvolunteers.org; click on

Holiday Programs. Registration is open now.

All Wrapped Up has two components: Adopt-a-Family and Heart to Heart.

- For Adopt-a-Family, the Volunteer Center regularly receives gift requests for more than 800 families. Donors will be given a family profile, with specific gift requests that could include clothes, toys or household items. Donors should plan

to spend about \$50 per family member.

- The Heart-to-Heart program. The Volunteer Center regularly receives up to 1,000 requests for assistance which are submitted for seniors, lonely or disabled adults and children. Donors are asked to provide supermarket gift certificates, clothing and gifts for the individual they select and should plan to spend approximately \$50.

Donors will have no direct contact with individuals or families; all gifts will be delivered to and distributed by the non-profit organization. For more information about For more information go to: www.bergenvolunteers.org, or call 201-489-9454. ###

RDP Announces Gift Certificate Program

The Rutherford Downtown Partnership announced the launch of the New Rutherford Bucks Gift Certificate program.

The gift certificates can be used in over 20 businesses in the district and growing every day.

They come in denominations of \$5, \$10, \$25 and \$50 and for a limited time, to celebrate the launch of the program, if you purchase \$25 worth of gift certificates, you will receive an additional \$5 in Bonus Bucks – giving the recipient \$30 to spend!

If you would like to purchase Rutherford Bucks for a gift, for your organization, or for yourself, please email or call the RDP office at office@downtownrutherfordnj.com or 201-939-1670 to make arrangements to get your Rutherford Bucks.

Payment can be made in cash, check, or credit card. Don't miss out on your opportunity to get the \$5 Bonus Bucks! ###

Samplings of Fine Foods

Mahwah Regional Chamber of Commerce welcomes the general public in Northern New Jersey to attend their Food and Business event on Monday, November 3, 2014, from 6-8 p.m., at the Crowne Plaza Hotel and Conference Center, 3 Executive Boulevard, Suffern, NY.

The event will feature samplings of fine foods and beverages from New Jersey and New York restaurants. In addition, to tasting a variety of delicious food, door prizes and music by Phil Bernardi will be provided.

Admission is in advance, \$30 MRCC members, \$35.00 non-members and for all at the door \$40.

Part of the proceeds of Taste of the Region will benefit Table to Table. Any leftover food from this event will be donated to help feed the hungry in our area.

For reservations and other information, call 201-529-5566 or visit Mahwah.com ###



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Art Association of Rutherford Meets November 13

The Art Association of Rutherford will hold their monthly meeting on Thursday, November 13, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. at the Tamblin Civic Center at 30 Woodland Avenue, Rutherford, NJ. There will be a featured demonstration from a professional artist.

Interested amateurs and professionals are invited to monthly meetings held on the second Thursday of most months and to find out about the organization and opportunities to share and show artwork as well.

For further information e-mail <artjohn42@gmail.com> or call John 201-939-1736. ###

Chicken and Chips November 19

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is sponsoring a Chicken and Chips Dinner catered by Tastefully British on Wednesday, November 19, 2014, from 5:30 until 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children under 10 years of age and may be obtained by calling Marge at 201-288-8933 or the Church office at 201-288-6889. Pre-paid take-outs are available. No tickets will be sold at the door. Reservation deadline is November 14.

Proceeds will be used to help fund the youth trip to the Lutheran Church In America National Youth Gathering to be held in Detroit during the summer of 2015. Holy Trinity is located on the corner of Burton and Hamilton Avenues in Hasbrouck Heights. ###

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Sands Casino November 11

Come and enjoy a lovely excursion to the beautiful Sands Casino and Luxury Shopping Outlet Stores on Tuesday, November 11, 2014.

It's your choice of how you spend your time...playing the wide variety of casino games, doing some shopping at luxury outlets such as Lenox, Chico's, Coach, Nine West (*and more!*), or a little bit of both!

The bus will leave from in front of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church at 9 a.m. sharp, returning at approximately 6:30 p.m. The price is \$35 and includes bus transportation, a \$20 free slots play, and a \$5 food voucher.

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

Note: Guests must present valid state or federal issued photo id in order to obtain their Sands Players Club Card or any motor coach incentive. For information, call Ginny at 201-715-2087. ###

Ladies Night Out 2014

The 2nd Annual Ladies Night Out will be on Thursday, November 20, 2014, from 6:30 to 11 p.m. at the Fiesta.

Event includes four course sit down dinner (*soda, wine and coffee*), shop vendors, mingle and support a great cause.

Tickets are \$60. No tickets will be sold at the door. Tickets mailed upon receipt of payment. Assigned seating. Max 10 per table.

For more info go to: www.bh4tf.org. Proceeds to benefit pediatric cancer. Event sponsored by Benjamin's Hope for the Future. ###

Chicken Fry Nov. 29

The Parish Social Life Committee of Saint Margaret of Cortona Roman Catholic Church is sponsoring a Chicken Fry on November 29, 2014, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 each. For information, call Ellie at 201-641-0883. ###

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Casino Night Nov. 8 at VFW

On Saturday, November 8, 2014, from 6:30 to 11 p.m., the Mid-Bergen Rotary will be hosting their 2nd Annual Casino Night Fundraiser at the VFW in Hasbrouck Heights. Cost is \$60 per ticket which includes buffet dinner, wine and beer plus \$100 in play money. Must be over 21 for admission. Sponsorships or gift donations welcome.

For details contact: Yvonne Hassett: info@ChairsNmore.com or Tom Colletti: tcolletti@minutemanpress.com

The event benefits District 7490 Rotary's MFAC, Military Family Assistance Center (*rotary-MFAC.org*) which provides assistance to include food pantry, scholarships, job education, job placement, etc.

Mid-Bergen Rotary Club services Teterboro, Hasbrouck Heights and South Hackensack. Meetings are every Tuesday, 12:15 p.m. at the Hasbrouck Heights Holiday Inn. www.midbergenrotary.com ###

4th Annual Casino Night

The Rutherford Educational Foundation will host their 4th Annual Casino Night on Friday, November 21, 2014, from 7 to 11 p.m. at the Graycliff.

Tickets are \$80 per person and include buffet/open bar, music and \$100 in play gambling chips. RSVP by November 1, and receive \$100 bonus chips.

Tickets are available from eventbrite.com (*Rutherford Education Foundation 4th Annual Casino Night*) or from REF Board Members. for more info, call Rich at 973-309-3522 or Joe at 973-668-1866.

The Rutherford Educational Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that raises funds to enrich the educational experience of Rutherford students by privately funding special academic, athletic and extracurricular activities. ###

Roast Beef Luncheon

The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Presbyterian Church of Carlstadt will sponsor their monthly luncheon on Election Day, Tuesday, November 4, 2014, in the Community Hall, Third Street, Carlstadt. Roast beef dinners will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donation is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children/students. For take out orders call 201-438-5526. ###

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FOCAS Holds Flea Market

FOCAS Flea Market is Saturday, November 22, and Sunday, November 23, 2014 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the American Legion, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry.

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

Flea Market merchandise donations are gratefully accepted. (*Not accepted are TVs, PC monitors, exercise equipment, clothes or magazines.*)

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

For additional information call the FOCAS Help Line at 201-943-4019, email info@focasnews.org, or visit www.focasnews.org ###

Costume Party and Beefsteak November 1

The Moonachie Fire Department is hosting a Costume Party and Beefsteak on Saturday, November 1, 2014, from 6 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. at Fire Headquarters, 70 Moonachie Road.

Cost is \$45 donation and includes food, beer, soda, DJ and comedian, gift baskets, and 50/50. Plus there will be prizes for best costumes!

Contact any member of the MFD for tickets. ###

Pancake Breakfast

Rochelle Park American Legion Post 170 and Lodi American Legion Post 136 will host a pancake breakfast on Sunday, November 16, 2014, at the Rochelle Park Post at 33 W. Passaic Street, from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Breakfast includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, juice, coffee, tea, crumb cake (*while it lasts*) and fruit cocktail for \$4. Children under 10 free.

Bring food items to be donated to Sacred Heart Ministry Food Bank of Rochelle Park and Faith Reformed Church Food Pantry of Lodi, or a new unwrapped toy to be donated to the MCL Toys for Tots and take \$1 off the adult breakfast. ###

Hasbrouck Heights Garden Club

The Hasbrouck Heights Garden Club will be holding their meeting on November 20, 2014, Thursday evening, at 6:30 p.m., at 320 Boulevard on the second floor in The Library Meeting Room. Refreshments will be served followed by a short meeting.

There will be an Amaryllis hands-on workshop given by Pat Czarnecki. She is a registered horticultural therapist by the American Horticultural Therapy Association and is President of GreEn'ergy, LLC- a New Jersey-based company that provides horticultural therapy services in private and public sectors for people of all ages with special needs.

Pat teaches horticultural therapy and business-related courses at the New York Botanical Garden, and in-service staff training and guest lectures on horticultural therapy for various institutions and professional organizations.

Additionally, she is a certified Paraprofessional with specialty in Autism, and an active Master Gardener through Rutgers University. She is the proud recipient of the Mid-Atlantic Horticultural Therapy Network, Inc.'s "2013 Outstanding Professional Service Award," a distinguished honor having been nominated among the organization's professional members throughout New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania.

Pat will provide a short PowerPoint presentation followed by the hands-on potting up activity. No experience needed. She will explain the Potting Up, Staking and After Bloom Care. If you are interested in this workshop please contact Ann Lustberg at 201-288-3956. Members and guests are always welcome. *Story by Judy Mascis.* ###

Clothing/Linen Sale

There will be a used clothing and linen sale at St. John the Divine Church, Hasbrouck Heights, on November 1, 2014 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more info call Coby at 201-288-4038. ###

Food Bank

The Hasbrouck Heights Food Pantry is open Mondays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for residents. Donations are always welcome. Call Borough Clerk's Office for more information at 201-288-0195. ###

Know Your Digital Camera

On Wednesday, November 5, 2014, from 7-8 p.m., The Carlstadt Public Library presents Getting to Know Your Digital Camera. Well-known New Jersey photographer and author, Walter Choroszewski, brings his expertise, humor and “straight-talk” perspective for an informal Intro Photo Class covering the basics of photography and how to apply them in the Digital Age.

Refreshments will be served. All are welcome. For more info: <http://carlstadt.bccls.org/adults.shtml> ###

Basic ESL Classes

The Rutherford Public Library has ongoing Basic English as a Second Language classes taught by a certified ESL instructor. The classes are intended for beginner to intermediate level students and will be held on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6 – 7:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10 – 11:30 a.m. Students may register at the Reference Desk. For more information, please call 201-939-8600, ext. 7. ###

English Conversation Group

English language learners are invited to attend the English Conversation Group at The Rutherford Public Library.

The group will meet on Monday, November 3, 2014, from 1-2:30 p.m. and will resume meeting in the morning from 10-11:30 a.m. on all following Mondays; and on Thursdays from 1-2:30 p.m.

The group provides a good opportunity to practice spoken English in an informal setting. This is a free program and all are welcome. No registration is required. For information, call 201-939-8600, ext. 7. ###

ESL Classes

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library holds ESL classes three times a week, every Monday, Friday and Saturday morning at 10:15 a.m. No registration is required. ###

Book Sale and Donations

The Friends of The Library of Rutherford will hold a Book Sale at The Rutherford Public Library on Thursday, October 30, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; on Friday, October 31, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; on Saturday, November 1 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; and on Monday, November 3, 2014, from 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

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Stories We Tell

On Tuesday, November 25, 2014, at 6:30 p.m., The Friends of The Library of Rutherford will present a free screening of “Stories We Tell,” a riveting documentary in which filmmaker Sarah Polley investigates the secrets held by her family of storytellers. The film will be shown in The Library Auditorium. ###

A Change in Altitude

On Wednesday, November 12, 2014, from 7-8 p.m., The Carlstadt Public Library monthly Book Discussion Group meeting will discuss “A Change in Altitude” by Anita Shreve. Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome to attend! Call 201-438-8866 for more information or check: www.carlstadt.bccls.org. The Carlstadt Public Library is located at 420 Hackensack Street, Carlstadt. ###

Palisades Park

On Monday, November 17, 2014, at 6:30 p.m., the Monday Evening Book Group will meet to discuss “Palisades Park” by Alan Brennert. Copies of the books are available at the Circulation Desk of The Rutherford Public Library. The meeting will be held in the Glass Room on the main floor. ###

Friday Afternoon Movie Matinees

The East Rutherford Memorial Library will be hosting Friday Matinees at 2 p.m. All movies are free of charge. Some of the movies include “The Other Woman” and “The Angriest Man in Brooklyn.” In addition, coffee and snacks will be provided. Adults only. For additional information, please call 201-939-3930. ###

Maleficent

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library presents the movie showing of Disney’s “Maleficent” on Friday, November 7, 2014, at 2:30 p.m. in the Wood-Ridge Civic Center. Registration required. ###

used books and DVDs in good to excellent condition during The Library’s regular hours.

The Library cannot accept magazines, VHS or audio cassettes, encyclopedias or textbooks. ###

November Birthstone
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Knit, Read and Discuss

The Knit One, Read Two knitting/book discussion group at The Rutherford Public Library will meet on Wednesday, November 5, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss “The Silent Wife” by A.S.A. Harrison.

The meeting will be held in The Library Auditorium. All those who knit or crochet are warmly invited to bring their needlework and join the discussion. Copies of the books are available at the Circulation Desk. For more information, please e-mail Peg Mellett at mellett@bccls.org ###

Crochet Club

The East Rutherford Memorial Library will host a Crochet Club twice a month. All skill levels are welcomed. The Club will meet on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month, from 6:30-8 p.m. in The Library.

Although this is not a class, but rather a Club, beginners are welcome. Please bring your own supplies. Come share your passion and make some friends! Any questions: Please contact Chris Hartigan at hartigan@bccls.org or call The Library at 201-939-3930. ###

Crocheting Club

Bring your crocheting or knitting and join in the fun!

This Club meets in The Carlstadt Public Library meeting room on the first and third Thursdays of every month from 7-8 p.m. Only crocheting help is available at this time for those who need assistance. Please call 201-438-8866 ext. 204 to register, or email: carlref@bccls.org. Anyone with a valid library card is welcome to attend! ###

November Computer Classes at Lodi Library

Lodi Library offers free, small group computer classes for Lodi residents on Tuesday and Saturday afternoons from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and 2:30 to 4 p.m. on Saturdays. November 2014 classes are:

- Computer Basics - November 1 and 18
- Internet Basics - November 8 and 25
- Introduction to Microsoft Word 2010 - November 15
- Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2010 - November 22
- Email Basics - November 29

Registration and payment of a \$5 refundable deposit per class is required. For more information, call 973-365-4044. ###

Will Your Grandchildren Know Your Story?

Writing: A Personal Narrative Memoir...Will Your Grandchildren Know Your Story?

This program is hosted by The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library and the Borough of Wood-Ridge and held Wednesday, November 12, 2014, at 10 a.m. in the W-R Senior Center.

Retired NJ High School Principal Louis Alexander presents his very successful, approximately 2 hour program on memoir writing.

Author of “Echoes From a Small Country Town,” Alexander will show you how to write your own memoir. It doesn’t have to be a full-length autobiography to be a personal narrative that can be a wonderful legacy to leave children, grandchildren or other family members. Adults only. Registration required. ###

Dan Gutman Discusses Being an Author

On Friday, November 21, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. in the W-R Civic Center, The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library will host a children’s program featuring author Dan Gutman.

Gutman is the author of more than 100 books, including the “Baseball Card Adventures,” “My Weird School,” and “The Genius Files” series, and winner of numerous awards including Child Magazine’s Best Children’s Books and Booklist’s Editor’s Choice.

This program is suitable for children in Grades 2 and up, as well as parents, teachers, and librarians. Registration is required.

To register, call 201-438-2455 or visit The Library. This event will be held at the Wood-Ridge Civic Center. ###

25th Lego Night

The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights is celebrating its 25th year of Lego Night, a building contest for families. This special annual event will be held on Friday, November 14, 2014, from 7-9 p.m. in The Library at 320 Boulevard. All ages are welcome, but children must be accompanied by an adult. In honor of this special anniversary, there will be a theme for Lego Night. The theme is “Hasbrouck Heights-Past, Present, and Future.”

There will be professional architects and local “celebrities” on hand to judge the contest. All entries must be original (*no instructions or kits*) and built in The Library on Lego Night. Participants may work in groups of up to 6 people, and will be judged in several age groups. Participants must bring their own Lego bricks.

Entertainment, refreshments, and prizes are being provided by the Friends of the Hasbrouck Heights Library. Registration is required. Call 201-288-0485, in person, or online at www.hasbrouckheights.bccls.org

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**Earth to Echo
Children's Friday
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On Friday, November 14, 2014, at 3 p.m. all children ages 5 and up are invited to a free movie screening of "Earth to Echo" at The Rutherford Public Library. The movie is rated PG. No advance registration is required. An adult caregiver must remain with any child under the age of seven for the duration of the film. For more information, please call the Children's Department at 201-939-8600, ext. 6. ###

ABC, Read to Me! Storytime!

Join Miss Kate at The Carlstadt Public Library every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. for stories, rhymes and wiggles! Children of all abilities up to age 4 and their caregivers are encouraged to sing and play along. Story time is a wonderful, interactive way for caregivers to learn about library services and how to interest children in books. ###

**Little Cool
Music School**

The Rutherford Public Library will host Little Cool Music School on Fridays, November 7, 14, and 21, 2014, from 11:15-11:45 a.m. for pre-school children. Guitar Bob will play original and also favorite familiar children's songs for dancing and fun. No advance registration is required. This program is funded by The Friends of The Library of Rutherford. ###

**Family Fun
Friday**

On Friday, November 21, 2014, at 4 p.m., entertainer Jester Jim will delight children of all ages with his anything but ordinary juggling show at The Rutherford Public Library. Jim performs over 200 shows a year and was voted best family entertainment by Entertainer America. No advance registration is required. This program is generously funded by The Friends of The Library of Rutherford. ###

**Chess Club –
Children and
Beginner Adults**

The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library hosts a free Chess Club every Wednesday, from 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. for children and 4:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. for adults (beginners only). Contact childrens@wo-odridge.bccls.org or 201-438-2455 for more information. ###

**Paws for
Reading**

Young Readers Wanted!! Monday, November 3 and 17, 2014. Come to The Wood-Ridge Memorial Library and sharpen your reading skills by reading to the wonderful therapy dogs, Rodney and Teddy! Children ages 5 and older sign up for a 15-minute session to read to a friendly dog. Dogs are certified through the Delta Society and Bright and Beautiful Therapy Dogs Inc. Therapy dogs provide a safe, nurturing experience for beginning and struggling readers to practice their reading skills. All readers are invited. A variety of books will be provided, but feel free to bring your own. Registration is required. Contact the Youth Librarian at wrldgchild@bccls.org or 201-438-2455. ###

**Children's
Crafty Kids**

On Wednesday, November 12, 2014, at 3:45 p.m., children ages 6 and older are invited to create a fall art project at The Rutherford Public Library. Registration is required. To register, please call the Children's Department at 201-939-8600, ext. 6. ###

**Children's
Preschool
Craft Corner**

Children ages 3, 4, and 5 may register to make an autumn craft at The Rutherford Public Library on Friday, November 7, 2014, at 3:45 p.m. Registration is required and a parent or guardian will need to attend with their child to assist with the making of the project. To register, please call the Children's Department at 201-939-8600, ext. 6. ###

**Create! Art
Class for Kids**

Learn about an artist or type of art and recreate a famous work or make your own masterpiece at The Carlstadt Public Library. No experience necessary, there are no mistakes in art! Ages: Kindergarten and up. Held the third Thursday of every month! ###

**Drop-In
Storytime**

The Rutherford Public Library will host a morning and afternoon drop-in storytime program on Wednesdays, November 5, 12, and 19, 2014, from 10:30 – 11 a.m. and repeated from 2 – 2:30 p.m. Storytime will also be held in the morning only on Wednesday, November 26 from 10:30-11 a.m.

The same storytime will also be presented in the morning from 10:30-11 a.m. on Thursdays, November 13 and 20.

All children from infants to 5-year-olds and their caregivers are warmly invited to stop by for stories and fun. Make some new friends and get ready for reading! No advance registration required. ###

**Children's
Afterschool
Storytime**

The Rutherford Public Library will host an afterschool storytime on Thursday, November 20, 2014, at 3:45 p.m. Children ages 4 and up are invited for stories and a craft. Registration is required. To register, please call the Children's Department at 201-939-8600, ext. 6. ###

**PJ Storytime at
The Lodi Library**

Every Monday evening from 6 – 6:30 p.m., children ages two to six, along with their parents, are invited to bring their favorite stuffed toy, wear their pajamas and enjoy an evening of stories at The Lodi Library. ###

Free Movies


On Wednesdays, starting at 1:30 p.m., free movies will be shown at The Lodi Memorial Library. For more information, call 973-365-4044. ###

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On Thursday, October 2, 2014, a special luncheon was held at Immaculate Conception High School for the Felician Sisters in honor of the 140th Anniversary of the Felician Sisters in North America and in gratitude that in 1915 the Felician Sisters established Immaculate Conception High School. This school year is the centennial of the high school. *Photos provided by Immaculate Conception High School. ###*



McKenzie School has Respect

McKenzie Elementary School in East Rutherford, New Jersey celebrated “Respect Week” by having students wear the colors of the rainbow. Each color represented one of the “Pillars of Character,” which are Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. Students learned about Respect during the whole month of October. Each morning, a student read a meaningful quote about Respect on the loud speaker, which became the inspiration for the day and a topic of discussion in class. *Provided by Rebecca Hersh. ###*



Rutherford High School Harvesters Join Bergen County Buddy Walk

Members of the Rutherford High School Harvesters Club participated in the Bergen County Buddy Walk® held in Wyckoff. The Buddy Walk was established in 1995 by the National Down Syndrome Society to celebrate Down Syndrome Awareness Month in October and to promote acceptance and inclusion of people with Down Syndrome. They walked alongside RHS teacher Patricia Cormack in honor of her child. The students had a great time while raising awareness for this important cause. Pictured left to right are: Alexis Rebele, Jamie Skinner, Francesca Spadaro, Fjolla Balidemaj, and Regia Monfort. Not pictured-Advisor Jennifer Gaggis. *Provided by JoAnn Hughes. ###*



The Rutherford High School 2014 “Rutherfordian” yearbook won the Second Place Silver Award from the Garden State Scholastic Press Association. The yearbook featured 192 pages of the academic, athletic, and candid life of the student body. Pictured (l-r) are yearbook advisor Diane Powell and co-editor Ana Peralta. Not pictured-2014 Editor-in-Chief Ava Posner. *Provided by JoAnn Hughes. ###*

Mothers of Preschoolers [MOPS] Event – Nov. 20

A MOPS group is like a mommy timeout! You connect with other moms, hear encouraging words and share lots of laughs. Hasbrouck Heights MOPS invites all moms with children in the womb through Kindergarten Age from any town to join them at “Courage to Be Too Much,” Thursday, November, 20, 2014, from 7-9 p.m. Event is held at Bible Baptist Church, 31 Passaic Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights. Free MOPPETS childcare provided by reservation only. For more info contact: hasbrouckhts-mops@gmail.com or 862-239-MOPS; hasbrouckhtsmops.blogspot.com ###

Collaborative Parents Committee Meets Nov. 18

The next Collaborative Parents Committee (CPC) meeting will be Tuesday, November 18, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at the Media Center in the Hasbrouck Heights High School, 365 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ. There will be a guest speaker. The CPC is a parent organized group that provides support, advocacy and education for parents of children with special needs in the Hasbrouck Heights school district. For more information go to: <http://www.hhschools.org/SpecialServices/SitePages/Home.aspx> ###

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Maria and Rolando Rojas and their family, and Boy Scout Troop 181 (Wood-Ridge), invited community leaders to the Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Matthew Rojas at the Elks Lodge in Hasbrouck Heights on September 21, 2014.

“Since 1912, more than two million Boy Scouts have earned the Eagle Scout Award -- Scouting’s highest rank advancement. Eagle Scouts exemplify the virtues of service, leadership and duty to God, using their training and influence to better their communities and the world.” #####



Mr. Brigante and the Union School Band in Rutherford wasted no time preparing for the upcoming year. The morning band rehearsals are in full swing and music fills the hallways as teachers and students enter the building. Appearing from left to right are: Sebastian Smith, baritone horn; Andrei Daskevics, alto saxophone; Ye Jun Shin, percussion; Nathaniel Robin, trumpet; Meghan Lichtenberger, bass clarinet; Luna Noguchi, flute; Alexandra Szmazinski, Bb clarinet; Jake Caceres, tenor saxophone; Mr. John E. Brigante, bass guitar; and Sean Cunneen, trombone. *Provided by JoAnn Hughes. ###*



Cub Scout Pack 17 Honors Local Heroes

The Cub Scouts of Pack 17 invited local Hometown Heroes to be honored at their monthly pack meeting.

The crowd of over 50 listened intently as the Webelos I group read short speeches that explained the Hometown Heroes’ roles in our community and awarded them with certificates of appreciation.

At this meeting, the boys honored Mayor Rose Heck, Police Officer Dan Kroncke, Board of Education President Lillian Romano, and Little League President Patrick Fass.

Also honored were Fire-fighter John Riordan, Soccer Association President Phil Artuso, and Junior Football President Joe Rinke.

Cub Scout Pack 17 is chartered by Corpus Christi Church and is dedicated to ensuring every Scouting activity moves boys toward three basic aims: Character Development, Citizenship Training, and Mental / Physical Training.

As youth develop and grow, they eventually will cross over from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts on the birthday of Scouting. The philosophy of Pack 17 is to develop confidence and leadership.

For more information, go to: beascout.org. Hasbrouck Heights Pack 17 is part of the Three Rivers Council, committed to preparing youth for life! *Story and photo provided by Henry Hahn. ###*



On the evening of October 9, 2014, over 300 area sophomore and junior students met with over 35 representatives of colleges, universities, technical schools and military to discuss career options. There was a table for student loan information. *(A Financial Aid night for parents will be held at the Kiefer Auditorium at on November 25 at 7 p.m.)* This was the third annual College Night sponsored by the Hasbrouck Heights High School and organized by Lyndsey Busse, School Counselor. *###*



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. To support this cause and come together as a community and raise awareness, on October 4, 2014, during their 3rd Annual Football Game “Under the Lights,” the football players at the recreation levels purchased pink socks, pink helmet stickers, to wear during October football games.

The cheerleaders took part as well, by using pink pom-poms throughout the month. They also reached out to all of the coaches, volunteers, parents and fans to join them in wearing pink on October 4, in support of this cause.

Their objective was to change the Wood-Ridge town colors from white and blue, to pink and blue for one special night! All proceeds from the pink sale will be donated in the name of the Wood-Ridge/Moonachie Junior Football & Cheering Program to a charity that raises awareness and researches breast cancer. *Story by Alyssa Marchitelli. ###*



Congratulations to Rutherford Little League/Recreation Softball U12 All Stars District 5 Champions. Manager: Bob Berry, Coaches: Kevin Hebert, Brian Bagnuolo and John Burke.

All Stars: Jennifer Netelkos, Madison Burke, Gianna Suriano, Morgan Okula, Rachel Wronko, Gia Bagnuolo, Jessica Skinner, Kayla Dray, Emilia McCarthy, Jordan Finelli, Skylar Ahearn, Madison Hebert and Mia Capobianco. *Provided by Barbara Bennett. ###*

Additionally, The Recreation Track & Field Program participants recently were recognized by Mayor Joe De Salvo and Council Members. Some of the participants qualified and competed in Somerset in the USATF-NJ Junior Olympics.

The team members that competed in the USATF-NJ Junior Olympics are: Thomas Sing, Elizabeth Szambel, Josephine Rohrer, Julia Narucki, Ricky Szambel, Jack Patti, Jeanna Herninko, Juliette Sing, Cole Goumas, Alexander Jimenez, Zachary Herninko, Jacob Herninko, Alexander DiMauro, Anthony DiMauro, Jenna Rogers and Gianna Suriano.

One participant, Cole Goumas qualified for Nationals and out of 37 qualifiers Cole took home a 4th Place medal! The first time in Recreation Track & Field history that a participant won at Nationals. *Story provided by Barbara Bennett. ###*



Pumpkin Pick

On October 18, 2014, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Little Ferry children up to Grade 4 picked, painted and took home a pumpkin at the Memorial School basketball court. Event was free for Little Ferry residents and included a candy apple. The event was sponsored by the Mayor and Council. The Little Ferry CERT Team worked the event. The Little Ferry DPW placed the several hundred pumpkins. ###



The Moonachie First Aid & Rescue Squad held its 10th Annual Mum Sale on Saturday, September 27, 2014, at 121 Moonachie Avenue, Moonachie, NJ. Over 150 beautiful 8” pot size mums in assorted colors were on sale. Together with the mum sale, the Squad also hosted a garage sale featuring housewares, toys, clothes, books, etc. Baked goods were also available. All proceeds go directly to the Squad for operating expenses. ###



HH JWC Pumpkin Patch

The Junior Women's Club of Hasbrouck Heights sponsored a Pumpkin Patch, on Sunday, October 19, 2014, in Woodland Park. About 100 children up to age 9 (in costumes or Halloween attire), could pick and decorate a pumpkin. There were trick or treat stations, face painting, crafts, refreshments, etc. ###



Apple Festival

On a bright and sunny October 3, 2014, an "Apple Festival" was held on the front lawn of The Felician School for Exceptional Children.

The party was hosted by coordinator Mary Anne Protzo, music teacher Barbara Giaquinto, and Physical Ed. teacher Edna Johansen -- with the help of teachers and staff.

The "Festival" featured an apple relay, apple toss, ring apple on a stick, tic-tac apples, pass the apple, etc.

The kids enjoyed lots of fun food such as dipping apples in caramel and fudge, pie eating contest and apple juice making.

For more information about the school, call 973-777-5355.###





Halloween In The Park

Woodland Park was invaded by ghosts, goblins, aliens and assorted scary characters on the evening of Tuesday, October 14, 2014, beginning at 6 p.m. and concluding at 9:30 p.m. Over 600 participated in this event.

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

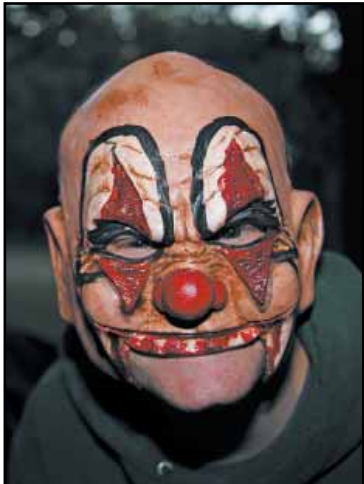
Youngsters signed up for the earlier time slots as the

fright station tableaux were less scary.

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

Music and movies were provided by Fun Time Entertainment. Heights resident Al DeAngelo and Nightmares Haunted Attractions assisted in this event.

The event was sponsored by the Hasbrouck Heights Recreation Department. For more information call 201-288-4143. ###





Painting the Boulevard

Area residents could stroll The Boulevard in Hasbrouck Heights late October where local businesses, in conjunction with the three grammar school PTAs, sponsored the 21st Annual Halloween Window Painting Contest.

Nearly 400 3rd, 4th and 5th Grade students painted a Halloween themed illustration on a space provided by Boulevard businesses on Wednesday, October 15, 2014.

Graphics were judged upon originality and artistic expression. Winners from each Grade received 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Ribbons. All participants received ribbons.

Parents commented, "On behalf of Corpus Christi, Euclid and Lincoln Schools, we would like to thank all of the merchants who participated in our Annual Halloween Window Painting Contest."

This tradition is one that the children look forward to. It is wonderful to watch them as they create their masterpieces while bringing color and life to our Boulevard."

Event sponsored by: **Bill O'Shea's Florist**, in cooperation with the Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce, 2014 Home School Association (Corpus Christi), and Lincoln and Euclid PTAs. ###



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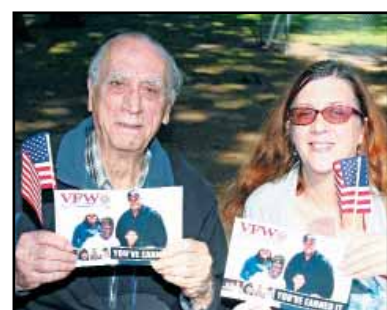
On October 23, 2014, the Halloween Window Painting Contest winners met in front of Bill O'Shea's Florist for a group photo. ###

Celebrating The Corn



Almost all the community organizations participated in the Hasbrouck Heights Annual Town Day on September 27, 2014 in Woodland Park. Over 1,500 hot dogs, two cases of popcorn, 200 cookies and over 100 cases of soda were consumed.

Four mulch mowers were raffled off and 2,000 recycle tote bags w/leaf bags were distributed. Fifteen members of the Key Club assisted. The event was coordinated by Rob Brady of HH Recreation. ###



Community Experience



Little Ferry held its 120th Birthday with a carnival-themed Family Fun Day on Saturday, September 20, 2014 at Lakeview Field.

There were rides, petting zoo, food, DJ, live musical entertainment, family fun and games, concluding with a 30 minute fireworks display that evening. The annual event was sponsored by the Little Ferry Recreation Committee. ###





Rutherford Fall Family Festival

What better way to welcome the Fall season than to come out to the 6th Annual Rutherford Fall Family Festival on Saturday, September 27, 2014.

There was live music featuring The Best playing all the great rock and roll classics, with a special appearance by NJ's #1 Elvis impersonator, Bobby Memphis, plus DJ spinning tunes all day.

There were lots of free activities for the kids, costumed character musical dance revue, rides, amusements, craft activities, etc.

Families could pick and decorate pumpkins.

There were visits from Wonder Woman, Toy Story characters, Spiderman, Batman and Robin, etc.

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Rutherford Touch-A-Truck

The 10th Annual Touch-A-Truck event was held on Sunday, September 28, 2014, in the parking lot of Rutherford Memorial Park.

Children ages 3 - 12 were welcome to this free event that began at 1 p.m.

There were fire trucks, towing trucks, recycling trucks, police car, PSE&G back-loader, etc. This event was sponsored by Nick's Towing. ###



Rain or shine -- Members of St. Francis of Assisi Knights of Columbus Council: Sir Thomas Jones [PGK], Brother Dominic DiPoto, PGK Joe Egan, Bros. Pat Brislin, Butch Puchligh, and Tom Capone lined up and marched in the annual East Rutherford Columbus Day Parade on October 11, 2014. *Provided by James Doyle. ###*



ER Columbus Day Festivities

Despite the rain, the East Rutherford Columbus Day Parade was held on Saturday, October 11, 2014, along Paterson Avenue from Herman Street to Park Avenue, ending at the entrance to the festival located at Union and Park Avenues.

The rain let up and the festival was in operation all day. There was plenty of food, live music and organizations showcasing their community such as 8th Grade Bake Sale, Meadowlands YMCA, etc.

The event was sponsored by the East Rutherford Civic Pride Association and East Rutherford Mayor and Council. The event was organized by Cliffhanger Productions. ###

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(l-r) Maj. Joseph Crecca, Jayne Zeamer (Jay Zeamer’s daughter), Capt. Kenneth T. Ham, AHOF President Rick Alimonti and AHOF President-elect Joe Lennox.

42nd AHOF Induction Dinner

On October 7, 2014 the Aviation Hall of Fame & Museum held their 42nd Annual Induction Dinner at the Fiesta. Master of Ceremonies and AHOF President Frederick P. Alimonti made welcoming remarks. Executive Director Shea Oakley provided an overview of the year’s activities. The TEB Squadron Civil Air Patrol Honor Guard presented the Colors, followed by Invocation by Pastor Tim Barnes.

The Distinguished Service

Award was presented to Rudy F. Steinthal and the Fred L. Wehran Aviation Achievement Award was presented to Landmark Aviation (TEB).

The 2014 Hall of Fame Inductees included: Maj. Joseph Crecca, 75 mission F-4 combat pilot and POW; Capt. Kenneth T. Ham, F/A-18E/F Super Hornet test pilot and Shuttle astronaut; and LTC Jay Zeamer Jr. B-17 pilot awarded Medal of Honor. A short video of each recipient’s career was given prior to each presentation. ###

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Lions Welcome New Members: On Tuesday, October 21, 2014, the Hasbrouck Lions Club held their annual autumn picnic at Woodland Park. During a brief meeting, Vincent L. Costa, Joseph A. Costa and Mark A. DiPisa were inducted into the Club. ###

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Almost 300 enjoyed the culinary presentations of over 20 eateries participating in the Taste of Moonachie on October 8, 2014, at the Graycliff. The event benefited the Moonachie Scholarship Fund. ###



About 200 attended and 20 eateries participated in the First Taste of Hasbrouck Heights that was held on October 20, 2014, in the Senior Center. The event was co-sponsored by The Friends of The Library and HH Chamber of Commerce. ###



November 2014 Heights Senior Calendar

Open to All Hasbrouck Heights Seniors

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Monday, November 3, 10, 17, 24

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Games, cards & coffee

11:00 a.m. Mahjong

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Senior Lounge open to all

Tuesday, November 18, 25

10:00 a.m. Line Dancing \$1.00

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

6:00 p.m. Card Game Night

Wednesday, November 19, 26

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

10:00 a.m. Mahjong

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

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Senior Lounge open to all

Thursday, November 6, 13, 20

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

11:00 a.m. Mahjong

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

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Senior Lounge open to all

Friday, November 14

1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Games, cards & coffee

12 p.m. Zumba Gold \$1.00

Friday, November 7, 21

10:00 a.m. Fun Bingo

12 p.m. Zumba Gold \$1.00

1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Games, cards & coffee

Check Center Bulletin Board for any changes

CLUB MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, November 5

10:00 a.m. Executive Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 12

12:30 to 3 p.m. Leisure Club Meeting

Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon. Ticket required.

Contact John: 201-288-9093

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, December 1: 12 to 4 p.m.

Annual Christmas Luncheon (Tickets are \$35 pp)

Contact Marilyn: 201-288-4762

Senior Center will be closed on:

Election Day: Tuesday, November 4

The Municipal Building will be closed on:

Veterans Day: Tuesday, November 11

Thanksgiving: Thursday, November 27

Thanksgiving Recess: Friday, November 28

Oktoberfest at Woodloch Pines

Wednesday, October 15, 2014, started out to a pleasant autumn day. In fact the temperature was warmer than expected. Forty-six seniors from the Leisure Club traveled to Pennsylvania to celebrate Oktoberfest at Woodloch Pines.

Although the trip took almost two and a half hours, the sight of the normally green leaves of the trees and shrubs taking on the various shades of red, yellow, orange and brown gave all the opportunity to enjoy Mother Nature.

Upon arriving at Woodloch, the seniors were greeted by Sammy, their host for the day. He was there through out the day, making announcements, helping out where needed and even serving as the comedian at show time.

The seniors were escorted into the dining room where they enjoyed coffee and sweet bread and given the itinerary of the activities planned for the day. However, at this point the weather was not cooperative. The clouds were becoming darker. Sammy advised all if they wanted to take in a Boat Ride on Lake Teedyuskung, they better do it before lunch. Many seniors took advantage of his advice.

When the rains came, all were ready for lunch. The lunch included all the items one would find in a German restaurant. Hot and cold entrees -- everything tasted great and there was more than enough for seconds and thirds. Throughout the day, free beer and red and white wine were served. The service and attention to every detail by the staff was unequaled.

After lunch all seniors (possibly 500) who were there for the day were escorted to the Oak Bar Lounge where there was a band playing music for dancing. The band later provided the entertainment with many familiar German-American songs for singing and toasting.

Sammy dressed in the typical German costume provided the comedy. Many of his jokes were corny. For example "What did the German say to the clock who could only TICK?" "Vee have Vays to make you Tock!"

After the entertainment some seniors played bingo, with one member winning \$20. After bingo, all seniors departed to the buses for their ride home. It was evident from the members' comments -- they had a great time. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###*

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AARP Members Learn About Medicare

Linda Cross addressed the members of the AARP Central Bergen Chapter #418 about the 2015 Medicare Plans, at the October 10, 2014 meeting.

Linda is currently employed with the Division of Senior Services for the Bergen County -- Education and Outreach Services. She is State certified ADRC access specialist, and SHIP (State Health Insurance Program) Medicare counselor. She is also coordinator of the Bergen County SHIP program.

Linda discussed the SHIP program. This is a government funded program that provides free and confidential assistance to seniors. SHIP's goals are to help seniors understand their Medicare benefits; help them compare plans and policies and helps them to untangle claim problems.

They answer questions about what Medicare covers; what is the patient's responsibility; what is the difference between a Medigap supplemental policy and an HMO; when you can switch from Medicare to an HMO and vice versa; what is long-term care coverage in nursing homes and what is the best prescription drug plan for your needs.

Linda distributed work-

Moonachie Seniors Rock

The Moonachie Seniors and seniors from various towns have had a very successful year of one day trips to a number of places, enjoying wonderful shows, fine food, with friends and neighbors. They are closing out the year with:

On November 20, at 10:15 a.m., they will be going to La Greci's in Staten Island to hear the three Irish Tenors tailored to the musical tastes of all nationalities, together with a great comedian. The cost is only \$47 per person.

The best was saved for last. On December 10, at 9:30 a.m., they will be going to the beautiful Hunterdon Hills Playhouse to see a festive holiday musical review entitled, "A Playhouse Christmas 2014." The cost is \$62 per person.

The cost of each trip includes gratuities and taxes.

The bus leaves from the Moonachie Senior Center on Moonachie Road, behind the First Aid Squad.

This is a great opportunity to get away with friends for two separate days of entertainment, amusement, pleasure and relaxation and a chance to win some prizes.

Call group leader Audrey Evers at 201-641-4334. *Story by Charles Pallas ###*

sheets to the members who were interested in locating the best prescription drug plan for them. The worksheet requested current information about the medication, dosage etc., that the member is now taking. This worksheet when completed will be sent to Linda for her and her staff to determine the best plan or plans for them.

Linda gave a very informative presentation and was available after the meeting to answer individual personal questions. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###*

Local Pharmacist Talks about Medicare Deadline

The members of the Leisure Club who attended their October 8, 2014 meeting received the latest information about the changes in Medicare Health and Prescription Plans for 2015.

Pharmacist and owner of **Heights Pharmacy**, Sam Papasavas told them that they did not need to sign up for a new Medicare Plan each year. However, each year they did have a chance to review their coverage and make changes.

Many of these plans make changes each year. These changes may affect the cost, coverage, which providers and pharmacies are in their network. It is wise to review the materials your present plan sends you.

Make sure your plan still meets your needs for 2015. If you are satisfied with your current plan you do not have to do anything. If you wish to make a change for any reason the period to make changes to your 2015 coverage is from October 15, 2014 to December 7, 2014.

Sam stated that thanks to specialized computer software his staff is better able to help customers find a suitable plan with the lowest co-pays and the most complete coverage.

After answering many questions, Sam met one on one with any member who had a personal question to be answered. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###*

Bridgebuilders

You can help someone with shopping or transportation to a doctor's appointment. Volunteers serve southern Bergen County. For information, call Cathy at 201-460-1600. ###

Vic Hoofers Social Club

The Ladies of Vic Hoofers meet on the first Thursday of the month at the Carlstadt Civic Center at 7 p.m. and they welcome any ladies from the surrounding towns. Call Lucinda at 201-933-1643. ###

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Program includes: blood pressure assessment, body mass index measurement, diabetes risk assessment, stress management, health education and community resources.

The program is sponsored by the Carlstadt Health Department in conjunction with the Health Awareness Regional Program of HackensackUMC.

For more information call 551-996-2038. ###

W-R Senior Exercise Schedule

- Mondays, 8:45 with Jillian (Gentle Stretch & Flex)
- Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9 a.m. with Camille (Arm Chair)
- Thursdays, 12:30 p.m. with Patty (Arm Chair)
- Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m. with Joan (Gentle Stretch & Flex)
- Fridays, 11:30 a.m. with Jillian (Gentle Stretch & Flex)

All classes are free and open to all Wood Ridge Seniors! Jacki Goldklang ###

Moonachie Health Consultations

Free health consultations are available at the Moonachie Civic Center on the 1st (10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.) and 3rd (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.) Wednesdays of the month.

Confidential services include: health history evaluation, blood pressure measurement, height and weight measurement, individualized counseling and education, referral and follow-up with a public health nurse.

This program is sponsored by Community Development in cooperation with the Bergen County Department of Health Services. ###

Mental Health Helpline Available

The Psychiatric Emergency Screening Program (PESP), operated by Care Plus NJ, operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to respond to anyone who is in crisis.

If you are thinking about hurting yourself, or fear that someone you care about will hurt him (her)self, pick up the phone and call 201-262-HELP (4357) or just dial 911.

The experts at PESP will go out to the community to help the person who is in crisis. ###



Filling You In

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

Protection From Infection

Infection control refers to the recommended safety precautions that dentists follow to protect patients and staff. Many dental procedures involve direct contact with blood and saliva, but strict infection control helps to stop the spread of disease.

Infection control procedures call for most of the instruments and supplies that your dentist uses to be either heat-sterilized or disposable.

Do all dentists practice infection control?

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration Bloodborne Pathogens Standard requires that all employees who may come in contact with blood be trained about proper infection control procedures.

The dental board in your state also may have additional rules that your dentist must follow.

What are standard precautions?

Standard precautions are safety procedures established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the American Dental Association (ADA) to make sure every patient is safe. These precautions require all dental staff involved in patient care to wear appropriate protective items, such as gloves, masks, and eyewear.

Dentists and their assistants can use different kinds of protective gloves. Latex, vinyl, or nitrile gloves are used for patient examinations and procedures, and are worn whenever skin could make contact with body fluids. The dentist or team member throws his or her gloves away after seeing each patient, washes his or her hands, and puts on a new set of gloves. The dental team also changes masks after each patient.

What else does my dentist do to protect me?

When you first sit in the dental chair, you'll probably see your dentist washing his or her hands. Hands are washed at the start of the day, before putting on gloves, and after taking off gloves or touching any poten-

tially contaminated surface.

Your dentist also makes sure that the instruments he or she uses during dental procedures are clean by sterilizing them, a process that destroys all forms of microbial life. Some protective items—such as gloves, masks, paper drapes, suction/water tube tips, and needles—do not need to be sterilized because they are used only once and then discarded.

Do dentists sterilize instruments after each patient?

Dentists sterilize the drill and other instruments between patients to prevent the transmission of diseases. Dental offices follow and monitor specific heat sterilization procedures, which are outlined by the CDC and the ADA.

Most dental instruments are sterilized in special machines because it takes much more than just soap and water to make sure instruments are free of bacteria.

Recommended sterilization methods include placing these instruments into an autoclave (steam under pressure) or a dry heat oven, or to use a chemical vapor (commonly called a chemiclave).

Typically, this equipment is kept in the office, away from patients' view.

How are other objects sterilized?

Before you enter the examination room, all surfaces are disinfected.

To sterilize equipment that can't be moved, such as X-ray units and countertops, a disinfectant is applied. Some offices may drape this equipment with protective covers, which are replaced after each patient. Disposable sharp items that cannot be sterilized—such as needles—are thrown away in puncture-resistant biohazard containers. Any disposable item that is contaminated with blood is discarded in a special container.

Ref: Academy of General Dentistry 2013

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Thanksgiving Eve Service November 26

Remembering that God provides us with every blessing in abundance, they will be giving thanks on Thanksgiving Eve at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 92 Burton Avenue in Hasbrouck Heights.

You are invited to participate with them as they celebrate Thanksgiving Eve

Eucharist on Wednesday, November 26, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. and, if you are able, to bring a non-perishable food or personal item, or a supermarket gift card as a thanks offering.

All food/personal items and gift cards will be given to area food banks. ###

Join the Corpus Christi Choir

If you have musical gifts, here is an opportunity to use them in service to the Lord. Corpus Christi Parish would like you to become part of its music ministry for their liturgical celebrations.

If you like to sing, why not join the Corpus Christi choir? The choir generally sings at the 10 a.m. Mass on Sundays, with a vacation during the summer.

Choir practices are usually on Wednesday nights at 7:30 p.m. in the school chapel. There are additional practices to prepare for the Christmas and Holy Week liturgies.

In addition, the choir could also benefit from talented musicians to accompany them. If you play an instrument and you would like to participate, contact the parish about it!

Lastly, singers are also needed to be cantors, or leaders of song. These singers will lead the congregations in praising God in song, for liturgies at which there is no choir. If you have a strong voice and can encourage the congregation to join you in singing, consider this special ministry!

If you would like to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord" in Corpus Christi's music ministry, please contact Corpus Christi Parish Center, at 201-288-4844, and leave your name and contact information. Thank you, and God bless. *Paul Fitzpatrick.* ###

Knights Receive Columbian Award

Under the leadership of Past Grand Knight Warren Stroedecke, the Monsignor Fitzpatrick Council 7041 of Hasbrouck Heights is a winner of the Columbian Award for the 2013-2014 fraternal year.

The award is presented for excellence in the sponsorship of programs that serve the Church, community, families, culture of life, and youth-as well as council members. *Provided by Joseph Vigliotti.* ###

Corpus Christi Rosary Society

The next General Meeting of the Rosary Society is Thursday, November 6, 2014, in the school cafeteria following the recitation of the Rosary at 7:15 p.m. and Mass in the Chapel.

They remind members to bring your gifts (*new and unwrapped*) for their annual Christmas Stocking project for the benefit of local children.

The list of the children's ages and sizes was distributed at the October meeting, but if you have any questions or need a list, call Karen McDowell at 201-288-5738.

The annual Christmas Gathering will be Sunday, December 7, from 12 to 4 p.m. at the Risotto House in Hasbrouck Heights. The ticket price of \$35 includes hors d'oeuvres, a full-course dinner with three entrée choices, dessert, and coffee.

Guests will have an opportunity to win door prizes (*gift cards*) - just write your name on the back of the ticket and hand it in upon arrival. There will be a 50/50 raffle.

Tickets are now available and may be purchased at the November meeting or by calling Chairpersons Joan Gill (201-288-4643) or Ginny Senzon (201-288-3186).

We invite the women of the parish to join the Rosary Society in prayer and service to the parish. Simply come to a General Meeting or call Membership Chairperson Maria DeFedele at 201-727-0820, for further information. *Story by Carol Viceconte.* ###

Food Bank

The Hasbrouck Heights Food Pantry is open Mondays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for residents. Donations are always welcome. Call Borough Clerk's Office for more information at 201-288-0195. ###

Marriage Enhancement Workshop

The Faith Reformed Church, 95 Washington Street, Lodi, is presenting a "Marriage Enhancement Workshop" on Friday, November 7, 2014, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, November 8, 2014 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration fee is \$65 per couple and includes lunch on Saturday. Call 973-778-4529 or email FRCLodi@gmail.com for more information.

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Engaged couples preparing for marriage will also find the workshop invaluable for their future life together. ###

Felician Sisters Memorial Service November 2

The Felician Sisters of Lodi, New Jersey, will celebrate the lives of the Sisters who have completed their journey on this earth with a memorial service Sunday, November 2, 2014. Prayers will also be said for all the faithful departed.

The service will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the Immaculate Conception Chapel, 260 South Main Street, Lodi.

Weather permitting, the conclusion of the prayer service will be a procession to the convent cemetery. Following this memorial ceremony, Sisters and guests will return to Saint Ann's Dining Hall in the main convent for light refreshments.

Relatives, friends, colleagues, co-workers, students of the deceased Felician Sisters and all who know the Felician Sisters are invited to this ceremony which is an annual event held on the first Sunday of each November.

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Real Estate Insight

By Mary Ellen Courtney



Fatal Transaction- Realtors at Risk

Working in real estate can sometimes make you want to scream bloody murder. And then there are those occasions when those words are not simply just a colorful turn of phrase.

I'm thinking when authorities in Arkansas recently found the body of real estate agent Beverly Carter days after she vanished while showing a house to a "customer."

The man accused of kidnapping and killing her, Aaron Lewis, admitted that she was targeted because she was "a woman that worked alone."

The motive for the attack is still under investigation though the local sheriff's office said the alleged killer "was a stranger to her" and that he saw Beverly as "a target of opportunity."

The sheriff stated that the realtor met with Lewis at a vacant house because she believed him to be a prospective

buyer.

What other industry requires unaccompanied female (and male) agents to meet perfect strangers in empty houses? None. One would think this a recipe for disaster. Well, it sure is! But that's how we make our living...

This, of course, is not the first time an agent has been murdered, raped or assaulted while on the job. According to the latest Bureau of Labor study, the real estate industry experiences about a 40% higher rate of on-the-job crime than the average profession. Many of us have had anxious moments from encounters that made us nervous in situations which were, to varying degrees, unsettling.

Take my husband, Martin, for example. Twenty-five years ago, in Little Ferry, he was asked by an attorney to evaluate and put on the market a two family home, court-ordered to be sold.

Not knowing that this property was owned by the two bitter halves of a vicious divorce entanglement, Martin thought it was just another listing opportunity...that was until the gun came out and he was threatened with immediate death.

It turned out that one of the owners - who had tried unsuccessfully over the course of years to buy out his ex's

interest - saw Martin as the embodiment of all his misery and persecution.

"This is going to end today!" he said. "I can't take this anymore!" Seven hours later, with the aid of a hostage negotiator, local and county police, fire trucks and SWAT teams all over the neighborhood (*snipers in the trees!*), my husband was freed.

It made news in the papers the next day with photos of him and I (*me, looking young and concerned*) on the front page of the Record.

We laugh about it now but, believe you me, it wasn't funny that day.

The fact is, taking precautions is something that's always in the back of an agent's mind, but - sadly - not always implemented in practice.

And what changes - besides the safety guidelines our office (*and offices all over, I'm sure*) just recently re-reviewed and re-emphasized - are necessary in today's crazy world?

Should open houses be outlawed? Should open houses be allowed only if there are two agents present? Should Realtors have a special exemption under the law to carry mace, a Taser or even a handgun?

I mean, there's no doubt about the issue of vulnerability. Real estate agents have always worked hardest those hours and days - nights, week-ends - when most other people are not at work.

And in many cases, their showings and open houses take place at isolated properties where they can find themselves alone with strangers.

But now - with social media increasingly becoming a tool used by criminals to track their prey - stalkers can check us out, target us at open houses and showing appointments or even go and rob our homes while we're working, thanks to the Web info trail we often leave on Facebook, Twitter, etc.

Scary world out there. Need the headlines, sometimes, to keep us mindful of it...

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

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Another interpretation suggests that the name "Full Beaver Moon" comes from the fact that the beavers are now actively preparing for winter. Other names for this moon include "Full Frost Moon."

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Bergen County Commander Robert Salvini, who was assisted by Past County Commander Michael Burhart, administered the Oath of Office to the 2014-2015 officers.

The following elected officers were installed: Commander Michael J. Cahill, Adjutant Frank Zabransky, Finance Officer Gilbert A. Hunt, Membership Chairman Robert J. Burns, Service Officer Melvin Thompson and Boys State Chairman Peter J. Gallo Jr.

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

Also present were Sussex County Commander Roger Gengaro and his wife, Joan, and Post 106 Auxiliary President Madiline De Valance.

Commander Cahill was re-elected for the 17th time. He reminded all that along with the installation of officers the post was celebrating its 95th Anniversary.

During the past year the Post has sponsored seven local boys to attend the New Jersey Boys' State Program. It has awarded a \$1,000 scholarship contest to a local high school student. It has coordinated Annual Memorial Day Parade and Veterans Day Services and has made many donations to local and state Veteran programs and projects.

Post 106 invites all Veterans from every branch of service to join the post. Together they can help to preserve Veterans' rights. For information contact Commander Michael Cahill at 201-288-1026 or Membership Chairman Robert Burns at 201-288-4028. *Story by Peter Gallo Jr. ###*

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Veterans Day Services

On Saturday, November 8, 2014, **Wood-Ridge** Veterans will have a Mass at Assumption Church at 7:30 a.m., followed by a light breakfast at the Senior Center. The Veterans Service will be held at the Monument at about 10 a.m.

On Sunday, November 9, 2014, **The NJ Aviation Hall of Fame and Museum** will hold a regional "Salute To Veterans" program at 11 a.m. in their parking lot, 400 Fred Wehran Drive, Teterboro, NJ. Additionally, there will be a dedication of a 9-11 Memorial. Parking is available at Dassault/FalconJet, 200 Riser Road, Little Ferry, with a short walk to the Museum.

Carlstadt will hold their service on November 11 at 7 p.m. at Post 69 on Third Street.

East Rutherford, Hasbrouck Heights, Lodi, and Moonachie will each hold brief Veterans Day services on Tuesday, November 11, at 11 a.m., at their respective monuments.

Little Ferry will hold brief Veterans Day services on Tuesday, November 11, at 11 a.m., at the Veterans Memorials on Washington and Memorial

Schools on Washington Avenue. Refreshments follow. The American Legion and VFW will have services at their Posts at 10 a.m.

Rutherford will hold services on Tuesday, November 11 at 11 a.m. with a set up at 10:30 a.m. WWI Monument on Park Avenue, across from Lincoln Park. **###**

Veterans Day Luncheon November 5

The Carlstadt Senior Friendship Club will be hosting a Veterans Day luncheon on Wednesday, November 5, 2014, at the Civic Center on 4th Street at 12:30 p.m.

All war Veterans from the VFW and American Legion who were in WWII, Korea, Vietnam are invited to attend as we honor our Veterans. A bagpiper will be on hand to entertain us.

Please come as our guests; we look forward to being with you. For further information call Vinnie at 201-933-4733. **EC. ###**

Lodi American Legion Re-Opens

After almost nine years since their Post home was destroyed by fire in December 1985, The Joseph M. Lane Post #136, American Legion, was granted a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy by the Borough of Lodi to open its new Post Home at 41 Union Street.

"Since the fire insurance covered less than one half the expenses, the rebuilding process has been a long and arduous experience," said newly elected Post Commander Fred C. Hesse.

"Shortly after the fire, a choice was made to either forgo a Post home, which would eliminate a meeting place for their members, various community groups, Red Cross disaster assistance location, and Veteran out-reach programs, or chance rebuilding to serve today's and future generations."

Post 136 membership, composed of 100% war-time Veterans, decided it was extremely important to the services they render to rebuild and keep a physical plant in the area ready to serve returning Gulf War Veterans and their families. And so began a difficult and sometime heart wrenching nine-year ordeal to rebuild.

"Along the way, many Post members, individuals, Veteran organizations, corporations,

trade unions and associations, have come to our rescue, donating their time, service, funds and materials," noted Hesse, "without this help and support we never would have been able to rebuild. Our unending gratitude to our benefactors will be reflected in our mission as it is our goal to give back much more than we received."

Some site work still needs to be done, including the top asphalt coat of their new 20,000 square foot parking lot. "The temporary CO allows us to raise funds by renting out our new hall. We invite those seeking a venue for weddings, engagement, birthdays or other celebrations to check us out," said Hesse.

Inquiries concerning hall rentals may be made by calling 973-614-0100. The Post is located at 41 Union Street, Lodi.

Donations to the rebuilding fund should be sent to American Legion Post 136, PO Box 36, Lodi, NJ 07644-0036.

American Legion Post 136 is a 501(C) (19) Veterans' organization and IRS170(C) (3) provides an income tax deduction for contributions to our post of "War Veterans" organized in the United States. **###**

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Veterans Today

By Thomas Marshall

On November 9, 2014, The NJ Aviation Hall of Fame will present a Regional Salute to Veterans. All are invited to attend this ceremony in Honor of Veterans Day. There will be a 9-11 Memorial dedication. It will begin at 11 a.m. Guests that attend are invited to a free tour of the museum. The address is 400 Fred Wehran Drive, Teterboro Airport. Call 201-288-6344 for more info or go to www.njahof.org.

Baby Face

On December 6, 1908, Lester Joseph Gillis was born. His Mother must have smiled while she looked into the face of her baby son.

No doubt his parents were happy about the new arrival into the world and like all parents, were probably hopeful he would turn out to be a hard working good man.

Unfortunately, like many parents, their hopes would soon be dashed. At the age of 12, Lester found a pistol and accidentally shot another kid in the jaw. He was sent to a reformatory school for a year.

At 13, he became a petty thief and was arrested again and sent to a penal school for another 18 months. Lester didn't learn his lesson.

By 1928, he was working at an oil station in Illinois that operated as a headquarters for a group of small time thieves that stole tires. Lester fit right in. It was here that he met many of the local criminals that moved through the Chicago underworld and he also took on a pseudonym.

When you're a criminal it isn't wise to use your own name, so he took the name George Nelson. He also took a wife. He married Helen Wawzynak. He also got involved with the local "Touhy Gang" and was soon driving bootleg alcohol throughout Chicago.

Lester Gillis now going by the name George Nelson graduated up to home invasion and armed robbery when on January 6, 1930, he and the gang robbed a magazine executive at gunpoint. Taking jewelry, they made their escape.

Nelson and the gang robbed their first bank on April 21, 1930, netting about \$4,000 which in those days was big money. They robbed the Itasca State Bank and made off with \$4,600. Nelson robbed the wife of Chicago Mayor Bill Thomson. He took her jewelry and when interviewed by Police she said he had a "baby face, not much more than a boy."

The newspapers ran with

it and the name Lester Joseph Gillis would die in obscurity. Replaced by the name of what history now calls him, George "Baby Face" Nelson.

The gang was rounded up and locked up. Nelson too, but he made an escape in 1931. Nelson ran west. His underworld connections kept him hidden as he did work for a crime boss in Nevada and California.

He met up with two more thieves, John Paul Chase and Fatso Negri.

On August 18, 1933, he and his new gang robbed the bank in Grand Haven, Michigan. Banks being a favorite target, Nelson and the boys robbed the bank in Brainerd, Minnesota on October 23, 1933.

He sprayed the bystanders with machine gun fire as they fled. George "Baby Face" Nelson and the gang ran to San Antonio, Texas. A woman reported seeing them and one of his gang Tommy Carroll was stopped and questioned.

He started shooting and he killed Detective H.C. Perrin and wounded another officer. The gang fled again and Nelson went to San Francisco with his wife and child.

John Dillinger, another famous criminal of the time, made his escape from the Crown Point, Indiana jail. His escape may have been aided by Nelson and his gang, but it is not completely clear.

What is known however is that when Nelson and John Paul Chase went to meet Dillinger, his car was cut off by a paint salesman. Enraged, Nelson blocked his car in and killed him.

The gang was now John Dillinger, Homer Van Meter, Tommy Carroll, Eddie Green, John "Red" Hamilton and George "Baby Face" Nelson. With Dillinger now on board the gang robbed the Security National Bank in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

During the robbery, a motorcycle policeman rode up and Nelson sprayed him with machine gun fire wounding him severely. They made their escape.

Dillinger and Hamilton were wounded by gun fire as the gang robbed the Bank in Mason City, Iowa on March 13, 1934.

The FBI was now tracking them and they caught up with Eddie Green. Green was shot and killed on April 3, 1934.

Nelson and Chase hid in Reno, Nevada. Here their old crime boss pal had a problem. He was fighting a mail fraud case and a witness was going to

testify against him. On March 22, Nelson and Chase solved the boss's problem. They kidnapped the witness, Roy Fritsch and made him disappear. Fritsch's remains were never found although legend has it that he was chopped up and thrown into a mineshaft.

On April 20, 1934 Nelson and his wife along with the rest of the gang wanted to spend a relaxing weekend in a lodge in Manitowish Waters, Wisconsin.

Everything was quiet during a card game the gang was having and the lodge owner's wife noticed that Dillinger was carrying a pistol. Then she said she looked at the other card players and noticed that they were all armed. She soon notified the FBI that the Dillinger gang was in her lodge. Agent Melvin Purvis and a team of FBI agents moved in to capture the gang.

On April 22, the agents surrounded the lodge. People were leaving a party at the time so it was difficult to know who was in the gang and who was in the party. When the agents tried to stop a Chevy Coupe from leaving, the driver didn't hear them order "Halt." The agents opened fire on the car. All three passengers were hit and one of them died. None of them were in the gang.

The gang realizing what was happening made their escape. Dillinger and the Boys ran out the back and made it through the woods and escaped.

Nelson charged head on at the agents. Shooting at Purvis and then the others, he was soon driven back into his room under a storm of bullets.

He too ran out the back and into the woods. He kidnapped a couple and ordered them to drive him far away. The car was slow so he told them to pull up to a house that still had its lights on. The owner was a switchboard operator and phoned the authorities of the strange car in front of his house. "Baby Face" Nelson took them all prisoner.

He was about to take the switchboard operator's car when the Agents pulled up to the house.

W. Carter Baum and Jay Newman and the local policeman Carl Christensen were taken by surprise. Nelson ordered them out of their car.

While they were exiting the car Nelson fired on the lawmen, wounding two and killing Baum with three shots to his neck. He stole their car and made his escape. His wife was captured at the Lodge. Nelson would eventually meet up with the gang in Aurora, Illinois.

"Red" Hamilton was killed

by police when he and Dillinger ran a road block. Tommy Carroll was killed running from the Police in Waterloo, Iowa. Nelson, for his murder of Agent Baum became Public Enemy Number 1.

Soon after this, the gang planned another robbery, the National Bank in South Bend, Indiana. Dillinger and another man ran into the bank to rob it and Van Meter was outside on guard duty for them.

A Policeman, Howard Wagner, was doing traffic duty when Van Meter shot and killed him.

A jeweler across the street opened fire and Nelson was hit. He wore a bullet proof vest and survived. He returned fire and the jeweler ran back into his store. The gang made their escape again.

On July 22, 1934, Dillinger was killed outside a theatre in Lincoln Park, Chicago. Van Meter was killed by police in St. Paul, Minnesota.

On November 27, 1934, Nelson and his wife along with John Paul Chase went to Barrington, Illinois. The FBI knew Nelson might come back to this town and staked it out.

While going down a road in this town Nelson spotted G-Men going the opposite way. The two cars circled one another and Nelson wound up behind the Agents' cars.

Chase and Nelson shot at the car and the Agents returned

fire. The Agents' car slid off the road and stopped.

Nelson kept going until his damaged car overheated and he skidded to a stop in a park. Agents Hollis and Cowley came up the same road as Nelson and realized what had happened. They pulled up not far from Nelson's car.

Nelson ordered his wife to go to a ditch for cover. He and Chase came out shooting. Agent Cowley shot Nelson 6 times before Cowley was shot and killed.

Hollis tried to move to a better spot to shoot but Nelson killed him with a shot to the head. Nelson stole their car but would die at a hideout that night.

His crime spree was finally brought to an end. Nelson's wild life is easy to track in books, on line, and in movies.

The public likes to idolize criminals and remember their names and forget the brave lawmen sent to capture these killers.

Why that happens, I will never understand. We should keep the brave lawmen in our minds and be grateful that we have citizens willing to go after and stop these murdering thieves.

On December 6, 1908 Lester Joseph Gillis was born. His mother must have smiled as she looked into the face of her baby son, never realizing the evil she had brought to the world. ###



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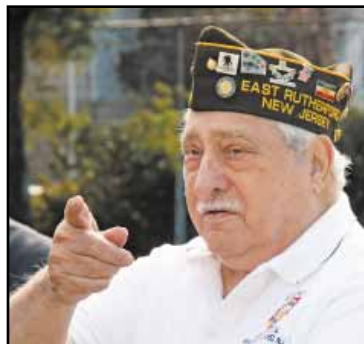
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WWII Cpl. Couchon Honored

On Saturday, October 4, 2014, a Medals of Valor Ceremony to honor a member of the China Marines CPL Edward J. Couchon Jr. USMC, was held at VFW Post 809 in Little Ferry. A bagpiper and drummer led an Honor Guard to the dais, followed by the National Anthem and various Veterans organizations commenting. Marines and those who served with Couchon's unit

spoke. Couchon's family was presented several medals by officers of the US Armed Services -- to include the Silver Star. A brief summary: To achieve his mission as a rifle squad leader, Corporal Couchon repeatedly exposed himself to intense gun fire and was mortally wounded during action on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands on May 10, 1945. ###



The Anthony F. Gallo Memorial Park

On Saturday, October 28, 2014, Grove Street Park in East Rutherford, was re-dedicated as The Anthony F. Gallo Memorial Park. The program was presented by the Mayor and Council and VFW Post 8374. It was attended by Tony's brother and sister. The ceremony included Invocation/Benediction, the National Anthem and the Pledge of Allegiance and several speeches. A graduate of East Rutherford Public Schools, Anthony enjoyed playing in this park

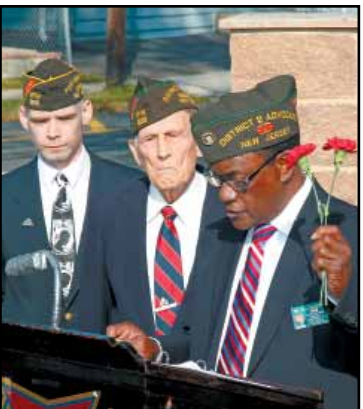
while growing up. Seaman 1st Class Anthony F. Gallo was the first fallen WWII Veteran from East Rutherford to be returned home. He received a full military funeral. He enlisted in the Navy in September 1943, became a Torpedo man, was assigned to PT 116-Squadron 10 in the South Pacific and served in several battles. He was KIA at the Battle of Borneo on November 26, 1944 at the age of 19. He was awarded numerous medals. ###

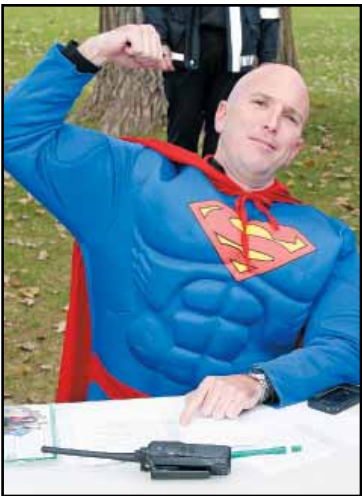


Remembering POWs and MIAs

The VFW Post 809 held a POW/MIA remembrance service on September 19, 2014 at the Memorial at Main and Pickens Street, Little Ferry. During WWII, Germany took 95,500 prisoners who suffered food shortages and unsanitary conditions. Japan took 27,465 prisoners and subjected them to murder, beatings, forced labor, medical experimentation, etc. An estimated 33% would die in captivity. In the Korean War, those captured were subjected to torture and executions, malnutrition and diseases. It was reported that 900 were never given back to the United States. In Vietnam, POWs were subjected to torture, starvation, beatings and murder. Like Korea, there is speculation as to whether we received all of our

men back when the War ended. The War in Afghanistan and Iraq brought new horror. Without reason or compassion, they executed prisoners (civilian and military) and put the execution on the internet. They have hung our countrymen from bridges and thrown their bodies into rivers. In WWII, 400,000 lost their lives, but forgotten are the 73,000 who went missing in action. In Korea, 53,000 lost their lives, but forgotten are the 7,500 who went missing in action. In Vietnam, 58,000 lost their lives, but 1,600 went missing in action. During the Cold War, 126 are missing in action. To date, seven are missing in action from the Middle East. An Altar was prepared where Post Officers placed their symbolic tributes. ###





Rutherford PBA 300 Halloween Foot Pursuit

About 470 participated in the Rutherford PBA 300 3rd annual sponsored scenic Rutherford neighborhood sanctioned and certified USATF-NJ 5K Run on Sunday, October 19, 2014, with a start/finish at Memorial Park in Rutherford.

Costumes were welcomed with a brief contest and awards immediately before the race.

Members of the Class 113 Bergen County Police Academy ran the race as a unit.

Top three finishers were Ryan McNeilly, 16, with

18:34.3, Ryan Arnold, 23, Rutherford, with 18:38.4 and Morgan Henderson, Rutherford, 42, with 20:04.3.

Top female finisher was Cara DePascale, 36, Rutherford at 21:46.5.

Youngest male finisher was Thomas Griggs, 15, with 24:44.2, and youngest female finisher was Christie Na, 15, Rutherford with 22:36.5.

Oldest male finisher was Rod Leith, 68, Rutherford, with 27:37.9 and females were Colleen Osborne, 65, Morristown with 39:06.8 and Peggy

Murphy, 65, Rutherford with 47:10.1.

Awards were presented for the top three male/female finishers, 15 age division gift certificates, and team awards.

There were "T" shirts, race packets, post race BBQ, face painting, balloon artist and DJ.

Scoring was done by rock-racetiming.com.

Proceeds to benefit Rutherford PBA Local 300 and Rutherford HS Project Graduation 2015. Supporting this event were over 50 volunteers. ###





Wood-Ridge Mayor's 5K

About 250 registered in the Wood-Ridge Mayor Paul Sarlo and the Borough sponsored USATF-NJ Certified 5K Run on Sunday, October 12, 2014, with a start/finish at the Wood-Ridge High School.

Top three male finishers were Colin McCullough, 25, Wood-Ridge, with 17:28.37, Chris Iversen, 27, Wood-Ridge, with 18:33.99 and Hugo Vaddillo, Wood-Ridge, 46, with 18:35.42.

Top three female finishers were Stephanie Betz, 22, Pearl River, with 22:36.69, Kim

Waldenmayer, 25, Fort Dix, with 23:14.43 and Rose Macera, 48, Hasbrouck Heights, with 23:26.96.

Youngest male finishers were Owen Marsala, 4, Wood-Ridge with 37:27.67, William Magnusson, 4, Wood-Ridge, 45:14.79, and Alasdair Walsh 5, Wood-Ridge, with 45:08.79.

Youngest female finishers were Laila Marsala, 4, Wood-Ridge with 37:31.57, and Paige Christiana, 8, Wood-Ridge with 36:16.49.

Oldest male finisher was Lloyd Haas, 72, Hillsborough, with 52:11.96 and female was Lynn Lechner, 77, Wood-Ridge, with 57:22.53.

Awards were presented for the top three male/female overall, first Wood-Ridge male/female finishers, 15 age division gift certificates, and team awards.

There were Super-Tech "T" shirts, refreshments, Scoring was done by Compuscore.

Proceeds to benefit Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Supporting this event were about 100+ volunteers, the WRPD, WR DPW and WRFD. ###



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WRFD Annual Inspection

The Wood-Ridge Fire Department held their Annual Inspection on October 4, 2014. Department personnel were in full dress uniform. The program began with the Salute to the Flag, Invocation by Department Chaplain Deacon Frank Materia and roll call by Department Secretary Gregory Gorab. Remarks were made by Fire Chief Scott Russo, Mayor Paul A. Sarlo, Assemblywoman Marlene Caride, BC Freeholder and Paramus

FD Ex-Chief Jim Tedesco and Fire Commissioner Dominick Azzolini. The equipment and headquarters were presented for inspection and Department personnel were available to answer any questions. Chief Russo recognized Department members for their years of service: Stephen Saracino (40 years) and FF/Ex-Chief Thomas Burniston (30 years). Junior Firefighter Nicholas

Meglio was awarded an Exceptional Service Medal for an off-duty CPR save in East Rutherford on September 28, 2014. The program concluded with a Benediction by Deacon Frank Materia, who then blessed the equipment and personnel. The Department was dismissed and light refreshments were served. The event was attended by local officials, as well as Fire Chiefs from mutual aid towns. ###



W-R Kids Enjoy Fire Engine Rides

On Sunday, October 5, 2014, from 1-4 p.m., at the Wood-Ridge Fire Department firehouse, over 100 children ages 5-13 and adults were treated to donuts and apple cider, saw a short film on fire prevention and then took a ride around town on an actual fire truck! Additionally, there was a smokehouse where attendees received fire safety tips and a chance to experience a room filled with smoke. Firefighters were on hand to explain their turnout gear. ###



Heights Students Learn Fire Safety

Members of the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department taught fire safety at all Hasbrouck Heights elementary schools during Fire Prevention Week, October 5-11, 2014. Photos by Rob Knobloch. ###



Photo by Damian Danis



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Massive Response to Explosion

First reports of an explosion and building collapse in Moonachie at about 16:30 hours October 13, 2014, drew major South Bergen Mutual Aid response, to include special operations units, Hazmat, Decon, etc.

The 17 employees inside the plant “were accounted for”

and evacuated on their own. Four were treated at HUMC and the rest underwent decontamination by the Garfield Hazardous Materials Team.

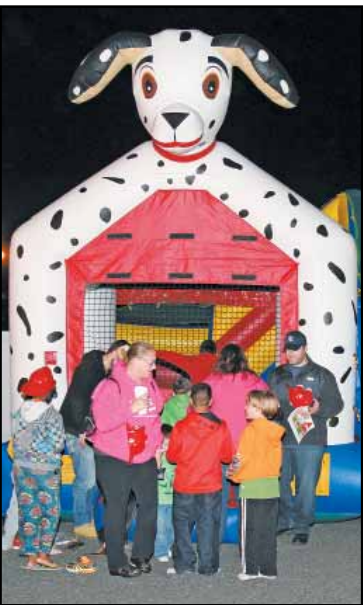
BC Hazardous Materials Team determined no hazardous materials were released into the air or building in the explosion, The fire was contained by

sprinklers and the fire limited to equipment and product was extinguished by firefighters.

The explosion and fire were the result of oxygen combining with hydrogen in foam manufacturing. There was no building collapse. The event is under investigation. Photos by Dennis Kronyak Sr. ###

Lodi Fire Prevention Program

On Friday, October 10, 2014, the Lodi Fire Prevention Bureau held an open house at the Kennedy Drive Fire House. There were informational tables, smoke house/tunnel, bounce house, an opportunity to use the fire hose, Bergen County Sheriff horses, etc. ###



Carlstadt Fire Prevention Program

On Sunday, October 12, 2014, the Carlstadt Fire Department held an open house at Fire Headquarters. The Bergen County “Fire Safety House” was open for tours, kids could put on turnout gear, use a fire extinguisher and fire hose, enjoyed some refreshments, etc. Photos by Dennis Kronyak. ###

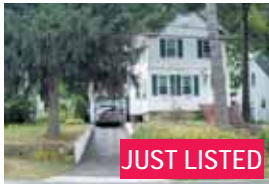


Mutual aid responded to a two-alarm Rutherford house fire at about 4 p.m., on September 21, 2014. It was reported that the blaze began in a second story bedroom and quickly spread to the attic. Units responding included East Rutherford, Wood-Ridge and North Arlington. A WR Firefighter was transported to St. Mary’s Hospital suffering from heat exhaustion, evaluated and released. No other injuries were reported. Photos by Eddie Pfeifer. ###



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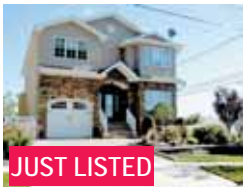
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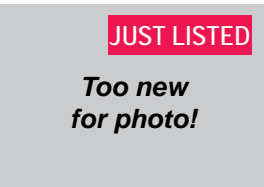
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