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*Cub Scouts from Pack 17 placing a remembrance poppy at the Veteran's Park Monument during Memorial Day Services.*

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On Saturday, June 15, 2024, about 15 volunteers replaced an old deck with a new deck. Everyone that came had some skill set and worked together as a well oiled machine to complete the project in four and a half hours.

*Provided by Bradford Haberlin. ###*

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On May 5, 2024, Cadettes from Wood-Ridge Girl Scout Troop 97130 joined Girl Scouts from all over northern New Jersey to walk across the Brooklyn Bridge and take a walking tour of lower New York. Our guide led us through historical sites including the African Burial Ground, Trinity Church, and the 9/11 Memorial. The rainy day did not dampen the spirits of the group.

In June, girls attended the GSNNJ rally for early bird registration at the Riverdale office. They enjoyed painting, making SWAPS, tie dyeing, and other crafts.

This year the Troop enjoyed activities that were fun but also challenging. From learning forensic science techniques to using a miter saw, our Girl Scout experiences have enriched our lives and strengthened friendships. *Provided by Jane Koegel. ###*

# Celebrating 75 Years of Service and Impact

In recognition of their 75 years of Service and Impact, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lower Bergen County held a 75th Anniversary Commemorative Ceremony on Saturday, May 18, 2024, at the Lodi Clubhouse.

The Ceremony was widely attended by former Club members, County officials, local dignitaries, community members, staff and volunteers. Family and friends of founder, the late Frank Plescia, were also in attendance and took part in the ceremony.

The ceremony was immediately followed by their 3rd Annual Summer Kick-Off Event, a free community event featuring kids' activities and amusements, live entertainment, food trucks, facility tours, and more.

CEO Joseph J. Licata said, "The dream of founder Frank A. Plescia has been realized thousands of times over and will forever continue and grow, because there is nothing more important to the success of society than that of caring for children in need."

Incorporated on April 22, 1949, began in Lodi began with approximately 80 members. Without a building, the Boys' Club of Lodi would operate out of Founder Frank Plescia's home and station wagon, until

the Boys & Girls Club of Lodi Facility was built and opened in 1958. While the organization has seen many changes over the years, they remain steadfast to their mission, to enable all young people, especially those who need them the most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

Known today as the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lower Bergen County (BGCLBC), they provided a safe place for all children and teens to go during the critical out of school hours, where they participate in life-enhancing programs, learn life skills, receive academic support and mentoring, have a free healthy meal, and more.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Lower Bergen County provides members with access to life-changing opportunities and real-world experiences that they may not have access to outside of their programs.

Currently, the BGCLBC operates ten comprehensive out of school time programs at their Clubhouses in Lodi and Hackensack, and school-based sites at Thomas Jefferson Middle School in Lodi, at Hackensack Middle School and all four elementary schools in Hackensack, in Wallington for middle schoolers at Wallington Jr. & Sr. High School,

and at the South Bergen Jointure Commission's Maywood Campus School, which serves exclusively youth with special needs such as Autism, Down Syndrome, and Cerebral Palsy.

The BGCLBC strives to make a positive impact in the areas of Academic Success, Good Character & Citizenship, and Healthy Lifestyles, their three Priority Outcome Areas.

They do so through programs like Power Hour, their daily homework help and tutoring program, Full STEAM Ahead, their comprehensive Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics program, Triple Play, their daily health, wellness, and fitness program,

Mentoring, which matches youth in need of a positive role model with a trained adult mentor, and Keystone Club, their teen leadership and civic service Club.

The BGCLBC also provides services such as Social Emotional Learning & Trauma Informed Care, provided by their full-time licensed social worker and free healthy snacks or meals to members daily. In 2023, they provided nearly 93,000!

For more information visit: [www.bgclbergen.org](http://www.bgclbergen.org) Provided by Melissa McKinney. ###



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You will be served wine, sweet & savory snacks. You are welcomed to bring other food and drinks as well.

Show starts promptly at 8 and runs to 11 p.m. at Make Wine With Us, 21 Curie Avenue, Wallington, NJ 07057. Email: wineclub201@gmail.com

Proceeds to benefit the American Wine Society Education Foundation. The AWSEF's mission is to provide academic scholarships and research grants to students interested on academic excellence with pursuing careers in the wine industry. ###

## BBQ Aug. 3

VFW Post 809 and Auxiliary, 100 Main Street, Little Ferry is hosting a BBQ on August 3, 2024, from 1 to 5 p.m. Donation: \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door. Includes food, tap beer, soda and water.

Wear your most patriotic clothes and jewelry to enter to win a prize for the most patriotic attire.

For tickets call 917-545-1472 or 201-233-7010 or 201-641-9759. ###

## Farmers' Market

### Rutherford

The Rutherford Farmers' Market is returning for its 27th season at a new location: Lincoln Park, on Saturdays, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Wednesdays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., beginning Saturday, July 6 through Wednesday, October 30. There will be new vendors. The market is sponsored by the Borough of Rutherford. ###

## Free Lunch Saturday

The First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie for the "Free Lunch Saturday" program, will be held July 13, 2024, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. July menu is Turkey Hoagies (while supplies last).

July, August and September are "Summer Lunch To-Go Programs. No eat in.

This program is an expansion of the Church's ministry of feeding hungry bodies and hungry hearts. There are no strings attached. A free-will offering is taken. ###

## Pig Roast July 20

Sons of the American Legion Squadron 310 will host the Art Jensen Jr. Annual Pig Roast on Saturday, July 20, 2024 from 3 to 7 p.m. at their Post, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry.

Cost is \$30 in advance. \$35 after July 15. Children under 12 eat free.

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

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

## Lodi KC Pancake Breakfast July 14

The St. Michael's Council of the Knights of Columbus are having their monthly buffet-style Family Breakfast on Sunday, July 14, 2024, 8:30 a.m. to noon, at 39 Washington Street, Lodi. Menu includes: all-you-can-eat fresh scrambled eggs, pancakes, French Toast (to order), bacon, sausage, hash browns, fresh rolls, orange juice, fresh hot coffee, and tea.

Adults: \$12; children over 6: \$6; children 6 and under: free. Profits to benefit local charities. For more information, call Joe at 201-805-4576. ###

## AL Picnic Sept. 14

American Legion Post 310 will hold its 42nd Annual Picnic on Saturday, September 14, 2024, from 3 to 7 p.m., at American Legion Post 310, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry. Rain or Shine.

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

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

Cost is \$35 per person at the door. Advance tickets are \$30. Last day to purchase advance tickets is September 10. All proceeds go to support Veterans and children's programs. For additional information, call 201-807-0470. ###

## Beefsteak October 19

The Wood-Ridge Fire Department is hosting its 2nd Annual Beefsteak Night on Saturday, October 19, 2024, at the Wood-Ridge Intermediate School, 151 First Street, Wood-Ridge.

Seating starts at 6 p.m. Cost is \$60 pp and includes full beefstek dinner, beer, wine, soda, dessert, door prizes, tricky tray, 50/50 raffle and music.

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Email ticket request to: wrfire125@gmail.com ###

## Beefsteak Sept. 20

American Legion Post 310, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry, is hosting an "All You Can Eat Beefsteak" on Friday, September 20, 2024, at 7 p.m.

Cost is \$55 pp and includes draft beer and soda. Lots of surprises. Prepared by JC Catering. For tickets call 201-807-0470. ###

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## Resorts Casino July 30

On Tuesday, July 30, 2024, the VFW will sponsor a trip to Resorts Casino, Atlantic City. The cost is \$45 (payable in advance).

Join us for a continental breakfast starting at 9 a.m. Play Bingo, 50/50 and a movie. The bus leaves at 10 a.m. sharp from the VFW parking lot.

For information and reservations, call Diane at 201-475-8898 or Gladys at 201-288-9074. If there is no answer, leave your name and phone number, someone will return your call. ###

## Resorts AC October 6

On Sunday, October 6, 2024, the American Legion Post 310 in Little Ferry is hosting a bus trip to the Resorts Casino in Atlantic City, NJ.

Breakfast sandwiches will be served at 8 a.m. On the bus, Bloody Mary's and Mimosas.

The bus departs promptly at 9 a.m. at Post 310, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry, NJ.

The cost is \$40 per person paid in advance. The Casino will give you \$10 back at the slots.

Only 50 passengers. No refunds. Contact Elizabeth Pezzillo for advance payment at 201-410-9584. ###

## Rummage Sale July 18, 19, 20

The Annual Rummage Sale at the First Reformed Church, Hasbrouck Heights, will be held Thursday, July 18, Friday, July 19 and Saturday, July 20, 2024. The hours will be: Thursday and Friday evenings, 6:30 to 9 p.m., Saturday morning, 9:30 to noon.

Contributions will be accepted starting Monday, July 15, 16 and 17 from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Call the Church office for further information at 201-288-1122. ###

## Boardwalk at the Borough July 13

Lodi will host "Boardwalk at the Borough," 1 Memorial Drive on July 13, 2024 (rd July 14). Vendors open at 1 p.m. Fireworks at sundown. There will be food, drinks, bounce houses, live bands, and beer garden. Music featured is Luna & Friends 5-7 p.m. and Chicago 9 starting at 7:30 p.m. ###

## Nam Knights 35th Anniversary

On Saturday, July 27, 2024, the Nam Knights of America will host their 35th Anniversary at their Clubhouse at 197 Washington Avenue, Carlstadt. Rain or shine. Gates open 2 p.m. This event is open to the public.

There will be live bands, DJ, food, beer, raffles and vendors.

Event benefits Veterans and Law Enforcement Officers. For more information, call 201-538-4387 or go to [www.namknights.org](http://www.namknights.org) email [carshow@namknights.org](mailto:carshow@namknights.org) ###

## WRPD Golf September 11

The Wood-Ridge PBA Local #313 is hosting their 24th Annual Golf Outing on September 11, 2024, at the Wild Turkey at Crystal Springs Golf Course, 3621 Rt. 94, Hamburg, NJ.

Registration/Breakfast 7 to 8 a.m., with a 8:30 Shotgun start.

Event rates: Individual \$175, Foursome \$700, Tee & Green sponsor \$200, One Vest Donation \$1,000 and Beverage Cart Sponsor \$1,500.

Fees include: green fees & cart, breakfast, lunch at the turn, banquet dinner, beer/wine, gifts and prizes.

Please RSVP by August 22. Make checks payable to W-R PBA #313. Send to 85 Humboldt Street, Wood-Ridge, NJ 07075, Attn: Golf Committee.

Any questions call Fran at 201-939-9476 or email: [fpolti@woodridgepolice.org](mailto:fpolti@woodridgepolice.org) ###

## Moonachie Shredding July 20

Moonachie will be holding a residential shredding event for Moonachie residents on Saturday, July 20, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Municipal Building Parking Lot, 70 Moonachie Road. Limit of 4 boxes per person. The event is sponsored by the Bergen County Utilities Authority. ###

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- July 23, 52 Street Band, rd 7/30
- August 6, Mushmouth, rd 8/13
- August 20, Gold Dust Women, rd 8/27
- September 17, The Nerds, rd 9/24

### Lodi

7 to 9 p.m. at the Memorial Park. Bring your lawn chairs.

- July 13, Luna & Friends 5 to 7 p.m., Chicago 9 - 7:30 p.m.
- July 27, NY State of Mind
- August 6, Eternally Elvis
- August 17, Fillet of Soul
- August 24, The Individuals
- October 12, Altered State 1 to 3 p.m., The Glimmer Twins, 3 p.m.

### Rutherford

Thursdays, 8 to 10 p.m. at the Hutzel Bandshell, Lincoln Park. Bring your lawn chairs. Rain dates are the following Mondays.

- July 11, Mushmouth
- July 18, Rutherford Community Band
- July 25, Summer Breeze
- August 1, Elton John Tribute Band
- August 8, School of Rock
- August 15, Big House

## Night with Music at the Post July 19

VFW Post 809, 100 Main Street, Little Ferry is hosting a Night with Music with Annie Mash Duo, featuring Chris Palmerini and Annie Mash, on Friday, July 19, 2024 from 7 to 10 p.m. Refreshments provided. No cost. Just a nice night out. All are welcome. ###

## Elvis & Patsy Cline August 7

The heavenly concert of Elvis and Patsy Cline at Doolan's, Spring Lake, on August 7, 2024 from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Tony Liguori as Elvis and Patti Graham as the inimitable Patsy Cline, plus the Blue Smoke Show Band and famous comedian. Feasting, dancing, drinking, singing and more.

Cost is \$110 pp. Includes bus transportation, show and lunch. Deposit \$60 due June 1 with balance due July 1.

Menu: Open bar, garden salad, soup, choice of Sirloin of Beef, Turkey w/stuffing, Herbal Salmon, dessert, coffee or tea. Wine and soda during lunch.

Bus leaves Center at 10 a.m. and returns 5 p.m.

For more information call Cathy at 201-460-1600, Kip Center or Geri at 201-247-0122, Rutherford Golden Agers. ###

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# BC July 4th Concert, Fireworks

RIDGEFIELD PARK, NJ — County Executive Jim Tedesco, the County Board of Commissioners, and the County Parks Department announced that the County of Bergen has partnered with the New Jersey Wind Symphony to bring a new special event to Overpeck County Park this 4th of July.

This July 4th, Bergen County's Star-Spangled Spectacular featuring the New Jersey Wind Symphony will offer residents a festive afternoon of entertainment, children's activities, food trucks, a beer and wine garden, and stunning fireworks to conclude the evening over Overpeck Creek.

In addition to the New Jersey Wind Symphony, the evening will feature performances

from performing artists including Leslie Mendelson, Jake Thistle, and Kristen Plumley, as well as an afternoon pre-show showcasing local acts from neighboring towns including Leonia, Ridgefield Park, and Teaneck.

Pre-show performances and festivities will start at 3 p.m. on July 4th. The New Jersey Wind Symphony will perform at 7:30 p.m. For event updates and additional performance announcements, follow the Bergen County Parks System on Facebook and Instagram or visit [www.BergenJuly4th.com](http://www.BergenJuly4th.com)

The New Jersey Wind Symphony will perform a dress rehearsal on July 3rd that will be open to the public without the booming special effects from the cannons and fireworks. A rain date for Bergen County's Star-Spangled Spectacular is scheduled for July 5th in the event poor weather.

### Parking accommodations and fireworks viewing:

Event parking for Bergen County's Star-Spangled Spectacular will be available in the Ridgefield Park and Henry

Hoebel sections of Overpeck County Park. Additional offsite parking will be available at the Glenpointe Alfred Sanzari Building parking garage in Teaneck and the KABR Group parking lots on Challenger Road in Ridgefield Park.

Complimentary shuttle transportation to the Amphitheater at Overpeck County Park will be available thanks to Bergen County's Division of Community Transportation.

Additional parking for fireworks viewing will be available at the Palisades Park section of Overpeck County Park. However, there will be no shuttle transportation from the Palisades Park section of Overpeck County Park.

Bergen County's Star-Spangled Spectacular is an official event of Bergen250, an initiative spearheaded by the Division of Cultural & Historic Affairs within the Bergen County Department of Parks to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution through Bergen County's diverse lens of people, places, and culture. *Provided by Bergen County.* ###

## Rutherford Day September 21

Rutherford Day will be held at Lincoln Park on Saturday, September 21, 2024, from 12 to 5 p.m.

This event is designed specifically to allow Rutherford community organizations, service groups, clubs, or businesses in Rutherford to promote themselves, their services, accomplishments, and goals to the residents of Rutherford.

Due to anticipated construction at Memorial Park, this year's Rutherford Day will be held in and around Lincoln Park. This event is open to Rutherford-based businesses and organizations only.

For more information, contact Kim Bogosian at [communications@rutherfordboronj.com](mailto:communications@rutherfordboronj.com) ###

# BC Free Movies & Concerts

HACKENSACK, N.J. — County Executive Jim Tedesco, the Board of County Commissioners, and the County Parks Department announce the return of the Bergen County free Movies and Music in the Park Summer Series.

The series will feature 24 events at four locations across Bergen County beginning on July 10. All concerts and movies are free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets for viewing.

All events are weather permitting. To keep up with the latest updates, visit [www.co.bergen.nj.us](http://www.co.bergen.nj.us) or follow the Bergen County Parks System on social media. ###

### Movie Schedule

(All movies start at sunset, approximately 8:30 p.m.)

### Van Saun County Park

- Friday, July 12 – Migration (Rated PG)
- Friday, July 19 – Under the Boardwalk (Rated PG)
- Friday, July 26 – Wish (Rated PG)
- Wednesday, July 31 – Barbie (Rated PG-13)
- Friday, August 2 – Kung Fu Panda 4 (PG)
- Wednesday, August 7 – Blackberry (Rated R)
- Friday, August 9 – Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem (Rated PG)
- Wednesday, August 14 – Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves (Rated PG-13)
- Friday, August 16 – Elemental (Rated PG)
- Wednesday, August 21 – Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3 (Rated PG-13)

## Come Sing With Us, Leave Your Stress Behind

To all would-be singers, there is a choir waiting for you in nearby Carlstadt. The year is still young to do what you have always wanted to do. Join us.

The Carlstadt Mixed Chorus is celebrating their 91st Anniversary this year and are seeking new members to continue the tradition.

Our repertoire includes songs with German and English lyrics and ranges from the classics like Beethoven, Mozart, Strauss to evergreens, Broadway and popular tunes.

We meet once a week on Tuesdays, from 7 to 9 p.m., for rehearsal and socializing afterwards.

For more information please contact Ingrid at [Ingridwehrhahn11@gmail.com](mailto:Ingridwehrhahn11@gmail.com) or call 201-391-8765. ###

• Friday, August 23 – Womka (Rated PG)

### Concert Schedule

(All concerts start at 7 p.m.)

### The Amphitheater at Overpeck County Park

- Thursday, July 11 – Dr. K's Motown Revue ('60s Motown)
- Thursday, July 18 – Classic Stones (Rolling Stones Tribute Band)
- Thursday, July 25 – Mi Gente Live (Latin Jukebox)
- Thursday, August 1 – Stone Flower (Rock n' Roll Tribute Band)
- Thursday, August 8 – Xtreme Queen (Queen Tribute Band)

### The Stage at Riverside County Park-South

- Tuesday July 16 – Steppin' Out (10-Piece Party Band)
- Tuesday, July 23 – Country Fresh (Modern Country Music)
- Tuesday, July 30 – La Caribeña (Tropical Latin Music)
- Tuesday, August 6 – Step by Step (Johnny Maestro Tribute Band)
- Tuesday, August 13 – Suit & Mai Tai (Yacht and Corporate Rock).

### Pascack Brook County Park

- Wednesday, July 10 – Past Lives (Rated PG-13)
- Wednesday, July 17 – Air (Rated R)
- Wednesday, July 24 – Mean Girls (2024) (Rated PG-13) ###

## HHHS 50th Class Reunion October 12

Hasbrouck Heights Class of 1974 50th Reunion will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2024, from 6 to 10 p.m., at the Elks Club.

Please sign in using this link (whether you are coming or not). <https://bit.ly/HHClassof1974>

You can also get more information on Facebook. Search for Hasbrouck Heights Class of 1974.

For those of you who do not have a Facebook account, email Gary Shenlogian at: [GMSHEN@VERIZON.NET](mailto:GMSHEN@VERIZON.NET) if you need more information.

There is a HS football game on Friday if anyone wants to get together the night before.

Please reach out to all class members and let's make this the best reunion yet! ###

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## Let's Go Traveling!

By Rick Ardis

### Travel Through History

With the recent observance of Memorial Day we marked the 80th Anniversary of the end of the war in Europe. World War II would continue for another year and a half before VJ Day marked in the United States August 14, 1945 (*August 15 in Japan*). American travelers to Europe will often elect to include sites relating to this conflict. The most often visited location included on travelers lists are the Normandy Landing Beaches of Operation Neptune, commonly known as the D-Day Offensive. Many escorted vacations and river cruises include stops in the region while traversing the French countryside.

The European continent and Great Britain are peppered with places to visit where one can delve into the history of the war. Among the popular sights in England are the Cabinet War Rooms, a basement warren of offices where Prime Minister Winston Churchill directed British forces. Also included are Bletchley Park, home of the Allied Code Breakers, and the Battle of Britain Bunker and Museum in Uxbridge. There are numerous airfields where historic aircraft can be viewed, from which the Royal Air Force launched raids on German held

territory.

In Germany, travelers may visit Nuremberg, the city infamous for large Nazi Rallies and location of the War Crimes Trials at the Palace of Justice following the Nazi surrender. Tours are available at Hitler's Bavarian Alps hideout, the Eagle's Nest, near Berchtesgaden. Among the solemn sites are Dachau, Bergen-Belsen, and other concentration camps of the rogue regime. The German capital of Berlin also shows visitors the remnants of the Cold War of the late 1940s through 1980s.

Traditional tour companies may mix sights of 20th Century history with those of more classic European eras. Alternatively, there are operators who focus their itineraries on a deeper dive into the events of more recent times. These may include stops and narratives of the battlefields across Europe, visiting locales in Italy, Poland, France, or Belgium. There are also itineraries to locations of less publicized skirmishes like those of the Greek resistance.

For travelers not taking a war focused tour, there are many museums and day trips where visitors can pay homage and educate themselves on the era. In addition to the aforementioned Normandy Beaches,

there are also invasion sites at Anzio near Rome, across Sicily, and the southern Italian Mainland. There are opportunities to visit some of these sites in vintage vehicles such as jeeps, troop trucks, and motorcycles with sidecars. Museums and monuments are plentiful in remembrance of the battles and events of the war.

For some visitors to Europe who lost relatives during World War II, there are opportunities to pay their respects at one of the cemeteries where their loved ones' remains are interred. There are 89,033 service men and women honored at these grounds, 73,177 buried and 15,856 listed as missing. Thirteen American cemeteries are located in Europe: France (6), Belgium (2), Italy (2), England, Netherlands, and Luxemburg.

Though less prominent, but none the less important, are visits to World War II sites of the War in the Pacific. Touring Pearl Harbor and the Arizona Memorial remains high on the list of travelers to Hawaii. Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Japan provide visitors the time to reflect on the perilous long-term effects of nuclear weaponry.

Traveling with an eye on past events focuses on our affinity with others, rather than our differences.

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## Too Much Sun is Bad for Your Skin

### Understanding UVA, UVB, SPF

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

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

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

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

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

Higher SPF numbers are preferable, but SPF measures protection only from UVB - not UVA rays. When choosing a sunscreen, select a product that

provides "broad-spectrum" protection for both UVA and UVB. If you are going to the beach or pool, make sure it is water-resistant and doesn't wash off in the water. Use an SPF of 15 or higher.

### When to apply sunscreen

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

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

### Other protection tips:

- Use a hat to shield your face where sun damage frequently occurs.

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

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# Artful Thinking

By Artie Maglionico • Lodi Historian

July 2024

## Lemon Ice

By Artie Maglionico

Lemon ice a cool reprieve  
Sent from Heaven I believe.  
Truth is I don't really know  
It melted many years ago.  
Those hot and sticky  
summer days  
We'd sit there waiting  
in the haze  
Like spirits at the gates of hell  
waiting for God to break  
the spell.  
Then the chariot appeared  
We saw the driver as it neared.  
An old man, smoking,  
age 80 plus,  
He surely looked like God to us.  
He raised us from the  
summer heat  
A nickel a scoop for his icy treat  
"A scoop of heaven at  
any price"  
Spoke the old man of his  
lemon ice.  
*Fini*

Summers back in the 50s  
and early 60s were hot and dry.  
We were always on the verge of  
a water shortage.

By late July we had to abandon  
our daily jaunts through a

neighbor's water sprinkler.  
Neither we nor the lawns were  
able to enjoy a much needed  
reprieve from the merciless  
inferno. Both our throats and  
those thirsty lawns remained  
scorched like a pair of ill-fated  
pants on an ironing board.

I remember resting, with  
my friends, under a tall shade  
tree next to The Albano's Gar-  
rage which was home to our  
game of Single, Double, Triple.

The tree served as a respite  
for the kids who had come to  
bat after "soaking" on the sun  
baked street for what seemed  
like an eternity.

While all of that was going  
on we were forced to listen to  
the sound of cool water being  
splashed onto the refreshed  
bodies of the Feigo Family as  
they did belly flops into the  
depths of their above ground,  
filtered, very wet and very re-  
freshing swimming pool.

Can you picture this folks?  
This was 1959 and back yard  
swimming pools were a rarity  
especially in our neck of the  
woods. The Feigo pool was  
the only game in town and we  
weren't on the roster.

We used to hear stories of  
a 10 foot deep built in swim-  
ming pool hidden behind a  
wall located further up the  
Arnot Street hill. Rumors of  
that legendary pool enthralled  
us as did stories of Big Foot,  
Flying saucers and 10 speed  
English Racers.

By day's end we had a bet-  
ter chance of seeing Big Foot  
ride by on that ten speed or  
having a flying saucer land in  
front of the store to buy a pack  
of cigarettes than we did of ever  
diving into that built in pool.

Listening to stories about  
that sequestered pool didn't  
cool us off. In the end we need-  
ed something that was nothing  
less than Heaven sent... Enter  
the lemon ice truck. Upon  
seeing it still a block or two  
away we'd all scatter to our  
nearby homes to scrounge up  
the money for a scoop of that  
"icy treat."

The "lemon ice man" was a  
cigarette smoking, gray haired  
elderly gent with a military  
haircut and a two day growth  
of white stubble that grew in  
spotty patches on his weather  
worn jaw.

We would line up on the  
side of the truck like kids  
receiving their first holy com-  
munion. He charged a nickel  
per scoop and we made it last.

We'd return to the shelter of

that shade tree with our heaven  
sent scoop of lemon ice in hand  
and slurp it down one luxurious  
swipe at a time. We wouldn't  
stop until every drop of liquid  
was consumed. The paper cup  
was then chewed like bubble  
gum until it too was drained  
of even the remotest traces of  
lemon. We were raised from  
the summer heat and ready to  
bounce that Spalding off of  
Rocco's garage and yell "Single  
Double Triple."

Those of you who are fa-  
miliar with Westervelt Place  
know that it starts near Route  
46 and seems to go on forever.

The part of that street that  
I am constantly referring to  
begins at the Arnot Street  
intersection (*the corner store*)  
and ended at my cousin An-  
thony's home, which was 4  
houses away. That is where  
most of the action took place.  
We made use of every inch of  
that sacred landscape and made  
it fit, reshaped it if you will,  
so it conformed to the game  
we were playing. We would  
stretch our imaginations as far  
as it would take us. When we  
could stretch our dreams no  
further we'd resort to crowding  
the stoop in front of Albano's  
"corner store" until another  
whim surfaced. We were like  
commuters waiting at a bus  
stop for the "idea express" to  
pass by.

If by chance we missed the  
bus, we'd spend hours sitting  
there doing absolutely nothing  
which, by the way, was more  
times than not. Then from out  
of nowhere an idea seem to  
enter our minds all at the same  
moment and suddenly the vo-  
cabulary of the sultry afternoon  
was made known to the entire  
universe "Let's go frogging!"  
And so we did.

## The River

By Artie Maglionico

On the Westervelt trail  
we walked  
Then toward the morning sun  
To where the Saddle River  
flowed  
We ventured one by one.  
We were baptized with  
the frogs  
Who scattered frantically  
When first they heard the  
dismal news of our divinity.  
The factory on the  
northern shore  
Let loose its gifts below.  
What was left came floating  
down quite useless in a row.  
This was where our dreams  
were shared.  
each to our own device.  
For what was hell to  
mortal man  
Was, to us, a paradise.  
*Fini*

Recently, some 66 years  
later, I followed the Westervelt  
trail to the Eastbound Route 46  
Bridge which overlooked the  
area of which the above poem  
describes. There remains not  
a trace of the all but forgot-  
ten past. That little patch of  
shoreline is covered with dense  
vegetation. The landscape has  
an ominous, forbidding look  
about it. The surrounding ter-  
rain appears menacing to both  
man and beast.

As I walked away I took  
one last look and was reminded  
of Milton's Paradise Lost. The  
image stayed with me like a  
dark cloud and followed me  
home. The Westervelt trail is  
no more.

Note: On June 21, 2024, the  
Pope Pius X11 graduating class  
of 1949 held their 75th class  
reunion at the North Jersey  
Country Club in Wayne, NJ.  
Among those in attendance was  
Gen Kelly originally from Gar-  
field NJ now living in Windsor  
NY and Jean Zeppieri of Wood-  
Ridge, NJ. Although Pope Pius  
X11 closed its doors in 1983 the  
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the memory and keep those  
doors open for eternity. ####

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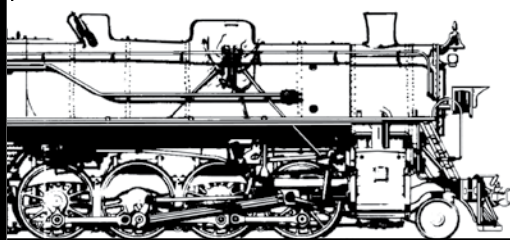
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# Filling You In

By Jeffrey E. Mason, DMD, FAGD.

## Dental Injuries

Dental injuries can occur any time but are most common when participating in sports or other recreational activities. Not all dental injuries are the same and are very likely treated differently.

This guide is meant to be informative and give examples of several types of injuries. In all cases, it is important to contact your dentist as soon as possible. Also, if there are other injuries in addition to the mouth, be sure to seek appropriate medical attention for those injuries. Not all hospitals have dentists on staff and therefore may not be able to help with the dental injuries. If your dentist is unavailable, Hackensack UMC has dental residents on call 24/7.

• **Avulsion** is a term used for the injury when a tooth or teeth are completely forced out of the tooth socket (*knocked*

*out*). When a tooth is avulsed, there is a 30-minute window of opportunity to re-implant a tooth into its socket, so get to a dentist immediately. The chance of successful re-implantation is reduced significantly after half an hour. In the meantime:

• Do not attempt to sterilize or brush the tooth, and do not handle it by the root. If there is debris on the tooth, gently rinse it with water.

• If the patient is alert, re-implant the tooth. Then stabilize it and control bleeding by biting down on a towel or handkerchief.

• If unable to re-implant the tooth, transport it in saline, milk or saline-soaked gauze. If the patient is alert, the tooth may be placed in the side of the cheek.

• **Tooth Fracture** is when a tooth is cracked or broken into two or more pieces. If a tooth

or teeth become fractured you may follow these suggestions:

• If the tooth is broken in half, find and save the broken piece. Transport it to the dentist using the same techniques used for an avulsion.

• Bite down on a towel or handkerchief to stabilize the tooth and control bleeding.

• If extreme pain is present, prevent the injured tooth from coming in contact with air, liquid or other teeth.

• **Tooth Luxation** is a term used to describe the displacement of a tooth out or away from its natural position. If a tooth is luxated, the patient needs to see a dentist as soon as possible. There are three types of luxation, and each requires a slightly different technique:

(1) **Extruded Tooth** — an upper tooth that hangs down or a lower tooth that extends up from the gums.

### Emergency care:

• Use your finger to firmly reposition the tooth in its socket.

• Bite down gently on a handkerchief or towel to stabilize the tooth.

occurs in the follow through applies pressure that, over time, can cause a pinched nerve.

Golfers should not wear shoes that have a spike located directly beneath the ball of the foot. The pressure from that single spike, magnified by the several thousand steps taken during an average round, can cause intense pain and swelling in the ball of the foot.

Any pair of golf shoes can be made more foot friendly without sacrificing traction by removing the poorly located spikes. For more information on foot conditions that affect athletes, contact your local podiatrist's office.

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

• See a dentist immediately. (2) **Lateral Displacement** — a tooth that is pushed back or pulled forward.

### Emergency care:

\* Use your finger to reposition the tooth in its socket; if it is painful, skip this step.

• Bite down gently on a handkerchief or towel to stabilize the tooth.

• See a dentist immediately. (3) **Intruded Tooth** — a tooth that has been pushed up or down into the gums. The

tooth will look short.

### Emergency care:

• Do NOT attempt to reposition the tooth.

• Do nothing to treat the injury yourself.

• Get to a dentist immediately.

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# Footnotes

By Dr. Kenya Lazovik, DPM

## Golfers:

### Don't be Handicapped with Foot Pain

As millions of avid golfers get ready for another season of pars and bogeys, they should be aware of potentially serious foot problems that can result from years of playing the game.

Although golf is not considered a rigorous sport, the physical act of repeatedly swinging a golf club in practice and on the links can lead to a condition known as hallux limitus, a jamming and deterioration of the big toe joint.

The movement and weight transfer that occur during the swing's follow through can cause this problem and other chronic foot ailments.

When golfers follow through on their swing, they can overextend the big toe joint on the back foot. Those who have played the game avidly for several years eventually can wear out the cartilage or jam the big toe joint.

The likely outcome, if left untreated, is painful arthritis in the big toe, which would make it very difficult to continue

playing golf.

Golfers who have pain and swelling around the big toe joint or have less mobility in this area than other parts of the foot should visit a foot and ankle surgeon for an examination and appropriate treatment.

A history of trauma to the big toe area and bone structure also can precipitate the condition. Individuals with a long first metatarsal bone (*big toe*), for example, are more susceptible to joint compression and hallux limitus.

If golfers experience pain in the big toe area when playing, they should consider it a warning sign that intervention is necessary before the joint becomes arthritic. In most situations, orthotics can be prescribed to provide relief, but others with advanced cases may require surgery.

Another foot problem that is common in golfers is a neuroma or pinched nerve at the bottom of the foot. The weight transfer to the front foot that

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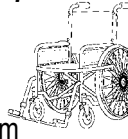
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*The Officers and Trustees of the Wood-Ridge Memorial Foundation congratulate the recipients of a 2024 WRMF Scholarship Award. We wish them and all the Class of 2024 Graduates the best of luck as they begin their college, military or employment careers. Linda Finke, President*

- \$7,500 Anthony Huang, WRHS
- \$6,000 Vansh S. Zota, Bergen County Academies
- \$6,000 Vladyslav Kharechko, Bergen County Academies
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- \$2,500 MaryGrace Milne, WRHS
- \$2,500 Samantha R. Stasion, WRHS
- \$2,500 Lilliana E. Wronko, Paramus Catholic
- \$2,500 Brett A. Spinosa, St. Joseph's Regional HS
- Total Awarded \$70,000**



Outgoing King Lion Angelo Petruzzella presents the gavel to new King Lion Bob Valenti. Bob looks forward to leading the Club and continuing the good work the Club performs in service to others.



The lapel pin designating John Podesta as a Melvin Jones Fellow is affixed on his jacket by his wife, Annmarie.

## Wood-Ridge Lions Club Installs New Officers and Honors Melvin Jones Fellow

The Wood-Ridge Lions Club held their annual Installation Night on May 23, 2024, at Lassoni's Ristorante in North Arlington. Moving up the ranks as officers were new King Lion Bob Valenti, First Vice President Jimmy Love, Second Vice President Jeff Heldman, Club Secretary Dennis Brubaker, Treasurer Mike Roman, and Tail Twister Jack Nagel. The current Board of Directors remain in their positions.

Due to the success of the Club's annual beefsteak dinner, pancake breakfast, golf outing and other fund-raising activities, outgoing King Lion Angelo Petruzzella reported that the club raised and distributed almost \$40,000 this past year.

Among the recipients of significant donations were Saint Joseph's School for the Blind, Camp Marcella, Gus Hoene Center for the Mentally Challenged, Eversight (*NJ Eye Bank*), Lions Eye Research Foundation, Juvenile Diabetes Research (*JDRF*), Founda-

tion for Fighting Blindness, Bergen County Food Center, the Assumption Food Pantry, New Jersey Special Olympics, Wood-Ridge PBA Vest Fund, Wood-Ridge Library, and five scholarship awards totaling \$6,500 granted to graduating high school seniors.

The scholarship recipients/awards included: Jair Argueta Ramos (*WRHS*) received a \$1,500 in memory of Lion Bill Nagel; Anthony Huang (*WRHS*) received \$1,500 in memory of Lion Vinny Pascale and all Charter Club Members; Jerry Rivera (*WRHS*) received \$1,500 in memory of Lions Jim Love and Phil Rottini; Jazlynn Mercado (*WRHS*) \$1,000 in honor of Lion Jack Nagel; and Zachary Macalintal (*St. Andrew's School*) \$1,000 in the name of All Current Club Members.

These donations, as well as the Club's role as a major participant in performing free school eye screenings (*over 2,000 exams*) throughout the

county, make the Wood-Ridge Club one of the most recognized clubs not only in Bergen County but in the entire state.

Angelo thanked his fellow officers and Club members for their work and support during his tenure as club president.

The highlight of the dinner was the enrollment of Club Member John Podesta as a Melvin Jones Fellow. This award is the highest honor that Lions International presents. The selection committee chose John because of his years of service as an active member and financial contributions to the Club since becoming a member in 2001.

After the work detail at Camp Marcella was completed on Sunday June 2, 2024, the Club will take the summer off and will begin their 84th year of service in September. The club is truly thankful to the Community for their continued support! *Provided by Jack Nagel. ###*



The Members of the Wood-Ridge Lions Club wish to thank all who supported our club projects this past year.  
*Angelo Petruzzella, President*

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At the Corpus Christi 8th Grade award ceremony, Jack Nagel presented the Assumption Parish Outstanding Parochial School Graduate to Evan Novembre.

The award is presented annually in the name of Jack's late wife, Audrey Nagel. Audrey passed away in 2009 after a 9.5 year battle with breast cancer. The award is presented to a graduate of a Catholic Grammar School who will be attending a Catholic High School in September.

The recipient is selected from applications of Assumption parish Students in Wood-Ridge or residents of Wood-Ridge but are members of another parish. Evan, who will be attending Saint Joseph's Regional High School in the fall, was chosen by a committee of eight, comprised of family members and friends of Audrey. *###*

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On Saturday, June 8, 2024, the parish family and friends of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Wallington, celebrated the 45th Anniversary of Ordination and the retirement of our pastor, the Very Reverend Canon Felix R. Marciniak.

Fr. Felix began his assignment at Most Sacred Heart July 1, 1980 and served as parochial vicar for 12 years. July 1, 1998 he returned as pastor and has led the parish for 26 years. Our

Parish has been blessed to have Fr. Felix as our pastor and are thankful that he has served our parish for so many years. He has been designated as Pastor Emeritus of Most Sacred Heart Church.

We are sad to have to say goodbye to Fr. Felix as pastor but we know that he is still a very prominent part of each of our lives. The parish family wishes him a long, healthy and happy retirement. *Provided by Mary Jane Kowalczyk. ###*



The Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterian Church of Carlstadt honored the Veterans from the Paramus Veterans Home in Paramus at their Roast Beef Luncheon on May 14. They enjoyed special music by Cat Blumenschein and received goodie bags from the Ladies Aid. Thanks to all who have given their service to our country. *Provided by Christy Yuhasz. ###*



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On Sunda, June 2nd, Troop 17 in Hasbrouck Heights participated in the Feast of Corpus Christi, where the scouts with the help of parents and leader, had to decorate and altar that best represent our Troop ministry within the Church.

After the 12 p.m. Mass, three of the scouts and one adult leader carried the pillars above our pastor, Fr. Kaj, as they walked around to 4 different altars (*one in which was the one they had decorated earlier in the day*). As our pastor stopped by each altar a blessing was given. *Provided by Craig A. Birth, Troop 17 Scoutmaster. ###*

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## Lodi Fire Department 2024 Memorial Service

The Lodi Fire Department held a Memorial Day Service on May 27, 2024. Department members, Police, EMS assembled in front of the Kennedy Firehouse and marched into Memorial Park.

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

The Fire Chiefs placed wreaths at the base of the monument. With the tolling of the bell, there was a roll call of the deceased members. "Taps" was played. Councilman Bruce T. Masopust made remarks on behalf of the Mayor and Council. ###



## Wood-Ridge Fire Department 2024 Memorial Service

The Wood-Ridge Fire Department held their annual memorial on May 22, 2024. Exempt Association President Thomas Bischoff, Jr. led the service. Deacon Nick Valdez gave the Invocation and Benediction. Fire Chief Nicholas Meglio, Fire Commissioner Phil Romero, Ezio Altamura, Chris Eilert made remarks. The 136 names of deceased members were read with the tolling of the bell. Pipes and "Taps" were played. ###

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## Honoring Those Who Served

Members of Lodi American Legion Post 136, Auxiliary Unit 136 and SAL Squadron 136, along with Boy Scouts from Paramus Troop 138 and Lodi Girl Scouts placed flags at St. Nicholas and Lodi Cemeteries on Saturday, May 18, 2024, in advance of the Memorial Day observance. Flags were provided by Bergen County. ###



## Memorial Flag Garden

On May 18, 2024, Armed Services Day, the 4th Annual Memorial Day Flag Garden Service was held at First Re-

formed Church, Washington Place and Burton Avenues, Hasbrouck Heights. The program was led by Pastor Deb-

bie Rundecker. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by Don Daume and the new names added to the register were read by Angela Sampson. "Taps"

was played by Alfonsus Agapinan. Each flag represents a man or woman who died in service, or since their return. Visitors were encouraged to wander

among the flags and offer a prayer of gratitude for those who loved country more than life. The 300 flags will remain until mid-July. ###



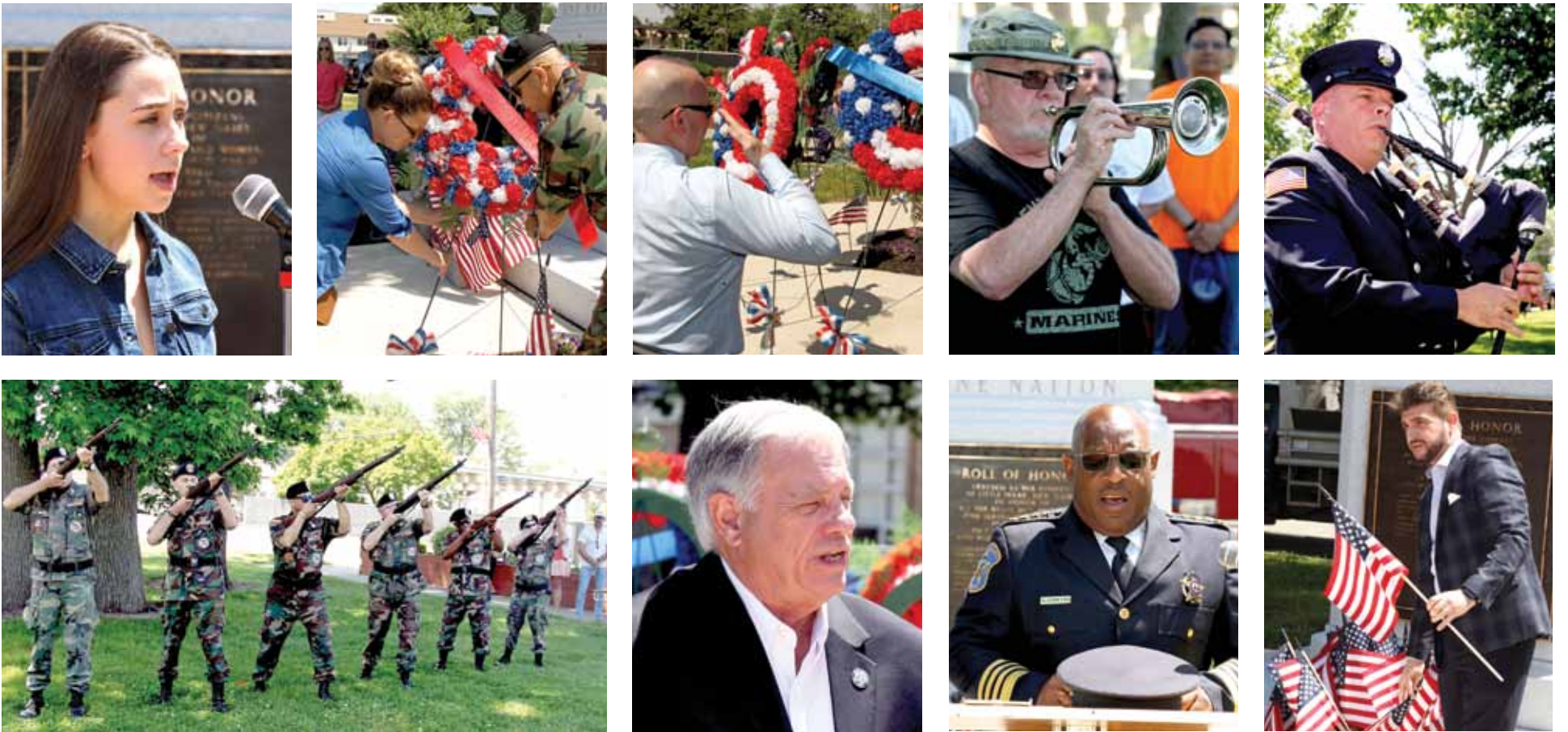
## Moonachie Veterans' Service

On Sunday, May 19, 2024, at 7 p.m., a Community Memorial Veterans' Service was held at The First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie. All Veterans and emergency services personnel were most welcomed. There was a free-will offering for the Wounded Warriors. The entire proceeds will be given in honor of the Veterans of our nation's wars. ###



## Wood-Ridge Veterans' Service

On Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at 6 p.m., the Borough of Wood-Ridge held a Veterans Service at the Monument located in front of the Senior Center on Hackensack Street. Attending were Veterans from Wood-Ridge and Carlstadt, plus Scouts and Borough Officials. ###



### Little Ferry Veterans 2024 Memorial Day Service

Little Ferry held services at Veterans Monument in front of the Memorial School on Liberty Street on May 25, 2024 at 11 a.m. MC was Ismael Aponte, SGM Retired, USAR. Chaplain Pete Pezzillo gave the Invocation and Benediction. The "National Anthem" and "God Bless America" were sung by Lily Schwedhelm. Wreaths were placed by several Veterans and community organizations. The Vietnam Veterans of America gave the rifle salute. John T. Garland piped "Amazing Grace" and "Military Service Themes." Little Ferry Mayor Mauro D. Raguseo, Bergen County Executive James J. Tedesco, BC Commissioners and Sheriff Anthony Cureton provided remarks. Refreshments were served at the Posts. This annual event is alternately sponsored by American Legion Post 310 and VFW Post 809. The 2024 event was sponsored by Legionnaire Post 310. Previously, there was also a service in front of the Washington School. As the school was demolished, that monument was decommissioned and combined with the Monument in front of the Memorial School. ###



### Hasbrouck Heights Memorial Day 2024 Service

On May 27, 2024, Hasbrouck Heights Veterans hosted a Memorial Service. Pastor Debbie Rundecker, First Reformed Church, gave the Invocation and Benediction. The roll call was read. Veterans, Scouts and the public placed "Poppies" at the base of the Monument. "Taps" was played by Alfonsus Agapinan. ###



### Moonachie Memorial Day 2024 Service

On May 24, 2024, Moonachie held their Memorial Day program at Borough hall. Participants were welcomed by Mayor Dennis Vaccaro. Invocation and Benediction were given by Linda Van Kampen, Pastor, First Presbyterian Church. The "Pledge of Allegiance" was led by Ava Gonzales. "God Bless America," "Grand Old Flag" and "Thankful for the USA" were sung by the Craig School Singers. "Star Spangled Banner," "Taps" and "Military Salute" were played by the Yonkers Military Band. RLC students Abigail Hernandez-Rojas, Alexandra Silvera, Devin Panchal and Veronika Agudelo read a poem. Guest speakers Congressman Bill Pascrell, Greg Keelen (RLC School), Mayor Dennis Vaccaro and former Mayor and Veteran Fred Dressel spoke. Wreaths were placed. Gunter Kuprat and John Huttermann gave the Gun Salute. *Photos by Scott Schmidig.* ###

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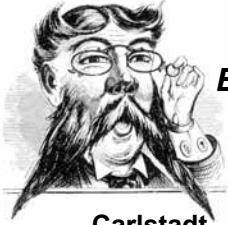
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## AARP Chapter #2015 Lodi

The AARP Chapter #2015 of Lodi meets at noon the third Tuesday of every month at the Lodi Senior Citizens Building, 22 Walnut Place. Each meeting will have either a speaker or entertainment as well as light refreshments. New members are welcome. 2024 dues are \$10 for the calendar year (Jan. 1 to Dec. 31). National AARP membership is required. For membership information contact Stan at 973-779-8544 or email [aarp.2015.loidi.nj@gmail.com](mailto:aarp.2015.loidi.nj@gmail.com)

- July 16: Regular monthly meeting. Bill Wright, Community Outreach, New Bridge Medical Center. "Emergency Preparedness and File of Life."
- August 20: Regular monthly meeting. Ice cream/ Frozen treat.

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## Carlstadt Senior Friendship Club

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

### Trips

All trips leave from the upper parking lot at Lester Stagg Way and Garden Street. Arrive 15 minutes before. Money for trips will be collected first meeting of the previous month. Call Helene at 201-463-3000 for details.

- July 2. Surfflight Black Whale Restaurant. South Pacific. \$74 pp. Bus departs 9:30 a.m. Returns 4:30 p.m.
- August 14. Bucks County. Grease. Alfresco's. Choice of entrees. \$84. Bus departs 10 a.m. Returns 4:30 p.m. ###

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The next meetings are on Tuesday, July 9, Monday, July 15 and Friday, July 19. The Tuesday meeting will be held at The Rutherford Pancake House, 40 Park Avenue, Rutherford and the Monday meeting will be held at CoZie Café, 14-25 Plaza Road N (Radburn Plaza Bldg), Fair Lawn. Light lunch will be served at the in person meetings.

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By Mary Ellen Courtney

### Demystifying Real Estate Commissions

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The most crucial thing to understand is that real estate commissions for both seller and buyer representation is not set by law and is fully negotiable.

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Sellers appreciate the expertise in navigating the complicated process of pricing

analysis, marketing, staging, repair recommendations, expose property to the largest pool of qualified buyers as well as negotiate the innumerable steps to the closing table.

Many sellers ask "Do I need to pay the buyer agent commission?" The answer is no. You can choose to do so or not. Know that just like you sign an agreement with us when we choose to work together, a buyer signs an agreement whereby they will provide compensation to their agent if payment does not come from other means. Understanding that, there are many benefits to you, as a seller, to consider offering remuneration:

First, some buyers may not have the cash to pay their own real estate agent out of pocket. Often buyers need their cash for the down payment and other expenses. Buyers cannot finance a brokerage commission through a mortgage

Research clearly indicates that those with low to moderate incomes, first time and

first generation buyers with minimum savings may also be forced to limit the properties they can consider.

Lastly, experience has been that the seller benefits from the buyer having an agent because the sales and closing process goes much smoother.

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Sellers that offer a concession to cover buyer agent commission as a marketing tool, will reap the benefits of the highest demand, fastest sale and the best price for their property that will more than compensate them in the long run.

While buyers have most often been signing buyer agency agreements for years, many have relied on sellers offering compensation, either through the listing agreement or through negotiation when an offer is made.

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*Note: My family and I were blessed with this prayer. Believe.*

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• **Adventure Begins at Your Library - Summer Reading Program:** Read to earn new books (*ages birth - 5*), or earn beads for your keychain (*ages 6 -14*). Readers enter into a weekly summer raffle. Program runs through Friday, August 30.

• **Adult Summer Reading Program:** Weekly raffles. Program runs through Friday, August 2.

• **Movie Madness.** Tuesday, July 9 at 1 p.m., "The Boys in the Boat," directed by George Clooney.

• **Sound Bath Meditation.** Thursday, July 11 at 7:30 p.m. Bring a yoga mat and a small pillow. Space is limited. Preference to those who did not attend the previous sound bath in March.

• **Creative Aging Initiative - Memoir Writing.** Adults ages 55 and older on Fridays, July 12, 19 & 26, August 2, 16, 23 & 30 and September 6 at 10:30 a.m. No prior writing experience is necessary and all participants will receive a free writing journal.

## Lodi Memorial Library

**Lodi Memorial Library**, One Memorial Drive, Lodi, NJ 07644. 973-365-4044. <http://lodi.bccls.org/> Registration required for all programs unless stated.

• **Yoga.** July 2 – Yoga & Dance/Movement; July 9 – Yoga & Arthritis & Balance; July 16 – Yoga & Nutrition; and July 23 – Yoga & Essential Oils. Classes will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. You must reserve a spot for each session.

• **Tuesday Night Book Club.** Tuesday, July 9, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. July's book is "The Secret Life of Sunflowers" by Marta Molnar – 351 pages

• **Semi-Monthly Movie.** July movies will be "American Fiction" on July 17 at 1 p.m. and "The Boys in the Boat" on July 31 at 1 p.m.

• **Adult Crafts**  
July's craft will be mosaic coasters, Wednesday, July 24 at 1:30 p.m. Registration required.

• **Creative Writing Club.** Thursday, July 25, 1 p.m.

• **Zentangle Workshop**

• **Cook the Books! - Cookbook Club.** Wednesday, July 17 at 7 p.m. "Big Bites" by Kat Ashmore.

• **Plant Propagation Workshop.** July 18 at 7 p.m. Led by master gardener, Robyn Lowenthal. Bring gardening gloves.

• **Art in the Garden - Art Class.** Saturday, July 20 at 10 a.m. for a morning of nature and painting. Create a one-of-a-kind canvas art piece. Materials provided. Weather-permitting. Rain date Saturday, August 3 at 10 a.m.

• **Chinese Brush Painting.** 4-week Intro. Wednesday, July 24, Monday, July 29, Wednesday, August 7 & Monday, August 12 at 7 p.m. Learn to paint in the Chinese style using a bamboo brush, ink and rice paper. Materials supplied. Registration is required per class.

• **As the Page Turns - Adult Book Club.** Discuss "Symphony of Secrets" by Brendan Slocumb on Wednesday, July 31 at 7 p.m. New members are always welcome!

• **Storytime at the Library with Miss Tammy.** Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31 at 3:30 p.m. For ages 6 months to 5 years.

• **Music with Miss Nita at the Library.** Thursdays, July 11, 18, and 25 at 10:15 & 11 a.m. Babies, toddlers and preschool children. Register for each session.

Thursday, July 18, 6 p.m. Meditative drawing Absolutely no prior art experience is needed! Registration required.

• **Lodi Garden Club.** The Green Thumbs of Lodi Memorial Library and DPW is an intergenerational garden club meant to foster enrichment for all ages – from child to senior. All are welcome to join.

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

• **Kids Yoga.** Ages 4 to 10, Tuesday, July 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 2:15 to 3 p.m. Registration is required.

• **Chemical Wizardry.** Grades K-5, Wednesday, July 19 from 2 to 3 p.m. Join Dan "The Science Guy" for a fun interactive science program. Registration is required.

• **Art Project with Art-Kids Academy.** Grades K-3, Thursday July 18, 3 to 4 p.m. Join our favorite artist and create a special work of art. Registration is required.

• **Family Movie.** All ages.

• **Yoga Storytime with Miss Toni.** Toddlers and preschool children ages 18 months to 5 years old on Tuesday, July 9 and Tuesday, July 23 at 10:30 a.m.

• **Cookie Decorating Workshop - Ice Cream Cone!** Tweens and teens ages 10-14 years old, decorate cookies on Monday, July 8 at 6 p.m. Participants will decorate a three cookie ice cream cone with step-by-step instructions from Stephanie from Steph's Baking Boutique. All materials will be supplied.

• **Summer Afternoon Movie.** Children ages 6 to 14 years old enjoy a movie and a snack on Thursday, July 18 at 3:30 p.m. "Wish."

• **Summer Book Club.** Tweens and teens ages 9-14 years old! Discuss "Unplugged" by Gordon Korman on Monday, July 22 at 6:30 p.m. Pizza and soda.

• **Lego Club.** Children/tweens/teens ages 5-14 years old, build, create, explore and discuss all things Lego on Tuesday, July 30 at 3:30 p.m. Legos supplied.

• **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten.** An initiative to encourage families to read 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten. Reading together creates lifelong memories and helps develop pre-literacy skills. ###

Thursday, July 25 from 5 to 6:45 p.m. "Descendants 4 – Rise of Red." No registration necessary.

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

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

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

• **Grab & Go Craft.** Grades Pre K - 2. A new Grab & Go project will be available each Monday! While supplies last.

• **Legos.** – All ages. Tuesdays from 4 to 5 p.m.

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

## Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library

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

The Library's hours of operation are as follows: Mondays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesdays through Thursdays 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays closed July and August.

Return Library materials in the book box at the rear of the Municipal Building. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. Any child under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

The Library Board and Administration are asking for your support to help maintain the role of the Library for its traditional purpose (*to do homework, research, use of the computers, or reading*) after school.

• **Summer Reading program.** Children, tweens, and teens can read for prizes by registering and logging into <https://hhlibrary.readsquared.com> In addition, we'll have special adventure activities and programs all summer long so make sure to stop in!

• **Wreath-Making Group Meetings.** For the Friends' popular Wreath Raffle Fundraiser. Call 201-288-5371.

## CHILDREN

• **Zoophoria NJ: The Adventure Begins!** Thursday, July 18 at 6 p.m. The Zoophoria crew is back for an exotic animals + craft event! Hear about Samantha's rainforest adventures

• **BubbleMania.** Wednesday, July 24 at 6:30 p.m. High energy entertainment loaded with visual comedy, quick wit, big band swing music and the untamed, often unbelievable qualities and beauty of spherical liquids. For ages 5 and up.

• **Happy Birthday Harry Potter!** Wednesday, July 31 from 4 to 5 p.m. Celebrate "the boy who lived" on his birthday with crafts, trivia, cupcakes and more. Registration is required.

• **Saturday Story & Craft with the HH Junior Women's Club.** Monday, July 8, 11 a.m. All families are welcome. Registration is limited.

• **Game Lounge Tournaments:** Think you've got what it takes to be the best? Battle for bragging rights!  
- Super Smash Bros., Tuesday, July 9, 3:30 to 5 p.m. (*best for ages 8 and up*).

- Mario Kart, Thursday, July 25, 3:30 to 5 p.m. (*best for ages 6 and up*).

• **Lego Club.** Wednesdays, July 10 and 17 from 4 to 5 p.m.

• **All-Ages Fresh-Air Storytime.** Central Avenue Playground Thursday, July 11, Wednesday, July 17, Monday, July 22 all at 11 a.m. Stories, songs, bubbles, and more! Bring a blanket, mat, or chair for your child to sit on. Program subject to location change in case of inclement weather. Registration is required so we have a way to contact participants for updates.

• **Read-to-a-Dog.** Thursday, July 11, 6 to 7 p.m. Book lover, Oscar, is ready to listen! Emerging readers are encouraged to come and get some reading practice. Bring one of your favorite books or choose from ours.

• **Family Adventure Movie Series.** Friday, July 12, 3 p.m.: Night at the Museum (2006; rated PG). Thursday, July 25, 5:30 p.m.: Raiders of the Lost Ark (1981; rated PG) Popcorn provided.

• **Craft for Kids with the HHJWC.** Friday, July 19 at 4 p.m. Summertime craft. Best for children aged 5 and up. Registration is limited.

• **Evening Storytime.** Tuesday, July 30, 6 p.m. The whole family is welcome to wind down the day with an all-ages storytime.

## TWEENS & TEENS

• **Teen Book Club.** Monday, July 15, 2 p.m. Join us once-a-month for book chat, activities, snacks, and more. This month we're reading "Speak" by Laurie Halse Anderson.

• **Teen Book Club.** Tuesday, July 16 at 4 p.m. Now watch the movie! Enjoy snacks and discuss "Is the book "Speak" better than the movie? This month we're watching "Speak" (2004; rated PG-13).

## ADULTS

• **Friday Movie Matinee.** "Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle" (2017)(PG), July 19, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Refreshments.

• **Crafts-to-Share Club.** Tuesday, July 9, at 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 24, 1 to 3 p.m. In-person and on Zoom by request.

• **Adult Book Club.** 4th Tuesday of every month, In-Person & via Zoom at 7 p.m., July 23. "The Reading List" by Sara Nisha Adams.

• **English Conversation Practice Group.** Intermediate Level or above. No Drop-Ins. Must apply. Tuesdays 10 a.m. Saturday is on break.

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Summer hours: Monday-Wednesday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Saturdays in July and August. The following programs require registration. Visit [rutherfordlibrary.org/events](http://rutherfordlibrary.org/events)

• **The Summer Reading Program** is in full swing! Children and teens receive prizes for the books they read; and adults fill out a bingo card for reading, attending events, or using Library resources. Sign up today! (*Ends September 28*)

• **Friends of the Library "Friend"liest Pet Photo Contest.** Prizes to the top three pets. All Rutherford pets are welcome! Three ways to enter:

1) Tag [@rutherfordlibrary\\_friends](https://www.instagram.com/rutherfordlibrary_friends) in your pet photo on Facebook or Instagram

2) Email your pet photo to [FOL.Rutherford@gmail.com](mailto:FOL.Rutherford@gmail.com)

3) Drop off a photo at the Rutherford Library

**\*\*Make sure you include your pet's name/age/breed and your e-mail address and phone number with each pet entry. Must be a Rutherford resident to enter. Contest ends on August 31.**

*The following programs require registration. Visit [rutherfordlibrary.org/events](http://rutherfordlibrary.org/events) to sign up!*

• **The Declaration of Independence: America's Birth Certificate:** Revolutionary War historian, Joel Farkas, will present about the Declaration of Independence, including what shaped its creation and how it has stood the test of time. Tuesday, July 9, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

• **Rest and Renew (Virtual) Experience.** The transformative power of Yoga Nidra,

a practice renowned for its ability to calm the nervous system and induce deep relaxation. Sunday, July 14 at 7:30 p.m.

• **Kulture Kool Summer Camp** will present their theatrical production of "Madagascar Jr!" The past year's performances of their other shows have been amazing – try not to miss this. No registration required. Recommended for ages 4 and up. Friday, July 19 at 4 p.m.

• **Adult Craft: Quilling.** Quilling is an art form that uses strips of paper to make designs. Registration is required; adults only. Wednesday, July 24 at 6 p.m.

• **Robert Rivest**, comic mime, is a funny man who sees the world in a very funny way. He is known as the "human cartoon" because of his highly expressive face and flexible body. He combines classic mime artistry with hilarious character voices and humorous insights into everyday life. Join us for his performance on Monday, July 29 at 4 p.m. Recommended for ages 5-12, No registration required.

• **Summer Children's Author Talks (Virtual)** Tuesday, July 9 at 2 p.m.: Kate DiCamillo (PK-3rd Grade); Tuesday, July 16 at 2 p.m.: Max Brallier (3rd-6th Grade); Tuesday, July 23 at 2 p.m.: Elizabeth Acevedo (9th-12th Grade); Tuesday, July 30 at 2 p.m.: Dan Santat (5th-8th Grade).

This July we are featuring four amazing K-12 authors in our Online Author Talk series!

While these books are written for a K-12 audience, these talks are for the whole family.

Newbery Medal winning author Kate DiCamillo will take us to Deckawoo Drive with everyone's favorite adventure loving pig, Mercy Watson! New York Times bestselling author Max Brallier will talk to us about The Last Kids on Earth, both the book series and the animated series on Netflix. Elizabeth Acevedo will be teaching us about the

power of poetry in an exciting conversation about her National Book Award-winning and New York Times bestselling young adult novel-in-verse, The Poet X. And, we will close out the month with this year's winner of the National Book Award for Young People's Literature, Dan Santat, as he inspires tweens and teens to tell their own stories through graphic novels.

Each talk features the opportunity to participate in author Q&A or pre-submit questions during registration! And while best attended live, if you can't make it, register and receive a recording. (Great for teachers to use during the year!)

**Regular Features**

• **Monday Night Book Group** "The Returned" by Jason Mott, July 15 at 6:30 p.m.

• **Cook-a-Book Club.** Tuesday, July 2 at 6:30 p.m.

• **Spice Club** will cook with rosemary, Tuesday, July 16 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.

• **Read 'Em & Eat Book Club** will discuss "The Last Summer" at the Golden Hotel by Elyssa Friedland, Wednesday, July 31 at 5:30 p.m.

• **Story Time** with Miss Jane at 10:30 a.m. runs most Wednesdays. We also have adult crafts, children's crafts, music, and activities.

• **Every month**, we offer Teen Book Talk (July 31), teen crafts, Fantasy Map Makers, and Anime Club for teens.

• **Creativebug Live Craft Classes and How-to Videos.** Patrons can now access thousands of how-to videos for all crafts, live classes, and more at creativebug. Visit our website to get started.

• **Genealogy Resources.** In-library access to Ancestry.com, anywhere access to Heritage Quest and HeritageHub, which recently added searchable obituaries. Visit: <https://rutherfordlibrary.org/genealogy/> for old newspapers, local resources, land records, and more.

• **Virtual Mindfulness &**

**On-Demand Yoga** Miranda Lee of "Find That Pause" will lead virtual mindfulness sessions Fridays at 9:15 a.m. Enjoy yoga, meditation, and even story time 24/7, anywhere with an internet connection, via Bold Yoga and the Bendy Bookworm. This video database has classes for all ages, time frames, and experience levels. If interested, email [reference@rutherford.bccls.org](mailto:reference@rutherford.bccls.org) with your name and Library card number

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• **ESL In-Person and Virtual Classes.** ESL classes

will have a break from June 15 to July 15. In-person ESL meets on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Advanced ESL classes meet on Saturdays. Virtual ESL classes are held Mondays through Thursdays. Registration for in-person classes is required and must be done in person at the circulation desk.

• **Movie Night.** The Friends of the Library will show "Ordinary Angels" (Rated PG) on Tuesday, July 30 at 6 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

• **Tech Tutor.** Available by appointment for tech help or lessons. Fill out our online form or email: [marion.johnson@rutherford.bccls.org](mailto:marion.johnson@rutherford.bccls.org).

• Wireless printing, digital borrows, downloadable collections, museum passes, genealogy and financial research, and job and homework resources available. ###

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Little Ferry Free Public Library, 239 Liberty Street, Little Ferry, NJ 07643. 201-641-3721. [lifycirc@bccls.org](mailto:lifycirc@bccls.org) Hours: Monday through Wednesday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday, Friday 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

\* **Registration required.**

**Adult Programs**

• **Friday Afternoon at the Movies!** Noon. July 5 "Independence Day" (2004), July 12 "Casablanca" (1942), July 17 "Hidden Figures" (2016) July 24, "The Philadelphia Story" (1940). Adults only.

• **Adult Book Club.** Share your thoughts, opinions, and ideas with other book lovers regarding the latest thrilling read. July 8 at 2 p.m. (*book title to be announced*).

**Children's Programs**

• **Creative Kids with Sue.** \* July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 at 2 p.m. Ages 6 and up. Explore your day dreaming imagination by making fun and creative works of art such as jewelry design, tile art, make buttons, and much more!

• **3D Pen Craft with Cynthia.** \* July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 at

3 p.m. Ages 6 and up. Make amazing objects using a cool 3D pen every Tuesday with Ms. Cynthia!

• **Harry Potter Book Club.** \* July 3 at 3:30 p.m. Ages 8 and up. Discuss your favorite characters, spells, and magical creatures! Craft included!

• **Crafternoon with Olivia.** \* July 11, 18, 25 at 2 p.m. Ages 3 to 8. Exciting, colorful, and fun crafts she has to offer you!

• **Painting with Bee.** July 10, 17, 24 at 3:30 p.m. Ages 6 and up. Ms. Bee will skillfully teach you how to paint step by step in this special art program. Space will be limited.

• **Kid Movies!** July 11, 18, 25 at 4 p.m. All ages. Disney favorites. Snacks included! "Frozen," "Toy Story," "Finding Nemo," "The Kid Who Would Be King."

• **Puppet Play with Katie.** \* July 5, 12, 19, 26 at 3 p.m. for grades PreK and up. Learn through puppet play and hearing fun stories.

• **Free Ice Cream.** Residents only. July 29 at 3 p.m.

• **Dogman Book Club.** \* July 31 at 3:30. Ages 6 and up. Craft is included!

• **STEAM with Tina and Zinnia.** \* July 15 at 4 p.m. Learn by building a unique project. Taught by Bergen Academy and Applied Tech students. Learn and have fun at the same time! ###

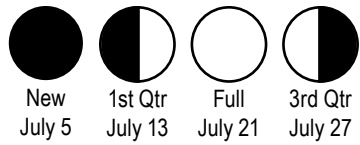
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### Full Buck Moon

July's full Moon is on Sunday, July 21, 2024 at 6:17 a.m.

According to the Farmer's Almanac, The full Moon in July is called the "Buck Moon" because the antlers of male deer (bucks) are in full-growth mode at this time, as fast at 1/4 inch per day or one and one-half inches per week.

The lengthening daylight in spring triggers the hormones that start the growth. Buck antlers can easily be spotted in full velvet come July. Unlike horns, antlers are bones made mostly of calcium and phosphorus that the deer shed after mating season. Buck antlers lose their velvety coating, usually within a 24-hour period, closer to mating season in fall.

Bucks shed and regrow their antlers each year, producing a larger and more impressive set as the years go by.

American Indians in Alaska, including the Haida and Tlingit dubbed the July full moon the "Salmon Moon" for its timing with salmon runs. The Wishram in the Pacific Northwest translates to "Salmon Go Up Rivers In A Group." (*Salmon migrate up rivers to spawn from spring through fall.*) The sockeye salmon run typically begins in July and can last through October.

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

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

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

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

## BBQ Grill Safety

The backyard barbecue is a summer tradition enjoyed by many Hasbrouck Heights residents. The Fire Department urges outdoor chefs to be cautious when cooking outdoors.

Keep a fire extinguisher handy. Grills should not be placed next to your home's wall, underneath porches or overhangs, and never indoors.

Be sure to monitor active grills. Wear protective mitts or gloves while barbecuing.

Do not store gasoline or other flammable substances in the grill's vicinity.

Never move a grill or cover a grill if it is still hot. Always keep curious children away from hot grills. When a gas grill is not in use, remove control knobs and store them inside, away from children.

Lighting a charcoal grill requires caution. Use only the appropriate amount of lighter fluid, and NEVER substitute gasoline, kerosene or other flammable liquids for lighter fluid.

Adding starter fluid after the grill fire has been ignited is extremely hazardous as flames may jump out.

Charcoals should be left to burn out in your grill. Do not dispose of charcoals in trash cans or bring them indoors. Soak coals in water to ensure they are out.

Routinely clean ashes from the grill and inspect for holes or loose fittings.

Lighter fluids and "quick-start" charcoal should be stored outside and away from the home.

Gas grills should be cleaned at least once each season. Spiders often make their homes inside the components, and their webs can block off gas intake and damage your grill.

Use only a gas cylinder designed to store propane and only use a reputable propane

supplier to fill it. If a new cylinder is being filled for the first time, tell your supplier so air can be removed.

Most gas grill accidents are caused when propane tanks are hooked up incorrectly. Make sure the cylinder is equipped with an OPD (Over-Pressure Device). When changing propane cylinders, test the connection for leaks with soapy water and tighten as necessary.

Propane gas is odorless. A "rotten egg" odor is put into the gas so that it's easy to detect if a leak occurs.

If you smell the "rotten egg" odor near or around your propane gas cylinder, immediately contact the Fire Department.

When not in use, keep the valve tightly closed and plugged with the "POL" left handed thread plug. This will seal the propane gas cylinder and help prevent leaks if the service valve is accidentally opened.

Never store propane gas cylinders inside an enclosed structure -- store and use outdoors only.

Handle cylinders gently -- dents, gouges and rust can weaken cylinders.

Always keep cylinders upright and, when transporting, secure it in position. Keep your vehicle well ventilated when transporting cylinders.

Don't leave cylinder in a vehicle -- sitting in a hot vehicle can cause the safety relief valve to discharge gas!

No propane gas cylinder should be scrapped, destroyed, cut with a torch, punctured or have the service valve removed by the public.

Disposal in the municipal solid waste stream is prohibited. Hasbrouck Heights no longer accepts propane cylinders for disposal and/or recycling. ###

## Summer of Arts

Care on the Corner announced their Summer of ARTS! For three weeks in August, we will be offering a week of each: NewARTS, a Dance Workshop and Kids on the Corner.

• **NewARTS**, under the direction of Debra M. Cook, is offering a new workshop, Creating Magical Gardens. Kids from 5 to 11 year olds are invited to create their own Magical Garden. Everything needed to create a Magical Garden is included in the fee of \$30 per child. NewARTS Kids provides all materials: containers, rocks, miniature accessories (*dragons, unicorns, etc.*), soil, small plants, landscape and ground cover materials. The fee for this workshop is \$30 which covers all materials.

Join us on Wednesday, July 31, 2024: 5 to 8 year olds meet at 10 to 11 a.m., 8 to 11 year olds meet at 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Both groups will meet at the Care Center at 333 Franklin Ave., Hasbrouck Heights. The classes feature painting magical creatures on t-shirts, learning to draw cartoon characters in their own sketch books which the kids will be bringing home, and painting with glow in the dark paints. There is an \$80 fee for these classes.

• **The Dance Workshop**

will meet 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Monday, August 12 through Thursday, August 15 at the Parish Hall of Christ Church, 251 State Street, Hackensack. The workshop will be under the direction of Emily Beets. Emily comes to us from theatreMAMA, New York, NY. She has experience in teaching performing arts classes as well as dance. The kids, from 8-year-olds through 11-year-olds will learn a different style of dance each day. The fee for this workshop is \$50.

• **Kids on the Corner Summer Theater Workshop**, a Performing Arts Program, is for kids in Grades 1 to 7. This session marks the 45th production of Kids on the Corner. The Performing Arts Workshop will meet Monday – Thursday, August 19 through August 22 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Under the direction of Jennifer Ashline, the group will present Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Ghostbusters. All are welcome to come out and see the production on Thursday, August 22 at 7 p.m. The group meets at the Care Center, 333 Franklin Ave. Hasbrouck Heights. There is a \$50 fee for this workshop.

For registration and information call Carol at 201-288-9460. ###

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## Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful

Project "Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful" celebrated its 24th year on Sunday, June 2, 2024, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Over 150 volunteers participated.

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

levard, C.E. Doyle School and the Bianchi House historical property.

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

This year's 2024 tee shirt art design contest was offered to students in Grades 6-8 with the winner, Ms. Sonia Bazzarelli, receiving a check for \$100 at the day's event, compliments

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

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

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

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

*Provided by Wood-Ridge Council President Ezio Altamura and former Councilman Ed Marino, Co-Chairmen, KWRB. Selected photos by Angelo Urato. ###*



## HH Leisure Club News, Paint the Town

On June 12, 2024, The Leisure Club of Hasbrouck Heights held its monthly meeting. 85 Members were in attendance.

The program for the afternoon was Bergen Senior Services. Each member was provided a bag with information about programs that some seniors might not know exist. Everything was reviewed and questions answered.

Everyone enjoyed pizza and cookies provided by the

Club. This was the Club's last meeting before the Summer break.

The "Paint the Town" event was held on Tuesday, the day before the meeting. There were 15 members and family who joined the event. The instructor was great and guided everyone through the steps. As you can see from the picture, everyone had a different perspective. All in all it was a great event.

On Wednesday, October 16, 2024, the members will

be attending a production of Daniel at the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA. The cost for members is \$90 pp and non-members \$105 pp. The trip will be about three hour, leaving at 9 a.m. and returning after 5 p.m. Lunch will be on your own at Maple Shade. You must be able to climb a few stairs, there is an elevator to the mezzanine. Do not miss out as there is only a numbered amount of tickets. Please send your check made out to The Leisure Club

of Hasbrouck Heights, to Fran Visco, 42 Kipp Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604.

When we reconvene in September, our program presenter will be Pat Schuber with the topic "History of Presidential Inaugurations. So do not miss it on September 11th, which just happens to be Patriot Day.

Also, our Christmas Party plans are complete. The event is to be held at The Fiesta in Wood

Ridge on December 4th and tickets are on sale. The price is \$60 members and \$65 non-members. Any questions about the meetings or trips contact [cynthiasonzogni@gmail.com](mailto:cynthiasonzogni@gmail.com) or 201-288-1125

We have some exciting plans for the fall. I hope that you join us and see what we are all about. Have a great summer, and we will see you in the fall. *Provided by Cynthia Sonzogni. ###*



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## Lodi Fire Draws Mutual Aid; Seriously Injured Firefighter Rescued

On Friday, June 14, at about 7 p.m., the Lodi Volunteer Fire Department was dispatched to the area of Union Street for a reported apartment fire. At the same time, a second call came in for reported heavy black smoke in the backyard of a home at Lawrence Avenue.

Assistant Chief Garzon arrived on scene confirming both calls were related, with the corrected location on Union Street, with an apartment/garage in the back of the home.

Heavy smoke showing and notified Fire Command of a working fire. The assignment brought mutual aid from Wallington, Hasbrouck Heights, Rochelle Park and Garfield to the scene.

The fire apparently ignited in the attached garage and quickly blew through the roof.

Engine 615 arrived shortly after and stretched a 1 3/4" attack line to the rear while a 3-inch line was stretched down a long driveway to the fire.

Engine 612 assisted with more lines into operation. Conditions deteriorated and companies were evacuated from the building as heavy fire vented through the roof. Handlines were withdrawn and went into exterior operation. The home had an inground pool that was limited operations.

While this was going on, a Hasbrouck Heights firefighter ran out of air and became disoriented. He had to be rescued out of a window by Lodi and Hasbrouck Heights firefighters with a ground ladder. He was transported to Hackensack University Medical Center's trauma unit. A number of

people, including another firefighter, were brought to the hospital or treated at the scene.

Due to deteriorating conditions, firefighters once again had to withdraw from the structure. Once the heavy fire was knocked down, companies re-entered the building to fully knock down the remaining fire and started overhaul operations. Crews operated on scene for about 3 hours before fire was declared under control by Chief Minnella.

Mutual aid from Wood-Ridge, Maywood and Saddle Brook covered at fire headquarters. Also assisting on scene was Bergen County EMS and County Wide Rehab Unit. The fire is currently under investigation by Lodi Fire Prevention Bureau. *Provided by Damien Danis. ###*



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