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## **MEMORIAL DAY VETERAN GRAVE FLAG PLANTING MAY 27TH**

The public is invited to join Veterans from VFW Post 2230 and scout troops for an annual tradition of walking through Graceland Memorial Park Cemetery in Kenilworth, NJ to find headstones of veterans and plant a flag at the grave to commemorate Memorial Day. This very touching event begins with a breakfast assembly at the Kenilworth VFW Hall at 8 a.m. on Saturday May 27th. Refreshments are served at the VFW afterwards for all workers. No preregistration is required. The VFW organizes the event along with the American Legion, Sons of the VFW and the Ladies Auxiliary.

Mass at St. Theresa Church, Sunday, May 28th

The public is invited to attend mass at 9 a.m. in honor of all veterans.

#### **MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES, MONDAY, 29TH**

The public is invited to attend a ceremony honoring all veterans at 11 A.M. at the Kenilworth Veterans' Center, S. 21st Street., Kenilworth, NJ. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

There is no registration required for these events. For more information please call the Kenilworth Veterans Center at 908-276-9769.



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## **KENILWORTH ROTARY CLUB CASINO NIGHT JUNE 2, 2017**

The Rotary Club of Kenilworth sponsors an annual Casino Night to benefit local students. This spring's fundraiser will take place at the Kenilworth VFW, 33 S. 21st Street, Kenilworth, NJ on Friday, June 2 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25 in advance, or \$30 at the door, and will entitle each person to \$100 in casino chips and as well as to refreshments.

Proceeds from this fundraiser will give Kenilworth students the opportunity to qualify for one of two programs "Send Our Children to Summer Camp" or the "Kenilworth Scholarship Program". The summer camp program is offered to 5th - 8th grade students, whose families cannot afford the cost of sending their children to summer camp. The Scholarship program provides financial help to Kenilworth's high school seniors planning to attend college.

Members of Kenilworth's Rotary Club are currently requesting contributions from local businesses, residents and organizations that can assist in the success of Casino Night. All prizes in the event will be from donations and/or monetary contributions from locals to assist in putting the fundraiser together. Tricky- tray prizes will be awarded during the final hour. All sponsors are cordially invited to attend.

If you wish to contribute to this event by sponsoring a table at Casino Night, donating a tricky-tray prize, and/or attending the Casino Night fundraiser please contact;

Club President, Ceu Manata at 908-400-5033 or Email. sign.seal.deliver@hotmail.com,

Club Treasurer, Mary E. Orella at 908-687-4443 or email at meorella@aol.com. or

Club Member, Terry Zuckerman call 908-272-5550 or email, Terry@pollackzuckerman.com.

You may also contact Club Secretary, Charles Biancosino at 732-259-9624 or e-mail at cbiancosino@gmail.com.

Established in 1948, the Kenilworth Rotary Club has been an active service organization, helping local schools, the Kenilworth community and national organizations for nearly 70 years.

The club meets each Wednesday at Rinaldi's (24 North 20th Street in Kenilworth) from 12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Please visit www.kenilworthnjrotary.org for more Kenilworth Rotary Club information. On behalf of Kenilworth Rotary, we thank you in advance for helping in any way possible.

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### **MEMO FROM THE MAYOR**



Kenilworthians, It looks like the warmer is weather is finally here to stay. And with the nicer weather, keep in mind that more people will be out and about in the borough. Please keep a sharp eye when driving and remember when people are crossing the Boulevard, pedestrians have the right of way. To everyone out there walking, biking and enjoying the outside please remember just because you see a driver, doesn't mean they see you! Always look both ways and cross at the designated cross walks.

I had the honor of being a part of the Annual Little League/Softball parade last month. Thank you to the countless volunteers, Moms, Dads and coaches who not only organized the event but got the field baseball ready for the upcoming season. Your hard work shows not only on the field, but on all the smiling young faces. It took me back to a long time ago when it was me and my friends marching! I also was able to attend the Annual Recreation Easter egg hunt, again thank you to everyone who came out to set up Dimario Park for the kids, there is nothing more nerve wracking than seeing a bunch of kids scrambling for eggs. A big thank you to the KPD and KFD for being at both events to make it safe and add to the festive occasions.

This is also a repeat from last month, but one I think is worth writing again. Kenilworth utilizes the Swift 911 system to get information via landline phone or to cell phones if you wish. Sign up is free and is located on our Kenilworth Borough website. Our goal is to get everyone signed up and we have information and a sign-up center at the Seniors Center as well as the Public Library so we can help those who might be confused as how to do it. In times of crisis, the ability to get information quickly and accurately is imperative and this system allows the authorities to reach as many people as possible.

Here are some important events and dates for Kenilworth on the Calendar for the Month of April:

May 20: The David Brearley Middle School PTO is having a Laser Tag from 9 am to 7 pm at Dimario Field ages 7 and up. Advanced purchasing is available for \$15, at the gate it's \$20. Tickets can be purchased at Hollywood Bridal, Especially Yours Florist or the Kenilworth Diner. For more information or to purchase tickets you can also email Ptolasertag@gmail.com.

May 21: The Kenilworth Car Show and Street Fair from 10 am to 4 pm, Rain or Shine.

May 29: Memorial Day is observed. A day of remembrance of our fallen serving in the armed services. The freedoms you enjoy day were paid for with their lives. When you see a Vet take to the time to thank them for their service.

As always visit our website at www.kenilworthborough.org for more details about these events and more.

In closing, please stay safe out there, stay alert. Kenilworth's strength is our community spirit, we all need each other.

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Mayor Anthony DuLuca



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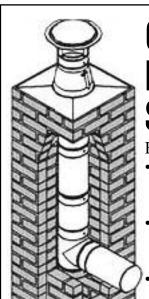


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The Kenilworth Board of Education will be conducting a re-registration of all students presently enrolled in odd-numbered grades at Harding Elementary School and David Brearley Middle- High School. Parents with children enrolled in any of the following grades, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, or 11, must re-register their children at the Harding School Gymnasium on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 from 2:00-6:00 PM and Wednesday, June 7, 2017 from 4:00-7:00 PM.

This re-registration process will provide parents with the opportunity to update all student information for accuracy and ensure all children presently enrolled in the school district are legal residents of Kenilworth and entitled to a free public education. With the rising costs of educating a child today, the Board of Education wants to ensure that Kenilworth taxpayers are paying for residents' children only. Students not re-registered in June will not be permitted to attend school in September until re-registration is completed.

This is a mandatory re-registration. If the student is not re-registered, he or she will not be permitted to attend school in September.

The following documents must be brought to the Harding School Gymnasium on the day of re-registration. The original document and a copy from each category below must be provided. All documents from Categories I, II, and III must be dated from April or May of 2017. Information and re-registration forms are available at www.KenilworthSchools.com.

#### Category I - Must have one of the following:

- 1. Current Property Tax Bill
- 2. Current Mortgage Statement
- 3. Current Lease Agreement

#### Category II - Must have one of the following:

- 1. Current Utility Bill of Residence
  - a. Gas
  - b. Phone
  - c. Electric
  - d. Cable

#### Category III - Must have one of the following:

- 1. Current Financial Account Statement
- 2. Current Pay Stub with Address
- 3. Current State Agency Document

#### Category IV- If applicable, bring the following:

- 1. Proof of Guardianship
  - a. Court Order
  - b. State Agency Placement Form

Re-Registration
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Wednesday, June 7, 2017
from 4:00-7:00pm

Questions concerning re-registration may be e-mailed to the building-level administrators. Harding Elementary School:

Kathleen\_Murphy@KenilworthSchools.com, and Brearley Middle-High School: Brian Luciani@KenilworthSchools.com



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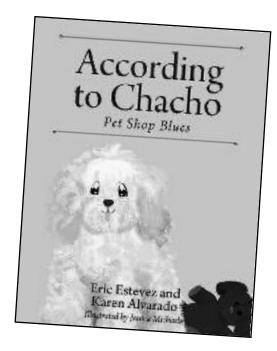
The Kenilworth Public Library will offer children and their families an opportunity to listen to the story, According To Chacho Pet Shop Blues read by author Eric Estevez on Thursday, May 11 at 6:30 - 7:00pm.

About the Book: America's newest and lovable miniature poodle. Chacho is waiting for his new family to adopt him from the Miami Pet Shop. As the day grows older, Chacho wonders if he will finally meet them or will have to wait for another day. Follow Chacho as you get a peek into his thoughts, fears, and desires. You will instantly fall in love with this new modern-day children's book pet.

About the Author: Eric Estevez and Karen Alvarado, a couple of 15 years, wanted to share the story of their ten year old miniature poodle, Chacho. Chacho has seen the family grow, and has played an important role in their lives.

This program will take place during the regularly scheduled PJ Story Time for children ages 3 and up.

Registration is required. Kenilworth residents may begin to register for this program on Thursday, May 4. Out of town residents may begin to register on Tuesday, May 9. To register call the library at 908-276-2451 or visit 548 Boulevard.



#### STORY TIME PROGRAM FOR AGES BIRTH TO 3 YEARS OLD

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The Kenilworth Public Library will present a Support Coordinator Monica Anderson will provide information and materials about the N.J. Early Intervention System offered to eligible children and their families.

> Registration is required, and begins on Thursday, May 11.

> Registration is open to both Kenilworth residents and out of town residents.



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Instructor Brittany

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(above) Physical Education Instructor, Brittany Dvorscak-Persaud with winners. Winners for Jr Division Girls: First Place-Abigail Han grade 3; Second Place-Kaitlyn Phillips grade 5; Third Place - Madalena Benegas grade 4. Boys First Place-Ryan Williams grade 3; Second Place- Andrew Miller grade 4; Third Place- Brandon Lissade grade 3 Winners for Senior Division Girls First Place- Sydney Phillips grade 7; Second Place- Klarisse Rivera grade 8; Third Place - Grace Williams grade 6; Boys First Place- Andre Lissinna grade 8; Second Place - Jake Zawacki grade 6; Third Place- Ethan Veloso grade 7

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## WHAT, WHERE, AND WHEN IN OLD KENILWORTH – MCKINLEY SCHOOL



Historian and author Walter E. Boright, Ed.D.

The old McKinley School was located on the northwest corner of the Boulevard and 18th St. when Kenilworth was part of New Orange. New Orange was created in 1894 when the New Orange Industrial Association bought up farms in parts of Cranford and Union to create their envisioned

city of New Orange from which Kenilworth was carved in 1907.

With the surge of building here in 1898-1899, parents clamored to have a school. When Upsala College moved from an old farmhouse on the Boulevard to the top of N. 21st St., the Upsala chapel next door to the farmhouse was pressed into service as a school house for primary grades. Older elementary children walked to the old Grant School in Cranford.

Residents called the chapel "deplorable" and demanded that Cranford build a school here in the Cranford section of New Orange. In 1902 a five-

room, two-story school was erected by Cranford. That year the school was named the McKinley School. When Kenilworth became independent in 1907 some of the costs to build the school had to be repaid to Cranford.

Kenilworth grew; the school became overcrowded. The kindergarten was moved out. In 1915, with much fanfare, a two-story, four-room rear addition was dedicated. By the early 1920s its outhouses gave way to indoor lavatories with plumbing. Still more homes and more pupils came. This required the nine-room Harding School to be built next door. It opened in 1923.

Over the decades, Harding School received more additions. Concerns about the wood-frame McKinley School and other shortcomings led to a final Harding School addition to replace the McKinley School. When that addition was finished, McKinley School was torn down in 1964.

Research and 1963 photo of McKinley School provided by Walter E. Boright, Ed. D., historian, and Historic Signs, Inc. Persons with inquiries about this or other aspects of Kenilworth history may contact Dr. Boright at drbori@aol.com or 908-256-5200.



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(above) Teachers, Mrs. Gibbons, Ms. Spampinato and Mrs. Marranca.

## **BREARLEY STUDENTS SUPPORT OUR TROOPS**

As a community, Kenilworth has a long standing tradition of military service. In the past four years, over 20 students from David Brearley High school have joined the United States Armed Forces. Teaming up with the Kenilworth VFW, students in both the United States History II and Global Studies classes, together with their teachers', Mrs. Gibbons, Ms. Spampinato and Mrs. Marranca, collected various items to be donated to troops currently serving in our active military forces. In addition to donating items, the students in these classes wrote letters thanking the troops for their service and dedication to our country. These letters were sent to them in the boxes of various items. The students collected

these items in January 2017. The boxes were sent overseas to a troop that the Kenilworth VFW adopted. The troop that received the boxes was actually one of our Brearley graduates from 2004, Jennifer Johnson. They enjoyed receiving the various items and loved reading all the letters from the students.

This is such a wonderful thing that the students do every year. The teachers, Mrs. Gibbons, Ms. Spampinato and Mrs. Marranca are to be commended for teaching them about our veterans and our troops serving now.

Keep up the good work. The Kenilworth VFW and our troops thank you from the bottom of their hearts.











## **WINE TASTING EVENT TO BENEFIT BOY SCOUTS**

The Boy Scouts of America, Patriots' Path Council will be holding a Riedel Wine Tasting event on Wednesday, May 24th at Alfies Ristorante in Warren at 6:30pm. Guests will sample great wine using Riedel Wine glasses, learn more about the wines, how to pour them, the effect wine glasses have and how to improve the overall enjoyment of wine. The ticket price of \$150 includes hors d'oeuvres, four glasses of red and white wine rated at 90 points or better on the Wine Spectator List, four course meal,

home. All guests must be 21 years or older to attend. The event is being co-hosted by community members and Scouting volunteers, Karen and Michael Cantone of Warren.

The proceeds of this event provide the necessary funds send underprivileged youth to four of our camps in New Jersey and New York State. Over 4,000 youth are served in this program, and a total of 16,000 youth served in traditional Scouting in our area. Most recently the

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> The RSVP deadline is Wednesday, May 17, 2017. Registration required at www.ppcbsa.org/give/special-events.



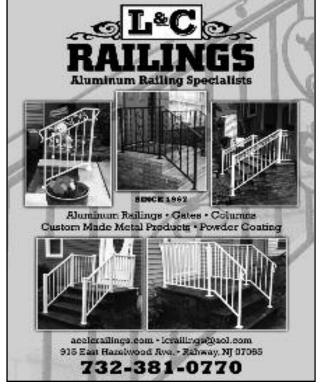


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Kenilworth's Street Fair held in May last year. The event was a huge success on this beautiful spring day as the Boulevard was transformed into a giant block party. It featured over 200 quality exhibitors; local merchants and organizations that came out to join us.

The kids enjoyed all the rides including climbing on the Rock Wall. They rode the ponies and were had fun with the animals in the petting zoo. Everyone enjoyed the slot car races and shooting the paintball guns in the Gallery.

The wide variety of food vendors was a big hit serving everything from sausage & peppers, pulled pork, Italian hot dogs, zeppolle, shish kabobs, ice cream, and more. This year the event will feature many gourmet food trucks.

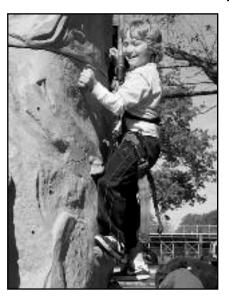
This year's event will again feature a car show of classic car show & modern muscle cars held

Thousands of visitors came out for the Annual in front of Harding School (Enter from Boulevard & North 14th St.) Registration Fee -- Day of Show = \$10 (Includes door prize ticket). Cars must be registered by 1:00 p.m. to be judged. Trophies for Winners! \*DJ Entertainment\* All proceeds go to Pride in Kenilworth Committee / Contact: (908)-276-9090 for information.

> JC Promotions, Inc., the event producers are seeking local talent for the 2017 Kenilworth fair scheduled for May 21. They are planning to have a 2nd entertainment area where performers from the local area will have the opportunity to showcase their talents. Please contact the event producers 201.998.6311 at events@jcpromotions.info.

> Thank you to the Borough of Kenilworth for hosting this annual community event. This is event is produced by JC Promotions, Inc. www.jcpromotions.info.

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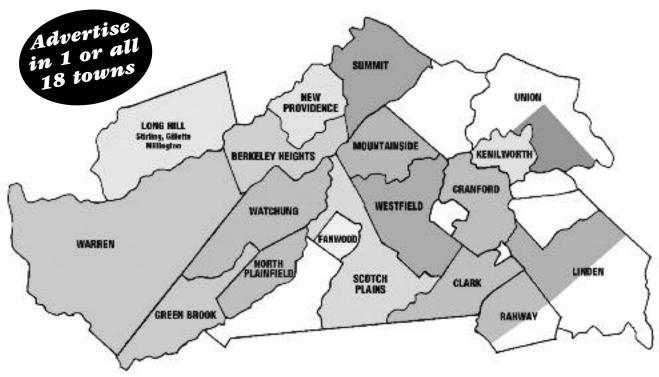
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> The event starts on June 10th at 6 pm, and ends on June 11th at 6 am.

Founded by Dr. Gordy Klatt in Washington in 1985, the Relay For Life movement is the world's largest fundraising event to save lives from cancer. Uniting communities across the globe, we celebrate people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and take action for lifesaving change. During Relay For Life events, members of each team take turns walking or running around the track or path. Teams participate in fundraising in the months

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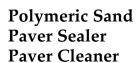
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