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The school will offer several free classes including a demonstration of hard and soft-shoe dancing, a trial class for prospective new students and a discussion with parents on September 6th, 7th and 8th at 6 pm. Classes are open to boys and girls ages 2.5 to 18.

Classes will be taught by Amy Siegel Loxley of Bridgewater, formerly of Warren. Amy graduated from Watchung Hills Regional in 1997. Her parents still live in Warren and her father, Alan A. Siegel, is the Planning Board attorney. Amy is a World Champion Irish Dancer and former cast member of "Riverdance the Show" and "Riverdance on Broadway." Ms. Siegel Loxley, one the few American women to have won the World Championships of Irish Dance, has performed in countless cities across the United States and Canada. She studied Irish dance under the tutelage of Peter Smith for 18 years before passing her Irish Dance Teacher's and Adjudicator's Exams in 2001 and 2009 respectively.

Heritage Irish Dance Company dancers have performed at Radio City Music Hall, Carnegie Hall, The New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark, Rutgers Athletic Center, The Prudential Center, Madison Square Garden and at countless local venues.

After winning the All-Ireland and North American Championships, Heritage Irish Dance Company alumna and assistant teacher, Sarah Oldam, is currently touring with "Riverdance." Each year Heritage Irish Dance Company sends between 15 and 20 dancers to Ireland or Scotland to compete in the World Championships of Irish Dance.

Irish dance is a cultural art form made popular by such long-running shows as "Riverdance" and "Lord of the Dance." As well as being enjoyable, Irish dancing is a way for young people to make friends, keep fit and learn about Irish culture. "Organized physical activity has been shown to be an important part of every child's social, intellectual and physical development," said instructor Loxley. "Boys and girls who take



(above) Amy Siegel Loxley, with champion student and assistant teacher, Sarah Oldam.



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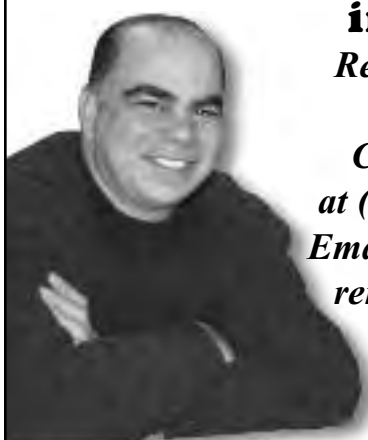
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AUGUST 16TH IS NAMED ANN LAHOFF DAY

Anne LaHoff, a former dance teacher who once danced with Fred Astaire, celebrated her 101st birthday at The Chelsea at Warren surrounded by friends and family, on Wednesday, August 16, 2017.

Warren Mayor Carolann Garafola read a proclamation honoring Mrs. LaHoff and naming August 16th Ann LaHoff day in Warren.

Mrs. LaHoff, who was born in Jersey City and later moved to North Arlington, was a career employee of RCA in Harrison where she

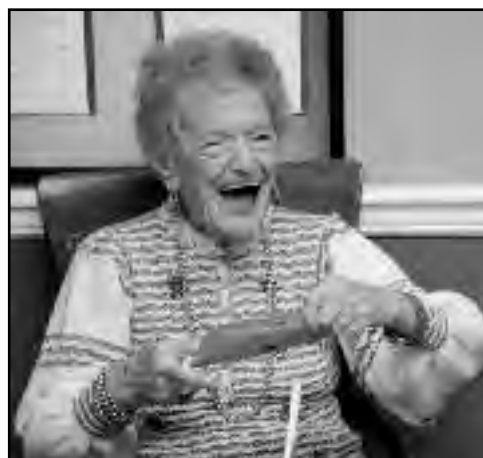
supervised the manufacture of vacuum tubes. The highlight of her second career as a ballroom dance instructor came in 1949 when she won the Viennese Waltz portion of the Harvest Moon Dance competition in New York. The prize was a dance with legendary performer Fred Astaire. "Fred Astaire was a good dancer," recalled Mrs. LaHoff, "but not as good as my husband." Mrs. LaHoff was joined at her Chelsea birthday party by her many Chelsea friends, her nephew Michael Miller of Oradell and his wife Elaine.



(above) Ann LaHoff with Mayor Carolann Garafola.



(above) Ann, Mayor Garafola, Mayor's aide Jodi Hadam, Michael Miller and wife Elaine Miller (far left).



(right Mrs. LaHoff demonstrates a dance step with nephew Michael Miller.



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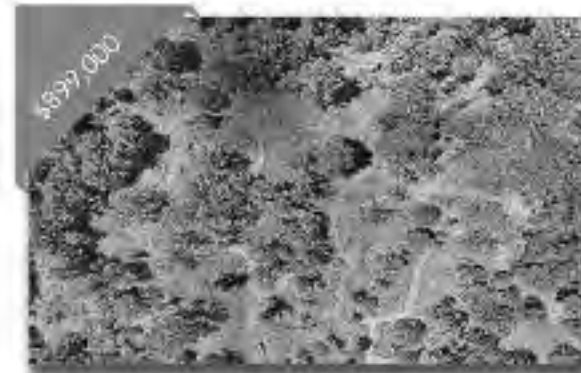
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MT. HOREB SCHOOL SERVES AS WAY STATION FOR YOUNG MUSICIANS

If you happened to be driving past Mt. Horeb School in the predawn hours of Wed, Aug. 2, you may have wondered aloud as a huge caravan of buses and trucks arrived, with weary teens and adults filing out onto the elementary campus normally so quiet during these dog days of summer.

The convoy belongs to The Cadets, one of the world’s oldest continually operating drum and bugle corps. The group of about 150 young adults and 30 staff members and volunteers stopped in Warren at Mt. Horeb School for some much needed rest before moving onto their next competitive performance in Clifton.

“Oh boy,” says Kevin Carlsen, a 20-year-old trumpet player from Mechanicsville, Pennsylvania, when asked to how many states over how many days the corps has travelled. “It’s about 17 states in 85 days.”

The Cadets are one of about 45 drum corps who tour the country each summer, performing nightly in stadiums across the United States. Each corps is made up of brass musicians, percussionists, and a color guard. The group travels as a self-contained unit with tour buses, equipment trailers, a mobile kitchen, instructional staff and a team of parent volunteers.

“Every day I wake up and think ‘where are we?’” says 18-year-old Amelia Wang, a color guard member from Chapel Hill, North Carolina. “It’s intense, but it’s a lot of fun.”

Typically, a drum corps like this spends overnights between performances in high schools

where members have access to showers and rehearsal facilities. On this particular drive up from a late performance in Annapolis, Maryland, however, this group just needed a place to lay their heads for several hours.

Warren Township Schools Superintendent Dr. Matthew Mingle, Business Administrator Patricia Leonhardt, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor Michael Pate and Mt. Horeb Head Custodian Luis Marciscano and his crew worked together to make sure all was in order for the unique visit.

“It is wonderful to be able to support a group of dedicated young people. The level of drive and determination it takes to persevere through the challenges of a summer drum corps season prepares participating students to become leaders in the future,” says Mingle, who played trumpet in the Crossmen, a drum and bugle corps now based out of San Antonio, Texas and who spent a summer working in support of The Cadets and Crossmen while they were on the road.

An advance team member arrived at Mt. Horeb shortly after midnight on Aug. 2 to tour the school and prepare for the corps’ arrival. At about 5 a.m., the buses and trucks pulled in. Each young musician and adult staff/volunteer set up his/her own air mattress in the gymnasium, all purpose room or library and promptly went to sleep. Wake-up call was at 9:00 a.m. and by 10:30 a.m., the group was packed and on the road to Clifton, leaving the school as spotless as it was before their arrival.

“The members of The Cadets could not have

been more appreciative of their time in Warren. One young man took the time to track down our custodial staff to tell them that Mt. Horeb was the cleanest school the corps has stayed in all summer,” says Mingle. “Knowing how much pride our staff puts into maintaining our facilities, this was the ultimate compliment and reflects positively on the entire Warren Township Schools community.”

The Cadets range in age from 14 to 21. Most hail from the mid-Atlantic region but others come from as far as Texas and even Germany. Each year, roughly 750 musicians audition for one of the 150 coveted spots with the drum corps. This year’s team auditioned last winter and held monthly rehearsals and training into June before taking the show on the road. They’ve performed in Texas, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Arkansas, Florida, Ohio and many more states, ending the season in mid-August with a national competition in Indianapolis, Indiana.

“Every year is different... the students, the music,” says George Hopkins, CEO & Executive Director of Youth Education in the Arts, the non-profit organization that runs The Cadets and other performing arts teams. “Two nights ago we had a standing ovation.”

“Each show is a way for us to make it our best show,” adds trumpeter Kevin Carlsen. “The show we had in May, for example, is nothing like the show we’ll have today.”

For more information on The Cadets and Youth Education in the Arts, visit www.yea.org.

MOVING WITH YOUR CHILDREN OUT-OF-STATE AFTER A DIVORCE

By: James McGlew II, Esq.

One of the most contentious issues faced by many divorced parents has always been whether the custodial parent has the right to relocate with the parties’ children out of state. In an increasingly mobile society this has become an issue for many parents. Often custodial parents decide that they cannot continue to reside in New Jersey. They need to explore job opportunities in other states and/or move back to a state where they were raised and may have a family-type support system in place. They may have started a relationship with someone who resides out-of-state or may be contemplating marriage with that person who has an established career in another state. For years, the custodial parent could not permanently remove the children from the state of New Jersey without the written consent of the other party or a court Order. If there was no agreement, the party wishing to move would petition the court for permission. Over the past several decades the standard our Courts have used to make this determination has evolved. For more than 15 years, the standard has been that the prospect of moving the children out of state would be granted unless it was "inimical to the child's interest."

Last month, the New Jersey Supreme Court changed the standard that lower courts are to utilize when determining whether or not a custodial parent may relocate the children out of New Jersey. It was also determined that this new standard would apply whether or not the party seeking to move has been the child’s primary residential parent. This ruling represents a significant departure from existing law by changing the standard a court is obligated to interpret. It also gives the noncustodial parent considerably more input and seeks to protect the rights of both parents.

When examining the issue of relocation our courts are now charged with determining whether there is "cause" (to be interpreted under the existing statute) to authorize a child’s relocation out of New Jersey. To do so, courts are now obligated to weigh many factors including, but not limited to: “the parents’ ability to agree, to communicate and cooperate in matters relating to the child; the parents’ willingness to accept custody and any history of unwillingness to allow parenting time not based on substantiated abuse; the interaction and relationship of the child with its parents and siblings; the history of domestic violence, if any; the safety of the child and the safety of either parent from

physical abuse by the other parent; the preferences of the child when of sufficient age and capacity to reason so as to form an intelligent decision; the needs of the child; the stability of the home environment offered; the quality and continuity of the child’s education; the fitness of the parents’ homes; the extent and quality of the time spent with the child prior to or subsequent to the separation; the parents’ employment responsibilities; and the age and number of children.”

The court found that such a showing of "cause" was required "to preserve the rights of the noncustodial parent and the child to maintain and develop their familial relationship." Furthermore, in making the determination of "cause" the court must examine the custodial parent’s interest in freedom of movement as qualified by his or her custodial obligation, the State’s interest in protecting the best interests of the child, and the competing interests of the noncustodial parent."

In conducting their best interest analysis, the Supreme Court has directed the lower courts to consider the position of the parent of primary residence who might have important insights about the current and proposed arrangement that will most effectively serve the child. Of similar importance is the input of the parent of alternate residence who may similarly offer significant information about the child. The court also stated that the views of other adults who have significant relationships with the child may also lend assistance to the Court in making its determination. Lower courts were instructed to consider all of the above in addition to other evidence including documentary evidence, judicial interviews with the child conducted at the court’s discretion and expert testimony. Courts often rely on the expertise of psychologists and other mental health professionals when making these determinations.

This new standard has a great impact on those parents who are either seeking to move out of New Jersey with their children or wish to object to such a request by their former spouse. Each case in this regard is extremely fact sensitive and requires a family lawyer with experience.

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by Jyotsna Thapar, DPM

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Whether you are a professional or amateur photographer living in Somerset County, you are invited to submit photos that showcase the beauty and attributes of this area.

The Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders, in cooperation with the Somerset County Business Partnership, is sponsoring its third annual "Show us Somerset County Through Your Camera Lens" photo contest for residents and county staff. Entries will be accepted through Sept. 15.

"We enjoy featuring images on our website that depict Somerset County as a great place to live, work and play," said Freeholder Director Peter S. Palmer. "People have submitted stunning photos in the past couple of years and we look forward to seeing more unique and beautiful images this year."

The Somerset County Business Partnership is looking for images that showcase people enjoying attractions, amenities and workplaces within the county for its 2018-2019 Somerset County Destination Guide.

Photo Contest entries should reflect one of five themes:

- Community – e.g., neighborhoods, important local places, health & wellness, golf, etc.
- Natural Environment – for example, lakes, rivers, forests, parks and golf courses, or wildlife
- Architecture and Urban Design – including plazas, buildings, boulevards, work places, hotels, etc.
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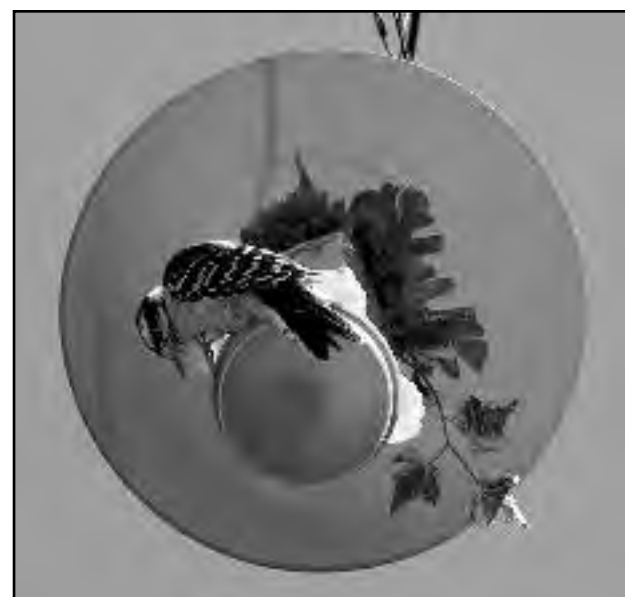
Submissions must be the original work of the

applicant and not previously entered in the photo contest. A panel of judges will select two winners for each theme, as well as an overall contest winner in both the professional and amateur categories.

To enter the contest, individuals must complete the form on Somerset County's website at: <https://www.co.somerset.nj.us/residents/photo-contest>. One person can submit up to five images; the maximum size for each image is 10MB. See photo contest instructions for more information.

Contestants are responsible for acquiring subject release forms from identifiable people featured in the photographs. All images must be received by 4 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 15. No late submissions will be accepted.

For more information, contact Linny Kosensky at photocontest@co.somerset.nj.us or call (908) 231-7081.



(above) The above image, submitted in 2016 by Ghanshyam Patel, is an example of the "natural environment" theme.

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FRANCESCA HOLL OF WARREN EARNS FIRST PLACE AT USAIGC WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Francesca Holl of Warren competed in the USAIGC (United States Association of Independent Gymnastics Clubs) World Championships in Reno, Nevada on June 26 and captured first place with a score of 36.775 All-Around.

Competing against the top 15-year-old Silver Level USAIGC gymnasts from the United States, United Kingdom and South Africa, Francesca beat the second-place medalist by 1.75 points. She was the only 15-year-old who qualified to compete in all four individual event Finals the next day where she won first place in Bars and second place in Beam, Floor and Vault.

"I have been competing on a gymnastics team

for four years now," shared Francesca. "I have been practicing four days a week year-round and competing twice a month from January to June to prepare for Worlds."

"After every competition, I think about what I could do to improve for the next time. Sometimes I get nervous before a big competition, but I have to remember how hard I have worked to get there. When they called me up for first place, I was surprised and proud. I realized that my hard work and focus during practice finally paid off," she added.

Francesca is looking forward to representing Mount Saint Mary Academy in gymnastics in the fall.

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"ESCAPE INTO LANDSCAPES" WITH SUNG GROSS

The works of Westfield artist, Sung Gross, are currently on exhibit at SCLSNJ's Warren Township Library branch. This art show, featuring nineteen oil paintings focusing on nature landscapes and cityscapes, depicts locales near and far. Paintings titled "Amsterdam," "Crater in Maui," "Lake Garda," and "View from High Line" are a few of the pieces included in the "Escape into Landscapes" exhibition.

Gross, born in South Korea, enjoyed a career in the U.S. as a social research scientist and more recently, she has taught as an adjunct professor. Her interest in drawing and painting began in childhood and many of her earlier works include Korean watercolor folk paintings.

For the last 10 years, while attending and painting in the Visual Arts Center of New Jersey, she has exhibited her oil paintings in a variety of venues, including: Mayo Performing Arts Center, Paper Mill Playhouse, Morristown Library, Livingston Community Center, Johnson & Johnson Gallery, and the Summit Art Center Gallery.

The paintings in this collection will be on display at the Warren Township branch, located at 42 Mountain Blvd, Warren, during regular library hours through September 29.

Anyone needing more information or any artist interested in exhibiting either in the small, glass-enclosed display case or on the gallery wall, should contact library staff member, Kathy DeCristofaro at kdecrist@scslibnj.org.



(above) Artist Sung Gross alongside several of her featured oil paintings.

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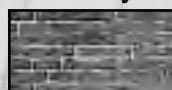
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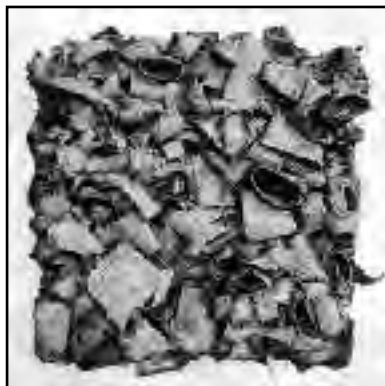
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"UNEXPECTED: WHAT IS A PAINTING?" AT THE WATCHUNG ARTS CENTER

With the upcoming exhibit, the Watchung Art Center asks the question, what is painting. The exhibit titled, "Unexpected: What is a Painting?" will be on view from September 5th thru September 30th, 2017. A reception will be held on September 10th from 1-4pm with other events to be announced. The exhibit will be on display in the Heinz W. Otto Gallery at the Watchung Art Center, 18 Stirling Road, Watchung, NJ. The reception and exhibit are free and open to the public.

In this exhibit, the curators carefully selected



Expensive Rust by Gregory Coates

a group of established and emerging artists whose art challenges us to consider what is a painting. Historically a canvas sits on an easel. With brushes and knives, an artist applies paint. But the paradigm and boundaries of what is considered a painting continue to change. This may range from an intentionally torn canvas to painting on metal. The concept of what painting materials can be used has been altered radically. Contemporary artists are creating 'paintings' with paper, found objects, coffee, mud, paint, bicycle tubes and even electronics.

Where artists once reveled in emphasizing a flat 2D picture plane, the canvas now takes on a new dimension. One artist in the exhibit, pours skeins of acrylic paint on a glass pallet before attaching the dried paint to a structure. The idea of paint being applied to a flat surface has been turned on its head. Another exhibitor paints in a traditional manner with brushes and casein paint, but plays with our understanding of painting by adding elements to the canvas that break up the division between painting and sculpture. Pushing the envelope further, several participants explore

the use of technology on art with digital printing, plastics and light as their materials. This exhibit features renowned established artists as well as younger artists who are emerging, experimenting, and slowly beginning to make their mark in the art world.

Guest curator, artist and painter, Gail Winbury and Watchung Art's Center's board member and artist, Paul XO Pinkman, jointly curate this exhibit.

The artists in this exhibit include Gregory Coates, Steve DeFrank, Monica Delgado, Pat Lay, Laura Petrovich-Cheney, Kaare Rafoss, Christine Romanell, Fausto Sevilla, Eric Valosin, Gail Winbury, and Etty Yaniv.

The exhibit runs from September 5th through September 30th. The Gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday each week from September through June.

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Arjun Mahal is Troop 228's 96th Eagle Scout, and he attained this rank at his Eagle Board of Review on January 26th, 2017. Arjun's Eagle service project was the enhancement and further development of an outdoor classroom at Mt. Horeb Elementary School in Warren. Arjun's project was the construction of six flowerbeds, two composting bins and six butterfly houses. Through the addition of these components to their outdoor classroom, the students could take what they learned about the lifecycle of butterflies and obtain first-hand experience with the plants they grow in the flowerbeds, and the composting bins would teach them about simple ways to help the environment.



Parth Patel is Troop 228's 97th Eagle Scout, and he attained this rank at his Eagle Board of Review on March 15th, 2017. Parth's Eagle service project was the construction of a wooden trailhead in the parking lot of Stransky Farms, a Warren township green-space where members of the community hike and enjoy nature. Parth's trailhead sign was at the head of the trail which links this parcel of land to Dealaman Pond. His trailhead included a map of the area, some background information and history of the farm, and a QR link for those hikers seeking more information. His project also included the laying down of woodchips on about 80' of trail to make the trail more user-friendly.



Michael Maloney is Troop 228's 98th Eagle Scout, and he attained this rank at his Eagle Board of Review on March 21st, 2017. Mike's Eagle service project was the creation of a picnic area at St. Martin's Church in Martinsville. Mike's project entailed clearing out an area approximately 36' x 16', which was full of vines, brush and debris. The ground was then leveled, a perimeter of landscaping timbers was established, weed barrier placed, and wood chips were laid down. Finally, three long picnic tables were created and placed on top. This project enabled members of the congregation, preschool children and staff members a useful outdoor space to enjoy.



Dillon Monti is Troop 228's 99th Eagle Scout, and he attained this rank at his Eagle Board of Review on March 29th, 2017. Dillon's Eagle service project was the construction and installation of a trailhead kiosk and two benches at Wagner Farm Arboretum in Warren township. Dillon's project's has created a better hiking experience for hikers who are hiking the trails from Glenhurst Meadows, over to the Arboretum, which are currently not well marked. The kiosk sign contains information about the Arboretum's hours of operation and a map of the trail system, while the benches are a nice place for visitors to rest or wait for other members of their party.



Peter Fogarty is Troop 228's 100th Eagle Scout, and he attained this rank at his Eagle Board of Review on May 16th, 2017. Peter's Eagle service project was the creation of a picnic area at Mt. Horeb United Methodist Church in Warren - our troop's Chartered Organization for the past 51 years. Peter's project consisted of the construction of three 10' long picnic tables, the creation of a 30' x 18' level area to place them in, and the building of a new 8' x 8' sand box. His project provides a place where parents can more easily watch their children play on the playground, and where vacation bible school and other church events can be held outside in a pleasant environment.



David Alexander is Troop 228's 101st Eagle Scout, and he attained this rank at his Eagle Board of Review on May 23rd, 2017. David's Eagle service project was renovating the old chapel basement at Our Lady of the Mount Church in Warren and thereby improving the working conditions for the volunteers of the Good Samaritan Ministry, which provide an important outreach program for neighboring communities. David's project consisted of cleaning out the chapel basement, and repainting the walls and floors. Then he constructed three sturdy 6' x 2' work stations for the volunteers to sort donated items on, as well as storage carts. His project provided a much safer and streamlined work area for the GSM volunteers.

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The dedicated Cub Scouts and families of Warren Cub Scout Pack 182 turned out on a recent Sunday afternoon to attend the Pack's "Popcorn Smorgasbord" at the Watchung Hills Elks Lodge in Warren, NJ.

For the uninitiated, the annual popcorn sale is the Pack's biggest fundraiser and enables just about all of the activities the boys participate in without extra cost. At the "Popcorn Smorgasbord" Cubs got an introduction to the Popcorn products they'll be selling and got a special treat trying lots of crazy flavors of popcorn; Blueberry, Butter Pecan, Cotton Candy, Sriracha and some others even Edible Glitter thanks to a parent who works for Mondelez. The boys guessed how many kernels were in a jar for a chance to win prizes too.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND, 11:00 A.M. AND 1:00 P.M.

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Please park in the visitor's lot, check in at the Gift Shop and meet one of our resident education raptors before the tour. To register, visit www.TheRaptorTrust.org

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 6:00 P.M.

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– THE BIRDS ALL AROUND US" WITH IVAN KOSSAK

Join us for an evening lecture with long-time

TRT friend and volunteer, Ivan Kossak. Ivan is an expert birder and has birded in over 30 states and in Canada. He leads bird walks in his native and beloved New Jersey. Ivan has been a member of the Hackensack Riverkeeper for over 15 years and currently serves as President of the Board of Trustees there.

This program will reveal the magic that allows all birders – from beginner to advanced – to identify birds in the field. Learn who is living in your backyard and living in your trees! The program focuses on the physical attributes of NJ's wild birds (plumage, size, shape), as well as behavior, range, habitat preferences, and vocalizations.

Come early to the Trust and enjoy a self-guided twilight tour of the aviaries prior to the talk. Light refreshments will be served.

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The Raptor Trust is located at 1452 White Bridge Road in Millington, New Jersey and is open to the public 7 days a week to visitors who can come see and learn about some of the facility's avian residents such as hawks, eagles, falcons, and owls. They also offer outreach educational programs for children and adults by appointment. The organization runs on donations in order to provide its services year round, every day of the year. Visit their website at www.theraptortrust.org to find out more about their organizations, visiting and program schedules, or to donate.

"THE TOYS" WRAP UP CONCERT SERIES



On Wednesday, August 23, 2017 from 7-9 PM, Warren Township Recreation Commission presented their last free summer concert featuring, Bob Marino and Barbara Harris from "The Toys." The concert featured favorite tunes from the good old days. Barbara Harris was the lead singer of "The Toys" and their hit song "A Lover's Concerto" celebrated its 52nd Anniversary this year. Over 200 residents came out to the Warren Municipal Courtyard to enjoy the music and car cruise with 1950 Cadillacs. Residents also enjoyed complementary pizza generously provided by Domino's Pizza of Warren.

The Warren Township Recreation department would like to extend its thanks Domino's Pizza, who provided free pizza for our last two concerts, the Raritan River Cadillac Club of New Jersey, and Juliana Cerqueira and Kavin Elamurugan who volunteered and served pizza for the last two concerts. We hope to see you all come out next year for another great concert series.

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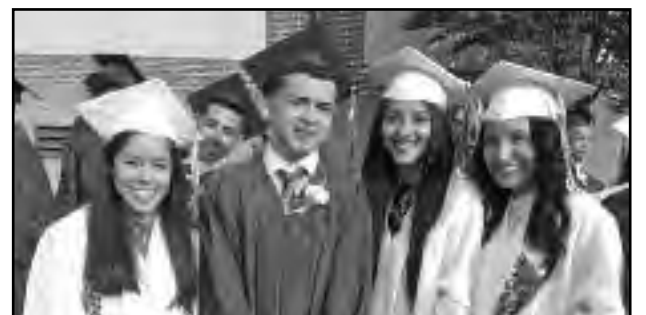
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