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## GIRL SCOUTS OF CRANFORD EARN PRESTIGIOUS GOLD AND SILVER AWARDS

On the evening of May 23, 2018, the Girl Scouts of Cranford, Service Unit 48, presented the national organization's most prestigious honor, the Gold Award, to three young women of Cranford, NJ. The Gold Award recipients – Julia Lachenauer, Ellen Rokicki and Isabella Stoto – were honored at a recognition dinner at Garwood's The Westwood.

"Cranford's Girl Scout Service Unit 48 is extremely proud tonight as we honor these young ladies for their hard work and years of dedication to our community," said Kristin Santos, Service Unit Co-manager for the Girl Scouts of Cranford.

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest and most prestigious award that Girl Scout Ambassadors and Seniors can earn. The Gold Award has stood for excellence and leadership for girls everywhere. Each Gold Award recipient joins the ranks of generations of young women who have made a difference in their communities and beyond. Projects require a minimum of 80 hours of work, including identifying an issue, investigating the issue thoroughly, getting help and building a team, creating a plan, presenting the plan, gathering feedback, taking action, and educating and inspiring others.

"The projects presented this evening demonstrate how the Girl Scout organization has helped foster leadership, passion and desire within our young ladies to be the positive change to make a difference in the world around them."

Julia Lachenauer from Girl Scout Ambassador Troop 40046 focused her Gold Award project on helping young students improve academically by establishing a drop-in tutoring program through the Cranford Public Library. Students in Kindergarten through fifth grade receive free tutoring from High School students at the library on any subject they need assistance in, while the teen tutors earn community service hours for donating their time as well as gaining invaluable life skills.

Ellen Rokicki of Girl Scout Ambassador Troop 40752 created "Buddy Bins," designed to keep siblings connected while one is undergoing treatment for an illness. Each bin contains dozens



*(above) Winners of the Silver Award, Cadettes from the Girl Scouts of Cranford.*

of fun games and activities, and Rokicki also created a website with links to online games and other resources. With the support of the Cranford community, Rokicki was able to create Buddy Bins for three New Jersey children's hospitals.

Isabella Stoto, one of Cranford's Girl Scout Ambassador Juliettes, aimed to educate local students on water conservation and plastic prevention with her Gold Award project. Stoto worked with local Girl Scout Troops and Bloomingdale Avenue School in order to install a water fountain with a lead filtration system and dispenser for reusable water bottles at the elementary school. Through assemblies and presentations, she educated students at BAS and younger Girl Scouts about water conservation and plastic pollution. Stoto also gave Girl Scouts insight on being a Senior Ambassador Girl Scout and encouraged them to pursue their Gold Award.

Also during the evening, the 2018 VFW Scout of the Year - recognized by VFW Post 335 - was presented by James Silkensen in absentia to Mary Grace McNamara from Girl Scout Ambassador Troop 40046. The VFW Post 335 Scout of the Year program provides members of the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts who display standout citizenship, patriotism and love of country with the opportunity to be rewarded with college scholarships.

The Girl Scout Silver Award, the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn, was presented to Emily Bornstad, Margaret Mary Garcia, Erin Miklencic, Amanda Marie Newport, Rachael Durant, Kaitlin Frees-Kroboth, Tiffany Phan, Lila Schau, and Madison Zarzecki. The Silver

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The Girl Scouts of Cranford, Service Unit 48, boasts over 1,115 Girl Scout members in 69 troops and Juliette's making it one of the largest non-profit organizations in town. The Cranford Service Unit is a part of the Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey (GSHNJ) Council which is part of the Girl Scouts of the USA.

If your family is interested in learning more about local Girl Scouts or to find out more information on the Girl Scouts of Cranford, please visit <http://www.CranfordGirlScouts.com>.



*(above) Gold award winner Isabella Stoto focused her project of water conservation and reducing usage of plastic.*



*(above) Gold Award winner Julia Lachenauer started a drop-in-tutoring program that connected high school students with students from kindergarten to fifth grade for academic help.*



*(above) Gold Award winner Ellen Rokicki, whose project was to create "Buddy Bins" to help children with illnesses stay connected with their siblings.*

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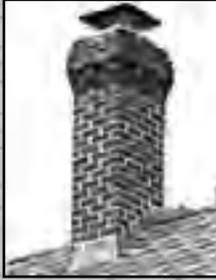
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## SALLY CURCI HONORED BY STATE OF N.J. FOR VOLUNTEERISM

*Submitted by Nicole Greene*

Each year the New Jersey State Governor's Jefferson Awards highlight the spirit of civic engagement among New Jersey's 1.5 million volunteers and provide Jefferson Awards medals in 22 categories of volunteer service.

The 2018 New Jersey State Governor's Jefferson Awards presentation ceremony and celebration of volunteerism was held at the War Memorial in Trenton on the afternoon of Saturday, June 2, 2018. Ordinary people doing extraordinary things were recognized as Honorees in two dozen categories of service at this event. In addition, the achievements of over 5,000 New Jersey Students in Action were highlighted and top schools were saluted.

Cranford resident Sally Curci was honored with a prestigious Jefferson Award for her volunteer work with the special needs community, which has been a big part of her life



*(above) Cranford resident Sally Curci was presented with the New Jersey State Governor's Jefferson Award for her volunteer work with the special needs community.*

for many years.

Blessed with four beautiful children, two with special needs, Sally has not only been an advocate for her own children, but a tireless advocate for other families as well, giving special needs children an opportunity to flourish on many levels. Sally is a firm believer that no child should be limited by their disability, but encouraged by their abilities.

That mindset led her to create Shining Stars, a 501(c)3 nonprofit that shines the light on the special needs community through the performing arts. The annual "Evening of Shining Stars" talent show - in its 7th year- drew an audience of over 1,000 to the Union County Performing Arts Center this past May and starred 30 special needs performers along with their volunteer high school buddies.

"It was an amazing experience for everyone involved," said Curci. "Hearing the participants tell me it was one of the best nights of their lives is something I will always treasure. The success of the show just further proves to me that our children can do anything they set their minds to. We just need to give them the opportunities to do so."

Curci also founded Cranford's first Young Athlete Program, a weekly program which introduces and develops skills for future Special Olympics competition. She is also a soccer, basketball and tennis coach with Special Olympics for the New Jersey Hawks.

"There is nothing like seeing a child conquer a skill after much trepidation. To see their smiles and sense of accomplishment on their faces is priceless."

Sally was a committee person for Autism Speaks, "Walk Now For Autism", for many years, as well as founder, captain and top fundraiser for the community team, "Cranford Cares for Our Kids." She also participated and was a top fundraiser for the National Down Syndrome's "Buddy Walk of South Plainfield."

Another proud accomplishment for Sally, along with her husband Mike and two teenage children at the time, was writing and producing, "What's On Your Mind: Let Me Inside", a song devoted to families raising a child with autism. The song is still featured on iTunes, with all proceeds donated towards autism research.

Sally, a special needs teacher at Academy 360 in Livingston, New Jersey, was also recently honored as Region 1 "Educator of the Year," selected by ASAH for her accomplishments in and out of school.

Among her other awards are the Union County Women of Excellence Award, Cranford Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award, the Spirit of the Arc Betty McGhee Award presented by the Arc of Union County, and the Arc of New Jersey Distinguished Service Award.

The Jefferson Awards were established in 1972 as the official recognition program of the United States Senate.

In New Jersey the awards are also the official recognition program of the Governor's Advisory Council on Volunteerism, administered by a partnership that includes the NJ Office of Volunteerism, NJ Advance Media, the Community Foundation of New Jersey, and corporate sponsors, such as PNC Bank, PSEG, BD and others.

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## MUCKFEST MS TEAM TO SUPPORT CRANFORD WOMAN



(above, l-r) Amy Shorter (back), Rachel Schwartz, and Robin Hoy.

PuroClean Restoration Services of Union County, will be participating in the National Multiple Sclerosis Society's annual MuckFest MS on Saturday, July 21, 2018 in Somerset, NJ. Their team is called the PuroClean Puddle Jumpers.

The team was formed to support one of their employees, Rachel Schwartz, a resident of Cranford, who was diagnosed with MS in 2009. Rachel started working at PuroClean in 2015 a few years after PuroClean performed water mitigation in her Cranford home from the damage from Hurricane Irene. Robin Hoy, who owns the company along with her husband, Chris, is a co-captain of the team.

Robin and Rachel met in 2008 while training for the Danskin Triathlon along with a group of over 20 Cranford moms. Many of these women, including Robin, Rachel and another employee, Gwen, continued training together to complete another triathlon again in 2009. Unfortunately,

shortly before the event, Rachel became ill and was forced to defer her entrance. Robin, Gwen and the others completed this Tri and continued to participate in races. However, Rachel never did complete that second event. Her Multiple Sclerosis diagnosis came soon after. Over the years Rachel has been battling this unpredictable and debilitating disease.

With help from the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, people get education and assistance with wheelchairs and walkers. The NMSS also helps with progress in drug research for the fight against the disease. The MuckFest is one of three major fundraisers in NJ along with Walk MS and Bike MS. The MuckFest is a fun 5k which participants wallow through mud and overcome creative obstacles in a non competitive atmosphere.

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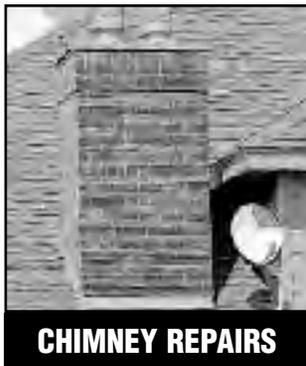
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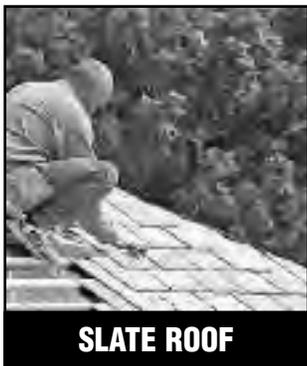
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(above, l-r) Owners Katie Snyder Tierney and Liz Snyder.

## HOME POWER YOGA OPENS IN CRANFORD

HOME power yoga, located at 8 Eastman Street in downtown Cranford, celebrated the grand opening of their new studio on Thursday, June 14, 2018. Nearly 50 students gathered at the studio for a free yoga class to celebrate the opening, while dozens more came to the party following to toast the new studio they call HOME. Free giveaways and raffles were provided by local vendors, including Athleta, Sofi's Hair Salon, Juice House, Boxcar, Anthem style and gift, and Keating Physical Therapy.

Owners-Liz Snyder and Katie Snyder Tierney are sisters who both grew up in Cranford and graduated from Cranford High School. They are so excited to share yoga with the members of Cranford and surrounding communities.

Their studio features an infrared heated studio where they offer Power Yoga, Yoga Bootcamp classes, and Power Yoga Foundations classes.

In their second studio room, they offer Kids' yoga, Prenatal Yoga, Baby and Me Yoga, and Yin

Yoga. Childcare is offered Monday through Friday during the 9:30-10:30 a.m. class.

Visit their website [homepoweryoganj.com](http://homepoweryoganj.com) to learn more about their studio and enroll in a class.



(above, l-r) Carole Snyder with her daughters, owners of Home Yoga Liz Snyder and Katie Snyder Tierney, and studio manager Emily Snyder.



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# MEMORIAL DAY IN CRANFORD, NJ 2018 - A SALUTE TO CRANFORD'S 86

By Don Sweeney

Memorial Day 2018 in Cranford was very special for all who heeded the call to "Follow the parade to the ceremony." The town's Memorial Park had not seen so large a crowd in many years. Our residents again formed part of the familiar Norman Rockwell-esque scene and participated in the emotional ceremony held for the last 97 years to honor those who defended and sacrificed for our nation. This year, however, it was even more meaningful. I had the honor to introduce the face of, and a short story about, each of our first twelve featured Hometown Heroes -- Cranford's 86.

In the park in front of the dais, lining the V-shaped brick paths, were large vertical banners marking the military service and ultimate sacrifice of twelve local men who left Cranford to serve their country during wartime, never to walk our streets again. As I read excerpts of their

stories from a commemorative booklet, you could hear a pin drop. Looking out over the crowd between excerpts, I felt the eyes of several hundred Cranford citizens staring back at me. People started to spontaneously applaud between each memoir. I wasn't sure as I wrote my prepared remarks if the crowd would listen to such a long segment of a program intended for short speeches. However, comments made to me after the program convinced me otherwise. To those who missed the parade and ceremony, I urge you to view the on-demand replay on TV35.

After the completion of the Memorial Day ceremony, two people inquired about sponsoring a banner specifically dedicated to the hero for whom their street was named. We encourage all such neighborhoods to consider commemorating their namesake. These include Chester Lange Place, Roger Norton Place, Keith Jeffries Avenue, Henrich Street, Quine Street, Craig

Place, Bargas Place, Haskins Avenue, Day Place and Harold L. Johnson Place.

This year's event sparked newfound enthusiasm in the hearts of the committee, to continue our storytelling and to commemorate year-round our fallen Cranford patriots. It has also ignited a fire in the souls of many new enthusiasts, including Stu Rosenthal of Cranford, a former U.S. Air Force Captain who I met following the parade. Stu served in the late 1990's after attending college on an ROTC scholarship. He said if I could use an extra researcher that he was ready and able to help our project. His timing was perfect as our main researcher, Steve Glazer, was in the midst of moving out of town. Within a couple days I received an email from Stu with some amazing details about Alan M. Okell, the focus of our next Cranford 86 story who perished in a World War II aerial training accident.

When we started this project, we were unsure if we could righteously convey the stories of our 86 hometown heroes. Now with the enlarged team of researchers, copyreaders and the support of our wonderful town we believe our goal is not a dream, but a reality.

While finalizing this article we received the approval from PSE&G to temporarily display the Cranford 86 banners on the telephone poles around town. The next time you are running an errand or enjoying a meal in town, please pause for a moment and gaze at a banner. For without these men, life as we know it in Cranford may not be as it is today.

## COMMEMORATIVE BOOKLET OF CRANFORD'S 86 AVAILABLE

We are now in our second year as we move towards our goal of telling the stories and unveiling the faces of the 86 men behind the bronze plaques at Memorial Park. If you want to receive the 36-page full-color commemorative booklet containing the stories told so far, or if you are interested in sponsoring one of the upcoming hero's banners, please contact me at [djsween@aol.com](mailto:djsween@aol.com) or 908-908-447-6511.

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## MEET 1ST LIEUTENANT ALAN M. OKELL WORLD WAR 2 FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR, ONE OF CRANFORD'S 86

By Don Sweeney with Stu Rosenthal, Steve Glazer and Jim D'Arcy

In 1942, the newly married Alan M. Okell of Cranford was assigned to MacDill Air Field in Tampa, Florida as a young instructor pilot in the U.S. Army Air Corps, ready to teach novice pilots how to fly a new advanced aircraft, the Martin B-26 Marauder. It was faster than any bomber preceding it, with a small wingspan and advanced defensive guns on board. And while B-26 squadrons would eventually help score victories at Normandy and throughout Europe, the bomber earned the regrettable nickname "widow maker" among the instructor pilots and students. The nickname proved much too prophetic for him. The story to follow will help explain why and introduce our next Cranford 86 American and hometown hero.

Alan Martin Okell was born on October 24, 1919 in Orange, NJ and moved to 6 Willow St. in Cranford at the age of seven. He attended Grant and Roosevelt Schools, skipping second grade and graduated from Cranford High School in 1936 while still only sixteen. Alan was a classmate of Roger Norton, another of Cranford's 86. Following a year of additional studies, Alan entered the School of Engineering at Rutgers University and its ROTC program.

During his school years, Alan developed a keen interest in photography and music. He played clarinet in the high school band and orchestra, joined the ROTC band at Rutgers, and was a member of the choir and glee club. With a passion for sailing, Alan was a member of Breton Woods Yacht Club in Brick where he took first place at their sailboat event in 1940. During his third year at Rutgers, Alan left for unknown reasons and took a position at International Harvester Company. Alan then joined the Army Air Corps as an aviation cadet on November 1, 1941, just a month before Japan attacked Pearl Harbor and the U.S. entered World War II.

The next series of months, following the destruction of much of our air and naval capabilities at Pearl Harbor, was a rush to build up our ability to wage war. From a country with a small fleet of 1,700 aircraft in 1938, we grew to an amazing 324,750 warplanes by 1946. In addition, 110,000 aircraft mechanics and 193,000 pilots were quickly trained. While these numbers of mass production have been looked at by the world in awe for years, the haste in which such mass production took place caused the loss of many young brave lives. Sadly, the life of our Alan M. Okell may have been one of them.

One of the weaknesses of the nation's air fleet at the start of the war was the lack of a high-speed dual-engine, medium-sized bomber with the capability of carrying a bomb load of 4000 lbs., the same load as Boeing's four-engine B-17 "Flying Fortress" bomber. A challenge was put out to the aircraft industry, with many companies submitting proposals. The Glen L. Martin Aircraft Company responded with their bid for the B-26 Marauder. The Army made an unprecedented decision accepting the Martin proposal, ordering 201 bombers without a



(above) 2nd Lieutenant Alan M. Okell posing with his flight wings proudly displayed.

prototype ever being built.

With its innovative design consisting of a bullet-shaped fuselage, rounded glass nose with dual machine guns and a dorsal turret, the Marauder was just about the hottest thing flying at the time. However, with its short wingspan, 2 huge 2000-horsepower engines and a faster takeoff/landing speed of about 140 miles per hour, accidents were happening at alarming rates in the hands of traditional pilots unaccustomed to the sheer power and progressive speed of the formidable B-26. Seventy-five percent of all training was taking place at MacDill Air Field, now MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida. During one 30-day period, 15 training crashes happened above Tampa Bay with an average of five men on board. "One a day in Tampa Bay," legendary among the airmen, was the perceived accident rate for B-26 bombardment units training at MacDill during this period, earning the plane the nickname "Widowmaker."

Alan received his commission and officer's wings on the Fourth of July, 1942. After graduating from advanced aviation training at Brooks Field in San Antonio, Texas, Lt. Okell was assigned to the 314th Bomb Squadron of the 21st Bomb Group, 3rd Air Force, at MacDill Air Field, to train young aviators on the new Martin B-26 Marauder. On March 13, th 1943, during a training flight he was piloting, Alan's B-26 went out of control and crashed into two feet of water in Tampa Bay. All five crewmen died. It was just three weeks after Alan had received his promotion to first lieutenant. Ironically, nearly a half century later, our new researcher, Stu Rosenthal, was an Air Force cadet that frequented MacDill Air Force Base in the early 1990's, when F-16 fighter pilots were being trained over the

same waters in which Alan and his aircrew perished.

As the B-26 crashes mounted in Tampa Bay, a congressional hearing was called. The head of Glen L. Martin Company, Glen Martin himself, was called to testify. He faced Senator (later President) Harry S. Truman. Truman demanded to know why the wings couldn't be redesigned to make the plane more stable and easier to fly. Martin claimed that there was nothing wrong with the aircraft if operated by experienced pilots. He made a statement that they already had the contract so they didn't have to make any changes. Senator Truman, in classic form, leaned forward and said the contract could be cancelled just as well. Martin went back to his plant in Baltimore and made the necessary improvements.

In all, 5228 B-26 Marauders were manufactured throughout the war. B-26 Marauders were among the first wave of Allied aircraft to attack the beachheads of Normandy on D-Day, attacking German coastal gun batteries. B-26 aircrews saw action throughout Europe including Caen, St Lo, Falaise Gap, Brest and the Bulge. In the end, it was perceived as a successful warplane. Its smaller profile and advanced speed made it very hard to be taken down by anti-aircraft guns, and it could operate on airfields with shorter runways. By the end of the war, it had the lowest combat-loss ratio of any plane in Europe. Only eight remain today. One, "Flak-Bait," currently hangs intact in the collection of the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum. It flew 207 operational missions in Europe, more than any other American aircraft.

On July 19, 1942, 15 days after receiving his commission as a second lieutenant, Alan had married Peggy Haagenon of 7 Orange Ave. in Cranford. Their son, Alan Robert Okell, never met his father. At the time of her husband's death, Peggy was 3-months pregnant. We spoke to Alan from his Florida home. He just lost his mother last January. Alan said that although he never met his dad, many said he was a great guy. Alan was thrilled that we were honoring him. He hopes to visit with us in Cranford next Memorial Day to see his father's banner dedicated at Memorial Park.

After the crash in Florida, Lieutenant Okell's remains were returned to Cranford for funeral services. The promising pilot was buried at Fairview Cemetery. I visited Fairview and was unable to locate his final resting place. After much searching with the help of staff members at the cemetery, we finally found his partially hidden gravesite next to his parents, Stanley and Beatrice Okell. The bronze memorial plaque provided by a grateful nation was overgrown and there was no American flag placed over it, as was the case for other veterans. Before I left the hero's grave, I cleaned the plaque and raised a new American flag over it. It was the least I could do at the time.

First Lieutenant Alan Martin Okell was a great American and one of our Cranford 86.

# ALAN M. OKELL IMAGES



(above) Young Alan Okell.



(above) Young Alan Okell at The Jersey shore.



(above) The front view of the B-26, note the bombardier under the cockpit with full view of the terrain below.



(above) Mr. and Mrs. Alan M. Okell on their wedding day.



(above) Alan and Peggy by Tampa Bay. Sadly it was in Tampa Bay that his B-26 bomber would crash and take his life, shortly after this picture was taken. Note Peggy wearing his wings.



(above) Alan M. Okell's grave at Fairview Cemetery in Westfield.



(above) Alan Okell and then fiancé Peggy Haagenon of 7 Orange Ave. in happy times.

<p><b>ROGER STANTON NORTON, JR.</b>  <b>Future: University of Michigan</b></p> <p>Roger has taken a great interest in school activities. He now holds the position of Editor-in-Chief of the Senior Annual. Of course we all will remember his work on Nutty News as editor. He wants to write some day.</p> <p>Student Council III                  Tennis II, III; Varsity IV                  Hockey III, IV</p> <p>Spotlight III, IV                  Golden C IV                  French Club III</p>	
<p><b>ALAN MARTIN OKELL</b>  <b>Future: Engineering</b></p> <p>A little fellow, but what a man when he has a camera in his hand. Besides music, his favorite pastimes seem to be photography and model ship building.</p> <p>Chemistry Club I                  French Club III</p> <p>Radio Club III                  Band and Orchestra III, IV</p>	



(above) The 1936 Cranford yearbook Roger Norton and Alan Okell were classmates and both became casualties of World War 2. Sadly in a four year period, 57 Cranford men lost their lives in service to their country.

(above) The Okell Family at home in Cranford, mom Beatrice, Father Stanley, his sisters Jean and Kathleen His grandmother and Alan's wife Peggy who just passed away this January 3rd, at the age of 96.

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At the 2018 Cranford Memorial Day Parade, the Cranford Knights of Columbus honored Father Charles Watters with a float depicting him ministering to a fellow soldier. Two members of St. Michael's Youth Group participated and Liam Matier portrayed Father Watters and Patty Coates portrayed the soldier.

Father Watters, who was an Air National Guard Chaplain during two tours of duty during the Vietnam War, also served at St. Michael's Church in Cranford from 1964 through 1965. During his second tour, Father Watters was killed on November 17, 1967, during a 12-day battle in the vicinity of Dak To. Unarmed and completely exposed, Father Watters rushed forward in the line of contact with complete disregard for his own safety to provide aid to wounded soldiers and to assist with evacuation efforts and giving

Last Rites to the dying. Father Watters was mortally wounded while giving aid to his comrades and awarded our nation's highest honor, the Congressional Medal of Honor posthumously. Only a handful of Chaplains have received this honor and Father Watters was buried at Arlington National Cemetery with full honors.

The Cranford Knights of Columbus is a Catholic Fraternal Organization dedicated to our four core principles, Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Our Council supports many worthy charitable and civic causes locally, statewide and nationally. For information about joining the Knights, please contact either Grand Knight Wally Shackell at 908-868-9988 or Membership Chair John Caprio at 732-306-5634 or visit our web site, cranfordknights.org.

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(above) Two members of St. Michael's Youth Group participated in the Memorial Day Parade to honor Father Walters on behalf of the Cranford Knights of Columbus. Liam Matier portrayed Father Watters and Patty Coates portrayed the soldier.

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# 566 PARTICIPANTS FOUGHT TO END CANCER AT RELAY FOR LIFE

61 teams and 566 people participated in the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Cranford's 11th annual event on May 18, 2018, at Orange Avenue School.

The event raised \$100,000 to help the American Cancer Society save lives through groundbreaking cancer research, education and risk reduction efforts, and free information and critical services for people with cancer who need them.

"Relay for Life continues to be an event that shows the best in what Cranford is," said Paul Skelton, committee member.

The following three teams were recognized for their extraordinary fundraising efforts: Cougars Crush Cancer \$8,708, Killcancer \$8,689, and Team Angela \$5,756.

Thank you to our Signature Level sponsors: Cranford Jaycees, Mersant International, New Jersey Imaging Network and Marino's Seafood

Restaurant. The Cranford Fire Department once again grilled hamburgers for all participants throughout the event.

Thank you to our generous local businesses for catering the Survivor Dinner: Perrotti's, Rudy's Restaurant, Shoprite and Alfonso's Bakery. Many other businesses posted signs for us, donated gift cards or hosted fundraisers over the past six months.

Event Lead Linda Miklencic said, "I want to thank the Cranford School System and the entire committee for their hard work and dedication to this annual event."

The Relay For Life movement unites more than 4 million participants across the globe to celebrate people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and take action to finish the fight once and for all. The Cranford Relay For Life event is a community gathering where teams and individuals camp out at Orange



(above) This year was Cranford's 11th annual Relay For Life, which raised \$100,000 and had 566 participants.

Avenue School or Hillside Avenue School and take turns walking or running around a track for twelve hours. Teams raise funds in the months leading up to the event. Cancer survivors are the celebrities of the event and walk the first lap to officially start the Relay.

Another committee member, Frank Vito added "The Relay brings the community together in a way that no other event can – the Fight Against Cancer!"

Donations can still be made by visiting [relayforlife.org](http://relayforlife.org) or [main.acsevents.org](http://main.acsevents.org)

The American Cancer Society is a global grassroots force of 2.5 million volunteers saving lives and fighting for every birthday threatened by every cancer in every community.

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(above) Members of the Cranford Police Department grilled hamburgers Cranford's 11th annual Relay for Life.

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## LIBRARIES ROCK AT CRANFORD COMMUNITY CENTER SUMMER 2018

The national Library Summer Reading Program theme for the year is “Libraries Rock,” and the Cranford Public Library takes such things seriously. In their 2018 Summer Concert Series, the Friends of the Cranford Public Library will highlight local artists and a diverse range of musical styles; all held at the Cranford Community Center.

The Odessa Klezmer Band will perform July 11 at 7:30 p.m. Under the direction of bandleader, accordionist and vocalist Ed Goldberg, the Odessa Klezmer Band has played the joyous dance music of the Klezmerim (Jewish folk musicians) throughout the tri-state area for over 30 years. With an eclectic mix of Eastern European and Middle Eastern tunes, including polka and czardas, the OKB is known for inspiring audiences to dance in the aisles.

The Amir Vahab Trio will be performing on August 15 at 7:30 p.m. Honored as a peacemaker and virtuoso, Amir Vahab is a composer/vocalist and lecturer specializing in a wide variety of traditional Persian instruments: the tanbour, ney, daf, tar, and oud. Amir is noted for his expertise in Persian culture and history, and for the spirituality present in his music and teachings. His songs weave fiery instrumentals and melodies of the ancient lands of the Middle East that include Persian, Turkish, Azeri and beyond.

No registration is required for these free concerts. The Cranford Community Center is located at 220 Walnut Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey, and is accessible to all. For more information about the Friends of the Cranford Public Library, go to [cranfordlibrary.org](http://cranfordlibrary.org) and click on “Friends of the Library.” Or call the library at 908-709-7281

## PIANIST GIL SCOTT CHAPMAN TO PERFORM

Please join the Friends of the Cranford Public Library for an evening with concert pianist Gil Scott Chapman on Monday, July 23, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cranford Community Center.

A classically trained jazz pianist, Gil Scott Chapman holds a B.F.A. in Jazz Studies and Masters of Music (improvisation) from the University of Michigan. He has won and placed in a number of classical piano competitions, performed at Carnegie Hall, the Kennedy Center and the Monterey Jazz Festival, and performed alongside many celebrated artists. He helped to develop the Gershwin Initiative, a long-term partnership between the University of Michigan

and the Gershwin family, bringing the music of George and Ira Gershwin to scholars and audiences worldwide. He resides in Westfield.

In his own words: “What thrills me about music, especially jazz, is the unexplored, the unknown. And the irony is you’re completely unaware of that unexplored territory until you get there — that journey excites me!”

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## SHAKESPEARE COMES TO CRANFORD ON JULY 30

Join us on Monday, July 30 as The Hudson Shakespeare Company comes to Cranford for a performance of William Shakespeare’s All’s Well That Ends Well, directed by Jon Ciccarelli. A court romance set in 18th century France and Italy, the play features comic subplots, swordplay, seduction and (perhaps) unrequited love. The production, which is sponsored by the Friends of the Cranford Public Library, will be performed in the Cranford Community Center.

The Hudson Shakespeare Company has presented over 100 productions since 1992, including an annual Shakespeare festival, modern

theater and educational programs. They are known for producing many lesser-known and lesser-performed works, “in order to expose audiences to all facets of Elizabethan and Jacobean drama.” One of Shakespeare’s “problem plays” (works not easily categorized as comedies or tragedies), All’s Well That Ends Well draws parallels between love and war.

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## BETTER THAN WE BELIEVED 2 NOW AVAILABLE

The Cranford Public Library’s recently obtained a copy of Better Than We Believed 2 by Rev. Robert J. Cormier, who was born and raised in Cranford. Fr. Bob, as he was called by his many friends and parishioners, served as a minister in Newark and Jersey City, a prison chaplain, a rehabilitation counselor, and President of the Board of Project Live, Inc., an Essex County nonprofit which provides mental health

services in Essex County, NJ.

After his death in 2014 on Mount Hood, OR, he was honored by the City of Newark with a street named after him. Better Than We Believed 2, a 2018 follow-up to an earlier volume by Fr. Bob, is a reflection on faith and religion through the eyes of multiple characters.

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## CRANFORD'S FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION



On Wednesday, July 4, 2018, a fireworks display will be the highlight of Cranford's annual Fourth of July celebration. The day-long community festival will offer something for everyone, including canoe races, a one-mile fun run and a four-mile run, plus food vendors in the park. There will also be amusement rides and games at 5 p.m.

The festivities will begin at 9:00 a.m. with canoe races scheduled at the Cranford Canoe Club, located at 250 Springfield Ave., Cranford, NJ. Registration will be immediately before the races at 8:30 a.m. on July 4th at the Canoe Club. The Jaycees will conduct their Annual

Firecracker Run, beginning with a one-mile Fun Run at 8:30 a.m. and a four-miler at 9:00 a.m. at Nomahegan Park, Springfield Ave., Cranford, NJ. For more info regarding registration and the race go to [cranfordjaycees.com](http://cranfordjaycees.com).

The fireworks will begin at 9:15 p.m. at Nomahegan Park, Cranford, NJ. Limited parking will be available at Union County College, 1033 Springfield Ave, Cranford, NJ, however, residents are urged to walk if possible.

Rain date for fireworks only will be on Thursday, July 5th. For more information call the Cranford Recreation & Parks Department at (908) 709-7283.

## CRANFORD POOL & FITNESS CENTER RECEIVES AOAP LIFE JACKET GRANT AND KENILWORTH VFW DONATION

Submitted by Patty Kozlowski, Cranford Recreation & Parks Dept.

The Cranford Pool and Fitness Center has a new inventory of lifejackets that were purchased as a result of a very generous donation from the Kenilworth VFW and also as the recipient of the AOAP life jacket grant program. Previously, the Fitness Center did not allow life jackets in its pools, but as a result of the grant and the donation, a new life jacket policy will be rolled out soon.

The pool staff is very passionate about promoting water safety and promoting prevention of drowning through the Center's swim lesson

program, as well as through enforcement of rules and regulations. These lifejackets will allow for improved safety during swim lessons, as well as being available for use at both summer pool locations, especially during open swim time.

The Cranford Pool & Fitness Center would like to thank the AOAP and the Kenilworth VFW for their generosity and commitment to providing knowledge and resources to swimming facilities across the country. We are very fortunate and plan to pay it forward with drowning prevention education throughout our community.

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## FREE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT AT HANSON PARK

Bring your blankets and chairs and join us for a Movie in the Park on Saturday, July 14, 2018 at Hanson Park, located at 38 Springfield Ave. in Cranford, New Jersey.

The feature presentation will be *Coco*, a 2017 animated fantasy film produced by Pixar Animation Studios and released by Walt Disney Pictures. The story follows a 12-year-old boy named Miguel Rivera who is accidentally transported to the land of the dead, where he seeks the help of his deceased musician great-great-grandfather to return him to his family

among the living. The film won two Academy Awards for Best Animated Feature and Best Original Song ("Remember Me").

This free family movie night will start at dusk (approximately 8:30 p.m.). There will be popcorn and refreshments for sale and fun for the entire family!

Movie in the Park is presented by the Hanson Park Conservancy, the Cranford Municipal Alliance, and Friends of the Cranford Public Library. For more information please visit [www.hansonparkconservancy.com](http://www.hansonparkconservancy.com).

## STORY TIME AT HANSON PARK

Please join the Hanson Park Conservancy for Story Time at the Park! Gather your blankets and chairs and meet us at Hanson Park, 38 Springfield Ave., Cranford, on Tuesday, July 24th and Tuesday, August 7th at 10:00 a.m. On the 24th, we will be learning about turtles.

Participants will even get to meet a LIVE box turtle! On Thursday, our theme will be the

weather and we will tour the rain garden. Juice and cookies will be provided.

This is a free event and recommended for ages 7 and under. No need to register, just show up! In the event of rain, Story Time will be cancelled for the day.

For more information please visit our website, [www.hansonparkconservancy.com](http://www.hansonparkconservancy.com).

## CHS SENIORS PRESENTED AWARDS BY CRANE'S FORD DAR

The Crane's Ford Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) on June 7, 2018 awarded three National DAR Excellence in American History Medals and Certificates to Cranford High School graduating seniors Nicholas Macchi, Katherine Ruane and Emily Wilson.

The award is based on outstanding work with the highest average in American History studies. Barbara Krause, DAR American History Chairwoman, presented the awards on behalf of the Crane's Ford DAR. The Cranford chapter has given the award at Cranford High School for over 40 years.

The Crane's Ford chapter also conferred the DAR Good Citizen award to Alannah Clarke. Mary Leonard, Chapter Regent, presented the

award. The chapter has been presenting this award to a Cranford High School senior since 1950. The DAR Good Citizen contest promotes the work of our youth. The student must possess the qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. The DAR Good Citizen program is intended to encourage and reward qualities of good citizenship.

The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution is a volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, historic preservation and education. Membership is open to any woman 18 years or older who can prove lineal, bloodline descent from an ancestor who aided in achieving American Independence.

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(above) With Superior Court Judge James Hely are, from left, new CASA volunteers Felicia Davis of Irvington, Robin Karp of Scotch Plains, Aslam Chaudry and Carolina Bravo Sanchez of Elizabeth, Stacey Huggins of Bloomfield, Margaret Smith of Westfield, Alyssa Seiden of Scotch Plains, Rebekah Strombom of Berkeley Heights, Kristen Kim and Lisa Ripperger of Westfield, Francine Quinn of Cranford, Jessica Maier of Fanwood, Andrew Pugliese of South Orange, Katie Romano of New Providence and Executive Director Marla Higginbotham.

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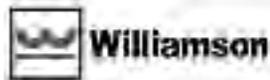
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