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# **HIGH SCHOOL ICE HOCKEY SENIORS CELEBRATED**

Fans celebrated the senior players of the Governor only a tribute to the ending of the players' high school sports Livingston High School ice hockey team on January 11, 2019 career, parents were also recognized for the support that the after a game against Westfield High School held at Union sport demands of them. Seniors honored that night were Ryan Sports Arena. Senior players were joined by their parents on Erickson, Max Mele, Zac Miller, Jacob Miller, Nick Papa, the ice to cheers from a capacity crowd. The evening was not Jake Plattman, Ryan Paik, Carson Wahlers, and Cole Wahlers.



(above l-r) Senior players on the Governor Livingston High School 2019 Ice Hockey Team. Carson Wahlers, Max Mele, Cole Wahlers, Jacob Miller, Jake Plattman, Ryan Erickson, Nick Papa, Ryan Paik, Jacob Miller.





(above and left) Fans hung banners and waved masks of the senior players.

Photos from this and other events can be found online at rennamedia.com and on the Berkeley Heights Community News page on facebook.com Feel free to "Like," "Tag," and "Share."

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# **LOCAL BASEBALL PLAYERS AND COACHES WILL BE HONORED AT ANNUAL "HOT STOVE" AWARDS DINNER, SUNDAY, FEB. 10** SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER: DWIGHT "DOC" GOODEN

The Union County Baseball Association will Berkeley Heights; and Ed Kushner of Linden. induct four new members into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame at the organization's 83rd annual Hot Stove League Dinner on Sunday, February 10, 2019 beginning at 1:00 p.m., at The Gran Centurions in Clark, New Jersey.

The four new inductees into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame include:

Rich Biddulph of Roselle, an All-State catcher for Roselle Catholic High School and longtime coach of American Legion Baseball teams in Cranford and Roselle;

Walter Podgurski of Union, an All-State second baseman for the Farmers, who went on to play for the University of Pennsylvania and was drafted by the Minnesota Twins;

Chris Roof of Berkeley Heights and Scotch Plains, a standout player at Governor Livingston High School and Montclair State University and longtime coach at Governor Livingston;

Tom Urban of Elizabeth, a varsity infielder at Thomas Jefferson High School, baseball coach in Elizabeth and at Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark, and director of the Union County Baseball Association Summer and Fall leagues.

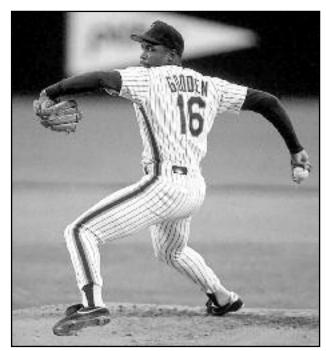
The special guest speaker at the annual event will be Dwight "Doc" Gooden, the former awardwinning pitcher for the New York Mets and the New York Yankees. Gooden's headline-grabbing 16-year Major League career - including Rookie of the Year and Cy Young awards with the Mets and his no-hitter while pitching for the Yankees - remains a hot topic of discussion nearly two decades after he threw his final pitch.

Scholastic athletes from throughout Union County also will be honored at the afternoon awards ceremonies on Feb. 10 for their accomplishments in high school, college and Union County Youth Baseball leagues. Among these honorees will be Luis Amaro of Roselle Park; Jamie Belfer and Danny Serretti, both of

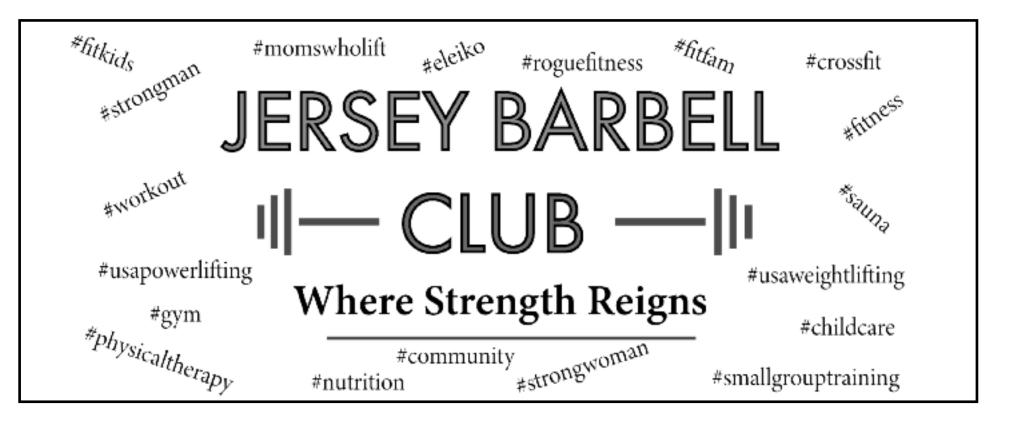
Tickets for the 83rd annual Hot Stove League awards dinner may be purchased online at UCBA-NJ.org or by writing to the Union County Baseball Association, PO Box 176, Fanwood, New Jersey 07023.

Sponsored by the Union County Baseball Association, in cooperation with the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Hot Stove League awards dinner is the primary annual fund-raising effort for the Union County Youth Baseball Leagues. The summer and fall leagues have given more than 40,000 boys and girls an opportunity to participate in an organized baseball program for the past 70 years.

For more information call Jim Iozzi, UCBA president, at 908-917-2523.



(above) Dwight "Doc" Gooden will be the guest speaker at the 83rd annual Hot Stove League Dinner on Sunday, February 10, 2019.





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**GREAT DECISIONS 2019 PROGRAM** 

Heights, New Providence & Summit is sponsoring the Great Decisions Program for 2019. Great Decisions, produced by the Foreign Policy Institute, is America's largest discussion program on world affairs.

The program runs on Wednesdays from February 6, 2019 to March 27, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Meetings are held at The DeCorso Community Center, 15 East 4th Street, New Providence (take Springfield Avenue to Livingston Avenue and 4th Street is a short distance in).

The cost for the eight week session is as follows: \$85 for League and SCC/AAUW members; \$95 for non-League and SCC/AAUW members. Drop-ins may attend and pay \$20 for individual sessions (pay at the individual session); students may attend individual sessions at \$10 per session.

You may register to attend and pay via PAYPAL at the League website at lwv-bhnps.org,

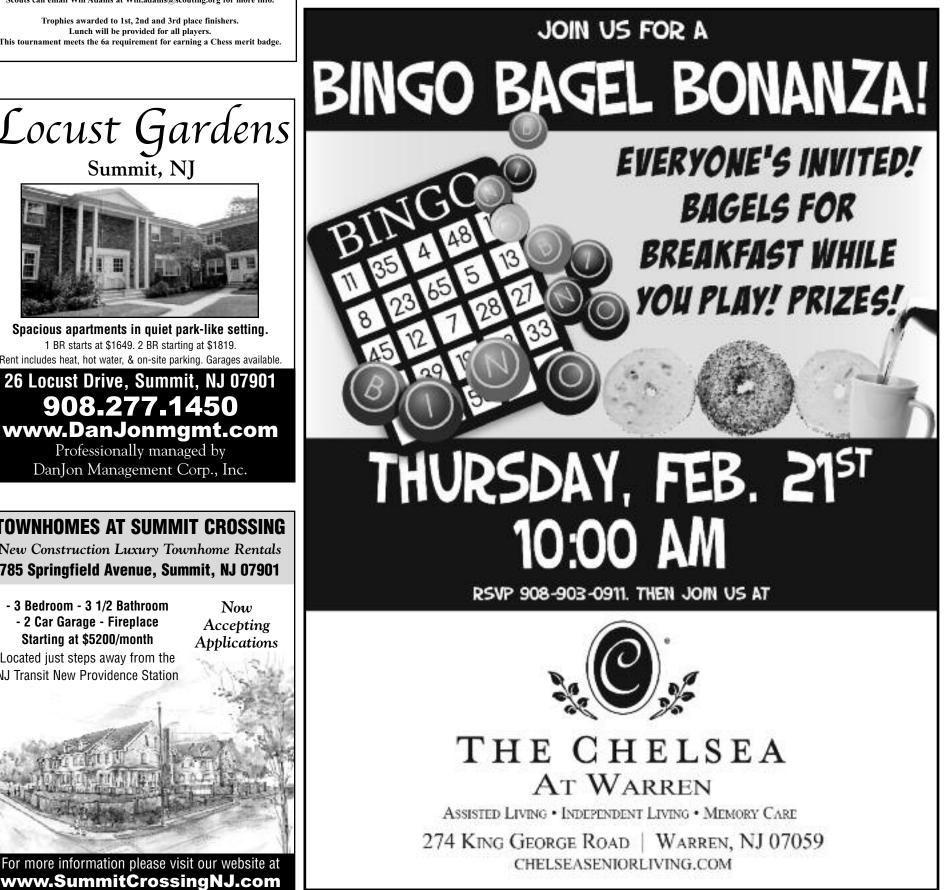
The League of Women Voters of Berkeley or send a check made payable to the League of Women Voters. Please mail your check to: Patricia Dixon Black, 52 Ethan Drive, Apt 1A, New Providence, NJ 07974. This year members of the Summit College Club should use the LWV cost. For more information contact Rob Davis at 908-898-0565.

> We're pleased to announce the topics for Great Decisions 2019! The eight topics are: February 6: Refugees and Global Migration February 13: The Middle East:

**Regional Disorder** February 20: Nuclear negotiations: Back to the Future?

February 27: The Rise of Populism in Europe March 6: Decoding U.S.-China Trade March 13: Cyber Conflicts and Geopolitics March 20: The United States and Mexico: Partnership Tested

March 27: State of the State Department and Diplomacy





### **VFW PASTA NIGHT** SET FOR FEB. 15

The Berkeley Heights VFW Post 6259, located at 15 Locust Ave. Berkeley Heights, NJ, will host a Pasta Night on February 15, 2019, beginning at 6 p.m.

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the Operation Rebound Racing Team host free monthly PTSD and benefits meetings which will aim to be fun, while being informative.

The next meeting, featuring a comic performance, will be held on February 25, 2019

The New Jersey Veterans Network along with at the Scotch Plains American Legion, located at 237 Park Ave, Scotch Plains, NJ at 6:30 p.m.

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The Berkeley Heights Public Library is offering the following programs in February:

### CHILDREN'S STORY TIMES AND PROGRAMS

The Good Tymes String Band Tuesday, February 12 at 10:30 a.m. for children of all ages Paper Plate Story Time Tuesdays, February 5, 19 at 9:30 a.m. for ages 3 - 5 years Story and craft with Katie Mazzaferro. Good Morning Story Time

Wednesdays, February 6, 13, 20, 27 for ages 2 - 4 years

Baby Time Thursdays, February 7, 14, 21, 28 at 9:30 a.m. for ages 0 - 24 months

# ADULT PROGRAMS

Evening Book Group Tuesday, February 12 at 7:30 p.m. will discuss Lincoln in the Bardo by George Saunders. New members are welcome; please stop by or call the Reference Desk (908-464-9333, extension 150) if you are interested in joining. Italian Conversation Group

Wednesdays, February 6, 13, 20, 27 at 7:00 p.m. Informal Italian conversation group led by a

fluent Italian speaker for teens and adults. Beginners welcome! Check the library's calendar at bhplnj.org/event-calendar/ for program changes and additions.



### GIRL POWER VENTURE CREW 28 INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS

Kate L, of Millburn and president of Venture Crew 28, presided over the formal ceremony held on January 11, 2019 officially inducting five new members. The crew welcomed Kelly W (Berkeley Heights), Kaitlyn S (Chatham), Royce A (Chatham), Katie C (Chatham) Alyssa D (New Providence) and Abril M (Chatham). All members pledged to live by the scout law and

Kate L, of Millburn and president of Venture obey the scout oath. Congratulations to all the girls on achieving the first rank of Venturing.

Venture Crew 28 was established in 2016 for girls ages 14-20 who love exploring, making new friends and discovering the world. The principle goals of venturing are Adventure, Leadership, Personal Growth and Service. To learn more about Venture Crew 28 visit venturecrew28.com.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA" PATRIOTS' PATH COUNCIL **Coordinated by** Proud to Sponsor of 2019 6th Annual District Munsee Boy Scout Chess Tournament Open to all registered Boy Scouts/Venturers/Explorers Non-scouts welcomed! Saturday, February 23, 2019 10:30 am to 3:00 pm Sign-in/setup starts at 10:00 am **Registration Closes 2-22-19 Cranford Community Center** 220 Walnut Avenue, Cranford, NJ • 908.709.7283 Registration is \$15 • Note: this is a non-rated tournament. Limited to 40 players who must know how to play chess, age 11 and older.

For More Information: Email Jim Parlapiano at jim.parlapiano@hotmail.com Or Will Adams at will.adams@scouting.org or 973-765-9322 x234

Scouts can use Patriots' Path Council Munsee District Double Knot link to register on-line at ppbsa.doubleknot.com/event/2459042

Scouts can email Will Adams at Will.adams@scouting.org for more info. Trophies awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers. Lunch will be provided for all players. This tournament meets the 6a requirement for earning a Chess merit badge.

# **RACHEL SHANAGHER SELECTED AS BERKELEY HEIGHTS NOMINEE** FOR COUNTY EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION

Rachel Shanagher, Grade 1 Teacher at Mary Kay McMillin Early Childhood Center, has been I interviewed her for the position she currently chosen by the Berkeley Heights Public Schools to be the district's nominee for Union County Educator of the Year recognition.

Mrs. Shanagher was named Educator of the Year at McMillin Early Childhood Center last spring, along with honorees from each of the other five Berkeley Heights Public Schools, in accordance with the Governor's Educator of the Year program. She has since been selected from that group of outstanding educators to represent the Berkeley Heights school district in the competition for county-level honors.

Mrs. Shanagher has been serving as a Grade 1 Teacher at The Early Childhood Center since September 2013. She began her employment in Berkeley Heights just a few months after earning her Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics/Elementary Education from Ramapo College of New Jersey and completing her student teaching experience at John F. Kennedy Primary School in Raritan.

"I remember the first time I met Rachel when holds," said Anne Corley-Hand, Principal of McMillin Early Childhood Center. "Poised and confident, I felt like I was speaking with a seasoned staff member rather than a recent college graduate and beginning teacher."

Along with a few of her colleagues, Rachel has implemented an afterschool enrichment program at Mary Kay McMillin. She also serves as a representative on the Elementary Math Curriculum Committee and Council on Instruction, and is a frequent participant in and volunteer at PTO family events and in the annual Berkeley Heights Education Foundation Basketball Game.

"Mrs. Shanagher's classroom is an atmosphere of caring, encouragement, and collaboration," Mrs. Corley-Hand continued. "She puts her whole heart into teaching. When asked to describe Rachel, her colleagues used words such as 'creative, enthusiastic, dedicated, passionate, caring, innovative, resourceful, and determined.'

She was dubbed the 'Whiz Kid' shortly after her arrival in our school and continues to be a shining star at the Early Childhood Center."



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# **DON'T FALL FOR SCAM CALLS AND EMAILS IMPERSONATING IRS**

The IRS is urging the public to be aware of suspicious individuals claiming to be from the IRS.

Scammers and cyberthieves continue to use the IRS as bait. The most common tax scams are phone calls and emails from thieves who pretend to be from the IRS. Scammers use the IRS name, logo, fake employee names and badge numbers to try to steal money and identities from taxpayers.

Taxpayers need to be wary of phone calls or automated messages from someone who claims to be from the IRS. Often, these criminals will say taxpayers owe money and demand payment right away. Other times, scammers will lie to taxpayers and say they're due a refund. The thieves ask for bank account information over the phone. The IRS warns taxpayers not to fall for these scams.

Below are several tips that will help filers avoid becoming a scam victim.

IRS employees will not:

- Call demanding an immediate payment. The IRS won't call taxpayers if they owe taxes without first sending a bill in the mail.
- Demand payment without allowing taxpayers to question or appeal the amount owed.
- Demand that taxpayers pay their taxes in a specific way, such as with a prepaid debit card.
- Ask for credit or debit card numbers over the phone.
- Threaten to contact local police or similar



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FOR INSPECTIONS AFTER 6:30 PM, please email your contact info to: Patrolman Jean Marie Mocarski at Jmocarski@bhpolice.org

For further information please contact Sqt. Jason Massimino at (908) 464-1111 of taxes.

• Threaten legal action, such as a lawsuit.

If taxpayers don't owe or don't think they owe any tax, and they receive an inquiry like this, they should:

- Contact the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration. Use TIGTA's "IRS Impersonation Scam Reporting" web page to report the incident.
- Report the incident to the Federal Trade Commission. Use the "FTC Complaint Assistant" on FTC.gov. Add "IRS Telephone Scam" to the comments of your report.

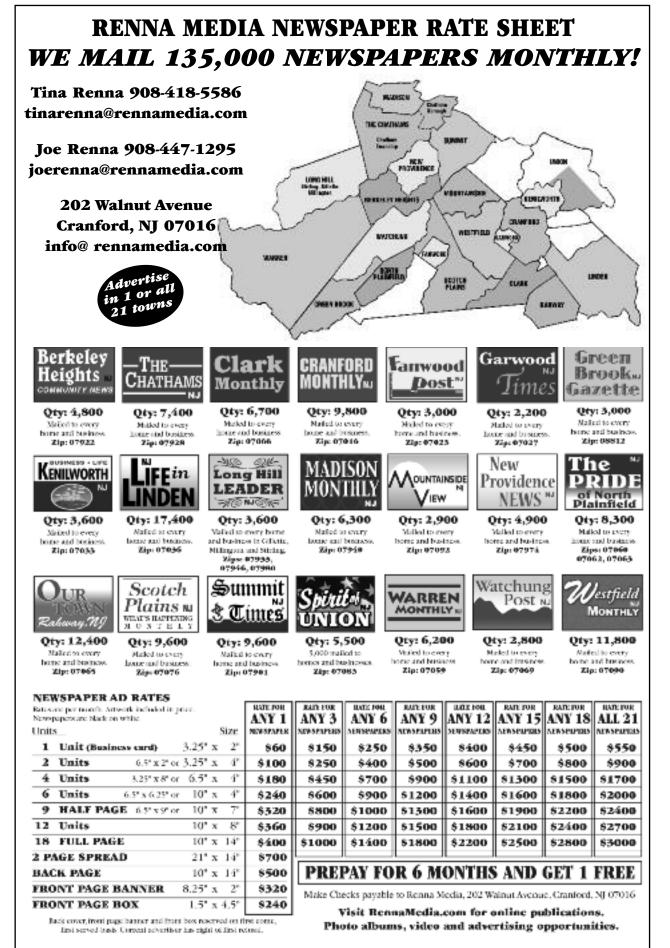
In most cases, an IRS phishing scam is an unsolicited, fake email that claims to come from the IRS. Some emails link to sham websites that

agencies to arrest taxpayers for non-payment look real. The scammers' goal is to lure victims to give up their personal and financial information. If the thieves get what they're after, they use it to steal a victim's money and identity.

For those taxpayers who get a phishing email, the IRS offers this advice:

- Don't reply to the message.
- Don't give out your personal or financial information.
- Forward the email to phishing@irs.gov. Then delete it.
- Don't open any attachments or click on any links. They may have malicious code that will infect your computer.

For more information visit www.irs.gov or call your local police department non-emergency number.



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