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Additionally, the Moonglowers received the following

awards: Best Saxophone Section; Best Trumpet Section; Stephen Oduro won the Richard A Graham Scholarship Award for a Senior Soloist; Allan Romero won as a Top Soloist.



(above) Saxophone Section



(above) Trumpet Section

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DECA TRAVELS TO INTERNATIONAL CAREER DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School DECA team traveled to Orlando, Florida for the International Career Development Conference. Nine students participated in various events and leadership workshops at the four-day conference that took place in late April.

Sophomore Ryan Eng placed in the top ten of all competitors in the Financial Consulting event. There were over 250 students from the United States and Canada competing in this event. Ryan was also recognized for having one of the top five test scores in his category.

Juniors Henry Saltzman, Brandon Weinberg, Bella Fiore, Devon Danielovich, and Lauren Kieltyka all earned achievement level scores in their events.

DECA is the co-curricular Marketing Club of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School. The goal of the club is to provide emerging business leaders and entrepreneurs the opportunities to become college and career ready. Mrs. Marjorie FitzGibbon is the DECA advisor at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.



(above) Ryan Eng, who placed in the top ten of all competitors in the Financial Consulting event.

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(above) Scotch Plains resident Jeffrey S. Peris, is the newest member of the Board of Trustees of Imagine, A Center for Coping with Loss.



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JEFFREY S. PERIS JOINS BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF IMAGINE, A CENTER FOR COPING WITH LOSS

Imagine, A Center for Coping with Loss, a is married with 3 children, 8 grandchildren and 2 grief support center for children and families, welcomes Jeffrey S. Peris of Scotch Plains to its Board of Trustees. Mr. Peris has extensive board experience, having held prominent leadership roles following a distinguished management career with leading pharmaceutical/healthcare companies. He currently acts as an executive advisor, enhancing both individual and organization performance in his work with clients.

Prior to consulting, Mr. Peris served as Chief Learning Officer for the Wyeth Corporate Learning Center, Vice President of Human Resources & Communications for Abbott Laboratories, and Vice President of Human Resources for Merck & Company.

Mr. Peris has an Sc.D., Biostatistics/Epidemiology from the University of Pittsburgh, an M.Sc. in Hygiene, Biostatistics/Epidemiology from the University of Pittsburgh, an M.B.A. from Rutgers University, and a B.S. in Chemistry from the University of Pittsburgh. He has served as Chairman of the Board of Allied Healthcare International, and on the Boards of Overlook Hospital and several non-profit organizations. He

grand puppies.

"Imagine is thrilled to welcome Mr. Peris to our Board of Trustees," said Mary Robinson, Imagine Executive Director. "Jeff's demonstrated success in helping both boards and corporations carry out their strategies, and his unique leadership and talent development abilities will help ensure the long-term presence and success of Imagine as we work to provide outstanding grief support to the children and families of our communities."

Imagine, A Center for coping with Loss, a notfor-profit 501(c)3 organization, provides year-round grief support for children and young adults using a peer-support group model. Trained adult volunteers and professionals provide children and teens with comfort and the tools needed to process grief resulting from death or life-altering illness. In addition to providing grief support at its two centers in Mountainside and Newark, Imagine provides education in the community, leading workshops and providing on-site support in schools and workplaces where traumatic loss has occurred. Groups, which meet on week nights, serve children and adults from more than 55 New Jersey towns.



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SCOTCH PLAINS RESCUE SQUAD MEDICAL MYSTERY OF THE MONTH: ALICE IN WONDERLAND SYNDROME

Submitted by Susan Baldani, a life member of the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad

Alice in Wonderland Syndrome is one of the more interesting maladies in the medical world. Affecting between 10-20% of the population, symptoms generally occur only a few times in an afflicted person's life and are most common at night.

People experiencing the syndrome may report feeling smaller or larger than the objects around them, although other times they may think that it's their surroundings that are growing or shrinking. The most common belief is that their head and hands are larger than they really are. Other people have visual distortions, such as the sense of fixed objects moving.

Sufferers may also lose their sense of time and feel that time is moving either very fast or extremely slow. Powerful hallucinations can also occur with the person either seeing things that aren't there or getting the wrong impression about various situations or events.

Although the exact cause is still unknown, Neurology Times notes that, "Among adults, people who have migraine, epilepsy, or head trauma are the most likely to report Alice in Wonderland syndrome." Children who are affected by this syndrome often go on to develop migraine headaches as they age.

Even though it can be scary, Alice in Wonderland syndrome is not usually an indicator of mental illness, cerebrovascular

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also available to provide demonstrations for Boys and Girls Scout troops, clubs, and any other group that may be interested in what we do. In addition, we lend out wheelchairs, crutches, canes and other assorted medical equipment free of charge. Our Auxiliary Group holds fund raisers and provides other much needed support for our members.

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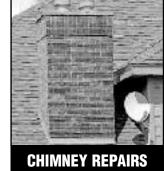


















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SCOTCH PLAINS DESIGNATED A HEALTHY TOWN TO WATCH

Submitted by Margaret C. Heisey

The New Jersey Health Care Quality Institute (NJHCQI), located in Princeton, recently designated Scotch Plains as one of the seven Healthy Towns to Watch. The NJHCQI issued its annual New Jersey "Healthy Town" designation to eight communities participating in the Mayors Wellness Campaign (MWC), a program of the Quality Institute, in partnership with the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

"It is an honor for Scotch Plains to be designated as a Healthy Town to Watch for 2018. The residents of Scotch Plains continue to be supportive and involved in our Mayors Wellness Campaign. With the distinction of this honor, it is my hope that even more residents will participate in our events. This has been a very rewarding experience for both myself and Margaret Heisey, our program director. Not only do we have fun as we offer opportunities to our residents to become healthier by eating well, exercising, and managing stress, but we have seen our own health improve as well," said

(above) Mayor Al Smith and MWC Program Director Margaret Heisey participate in one of the 5K events in Scotch Plains that qualify for a Mayor's Medal.



Mayor Al Smith.

Each year communities participating in the MWC complete a comprehensive application outlining the research they've done to identify their community health needs, explain how they have organized their local MWC committee, and highlight the actions they've taken to make their communities a healthier place to live, work, and play.

Scotch Plains applied for the award and submitted, among other requirements, two flagship programs:

Mayor's Medal Program - An incentive program to encourage residents to participate in the many 5Ks available throughout the year. Residents who participate in at least three races are invited to the final council meeting of the year where they are presented with a medal.

Start with Hello – An anti-bullying initiative

that teaches children and adolescents how to be more socially inclusive and connected to one another. After the Parkland shooting, residents raised concerns about bullying in schools. As a result, Mayor Al Smith became a Sandy Hook Promise Leader. He worked with Dr. Hayes, the SP-F Superintendent of Schools, to introduce the Start With Hello Program into each school's curriculum starting in the Fall of 2018.

The MWC is now in its 12th year. The Quality Institute provides participating communities with a toolkit on how to get started, guidance on how to identify local health needs, and examples of specific actions that other communities are taking to improve health and wellness in their community.

For more information about the MWC in Scotch Plains, go to scotchplainsnj.gov /departments/mayor-s-wellness-campaign.



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The only requirement is that the volunteer work must be done in Scotch Plains. Nomination forms may be obtained from the Scotch Plains Recreation Office, Scotch Plains Municipal Building, 430 Park Avenue, online at scotchplainsnj.gov or at the Scotch Plains Public Library. Nominations are due by June 30, 2019.

"The Mayor's Gala is a great opportunity to recognize those people and organizations that are making a difference in Scotch Plains," said Mayor Al Smith. "In addition to the recognition, the honorees designate a charity to receive a portion of the proceeds of the event, so we have double the winners! Please help us identify our honorees for this year's Gala."

This year's Mayor's Charity Gala will be held on December 6, 2019 at Shackamaxon Country

This year the Scotch Plains Mayor's Gala will Club in Scotch Plains from 7 p.m. - 11 p.m. The Gala will feature live music by the Moon Glowers of Scotch Plains Fanwood High School, a Tricky Tray, Silent Auction and 50/50 Raffle. Tickets are \$85 per person and include cocktail hour, passed appetizers and light fare.

> The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Municipal Alliance Committee (SPF MAC) will be the recipient of a portion of the proceeds of the Mayor's Gala. The alliance is a communitybased organization dedicated comprehensive and coordinated effort on the prevention of illegal use of alcohol and drugs. SPF MAC main focus is on alcohol abuse amongst our minors. MAC has served our communities since 1988 supporting programs such as Project Graduation, Think Purple Week, and Student Leadership Conference

> Please take the time to nominate the hardworking volunteers that you know and be certain to return your nominations to Margaret Heisey in the Manager's Office by June 30. If you have any questions, please contact Margaret at mheisey@scotchplainsnj.com.





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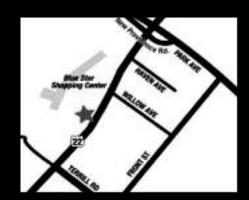
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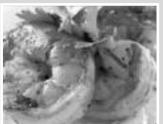
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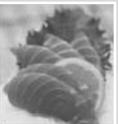
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(above) Tim O'Neil, Scotch Plains resident works in the gardening center.

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908-925-0444 908-928-0031 Mountainside Memorial Veterans Park was beautified in time for Memorial Day by a team of Watchung Home Depot employees led by assistant store manager, Leo Geib. Leo is a former Mountainside business owner.

In the park's planning stage Home Depot gave the Mountainside VFW a credit card to be used to purchase some materials for the project. Since the park has been built, the store has helped out every spring with planting and mulching around the monument.

Employees volunteer their free time to work on projects as part of the Home Depot Foundation's annual Celebration of Service season which encourages employees to support veterans worldwide. Other local projects employees worked on this season included veteran's buildings in Dunellen and Scotch Plains.



(above) Watchung Home Depot volunteers with assistant store manager, Leo Geib, and Leo Corradi, Quarter Master of Mountainside VFW.

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YWCA UNION COUNTY HONORS EIGHT ALLIES

Submitted by Shannon Myre

The YWCA Union County honored eight individuals and organizations for their committed effort on behalf of domestic violence survivors during their Annual Meeting held at the Clark Public Library on April 25, 2019.

Each honoree received a certificate and resolution in their name for their partnership in empowering survivors of domestic violence throughout the county. The honorees were Theresa Cosmas; Sgt. Mahasin El-Amin; Ryan &

Dana Felmet; First Presbyterian Church of Cranford; Garden State Bank: A division of New York Community Bank; Annette Ferrigno, Kids For Kids: A Mindfulness Movement; Gail Veltre, Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, Rahway – Barnabas Health; and Lauren Thorne.

The YWCA's mission is eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. Locally, the YWCA Union County is on a mission to empower survivors of domestic violence to

become safe and free from abuse through comprehensive, client-centered services, and through education, collaboration and advocacy that builds safe, informed and supportive communities.

Domestic violence crosses all barriers of race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, gender and socioeconomic status and it is a crime that impacts our entire community. It is estimated that 1 in every 4 women will be affected by domestic violence in her life- more than breast cancer, lung cancer, and ovarian cancer combined. The monetary cost of domestic violence in the United States in dollars has been estimated to exceed 9.3 billion a year in medical and mental health services, loss of productivity, and loss of paid earnings. An average of 3 women per day in the United States are killed as a result of domestic violence.

If you or anyone you know is experiencing domestic violence, call the 24-Hour Hotline at 908-355-HELP (4357). For more information about YWCA Union County's services or how you can get involved, visit ywcaunioncounty.org.



(above, l-r) YWCA Board President, Delaine Bailey, Honorees Dana and Ryan Felmet, and YWCA CEO Janice C. Lilien.



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SCOTCH PLAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY'S JUNE SCHEDULE FOR ADULTS

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Be sure to check the website and stop by the Reference Desk to learn more about the library's summer reading programs for adults, teens, and children. This year's theme, A Universe of Stories, promises to bring art, music, science, reading, and prizes to all.

MUSIC

To kick-off the month, the library will be hosting its ever-popular

Sunday Sounds program

Sunday, June 2 at 2 p.m.
with "Listen & Learn: David Bowie."
Join Grammy-winning producer and songwriter Rob Fusari and music journalist Maryanne Christiano-Mistretta to learn more about Bowie while enjoying some of his music.
Registration is not required.



NATURE

Monday, June 3 at 7 p.m. join Pete Axelrod of Wild Birds Unlimited to learn about ruby-throated hummingbirds. Found only in the Americas, hummingbirds have captivated all who have watched them dance and hover through the air. Axelrod will discuss the common attributes of the over 320 distinct species of hummingbirds and will delve more deeply into the life and habits of the ruby-throated hummingbird, the only one native to New Jersey. In addition, Axelrod will explain how to use plants and feeders to attract ruby-throated hummingbirds to your backyard. Registration is not required.

BOOKS

Monday, June 3 10 a.m. the library will host Bagels & Books, where book-lovers share their recent reading experiences with other bibliophiles and pick up suggestions for future reading. Light refreshments will be served.

Registration is required.

The library's long standing Evening and Afternoon Book Clubs

will meet on June 17 at 7 p.m. and June 18 at 1 p.m. to discuss Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng and A Piece of the World by Christine Baker Kline, respectively.

Don't have time to read this month? Then join other busy readers on

Monday, June 24 at 7 p.m. to discuss the New Yorker article, "Japan's Rent-a-Family Industry" by Elif Batuman. Registration is required.

ART

local artist Sandra Cerchio will offer her monthly drawing class for adults

Friday, June 7 at 10 a.m.
(ages 18 and older). This month's session will be "Still Life." Registration is required and space is limited.
Attendees should bring sketch paper, pencils, and an eraser.

Be sure to also stop by the library's downstairs gallery space from June 13-23 to view the artwork of Cerchio's young students.

A gallery reception in honor of these talented artists will be held on Saturday, June 15 at 2 p.m.

The public is encouraged to attend.

MOVIES

Join fellow movie lovers each Friday at noon for Friday Films.

In June, the library will be showing Action movies including
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UNION COUNTY INTERFAITH YOUTH COUNCIL



(above) The Interfaith Youth Council of Union County met in March for a night of pizza, prayer, consolation and growing in friendship over board games. Follow 'Union County Interfaith Youth Council' on Facebook for details on upcoming events.

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The group's next event will be a park cleanup held in June. Follow 'Union County Interfaith Youth Council' on Facebook for details on upcoming events and how you can participate.

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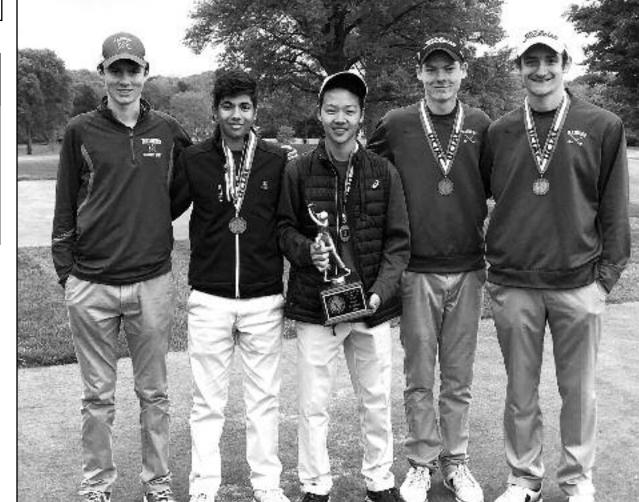


SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL GOLF TEAM WINS UNION COUNTY TOURNAMENT

The Raider golf team won the Union County Tournament on May 9, 2019 at Echo Lake Country Club in Westfield. This is their first victory in this event since 2007.

Senior Jimmy Bagdonas won the individual title for the second straight year. Jimmy will continue his golf career next year where he will be competing for Fordham University.

Freshman Andrew Yu tied for fourth place with a score of 77 and junior Miguel Fontora tied for seventh place with a score of 78. John Williamson and Patrick Bourke also contributed in the win with scores of 89 and 91, respectively.



(above) Patrick Bourke (11), Miguel Fontora (12), Andrew Yu (9), Jimmy Bagdonas (12), and John Williamson (12).

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HIGH SCHOOL TRACK HEAD COACH RICH MCGRIFF NAMED COACH OF THE YEAR

2019 at the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education meeting for being named the NJ.com Coach of the year. Coach McGriff is an alumnus of LaGrande School, Park Junior High and Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School's Class of 1984 and was a member of the high school track and field team.

Rich began his coaching career at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School over 25 years ago, starting as a volunteer assistant coach when his younger siblings were on the team, then officially becoming an assistant coach, and presently Head Coach of the Track Team. Rich's coaching specialties are the hurdles, high jump and triple jump. He has also coached sprints and long jump. Rich has coached thousands of young men and young women who have come

Coach McGriff was recognized on March 28, through Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, including his son Aaron, Class of 2016.

> Under Coach McGriff's track expertise, the 2018-2019 Varsity Boys' Winter Track Team achieved success at a level never before achieved in the history of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School. They won the NJSIAA Group III State Relay Championship, the NJSIAA North II Group III State Sectional Championship and the NJSIAA Group III State Championship, completing what is known as the "Triple Crown" (winning all three possible championships in the winter state meet series). Coach McGriff humbly credits his staff and his students for these outstanding accomplishments; yet notably, all who work with Rich recognize his ability to motivate, inspire and lead with great integrity.



(above, l-r) Dr. David Heisey, Principal of SPFHS; Jeff Koegel, Head Coach-Track; Dan Doherty, Assistant Coach-Track; Rich McGriff, Head Coach-Track; Alexandra Neidig, Assistant Coach-Track; Ken Hernandez, Assistant Coach-Track and Ryan Miller, Athletic Director.

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Scotch Plains resident Sid Blanchard, a pioneering icon in New Jersey's human services sector for four decades, was honored on April 4, 2019 at the annual Awards Dinner of the nonprofit he founded in 1979, Community Access Unlimited (CAU). An audience of more than 400 people with disabilities, staff members and business and government leaders heard a stream of stories of Blanchard's compassion and intrepidness, foresight and business acumen that delivered a string of inspiring successes during his 40-year career.

Community Access Unlimited is a Union County-based, statewide nonprofit that strives to integrate people with disabilities and at-risk youth into the general community through comprehensive supports.

Blanchard founded CAU in 1979 with a \$90,000 grant to move individuals from state institutions and integrate them into the community. This mission became the cornerstone of the agency which today boasts an operating budget of more than \$60 million, \$50 millionplus in assets and more than 1,000 employees. Across New Jersey, more than 5,000 individuals and their families benefit from the supports CAU provides.

Blanchard was one of the first executive directors of a human services nonprofit in the United States to acquire property to provide housing for agency members. Robert Griffin, an attorney and member of CAU's board of trustees, recounted meeting Blanchard when the latter was looking for a lawyer with condominium experience. Later, when the attorney was changing firms and Blanchard chose to go with him, Griffin asked him why.

Liz Blanchard spoke of her husband's courage to blaze trails.

Pastor Carmine Pernini of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Rahway and a member of the Union County Interfaith Coordinating Council, which Blanchard founded, presented Blanchard with a baseball bat representing his days as a union leader and thanked Blanchard for teaching Pernini about the power of organizing.



CAU members who helped found CAU's New American Movement for People with Disabilities (NAM) thanked Blanchard for all he has done for them, their families and the wider community of people with disabilities while Marguerite Modero, CAU's music director and the mother of a daughter with disabilities, explained what his work has meant for parents.

Blanchard, known for his selflessness and lack of ego, said listening to the accolades was difficult but also rewarding.

"Hearing all the people from NAM say what they said really makes my life," he said. "It's really about holding each person as a valued human being. We can't have a community unless we have everyone in the community. By treating each other with value and holding hands, we can build a community we all want to be part of. If we do that, we all can be successful."

Blanchard is not leaving CAU, but rather returning to his roots of community organizing on behalf of the agency, its members and people with disabilities throughout society.



(above) Sid Blanchard receives an award honoring his 40 years of service from new executive director Bernadette Griswold.

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SOCIAL JUSTICE MATTERS PRESENTED WITH UNITY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Nineteen individuals and four organizations soil in which to grow. were recognized by the Union County Human Relations Commission at the 18th annual Unity Achievement Award presentation held on Monday, May 6, 2019 at the Kean University STEM Center in Union Township.

The award recipients were nominated and selected for their philanthropic and volunteer efforts, and for fostering and promoting human rights and dignity among the people of Union County.

The mission of the Union County Human Relations Commission is to actively encourage, develop, promote, and strengthen respect for human rights and cultural diversity among the people of Union County.

The following is reprinted from the event's

Social Justice Matters -- Judge Leland McGee and Rabbi Joel Abraham - Recognition for its outstanding and extensive outreach to improve communication and relationships within the community.

Social Justice Matters (SJM) is a local grassroots organization in the Scotch Plains/Fanwood communities that was inspired in 2009 when an offensive and potentially inflammatory flyer was distributed on the lawns and driveways of local residents. Members of the community engaged in small group discussions about individual backgrounds and feelings about race. Following a group discussion, they decided the discussion should continue. SJF was born to ensure that this ugly seed would not have fertile

Social Justice Matters is committed to exploring the values and opportunities arising from these diverse communities, and to work together to foster equity, challenge racism, and achieve greater social justice.

Led by Judge Leland McGee and Rabbi Joel Abraham, the organization works to bring Scotch Plains and Fanwood residents of various races and religious backgrounds together, to actively inquire into matters of race in our society, to communicate in a way that promotes tolerance and heals injustice, and to work toward an equitable community.

Social Justice Matters provides a public forum for residents to hold these vital conversations, voice community concerns, and facilitate truthful and meaningful discussions and actions about race and related topics.

One of the organization's most visible contributions can be witnessed in the aftermath of offensive graffiti at the Scotch Plains Fanwood High School in October 2018. Both Judge McGee and Rabbi Abraham worked to address the issue, calm the community, and bring the community together to prevent this from happening in the future. They outreached with mayors, other local clergy, and worked closely with local and county law enforcement officials. High school students also invited them to speak at a student-organized rally against hate presentation.

Through the years, during and after unfortunate local and national events that threaten

to polarize us and pull our community apart, Social Justice Matters, through the ongoing dedication, commitment, and tireless efforts of Judge McGee and Rabbi Abraham, have pulled the community together and provided a safe haven for difficult talk and forthright action.



(above, l-r) Rabbi Joel Abraham and Judge Leland McGee



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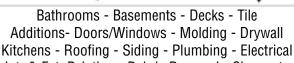
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Sea Scouting is open to both male and female youth member' ages 14-21 who have graduated the 8th grade; we also have a new Maritime Explorer Club for younger youth in 6th to 8th grade. Adult volunteers with maritime experience or captain's licenses are needed too. Join us for a day on the water and bring a friend! Visit our website for more information visit ship228.com.







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CLASSIFIED AD RATES:

\$30 for 1 month ad (30 days from posting date)

\$120 for 12 month ad (365 days from posting date)

\$300 for block of 20 ads (1 month ads, use anytime)

Ads are posted on NJlocalinfo.com website and facebook page with over 12,000 followers.



INCREASED VISIBILITY.

We help people find your ad by cross-posting to social media sites and by indexing in search engines. LIVE TRACKING!

Each ad has a live view counter showing daily and total visits.

BOOST YOUR AD - \$100

We actively promote your ad to targeted audiences.

\$10 MONTH Block of 20 ads - \$100

> Just register one time and post your ads.

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WEBSITE / SEO SERVICES

- Website Audit/Analysis and recommendation plan \$250.00
- Website creation/update *\$2,400
- *average cost for average website: 12 pages, contact form, \$E0 friendly, responsive design
- Website Hosting \$300 per year
- Includes website hosting, software updates, monthly website content updates
- SEO Services average cost \$1,000 \$2,000 per month
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