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## MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS TAKE THE TRIP OF A LIFETIME

Submitted by Shannon Regan

Partnering with Educational First Tours (EF Tours), an organization dedicated to inspiring a new perspective on the world, Mrs. Amy Jensen, a Warren Middle School music teacher, arranged for an exciting and educational trip to Japan with five Warren Township students and five adults from April 13, 2019, through April 21, 2019. In total, the local group toured Japan with thirty-seven other individuals from groups out of New York, South Carolina, and California.

Jensen has incorporated the music of Japan into her daily lessons and choral concerts with Warren Middle School students. "I love the music of Japan and over the years have taught my students' several Japanese songs, like Okuyama Ni," said Jensen.

Jensen and Mrs. Pattie Pillinger, a grade 2 teacher at Angelo L. Tomaso School, were very excited to escort the student group to Japan. Throughout the week the group had a very full and impressive schedule. The group visited Japan's capital, Tokyo, as well as Hakone, and Kyoto.

The students' reactions to the trip say it all. Grade 8 student

Logan Scheffler stated "It was an amazing trip. We saw many different sights and we learned a lot of things about them. We had lots of laughs and lots of fun." Some of the sites Logan is referring to included the Asakusa Kannon Temple, the Meiji Shinto Shrine, Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park, the Golden Pavilion and a boat cruise on Lake Ashi. "One of my favorite places was the Tokyo Skytree because we could see a very clear view of Mt. Fuji which is very rare because most of the time it is covered up with clouds," said Patrick Miller, 7th grader.

Throughout the educational tour, the students experienced Japanese culture which included, customs, food, architecture, music and much more. One highlight from the trip according to Jenson was singing Haru Ga Kita, a well-known Japanese song about springtime with the student group and their tour guide at the Asakusa Kannon Temple in Tokyo.

"The trip to Japan was amazing! It was so cool and our guide was very nice. I loved the food and Japanese culture, especially the kawaii and anime. Learning about the culture and history of Japan was so fun," said Mia Kang, 6th grader.



(above) Krish Thapar, Abigail Franks, Patrick Miller, Logan Scheffler, and Mia Kang pose in front of the Tokyo 2020 sign with big smiles.

Photo by Warren Township Schools





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## WARREN'S 34TH ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

On Saturday, May 18, 2019, Warren Township daylong festivities. Bob will be the kickoff to our Recreation held its 34th Annual Fishing Derby. It could not have been a better day weather wise for the event and residents enjoyed the day in the sun as well some great fishing. Close to 350 residents came out to enjoy the day.

As usual, the support of the Blue Ridge Sportsmen Club made the day possible by supporting the event in many ways by providing loaner poles and raffle prizes. The club also provided lunch to the community by grilling up 250 hot dogs, 250 hamburgers, fried zeppoles and 3 different flavors of Italian Ice. Warren Recreation Director, Joe Passaro said, "We have enjoyed the support of the club over the years, but they take it to a new level every year!"

Joe went on to thank, his staff Amanda Altavilla, the Recreation Program Coordinator and Bruce Vitale, a supporter of the Derby for 33 years. Joe was very deliberate to thank his local Warren crooner Bob Marino for the music for the Summer Concert Series on June 19th.

The young anglers had a great day, the Grand Prize Winner, who was only 8 years old caught a 25" catfish. His name was Elias Lostan.

#### **Fishing Derby Prize Winners:** 5-6 year olds: 22" Catfish - Jax Kaufman 11" Crappy – Brody DeHaven 7-8 year olds: 24" Catfish – Owen Zambrell 21" Catfish – Zeke Minieri 9-10 year old: 20" Catfish – Russell Granese 14" Bass – Gideon Minieri 11-12 year old: 24" Catfish – Brady Sifert

22" Catfish – Grace Prayias

13-14 year old:

14" Bass – Erika DaSilva

9" Bass – Kenny Espinoza











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## NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION AND SPRING ART FEST

54 students were inducted into National Art Honor Society (NAHS) at Watchung Hills Regional High School (WHRHS), on Wednesday, May 29, 2019. There were 20 new members, and 34 returning members.

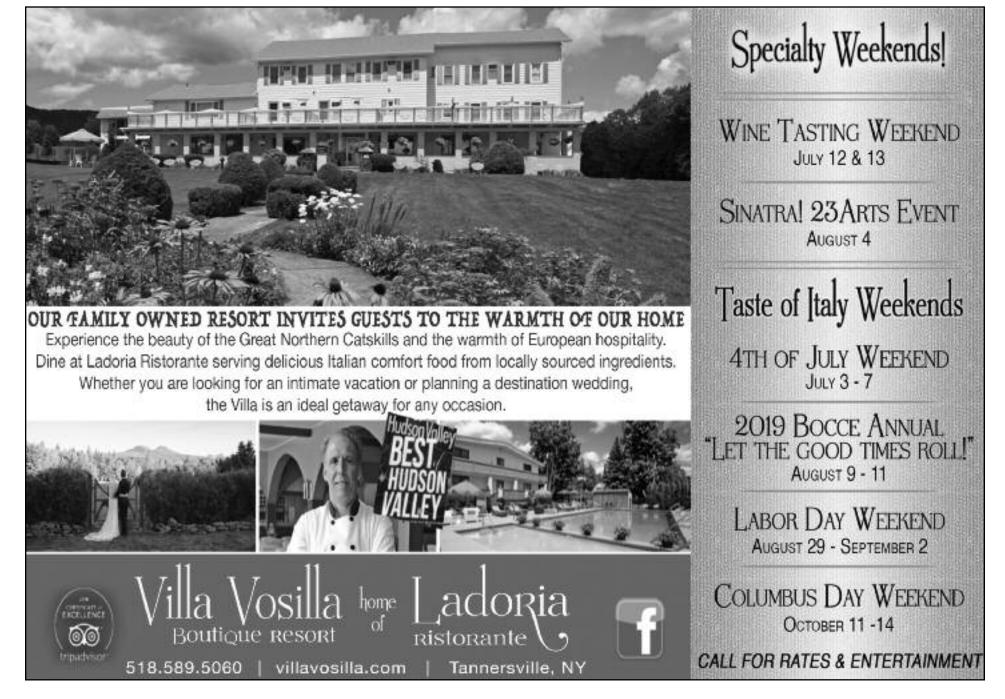
A Artists Reception followed the induction. The exhibit of student art featured hundreds of pieces of art in a broad array of media generated by WHRHS Visual Arts students. The pieces of art in photography, fine art, painting, mixed art, crafts, weaving, jewelry, sculpting, fine woodworking, mask decorating, computer generated poster art, ceramics, and music tech

lab-computer mixed sound and music were displayed throughout the school's front atrium, PAC Lobby area, and up and down the corridors surrounding the PAC.

The newly inducted members are: Hamayoon Akram, Zuha Anjum, Julia Celeste, Michelle Chavanne, Katie DiOrio, Caroline Geib, Victoria Hangyasi, Samantha Hoffmann, Julia Kopell, Kaitlyn Linton, Jordyn Lippitt, Lucas Mammone, Julianna Miller, Fiona Mulvey, Amelia Randolph, Kathleen O'Mullan, Annabell Pu, Marianna Renda, Alexa Richmond, Nancy Rodriguez, and Eizabeth Wilcenski. The returning members are: Anna Baitel, Christina Baratta, Sara Barrientos, Ruchi Biswas, Elizabeth Bruno, Katherine Chang, Hailey Crawford, Molly Davis, John Farley, Alysabeth Gaito, Emily Imiolek, Portia Jones, Anna Kaplan, Elizabeth Killeen, Sofia Kwon, Rachel Miller, Francesca Minervini, Elisabeth Morris, Arianna Rahimi, Catherine Ray, Aanika Sadana, Shefali Sahay, Cristina Sarrico, Annika Schmidt, Rebecca Sendon, Pramity Shah, Spencer Shao, Heather Sherry, Juhee Shukla, Jaemi Spaven, Brianna Titus, Megan Vetter, Jack White, and Sarah Young.

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## SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDACY INFO

The Warren Township Board of Education will have 3 vacancies in the November 5, 2019, Annual School Election. A full term on the school board runs for three years.

A candidate must file a nominating petition with the county clerk for his or her name to appear on the ballot during the Annual School Election. The deadline to submit the nominating petition is 4:00 p.m. Monday, July 29, 2019. The election is scheduled for Tuesday, November 5, 2019.

Prospective school board candidates can download candidate information from the New Jersey School Boards Association's web site at NJSBA School Board Candidate Kit. The School Board Candidate Kit includes information about nominating petitions, legal qualifications for school board candidacy, and the role of the school board member. Information about the New Jersey School Ethics Act and important dates in the school election process are also included.

"One of the most meaningful contributions that citizens can make to their community is serving on the local board of education," said Daniel Sinclair, NJSBA president. "I encourage all interested citizens to consider school board membership. It doesn't require a degree in education, or a background in politics. However, it does require a sincere interest in the community, its children, and their education."

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## **FRIENDS HOST ANNUAL LIBRARY STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON**

Submitted by Iris D. Alston, Trustee The Friends of the Warren Township Library hosted their 10th annual library staff luncheon in celebration National Library Week on April 8, 2019. The luncheon recognizes the librarians and the support staff. When asked why this event is so special to The Friends organization, President Donna Java stated "We are pleased to host a luncheon for the staff whose hard work and dedication provide a warm and welcoming environment for patrons of the library."

The event was enjoyed by 24 staff members including adult and youth services librarians and Lauren Ryan, Manager of Branch Services throughout the day. Friends Secretary Beverly Lang made her no-bake Fudge Meltaway Squares from her mother Sylvia's, one of the

Friends founders and former Friends President, recipe. Friends Trustee Lisa Richards home baked a delicious apple cake and Friends Treasurer Joann Ball donated a beautiful fruit platter. Soups, salads, sandwiches and snacks were catered by a local area business for the affair. Manager of Branch Services, Lauren Ryan said "she and her staff really appreciated the Friends hosting such a nice luncheon in honor of National Library Week".

The Friends of the Warren Twp Library was established in 1950 at Central School with just one book shelf and formed as a non-profit organization to maintain an association of persons interested in books and libraries. The organization is made up of residents of Warren and Green Brook Townships. The Friends of the Warren Twp. Library focus public attention on reading for enjoyment, lifelong learning, library facilities and needs. The non-profit organization also inspires gifts of books, magazines, desirable collections, endowments and bequests to the Warren Twp Library.

"The Friends " are looking for new Friends from Warren Twp. and Green Brook Twp. If you would like to become a member of The Friends of the Warren Twp Library for as little as \$20, you can become a Friend and help the organization in its goal to assist the library.

Checks payable to The Friends of the Warren Twp.Public Library can be dropped off at the main desk or mailed to: 42 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, NJ 07059.



(above) Trustee Lisa Richards and her delicious apple cake.

(above, l-r) Youth Services Librarian Lynn, Friends Secretary Bev Lang, Friends President Donna Java and Adult Services Department Supervisor Jennifer Konopacki

(above, l-r) Library staff of Warren Library Phyllis, Brian, Rose, Kathy, Ben, Katie, Jennifer and Eloise.



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## **GIRL SCOUT TROOP 65512 UPDATE**

Submitted by Sonia Estevez

Girl Scouts of Troop 65512 have been busy this year. The girls finally bridged to Ambassadors this Spring. The girls held the bridging ceremony at the Codington Hall of the Mt Horeb United Methodist Church thanks to the sponsorship of Rev. Bill Pelley.

As senior Girl Scouts, they plan and run their own meetings and events. They started the year with a campfire where they met cadette Girl Scouts to tell them all about what to expect as Senior Girl Scouts.

Among the activities they've done this year include: Earning the car care badge by learning how to check and top off the oil and windshield wiper fluid, check the wiper blades and the tire pressure and change a tire, among other things. They baked and decorated over 200 cookies for the homeless. Spent an entire afternoon cleaning up a river. Spent over three hours with three FBI parole officers learning self-defense techniques. And they have been helping each other and other GS in town work on their Gold Awards. More

than half the troop decided they wanted to work on their Gold Awards and many of them have started their projects already.

Most recently, scouts Marianna and Francesca attended the Warren/Watchung Green Fair where they spoke to the community about their Gold Award projects. Marianna explained the importance of butterflies in our town and how she is going to encourage the butterfly population in the area by planting a butterfly garden at the Codington Farmstead. Francesca challenged visitors to a Zero Waste week. She explained how what we do is negatively affecting the rivers and oceans. The water that goes to the storm water drains in our community is not processed and goes straight to the ocean, so any plastics that end up on the streets, end up polluting our waters. Several dozen people signed up to the challenge of not using plastic bags, plastic utensils, straws, plastic (no-usable) food containers or plastic Ziploc bags for a week to start. She is hoping they all join the Zero Waste movement to keep the oceans and earth clean.



(above, l-r) Sarah Bruno, Ava Kolb, Natalie Curtis, Deepa Irakam, Teresa Rotolo, Roopa Irakam, Jessica Young, Francesca Holl, Marianna Renda, Leah Postol, Emma Garcell, Natalie Fontana. FBI Officers: Eddie Irwin, Ive Perez and Suzanne Golda.



## WARREN SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Warren Recreation's Summer Concert Series All concerts take place at the Warren Municipal Pavilion Area and start at 7 p.m.

#### Fabulous 50's Night featuring The Keynotes

#### (June 26, rain date June 27)

Join us for a night of music from the Fabulous 50's; the era known for its classic cars, jukeboxes, drive-in movies and all time Rock-n-Roll! Free food & refreshments compliments of Knights of Columbus. Sponsored by: Knights of Columbus.

#### Lost in Place

#### (July 10, rain date July 11)

Celebrating their 21st year as a band, Lost In Place prides itself on faithfully reproducing the great songs of the 60's & 70's, with a few from the 80's and 90's, too. Their 5 vocalists and 4 lead singers enable them to cover a wide variety of artists like: The Beatles, Santana, Eric Clapton, Pink Floyd, Led Zeppelin, the Doobie Brothers, CCR, CSN&Y, Foreigner, Queen, Tommy James, Robert Palmer, Stevie Wonder, James Brown, Prince, Genesis, Ace, Golden Earring, Soul Survivors, David Bowie, Edgar Winter, Joe Walsh, The Guess Who, The Stones, Cream, Badfinger, The Grassroots, Tom Cochran, Redbone, Eddie Money, Loverboy, Styx, Talking Heads, AC/DC ... Bring your dancing shoes!

#### **Ross Griswold & The Second Line**

(July 17, rain date July 18) Ross Griswold & The Second Line's determination is to get you up and dancing! Based in and around the Somerville area, their mix of New Orleans, Soul, Funk, and R&B spans genres and generations to bring you the best grooves. Classics from Stevie Wonder, Van Morrison, Bill Withers, Dr. John, The Meters, Professor Longhair and more will make the perfect soundtrack for a hip-shaking good time, so grab your friends and come on out!





## **REGISTER NOW FOR TEEN CERT TRAINING**

The county Office of Emergency Management is accepting applications for the 2019 Teen CERT course to be held at the Somerset County Emergency Services Training Academy, July 8 through 12, 2019.

Teen CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) is a national Homeland Security initiative directed at making schools and communities safer by having educated and trained youth capable of preparing and responding to disasters and emergencies. Teen CERT is an integral part of the Citizen Corps Program, which emphasizes making our communities and our nation safer, stronger and better prepared.

It takes about 30 hours to complete the Somerset County Teen CERT program, but the critical skills you learn will last your entire life. During the training you will learn to: • Extinguish small fires.

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- Reduce fire hazards in the home and workplace.
- Help reduce survivor stress.
- Assist emergency responders.
- Assist those who are injured.
- Set up medical treatment areas.
- Conduct light search and rescue.

Teens entering grades 9 through 12 are welcome to apply. Participants must attend all classes to receive a certificate of completion. Registration is first come, first served, with a maximum of 25 students.

For registration information and an application form visit www.co.somerset.nj.us.

For questions or more information, contact Carolyn Solon in the Office of Emergency Management at solon@co.somerset.nj.us or 908-725-5070.



## JULY PROGRAMS AT SCLSNJ'S WARREN TOWNSHIP LIBRARY BRANCH

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All programs listed are free. Registration is required unless otherwise indicated and programs are subject to change; visit SCLSNJ.org or call the Library for more information and to register. \*Please note the Library will be closed July 4 for Independence Day

ALL AGE PROGRAMS

**Construction Zones STEM Activities for Families** July 13, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

#### CHILDREN, TWEEN, AND TEEN PROGRAM

**Healthy Snacks with ShopRite** (entering grades 2-5): July 8, 17; 4-5 p.m. **Kids Music Round** July 9, 10-10:45 a.m. July 9, 11-11:45 a.m. (ages birth - 4 years) **Make Your Own Graphic Novel** July 10, 6-7:30 p.m. (entering grades 7-12) **STEM Storytime Special - Three Little Pigs** July 11, 10-11 a.m. (entering grades Pre-K to 3) **Cupcake Wars** July 11, 7-8 p.m. (entering grades 6-12) Songs and Silliness with Mr. Jon July 15, 10-10:45 a.m. (families) **STEM Challenge** (entering grades 4-8) **Book Dominoes** July 18, 4-5 p.m. Marshmallow Tower Building July 24, 7-8 p.m. **Stories and Songs** July 23, 10-10:30 a.m. (ages birth - 3 years)

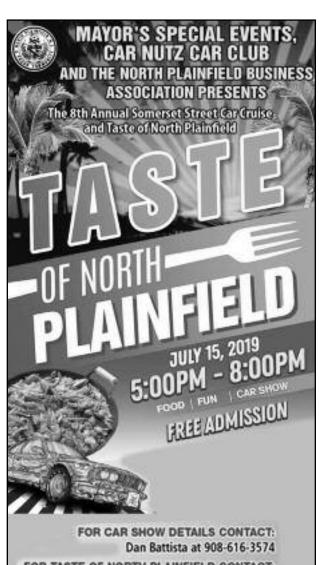
Snakes-N-Scales - Tropical Rainforest Animals July 25, 7-8 p.m.

(entering grades K-5) **Storytime Special - Puppet Show**  *July 26, 10-11 a.m.* (entering grades Pre-K to 2) **Teen Volunteer Talk and Bookmark Making** *July 30, 7-8 p.m.* 

(entering grades 6-12) **Teddy Bear Sleepover**  *July 31, 6-7 p.m.* (entering grades Pre-K to 5)

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Board Game Night** July 9, 7-8:30 p.m. **Recipe Club** July 15, 7-8:30 p.m. **Color Yourself Calm - Color. Relax. Repeat** July 17, 5-8 p.m. **Summer Scrubs** July 18, 11 a.m. - noon **Book Discussion** "Killers of the Flower Moon," July 23, 7:15-8:45 p.m. **Senior Self Defense - Awareness and Defense Strategies for Older Adults** July 25, 1:30-2:30 p.m. **Special Needs Social Hour** July 29, 7-8 p.m. Film Discussion: "Rebecca," July 31, 1-4 p.m.



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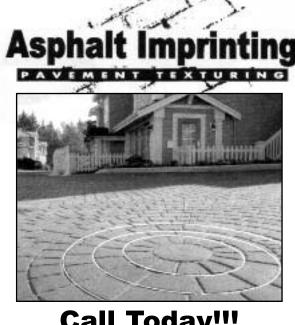
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