

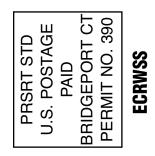
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(above, l-r) The new teachers and Vice Principal at Watchung Hills Regional High School for the 2019-2020 School Year gathered in the school's Media Center for New Teacher Orientation on August 20-22. They are: (seated) Lam Wong, Dan Lamson, Alex Albaret, Vice Principal Jim Flakker; (standing) Natalia Berardo, Christina Longo, Pamela Phillips, Patrick Ganley, Mark Harley, Ofelia Rodriguez, Monica Rito, Douglas Radiewicz, and Kavish Dhaibar. Not in photo: Lexiang Chiarulli.

Submitted by Denis Kelly

The Watchung Hills Regional High School (WHRHS) faculty and administration includes two new interim staff, one returning staff, and 14 new staff with which to begin the 2019-2020 School Year.

The new members include five new World Languages teachers, two new Mathematics teachers, two new Science teachers, and one new Social Studies, English, and Choral Music teachers. There is also a new Guidance Counselor and a new Vice Principal.

"The new staff for the 2019-2020 School Year were welcomed to WHRHS at a three-day New Teacher Orientation program, Tuesday, August 20, to Thursday, August 22," said Beth Scheiderman, WHRHS Director of Human Resources and Professional Development. "The new staff received information about WHRHS systems, were introduced to key resource staff, were given tours of the WHRHS facilities, and had opportunities to get to know one another. All the new staff were eager to familiarize themselves with the school, and were looking forward to meeting their fellow faculty members during the full staff development program on Wednesday, August 28, and Thursday, August 29."



(above, l-r) Also joining the staff at WHRHS for the start of the 2019-2020 School Year are Interim Director of Guidance Julie Patterson; Administrative Assistant to the Principal Laurie Grafer; and Student Data Systems Manager Chris Beckert.



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ELIZABETH MORRIS AWARDED THE 2019 WHREA 'SCHOLARSHIP FOR FUTURE EDUCATORS'

center, is congratulated by WHREA President and WHRHS Social Studies Teacher Ken Karnas, left, and Patricia Buzby, right, one of the two staff Future Educators.

WHRHS Graduating Senior Elisabeth Morris, members in the Child Development Program at WHRHS. Morris was selected as the 2019 recipient of the annual WHREA Scholarship for





Join us on Wednesday, Oct 23, 2019 at 7:00 PM for a presentation on how to help children cope with anxiety. LearningRx Warren is pleased to host Dr. Cassandra M. Faraci, a licensed clinical psychologist who specializes in evidence-based treatment for anxiety.

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For more information, contact James Hewitt, Chairman, Membership Committee, (908) 233-5507, info@SummitOldGuard.org. You can also visit summitoldguard.org.

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OCTOBER 1:

What are algorithms and how do they shape our lives?: Al Aho, Professor Emeritus of computer science at Columbia University will illustrate what algorithms are and how they shaping all aspects of our daily lives from healthcare to finance to entertainment. He will also explain why some people speculate they will determine the ultimate fate of humankind. The discussion will take place at the New Providence Borough Hall on October 1, at 9.30 a.m. until 11.30 a.m.

OCTOBER 8:

Dr. Mihai Banu, Founder and CTO, Blue Danube Systems discusses the effect that 5G will have on our lives. Is it the Hollywood inspired vision of robots taking over our household chores, self-driving cars, surgeons operating on patients thousands of miles away, or is it something in between? In this presentation, he will explain what 5G is and what is not and how it is different from 4G. He will also discuss the implications of this evolution for common users as well as for the industrial complex. The discussion will take place at the New Providence Municipal Building on Oct. 8 at 9.30 am. until 11.30 am.



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Come in costume and grab a bite to eat from a variety of 20+ popular food trucks, or throw back a few of the hand-crafted brews, wine and sangria from the biergarten, all while listening to one of the two live featured bands! Pack a blanket and chairs, and enjoy live music, from pop to rock, by Jazmyn Adelle & Company and Guy Smiley Band.

Enjoy Halloween lawn games for adults and kids, moon bouncer, magician, face painter, and much more.

Tickets can be purchased online at discounted rates of \$5 per adult and \$2 per child at gardenstatefoodtruckfest.com. Tickets purchased on the day of the event are \$10 per adult and \$5 per child.

There will be free parking, and admission allows for re-entrance throughout the day. All foods and beverages are sold separately.

For more information and directions to Lewis Morris County Park, visit morrisparks.net.

Proceeds from this event, hosted by Garden State Food Truck Festival, will benefit the Morris County Park Commission.

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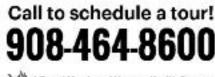
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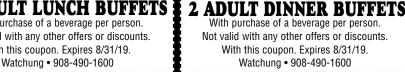
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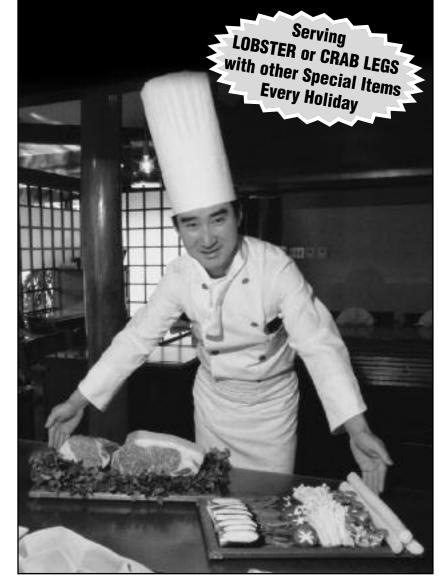
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A & E Clothing Corp, Carteret, NJ, helps facilitate collection of clothing, linens and shoes for distribution throughout the US and developing countries. They will sort and ship the items and compensate the Rosary Society per

St Vincent de Paul Parish Rosary Altar Society pound collected. These funds will go toward the needs of the Parish community.

Donations of clothing, shoes, belts, handbags, linens, stuffed animals, bikes and strollers will be accepted at the church, 250 Bebout Ave, Stirling. Please bag items no heavier than 20 lbs. and bag shoes separately. Please contact the parish office at 908-647-0118 or parish@stvincetnschurch.org with questions.



(above) The clothing, shoes and other donations that were collected during the May drive. St Vincent de Paul Parish Rosary Altar Society will be holding another clothing drive on Saturday and Sunday, October 19 and 20, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.



HALLOWEEN PARADE - OCTOBER 20TH

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(above) Photos from Halloween Parade 2018

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