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## **GOVERNOR LIVINGSTON ANNUAL PROM FASHION SHOW**

Submitted by Shana Hopeck

On Wednesday February 26, 2020, Governor Livingston held its annual Prom Fashion Show with much success. The event is a collaboration between the Class of 2020 Student Council and the PTO Project Graduation Committee. The event showcased prom fashions modeled by 33 senior students. Over 250 people attended the high energy event. In addition to the main event, there was also a popular basket raffle.

The Prom Fashion Show raised over \$4,400 to off-set costs for the Senior Prom and the 2020 Project Graduation program. Project Graduation is a drug and substance-free event for the students immediately following commencement.

The Prom Fashion Show Committee would like to thank all of the volunteers, students, faculty, administrators and staff who made the night run so smoothly. We especially want to thank the sponsors who provided the fashions, hair and make up and food for the models: Adams Fine Clothing & Tuxedos in New Providence, David's Bridal in Watchung, Lord & Taylor at Livingston Mall, Renew Salon, M. Crescimbeni Hair & Makeup Artistry, Sublime Salon, Feathers II, Hair by Corinne, Mary Kay– Stephanie Skidmore, Clemente's Pizzeria, Stop & Shop and Delicious Heights. Limos were on display from DJs Limousine for all to preview and take pictures.

Thank you to all of the families and local businesses who donated to the basket raffle. Without your generosity it would not have been so successful!







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## ALEXANDER BEKE AND GABRIEL AMATO COMPETE IN BOY SCOUT CHESS TOURNAMENT

Berkeley Heights boy scouts Alexander Beke and Gabriel Amato recently competed in the 7th annual Munsee District Boy Scout Chess Tournament. This year's tournament was held at the Cranford Community Center on Saturday, February 22, 2020.

The First place winner of the tournament was Joshua McDonald from Whitehouse Station. Second place was awarded to Alexander Beke from Berkeley Heights, and third place went to Anderson Lee from Summit. Trophies in the form of traveling chess sets were awarded to first, second, and third place finishers.

Thirty-one contestants participated in the annual tournament that was organized by Joe Renna of Renna Media, and Tournament Director John Moldovan of Garwood. This tournament also met part of the requirements for earning a Chess merit badge.

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



(above) Alexander Beke



(above) Gabriel S. Amato



(above, l-r) Tournament Sponsor Joe Renna, Second Place Winner Alexander Beke of Scotch Plains, Cranford Troop Volunteer Jim Parlapiano, Tournament Director John Moldovan.

















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## **RETIRED SCOUTS HELP MAINTAIN CAMPS**

The Flintlocks repaired the Dan Beard Tree House at Boy Scout Camp Somers in Stanhope, NJ over the winter. This camp serves the Union County area scouts, as well as Morris, Sussex and Middlesex Counties.

The Flintlocks are retired scouters who volunteer every Thursday at Camp Winnebago in Rockaway, NJ. All it took was some lumber, some screws and some elbow grease. Since the Flintlocks are all volunteers with outstanding construction skills, it saves the Council from hiring outside contractors to do the repairs. A small group goes up to Camp Somers on

Wednesdays to work over there. Most of the men had fathers who helped the Boy Scouts when they were in the scouts as lads, and have sons and grandchildren who were, or are, in the scouts.

For more information please visit the Facebook Page "Flintlocks", or contact Flintlocks Secretary Michael Hart at drmhart@yahoo.com.



(above) The Dan Beard Tree House at Boy Scout Camp Somers received repairs by the Flintlocks over the winter.



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## Berkeley Heights News • Page 5 • April 2020 SHROVE TUESDAY SUPPER AT FAITH LUTHERAN



#### Submitted by Larry Holt

On the evening of Mardi Gras, February 25, 2020, the day before Ash Wednesday, members of Faith Lutheran Church in New Providence shared in a traditional Shrove Tuesday supper of pancakes, ham and berries. The evening included decorations of Mardi Gras.

Shrove Tuesday derives its name from the ritual of shriving that Christians undertook many years ago. In shriving, Christians confess their sins and receive absolution for the sins. Since Lent is a time of abstinence, Shrove Tuesday was viewed by Christians as their last chance in forty days to indulge themselves. They would eat the foods that were not allowed in Lent and particularly the foods that would spoil. Pancakes were often chosen as they were a dish that could use up all the eggs, fats and milk in the house with just the addition of flour.

The chairperson of Faith's Shrove Tuesday Supper, for the fifth consecutive year, was Jessica Short of New Providence.

The pastor of Faith is Rev. Jane McCready. The address is 524 South Street, New Providence 07974. Reach by phone at 908-464-5177 or visit online at famfaith.org.

(left, front, l-r) The chefs and kitchen staff Jessica, James and Andrew Short; (back, l-r) Steve Short, Desiree Bouchat, Monika Bouchat, and Jim Kwan





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