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NEW PROVIDENCE LIONS CLUB PAYS TRIBUTE TO VETERANS

Submitted by Linda Kale

The New Providence Lions held an impromptu "Tribute to our Veterans" in Veterans Park on Friday, May 22, 2020 to remember the courageous men and women who died in our nations service.

The Lions march each year in the New Providence Memorial Day Parade. "Because the parade was cancelled this year due to the Covid-19 virus a few Lions gathered to pay tribute to our veterans." commented Ed Morgan, President of the New Providence Lions Club.

The American Flag in the photo is a special flag that the Lions carry each year in the parade. It was given to the club by the United States Marine Corps as a thank you for our help in collecting clothing, and personal items for a village they were helping in Iraq. This village was destroyed by Isis and the villagers were in desperate need. "Where there is a need there is a Lion."

The New Providence Lions Club is a 501(c)3 organization, giving back to the community 100% of the proceeds raised. Organizations that benefit from our annual support include NP Recreation Dept., Fire Dept., Community Service Assoc., EMS Rescue Squad, Senior Citizens Center, PBA, NPHS Scholarships, NP Historical Society, Health Fair, NP Public Library, Drive for Autism, and many more!

Being a Lion empowers you to help others in a way that no one person could alone.

The Lions are dedicated to helping others. Lions make a difference!

To Donate: Mail check to NP Lions Club, PO Box 854, New Providence, NJ 07974.

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LIONS CLUB ANNOUNCES THE CANCELLATION OF GOLF TOURNAMENT

Submitted by Linda Kale

The NP Lions Club is writing with news that will likely not surprise you. In light of the current Covid-19 pandemic, we have decided to cancel our 2020 golf fundraising event.

First and foremost, the New Providence Lions would like to say 'Thank You' to every sponsor, donor, golfer and guest who have made our Pizzi Memorial Outing so successful and how each you have helped us honor Judge Pizzi for the last 22 years! Our tournament highlighted all the true values of Frank, the Lions Club and our home town of New Providence and provided us the financial opportunity for the Lions Club to support so many local organizations thru your donations and contributions to this Memorial Fundraiser.

Our initial thought was to postpone our 23rd Annual Pizzi Memorial Golf Tournament until later this summer or early fall but with the many unknowns about how the future will unfold and

special awareness with regard to safety for social gatherings, what the broader economic picture will be especially for sponsors and participants, and the Lion's current resources to organize and implement a successful event by early fall, we believed the best option was to cancel for 2020.

Looking forward, as this 'New Normal' evolves to a safer and more stable environment, we will be planning other events for the fall, namely our 2nd Annual Cornhole Contest to be held outdoors this September. Hopefully, an improving financial situation will allow all of us to think once again beyond the immediate needs of our friends, neighbors and local businesses to the ever present needs of our local organizations. Also, please mark your calendars for next year's Frank A. Pizzi, Jr Memorial Golf Tournament to be held early June 2021. Be Well and Stay Safe!

For additional information on how you can support our Club, or become a member, please visit our website at nplions.org.

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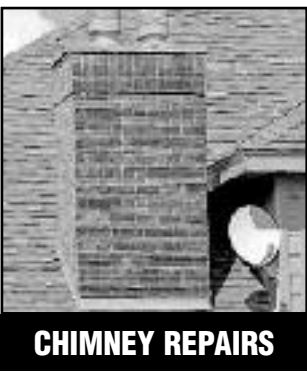
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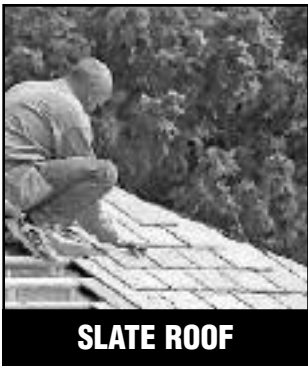
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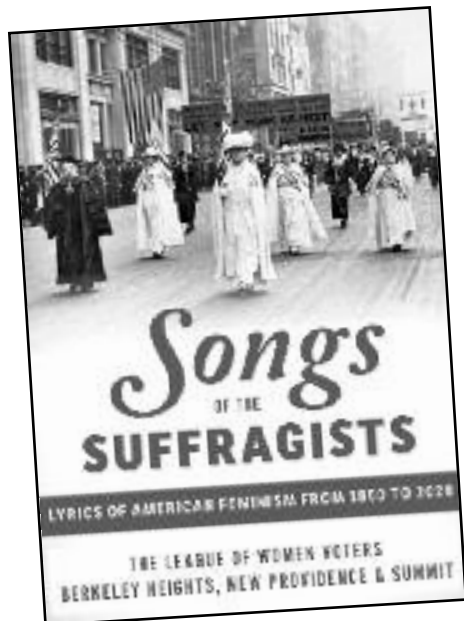
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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS PUBLISHES SONGS OF THE SUFFRAGISTS: LYRICS OF AMERICAN FEMINISM FROM 1850 TO 2020

Submitted by Susan Ferris Rights

The League of Women Voters Berkeley Heights, New Providence and Summit (LWVBHNPS), including members and our high school/college interns, has spent the last 2 years putting together a terrific read, Songs of the Suffragists: Lyrics of American Feminism from 1850 to 2020, as part of our fundraising for local student scholarship awards and celebration of the Centennial.

Citing more than 80 sources and including more than 40 images, Songs of the Suffragists:



Lyrics of American Feminism from 1850 to 2020 narrates the history of American feminism from the 19th Century through the modern era. Each chapter includes an excerpt of song lyrics from the relevant period, along with a well-researched commentary regarding the song and the woman's movement at that time.

The book is 66 pages long and provides an ideal foundation for book club programming around the centennial.

This book was started by LWVBHNPS interns in the spring of 2018 with the help of LWV members Pat Dolan and LWV President Susan Ferris Rights.

Songs of the Suffragists: Lyrics of American Feminism from 1850 to 2020 was then researched and drafted by the LWV-BHNPS's stellar group of high school and college interns

in both 2018 and 2019. Interns included: Bridget Bowen, Julia Haas, Stephanie Lioudis, and Elizabeth Moshkevich. Each brought their unique insight and perspective to the creation of this book.

Thanks to tremendous effort, LWV member Laura Engelhardt was able to work with all the interns, edit and create the final version that is now for sale on Amazon.

We owe special thanks to the Intellectual Property Law Clinic of Rutgers University, and in particular to Sabrina Bazelais, Vincent Delriccio and Jason Tarella, who provided us with copyright guidance and advice.

Please support the LWVBHNPS (lwv-bhnps.org) and enjoy reading the history of the suffragist movement behind the music of the time. Available for purchase on Amazon.

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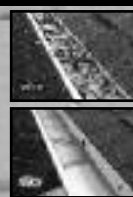
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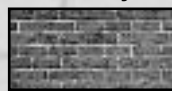
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Faith Lutheran Church, New Providence is currently collecting bicycles in usable and/or repairable condition on behalf of Pedals for Progress (P4P), an organization which annually recycles thousands of bicycles, sending them to countries around the world. Faith Lutheran has been partnering with P4P since 2002 and has collected thousands of bikes in that time.

Anyone wishing to donate an adult or kid-sized bike can drop it off at the far end of the church parking lot near the little brown shed at 524 South Street in New Providence. There is no need to call ahead, just drive up and drop off your donation in the lot and Faith will make sure it gets to P4P. To arrange for pick up, contact the Church Office at 908-464-5177 or leave a message and someone will get back to you.

In the last 29 years, P4P has collected more than 159,000 bicycles and shipped them to people in need in places including Latin America, South America, Africa, Thailand, and the Balkans. In each of these locations, the bikes are reconditioned by partner agencies and distributed

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For more information visit Pedals for Progress' website at p4p.org.



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Nonfiction Book Group Virtual Meeting (Adults)

June 4 at 7:30 p.m.:

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Baseball Discussion Virtual Meeting (Adults)

June 8 at 7-9 p.m.

Anyone with an interest in baseball is welcome. The group is mostly made up of adults but fans of any age are welcome. Discuss your favorite team and players over Zoom, or just listen to the other baseball fans speak. You may also call in. To receive an invitation, please email npmlref@yahoo.com

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Virtual Bingo for Kids! (Kids)

June 15 3:30 p.m.

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Book Group Virtual Meeting (Adults)

June 16 10:30 a.m.

The morning book group will discuss "Carnegie's Maid" by Marie Benedict over Zoom. This book is available to download free with a NP library card through the Hoopla Digital app. If you are interested in attending, whether it's over videochat on Zoom or by calling in on the phone, please RSVP to npmlref@yahoo.com

Explore New Zealand Virtually (Adults)

June 18 7 p.m.

Explore New Zealand virtually and learn travel photography tips with Nancy Ori, a corporate photographer, fine art exhibitor and former student of Ansel Adams. You'll get to see Nancy Ori's photographs of New Zealand off the beaten path, in this Zoom presentation on Thursday, June 18 at 7 p.m. This event is hosted

by the New Providence Memorial Library with funding from the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library. To register, email the New Providence Memorial Library at npmlref@yahoo.com with New Zealand in the subject line.

Virtual LEGO Club! (Kids)

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June 24

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On May 1, 2020, Mayor Al Morgan swore in Theresa Gazaway as the 7th Police Chief of the Borough of New Providence. She succeeds Anthony Buccelli, who retired on May 1, 2020. Notably, she is the first female Police Chief in Union County history.

Chief Gazaway began her career in law enforcement after being accepted into the Alternate Route Program at the John H. Stamler Police Academy in July 1995 and was subsequently hired by the New Providence Police Department. Her assignments have included Patrolman, Traffic Safety Officer, Bicycle Officer, DARE Officer, Senior Citizen Liaison, Detective, Patrol Commander and Detective Bureau Commander. Chief Gazaway was promoted to Sergeant in 2006, Lieutenant in 2010 and Captain in 2017. She currently serves as the Accreditation Manager for the department and oversees the day to day operations.

Chief Gazaway graduated from Raritan Valley Community College with an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice. She is a Certified Public Manager; NJ State Chiefs Certified

Command Executive, and has a certificate in Public Safety Liability Mitigation from Stockton College. She has served as the President of The Union County DARE Officer's Association and Vice President of the New Providence P.B.A., Local #132. Chief Gazaway also serves as a staff instructor at the John H. Stamler Police Academy and an assessor for the NJSACOP Accreditation Program.

Chief Gazaway is a long time New Providence resident with deep roots in the community. She and her husband Ron were married and raised their two children in the Borough. She is also a member of the New Providence Lions Club and the Summit Elks.

"We are very excited and proud to have Chief Gazaway leading our Police Department," said Mayor Al Morgan. "Her experience, along with her enthusiastic leadership, strong relationship building capabilities, and high level of professional standards and accountability will prove to be extremely beneficial to the borough. We congratulate her on this well-deserved achievement."



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OUT OF MANY- ONE! NEW PROVIDENCE RESIDENTS FIND A WAY TO CELEBRATE THEIR TRICENTENNIAL DURING SOCIAL DISTANCING

Submitted by Patricia Jacobs

Residents of New Providence are planning an art installation to begin on Flag Day, June 14, to celebrate the 300th anniversary of the town (1720-2020). Most Tricentennial events have been cancelled or postponed due to virus isolation protocols. This project is a way to keep spirits up and show how powerful people can be if they work together.

E Pluribus Unum (Latin for Out of Many, One) was a favorite motto of the founding fathers. This art installation, named for that motto, symbolizes the town, founded in colonial days, coming together as one to make something larger than anyone alone could create.

“Anyone in New Providence - a group, a family, a sports team or an organization - is welcome to design and decorate a square of cotton fabric with weather-safe markers or paints,” said Patricia Jacobs, Executive Director of the New Providence- Our Community For All. “Then squares will be collected and strung like pennant flags on ropes from the roof lines and railings of the large pavilion in Centennial Park. The park is visible from Springfield Avenue, making it easy for pedestrians and drivers to see. The flags will be on full display for several weeks. Make a flag! Join in the fun!”

Suggested themes for the flags include, what you love about New Providence, things you have learned or enjoyed during your time spent at home, what are you looking forward to when life returns to a more normal pace?

The flags will create a sea of colorful green, gold and white—New Providence’s colors. Artwork and craftwork will highlight individual names and messages of solidarity and town pride, waving in the wind. The project serves as a vision for everyone to enjoy life together until everyone can be outside relaxing in the parks again. This is a project everyone can work on safely at home



(above) One family’s flag, and its smiling creators.

and admire together once social gatherings are allowed. “We had a blast working on ours,” said Stacey Gunderman, co-chair of the event. “Our boys were quick to say what was most important to them!”

Girl Scouts from Troop 40380 in New Providence are providing a lot of the manpower for the project. They are cutting the fabric into squares, making packets for families, and they will be assembling the individual flags into the final display. The New Providence Diversity Committee is also on board with outreach to many local groups and will help with the final

installation in Centennial Park. New Providence- Our Community For All is the nonprofit group organizing the art effort.

Fabric squares will be available for pick up in the municipal center foyer. Everyone of all ages is encouraged to participate—particularly high school seniors, sports teams, clubs and groups. Prizes will be awarded for the most beautiful, most creative and funniest flags.

If you would like to receive squares of fabric and get started, email: NewProvidenceOCFA@gmail.com. Call 908-380-7715 with questions.

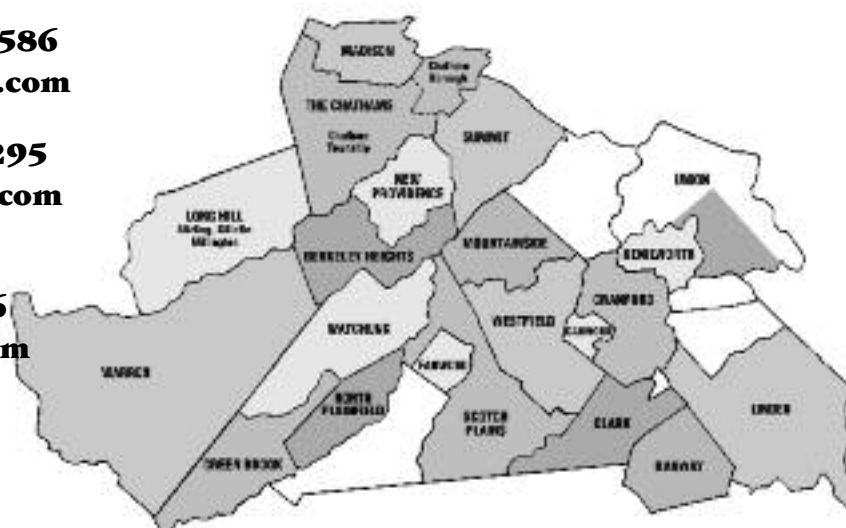
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