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EMS WEEK - READY TODAY. PREPARING FOR TOMORROW.

National EMS Week was held on May 17-23. It is a time to honor local Emergency Medical Services responders and promote awareness of their everyday services to the public. Since 1974, every American President has signed a National EMS Week Proclamation. This year's version of EMS Week is particularly notable, given the enormous challenges facing EMS personnel due to the novel coronavirus, as well as the heroic efforts being made by so many EMS providers to help save lives, even as they risk the safety of themselves and their loved ones.

This year's EMS Week theme: "Ready Today. Preparing for Tomorrow," seems quite appropriate. Despite the many dangers and difficulties posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, members of the Summit Volunteer First Aid Squad have continued to provide emergency pre-hospital care and ambulance transport, while diligently taking the precautions required to stay healthy and able to serve in this environment. "The challenges have increased dramatically, and some of our procedures have changed in response to them, but our mission most certainly has not," said Squad President Bob Flanagan. "Under some of the most difficult circumstances imaginable, our members have continued to answer 9-1-1 calls every day and night." Summit EMS volunteers began their EMS week recognition with a salute to EMS responders who have lost their lives in the line of duty this year, including 12 in New Jersey.

The Squad has been the City's lead EMS agency since 1962, providing basic life support care and emergency ambulance transportation. Other components of our EMS system include first responders from the Fire & Police Departments, Paramedics from Overlook Medical Center, Emergency Nurses & Physicians, 9-1-1 dispatchers and citizen first responders. In addition to providing 24-hour emergency services, the Squad's mission also includes public education in first aid, CPR, accident prevention and emergency preparedness.

The Squad is composed exclusively of volunteers. It has no paid staff, and its services are rendered free of charge. The Squad receives no funding from the City of Summit or other agency, and is financed entirely by private donations and grants. The Squad is always looking for new volunteers to join its ranks. All needed training, uniforms and equipment are provided. For information on becoming a volunteer, or making a donation to support the Squad, please visit its web site at: summitems.org,



(above) Summit EMS Volunteers pay tribute to fallen EMS responders as part of a national moment of silence.





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cleaning. Maybe you have a bike taking up space in your garage, shed or basement. Maybe it is an old model, a bit worn, in need of repair, or just something you or your kids have outgrown. We have a great option for you that is socially and environmentally responsible.

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Anyone wishing to donate an adult or kidsized 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

Now is a great time to do some spring 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 at low cost to poor working adults or wherever there is need. Donated bikes previously used for relaxation and recreation get a second life providing life-sustaining and reliable transportation for people to commute to work or school, to transport produce to market, and to access healthcare and other services.

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



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(above) Volunteers remove the pedals and ziptie them to the bike frame, then turn and lock down the handlebars so that the bikes can be tightly packed onto P4P's truck and then onto overseas shipping containers.



(above) P4P staff are bike experts. They are also masters at using space wisely. All these bikes and more will be loaded on the truck shown and will make their way to people around the world.

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Summit Times • Page 4 • June 2020 **MEET SUMMIT POLICE CHIEF ANDREW BARTOLOTTI**

At its meeting held on Tuesday, April 28, 2020, Summit Common Council unanimously approved the appointment of Police Captain Andrew Bartolotti as the next Chief of Police in Summit, NJ. Captain Bartolotti replaced Police Chief Robert K. Weck who retired on June 1, 2020.



that I appointed Captain Andrew Bartolotti to be Summit's next chief of police," explains Summit Mayor Nora Radest. "Captain Bartolotti is a 20 year veteran of the Summit Police Department and is an uncommonly well-qualified officer. He has the deepest respect from his fellow officers and I am certain he will be an excellent chief."

Andrew Bartolotti joined the Summit Police Department in 2000, spending four years as a police officer before being assigned to the detective bureau in 2004. Earning undergraduate and graduate degrees from Farleigh Dickinson University, he reached the rank of sergeant in 2007, lieutenant in 2011 and captain in 2012. In 2017,

Captain Bartolotti represented the City of Summit and police department with distinction when he was selected as one of six law

"It is with great confidence and enthusiasm enforcement executives from the State of New Jersey to attend the prestigious FBI National Academy in Quantico Virginia and train alongside some of the worlds most accomplished police leaders. Since April 1, he has been serving as the Officer-in-Charge while Chief Weck is on extended leave following a positive COVID-19 coronavirus diagnosis.

"As chief it will be my priority to continue improving the quality of life in Summit for all of its citizens through ethical, transparent and progressive policing," Bartolotti said. "The Summit Police Department will continue to build relationships through outreach, engagement and our proven track record of responsiveness to the needs of the community."

Additional information on Police Chief Andrew Bartolotti and the Summit Police Department is available at cityofsummit.org.



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SUMMIT HONORS ITS HOMETOWN HEROES WITH BANNERS

The City of Summit Hometown Heroes are also invited to apply. program banners were hanging throughout Summit in time to honor local veterans on Memorial Day.

This is the third year that banners with the names, images and dates of service of active military and veterans will be displayed on city streets from mid-May through Labor Day. In 2020, the program has been expanded to include a total of 206 honorees.

An individual qualifies to take part in the Hometown Heroes program if they are serving or have served in any one of the following branches of the United States Armed Forces: Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines and Navy. Members of the United States Merchant Marine and Women Airforce Service Pilots in World War II

Veterans must also have lived in Summit at any time in the past or present, or are currently or have been employed by the City of Summit or Summit Board of Education, or are current or former volunteers in the Summit EMS, Police Auxiliary and Volunteer Fire Division.

The program is funded through private donations with no fee to participate. Information on application requirements and how to apply is available at cityofsummit.org/hometownheroes.

To make a tax-deductible donation in support of the Hometown Heroes program online, please go to http://summitforever.org. Donations by check made payable to The Summit Foundation can be mailed to Summit Hometown Heroes, P.O. Box 892, Summit, NJ 07902.









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 ideal foundation for book club programming (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 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 (lwvbhnps.org) and enjoy reading the history of the suffragist movement behind the music of the time. Available for purchase on Amazon.



(above) The cover of Songs of the Suffragists: Lyrics of American Feminism from 1850 to 2020, put together by the League of Women Voters Berkeley Heights, New Providence and Summit. Available for purchase on Amazon.







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SUMMIT BOARD OF EDUCATION WELCOMES NEW BOARD MEMBER

Submitted by Laurene Callander The Summit Board of Education welcomed Yon Cho as the newest member of the Board during the remote meeting on Thursday, May 7, 2020. He will serve on the Operations and Policy Committees, and an alternate on the



(above) Yon Cho was welcomed as the newest member of the Summit Board of Education on Thursday, May 7, 2020.

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"Mr. Cho is a wonderful addition to our Board," stated Donna Miller, Board of Education President. "His professional and volunteer experiences will certainly contribute to our work. His understanding of our district and the Summit community will allow him to make those contributions quickly."

Mr. Cho has been a resident of Summit since 2000 and is very active in the community. He has been on the Board of the Summit Area YMCA since 2009; chairs the Facilities Committee and is on the Executive Committee. He also served on the Board of the Summit Educational Foundation from 2013 to 2019, and chaired the Investment Committee. Mr. Cho is also heavily involved with scouting programs in Summit, and was a soccer and baseball coach for his children when they were younger.

"Mr. Cho has stepped in seamlessly to the role and already provided valuable insight to the Board," said Chris Bonner, Board of Education Vice President. "His depth of experience will be a tremendous asset to the Board and we are fortunate to have him."

Mr. Cho is currently retired after more than 30 years in financial services and real estate investment management at Lehman Brothers, and at Pacific Coast Capital Partners where he managed the New York office and new investments. After graduating college, Mr. Cho proudly served four years in the United States Navy as a Surface Line Officer before starting his financial career. He has a BS in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School and an MBA from the NYU Stern School of Business.

Mr. Cho and his wife Francie have four children who all attended Summit Public Schools starting in kindergarten. Two are recent graduates of Summit High School, and two are current Summit High School students.



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SUSTAIN SUMMIT FUND DISTRIBUTED TO SUMMIT BUSINESSES

Submitted by Nancy Adams

Summit Downtown, Inc. (SDI) is thrilled to announce that the first round of grants from the Sustain Summit Fund have been distributed to 117 Summit small businesses.

The Sustain Summit Fund is a collaborative effort between SDI, The Summit Foundation and the City of Summit to help local small businesses during this time of unprecedented economic and public health emergency resulting from the COVID-19 epidemic. The fund was created with the hope that these small grants would help with short term business expenses until other State and Federal grants and loans could be obtained. The first \$50,000 in donations were generously matched on a 1:1 basis by The Summit Foundation.

The potentially devastating impacts on small businesses are clearly a major concern of the overall Summit community as is evidenced by the generosity with which they have donated to

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the campaign. The Fund has collected over \$330,000 thus far. "We hope the businesses feel the love and support of the Summit community as they donated in generous amounts to help the local businesses they know and love, and by donating have sent along their emotional as well as financial support," said Nancy Adams, Executive Director of SDI. "I've heard from so many businesses who are grateful for the financial help and equally grateful for the love and support they feel from the community."

A Grant Selection Committee made up of Summit residents determined the parameters for deciding which businesses got grants and at what amounts. This was done using information provided by the businesses in their applications about employee hours and rental expenses.

Mayor Nora Radest, who spearheaded the Sustain Summit effort said, "COVID-19 has been devastating for Summit's small businesses. These independently owned businesses help give our city the vibrancy and sense of community that we all cherish. It has been heartwarming to see our residents come together to help them survive this health and economic disaster."

The Sustain Summit Fund is still accepting donations to provide the local small businesses with a second round of grants. Please show your support for our small business community by donating what you can on the Go Fund Me site. Your contribution is tax deductible to the extent permitted by law; SDI is a 501C3 organization.



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THE AMERICAN LEGION MEMORIAL DAY SPEECH

The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. Since local Memorial Day celebrations have been canceled due to Covid-19, the Legion's national headquarters distributed the below speech to commemorate Memorial Day 2020. The writer wishes to remain anonymous.

Every crisis has new heroes. During the 9/11 attacks, they were the first responders running into burning and crumbling buildings as others ran out. Now, during the Coronavirus pandemic, the most visible heroes are the health care professionals, who are saving others and risking their own lives while doing so.

These heroes have much in common with the people that we honor today - America's fallen veterans. They are men and women who have sacrificed their own lives so others could live. They are both elite and ordinary. They are elite in the sense of character. Giving your life so others could live is the ultimate definition of selfless.

They are ordinary in the fact that they represent the diverse fabric of our country. They are rich and poor, black and white, male and female. They come from every ethnicity and background. In short, they looked like anyone of us.

As we celebrate the selfless and untiring performances of the healthcare workers during the COVID-19 pandemic, it brings to mind the military medics, doctors and nurses who sacrificed their lives while treating others on the battlefield.

One such hero was Pharmacist Mate Third Class Jack Williams. The Navy Reserve corpsman was only 20 years old when he landed on Iwo Jima 75 years ago.

On March 3, 1945, James Naughton, a Marine in Williams' unit, was wounded by a grenade. While under intense enemy fire, Williams dragged Naughton to a shallow depression and treated his wounds. Williams used his own body as a screen and was shot four times. Yet he continued.

After he treated Naughton, Williams dressed his own wounds. He then proceeded to treat another Marine, despite his own immense pain. While heading to the rear, he was hit by a sniper's bullet and killed. For his actions, Petty Officer Williams was awarded the Medal of Honor.

We also remember Army veterans like Lieutenant Sharon Lane.

According to her biographer, Philip Bigler, Lt. Lane threw herself into her work as a nurse. While serving in Colorado, she requested a transfer to Vietnam.

"There, at least, you are busy 12 hours a day, six or seven days a week," she said in a 1968 letter to her parents.

Her dedication was obvious, even as she treated enemy Viet Cong soldiers who would return the favor by kicking, cursing and spitting at their American captors.

In the early morning of June 8, 1969, Sharon's tour of duty ended. A Soviet-built rocket struck killed in action at age 25.

If she were still here, her skills as a nurse might still be benefiting us during the current crisis. But not all of the heroes working during the COVID-19 pandemic are in the healthcare industry. Grocers, first responders, delivery workers and drive-through restaurant employees are just a few of the many people that we rely on to provide vital services for society while risking their own safety.

The military also has heroes in every occupational field. Truck drivers, cooks and administrative clerks have all paid the ultimate price. At sea, on land or in the air - military service requires great risk.

Roy Knight, Jr. was a pilot in the U.S. Air Force. On May 19, 1967, he was shot down while attacking a target on the Ho Chi Minh trail in Laos. He was posthumously promoted to colonel. Last year, a joint team from the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency discovered and later identified Col. Knight's remains.

When his remains arrived at Dallas's Love Field, a crowd had gathered to witness the dignified transfer of the flag-draped casket from the Southwest Airlines jet into the receptive arms of the military honor guard. One observer reported that the entire crowd fell silent.

The Southwest flight was piloted by another Air Force veteran, Col. Knight's son, Bryan. Bryan Knight was only five-years-old when he said goodbye to his father as the elder Knight left for Vietnam.

This is yet another legacy that these heroes leave behind. A legacy that includes their sons, daughters, grieving parents, grandparents and friends.

Their heroic acts are sometimes performed to protect those with whom they serve. Corporal Jason Dunham was a squad leader with the Third Battalion, 7th Marines in Iraq.

On April 14, 2004, his squad approached a Toyota Land Cruiser. After his squad discovered

the hospital. Lieutenant Sharon A. Lane was AK-47s in the vehicle, the enemy insurgent exited and engaged in hand-to-hand fighting with the unit. The driver dropped a grenade.

> To save his fellow Marines, Corporal Dunham made the ultimate sacrifice. He threw himself on the grenade and tried to use his helmet to shield the blast. Severely wounded by the grenade's fragments, Cpl. Dunham was taken off lifesupport eight days later.

> Corporal Dunham died so other Marines could live. He, too, was awarded the Medal of Honor for his gallantry.

> Approximately one million men and women of the U.S. military have lost their lives in defense of our nation since the founding of this great Republic.

> Not all have died from enemy fire. Some have died from diseases that have too often festered around war zones. Often times, deaths from disease and accidents outnumbered casualties caused by enemy weapons.

> During the Spanish American War, 60 soldiers of the all-black 24th Infantry Regiment volunteered to serve as nurses. Thirty-six of them would later die of yellow fever or malaria.

> A generation later, the flu would kill nearly 16,000 U.S. soldiers in France during World War I. Another 30,000 American servicemembers died in stateside camps. These men and women could have isolated safely in their homes. But they knew they had an important job to do. A mission to accomplish. They were all on a mission to serve.

> Even when the enemy is an invisible virus or a microscopic germ, the sacrifices made are just as meaningful. The U.S. military has already lost servicemembers to COVID-19.

> This Memorial Day as we continue to honor those who fell for us in battle, let's also pause to remember those who have also sacrificed their lives while serving others.

> May God bless them and may God bless you for remembering them here today.

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JUNIOR LEAGUE OF SUMMIT AWARDS \$15,000 IN EMERGENCY GRANTS TO COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Submitted by Dana Felmet The Junior League of Summit (JLS) is pleased to announce that it has granted \$15,000 to five local community partners to assist with growing needs in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. The JLS recognizes that the current public health crisis has significantly impacted the community's ability to serve those most vulnerable at this time. To be eligible for the funds, each organization must be providing vital services to the community while facing severe operational challenges as a result of the pandemic. This emergency fund seeks to provide each organization with maximum discretion and flexibility in how the emergency funding is utilized.

The 2020 emergency grant recipients include: Bridges; Family Promise; SAGE Eldercare; Summit Area YMCA; and CASA (Court contact the office at 908-273-7349.

Appointed Special Advocates) of New Jersey.

All grant recipients must have previously received grant funds from the JLS within the last five years. Each of these organizations is serving the community within the specific focus areas of the JLS: food insecurity, healthcare needs and community essentials. Congratulations to the recipients and thank you for all that you do for our community!

The Junior League of Summit is a nonprofit, charitable and educational organization of women who are committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers.

For more information about the Junior League of Summit, visit the website at jlsummit.org or



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SPD YOUTH ACADEMY CANCELLED

The Summit Police Department has announced with restrictions from the State of New Jersey the cancellation of all sessions of its upcoming 2020 summer Youth Academy to protect the health and safety of participants, and to comply

related to the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic. The program was scheduled to take place in from July 20 to 31. Photo by Summit Police Department



GET READY, THE SUMMIT FREE MARKET IS NOW ON FACEBOOK

The City of Summit's extremely popular Summit Free Market program is now on Facebook as the group Virtual Summit Free Market. The COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic has forced cancelation of the spring 2020 event and will impact the possibility of hosting a fall event in its new building at the Transfer Station. The online option is a way for Summit residents to continue to share no longer needed items and for others to reuse them.

The Summit Free Market is a student-run initiative that hosts seasonal events at the

Transfer Station where residents are able to bring reusable, yard-sale quality items to share, and take whatever they may want or need at no charge. Since its inception in 2008, the Summit Free Market has served more than 6,000 residents and has kept over 140 tons of reusable material from the waste stream.

For more information on the Summit Free Market or the virtual Summit Free Market Facebook group, go to cityofsummit.org/summitfreemarket or contact pressoffice@cityofsummit.org.



Thank You! Thank You! For 30+ Fabulous Years in Summit! 🗇 Joanne



ADJUSTING TO COVID-19

- Dr. Leicht's podiatry office is doing what can be done to operate in the best interest of all patients and staff. To that end, we're taking the following measures: 1. As an essential service, the office will remain open on a limited schedule Monday-Saturday. We may adjust hours according to demand.
- 2. The goal of our office remaining open is to keep our patients safe, out of danger and out of Emergency Rooms. This refers to people with emergencies such as injuries, wound care, infections and our regular at-risk patients
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that "tingling" in your foot and toes and loss of balance. It interferes with your ability to walk, to ride a bicycle, play golf, garden... to have FUN IN LIFE!

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