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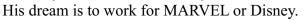
Andrew Tran, a Chatham High School graduate, is the recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship from the Art League of the Chathams for 2020.

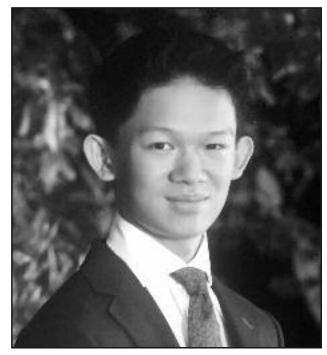
"Andy," an accomplished cartoonist, will attend the Pratt Institute in New York. Pursuing a double major, he'll be studying animation and graphic design. Andy said that he chose Pratt because it is one of the top schools for art in the country.

He realized his ability to draw at an early age but became serious when he was in middle school. After drawing a picture of Master Chef for his friend, his art teacher was impressed and encouraged him to draw more. Mr. Hreha, his high school teacher, inspired him to follow his dream and draw what he liked. Says Andy, "I wanted to draw things that looked cool." Superheroes as well as video game characters became part of his drawing repertoire.

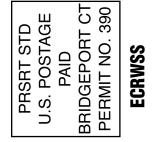
This young cartoonist's love for superheroes started at a very early age. The first time Andy saw Batman: The Animated Series, he was around 3. "It blew my mind and from that point on, I started to read comics and learn more about Marvel and DC universes respectively."

"Superheroes are inspiring," says Andy, "whenever something isn't going well, I put myself in the shoes of a favorite superhero character and think to myself, "What would they do?".

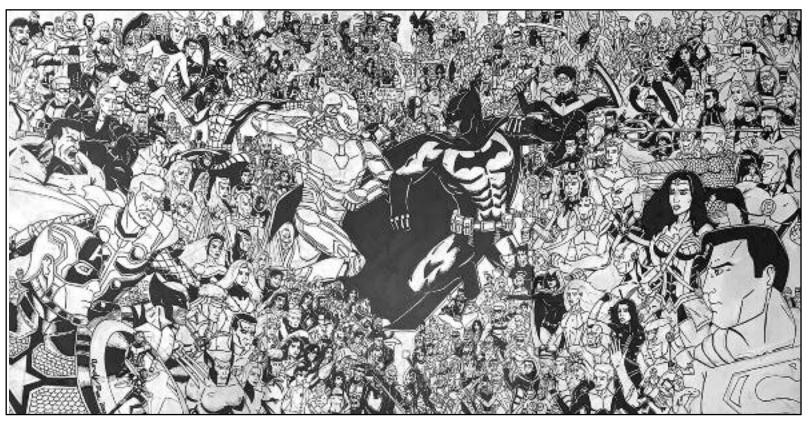




(above) Andy Tran, recipient of this year's \$1,000 scholarship from the Art League of the Chathams.



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MADISON ROTARY ENTERS INTO A NEW ERA AS A 501(C)(3) CHARITY

Madison Rotary announces that it has successfully transitioned into a 501(c)(3)organization as of July 1, 2020. The Rotary Club of Madison, a social welfare service organization, has been serving our local and global communities since 1923. Also over the past 33 years, the Rotary Club of Madison Foundation has successfully carried out humanitarian projects, such as End Hunger 3.6, to help fight food insecurity locally. The two entities have merged after a year-long unification process to streamline governance, administrative and financial development operations.

Liz Parker of Harding Township and Joe Smith of Morris Township finished their years with distinction as Board President of the Club and Foundation, respectively. Morris County Freeholder Tayfun Selen of Chatham Township was inducted on June 25 as President for 2020 -2021 for the newly merged organization. Madison Rotary's leadership team this year also include President-Elect Carol Martorana of Madison, Vice President Doug Willis of Madison, Treasurer Dave Farrell of Florham Park, Secretaries Barry Kroll of Madison and Tanya Van Order of Morris Township, Immediate Past President Liz Parker, and Board Members Joe Smith, Ed Kalinka of Florham Park, John Hogan of Madison, Amul Modhera of Morris Township, Pat Rowe of Madison, Jeff Kraft of New Providence, and Jeff Andrew of Basking Ridge.

Founded in 1905, Rotary is the world's most prominent global humanitarian organization, with 1.2 million members focusing on local and global initiatives, such as fighting diseases, promoting peace, growing local economy, and supporting youth and education. For 95 years, Madison Rotarians have used their passion, energy, and intelligence to take action on sustainable projects and have raised and given away over \$2 million to worthy causes, including scholarships to Madison students.



(above) Tayfun Selen of Chatham Township was inducted on June 25 as President of the Madison Rotary Club for 2020 – 2021.

"As a 501(c)(3) charity, Madison Rotary is now better positioned to engage community partners and attract donors, so we can make much bigger impacts in meeting the ever-increasing needs of our community," said Selen.

"This is an exciting time for Madison Rotary as we work together to help our community during these challenging times and meet our commitments to help our long standing partner organizations. We invite business professionals and community leaders who are interested in making a positive difference to join us. Please visit madisonrotarynj.org for more information," Selen continued.



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THE CHATHAMS • Page 4 • August 2020 **A BURIED TREASURE TURNS INTO A BOTTLE PROJECT**

Submitted by Chatham Historical Society

Bottles and jars, covered in dirt, turned into a research project highlighting commercial glass making and the businesses behind them, years after they were found during an excavation mission next to the Chatham Library in 1982. According to a former board member of the Chatham Historical Society, Lynn Magrane, the society at that time was "given a day or two to dig and grab what we wanted at the site".

The current library site was originally the Fairview House Hotel which stood on the property until approximately 1920. It is likely that the bottles originated from the hotel as many of them represent food and drink - wine, beer, condiments, etc.

Last year, Debbie Fabian of the society became fascinated with the forgotten treasure and she started the project with cleaning years, decades and possibly a century of dirt off the bottles. She washed them first using a bottle **AMONG THE FINDINGS WERE:** brush in a solution of water and dishwashing detergent. Most bottles, with a solution of vinegar and hot water, were soaked overnight. Some of them did not get completely clean and several have a white coating (called "sick glass") that does not come off. Some are color tinted (light green) and a few have an opalescent/iridescent cast to them. "I think someone else must have started researching them because they all had a sticker affixed to them with various numbers and letters which came off after cleaning," she explained.

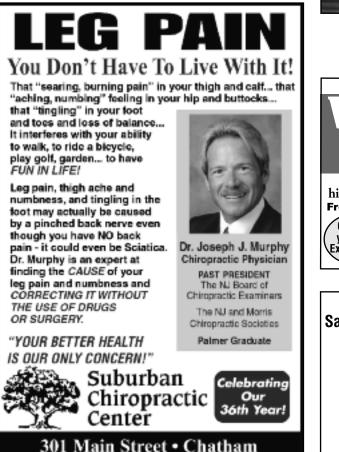
She then looked up each bottle on the internet. Fortunately, many of the bottles had identifying writing and numbers on them. She researched a total of 23 items. During her research she learned a lot about how bottles were originally made and how their manufacturing progressed over the years.

Carpenter-Morton Co. Vintage Colorite Dye Bottle: Colorite was made by Carpenter-Morton Co. of Boston. The $2\frac{1}{2}$ oz bottle appears to have contained blue dye. The bottle was found in great vintage condition with no chips or cracks.

Antique Warranted Flask Bottle: The dimensions are approx. 6 1/2" tall and 1 3/8" wide. This embossed bottle is from around the 1860's to about the 1880's.

Bloch & Guggenheimer Antique Bottle: The B&G brand was founded in 1889 by the Bloch and Guggenheimer families, immigrants who came to America seeking a better life. They began by selling pickles in the streets of Manhattan, and the B&G brand continued to grow over the years because the Bloch and Guggenheimer families steadfastly placed the quality of their products above all else. The B&G brand formed the nucleus of B&G Foods later on.





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(above) The Chatham Historical Society recently researched the origins of glass bottles that were found near the Chatham Library in 1982.

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SUMMIT OLD GUARD AUGUST ZOOM EVENTS

The Summit Old Guard's weekly Tuesday meetings have continued through the use of ZOOM, and have attracted more than 100 viewers each week. Our August meetings will prove to be informative and enlightening. There is little limitation to our dynamic presentations as the viewers have, as before the virus, chances to ask questions of the presenter at the end of the meeting. To gain access to the programs send an email to info@summitoldguard.org and check our web site summitoldguard.org for more information.

AUGUST 4TH

Kavneet Singh, the national resource of the American Sikh Council, will discuss the Sikh heritage He will cover an overview of the Sikh religion from its founding about 550 years ago and include information on the founders, their teachings, the Sikh identity, and the contributions of Sikhs to interfaith dialogue and harmony.

AUGUST 11TH

Don MacGowan, volunteer program coordinator for 'The Seeing Eye', will discuss 'The Seeing Eye's' highly regarded breeding program, describing why certain breeds are selected, how dogs are screened and selected for breeding, the science behind the process, and what puppies experience early on to prepare them for their roles.

AUGUST 18TH

James Miller, Ph.D. a professor of earth system science at Rutgers University. He will provide an update on where we are now on the science and impact of climate change both locally and globally. The talk will put climate change into the larger context of our current social, economic, and political discourse.

AUGUST 25TH

Nolan Asch, an Old Guard member, will describe Eleanor Roosevelt's important contributions to our society. He will discuss how she spent most of her life fighting for the underprivileged as a true pioneer in the fight for civil rights. He will also relate how she blazed an effective and trail for women's rights and continued her work through the UN.

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



SHOPPING FOR SENIORS AND DISABLED RESIDENTS

Sign up to be a Volunteer Shopper for this COVID-19 Program

The Morris County Office on Aging, Disabilities, and Community Programming is partnering with nonprofit Jersey Cares to provide volunteers to do grocery shopping for older or disabled residents across all of Morris County.

The program will keep persons most vulnerable to COVID-19 out of harm's way in supermarkets and other food markets. Eligible participants must be either over age 60 or be disabled and between ages 18-to-59 and in need of shopping assistance.

Consumers can call the ADRC hotline at 973-285-6848 or 1-800-564-4656, and request volunteer shopper assistance. Volunteers have been vetted by Jersey Cares and are ready to serve Morris County residents.

"Jersey Cares is proud to offer this program in Morris County. While we developed the program in response to a critical COVID-19 need, we realized this need has always been there," said Michele Epifani, vice president of programs for Jersey Cares.

"The Seniors are wonderful to work with and always so grateful for the service," she added, saying their volunteers are eager to get started on this new joint effort with the county.

Program participants are required to provide contact information, a grocery list, and a maximum budget for each shopping trip. More specific program information will be provided when participants call for the service.

Jersey Cares, a nonprofit organization that was established in 1993, recruits and engages volunteers in projects that address communityidentified needs.

To volunteer for the new grocery shopping program, and for more information on Jersey Cares, visit jerseycares.org.

For more info on Morris County government programs for seniors and disabled county residents, visit: hs.morriscountynj.gov/adv.

ABOUT JERSEY CARES:

Jersey Cares is a dynamic nonprofit organization that meets community needs by making volunteering in New Jersey easy and meaningful. Jersey Cares works directly with local nonprofit organizations and schools, identifying their needs and managing volunteer projects that address them.

Jersey Cares volunteers have provided thousands of hours of service to communities, including mentoring troubled teens, reaching out to isolated seniors, working with the mentally and physically challenged, restoring the environment and assisting children with their schoolwork.

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NJ VETERAN COMMUNITY FIGHTS BACK DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Submitted by Jesus MiroQuesada and Angie Abbot, NJVN

A group of veterans and veterans' organizations are making a huge difference during New Jersey's Covid-19 pandemic. The New Jersey Veterans Networks' "Operation: Helping Heroes" project has two objectives including providing meals and groceries to veterans, and protective equipment to first responders. Food and PPE have been delivered to first responders, hospital workers, and activated National Guardsmen throughout the state.

They have distributed almost 3,000 hot meals and groceries to veterans, National Guardsmen and essential frontline workers at 61 different drop-off locations. The NJVN also provided personal protective equipment and helped distribute over 10,000 gallons of hand sanitizer to hospitals, EMS squads and police departments, and provided over 2,000 protective masks. This all happened during a crucial time when things like food, masks and hand sanitizer were very much needed, but hard to find.

The New Jersey Veteran Network has truly lived up to its name and partnered with a rich network of almost a dozen other organizations in order to fulfill their mission. Non-profits like the Samaritan Outreach Services, Operation Jersey Cares, the CSM Robert Gallagher Charitable



(above) NJVN President Michael Boll dropping off masks and gloves to a care facility.



(above) NJVN Outreach Director Doc Schupp and sidekick Shadow dropping off hot meals to National Guardsmen.

Foundation, and Milltown VFW 2319, worked tirelessly to contribute to the Helping Heroes effort by either supporting heroes and first responders working through the crisis, or helping veterans whose health and finances were affected by the pandemic.

Doc Schupp who created the Helping Heroes program had this to say "We were only able to reach and help as many people as we did because we are working with some of the best and most passionate organizations and people in the state. People like James Ludolph, would drive for hours dropping off food to sick and quarantined vets only to ask me what the next mission to help was, or 2319 VFW Commander Bob Kolesare, who would personally go out to help fill veterans' pantries."

NJVN Outreach Director, Frank "Doc" Schupp organized the hot meal and groceries portion of the program in collaboration with VFW 2319, Operation: Jersey Cares and Samaritan Outreach Services. Food was donated by restaurants including Jim Dandy of East Rutherford, Marinelli's and 55 Main both of Flemington, Amici's of Linden, Burnett BBQ of Union, and Applebee's of Garfield. Donations were delivered to National Guard units, hospital workers and veteran shelters such as Operation Valor in Newark and Vet Haven North.

Home deliveries of food as well as social service assistance, in coordination with Catholic Charities and PACO agency, were also provided to assist veterans who were quarantined at home due the COVID-19 crisis.

The protective equipment distribution was managed by NJVN President Michael Boll in collaboration with Ashland Chemical who sponsored the hand sanitizer, and Backpacks for Life - a veterans' organization who has created a full-scale operation to create masks to give to first responders and hospital staff. Protective equipment was given to hospitals including Holy Name of Teaneck, the East Orange and Lyons VA Hospitals, Jersey City and New Bridge Medical Centers, and police departments including New Providence and Florham Park.

Both the food distribution and PPE could not have been made possible without the volunteers who took the time to pick up and distribute the goods. Great people like James Ludolph, Robert Bouthille, Dana Black, Juan Peris, Jamel Dobbins and Michael Salermo (with the team Mascots Shadow and Mush) and many others made this project happen! Many good people came together and were able to make a positive impact on the community during a difficult time. All of this was done by strong partnerships, unpaid volunteers, and sponsored through donations.

Perhaps, VFW 2319s Commander Bob Kolesare said it best, "VFW 2319 really enjoyed taking care of our vets. We hope that we were able to brighten their days just a little bit during this crisis."

ABOUT NEW JERSEY VETERANS NETWORK

We are a group of veterans and volunteers dedicated to helping our veterans and their families live better lives. Our team is raising awareness of our veterans needs by organizing public speaking engagements, meeting with business and political leaders across the state and sponsoring fundraising events. Our mission is to identify veterans and connect them with resources and programs designed to meet their unique set of needs. To ensure that EVERY single one of our veterans, who have sacrificed so much for this great country, receives the resources that they require and deserve. If you are interested in joining our team, would like us to speak at your event, or contributing to our mission, call 973-332-1556 or email mdbollio@optonline.net. To learn more visit njvn.org.



(above) NJVN President Michael Boll, Outreach Director Frank "Doc" Schupp and Reverend Richard Starling dropping off food and snacks for the Senior Veterans of Menlo Park.

LATEST PHONE SCAM TARGETING RESIDENTS

county residents of the resurgence of a telephone scam that falsely uses the Morris County Sheriff's Office name while targeting residents for personal information.

A caller recently identified himself as an employee of the Morris County Sheriff's Office in a conversation with an individual, requested personal identifying information and warned that the individual had to surrender at a particular location on an active warrant.

Scam callers also have requested that victims purchase gift cards and provide the gift card numbers to them.

The Morris County Sheriff's Office will never solicit private or financial information in a telephone call. Such calls should immediately be reported to local police or to the Morris County Sheriff's Office at 973-285-6600 during the day and at 973-285-2900 after hours.

The Morris County Sheriff's Office Warrants Squad, on a limited basis, may call individuals who are overdue on child support payments after those individuals previously have been notified by official letter. To verify the legitimacy of a warrant, call the Morris County Sheriff's Office at 973-285-6640.

Similar scams surfaced in Morris County in 2018 and 2019 in which callers posed as Morris

The Morris County Sheriff's Office advises County Sheriff's Officers and sought personal information and Green Dot MoneyPak cards to pay for false warrants, civil process fees, overdue IRS payments and fines for non-appearance for jury service.

> All Agency Information and Contacts can be Accessed and Verified through the Morris County Sheriff's Office website: SHERIFF.MORRISCOUNTYNJ.GOV.

TIPS TO AVOID PHONE SCAMS:

• Legitimate law enforcement agencies will not tell people to provide money card information to avoid arrest.

- Be suspicious of callers who demand immediate payment for any reason.
- Never provide personal or financial
- information to anyone who emails or calls you, unsolicited.
- Never wire money, provide debit or credit card numbers or Green Dot MoneyPak card numbers to a stranger.
- Remember that anyone who has the number of a Green Dot MoneyPak card has access to funds on the card.
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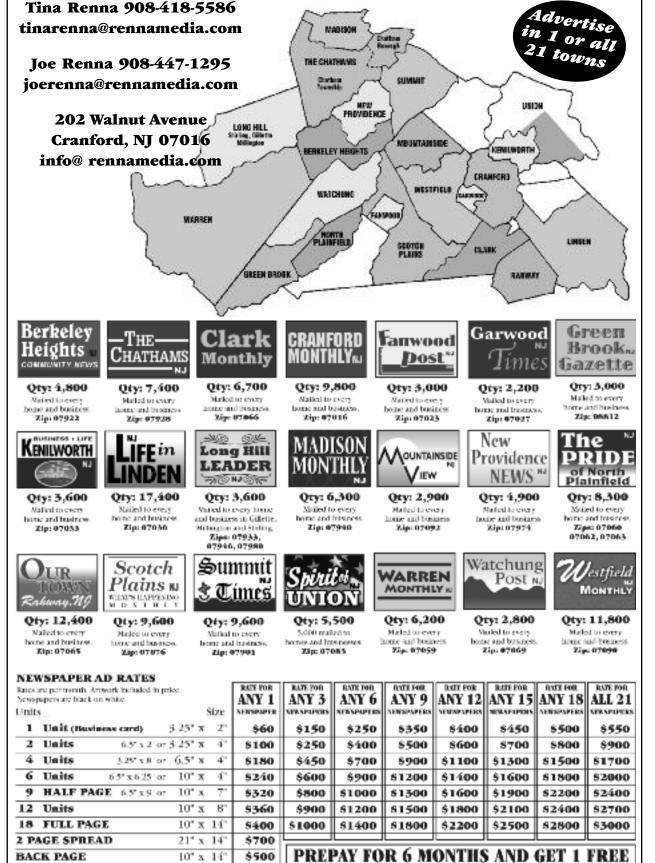
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BOB MARKEY -Save the trees of rahway

During the past 20 years, over 2000 of Rahway's street trees have died or were removed and never replaced. Resident Bob Markey is producing a three-episode video which provides viewers with a sobering look into this serious crisis affecting Rahway's trees. The video also provides a toolbox to fix the tree problems and to rebuild Rahway's urban forest. There is a plan to accomplish it, but the effort needs help and support.

Markey states, "This crisis didn't happen overnight, nor is it the fault of any individual, city department or elected official. Over the years mistakes and oversights have been made."

The Arbor Day Foundation certified Rahway as a Tree City USA Community in 1997 with two primary requirements: Form a Tree Board and Enact a Tree Ordinance.

The video is to raise awareness and solicit help in the effort to rebuild, restock and restore Rahway's urban forest.

Folks can help by sending an email to Help@SaveTheTreesofRahway.org, and by subscribing to Save The Trees of Rahway YouTube Channel, and by following the group on Facebook.

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