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VAN DELLEN SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS FOR 2020

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Early in her life, Emily developed a desire to become a nurse and chose activities to support this decision. She has served as a Student Athletic Trainer since ninth grade. As a sophomore, she spent two weeks shadowing an internal medicine physician, both in his office and on visits to Overlook Hospital. Emily also joined the Westfield Rescue Squad, where she is training to attain EMT certification.

Emily has always very involved with community service, especially through St. Helen's Church by volunteering at St Josephs' Soup Kitchen in Elizabeth. She coordinated the making and delivery of 175 handmade blankets for homeless individuals and veterans.

At Westfield High School, Emily was a member of the National Honor Society and earned Honorable Mention Cum Laude on the national Latin Exam. Emily competed in Crew at WHS and served as captain of the high school team.

Emily will study Nursing at Northeastern University this fall. She plans on volunteering as an EMT on Northeastern's campus. For fun, Emily loves listening to music, working out (skiing, hiking, biking), hanging out with friends, painting, and making jewelry.

At Westfield High School, Ian demonstrated academic excellence as well as a true commitment to building community and serving others. He shared his passion for science and music through leadership, serving as President of the WHS Science Olympiad Team and as Percussion Section Leader in the WHS Blue Devil Marching Band.

Ian was among the top fifty scorers in the nation in the US National Chemistry Olympiad, was selected for the New Jersey Region Band,



(above) Ian Gurland



(above) Emily Ensslin

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and is a National Merit Scholarship Finalist. He also co-led a social skills group for Westfield elementary schoolers and created a student-run technology help desk to aid his peers in adapting to remote instruction.

During the summer months, Ian enjoys performing atmospheric chemistry research at the New Jersey Institute of Technology, improving his piano improv, and spending time with his four younger siblings.

Ian will be attending Brown University in the fall, where he plans to further his studies in science, mathematics and music, and hopes to find new opportunities to serve his community. He also plans to continue working hard to make his peers laugh no matter how hard the problem they are working together to solve.

The Westfield Rotary's Scholarship Committee also selects several scholarship winners on behalf of funds administered by The Westfield Foundation. Two top scholarships were awarded in memory of Charles and Florence Wallace totaling \$15,000 each to be paid over the course of four years. The recipients are Jeremy Kronheimer (Carnegie Mellon University) and Deborah Obiajulu (Harvard University).

The recipient of the \$5,000 Scholarship in Memory of Chester A. Gerdes, is William Litchholt (University of Pittsburgh). The Wallace \$5,000 scholarship was awarded to Casimir Malak (Mason Gross at Rutgers University). In addition, the Linda Read Memorial Scholarship for \$10,000 was awarded to John Czarnecki. The Read Law Scholarships were awarded to Emily Ensslin (Northeastern University), Theresa Lizzo (George Washington University) and Annabella Cerria (University of St. Andrews in Scotland) Since 1975, the mission of the Westfield Foundation has been to provide funding support in the arts, health, aging, historic preservation, social services and civic projects. In pursuit of these goals, the Foundation has granted over \$7,200,000 to various organizations. Money to support the Foundation's grants has been and continues to be provided by concerned and caring Westfield residents.



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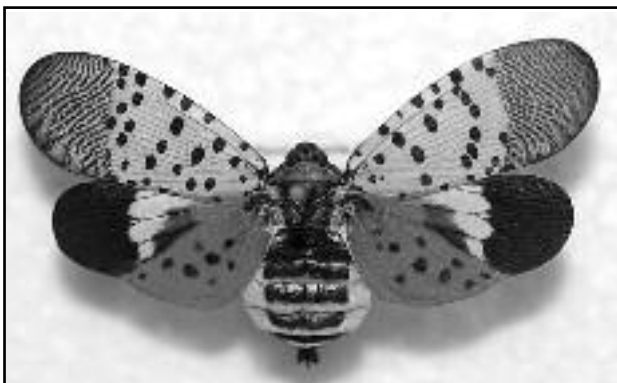
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MORGAN TORIELLO JOINS IMAGINE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Submitted by Val Stierhoff

Morgan Toriello of Westfield has joined the Board of Trustees at Imagine, A Center for Coping with Loss in Mountainside where she has served on the Development committee for years and has been a Circle of Hope member since 2019. Morgan is an executive recruiter at Windham Management Group, a boutique placement firm focused on mechanical engineering. Morgan graduated with honors from the University of New Hampshire with a BA in Communications and before taking a hiatus to raise her 3 children, was in product development for major brands such as Levi's and UGG, focused on design and supply chain.

Morgan founded the charitable fundraising organization, The Garden Gives, which hosts events to provide donations to Imagine as well as local community organizations such as The Westfield United Fund. Additionally, she has volunteered her time serving on the board of the Presbyterian Nursery School & Kindergarten as a Parent Teacher Organization representative.

Morgan and her husband John have three children – John, Rosie and William. Morgan has seen first-hand the impact grief can have on children and families, and has been drawn to the

mission of Imagine since being introduced to the organization in 2017.

When asked about her reasons for joining Imagine's Board of Directors, Morgan said: "I was honored to be asked to join the Imagine board. I have tremendous respect and admiration for all that Mary Robinson and her team do to help grieving families in our communities. After attending one of Imagine's Seasons of Hope breakfasts several years ago, I felt compelled to help in any way that I could. The Imagine team was there for my family recently when dealing with a tragic loss, and their guidance and support were paramount in helping us, and our young children, deal with the grief. The families that Imagine serves have taught me so much about strength and resiliency and I am eager to get even more involved."

Imagine offers grief and loss education and training to the community and free year-round grief support groups for children age 3-18 who have had a parent or brother or sister die, and for families caring for a family member living with a life-altering physical illness. Concurrent groups are available for parents and guardians, and young adults 18-30. For more information please contact Imagine at 908-264-3100 or info@imagineenj.org.



(above) Morgan Toriello at the NYSE when Imagine had a chance to ring the opening bell.

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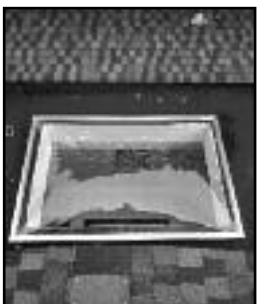
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RAY KOSTYACK HONORED BY ROTARY CLUB OF WESTFIELD

Submitted by Dr. D. Michael Hart

The Rotary Club of Westfield honored Rotarian Ray Kostyack with a Paul Harris Fellow in recognition of his exemplifying Rotary's motto of "Service above Self." Ray is past president and a member of Rotary since 1998. He has served on the board of directors, chair of the Westfield Rotary Foundation, finance, and Community Grants committees. Additionally, Ray has been instrumental in the success of the club's annual bicycle collection, Pedals for Progress, and in



(above) Ray Kostyack, recently received a 3rd Paul Harris recognition, collecting food.

organizing and helping to run Rotary fundraisers, Breakfast with the Bands, and Small Plates for a Great Cause.

His contributions to the community are extensive. For over 25 years, Ray and his family have supported the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless in Elizabeth. And through Rotary, Ray has been spearheading a weekly collection of sandwiches and non-perishable food for St. Joseph's Social Service Center that gets distributed directly to families in need during the pandemic. He has also been working with local Westfield restaurants to provide meals to the Community Hope homeless veterans shelter at Lyons VA. The meals are funded through Rotary and General Needs Charity.

Paul Harris founded Rotary in 1905 with the idea to create a network of local business people

to support each other's business while also providing service to the community. Today Rotary is a worldwide service organization with over 1.2 million members.

"To receive a Paul Harris is a great honor for a Rotarian," says club president Liz Ensslin. "This is Ray's 3rd Paul Harris recognition, and he is most deserving of being recognized for all he does for our club and greater community."

"I am grateful for Rotary and Rotarians that inspire, support and assist in the projects that make our community and world a better place," said Ray.

To learn more about Westfield Rotary, please visit westfieldrotary.com and visit us on Facebook at Rotary Club of Westfield, NJ. If you are interested in joining Rotary, please email membership from our website.

ROTARIAN DIANA TAYLOR PASSES



The Rotary Club of Westfield is sad to report that Rotarian Diana Taylor passed away on July 30, 2020 at the age of 92.

Diana joined Rotary Club of Westfield the first year women were permitted to join in 1988 and had perfect attendance up until recently.

She loved participating in Pancake Day, and used to sit at the door selling tickets. Pancake Day (now called Breakfast with the Bands) is a fundraiser for college scholarships. The Rotary Club provides \$99,000 in college scholarships every year.

The Rotary Club honored Diana with a Paul Harris Fellow in 2007 and elected her to be the Rotarian of the Year in 2009.



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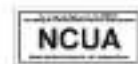
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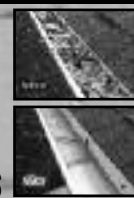
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WESTFIELD FOUNDATION AND THE MILLER-CORY HOUSE RENOVATION

Submitted by Ingrid McKinley

The Miller-Cory House Museum was established by the Westfield Historical Society in 1972 and is a nationally recognized historic site.



(above) Miller-Cory House Gets New Lease on Life Through a Grant from The Westfield Foundation

The volunteer members of the museum are dedicated to the preservation of the 18th century dwelling, its grounds and gardens. As a “living museum” open to the general public, the museum’s purpose is to recreate not only the atmosphere, but also the everyday activities of colonial life.

The property has been a fixture in Westfield since 1740 and has served the community as the town’s first and only colonial living history museum.

Over the years, the roof of the museum has been deteriorating and is in desperate need of repair. The delicate renovation requires the use of historically accurate materials which are very costly and not easy to come by. The work requires a contractor with expertise in historically appropriate materials to maintain the historical accuracy of the living museum.

In the spring of 2020, the Westfield Foundation was approached to provide funding for this project. The Board of Trustees of the Foundation

approved a \$140,000 grant to accomplish the goal. This grant was funded by the Bertha Bogaert Fund, a fund established in the Foundation by bequest under the will of Ms. Bogaert and has been designated to provide significant funding to major projects in the Westfield area. Other projects funded by the Bogaert Fund have included a \$400,000 grant to the Mindowaskin Park playground, a \$93,000 grant to equip a STEM classroom at Westfield High School, a \$200,000 grant to the Westfield Y capital campaign, and others.

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900-MILE RUN AROUND TAMAQUES PARK RAISES \$33,000+ FOR CLEAN WATER

Submitted by Annie Albrecht

Leitner, the 27-year-old founder of MissionCleanWater, kicked off his ultra-endurance fundraiser, 30 Days for Clean Water, on July 1, 2020. He ran 30 miles a day every day at Tamaques Park in Westfield, NJ in an effort to raise \$30,000 to fund a clean water system for the St. Elizabeth's All-Girls School in Uganda.

"For the past 30 days, I've woken up at 4 am every day, was caught in the middle of 3 thunderstorms and one tropical storm, experienced 20 days of triple-digit temperatures and pushed through immense pain and emotional exhaustion," James said.

James' 900-mile run is a symbolic fundraiser. It represents the average distance that women and girls in Africa walk every year fetching water for their families.

"I ran 30 miles a day for 30 days to see 1,000 students and their faculty have a lifelong source of clean drinking water, to make sure they never missed another lesson because they had to walk to collect water or became sick from drinking it. I never did this for my own personal journey or self-accomplishment, it was to better their lives. I truly had no idea how my body was going to handle this but I knew that no matter what I was about to experience, I was going to make sure those students have clean water."

And he did just that. On July 26th (Day 26/30), James officially surpassed his fundraising goal.

"On Day 26, it felt like everything was crashing down on me with immense pressure. I checked our fundraising page to just see where we were. The thermometer kept on going up and up, finally stopping at \$30,270 of our \$30,000 goal. When I saw this, all the pressure went away and it was hard to hold back the emotion I was experiencing. I was already packing my running supplies for tomorrow. I walked to the trunk of my car, which I have been living out of for this event, and sat there tearing up from the confusing feeling of happiness and tranquility."



(above) July 30, 2020 marked the final day in James Leitner's epic month-long 900-mile (30 miles a day) run around Tamaques Park raising money and awareness for clean water.

As of this writing, James has raised over \$33,000 and hopes to raise even more during his last day of running. He completed his final mile on July 30th at Tamaques Park in Westfield, NJ.

"When I cross the finish line, there won't be a crazy emotional moment of breaking down, but a feeling of tranquility and peace," James said.

"A lot has happened during the past 30 days and it really is hard to explain everything. My body feels good but is mad at me. I have consumed an outrageous amount of electrolytes and bacon for fuel. Everyone that has supported

me has played their own important role in helping me reach the finish line. I am constantly asked, "What's Next?" and while I have a lot of things planned, I do not plan on resting, not until I see the St. Elizabeth's All-Girls School have access to clean water."

James' previous ultra-endurance fundraisers have funded water systems that helped 4,500 people and 1,500 students gain access to clean drinking water. Join James in his journey, donate to the cause, and learn more about MissionCleanWater at missioncleanwater.org.



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ROTARY ANNOUNCES NEW OFFICERS AND BOARD

Submitted by Dr. D. Michael Hart

The Rotary Club of Westfield and the Westfield Rotary Club Foundation, Inc. elected a new slate of officers and directors for the 2020-2021 Rotary year, effective July 1, 2020.

New positions include: Past District Governor Dr. D. Michael Hart, Secretary of the Club and Secretary of the Foundation; Barbara Frantz, Esq, Club and Foundation Director; Dr. Bill Bonsall, Chair of the Foundation; Liz Ensslin, President of the Club and Vice Chair of the Foundation; Heidi Obiajulu, Esq, Club and

Foundation Director, and Club Service Chair; Tony LaPorta, Club and Foundation Director and Club Program Chair.

Rotary International is a business networking and service club representing 1.2 million professionals in almost every country of the world. The Rotary Club of Westfield is currently meeting remotely by Zoom most Tuesdays at 12:15 p.m. Guests are always welcome.

For more information, contact Secretary Michael Hart at drmhart@yahoo.com, visit the website at westfieldrotary.com, or on Facebook, "Rotary Club of Westfield, NJ".



(above, l-r) Officers displaying American Flag pallets which are being sold to support hunger projects in the local community: Dr. D. Michael Hart, Barbara Frantz, Dr. Bill Bonsall, Liz Ensslin, Heidi Obiajulu, and Tony LaPorta pose with American Flag pallets, which are being sold to support local hunger projects. Not pictured are Club President Elect and Foundation Director Blake Width, Esq; Club Treasurer and Foundation Director Steve Ketcham, CPA; Elena Herskowitz, Club and Foundation Director and Club Membership Chair; Chung Kun Shih, Foundation Treasurer; and Joe Mindak, Club and Foundation Director.

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Info on how to join or start a Westfield Girl Scout troop, email gshnjwestfield@gmail.com.

Submitted by Liz Bedner

Wilson Elementary School's fifth grade Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey Troop 41106 members recently earned their Girl Scout Bronze Awards. The six troop members each put in over 20 hours of volunteer work during the 2019-2020 school year for their three chosen projects, which culminated in "Power Up!," a public presentation on International Women's Day, March 8, 2020, at the Westfield YMCA's Bauer Branch, with the generous assistance of Gedman's Black Belt Academy.

These fifth graders did their own research in our local community, picked projects that were meaningful to them, and did the hard work of talking to various adults by making phone calls, sending emails, and even meeting twice with Westfield Mayor Shelley Brindle.

Three girls worked together as the "Westfield Loves Pets" project team. They mapped out businesses in downtown Westfield and then walked around to each store and spoke directly to shop owners. They held a fundraiser, purchased water bowls for dogs, created a logo and sticker, and placed the water bowls outside each store that agreed to fill the bowls for thirsty dogs. The girls created a website to document their journey, mapping each participating store and coordinating with the Downtown Westfield Corporation to market their efforts.

Two girls, while walking through downtown Westfield and Mindowaskin Park, realized that despite the town's efforts, there is still an unfortunate amount of litter in our beautiful town.

They formed the "Westfield Recycles" project team, created a slideshow presentation to raise awareness among fellow elementary school students, and spoke to the Mayor about the need for better differentiation between recycling bins and trash cans (currently the bins in the park are the same color). They were also working with Westfield's Green Team and, prior to the pandemic, had planned to assist the town in the April celebration of Earth Day.

One girl, who has been practicing Tae Kwon Do for six years, has found self-confidence and courage through her journey to first degree black belt and beyond. She feels very strongly about wanting to empower other kids with that same self-confidence that they can use in their daily lives, even if they have no formal martial arts training. To that end, she worked closely with her instructors at Gedman's Black Belt Academy to deliver a two-part, free, self-defense course. First, in January, she taught her fellow Girl Scout troop members the basics of self-defense. Then, at Power Up!, her troop supported her as she taught a wider audience - and even helped show the Mayor how to break a board. She worked directly with the Westfield YMCA to get the space donated for both events.

When Girl Scout Juniors team up to make a difference in their community, they learn important leadership skills, discover new passions, and watch how seemingly small actions make a big difference. It all adds up to the Girl Scout Bronze Award—the highest honor a Junior can achieve.



(above) (above) Girl Scout Troop 41106 members pose with their Bronze Awards.

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WPD ANNOUNCES ESTABLISHMENT OF JUVENILE/COMMUNITY POLICING BUREAU

Westfield Police Chief Christopher Battiloro has recently announced further restructuring of the Westfield Police Department by establishing a Juvenile/Community Policing Bureau within its Investigative Division.

The Juvenile/Community Policing Bureau, which officially began operations on August 1, 2020, will be comprised of a Detective Sergeant, a Detective, and three (3) School Resource/Community Service Officers.

It will seek to focus its efforts on ensuring the safety and well-being of not just juveniles, but all of Westfield's most vulnerable populations – to include senior citizens and those with special needs. It will also endeavor to build strong working relationships and partnerships with all segments of the Westfield community.

This will be accomplished by these officers dedicating themselves to making public

appearances, delivering custom-created educational programs and by planning, promoting and engaging in various community policing initiatives.

Chief Battiloro has assigned Sergeant Lauren Maloney, a decorated 14-year veteran of the Westfield Police Department, to supervise the Juvenile/Community Policing Bureau. He also announced the assignment of Detective Elizabeth Savnik, the Westfield Police Department's Juvenile Officer to the bureau, along with School Resource/Community Service Officers Paul Ferry, Ricardo Johnson, and Tiffany Kenny.

"We continue to look for new and better ways to serve this town," stated Chief Battiloro. "And I am certain this bureau and these officers will do an absolutely tremendous job in reaching out to and working with the community," he added.

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS

On August 13, 2020, Westfield Police Chief Christopher Battiloro announced the arrest of persons on charges relating to attempted motor vehicle thefts which occurred in Westfield.

"Make no mistake," stated Chief Battiloro, "Westfield residents and their unlocked motor vehicles are being targeted by criminals for their demonstrated complacency. These arrests, and the ones announced last week, unquestionably affirm that," he added.

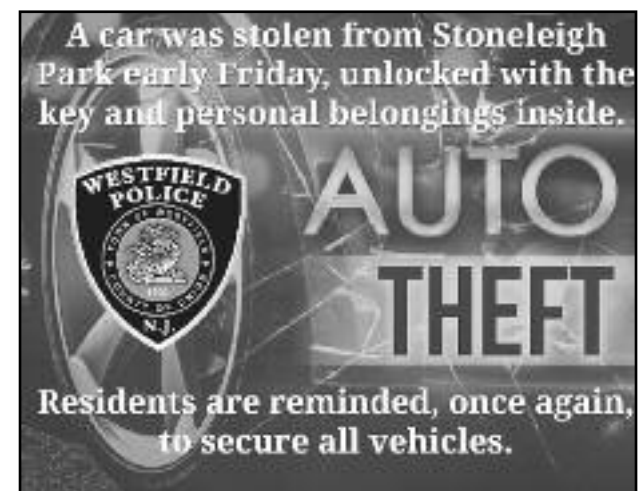
The Westfield Police Department are once again strongly urging residents to remove all valuables and lock their vehicles at all times. Additionally, they should immediately report all suspicious persons, vehicles and activities to the Westfield Police Department via 9-1-1.

"Our officers and detectives are working extremely hard to combat vehicle thefts, but our residents must do their part as well," stated Chief Battiloro. "We cannot continue to leave our vehicles unlocked with the key fobs in them," he stressed.

At the time of this writing, nineteen (19) motor

vehicles have been stolen from Westfield and another forty (40) have been burglarized in apparent attempted vehicle thefts in 2020, the vast majority of which were left unlocked with keys inside. All but one (1) of those stolen vehicles has been recovered.

In 2019, there were a total of twenty-two (22) vehicles stolen from Westfield and another seventy (70) burglarized.




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ART TAKES FLIGHT OPENS AS WESTFIELD'S FIRST PUBLIC ART EXHIBIT

As part of Westfield 300, presented by Valley Bank, The Westfield Public Arts Commission has unveiled its inaugural exhibit. Art Takes Flight showcases the talent and vision of local artists on fiberglass butterflies throughout the downtown area. These 30 butterflies -- one for each decade of Westfield's 300 years -- are set on pedestals or affixed to trees or poles in a variety of locations, with themes ranging from nature, to pop art, to Westfield pride.

"This exhibit is a wonderful realization of a vision brought to life by our Public Arts Commission and many local talented artists," said Mayor Shelley Brindle. "What an impactful way to showcase the benefits of public art for the community, especially as we continue to celebrate Westfield 300 this year."

The location of each butterfly, along with the corresponding artist and sponsor information, can

be found at www.westfieldnj.gov/arttakesflight. At the conclusion of the exhibit in the fall, some butterflies will be auctioned off to fund future public art installations, and some will be permanently installed in Westfield's parks.

"The Public Arts Commission is thrilled to debut this exhibit, for which we received over 75 impressive submissions," said Councilwoman Dawn Mackey, liaison to the Westfield Public Arts Commission. "Since the onset of the pandemic, this project has taken on additional significance in a time when the community continues to re-emerge from their homes back into public life. Walking throughout Town to view and enjoy these installations will provide residents and visitors alike with safe and broad access to support the work of local artists, whose profession has been significantly impacted by COVID-19."

In addition to the generous sponsors to fund the cost of the individual butterflies, local businesses also played a significant role in bringing this project to fruition. AR Workshop of Westfield created the signage for each display, and Brinton Auto Body applied the weather protective finish. In addition, Body Work by Fischer generously donated their services to apply the weatherproofing upon seeing the butterflies prior to installation.

The Westfield Public Arts Commission was established by ordinance in September 2019 at the direction of Mayor Brindle, and is comprised of resident volunteers, as well as Town Council liaison Dawn Mackey and Downtown Westfield Corporation liaison and Executive Director Bob Zuckerman. Its purpose is to provide a coordinated and comprehensive approach to utilizing art in the Town's public space. In late 2019, local artist and gallery owner Ricardo Roig was commissioned to design and paint the first phase of a mural under the South Avenue overpass as part of the Town's overall revitalization efforts of that business corridor, with the second phase now underway and nearing completion -- with a formal unveiling to be scheduled in the coming weeks. The mural was fully funded by donations from residents, The Presbyterian Church in Westfield, James Ward, The Westfield Foundation and an anonymous donor -- in addition to grants through the Main Street NJ and Union County HEART programs. For more information, visit www.westfieldnj.gov/publicartscommission.

Westfield 300 is a year-long celebration, comprised of various programs and events, to commemorate the Town's 300th anniversary in 2020. Westfield 300 is presented by Valley Bank, and is sponsored by: Columbia Bank; Elizabethtown Gas; Embassy Suites and Grain & Cane Bar & Table, Berkeley Heights; PSE&G; Stop & Shop Westfield; and Suplee, Clooney & Company. Westfield 300 is also sponsored, in part, by PNC Bank and Westfield Soccer Association. For more information, visit www.westfieldnj.gov/300.



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NINE EAGLE SCOUTS EARN RANK FROM WESTFIELD BOY SCOUT TROOP 77

Submitted by Jeannie Arida

On Saturday, July 18, 2020, a Troop-record nine Boy Scouts from St. Paul's Episcopal Church were awarded the rank of Eagle Scout at the Troop 77 Court of Honor. This ceremony took place at the Watchung Reservation Sky Top Pavilion and was attended by immediate family and Scout troop leaders. These Eagle Scouts have earned a sufficient number of merit badges, demonstrated leadership within the Troop, and successfully planned and completed a service project within the community.

St. Paul's Troop 77 newest Eagle Scouts are William R. Arida II, Alex L. Caiola, Eric R. Elizes, Spencer C. Linenberg, Michael A. Moore, Liam B. Orsini, Gianni Pizzi, Joshua S. Schwartz and John (Jack) H. Spellman.

Chartered in the 1930's, St. Paul's Episcopal Church Boy Scout Troop 77 is over 80 years old. This Court of Honor brings the total number of Troop 77 Eagle Scouts to 113. These young men have actively participated in Troop 77's activities for a minimum of 4-6 years. These activities include summer camping experiences at Sabattis Adventure Camp, weekend camping trips, weekly Troop meetings led by the scouts themselves, troop service projects as well as the projects of previous Troop 77 Eagle Scouts. They can claim credit for making Troop 77 a strong and vibrant unit.

The Boy Scout movement constitutes one of the most wholesome and significant developments of our day. As Eagle Scouts, they have assumed a solemn obligation to do one's duty to God, country, fellow scouts and fellow citizens. They have exhibited a proficiency in various crafts and skills prescribed for the Eagle rank. Each Eagle Scout has earned a minimum of 21 merit badges, including thirteen required merit badges. Required merit badges include First Aid, Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, Communication, Personal Fitness, Cooking, Emergency Preparedness, Camping, Personal Management, Swimming, Family Life and Environmental Science.

These Eagle Scouts have proven their leadership skills, which is another important aspect of this rank. They have served as leaders

in their troop, school, church and community. Within the troop, they have served for at least two years each in various leadership positions and in these positions have passed along many of their scout skills to younger scouts, serving as role models of the ideals of Scouting.

Demonstrating leadership in a service project is one of the key requirements for advancement to Eagle Scout. The project must benefit the community, but more importantly it must be planned and completed under the leadership of the Eagle Candidate. It is usually regarded as the most difficult thing encountered by the candidates to this point in their lives and provides a valuable learning opportunity. The project plan must be approved not only by the adult leadership of Troop 77, but also by the Watchung Mountain District Advancement Committee and in some cases local governmental organizations. The actual work to complete the project is, in most cases, the shortest phase. In each case, the Eagle Scout has provided a tangible benefit to his community and by doing so has demonstrated their ability to lead.

The Eagle Scout Service projects are as follows:

William Arida worked on a courtyard revitalization at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Westfield, where he is an active church member. The courtyard is the main entrance to the church from the parking lot and was in need of revitalization. He led a team of volunteers over four weekends to remove dozens of dead trees, shrubs and plants, replant over 50 new shrubs and trees, mulch beds and install a commercial park bench to create a place of rest and reflection. William will be attending The Ohio State University College of Engineering to study biomechanical engineering this fall.

Alexander Caiola and his volunteers designed, built and installed a fitness trail behind the athletic fields of his school, The Wardlaw and Hartridge School in Edison. The project included installing fitness equipment including double pull-up bars, a push up bar, and a balance beam and bench, as well as mulching the entire area. Alex is a rising Senior and plans to major in business in college in the fall of 2021. He is looking forward to sharing his fitness trail with his classmates.

Eric Elizes worked to improve the grounds at the Reeve House Westfield Historical Society. He led a team of volunteers who excavated and constructed a forty-foot bluestone pathway in the rear yard that connects the upper and lower parts of the grounds. Eric will be studying at Case Western University in Cleveland, Ohio, in the fall. He will major in data science and analytics and/or aerospace engineering.

Spencer Linenberg built an entrance to the Dunham Avenue Bird Sanctuary in Westfield. Previously, the sanctuary was difficult to access and largely unknown. He and his volunteers laid gravel paths, installed a bench, information board and entrance sign. The improvements have effectively put the Dunham Avenue Bird Sanctuary "on the map," as people can visit and learn about the birds that nest there. Spencer will

be attending Washington University this fall and studying economics.

Michael Moore supervised the construction of an IT museum for his technology-focused high school, The Academy of Information Technology (AIT). This included organizing, cataloging and researching computer components dating back to the early 1980's through today to create a museum website alongside physical cabinet displays at his school. AIT has added a new course this coming year based on the IT museum information showcased in Michael's project. Michael will major in computing security at the Rochester Institute of Technology.

Liam Orsini's project benefited the Historical Society of Union at the Hannah Caldwell Parsonage. For his project, he sorted historical books and recorded information related to the books in a spreadsheet, he constructed a shelving unit to house yearbooks for Union High School dating back to 1926 and he also constructed a map storage and viewing desk for historical maps of Union County. His improvements will provide visitors with an improved experience and make organization for the Historical Society easier. This fall, Liam will be attending University of New Haven to study national security.

Gianni Pizzi helped to enhance the Fine Arts Department at the Westfield Schools. He organized the props closet in the Edison Intermediate School Auditorium and soundproofed the doors in the choir room at Westfield High School, as well as installed a trophy case used to display the choir awards. Gianni will be attending Albright College this fall, where he plans to study music industry. He is deeply passionate about live music performances and wants to be involved in that industry for his career.

Joshua Schwartz beautified the St. Francis Garden at St. Paul's Church. Joshua wanted his project to benefit St. Paul's Church, which charts Troop 77. The project included weeding and mulching the area, completely replanted and mulched nearby flowerbed with perennials and refinished two doors that were in dire need of refurbishing. Joshua plans to major in illustration and sequential art at the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) this fall.

Jack Spellman wanted his project to benefit his church and community. He designed, constructed and installed twelve weatherproof plaques for the stations of the Justice Garden at First United Methodist Church in Westfield. The plaques contain relevant information and assist in raising awareness and encouraging action on specific justice topics such as clean water, food insecurity and deforestation. Jack is a rising Senior and intends to play basketball at the collegiate level and major in business.

Eagle Scouts are charged with the responsibility to live with honor, loyalty, courage and service. Each of these Eagle Scouts took this oath at the Court of Honor. Only 4% of Boy Scouts attain the rank of Eagle Scout. Over 2.5 million Eagle Scout awards have been presented in total since 1912. Eagle Scout rank is considered to be the "PhD" of Boyhood.

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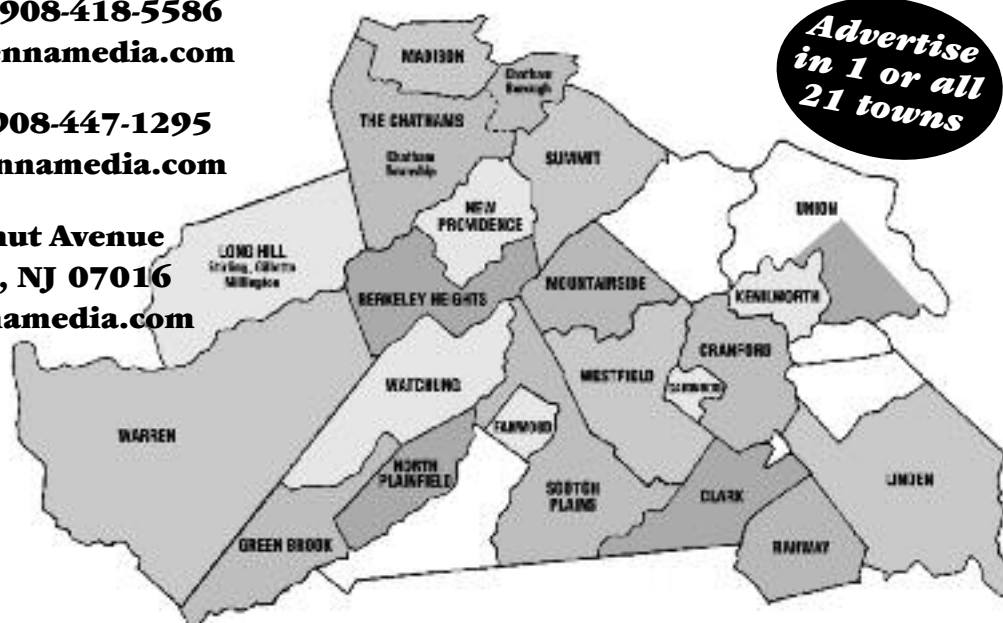
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Thank you. - Joe Renna

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Website / SEO services

- Website Audit/Analysis and recommendation plan:\$250
- Website creation/update:.....\$2,400
(Cost for average website: 12 pages,
contact form, SEO friendly, responsive design)
- Website Hosting:\$300 per year
Includes website hosting, software updates,
monthly website content updates
- SEO Services:.....average cost \$1,000 - \$2,000 per month
Custom tailored solutions:
Google Ranking, Local SEO, Social Marketing

Video advertising

Production:

- Product placement \$250
- 30-second commercial \$500
- 3-minute spot \$1,000
- 30-minute show \$1,500
- 3-hour shoot - \$2,000

Do not commit to a service unless you have a solid marketing plan and budget.

Your plan should work on paper before you spend dime one. Don't waste money just trying something. There is no magic bullet.
Call Joe for a free consultation.

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NICK RENNA'S BIBLE REVIVAL

By Joe Renna

My brother Nick is known as 'The Voice of Union County', best known for announcing high school sports. When I created the Hyper-Local Network YouTube channel, we planned on producing a local sports show. The idea was lingering but went completely dormant when the coronavirus put a halt to school altogether.

Nick is not a technical person so any attempt to broadcast would have to be facilitated by someone. That person came in the form of his pastor, Jerry Rittenhouse, who was impressed by Nick's participation in Bible study sessions and thought Nick should be sharing his knowledge of the Bible, his devotion to Jesus, and his gift of gab.

Nick was not plugged into social media. But his fear of big brother was over taken by his love of God. Pastor Jerry created a Facebook page under Nick's name and has been recording him in an impromptu manner. Pastor Jerry has been uploading a video each day since Nick's birthday on August 4th. His videos have been getting a few thousand views each, and he has maxed out his friends list at 5,000.

I'm encouraging Nick to continue his mission, and am loading his videos onto his 'Renna's Arena' playlist.

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