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## GARDEN CLUB AT LINCOLN SCHOOLS

Lincoln School in Garwood is excited to offer their first ever Garden Club. This socially distanced, outdoor, hands-on club was offered to any student in 4th or 5th Grade and the response was overwhelming. So many students wanted to get into the dirt that the school offered up two sessions of the club to meet for the Spring term.

So far, the "budding" horticulturists have learned about basic plant needs, have planted seeds, repotted seedlings, worked with hydroponics, used starter plants, propagated from succulents, and more.

Our garden club was organized under the supervision of Mrs. Bree, the middle school science teacher at the Garwood Schools, but could not be possible without the continued support and endless assistance of Mrs. DelConte, 5th grade teacher within Garwood Schools. Students even were privileged to have a visit from the town Green Team gardener with helpful advice on how to properly replant starters.

Donations are being accepted to the garden for planting. Please contact Mrs. Bree at [kbree@garwoodschoools.org](mailto:kbree@garwoodschoools.org) if you would like to contribute to the garden or assist with your talents. Together, we are hoping to bring the love of gardening and the outdoors to our next generation of students.



(above) Pictured here, the students used their creative side to make special planters for Mother's Day and planted flowers that should continue to bloom for the special people in their lives at home.

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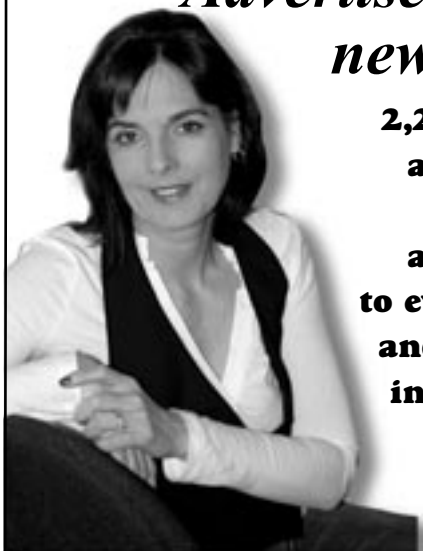
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The Community Access Unlimited virtual Ira Geller Walkathon runs the week of June 21-June 26. On June 26, individuals living near Warinanco Park in Roselle are invited to walk or run in the park. Registration details are available at [caunj.org](http://caunj.org) and on our event flyer.

Walker or runner tickets are \$30 and include a Walkathon t-shirt & race bib.

All event proceeds will support CAU programs serving more than 3,000 individuals and families in New Jersey, including housing, academics, employment training, day program and support

services for people with disabilities and youth at risk. These programs serve the agency's mission to create an all-inclusive, accessible world where everyone can lead a fulfilling life as part of the greater community.

CAU's annual Walkathon is named in memory of Ira Geller, a CAU member known for his advocacy for people with special needs who worked tirelessly to raise funds for the agency.

Walkers and runners are encouraged to invite friends, family and coworkers to join them virtually in the Walkathon June 21-26. Run or walk a route of your choosing and share your success on social media using #CAUWalk2021. When you're done, make sure to submit your photos to [sthana@caunj.org](mailto:sthana@caunj.org) for a chance to win a prize! Prizes will be awarded for: most dollars raised, best team photo and most creative challenge.

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It is not a competition or a foot race, just a leisurely walk around the Recreation Complex for some fresh air exercise and camaraderie of neighbors. The event will be held on Saturday, June 26, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. at the Garwood Recreation Center at the end of Myrtle Ave. The 3K walk will follow the guidelines of the CDC

with 6 feet of separation for social distancing and the required wearing of masks.

The committee would like all residents to follow them on Facebook at Garwood Mayors Wellness Campaign. News articles and information about us can also be found in all the local newspapers such as the Garwood Times and Suburban News. For further information about becoming a member or to submit an article you would like us to use, please contact us at [MWC@garwood.org](mailto:MWC@garwood.org).

## 6TH GRADERS CELEBRATE EARTH DAY

Mrs. Bree and the 6th Grade at Lincoln School in Garwood spent an entire month evaluating the human impact on the environment in preparation for Earth Day on April 22. Students learned about the multitude of ways that we can help improve the Earth's condition in the areas of the air or atmosphere, the land or geosphere, and the water or hydrosphere.

As part of their unit on environmentalism, the students were privileged to have a virtual assembly and had live question-and-answer periods with professionals working in the emerging green technologies fields. Each individual picked two actions that they pledged to do moving forward in these areas and created their own "Earth Action Plan" in time for the international day of recognition.

Mrs. Bree is confident that this next generation will take great care of our planet due to their recognition of the problems and education of Earth Sciences.



(above) Mrs. Bree and the 6th Grade at Lincoln School in Garwood observed Earth Day on April 22.

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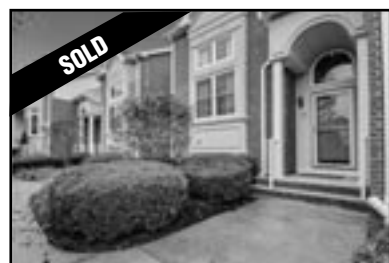
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## NETWORK HELPS VETS AND FAMILIES LIVE BETTER LIVES

*Submitted by Michael D. Boll, President*

Memorial Day weekend is one of the most challenging for the New Jersey Veterans Network and its team of volunteers and mentors. This is a difficult time for many veterans because they reflect on their brothers and sisters that didn't make it home. Every day our nation loses 22 veterans to suicide, and it seems that number isn't coming down. If you are a veteran, or a family member, who is feeling alone, or are in need of assistance, we are here for you. Please reach out to us.

Our team focuses on helping our veterans and first responders have a better way of life through our volunteer mobile outreach mentoring program. We believe by aggressively seeking out veterans in need and contacting them before they are in crisis, we can really have some positive results. Contacting a person in need first is a great way to build trust and make it easier to begin a friendship. People will do better when they have human contact in their lives, too many programs are automated and lack the empathy and compassion needed to help someone in crisis.

We are not afraid to tell our veterans and first responders that they are loved and we strive to give them purpose. The team immediately empowers and gives its members a new family unit to be part of again. Nearly everyone that joins the team wants to help others and make a difference in someone else's life. Helping others definitely is a medicine that will make you become a better person, and you'll feel really good about it.

New Jersey Veterans Network is constantly keeping active thru our Operation Rebound Racing Team which hosts numerous hikes, runs, bike rides and all other types of physically challenging events. However, we also focus on non athletic events like hosting a BBQ, comedy show, tailgate, camping trip, and several other fun outings throughout the year. But it doesn't stop there, the team works well with other charities and hosts numerous food drives and clothing events which normally take place at

our veteran hospitals and shelters. If you would like to help, there is something for you to contribute.

Most recently, in April, our outreach director Frank "Doc" Schupp spearheaded our "Helping Heroes" program, and "Hero Day". These two programs were responsible for providing over 3,000 veterans and National Guardsmen throughout the state with food, PPE, and personal items.

In the last few years New Jersey Veterans Network has grown and has been able to save lives, provide cars, employment, housing, clothing, food, toiletries, and so much more to heroes.

In the next few weeks, we will be launching a statewide anti-suicide and PTSD awareness campaign. We have joined forces with the NJ VFW, NJ American Legion, NJSPBA, NJ FMBA, NJ FOP, NJ Veterans Affairs, State Legislators, and numerous other groups and organizations.

### HOW YOU CAN HELP

Financial donations are great but we mostly rely on volunteers and donated resources. Our charity allows donors the opportunity to choose

where their funds go and the volunteers get to play an active role in changing someone's life.

If you are interested in joining the team as a volunteer, or are a veteran in need of assistance or comradeship, please contact us at NJVN1775@gmail.com or call 973-332-1556. Visit online at NJVN.org.

### 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 contribute to our mission, call 973-332-1556 or email mdbollio@optonline.net. To learn more visit njvn.org.



(above) The operation Rebound Racing Team road 25 miles before the Union Memorial Parade and then marched with the veterans. If you are interested in donating, joining the team as a volunteer, or are a veteran in need of assistance or comradeship, please contact us at NJVN1775@gmail.com or call 973-332-1556. Visit online at NJVN.org.

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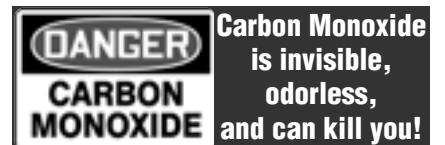
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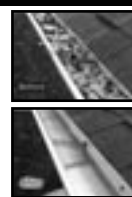
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# GARWOOD GIRL SCOUTS BEAUTIFY THE TOWN



(above) Senior Troop 40123

Submitted by Vanessa Schubring

The Garwood Girl Scouts came together and planted around town on Mother's Day weekend. Garwood is known to be a small town with a big heart and these girls showed the meaning of that, as they continued to give back to the community. We hope to keep this tradition going in years to come. When you're walking or driving around town take time to enjoy the beautiful flowers.

Each Daisy, with their moms, planted flowers throughout Garwood, in town flower pots. Daisy Troop #41108 will be bridging to Brownies this June but wanted to do one more community service event as Daisy's. "As the Leader of Daisy Troop #41108, I'm proud of these girls and how enthusiastic they still are about doing community events" said Vanessa Schubring.

Brownie Troop #41290 joined in the planting

event and planted in selected flower pots around town. Rachel Herz, one of Troop #41290 leaders, said "our Brownies, along with their moms, enjoyed spending time together and working collaboratively with other Girl Scout troops to beautify their community."

Senior Troop #40123 also participated. They planted flowers in the donated bench at Garwood Lincoln School for the last time and will be handing the bench off to the upcoming Daisy Troop # 41005.

Councilwoman President Jennifer Blumenstock who leads the Green Team in Garwood said "One of the best things about Garwood is how our volunteer groups always work together. The Green Team loves collaborating with the Girl Scouts to keep Garwood beautiful!"



(above) Daisy Troop 41108



(above) Brownie Troop 41290

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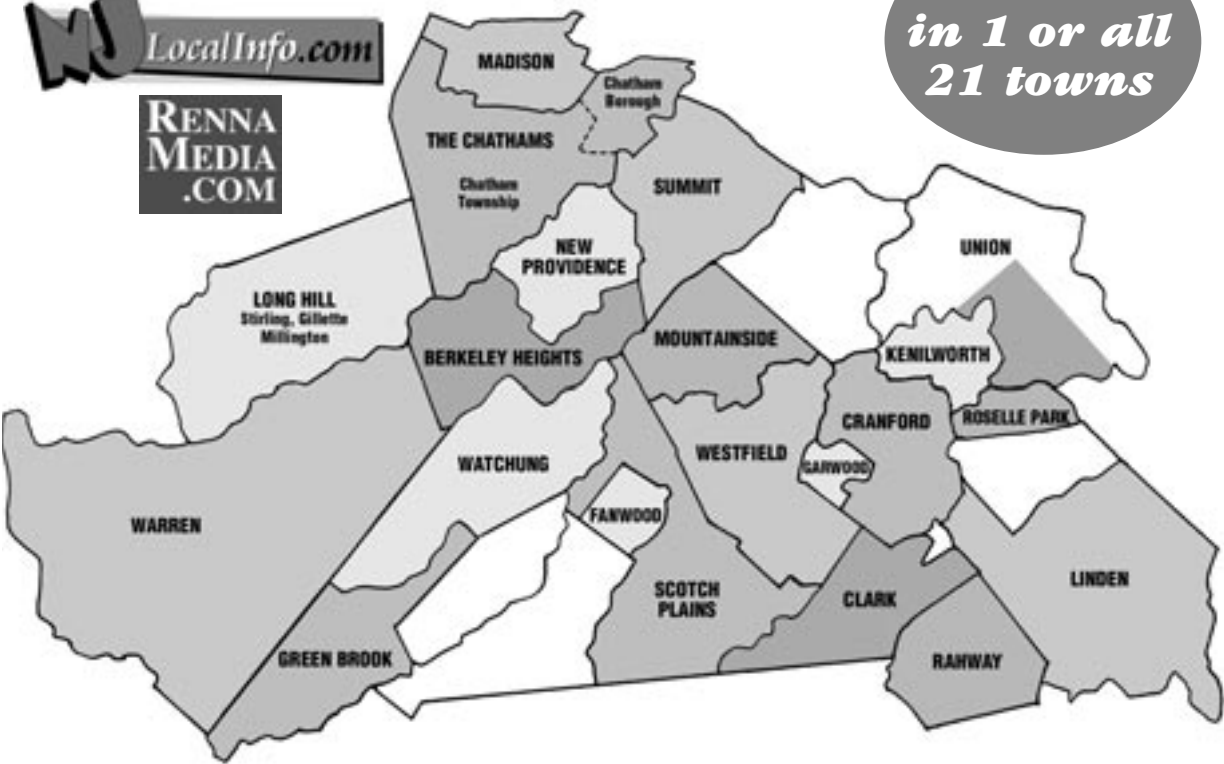
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Arthur L. Johnson High School is proud to announce the Class of 2021 Valedictorian and Salutatorian. After 7 semesters and a cumulative GPA of 4.7193, Joseph Hovick has earned and been awarded the title of ALJHS Valedictorian. With a cumulative GPA of 4.6491, Matthew Hartzler has earned and been awarded the title of

ALJHS Salutatorian.

Principal Jennifer Feeley stated, "Congratulations to both of these outstanding students. We are very proud of your hard work and commitment, and we commend you both on your academic excellence!"

Photos by Clark Public Schools



(above) Matthew Hartzler, Salutatorian.



(above) Joseph Hovick, Valedictorian.

## GARWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY JUNE EVENTS

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Mon, Wed and Fri from 9 am to 4 pm,  
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### Library Board Meeting

June 2 at 7:30 p.m.

A meeting of the Garwood Library Board of Trustees will take place in the Library. This meeting is open to the public. Masks and social distancing are required.

### Primary Election

June 8 all day

The Library will be a polling location for the Primary Election.

### Summer Reading Begins

June 21

Registration for Summer Reading begins.

### Book Discussion Group via Zoom

June 21 at 1 p.m.

Join us for a lively discussion of this month's book "The Marriage of Opposites" by Alice Hoffman. Once registered for the club, a Zoom link will be sent via email.

### Virtual Kid's Craft

June 29 at 3 p.m.

Pick up craft supplies on the 29th and follow the Facebook tutorial at 3 pm. Registration is required for craft kits and is limited to 15 participants. Sign up on the Library website's events calendar or by phone.

### Rescript the Story You Are Telling Yourself

June 24 at 7 p.m.

Join Colleen George, life/career coach, TEDx speaker and author of the 8-time award winning book, RESCRIPT the Story You Are Telling Yourself as she discusses ways to achieve your goals and manage your stresses. Registration is required. Once registered a Zoom link will be provided.

### Summer Reading Opening Event

June 25 at 2 p.m.

Join us for a Summer Reading Kick Off event in the Library Parking Lot with giveaways and ice cream from the SCREAM TRUCK for all who are registered for summer reading.

Registration required. Limit 40.

### Virtual Kid's Craft

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June 30 at 1:30 p.m.

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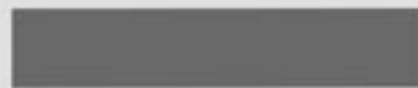
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