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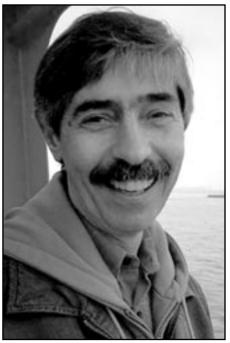
#### **50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PAGEANT OF CHAMPIONS**

Governor Livingston High School Highlander Band

The 50th anniversary of the Pageant of Champions was held at Governor Livingston High School On Sunday, October 17, 2021. The show featured 13 high school marching bands. A celebratory fireworks display was at the conclusion where band attendees had an opportunity to reconnect with fellow alumni.

Each year, the Governor Livingston High School Highlander Band honors somebody that has been special to the band and has gone above and beyond to support it. This year, 2 individuals were honored, who sadly passed away in 2021. One of them was a dedicated band parent in the 1980s, Bob Buchanan; and the other, Joseph Fontana, one was a band staff member from 2015-2019.





(above, l-r) Bob Buchanan (1940-2021) Joseph Fontana (1948-2021)

#### **PAGEANT HONOREES**

Pageant Honoree Bob Buchanan, a loyal and faithful band parent who served the Highlander Band and the GLBPO in the 1980s. Described as "the most dedicated band parent around" by fellow parent, Shirley Cino, Bob touched the lives of so many people. He had 2 children in the program: Kathy and Michael. Bob didn't just say that he would help, Bob said "I'll do that" or "let me see how I can make that better." He churned out performance and practice rifles for the color guard from his basement wood shop, maintaining them throughout the seasons. He, and his wife Connie, designed and made protective covers for the percussion and color guard equipment. If there was a younger sibling of a band member who wanted to be in the color guard, Bob would leave an old rifle and flag at their garage door. After one summer, the drum line came back to what looked like new white drums, but they were in fact ones he had re-covered. Although he held many roles in the Band Parent Organization, his favorite was that of chaperone. He loved interacting with the kids and would share his fond memories of the band's first trip to Scotland in 1988 for many years to come. Bob passed away this past year, but his legacy lives on today through his grandson Daniel Bower, a sophomore in the Highlander Band. We gratefully salute Bob and his family at this 50th Annual Pageant of Champions.

Pageant Honoree Joseph Fontana, was a true New Yorker and former Highlander Band staff member who passed away earlier this year after battling a long illness. Joe was a 20year veteran of the New York City Police Department and after his retirement from the force, served various financial institutions in the New York area. Working at the American Express Tower in the Financial District at "Ground Zero" in lower Manhattan on September 11th, 2001, Joe assisted with the evacuation of his building during the terror attacks. In the aftermath, he returned to the site for several weeks to assist his company and fellow employees in any way he could. Joe was a proud member of the 120th Precinct and 122nd Precinct Lawmen, St. Rocco's Cadets of Brooklyn, Bill's Boys Drum Corps of Long Island, a Drum Instructor for Holy Child Royal Centurions Junior Drum Corps of Staten Island, and a longtime member and instructor of the Skyliners Drum and Bugle Corps and Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights. Joseph Fontana is an inductee of the New Jersey Drum Corps Hall of Fame. He served the Highlander Band as Battery Instructor from 2015-2019. He is survived by his longtime loving wife Lois, 2 siblings, and a nephew. He was a classy and talented fellow. We gratefully salute Mr. Joe Fontana and his family at this 50th Annual Pageant of Champions.

## **CUB & BOY SCOUT 2021 THANKSGIVING/YEAR END FOOD DRIVE** SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2021

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#### **IMAGINE IS SEEKING VOLUNTEER FACILITATORS**

Imagine, A Center for Coping with Loss offers free peer grief support groups for grieving families that are facilitated by a wonderful group of trained volunteers. Imagine's volunteers are an essential part of Imagine's programs and they're looking to grow their community of facilitators. Are you interested in joining Imagine's team of volunteers? If so, we'd like to tell you more about Imagine's programs.

Imagine offers free peer support groups for children ages 3-18 who have experienced the death of a parent, sibling or close family member. Groups are also available for young adults ages 18-30, and for the parents and guardians of the children in the program. Groups for Spanish speaking bereaved adults are also available. All groups are currently being held virtually, with some set to transition to in-person as soon as it is safe to do so. Other groups will remain virtual.

Support groups are facilitated by trained adult volunteers who attend a three-day training totaling 24 hours, as well as regular continuing education. Volunteers come from all walks of life and no special background is required other than a willingness to listen, a heart inclined to serve, and the ability to be with children and adults in grief without trying to fix, solve or give advice. No prior experience is necessary. Volunteers must be 21 years or older. Bilingual (Spanish speaking) volunteers are needed as well. Volunteers serve

as companions and loving listeners for those who are grieving and help create a space where participants can share tears and embrace the joys of life.

"In order to continue to grow our English and Spanish speaking programs, we need to constantly recruit and train new volunteer facilitators," said Veronica Ortiz, Imagine Program Manager. "Our programs are growing because of the great need in this community, especially in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic. Over 220 children and adults have been participating in our virtual support groups this year. We have recently launched a new program year, but there is more demand for our programs than we're able to meet with our current number of facilitators. Doing this additional training will ensure that no child will ever have to wait to get the support they need."

Are you interested in joining Imagine's incredible community of volunteers and help us eliminate a wait list for our groups? Imagine is planning to offer a virtual facilitator training from Friday, November 5 through Sunday, November 7 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. each day. An interview is required prior to the training, so please contact Imagine Training Manager, Jamie Saltamachia at jamie@imaginenj.org to arrange a convenient interview time. If you have questions regarding the training, please call 908-264-3100.

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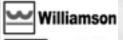
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Michael D. Boll, Director New Jersey Veterans Network

For the last few years the New Jersey Veterans Network and its mobile outreach team has been aggressively seeking out veterans in need and providing them resources to have a better way of life. This is only possible because of our volunteers' commitment and dedication with helping our veteran community. Donations are wonderful and help us purchase food, clothing, medical equipment and other life changing items, however someone's time is what makes an enormous difference.

During our charity's existence, we have provided meals for thousands of veterans and servicemen, dropped off PPE and clothing to veterans, provided medical equipment for disabled veterans, had 30 cars donated to disabled veterans, and most importantly we successfully saved the lives of veterans who were in some type of a dangerous crisis.

Every day we lose approximately 22 veterans to suicide and unfortunately this number hasn't changed over the years. Depression, PTSD and and their family members. There are countless lifesaving programs out there for veterans, however it's a difficult task to get veterans to trust others and go get the help they need to live a better life.

The New Jersey Veterans Network also has a program called Operation Rebound that consists of a mobile outreach team that helps to train veterans for events like races, hiking, and other athletic activities. The goal of Operation Rebound is to do athletic events from 5k races to long distance Iron Man competitions in order to empower the veterans and show the public how people can do amazing things with the proper support. It is truly incredible to see the veterans go from no physical activity to completing these tremendous athletic challenges.

Our charity has been able to work alongside other amazing charities that always put veterans first and are capable of rapidly providing them with essential resources. Recently, we formed a veteran anti-suicide and PTSD awareness coalition, called Uniformed Heroes, that will

trauma run extremely high among our veterans provide peer support sponsors for any veteran in need. Our peer support sponsors will be trained by the VA and Penn Med and our goal is to have volunteers statewide to help veterans in need.

> To make this upcoming Uniformed Heroes campaign successful, we are in desperate need of volunteers from both the veteran and civilian communities. There are numerous events and daily tasks that our charity could use assistance with and we are always looking to have more volunteers willing to help us reach veterans in need.

> Our goal is to provide all veterans in need with a peer support sponsor that will do whatever they can to help veterans with obtaining the resources needed to live a better life. This is not an easy thing to do, but the New Jersey Veterans Network has already been able to make a huge difference because of the team's volunteers and its strong partnerships with other charities.

> If you are interested in joining the team, please send us an email at NJVN1775@gmail.com and provide your name, email, and phone number. Also, if you have any questions, and concerns please feel free to contact us at 973-332-1556.



(above) Memorial Day Murph Event

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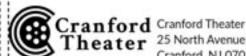
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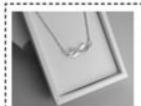
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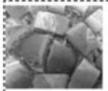
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#### **EDYTHE CLAIRE FRANK 100 YEARS OLD AND 90 YEARS WITH GIRL SCOUTS**

The blaring of a fire truck's siren as it approached a party, cars honking horns as they drove by, letters, cards, proclamations, flowers, and dozens of relatives and friends were part of a surprise yard party on Saturday, June 26 celebrating the 100th birthday of Edythe Claire Hansen Frank of N. 12th St., Kenilworth, NJ. Also stopping by were Mayor Linda Karlovitch and Councilman Louis De Mondo who extended personal congratulations to the birthday girl as did her minister, Father Andy Kruger, of Trinity Episcopal Church, Cranford. Edythe's actual birthday was the next day, having been born in Jersey City on June 27, 1921 to William E. and Laura Jane Silvers Hansen.

Not only does Edythe have the distinction of being a centenarian but she very well may be the oldest, and longest dues-paying Girl Scout in the United States. In 1931 at age nine she became a Brownie Scout and in 1935 a registered Girl Scout.

One of three children, Edythe married Sgt. George J. Frank on Armistice Day, 1943 while he was on short leave from the US Army during WWII. She said, "He came home on short leave and we got married." During the war she tried to enlist with the Navy, Coast Guard, and Marines and they were not taking people at that time. The Army indicated they would take her but her parents and husband asked her to reconsider. Eventually she decided to remain at home.

After WWII they lived in a Millburn apartment and ran a luncheonette. They soon had two children – George (aka "Stretch") and Laurie-Jo. The couple bought some building lots in Kenilworth on N. 12th St. for a few hundred dollars and began to erect their own home with their own labor and that of relatives and friends. Edythe remarked, "I handed him the cinder blocks and he added the mortar." At last, in 1949, they moved in and later had two more children – Sue-Ellen and Donna-Claire. George passed way in 2012 at age 91 after 68 years of marriage.

Both Edythe and George were part of Kenilworth scouting – he with the Cub Scouts



(above) Edythe Frank gives a toast at her 100th birthday party.

Photos provided by the family of Edythe Claire Frank

and she with the Brownies and then the Girl Scouts. They were scout leaders for their own children and many more from town. Edythe started out as a Brownie leader and as her daughters grew older, she become a Girl Scout leader spanning a period of 14 years from 1957 to 1971.

Edythe recalls trips to Camp Wild Cherry and the old Girl Scout cabin at the end of N. 18th and N. 19th streets adjacent to Black Brook Park. She mentioned, "There was really nothing around there at the time. There was a lot of open space." She reminisced about the wild cherry trees, poison ivy, dirt, and dust. Edythe stated, "We couldn't wait to wash off all of the dirt from camp. When we got home after day camp, the first thing we did was to shower to get rid of the dirt."

In 1995 Edythe was honored by the

Washington Rock Girl Scout Council with a 60-year service pin and again in 2005 with a 70-year pin. Still a dues-paid Girl Scout after 90 years, Edythe indicated a few years ago, "Everyone worked nicely together at Camp Wild Cherry. We really were sincere about following the Girl Scout Promise and Law. I still follow it today.

A special highlight of the day was the attendance of Natasha Hemmings, CEO of Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey. Ms. Hemmings announced that Edythe had been awarded the distinct honor of "Life Time Girl Scout," and noted that among other benefits, was that no longer would Edythe need to pay dues. With a smile, Edythe said, "So glad to be a Life Time Girl Scout as at times I was late in paying my dues. Now I don't have to worry about it."

The hostess of the party was Edythe's granddaughter, Dionne Frank, who resides next door. She is one of Edythe's 10 grandchildren. Edythe also has 12 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

The celebration continued over to the following day with continued surprises as more relatives and friends arrived. On Sun., July 11, a third get together with old friends visiting was held in Ocean Beach, NJ where Edythe and her late husband, George, husband, had a home for over 30 years. Edythe concluded, "I never had any idea about the surprise party. I was pleased to see so many people."

Granddaughter Dionne, commented, "As a family, we are very blessed to have her with us, in good mental and physical health. Edythe is the true matriarch of the Frank Family and is always ready to dole out love and humor. The entire weekend was a surprise for Gramma so every person who walked up the driveway to greet her, made her more excited and filled with love and joy."

Research provided by Walter E. Boright, Ed. D., historian, and Irene Laki for the Girl Scouts. Persons with inquiries about this or other aspects of Kenilworth history may contact Dr. Boright at drbori@aol.com or 908-256-5200.



(above) Edythe and family, ca. 1958 (top, l-r) Edythe; George, Sr.; and George, Jr., ("Stretch"); (bottom, l-r) Sue-Ellen; Laurie-Jo; and Donna-Claire.





(above, left) Edythe joined the Brownie Scouts in 1931. (right) Edythe C. Frank Brownie Troop 855, 1959 Clockwise: Edythe, Jackie Clark, Sue-Ellen Frank, Peggy Curtis, and Laurie-Jo Frank Photos provided by the family of Edythe Claire Frank

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But that's not how it went. Joe Montana had to hire a quarterback coach to help his son be a better football player. Here's possibly the greatest NFL QB of all time, needing to hire someone else to help his son. It was not that Joe Montana was not equipped for the job...it was that his son needed a second voice to help him get to the next level.

Many parents who have much less knowledge, experience, and skills than Joe Montana are in the same boat in regards to helping their kids get stronger, faster, and more confident.

Most parents we've come across want their kids to eat healthier, be more active, and have a stronger mindset. But many have told us they need help.

Even with the constant reminders of telling their kids to eat more vegetables, get outside instead of watching TV, practice their sport more, get to bed earlier...they find that sometimes the message falls on deaf ears...and some backup would be helpful toward their vision of helping their kid be the best they can be.

Parents have told us that having us(the Grit Athlete Performance Coaches) as a second voice to help reinforce the habits they want for their kids...is changing the game.

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Before, parents struggled with getting their kids to watch less TV or play video games...now they are limiting these activities because they've learned they don't really help them become better athletes.

Before, parents struggled with helping their kids have more confidence...now their kids are doing things out of their comfort zone more often which is helping them believe in themselves which further improves self-esteem.

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bed each morning on their own because they learned that making their bed in the morning helps them have a better day.

Before, parents struggled with getting their kids to do even one good push-up...now they catch them in their room practicing on their own.

Before, parents wanted their kids to have more determination and grit when training new things...now they are staying calm under pressure and seeking out challenges instead of avoiding them.

Many times it's not about telling your kid to eat more vegetables or stop watching TV...but rather finding the right environment for them to be more successful.

Right in your backyard, there's a team of great coaches waiting to be second voices for your kids...so that all the things you're teaching as parents will be reinforced. But most importantly, the results you're after for your kids will actually become a reality. The Grit Athlete winter Sports Performance session starts on December 13th in Berkeley Heights NJ, visit www.gritathletes.com to fill out an application for your child.

Grit Athlete Performance is a Sports Performance Training Company located in Berkeley Heights that helps kids ages 6-18 get strong, fast, and confident so they can have a bigger and better future. They have just released the dates for their winter program that starts on December 3rd. Visit www.gritathletes.com to register for their winter session...or see below for more details...

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- "My son is more disciplined and confident in himself"
  - Steve Hughes, Grit Athlete Parent
- "I have watched my children become more confident and vocal."
  - Christine Stramandinoli, Grit Athlete Parent
- "His confidence has shot up in the last few months...and has carried forward to the way he approaches other activities like sports and schoolwork. My son is now making his bed daily and exercising every day."

- Catherine Solfaro, Grit Athlete Parent

#### **APPLY NOW**







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The "Beautiful Mountainside" committee will judge in the following categories: 'Most Traditional, \*Winter Wonderland \*Kid Friendly, \*All Around Favorite.

- Entry deadline : Dec. 13th
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#### **Women in Jazz**

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Register at info@mountainsidelibrary.org Funding for programs is generously provided by the Friends of the Mountainside Library. For more information call the library 908-233-0115.

#### **MOUNTAINSIDE ACTIVE RETIREES**

On October 12th, The Mountainside Active Retirees (M.A.R.) and guests enjoyed a day trip to The Waterfront at Silver Birches at Hawley Pa. participating in a old fashion Germanfest.

The day included coffee and apple streusel upon arrival and proceeded to music, dancing for those so inclined, an open bar with draft beer, wine & soda, a demo strudel making by the chef, and individual pretzel making by each member.

The highlight of the day was the family style German Meal served starting with Potato Soup and topped off with Apple Streusel a la Mode for dessert.

After dinner the group was entertained with a spirited mix of German music, old favorites, and contemporary classics. Volunteers from the M.A.R. group participated in the Germanfest Olympic Games, cheered on from the audience. The members returned home to Mountainside with a departure snack, tired but not hungry, looking forward to their next trip.

M.A.R. meetings start at 10 a.m. and are held in the 2nd floor Community Room at Borough Hall on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of most months. Attendance at meetings and membership is open to all Mountainside residents 55+, actively retired, or only wishfully retired.

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#### **CASA VOLUNTEERS FOR FOSTER YOUTH**

#### CASA of Union County

The latest class of community members to step up and train as advocates for Union County foster youth have taken their oath before a Union County Superior Court Judge and are now ready to be matched to their case as the newest volunteers with Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Union County.

The nonprofit, which began in Union County in 2005, recruits, trains, supports, and supervises volunteers to serve local child-victims removed from their homes due to abuse, neglect or abandonment, and living in foster care. It is the only nonprofit serving as extra eyes and ears for Union County judges hearing youth cases.

Superior Court Judge James Hely presided

matched to their youth or sibling set, advocates will begin putting their 30-hours of training into practice. The newest CASA volunteers for Union County are Janet Colman of Warren, Komal Nankani of Summit, Karime Herrera and James Walker Jr. of Elizabeth, Mike Caporaso of Lebanon, Regina O'Connor of Fanwood, and Veronica Gardner of Union.

Volunteers need no special prior background or experience to serve as advocates; each undergoes a thorough training process and is supported by CASA staff. Successful advocates bring with them varied life experiences and professional backgrounds. No matter the age of the youth to whom they are assigned, advocates'

over the swearing-in ceremony via Zoom; once commitment to being a consistent presence – many foster youth experience a revolving door of professionals in addition to the separation from family members - and ensuring needs are identified and recommendations are made to the judge and stakeholders, the trajectory of a child's life can be changed for the better.

> Upon being court-ordered to a case, the CASA volunteer has access to the youth, foster parents, doctors, caseworkers, therapists, and teachers in order to identify and report to the judge any concerns and needs in order to protect best interests.

> The organization remains committed to serving every Union County youth in foster care; to do that, more community volunteers are needed to step up and train as an advocate for a local child-victim who could range from birth to age 21.

> Contact Lucia for details lfield@casaofunioncounty.org on upcoming information sessions, how to join a training class, and all the ways you can Change a Child's Story.



(above, l-r) Mike Caporaso of Lebanon; Janet Colman of Warren; Karime Herrara of Elizabeth; James Walker Jr. of Elizabeth; Regina O'Connor of Fanwood; Komal Nankani of Summit; and Veronica Gardner of Union.



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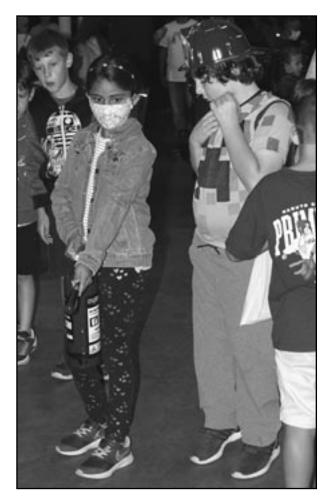
The Mountainside Fire Department is a volunteer based organization that is always looking for new members. If you are interested in joining, contact the Fire Department at 908-232-8100.











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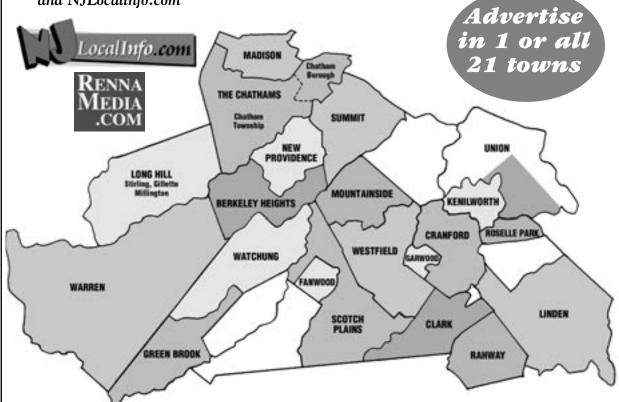
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