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A WRITING PROGRAM FOR YOUNG AUTHORS

Warren Township Schools

Recently, a group of 14 grade five students from Angelo L. Tomaso (ALT) School in Warren Township, set a goal with their teacher, Mrs. Cheryl Plager, to write a novel. To accomplish this, the students were introduced to a program for young writers called NaNoWriMo. NaNoWriMo is designed to help students find value in their stories, become confident and proficient storytellers, and realize their creative potential to build new worlds on and off the page.

Since the onset of this program, the writing group has doubled in size. Mrs. Plager meets with her young novelists during their WIN (What I Need) period.

"Some of my fifth-grade authors are now writing their second novel and some have just started working on their first one. In November, they had one month to write a novel from start to finish. After the winter break, they were eager to keep writing," says Mrs. Plager.

"They have learned to quiet their inner editors and put on their creator crowns while working towards goals they set for themselves. They are developing main characters, supporting characters, and even villains. They are creating interesting storylines and imagining detailed and precise settings. They work independently at their own pace and complete all of the writing outside of class time. I offer support during WIN and they often support one another as well."

Mrs. Plager anticipates that by spring most of her NaNoWriMo authors will begin drafting their novels on the NaNoWriMo website, having mapped out their ideas and stories ahead of time. The students' stories are stored on the program's website and are available for download by either the author or Mrs. Plager to be shared with their classmates, friends, and families.

Mrs. Plager plans to continue to offer this program and help students achieve their creative goals with NaNoWriMo: "They are growing as authors in ways I never could have predicted and rediscovering their love of writing."

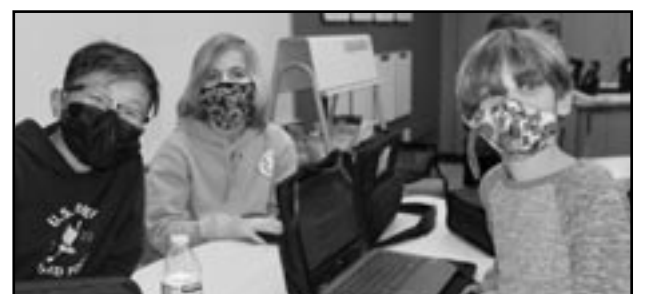
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(above) Anya Bhavanasi takes a moment to describe NaNoWriMo to a visitor in the classroom.



(above) Dana Gulick Bowman works independently during WIN on her creative story about cat adventures.



(above l-r) Andrew Kim, Ezekiel Minieri, and Nikola Dzeletovic brainstorm ideas.



(above l-r) Jake Mazzurco, Liana Damiano, Andrew Kim, Sarah Diao, Aayan Shah, Alessandra Purpora, Heath Brezee, Shay Moran, and Giada Damiano proudly hold up a colorful NaNoWriMo sign.



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STUDENTS CELEBRATE THE YEAR OF THE TIGER

Grade 6 students from Warren Middle School (WMS) celebrated the Chinese New Year in conjunction with their unit on ancient China as part of the Ancient River Valley Civilizations.

Grade 6 teachers worked together to coordinate cross-curricular activities to creatively teach and celebrate the Chinese New Year.

In their social studies class, Ms. Karen Balich invited students from the Diversity Club to make lanterns with riddles. Club members visited all of Balich's social studies classes throughout the day to share the riddles they had created. The students also learned about Chinese Zodiac Signs.

In Mrs. Ann Marie Christou and Mrs. Michele Kraminitz's science classes, the students learned about the Chinese myth explaining the solar eclipse which tied into their unit on the solar system and natural phenomena.

In math class, Mrs. Mary Ellen Weaver and

Mr. Kevin Speckin celebrated the Chinese New Year by creating traditional Chinese symbols focusing specifically on how the holiday is celebrated in Chinese culture.

Students in Mrs. Gina Banks and Ms. Cathryn Ticchio's language arts classes read a non-fiction article on the Chinese New Year with challenging vocabulary and responded to reading comprehension questions. They investigated and discussed the symbolism of the dragon and then watched a San Francisco Chinese New Year parade.

As the Grade 6 Team Leader, Christou was very pleased with the outcome of the entire celebration. "Providing our students with a cross-curricular experience allowed us to celebrate the Chinese New Year and strengthen our bond as Team Blue. We look forward to planning more team bonding activities in the future."



(above, left, l-r) Blue Team Leader Ann Marie Christou poses with Kaelan Chen .
(above, right, l-r) Ms. Karen Balich and Diversity Club members Kayden Thursfield-Ritchie and Roshan Sekhar.

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The exhibit will be open on weekdays through March 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and only one weekend day on Saturday, March 12, from noon to 4 p.m. at the Leonard J. Buck Garden Visitor Center, located on 11 Layton Road in Far Hills. For more information, call 908-722-1200, ext. 5621.



(above) What better place to feature the naturalistic artwork of local talent than at the Leonard J. Buck Garden! The free exhibit runs through March 12.

Photo by Somerset County Park Commission

CLUE ON STAGE IN MARCH

Murder and blackmail are on the menu at the Brook Arts Center in Bound Brook on March 18 through 29, when six mysterious guests assemble for a dinner party at Boddy Manor.

Join us as we bring to life the classic board game Clue. Based on the cult 1985 Paramount movie and inspired by the classic Hasbro game, this farce-meets murder-mystery is bloody good fun.

When six guests are invited to a dinner party thrown by an anonymous host, they are given aliases--Colonel Mustard, Mrs. White, Mr. Green, Mrs. Peacock, Professor Plum, and Miss Scarlet.

Though discouraged from revealing personal information, it is soon discovered that all of them have fallen victim to the same blackmailer, - their host for the evening!

Each is presented with a weapon and an option: pay their extortionist double or kill the innocent butler. What follows is a madcap,

slapstick evening full of murder, mystery, and laughs as they seek to figure out the culprit amongst criminals. Was it Mrs. Peacock in the study with the knife? Or Colonel Mustard in the library with the wrench?

Can you solve the mystery, before it is revealed?

Opening night Friday, March 18 at 8 p.m. Showtimes Fridays and Saturday 8 p.m. and Sundays 2 p.m.

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JOIN THE WHRHS MARCHING WARRIOR FAMILY

Is high school right around the corner, or still a few years off? Either way, it's a great time to start thinking about all of the many exciting reasons to join the WHRHS Marching Band!

Why on Earth would I want to join marching band?

For one, friendships that will change your life and may very well last a lifetime. For incoming Freshman, marching band can be your ticket to walking in the door that dreaded first day of high school already set with a tight knit group of friends. How? You will have just spent time in late August getting to know everyone during band camp. And when I say "getting to know everyone", I don't say that lightly. By the end of band camp, there are special bonds that have formed between members of the band...you will have become part of the "band family". Which, by the way, will include upperclassmen who will be able to "show you the ropes" and help get you up and running quickly in that new high school environment.

Did you know that marching band can also make you smarter?

As it turns out, human brains are wired for music. Multiple studies have shown that students who learn music are more adept at language and mathematics. Plus, those who are proficient in music demonstrate higher IQ

scores. Not to mention, music is also a great stress alleviator. Who can't use a little of that these days?

Let's not forget one of the most important reasons though...marching band is a LOT OF FUN!!!! There's the thrill of watching an entire performance show come together, step by step. And the pride that comes with performing it for your parents for the very first time. Then there are fun bus rides, cheering for the football team while playing sing-along stand tunes, competitions and the thrill of victory when WHRHS takes home a first place win. The band also schedules bowling nights, pool parties, backyard movies, trampoline parties and more, which you can join! Sum it all up and it spells a ton of F-U-N!!

Well, there are literally hundreds of reasons why you should join marching band, so over the next few months you'll get to hear from current members themselves...why they joined and what they love most about it.

If you'd like more information, or have any questions about joining the marching band, please reach out to either Michael Banker at 908-462-4446, or Jake Bilotti 908-910-2498 or email jakeabilotti@gmail.com. They're waiting to welcome you into the WHRHS Marching Warrior family!



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BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATED WITH JOYFUL FRIDAYS

Warren Township Schools

Every week throughout Black History Month, Mt. Horeb students in Mr. PJ Jones's class participated in Joyful Fridays through an interactive program from the National Museum of African American History & Culture (NMAAHC).

"The Joyful Fridays program is intended to introduce students to the concepts related to Black History and the African American experience through interactive dialogue and art projects," said Mr. Jones.

On one Friday, students tuned into a webinar led by NMAAHC educators celebrating the life of Dr. Maya Angelou and kindness. Students listened to and learned about Angelou's poetry. The lesson ended with a rainbow craft inspired by a famous Angelou quote: "Try to be a rainbow

in somebody else's cloud."

Other Joyful Fridays included an introduction to Granville T. Woods, the inventor of the roller coaster, and an exploration of African-American artists Alma Thomas and McArthur Binion and their unique, creative styles.

Jones enjoys each Joyful Friday experience with his students and appreciates the educational program. "I discovered Joyful Fridays last year while our school was closed and students had to learn from home. It began as a way to engage students remotely, but we had so much fun creating self-portraits in the style of Amy Sherald, that I knew I had to revisit the program this year. Black History Month to me is an opportunity to start conversations about race in our country, something that can be uncomfortable, but is an absolute necessity."



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(above l-r) Mt. Horeb students display a Joyful Friday craft. Front row: Ela Patwa, Skye Battiste, Claire Connolly, Divisha Choudhary; Back row: Brielle Weinstein, Audrey Bumgarner, Eline Downing, Taylor Schlow, Sophia McGlynn, Shail Hazari, Benjamin Armento, Sonia Prabhakar, Alexander Chibwe.

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Warren Township Recreation Department

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All age groups can enjoy this event due to various activities such as horse and carriage rides, petting zoo, carnival rides, ice carver. Carnival games provided by the Recognized Sport Groups, hot chocolate and much more! Food will be for sale by Cas's Pierogi & Kielbasa, Let's Have a Ball, Latin Bites, Big John's Gourmet Burgers & Dilly Dilly Donuts.

The event will take place at the Municipal Baseball Fields located at 46 Mountain Blvd, Warren, NJ from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. with the lighting of the bonfire at 4:20 p.m. and fireworks at 7:00 p.m.

In case of inclement weather or if you have any questions please contact the Recreation Office by phone at 908-753-8000 x 271 or by email at recreation@warrennj.org.

WARREN CUB SCOUT PACK 182

Submitted by Adam Lella

Over the past month Pack 182 has been very active with several activities all right here in Warren Township! Both Scouts and adults learned valuable information about our town and

local first responders.

For any interested scouts please check out our Facebook page warrenpack182.org or contact Ryan Valentino rvalentino86@hotmail.com.



(above) Officer Bryan Horst of the Warren Police Department and Nikita, WPD's police dog, visited our Lions Den for a special visit during the Lion Den meeting.



(above) The Bear Den met up at the Warren Library with their own pocket knives and one of our leaders taught the Bears how to handle, sharpen, use, and store the knives. He also taught them how to whittle using soap bars.

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The WTEF is a non-profit organization serving as an independent source to raise funds from private and corporate donors to support enhancements to K-8th grade curricular initiatives in the capital projects arena. It operates independent of, but in partnership with, the Warren Township Committee, Board of Education, schools and PTOs. The WTEF hopes to enhance educational excellence once again for Warren Township students, as well as maintain (and hopefully increase) home values, educational quality and intellectual rigor across our community. Initially created in the 1990's, it has been fully reinstated as a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization in 2021 and is thrilled to once again tie our community and schools together.

We look to cultivate relationships with residents, alumni and local & large businesses. Our focus is a "Dream Big" concept to prepare students for a competitive, global, interconnected world. The ultimate goal is to fund and support results-driven projects the district needs and can't otherwise obtain. The WTEF's success will be predicated on the commitment and dedication from community volunteer leaders, as well as generous financial donations to underwrite these projects.

Our Mission is to partner with the community and businesses to provide cutting edge enrichment. The focus is "big, bold ideas" aligned with the vision of the Warren Township School District. Members will eventually plan high level fundraising structures as well as connections to mentorship and partnership programs that support the District's brand of "Shining Brighter Every Day." Volunteers who enjoy creative brainstorming and contributions to a long-term vision are welcome and encouraged to participate.

Our website is ever-expanding but can be found at warreneducation.org or email info@warreneducation.org. You'll support our children's futures by making a donation today, right? Make checks payable to the Warren Township Education Foundation and mail to the WTEF at 35 Quail Run, Warren, NJ 07059. We thank you in advance for your support!

RELIEF FROM CHRONIC KNEE PAIN

FDA Approved Treatment to Avoid Surgery

DON'T BLAME THE ARROW FOR MISSING THE TARGET

Just like tens of millions of other Americans, you were looking for relief from your chronic knee pain. You thought Viscosupplementation injections might be the answer, but the results were disappointing and painful. Don't assume the treatment wasn't right. That could very well be like blaming the arrow for its path to the target when the problem might be the archer. If you didn't get the pain relief you were hoping for, chances are your injection treatment was off target. Unlike blind injections or even ultrasound targeted treatments found elsewhere, **Northeast Spine & Wellness Center** uses diagnostic fluoroscopy to make sure the area that needs treated is the exact area where the injection goes. This is the most advanced method of delivering this pain relieving treatment with 95% accuracy to give you the results you're looking for. The use of Fluoroscopy guided injections sets **Northeast Spine & Wellness Center** apart. The end result is you living pain free from your chronic knee pain. You can avoid the lengthy and painful road of knee replacement surgery. You can avoid the endless trial and error assortment of potentially addictive prescription medications. This treatment, using fluoroscopy guided injections has seen a success rate of above 85% in those suffering from knee pain related to osteoarthritis, and that includes people with bone on bone involvement. You've suffered from chronic knee pain long enough. Call **Northeast Spine & Wellness Center** now for a RISK FREE consultation.



If Knee Surgery Sounds Scary, It Should

Have you have been told you are facing knee replacement surgery? Have you been told about all the downsides you could be facing? First and foremost, there are NO guarantees that knee replacement surgery will be the answer to your pain, but let's look further:

- Surgery is costly, regardless of the percentage of services covered by insurance.
- Surgery requires lost time from work and typically requires a regimen of rehabilitation and medications.
- With surgery, there is always a risk for unwelcomed complications. And you could be back to where you started, or worse.
- Medications will be required for relief from surgery and you have been down that road before. Addictions to these pain medications can cause potential side effects, something you do not want to experience.
- Rehabilitation can take years.

Consider This Alternative To Surgery

Northeast Spine & Wellness Center offers you a real opportunity and a painless way to say goodbye to your knee pain without any surgery. Here are just a few of the important benefits you should consider?

- Diagnostic fluoroscopy accurately targets the pain, unlike blind injections.
- Guided fluoroscopic injections are virtually pain free, unlike blind injections.
- No lost time from work or family.
- No expensive or time consuming rehabilitation.
- No potentially addictive prescription medications.
- Recovery time is almost instant, not months or years.

How Does This New Treatment Work?

Relief begins almost as fast as it takes to pronounce the treatment. It's called Viscosupplementation Therapy. To begin with, it starts with **Northeast Spine & Wellness Center** investing in the use of diagnostic fluoroscopy. This enables them to target the exact location of your knee pain with pinpoint accuracy. What follows is a simple injection that causes little to no pain, especially when compared to what you may be living with daily. That explains what you will see on the surface of this revolutionary treatment. What's taking place below the surface is how and where the natural healing process takes place. The injection of a Hyaluronic acid called Hyalgan. This gel-like substance was approved by the FDA in 1996. Hyalgan is a natural substance that mimics the synovial fluid that is already produced by your body in your joints. Osteoarthritis sufferers in particular see a reduction in this much needed synovial fluid in their knee joints. Without that cushioning layer of protection, the cartilage in your knee can begin to wear away leading to the rubbing of bone on bone. Through Viscosupplementation Therapy, this natural substance immediately goes to work reducing the swelling and inflammation in the joint and adding a coating layer of protection. Think about Dorothy taking the oil can to The Tin Man. You'll begin to feel that same kind of relief and quite possibly feel like you're ready for a dance down the yellow brick road to recovery yourself. And with a success rate of over 85% in alleviating pain associated with osteoarthritis, it's easy to see why this treatment is so readily covered by Medicare and by most major insurance providers. Diagnostic fluoroscopy to target the pain. Viscosupplementation Therapy to relieve the pain. Simple, fast and no surgery!

Do you Suffer from any of these Symptoms?

There are a number of reasons why you developed Osteoarthritis pain. It can develop with age or because of heredity. It could be from repetitive stress from a job or some glory days in athletics. Of course your concern is with the symptoms you face daily and how to make them end, hopefully without surgery or the use of potentially addictive medications. **Northeast Spine & Wellness Center** understands the symptoms you have been living with and can help. If you have any of the symptoms below, please call us today. Relief is a phone call away.

- **Pain** - Whether it's a sharp aching or maybe a burning sensation, the pain can range from irritating to debilitating.
- **Swelling** - This can cause tenderness and soreness to the entire knee area, making walking or going up and down stairs painful, getting in and out of bed or bathtubs difficult and dangerous just name a few activities affected by swelling.
- **Stiffness** - Getting up out of bed or after sitting for a period of time gets more and more difficult. This loss of mobility can be more than a hindrance. It can be dangerous if you need to move quickly.
- **Loss of muscle strength** - This can lead to balance issues and the strong possibility of falling.
- **Joint deformity** - Not just unsightly, but painful as well.
- **Creaking Joints** - Can be painful and a sign of more discomfort to come.
- **Sleepless nights** - Losing sleep over your suffering is not just irritating, but potentially dangerous because of so many other health concerns that can be affected by loss of sound sleep.

Let Me Show You Targeted Relief From Your Knee Pain

Every day, I see patients suffering from knee pain due to arthritis, osteoarthritis, sports injuries or other conditions. Many have been told that they are in need of knee replacement surgery. Other patients say they have been prescribed various prescription medications to deal with the pain.

Something else I see almost every day, are patients that have tried viscosupplementation knee injections elsewhere and found it to be a painful and ineffective experience because the injections were not administered using fluoroscopic guidance. Instead of using the incredibly accurate diagnostic fluoroscopy we use at **Northeast Spine & Wellness Center** these patients experienced a blind injection technique, which can be as inaccurate as playing pin the tail on the donkey.

Once I am able to explain to my patients about the pin point accuracy of using diagnostic fluoroscopy and the amazing results viscosupplementation can provide, they are thrilled to get started. They are even more thrilled when they feel the relief. Please contact **Northeast Spine & Wellness Center** today to schedule your RISK FREE consultation. Call 732-827-0800

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COUNTY SPELLING BEE

Warren Township Schools

Thirteen Warren Middle School (WMS) students in the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades recently gathered in the All-Purpose room to participate in the annual WMS Spelling Bee.

E2 Teacher Dr. Susan Cooper moderated the event. Language Arts Teacher Mrs. Vivien Plesmid and WMS Principal Mr. George Villar served as judges.

All of the students participating in the Spelling Bee had been finalists in a written Spelling Bee competition that was open to all WMS students in the weeks leading up to the event.

Before the competition got underway, Cooper congratulated all of the students for their willingness to take part in the Spelling Bee. As the moderator, Cooper also introduced the rules and regulations and what to expect if they spelled a word correctly or incorrectly. To help ease some potential anxiety, each student was allowed an opportunity to come to the microphone with a practice word.

At the onset of the competition, the spelling words were tough. Students were concentrating very hard to spell difficult words such as acquittal, rendezvous, and isthmus. Students are permitted to have the word repeated, defined, or used in a sentence.

After several rounds, the competition was down to two students, Ethan Chibwe, and Ethan Rajan. Both students did an outstanding job demonstrating their knowledge of spelling. In the end, Ethan Chibwe pulled ahead, winning the final round and landing in first place. Rajan was named runner-up.

Cooper, Plesmid, Villar, and the rest of the students gave both finalists a round of applause. The educators enjoyed running the event and witnessing the awesome school spirit shared among the students.

Following the Spelling Bee, Plesmid debriefed her students. One WMS student added, "I really enjoyed it and what I liked was hearing all of the words. I'm going to use them in the future."

Chibwe has now qualified for the Somerset

County Library System of New Jersey (SCLSNJ) Annual Spelling Bee Spectacular on March 5. The winner of the SCLSNJ event will be sent to the National Bee in Washington, D.C. in the late spring of 2022. If Chibwe is unable to attend the county competition, Rajan will serve as his alternate.



(above) Ethan Chibwe, the WMS Spelling Bee Champion, advances to the SCLSNJ Annual Spelling Bee Spectacular. Congratulations, Ethan!

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This incident should serve as a reminder of the importance of making sure your pets are up-to-date on their vaccinations, especially rabies. In addition, we encourage pet owners to be aware of their pets' location and activities at all times in order to try to avoid preventable exposure. If your pet is exposed to a wild animal, it is very important to notify the Health Department, have the pet seen by a veterinarian, test the wild animal if it is available, and to avoid human contact with any saliva, wounds, etc., in order to prevent human exposure.

In addition, we want to remind everyone—

especially those with children—that while wild animals may appear cute and cuddly, they are wild and can be very dangerous. Please stay away from wild animals and keep children and pets away, too.

The Warren Township Health Department urges residents to be aware and cautious of potential rabid animals and avoid contact with any unknown animal. Rabies, a neurological disease, is almost 100% preventable. However, rabies is nearly always fatal once symptoms have developed, so prompt action is necessary to prevent rabies.

The Warren Township Health Department is available to assist you with any incidents. Please contact us at 908-753-8000, Ext. 239 or by email at pmartins@warrennj.org with any questions or concerns.

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Twelve Baskets provides food and various non-perishables to individuals, families, seniors, and veterans in Long Hill and surrounding areas. A valid driver's license or state ID to verify local address is the only documentation needed. Anyone in need of walk-in hours for emergency appointments can call 908-647-0067 ext. 4 and arrangements will be made. All calls and visits are free and confidential. Masks are required. Please bring reusable bags for food.

The goal of the pantry is to help supplement families during these difficult times. Donations are accepted and can be placed in our donation barrels located in the side door at All Saints'

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In lieu of fresh foods, a ShopRite card donation is appreciated so items such as fruit, veggies, eggs, milk, and bread can be purchased and made available. We also accept donations of fresh produce after 9:30 a.m. on days the pantry is open.

For more information, please visit allsaintsmillington.org/outreach.html or call 908-647-0067 ext. 4.

Twelve Baskets Food Pantry is sponsored by All Saints' Episcopal Church, First Presbyterian Church of Stirling, and Meyersville Presbyterian Church.

RENNA MEDIA LAUNCHES THREE NEW NEWSPAPERS

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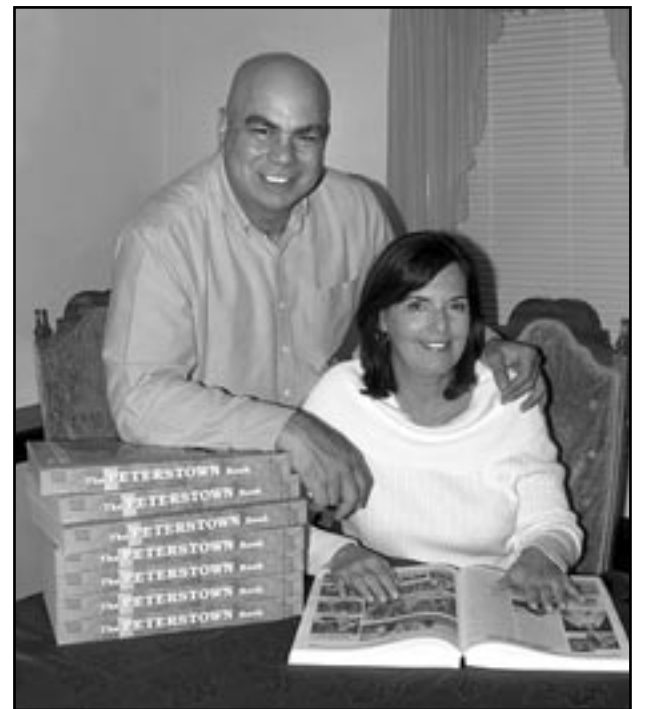
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