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# TREEMENDOUS CHARACTER CEREMONY

#### Clark Public Schools

Valley Road School recently held its Treemendous Character ceremony recently. Students were nominated by staff members who felt these students went above and beyond in the department of character. Students were nominated in 9 areas.

### Belonging:

A student who welcomes others and others to feel valued; a student who works toward building a positive climate.

#### Heroes:

A student who is a positive role model for other students in the school and one who listens to and values others ideas.

#### **Accomplishments**:

A student who consistently tries to do their best, succeeding in ways that may not typically be recognized; one who perseveres in all situations.

#### **Fun & Excitement**:

A student who is engaged in learning and who shares their enthusiasm and energy with others.

Curiosity & Creativity: A student who asks "why" and maybe even "why not"; one who has a desire to explore the unknown.

Adventure: A student who is willing to take a chance and push beyond boundaries to succeed. One who readily takes a challenge without fear of failing.

### Leadership:

A student who is unafraid to make a decision and take ownership of the choices they make.

### **Confidence**:

A student sets goals and takes steps to meet them. One with a healthy outlook on life and looks inward for approval, not outward.

#### **Bucket-Filler**:

A student who is looking to build classmates up, instead of knocking them down. They demonstrate appropriate class behavior and don't dip into others' buckets (including staff and students). Shows kindness, integrity, teamwork, trustworthiness, and caring to others.



(above) Treemendous Character honorees Leah Kristen, Lucas Hamm, David-Xavier Ortiz, Julianne Johnson, Christopher Scuorzo, Edward Hamilton, Samantha Murphy, Austin Carrick, Kaja Hajduk, Payton Kurek, Anthony Castro, Leon Li, Arnav Patel, Amelia Manimtim, Charlotte Pitta, Serena Gonnella, Isabella Loguidice

Photo by Clark Public Schools

### The following students were awarded this honor:

Leah Kristen, Lucas Hamm, David-Xavier Ortiz, Julianne Johnson, Christopher Scuorzo, Edward Hamilton, Samantha Murphy, Austin Carrick, Kaja Hajduk, Payton Kurek, Anthony Castro, Leon Li, Arnav Patel, Amelia Manimtim, Charlotte Pitta, Serena Gonnella, Isabella Loguidice

According to School Counselor Sarah Badillo who led the event, "I feel I can speak for everyone and say We at VRS are truly grateful for these students. They make our school better and I bet they don't even realize it. I am so happy they walk these halls and that I get to know them. As a society, we need to remember that sometimes it is the little things that make the most impact and look how many of them have made an impact here at VRS. So, thank you to all our amazing recipients for having Treemendous Character and thank you to the parents who I'm sure have demonstrated all the characteristics we are celebrating today."

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TOTAL NUMBER OF TRANSACTIONS = 130, 96 ARE IN CLARK

# 2022 VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN

Clark Public Schools

Arthur L. Johnson High School is proud to announce the Class of 2022 Valedictorian and Salutatorian.

After 7 semesters and a cumulative GPA of 4.84, Christopher Warnick has earned and been awarded the title of ALJHS Valedictorian. Chris is off to Fairfield University where he plans to study Math but on the pre-health track.

With a cumulative GPA of 4.71, Philip Brennan has earned and been awarded the title of ALJHS Salutatorian. Philip will be studying Engineering at Lehigh University in the Fall. 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!"





(above, l-r) Philip Brennan and Christopher Warnick

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# ANTHONY J. BOGASH INDUCTED INTO HONOR SOCIETY

Anthony J. Bogash, a 2019 graduate of Arthur L. Johnson High School was inducted into the New Jersey Collegiate Business Administration Association Honor Society on May 6, 2022. This honor society recognizes the very highest academic achievement of undergraduates pursuing studies in the field of business. Only the top 1% of students at their respective institutions are invited to join this honor society. Anthony is currently a Junior at Kean University, double majoring in Finance and Business Administration, maintaining a Grade Point Average of 4.0, has been on the Dean's List all three years, and intends to pursue a Masters' Degree in Business after graduating. He was also bestowed as a member of the Lambda Alpha Sigma Honor List at Kean University in 2021.



(above) Anthony J. Bogash

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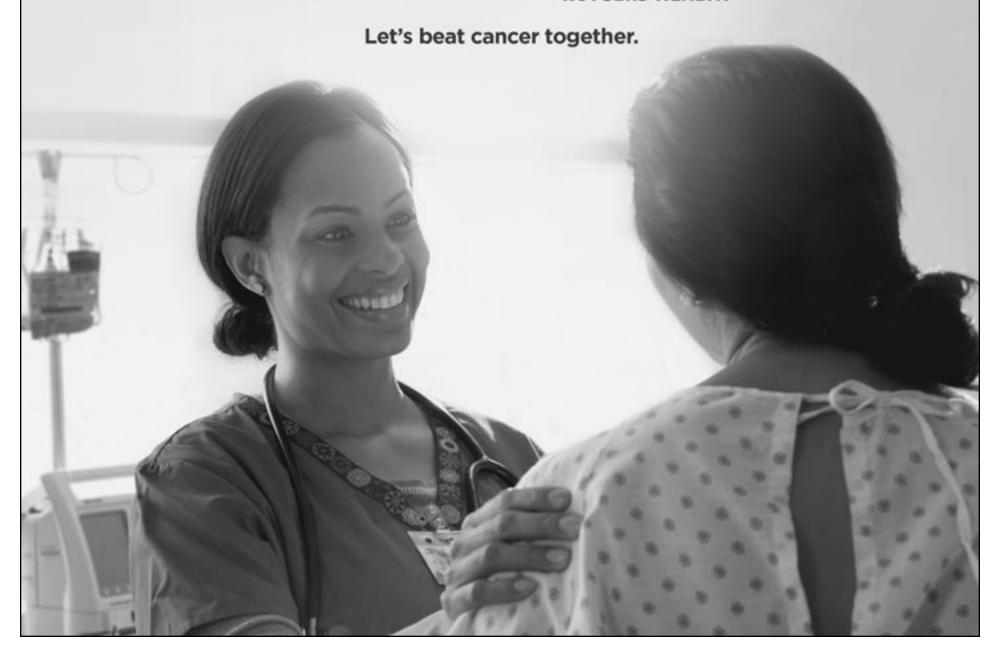
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(above) Ruth Maloney, Mobile Meals of Westfield President.

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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



### If Knee Surgery Sounds Scary, It Should

enough. Call Northeast Spine & Wellness Center now for a RISK FREE consultation.

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.
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- No potentially addictive prescription medications.
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#### How Does This New Treatment Work?

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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 Ostcoarthritis 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
- · 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 sleen.

### 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



copy 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.

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(above) Vietnam War 50th anniversary pin.

## **CLARK AMERICAN LEGION POST #328**

Submitted by Chris Sands

We have been busy at the American Legion Post #328 in Clark. On April 13th, during our monthly meeting (always the 2nd Wednesday of the month) we hosted a 50th Anniversary Vietnam Veteran Commemoration event at the Post. The Northern NJ Chapter of the Association of the United States Army was the Commemorative Partner. Several other local organizations also took part in the ceremony to include the NJ Armor and Cavalry Association, the West Fields Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, the General Phil Kearny Camp #20 of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and the NJ Department of the Ukrainian American Veterans, and the John L. Ruddy Post 7363 Clark Veterans of Foreign

Wars. Eight Vietnam War veterans were presented with a 50th anniversary pin. They are Ed Lasinski, Fred Sacks, George McGettigan, Jack Doran, Mike Fucsko, Glen Gray, Joe Raganese, Joe Swietik.

On April 20th the post held its annual Children and Youth Night activities. The Walter Johnson High School Varsity and JV softball teams participated. They were treated to pizza, and a \$500 donation was made to their program by the post. Coach Chris accepted the check which was presented by Post Commander Swietik.

For more information about Post events, or becoming a member of the American Legion, Sons of the Legion, or Ladies Auxiliary, email us at Americanlegionclarkpost328@gmail.com.





(above) Eight Vietnam War veterans were presented with a 50th anniversary pin. They are Ed Lasinski, Fred Sacks, George McGettigan, Jack Doran, Mike Fucsko, Glen Gray, Joe Raganese, and Joe Swietik.

(above) The Walter Johnson High School softball teams visited the Post.

# STEAK NIGHT RAISES FUNDS FOR AMERICAN LEGION

By Judy Doran

The recent Steak Night fundraiser for the American Legion Auxiliary was a remarkable success. Thanks to the work of many including, Tammi Angelo, Margaret Alago, Jody Burns, Maureen Reilly, Ann Levy, Diane Mott, and others, many Clark residents and veterans enjoyed a hearty steak dinner on Saturday, April 23rd.

Special thanks to Barry Loessel, Ed Wray, and Tom Faede for their grill work, and Juliana Doran and Spencer Doran for help bringing the steaks in from the pavilion. Despite the rain, the evening went smoothly. Support from local businesses, Vaccaro's Bakery and Schifferstein Farm Market for their donation of delicious cake and pies added a sweet treat after dinner. A night of good food and fellowship among friends and neighbors helped to warm up the cool April weather.

If you missed April's event, join un this summer when the American Legion hosts their Summer Outdoor Steak Nights. Check the dates on the Legion website at clarknjlegion328.org, or drop in the Post for more information.

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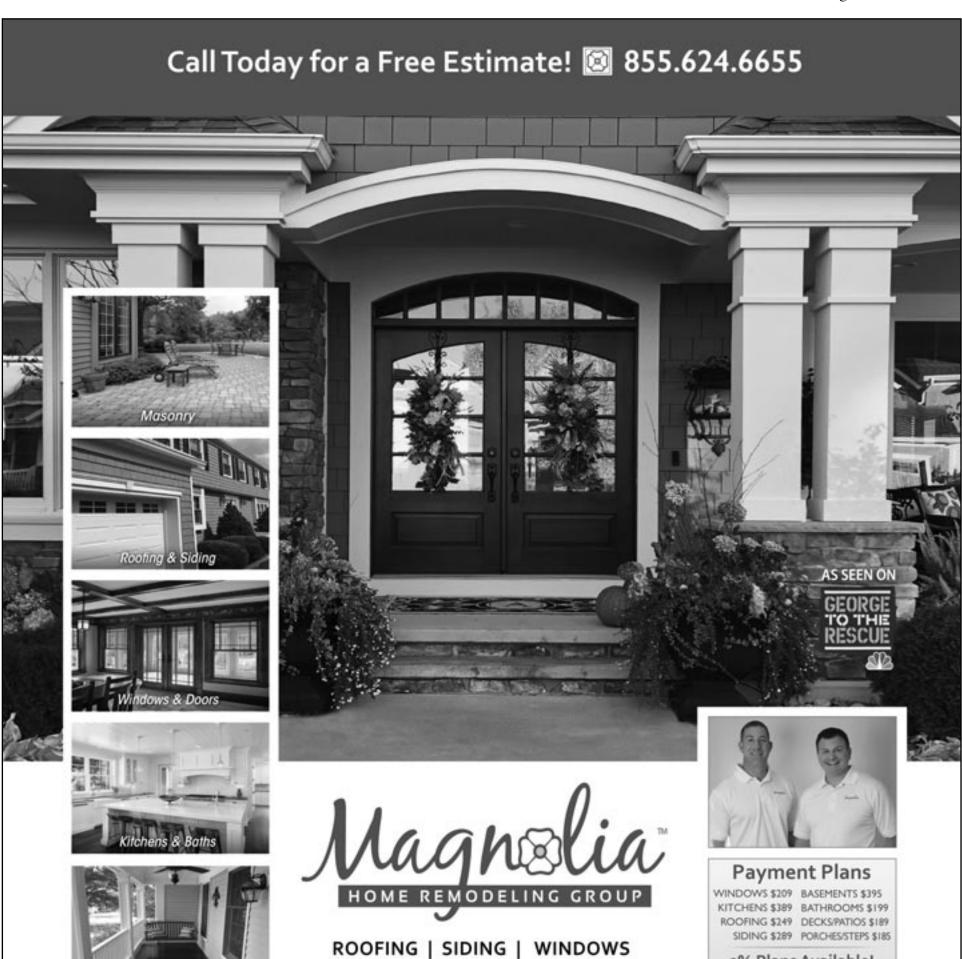
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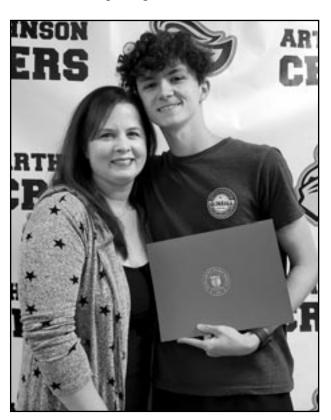
# TIMOTHY FORD RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Clark Public Schools

Timothy Ford, Arthur L. Johnson High School Junior, recently earned a merit scholarship with a value of \$30,000 per year through the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Medal Program. The Rensselaer Medal is a scholarship awarded to outstanding math and science students. High schools can nominate only one junior each year who excels in mathematics and science, and Tim was the Class of 2023 selection.

According to Rensselaer, a university based in Troy, New York, the medal was "first presented in 1916 with two purposes: to recognize the superlative academic achievement of young men and women, and to motivate students toward careers in science, engineering, and technology."

School Counselor Molly Cusick stated, "It is wonderful to see Tim recognized for his hard work with this prestigious award."



(above) Timothy Ford and his mother Mrs. Siobhan Ford upon learning the news.

Photo by Clark Public Schools



### **BRIAN PICCOLO AWARD WINNERS**

Clark UNICO bestowed several high school athletes with the Brian Piccolo award at a brunch ceremony on Sunday, April 24 at the Gran Centurions.

The award is given to high school athletes in pursuit of higher education and who demonstrate qualities similar to Brian Piccolo such as courage, friendship, loyalty, teamwork, dedication, humor and anti-bias.

Applicants to the scholarship much be graduating high school student athletes with both academic and athletic achievements. They must also participate in community service and have one parent or grandparent of Italian heritage.

This year's winners include Anthony Cundari, Tatum Dobbins and Nicholas Pingor. Each was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship.



(above) Brian Piccolo Recipients, Anthony Cundari, Tatum Dobbins, Nicholas Pingor.

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(above) Clark Chapter Members in attendance with the recipients

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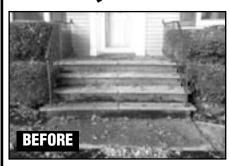
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# RICK DELMONACO NAMED LACADA VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

The 2022 Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, LACADA, Volunteer Recognition Dinner was held on May 3rd at Galloping Hill Caterers.

Rick Delmonaco of Clark was nominated as 'Volunteer of the Year' by Drug Alliance Coordinator Ralph Bernardo.

Rick was recognized by the County of Union and LACADA during a buffet dinner. Ralph

introduced Rick and said in part "Rick has gone above and beyond his volunteer services. He is dedicated to his work, not only in the school system, but always involved first hand in guiding the youth of today in the right direction with the intent to keep the kids safe against drugs, alcohol, bullying, social media and all the outlets that the youth of today have to deal with."





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(above, l-r) The Clark Alliance committee were in attendance to support Rick. Jackie Caplette, Ralph Bernardo, Jaimie Wronski, Ed Grande-Superintendent, Dom Prete, Henry Varriano-BOE, Rick Delmonaco-Recipient, Det. Brian Soos, Steve Kailbein-SAC.

Courtesy photo

# DELMONACO ALSO NAMED MUNICIPAL VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Clark Public Schools

Carl H. Kumpf Middle School Principal Rick Delmonaco was recently awarded the 2022 Clark Municipal Volunteer of the Year Award by the LACADA (Local Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse). Delmonaco was recognized at a dinner held on Tuesday, May 3rd at Galloping Hill Caterers. The celebration honored the volunteers who are committed to preventing alcoholism and drug abuse throughout Union County.

Superintendent Edward Grande stated, "Mr.

Delmonaco is most deserving of this special recognition due to his strong commitment to making certain that our students and their parents have the supports that they need in terms of, for example, understanding the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse."

The selection of the volunteer for Clark was sponsored by the Township of Clark Municipal Alliance and funded by the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the UCDHS Division of Individual and Family Support Services.









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### **HOOKED ON FISHING CLINIC**

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Clark Recreation held the Annual "Hooked on Fishing" Clinic on Saturday, April 29 at Tamaques Park. Fourteen children participated in the class, learning how to hook a worm, cast a line and reel in the catch.

The program began years ago instructed by avid fisherman and volunteer Lenny Grieco and his wife Dawn. This year, their grandchildren, Anton and Jordan Zambell assisted.

Members of the Cranford Rod and Gun Club volunteered their time as well. Member Mark Conforti coordinated the club members to donate their time and breakfast to the kids.

This year's event found the weather a bit chilly causing the fish to stay away from most of the lines, but a few fish were caught and a great time was had by everyone.

Photo by Clark Township



# ANNUAL BUS TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY IS BACK AFTER A TWO YEAR HIATUS

The Clark Seniors were happy and excited to take the annual bus trip to Atlantic City after a two year Hiatus. Seventy seniors boarded the buses with anticipation of hitting it big on the slots! Recreation Director Ralph Bernardo coordinated the event and sent them off with snacks and drinks!



### **SUMMER REC CAMP**

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# LUCA AGOGLIA WINS COUNTY-WIDE POSTER CONTEST

Clark public Schools

Luca Agoglia, a fourth grader from Valley Road school is the proud winner of the Union County School Nurses Association poster contest. His poster was chosen by the county nurses that best illustrated the theme "Healthy Living/Healthy Choices."

Agoglia created his poster during art class with art teacher Kerry Kennedy as part of Wellness Week. His design was selected out of a group of 3rd, 4th and 5th graders from Union County who participated in the contest. His poster, which he

titled "Exercise - Sports" focused on exercise as an important part of being healthy. His colorful drawings helped to bring attention to his message in a creative way. Luca was awarded a certificate and gift card.

Lori Kowalski, Supervisor of School Nursing and Wellness/CHK Nurse, stated, "I was moved by the tremendous outpouring of participation from the VRS students. A very special congratulations to Luca for his great work! Our district is extremely proud of him!"

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(above, l-r) VRS Principal Joe Beltramba, art teacher Kerry Kennedy, Luca Agoglia, VRS Nurse Andrea Pazimo

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### **Summer Reading Challenge**

registration begins Wednesday, June 1!
Our annual children's Summer Reading
Challenge: Oceans of Possibilities. Sign up and
keep track of your child's time spent reading at
clarklibrary.beanstack.org or use the free
Beanstack Tracker app! Join us for fun, free,
ocean-themed activities June 28-August 11.

### **Teen Summer Reading Challenge**

Registration begins June 1

Join us for a fun summer of reading, programs, and prizes. Sign up at clarklibrary.beanstack.org or use the free Beanstack Tracker app. Log each book you read and you'll be awarded raffle tickets to enter into several drawings.

### **Adult Summer Reading Challenge**

Registration begins June 1

Why should kids have all the fun and prizes?
Sign up for our Adult Summer Reading
Challenge at clarklibrary.beanstack.org or use
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for any programs.

### **Krafty Kids**

Wednesdays, June 1 & 15 at 3:30 pm & June 29 at 3:00 pm

Join us as we make some fun and creative artwork. Using a few art supplies we will make a new craft each session! Don't forget to bring your imagination and creativity! Please register.

Ages 5-8

### **Thursday Afternoon Movies**

June 2, 9, 16, and 23 at 1:00 pm Movies are back at the library! No registration is required.

### **Stories & More**

Fridays, June 3, 10, and 17 at 10:00 am Stories, movement, and songs followed by a simple craft for active listeners ages 3 -5 years old in person or via Zoom. Registration is required for craft supplies and the Zoom link if attending virtually.

#### **Barks & Books**

Saturday, June 4 from 10 am-11 am
Tuesday, June 7 from 11 am-noon
Tuesday, June 21 from 3:30 pm-4:30 pm
If you have a young, reluctant, or struggling reader, we want you to meet our therapy dogs!
Children will each get approximately 15
minutes of reading time with Bubble, Magnolia, or Sophie. Please register for a 15-minute time slot. Check our calendar for additional times that may be added.

### [Adult] The Crafty Folks

SATURDAY, June 4 @ 2:00-3:30pm

Learn to make the popular mango lassi drink! We'll learn how to shop for mangoes, peel them and cut them, and blend them into a smooth drink (with or without yogurt). YUM! If you thought you never liked mangoes, you are going to be amazed.

#### **Tales for Tots**

Mondays, June 6, 13, and 27 at 10:00 am Stories and songs for active listeners. Geared toward ages 2-3 with a caregiver. Older children are welcome!. 30 minutes of open play follows. Registration is required.

### **Medicare Workshop**

Monday, June 6 at 6:00 pm

Join us for this Medicare workshop presented by Senior Advisors in Cranford, NJ. Learn about some of the recent changes, the different parts of Medicare, how Medicare supplements work, how to avoid the top 5 mistakes on Medicare, and much more.

### **Baby Bookworms**

Tuesdays, June 7, 14, and 28 at 10:00 am
Babies and toddlers are invited to listen to some books and learn some songs, rhymes, lap bounces, and fingerplays in person or via Zoom. 30 minutes of open play follows.

Please register.

### Totally New Tuesdays June 7, 14, and 21 at 6:30 pm.

Movies are back at the library! No registration is required.

### Introduction to the NJ HealthConnect iPad

Tuesday, June 7 at 7:00 pm.

Learn about our NJ HealthConnect iPad that can be borrowed with a Clark Public Library card. Gain access to health information in multiple languages, crisis hotlines, mental health support, teen help, meeting apps (Zoom/Google), and more.

#### **Little Scientist**

Thursdays, June 9 & 23 at 4 pm
Learn how to build and create with our Science
Experiments! Each session will be a different
experiment that will touch upon a different

# STEM skill. For ages 6-12. **[Adult] Stories of the Wild West [Zoom]**

Thursday, June 9 @ 7:00 pm
Join us as professional storyteller Judy
England-McCarthy entertains and educates us
about the Wild West through stories,
commentary, and slides narrated by
Annie Oakley.

### [Virtual] Adult Coloring Club

Friday, June 10, and June 17 at 11:00 am Coloring is a great way to unwind and relieve some stress! Pick up coloring sheets and crayons at the library or use your own and meet up on Zoom for some soothing music and relaxation.

#### **LEGO® Club**

Thursday, June 16 from 3:15 pm-4:15 pm Join us for the LEGO® Club at the Clark Public Library! Create your own LEGO® structures. LEGO® are provided by the library. Creations are displayed in the Children's Area. For children in grades K - 5.

### [Hybrid] Family Game Night BINGO

Thursday, June 16 at 6:30 pm

Join us on Zoom or in-person for Family Game Night! This month we will play free BINGO! Children, parents, and grandparents are invited to play along! Prizes for winners and runners up. \*Must be willing to pick up prizes in person, they will not be mailed.

#### **Maker Monday**

Monday, June 20 at 3:30 pm
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Registration is required. Masks are optional for programs. For ages 9-12.

#### **Tinker Tots**

Thursday, June 23 at 10:00 am
Come join us for a morning of fun science activities perfect for little ones in a station-based format. For children ages 2 through pre-k. Please register.

### [Teens] 3D Printed Seahorse Pendant Necklace

Monday, June 27 at 2 pm.

See our 3D printer in action and make a 3D printed seahorse pendant necklace. Open to teens in Grades 6-12

### Children's Summer Reading Kick-Off: Penguin Pointers

Tuesday, June 28 at 7:00 pm
Watch a live penguin from Jenkinson's
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# Library. **Duplo Bingo**

Thursday, June 30 at 10:00 am
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# Adult, Tween & Teen Summer Reading KICKOFF EVENT!

Thursday, June 30 @ 7:00-8:00pm.
The Strange World of Reptiles, presented by Snakes-N-Scales. Hear stories of rescued snakes, lizards, and turtles...both local and exotic, along with all the fascinating facts you need to know, such as why folks wanted these animals as pets! This program is for Tweens (ages 10-12), Teens, and Adults. Please register.

### **Friday Family Flicks**

Fridays, July 1 - August 5 at 2:00 pm

Beat the heat this summer with a familyfriendly movie and popcorn! The movies in
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#### **Boredom Buster for Kids**

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### **Boredom Buster for Adults and Teens**

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### **GARDEN CLUB SPREADING JOY AT JARDINE ACADEMY**

The Rake & Hoe Garden Club of Westfield joined some students and staff members at the Jardine Academy of the Cerebral Palsy League in Cranford, NJ to make Mother's Day planters that the students could give to their families. Seventy-five colorful pots were planted with a variety of popular garden plants and decorated with the brightly colored bows that members of

the Club had made.

The Jardine Academy is operated by the Cerebral Palsy League, and is approved by the New Jersey Department of Education. They provide a comprehensive educational program designed to meet the cognitive and physical needs of children and young adults ages 3-21 with multiple disabilities.

The Rake and Hoe Garden Club is affiliated with the Garden Club of New Jersey and the National Garden Clubs, Inc. The club meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 12:00 p.m. at the Scotch Hills Country Club. Meetings feature speakers on horticulture, floral design, floral crafts, and environmental topics. Membership is open to residents of Westfield and surrounding towns. For more information, call Sharon Shiraga (908) 228-2865, or visit the club's website, rakeandhoegc.org or Facebook page.



(above, l-r) The Rake & Hoe Garden Club of Westfield members Adah Levine, Susan Feldman, Mary Lou Nolas, Mary Fran Annese, Irene Greenstein, Betty Clark, and Betty Gulino.

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### **CLARK RECREATION SPRING CLASSES**

These are just a couple of the many programs and classes offered by Clark Recreation this spring session.



(above) The Spring Skateboard Clinic, is one of the longest running programs in Clark Recreation. It is held at Esposito Skatepark. Instructor Anton Zambell taught kids the basics, tricks, and techniques.



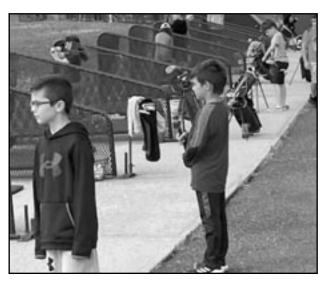
(above) Taking place after a long hiatus is Fencing. This unique sport is taught by a professional fencer Jacob Yu from the Advanced Fencing Academy in Garwood.



(above) Volley Ball - Catherine and Alexandra Fitzharris coached the 6-week program twice a week. The students have learned serving, scoring, volley and slam dunks. Courtesy photos







(above) Golf for juniors is one of the most popular and longest running programs at Clark Recreation. Golf Pros from Hyatt Hills Golf Complex run the 4-week clinic. This years age group sessions were at a max of 50 children.



(above) Over 100 participants took to the floor moving and shaking during a recent Zumbathon hosted by Clark Recreation.

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