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(above) Arthur Abig
served in the U.S. Navy
during the Korean War



(above) Ron Reinhardt, a
substitute teacher at the
high school, served the
U.S. Coast Guard, Lt.
Senior Grade



(above) Superintendent
Dr. Christine Burton &
Jonathan Sym,
Commander, U.S. Navy



(above) Brian Nielson,
pictured with his son,
served in the United
States Marine Corps



(above) Millburn's first responders, many of whom are veterans



(above) Student musicians played the National Anthem.

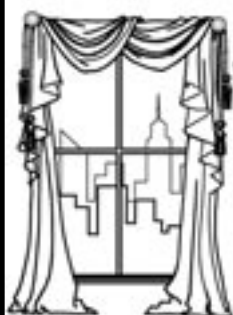


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ST. ROSE WELCOMES FATHER LARRY

Rev. Larry Evans, II was installed as the new Pastor of St. Rose of Lima Roman Catholic Church in Short Hills on Sunday, November 27th at the 11:30 a.m. Mass following the retirement of Rev. Msgr. Robert H. Harahan on July 1, 2022. The Mass and official installation was celebrated by His Eminence, Joseph Cardinal Tobin, Archbishop of Newark.

The church was filled with more than 400 well-wishers from the St. Rose of Lima Parish, fellow priests, parishioners from his previous assignments along with representatives of neighboring churches of various denominations. A light reception followed the Mass.

Fr. Larry, as he likes to be called is a graduate of Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville, MD. He received a bachelor's degree in Sociology from Fordham University. His graduate studies were completed at Seton Hall University Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology, where he attained a Master of Divinity and a Master's in Systematic Theology. After finishing the seminary in 1998, as a Capuchin Franciscan Friar, he changed from his Religious Order to the Archdiocese of Newark. He was ordained to the priesthood on May 26, 2001. After several assignments within the Archdiocese, Fr. Larry comes to St. Rose having served eleven years as Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi in Ridgefield Park.

Father Larry is known by many as an insightful, transformational leader with a strong

business mind and an outgoing personality. His exuberance for life is a refreshing presence in the parish community. He is referred to by members of St. Francis as "A Pastor of the People". Fr. Larry arrived at St. Rose of July 1st and has already made an impact within the Parish, meeting with as many families, groups and ministries within St. Rose as he can. "I will always be transparent and truthful with everyone because that is the only way I know" said Fr. Larry. "I am excited to be here at St. Rose and look forward to working together and moving our family forward."



(above) Rev. Larry Evans, II 'Father Larry'

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FAMILY CAREGIVER HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE

The holidays are a time to express gratitude for those in our lives, and caregivers are an important group to recognize and celebrate.

These individuals give so much of themselves every day to ensure their aging loved ones are cared for and supported. And while caregivers serve in a role that calls for putting the needs of others before their own, the holiday season offers an opportunity to let them know you are thinking of them and appreciate the remarkable work they do.

“Many caregivers find reward in helping their loved ones, doing so with compassion and joy. But caregiving is an extremely demanding role,” said Lakelyn Hogan, Ph.D., gerontologist and caregiver advocate at Home Instead. “While every day is an opportunity to celebrate them, the holidays are a great reminder to recognize their hard work by showing them support and appreciation in return.”

According to AARP, an estimated 53 million Americans are providing unpaid care for relatives and friends – 61% of whom also juggle outside employment. Furthermore, family caregivers provide an average of 23.7 hours of care each week. This number goes up substantially for those whose care recipients live with them (37.4 hours per week), making caregiving the equivalent to a full-time job.

Many caregivers aren’t looking for big, expensive gifts. They are generous givers – of their time, energy and love – which is what makes their role all the more meaningful. A small gift or act of kindness can go a long way in making a caregiver feel appreciated.

We polled family caregivers to learn which gifts they would truly appreciate.

THE 4 MOST REQUESTED GIFTS FOR FAMILY CAREGIVERS

TIME FOR THEMSELVES.

The gift of time and support with caregiving tasks, whether for an afternoon or a few days, are among the things caregivers want most. This gives caregivers a moment to rest, recharge and focus on their own health – because when a caregiver’s needs are met, the care recipient will benefit as well. The temporary support of a **professional caregiver** may be a great way to help a family caregiver find that much-needed time off. A more formal arrangement such as **respite care** can be another solution to helping caregivers.

GIFT CARDS AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES.

Treat a caregiver to the things they enjoy with a gift certificate to their favorite restaurant, store,

coffee shop or spa. Paying for meal delivery services or a streaming platform can also offer caregivers a chance to wind down and practice **self-care**.

ACTS OF SERVICE.

Sometimes the act of lending a helping hand is the best gift. Whether it’s loading up the fridge with home-cooked meals or offering to clean up around the house or yard, small acts of service can be a huge help in making caregivers’ lives easier and manageable.

RECOGNITION.

The pressures of caregiving can leave many feeling stressed out and underappreciated. Small gifts like handwritten cards from family members, friends or care recipients can go a long way in showing caregivers you are thankful for all that they do. Couple this with a fresh bouquet of flowers to truly brighten their day.

As you plan your holiday shopping this season, remember to include caregivers on your list. Celebrating family caregivers and offering support is something you can do now and year-round to make a meaningful impact on your loved ones.

For more holiday shopping ideas, spend some time with our Holiday Gift Guide for older adults.



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COLLEEN HAS A RESTORED FAMILY HEIRLOOM – HER OWL

Colleen McKenna of Summit has fond memories of a particular owl artwork that hung in her home as a child. With age, the frame and support backing had become weak and frail. Colleen couldn't display it any longer. She had a gut-wrenching decision to make about the fate of the owl artwork. But like fashion, home décor trends tend to go in and out of style. Things we may have considered outdated a few years ago have made their way back into the spotlight. Well, that was the case with Colleen's owl. It was back in vogue. So, she decided to have it repaired and brought it to SAGE Restoration Workshop.

The workshop volunteers were able to reconstruct the original frame and put a new backing on it. The owl is now sturdy again. Renewed with vigor for many more years of appreciation.

"Thank you to the team at the SAGE workshop," said Colleen. She added, "It was a pleasure to work with them and I am happy to support our seniors." Today the owl, representing wisdom and knowledge, hangs again in her home.

ABOUT RESTORATION WORKSHOP

Since 1961, the SAGE Eldercare Workshop has offered the public fine-quality furniture repair. The volunteers will consider repairing any piece of furniture that can be carried into the workshop. The Workshop has a reputation throughout Union County and beyond for its fine reweaving of caned and rushed chairs. Our artisans are all highly trained volunteers. Proceeds from the Workshop benefit SAGE programming. Prices are reasonable and depend upon the condition of the chair or furniture item and the materials required in the restoration process.



(above) Colleen McKenna of Summit with her family heirloom owl frame.

Courtesy photos

The Workshop started out over fifty years ago as a place for older men who no longer had access to a home workshop. Dozens of women have worked in the historically male enclave. Most volunteers are former professionals including investment bankers, college professors, physicians, and scientists. Over the years, they have taught each other caning, rushing and a myriad of other techniques needed to fix the aging furniture brought to them for restoration.

The Workshop is in the basement of the SAGE building at 290 Broad Street, Summit and is easily accessible. Shop hours are Mondays through Fridays, 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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CRAIG CLARK CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY OF HIS HEART TRANSPLANT

Craig Clark, 61, is taking time to reflect on the gift of life and the miracle of organ and tissue donation and transplantation as he recently celebrated four years since his life-saving heart transplant. With his health and strength now restored, Craig is living each day to its fullest by enjoying life's precious moments and spending time on his favorite hobbies, including home improvement projects, day trips and travel.

"Each day that I get to travel and spend time with extended family and friends or special events like our children's weddings or the birth of a grandchild, I remember that it was made possible thanks to my organ donor and the care of Susan Pardi, NP, and the amazing transplant team at NYU Langone who kept me alive through heart failure," said Craig.

Now four years post-transplant, Craig is filled with energy and spends as much time as possible with his grandchild. He is also forever mindful of his organ donor who gave him the gift of life. "The only thing that I know about my donor is that he was 51 years old when he passed," said Craig. "My donor or his family's decision to be a donor has essentially given me a new lease on life."

Craig has also made it a priority to advocate for NJ Sharing Network, the nonprofit organization responsible for the recovery and placement of donated organs and tissue in the Garden State. By sharing his story with others, Craig hopes to encourage more people to register

as organ and tissue donors. "One organ and tissue donor can save eight lives and enhance the lives of over 75 others," said Craig.

At the age of 17, Craig enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps. He earned bachelor's degrees in Criminal Justice and Art History from Seton Hall University before returning to active military duty as an Artillery Officer. At that time, doctors detected that Craig had a heart murmur, and he was soon diagnosed with cardiomyopathy. Despite his critical health challenges, Craig and his wife, Anna, raised their three children, Adam, Rachel and Nathan, and he enjoyed a successful career in transportation and supply chain management.

As years passed, Craig's heart disease grew progressively worse. He suffered a stroke and his heart stopped beating twice in a two-week period. Craig had a defibrillator implanted, but he was later diagnosed with congestive heart failure (CHF) in 2017. He was added to the heart transplant waiting list. On August 25, 2018, while

admitted at NYU Langone, Craig's prayers were answered when he received "the call" from NYU Langone cardiologist Alex Reyentovich, MD that a heart was available for transplant.

"I remember answering the phone was basically the only thing that I had enough strength to do at the time," said Craig. "The next day, I had my transplant. I recovered quickly in the immediate days and weeks after transplant. I was out of the hospital in just seven days!"

Currently, there are over 100,000 Americans – nearly 4,000 of whom live in New Jersey – waiting for a life-saving transplant, according to United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS). However, the generosity of those in the Garden State is providing hope for the future. Organ and tissue donor registrations in the Garden State continue to increase thanks to strong community education and outreach efforts and simplified ways to register. To learn more, get involved and register as an organ and tissue donor, visit www.NJSharingNetwork.org.



(above) Heart transplant recipient Craig Clark of Scotch Plains recently celebrated the four-year anniversary of his life-saving transplant.

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FLINTLOCKS SCOUTER GROUP LIVES BY THE SCOUT LAWS

The Flintlocks, BSA, Inc. are a group of retired scouters who dedicate their time and talents to building and maintaining the scout camps of the Patriot's Path Boy Scout Council in northern New Jersey.

The group includes some tradesmen, but also professionals and volunteers of every background. Most are retired, but some still work full-time, and occasionally people volunteer to help for a day here or there. It is a very friendly group with great camaraderie and a good sense of humor. When one member reached age 100, they designated a parking spot reserved for "all Flintlocks over 100 years old". Two other members are 90 years old, but they will have to wait a while before parking in that spot.

The Flintlocks met for their Fall General Meeting on Thursday, October 20, 2022, at their workshop at Camp Winnebago in Rockaway, NJ. They reviewed the accomplishments of the previous year and discussed future projects the Council needs to have done. Some of the future projects include installing new windows in the dining hall, building a pavilion near the trading post, collecting Toys for Tots; and making craft kits and Pinewood Derby cars for special needs children.

The Patriot's Path Council of the Boy Scouts of America encompasses 5 counties in central and northern New Jersey: Middlesex; Morris, Somerset, Sussex, and Union. The Council website is ppcbsa.org. There are 11,000 scouts who use the camps in this council.

In spite of their name, the Flintlocks have nothing to do with antique firearms, although some of the old guys are considered "antiques". They meet every Thursday at Camp Winnebago, Rockaway, NJ, all year round, and guests are always welcome. They are organized as a 501c3 nonprofit corporation. All of the members are registered with the BSA, take CPR and AED training, and are vaccinated for COVID.

More than half of the Flintlocks have been awarded the prestigious Silver Beaver Award, which is the highest National Award for a volunteer in the Scouting Program. They usually provide approximately 5,000 hours of volunteer skilled labor every year, saving the Council close to \$250,000 of labor costs.

In the past, the Flintlocks have built cabins,

picnic tables, painted the dining hall, built the archery range, built all the structures at the waterfront, financed, built and equipped the STEM Lab at Allamuchy Scout Reservation, financed and built an addition to the Wink Dousa Cabin, and repaired damage to camp structures. In addition to building structures and doing repairs and maintenance, they also volunteer at many Council programs throughout the year. One popular program for Cub Scouts for which the Flintlocks volunteer is called "For the Birds". The children learn about birds and build birdhouses and bird feeders.

The Facebook Page is "Flintlocks". Guests are always welcome. For more information contact Secretary Dr. Michael Hart at drmhart@yahoo.com.



(above) The Flintlocks BSA, Inc. members showing the signs representing the 12 points of the Scout Law. They tease one member for always being seen with a coffee cup in his hand, so they made him a sign reading "coffee". These signs will be posted at the Allamuchy Scout Reservation in Byram, NJ, located near Waterloo Village.

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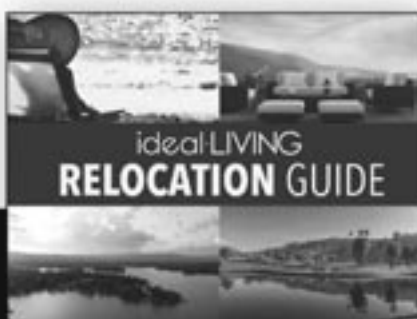
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HANUKAH: A HOLIDAY OF LIGHTS AND MIRACLES

Submitted by Rabbi Paul David Kerbel

Hanukah is a 'major' Jewish holiday. You might be surprised by that. Most rabbis and Jewish educators would say just the opposite, that Hanukah is a 'minor' Jewish holiday. From the perspective of religious Jewish law, Hanukah does not have the same religious significance of Rosh Hashanah (the Jewish New Year), Yom Kippur (our Day of Atonement and forgiveness), Passover (our Festival of Freedom), Shavuot (the holiday where we celebrate the revelation of the Five Books of Moses), and Sukkot (our Fall festival celebrating the end of the summer harvest and our relationship with God).

Hanukah is a 'major' Jewish holiday culturally and ethnically. One of the ways we can understand any religion is not just what the religion 'teaches' but what its followers actually observe and practice. More Jews observe Hanukah than any other ritual, other than participating in a Passover Seder. Part of Hanukah's 'popularity' is that it falls in the Jewish calendar between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Hanukah represents a powerful response to the feelings of exclusion and of being a minority in the larger Christian culture of America and allows members of the Jewish community to celebrate its own traditions and be proud of the Jewish heritage even as the airwaves, malls and

TV commercials are filled with the sounds and traditions of Christmas.

But regardless of where Hanukah falls in the calendar, I would suggest the following four reasons why Hanukah is a 'major' Jewish holiday and has lessons for both Jews and our non-Jewish neighbors to learn from share:

1. Hanukah represents the first victory in human history for religious freedom. Had the Jewish Maccabees not won their war with the Greek/Syrian kingdom, Judaism may have died out and Christianity and Islam, both of which have roots in Judaism, may never have developed. The Jewish people celebrate the value for all of us to celebrate our respective religious traditions.
2. Hanukah teaches us religious tolerance and to celebrate diversity and pluralism. As America becomes more diverse and welcomes citizens of many different religions from around the world, we learn from each other and how much we have in common.
3. Hanukah reinforces the ability and opportunity of each minority to teach, learn and celebrate its religious traditions and its principles and unique ethnic and religious identity while we all share and believe in the values of freedom and democracy.
4. Hanukah reminds us of the modern-day miracles that we have participated in: the redemption of over one million Jews from

the former Soviet Union who were not allowed to learn about their Jewish faith and practice Judaism while under Communist rule; the rescue and welcoming of over 100,000 Jews from Ethiopia and the rescue and of endangered Jews and other Jewish communities around the world. We must always be prepared to deliver the few from the many, the weak from the mighty and the righteous from the wicked.

Finally, I would like to share that the word "Hanukah" means 'dedication' and comes from the same Hebrew word as 'education.' Hanukah is about making sure that we maintain our Jewish identity, that we teach our children, the values, the history, the rich heritage which is ours to embrace and pass on to the next generation. May the lights of our Hanukah menorah symbolize our love for Judaism, our right to practice Judaism as a minority while at the same time, sharing symbols of light and the theme of miracles with those who celebrate Christmas even as all of us strive to make the world a better place. For our Jewish tradition has taught us this eternal message: "It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness."

Happy Hanukah and Happy Holidays to all!

Rabbi Paul Kerbel is the spiritual leader of Temple Beth El Mekor Chayim in Cranford and the current chair of the Cranford Clergy Council.



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The pantry accepts monetary donations which are exchanged for gift cards to local supermarkets, then distributed to food pantry recipients. If you would like to make a donation, please contact the Town Social Worker, or make a check out to the Township of Millburn and mail it to Ana Millan, Millburn Health Department at 375 Millburn Ave. Millburn, NJ 07041.

Non-perishables can also be brought to Town Hall and Green Nectar Juicery during business hours, or to 15 Cypress Street. Thank you for your generosity.

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Explore Millburn-Short Hills has launched a new webpage which promotes open jobs in the town.

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CARING KIDS HOLIDAY GIFT DRIVE

Millburn Township Public Schools

The Caring Kids 12th annual Holiday Gift Drive and celebration has begun. Once again, Caring Kids is partnering with New Jersey Regional Day School and the Center for Autism. They are reaching out to the community to bring the joy of the season to so many children, young adults, and families in need.

If you would like to sponsor someone and provide them with gifts for the holidays, or if you need more information, please email Sharon

Cohen at sharonmcohen2@gmail.com. They are also collecting Shoprite and Walmart gift cards to help families with basic necessities.

The Caring Kids holiday party will take place on Saturday, December 17, from 12-2 p.m. You may bring the gifts to Hartshorn School for a festive gift-wrapping, card-making, and chocolate-treat dipping celebration.

Please help Caring Kids spread its message of changing the world, one kid at a time, by sponsoring someone in need.

BOY SCOUT WREATH SALE

BSA Troop 17s wreath sale is taking place through December 4th. Each year the Scouts prepare and sell holiday wreaths and centerpieces to raise funds to support their activities throughout the year. This year the Scouts have a selection of several wreath options, centerpieces, grave blankets, porch pots and new this year a variety of felt ornaments to decorate your home.

To view the items and place an order, please visit the Troop's website at troop17shorthills.com.

The Scouts will also be selling available items after Masses at St. Rose of Lima Church on December 3rd and 4th. Any questions contact troop17wreathsales@gmail.com.

The Troop thanks the community for their generous support!

SECOND ANNUAL MILLBURN-SHORT HILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WINTER BOUTIQUE

The second annual Millburn-Short Hills Chamber of Commerce Winter Boutique will be held on December 3rd and 4th from 12 - 5 p.m. each day. Shop for unique gifts from a wide range of vendors, artisans, crafters and purveyors of delicious food items. Please check out our website for links of the participating different vendors.

Location: 12 Holmes Street, Millburn, NJ. Parking conveniently located across the street in the train station lot or at nearby street parking. Parking is free during the holiday season.

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In October, Imagine began offering free grief

support groups every other week on Thursday evenings at the Boys and Girls Club of Newark on Avon Avenue. As these groups continue to grow, our need for volunteer facilitators will grow as well. Imagine's volunteer facilitators are the heart of our support group program. Facilitators first complete a three-day training to prepare them to create safe spaces and be loving listeners for the children, youth, young adults and adults in Imagine's support groups.

Imagine staff are planning a training for adults interested in facilitating Imagine's Newark support groups. The training will be held at the Teach for America location in Newark December 9-11 from 9 am-5 pm each day. If you're interested in making a difference in the lives of grieving families and would like to participate in this life-changing training, we'd like to hear from you! Imagine's training will prepare you to be present for the children and families that participate at Imagine, help you support those in

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Please join us in honoring Children's Grief Awareness Month by considering joining Imagine's amazing team of volunteers. We hope to welcome you to the Imagine community.

Imagine offers free year-round grief support groups for children ages 3-18 and young adults 19-30 who are coping with a loss due to death. Concurrently, support groups are available for the parents and guardians of the children in the groups and offered in English and Spanish. Imagine also offers grief and loss education and training to the community. For more information please contact Imagine at 908-264-3100 or info@imagineinj.org.

JUNIOR LEAGUE HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

The Junior League of Summit Thrift Shop is excited to announce its annual Holiday Boutique. The well-established event features a wide selection of new toys, new and gently used holiday clothing for everyone in the family, jewelry, accessories, and giftware, as well as holiday decor to make your homes festive! The Holiday Boutique is held in our shop at 37 Deforest Avenue, Summit, NJ, and began on Saturday, November 26 (small business Saturday). The following week our hours will return to Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.; and Wednesday and Thursday from 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.

"This event is a fun and exciting way to begin the holiday season! Be sure to mark your calendars and stop in to see all the treasures we have saved for this highly anticipated event," says Thrift Shop Manager Marie Avagliano.

As with all Shop sales, proceeds from the Holiday Boutique will directly fund the League's programming, community grants, and projects.

"Seeing the faces of so many excited customers at the Holiday Boutique really warms the heart! You can see the direct impact our Shop has on the wonderful members of our community," commented Junior League of Summit President Rachel Zucker. "We are thrilled that we can hold this event year after year, and we thank our customers and the community for the ongoing support."

The Junior League of Summit Thrift Shop in Summit was established in 1934 and offers new and gently used clothing and shoes for men, women, and children, toys, decorative items for the home, housewares, and furniture that are deeply discounted. It is the primary fundraiser for the Junior League of Summit and has provided the resources for the League's many grants, projects, programs, and scholarships over the years. Since its inception, the Shop has raised over \$3,000,000 to benefit Summit and surrounding communities.

The Junior League of Summit, Inc. is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training. For more information about the Junior League of Summit, please visit the website at jlsummit.org or contact the office at 908-273-7349

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Internet Basics

Tuesday, December 13, 3-4 p.m.,
In Person, Williamsburg Room

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iPhone Basics

Tuesday, December 15, 3-4 p.m.,
In Person, Williamsburg Room

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Privacy And Security Online

Tuesday, December 20, 3-4 p.m.,
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Holiday Wreath Making

Monday, December 5, 4-5 p.m.,
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TWEENS& TEENS PROGRAMS:

Teen Library Volunteers For grades 7-12 Teen Read & Review

Get service hours for doing what you love: reading! Go to millburnlibrary.org/teens to see examples and access the Google form.

Overview:

- 1) There is a limit of 2 review submissions per month.
 - 2) Books must be on the student's reading level, preferably from the Library's Middle Grade or Young Adult collections.
 - 3) Every 100 pages = 1 volunteer hour + 1 hour for writing the review itself
- **Any questions? Email Janis: janis@millburnlibrary.org**

Take A "Pawse" With A Therapy Dog

Friday, December 2, 3:30-4:30 p.m.,
In Person, Teen Space

Come visit with a dog that will help melt your stress away.

Hot Cocoa Bar

Tuesday, December 6, 3:30-4:30pm,
In Person, Teen Space

Drop in, grab a cup, add your toppings and enjoy!

Teen Gaming Ages 12 and up Teen Gamers' Hour

Tuesday, December 13, 3:30-4:45 p.m.,
In-Person, Room A

Play on our Switch for glory and bragging rights!

Food Adventures With Janis!

Friday, December 16, 3:30-4:30 p.m.,
In-Person, Room B

Ages 12 and up

Hang with Janis as we (yes, you're helping!) create something tasty! This month, we will make edible slime snowmen.

Registration is required.

College Prep

Scholarship Strategies

Wednesday, December 7, 7-8 p.m., Online
Scholarships come in many shapes and sizes. The best part? They're free money! Learn all you need to know about them during our online webinar. Presented by Jean O'Toole from Connections 101.

PROGRAMS FOR KIDS:

Sensory Sing With Michelle Pasternak

Thursday, December 15, 11-11:45 a.m.,
In Person, Room A. For ages 8-12

In-person event for children ages up to 5 with a caregiver. Get ready to sing and dance! The Millburn Library welcomes music instructor Michelle Petrsek for a sensory-friendly program. Class size is limited and registration required; sign up each child.

Stay & Play:

Wed., December 7, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.,
In Person, Children's Room

For ages 2-5 years

Children with caregivers are invited to the library to "stay and play!" Stay & Play is a program for young children using toys to encourage play with an emphasis on STEM and developmental skills. Registration required.

December's theme is Little Builders!

Crafternoon

Tuesday, December 20, 4-5 p.m.,
In Person, Children's Room

For ages 4-12

What does crafts + afternoon equal? Why, crafternoon of course! Kids are invited to make a fun seasonal craft in the children's room.
Drop in.

PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES:

Coming Soon: Winter Reading Challenge

January 1-31

Help us reach our reading goals this winter! Log your reading throughout the month and you will automatically be entered in the grand prize raffle. For all ages. Create your account now on the Beanstack app or by visiting millburnlibrary.beanstack.org.

BINGO

Friday, December 16, 4-5 p.m.,
In Person, Room A

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Michael Boll, Director New Jersey Veterans Network

For the last five years the New Jersey Veterans Network (NJVN) has been working tirelessly to combat veteran's suicide with our mobile outreach and recreational programs. The NJVN volunteers aggressively seek out veterans in need and provide them with life changing and saving resources. Every day we encounter veterans in need, and some are in desperate need of the proper assistance to live a better way of life.

To accomplish this, our charity has joined forces with the NJ VFW. We work together on numerous outreach events that are dedicated to help veterans and their families. Also, we built relationships with the NJ National Guard, NJ American Legion, NJ SOS Stakeholders, Catholic Charities, NJ RWB, Backpacks For Life, Rebuilding Warriors, NJ Elks, Branchburg Rotary Club, and many other organizations. These partnerships are vital to help our veterans, and we are extremely lucky to have so many

dedicated organizations putting veterans first.

What makes the NJVN different is that we are able to provide veterans various services because of our strong network. Our Team is comprised of people from all over the state with different skillsets and this gives us an edge when it comes to helping veterans with their unique needs. Through the NJVN veterans have access to volunteers from all different professions, like lawyers, mechanics, service officers and physical therapists. Our volunteers do their very best to help assist veterans and their family members. We are the unit or detachment that provides the veteran a new purpose and empowers them to help others. We believe "Paying it Forward" is the best way to help veterans get in a better place and motivates them to live a better way of life.

In the last few years, our team has fed thousands of active-duty National Guardsmen

and disabled veterans living in shelters and nursing Homes. We have been able to donate nearly 30 refurbished and new vehicles to veterans in need. Also, we have been able to give thousands of veterans new suits, clothing and toiletries. But the most important thing our team does is, "SAVE LIVES". We are able to this because we love our veterans and provide them with in person human contact and stay with them throughout the process.

The American volunteer has always been there first for every crisis or disaster and our team is extremely fortunate to have the best group of men and women, who are willing to put their egos aside and focus on helping our veterans live the best life possible. The team is always looking for volunteers to help us with our mission. If you are interested in joining the team, please send me your name, email, and phone number via email NJVN1775@gmail.com. Help us save Vets!!



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- Visit Taylor Park and Explore's Gingerbread Lane at the Millburn Art Alley
- Enjoy the holiday lights from 5:00 pm until 10:00 pm nightly

Saturday, December 3, 2022

Winter Village in Downtown Millburn at the Main Street Closure



- Get cozy at the village of igloos and fire pits from 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- Stop for hot chocolate and smores for purchase from local vendors
- Enjoy the Manhattan Carolers from 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM and DJ Jason Jay 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

A Winter Market at 12 Holmes Street



- Join us for an holiday pop-up experience and shop from 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM
- Find unique gifts from an array of vendors, artisans, crafters, bakers and more

Sunday, December 4, 2022

Winter Village in Downtown Millburn at the Main Street Closure



- Get cozy at the village of igloos and fire pits from 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- Stop for hot chocolate and smores for purchase from local vendors
- Enjoy the Jubilation Brass Band from 12:00 PM - 2:30 PM

A Winter Market at 12 Holmes Street



- Join us for an holiday pop-up experience and shop from 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM
- Find unique gifts from an array of vendors, artisans, crafters, bakers and more

Saturday, December 10, 2022

Winter Village at Short Hills Station



- Get cozy at the village of igloos and fire pits from 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- Stop for hot chocolate and smores for purchase from local vendors
- Enjoy live ice sculpture carving with Jimmy's Artistic Creations from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Sunday, December 11, 2022

Winter Village at Short Hills Station



- Get cozy at the village of igloos and fire pits from 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- Stop for hot chocolate and smores for purchase from local vendors
- Enjoy Hanukkah Arts & Crafts from 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Saturday, December 17, 2022

Holiday Character Day - Throughout Millburn-Short Hills



- Take a selfie with the Grinch, Buddy the Elf, and Olaf and Elsa from Frozen

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