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## BOARD OF EDUCATION'S SHOWCASE OF SUCCESS

### Clark Public Schools

This year's Governor's Educators of the Year were recognized during the Clark Board of Education's Showcase of Success on April 3rd. These professionals were honored for educational excellence and their commitment to student learning.

The Governor's Educators of the Year Program recognizes "exceptionally skilled and dedicated" educators that must "be an expert in the field" and who inspires students of all backgrounds and abilities to learn." They must "actively collaborate with colleagues, students, and families to create a strong culture of respect and success." The educator should demonstrate "leadership and innovation in educational activities at the school, district and/or state and national levels that take place both within and outside the school setting" as well as have the "respect and admiration of students, parents, administrators, and colleagues." These educators have gone above and beyond for their students both in and outside of the classroom.

Superintendent Edward Grande commented, "These honorees are to be commended for their strong efforts on behalf of our students, schools, and district as a whole. I am proud to work with and learn from them."

Board of Education members, Superintendent Edward Grande, principals, assistant principals, and supervisors spoke about the dedication and hard work demonstrated by these professionals.

Please see the below list for winners including grade level and subject.



(above) FKH Paraprofessional Aide Christine Greenbush and FKH Principal Shirley Bergin.

(More photos on page 23)



(above) ALJ Mathematics Teacher Anthony DelConte, FKH Paraprofessional Aide Christine Greenbush, ALJ Athletic Trainer Jonathan Renelle, CHK School Counselor Joseph Sortino, VRS Grade 1 Teacher Melissa Sakowski, CHK Special Education Teacher Lauren Cesare, VRS Paraprofessional Aide Dara Lipari, FKH AEI Teacher Linda Hayes

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## JUDGE MEETS WITH ALJ SOPHOMORES

Students in Laura Bundy's Driver Education class at ALJ in Clark met Judge Gary Bundy recently. Judge Bundy is the Municipal Court Judge for ten plus years in Roselle Park and Garwood. He spoke about many essential topics dealing with teen driving and the law. There are

many different laws drivers have to abide by, especially new drivers. Judge Bundy spoke about provisional license, underage DUI, DUI and illegal drug use in a vehicle. ALJ students were very engaged in each topic and asked some excellent questions.



(above, l-r) Kayla Kershaw, Connor Marczewski, Xander Costar, Judge Gary Bundy & Ava Almeida

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10 Washington St., Unit 03  
47 Briarwood Path  
39 King St.  
56 Lexington Blvd.  
13 Blake Dr.  
213 East Lane  
1168 Lake Ave., Unit 4  
45 Wendell Pl.  
501 Oak Ridge Rd.  
309 Oak Ridge Rd.  
29 Conger Way  
13 Florence Dr.  
303 West Ln.  
1 Rose Ter.  
187 Liberty St.  
11 Harding Ave.  
40 John St.  
77 John St.  
17 Hillside Ave.  
11 Avon Rd.

81 New York Ave.  
42 Kenneth Pl.  
1 Kathryn St.  
29 Hillside Ave.  
9 Shetland Dr.  
12 Yorktown Dr.  
84 Wheatsheaf Rd.  
12 Ascot Way  
301 West Lane  
1119 Maurice Ave.  
1 Longfellow Lane  
8 Wendell Place  
13 Blake Dr.  
42 School St.  
29 Harvey Ct.  
18 Yorktown Dr.  
45 Starlite Dr.  
1538 Franklin St.  
40 Conger Way  
15 Ayers Lane  
72 Dorset Dr.

5 Schmidt Lane  
269 Willow Way  
18 Ginesi Dr.  
7 Blake Dr.  
43 Willow way  
95 Briarheath Ln.  
18 Terhune Rd.  
1 Jarvais Ter.  
39 Frances Dr.  
28 Gibson Blvd.  
41 Largo Lane  
5 Tudor Dr.  
111 Westfield Ave.  
14 Washington St.  
118 Jupiter St.  
61 Sycamore Rd.  
15 Briarheath Ln.  
43 Kathryn St.  
54 Harding Ave.  
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49 Briarwood Path  
549 Valley Rd.  
161 Meadow Rd.  
16 Nassau St.  
160 Meadow Rd.  
415 Valley Rd.  
49 Joseph St.  
23 Ayers lane  
110 Sweet Briar Dr.  
30 Stanton St.  
76 Harding Ave.  
53 Stemmer Dr.  
291 Willow Way  
330 West Lane  
139 Jupiter St.  
458 Oak Ridge Rd.  
307 West lane  
93 Jupiter St.  
166 Meadow Rd.  
67 Lefferts Ln.

**TOTAL NUMBER OF TRANSACTIONS = 188, 124 ARE IN CLARK**



## SOFIA DIPROFIO RECEIVES OUTSTANDING ATHLETE AWARD

### Clark Public Schools

Sofia DiProffio, of Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark, N.J., joined together with over 140 female student-athletes from New Jersey's high schools, colleges, and universities in celebration of the 37th Anniversary of National Girls and Women in Sports Day (NAGWS). NAGWS is one of the largest events in the state that recognizes women's athletics. Sofia was nominated by her coaches for her accomplishments as an outstanding high school female athlete in Volleyball, Basketball and Spring Track & Field.

### Sofia's career has been full of many accolades:

- Heroes and Cool Kids, Grades 11, 12
- SMAC Club, Grades 09, 10, 11, 12
- Italian Club, Grades 09, 10, 11, 12
- Math Honors Society, Grade 11, 12
- Italian Honor Society, Grade 11, 12

- Volleyball Team MVP, Grades 11, 12
- Volleyball Team Captain, Grade 12
- Basketball, Grade 09, 10, 11, 12
- Track & Field, Grade 09, 10, 11, 12
- Four Year Varsity Gold Letter Winner-Basketball 2019-2023
- Third Team All-Group 1 Volleyball 2022
- Second Team All-Union County Volleyball 2022

Sofia is also heavily involved at ALJ with Heroes and Cool Kids, SMAC Club, Math Honors Society, Italian Honors society, and many other activities.

NAGWS is recognized in all 50 states to honor the success of female athletes and recognize the struggle for equality for women in sports. The Outstanding Athlete Awards were presented to one individual from each high school, junior college, and college throughout the country.



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## AMERICAN LEGION MEETING UPDATES

The Clark American Legion Post # 328 held its membership meeting on April, 12, 2023. Details for the posts' Youth and Child night, where we invite the groups in town we support to a pizza party at the Post, were discussed. The Post signed the Charter for Boy Scout Troop 75 of Cranford, when they lost the support of the organization that had chartered them. We also welcomed one new member to our meeting. After the meeting dinner was served downstairs.

For more information on joining, email [americanlegionclarkpost328@gmail.com](mailto:americanlegionclarkpost328@gmail.com).



(above) Post Commander Butch Switek and Adjutant Dominic Frino.

## SOCK COLLECTION DRIVE

Submitted by Jill Helm

For their St. Agnes Confirmation Service Project, Mia DiBiasi, Maddie Helm, Lauren Huff and Cristina Porchetta, 8th grade friends, organized a sock collection drive for soldiers and veterans. They wanted to give back to those who give so much for their country and one of the most requested items from deployed service members and veterans in VA hospitals is socks. They partnered with Soldiers' Angels, which is an organization that does just that with their annual Warm Feet for Warriors sock collection

drive. Their goal is to collect 75,000 pairs of socks through this annual drive.

The girls made posters and placed collection bins at the Clark Recreation Center and the Clark American Legion Post #328. There was also an Amazon shopping link on social media so people who wanted to donate socks could easily do so. Through their efforts and those who graciously donated socks, they collected about 75 packages of socks. In addition, Clark American Legion Post #328 generously donated \$500 to the sock collection drive, which they greatly appreciated!



(above, l-r) Members of the American Legion Post #328, Commander Butch Switek, Finance Officer Jack Doran, and Sr. Vice Commander David Broadwell, presenting the girls with the check.

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## GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM WINS WINTER G.P.A. CHALLENGE

The Arthur L. Johnson Athletic Department recently held a breakfast in honor of the 2022-2023 Winter Athletics G.P.A. Challenge winners, the Girls' Basketball Team. The event, sponsored by the Athletic Department, was held in the Arthur L. Johnson Cafeteria.

The Crusader G.P.A. Challenge is awarded each season to the team that finishes with the highest overall G.P.A. amongst athletic teams seasonally. They will be presented with certificates, have their team memorialized on a plaque, and be invited for a “Breakfast with the A.D.” to celebrate their actions both in the classrooms and on the courts.

The 2022-2023 Winter Seasonal G.P.A. Challenge winner was the Girls' Basketball Team with a G.P.A. of 4.206. Members of the Girls' Basketball Team include: Sofia DiProffio, Eva

Puentes, Ashley Samsel, Gwendalyn Cahill, Georgia Sebok, Kaileigh Nettland, Isabella Ciccotelli, Alyssa Martucci, Gabriella Muretta, Mackenzie Thompson, Elizabeth Fitzharris, Avery Forfa, Alisia Hamm, Julia Lettini, Alexa Sikoriak and Jordanna Tarentino.

Athletic Director for the Clark School District Gus Kalikas had this to say about the G.P.A. Challenge winners from the Winter Season: "The Athletic Department is extremely proud of all the members of the Girls' Basketball Team. The team

was able to balance athletics and academics at the highest level, not only competing in the State Tournament in the winter season but also excelling in the classroom, which is evident by the cumulative G.P.A. of 4.206 that the team held throughout the season. The G.P.A. Challenge was a result of years of hard work, not only by the girls, but by the coaching staff as well. They are a model of what it means to be a student athlete and the Clark School District is proud of all of their accomplishments.”



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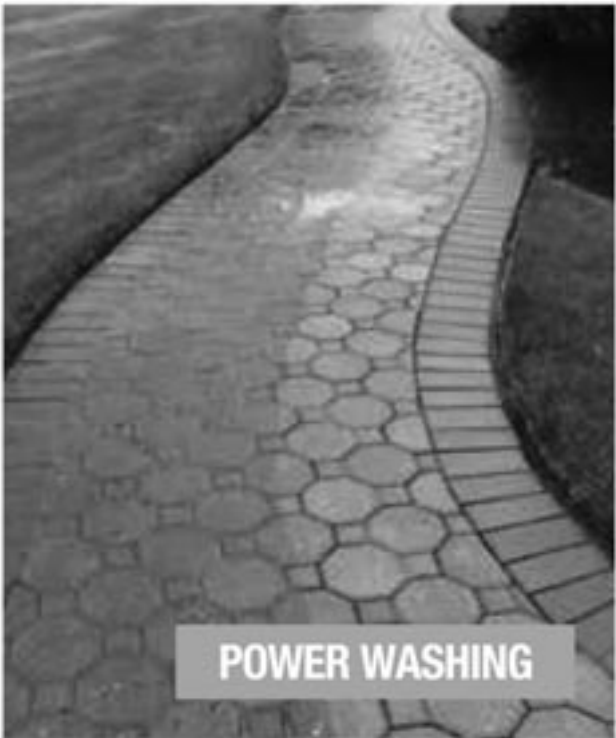


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# STUDENTS INDUCTED INTO NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

## Clark Public Schools

The Arthur L. Johnson chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 24 students in a candle-lighting ceremony held at the Gran Centurions on February 21st. The night began with a welcome from NHS President Alessia Couzzi. NHS member Isabel Cortese opened the ceremony with the National Anthem and Maria Dante led the flag salute.

Ms. Kayla White, National Honor Society Advisor spoke of the collective accomplishments of the group and the rigorous selection process. The candle-lighting ceremony was completed by NHS members Grace Warnick, Timothy Ford, Alessia Couzzi, and Nicole Lenkiewicz. Each current member discussed the meaning of the pillars scholarship, leadership, service, and character and their role in the life of a NHS member.

Superintendent of Schools Edward Grande and Arthur L. Johnson Principal Tara Oliveira spoke congratulating the students on their accomplishments and reminding the students that the journey does not end here.

New inductees took a pledge led by Lenkiewicz and received certificates. NHS Member Samantha Domenick issued a challenge to students to “continue your academic and extracurricular success, but to also find time to fit in family, friends, and hobbies.”

NHS Member Julia Ranski then recognized Mr. David Fosco, ALJ history teacher. Every year, a staff member is recognized for their dedication to student learning. Ranski stated, “He is a man who does not just walk into this

building to do the bare minimum, but a truly exemplary human being that is here to make a difference. He teaches his students to be respectful, informed, kind individuals. He is an incredible role model for his students and even to ones who never had him.”

During the ceremony, students were also asked to give a flower to someone who supported them throughout their lives.

The evening closed with “Words of Inspiration” from member Jillian Olear who stated, “Throughout the rest of your life, you’ll be faced with challenges where you need to make important decisions. In these tough times, it’s imperative that you follow your instincts and do what you think is best.”

The evening was attended by parents, teachers, administrators, and Board of Education members. Superintendent Edward Grande stated, “The evening’s inductees, along with our existing

members, make us proud for the great things that they stand for and will continue to accomplish. It was a true honor to be able to be there with them that night.”

## THE 24 NEW INDUCTEES JOIN 8 EXISTING MEMBERS.

New inductees are: Danielle Archer, Elisabeth Brighthouse, Zoey Brown, Dillon Cahill, Gwendalyn Cahill, Connor Chin, Isabel Cortese, Sophia Downing, Catherine Dustin, Gina Galiszewski, Vincent Goodman, Kaden Hackney, Carina Hechevarria, Abigail Henkel, Jacob Kolibas, Miriam Lakkis, Brian Morris, Kaileigh Netland, Taylor Normann, Antonio Rafoa, Natalia Rojas, Eva Sarantidis, Leah Scepkowski, and Grace Wright

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Local officials, including Mayor Sal Bonaccorso and Councilwoman Angel Albanese, and regional business leaders joined key AFC stakeholders at the grand opening event, which included an open house reception with tours, refreshments, entertainment, and a meet-and-greet with AFC’s staff and medical team.

We opened our first two AFC centers in early 2014 with two more following in 2019,” said Saad. “Now, nearly four years later, our team is thrilled to celebrate another exciting round of growth with two additional center openings – in Clark and shortly thereafter in Livingston.

“Clark has been on our radar for many years,” he added. “We look forward to serving the

medical needs of local residents and regional businesses as a good neighbor to this Union County community.” AFC Clark commenced seeing patients on Monday, April 10. Providing convenient and expedient access to high-quality medical care, AFC Clark is open seven days per week from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on weekdays and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends, with no appointment necessary and most major insurance plans accepted.

“AFC Clark has brought a great new urgent care facility to the town, and they are prepared to provide quality care to the local communities,” said Bonaccorso. “We are happy they chose Clark as the location for their newest business and look forward to hearing of their success and continued growth.”

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## IN THE HEIGHTS AT CDC THEATER MAY 5-20

Before Hamilton was In The Heights and it's coming to CDC Theatre in Cranford.

The final production of CDC Theatre's 104th season, In the Heights, is set to run weekends from May 5 to May 20. Lin Manuel Miranda's first Broadway show burst onto the stage in 2008. The show was nominated for thirteen Tony Awards, including Best Musical, Book and Score, as well as for Direction and Choreography. Of those thirteen nominations, it won four awards, including Best Musical, Original Score, Choreography and Orchestration.

The musical tells the story of three days in the vibrant community in Manhattan's Washington Heights – a place where the coffee from the corner bodega is light and sweet, the windows are always open, and the breeze carries the rhythm of three generations of music. It's a community on the brink of change, full of hopes, dreams and pressures; where the biggest struggles can be deciding which traditions you take with you, and which ones you leave behind.

"We are excited to at last be able to produce this show. Circumstances and pandemic restrictions caused it to have been postponed, but we were committed to having the chance to present it," said Joe Leo, the show Producer. "Once we were able to add it to this season, we had one of the biggest audition turnouts ever at the theatre and have assembled a wonderful cast from throughout the state!"

The music of In The Heights takes its cues from the diverse Latin community it represents, infusing hip-hop, salsa, merengue and soul music into the score with lyrics about life, love, community and the American dream. There are eight shows, including two matinees. For best ticket prices and selections visit [cdctheatre.org](http://cdctheatre.org).

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# KIWANIS CLUB OF CLARK WELCOMES GARWOOD SCHOOL'S BUILDERS CLUB TO THEIR K-FAMILY

The Kiwanis Club of Clark officially welcomed a new member club to their K-Family. The Builders Club at Lincoln School in Garwood was chartered by Kiwanis International, a non-profit global organization that helps children and communities thrive. Under the direction of Lincoln School Social Worker Michelle Coyle, the club will offer leadership skills training and volunteer experiences to children in the middle school age group.

Their official charter document was signed recently by Garwood School Superintendent Christopher Kinney, Lincoln School Principal Mary Emmons, Adviser Coyle, the club's president Madison Oliveira, and the Clark Kiwanis Liaison Adviser Susan Dougherty. Kiwanis Club of Clark president Bruce Jones expressed his delight at the formation of the new club. "It's exciting to see the enthusiasm that the children have to serve their community and we're thankful to Michelle Coyle for stepping up to organize the group," he said.

Likewise, the Clark Kiwanis Secretary Cara Hund added support to the new adviser and the new officers. "Anything we can do to help the new club, we are here for you," she shared. The Lincoln School Builders Club has participated in service activities creating Valentine messages for veterans in the NJ Veterans Memorial Home at Menlo Park and painting inspirational messages on rocks to beautify the area underneath their school's flagpole. They have a field trip planned to play Bingo with senior citizens in Garwood in May.

The Clark Kiwanis Club is also the proud sponsor of the K-Kids Club at Valley Road and Hehnlly Schools in Clark, the Builders Club at Kumpf Middle School, and the Key Club at Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark. The intention of the K-Family clubs worldwide is to spread the joy of volunteerism while providing on-the-job training in leadership to young members.

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(above, l-r) Charter Complete... Pictured at the signing: Superintendent of Garwood Schools Christopher Kinney, secretary Ania Sobotka, adviser Michelle Coyle, Projects Chair Ellie Heyder, President Madison Oliveira, Vice President Cece Blumenstock, Principal Mary Emmons, and Treasurer Vaughn Zalenski.

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# ALJ WRESTLING WINTER RECAP

## Clark Public Schools

The Arthur L. Johnson High School Wrestling Team recently completed one of its most successful seasons in recent memory.

The team was led by first year Head Coach Giovanni Ghione. His staff consisted of William Rodrigues, Tyler Beck, Matthew McGowen and Stephen Paterno. This year saw 19-student athletes letter for the wrestling program. They included the following underclassmen and seniors:

Freshman: Nicholas Cilento, Jack Lane, Matthew Marczydlo, Keegan Parkhill, Aidan Rogers and Jake Szarszewski.

Sophomores: Zachary Belverio, Raymond Guenther, Michael LaRocca and Carmine Vella.

Juniors: Sean Asgarlli and Joey Ortega.

Seniors: Jason Greenbush, Matthew Lordi, Henry Nordstrom, Dylan Perrotto, Nicholas Pipala, Vincent Pisano and Jake Vito.

Managers: Isabella Decker (Senior), Lauren Kolfenbach (Senior), Izzy Moore (Junior) and

Ayanna Ortiz (Junior).

The team completed a stellar season this winter finishing with a record of 16-9, which included winning the UCC Mountain Division with a perfect divisional record of 7-0. This allowed them to finish the year as the fourth ranked team in Union County. The team advanced to the NJSIAA Sectional Semifinals by defeating a tough Voorhees team 54-18, before they eventually bowed out to the eventual State Champion, Governor Livingston.

The team garnered much individual success throughout the season as well. Joey Ortega was the Union County Champion at 150 lbs. while Henry Nordstrom was District 16 Champion and named Outstanding Wrestler for District 16 at 175 lbs. In addition, Joey Ortega is now a two-time qualifier for the NJSIAA State Tournament, which is held in Atlantic City each year.

At the Winter Athletic Awards program, which was held on March 8th in the Arthur L. Johnson High School auditorium, the team

received many accolades. The Best Teammate Award is given out seasonally to one member from each athletic team that best fits the characteristics of a good teammate. The individuals that receive these awards exhibit upbeat attitudes and outstanding character. They helped influence the team's culture in a positive manner, while always supporting teammates and promoting team unity. The Best Teammate Award Winner for the wrestling program was Dylan Perrotto. The evening then culminated with the announcement of the Team Most Valuable Players. The MVP for the wrestling program was Joey Ortega.

Athletic Director Gus Kalikas, had this to say about the wrestling season: "Our wrestling program has improved tremendously over the past season, and we were extremely proud of the success they had this past season. While we will miss our seniors, they laid a strong foundation for the future, and our school and community is excited about the future of Johnson Wrestling."



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# ALJ STUDENTS ATTEND DECA CONFERENCE

*Clark Public Schools*  
Arthur L. Johnson High School students Maxine Guzman, Samantha Costello, and Kiara Moyano recently participated in the DECA conference at Harrah's in Atlantic City. The students participated in a 10 page paper competition that qualified them to go to the States Conference. In this competition, the students created a start-up business plan. They had to come up with the idea for the business and creative ways to implement their plan in the real world. The group decided on creating an all-

natural, personalized shampoo brand. They came up with cost structures and revenue models along with a presentation to present at the state's event. DECA Co-Advisor and ALJ Business Teacher Ms. Julianna Fren stated, "This was a wonderful experience for the students. Schools from all over New Jersey were in attendance, so they were able to network with a ton of different students." DECA's mission is to prepare "emerging leaders and entrepreneurs for careers in marketing, finance, hospitality and management in high schools and colleges around the globe."



(above) Anthony Caldiero, K-12 Supervisor of the Arts, Business, World Languages, and ESL, Samantha Costello, Maxine Guzman, Kiara Moyano, DECA Co-Advisor/ALJ Teacher Julianna Fren, DECA Co-Advisor/ALJ Teacher Anthony Borg.

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## AWARDS BREAKFAST CELEBRATION

The YWCA of Union County

The YWCA of Union County will host its annual TWIN event on Thursday, May 11, 2023 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Berkely Heights, NJ from 8 am to 9:30 am.

Debbie-Ann Anderson, Union County Director of Human Services will serve as the Keynote Speaker at the event and will receive the Lifetime Achievement Award for her dedication to improving the lives of those in need. Anderson has an extensive background in programs serving families, as well as vast experience with corporate, non-profit and community affairs organizations.

YWCA Executive Director Karen Geer stated, "We are very excited to honor Debbie-Ann with this award. She has been a champion for the YWCA and its mission. Her support and commitment to our programs has enabled us to deliver more vital services to those in need."

Anderson began her professional fundraising career in 2004 at the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) in Towson, Maryland. She joined the United Way of Greater Union County in 2008 and served as its Executive Vice President. Anderson also served as Executive Director of HomeFirst Interfaith Housing Services and was appointed Union County Director of Human Services in 2017.

Five additional honorees will be presented awards for Racial Justice, Community Service, Young Professional, YWCA Ally, and Business & Industry Leadership. Nominations will be submitted by sponsors of the event by visiting [www.ywcaunioncounty.org/twinawards2023](http://www.ywcaunioncounty.org/twinawards2023).

Individual tickets to the TWIN event are \$150 and can be purchased at

[www.ywcaofunioncounty.org](http://www.ywcaofunioncounty.org) or by emailing [events@ywcaofunioncounty.org](mailto:events@ywcaofunioncounty.org).

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[www.ywcaofunioncounty.org](http://www.ywcaofunioncounty.org)

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## PAINT NIGHT FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Clark Public Schools

Valley Road fourth and fifth graders, along with their parents, enjoyed an evening of painting and creativity. Over 100 attendees painted a bird looking at the sunrise under the direction of art teacher, Kerry Kennedy. "The snow was falling outside that evening, but inside

we were looking ahead to Spring," said Kennedy. "The students and parents all enjoyed making their artwork unique and reflective of their own ideas."

This was the final paint night, which is sponsored by the PTA, for all of the grades throughout the school year.



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# RECREATION BOWLING ENDS FIRST SEASON

Clark Recreation's first six-week children's bowling program wrapped up recently. The instructional program was designed to help young bowlers learn the game and build confidence. "These kids did great," said Recreation Director Ralph Bernardo. They really

improved wonderfully over the length of the program."

The sessions were held at Garwood Lanes for 6-12-year-olds. The next session will be open for registration with Fall recreation registration in early September.



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# ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT AND COLORING CONTEST

The Clark Recreation Department hosted the 2023 Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Coloring Contest on Saturday, April 1. Director, Ralph Bernardo was happy to see so many people turn out for the event. “It was a wonderful day and

the crowd was huge,” he said. “We had a line out the door, and wrapped around the building to the sidewalk in front. Kids and families as far as I could see.” The day included an egg hunt, balloon art, a coloring contest with prizes in

each age category, drawings for bikes, stuffed animals, and other baskets. The Easter Bunny arrived for photos with kids and families. Ice cream, cookies, drinks and chocolate bunnies were available too.



Photos by Township of Clark

# SHINING STARS TO PERFORM ON MAY 13TH

The Shining Stars, now in their 11th year, will take the main stage at the Union County Performing Arts Center for their “World Tour” on Saturday May 13th for a 7 p.m. show.

The talented cast of special needs performers

will highlight the hits from groups and artists from all around the globe, including The Beatles and One Direction (England), Bruce Springsteen (USA), Abba (Sweden), Irish dancing, and so much more. The show will feature 30 special needs individuals and their “buddies” from local high schools, who serve as mentors during rehearsals.

“Our cast has been working hard for their 2023 debut,” noted Shining Stars Network Cofounder and Show Director Sally Curci. “The acts are going to be amazing and we invite everyone to join us for another exciting and fun night.”

Tickets are now on sale at UCPAC.org.

Also, on Saturday, August 5th, history will be made when the Shining Stars make their Paper Mill Playhouse main stage debut. Tickets for “The Greatest Show” — which will feature songs

from Broadway and movies — are on sale now at PaperMill.org.

The Camp Shine Summer Workshop will take place from August 14th-25th (go to ShiningStarsNetwork.org to register) and they will cap off the year with their annual “Christmas Spectacular” in December.

“Shining Stars is all about being inclusive and giving our performers a chance to shine on stage while creating lasting memories,” said Sally Curci. “These opportunities build all-important self-esteem and self-confidence. Along the way our cast members and their high school buddies create bonds and friendships that they’ll always remember.”

For more information on the organization or upcoming events, please visit ShiningStarsNetwork.org.





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(above) ALJ Principal Tara Oliveira and ALJ Mathematics Teacher Anthony DelConte



(above) VRS/FKH Assistant Principal Mallory Applebaum, VRS Principal Joe Beltramba, VRS Grade 1 Teacher Melissa Sakowski



(above) CHK Principal Rick Delmonaco, CHK Special Education Teacher Lauren Cesare, CHK Assistant Principal Amanda Clarke



(above) CHK Assistant Principal Amanda Clarke, CHK School Counselor Joseph Sortino, CHK Principal Rick Delmonaco



(above) VRS Principal Joe Beltramba, VRS/FKH Assistant Principal Mallory Applebaum, VRS Paraprofessional Aide Dara



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(above) FKH AEI Teacher Linda Hayes and FKH Principal Shirley Bergin



# MAKING THE MOST OUT OF THE SUMMER - SUPERINTENDENT TEA

The Clark Public School District's Parent University will be holding a Tea with the Superintendent "Making the Most out of the Summer" on Wednesday, May 10th, at 6 p.m. in the Arthur L. Johnson High School Instructional Media Center. Join us for an informational discussion with School Counselor Sarah Badillo on how to best help your child academically, socially, and emotionally during the summer! The event is open to all parents who have children attending the Clark and Garwood Public Schools. To register, contact Christine Broski at [cbroski@clarkschools.org](mailto:cbroski@clarkschools.org) or (732) 574-9600 x3355 by May 5th.

This event is part of the district's Parent University program, which includes virtual sessions, community education nights, and two larger assembly-type programs.



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# PIKTORS METAMORPHOSIS AT THE SALEM ROADHOUSE CAFÉ

The Salem Roadhouse Café presents the Piktors Metamorphosis, Saturday, May 20, 2023. The doors open at 7:15 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. Admission is \$20 and includes show, snacks, non-alcoholic beverages, and dessert. The venue is located in the basement of Townley Presbyterian Church, 829 Salem Rd, Union, NJ. The Roadhouse operates as a non-profit that raises funds for several carefully chosen local charities.

Piktors Metamorphosis takes you on a journey back to the incendiary sounds of the Jazz/Rock fusion era injecting their improvisational craft. The Jazz/Rock/Fusion heyday of experimental creativity has inspired it's fans and other great musicians alike to push music further to its limits. This exciting music is challenging to execute, understandably a reason why many have not approached it. That is until now. Whether it's exciting tributes or their ambitious original pieces this ensemble delivers with passion and warmth.

Piktors overall sound departs from just another stage show to a level of cerebral and tonal excitement that comes with Fusion rock/jazz. They are masters at what they do, and they continue the traditions of modern fusion started by the likes of Mile Davis, Weather Report and Pat Methany, just to name a few.

As always, the Salem Roadhouse Café is live, intimate, up front, and personal. All ages are welcome.

## ABOUT SALEM ROADHOUSE CAFÉ

It's not "church music." It's music music. Folks who've come to the Salem Roadhouse Café know that it's a clean, safe place for people who enjoy listening to live music — in a world otherwise filled with clubs and bars. The Roadhouse has always offered its stage to local and independent mainstream musicians. Jazz, rock, folk, and other groups have performed. What's the common thread? They're all great musicians playing the kind of music people like to hear. There's no message, just music.

The Roadhouse started in 2008 by members of Townley Presbyterian Church with a grant from the Presbytery of Elizabeth. Hey — that's why we're located where we are, 829 Salem Rd, Union, NJ. The Roadhouse operates as a non-profit that raises funds for several carefully chosen local charities. That's its social mission.

The Salem Roadhouse Café has raised funds for many carefully chosen charities. They include: The Presbytery of Elizabeth E-port Center, Center For Hope Hospice, Community Food Bank, Monarch Housing, Angel Paws Animal Rescue, National MS Society, Haiti Disaster Relief, Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief, The Union County YWCA Domestic Violence Program, Making It Possible To End Homelessness, Camp Johnsonburg, The Music Institute, and others. Thousands of dollars have been raised for these deserving charities.



## 2023 Memorial Day Parade

**Monday, May 29 • 9:00 am**

**Please come out and line the streets of our great town to show spirit and patriotism for all our fallen Heroes.**

Parade begins on Westfield Avenue at Nassau Street and ends at ALJ High School. A ceremony honoring our fallen heroes will follow.


Parade will include classic cars, town veterans, children's sports teams from in town, animals, stilt walkers, marching band, color guard, boys and girl scout troops and more!

Please contact Parade Chairman Ralph Bernardo at 732-428-8400 or [rbernardo@ourclark.com](mailto:rbernardo@ourclark.com) if you are interested in joining the parade or have any questions.

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The library will be closed on Sundays beginning Sunday, May 7 through Labor Day weekend.

We will be closed Saturday, May 27-Monday, May 29 for Memorial Weekend

## Tales for Tots

Monday, May 1, 8, 15 & 22 at 10:00am

Stories and songs for active listeners. Geared toward ages 2-3 with a caregiver. Older children are welcome! 30 minutes of open play follows.

## Boogie Woogie Babies

Tuesday, May 2 at 10:00am

Boogie Woogie Babies is a 30-45 minute dance class for baby and their big person! Classes consist of singing and dancing geared towards working on fine motor skills. Class ends with a dance routine that includes baby and their big person. Both adults and little people get to socialize, have fun, and most importantly, bond! Plus adults get to burn a few calories! Class is geared towards ages 6 months-2 years old, but all are welcome with an adult! Please register.

## Librarian By Appointment

Thursdays, May 4 and May 18

from 3:00-4:00pm

The Adult Services Librarians at the Clark Public Library are available by appointment to provide in-depth, one-on-one help with any library related questions you may have. 30 minute appointments are available every other Thursday (1st and 3rd Thursday of the month) from 3:00pm to 4:00pm.

## Paddington Film Screening & Coronation Celebration

Thursday, May 4 from 6:00pm-8:00pm

Join us for a screening of the movie Paddington, in connection with the upcoming coronation of King Charles III. Arts, crafts, and snacks will be available. There will be British tea, scones, and Paddington's favorite, orange marmalade! Takeaway recipes and origami will be available, on a first-come first-served basis.

## Stories and More

Friday, May 5, 12, 19 & 26 at 10am

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes followed by a simple craft. This program is designed for children ages 3 and up. Registration is required.

## Union County Aging Services Kiosk

Monday, May 8 from 10am-12 pm

Do you have questions about services available in Union County for seniors or their caregivers? Come visit the Union County Aging Services Kiosk, speak to our specialist.

## Teen Gaming Club

Monday, May 8 at 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Drop by the library any time between 3:00pm-4:30pm for a fun afternoon of gaming. Play some Nintendo Switch games on our big screen or bring your own device. Snacks will be served! Open to Grades 6-12.

## [Adult & Teen Craft]

## Lavender Flower Acrylic Painting Class

Monday, May 8 at 7:00pm

Learn how to paint lavender flowers using basic acrylic paints and cotton swabs! Clark library card holders will receive priority registration. Out of town patrons will be placed on a waiting list and will be notified if there is space.

## [Hybrid] Baby Bookworms

Tuesdays, May 9, 16, 23, & 30 at 10:00 am

Babies and toddlers are invited to listen to some books, and learn some songs, rhymes, lap bounces, and fingerplays. 30 minutes of open play follows. Registration is requested. Virtual option is available.

## Barks & Books

Tuesdays, May 9 & May 23 from 4-5 pm

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## [Adult Craft]

## Lavender Flower Acrylic Painting Class

Wednesday, May 10 at 11:00am

Learn how to paint lavender flowers using basic acrylic paints and cotton swabs! Clark library card holders will receive priority registration. Out of town patrons will be placed on a waiting list and will be notified if there is space in the class.

## Krafty Kids

Thursday, May 11 at 3:30pm

Join us as we make some fun and creative artwork for Mother's Day. Don't forget to bring your imagination and creativity! Registration is required. Geared for ages 5-12.

## Friends of the Library

## Mother's Day Flower Sale

Saturday, May 13 from 10:00 am- 3:00 pm

Join the friends in their first ever annual Mother's Day Flower sale! The flower sale will be held outside. If rain, it will be moved indoors.

## Friends of the Library

## Precious Gem and Metals Buying Event

Saturday, May 13 from 10:00am- 4:00 pm

Come to the Friend's spring fundraiser on the main floor of the library and purchase gold, silver, etc!

## National Police Week

begins May 14.

Check our calendar for a special Meet a Police Officer storytime to celebrate our men and women in blue!

## Brown Bag Lunch Packing Event

Monday, May 15 from 3:30pm-4:45pm

Join us for this family-friendly activity. We will be packing sustainable lunches for Bridges Outreach, a local service organization that helps end homelessness. Participants will decorate the brown bags with drawings and inspirational words and pack them with sustainable lunch items. Open to all ages.

## Evening Book Club

Monday, May 15 at 7:00pm

Join us for our next evening book club meeting.

We'll be discussing "The Lost Girls of Willowbrook" by Ellen Marie Wiseman. Please speak with a librarian or email [reference@clarklibrary.org](mailto:reference@clarklibrary.org) if you need a copy of the book.

## Tinker Tots

Wednesday, May 17 at 10:00 am

Come join us for a morning of fun STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities perfect for little ones. Play is station based. For children ages 1 through pre-k.

Please register.

## [Teen Program] Mugs Cakes

Wednesday, May 17 at 3:00pm

Learn to make delicious cakes, in a mug! Mugs will be provided by the library, but you are welcome to bring your own.

Open to Grades 6-12.

## Evening Storytime

Thursday, May 18 at 6:30 pm

Join us in the evening for a special storytime!

Interactive stories, songs, and a craft for children of all ages! Registration is required.

## Infant CPR Class

Monday, May 22 at 11:00am

Join us for this valuable Infant CPR class that benefits new moms or those caring for infants up to 12 months of age. The class will cover cardiac arrest, choking and AED use.

## Little Scientists

Thursday, May 25 at 3:30pm

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 grades K-5.

## Lego Club

Friday, May 26 at 3:15pm

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