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LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS ENHANCE LIBRARY

The Somerset County Library System of New Jersey's Warren Township branch recently revealed two new building enhancements. The Friends of the Warren Township Library procured two new benches for the front of the building and the Warren Township Library Advisory Board purchased two interactive touch display screens to support Library programming.

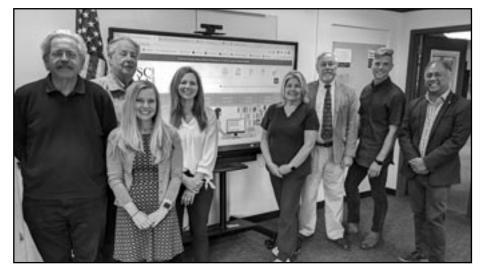
"We are so grateful to the Warren Library Friends and Library Advisory Board for their generous gifts to the Warren branch, both of which will get much use and be deeply appreciated," said Brian Auger, library director. "The new benches out front are perfect for the spot and the new video equipment will enable us to provide high quality programs and outreach."

The new benches replaced weathered, wellloved predecessors. Funding for the benches was donated by the Friends and loved ones of Prakash Masurekar, a longtime resident of Warren and member of the Friends who passed away in May 2022. One bench bears Masurekar's name, while the other has his favorite quote, "I have always imagined that Paradise will be a kind of library" (Jorge Luis Borges). The benches will be enjoyed by customers visiting the branch.

"Prakash's role in the Friends of the Library



(above, l-r) The Friends of the Warren Township Library procured two new benches for the front of the building. Pictured are Lisa Richards, Donna Java, Maureen O'Reilly, and Carol Senff.



(above, l-r) Warren Township Library Advisory Board purchased two interactive touch display screens to support Library programming. Pictured are Jack Henschel, David Greene, Lynn Mazur, Alicia Drozd, Lisa Lontai, Brian Auger, Daniel Croson, and Mark Ramos.

motivated others to join our non-profit in order to support our local library and library staff," said Carol Senff, Vice President of the Friends of the Warren Township Library.

The screens, purchased by the Advisory Board, replaced antiquated projection technology, and will allow the Library to more easily provide hybrid, in-person, and virtual programming. The screens have already been used in a number of programs, including storytimes, STEAM, crafts, and technology instruction. Library staff are excited to use the screens for more collaborative and interactive programming.

"The Library Advisory Board is proud to be able to help enhance our library's toolkit with more opportunities for our residents—particularly our children—to learn, create, and explore using state of the art technology," said Alicia Drozd, President of the Warren Township's Library Advisory Board.

The Warren Township branch is located at 42 Mountain Boulevard in Warren. For more information, call (908) 458-8450. To discover all SCLSNJ has to offer, visit SCLSNJ.org or connect with SCLSNJ on Facebook, Twitter, or YouTube.

ABOUT SOMERSET COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM OF NEW JERSEY

Somerset County Library System of New Jersey (SCLSNJ) partners with you to connect, to explore, to share, and to discover. Together we enrich lives, expand knowledge, and strengthen communities. SCLSNJ serves the following communities in Somerset County: Bound Brook, Branchburg, Bridgewater, Green Brook, Hillsborough, Manville, Millstone, Montgomery, North Plainfield, Peapack and Gladstone, Rocky Hill, Somerville, South Bound Brook, Warren Township, and Watchung. Visit SCLSNJ.org.

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RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE – AUG. 18-19

Meyersville Presbyterian Church will hold its Summer Rummage and Bake Sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, August 18, and Saturday, August 19, at the Church on the Circle in Meyersville located at 223 Hickory Tavern Road, Gillette, NJ.

A huge variety of gently loved treasures will be offered for sale, including holiday, decorative items, collectibles and vintage, housewares, linens, books, toys, and more! Come and discover that "something" you just can't live without!

We have many talented bakers, so there will be a grand selection of delicious Baked Goods available for purchase.

WARREN TOWN HALL SUMMER HOURS

Through September 1, 2023 Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Friday: 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Construction Office Inspections will be done: Monday – Thursday: 7:30 am to 2:30 pm Friday: 7:30 am to 11:30 am



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CELEBRATING A SECOND CHANCE AT LOVE

Somerset County

To honor two special newlyweds, there was a cake-cutting ceremony at the county-operated Warrenbrook Senior Wellness Center where the couple –William McDowell and Doris Halley-Ross – began their romance. The event took place on Wednesday, May 24.

The happy couple, both in their seventies, met in April of 2022 at the reopening of the senior wellness center after the pandemic. They fell in love and were married on May 20, 2023. At the cake-cutting ceremony, attendees wore pastels to match the senior center's decorative purple theme, which commemorated the reopening of the senior wellness center when the couple first met.

The Administration for Community Living has been celebrating Older Americans Month since 1963. This year the theme is "Aging Unbound," which means older Americans are dispelling stereotypes by exploring diverse aging experiences more than ever before. The six county-operated senior wellness centers help promote flexible thinking about aging by helping older adults remain engaged, independent, and included.

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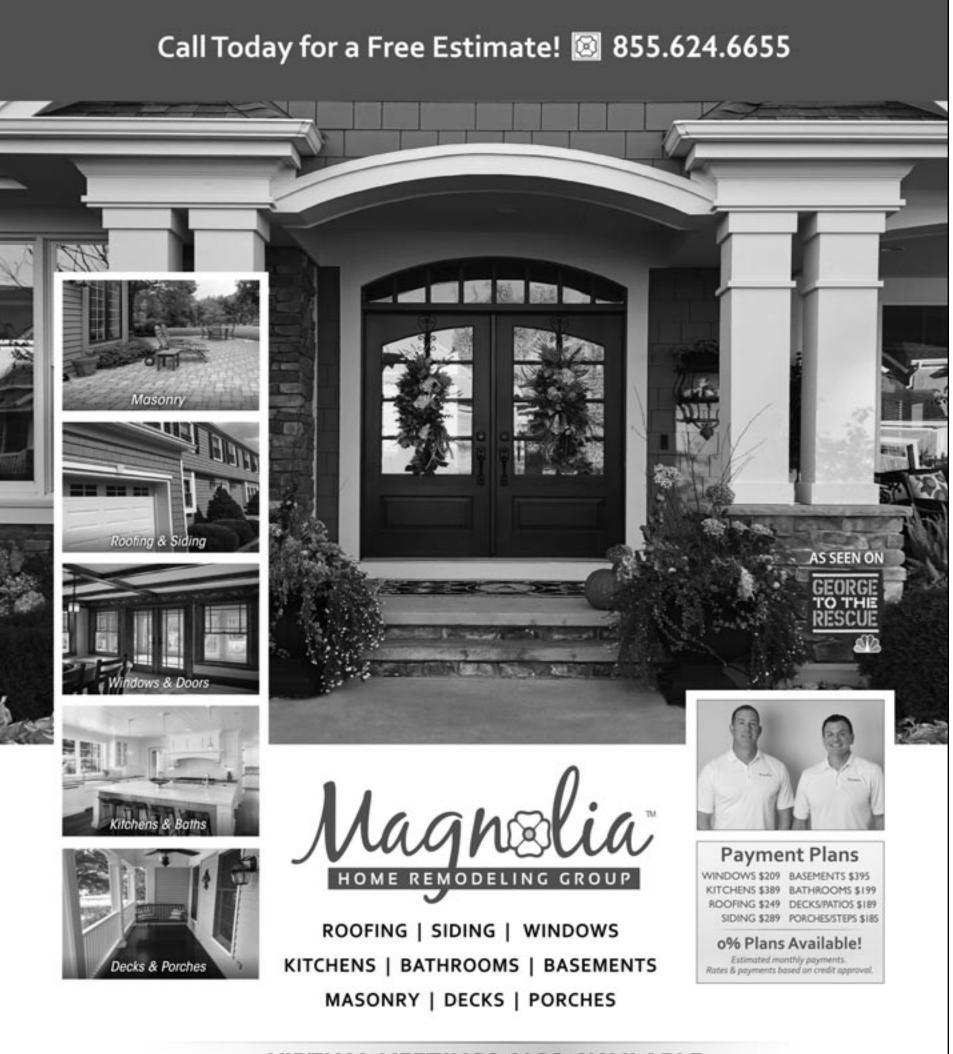


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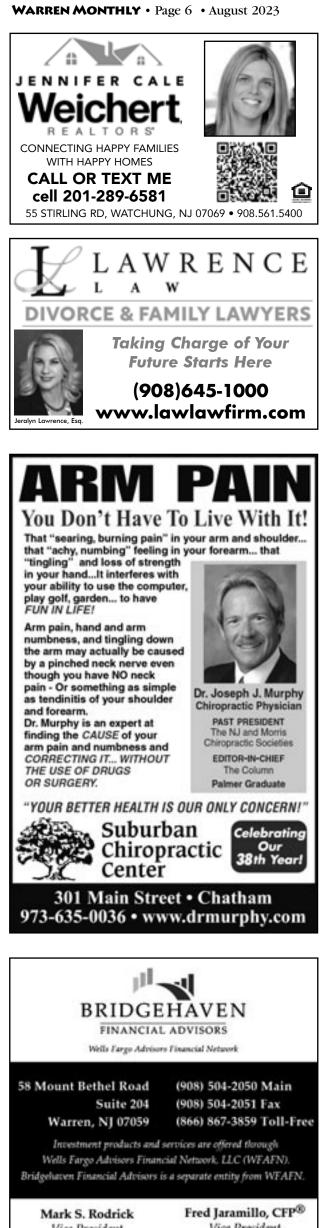
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HOUSE OF ACES CHARITY TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Mt. Bethel Volunteer Fire Company

On June 24, the Mt. Bethel Volunteer Fire Company hosted the first annual House of Aces Charity Tennis Tournament at the Warren Health and Racquet Club. which helped sponsor the tournament and congratulations to the Green Knoll Goats and Ben Lai A-Team for winning first place in their respective divisions. There was

Mt. Bethel was the first Fire Company to be established in Warren Township in 1912 and is comprised mostly of local volunteers. It is now one of four volunteer fire companies in Warren Township.

The inaugural tennis tournament was a fastpaced, mixed team team tennis format with four levels of competition. In total, there were 6 teams which came out to compete helping raise over \$5,300 for the volunteer fire company.

Thank you to the many local businesses

which helped sponsor the tournament and congratulations to the Green Knoll Goats and Ben Lai A-Team for winning first place in their respective divisions. There was overwhelmingly positive feedback from everyone which means the House of Aces will be back next year to host another tennis tournament.

We are actively looking for any and all volunteers to help make our community and the surrounding area a safe place to live. Please consider volunteering with us. You can stop in on any Wednesday night during training to talk with one of us or drop us an email for more info: mtbethelfire@gmail.com.





(above) Green Knoll Goats and Ben Lai A-Team won first place in their respective divisions.



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IS THERE MORE TO LIFE THAN THIS?

A free spirituality seminar is being offered by Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Scotch Plains, NJ. Most meetings are on Zoom. In a world of isolation, anonymity, and keyboardwarriors, Alpha offers content and guidance for churches, ministries, and individuals to create a space for honest and open conversations about life's biggest questions. Everyone is welcome and no questions are off limits.

Alpha is a place to connect with other people who are open to exploring life, faith, and meaning. Alpha fosters honest, open, and judgment-free conversations for anyone to explore the Christian faith. Each session includes a time to connect with others, watch a short video on an element of the Christian faith, and then a chance for each person to share thoughts and questions with the group.

"I was invited to participate in the Alpha pilot. From the initial meeting, I knew this was something that I wanted to be a part of," explains



(above) Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Scotch Plains to host a free spirituality seminar. Registration is required, please visit ihmparish.net/alpha.

Nancy Schreck. "After completing the pilot, I joined the Alpha team to help plan for the future of Alpha at IHM. It's a wonderful opportunity for people at any level of faith to meet new people and explore new ideas."

Sessions are free to attend and are scheduled on Monday nights at 7:30 p.m. The first meeting will be live and in-person on Monday, September 18, 2023, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Nazareth Center of Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) Church: 1571 S. Martine Ave., Scotch Plains. Good food and conversation will be offered to all in attendance. Most meetings after that will be hosted on Zoom. Links and directions will be provided to those who register. Participation is capped at 30 people. "When I offered tech support for the pilot program at IHM, I had no idea what I was in for. I'm not very religious, but Alpha was an unexpected surprise!" offers Gabe Lamberty. "The program is interesting and entertaining. And it's nice to meet new folks from the community. Overall an unforgettable experience."

"I'm looking forward to the Alpha experience," says Lou Zappo. "It sounds like a lot of fun, and who knows, I might learn something about myself."

Registration is required, please visit ihmparish.net/alpha or call 908-889-2100. If you have questions about Alpha, please email office@ihmparish.net.

DRIVE FOR AUTISM GOLF EVENT – SEPT 18TH

The Drive for Autism Foundation is pleased to announce that its annual golf event, Drive for Autism XXII will be held at Royce Brook Golf Club in Hillsborough, NJ on September 18, 2023.

The Drive for Autism Golf Outing which has been held since 2002 has raised and distributed over \$851,000 to local school programs. Previous beneficiaries of grants were Morris Union Jointure Commission (New Providence, NJ), Salt Brook School (New Providence, NJ), AW Roberts School (New Providence, NJ), Union County Educational Services Foundation/Crossroads School (Westfield, NJ), Educational Partnership for Instructing Children, Paramus, NJ, Eden II/Genesis Programs (Staten Island, NY), Spectrum360 formally The Children's Institute (Verona, NJ), ECLC (Chatham, NJ) and Seton Foundation for Learning (Staten Island, N.Y).

Grant recipients use money to fund health and fitness programs, social skills programs, educational curriculum and teacher training, a van for community trips and transportation to job training centers, laptop computers, computer touch screens, iPads, video projectors and educational toys and games The golf event is the main fundraising function for the foundation. Single golfers and foursomes are welcome as well as, product donations and corporate sponsorships. To register online please go to birdease.com/DriveforAutismXXII

ABOUT DRIVE FOR AUTISM FOUNDATION:

Based in New Providence, New Jersey, The Drive for Autism Foundation (EIN#20-1760417), is a 501(3)(c) tax exempt public charity that was created in the Spring of 2002 for the sole purpose of raising and distributing funds for educational facilities specializing in students with autism. **DRIVE FOR AUTISM GOLF OUTING 2023**

The Drive for Autism XXII is scheduled for Monday Sept 18, 2023 at Royce Brook Golf Club in Hillsborough, New Jersey. The event consists of a morning round of golf followed by a barbeque. Special events include golf contests, raffles and a silent auction of sports memorabilia, game tickets and golf trips.

To register or for additional information please visit

www.birdease.com/DriveForAutismXXII, call 908-451-8033

or email driveforautism@comcast.net.









(above) Mosaic of some of the 2,165 pairs of glasses collected to date.



(above) The New Providence Lions Club Eyeglass collection site is in front of the New Providence Library which is located at 377 Elkwood Ave. When collected, these glasses are sorted and sterilized and are then donated to a charity and/or medical organizations that provides free eye exams and eyeglasses to needy people in the countries they serve.

SEE THE GOOD IN PEOPLE

Submitted by Peter DeSarno

Perhaps it is because I see today due to the generous life changing gifts of two donated corneas, I tend to become very reflective when I collect the donated glasses that are received in the Lions drop box.

When I sort the glasses and package them to be sent into the Lions Processing Center, I am reminded of the good in people who are eager to help. I look at all the glasses that were once worn on the faces of members of our community which

form a beautiful mosaic representing so many different shapes, sizes, colors, glasses for the old and young....and think that this is beautiful on many levels. I then think about the people who will experience that magical moment I had when sight is restored.

The New Providence Lions Club Eyeglass collection site is in front of the New Providence Library which is located at 377 Elkwood Ave. Since January 2022 we have collected 2,165 pairs of glasses.

4-H FAIR CELEBRATES MILESTONE AUGUST 9-11

This year's Somerset County 4-H Fair will celebrate 75 years of Free Family Fun. For many families, a visit to the fair is a multi-generational summer tradition. The first county 4-H Fair was held in 1948 at the fairgrounds in Far Hills. In 1962, the fair moved to its current location at North Branch Park in Bridgewater.

The fair is the highlight of the year for 4-H club members who showcase their skills through a variety of exhibits, demonstrations and competitions. You can reconnect with the



(above) The 4-H Fair offers 1 5 acres of Free Family Fun.

This year's Somerset County 4-H Fair will county's agricultural past with farm animals, or glimpse the future with 4-H projects in robotics and rocketry.

Be sure to bring your appetite. A large food tent features many items to tempt your tastebuds. Food sales benefit local nonprofit organizations and help to make the fair possible.

The Somerset County 4-H Fair is August 9-11, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., at North Branch Park on Milltown Road in Bridgewater. Admission and parking are free. Visit 4HisTops.org.



(above) Animals shows from pets to livestock are popular events.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP FOR PARENTS

A support group for parents grieving the death of a child.

Facilitated by Tim and Marianne Wilson, who experienced the loss of their daughter Kimberly in 2017.

> Thursdays July 13, August 24, September 14, October 12, November 9, December 14 7 - 8:30 PM

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RELIEF FROM CHRONIC KNEE PAIN FDA Approved Treatment to Avoid Surgery

DON'T BLAME THE ARROW FOR MISSING THE TARGET

Just like tens of millions of other Americans, you were looking for relief from your chronic knee pain. You thought Viscosupplementation injections might be the answer, but the results were disappointing and painful. Don't assume the treatment wasn't right. That could very well be like blaming the arrow for its path to the target when the problem might be the archer. If you didn't get the pain relief you were hoping for, chances are your injection treatment was off target. Unlike blind injections or even ultrasound targeted treatments found elsewhere,

Northeast Spine & Wellness Center uses diagnostic fluoroscopy to make sure the area that needs treated is the exact area where the injection goes. This is the most advanced method of delivering this pain relieving treatment with 95% accuracy to give you the results you're looking for. The use of Fluoroscopy guided injections sets Northeast Spine & Wellness Center apart. The end result is you living pain free from your

chronic knee pain. You can avoid the lengthy and painful road of knee replacement surgery. You can avoid the endless trial and error assortment of potentially addictive prescription medications. This treatment, using fluoroscopy guided injections has seen a success rate of above 85% in those suffering from knee pain related to osteoarthritis, and that includes people with bone on bone involvement. You've suffered from chronic knee pain long enough. Call Northeast Spine & Wellness Center now for a RISK FREE consultation.

If Knee Surgery Sounds Scary, It Should

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

 Surgery is costly, regardless of the percentage of services covered by insurance. Surgery requires lost time from work and typically requires a regimen of rehabilitation and medications.

With surgery, there is always a risk for unwelcomed complications. And you could be back to where you started, or worse.

Medications will be required for relief from surgery and you have been down that road before. Addictions to these pain medications can cause potential side effects, something you do not want to experience.

Rehabilitation can take years.

Consider This Alternative To Surgery

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

 Diagnostic fluoroscopy accurately targets the pain, unlike blind injections. · Guided fluoroscopic injections are virtually pain free, unlike blind injections.

· No lost time from work or family.

No expensive or time consuming rehabilitation. No potentially addictive prescription medications.

Recovery time is almost instant, not months or years.

Do you Suffer from any of these Symptoms?

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

living with and can help. If you have any of the symptoms below, please call us today. Relief is a phone call away.

· Pain - Whether it's a sharp aching or maybe a burning sensation, the pain can range from irritating to debilitating.

· Swelling - This can cause tenderness and soreness to the entire knee area, making walking or going up and down stairs painful, getting in and out of bed or bathtubs difficult and dangerous just name a few activities affected by swelling.

· Stiffness - Getting up out of bed or after sitting for a period of time gets more and more difficult. This loss of mobility can be more than a hindrance. It can be dangerous if you need to move quickly.

· Loss of muscle strength - This can lead to balance issues and the strong possibility of falling.

· Joint deformity - Not just unsightly, but painful as well. · Creaking Joints - Can be painful and a sign of more

discomfort to come

· Sleepless nights - Losing sleep over your suffering is not just irritating, but potentially dangerous because of so many other health concerns that can be affected by loss of sound sleep.



How Does This New Treatment Work? Relief begins almost as fast as it takes to pronounce the treatment. It's called Viscosupplementation Therapy. To begin with, it starts with Northeast

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

Let Me Show You Targeted **Relief From Your Knee Pain**

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

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

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

Scot Paris MD, FACS

Here's what our patients have to say

"I'm dancing without pain. I can more with no problem whatsoever. I can go up and down steps with no pain." - Patricia G.

"Over 85% relief for the first time in 15 years, suffering with knee pain. My life is getting - Perry O. hack to normal.

"After only four visits, i have absolutely no pain? The staff is "top-notch." - Quenton L.



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- Saturday, September 9th, 2023. • The season ends on:
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- and games are 1 day a week on Saturdays. • Each Football Flag session
- is divided into 2 timeslots:
- (1st) **K-4th** @ 8:45am -10:15am Flag/Cheer (2nd) 5th-12th @ 10:30am-12pm - Flag only • All sessions are held on
- the Green Brook Middle School Turf Field (132 Jefferson Ave, Green Brook, NJ)
- There is NO TRAVEL associated with WH NFL Flag football & cheer.
- All NFL jerseys, flags, footballs, and cheer uniforms/pom-poms are provided.
- ICE CREAM DAY & SUBWAY DAY
- Registration is \$175 per player (Registration closes Sept 2nd).
- Discounts for multiple family registrations apply.
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- appreciated (contact: markclax4@gmail.com). • We follow NFL Flag rules which can be found @ www.nflflag.com.
- All coaches are NFL Flag Football Certified & CPR/AED Certified.
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experience because the injections were not administered using fluoroscopic guidance. Instead of using the incredibly accurate diagnostic fluoros

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

SCLSNJ WARREN LIBRARY BRANCH AUGUST 2023 VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

42 Mountain Boulevard, Warren Township, 07059 | 908-754-5554 | SCLSNJ.org Program dates and times are subject to change. All programs are free and registration is required unless otherwise indicated. Visit SCLSNJ.org or call the Library for more information and to register.

Exciting Discoveries in Art History -Presented by Mallory Mortillaro

Wednesday, August 02: 7:00pm - 8:00pm Explore From Home - Virtual AS 1 This lecture explores the stories of ten different important and valuable works of art that had

been rediscovered in unexpected places. **Business Etiquette for Jobseekers -**First Impressions Count - Presented by **Greater Raritan One-Stop Career Center**

Thursday, August 03: 10:00am - 12:00pm Make a memorable first impression. Do you know all the rules and protocols for proper and polite job-hunting behavior?

The Arctic Meltdown: Why it Matters to All of **Us - Presented by Dr. Jennifer Francis**

Thursday, August 03: 7:00pm - 8:00pm Explore From Home - Virtual AS 1

The Arctic seems very far away, but the momentous changes occurring there affect us all. Join Dr. Jennifer Francis as she discusses

recent research in this topic. Newest Tools on the iPhone and iPad -Presented by Mike Skara.

Monday, August 07: 7:00pm - 8:00pm The Apple software engineers keep creating new tools for your iPhone and iPad.

Emperors, Gods, and Gladiators: -Emperor Worship in the Colosseum

Tuesday, August 08: 7:00pm - 8:00pm Dr. Elkins tells the story of the Colosseum's construction under Vespasian, its dedication under Titus, and further enhancements added under Domitian.

The Erie Canal - An Engineering Marvel Wednesday, August 09: 7:00pm - 8:00pm The Erie Canal in runs east-west between the Hudson River and Lake Erie. It was the first navigable waterway connecting the Atlantic

Ocean to the Great Lakes.

Virtual Author Talk: Robert Jones, Jr. Tuesday, August 15: 4:00pm - 5:00pm

All are welcome and encouraged to join us for an engaging hour online with New York Times

bestselling author Robert Jones, Jr., as he discusses his debut and award-winning novel, "The Prophets".

Flying High: Betty the Pan Am Stewardess -Portrayed by Leslie Goddard, Ph.D.

Wednesday, August 16: 7:00pm - 8:00pm Fasten your uniform buttons and get ready to travel back to the golden age of air travel.

Miniatures: A Pop Culture Phenomenon -Presented by Darren Scala

Thursday, August 17: 7:00pm - 8:00pm Darren will share his passion for miniatures and talk about its history from ancient times through

to the modern era. **Calming Your Mind with Drawing -**Presented by Valerie Synder

Monday, August 21: 7:00pm - 8:00pm This program is based on Valerie's book "One-Minute Gifts of Art Mindfulness". Learn exercises that Valerie created, to give quick anxiety relief.

Unique Sights of Japan: - Kyoto, Kobe, Shimizu, Yokohama and Osaka

Tuesday, August 22: 7:00pm - 8:00pm Japan is an island country lying off the east coast of Asia. It consists of a string of islands that stretch for approximately one thousand and five hundred miles.

Virtual Author Talk: Cassandra Clare -**Bestselling Author of** "The Mortal Instruments" Series

Wednesday, August 23: 8:00pm - 9:00pm Join us for an exciting evening online as we chat with mega-bestselling author, Cassandra Clare, about her newest and final book in "The

Last Hours" series, "Chain of Thorns". **19th Century New Jersey Photographers: Princeton - Presented by Gary Saretzky** Thursday, August 24: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Of the approximately three thousand photographers active in New Jersey before 1900, more than two hundred and fifty lived or

worked in Mercer County.

Packing a Nutritious Lunch -Presented by Rutgers Cooperative Extension

Monday, August 28: 7:00pm - 8:00pm Wondering what to pack yourself for lunch?

There are plenty of easy, affordable, and nutritious foods you can prepare at home to bring with you to work or wherever you may be

going. **Virtual Author Talk: Jeff Selingo**

Wednesday, August 30: 2:00pm - 3:00pm Author, Jeff Selingo immersed himself in the world of admissions for a year to answer the question on the minds of teenagers and their parents: how do colleges select their freshman class?

A Photographic Tour of Scotland -**Presenters Becky and Phil Witt**

Wednesday, August 30: 7:00pm - 8:00pm Scotland is a country that is part of the United Kingdom. Covering the northern third of the island of Great Britain, mainland Scotland has a ninety six mile border with England.

MUSIC FESTIVAL – AUGUST 19

Watchung Hills Elks Lodge 885

On Saturday, August 19th, from 12-8 p.m., join event space is the best in town. Parking is the Watchung Hills Elks Lodge for our 1st annual Music Festival. The fundraiser will provide charitable services to veterans, special children, and the local community.

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased on-line, where you can also find more details on the performers: elkslodge885.org

Live bands including headliner (and Warren hometown favorite) "The Bobby Lanza Blues Band," "Forget the Whale," and "Cyclone Static."

Your ticket price covers non-stop access to fresh grilled hotdogs, hamburgers and all the fixings and refreshments. A cash bar will also be available.

This is an all-day event; keep your wristbands on in case you need to step out and want to return later in the day. Bring your favorite chairs and/or blankets and enjoy music, food and drink under the shady canopies of our trees. Our outdoor available at the lodge, directly across the street, and also in the municipal parking lot across the street, just 50 yards away. Watchung Hills Elks Lodge 885 is located at 1

Elks Trail, Warren, NJ. The restrooms, parkinglot, and pavilion are all wheelchair accessible.





SCLSNJ WARREN LIBRARY BRANCH AUGUST 2023 PROGRAMS

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Program dates and times are subject to change. All programs are free and registration is required unless otherwise indicated. Visit SCLSNJ.org or call the Library for more information and to register.

Wine Cork Succulent Magnets -Presented by Taylor Edgington

Tuesday, August 01: 6:30pm - 7:30pm Taylor will help you choose your succulents and teach you how to plant and care for them. Then, learn how to design the magnets by combining wine corks that are accented with

the succulents you chose.

Toddler Storytime -(ages 18 months - 3 years with caregiver)

Wednesday, August 02: 10:30am - 10:50am Introduce your toddler to the beginnings of storytime through songs, activities, and

> listening to short stories. **Preschool Storytime -**

(ages 3-5 years with caregiver)

Wednesday, August 02: 11:00am - 11:30am An interactive program that fosters literacy skills through books, songs, and activities.

Family Storytime: Storytime & Craft -(families with children)

Wednesday, August 02: 6:00pm - 6:30pm A storytime for the whole family to share! Let's explore family-friendly books, songs, and play, then make a specially-themed craft together.

Crafty Kiddos - (ages 3-5 years with caregiver) Thursday, August 03: 10:30am - 11:00am Explore your creativity as you make a unique

craft just for you! Dress for a mess. Tween Volunteers - (entering grades 4-6)

Thursday, August 03: 6:30pm - 7:30pm Connect with other tweens and earn community service by making the library a better place! Share your ideas for books, movies, video games, and programs.

Animal Enrichment - (families)

Friday, August 04: 11:00am - 11:45am Meet a few ambassador animals from the Turtle Back Zoo and examine the needs of animals from feeding to cleaning, to providing mentally and physically stimulating environments.

Let's Cook! - Kitchen Science: Baked Alaska (entering grades 3-5)

Monday, August 07: 4:30pm - 5:15pm Discover what happens when you insulate ice cream with meringue and pop it in the oven for

four minutes.

Cricut® Workshop Series: Faux Leather Journals

Monday, August 07: 6:30pm - 7:30pm Learn how to assemble and decorate f--aux leather journals. This workshop will be led by Adult Services Librarian Genevieve Girvan.

Baby Storytime -

(ages birth - 18 months with caregiver) Tuesday, August 08: 10:30am - 11:00am This interactive program is filled with brainbuilding rhymes, movement, songs, and stories.

Tween DIY: Sign Art! - (entering grades 4-6)

Tuesday, August 08: 2:00pm - 2:45pm Explore your creative side with this fun and artistic program. Customize a wooden pallet plaque to decorate your room. All materials

provided. Toddler Storytime -

(ages 18 months - 3 years with caregiver) Wednesday, August 09: 10:30am - 10:50am Introduce your toddler to the beginnings of

storytime through songs, activities, and listening to short stories.

Preschool Storytime -(ages 3-5 years with caregiver)

Wednesday, August 09: 11:00am - 11:30am An interactive program that fosters literacy skills through books, songs, and activities.

Hybrid Book Discussion - "Last Summer at the Golden Hotel" by Elyssa Friedland

Wednesday, August 09: 2:00pm - 3:30pm "Last Summer at the Golden Hotel" by Elyssa Friedland. This hybrid book discussion will be moderated by Warren Twp. Librarian Jennifer Konopacki.



Family Storytime: Storytime & Craft -(families with children)

Wednesday, August 09: 6:00pm - 6:30pm Registration opens on July 19 at 9:00am A storytime for the whole family to share! Let's explore family-friendly books, songs, and play, then make a specially themed craft together.

Creation Station - (all ages)

Thursday, August 10: 1:00pm - 2:30pm All are welcome to learn about abstract painting techniques; paint on paper or decorate a picture frame in this multi-generational program. Dress for a mess.

Teen Volunteer Night - (entering grades 6-12)

Thursday, August 10: 6:30pm - 7:30pm Registration opens on July 20 at 9:00am Connect with other teens and earn community service hours by helping with tasks in the

Youth Service Department.

Saturday Family Social -(ages 2-6 with caregiver)

Saturday, August 12: 11:00am - 2:00pm We're opening up our program room for selfguided play and social time for families. Preschool-appropriate toys, books, and activities will be available from 11am-2pm.

Read to a Therapy Dog - (entering grades K-4)

Monday, August 14: 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Registration begins July 24 Practice your reading skills by reading a story to a certified therapy dog. Registration is required by visiting the Youth Services desk or

calling 908-458-8450.

Middle School Book Club -(entering grades 6-8)

Wednesday, August 16: 3:00pm - 4:00pm Registration opens on July 19 at 9:00am Connect with other middle schoolers for a lively discussion in this monthly book club. Bring a book of your choice to discuss.

Puzzle Night

Wednesday, August 16: 5:00pm - 7:30pm Love puzzles? Work to complete jigsaw puzzles while socializing with your neighbors

at the library. Puzzles will be provided. Teen Summer Reading Book Discussion -(entering grades 9-12)

Thursday, August 17: 6:30pm - 7:30pm Connect with other students and discuss your summer reading assignments. Snacks will be provided!

Craft Social Saturdays

Saturday, August 19: 11:00am - 2:00pm Explore new creative outlets at the Warren Twp. Branch.

LEGO® Club - (entering grades K-5)

Saturday, August 26: 11:00am - 12:00pm Registration opens on August 5 at 9:00am Join the fun if you like building with LEGO® bricks. Bring your creativity and prepare for a challenge.

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