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Scouts BSA Troop 19

Thirty members of Scouts BSA Troop 19, chartered at St. Rose of Lima Church in Short Hills, recently embarked on an enriching journey to the 60th Annual West Point Scoutmasters' Council Camporee at Lake Frederick. Joined by approximately 3,000 fellow Scouts, some traveling from as far as Michigan, Troop 19 embraced the opportunity to explore new horizons and engage in a plethora of activities.

Assistant Scoutmaster Victoria Brazell commended the Scouts for their enthusiasm in embracing novel experiences. From early morning calisthenics alongside West Point Cadets to mastering drill commands and radio communication techniques, Troop 19 relished the chance to immerse themselves in the lifestyle of future military leaders. Throughout their visit, interactions with Cadets were characterized by politeness, helpfulness, and effective communication, highlighting the shared values between Scouts and Cadets.

The camporee featured an array of engaging events tailored to challenge and inspire the Scouts:

Air Rifle: Scouts honed their marksmanship skills under the guidance of Cadets, aiming at targets downrange.

Camouflage: Attention to detail was promoted as Scouts competed in applying camouflage patterns.

Drill: Scouts learned the intricate skills necessary for executing drill ceremonies with precision.

Fire: Mastery of fire-building techniques was tested as Scouts raced to burn through a string at a specified height.

First Aid: Scouts were trained to administer first aid in simulated combat scenarios, emphasizing tactical care and evacuation procedures.

Second Class Scout Ellie Park, with aspirations of attending West Point, reflected on the camporee as a deeply meaningful experience. Beyond the military-themed activities, she cherished the opportunity to engage with Cadets, admiring their kindness, strength, and leadership qualities.

First Class Scout Penelope Brazell shared similar sentiments, expressing, "I found the West Point Camporee to be an incredibly enjoyable experience, one that will last with me for years to come.

I found the military-based exercises quite enjoyable, and I believe I will be able to look back on the memories of doing these activities with my fellow scouts for many years."

Troop 19 extends an invitation to girls aged 11-17 seeking adventure and camaraderie. To join in the scouting experience and embark on thrilling adventures, visit Troop 19's website at troop19shorthills.membershiptoolkit.com.



(above) Scouts with cadet parachutist



(above) Air rifle range



(above) Drill instruction

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Since its founding by the Junior League of Summit in 1967, it has been the mission of Summit Speech School to empower children with hearing loss to become effective communicators using Listening and Spoken Language. Listening and Spoken Language is an evidenced-based approach to teach children utilizing hearing technologies to speak and listen.

We are reaching out to let the public know that May was National Speech-Language-Hearing Month. As leaders in the field, we thought it would be a great time to share some very important facts about hearing loss with you.

Today, infant hearing loss impacts between one and three of every 1,000 children born in the United States, and 90% of children with hearing loss are born to hearing parents. The universal newborn hearing screening can identify hearing loss in infants soon after birth. For babies identified with hearing loss, early intervention, like the services provided at Summit Speech School, has a beneficial effect. Infants may not speak – but they do listen and learn. With early detection, appropriate hearing technology and education at Listening and Spoken Language schools like Summit Speech School, children who are deaf or hard of hearing can have the same opportunities as their hearing peers.

Summit Speech School serves more than 365 children ages birth through high school in three

educational programs: Early Intervention (birth – 3 years of age), Preschool Program (three – five years of age), Itinerant Mainstream Support Program (preschool – high school in 67 NJ Public Schools). In addition, the school's state-of-the-art Audiology Center staffed with SSS's highly experienced audiologist, is a warm and child-friendly environment conducive to acquiring accurate results for young patients. Summit Speech School provides parent support and educational sessions for families to share experiences and seek the guidance of our highly trained staff.

As part of National Speech-Language-Hearing Month, our staff shares some of the following warning signs to watch for in young children:

Does not smile of interact with others (birth and older); Does not babble (4 - 6 months); Makes only a few sounds or gestures, like reaching (7 - 9 months); Does not understand what others say (10 months – 2 years); Says only a few words (19 months – 2 years); or Does not put words together to make sentences (19 months – 3 years).

If you suspect your child may have hearing loss, we recommend contacting your pediatrician or reach out to us for appropriate referrals for testing. We invite you and members of the community to visit and learn more about Summit Speech School, so please feel free to contact me at rdorso@summitspeech.org or 908-508-0011.



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ESTHER HONG TAKES FIRST PLACE IN ART

The winners of Congresswoman Mikie Sherrill's sixth annual Congressional Art Competition for high school students in New Jersey's 11th District were announced at Montclair State University held in May.

Esther Hong, a Millburn High School student, took First Place for her paining "Protesting for Eggs & Tomatoes." Esther's piece will be displayed in the U.S. Capitol for the coming year alongside the winning pieces from every congressional district in the country.



(above) Esther Hong and her First-Place winning painting "Protesting for Eggs & Tomatoes" _{Courtesy photos}



GOOD NEWS FOR MILLBURN STUDENTS!

Math Olympians

Alexander Wang (10th grade) and Allen Wang (12th grade) both won gold medals at the USA Mathematical Olympiad (USAMO). The USAMO is a prestigious national math competition hosted annually by the Mathematical Association of America. Approximately 250 top students earned their qualifications based on their excellent scores in the AMC 12 and AIME contests combined. USAMO is also part of the selection process for the US Math Team, which represents the country at the International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO). This year, the top 16 students were awarded Gold medals and they will be honored at the "MAA MathFest 2024: Mathematical Olympiads Award Ceremony " in August.

NATIONAL JUNIOR SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM

Neel Ahuja won 2nd Place in the oral presentation competition at the National Junior Science and Humanities Symposium (JSHS), in Albuquerque, NM, in the Environmental Science category. For: "Reducing Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Water Contamination With Mycorrhizal Hydroponics Plants.

PHYSICS TEAM FINALIST

Yujie Sun won the gold medal for the USAPhO! The USAPhO is part of the US physics team selection process to represent the US at the International Physics

Olympiad This year, the top 500 students taking the F=ma exam qualified for the USAPhO, and the top 20 finalists of the USAPhO were invited to a rigorous study camp at the University of Maryland to prepare for the IPhO. The next 25 students received the gold medal.

VARSITY GOLF CHAMPIONS

The Millers Boys Varsity Golf Team won the North 1 & 2 Group 3 Section Championship! The team shot a 294 and beat second-place Ramapo by 5 strokes.



(above) Gavin Boyarsky (senior), Nathan Beck (senior), Tong Si (sophomore), Gavin Quartin (junior), Jake Greenseid (junior), Head Coach: Garret Marron

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Millburn Township Public Schools After many years of dedicated service, three teachers will retire from the Washington School in Millburn. Mrs. Mary Chibaro retires with more than 25 years and Mrs. Patricia Murphy with more than 30 years.

Maestra Deraville is retiring with two years of service. While Maestra Deraville's tenure may have been shorter, her contributions to teaching Spanish and enriching the educational experience are also surely appreciated. We are grateful for their unwavering commitment to their students. Our celebration is a chance to express gratitude for their dedication and influence in the Deerfield, Hartshorn, and Washington Schools.

A retirement gathering is planned for June 13th from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Washington School in Millburn. It is a wonderful opportunity for former students, families, and colleagues to come together and celebrate the careers of these teachers.

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COMMUNITY CPR CLASSES OFFERED IN JUNE

Millburn Short Hills Volunteer First Aid Squad

The Millburn-Short Hills Volunteer First Aid Squad (MSHVFAS) is now offering CPR classes exclusively to members of the Millburn-Short Hills community. All courses will be offered at a reduced price to community residents over the age of 16. Residents who are 16 or 17 may register, but they must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. These courses cover the American Heart Association (AHA) Adult CPR and AED guidelines, and successful participants will be issued an AHA course completion.

We hope to increase the number of CPRtrained citizens, spread overall awareness of cardiac arrest care, and continue the Squad's long standing tradition of giving back. We are offering 2 classes in June. To register, please visit mshvfas.org/cpr.

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- Robert, GRIT Athlete Parent

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- Steve Hughes, Grit Athlete Parent

• "I have watched my children become more confident and vocal."

- Christine Stramandinoli, Grit Athlete Parent

• "His confidence has shot up in the last few months...and has carried forward to the way he approaches other activities like sports and schoolwork. My son is now making his bed daily and exercising every day."

- Catherine Solfaro, Grit Athlete Parent • "We saw a noticeable difference in his throwing - he could throw it further and faster!

- Dara, GRIT Athlete Parent

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SUMMIT ELKS RECEIVE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AWARD

Summit Elks Lodge #1246 received the Community Partnership Award At the Summit Area YMCA's annual celebration held on April 25th, 2024, to recognize their efforts in joining the YMCA to host the Extra Special Prom - an event for special-needs students aged 13-25, their parents, and other volunteers.

During the award presentation, a highlight video of the Extra Special Prom was played. The footage demonstrated the utter joy emanating from the young adults who attended the prom, which was a milestone they might otherwise miss out on if not for the Elks partnership with the Y.

Summit Elks Exalted Ruler Fred Honold and fellow members then continued to detail the synergies between the two organizations in their commitment to serving the community and to enriching the lives of youth with special needs.

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The Summit Elks and Elks Lodges throughout NJ and the United States work with compassion and dedication to provide programs and services for special-needs children and adults. Local events such as the Extra Special Prom, scholarships, sports programs, and NJ Elks Camp Moore are made possible through donations, fundraising events, and grants from the Elks National Foundation. Please visit Elks.org for more information about the Elks and how to join.



(above) Summit Elks Exalted Ruler Fred Honold receives the YMCA Community Partnership Award from Summit Area YMCA Presidend & CEO Paul Kieltyka. Courtesy photo

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SUMMIT AREA OLD GUARD – JUNE SPEAKERS

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We will have four programs in June:

On June 4th, Assemblywoman Nancy Munoz will be our speaker. Ms. Munoz, a Republican, represents the 21st legislative district of New Jersey in the General Assembly. She was first elected in 2009. In 2017, she was appointed minority whip, and co-chair of the Republican

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908-964-4004 406 Chestnut St. • Union, NJ 07083 she is also the minority budget director. Representative Munoz will discuss what New Jersey is doing to keep retirees from migrating out of the State.

On June 11th, Robert E. Potok will be our speaker. Dr. Potok received his Doctor of Science from MIT in nuclear engineering. He is also a science fiction author. He will discuss how consciousness ties to overall human life experience. He feels the relationship is expressed in many of the "ship" words: friendship. stewardship, apprenticeship, authorship, brinkmanship, censorship, etc. All these words describe qualities of human experience and are meaningless without consciousness.

On June 18th, our topic will be "How the Universe Came to be Smooth and Flat: the great challenge for gravity and cosmology". Our speaker will be Paul J. Steinhardt, the Albert Einstein Professor of Physics at Princeton University. A snippet from his extensive Wikipedia page states, "Steinhardt is best known for his development of new theories of the origin, evolution and future of the universe."

On June 25th, the monthly program chair, William Tittle, will attempt to bring the previous three speakers' ideas together by building a theme that will converge their talks covering politics, human consciousness, and the universe in which we live, with the idea of a personal credo on what we each conclude about life multiple 20th-century philosophers have had a go at this weighty topic - should be interesting.



(above) Assemblywoman. Nancy F. Munoz, Dr. Potok, Dr. Steinhardt, Wm. Tittle





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GREENWOOD GARDENS PRESENTS MUSIC AND DANCE IN THE GARDEN

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Garden Series program is in full swing, with the first concert by the AAPI Jazz Collective selling out for Memorial Day Weekend. Composed of three outdoor concerts in total, featuring jazz and classical music, as well as a dance performance in a stunning historic garden setting, the series is sponsored by Stone Mountain Properties for the third season in a row.

"We are extremely delighted to bring live music - and now dance - to Greenwood Gardens, thanks to the generous support of returning sponsor Stone Mountain Properties, the Short Hills-based property management company, and the Birney family," said Abby O'Neill, Executive Director.

'Sponsoring Music and Dance in the Garden at Greenwood is very meaningful to our company and to our family, as the series is dedicated to my late mother, Leeshan Birney, who founded Stone Mountain Properties in 1981, and my late sister, Mayling Birney, who was a professor at the London School of Economics and Political Science. They both loved and appreciated nature and the arts, so this is a way to appropriately

Greenwood Gardens Music and Dance in the honor them," said Ceyan Birney, who now leads Stone Mountain Properties here in Short Hills, New Jersev.

On July 19, the Vanessa Perea Quintet takes the stage with a lead singer whose style embodies the tradition of the jazz masters. For the final concert on September 20, lovers of classical music will be swept away by Lyrica Chamber Music's Twelfth Night Ensemble's program of baroque music.

The dance performance featuring Lori Bellilove & The Isadora Duncan Dance Company on September 6 will enthrall attendees on the Main Lawn with a performance that pays homage to the troupe's free spirit namesake who is credited with inventing Modern Dance.

For all performances, the gates will open at 5:30 p.m., when visitors are invited to stroll through the garden before the concert begins at 6:30 p.m. Complimentary wine and cheese will be served starting at 6:00 p.m. on the West Terrace.

Tickets to all three events must be purchased advance and are available in at greenwoodgardens.org.

ABOUT GREENWOOD GARDENS

Greenwood Gardens is a non-profit 28-acre public garden and historic site located at 274 Old Short Hills Road in Short Hills, New Jersey. A former private estate owned by the Day and Blanchard families, today Greenwood is a peaceful haven graced by terraced gardens, stately fountains, woodlands, grottoes, Arts and Crafts follies, and winding paths. To accomplish its mission of connecting people with nature in a historic garden oasis, Greenwood offers the visiting public self-guided tours and programs at the nexus of nature, beauty, and history. Greenwood Gardens is supported by gifts, membership, and volunteers. For further information, visit www.greenwoodgardens.org or call 973-258-4026. Please follow us on Facebook @GreenwoodShortHills Instagram and @greenwoodgardensnj.

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MILLBURN HIGH SCHOOL SIGNING DAY

Nine senior student-athletes are committed to • Lena Cakuley - Track - Johns Hopkins play a sport in a college or university next year. Seven of them were in attendance with their families to sign their commitment letters and celebrate Signing Day on May 8 at Millburn High School.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- Quentin Kuehn Lacrosse Ursinus College • Zach Lipton - Lacrosse - Rochester Institute of Technology
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- Damiya Graham Basketball Ramapo College Liam Kelly - Track - Trinity College
- Simon Glass Track Denison University
 - Matias Feoli Tennis United States Military Academy West Point
 - Zach Benmorits Basketball Union College
 - Maggie Tratnyek Girls Lacrosse -Muhlenberg College



(above, l-r) Top Row: Zach Benmorits, Zach Lipton, Quentin Kuehn, Simon Glass; Bottom Row: Lena Cakulev, Maggie Tratnyek, Damiya Graham; Not Pictured: Liam Kelly and Matias Feoli





MILLBURN COMES TOGETHER AT LIBRARY BOOK SALE



(above) Board of the Friends of the Millburn Library

Courtesy photos

Friends of the Millburn Library Spirits were high as hundreds of visitors flocked to the 2024 Friends of the Millburn Library Book Sale held on May 4-5. The annual event, which has grown exponentially over the past two decades, featured over 30,000 books and vinyl LPs spread out over two rooms on the second floor of the Millburn Public Library.

Although the sale attracts bibliophiles from around New Jersey and surrounding states, it is really a community event. "The whole town comes out for our annual sale," noted Friends President Dorothy Kelly. "Friends, neighbors, elected officials all congregate over the weekend to share in a love of books."

Preparation for the book sale begins well in advance. The library begins collecting donations of materials a month before the event. An army of dedicated volunteers begin the laborious process of sorting the items immediately. This year we had 62 teen volunteers, who devoted over 250 hours helping to prepare for the sale.

"Preparation is key to a successful and enjoyable event," explained Kelly, who has been in charge of the Friends Book Sale for the past 8 years. "If items are not well organized, people can't locate what they want and are frustrated. Our volunteers did an extraordinary job this year and were even on hand during the sale to help visitors find specific authors and titles."

Signs of a successful sale are reflected in the faces of visitors, especially kids, many of whom tucked themselves into empty corners and dove right into their literary treasures. The primary purpose of the sale is to get books into people's hands. As all the items are donated, there is an added environmental bonus of the sale, which helps to keep materials out of landfills.

For the first time ever, Friends opened the sale for two hours on Friday, May 3 to the Millburn School Staff for an Educator Appreciation Afternoon. Teachers and staff from all the district schools were thrilled to have an opportunity to stock up on materials for themselves and their classrooms.

"We were overjoyed at the outcome of this year's sale," explained Kelly. Remaining books were donated to local charities, including the Essex Book Pantry and the Millburn branch of the Literacy Volunteers of America. Other leftovers will be used to restock the Friends Little Free Libraries around town throughout the year.

MILBURN LIBRARY'S JUNE EVENTS

millburnlibrary.org/events • 200 Glen Ave., Millburn, NJ 07041 • (973)376-1006 Monday - Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - 8:45 p.m.; Friday, Saturday: 9:30 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.; Sunday: 1 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS: Author Visit:

Kate Storey on the Kennedys and Cape Cod

Thursday June 6, 7-8pm, Auditorium Local author Kate Storey will discuss the newly released paperback edition of her book, White House by the Sea: A Century of the Kennedys at Hyannis Port. Copies will be available for

purchase and signing. **Celebrating Pride Month: Closets in the Spotlight with John Kenrick**

Thursday June 13, 7-8pm, Hybrid, Auditorium How did twentieth century songwriters Lorenz

Hart, Cole Porter and Noel Coward live forbidden gay lives?

Flavian the Mentalist

Sunday, June 23, 2-3pm, Auditorium Flavian will read your mind and make you laugh as he reveals answers to some very

funny questions! **Dream Interpretation**

with RoseMarie Cappiello

Tuesday June 25, 7-8pm, Auditorium Ever wake from a nightmare in total fear? Do you remember your dreams? Learn to develop awareness of your dream state and use it to enhance your life. Presented by RoseMarie Cappiello, author and spiritual teacher.

PROGRAMS FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES: Pokemon Club!

Wednesday June 5, 4-5pm, Auditorium for ages 4 - 12 Calling all pokemon fans: Pokemon Club is back! Trade cards, color, craft and puzzle with Librarian Miss Sue and Millburn's own resident Pokemon expert Devon Hampton. Registration

is required. Stay & Play: Baby Hangout Wednesday June 12, 10:30-11:30am, Auditorium This new Stay & Play program is designed for parents and caregivers with babies 15 months and under. Baby toys and books will be provided by the library. Come, play and socialize! Drop in. Crafternoon

Wednesday June 26, 4-5pm, Auditorium for ages 4-12 What does crafts + afternoon equal? Why, crafternoon of course! Kids are invited to make

a fun seasonal craft. Drop in. PROGRAMS FOR TEENS: **Pride Celebration!**

Saturday June 8, 2-4pm, Auditorium The library's second annual Pride Celebration will feature live entertainment, food, meaningful connections, and more! A lively celebration to empower LGBTQ+ teens and allies. Presented in partnership with local and regional outreach organizations and local businesses.

Food Adventures with Janis: Mochi Doughnuts

Friday, June 14, 3:30-4:30pm, Room B Hang with Teen Librarian Janis and help make (yes, you're helping!) mochi doughnuts, a delicious fusion pastry crossing American-style doughnuts and Japanese mochi.

Registration is required. D&D Club

Monday, June 17, 5-8pm, Teen Space Play Dungeons & Dragons at the library! A tenweek campaign embarks on June 17. Registration is required.

Resource of the month:

Library of Things: NEW Summer Collection The Millburn Free Public Library is pleased to offer its Library of Things collection to Millburn cardholders. The new Summer Collection boasts beach games, portable speakers, snap circuits, and old favorites including hiking gear, bocce ball set, giant Jenga, pickleball set, telescope, and more.

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REMEMBERING HEROES: MILLBURN'S MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

On Monday, May 27th, the Millburn Township community came together to honor and remember its fallen heroes during the annual Memorial Day Parade. With the participation of hundreds of marchers and spectators, the event was a heartfelt tribute to those who served and sacrificed for the nation.

The parade commenced at Millburn High School and proceeded down Millburn Avenue into Taylor Park. The procession included members of Guy R. Bosworth American Legion Post 140, school bands, including a new Millburn High School Trumpet Quartet, Scouts BSA Troops 17 and 19, Cub Scout Pack 17, and numerous other community associations. Spectators lined the streets waving flags and creating a patriotic atmosphere.

The parade culminated in a ceremony at Taylor Park, masterfully emceed by Eagle Scout Lukas Pilarski from Troop 17 and Ellie Park, First Class Scout from Troop 19. The Millburn Police Department served as the Honor Guard, while Girl Scout Sophia Van Roon from GSA Troop 20265 recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Troop 19's quartet of Eliza Johnson, Leena Rao, Luna Angstadt, and Shayna Mishra performed a rendition of the National Anthem.

This year's ceremony was particularly significant as it featured a segment honoring Chief Water Tender Francis Day. Commander Daniel Cannon of the Sons of American Legion Squadron 140 delivered a moving historical recount of Chief Water Tender Day's bravery during the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941—a day that forever changed the course of the nation.

"Imagine a tranquil Sunday morning, much like any other, suddenly shattered by the roar of fighter planes and the thunderous blasts of torpedoes. December 7, 1941—a date etched in the annals of history as a day that forever changed the course of our nation," Cannon began. He detailed how the peaceful harbor of Pearl Harbor became a battleground as the USS Oklahoma and her crew faced chaos. Chief Water Tender Francis Day, a native of Millburn, was among those who displayed extraordinary courage, risking his life to save 15 fellow sailors within the ship's flooded compartments.

As Cannon spoke, the audience was reminded of the immense sacrifices made by Chief Water Tender Day and his comrades. He emphasized the importance of remembering these heroes not just with words, but with deeds, ensuring their legacy endures.

Adding to the significance of the ceremony, it was noted that Chief Water Tender Day's body, buried among the unidentified for almost 80 years, was recently identified through the efforts of forensic scientists. In early April, his family flew to Honolulu where he received full military funeral honors.

Millburn Township Mayor Annette Romano presented a proclamation to Chief Water Tender Day's niece, Lynne Werner, and her family. The presentation was a touching moment, emphasizing Day's personal connection to Millburn and the lasting impact of his heroism. The proclamation highlighted his unparalleled bravery, dedication, and unwavering commitment to duty and honor.

This year's Parade Grand Marshal, Raymond Wong, was introduced by Guy R. Bosworth American Legion Commander Burt Brown. Commander Brown highlighted Wong's graduation from West Point Military Academy in 1999, his service to the country, and his continued dedication to the Millburn community as a past member of the Board of Education and involvement in the Millburn Flood Mitigation Committee. Wong delivered an address that resonated deeply with the community, speaking of the enduring spirit of patriotism that Memorial Day embodies and the importance of honoring those who have given their lives for their country.

Millburn's Memorial Day Parade was a fitting tribute, ending with a closing prayer delivered by Rabbi David Levy and the playing of "Amazing Grace" by the Pipes and Drums of the Emerald Society.

"This year's parade was a powerful and respectful tribute to the sacrifices made by the nation's heroes, such as Francis Day, and I am thankful for the gratitude of our Millburn community", said Commander Brown.









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DONOVAN TUNG NAMED OUTSTANDING SQUADRON CADET OF THE YEAR

Lone Eagle Composite Squadron of CAP Recently, Cadet CMSgt Donovan Tung, Lone Eagle Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, was presented with the "Civil Air Patrol Outstanding Squadron Cadet of the Year Award" by Lt Col Howard Leach, Jr., CAP and NJ VP/Treasurer of the Shooting Star Chapter 195 of the Air & Space Forces Association (AFA).

Cadet CMSgt Donovan Tung, the Son of Mr. and Mrs. John Tung of Summit, NJ, is in the

10th grade at Summit High School where he participates on the Junior Varsity Football and Track teams.

Within the Lone Eagle Composite Squadron, as a Cadet NCO, he assumed the leadership responsibility for the squadron's cadets. In this role, he has become a valuable source of inspiration and information, especially for the Squadron's many new cadets. He was instrumental in organizing the Squadron's 2023

Photo by Dale Leppard



(above, l-r) Cadet CMSgt Donovan Tung, CAP, of Summit, receives AFA Outstanding Cadet Award. Pictured are Lt Col Howard Leach, Jr., Mrs. Anita Tung, C/CMSgt Donovan Tung, and Capt Peter Hinge, Commander.



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Open House and he has participated in Cadet Orientation Flights, the Wreaths Across America ceremony at the Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church, and the annual Maryland Cadet Basic Encampment. Most recently, he was appointed lead representative for the Squadron at the NJWG Cadet Advisory Council.

The Lone Eagle Composite Squadron meets on Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m. at the Morristown National Guard Armory, NJ. Youth can start the cadet leadership, aerospace education, and emergency services program at age twelve and adults can join as senior members starting at age 18. For more information about the Lone Eagle Composite Squadron, contact Capt J. Peter Hinge, Commander, at 201-590-5371 or jens.hinge@njwg.cap.gov. Also, visit the Squadron web site at loneeagle.org.

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