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20 YEARS OF SUPPORTING YOUNG WOMEN CELEBRATED

The Fortnightly Club of Summit

The Fortnightly Club of Summit, a women's club which draws members from Summit and surrounding towns, has a 132-year history of community service, volunteerism, and historic preservation. The Club recently hosted its annual scholarship luncheon. This celebration marks more than 6 decades of awarding scholarships to young women in the community. This year's winners include Summit High School students Chelsea Asitimbay (Boston College), Diane Saint-Louis (The College of New Jersey), and Keilah Torillo (The College of New Jersey).

To date the club has awarded more than 60 scholarships to young women pursuing a secondary education including college or a trade education. At the luncheon, the club announced this year's scholarship winners, and celebrated past winners as well. This year's luncheon featured:

An inspiring speech by Girls on the Run East's Executive Director, Suzanne Elliot spoke about the importance of supporting girls in communities and how Girls on the Run has helped transform the lives of 2.25 million girls.

The incoming board honored the contributions of outgoing board members for their many years of service to the Fortnightly Club. New Executive Board members include Summit residents Renee Frank (VP) and Laura Sankowich (Secretary) as well as Heather Althoff of Madison (President) and Liese Kant of Short Hills (Treasurer).

"We are thrilled to support the young women in our community," said Terry Andrews, outgoing President of the Fortnightly Club of Summit. "The luncheon provides a unique opportunity for our community to come together, show their support, and make a meaningful difference in the lives of young women in Summit. We were also honored to host our guests from Girls on the Run as they discuss the empowerment of girls at a community level, which is closely aligned with the spirit of the luncheon."

Luncheon attendees supported the Fortnightly Club through participation in the luncheon and donations. Items were also collected for donation to Girls at the Run at the event, including first aid kits, lap counters, travel tissue packs, and other essentials that are required for Girls on the Run coaches' practice kits.

"Our members are civic minded, compassionate community members who constantly come together to make a difference. Together, our members create positive change and transform lives," said Andrews.



(above) This year's Scholarship winners are Chelsea Asitimbay (Boston College), Diane Saint-Louis (The College of New Jersey), and Keilah Torillo (The College of New Jersey).

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For more information about the Fortnightly Club, and how to become a member, please visit fortnightlyclub.org or email fortnightlyclubtwinmaples@gmail.com.

ABOUT THE FORTNIGHTLY CLUB

The Fortnightly Club is a volunteer group dedicated to causes that improve the lives of members of the Summit community and surrounding areas. The club supports various organizations related to education, women's issues, veterans, the elderly, and cultural institutions that serve the greater community. The club is also dedicated to preserving the historic Twin Maples Estate.

Founded in 1893 by Mrs. Mary B. Wilcox, the Fortnightly Club continues to embrace its legacy of transformative, and impactful community service. The Fortnightly Club's members are a diverse group of professional women, stay-at-home moms and retirees who share a commitment to volunteerism and community service. New members are always welcome; we serve members from Summit and surrounding towns in New Jersey, including New Providence, Berkeley Heights, Chatham, Short Hills and more.

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77TH ANNUAL FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

The City of Summit's 77th annual Fourth of July celebration will take place on Thursday, July 4, 2024, at Soldiers Memorial Field, located at 5 Myrtle Avenue. The community celebration will include entertainment, rides and amusements, and a food court.

The event will begin with a flag raising ceremony at noon, followed by a decorated bicycle parade for children at 12:15 p.m. Entertainment will include concerts beginning at 1 p.m. The event will conclude with a fireworks display beginning at 9:15 p.m.

The walking track, playground, tennis courts, and lower fields at Memorial Field will close at 1PM to prepare for the fireworks display. Roads adjacent to the field will close to vehicle traffic at 6 p.m. The parking lot on Ashland Road next to the Memorial Field tennis courts will be closed all day on Thursday, July 4.

The Fourth of July celebration is sponsored by Bristol Myers Squibb and funded by generous contributions from residents and local businesses. To contribute or to view more information, visit summitcommunityprograms.com/fourthofjuly.

SHS CLASS OF 1974 REUNION

The Summit High School Class of 1974 has scheduled its 50th class reunion for the weekend of October 18-20, 2024, with a casual gathering at the Knights of Columbus in Summit on Friday evening and a dinner and DJ at the Short Hills Hilton on Saturday evening. Both events will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. During the day on Saturday, a tour of Summit High School will be sponsored by the Summit High Alumni Association, followed by a SHS Home football game.

The Reunion Committee is trying to find as

many class members as possible. If you know someone who graduated from Summit High in 1974 and has not yet received an email Evite to join the celebrations, we would appreciate your assistance with spreading the word and connecting with us via email - shslxxivreunion@yahoo.com - to let us know that you would like to participate in the festivities!

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COMMUNITY NIGHT TO BE HELD ON JULY 23

The City of Summit is announcing its annual Community Night will be held on Tuesday, July 23, on the Village Green, located at 356 Broad Street. The event will be part of the Hot Summer Nights concert series and is an opportunity for Summit non-profit organizations to promote their work to the community.

Participating organizations can begin setup at 5 p.m. and must be ready for visitors by 6:30 p.m. Organizations must provide their own table and chairs and are permitted to have one table that is no longer than eight feet in length. Pop-up tents are permitted and must be no larger than 10 feet by 10 feet in size. No fundraising by participating organizations is permitted during Community Night. Department of Community Programs staff will be available to assist organizations with setup on the night of the event.

Beginning at 7 p.m., 80s Revolution will perform as part of the Hot Summer Nights concert series.

The rain date for the event is Tuesday, July 30.

Contact David Guida at dguidajr@cityofsummit.org or 908-277-2932 with any questions.

Summit High School Sailing Team

After a challenging 12-regatta season that included a long stretch of cold, dreary weather, the Summit High School Sailing Team celebrated at their recent Spring Awards Dinner. Congratulations to all our SHS varsity sailors - Lauren Murray, Dara Greengrass, Emma Gumny, Michael Creel, Grace Penque, Peter Huntley-Robertson, Elena Carranza, Brady Parkes, Nikhil Ray, Charlotte Leck, Evy Elbanna, Elodie Hellmuth, Tristan Pohl, and Brynn Penque. Each of these sailors raced hard this season and delivered a string of strong results for the Hilltoppers.

At the Awards Dinner, the team also recognized several sailors for their individual contributions during the spring season. Brady Parkes was named Most Valuable Skipper, Grace Penque was named Most Valuable Crew, Elena Carranza was named Most Improved

Sailor, and Michael Creel was recognized with the Hilltopper Award. Senior Lauren Murray recognized teammate Peter Huntley-Robertson with the "Heads Up" award. Coach John Creel said of the team, "We had a great blend of seasoned juniors and seniors and talented freshmen and sophomores that gave us the flexibility to adjust our lineup based on the conditions. We developed a lot of depth this season that will position us for success in the fall."

Two Summit Sailors were also recognized with All-State honors at the NJISA Awards Ceremony in May.

Junior Grace Penque was recognized as First Team Crew and senior Lauren Murray was recognized by the Director of the NJISA, Dr. Randall Nunn, with the 2023-2024 Sportsmanship Award. Congratulations on a great season!



(above) The Summit High School Sailing Team at their Spring Awards Dinner.

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SUMMIT COLLEGE CLUB FOUNDATION AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS

Submitted by Lorna Ness

Lile Hall in Christ Church, Summit, was filled on Sunday afternoon, June 2, 2024, when the Summit College Club Foundation awarded \$4,500 to each of six accomplished high school senior women from Summit and surrounding towns. The scholarships, a testament to the Summit College Club's mission to advance equity for women and girls, will significantly aid these young women in pursuing their college dreams. The recognition of these students through the awarding of college scholarships is an annual high point for the members of the Summit College Club. Since its inception in 1920, Summit College Club has awarded more than \$1 million in scholarship money, a contribution that has helped hundreds of local young women attend the college of their choice and make a difference in their communities.

This year's scholarship recipients, Tanya Dev from Summit High School, Julia Nugent from Chatham High School, Mahrukh Khizar from Kent Place School, Elizabeth Davies from New Providence High School, Winnie Grober from Governor Livingston High School, and Manaal Qureshi from Chatham High School have been chosen for their outstanding academic performance, exceptional leadership qualities, and the significant contributions they have made to their communities.

Marylou Motto, Co-chair of the Summit

College Club Scholarship Committee, gave an update on AAUW's National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL), which had wrapped up its annual conference the previous day. As a branch of AAUW, Summit College Club sponsored a previous year's scholarship winner to attend this year's NCCWSL conference. This year's attendee wrote back to the club about the enormous value she had gained from NCCWSL through the

several days of workshops, activities, and talks that enhanced her leadership skills.

After the awards ceremony, there was a catered reception where Summit College Club members, guests, proud parents, and scholarship recipients enjoyed meeting one another and celebrating the scholarship winners' amazing accomplishments.

For more information about the Summit College Club, please visit summitcollegeclub.org or email summitcollegeclub@gmail.com.



(above, l-r) Scholarship Recipients Julia Nugent, Manaal Qureshi, Tanya Dev, Winnie Grober, and Elizabeth Davies; Speaker Dr. Audrey Fisch.

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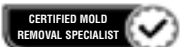
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On July 2nd, our speaker will be Craig Guy, Hudson County Executive. He will discuss Hudson County, the process of building a new courthouse, new developments and causes of increased population-growth and some of the initiatives the County has undertaken to keep up with recent changes.

On July 9th, we will hear about Advances in Cancer Research (Zoom presentation). Our speaker will be Pat Morin, PhD, Deputy Scientific and Communications Director for the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research. He will discuss the history of the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, its programs, and the current developments in cancer research.

On July 16th, Christopher Fiore, Deputy Director of the Jersey City Redevelopment Agency, will discuss New York City's 'Sixth Borough' and review the incredible development

of the Hudson County waterfront and of Jersey City – 'a brand new old city'.

On July 23rd, our topic will be Collegiate Athletics. Bryan Felt, Seton Hall University Athletic Director, will tell the story of Seton Hall athletics including the recent NIT Championship, the building of a new basketball practice facility and the success of other sports teams like golf. Also, he will share his knowledge of what NIL is and how the portal works (NIL is an initiative arising out of the recent NCAA scandals exposed in 2019-20).

Finally, on July 30, The Success of a 150-year-old institution. Dr. Michael Gomez, President, Saint Peter's Preparatory, will describe this downtown Jersey City institution that educates students from over 150 towns in New Jersey and New York City. Dr. Gomez will relate how student aid works, the continuing process of updating 150-year-old historic structures and the tremendous success of its student body.



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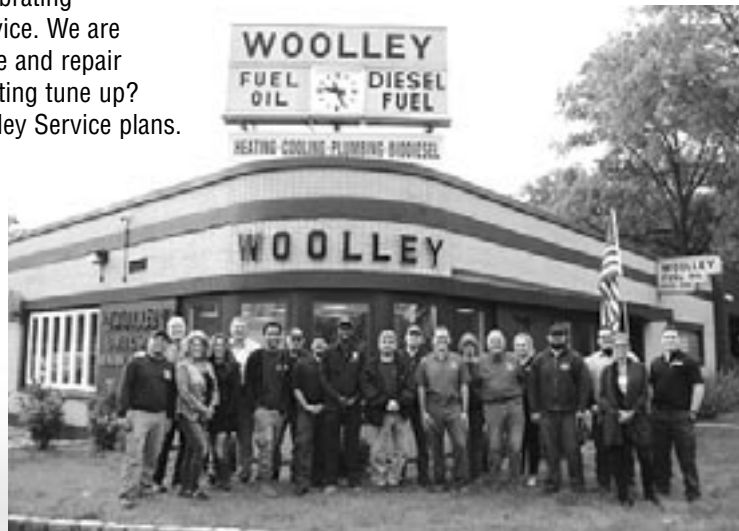


(above, l-r) Mr. Felt, Dr. Gomez, Mr. Fiore, Dr. Morin, Mr. Guy

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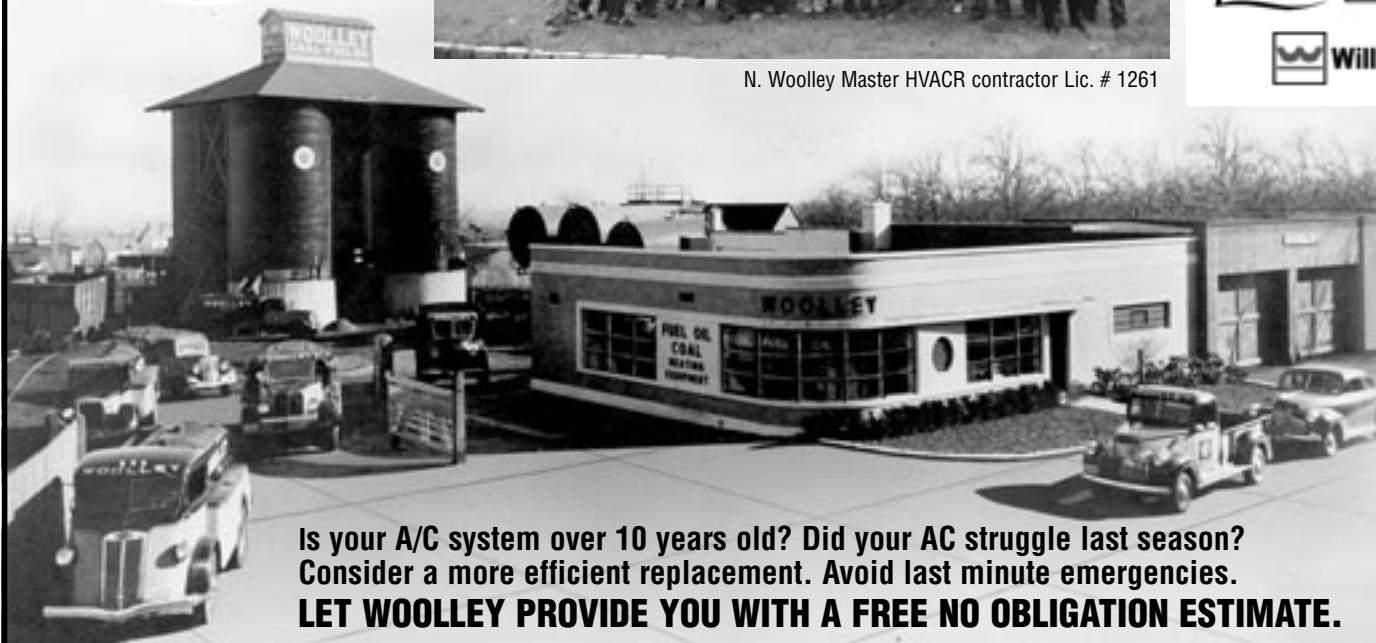
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SUMMIT ELKS RECEIVE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AWARD

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.

Summit Elks Lodge #1246 was also honored by the Summit Area YMCA on April 25th with the Y's "Community Partnership 2024 Award." Over 200 people gathered over dinner at The Primavera Regency in Stirling to celebrate. Among several areas highlighted is the Elks' Partnership with the "Y" for Special Needs Children and their collaboration for The Special Children's Prom on May 30th.

The Summit Area YMCA serves more than 15,000 individuals with their free and fee-based programs and services in an area spanning the New Jersey communities of Berkeley Heights,

Gillette, Millburn, New Providence, Short Hills, Springfield, Stirling and Summit.

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.

BECOME A MEMBER IN THE SUMMIT ELKS

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The Summit Elks Lodge #1246 has close to 3,000 members, they predominantly come from these communities: Summit, Berkeley Heights, The Chathams, Millburn - Short Hills, New Providence & Westfield.

For more information visit summitelks1246.org.



(above, l-r) Summit Elks Trustees Mike Helmer, PER, Rich Callaghan, Summit "Y" President Paul Kieltyka, Exalted Ruler Fred Honold, Elks Special Children Committee Co-Chairs Mary Twill and Roger Hughes, past Committee Chair Ted Scallon and Elks Trustee Rick Wolffe, PER.

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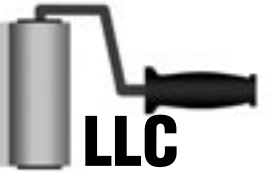
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SUMMIT CLASS OF '73 RAISES OVER \$73K FOR SEF

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In a heartwarming display of generosity and unity, the Summit High School Class of 1973 recently celebrated their 50th reunion by giving back to the school district that laid the foundation for their success. And they did it in a big way – with a \$73,600 collective contribution to Summit Educational Foundation.

During a weekend gathering in Summit, NJ for a nostalgic class reunion, the graduates of 1973 decided to embark on a mission to support the educational legacy they cherished. Rather than opting for traditional commemorative gifts like donating a bench or planting a tree, the alumni decided to make a more significant impact by raising funds for their alma mater.

"We wanted to leave a lasting legacy that would benefit generations to come," remarked Peter Votey, a proud member of the Class of '73 and treasurer for the reunion committee. "Our school played a pivotal role in shaping who we

are today, and it's only fitting that we give back in a meaningful way."

"We talked about donating a bench or planting a tree. But that's what so many other reunion groups do. We wanted to do something bigger and more impactful," said reunion committee member, Fred Schmidt. "It was the 50th anniversary of our graduating class – that's a big milestone! So we wanted to commemorate it with a big gift!"

With fervor and determination, the Class of '73 decided to collectively raise funds that would directly benefit the current and future students of their beloved Summit School District with a gift to the Summit Educational Foundation.

"We chose SEF (Summit Educational Foundation) after Summit High School Principal, Stacy Grimaldi, hosted an alumni tour of the current high school. She walked us around and we saw all of the amazing upgrades and innovations that have been funded over the years by SEF. We were so impressed with how much SEF has enhanced and improved education over the years for other Summit students. So we decided to donate to SEF's grants program which supports the entire Summit School District," said Votey.

"We worked together to achieve this unique and rewarding accomplishment to the legacy of the Class of 1973!" said George Twill who also sits on the Class of '73 reunion committee and spearheaded the fundraising. "With a steady stream of individuals stepping up over the late

fall and early winter we managed to unleash the benevolence of our classmates...it's hard not to be proud of our achievement and the ability of our class to be trailblazers for this truly innovative approach for a reunion class gift!"

"This is the first time we've received such an amazing collective gift from a group of alumni," said Heather Thomas, Co-President of SEF. "We hope that other Summit reunion groups will consider following in the footsteps of the Class of '73. Making an impactful gift to the Summit Educational Foundation's grants program benefits the students, teachers and administrators across all 9 Summit public schools."

"We're deeply grateful to the Class of '73 for their extraordinary generosity," expressed Melissa Madden, Co-President of Summit Educational Foundation. "Their commitment to investing in the future of our students really aligns with our mission. And it also reflects the enduring bond between Summit alumni and their alma mater."

As the Class of '73 reflects on their 50 years of friendship and shared memories, they also take pride in knowing that their reunion transcended nostalgia to leave a tangible, positive mark on the community they hold dear. Their remarkable gesture serves as a shining example of the profound impact that collective generosity and unity can achieve.

For more information about Summit Educational Foundation, visit SEFNJ.org or reach out to info@SEFNJ.org



(above, l-r) George Twill, Peter Votey & Fred Schmidt



(above) Summit HS Class of 1973 Reunion

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SUMMIT FOUNDATION NEW TRUSTEES

The Summit Foundation is pleased to announce the appointment of Rob Jeffries and Sara Reeder to its board of trustees, effective May 1, 2024. With years of experience and leadership in financial services, entrepreneurship, and in Summit nonprofit organizations, the new board members bring valuable expertise and a keen understanding of the Summit community.

Rob Jeffries, a retired investment banking executive with Barclays and JP Morgan, comes to the board with over a decade of leadership experience from the Summit Area YMCA, including two years as chairman. He currently serves as treasurer and board member of the Buck Hill Falls Conservation Foundation. "Colleen [Rob's wife] and I have lived in Summit for 30 years and raised our three children here. I believe Summit is a special town. The Summit Foundation is an incredible charity that supports so many great organizations here in Summit. I am thrilled and honored to have the opportunity to join its board of trustees," said Rob.

Sara Reeder, founder and manager of Murray Hill Tennis & Fitness for the past nine years, has a strong history of volunteerism in Summit. She previously served on the board of the Cornerstone School and volunteered with the Junior League of Summit Thrift Shop. She formerly practiced corporate law at Clifford Chance New York and is an owner of the Summit House restaurant. "I'm thrilled to have the opportunity to contribute to the health and ongoing improvement of our already special community of Summit," said Sara.

The Summit Foundation fosters philanthropy and cultivates resources to address needs and improve lives in the Summit, NJ, area. Over the past decade, The Summit Foundation has invested \$10.3 million in the community through grants, scholarships, and donor-advised distributions. For more information, visit summitforever.org.

Courtesy photos



(above) Rob Jeffries



(above) Sara Reeder

NEW INTERACTIVE MAP TO LOCATE HOMETOWN HEROES BANNERS

The City of Summit is proud to launch an upgraded interactive map feature that enables residents and visitors to locate each Hometown Heroes banner quickly and easily throughout the city. This innovative tool enhances the ability to honor and recognize the valor and service of Summit's veterans and active military personnel.

The new interactive map, created by Summit resident Dan Palusak, is accessible on the city's official website and offers a user-friendly interface. Users can search for specific heroes or browse through the map to discover every banner's location.

"With the upgraded interactive map, we aim to foster a deeper connection between our community and the brave individuals who have

served our country," said Summit Mayor Elizabeth Fagan, MD. "This tool not only makes it easier for everyone to find and pay respects to our hometown heroes but also serves as a reminder of the sacrifices made for our freedoms."

The Hometown Heroes program was launched to pay tribute to Summit's military members who have served or are currently serving in the United States Armed Forces. Banners are displayed prominently throughout the city from mid-May through mid-August.

To access the interactive map or for further information about the Hometown Heroes program, please visit cityofsummit.org/hometownheroes.

FIRE DEPT RECEIVES \$40K GRANT FUNDING

City of Summit

The City of Summit Fire Department has been awarded \$40,000 for turnout gear through the American Rescue Plan Firefighter Grant Program from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' (DCA) Division of Local Government Services.

A total of \$20 million in grant funding was awarded on March 5, 2024, to fire departments from all 21 New Jersey counties. The funds will be used to help cover costs associated with the purchases of protective items such as turnout clothing, advanced cleaning equipment, oxygen

equipment, and personal protective equipment. The City of Summit Common Council approved the Summit Fire Department's grant application at the December 5, 2023, meeting.

"We are very grateful for these funds that will be used to purchase new protective turnout gear for our firefighters," says City of Summit Fire Chief Eric Evers. "This important equipment is expensive and needs to be replaced every so often after years of heavy use. Safe clothing and gear help to protect our firefighters' physical and mental health while they work to protect our community."

SUMMER READING ADVENTURE IS NOT JUST FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS

Summit Library

This year's theme is "Adventure Begins at Your Library: La Aventura Comienza En Tu Biblioteca." Summer Reading is not just for children and teens! Adults are encouraged to participate too. Sign up and receive a special "passport to adventure." This passport tracks your reading progress and enters you into a drawing for a variety of prizes, including gift cards to local shops and restaurants and tickets to Six Flags and the Crayola Factory. Sign-ups are welcome throughout the summer.

The spirit of adventure is also reflected in the dozens of engaging events and activities planned throughout the summer at the Library, including scavenger hunts, game nights, Dungeons & Dragons sessions, special storytimes, and much

more.

"Summer Reading is our favorite and busiest time of the year, but not just because of all of the outstanding programs that we provide," said Ann-Marie Aymer, Head of Youth Services at the Library. "We encourage everyone to read all summer regardless of whether they sign up for summer reading or participate in our weekly programs. For our youngest patrons, keeping up with their reading even when school is out helps to prepare them for their new school year by preventing their summer slide. However, we also have engaging programs all summer, from arts & crafts to science and math for all ages, that all are welcome to attend."

Sign up for Summer Reading at the Library or at summitlibrary.org.

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Michael D Boll, NJVN President

For the last few years, the New Jersey Veterans Network (NJVN) has been helping veterans with resources and assistance with their mental health conditions. Over time we came to realize that the veteran's family was being affected by their struggles as well. Our team had to learn how to include their family members in our outreach efforts. We lose 22 veterans each day to suicide, and they leave behind grieving families. Recently, we decided to make sure all veteran family members can use the same resources that our team has available for veterans. Sometimes we forget about the sacrifices our veteran families have to make and this country should appreciate them for this.

One thing our team decided to do was to have Gold Star families meet disabled veterans at our events, so they can work together and form a bond. This effort was extremely affective and immediately brought joy to both the Gold Star families and to the disabled veterans. By adding veteran family members to the team, it allows us to work together on our peer support and recreational therapy programs. We are honored to have veteran family members to work alongside us and know they are just as committed with helping our veterans live a better way of life.

If you need assistance, or would like to join the team as a volunteer, please send us your name, email, and phone number to NJVN1775@gmail.com.

ABOUT NEW JERSEY VETERANS NETWORK

We are a group of veterans and volunteers dedicated to helping our veterans and their families live better lives. Our mission is to identify veterans and connect them with resources and programs designed to meet their unique set of needs. Help us save Vets! We are always looking for volunteers, with various skills, to join the team. If you are a veteran or family member that is in need of assistance; or are interested in volunteering, would like us to speak at your event, or contribute to our mission, call 973-332-1556 or email NJVN1775@gmail.com. To learn more visit njvn.org.



(above) Michael D Boll, NJVN President, with Dina and Tom Duffy who lost their son Tom Duffy, a Marine Corporal and Afghanistan War veteran. Courtesy photos

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SUMMER CONCERTS AND MOVIES LINEUP



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The City of Summit Department of Community Programs is announcing the schedule for summer movies and concerts on the Village Green, located at 356 Broad Street in Summit.

The 2024 Hot Summer Nights concert series will feature a variety of bands on Tuesday nights during July and August. The lineup includes Mushmouth on July 16, 80s Revolution on July 23, The Band of Make Believe on July 30, The Benjamins on August 6, Diamonds in Jupiter on August 13, and Brian Kirk and the Jirks on August 20.

Concerts begin at 7 p.m. and will be accompanied by food trucks. The second night of the concert series, Tuesday, July 23, will serve as Community Night, welcoming local non-profit organizations to share information with the Summit community during the concert. Contact David Guida at dguidajr@cityofsummit.org or 908-277-2932 with any questions.

The 2024 Screen on the Green movie series

will also take place on the Village Green, on Thursday nights in July and August. The series will feature The Super Mario Brothers Movie on July 11, Migration on July 18, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem on July 25, Wish on August 1, and Trolls Band Together on August 8. Each night, a family dance party will begin at 7:15 p.m., and the movie will be shown at dark. Attendees may purchase food from the featured food truck of the week.

All concert and movie attendees are asked to bring their own blankets and chairs. There is no cost for admission to concerts or movies. All events held by the City of Summit are alcohol and tobacco-free.

Full event details for the Hot Summer Nights concert series and the Screen on the Green movie series, including vendor and sponsorship information, can be found online at summitcommunityprograms.com. Please contact the Department of Community Programs at 908-277-2932 with any questions.

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For weather updates, visit summitcommunityprograms.com or call 908-277-2932

SUPPORT NEEDED FOR SERGEANT BRIAN WERTHMANN'S RECOVERY

The Summit PBA #55 is asking the Summit community to rally in support of Summit Police Sergeant Brian Werthmann, who recently underwent surgery to remove a large acoustic neuroma tumor from his brain and is facing a long road to recovery. A GoFundMe campaign has been launched to assist Sergeant Werthmann and his family during this challenging time.

Brian Werthmann is a dedicated member of the Summit Police Department who has served the

Summit community for the past 24 years. Now, he needs our help. Brian has experienced serious postoperative complications, such as partial paralysis of the left side of his body, partial blindness, and the inability to walk without assistance. Although his doctors are hopeful that these complications may resolve over time, it is not guaranteed.

The funds raised through this campaign will go towards medical expenses, rehabilitation, and

supporting his family while he focuses on healing.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Donating any amount, large or small, will make a significant difference. Contributions can be made through the GoFundMe page by visiting: www.gofundme.com and searching: Support for Sgt. Brian Werthmann's Recovery

All proceeds from this fundraiser will go directly to the Werthmann family to assist them during these difficult times.



(above) Contributions can be made through the GoFundMe page by visiting: www.gofundme.com and searching: Support for Sgt. Brian Werthmann's Recovery

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Summit Toastmasters

Wednesdays, July 3 - 31, 7:00-9:00PM

Refine your public speaking and leadership skills. No registration required. In-person.

Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament

Tuesday, July 9, 6:30-8:30 PM

Complete a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle fun tournament! Teams of 2-4 people (ages 12+) will compete for a prize. In-person.

The Practical Approach to Meditation

Wednesday, July 10, 7:00-8:00 PM

Join long-time meditator Nirav Sheth who will share a practical technique during the session.

Art Talk: Tempestuous Beauty:

Art Inspired by Flowers and Gardens

Thursday, July 18, 7:00-8:00 PM

View an array of astonishing images from throughout art history. Presenter: Janet Mandel.

Online only.

Brown Bag Book Club

Friday, July 19, 12:30-1:30 PM

Lunchtime book group for adults. Book to be discussed: How We Named the Stars by Andres

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Adult Craft Class: Watermelon Coasters

Saturday, July 20, 2:00-3:00 PM

These cute watermelon coasters make the perfect summery addition to your decor for use with all your favorite summer drinks.

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"Together They Lived and Together They Died" -

The Tragic Story of Bonnie and Clyde

Wednesday, July 24, 7:00-8:30 PM

Part travelogue and part history, the story of the Dustbowl Romeo and Juliet, separating the reality from the myth. Online.

Virtual Author Talk with Dan Santat

Tuesday, July 30, 2:00-3:00 PM

Caldecott Medal winner Dan Santat will discuss his book A First Time for Everything. The talk will be followed by a live Q&A session. Online.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Lego Adventure

Monday, July 1, 7:00-8:00PM

Build Adventure themed Legos for display.

Grades 1-5 and their families.

Open Craft Day: Indoor Fireworks

Wednesday, July 3, 5:00-6:00 PM

Create indoor fireworks with chalk, paper, toilet paper tubes and paint! Grades 6-12.

Jumanji

Monday, July 8, 7:00-8:00PM

An improv and acting workshop with Stage a Story. Grades 1-5 and their families.

Author Talk with Kate DiCamillo (Grades 1-5)

Tuesday, July 9, 2:00-3:00 PM

Especially for Mercy Watson Fans, Newbery Medal winning author Kate DiCamillo will be sharing the stories behind the creation of this series. Grades 1-5.

Pictionary

Wednesday, July 10, 5:00-6:00 PM

Play team Pictionary at the library for candy and bragging rights. Grades 6-12.

Let's Fly

Thursday, July 11, 4:00-5:30PM

Create and test out parachutes, boomerangs, hoop gliders and more. Grades 3-5.

Baby Dash!

Friday, July 12, 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Do the baby dash! Join us on the Library's front lawn for a fun, age-appropriate obstacle course.

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Detective Science Workshop

Monday, July 15, 7:00-8:00PM

A detective science workshop with Mad Science. Grades 1-5 and their families.

Author Talk with Max Brallier

Tuesday, July 16, 2:00-3:00 PM

Especially for fans of The Last Kids on Earth series, Max will share how he came up with the monsters and villains and the ways that Jack and friends defeat them. Grades 1-5.

Book Buddies

Wednesday, July 17, 10:30-11:30 AM:

Your child will work with a middle or high school volunteer from the YMCA Volunteers Program to read books, play word games, and create stories together. Grades K-3.

Portraits and Dessert Pizza

Wednesday, July 17, 5:00-6:00 PM

Make a drawing of yourself (or anything else you would like) and then make your own dessert pizza. Grades 6-12.

RoboThink

Thursday, July 18, 4:00-5:30PM

Build wacky contraptions, learn engineering and have fun! Grades 3-5.

Books & Woofs

Monday, July 22, 7:00-8:00PM

Practice reading aloud to seeing eye dogs & puppies. Grades 1-5 and their families.

Author Talk with Elizabeth Acevedo

Tuesday, July 23, 2:00-3:00 PM

Especially for fans of poetry, and the author's award winning novel The Poet X, all are invited to learn about the power of poetry. Grades 6-12.

Bracelets and Candy Salad

Wednesday, July 24, 5:00-6:00 PM

Bring a bag of candy! We will mix them all together for a "candy salad". Grades 6-12.

Board Game Design

Thursday, July 25, 4:00-5:30PM

Create your own portable foosball game, and an Operation Board Game that works with Scratch and a Makey Makey. Grades 3-5.

Little Engineers

Monday, July 29, 7:00-8:00PM

Create Lego robots and sculptures. For Grades 1-5 and their families.

Survival Skills

Wednesday, July 31, 5:00-6:00 PM

Learn survival skills with Traditional Earth Skills LLC. Grades 6-12.

RECURRING YOUTH PROGRAMS:

Little Sprouts (Grades K-5)

Mondays, July 1 - October 14

@ 4:00-5:00 PM

Little Explorers (6 mos. - 4 yrs.)

Tuesdays, July 2 - August 13

@ 10:00-10:30 AM & 4:00-4:30PM

Crafternoons (Grades K-3)

Wednesdays, July 3 - August 14

@ 4:00-5:00 PM

Book Bike Storytime (6 months-6 years)

Wednesdays, July 10 - August 14

@ 12:00-12:45 PM

Dungeons & Dragons (Grades 6-12)

Thursdays, July 11 - August 8

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Math Club (Grades 3-8)

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