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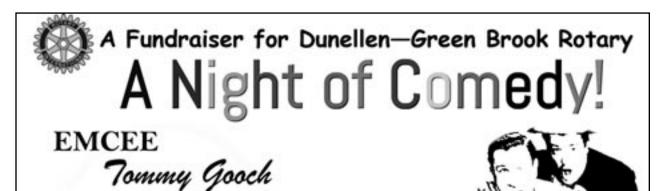
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Township of Green Brook

During a township meeting held on September 3, 2024, several members of the Green Brook Police Department were recognized.



(above) Mayor Jim Van Arsdale swears in Adam Seidel to the position of Police Lieutenant, effective October 1.



(above) Mayor Jim Van Arsdale swears in Shawn Snyder to the position of Police Captain, effective October 1.



(above) Mayor Jim Van Arsdale swears in Anthony Pepe to the position of Police Sergeant, effective October 1.



(above) Mayor Jim Van Arsdale presented a life saving award to Officers Jonathan Pope (C) and Christian Paez.



(above, l-r) Green Brook Mayor Jim Van Arsdale reads Proclamation to retiring Police Captain Daniel Lanzafama, who will retire October 1, after more than 23 years with the Green Brook Police Department.



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BRANDON CHARLES CHESHIRE EARNS EAGLE SCOUT RANK

Green Brook Boy Scout Troop # 129

Brandon Charles Cheshire earned the rank of Eagle Scout on August 12, 2024, from Green Brook Boy Scout Troop 129. Brandon started in Cub Scouts as a Tiger in 1st grade and continued his path to Eagle Scout just after graduating from Watchung Hills Regional High School in June 2024. Brandon stated, "While I enjoyed Cub Scouts, I embraced this more serious and intense level of scouting, building on the basics of camping, starting a fire, setting up a campsite, or functioning in the wild. In Cub Scouts, my fellow scouts and I were taught through games and fun activities, which we all loved, but when it came time to step up, not all took the challenge."

Brandon says, "I have learned a lot about myself and my ability to be independent. It has made me a better individual than I was years ago. I have used specialized information, different styles of teaching, and organization to lead a group. I have been in various positions such as Patrol Leader, Den Chief, Troop Guide, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and the Senior Patrol Leader at one point."

Brandon has been awarded National Youth Leadership Training and last summer was awarded the Certificate of Merit by The Patriots Path Council in recognition of an outstanding act of service. That award was given to Brandon for his assistance in saving a boater who was overturned and stranded on the Chesapeake Bay. Brandon dove into the water to assist the man and used his scouting skills to tie his boat to tow the gentleman back to safety.

When it was time for Brandon to decide on an Eagle Scout Project, he wanted to make a difference and worked with a special needs camp in Warren, Camp Jotoni. Camp Jotoni is part of The ARC of Somerset Count is an organization that serves the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities. When Brandon began organizing the project he didn't realize the undertaking that lay ahead of him, he simply wanted to help the individuals and their families have a safer route up the steep hill. Brandon met with various people including Camp, Arc and Engineers, town approvals, and was required to obtain insurance. Brandon learned more than he imagined. While Brandon planned on building a few steps up a steep hill at camp, it morphed into 22 steps, 4 months of labor, \$5,000.00 raised, various businesses donating and over 500 hours of volunteer time from the Troop, family and friends. Brandon persevered through it all and accomplished his goal without complaint. Donations of time, equipment, money and products came from Curt Carbonetti Equipment, Weldon Concrete, Sherwin Williams Paint, Huston Lumber, Astro Rentals, Tim Kardos Professional Landscaping, Home Depot, Green Brook Athletic Foundation and GB Lions plus many families and friends. The remainder of the donations' proceeds were used to purchase games and equipment for Camp to use during Summer Camp.

Brandon has worked at the Dunellen Hotel for the last couple of years is attending Raritan Valley Community College studying Mechanical Engineering for two years with hopes to transfer to The University of Tennessee-Knoxville to finish his degree.

Last summer, Brandon traveled to England with his family and Troop in an exchange program visiting London and Portsmouth. This summer Brandon was Senior Patrol Leader when the cadets from the UK visited New Jersey.



(above) Brandon Charles Cheshire earned the rank of Eagle Scout this Summer. His Eagle Scout Project benefited Camp Joton, where his leadership, hard work and perseverance provided a safe route up a steep hill.

Brandon was able to connect with family in the UK and make new friends who he hopes to visit again soon.

We continue to watch for what Brandon will accomplish in the future, we know with what he has undertaken so far, the leadership he shows and the skills he has learned that Brandon will do great things in life.







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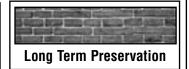
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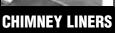
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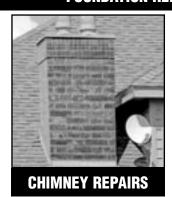












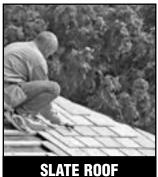


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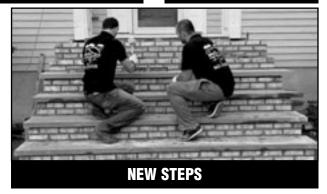


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