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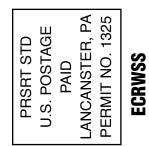


Dr. Daniel Hrdina's 6th Grade math students at Chatham Middle School took part in a "Souper Bowl" food drive. The students collected over 6,000 non-perishable items which were donated to local food pantries.

The students organized their donations and carried the majority of them to The Chatham United Methodist Church. While they were there, Rev. Jeff Markay discussed the impact the students are making in our community.











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PRESERVATION TRUST GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE JUNE 19TH

Morris County

The Morris County Office of Planning and Preservation has announced the availability of grant applications to file for open space funding through the Morris County Preservation Trust.

The applications are available on the Open Space Preservation website: morriscountynj.gov/Departments/Open-Space-Preservation/Open-Space-Application

The deadline for submitting open space applications and appraisals for 2025 funding is Thursday, June 19, 2025.

In 2024, the Morris County Board of County Commissioners approved the Open Space Trust Fund Committee's recommendations to award \$1.8 million in grants for acquisition and preservation of 65.2 acres across three municipalities.

Since its inception in 1994, the Open Space Trust Fund program has helped to preserve more than 18,300 acres throughout Morris County, supported by \$300,022,868 in funding generated through a preservation tax approved by voters in 1992.

In addition to open space projects, the county's Preservation Trust Fund also supports farmland and historic preservation, county parkland acquisition, recreational trails projects, and the purchase of flood-prone residential properties.

The review process for grant applications is managed by the Open Space Trust Fund Committee, which visits the proposed sites and makes final recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners each fall.

"Any of Morris County's 39 municipalities and qualified charitable conservancies are eligible to apply for grant funding," said Barbara Murray, program coordinator of the Morris County Open Space Trust Fund program.

For more information, contact the Office of Planning and Preservation at 973-829-8120.



(above) Schiff Preserve Addition-Civille in Mendham Township.







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THE CHATHAMS • Page 6 • May 2025 LONG-AWAITED FACILITY UPGRADE, THANKS TO COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Chatham Emergency Squad

What began as a forward-looking initiative in 2018 has become a transformative journey for the Chatham Emergency Squad (CES). As the squad puts the finishing touches on its upgraded headquarters at 45 Spring Street, CES reflects on the progress made — and the unwavering support that made it possible.

The project was born from a moment of recognition. "We saw other squads in nearby towns shutting down due to dwindling volunteer numbers," said CES Captain Bryan McGookin. "We knew we had to act proactively to make sure that didn't happen here in Chatham."

To that end, a Needs Assessment Committee was formed to better understand what could improve the experience for current and future members. The results made it clear: in order to attract and retain volunteers, the squad needed a modern facility — one that provided not just space to work and train, but also to rest, manage personal matters, and stay connected during





(above) CES looks forward to celebrating with the community on June 1, 2025, when they will host a ribbon-cutting and open house from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the new facility.

overnight shifts.

"Our volunteers give so much of themselves," said longtime member Evan Skinner. "We needed to make sure we were giving them the space and support they need to keep doing this critical work."

In the spring of 2021, CES launched a fundraising campaign with a goal of \$1.7 million - a goal that was proudly reached in the spring of 2024 by the extraordinary generosity of the Chatham community.

"Reaching our fundraising goal was a huge moment," said CES President Nicole DiMaggio. "It showed us that the community sees the value in what we do, and that they believe in the future of this organization."

45 Spring Street closed for business when construction began in the spring of 2023 and reopened to the members on March 27, 2025. While the new building took shape, the squad operated out of its much smaller space on North Passaic Avenue in the borough — never missing a beat in providing 24/7 emergency response to the Chatham community.

"Our members have been amazing," said project coordinator and CES member Steve Davenport. "Not only are they volunteering their time as EMTs, many have taken on additional hours to help move this project forward whether it's planning, fundraising, or working with contractors."

The impact of the new facility will be profound. With upgraded training spaces, room for overnight shifts, and modern amenities, CES will be better equipped than ever to serve Chatham. "This isn't just about a building," said Davenport. "It's about creating a sustainable future for the squad, so we can keep serving this community for decades to come."

Having crossed the finish line, CES looks forward to celebrating with the community on June 1, 2025, when they will host a ribboncutting and open house from 1:00 - 4:00 pm at the new facility.

"We happily invite everyone to join us and see what they made possible," said DiMaggio. "This new building is a testament to the strength of our community and the bright future of emergency services in Chatham. If you've ever considered joining CES, and we're always open to new members, now is a great time to get involved."

For now, the members of the Chatham Emergency Squad are filled with gratitude.

"We've come so far," said McGookin. "What started as an idea in 2018 has become a reality. We're proud, we're thankful, and we're excited for what's ahead."

Those wishing to learn more about CES, join the squad, or make a contribution can visit their website at chathamemergencysquad.org.



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EXPERIENCE REVOLUTIONARY LIFE AT JOCKEY HOLLOW SPRING ENCAMPMENT – MAY 3–4

Morristown National Historical Park's SATURDAY, MAY 3 signature living history event returns on Saturday, May 3, and Sunday, May 4, Revolutionary War re-enactors from across the northeast will gather at Jockey Hollow for Morristown National Historical Park's annual Spring Encampment. This immersive weekend event highlights the daily lives of Continental soldiers and camp followers during the Revolutionary War.

Throughout the weekend, visitors can explore the sights and sounds of a recreated 18th-century military encampment. Demonstrations will include musket drills, military inspections, cooking, sewing, and other camp chores. Younger guests are invited to take part in the "children's muster," where they'll be taught how to march and drill like Revolutionary soldiers. This year's encampment includes additional interpretive demonstrations sponsored by the Friends of Jockey Hollow. Visitors can observe 18th-century carpentry with Scott Lance of At the Sign of the Adze, Ace, and Chisel, historical laundry methods, and trade interactions with the camp sutler.

All activities are free and open to the public. The schedule is as follows:

- 11:00 a.m. Camp Opens
 - 11:30 a.m. Inspection of the Troops
 - 1:00 p.m. Firing Demonstration and Drill
- 1:30 p.m. Children's Drill
- 3:00 p.m. Firing Demonstration and Drill
- 3:30 p.m. Children's Drill
- 4:00 p.m. Camp Closes

SUNDAY, MAY 4

- 10:00 a.m. Hike to the Huts with Soldiers (meets behind the Wick House)
- 11:00 a.m. Camp Opens
- 12:30 p.m. Inspection of the Troops
- 1:00 p.m. Firing Demonstration and Drill
- 1:30 p.m. Children's Drill
 - 3:00 p.m. Firing Demonstration and Drill 3:30 p.m. - Camp Closes
- The Wick House will be open
- from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day.
- The Jockey Hollow Visitor Center
- will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- All activities are free and take place at Jockey Hollow,
- 586 Tempe Wick Road, Morristown, NJ. For more information,

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Photo by NPS (above) Re-enactors at the Jockey Hollow Spring Encampment in 2023



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StayNJ Tax Relief Program - Monday, May 5, 1:00 PM - The NJ State Tax Office will present and discuss a new tax relief program called STAYNJ. Officials from Chatham Township and Chatham Borough will also be present.

New! Recent Retirees Group - Tuesdays, starting May 6, 10:00 AM - We inevitably face transitions in life that can reshape our identities. Retirement is one of those significant changes that often comes with mixed emotions, such as missing the camaraderie of colleagues, experiencing loss or boredom, or being unsure of how to fill days. If you are a recent retiree, please join us and explore this new chapter together.

Motorcycling Across Mongolia - Tuesday, May 6, 11:00 AM - Professional traveler Chris McCormack returns to talk about his 6-week trip across Mongolia on a motorcycle.

Crisis Communications in PR: Tales from The Dark Side - Monday, May 19, 12:00 PM - All organizations face crises. When they do, their communication becomes even more important for many reasons. Explore the "darkside" of public relations where organizations attempt to repair their broken reputations and salvage relationships through a very specific type of PRcrisis communication. What can organizations do to recover and grow stronger after experiencing a crisis? Presented by Professor Christopher Caldiero, Dept. of Communication, Fairleigh Dickinson University

The Center will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26

Garden Club Meeting - Wednesday, May 28, 10:00 AM - Monthly meeting of plant lovers and gardeners, with a presenter on a timely topic, followed by a Q&A session.

SENIOR CENTER WELCOMES AREA RESIDENTS

For 35 years, the Senior Center of the Chathams has been encouraging the independence and well-being of older adults and their families by connecting them with each other and the general community. As a unique not-forprofit agency, the Center serves the senior population from the Chathams and older adults from a wide surrounding area. The Center helps older adults age in place and remain active and engaged through activities and services that educate, empower, and promote community engagement. Programs and services are offered in the areas of fitness and wellness, enrichment, support and connection, and information and resources. There is no membership fee to join. Many programs are offered free of charge, while others involve only a minimal fee thanks to individual donations, fundraising events, and grants. The Center is located at 58 Meyersville Road (lower level) in Chatham and is open Mondays through Fridays from 9AM to 3PM. For more information, call 973-635-4565 or visit chathamseniorcenter.org.

RECENT RETIREES INVITED TO NEW GROUP

The Senior Center of the Chathams is holding a new group for recent retirees that is part of its ongoing Connections series. This free four-week session starts on Tuesday, May 6 and meets on Tuesdays. It's a great opportunity to meet others and share experiences during this exciting new phase of life. If you are interested in participating, please call the Senior Center of the Chathams at 973-635-4565.

Retiring, whether by choice or not, can be a challenging experience. On the one hand, retirement is supposed to feel like a happy time earned after many years of hard work; on the other, it can be an uncertain and stressful period. Many new retirees experience a drop in wellbeing because they find they miss working, miss the camaraderie of colleagues, are bored, or haven't yet determined what to do with their time. This can also be accompanied by feelings of loss of professional identity, loneliness, and questions about the future. Many may benefit from group support and talking with others going through the same life transition. The Senior Center of the Chathams (SCC) is an independent 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization celebrating its 35th anniversary this year. Since its founding, the Senior Center of the Chathams has provided older adults with opportunities for connection, community, and engagement. Not your typical "senior center," energetic and intellectually curious older adults are offered a huge variety of programming and services each month that enrich, support, and help to maintain an active lifestyle.

Chatham residency is not a requirement for participation. The Center welcomes people from Chatham and surrounding communities, as well as individuals from anywhere in New Jersey. There is no fee to join the Center. Many programs are offered free of charge, while others involve a minimal cost thanks to individual donations, fundraising events, and grants. Located at 58 Meyersville Road (lower level), Chatham, the Center is open Mondays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. For more information, call 973.635.4565 or visit chathamseniorcenter.org.





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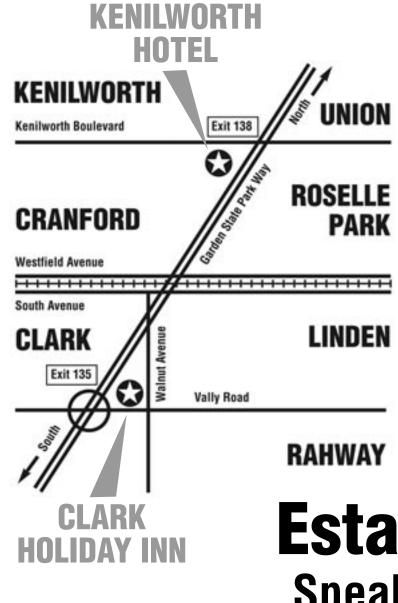
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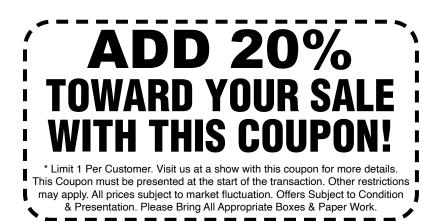
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LOGO COMMEMORATES AMERICA'S 250TH ANNIVERSARY

Morris County

The logo, designed by Kraus Marketing of Morristown in collaboration with the Morris County 250th Anniversary Steering Committee, incorporates the colors of the official Morris County seal and features a striking silhouette of Gen. George Washington and "his horse." He actually had two favorite steeds named Nelson and Blueskin – just a bit of the landslide of trivia to follow over the next two years as Morris County welcomes tourists from near and far to celebrate and reflect on its key role in the American Revolution.

The logo design is accompanied by the phrase "Celebrating 250 Years of Revolutionary History in Morris County," and will soon adorn banners, hats and other forms of marketing materials that will accompany Morris County's official events, tours and celebration of America's Second Continental Congress declaring independence from Britain in July 1776.

The 250th anniversary, or "Semiquincentennial," marks 250 years since the signing of the Declaration of Independence. More Revolutionary War battles and encampments occurred in New Jersey than any other colony -with Morris County hosting many key figures from the era and preserving numerous historic sites that will be the focus of public events in 2025 and 2026.

"This logo is more than just an emblem-- it embodies the influence Morris County had on our nation's path to freedom. The 250th anniversary is an opportunity to celebrate our county's past, and we invite everyone to visit and experience the unique history that helped shape America's founding," said Commissioner Christine Myers, a steering committee member.

To prepare celebratory events for the 250th this year and into 2026, The Morris County 250th Anniversary Steering Committee was formed last year and enlisted leaders of historical societies, higher education, museums, libraries, business associations, tourist organizations, civic groups, scholars and government officials. The goal is to promote not only the historic role Morris County, and its diverse community played in the American Revolution, but also to highlight the rich and varied history that followed.

During the Revolutionary War, Gen. George Washington and the Continental Army spent significant time in Morris County, with Morristown serving as a strategic winter encampment in 1777 and again 1779–1780. The second encampment, one of the harshest winters of the war, tested the resilience of Gen. Washington's troops as they endured extreme cold and food shortages. Washington also resided at the historic Ford Mansion in Morristown, which recently reopened to the public following extensive renovations.

By personifying the image of George Washington, Morris County's 250th anniversary logo captures the spirit of the American Revolution while authentically representing Morris County's historical significance.

"This logo embodies the rich history and heritage of Morris County. As the Crossroads of



the Revolution, our county played a key role in America's fight for independence and we sought a design that truly reflected that significance," said Sarah Neibart, Executive Director of the Morris County Semiquincentennial Initiative at the Tourism Bureau.

Upcoming events highlighting Morris County's role in the 250th anniversary include the 16th annual Pathways of History tour, Morristown National Historical Park's (NHP) Spring Encampment at Jockey Hollow and the Lafayette Farewell Tour this summer.

This year, Pathways of History, organized by the Morris County Historical Society, will offer both spring and fall weekend tours for the first time. All are welcome to attend, and admission is free to the annual event showcasing historic sites managed by Morris County's smallest, allvolunteer organizations.

The upcoming spring tour will take place on Saturday, May 3 and Sunday, May 4 from noon to 5 p.m. and will feature a record 29 organizations across 20 municipalities.

The Spring Encampment at Jockey Hollow, Morristown NHP's largest annual special event, will be held the same weekend, May 3 and 4, and features re-enactors from across the Northeast who bring the Revolutionary War to life with demonstrations. The event is also free and open to all, offering visitors a glimpse into 18thcentury military and civilian life-- including replica cannon fire!

TWO BOROUGH RETIREES CELEBRATED

Chatham Borough

CAROL NAUTA

Recreation's Carol Nauta was recently celebrated on her retirement after 39 years with Chatham Borough. Carol, we appreciate all your hard work over the years, and your dedication to the children and the residents of the Borough as well as the Township!



JANICE PICCOLO

Chatham Borough

Chatham Township celebrated with Janice Piccolo on April 1st on her retirement after 17 years with Chatham Borough. We appreciate her countless hours spent on Sustainable Jersey, our fun Summer Concerts, and her work with all the downtown businesses. From Fishawack to the Farmers' Market, and everything in between Janice has been an integral part of the Chatham Community; we will miss her and wish her the best on her retirement!





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INNOVATIVE PET THERAPY PROGRAM IMPLEMENTED

Morris County Surrogate Office

Morris County Surrogate Heather Darling is proud to introduce a new innovative pet therapy program at the Morris County Surrogate's Court, the first of its kind. The program is designed to provide comfort and support to our grieving clients and assist our probate clerks who deal with grief daily. This significant initiative highlights the court's commitment to fostering a compassionate environment for both the families we serve and the dedicated professionals who guide them through complex emotional processes.

Recently, the program welcomed therapy dogs Mulligan and Story, whose calming presence has already made a powerful impact on clients and staff alike. For grieving clients, the dogs offer a



(above) Surrogate Darling, Deputy Surrogate Chris Luongo, Chief of Staff Christina Ramirez and Story

Joseph Doherty, Owner

soothing connection during one of life's most challenging moments, providing comfort and even smiles amid their sorrow.

For our hardworking probate clerks, who face the emotional weight of assisting grieving families every day, these comfort pets bring muchneeded moments of relief and renewal, supporting their well-being as they perform their vital work. Surrogate Darling is proud to bring this meaningful and beneficial resource to our community, as the pets will visit the Surrogate's Court each month throughout the year. For more information about the Morris County Surrogate, please visit morrissurrogate.com.



(above) Surrogate Staff with Mulligan

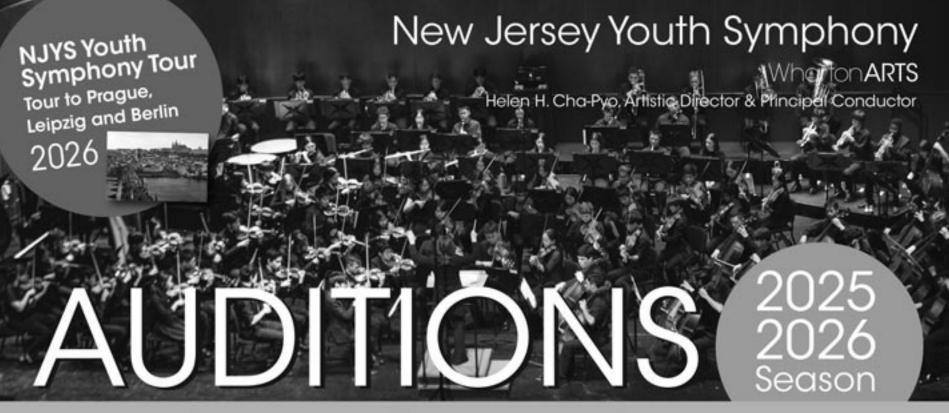
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Level 1 & 2	May 13
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JAZZ	
All Instruments	

June 1

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 Level 3 & 4
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All auditions will take place at 570 Central Avenue, New Providence, NJ, unless otherwise noted. For questions, email us at info@njys.org

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(above) Nearly 100 attendees learned about resources and support for local veterans during a Morris County Veterans Services Event meant to expand outreach.

Photo by County of Morris







RESOURCES AND SUPPORT FOR LOCAL VETERANS

County of Morris

Nearly 100 attendees gathered at the Morris County Veterans Services Office (VSO) in February for an information session on the extensive support available to local veterans.

The event, hosted by the Morris County Board of County Commissioners, featured representatives from federal, state and county offices, along with veteran service providers offering guidance on available resources. Many guests wore red in observance of R.E.D. (Remember Everyone Deployed) Shirt Friday, a tradition honoring deployed service members.

Speakers included Christine Hellyer, director of Aging, Disabilities and Community Programming, and Jessica Tomalo, program coordinator for the VSO, who led an informative presentation.

Missed the Event? View the Video Recording Available Online:

youtube.com/watch?v=G38nfRBIqY8

"Morris County doesn't recognize our veterans only on Memorial Day and Veterans Day -- we honor them every day," said Commissioner Krickus, a U.S. Marine Corps veteran. "We continue to expand the Veterans Services Office to meet growing needs, including doubling its space in 2023, hiring a fourth Veterans Services Officer and establishing a federal Veteran Center Community Access Point in Morristown in 2024."

He also noted that the county maintains an online archive of local veterans' history, which preserves stories of service from the Revolutionary War to modern conflicts. Additionally, he highlighted County College of Morris' (CCM) Veterans Resource Center and manufacturing training programs available at no cost for veterans and their families, supported by a \$5 million U.S. Department of Defense grant.

Marie Fragomeni, outreach coordinator for the County Clerk's Office, spoke about services available to veterans through County Clerk Ann Grossi's office, including the "Operation Give Back" program, which offers discounts to veterans and Gold Star family members who present their Morris County ID Card at participating local businesses.

Also present to provide updates at the event were Nicholas Henry, field representative for U.S. Rep. Tom Kean Jr.; Willy Tolba, constituent services representative for U.S. Rep. Mikie Sherrill; Alex McConnell, legislative aide to State Sen. Anthony Bucco; Jon Hinker, senior vice commander of the New Jersey VFW; and Shenandoah Ellis-Ullmer, veterans and military services coordinator at CCM.

Service providers in attendance included the Mental Health Association of Essex and Morris, Inc. (MHA) and Atlantic Behavioral Health's True North Program for Veterans.

Hellyer shared an update on the 2025 human services veterans grants, which fund critical services for Morris County veterans and their families. The grants support the MHA's mental health, substance abuse, care management and educational programs; Interfaith Food Pantry's distribution of food and household essentials to food-insecure families; and Legal Services of Northwest New Jersey's legal assistance and counseling for veterans. This year, Community Hope will also receive funding for emergency housing services.

She also highlighted other essential county services, including Morris Area Paratransit System (MAPS), a curb-to-curb shared ride service for seniors, individuals with disabilities and veterans, as well as the Morris County Nutrition Project, which provides home-delivered meals to seniors.

Following presentations, an engaging Q&A session gave attendees the opportunity to ask questions and provide input. Attendees also had access to a resource table with informational materials, and light refreshments and snacks were offered.

For more information on veteran resources, visit morriscountynj.gov/veterans. Call (973) 285-6866, Email

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MORRIS COUNTY RELAY FOR LIFE MAY 10TH

The Morristown Rotary Club is proud to announce its participation in the American Cancer Society's Morris County Relay For Life, taking place on May 10th. Team Rotary is committed to raising critical funds to support cancer research, patient services, and advocacy efforts, honoring those lost, celebrating survivors, and supporting caregivers.

The Relay For Life is a powerful and moving experience that unites communities in the shared goal of eliminating cancer. Participants walk laps throughout the event, symbolizing the ongoing fight against cancer and remembering those who have battled the disease.

Team Rotary invites individuals, businesses, and organizations to join them in this vital cause. "Every donation, no matter the size, makes a difference," emphasized Scott Marum, Captain of the Team Rotary effort. "Whether you're honoring a loved one, supporting a survivor, or simply contributing to the fight, your generosity will have a lasting impact."

HOW TO DONATE:

Visit the Team Rotary fundraising page at: main.acsevents.org/goto/RotaryMorristown

ABOUT THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

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SHOP TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE - MAY 3RD

The Florham Park Town-Wide Yard Sale is happening Saturday, May 3rd from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, May 4th from noon to 3 p.m. Visit the event website (florhamparknj.org/yardsale) to plan your shopping for the weekend.

On the website you'll find a Google Map for the event that pinpoints each location. By clicking on the pinpoint, you can see the items advertised by the seller at that address.

You'll also find two printable documents:

Participating Addresses by Neighborhood and Items For Sale at Each Location. Buyers can use the website information to find specific items like bikes, toys, and tools.

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LONE EAGLE COMPOSITE SQUADRON OF THE CIVIL AIR PATROL (CAP)



(above, l-r) Col Amy T. Myzie, NJ Wing Commander, Captain Jens P. Hinge, and Captain Adam Fitting, Squadron Commander Courtesy photo

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Recently Captain Jens P. Hinge, CAP, of Madison, NJ, and former Squadron Commander of the Lone Eagle Composite Squadron, was presented with two awards for his outstanding service by Col. Amy T. Myzie, NJ Wing Commander with support of Captain Adam Fitting, Squadron Commander.

The first was the Civil Air Patrol, Auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, Commander's Commendation Award for outstanding duty performance by Capt Jens P. Hinge, CAP, during the period from Dec 9, 2020 to Dec 8th, 2024, by Col Amy T. Myzie, NJ Wing Commander and Major General Regena M. Aye, National Commander. This was for his leadership of the Squadron with just a few cadets and seniors during COVID to about 50 cadets and 15 seniors during the period cited.

The second was for the Civil Air Patrol, United States Air Force Auxiliary Command Service Ribbon to Capt. Jens P. Hinge, in recognition for his continued service as Commander of the Lone Eagle Composite Squadron by Col Amy T. Myzie, NJ Wing Commander. This was given in recognition of his continued service as Commander during the above period cited.





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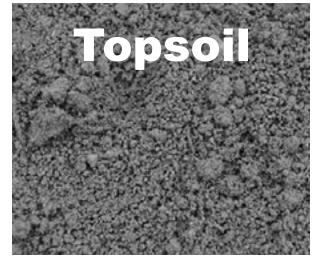


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