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A small group meets at Couger Field in Chatham on Tuesdays at 6 a.m.

We share post Saturday run breakfast on a park picnic winter days to keep us warm when we share breakfast. We do have other activities including member hosted house parties. contact kavishshukla@outlook.com.

for membership.

Just come some Saturday! Members run varying paces software.) Meet time is at 8:30 a.m. April-October and 9 a.m. (including a few walkers) and typically cover 3-8 miles, much November-March. We leave promptly so if it's your first time on quiet wooded park trails. We often have turnouts of over 20 runners even on cold days. We have a diversity of ages from 20's to 70's! When park trails are icy or snow covered, we use alternate routes. We are a friendly welcoming group.

Contact BarbaraRushman@yahoo.com, check us out on bench. We even have a fire in the shelter fireplace on cold Facebook or visit our website RoseCityRunners.com to join or to learn more. If interested in early morning Chatham runs



(above) Rose City Runners. Come for the run and stay for the friendship!

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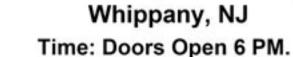
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# **FROM PRIVILEGE TO PURPOSE: AN EVENING WITH HRH CROWN PRINCE MANVENDRA**

Harmonium Choral Society is hosting an Morris Arts through the New Jersey State MORE ABOUT HARMONIUM CHORAL SOCIETY: evening of music and conversation with HRH Crown Prince Manvendra Singh Gohil and his husband, HH Prince deAndre, Duke of Hanumanteshwar, on their 2025 USA PRIDE MONTH TOUR: Human Rights Advocacy, on Friday, June 13th, 7 pm, at the Ukrainian American Cultural Center, 60 N Jefferson Rd., Whippany. Cost is \$25.

As India's first openly gay royal and a direct descendant of one of India's oldest dynasties, Prince Manvendra's story made international news in 2006 when he came out as a homosexual, his family disowned him, and effigies of him were burned in public. Today, he is an internationally recognized human rights advocate. His journey is a testament to courage, resilience, and the power of truth.

The prince's inspiring story will be interwoven with several musical selections. Harmonium singers, directed by Anne Matlack, will be joined by flutist Kris Lamb and the prince who will play the harmonium, an Indian musical instrument. Light refreshments will be provided by Jim Knight of Michelin Flavors Catering.

The prince's husband, an American by birth, and part of the first same-sex royal marriage in modern history, will join Prince Manvendra to share moments from their time together, which are highlighted in their recently published memoir, A Royal Commitment: Ten Years of Marriage and Activism. Although they will not be traveling with books, they are happy to sign books for those who have them.

Together, HRH Prince Manvendra and HH Prince DeAndre continue to champion human rights, breaking barriers and reshaping history through advocacy, education, and lived experience. This tour extends beyond literary promotion; it is a movement for activism, advocacy, and leadership in the ongoing fight for global equality.

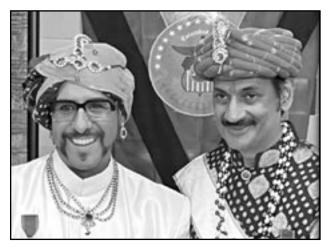
There will be time for questions and conversation with Princes Manvendra and DeAndre. Preregistration is requested here: zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/pride-month-tourjune--2025

For more information about 2025 PRIDE MONTH TOUR: Human Rights Advocacy, please visit their website: TheGayRoyals.com. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Lakshya Trust, an Indian nonprofit established by the prince to help the LGBTQ+ community.

Harmonium Choral Society is dedicated to ensuring that all our patrons are able to enjoy the arts equally. If you need a large print program or have accessibility needs, questions, or concerns, please contact us at least two weeks prior to the performance, and we will assist you in the best manner we have available. We are always looking to make your experience better, and we welcome your input. For more information, contact manager@harmonium.org or (973) 538-6969. Thank you for supporting Harmonium as your entertainment choice.

Funding has been made possible in part by

Council on the Arts/Department of State, a partner of the National Endowment for the Arts and by funds from New Jersey The Cultural Trust.



Directed by Dr. Anne J. Matlack since 1987, Harmonium Choral Society is one of New Jersey's leading choral arts organizations. The 100-voice chorus has been recognized for its musical excellence and innovative programming and has commissioned over 30 works by contemporary composers to keep the choral arts vibrant and alive.

In addition, the High School Student Choral Composition Contest has won the prestigious Chorus America Education and Outreach Harmonium Award. also sponsors musicianship workshops and an outreach chorus that performs in schools, retirement facilities, and other venues. The chorus tours internationally, most recently to the Balkans in the summer of 2022.



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#### Then and Now with Marta McDowell

Saturday, June 14, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

The hunt for garden history started with a discovery. It was a "visiting gardens" list, circa 1928, found in the archives of the Morris County Park Commission. Miss Caroline Foster drew up the list for the Garden Club of Morristown. Eighty years later Marta McDowell and friends tracked down those properties and a few more for good measure. What did they look like then? Have they survived? Come on this entertaining, informative hunt for the treasures of our gardening past with local author, horticulturalist, and landscape historian Marta McDowell. No registration is required; seating is first-come, first-seated.

#### Wills, Trusts and Estates (Virtual via Zoom)

Tuesday, June 17, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Morris County Surrogate Heather J. Darling, Esq. will speak on Wills, Trusts and Estates. Registration required.

#### **Author Visit with Nick Corasaniti**

Wednesday, June 25, 7:00-8:00 p.m. Nick Corasaniti, New York Times reporter and author, will speak about and read selections from his book, I Don't Want to Go Home, an oral history of The Stone Pony.

#### ALL AGES Open Mic Night

Thursday, June 12, 6:00-8:00 p.m. All performers of all ages are welcome to come to our Open Mic Night in the public meeting room. P/A with Bluetooth for backing tracks provided. Electric Keyboard also available. Sign-up beforehand with Laurence Ross at 973-285-6975 or lross@co.morris.nj.us . Walk-ins are welcome.

#### Stellar Shipwreck: Escape Room Monday & Tuesday,

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#### TEENS

#### Father's Day Teen Grab and Go Crafts June 2 - 14.

Stop by the Reader Services Desk and pick up a

teen craft and turn it into a Father's Day gift!

One craft per teen while supplies last. For ages 13-18.

#### **Teen Summer Reading Bingo Starts!**

From June 23 - August 23, 5:00 p.m. Stop by the Readers Services desk and pickup a bingo card. The first teen participants to submit their 1st Bingo card will receive a Color our World goody bag, while supplies last. For ages

13-18. One teen will win a\$50 gift card to Barnes & Noble. Bingo runs

#### Teen Space

Friday, June 27, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Come hang out with your peers at our monthly program! Unstructured time to just hang or enjoy games, crafts, and, of course, snacks. For ages 13-18.Drop-in.

#### **ADULTS**

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Friday Afternoon Movies @ 2:00 p.m. (drop-in, no registration required):June 6: "Black Bag" June 13: "The Apprentice"

#### Adult Summer Reading Bingo

Begins June 1 Pick up an adult bingo card at Readers Services. Get bingos through reading prompts; each bingo is a chance to win one of three prizes.

#### Italian Conversation

Tuesday, June 3, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Practice your Italian informally with casual conversation! A basic level of proficiency is recommended.

Socrates Cafe

Monday, June 9, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. A discussion group using the dialogue of the Socratic Method. The only requirement for this program is a willingness to listen respectfully. Speaking is not required, although encouraged. Light refreshments provided. Drop-in.

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#### True Crime Chat (Via Zoom)

Thursday, June 12, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Virtual true crime discussion group meets via Zoom on the second Thursday evening of each month. The Zoom link will be emailed to you shortly before the program start time. June topic: Lorena Bobbitt attack on John Bobbitt, specifically, and domestic violence in general.

#### Mystery Book Club

Monday, June 23, 7:00-8:00 p.m. This month's book: The Caveman's Valentine by George Dawes Green.

#### Medieval Literature Book Club

*Tuesday, June* **17**, **6**:30-7:30 p.m. Bi-monthly book club focusing on medieval literature. Our current selection: The Canterbury Tales by Geoffrey Chaucer.

#### Mystery Book Club

Monday, June 23, 7:00-8:00 p.m. This month's book: The Caveman's Valentine by George Dawes Green.

#### CHILDREN

#### **Stuffed Animal Storytime & Music**

*Tuesday, June 3, 10:00-10:30 a.m.* Bring your favorite stuffed animal to listen to stories and music with Mr. Laurence! For ages 2-5. Drop-in.

#### LEGO Club

Saturday, June 7, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Your creations will be displayed in the children's room. For ages 4-12. Registration required Kids' Trivia Time

Saturday, June 21, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. This trivia challenge has 10 fun questions covering all kinds of cool topics. Use your brainpower or library resources – or both! For ages 7-12. Drop-in.

#### Summer Reading Club -- "Color Our World"

Registration begins on Monday, June 16. Stop by the children's services desk and register for the summer reading club. Goody bags will be given out to all children who register for the summer reading club. Read and report every week for raffle tickets! Children will be entered in a grand prize raffle to win Barnes and Noble gift cards! The Summer Reading Club is for

children from birth to age 12.

Read and report June 30- August 9.

**Children's Summer Reading Program Kickoff!** Thursday, June 26

#### Face Painting

Registration June 10, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Come and get your face painted! Face painting provided by Currier's Magical Mania.

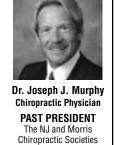
#### Petting Zoo

12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Enjoy a petting zoo from Swift Farms! No registration is required. This program is held outside and is for children of all ages..

#### **Little Rockers Children's Concert**

Registrations begin June 10, 2:00 - 2:45 p.m. Chris and Jessie Apple perform a live, interactive rock show. Part concert and part music class. For ages birth - 12.



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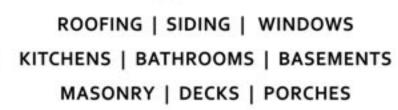
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#### ADULT, TEEN & CHILDREN'S EVENTS & PROGRAMS

No registration is required unless otherwise noted. All Library programs sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

#### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALES

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#### ADULT PROGRAMS: Stamp Club

Thursday, June 5, 10:00 am Join like-minded philately folks on the 1st Thursday of every month for stamp collecting fun & information. Members of the JHSC will

answer your questions and have stamp selections to display. Bring your own stamps along too! Sponsored by The Jockey Hollow Stamp Club of Morristown and The American Philatelic Society.

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#### Yoga

Every Monday at 6:00 pm and Thursdays at 10:00 am Join us for some much-needed relaxation and gentle exercise! All levels from beginner to advanced are welcome. Monday classes are bilingual Spanish and English. Please bring your own mat and equipment.

#### Qigong on hiatus June 14 - September 6. Program resumes September 13. Chess Club

Thursday, June 5 and Thursday, J une 19 at 5:30-8:30 pm

Looking to practice your chess skills with some very friendly competition? Then come to the Library's Chess Club! Meetings are the 1st

and 3rd Thursday of every month in the Reference Wing. In the summer, meetings will be held on the front lawn (weather permitting). Please note this is not a class. All players are expected to know how to play on their own. All skill levels and ages are welcome. Please bring your own chess set.

#### **US Citizenship Exam Preparation** The class runs Saturdays from

May 10-June 28 from 9:30 - 1 pm N400 American History Civics course to pass the Citizenship exam on Saturdays from 9:30-1:00. Held in the library's upstairs F. M. Kirby gallery. This is a 7-week course taught by Jewish Vocational Services. All students must have a Green Card and bring it to the first

session. Classes taught in English. Sponsored by JVS donors. Please call 862-704-2291, or use this link to register.

#### Sound Healing

Thursday, June 12 at 7 pm Join us for an immersive experience with Crystal Sound Bowl Meditation and Sound Healing instructor Ivette Desai. This ancient practice uses the resonant sounds of crystal bowls to promote deep relaxation, balance and healing. Please bring your own mat to this program. Please note that similar to our yoga &

qigong, this is a physical, health-related class and may not be for everyone.

#### Medicare Overview - Learn About Your Options Monday, June 16 at 7 pm

Confused by constant Medicare changes? This presentation provides information on

Prescription Drug Plans, Parts A & B, Medigap, and Advantage Plans. Get the information you need to make informed decisions! Also learn about NJ SAVE, a program to help people save money on premiums, drug costs and everyday living expenses.

This program is being offered both in person in the Library's Meeting Room, and on Zoom. **Abraham Lincoln's Most Difficult Decision** 

Thursday, June 26 at 7 pm Join us on Zoom for a program from Morristown educator and author Richard Schwartz about the Civil War era. Email refdesk@mmt.mainlib.org for the Zoom code. Hosted by the NJ Civil War Round Table

#### BOOK CLUBS: Silent Book Club

Sunday, June 1, 2:00-3:00 pm A unique gathering on the first Sunday of the month for book enthusiasts seeking a quiet communal reading experience. Unlike traditional book clubs, participants choose their own books and come together in a shared space to read silently. It's Happy Hour for introverts!

#### **The Seekers Book Club**

Wednesday, June 5, 7:00 pm "Silence: The Power of Quiet in a World Full of Noise" By Thich Nhat Hahn. Join us on the first Wednesday of every month to discuss all things related to spirituality, selfhelp, motivation, and inspiration. We meet in the Upstairs Gallery..

#### Book Lovers Circle

Thursday, June 7, 7:00 pm on Zoom Do you have a passion for reading and books? Join our Book Lovers Circle on the first Thursday of every month. Not a traditional book club, you will hear about the newest books at the Library, receive a reading list and have a chance to share your own favorites.

Expand your literary horizons!

#### Morning Book Club

Thursday, June 12, 10:00 am "The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store" by James McBride

Science Fiction Book Club

Saturday, June 14, 2:00 pm "Noor" by Nnedi Okarafor

#### Evening Book Club

Tuesday, June 17, 7:00 pm "The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store" by James McBride

#### CHILDREN & TEENS PROGRAMS Teen Book Club

Tuesday, June 10, 5:00 pm "Death at Morning House" by Maureen Johnson.

#### INFANT AND CHILDREN'S STORYTIME

Baby Stories and Songs, Children's Storytime, and Lunch with the Librarian will begin the week of June 30.

#### **KIDS SUMMER BOOK CLUBS**

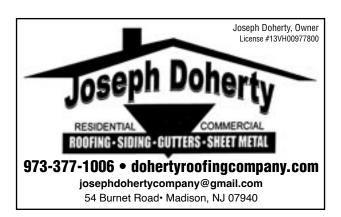
Summer book clubs meet weekly from July 8 - August 14. They are open to children entering grade 2-6. Registration is required. Each book club title will have two meeting dates, one during the day and one during the evening. Books will be provided by the library.

#### **TEEN SUMMER PROGRAMS**

Our summer programs run from July 7 - August 11. They are open to teens entering grades 7 - 12 in the fall. We are offering Summer Book Clubs, Crochet Camp and Teen Crafternoons. Books will be provided by the library.



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# MPAC ARTS IN THE COMMUNITY 2025 SUMMER FREE CONCERT LINEUP

Events will take place outdoors at Vail Mansion Plaza, adjacent to MPAC, and Pioneer Park,

#### All summer free events start at 6 p.m.

This year's outdoor events will feature music ranging from salsa to country line dancing to Bollywood. The Summer Arts in the

Community concert series is sponsored by ADP. This summer, MPAC will kick off this year's area Juneteenth Arts Celebration, a three-day event in partnership with Morris Museum, Art in the Atrium and Morris Arts. See

JuneteenthArtsCelebration.com for details. Juneteenth Arts Celebration Kickoff Concert

Lynette Sheard and Gregory Burrus Productions Wednesday, June 18 Location: Vail Mansion Plaza

Celebrate the spirit and message of Juneteenth with this concert by vocalist Lynette Sheard that features popular freedom songs that

demonstrate the joy and hope of the African-American experience.

#### **MPAC Arts in the Community Summer Events** MPAC Music Student of the Month Recital

Wednesday, June 4

Location: Vail Mansion Plaza Morris County middle and high school musicians honored as MPAC Music Students of the Month throughout the past season showcase their talents in this year-end recital. The Music Student of the Month program is sponsored by the Walter F. and Alice Gorham Foundation

### Country Line Dancing with Paul Stoddard

Wednesday, July 9 Location: Pioneer Plaza

A li'l bit of Nashville comes to Morristown! Put on your cowboy boots for a honky-tonk evening of country line dancing with DJ and dance instructor Paul Stoddard, who will have you swinging to the sounds of classic and contemporary country music whether you're an experienced line dancer or novice!

#### **Bollywood Dance Party with DJ Arjun**

Wednesday, July 23 Location: Pioneer Plaza Back by popular demand! Born in Mumbai, DJ Arjun is known for his Bollywood and Top 40 dance music mix, infusing his events with energy and enthusiasm that captivates the dance floor! B2Z Dance School returns to bring the rhythm of Bollywood moves and Mehndikalogie will provide intricate designs of

#### henna art. Salsa at Sunset

Featuring Bri'La Flor Dance Studio Wednesday, August 6 Location: Pioneer Plaza MPAC's annual salsa night spices up the town

with zesty night of Latin rhythms, great dancing and much more. Instructors will be on hand to help you learn all of the steps!

#### An Evening with Singer-Songwriters Megan Chappius and Jeiris Cook Wednesday, August 20

Location: Vail Mansion Plaza Singer-songwriter and Morristown-native Megan Chappius' warm vocal tone and playful melodies encapsulate a blend of soul, jazz, and folk. With a style that's an infusion of vintage soul, folk and rhythm and blues rolled into a velvety serenade, Jeiris Cook marries sounds old and new while delivering a performance

that is truly unique and memorable.

#### **QUIET PONDS & TRAILS: JONES WOOD HIKE** Saturday, August 9, 10 AM

RAIN DATE: SUN, AUG 10, 10 AM Explore the nature preserve just above Burnham Park and discover its rich history what it was, what might have been, and what it has become today: a AUG true Township gem.

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#### FOSTERFIELDS TO RAIL TRAIL: WASHINGTON VALLEY HIKE

Saturday, May 31, 2PM RAIN DATE: SUN, JUNE 1, 2 PM Discover the rich history and natural beauty of Washington Valley on a guided hike starting from Fosterfields Historical Farm and connecting to Patriot's Path. This approximately three-mile hike includes a mix of paved sections and mostly rocky trails with a few hills. Start Location: Fosterfields Lower Community, Knox Hill RD. near the Tracy

#### House. HARTER ROAD FIELDS TO SWISS CHALET BIKE RIDE

Saturday, June 7, 10 AM RAIN DATE: SUN, JUNE 8, 10 AM Explore the neighborhoods off James Street and around Spring Brook on a scenic JUNE 28 SAT, JUNE 19 SAT, JULY 09 SAT, bike ride, with a stop at the Swiss Chalet for a mid-ride break before heading back. Start Location: Harter Road Fields parking lot.



#### MENNEN TO MARKETPLACE TO COLLINSVILLE WALK

Saturday, June 28, 10 AM RAIN DATE: SUN, JUNE 29, 10 AM Enjoy a leisurely stroll along the new walking path from the Mennen Arena Complex to the

Marketplace Pocket Park, through the Collinsville neighborhood, and finishing at the Collinsville Playground and Tucker Field Park, both currently under construction and being

redesigned to provide updated spaces for recreation and relaxation. The walk will take no more than 90 minutes. Start Location: Mennen Arena parking lot.



### FOUR DECADES OF MUSICAL MAGIC

#### Hanover Wind Symphony

Celebrating four decades of "bringing music to people and people to music," the renowned Hanover Wind Symphony presented a gala 40th Anniversary Concert on Sunday, April 27, at Morristown High School. Roughly half the members of the all-volunteer HWS are music educators; the other half range from engineers and physical therapists, to IT business analysts, speech/language pathologists, even probation officers. All bring their musical talents, plus their other life experiences, to the music they love to play. The group was founded in 1985 by Peter Boor, former band director at Whippany Park High School, who saw the need for an adult ensemble which could perform music of the highest caliber. At the premiere performance there were 30 musicians. Now in its 40th season, the Hanover Wind Symphony has a membership of over 85. For further information about HWS, including details about upcoming concerts, visit hanoverwinds.org.



(above) Among those on hand for the HWS 40th Anniversary Concert founding music director and conductor Peter Boor, left, former band director at Whippany Park High School and Fairleigh Dickinson University in Madison, and Matthew Paterno of Parsippany, current HWS music director and conductor. Boor served as a guest conductor at the 40th Anniversary Concert.

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# **STUDENTS ACCEPT NASA CODING CHALLENGE**

Morris County Vocational School District Students from the Academy for Computer & Information Sciences, located at the Morris County School of Technology in Denville, within the Morris County Vocational School District (MCVSD), embarked on a Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) journey this school year by participating in NASA's App Development Challenge (ADC). The ADC, one of eight Artemis Student Challenges, is a coding challenge presenting students with technical problems seeking their contributions to deep space exploration missions.

The ADC is a part of the NASA Office of STEM Engagement Next Gen STEM Project and is led out of Johnson Space Center in Houston. This year's challenge asked student teams to research and design a computer application to visualize Artemis II, the first crewed mission on NASA's path to establishing a long-term presence at the Moon for science and exploration through Artemis. The challenge is created in collaboration with NASA's Space Communication and Navigation (SCaN) team to support upcoming mission planning and training activities.

SCaN serves as the program office for all of NASA's space communications activities, presently enabling the success of more than 100 NASA and non-NASA missions. SCaN manages the Near Space Network (NSN) and the Deep Space Network (DSN), ensuring the availability and allocation of the radiofrequency spectrum for all NASA programs. Additionally, SCaN supports the research and development of cutting-edge space communications technologies, such as optical and quantum communications, and is responsible for developing an integrated space communications and navigation architecture to support science and human exploration programs through 2040.

Throughout the 10-week challenge, which occurred Oct. 2-Dec. 11, 2024, students had the opportunity to engage with NASA coders and engineers through four live virtual events and weekly office hours. NASA scientists and engineers reviewed student video submissions and interviewed selected teams. Following interviews, top teams will be selected for a multiday culminating event at Johnson.

By accepting the ADC challenge, these Artemis Generation students from the Academy for Computer & Information Sciences are participating in NASA's endeavors to land the first woman and first person of color on the surface of the Moon.

For additional information about the App Development Challenge, SCaN and NASA's Next Gen STEM visit their website: www.nasa.gov/

# ACADEMY FOR COMPUTER & INFORMATION SCIENCES

The Academy for Computer & Information Sciences is a rigorous Career & Technical Education (CTE) program that prepares students for success in post-secondary programs and careers related to the computer science field. Students in the Academy are provided with a comprehensive overview of computer programming, internet technology, computer architecture, history of computers, mathematics for programming, network security, and software engineering.

#### **MORRIS COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Morris County Vocational School District (MCVSD) offers a wide range of career and technical education programs that inspire and prepare students to succeed in today's world and pursue tomorrow's opportunities. An academy program of the Morris County Vocational School District (MCVSD) provides students in grades nine through twelve in-depth instruction in a specific career pathway. Students attend the academy program instead of their local high school unless the academy program is housed in their local high school. Students take their academy class each year along with the NJ State Department of Education's academic requirements. All academy students receive a high school diploma from the Morris County Vocational School District, regardless of their academy location. Each academy has a unique academy course sequence and opportunities for internships and earning college credit. For more information visit www.mcvts.org.



(above, l-r) Stratton Jelley, Pranav Pramod, Neil Kumaran, Ryan Khieu, Emanuel Wertman, Nathan O'Brien.

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# **10TH ANNUAL FEATHERFEST – JUNE 1**

We invite you and your family to The Raptor Trust (TRT) on Sunday, June 1, 2025, for a day of all things bird! Make a difference in one day. FeatherFest is the biggest event of the year, when our community comes together to raise funds to help care for the influx of baby birds we admit each spring/summer. Tour our facilities and participate in games, gifts, auctions, raffles, food, and FUN! Entry times for FeatherFest must be booked online at: theraptortrust.org/featherfest

The Raptor Trust is located at 1390 White Bridge Road, Millington, NJ.

The Raptor Trust is a 501(c)(3) not for profit organization which provides free medical care to thousands of orphaned or injured birds each year. Our infirmary staff is available seven days a week during daylight hours to admit injured birds, but we must rely on the people who find them to bring them to us for care. If you find a bird that needs help, please visit our website

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### **BLOOD SERVICES VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

New Jersey Blood Services (NJBS), a division of New York Blood Center, which provides blood for local patients, is looking for a few good volunteers. The blood drive volunteer is an integral member of our team whose tasks include assisting donors with registration and/or at the refreshment area. No medical background necessary. Volunteers should be outgoing to provide friendly customer service, be able to perform tasks as needed, must provide proof of COVID Vaccination prior to volunteering and must have transportation. All training is provided including additional precautions for the safety of our team and blood donors. For additional information call or text Sharon Zetts, Manager, NJBS Volunteer Services at 732-850-8906, Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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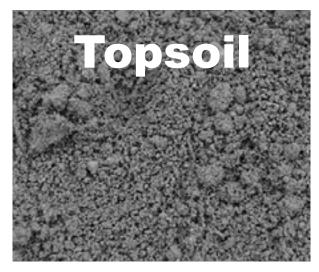
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