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TWO SCHOOL 12 STAFFERS NAMED EDUCATORS OF THE YEAR

Elizabeth Public Schools

The Governor's Educator of the Year Program highlights educational innovation, student achievement, exemplary teaching, and important services outside the classroom environment that lead to student success. This celebratory program recognizes our state's best PK to grade 12 teachers and educational services professionals.

Among several eligibility criteria, they must also be experts in the field who inspire students of all backgrounds and abilities to learn; actively collaborate with colleagues, students, and families to create a strong culture of respect and success; demonstrate leadership and innovation in educational activities; and have the respect and admiration of students, parents and colleagues.

School No. 12 Third Grade Teacher Ms. Crystal Paula Rodriguez was earned Teacher of the Year honors.

She says "Although my childhood seemed tough there were amazing people that helped along the way. I went to several elementary schools and one thing they all had in common was an educator willing to help. Many noticed we were in a tough situation. When we needed food, my family was directed to the school's counselor for resources. When I needed love many teachers were there to give me a hug and provide comfort. When I struggled in class many teachers dedicated their own time to make sure I succeeded. I remember each of their names because of the profound impact they had on my life. Their love and dedication made me want to become 'the teacher'. 'The teacher' that challenges you academically, 'the teacher' that empowers students, and 'the teacher' that is there to talk to and empower others to show up as their best self.

As an educator, I believe that my role as a teacher goes far beyond the classroom and the requirements imposed by the position. I believe that being a great teacher requires you to foster a genuine connection with students that increases students' and teacher rapport, preparing the students for a world that at times can be challenging, and igniting a love of learning. In my classroom, I make it a priority to ensure that I know my students and their families. This is done through a host of activities throughout the school year such as all about me posters or a get to know you activity and having daily conversations with parents or caretakers both in person and through educational platforms. Parents are invited into my classroom on a yearly basis to speak with me regarding their child's academic progress, but also, to observe their child's learning. In addition, with the curriculum and learning materials used I create an environment where my students



(above, l-r) Third Grade Teacher Ms. Crystal Paula Rodriguez and School Counselor Ms. Kristina Pedulla.

can ask questions and conduct research through a variety of topics to increase their curiosity of learning. Allowing this process to naturally occur in the classroom allows us to learn together and hear their stance on their inquiry and passion."

The Educational Service Professional of the Year award went to Ms. Kristina Pedulla, School Counselor.

She says "Many factors have influenced me to become a school counselor. After being an educator for over ten years, I decided to become a school counselor in order to help a greater population within the school community. As an educator, I saw what an impact outside issues could have on a child's academic success. I realized that in order for a child to succeed academically, his social and emotional well-being all played a huge part. I have a deep desire to help students navigate challenges, whether they are academic, social, or emotional. Being a school counselor allows me to ensure that every student receives the emotional and academic support he or she needs in order to succeed in all aspects of life. My goal is to make a meaningful difference and create a lasting impact in all students' lives. Seeing students grow academically, socially, and emotionally has brought great meaning and joy to my career.

School counselors play a key role in supporting students' academic, emotional, social, and career development, while also ensuring a safe and supportive school environment. Teachers, parents, and counselors work together to create interventions to help students succeed. I take pride in being empathetic to the struggles that my students endure. Students can open up to me easily and know they are in a safe space with me."

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JLEP ANNOUNCES 2025 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

The Junior League of Elizabeth Plainfield (JLEP) awarded three \$4,000 scholarships at their Annual Dinner on May 21, 2025 to college bound women who demonstrated a passion for volunteerism. The scholarship recipients are:

- Vasyah Mars of Rahway who will be attending Howard University
- Erica Donohue of Westfield, NJ who will be attending Fairleigh Dickinson University
- Laila Qualis of Westfield, NJ who will be attending Morgan State University.

Bernadette Houston, chair of the JLEP Scholarship Committee said “With over 32 qualified scholarship applicants, our Scholarship review committee had their work cut out for them. It is amazing the dedication that these young women have, excelling in studies, sports, and community activities. It was quite a challenge to come up with the top three for the year, but we were finally able to reach a consensus and upon meeting the award winners, our decisions were confirmed. All the young women are well qualified and great representatives of their schools and communities, truly the future volunteers of Union County.”

The Junior League of Elizabeth Plainfield awards scholarships each spring. To find out more about the League’s scholarship program or about how to join as a member, please contact the League at 908-709-117, or via email at office@jlepnj.org.

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF ELIZABETH PLAINFIELD

The Junior League of Elizabeth Plainfield is a chapter of the Association of Junior Leagues International, Inc. and is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training. Its purpose is exclusively educational

and charitable. To learn more about the Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield please visit jlepnj.org.

For more information about the Junior League of Elizabeth Plainfield, please contact: Stephanie Eckenrode, President, Junior League of Elizabeth Plainfield, call (908)709-1177 or email information@jlepnj.org



(above, l-r) Liz Strong, Mary Jackson, Teri DiFrancisco, JLEP Scholarship Committee members, Vassyah Mars, Laila Qualis, Erica Donohue, Scholarship recipients, Bernadette Houston, JLEP Scholarship Committee Chair.

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Paul Trader is the retired horticulturist and executive director of Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rockland County, New York, in addition to teaching Integrated Pest Management courses in the School of Professional Horticulture at the New York Botanical Gardens

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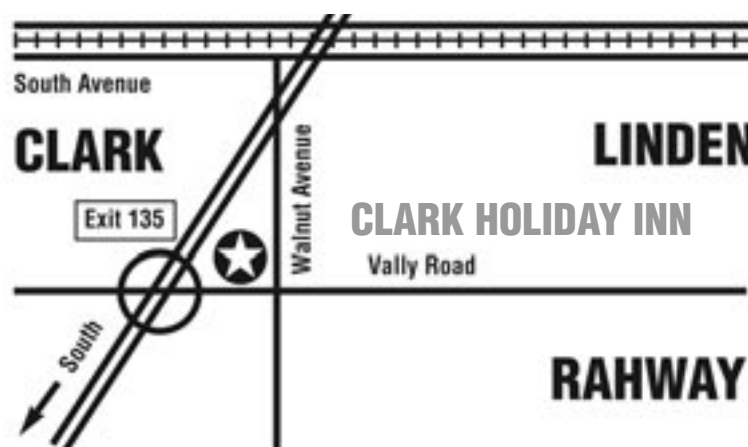
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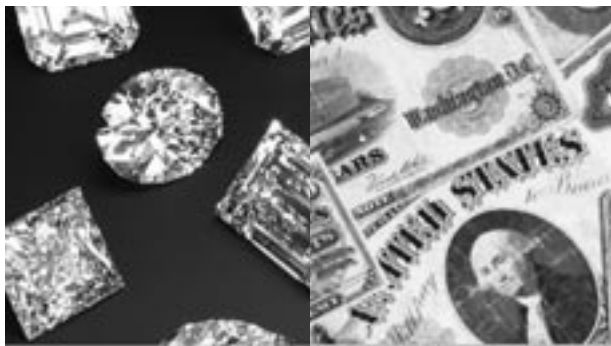
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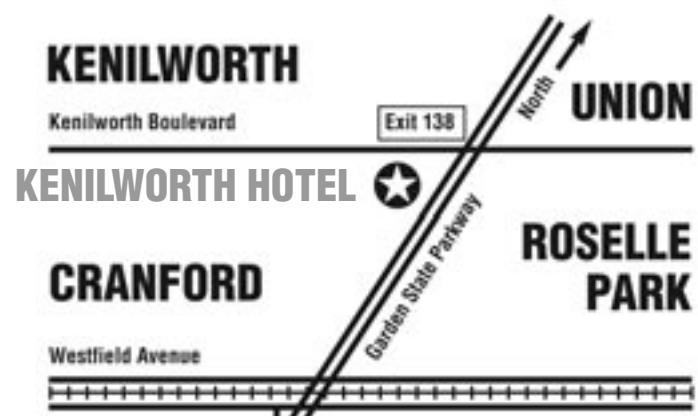
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The 6th Annual March to Yorktown Day Commemoration & Encampment Festival in Westfield, NJ will be held on Sunday, August 17th from 12:00 noon – 4:00pm.

The event will kick off at 12:00 noon at outside of Westfield's Town Hall with an opening ceremony and the playing of patriotic music followed by remarks about the importance of Westfield commemorating when the French and American troops marched from Newport, Rhode Island to Yorktown, VA (an almost 700 mile, nine state, land and water journey) to lay siege to the British forces there, securing independence for the United States. The march of the troops took place in the summer of 1781 taking them through several Union County towns including Westfield, Mountainside and Scotch Plains on August 29, 1781. The March route was designated in 2009 as the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route National Historic Trail, a unit of the National Trail System, administered by the National Park Service.

At 12:30, the community is invited to watch or join-in the symbolic march re-enactment along East Broad Street to Mountain Ave. Wreaths of remembrance will be placed at the Presbyterian burial grounds where over 70 Revolutionary War Veterans, their families and other patriots are buried. The march will continue into Mindowaskin Park accompanied by the Generals Rochambeau, Washington and Lafayette, the New Jersey Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the New Jersey Fifes and Drums, the Miller-Cory Museum colonial living history group, women camp followers and the New Jersey Militia Heard's Brigade.

From 1:00 to 4:00, a history themed festival will be set up in Mindowaskin Park. A talk on African American experiences in the Revolutionary War will be given by Dr. Sean Dineen, Adjunct History Professor, Kean University and disabilities advocate. The event's signature group is The Bruce Springsteen Archives & Center for American Music. They will be on hand to share news about their mission and they will have an exhibit with engaging items. Children's games and activities along with information will be provided by local history organizations such as the Forgotten Victory Trail Association, Westfield Historical Society, Miller-Cory House Museum, Princeton Battlefield Society, Westfield Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, West Fields Chapter Sons of the American Revolution, Sons of the Revolution in New Jersey, Washington Association of New Jersey, North Jersey American Revolution Roundtable, Fortnightly Club, Swan Historical Foundation, Trent House

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An encampment with tents, cooking demonstrations, fife and drum music, musket firing and marching drills will occur during the festival.

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This event is made possible by support from Mayor Shelley Brindle, the Westfield Town Council, the Town of Westfield, and in part by a 2025 HEART (History, Education, Arts Reaching Thousands) Grant from the Union County Board of County Commissioners, The Westfield Inn, Chez Catherine, the West Fields Chapter SAR, the Westfield Chapter DAR, the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route Association, New Jersey (W3R-NJ).

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BOY SCOUT TROOP AND CUB SCOUT PACK RETIRE AMERICAN FLAGS



(above) The Scouts of Cub Scout Pack 23 and Boy Scout Troop 23 retired old and worn American flags on Flag Day at St. Genevieve's Church in Elizabeth.

Courtesy Photo

Boy Scout Troop 23 and Cub Scout Pack 23 retired 50 worn out or damaged American flags on Flag Day, Saturday, June 14.

The ceremony, in which flags are properly retired by cutting them into quarters and then burning them, was held behind the St. Genevieve's Church Convent on Princeton Road in Elizabeth.

Dozens of Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, leaders, parents, other family members and guests participated in the solemn and respectful ceremony, with each having the chance to place flag sections into the fire. The Scouts who participated will receive a brass flag grommet, sifted from the ashes and strung on a leather lanyard, to commemorate their participation.

The Scouting program instills character, good citizenship and physical fitness in youth through outdoor activities such as campouts and hikes, involvement in community activities, and just plain fun! Cub Scout Pack 23 and Boy Scout Troop 23 provide activities and training for children of all faiths, from St. Genevieve's parish and the surrounding area, from Kindergarten through high school graduation. For more details, please contact Dan Bernier, Scoutmaster, at (908) 451-1948 or webfoottroop@gmail.com.

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at the re-Dedication of the James and Hannah Caldwell Monument in the First Presbyterian Church graveyard in Elizabeth, hosted by the Union County Historical Society. Then on June 22nd the Color Guard was the Dedication of the first sign of the Forgotten Victory Trail in Taylor Park, Millburn. The Forgotten victory Trail covers the Campaign of the Battles of Connecticut Farms and Springfield.

The Sons of the American Revolution is a genealogical organization for men with Revolutionary War ancestors.

If anyone has an interest in joining email chrissands44@aol.com.



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Art Time with Ms. Martha

Wednesday, August 13 at 5 pm

You don't need to be an artist to join Ms. Martha for a special children's art program. No supplies are needed; just bring your creativity.

Boogie Woogie Babies

Friday, August 15 at 11 am

Grab your little ones and join us for a groovy morning filled with songs and dancing!

Monday Cinema at Elmora

Monday, August 18 & 25 at 1 pm

Join us for a Monday Cinema at Elmora Branch Library. It's going to be a great time! This month's showtime is “

Adult Bingo

Tuesday, August 19 at 11 am

Join us at the Elmora Branch Library for a fun-filled game of BINGO.

Family Bingo

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Adult Spanish Book Club

Thursday, August 21 at 2 pm

Come and join Martha as she hosts a monthly book discussion for Spanish-speaking adults!

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The Edible Book Club

Wednesday, August 27 at 1 pm

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Paint n' Sip

Wednesday, August 27 at 11 am

Relax and get creative with a fun painting session! Enjoy coffee and Munchkins while you paint—no experience needed, all supplies provided.

Guinea Pig Fair

Wednesday, August 27 at 5 pm

Join us for a fun-filled, furry afternoon at the library's Guinea Pig Fair! Whether you're a seasoned guinea pig lover or just curious to meet the adorable little animal, this event is perfect for families.

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"We believe that every child is a unique individual. The values and skills learned early on are vital building blocks for quality of life and future success," stated Lisa Yanez, Senior Director of Child Development. "We are committed to promoting each child's individual development and supporting the entire family."

The Gateway Family YMCA is hosting Open House and Parent Information Sessions at the

Five Points Branch Child Development Center, 201 Tucker Avenue, Union and the Youth Development Branch Child Development Center, 16-20 Jefferson Avenue, Elizabeth on Thursday, August 14th 6:00-7:30 p.m. Families are invited to visit the Y and learn more about programs and options to fit their needs for infant, toddler and preschool care. For more information, visit: tgfymca.org/events

Registration is available in August for the 2025-2026 session of Infant, Toddler and Preschool Child Care. The YMCA also offers Before and After School care in local elementary and middle schools, on-site public Preschool in Rahway and Union, Vacation Day programs during school holidays and Summer Day Camp.

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