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July is the Jewel of the Year

July sounds a little like ‘jewelry’ doesn’t it? Okay, maybe it’s just me but this month is like a jewel in the year. It’s filled with sunshine, nice weather, a feeling of relaxation, and everyone is in a good mood. There is baseball, barbeques, and, yes, bees, to pollinate all those beautiful flowers.

July ‘shines’ with all the great stuff that makes a neighborhood a home.

Nutley Neighbors seeks to bring that great-to-be-here-in-town feeling each month. We talk to people about their interests, their businesses, and their families. And each month we are delighted with the people who show up in these pages. I am also exceptionally happy to hear how many people love Nutley and show it by their actions and their dedication to this town.

David and Dianne Wilson are a perfect example. Their neighborliness is motivated by a sincere desire to help people around them. They each encourage situational awareness for personal safety and engage in opportunities to help others. It was a pleasure to write their story and you will love the photos!

Joanna Buset Bitten is also someone who cares about the safety of people, particularly those with food allergies. Her account from a mom’s perspective is heartfelt and filled with advice and empathy.

And let’s not forget our four-legged friends! There is a new kitten rescue in town. Read about how Christa Milici started the rescue and let’s support her dedication. Tiffany Servidio tells us about an adoptable dog from Brick City Rescue. People who care for animals like this are truly jewels.

Barry Lenson, from the Nutley Museum, gives us a peek into Reginald Marsh’s life. He was 14 years old in 1912 and grew up right here in town. He was also one of the most important artists America ever produced.

Hmm… I wonder if Nutley contributed to his creative side through the great-to-be-here-in-town feeling, I believe we can all better reach our full potential when we are in a place that accepts us, nurtures us, and makes us happy.

Yep, like Nutley.

If July is the ‘jewel’ Nutley is the perfect setting. Enjoy this issue! See you next month.

Joyce Corey
Content Coordinator
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**Nutley, NJ**
David and Dianne Wilson are not only your Nutley neighbors, they are a couple whose neighborliness has been multiplied and extended beyond the town’s borders. One of the definitions of neighbor is a person who shows kindness or helpfulness toward their fellow humans.

That is a perfect description of how they live every day.

David and Dianne have been married for 36 years.

David said, “We started out in Kingsland Park, the Yantacaw section, and moved to Nutley Park for a larger yard and home.”

Nutley has captured the heart of this couple. Dianne tells us, “David and I plan on enjoying Nutley, our home, garden, and memories for the rest of our lives. We feel safe and happy walking in the parks and neighborhood thanks to the excellent police, rescue squad, fire department, and all the nice helpful people we see every day.”

Their road to marriage and Nutley tells a lot about the genuine desire of this couple to make a positive difference in the lives of the people around them.

Dianne starts the story: “I’ve been involved in first aid since I was a child. My dad, Louis Nuse, taught me how to take care of myself. He gave me his American Red Cross (ARC) first aid book which I studied and used to make up an emergency kit. In my teens, I took ARC advanced courses and, in 1976, when CPR was first being taught to non-meds, I took a course and became an instructor. I taught for the ARC in Nutley as a volunteer while I attended Berkeley Business School and when working as a finance assistant to an engineering company. Then I attended Seton Hall University. I joined the Nutley Emergency and Rescue Squad as a volunteer and married my crew chief, David, in 1982.”

David’s story highlights their shared interest in helping others and caring for the community. He said, “I worked for the Nutley Fire Department as Fire Inspector and taught thousands about fire safety. I was involved in many Fire Prevention Bureau programs, and was the deputy-coordinator for the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) preparing FEMA disaster reimbursement forms. I served as Nutley’s Fire Sub Code Official which required me to oversee fire safety in renovations and new construction.”

Both David and Dianne Wilson have devoted themselves to improving the lives of others. From first aid to fire safety, they understand ways to protect people from danger and they have actively shared their knowledge and skills.

In 1983, Dianne became CEO of the Nutley Chapter of the American Red Cross. She said, “My goal, while teaching night courses, was to give all of my students self-esteem so they would become an asset to any community.”

David shared his stories, experiences, and advice from his forty-year career in fire safety in a book he authored.
Fire in our Lives is getting wonderful reviews and is available online at Amazon and Barnes & Noble. He is also a regular contributor to Nutley Neighbors magazine. The readers and the staff appreciate the interesting topics he covers and the excellent photos he provides.

They have each received the Health and Safety award from the Nutley Jaycees in 1991 and 1993. Dianne said, “Dave and I are retired and we spend time from January to April putting the Nutley Jaycees annual award dinner booklet together. We attend every year with many others to meet and congratulate the five new winners. Please join us!”

David is an avid organic gardener who appears on JOEYBEE.TV videos and podcasts to discuss this interest. He loves to supply friends and family with healthy vegetables.

Their lives are enriched by their nieces and nephews. Dianne said, “My sister, Elizabeth Meyer, shared her four children with us! We took Don, Rick, Kath and Christina to Turtleback Zoo and I became a volunteer there for a few years. Now as members, we go every time a new animal arrives.”

David knows that the future of young people is important. “I like to see them try new experiences, both educationally and physically, to develop depth of character and open up career choices. I believe in stimulating the body and mind with people, nature, travel, books, sports, music, and hobbies, instead of recreational drugs.”

David and Dianne Wilson are a couple who lives and teaches safety and well-being. Not because they have to but because they want to. They each encourage situational awareness for personal safety and engage in opportunities to help others.

The Wilsons bring a wonderful dimension to the idea of neighbor. They are not just people who live in our neighborhood; they are people who make all our neighbors live a little better.
A Vietnam Expedition

By Frankie Turano

The late 1960’s was a tumultuous and unnerving period in time. There was a strong sense of discomfort in our involvement in the Vietnam War that ignited protests, tore apart families in their steadfast beliefs on what was right and what was wrong, and began an unexpected journey into war. The tentacles of terror from the jungles of a foreign land stretched across America and into the small towns and communities. Fragmented America was aching with sadness of the images of soldiers that came home in flag-draped coffins.

Still, there were those among us who knew it was their duty to serve and protect this country. I would like to tell you about one of those dedicated soldiers.

Dennis Cedrone was drafted into the United States Army and served in Vietnam from January 1967 through January 1968. He began his new life at Fort Dix, where he trained during the day and cleaned the barracks at night. He explained that the men from all over America lived together for the first six weeks in tight quarters. “They would mix you all up from all over the country so that you boosted your immune system,” he explained. He went on to describe how he was “assigned to the Ammunition Renovation Specialist (55C20), where they would teach you how to take apart our munitions and put them back together.”

I asked Dennis how he felt about being drafted. “My grandfather served, my father served, and my uncles served. It was simply my time to do what was right,” he said firmly.

I inquired what he did in Vietnam. “They needed a technician at the 630 Ordinance. So, I ran a crane, I ran a fork lift, and I did the paperwork. I worked in a gated area that was heavily patrolled with soldiers and guard dogs. The reality was that the enemy was just outside the gates. Officers could not wear anything signifying that they were in charge for fear of a sniper killing them inside the compound.”

The next question became a game changer. It was about the horror of war and what it was he personally witnessed. I cannot write what he told me for many reasons. You should not want to read about stomach-churning events about a world forever darkened. Suffice to say, it takes a great man to face adversity on the boulevard of death, knowing full well that fear has a cost, and you can become a prisoner of your own thoughts. It takes an even greater man to admit that there were nights where you cried yourself to sleep.

Dennis Cedrone, I assure you that you are that great man. He made me think as we ended our interview.

Why do we only rest in peace?
Why don’t we live in peace as well?
Dennis Cedrone, you are not only a great soldier, but you are also a great man. It was my pleasure, sir, in meeting you. Your country salutes you, your town salutes you, and I most certainly salute you as well.

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When Food is Not Your Friend

By Joanna Buset Bitten

“There’s that allergy mom with that allergy kid!”

Yes, that’s me; I’m that allergy mom with that allergy kid. My daughter, Alexa, is six years old and severely allergic to peanuts, tree nuts, and sesame seeds. We’ve been ‘that allergy family’ since she was 11 months old.

When children are diagnosed with food allergies before the age of five, parents are usually told the child may outgrow them. However, that is not often the case with a peanut or tree nut allergy. For Alexa, this means that she will have this allergy her entire life.

By law, the top eight food allergens need to be identified and labeled on every food item. Those allergens are peanuts, tree nuts, milk, egg, wheat, soy, fish and shellfish. Sesame is not one of the eight and is not required to be labeled although Alexa is highly allergic to that.

Although not required to do so, many companies put “may contain” warnings on their products if there is a possibility of cross-contamination by using the same shared equipment with food that does contain the allergen.

Approximately 200 people in the United States die each year from a food allergy.

Scientists are doing their best to discover what causes food allergies so a cure can be found but so far they have not been successful. There are also new methods of giving small doses of allergens orally or through the skin that over time allow a person’s body to tolerate that allergen and decrease the severity of a reaction. However, not everyone is a candidate and it is also absolutely necessary people understand this can only be done by a professional in a medical office. A dangerous life-threatening reaction is still possible even with those small trace amounts and the person needs to be monitored closely.

People with food allergies, as well as their family members, may develop anxiety due to the daily uncertainties and the safety of food.

As a mental health therapist and the mother of a daughter with food allergies, I see a conflict in these roles. Professionally, I do my best to teach coping skills to lower anxiety and to help kids find ways to get rid of the ‘worry bullies’ and the ‘what if monsters’ that follow them around.

But as a mom of a child who might die if she mistakenly picks up the wrong cookie or harmlessly accepts food...
from someone who is well meaning but who may not understand the full implications of being exposed to even a small measure of the allergen, I cannot just push aside that worry.

How, then, can I lower my daughter’s anxiety? How do I teach a six-year-old to challenge her own worry but at the same time instill in her how serious her allergy is and how necessary it is for her to check any food she is offered outside of our home before she eats it?

Although Alexa is used to her food restrictions, she is still a young child. She will naturally feel excluded when she is unable to join her friends in eating a bowl of ice cream or a piece of birthday cake.

Yet, we need to ensure she takes her allergy very seriously even if it means creating fear. It is this fear that keeps her safe and stops her from accepting food before checking with someone first.

This is why I advocate. It’s not only to better enable my daughter or the millions of other kids to be safe, it’s to help them feel less excluded and less misunderstood. I want to help stop food allergy bullying, not only by other kids, but sometimes by parents as well.

It’s all about having empathy. It’s about choosing kindness, and seeing outside of yourself and your own circumstances long enough to realize other people are affected by your words, your reactions, and the choices you make.

One of the challenges we face is at school events when dessert and other sweet treats are offered. This may be the perfect time to teach our children the importance of understanding the concerns of others. It’s very serious to live in a world surrounded by food that could possibly cause death to someone who is highly allergic to certain ingredients.

Food allergy awareness advocates are not trying to take anyone else’s fun away, believe me, they just don’t want anyone else taking their child’s, their loved ones, or their own life away.

For more information and other ways to help support food allergy research & education please visit www.foodallergy.org/
What Was It Like to Grow Up in Nutley in 1912? Reginald Marsh’s Boyhood Diary Tells All

By Barry Lenson

I f you search for “Reginald Marsh diary” on Google, you will be directed to the website of the Archives of American Art (www.aaa.si.edu/). Once there, you will find one of the most remarkable documents anywhere about the history of our town.

It is a 189-page diary that was handwritten in 1912 by a 14-year-old boy named Reginald Marsh who grew up in Nutley. If his name seems familiar to you, it should. Marsh, whose family moved to Nutley from Paris in 1901 when he was only three years old, grew up to become one of the most important artists America has ever produced.

But before Reginald Marsh became a famous artist, he was just a kid growing up on the Enclosure in Nutley. His best friend, Lloyd Goodrich, lived up the hill on Nutley Avenue. Goodrich went on to become a leading art historian and one of the directors of the Whitney Museum in New York.

Let’s enjoy some of young Reginald’s entries about what it was like to be a kid in Nutley in those days. The drawings that accompany this article come from his diary too. Even when he was a kid, his artistic talent stood out.

First Day of High School
Tuesday, January 2, 1912
First day of school. I am in the first year of Nutley High School. The hours are 8:30 AM-1:00 PM. After lunch I got my sled and went up to Goodrich’s house and picked up Lloyd. Then we went over to Nutley Park and coasted down Brookfield Avenue. Seldom traffic going up and down.

Big Game Hunters Come Home Empty-Handed
Monday, March 4, 1912
I bought a bicycle pump for 35 cents over at Davis’. Jut and I rode our wheels around and went cat hunting with croquet mallets. We did not come across any cats, so we . . . played marbles. I pumped up my tires for about half an hour.

Street Maintenance for Snake Charmers
Tuesday, March 28, 1912
A horse roller began to roll the Enclosure gravel today. Jut and I went down by the brook and I caught a garter snake and took it up to Bodman’s and scared the girls. Jack Wilson came along and charmed the snake. Mrs. Bodman was having tea in the house with some high school teachers. We saw some little mucks and we chased them. Once I went after them and some big toughs popped up and chased us . . . I ran faster than I ever did.

A Balloonist Falls to Earth
Sunday, April 21, 1912
At 2:30 I went on my bike for a ride with Pratt. We went to Montclair first and rode through the best residential section there. From there we rode to Passaic and started home. Half way home we saw a balloon drop over Nutley.
... There was a big crowd in front of Bodman’s because the balloon had fallen into a weeping willow there. The aeronaut had green tights on and a bathrobe. The balloon was tangled up on a large limb and a couple of men were there freeing it. At last it came down and the men rolled it up, put it in a wagon and carried it back to Hillside Park where it came from.

**A Visit to the Quarry**
**Saturday, May 18, 1912**
Fine weather today ... went over and watched the kids swimming in the quarry. In the afternoon we looked at the exhibition and the Nutley ballgame. Nutley has the best ball diamond in northern New Jersey.

**The World’s Worst Best Tennis Players**
**Friday, June 14, 1912**
I went down to Howe’s and played tennis. There are no good players down there but I got beaten.

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Submitted by Tiffany Servidio

Callie is a dog friendly, pocket pittie/boxer mix who only weighs about 40 pounds and has a big personality. She was saved from a local high-kill shelter a few months ago and has been doing very well in her foster home. She’s estimated to be 3 years old and is so sweet. Callie has a medium energy level and she loves going for walks with her foster family. Callie is both house and crate trained. She loves people and is extremely cuddly and affectionate. Currently, Callie is in a foster home with a fur-sister and two young kids. She is patiently waiting for her forever home!

To adopt Callie email info@brickcityrescue.com or visit www.brickcityrescue.com. Follow Brick City Rescue on Facebook and Instagram to see more dogs available for adoption!

Submitted by Christa Milici

Meet Natalie and Ethan! They are a brother/sister duo who was found in someone’s backyard. The person said that the mom left and did not come back. After two babies had died, they called rescue for help. They have been bottle fed since the day they were born. They will be ready for their forever homes in a couple of weeks. They will be fully vetted prior to adoption. Visit the website www.yellowbrickroadrescuenj.com to fill out an application.
Abracadabra!
It’s Nutley’s Own
Joe Fischer!

by Joyce Corey

There is magic in the air whenever Joe Fischer is around. This Nutley resident has been a full-time professional magician since 1984 and performs about 300 shows a year. That definitely deserves a round of applause.

“This started as a hobby when I was about 10 years old,” Joe said. “I am a self-taught magician, learning through books.”

His interest in magic followed him to the Little League games “where I did tricks for the team” onto performing at birthday parties in high school.

“I realized that doing magic tricks at a birthday party was a much better way to earn money than by working for minimum wage at a burger place,” he said. He continued with the ‘tricks’ of this trade all through college where he graduated with a degree in business marketing.

He then turned his hobby into a full time career. “I don’t consider this work,” he said. “It’s all fun.” Audiences agree and his bag of magic tricks is in regular demand not only at parties but at schools, recreation department events, and a variety of other places. He prides himself on “making a show in any location.”

He also uses magic to create educational programs to teach lessons on substance abuse, reading, cultural diversity, and the environment.

While his magic repertoire includes some standards like pulling coins out of ears, his trademark is an interactive approach with the audience. “I always invite a couple kids to come onstage to be my assistant. The results are always funny and they love to be part of the show.”

As a boy, Joe was inspired by the television shows, Wonderama and The Magician. Each week these shows taught viewers some simple tricks that anyone could perform.

He also worked at Zanadu Company where he manufactured the literal ‘tricks of this trade’ and met another magician who was starting out on his career. “I answered the phone one day and the customer was David Copperfield. He needed to buy a few things and I helped with his purchase.”

Besides performing, his also holds workshops to teach magic tricks and to motivate the next generation of magicians.

Joe and his wife, Michele, have lived in Nutley for 24 years and have a son, Ryan. (And if you ever pass their house and see a rabbit running off with a hat, it might be because Joe is perfecting a new trick!)

Follow him on Facebook (joefischermagic) or check out his website at: www.joefischermagic.com.

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Tempo! Music Therapy Services, LLC

By Joyce Corey

Tempo! Music Therapy Services is dedicated to promoting the emotional and social well-being of individuals, improving their quality of life through the arts. Their goal is to create a positive impact on the lives of children, adults, and families to help them achieve personal growth and self-exploration in a creative way.

Tempo! Music Therapy Services began as the idea of Angela Guerriero and Anna Weaver in the fall of 2001 to fill a need in their community. On October 4, 2001, Tempo! was officially incorporated in the state of Pennsylvania. Angela and Anna spent the winter and spring of 2002 presenting the benefits of music therapy at conferences, support groups, and local community organizations. In June 2002, Anna moved to Florida and Angela took ownership of Tempo! PA. In 2006, Angela opened an additional location in Nutley, New Jersey, in the community where she grew up.

Tempo! has grown to offer additional services as the needs of our communities have changed over the years. Tempo! PA and NJ offer Music Together® classes, music lessons, and inclusive music groups for children with special needs as well as neurotypical peers. Angela is a PhD candidate in Creative Arts in Therapy at Drexel University.

Tempo! offers services to individuals of all ages and has continued to participate in community outreach efforts. Education within their field remains a top priority, as Tempo! continues to train music therapy practicum students and interns, as well as presenting at regional, national, and international conferences.

By offering a variety of creative arts therapy services, music instruction, and yoga for all ages, they are able to see positive changes in their clients. Through clinical supervision and continuing education courses, they promote the professional growth of music therapists and support the clinical training of music therapy students. They give back to our community through their outreach programs and participation in local events.

Angela brings empathy to her business. She said, “We are more alike than different. Embrace inclusivity and tap into the resources available in the community regarding something that is meaningful for you.”

“I grew up in an inclusive environment which has shaped my worldview since childhood,” Angela said. “My best friend in school, Melissa Centrella, was in a wheelchair and I didn’t see her as different, I just knew her as Melissa. This is a worldview I continue to share today with others: building a sense of community, understanding, and inclusivity.”

She also started a nonprofit a few years ago called Tempo! Arts for Life Foundation. Angela tells us: “We raise funds through accessible community arts events such as our inclusive open mic nights, which encourages participation of all age groups, regardless of ability or disability.”

Funds raised are applied to scholarships for creative arts therapy services and research. To find out more about the foundation visit their website at www.tempoarts.org.

Angela also invites everyone to “please join us this summer for our Mindfulness Summer Camp which is designed to provide children with thoughtful and enriched opportunities in a small group setting with an emphasis on music, yoga, and art.”

Angela Guerriero’s dedication and insightful enthusiasm created a business that makes a positive impact in the lives of individuals and families. She encourages personal growth and self-exploration through creativity and the results are seen in homes and our own Nutley neighborhoods.

Tempo! is truly in tune with the emotional and social needs of people in the community.

Visit their website at www.tempotherapy.com or in person at 145 Vreeland Avenue in Nutley. Their phone number is (973) 661-2060.
**Summer Reading 2018**

**Best Beach Reads @ the Nutley Public Library**

*By Jeanne Sylvester, Supervising Librarian*

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- *The Favorite Sister* by Jessica Knoll
- *The President is Missing* by James Patterson and Bill Clinton
- *Shelter in Place* by Nora Roberts
- *The Word is Murder* by Anthony Horowitz

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- *Circe* by Madeline Miller
- *Florida* by Lauren Groff
- *The Pisces* by Melissa Broder

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- *12 Rules for Life* by Jordan B. Peterson
- *Calypso* by David Sedaris
- *Educated* by Tara Westover
- *Failure is an Option* by H. Jon Benjamin
- *The Incredible True Story of Blondy Baruti: My Unlikely Journey From the Congo to Hollywood* by Blondy Baruti
- *The Perfectionists: How Precision Engineers Created the Modern World* by Simon Winchester
- *Sick: A Memoir* by Porochista Khakpour
- *Three Days in Moscow* by Bret Baier

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Nutley Relay for Life
Submitted by Tammi Trible

I started Relay For Life of Nutley 12 years ago with Commissioner Mauro Tucci’s son, Mauro G. Tucci Jr. after losing my husband, Wayne, in March 2006 after a 26-month battle with a rare form of appendix cancer. Relay gave me and my daughter, Ashley, the feeling of hope that we were able to help other people who are going through the same experience we were.

Wayne was an extraordinary man and he left behind a legacy of courage, faith, and hope. I continue Wayne’s fight by helping to find a cure for this disease. I became the CPS-3 Chair, followed by the Fundraising Chair, which I truly loved. Owning a local photography studio, Photo Arts Productions in Nutley, with my partner, Alexander Wenkel, who is always willing to donate his time and talent to help support all my fundraising ideas for the Relay, allows me to be creative with fundraising ideas like having Santa photo fundraisers to kid glamour days.

I created the Walking In Faith Fashion Show in memory of my late husband. It is because of Wayne’s fight, and my beliefs that I keep “Walking in Faith.” The Fashion Show took place Friday, May 11, 2018 at Nutley Parks and Recreation Center. Along with event Co-Chair Christina Russomanno, we began the evening with opening introductions. Bishop Peter Bruno Sr. from Nutley Abundant Life Worship Center followed with stories of inspiration and a group prayer. The enthusiastic energy at the fashion show was powerful as we applauded our singers from Nutley Abundant Life Worship Center, dancers from Ellis Dance Studio, models, and celebrated our cancer survivors.

Closing the evening was special guest survivor speaker Ellen Bennett. At the grand finale, cancer survivors took center stage as balloons and confetti dropped from the ceiling to celebrate their fight. The feeling of hope was reflective in the faces of the audience. The Walking In Faith event raised over $7,000 for the American Cancer Society.

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Did you know there’s a Yellow Brick Road here in Nutley? No, it’s not like in The Wizard of Oz; in fact, it’s even better.

The Yellow Brick Road in town is a kitten rescue started by Christa Milici, and co-founded by her sister, Nicole Milici. She tells us about it: “I started the rescue about two months ago. I first became a bottle feeder four years ago when I found a litter of kittens outside that were about two weeks old and left in a box by some garbage. I took the litter home and figured out how to raise them. I ended up keeping one of them. Fast forward four years to last summer when it became more apparent to me that orphaned kittens are in need of rescuing and among the highest rates of euthanasia in shelters. This is due to the round-the-clock care that is required for them to survive which most shelters cannot offer.”

She credits the help of her family in caring for these kittens. “I would not have been able to do this without the help of my mom, Mary, sister, Nicole, and brother, John. We all take turns giving these kittens their best chance. While there is a lot of heartbreak and loss involved, it is very rewarding to give these babies a chance at life that they may have not otherwise had.”

Starting a kitten rescue seemed like a natural thing for Christa to do. She said, “I have always loved animals and since it is something I have the capacity to do, I started bottle feeding again last summer for any shelters or rescues that needed the help. A couple of months ago I decided to start my own rescue with a mission to save orphaned kittens.”

Nutley Neighbors will be featuring some of the adoptable kittens in our Pet Corner feature each month. For more information about the kitten rescue, visit the website at www.yellowbrickroadrescuenj.com.
**EVENTS CALENDAR**

**JULY 2018**

**July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Sun.**
Nutley Farmers Market
@Municipal Parking Lot 9, 537 Franklin Ave.
Featuring live musical entertainment, a wide variety of fresh, regionally-grown produce, fresh-cut flowers, homemade cheese, dried fruit, nuts, pickles, bread, and more. A great place to meet new friends, interact with the people who grew your food, and support local farmers and businesses.
Time: 9am-2pm
For more information call 973-284-4959 or visit www.nutley.org/farmersmarket

**July 2, Mon.**
Surgical Options for Weight Loss Informational Seminar and Support Group Meeting
@Clara Maass Health and Wellness Center, 1 Clara Maass Dr.
Learn what to expect before, during and after bariatric surgery. Immediately following the seminar, the Bariatric Support Group meeting will feature Registered Dietitian Silvana Blanco, RD and Clinical Psychologist Debra Gill, MD. Parking validation available.
Time: 6pm
For more information call 973-450-2393

**July 3, 17, Tue.**
Board of Commissioners Meeting
@Town Hall, 3rd Floor Commission Chambers, 1 Kennedy Dr.
Time: 7pm
Open to the public
For more information visit www.nutley.org/board-of-commissioners

**July 5, 12, 19, 26, Thurs.**
ESL Classes
@Nutley Public Library, 93 Booth Dr.
Classes are also available on Mon. and Tue. Time: 6:30-8:30pm Cost: Free
For more information email nutleylibrary@gmail.com

**July 11, Wed.**
Living Well with Parkinson's Disease Support Group
@Clara Maass Medical Center, Cancer Center, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville
This peer support group helps those affected by Parkinson’s disease cope with stress, build lasting relationships and gain a sense of empowerment and control. Parking validation available.
Time: 10am
For more information or to register call 973-450-2559

**July 11, Wed.**
Restorative Yoga, Reiki, and Live Music
@Tempo! 145 Vreeland Ave.
Enjoy an evening of yoga with an extended deep relaxation. No previous experience is necessary. The class is open to all levels as any yoga pose may be adapted to each person’s body. RSVP required.
Time: 7:30-9pm
Cost: Donations welcome
To RSVP email info@tempotherapy.com.
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**July 13, Fri.**
Author Visit Story Time with Ilene Dudek
@Nutley Public Library, 93 Booth Dr.
Ilene Dudek will be reading her new children's book Little Ant. Saves the Day with games, activities, book sale and signing to follow!
Time: 10:30am-12pm
For more information visit www.littleantstories.com

**July 14, Sat.**
Electronics Recycling Collection Day
@Municipal Parking Lot 8, William St. (behind Woroco gas station)
Bring your computers, laptops, fax machines, microwaves, monitors, printers, scanners, stereos, speakers, televisions, VCR and DVD players for recycling.
Time: 9am-1pm
For more information call 973-284-4984

**July 15, Sun.**
Kingsland Manor Ice Cream Sunday
@Kingsland Manor, 3 Kingsland St.
Take a tour; enjoy a refreshing treat, and learn about the history of traditional folk revival music in the Garden State in a special presentation from Michael Gabriele. Michael will discuss his new book, New Jersey Folk Revival Music – History and Tradition and present an acoustic live music segment of folk songs. Copies of his book will be available for sale.
Time: 2-4pm
Cost: Donations for admission
For more information call 973-661-3410, email KingslandManorRestorationTrust@gmail.com, or visit www.kingslandmanor.org

**July 19, Thurs.**
Family Walk and Campfire
@Environmental Center, 621-B Eagle Rock Ave., Roseland
For all ages. Join a staff naturalist for a short walk on the trails to experience forest life at dusk. Afterwards, enjoy a campfire and some fire-popped organic popcorn. Advance registration and minimum number of participants are required.
Time: 6:30-8pm

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July 21, Sat.
Buzz into Action with Insect Education
@Environmental Center, 621-B Eagle Rock Ave., Roseland
For children 5 and older. Family fun and a hands-on presentation all about bugs n’ butterflies. This program includes entry into the live butterfly tent. Advance registration and minimum number of participants required. Time: 10:30-11:30am Cost: $10 per child. $12 per adult. For more information call 973-228-8776

July 28, Sat.
Butterfly Gardening Workshop
@Environmental Center, 621-B Eagle Rock Ave., Roseland
For adults and children 8 and older. Learn to garden for butterflies with Jean Greeley, an Essex County Rutgers Master Gardener and butterfly enthusiast. The presentation and discussion will be followed by a visit to butterfly host and nectar plants within our gardens. This program includes a few minutes in the live butterfly tent. Advance registration and minimum number of participants are required. Time: 12-1:30pm Cost: $8 per child. $10 per adult. For more information call 973-228-8776

Aug. 2, Thurs.
Healthy Hydration
@Clara Maass Medical Center, Cancer Center Resource Room, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville
Speak with a Registered Dietitian about nutrition at the monthly Nutrition Support Group meeting. Refreshments are provided. Parking validation available. Time: 6pm For more information call 973-450-2328

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www.nutleynj.org/content/public-health-huring.html

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Andrew Hutch
Nutley Fire Chief

By David Wilson

The year was 1914, the world was on the brink of war, inventions were changing people’s lives, Ford was making automobiles affordable, employees worked long days in sweatshops, the stock exchanges were in disarray due to world politics, and the Town of Nutley was twelve years old. Citizens knew the United States would play a large part in the future of the world. Blood, sweat and tears would be forthcoming from every man, woman and child during this era.

One of three siblings, Andrew (Andy) Hutch was born in 1890 at 59 Emily Avenue to Rusyn immigrants John Hotz and Christina Hatala and was twenty-four years old when he signed up as a volunteer in the Nutley Fire Department (NFD). Rusyn is a group from the Carpathian Mountains with Russian and Ukrainian influences. His parents met in Newark and the family name was changed during naturalization, a common occurrence. Christina died in 1900 and John remarried in 1904 to Tekla Moskva and had three more children. Andy spent his entire life in Nutley and served on the NFD for over fifty-five years. He passed in 1970, but left a legacy of progressive fire safety activities in Nutley and along the East Coast.

Andrew married Anna Ushack in 1910 and had three children. Andy provided for the family using his mechanical and technical skills, first at a service station at Centre and Union. Later he had a machine shop next to his home at 58 Laura Avenue where he fabricated parts and hat machines for the novelty industry. From 1929-1939 he manufactured fedoras in this shop that stayed operational until the late 1960’s. Nutley Elks, baseball and the NFD filled out his spare time. A scrapbook from the 1940s and 1950’s has been acquired by the Nutley Museum. Fire Captain John Frobose did an outstanding job documenting this period of Nutley history and we will explore Andy’s contributions to fire prevention and fire safety in future articles.

When Andy joined NFD in 1914 the town had a 1910 Pope Hartford fire engine, basic bucket brigade supplies, and a hand drawn hose cart. Sometimes the Franklin Ave. trolley would be used to pull the hose cart conserving the men’s energy for the fire, but mostly it was strength and stamina that saved the day. Fires were confirmed by police on horseback or bicycles. Horse-drawn fire equipment was acquired by Nutley, but no horses were affordable, so a passing steed would be commandeered for pulling and returned to the owners after fire duty. The town eventually purchased horses to share with other towns services, but their main use was for the fire department. The horses were well-treated by the firemen, so when the fire bell rang the horses knew, “we have to go pull the fire wagon.”

Andy was involved for the entire period of conversion from hand-drawn to motorized fire equipment, using his mechanical skills and knowledge to help guide NFD into the modern age. His expertise was so well regarded by town commissioners, he was appointed fire chief from 1940 through 1960 with only two years off in 1942 and 1943 when he headed the Fire Reserves established by the Nutley Defense Council. He was Nutley’s longest serving fire chief enjoying popularity among the men and citizens. Local editorial support was extremely favorable owing to his passion for fire prevention, entertaining stories, and tenaciousness for improving the NFD.
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