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Can a Sound Tell Time?

Do you associate certain sounds with the time of day? The birds singing (very loudly) in the predawn, your neighbor's Harley bringing him home at the end of the day, or the microwave beeping that your dinner is ready (that would be mine!).



Besides telling time, I believe sounds can also be a barometer of a neighborhood. Do you hear children laughing, people chatting, or music playing from someone's house?

If you hear music, you might live close to our cover story family, Karen, Carl, Natalie, and Nicholas Brownson. Karen is a very talented harpist, and you may have had the pleasure of hearing her play at last year's fundraiser for the Nutley Family Service Bureau. But in addition to music, this family is engaged in other activities, all of which gives them a voice in the community that contributes to their unique melody as our Nutley Neighbors.

Sports activities always make a nice sound, whether its fans cheering or teammates giving each other high-fives. This month we give the Nutley Junior Raiders a round of applause for their wrestling victories and their growth as a team. Everyone associated with these wrestlers are winners.

While we cannot add sound to this issue, let's try to imagine some as we read about a high school senior receiving the Diane Greco Sajle Scholarship. (Clapping! Cheering!)

Children making art for our Kids' Corner. (Laughing! Giggles! Well done!)

The start of the summer reading program at the Nutley Public Library. (Pages being turned. Yay-winning a big prize!)

Or a dog or cat finding their forever home in our Pet Corner. (Purring! Happy barking!)

Let's keep listening for all the sounds that make Nutley a place to perfect our life's melody.

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Pet Corner

Adopt Us!



*Submitted by
Christa Milici,
Yellow Brick
Road Rescue NJ*

Princess is a 3-year-old female who was recently surrendered by her owner because they brought a puppy home and felt that having two animals was too much responsibility. She is very

sweet and loves to be around people. She is not a fan of dogs but may be ok around one other cat. The ideal home would be with her at the only pet as she loves all the attention! She is microchipped and up to date on vaccines. She will be FIV/FelV tested and spayed prior to adoption. \$150 adoption fee and application apply.

To apply for Princess: <https://yellowbrickroadrescue.nj.com/cat-adoption-application/>

Submitted by Nicole Milici, Jersey Pits Rescue Inc.

DeeDee is as adorable as they come, and she is ready to find her forever home! She spent several months in a local shelter, and we can't understand how this precious little angel was overlooked. Thanks to the help of our incredible foster for stepping up, she is now living and loving the good life!!



DeeDee is an affectionate, happy 50-pound girl. We think she is about 4-5 years old. She absolutely loves everyone she meets and thrives on human contact. DeeDee was very playful with the male tester dog and has also done beautifully on pack walks with all dogs. We are unsure about cats.

She knows her basic commands, is housetrained, crate-trained, and overall is an incredibly polite and well-mannered house guest. ■

If you are interested in adopting DeeDee visit www.jersey pitsrescue.com to apply.

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21 Mountainview Ave.	\$420,000	\$435,000	15
35 Freeman Pl.	\$469,900	\$455,000	33
11 Emily Ave.	\$489,000	\$489,000	22
103 Brookdale Ave.	\$489,999	\$515,000	5
110 High St.	\$499,000	\$610,000	15
455 Kingsland St.	\$529,686	\$485,000	145
62 Union Ave.	\$535,000	\$515,000	76
42 Weston St.	\$580,000	\$591,000	9
130 Whitford Ave.	\$589,900	\$605,000	13
212 Coeyman Ave.	\$605,000	\$687,000	14
442 Chestnut St.	\$619,000	\$605,000	42
20 Evergreen Ave.	\$649,000	\$665,000	22
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Karen, Carl, Natalie,
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What Does a Family Sound Like?

By Joyce Corey

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Carly Ann Photography

The sounds of any family may be individually familiar but blended together they form a unique melody. In the Brownson household, you can hear a young girl practicing the piano, her brother building with LEGOs, a professor getting his notes ready for the next day's lecture, and a woman playing the harp.

As our *Nutley Neighbors*, Karen, Carl, Natalie, and Nicholas Brownson, bring their separate interests to the community to make a distinctive sound.

And it's no surprise that Carl and Karen met at an event that is known for an auditory performance, although maybe not quite the kind you're thinking of.

"Carl and I met through mutual friends in 2012 at a Fourth of July party in New York City," Karen said. "I am originally from New Hope, Pennsylvania, and he is from Nashville, Tennessee. We both moved to New York for graduate school."

Karen has a bachelor's degree in music from Bard College and a master's in music education from Hunter College.

"I play the harp with the Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra and perform at private events as a solo harpist, as well as in an ensemble with other local musicians," she said. "I am in my 14th year teaching music at the Ridge Street School, a public pre-K through 8th grade school in Newark."

Carl's degrees also placed him in the school system, in a different setting.

"I received a bachelor's degree in philosophy from the University of Tennessee and my PhD in philosophy from the CUNY Graduate Center," he said. "I'm a



philosophy professor at Lehman College in the Bronx. Right now, I am developing a religious studies program at the college and am involved in helping to bring standardized test prep programs to students who can't otherwise afford them."

Marriage and parenthood gave the couple new decisions to make.

"We moved here from the city after having our little girl, Natalie, and our little boy, Nick, was born here," Karen said. "We didn't realize until we arrived what a wonderful community we were moving into. We feel so grateful to have such terrific people around us as we raise our children here."

Moving to Nutley gave this family plenty of opportunities to pursue activities that make them happy.

"I began running short distances in 2019 which really made me appreciate the beautiful Nutley parks," Karen said. "During the pandemic, I started increasing my mileage and joined a running club in Montclair. I am currently training for the TCS New York City Marathon



2022 trip to the Atlantis resort in the Bahamas

in November which will be my first full marathon."

"Carl has been playing tennis competitively since he was a child and is active in several local leagues," she continues. "He is a member of the Nutley Tennis Club."

The children are also expressing their individual interests in fun and creative ways.

"Natalie is a second grader at Washington School," Karen said. "She is in a Brownie troop, and I am one of the leaders. Nick is in preschool at Spring Garden School. He loves climbing, building, and going to the different playgrounds in Nutley. Both children look forward to their swim lessons at SafeSplash Swim School in Cedar Grove every week."

As the family interacts with the community through sports, school, and groups, Karen had a wonderful opportunity recently to share her music for a worthwhile cause.

"This past September, I performed the harp at the Garden Party at the Mountsier-Hardie garden to benefit the Nutley Family Service Bureau," she said. "I had never been to that event before and it was an incredible way to experience the talents of so many local musicians and restaurants, all while supporting the NFSB in an absolutely stunning setting."

At home, the Brownson family has high praise for their neighbors.



5 Things the Brownson Family Loves About Nutley

- 1. Schools** - both our children love going to school which shows what incredible staff work for Nutley Public Schools
- 2. Proximity to nature** - we enjoy being in the breathtaking parks every day
- 3. Tennis courts** at De Muro Park
- 4. Town events** - the street fairs and concerts are great
- 5. The people** - the best part of Nutley! No town has better neighbors and friends.



Natalie performing "Frère Jacques" on the piano (above) Karen playing the harp at the Nutley Family Service Bureau fundraiser (top)

"I couldn't love our neighborhood more," Karen said. "We enjoy the proximity to the park, but the best part of our town is the people we have met. Our neighbors and friends have become such a huge part of our lives. Everyone is always willing to help each other, which is something I've noticed throughout the town, particularly when local families are struggling. While it isn't the community I was raised in, I do feel like it is now my community. Sometimes it is hard for me to believe I've only known these people for less than seven years!"

Amidst all the sounds of this family engaging with the community, perhaps the best are the times they laugh and the promise of "I'll see you later."

We all hope to continue to see—and hear—the harmonious life notes of Karen, Carl, Natalie, and Nicholas Brownson. ■

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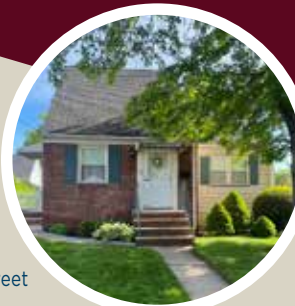


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Nutley UNICO March "Madness" Meeting

By Lorraine Kucinski

In keeping with UNICO's goal to uphold honored traditions and celebrate their Italian heritage, the organization's March meeting featured Italian Jeopardy, compliments of member Dan Marucci. Dan used interesting information to create categories about places in Italy, food, celebrities of Italian heritage, and more. Members in attendance participated and a good time was had by all. The bonus was sharing what you already knew and learning what you may not have known about being Italian!

Nearly 80 members and guests attended the March meeting held at Mamma Vittoria's in Nutley, all joining in the fun and excitement.

Nutley UNICO members have a long-time tradition of marching in the Nutley St. Patrick's Day Parade and 2023 was no exception. A great day for St. Pat!

UNICO National is the largest Italian American service organization in the country and is celebrating 100 years—1922-2022—of "Service Above Self." Nutley Chapter of UNICO has been promoting and preserving its Italian heritage since 1959. ■



Dan Marucci and Jerry Del Tufo playing Italian Jeopardy



Nutley UNICO celebrates St. Patrick's Day with UNICO banner carried by UNICO members Pat Ritacco, Anthony Biondi, Frank Cocchiola, Don Russoniello, Nicholas Russo, UNICO President Dan Carnicella, UNICO 1st VP Danielle Ferrara Manganello, and UNICO 3rd VP Frank Russo

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Featured Article



Image Courtesy: Garrett Chapman & Jadin O'Brien

Jadin O'Brien's Olympic quest continues with national title

By Cody Kluge,
BVM Sports Journalist/Editor

Over the past few years, Jadin O'Brien has proven to be one of the best track and field athletes in the entire country. While competing in the pentathlon, the Notre Dame standout has found plenty of success. However, it hasn't come without hard work, focus, and overcoming some adversity. "I did everything I had needed to do to prepare for the national championship," O'Brien said. "But the night before it really sunk in. I was like, 'I'm about to go do this...'" *Continue reading on the BVM Sports website.*

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Styling With Sensitivity

By Linda Buset

Imagine having a child with sensory issues who is sensitive to touch, sight, and sound. Now imagine bringing your child for a haircut.

Your Kind of Cuts, located on Centre Street, and business owner William (Billy) Dinnerstein, cater to children and adults with special needs, especially those with autism, who, like everyone else, need to have their hair cut. I had the privilege of spending an afternoon watching the patience of Billy and his staff and enjoying the warmth and caring in his shop.

I had walked into the shop feeling down, but I walked out uplifted and with a renewed faith knowing there are people like Billy in this world.

Billy and his amazing staff go the distance to make children and adults, who are frightened by a haircut, feel at ease. I watched Billy interact with at least four children who are autistic, and it was nothing short of inspirational.

Getting a haircut is very challenging when you have autism. The touch and sounds can be overwhelming and Billy knows exactly how to get it done with patience and compassion.

His shop is filled with sensory toys to keep everyone happy during a haircut. A certificate is received after the first cut, and the children get to pick a toy after every return visit. Billy makes sure the kids know that being nervous or scared is okay if you try to be brave.

His top priority is making everyone feel comfortable while getting a haircut, even if he must sit on the floor in the corner with his client.

The happiness he sees on a mom's face when her child can finally walk into a shop and get a haircut is his motivation to keep his business going.



Photo credit: Millisa Maneiro

There are not many shops like Billy's, and people will travel to get here. The past few years word has spread through the autism community, and children and adults are willing to drive a long distance once they hear about Your Kind of Cuts.

Another interesting fact about Billy is the township officially recognized him for his brave actions in helping rescue a driver who was trapped in a submerged vehicle in the Passaic River. Nutley officers dove into the river after Billy directed them to the location of a vehicle, which had plunged down the boat ramp north of the Kingsland Avenue Bridge. Once the occupant was removed from the submerged vehicle, Billy also jumped into the water to help police bring the victim to shore. The township formally passed three resolutions commending everyone involved for their selfless, brave, and heroic actions.

Billy Dinnerstein has also hosted many events in his shop, and in front of his shop, to entertain clients and our township. Billy, along with his incredible staff, are remarkable people in my opinion.

His story and Your Kind of Cuts speak of determination and a desire to give back. ■



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Nutley Junior Raiders Are Climbing to the Summit

By Joyce Corey

10 years is a long time to do anything. It's long enough to see how far one has come and to know how far one still has to go. 10 years is the length of time that Coach Michael Blanchard has been involved with wrestling and he knows all too well how long it took to see progress happen.

"In 2020, our Suburban team was 8 and 3," he said. "In 2021, our season got canceled due to Covid. In 2022, we went 10 and 0, winning our Suburban league and our end of the season tournament. In 2023, we're looking for new challenges and new summits to climb."

"We joined the Twin County League, a great organization with an infrastructure that provides wrestling opportunities to levels of our program," Blanchard explains. "We were able to have our best wrestlers compete in their dual league and gain valuable experiences for our younger wrestlers as well."

Blanchard's comment might be an understatement. The team did not just compete. They went 11 and 0 this season; winning the Northeast Division and then winning the Twin County League Championship that pits the top 3 teams from each division against each other in a playoff series to crown the champions of both divisions.

"We didn't focus too much on winning but joined the league to get better competition and that goal was



Photos courtesy of Dennis Tenorio

Top: The Twin County dual team captured the Northeast Division and the Twin County Championship with an 11-0 record this season. This group is 21-0 over the past two seasons. Bottom: 8th grade captains: Jack Finkelstein, Aidan Rotbaum, Valen Delaney, AJ Maiden, Riley Garofalo, Nolan Brewer, and Trace Castellanos. These young people were critical to the team's success this season

achieved. We wrestled some great teams, like Fair Lawn twice (Blanchard's alma mater) and Cedar Grove. Both teams really pushed us to improve. It was great to see the progress of our wrestlers."

In addition, the program kept a team in the Suburban league. This group wrestled 9 dual meets and owned a record of 6 and 3. This league provided younger wrestlers with an outlet and an experience that was on their level.

"We are proud of both teams and our younger novice wrestlers. We were even able to run a new program (the brainchild of Coach Mike Siljanoski) called Little Raiders. This program was tailored towards 5 and 6 year olds to get them interested in the sport. It was fantastic."

The Nutley Junior Raiders are far from satisfied, but Blanchard has seen the progress he had planned for 10 years ago. The program has reached the summit and now the critical goal will be staying there. With a summer clinic planned (on the week of July 10th) that features wrestler Sammy Sasso of Ohio State, Coach Reece Humphrey of Princeton and the NJRTC, and Scott Goodale, Head Coach of Rutgers University, it is clear that Nutley cares about wrestling. The support of Mauro Tucci and Frank DeMaio has been vital. The many volunteer coaches are also integral to the success of the program.

"Next season since my son will be in 8th grade, I will be changing my role in our program and giving others a chance to lead. I will still be involved, but growth and progress demand change. It's the only constant in life and in sports." ■

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5 Things a Dermatologist Wants You to Know About Skin Cancer Screening and Awareness

Contributed by Dr. Dominick Ligresti, M.D. Ligresti Dermatology Associates

Skin cancer, the most common type of cancer, affects millions of people worldwide. The good news is that with early detection and treatment, it is highly curable.

■ **SKIN CANCER CAN AFFECT ANYONE** It is a common misconception that skin cancer only affects people with fair skin. While it is true that people with fair skin are at a higher risk, skin cancer can affect anyone, regardless of their skin color or ethnicity. People with darker skin tones may be less likely to develop skin cancer, but they are still at risk, and if they do develop it, it is often more aggressive and difficult to treat. Therefore, it is essential that everyone protects their skin from the sun and gets regular skin cancer screenings.

■ **SKIN CANCER CAN OCCUR ON ANY PART OF THE BODY**

Skin cancer can occur on any part of the body, not just the areas that are exposed to the sun. It can develop in areas such as the scalp, under the nails, or on the soles of the feet. Regularly check your entire body for any unusual moles or spots and get skin cancer screenings.

■ **EARLY DETECTION IS KEY** The earlier skin cancer is detected, the easier it is to treat and the greater the chances of a full recovery. Dermatologists recommend performing regular self-examinations of your skin and getting a professional skin cancer screening at least once a year. If you notice any changes in your skin, such as new moles, growths, or changes in the color or shape of existing moles, see a dermatologist as soon as possible.

■ **SUN PROTECTION IS CRUCIAL** Exposure to the sun's harmful ultraviolet (UV) rays is the leading cause of skin cancer but protecting your skin from the sun reduces your risk. Wear protective clothing, such as hats and long-sleeved



shirts, and use a broad-spectrum sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or higher. It is also important to avoid tanning beds as they emit UV radiation that can cause skin damage and increase your risk of developing skin cancer.

■ **SKIN CANCER IS TREATABLE** The good news is that skin cancer is highly treatable, especially when caught early. There are several treatment options available including surgery, radiation therapy, and chemotherapy. Your dermatologist will recommend the best treatment option based on the type and stage of skin cancer you have.

Skin cancer is a serious and potentially life-threatening disease, but it is also highly preventable and treatable. Protect your skin from the sun, perform regular self-examinations, and get a professional skin cancer screening at least once a year. ■

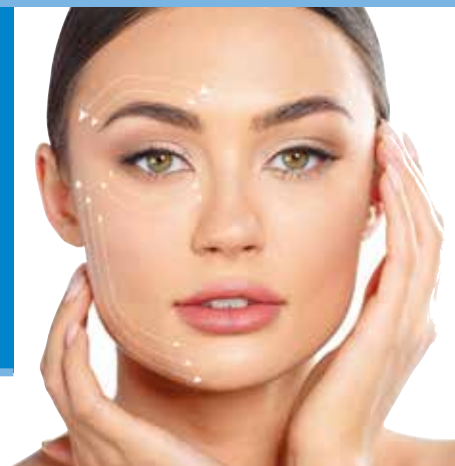
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Summer Starts with Colorful Creativity!

By Michelle Palmer

As we splash into summer, we also dip into exploring our children's artistic talents.

Michael is a second grader at Spring Garden school and is super excited to show off the beautiful town he calls home. He created this colorful illustration of Nutley. His drawing highlights the beautiful parks in town that we all enjoy.



Michael's vision of Nutley

Over spring break, the McGuire girls created a very fun project involving egg rolling. They dipped an egg in paint and then rolled it around over their canvas and were happily surprised to see the designs that appeared. These paintings turned out to be unique works of art.

Leah, age 7, also crafted up a sweet representation of Nutley. She drew the Third River and is proudly displaying her work of art. She will always remember the fun times with friends and family that inspired her to make this colorful memory. ■



Leah's drawing of Nutley

Michelle Palmer is the author of a children's book, *Brinco Finds His Way Home*, which is available at Amazon and Pretty Handy in Nutley.



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Nutley Public Library's 2023 Summer Reading Program Encourages Everyone to Participate *All Together Now!*

By Deidra Garcia, Head of Youth Services

The Nutley Public Library invites the entire community to participate in the Summer Reading Program beginning on June 1. This is a nationally recognized program in which libraries across the country collaborate on a theme to combat "summer slide" and make summer reading challenging and fun for all ages.

This year's theme, *All Together Now*, encourages patrons of all ages to foster understanding, teamwork, and kindness in their community through activities, programs, and reading.

Participants of all ages will earn tickets as they hit reading milestones to be entered into a drawing to win big prizes, which will be announced at the end of the summer. The more books read, the more tickets earned, and the greater the chances of winning a big prize. Some of this year's big prizes include a Nintendo Switch, a Fujifilm photo printer, gift cards, book bundles, and a family membership to Turtle Back Zoo.



Babies, children, and teens who register for the program will receive a sign-up goodie bag, and will also be eligible for weekly incentives, including special *brag tags*: exclusive charms that can be collected all summer long to make a complete chain.

Registration, logging reading milestones, and submitting prize tickets will be completed online at nutleypubliclibrary.beanstack.org.

The 2023 Summer Reading Program will include a variety of programs for all ages. Events include STEM workshops, craft programs, story times, acting workshops, live performances, teen programs, and more. Volunteer opportunities for teens will also be available.

Beginning June 1, residents can register online and begin logging books at nutleypubliclibrary.beanstack.org. The Summer Reading Program will officially kick-off on Thursday, June 22 from 2-4pm with an outdoor dance party. Residents of all ages can enjoy games, sweet treats, and music by DJ Rob of Ultimate Entertainment. The program will conclude on August 10 with an end-of-summer show featuring the exotic animal rescue group, Eyes of the Wild, and the announcement of the big prize winners.

Programs and prizes offered throughout the summer are free and made possible due to generous donations from the Friends of the Nutley Public Library. The library would also like to thank the library board members, district school educators, high school volunteers, and community members for their continued support.

For additional information, please visit the Youth Service's website at www.youthservices.nutleypubliclibrary.org or contact Deidra Garcia at deidra.garcia@nutley.bccls.org or 973-667-0405 ext. 2623.

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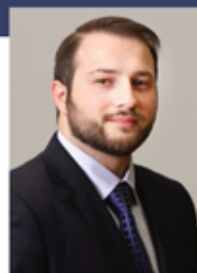
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Nutley Raider Vincenzo Rizzuto Named 2023 Diane Greco Sajle Scholarship Recipient

Submitted by Joyce Corey



Nutley H.S. Principal Denis Williams, Coach Chris Helm, Dan Sajle, Michael Greco, Thomas Greco, Glenn Villacari, Vincenzo Rizzuto, Joe Piro, Kate Sajle Rose, Lauren Greco Adam Rose, Ralph Greco, Lucas Greco, Gloria Greco Smith, Joe Greco, Ralph Greco, Coach Jeff Martin, Rosanna Rizzuto, Lucia Rizzuto, and Vincent Rizzuto

For the fifth consecutive year, a Nutley High School Raiders football senior has been recognized for commitment to teamwork and leadership both on and off the field.

This year's recipient is Vincenzo Rizzuto, "a great kid with a bright future," according to Head Coach and Nutley High School Athletic Director, Joe Piro.

The annual scholarship, created in memory of Diane Greco Sajle, a 1974 Nutley High School graduate, is awarded annually to the football program's "Most Valuable Teammate," who, along with displaying athletic abilities, also exhibits the qualities Diane was most known for: compassion, dedication, and selflessness towards family, friends and community.

Rizzuto has been playing football since first grade and has no plans to stop anytime soon, as he intends to continue playing throughout college. Although he has not made a decision on where he plans to attend school, he looks forward to studying business and finance.

Rizzuto expressed his gratitude upon receiving the scholarship.

"I would like to thank God, the Greco family, my family, friends, teammates and all the coaches who voted for me," he said. "If it wasn't for the Lord guiding and directing me, this would not be possible. I am very honored to receive this scholarship in Diane Greco Sajle's name."

"Vincenzo is a great kid. He really checks all the boxes,"

shared Piro. "It was an honor to coach him and an honor to call him one of my players. He is a great representation of what this scholarship means."

The annual scholarship is funded by members of the Greco family and close family friend, Glenn Villacari of Parkway Auto Body in Nutley.

"Thanks to the generosity of Glenn and our family, we were able to increase the amount raised to \$5,000 this year in memory of Diane," says Thomas Greco, who founded the scholarship in honor of his sister. "I want to thank Joe Piro and former head coach J.D. Vick for allowing us to continue to do this each year. I especially want to thank former head coach Steve Digregorio, who worked with me to create the scholarship five years ago. I'm sure Diane and Coach D. are in Heaven watching over us and are very proud that someone like Vincenzo was chosen."

"It's almost five years since my mom passed away," Kate Rose says. "As much as we all think of her every day, the scholarship allows us to keep her memory alive by honoring a worthy Nutley football player. It means so much to our family to be able to do this."

Thank you to our donors: Glenn Villacari, Ralph Greco, Gloria Greco Smith, Ralph S. Greco, Christy Van Sadlers, Michael Greco, Anthony Greco, Dan Greco, Lauren Greco, Alex Greco, Kate Rose, Dan Sajle, Michelle Greco, and Joe Greco. ■

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June 9, Fri.
Bloomfield Food Truck & Music Fest

@St. Thomas the Apostle School, 50 Byrd Ave., Bloomfield

Bring your appetite, lawn chairs, 4-legged friends, and family. Over 20 gourmet food trucks, craft beers, kids' activities, live music, and more! All attendees are asked to bring a non-perishable canned or boxed item to help support the food pantry. Benefits St. Thomas the Apostle School. **Time:** 4-10pm **Cost:** \$5 admission; free for kids under 5 For more information visit www.justjerseyfest.com

June 10, Sat.
Rock Hunger VI | Nutley Family Service Bureau

@Old Canal Inn, 2 E. Passaic Ave.

A high-energy outdoor show featuring well-respected local bands and proceeds benefiting NFSB programs, including the Food Pantry. Groove along with great performances from The Attic, The Sticky Wickets, Mother Hubbard, and The Porch Rockers! Cash bar, tricky

tray prizes, and 50/50 raffle are available to attendants.

Time: 2pm **Cost:** \$25 when purchased in advance at www.nutleyfamily.org For more information call 973-667-1884

June 14, Wed.
Monthly Cancer Support Group | Clara Maass Medical Center

@virtual and at Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Clara Maass Dr. Belleville

Each month's meeting will highlight a different community resource and allow patients to share their own cancer journeys and talk among themselves.

Time: 6-7pm **Cost:** Free For more information and registration for the virtual meeting visit www.rwjbh.org/events

June 18, 25, Sun.
Nutley Farmers Market

The 14th season of Nutley Farmers Market officially begins! Featuring live musical entertainment and a wide variety of fresh regionally grown produce, as well as cut

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flowers, homemade cheese, dried fruit, fresh nuts, pickles, bread, and more. The market helps New Jersey family farmers, enables people to meet and ask questions of the person who grew their food, brings shoppers into the local business districts, and is a great place to meet friends and neighbors.

Time: 9am-2pm For more information visit www.nutleynj.org/farmersmarket

June 20, Tue.
De-Clutter and De-Personalize

@virtual event via Zoom Moving or downsizing? 50 de-cluttering and de-personalizing tips... and 50 things you can throw away today! If you're contemplating a move, usually the first thing a Realtor will suggest is that you de-clutter and de-personalize your home. In this light and fun program, Mike will explain, and then share what things you can throw away. **Time:** 7-8:30pm For more information visit www.nutleypubliclibrary.org/calendar

June 24, Sat.
Summer Craft Saturdays

@Nutley Public Library, 93 Booth Dr. On select Saturdays from June 24 to Aug. 12, stop by the Children's Room to make a craft to take home! For all ages. No registration required.

Time: 11am-4pm **Cost:** Free For more information and other dates visit www.youthservices.nutleypubliclibrary.org or call 973-667-0405 ext. 2623

July 1, Sat.
Chalk Day

@Nutley Public Library, 93 Booth Dr. Visit the library grounds and help decorate the sidewalk with colorful art! For all ages. No registration required. **Time:** 10am-12pm **Cost:** Free For more information visit www.youthservices.nutleypubliclibrary.org or call 973-667-0405 ext. 2623

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