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Marching Orders

March is one of two months whose name is also a verb. (Okay you all just ran through the list of months and got the other one, right?)

To me, March has always been a month of action. It's the beginning of spring when everything (and everybody!) seems to come back to life. Because of this, I feel that this 'month of the verb' gives me 'marching' orders. I am to go out and enter the community again, talk to people, and help out if possible.

A study showed that one of the key indicators of whether a person will live long is their amount of social engagement. It seems that your *Nutley Neighbors* can be beneficial to your health! That is why all of us here love bringing you their magazine each month. It introduces you to people, businesses, and events that can socially connect you to the community.

And guess what? You can start making healthy social connections right now as you turn the pages.

The Blanchard family (those happy people on the cover!) loves Nutley. It was a delight to interview them and their sons are adorable and active in town.

When you keep turning the pages, you will 'connect' with other neighbors like Denise Costantino who was busy creating another very cool mural. The photos are great but it's even better to see in person.

You can also 'meet' and applaud the newest inductees in Nutley's Hall of Fame. This award honors people who make outstanding contributions to our community. Chris Masullo is our author of the month and he wrote an engaging book about computers. Although written for a younger audience, adults can learn a lot too.

And lest you think that your 'neighbors' are only the people who are currently living around you, how about meeting a Nutleyite who impacted our town years ago, like Frank R. Stockton?

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The Blanchard Family Gives Nutley an A+

By Joyce Corey Photography by Photo Arts Productions

After Michael and Tricia Blanchard married in 2003, these teachers did their homework before deciding on the best place to live and start a family. And no one is surprised that they chose Nutley.

Michael tells us: "We have lived in the Spring Garden section for 14 years. Tricia's family has lived in Nutley for generations, many of whom still live in town. I grew up in Bergen County in Fair Lawn, so the move didn't seem too far from where I grew up either. We both agreed Nutley

was the perfect place to start a family."

The Blanchard family now includes Matthew, Evan, Owen, and Cleopatra a 16-year-old cat that may be a tad antisocial although she had a soft spot for the boys. Doting grandparents are Sal and Becky Olivo of Nutley and Bill and Barbara Blanchard of Fair Lawn. Michael sums up the family atmosphere: "Our sons are truly very lucky to have so much love around them."

Michael tells us about his sons. "Matthew is a fifth grade

student at Spring Garden School and loves anything dealing with Legos. Evan is in second grade at the same school and is a Star Wars fan, while our youngest son, Owen, is fascinated by dinosaurs. He attends Clendinning Nursery School."

Although each boy has different interests, there is a common activity that everyone enjoys in the Blanchard house: reading. Having parents as teachers may be a reason for that since both Michael and Tricia have made educating students a career.

Michael said, "Tricia and I met in 2001 at the new teacher orientation for the Rutherford school district. We hit it off and by May of that same school year we were engaged to be married. Our wedding was at Vincent



The Force is strong with the boys!

School for 12 seasons and he was honored as Coach of the Year five times and his teams had over 150 wins. He was published in *Wrestling USA* magazine four times as well."

"Although I am no longer coaching at the high school, I am active here in town with the recreation wrestling

United Methodist Church in Nutley on July 5, 2003. This year we will be celebrating our 15th anniversary."

Both Michael and Tricia have been teaching in Rutherford for the past 17 years; he as a middle school science and social studies teacher in Union Middle School and she as a high school choir teacher in the high school. Yet when the bell rings for dismissal, this couple is still very active in other areas.

Tricia said, "Michael was the wrestling coach at Rutherford High

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Music fills the Blanchard house

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- 1.** Family living close by. It takes a village and we have lots of support.
- 2.** The school system. Our boys have great and caring teachers. The school supports our family.
- 3.** The sense of community within our town and our section of our block. We have great neighbors!
- 4.** Our church – Vincent United Methodist Church – it's a great place to raise a family. It's a community within the community.
- 5.** Parks and Recreation – they offer lots of great programs and athletics. They are very inclusive and welcome volunteers. We've met a lot of great families through our children.

program," Michael adds. "We have close to 70 youngsters participating and 14 other coaches helping out. I think every young person should try wrestling for the life benefits it brings. It's perhaps one of the toughest, but most rewarding sports for young people to partake."

Michael credits his work ethic to wrestling at The College of New Jersey where he captained the team in his final semester there in 2000.

Tricia has been active in the music community for close to two decades and was a graduate of the prestigious Indiana University Music Program. She said, "I am the church organist at Vincent United Methodist Church in Nutley and have been the musical director of the Rutherford High School Musical for the past 17 years."

Her musical accomplishments are numerous and include playing at Carnegie Hall as a student and having her choirs perform at St. Paul's Cathedral in London and at Notre Dame in Paris during an overseas summer trip in 2009. But listed highest among her achievements may be teaching her older sons, Matthew and Evan, to play the piano.

As a family, the Blanchards are very active in the community, starting right on their own block. Michael said, "We absolutely love where we live. We have lots of families with kids around our kids' ages. We held our first block party this past fall and plan to continue this tradition in the years to come. It feels like the 1980s when Tricia and I grew up. People in our section look out for one another and spend lots of time outside when the weather

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is nicer. It's a fantastic place to raise a family."

Their sons are involved in several activities here in town. Tricia said, "Our children are involved with sports like soccer and wrestling. We have a real sense of community within our neighborhood and our sons are benefitting from that."

Besides their Nutley neighbors, the Blanchards are also connected to several businesses. During the summer, Michael works at BMR Painting, which is his family's painting business. Tricia's family owns and operates Blue Ribbon Fuel in Nutley. Her father Sal Olivo and younger brother, Tom, work for the company, as well as her grandmother, Lucy Olivo (who turns 90 soon!) and her uncle, Frank Olivo.

When asked about a family philosophy, Michael said, "We believe people are inherently good. When we try to see the good, we become happier in life in general."

That is not only an excellent thought but is the kind of thinking that makes the best *Nutley Neighbors*.

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Have questions or need answers? Contact your local financial professional to review your specific situation. AXA Advisors LLC is located at 356 Franklin Avenue, Nutley. They can be reached at 973-667-8650.

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Fourth Annual NJ Makers Day at Nutley Public Library

By Michelle Salimbene Albert, Senior Librarian

The Maker Movement in the United States isn't just a hobby; it's having a significant impact on school curriculum development and growing local economies. To celebrate making and maker culture, residents throughout New Jersey will come together on Saturday, March 10, 2018 in libraries, schools, museums, colleges, makerspaces, businesses, and other community locations.

NJ Makers Day is designed to be a statewide event that celebrates, promotes, and in, many cases, may introduce maker culture, as well as the values associated with making, tinkering and STEM-based learning. In 2017, NJ Makers Day drew over 85,000 individual attendees to more than 300 participating sites across all 21 counties in the state. Participating locations included schools, colleges and universities, libraries, museums, and other



educational organizations.

Makerspaces across the state are having a significant impact on education and job skills development by providing access to people, information, resources, and tools that facilitate making to a wide variety of skill levels. NJ Makers Day allows communities to share hands-on programming opportunities, demonstrations and displays, and the expertise of the individuals and organizations that make, create, and develop right in their own backyards.

We are ecstatic to be able to bring this type of programming to the Nutley community. The Nutley Public Library is proud to once again be a participating site for **New Jersey Makers Day on Saturday, March 10, 2018 from 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM!** Youth com-

munity members of all ages are invited to join us for an exciting afternoon filled with activities focusing on maker culture.

The Nutley Public Library will be offering a variety of activities and demonstrations for youth of all ages. Hands-on maker stations include paper circuits, LEGO robots, littleBits, 3D Printing, drawing, coding, Sphero and marble mazes, Makey Makey projects, engineering challenges, crafts and more. Robotic demonstrations will be given by the Nutley High School Robotics Build Team "Anonymouse" lead by faculty advisors Mr. Campbell and Ms. McNish. Also, local author and artist Nobuko Okabe will provide an origami workshop table for all skill levels. Mrs. Okabe has recently published her book *Modular Origami with Super Nobu Unit: Super Simple, Super Versatile Unit That Can Be Assembled in Many Different Ways*.

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Corporal Vito Barlotta, United States Army

By Frankie Turano

My uncle, World War Two veteran Vito Barlotta, was an island hopper just like his brother, Joe. We did not converse as much on the war, mainly due to distance and the infrequency that we would see each other, but what I did take away from our conversations was the contemplation of the true cost of violence and the price of perseverance.

In today's society, we deal with everyday combustion points between personal life and work. I was warned a long time ago that things would become dour in this life, but life was not meant to be, or even promised to be, sunshine and happiness every waking moment. Life was what you made of it. It was your job to have the determination to rise above it all. To have the instinct to get up off the floor after you have been knocked down. Life starts in diapers, then to diplomas, back to diapers, and finally to death certificates. "Make your mark," I was told.

The true cost of violence during the war was to stop the spread and threat of a foreign country from taking away the civil liberties and freedoms that we and other nations treasure. I have many heroes, and all of their first names begin with the word 'veteran.' My Uncle Vito shook off fear as people a few hundred feet away were trying to kill him. Friends of his died horrific deaths to protect our country, and he would live with those images for the rest of his life.

Though he took these images with him after the war,



Corporal Vito Barlotta

he made sure that they did not define him. He lived by his own moral code. He embraced the uncertainty of life, and although a small part of his world would be forever darkened, he went on to marry and have two children. Uncle Vito became a sanitation worker; of course, that is not how he would present it. "I'm a garbage man," he would say proudly. There was no shame, nor should there be, in a job that it is so very important to our society. If you love the job that you are involved in, then there is no shame, I was often told.

The price of perseverance was to rise above and, in his case, start a family and hold down a great job, one worthy of its importance. Uncle Vito did just that and more. It is a profoundly sad day when you realize not all veterans were able to leave the war behind, affecting their ability to interact with others and to carry forward a life that was expected of them. This is when you realize that perseverance is just a word with a definition.

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Nutley Trolleys 1892-1937

(PART 1 OF A 3-PART SERIES)

By David Wilson and John Demmer

United States' post-Civil war period was a time of reflection, inventions, and industrial growth. Cities grew as immigrants arrived and entrepreneurs built factories and stores that provided jobs and shopping. Travel was by foot, horseback, carriage or bicycle. Luminaries saw the need to transport thousands of people quickly and efficiently between cities. In 1863, stagecoach lines and horse-drawn trolleys vied for ridership in and around the township.

Thomas Edison, in 1880, proposed efficient and profitable electrically-driven trolleys. Tracks or roadways could be installed and overhead electrical wires would power trolleys from a regional power plant. Noise, smoke, soot and limited access by steam trains was corrected. Costly bridges, stations and dangerous boilers would be gone. Overworked, unreliable horses and their "emissions" would disappear.

In 1892, with financiers and politicians in tow, the Passaic and Newark Electric Railway (PNER) was organized by Passaic men to plan a route from Passaic to Belleville. The roadway advanced from Passaic to the Franklin (now Nutley) border, until construction stalled as property acquisitions, local protests and steam line intersections needed to be negotiated. The destination was the Big Tree car house at Washington and Hancox that linked connections to Newark and other inter-town lines.

The original route planned was from Glendale and Passaic south to Centre, left onto Centre to Washington and right onto Washington to Big Tree. Passaic Ave residents objected to the impact on their tranquility and the line was re-routed to Kingsland St west to Franklin,



Early trolley Centre and Franklin

then south on Franklin to Centre and left onto Centre. Businesses followed the line and Franklin Ave evolved into a retail zone.

Another objection was from Paterson and Newark Railroad, part of Erie RR. Their rail line at grade level near High and Franklin did not have a collision prevention

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system between locomotives and trolleys, so a court case ensued in 1895 to dictate terms. Erie would raise their bridge seven feet and PNER would regrade Franklin Ave down seven feet to allow unimpeded passage of both conveyances. Costs were estimated at \$20,000 and four months' time. The traction company would pay \$5,000, restore Franklin Ave and use the excavation debris as back fill to raise the Erie track bed. Many an errant trucker wishes another foot had been added to alleviate the thousands of bridge vs. truck collisions over the last one hundred years.

The substandard wooden bridge at Centre and Park was rebuilt by Essex County for \$10,600.

Coincidentally, this 120-year-old arch bridge is scheduled for replacement. Kingsland St. became problematic when landowners would not grant adequate width for dual tracks. The solution to the twenty-foot shortage was turning the tracks at Glendale and Passaic, creating the

Glendale Loop. This once famous connection allowed you to transfer from the 13 Broad car and continue to or return from downtown Passaic and enabled round trips from Big Tree to the Nutley/Clifton border. A proposal existed to turn the line east through the Yanticaw Country Club, now Clifton Commons, and cross the Passaic River to connect with Rutherford tracks. Profitability concerns and pressure from local golfers nixed the plan.

Construction continued until 1897 as the Township, by way of the franchise granted, demanded a seven cent fare to Newark, a continuous all-electric ride, better curve in the track turn at Kingsland and Passaic and completion of



Trolley 2446 at Big Tree Car House

grading and widening at Franklin and High. Free passes were distributed to anyone who could help the process, until the practice was abolished in 1899.

Part 2 will explore the sights and sounds of the trolley.



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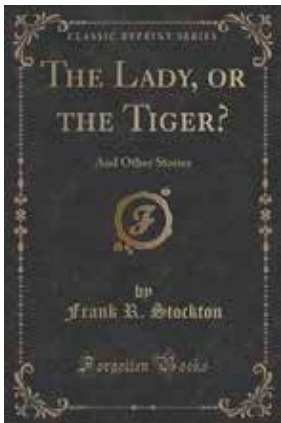
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Frank R. Stockton Discovering the Life of Nutley's Most Celebrated Author

By Barry Lenson



If you have attended a talk at the Nutley Public Library, chances are that it took place in the Library's Stockton Room, named for the author Frank R. Stockton (1834-1902). And when you have driven on the New Jersey Turnpike, you have noticed that one of its rest stops is named for

him. That rest stop, in fact, is the only one anywhere that is named for a former Nutley resident.

Who was Frank R. Stockton, why was he famous, and how did he come to live in our town? Let's learn more.

About Frank Stockton

Stockton was born near Philadelphia. He trained to be an artist and engraver, but when an eye ailment forced him to abandon the visual arts in 1860, he turned to writing. He was soon writing short stories for magazines, and published his first book of short stories in 1870. Like his contemporary Mark Twain, Stockton wrote stories that were folksy and somewhat ironic in tone - and which taught moral lessons.

In 1870, Stockton and his wife Mary Ann moved to a



Frank R. Stockton

home at 203 Walnut Street in Nutley, where they lived until 1890. They then moved to Morristown and then to West Virginia, where Stockton lived out his final years.

Stockton's Most Famous Story, "The Lady, or the Tiger?"

In 1882 while he was living in Nutley, Stockton wrote a fantastical story that established his fame, "The Lady, or the Tiger?" It tells the story of a young man who, after becoming romantically involved with a princess, was forced by her father to undergo an unusual test. He was taken to a public arena, where he had to choose to open one of two doors. He was told that a hungry tiger was behind one door; if he opened it, the tiger would kill him. He was also told that behind the other door was one of the princess's ladies-in-waiting;

if he chose that door, he would have to marry her. Would he choose the lady or the tiger? But just as he was trying to decide, his former love the princess, who happened to be in the audience, pointed to one of the doors. And just as he started to open it, the story ends abruptly, and we never know his fate. Was his former lover saving his life or condemning him to death? We never find out, and that puzzle has fascinated readers for years.

"The Lady, or the Tiger" was only one of many works that made Stockton a successful and famous writer. *The Bee-Man of Orth and Other Tales*, a book of his stories published in 1887, still makes for fascinating reading today. And his novel *The Adventures of Captain Horn*, written in 1895, was a bestseller. Be sure to check out these books at the Nutley Public Library.

Stockton died in 1902 and was buried in Philadelphia. But in our minds, he will forever remain one of Nutley's most illustrious citizens. He was inducted into the Nutley Hall of Fame in 2003, and remains a bright star in the history of our beloved town.

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Connecting Kids With Computers

By Joyce Corey



Chris Masullo holding his newly published book in front of an arcade machine he had built

What happens when a sixth grade boy gets hooked on computers back in the mid-80s? He grows up to write a book about them.

That's the short version of how Nutley resident and educator, Christopher Masullo, came to write *Are You My Motherboard?* Sharing his passion for computers in a clever storyline with eye-popping illustrations and digitally rendered backgrounds, this book can introduce and inspire future generations of children.

The book is an educational adventure story about a boy named Arty who loved computers so much that he wanted to build his own. He earned money by doing chores and added that to his weekly allowance until he was ready to buy all the parts he needed.

But on the night before his trip to the computer store, he slips into a cyberspace dream where he meets all the computer components he would need and finds out how all the parts come together.

And this is where the book successfully blends education with adventure.

Chris tells us: "I got the idea for the book after working with kids in several summer enrichment programs in which we would take computers apart and put them back together again. I used the analogy of body parts to computer parts, like the power supply is the 'heart' and the motherboard is like the nervous system. The students better understood the inner workings of a computer since they were able to connect those new ideas with how their own bodies worked."

The story line further comes alive thanks to the illustrations of Joe Dziema and Kayla Dailey. "They are two teachers I met at 'International Ivy', a STEAM-based summer enrichment program in New Jersey. Joe rendered the 3-D effect backgrounds and Kayla created the character images."

As an educator (Chris teaches math at Passaic Community College) and the son of a longtime Nutley teacher, Beverly Masullo, the book reinforces the computer-themed concepts with three activities: a crossword, a maze, and a word find.

But whether someone reads it for the adventure or for some technology tips, *Are You My Motherboard?* is a great story.

Chris Masullo is also back at his computer writing his next book: *Bean's Backyard Breakout*. This will be jointly



Chris and some students building a computer

written with his fiancée and will tell the story of a cat who runs away from home, meets some interesting neighborhood animals, and realizes what's truly important in life: her family.

Are You My Motherboard? is published by Mascot Books, www.mascotbooks.com and is available at Amazon.





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Preserving Your Custody Rights: What Men Need To Know

Contributed by The Micklin Law Group

Men headed for divorce fear one thing more than losing half of what they've worked hard for: losing their kids. When you're married, things are (supposed to be) simple. You make all decisions related to your child together as a team. When divorce is on the table, the circumstances change, and so does the custody arrangement.

But as a father, you still have equal rights under the law as long as you are fit to raise the child. As you head down the bumpy road of divorce, it's important to understand your rights as a dad.

You Have a Right to Seek Custody
While mothers still have an upper



hand in custody battles, the tides are beginning to turn. More fathers are being granted custody - and not just because the mother is an unfit parent.

More fathers are fighting for custody and winning, and moms are given visitation rights.

If you can demonstrate that you would provide a better environment for your child or you are the better fit for raising the child, the court will be more inclined to grant your custody request.

Be an Active Parent

Regardless of which parent is seeking custody, the courts will base their decision on which living arrangement is in the best interests of the child.

That may mean that one parent gets full custody, or it may mean that parents share custody in a joint arrangement.

Whichever option you want to seek, it's important to maintain an active role in your child's life. Attend after-school events, spend quality time with your child, and show an interest in his or her interests.

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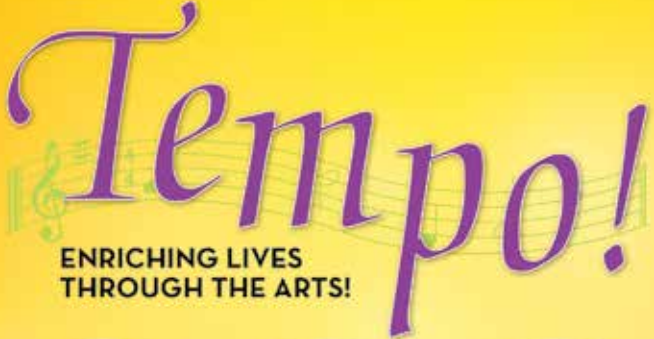
Fight for Your Visitation Rights

If you are granted visitation rights, make sure that your ex-spouse is honoring the arrangement. Of course, there may be times when unforeseeable circumstances prevent a visitation from happening, but violations of the court order for no valid reason are not acceptable and may be grounds for changing custody.

Fight for your visitation rights, especially if your ex is trying to alienate your child from you. The police may even provide assistance in enforcing a court visitation order. But before you go this route, consider the effect this might have on your child (seeing police officers in your home).

As a father, you have a right to see your child if a visitation order is in place and you have a right to pursue custody if you're headed for divorce. If you're still unsure of your situation, your lawyer can help you better understand your custody rights and how to protect them.

The Micklin Law Group, LLC is a New Jersey law firm specializing in men's rights during a divorce. Attorney Brad Micklin was recently named to The National Advocates List of Top 100 Attorneys from each state. Brad has a special expertise in working with men going through divorces in New Jersey. You can read more on this topic by visiting their divorce blog. To set up a consultation, call 973-562-0100.



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Denise Costantino Creates "The Illusion of Space" Mural for PCL Solutions

By Joyce Corey

Sometimes you need a little more office space.

Nutley artist and illustrator Denise Costantino created the illusion of space in a mural for PCL Solutions at 123 Franklin Avenue, pushing the elements of thinking beyond four walls while using her artistic skills to communicate the client's vision.

The office transformation began at the ceiling and worked down the two corner walls. Denise painted directly on the surface and mixed undertones of blacks, blues, and purple using large brush strokes. "I use different pictorial references and sketch directly on the surface. When I am working, I step back to view the perspective and placement of the objects and adjust as needed before and during painting, leaving details for last," she tells us.

Eugene Klyushnichenko, owner of PCL Solutions, explained it was the perfect way to continue his vision from the original main hallway timeline mural that was created by the same artist a few months earlier. PCL Solutions helps Enterprise, New Media, Web 2.0 and Video Delivery (VOD/LIVE) clients understand how to best manage, innovate, and, most importantly, scale their technology infrastructure.

He tells us about the inspirational impact the mural has for Chief Technology Officer, Mark Lee. "Mark finds himself working in his office sometimes up to 24 hours. There is nothing more refreshing when he hits a wall during a work day than to look up at the mural and see



Above: Work in progress balancing the space, colors and shapes

Left: Final composition included extra elements such as Rick and Morty characters and more

the characters that sparked his imagination from childhood. It's like being a kid again for a few minutes."

Denise's "illusion of space" mural seems to perfectly capture the "atmosphere" of this business.

She explains the concept of the artwork: "If you think how we communicate to the world we live in by one click on the computer, think how someday we may connect to the rest of the universe. The mural features the Andromeda Galaxy with the Earth as the main focal attraction surrounded by the optical illusion of space. This is followed by highlighting and painting, in different sizes, the planets and stars creating the feeling of depth. A few whimsical, painted characters occupy the Earth's surface to add to the imaginative effect."

"Always looking beyond, one of my favorite subjects to paint is skies or vast landscapes that give the illusion of continued space. Walls are just another blank canvas waiting for a story to be told. Though it is unknown what the future will hold beyond the stars, for now, I enjoy the creating them."

Denise's artwork is a tale of many adventures and is always a joy to see. For more information, be sure to visit her website: www.ddarchitecturaldesign.com. You can also follow her on Instagram: @ddarchdesignartist



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Nutley Resident David O'Hara Promoted to Director of Regulatory Compliance, Performance Improvement and Data Analytics

Contributed by NJ Sharing Network

Joe Roth, President and CEO of NJ Sharing Network, announced that Nutley resident, David O'Hara, has been promoted to Director of Regulatory Compliance, Performance Improvement and Data Analytics. NJ Sharing Network is a non-profit committed to saving lives through organ and tissue donation. O'Hara joined NJ Sharing Network in 2011, having previously worked in the field of organ and tissue donation and transplantation including, tissue recovery, tissue processing, donation call center, organ allocation, and performance improvement since 2001.

O'Hara's role encompasses many crucial elements of the organization's clinical operation, including complying with regulations from agencies like the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS), and analyzing data and resources to maximize the number of organs recovered



David O'Hara



and increase authorization rates to save and enhance more lives. During his tenure, O'Hara has contributed to NJ Sharing Network's milestone of saving more lives than ever

in 2016, making 613 organ transplants possible. This represents a 16 percent increase from 2015.

"When our clinicians and staff need information and education on trends and best practices in the organ and tissue donation world, they turn to David," said Carolyn Welsh, VP and Chief Clinical Officer at NJ Sharing Network. "David is an invaluable asset to our clinical team, working continuously to improve our performance in saving more lives and ending deaths on the waiting list."

O'Hara is a member of the Association of Organ Procurement Organizations (AOPO) Procurement Council. He earned his Bachelor's and Master's degree at Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia, Canada.

New Jersey residents can help save lives by registering as organ and tissue donors at www.NJSharingNetwork.org, having a conversation with family and friends and joining NJ Sharing Network at its upcoming events.

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Nutley Hall of Fame Honorees

By Joyce Corey

The Nutley Hall of Fame Committee inducted eight new honorees at the Nutley Public Library on Sunday, November 19, 2017. This biennial award ceremony was established in 2003 to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of Nutley people.

THE HONOREES FOR 2017 ARE:

HENRY BUNNER

Henry Bunner, posthumous inductee, lived in Nutley in the 1800's and was a talented writer, illustrator, and cartoonist. He is best known as the editor-in-chief of *Puck* magazine where he used his satirical pen to target greed and corruption in both political parties.



LEONARDO CAPALBO

A 1996 graduate of Nutley High School, Leonardo Capalbo has garnered international acclaim for his performances in the opera in the United States and Europe. He has a broad and diverse repertoire combined with a rich lyric voice and a commanding stage presence.

PHIL CUZZI

A resident of Nutley for a number of years, Phil Cuzzi has been a Major League umpire since 2000. Also notable are his fundraising efforts to fight Lou Gehrig's Disease through the Robert Luongo ALS Fund, which he initiated in 2003.



RENA DEANGELO

A 1984 graduate of Nutley High School, Rena DeAngelo has excelled as a set decorator. She was a shared 2016 nominee for an Academy Award Oscar for her work on the movie, *Bridge of Spies*. In 2008 she shared a Primetime Emmy for her work on an episode of *Mad Men*.

DAVID DIFRANCESCO

David DiFrancesco is a photo scientist, inventor, cinematographer, and photographer. Most notable was his position as director of the Pixar Photoscience Team at Pixar Animation Studios. He has earned two scientific and engineering technical academy awards and has 16 patents. He is a 1967 graduate of Nutley High School.



TOM EVANS

Tom Evans is a lifelong resident of Nutley and a 1973 graduate of Nutley High School. A certified public accountant, he began his 38-year career at PricewaterhouseCoopers in 1977 where he later became a partner. He assumed the position of the chief learning officer and is responsible for the corporate edu-

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DAVID GILBERT

A resident of Nutley since 1986, David Gilbert has had a long and illustrious musical career. His fame in the musical world was garnered mainly as a conductor. Most notably, he won the 1970 Dmitri Mitropoulos International Conducting Competition, was assistant conductor of the New York Philharmonic and was principal conductor of the American Ballet Theatre.



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Swirls

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Cheese Cake

If you're thinking about giving Cheesecake or Swirls a new home, please contact Montclair Township Animal Shelter at 973-744-8600 or email emorgan@montclairnjusa.org for more info.

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Time: 8am-2pm

To register and schedule an appointment time, please call 1-888-724-7123 or email teamlink@rwjbh.org

Mar. 3, Sat.**Mark Schiffer Pianist**

@Nutley Public Library,
93 Booth Dr.

Time: 2-3pm

For more information visit
nutleypubliclibrary.org or
call 973-667-0405

Mar. 4, Sun.**Family Friendly Maternity Meet-and-Greet: Getting to Know the Maternity Center**

@Clara Maass Medical Center,
1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville

Prepare for the birth of your child by meeting the staff, touring the Maternity Center and learning about various parent education classes. Get to know the Labor-and-Delivery unit and ask about admitting procedures and childbirth options. Tours are also available by request.

Time: 9am and 10am

For more information or to register call 1-888-724-7123

Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, Mon.**Self Help Program: Tai Chi, Qigong, Yoga, Stress Technique & Meditation**

@Parks and Recreation Bldg.,
44 Park Ave.

Time: 10-11am

For more information contact the Recreation office at 973-284-4966

Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, Mon.**Senior Art Program**

@Parks and Recreation Bldg.,
44 Park Ave.

Time: 1-2:30pm

For more information contact the Recreation office at 973-284-4966

Mar. 6, 20, Tue.**Board of Commissioners Meeting**

@Town Hall, 3rd Floor Commission Chambers

Time: 7pm

Open to the public

For more information visit
www.nutleynj.org/board-of-commissioners

Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27, Tue.**Bridge**

@Nutley Public Library,
93 Booth Dr.

Time: 1-4pm

For more information visit
nutleypubliclibrary.org or
call 973-667-0405

Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27, Tue.**ESL Classes**

@Nutley Public Library,
93 Booth Dr.

Time: 6:30-8:30pm

For more information and other class times visit nutleypubliclibrary.org or call 973-667-0405

Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28, Wed.**Bingo**

@Recreation Department,
44 Park Ave.

Time: 12:30-3pm

For more information contact the Recreation office at 973-284-4966

Mar. 7, Wed.**Essex County Clerk Program**

@Recreation Department,
44 Park Ave.

On the first Wednesday of each month the Essex County Clerk's office is available at the Recreation Department for residents to obtain passports and Notary Public services.

Time: 2-8pm

Cost: Free

For more information visit
www.nutleynj.org/recreation

Mar. 7, Wed.**Philadelphia Flower Show – Wonders of Water**

Meets at Nutley Public Library,
93 Booth Dr.

America's leading floral and garden designers will create tropical jungles, temperate forests, native woodlands and arid landscapes showcasing the astounding plants that thrive in each environment, from exquisite orchids and flowering vines to luminescent desert blooms. The 2018 show will celebrate the beauty and life-sustaining interplay of horticulture and water.

Time: 8am-6pm

Cost: \$70 per ticket

(includes transportation, tax, gratuities and show)

Mar. 7, Wed.**Wednesday Afternoon Knitters**

@Nutley Public Library,
93 Booth Dr.

Come share your love of knitting and crocheting with both beginning and experienced knitters. Meet fellow knitters, brush-up on your skills, and learn some new techniques. Please bring your own supplies.

Time: 1-3pm

For more information visit
nutleypubliclibrary.org or
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Mar. 10, Sat.**NJ Makers Day**

@Nutley Public Library,
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activities focusing on maker culture.
Time: 12-4pm
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Mar. 10, Sat.

Saturday Afternoon Book Club

@Nutley Public Library,
93 Booth Dr.

The book for discussion is *Soldier Girls: The Battles of Three Women at Home and at War* by Helen Thorpe.
Time: 2pm
For more information and to register visit nutleypubliclibrary.org or call 973-667-0405 ext. 2604

Mar. 12, Mon.

Considering Breast Feeding?

@Clara Maass Medical Center,
1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville
A certified lactation consultant will give expectant mothers information about the advantages of breastfeeding, maternal nutrition, breast care and breastfeeding tips for the working mother.
Time: 7-9pm
Cost: \$25 per person
For more information or to register call 1-888-724-7123

Mar. 12, Mon.

PJ Story Time & Craft

@Nutley Public Library,
93 Booth Dr.
For all ages. Meets in Story Time Room. No registration required.
Time: 7-7:45pm
For more information visit nutleypubliclibrary.org or call 973-667-0405

Mar. 13, Tue.

Start This Spring with a Free Ocular Screening

@Bloomfield Health Department,
1 Municipal Plaza, Bloomfield
In partnership with the Bloomfield Health Department, ocular screenings will be conducted during 'Save Your Vision Month' by Optometrist Julianne Walker, O.D. Space is limited and registration is required.
A light lunch will be served.
Time: 11am-3pm
For an appointment call 973-680-4058

Mar. 14, Wed.

Restorative Yoga, Reiki, and Live Music

@Tempo! 145 Vreeland Ave.

Enjoy a relaxing evening 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. For more information visit tempotherapy.com

Mar. 15, Thurs.

Noah Roselli Book Signing

@Nutley Public Library,
93 Booth Dr.
Time: 7-8pm
For more information visit nutleypubliclibrary.org or call 973-667-0405

Mar. 18, Sun.

Kingsland Manor Open House Tour

@3 Kingsland Street
Time: 1-4pm
Come explore the historic homestead of the Kingsland family and beyond, set within park-like grounds overlooking a pond and waterfalls.
For more information visit

www.kingslandmanor.org

Mar. 24, Sat.

Belleville Public Schools – 2nd Annual Health, Wellness & Safety Fair

@Belleville High School,
100 Passaic Ave. Belleville
During National Nutrition Month, health experts, along with a variety of community organizations, will offer a fun-filled health fair event focused on healthy eating and proper nutrition. Blood pressure or glucose screening will also be available.
Time: 10am-2pm

Mar. 24, Sat.

LEGO Play Time

@Nutley Public Library,
93 Booth Dr.
For ages 5-12. Free play time with LEGOs and sets. No registration required.
Time: 10am-3pm
For more information visit nutleypubliclibrary.org or call 973-667-0405

Mar. 29, Thurs.

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asked to meet by the playground

equipment to begin the hunt.
Parents are encouraged to stay
with the children during the event.
For Nutley residents only. Hunt
begins at dusk.
Time: 6:45-7:15pm
For more information contact the
Nutley Recreation Department at
973-284-4966

Mar. 31, Sat.
Saturday Story Time
@Nutley Public Library,
93 Booth Dr.
For all ages. Story time and craft.
No registration required.
Time: 10-10:45am
For more information visit
nutleypubliclibrary.org or call
973-667-0405

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Parks and Recreation (973) 284-4966
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