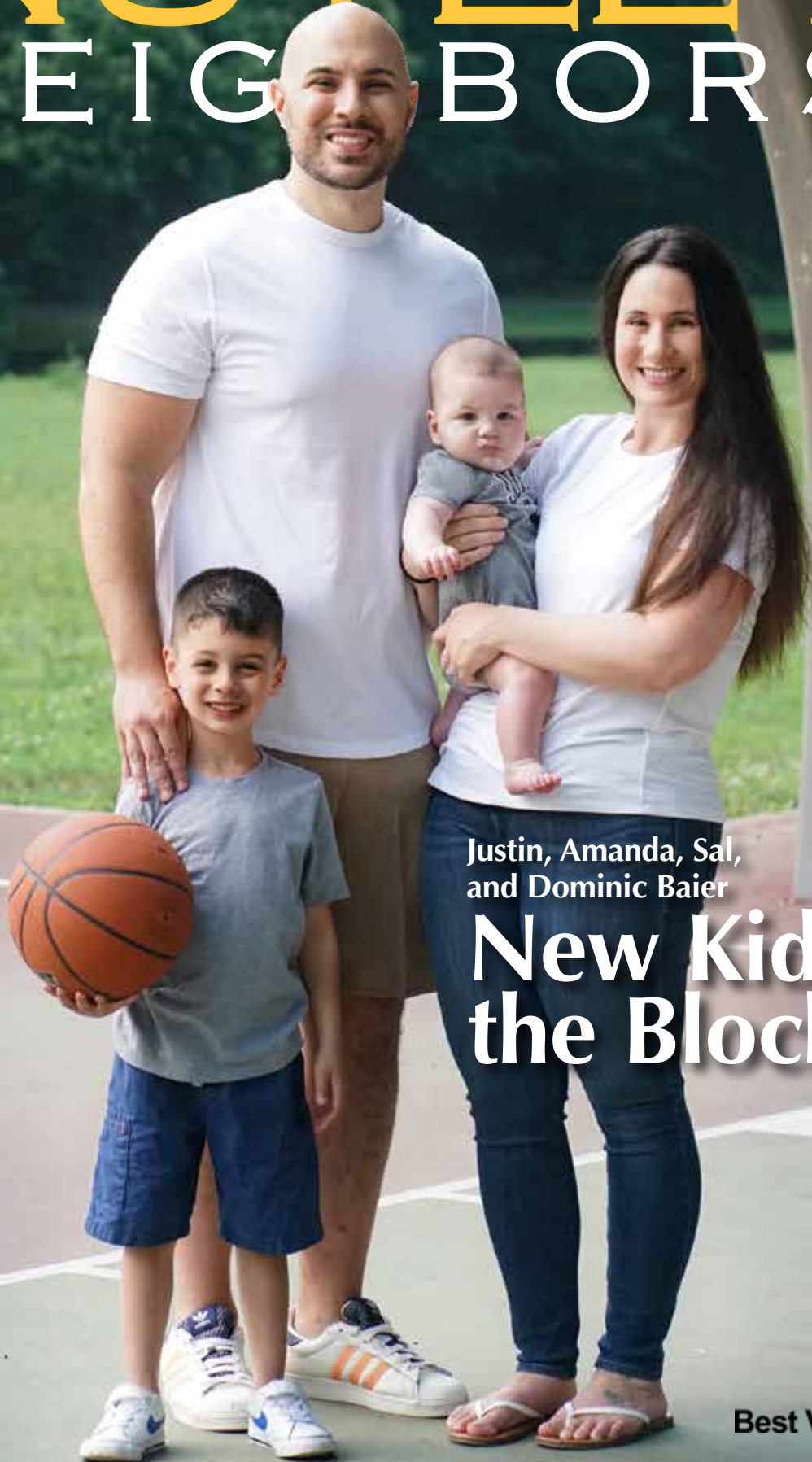


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Fitting In or Belonging?

Finding our places in the world isn't as straightforward as using Google Maps. Being somewhere physically doesn't always mean we fit in or that we belong.

And here's a plot twist—fitting in and belonging are not the same. In fact, researcher and educator Brené Brown considers them to be opposites. Fitting in means that we need to adapt to our environment, while belonging simply means showing up, being seen, and being accepted for who you are.

I know which one I like best.

On our cover is the Baier family—Justin, Amanda, Sal, and Dominic. When they moved to Nutley in 2020, they had no idea that only a few months later we would all be in Covid lockdown. But that didn't deter Sal, who was a toddler at the time, from belonging to his new neighborhood. He smiled and waved at the friendly faces on his block—from a distance of course. Sal showed up, was seen, and belonged. Be sure to 'meet' the rest of his family in the article!

Showing up and being yourself is also foundational to the Nutley Hall of Fame. This November, eight people will be inducted into this prestigious group. Each one of them has made amazing accomplishments at the state, national, or international level. They showed up, followed their life's passions and purposes, and now belong to the Hall of Fame as well as being our *Nutley Neighbors*. Read the bios of the inductees—and it's perfectly okay to feel some Nutley pride!

We have some excellent sports programs here in town, like wrestling and baseball, to only name a couple. The players who belong to these teams consistently show up, bring their best game, and are accepted by their teammates.

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Pet Corner

Adopt Us!

Submitted by Nicole Milici, Jersey Pits Rescue Inc.

Mama Lucy is looking for her very own forever home and family. She is 9 years old and is as sweet as can be. She is so happy to be out of the shelter and feeling better. Lucy enjoys rolling around in the grass and cuddling on the couch—life's simple pleasures.



Lucy is looking for a home with either another calm senior citizen or where she can be the only pet. She is crate trained, house broken and does well with other dogs. She would be a great addition to any home or family. ■

If you are interested in adding Lucy to your family, please visit www.jerseypitsrescue.com to apply.

Submitted by Christa Milici, Yellow Brick Road Rescue NJ



Snowball is a 2-year-old male. He is very sweet and would make the perfect addition to any family. He was adopted as a kitten 2 years ago and is now being returned due to his family moving and not taking him with them. He was fostered as a kitten

with a dog and kids but has only been around other cats since being adopted two years ago. He is microchipped, FIV/FelV negative, stool tested negative, dewormed, UTD on vaccines, and neutered. It would be lovely to keep him and his brother, Giovanni, together since they are both losing their home and get along really well, however it is not an absolute requirement. ■

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2 Margaret Ave.	\$425,000	\$467,000	\$42,000
4 Locust St.	\$448,888	\$560,000	\$111,112
25 Harvard St.	\$464,900	\$516,000	\$51,100
75 Gerard Rd.	\$499,000	\$560,000	\$61,000
712 Bloomfield Ave.	\$500,000	\$545,000	\$45,000
123 Hillside Ave.	\$550,000	\$525,000	-\$25,000
295 Prospect St.	\$589,000	\$620,000	\$31,000
345 Hillside Ave.	\$595,000	\$590,000	-\$5,000
43 Funston Pl.	\$599,000	\$660,000	\$61,000
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Justin, Amanda, Sal, and Dominic Baier New Kid on The Block

By Joyce Corey

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Moving to a new town means meeting the neighbors, making new friends, and getting involved in community activities.

Unless the Covid lockdown happens a few months after you move in.

That's what happened when Justin and Amanda Baier, and their two-year-old son, Salvatore, moved to Nutley. But being a toddler didn't deter Sal from making the most of his new home.

"Sal is the youngest on block," Amanda said. "Despite the lockdown, the neighbors safely welcomed him into the neighborhood by waving and smiling."

"Now that we've been here four years, when they see Sal around town, they already know him," Justin said. "He's also busy with soccer at the Parks and Recreation Department and summer camps so he's making some new friends too."

Despite the unusual beginning the Baier family had in Nutley, this was exactly where they wanted to live and raise their family.

"We wanted to find a house here because my brother, John, and his wife, Kristen, live in town," Justin said.

"Kristen grew up in Nutley and loves it here, and she helped convince us we would love it too!"

"After we got married, we lived in Fair Lawn," Amanda said. "When we started looking for a house, Nutley homes were not in our price point. So, we went to other places and while the realtor was showing us a house in Caldwell, she mentioned that there was a house two doors down from her in Nutley. We went to see it, loved it, and now we are only three minutes from Justin's brother!"

While Amanda and Justin are looking to make new memories here, they share a past that feels like a fairytale happily-ever-after.

"We met through mutual friends when we were 16," Amanda said. "Although we knew each other, we didn't reconnect until 2007 when we were 19 and in college. I was a sophomore at William Paterson University and Justin was a junior at Penn State University."

"We had a long-distance relationship for two years until I graduated in 2009," Justin said.

While their college degrees directed their choice of careers,

they officially made each other their life choice by saying "I do" when they were 27.

"I graduated from Penn State with a bachelor's degree in sociology," Justin said. "I also have two certifications, one in brand managing from Cornell University and the other in digital marketing from the University of Pennsylvania. Right now, I am working for the New York Red Bulls as director of marketing and content."

"I have a bachelor's degree in English from William Paterson University and a master's degree in education from Saint Peter's University," Amanda said. "I also hold two teaching licenses and work at Paramus Catholic."

But their careers only make up part of their lives as they enjoy their time together as a family—which has increased since they first moved here.

Dominic was born on February 23 and is now eight months old," Amanda said. "It will always be one of our favorite memories when we brought him home with his proud, older brother Sal leading the way."

The Baier family is busy making



memories here in town, as well as in their travels.

"We often take part in viewing parades and other holiday activities that the town puts together," Amanda said.

"When we travel, we like to visit places that have an adventure aspect to them," Justin said. "We like to choose places that offer hiking and beaches. Before Sal was born, Amanda and I hiked in Bryce Canyon and Zion National Park in Utah. I'm very much into fitness and now Sal joins me for a hike locally in Mills Reservation and Ramapo Mountain State Forest."

But it's back home in their neighborhood where the Baier family feels connected.

"We really love our neighbors," Amanda said. "They give us a true sense of community."

Which is especially important since the Covid lockdown—and the resulting isolation—is in the past. With two sons growing up here, the Baier family's future looks like it will be filled with school, sports, and new friends.

"Sal will be entering kindergarten in the fall," Amanda said. "Right now, he loves dinosaurs and everything about them."



5 Things the Baier Family Loves About Nutley

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2. Parks with all kinds of activities, from slides to trails
3. Special events like parades and Santa coming in a helicopter
4. Feeling of community
5. Parks and Recreation Department with all the programs and activities

Dominic is currently soaking in everything around him."

As these two kids on the block get ready to make Nutley childhood memories, Amanda expresses her appreciation for the neighbors who make up a big part of her family's life.

"Thank you for always being welcoming toward us, but especially towards our children." ■

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NUTLEY HALL OF FAME

A Celebration of Its Citizens

By Joyce Corey and Linda Buset

"The Nutley Public Library takes immense pride in hosting the remarkable individuals who have been nominated for the Nutley Hall of Fame. We welcome these exceptional candidates and look forward to celebrating their achievements and contributions."

—Michelle Salimbene
Albert, Director of the Nutley Public Library

Nutley has always taken pride in its citizens and on November 19, from 2-5pm at the Nutley Public Library, eight people will be inducted into the prestigious Hall of Fame.

This honor will be bestowed on those individuals who have achieved outstanding accomplishments beyond the boundaries of Nutley. Recognizing them also brings additional pride to the entire community.

The Hall of Fame began with an idea.

In 2001, Carmen Orechio wanted to spotlight Nutley residents who had outstanding accomplishments.

In 2002, Pat Ritacco, as chairman, established a formal committee to initiate action and set the ground rules of the Hall of Fame. The criteria they adopted are still in force today. All inductees must have been born in Nutley, graduated from Nutley High School, or lived in Nutley for at least 10 years. Their achievements need to have been made at the state, national, or international level, regardless of their field of endeavor.

The two-tiered system ensures the integrity of the induction process. The administrative committee determines that the eligibility requirements have been met and then a panel of judges reviews the merits of the nominees and determines if they are worthy of induction. The judges are Chair Joe Cervasio, Dr. John Dinan, Dr. Eileen Poliani, Dolores Capalbo, Fred Scalera, Marie Solimo, and John Simko.

Pat Ritacco emphasized the basis for choosing inductees with a focus on the significant changes they brought about. "If they had never lived, things would have been different."

The original members of the committee who joined Ritacco were Sandra (Sam) Carella, Mike Geltrude, Tony Iannarone, Frank Lemma, Phil White, Sarah Lester, and JoAnn Tropiano, former library director. They have since been joined by Phyllis Coldebella and Christina Osieja.

This is the township's 20th year of inducting outstanding Nutley citizens into this impressive group.

"The Nutley Hall of Fame is a true representation of the best of Nutley," Sam Carella said. "The individuals who are



Photo credit: Linda Buset

chosen demonstrate to our residents, and most importantly, to the youth in Nutley, that anything is possible with hard work and commitment. After every induction ceremony, we are all in awe of the accomplishments of our esteemed inductees. We are so proud to say they are from our town." ■

"When I received the letter informing me that I had been selected for the Nutley Hall of Fame, I was shocked and thought it must have been a mistake. At the same time, I was so excited that I immediately called my mom to tell her the news. Being part of such a prestigious group is quite humbling, but I am proud that my accomplishments have been recognized by the town where I have spent my entire life."

—Daniel J. Geltrude,
2019 Hall of Fame inductee



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Meet the 2023 Nutley Hall of Fame Inductees!

By Michelle Salimbene Albert, Director of the Nutley Public Library

■ **GERI V. BERGEN** (1930-2018): Raised in Nutley and 1948 Nutley High School (NHS) graduate, she was a forester and conservationist who turned her love of the outdoors into a groundbreaking career in forestry, a lifelong commitment to conservation, and a successful leadership role in natural resource management. She is known as a "Woman of Many Firsts," most notably being the first woman in the U.S. Forest Service to serve as Forest Supervisor.

■ **WILLIAM (BILL) CALLANAN JR.** Raised in Nutley, a 1959 NHS graduate, and renowned jazz organist and recording artist, he toured worldwide as the pianist for Joey Dee and the Starlites before moving to Las Vegas to perform and conduct in orchestras for famous headliners. Bill later founded a jazz quartet of Las Vegas all-stars called the B3 Conspiracy where he played organ as a soloist and toured worldwide.

■ **RON CORIO** Raised in Nutley, a 1979 NHS graduate, and innovator and influencer in the global renewable energy sector, he is founder and Chief Innovation Officer at Array Technologies which pioneered solar tracking technology in 1989. His vision for renewable energy has led

Array Technologies to become a world leader in solar tracking solutions.

■ **SILAS MOUNTSIER** Lifelong resident, 1946 NHS graduate, and a prominent figure in Nutley, he is celebrated for his distinguished career in banking, his commitment to philanthropy, and his influential roles in many local and national organizations. One of many achievements was co-founding the Mountsier-Hardie Gardens which welcomes various groups for both educational and fundraising purposes.

■ **LOUIS JOSEPH RICCARDI** Resident of Nutley for 34 years, a 2008 NHS graduate, and winner of 13 gold medals at Saginaw, Michigan Area 22 Summer Special Olympics, he is commended for bringing attention to the Special Olympics and demonstrating it's possible to overcome obstacles and achieve excellence.

■ **EATON STONE** (1818-1903): Retired in Nutley in 1867 where he remained for 27 years and nicknamed "The Wizard Horseman," he began as a plate spinner, a tumbler, and a horse groomer before he became an international star, one of the leading riders in the country, and the first circus rider to do a backward somersault on a speeding barebacked horse.

■ **DAVID VERDI** Raised in Nutley and 1974 NHS graduate, he is an award-winning media professional with a career spanning over three decades at NBC News. As the Senior Vice President of Worldwide News Gathering at NBC News, he exemplifies a deep commitment to journalistic excellence and holds the reins of NBC's news gathering operation on a global scale. Throughout his career Verdi has won three Emmy Awards, two Edward R. Murrow Awards, and a Peabody Award.

■ **MICHAEL VOLPE** Raised in Nutley and a 2005 NHS graduate, he is a music producer known professionally as beat-maker "Clams Casino." He has garnered attention from distinguished hip-hop artists for his original productions and new sounds and is one of hip-hop's most in demand rhythm designers and producers. ■

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NUTLEY WRESTLING CLINIC Elite Moments

By Joyce Corey

Elite. It means a select group that is superior in terms of ability or qualities to the rest of a group or society. Elite people are leaders in their field of work and often inspire others to reach their fullest potential.

Nutley Junior Wrestling and the Nutley High School wrestling program share a vision to return Nutley to elite status. That became their mission over 5 years ago. The summer wrestling clinic is a means to that goal.

The Nutley Raiders Wrestling Clinic started in 2017. The premise: summer wrestlers make winter champions. It has also been a useful way to attract new wrestlers to the program. Additionally, it has become a great opportunity for Nutley to share its space with other local area wrestlers.

This year, Coach Michael Blanchard put together an all-star lineup that included some of the NCAA and world-level elite. In attendance this year were Coach Reece "Highlight" Humphrey of the NJRTC and Princeton University, wrestlers and NCAA All-Americans Sammy Sasso and Jesse Mendez of Ohio State University, Coach Joe Galante of The College of New Jersey, and Coach Scott Goodale of Rutgers University with wrestler Dylan Shawver. Gene Zanetti from Wrestling Mindset spoke to parents as well.

"All of these coaches and wrestlers brought their best to us, and we had over 85 wrestlers, 15 of whom were young women, who represent a growing staple of the wrestling community," Blanchard said. "They all learned some high-level techniques while having a lot of fun."

The first night was about listening in order to learn—a focal point of any good instruction. The second night focused on gratitude for being able to participate in wrestling. The third night was all about being humble—another important part of becoming elite. The final night was centered on the idea that learning how to be a top-level wrestler can be a lot of fun.

"This clinic was one of the best yet in terms of participation and clinicians," Blanchard said. "We are grateful to so many who support us from Commissioner Mauro Tucci, Superintendent Frank DeMaio, the Parks and Recreation Department, Mike DiPiano (head coach of the NHS), Chris Andres (our social media specialist), and our numerous volunteer coaches who help us pull it off. We managed to run a food drive that yielded eight bags of food for the Nutley



Wrestlers and coaches with Sammy Sasso and Jesse Mendez of Ohio State University. Over 85 attended the four-night event (above).

NJRTC/Princeton's Reece Humphrey shows technique on Aidan Rotbaum (far left). Photo credit: Nutley Jr. Raiders Wrestling

Coach Michael Blanchard and TCNJ Head Coach Joe Galante (left)

Family Service Bureau food pantry, and a shoe grab and donation for those in need of wrestling shoes."

"Elite people are the top ten percent and the rest of us aspire to be more like them," Coach Blanchard concludes. "Our goal is to help our young people see their potential by surrounding them with the best. We attribute a lot of our success to this design." ■



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A Nutley WW2 Veteran Returns Home

By Bill Chivil

On September 10, 1944, a Grumman Avenger took off from the USS Enterprise (CV-6). The TBM-1C torpedo bomber was participating in Operation Forager, a pre-invasion strike on the Japanese forces occupying the Palau Islands. It was piloted by Lieutenant Jay Ross Manown Jr. and crewed by Navy Aviation Radioman Wilbur Mitts and Navy Ordnanceman Anthony Di Patetta, a Nutley resident.

World War 2 was entering its final phase. General Patton's Third Army had brought the battle for Europe onto German soil, while in the Pacific theatre, General MacArthur and Admiral Nimitz were continuing their march toward the Japanese homeland.

Over 300,000 American military personnel had lost their lives since the United States entered the war in 1941. On this day in late 1944, three more names would be added to the list of casualties.

After taking off from the Enterprise, the TBM Avenger was hit by enemy anti-aircraft fire and, according to the Defense



Hometown Heroes

POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA), was last seen spinning violently before crashing into the water near Malakal Island. All three aboard were declared

killed in action (KIA) and each was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart.

Following the war, efforts were made to recover the remains of those who were lost in the battle areas and crash sites in Palau. However, investigators were unable to locate any evidence of the aircraft or its crew.

In 2001, Project Recover, a non-profit organization that locates, identifies, and repatriates the remains of U.S. service members missing in action, began another search for the lost TBM along with Ships of Exploration and Discovery Research, a DPAA partner organization. After multiple recovery operations over several years, excavations yielded human remains and material evidence, which were sent to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii for analysis.

In 2023, almost 79 years later, the remains of Anthony Di Petta and Walter Mitts were identified by scientists from DPAA and the Armed Forces Medical Examiner System using DNA analysis.

On July 11th, a mass was held for Di Petta at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Nutley. Following the service, the funeral procession visited Nutley's World War 2 monument where town dignitaries, residents, and members of the American Legion Post 105 Color Guard paid their respects. Also in attendance were Suzanne Nakamura, Di Petta's niece, and Val Thal-Slocum of Project Recovery; both of whom were part of the procession.

Per the U.S. Navy Personnel Command, Anthony Di Petta was born on June 3, 1920 in Colle d'Anchise, Italy. His family emigrated to Nutley where Di Petta attended Lincoln School and graduated from Nutley High School. He enlisted in the United States Navy on December 6, 1939.

As the Nutley Public Affairs Department so perfectly noted, the memorial offered the community an opportunity to reflect on our freedoms and liberties, and to welcome home a local hero.

Anthony Di Petta was buried in Wrightstown, New Jersey later that day with full military honors. His fellow crew-member, Walter Mitts, was buried in Seaside, California on September 11. ■

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American Little League 8U All Stars

By Joyce Corey



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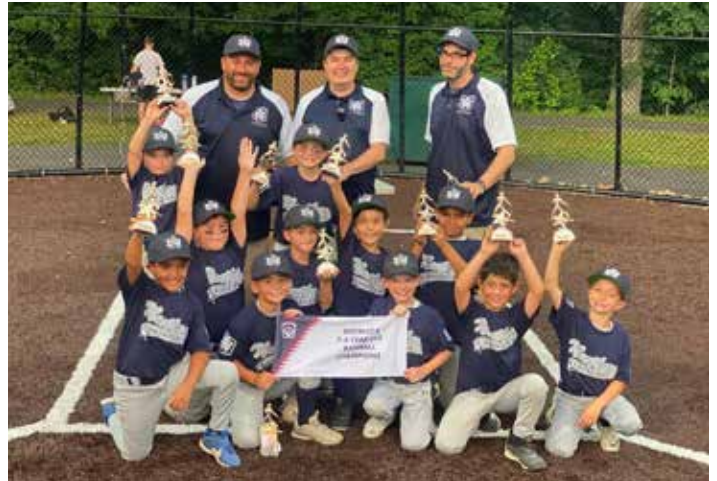
This is the second year Little League had an 8U All Stars team, and these players have left their mark in the sport and in the state.

The team ended their summer run in the New Jersey State Championship losing 12-2 but walking away with some impressive stats and a solid look to the future. Overall, the 8U All-Star team went 7-1, highlighted by a North Jersey regional championship.

Paving their way to the state championship game was winning the District 8 title.

The district teams included Nutley American, Nutley East, Caldwell, Livingston, Bloomfield, Montclair, and Northward Center in Newark.

After securing the district win, the team competed at the Northern State Tournament with all the district winners playing one another for a shot at making it to the state



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final held on Sunday, July 30, against the Southern State winner.

When play began for these teammates, who were ages 7-8, Nutley American Little League Coach Travis Gonick really didn't know what to expect. After all, for many of the Nutley American players, this spring marked the first time they had ever played in a league where the kids do the pitching, rather than having coaches do it.

According to Gonick, "These kids believed whoever they played against, they could compete with."

But lacking experience had an added benefit; they went into the games without expectations, taking with them only the skills they honed this past spring and summer and a lot of confidence.

Although they didn't walk away with a state championship, they left the field knowing they had an amazing season.

"For us going out there not knowing what was going to happen, to win districts and then play for a title is shocking," said Gonick of Nutley American's first season having an 8U All-Star team. "They're putting it all out there and they're having fun doing it and that's what they should be doing. We didn't think it would be a baseball summer, but it turned into one."

The players of this year's American Little League 8U All Stars team: Taylor Gonick, Tyler Gonick, Alexander Medaska, Elias



Diaz, Henry Jernick, James Poth, Jase Giordano, Joseph Gilberti, Luke Richards, Nolan Lazu, Owen Farley, and Vincent Ritacco.

The coaches: Travis Gonick, Steve Gilberti, and Rob Medaska.

Congratulations to the players and coaches!

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By Nick Van Dorn, Senior Librarian

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The perfect puppet



Future chef

Fall into Creativity!

By Michelle Palmer

As the temperatures are cooling down, our children's creative skills are rising up! Their talents range from sewing, cooking, drawing, and even creating a work-of-heart fundraiser.

Ten-year-old Sebastian created a fun piece of art based on the play "Little Shop of Horrors." He designed his hand puppet based on the Venus flytrap character. He is full of joy showing the finished product of his newly acquired crafting skills.

Josh is also ten years old and his favorite form of art to pursue is in the kitchen. He has taken an interest in learning how to cook and has been helping to make dinner for his family several times a week. His focus and determination are very appreciated at home and his meals have been enjoyed as he creates great memories.

Valentina is a five-year-old who loves to draw and read. She was inspired by the author Mo Willems and since the pigeon is one of her favorite literary characters, she drew it and colored it on her own. She has loved reading ever since she was a baby and recently graduated from the "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten" program at the Nutley library.

Siblings Katelyn, Hailey, and Derek worked together to build a heartwarming project. They constructed a lemonade stand, which was donation based, and all their proceeds went to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. At a very young age, these children understand the love in giving to others and helping the world become a better place. ■

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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OCTOBER 2023 EVENTS CALENDAR

Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Sun.

Nutley Farmers Market

@Municipal Parking Lot 7,
1 Franklin Terr.

This is the last month this year to visit the outdoor Nutley Farmers Market featuring delicious local foods and goods, live music, special events, and a weekly walking group.

Time: 9am-2pm

For more information visit www.nutleynj.org/farmersmarket

Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, Wed.

Nutley Senior Citizen Club

@Parks and Recreation,
44 Park Ave.

This club is open for the fall session, meeting every Wednesday.

For more information call Eileen Luberto at 973-632-0763

Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27, Fri.

Moms Healing Together: All Recovery Meeting

@virtual event

Join for a safe space to discuss the challenges of recovery, pregnancy, and parenting.

Time: 10am

For more information and other All Recovery meeting times visit www.rwjbh.org/events

Oct. 10, Tue.

Dr. George Philhower Presentation

@Nutley Public Library,

93 Booth Dr. Stockton Room

David Wilson, author, historian, and promoter of all things Nutley will be making a one-hour illustrated presentation on Dr. George Bronson Philhower,

whose start as a "country doctor" in 1886 began a long and most complete pursuit of improving the quality of life in town.

Time: 7-8pm

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

Oct. 13, Fri.

Friday at the Movies

@Nutley Public Library,

93 Booth Dr., Stockton Room

Join for a screening of Rebecca (1940), the Hitchcock film based on Daphne du Maurier's classic suspense novel.

Time: 1-3pm For more information call 973-667-0405 or visit www.nutleypubliclibrary.org/calendar

Oct. 14, Sat.

Columbus on Trial – Film Screening and Discussion

@Nutley Public Library,

93 Booth Dr., Children's Room

The Nutley Public Library is pleased to welcome award-winning social justice filmmakers Marylou and Jerome Bongiorno. Following the film will be a lively discussion and Q&A.

Time: 2-4pm For more information email Michelle Albert at albert@nutley.bccls.org or visit www.nutleypubliclibrary.org/calendar

Oct. 14, Sat.

Toddler Sensory Hike

@Essex County Environmental Center, 621-B Eagle Rock Ave., Roseland

For children ages 1-5 with caregiver supervision. Bring your

toddlers for a sensory exploration outside with a naturalist.

Time: 9-10am

Cost: \$30 per family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 per child, \$12 per adult.

For more information and to register visit <https://www.essexcountyparks.org/facilities/environmental-center/calendar/toddler-sensory-hike-10761>

Oct. 16, Mon.

Pumpkin Painting

@Nutley Public Library,

93 Booth Dr., Teen Area

For grades 6-12. Use paint pens to create your very own unique pumpkin for Halloween to take home.

Time: 3-4:30pm For more information call 973-667-0405 or visit www.nutleypubliclibrary.org/calendar

Nov. 2, Thurs.

Nutley Historic Home Series

@Nutley Museum, 65 Church St.

"Do you own a Lambert home?" This talk and slide

show focuses on answering this question by covering what makes these homes unique, the common architectural styles, and historical significance. Light refreshments will be served.

Time: 7:30pm

Nov. 19, Sun.

Nutley Hall of Fame Induction

@Nutley Public Library,

93 Booth Dr.

Cost includes induction ceremony and reception immediately after with assorted food, desserts, coffee, wine, and tea.

Time: 2-5pm

Cost: \$50

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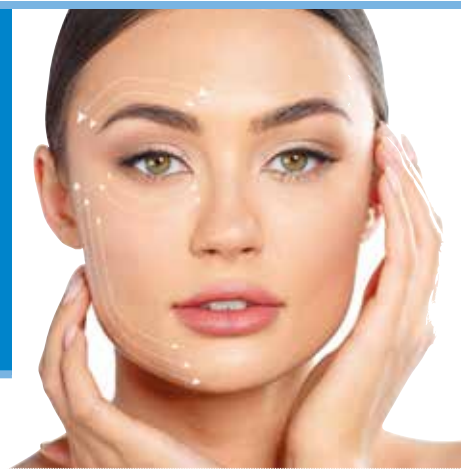


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