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We Now Resume Our Regularly Scheduled Programs

hen I was a child, I hated when the Emergency Broadcast System conducted a test right in the middle of my favorite cartoon. The loud, high-pitched noise lasted for about 30 seconds and was followed by the assurance that it was only a test and if it was an actual emergency, we would be given additional instructions.

Then, the regularly scheduled program would resume.

Although the cartoon resumed, I really didn't know exactly how Wile E. Coyote ended up under the anvil...again.

I feel like that this September. It looks like our regularly scheduled programs—like school and work and leisure activities—are being resumed, but I am still uneasy and not really sure what happened or what will happen.

If you are feeling that way too, then I am glad I mentioned it.

Stress, anxiety, and worry have become almost constant companions this past year and I can't just shut them off and resume my regularly scheduled activities that easily.

But we are not alone. This issue highlights some special people within the community who understand and offer advice and support.

Our cover story is about our Nutley Neighbors, Laura Del Tufo and her son, Brandon. Laura has been actively involved in a parent advocacy group for safe full-time, in-person instruction for students. She cited some potential effects of virtual schooling like learning-loss, social isolation, and mental health issues. As a mom and a professional counselor, she understands the concerns children and their families have.

Joanna Buset gives us a back-to-school list for the 'new normal' that doesn't include notebooks and backpacks. Instead, she focuses on thoughts and feelings, and offers some resources for mental and emotional support.

And then we have a story that reminds us that even when things look hopeless, people can be helpful.

Mike Morrison found this out when he stopped breathing. His neighbors, Reinaldo Arroyo and Rupali Shah, performed CPR and monitored his pulse until the ambulance arrived. We have a great photo of Mike giving some love to Reinaldo.

If you are ready to return to your regularly scheduled activities, be sure to check out the Calendar of Events.

But if you feel a little like Wile E. Coyote (wondering if another anvil will drop), please remember all the people in the community who really care and make a difference every day.

Joyce Corey Content Coordinator





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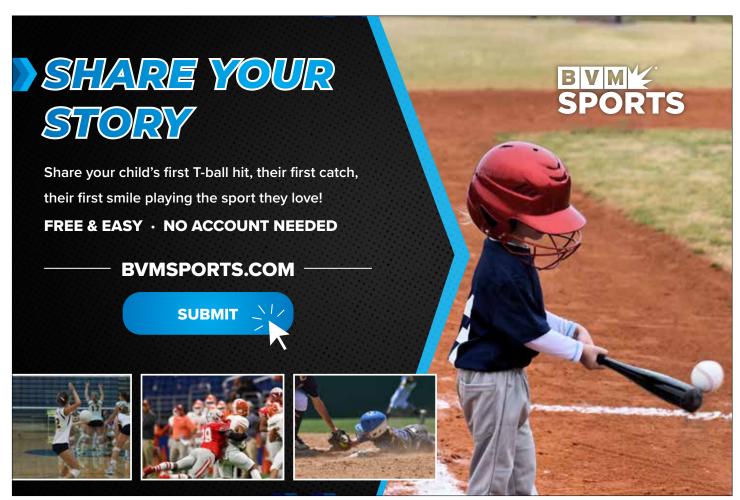


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90 Hawthorne Ave.	\$405,000	\$475,000	14
105 Columbia Ave.	\$469,900	\$501,000	21
2 Montclair Ave	\$499,900	\$525,000	59
20 Kierstead Ave.	\$459,900	\$475,000	21
26 Taft Ave.	\$409,900	\$450,000	13
22 Gelnview Rd.	\$799,000	\$810,000	36
390 High St.	\$539,999	\$600,000	17
43 Hopper Ave.	\$425,000	\$455,000	16
72 San Antonio Ave.	\$379,000	\$385,000	42
135 Raymond Ave.	\$399,500	\$417,000	21
97 Beech St.	\$599,000	\$586,000	28
264 Prospect St.	\$545,000	\$550,000	43
15 Montclair Ave.	\$439,000	\$460,000	44
87 Glendale St.	\$479,000	\$495,000	37
69 Edgar Pl.	\$600,000	\$600,000	23
37 Oak Ridge Ave.	\$469,999	\$435,000	19
30 Oak Ridge Ave.	\$449,000	\$482,000	20
24 Vreeland Ave.	\$650,000	\$620,000	7
26 Villa Pl.	\$824,900	\$815,000	20
356 Prospect St.	\$500,000	\$600,000	7
735 Franklin Ave.	\$369,000	\$405,000	13
236 Bloomfield Ave.	\$399,900	\$435,000	16
5 Sunset Dr.	\$379,000	\$405,000	20
111 Alexander Ave.	\$569,000	\$605,000	5



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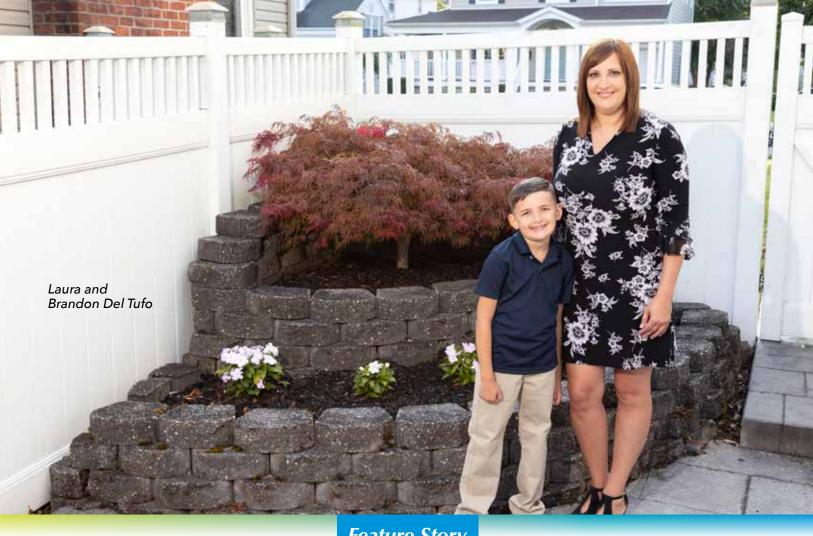
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Feature Story

Leaning into Life's Changes

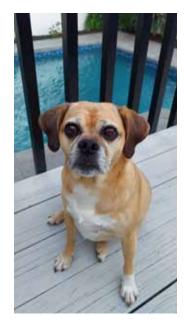
By Joyce Corey Photograph by Randall Kenneth Photography

ife may not be linear, but for Laura Del Tufo and her son, Brandon, leaning into the changes gives them a list of possibilities. Exploring various interests, traveling, and navigating the 'new normal' of work and school allows this family to make empowering choices and to have a lot of fun along the way.

"I have lived in the Spring Garden section of Nutley for the last 11 years," Laura said. "I did not grow up in Nutley but moved here when I attended graduate school. I fell in love with the town and knew I wanted to live in Nutley longterm. We looked for a year to find the right house in the right neighborhood for our family. I love the sense of community and the small-town feel of Nutley."

Laura's educational background, career, and her role as single mom has given her ways to actively demonstrate her empathy.

"I have a bachelor's degree in



Nugget, the Del Tufo's spoiled 10-year-old puggle

psychology from Monmouth University and a master's degree in marriage and family therapy from Seton Hall," she said. "I am licensed as a marriage and family therapist (LMFT) and a professional counselor (LPC). I have worked for Care Plus NJ for the past 16 years; currently I am Senior Vice President of Administration and Finance. Previously, I had a private practice in Haworth for seven years."

At home in Nutley, Laura creates a nurturing and supportive environment for her son, Brandon, who is 9 years old.

"Brandon is very active and involved in sports and other activities," Laura said. "He enjoys playing baseball and was part of the Championship Farm League team this year. His favorite sport is football, so he has been part of Nutley's flag football team for the last few years. He is very social and loves any activity with his friends whether it's going to the park, swimming, or playing video games. Brandon loves science and wants to be a scientist when he grows up. He is a very curious child who loves to learn!"

Every weekend, Laura and Brandon decide on an 'adventure' which has become a special time of sharing as well as enrichment.

"Every Saturday morning, we look at what events or activities are happening that day," Laura said. "We love to go to food truck festivals, the zoo, aquariums, Dave & Buster's, or any unique local event. Brandon calls them our 'adventures.' With the COVID-19 restrictions, we had to be more creative as there was little to do. Last summer, we decided to take day trips to small beaches each week and we took a road trip up the East Coast together."

Brandon even learned a new skill and perfected his favorite meal.

"We try to find a television show to watch together each night," Laura said. "We started watching MasterChef Junior and it inspired Brandon to try to cook his favorite dinner, pasta with butter. It built his confidence and interest in cooking, and it was a fun way for us to spend time together."



Laura's mom heart, as well as her certifications, led her to take an active interest in the mental well-being of the children in Nutley. She was actively involved in a parent advocacy group challenging the district to provide full-time in-person instruction for students this past year.

"This has not been an easy path to take, and it can be difficult to be the voice of a movement. I am proud to be joined by many strong, data and research-driven parents," she said. "Our belief is that our children are at less risk for contracting and/or becoming significantly ill from COVID-19 than they are at risk of learning-loss, social isolation, and mental health issues."

While New Jersey schools are preparing to open full time this September, Laura shares some statistics that are of particular importance to parents and educators.

"The recently released NJDOE's Interim Assessment Data Collection Report stated that 37% of students are below grade level in ELA and math and 21% of students are below grade level in science. According to the CDC, data released in June of 2021, reported a 31% increase in mental-health related ER visits by adolescents compared to the

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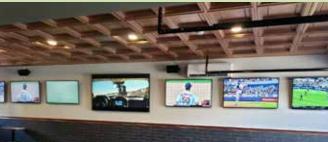


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same point in time in 2019."

This information leads Laura to continue to advocate and to "see that each child's individual needs are met."

While there have been many issues relating to COVID-19 which have polarized communities, Laura maintains a healthy viewpoint.

"In these difficult times, I think it's extremely important to be inclusive of all thoughts, opinions, and values," she said. "Each perspective comes with value and benefit. As a therapist, one of the most humbling and powerful experiences is listening to others' stories. While one may not agree with all opinions, be open to listening and

allowing others to express themselves and advocate for what is important in their lives. No one knows what is hap-

pening in anyone else's life so it's important to accept each individual's life path."

Laura and Brandon have also been on the receiving end of acceptance by their wonderful neighbors.

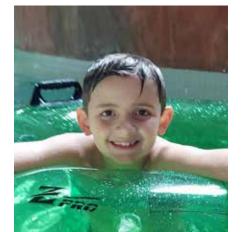
"I like to say I live on one of the best blocks in town," Laura tells us. "I have wonderful neighbors who look out for one another. The first week I moved into my house, we needed a wheelbarrow but did not have



bor and within a few hours we had a wheelbarrow sitting in our driveway for our use. I will never forget that experience and I think that truly represents my neighborhood."

Nugget, their mischievous, spoiled 10-year-old puggle also gets along with everyone in the neighborhood.

"She is well known on the block and lets all the dogs know her presence!" Laura said. "We recently had a windy day where the side gate must have blown open. When she did not come back to the side door, we realized she must





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have walked through the open gate. She must have gotten bored quickly because when we opened the front door, there she was sitting nicely waiting for us."

Whether at home, in the community, or at school, Laura and Brandon Del Tufo bring a positive outlook wherever they go. This has helped them lean into all life's changes while having a lot of fun and preparing for the future -one choice at a time. ■

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A Back-to-School List for the 'New Normal' By Joanna Buset, MA, LPC

he return to a somewhat 'normal' school year for students is the moment most parents have been waiting for, yet some may still not believe to be true. For a year and a half, whether schools were in-person, full or half day for learning, hybrid or completely virtual, the school setting did not resemble previous school years at all. From social distancing to mask wearing to plexiglass partitions, temperature checks and hand sanitizing, it was a year full

of questionable decisions and uncertainty for safety. Emotions ran high among parents and educators due to frustration, anxiety, and just pure exhaustion.

When Governor Murphy signed legislation on June 4, 2021, ending the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, the hope of finally transitioning to a post-pandemic rescue and recovery became real. The governor's decision may not have meant a lot to some, but to others it was a light they could finally see at the end of a long dark tunnel, a feeling of hope after a long battle with hopelessness.

Through it all, the ones who were just passengers on this awful ride and dealing with whatever decisions were being made for them, were the children. They were being asked to carry on with their education at times as if there was nothing interfering. And now, with schools attempting to return with some sense of normalcy this academic school year, students will most likely be expected to just move on.

But what are kids leaving behind and what are they bringing with them into this 'new normal,' a term we have heard over and over again.

Unfortunately, some things may include loss of motivation, an increase in frustration, depression or anxiety, and possible school avoidance or school refusal.

And what about parents?

Are some parents carrying resentment or disappointment in a school system they consider failed them? Are those who need it receiving support to manage their own anxiety over whether their child is safe to return to school or whether their child's academic or emotional needs will be met?

There is no greater influence on a child than their parents' thoughts and feelings. This is why it is so important to

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allow children to have their own thoughts without parents projecting theirs onto them. Children have most likely experienced this pandemic much differently than their parents and their needs may not match each other's.

We often say children are resilient, but the reality is children will become resilient only when they have appropriate support surrounding them to access that resiliency.

Although many would consider the last school year to be the most difficult they've ever experienced, sadly it's this next school year that may bring even greater challenges.

The best we can offer each child is to provide them with the emotional support they may need when they need it. This can

be done by checking in with them, being available, and remaining present in the moment for them. What are they thinking, how are they feeling, how are they behaving?

If you are a parent noticing your child is struggling and have concerns, please seek out support. Encourage your child to get to know their school counselors or, even better, encourage your school counselors to get to know them.

If you need additional mental health care services, you may also contact any of the following community resources.

It is ok not to be ok but never ok to have to go through it alone. ■

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New Jersey Mental Health Cares: www.njmentalhealthcares.org 1-866-202-4357



When a Neighbor Saves a Life

By Joyce Corey

here are some dates you will always remember, like a birthday, anniversary, or the day you saved someone's life.

For Reinaldo Arroyo, June 9, 2021, will be forever marked on his calendar as the day he fought–and won–for the life of his neighbor, Mike Morrison.

That Wednesday started out normally at the Arroyo

home. Maika, Reinaldo's wife, was putting together a presentation for work about all the heroes of the pandemic, especially the unsung ones.

"I remember telling him that the song from Alicia Keys, 'Good Job,' was the perfect salute to these special people," she said.

The words and ideas in that song,

particularly, 'you're doing a good job' and being a hero in disguise will later seem like a foreshadowing as the day unfolds.

"We attended our son's baseball game in the late afternoon," Maika said. "As we were returning home to Cambridge Heights, we saw about 30 people gathered around the clubhouse entrance."

When she got closer, she realized her neighbor, Mike Morrison, was in distress but no one knew how to help him.

"I went back to the car to get Reinaldo," she said. "I knew he would be able to help. He has over 25 years of training in both military and policing. He is an army veteran and retired police detective."

Reinaldo quickly assessed the situation. Mike had stopped breathing and was turning blue. Reinaldo started CPR.

"It got completely quiet when Reinaldo was working on Mike," Maika said. "I knew that people were praying."

"Reinaldo did CPR for what seemed like such a long time and there was no response," she said. "We heard him saying 'not on my watch, not today, Mike' over and over. One of the neighbors called Rupali Shah, a physician's assistant, who lived nearby, and she came over in her scrubs."





A few weeks later, residents of Cambridge Heights gathered to share their joy and to be thankful.

Mike showing some love to Reinaldo who saved his life!

uously checked for a pulse while Reinaldo did the compressions," Maika said. "Finally, I heard her say they had a pulse."

By the time the ambulance arrived, Mike was breathing on his own.

"I believe that God had prepared Reinaldo for this moment," Maika said. "The song from Alicia Keys came back to me and it was like the entire day had been planned out!"

Mike Morrison was admitted to the ICU and was later watching an episode of "The Golden Girls" on television. After he was released—with a clean bill of health—the neighbors held a gathering to celebrate at Cambridge Heights.

Mike's sister Marie said

that "all the neighbors were angels." Her brother had been an essential worker during the lockdown putting in long hours at the Starbucks inside Stop & Shop. "He worked sometimes from 5am to 8 at night."

The Cambridge Heights community is looking to offer CPR training to ensure that more people can learn this life-saving procedure.

Reinaldo Arroyo, all of your *Nutley Neighbors* (and Alicia Keys!) say "Good job." ■

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Submitted by Nicole Milici

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School Then and Now

By Linda Buset

Going to 5th grade in the 1950s and going to 5th grade in 2021. What could be different?

n 1959, I was in the fifth grade; my granddaughter Alexa is going into fifth grade in September of 2021. Let's examine the

differences.

When I started fifth grade, the first thing we thought about was buying new clothes for school. This meant hopping on the 13 Broad bus to spend the entire day shopping, annoying our parents, having lunch at Woolworths, and arguing with our siblings.

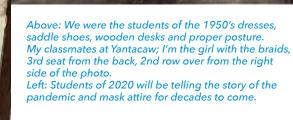
School clothes in the 1950s meant dresses and shoes. As young ladies, we were not allowed to wear pants, nor were we allowed to wear sneakers. Yes, through rain, sleet, wind, and hail, we walked to school wearing a dress. Thank goodness the feminists of the 1960s saved us from that nightmare.

Today, girls can wear pants, leggings, sneakers, shorts, and all things comfortable, if they

follow the dress code. Shopping can also be done from the comfort of home though online shopping, or if preferred, driving to your favorite store for all the newest styles.

Along with changes in dress, there have been a multitude of changes in the classroom.

In the 1950s we had blackboards, white chalk, and erasers. If you were lucky enough, you could get out of



class for a bit to go outside on the playground and 'clap the erasers.'

Clapping the erasers meant standing outside, in your school clothes, and banging all the erasers together while white chalk powder flew everywhere. You tried hard to keep your mouth shut so the chalk powder wouldn't get in your throat, setting off a fit of coughing.

Blackboards are now in a museum somewhere, and in 2021, students have something called an electronic smart board in their classes. Students connect their computer to

it and it shows what is on it. I do not completely understand it, but I feel it might be something George Jetson's children might have used.

Communication has changed drastically. Parents can email the teachers with a question or visit the parent portal to view report cards, check immunization records, or see if any electronic forms need their signature.

Information technology is everywhere in the school system



today. Essentially, students can't hide much from their parents, since technology prevents that. Parents can even view homework which is done on a Chromebook that the school issues in 5th grade.

In the 1950s, if my parents needed to know something about me, the teacher sent a handwritten note home to my parents, and I was responsible for giving it to them – something that never worked out well in our home.

We also brought our own report cards home to our parents. There was no technology involved in communication in the 1950s, so it was easy to hang on to your report card for a few days if your grades went down.

Yes, I imagine school has changed quite



Alexa off to start another great year in our Nutley public school system

a bit, but in my opinion, it has changed for the better. There is a dramatic increase in services for special education students, students are more advanced in learning, there is more interest in the mental health of students, and better communication between parents, faculty and administration. We now have before and aftercare available, and issues such as bullying, inclusion, and diversity are openly discussed and addressed.

As the 2021-22 school year begins, I am sure we will all join together to keep making additional progress toward the best environment for learning, thriving, enjoying, and appreciating time spent in our Nutley public school system.

Have a wonderful and successful year everyone! ■

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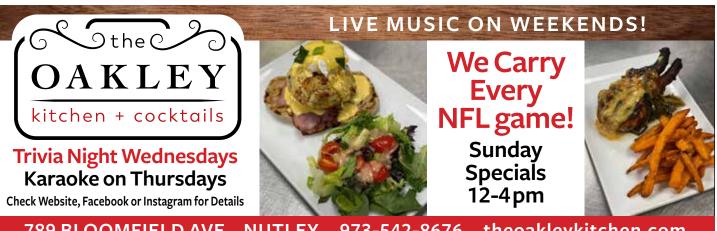
Nutley Daisy Girl Scout Troop 20450 Visits the Fire Department

By Janell Batiller

irl Scout Daisy Troop 20450 visited the Nutley Fire Department and earned their Safety Award badge. The firefighters gave them a tour of the station, and showed them the fire trucks, the ladder, and the equipment.

The kids really enjoyed the tour and their time at the station. Girl Scout Daisy Troop 20450 is led by Karen Brownson and Janine Macari.

"We are thankful for the fire department volunteers and the first aid squad's service to the community!" (I-r) Natalie Poch, Izabella Brown, Jenna Macari, Lana Batiller, Brielle Maurizio, Hattie Parisi, Kelsey Crowley, Natalie Brownson, and Holly Volze. Photo taken by Janell Batiller



Neighborhood News

Historical Society Congratulates Winners of Annual Nutley History Essay Contest

By Michael C. Gabriele

he Nutley Historical Society named Nutley High School seniors Ibraham Elnaggar, Emily Ostrowski, and Meredith Carson as the winners of the organization's annual history essay contest. The students received their awards during a ceremony at the high school on June 14.

All the essay contest participants penned impressive insights into the importance of recognizing and preserving local history. They also reflected on how local history has enriched their awareness of community spirit and culture.

"I stumbled upon how, in 1894, Annie Oakley and Henry Cuyler Bunner, a

renowned author and editor of the famous Puck magazine, spearheaded a community effort to benefit the American Red Cross with a performance of the Nutley Amateur Circus," Elnaggar wrote in his first-place essay. "This historical fact about Nutley explained to me the nature of volunteering service in this town."

Ostrowski, in her second-place essay, wrote that she is "proud of the advancements that this town has made, and that the information about its history is so accessible due to Nutley's very own historical society. Historical societies make sure that heroes and significant figures receive the recognition that they deserve. Their legacies and remarkable accomplishments deserve to be celebrated."

Carson, in her third-place essay, shared her memories of visiting the Nutley Museum, and how she was inspired by





Suzanne Hagert (far right), vice president of the Nutley Historical Society, visited Nutley High School on June 22 to congratulate the winners of the Historical Society's annual history essay contest. Pictured with Hagert are (left to right) Joseph Materia, vice principal, and the three NHS student award winners: Ibraham Elnaggar, Emily Ostrowski, and Meredith Carson.

the life and career of the world-famous, onetime Nutley resident Annie Oakley. "The idea that a girl from Nutley could defy expectations made me feel proud of my town and made me want to be like her."

The three seniors will be continuing their educations this fall. Elnaggar will attend Rutgers University Business School, Newark; Ostrowski is headed to the University of Delaware, Newark, DE; and Carson is enrolled at Stephens Institute of Technology, Hoboken.

Suzanne Hagert, the vice president of the executive board of the Nutley Historical Society, and a former teacher in the Nutley district school system, managed the annual essay contest. "Each year, we enjoy reading these essays from our high school students," Hagert said. "My colleagues and I are always impressed with their observations and their understanding of why local history is so important to our community. We thank Nutley High School for supporting this program."

Domenick Tibaldo, President of the Nutley Historical Society, congratulated the three students and offered words of praise for their efforts. "It's wonderful to see that young people still maintain an interest in their local history and that they are eager to learn about historical facts, people, and their accomplishments."







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September is National **Library Card Sign-Up Month**

By Jeanne Sylvester, Supervising Librarian

eptember is Library Card Sign-Up Month, a time when the Nutley Public Library joins the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries nationwide to remind parents, caregivers, and students that signing up for a library card is the first step on the path to academic achievement and lifelong learning. Since 1987, Library Card Sign-Up Month has been held each September to mark the beginning of the school year. This year, Marley Dias, founder of #1000BlackGirlBooks, author, and executive producer, is serving as honorary chair of Library Card Sign-Up Month to promote the value of libraries and encourage everyone to get their own library card.

There is nothing more empowering than signing up for your own library card. Through access to technology, media resources, and educational programs, a library card gives students the tools to succeed in the classroom and provides people of all ages many opportunities to pursue their dreams and passions. At the Nutley Public Library, you'll find a wide variety of educational, enriching, cultural, and recreational resources and programs for everyone.

The Nutley Public Library, along with libraries everywhere, continues to adapt and expand services to meet the evolving needs of our community, especially during this past year's COVID-19 pandemic. Some of the new and innovative virtual programs and digital collections that the library offered will continue, and some will be modified as we gradually return back to in-person



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The Nutley Public Library will recognize National Library Card Sign-Up Month with special events, giveaways, and unique displays all month long. Library Card Sign-Up Day is celebrated on Saturday, September 18, with a re-opening of the Children's Story Time Room, mural reveal (Buzzing into Imagination), and several fun programs for kids. A week of special events continues through September 25 with a book talk by a local author, a local history program about the Franklin Theatre, an adult crafting session, and many more children's and teen events. We look forward to seeing you at the library! ■





Neighborhood News

The Nutley Invitational **Returns September 20th**

Submitted by Michael Stefanelli

fter a one-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic, one of the longest standing charitable golf tournaments in the country returns. This year, the 112th Annual Nutley Invitational Golf Tournament will be held at the newly redesigned Hendricks Field on Monday, September 20, followed by dinner at Nanina's in the Park.



The tournament has been a tradition in Nutley since 1909 and has been an annual celebration by Nutley golfers and their friends.

Due to the response in past years, the committee will limit the event to 120 golfers.

All proceeds from the tournament will be donated to Nutley charities. This year, we were fortunate to donate more than \$7,000 to deserving charities. To complement the fund-raising effort, sponsorships are available for

The Winners of the First 111 Years

1909 - Benjamin Hurd 1910 - F.C. Williams 1911 - M.M. Michael 1912 - Borge DeMoissin 1913 - G.J. Edwards 1915 - F.D. Steele 1916 - W.C. Diamond 1917 - H.O. Coughlan 1918 - Nio Tournament) 1919 - L.S. Rothwell 1920 - G.H. Young 1921 - Edgar Sargeant 1922 - L.S. Rothwell 1923 - R.R. Adams 1924 - A.M. Elliott 1925 - R.B. Parsons 1924 - A.M. Elliott 1925 - G.H. Door 1927 - Johnson Foy 1926 - G.H. Door 1927 - Johnson Foy 1929 - J.B. Birmingham

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1934 -J.B. Birmingham 1935 -(No Tournament 1936 -(No Tournament) 1937 -H.W. Sawyer

1940 -F.T. Kane 1941 -Charles Bianchi 1942 -E.M. Bouton

1943 - J.B. Birmingham 1944 - (No Tournament) 1945 -A.C. Grimley

1946 - Richard Hendriks 1947 - E.M. Bouton 1948 - Edward B. Iliffe 1949 - J.M. Nordstrom 1950 - Arnold J. Lappert 1951 - Archie C. Iliffe 1952 - Archie C. Barbata 1953 - W.A. Thompson 1954 - Thompson 1954 - Thompson 1955 - Richard R. Dacey 1956 - E. Della Penna 1957 - C.B. Harris, Jr. 1958 - James R. Ireland 1959 - Thompson C. Viola 1960 - Joseph Viola 1961 - Sidney Regoff, DDS 1962 - Wallace A. Gray 1963 - Wallace A. Gray 1964 - Joseph F. Purcell 1965 - William J. Farley, MD 1966 - Onn Morano

1966 -Don Morano 1967 -Gordon Glewwe 1968 -Dave Jackman 1969 - Dave Broffman

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1983 - Joseph Laurite
1984 - Dom Gold
1985 - Dr. Philip Toaldo
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1986 - John Goodson
1987 - Scott Lampariello
1988 - Dr. Philip Toaldo
1988 - Dr. Philip Toaldo
1989 - Dr. Philip Toaldo
1990 - (No Tournament)
1991 - John Calicchio
1992 - John Coodson
1993 - James M. Piro
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1993 - James M. Piro
1995 - Alan Rubino
1997 - Ralph De Piro
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1998 - Sam Fleitell
1999 - Eric Delizio
2000 - Prank J. Zinna
2001 - Paul Calico
2002 - Anthony DePersio
2003 - Joe Maurillo

2003 -Joe Maurillo 2004 -Danny Vitiello 2005 -Barry Maurillo

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2008 -Tom Pandolfi 2009 - Dick Griese 2010 - James McGuire 2011 - William Bowes

2012 - Tom Sposato 2013 - Hon. Joseph Isabella 2014 - Michael Thomp

2015 - Anthony Maurillo 2016 - Michael Stefanelli 2017 - Sal Cocco

2018 - Bill Vonroth, I 2019 - Mayor Joseph Scarpelli

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Kids Corner

Creating Memories for Years to Come!

By Michelle Palmer

ome of the most special moments are spent watching children explore their talents to create something unique. Whether it's painted, glued, stacked, or sketched, these projects help their smiles shine brighter as they proudly show off their latest accom-



Eva paints presents

plish-

Charles has been building with Legos for a long time and has certainly become a master builder. He constructed this samurai sword fighter to join his collection. He shows great concentration and determination when putting together his cre-

ations, and each one is something to be proud of. Four-year-old Eva made some painted masterpieces

and gave them as gifts to some of her friends. Painting something sentimental made her smile while this future artist learned about colors and shapes. She blended colors onto wooden boxes while adding lots of love with each stroke of her paintbrush.

Salvatore is a four-year-old who has a great love for buildings and cars. He used his Magna-Tiles and his imagination to make this elaborate city. His cars are perfectly organized and lined up, ready to race or ride around the



Charles, the master builder

colorful structure he created. His smile shows how happy he is to see his talents come to life.

Claire is only two years old and already enjoys art as a way of expression and play. Her grandmother was so



Hazel's dino art

thrilled to see her work featured in the Hoboken Art Walk. She has been taking

art classes and three of her pieces were chosen to be

about these

displayed. Her nature poster shows how much she's learned about animals, fine motor skills, colors, and textures, but most importantly, how fun it is to learn something new.

Three-year-old Hazel shows her love for prehistoric times through painting. She made these adorable dinosaurs with her little hands and a big burst of creativity. This masterpiece will inspire us to learn more



Claire's colorful nature art

creatures, and the happy faces on them remind us that every day is a chance to make something beautiful. ■

Did you just create an amazing piece of art? Whether you colored it, glued it, cut it, or even baked it, send us a photo with your name and we will print as many as we can. Let's make our world a bit more beautiful with your creations and smiles! Email me at:

jcorey@bestversionmedia.com



Sal's city of tiles





SEPTEMBER

EVENTS CALENDAR

At the time this magazine went to print, all event times and locations were accurate, but please check event websites for the most current information. Some events may have been postponed or canceled.

Sept. I, Wed.

3rd Annual Car Show | Nutley Rotary @Franklin Ave. (between Chestnut St. and Centre St.)

This classic car show will feature a large selection of classic to modified cars, trucks, and motorcycles of all years, makes, and models! Snack at numerous food vendors and enjoy live entertainment in this night of exciting fun for all ages. Over 75 trophies will be awarded to the competitors near the end of the event. Proceeds $\stackrel{\cdot}{\text{will}}$ benefit the Nutley Educational Foundation and the Rotary Scholarship Fund. Time: 5-9pm

Cost: Free to attend For more information email nutleyrotarycarshow@gmail.com or visit www.nutleyrotary.com

Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26, Sun.

Nutley Farmers Market

@Municipal Parking Lot 9, 537 Franklin Ave. Now in its 12th season, the outdoor Nutley Farmers Market features 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

Sept. 8, Wed.

Essex County Parks Photography Contest

@Essex County Environmental Center, 62 I-B Eagle Rock Ave., Roseland Anyone with a camera is invited and encouraged to submit photos that capture a part of your visit to the Essex County Parks System. Color and black and white prints will be judged together over three categories: Professional, Adult (18 and up), and Youth (17 and under). This contest is not sponsored by or endorsed by Best Version Media in any way. Cost: Free

For more information visit www.essexcountyparks.org

Sept. 12, Sun.

The Garden Party | Nutley Family Service

@Mountsier-Hardie Garden, 205 Rutgers Pl. The event features food from top local restaurants, an eclectic mix of jazz, classical, and contemporary music, and more. Soak in the ambiance set in New Jersey's renown private grounds, listen to music, sip wine, sample delicious foods, and experience a thoroughly delightful event. Proceeds enable NFSB to carry out its mission to strengthen the emotional and social well-being of individuals and families through affordable mental health counseling and social service programs. Time: 4-7pm

Cost: \$75 per ticket

For more information and to purchase tickets visit www.nutleyfamily.org

Sept. 17, Fri.

"September to Remember" Fireworks Spectacular

@Nutley Park Oval, 300 Franklin Ave. Michael Chieffo of DIMC Entertainment will open the evening before The Duprees (featuring Nutley's own Thomas Petillo) put on a show that will have everyone on th eir feet all night long. The evening ends with an astounding firework extravaganza lighting up the sky over Franklin Ave. Celebrate with family and friends while you enjoy fabulous food vendors, children's entertainment, a video game trailer, balloon artists, fun photo booths, and more!

Time: 6:30pm

For more information call the Nutley Department of Parks and Recreation at 973-284-4966

Sept. 20, Mon.

The 112th Nutley Invitational Golf **Tournament**

@Hendricks Field Golf Club, 220 Franklin Ave.,

This will be an eighteen hole medal play Callaway System tournament. The winners will be announced at dinner at Nanina's in the Park, 540 Mill St., Belleville.

Time: 11:30am-1pm registration. 1pm tee off. 6pm cocktail hour with dinner and program

following.
Cost: \$175 for golf, lunch, and dinner: \$100 for dinner only.

For more information contact Dan Vitiello at 973-667-2606 or email danvitiellosr@gmail.com

Oct. 3, Sun.

Returning to our "Routes" Celebration Walk | Nutley Thriving Survivors

@walk begins at John H. Walker Middle School, 325 Franklin Ave.

In 2003, the Celebration Walk went through Memorial Park. In 2021, the Nutley Thriving Survivors will be returning to their "routes" by once again walking through the park. If you have walked before, feel free to wear a t-shirt or sweatshirt from a previous year, but any pink shirt will do. The Nutley Thriving Survivors incites all families to walk to celebrate everyone who has battled breast cancer. Registration includes water, hot dog, and a candle for each family member. Time: 7pm

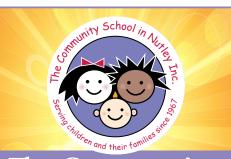
Cost: \$10 per family of four. \$5 for each additional family member. For more information www.nutleythrivingsurvivors.com/

Oct. 5, Tue.

Nutley Jaycees Distinguished Service Awards Dinner

@Valley Regency, 1129 Valley Rd., Clifton The 49th annual Distinguished Service Awards Program will be honoring the 2020 recipients from the postponed event in April 2021. Time: 6:30pm

Cost: \$45 per person. Cash bar available. For tickets call Dr. Steven Clarke at 973-235-1515. For ad book call David and Dianne Wilson at 973-667-4690.



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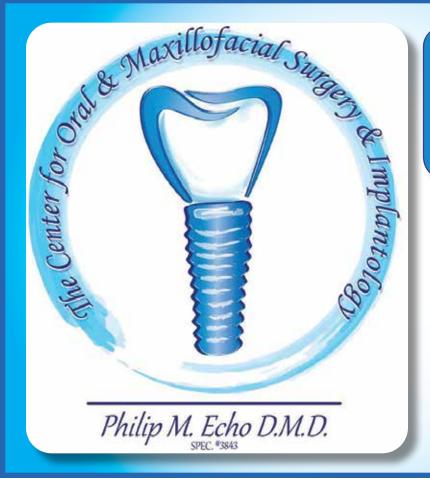
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