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The Clark chapter of UNICO held their 6th Annual Italian American Feast for three days during the Columbus Day weekend.

The feast consisted of many of your favorite Italian foods including sausage, pizza, zeppole, eggplant, and much more. There were game trailers, rides, craft vendors and a 3D Flat Screen TV was raffled off. Clark residents were entertained by Brother John Brown band on Friday night and Sounds of the Street doo-wop band on Saturday night.

For those of you not familiar with UNICO, we are the largest Italian American Service Club in the United States, nonprofit and nonsectarian. The proceeds raised from last year's feast enabled us to donate over \$23,000 to academic and sport scholarship awards to our high school students, underprivileged and handicap children, charities, community and civic activities just to name a few.

We are very proud to have brought the event to the

township of Clark again this year. We thank the many volunteers that helped and the residents who came out and supported us. A great fun time was had by all!



(above) Feastgoers play intense game of Spyr-O mania.



(above) Cathy and Joe Campenella supervied one of the fair's games of chance.



(above) Renato Birabin and Sam Liff selling raffle tickets, the events most popular way of raising funds.



(left) From rides to ice cream, The UNICO Feast was fun for the entire family.



(above) The UNICO Feast was made possible with the help of many volunteers. (left) Cafe Gallo of Edison

were one of many food vendors serving restaurant quality fare.

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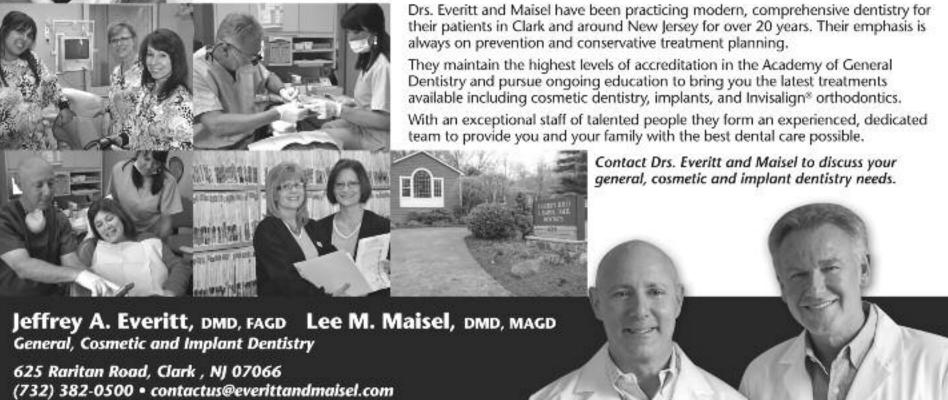
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Alan J. Scherb was sworn in as the Township of Clark's newest Police Chief by Mayor Sal Bonaccorso at the September 17, 2012 Council meeting. Chief Scherb is a 23 year veteran of the Clark Police Department. He was appointed as a police officer on January 4, 1988. He was promoted to Detective on January 1, 1992, Police Sergeant on December 21, 1998 and Police Lieutenant on October 15, 2007. He was promoted to Police Captain, Officer–In–Charge on June 1, 2011.

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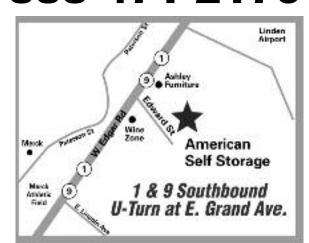
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CLARK DAISY TROOP 425 REDEDICATES THEMSELVES TO HELPING THE COMMUNITY

Troop leaders Alicia Scipioni, Kelli Kaminskas and Jackie Skwirut were proud to welcome back 14 of their members and to initiate 4 new girls into their Daisy Girl Scout Troop 425. The ceremony took place at the Clark Public Library where family and friends joined the girls as they pledged to continue serving their community and to learn more about the Girl Scout Law. Each girl was presented with a Build a Bear Girl Scout uniform for their favorite teddy bear for their hard work last year and to encourage even better service this year. The Daisies were also introduced to some of the members of the Junior Troop 791 who will help organize activities for the Daisy Troop this year in order for them to earn their Junior Aide Badges.



(above) Girls from Clark Daisy Troop 425 and Junior Troop 79.

JUNIOR TROOP 791 TAKES A TRIP BACK IN TIME

The girl scouts of Clark Junior Troop 791 are studying the roles of women in the past, present and the future. As a part of their study, they visited the Merchants and Drovers Tavern Museum located in Rahway, New Jersey for a "Ghosts from the Past," Cemetery Tour. During the tour, the girls met the ghost of an enslaved woman named Ambo and the ghost of Carolyn Wells Houghton, a famous librarian, author and poet. The girls also had the opportunity to visit the tombstone of the infamous "Unknown Woman of Rahway." One of the highlights of the tour was meeting the ghost of Abraham Clark, a signer of the Declaration of Independence and the person for which the town of Clark was named after.

The scouts enjoyed their tour so much that they decided to return and visit the inside of the Merchants and Drovers Tavern Museum in the near future.



(above,l-r) The ghost of Carloyn Wells Houghton and Danielle Knapp, Isabella Pimenta, Michelle Kukan, Gabriella Scipioni, Sara Hilton, Lauren England and Marisa Venturella.





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LIBRARY EVENTS

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. Visit our online calendar at www.clarklibrary.org or call 732 388 5999 for more information.

Monday, October 29 at 7:00 p.m.

Medicare Information Session

The Senior Medicare Patrol will give a presentation on Medicare Part D and prescription drug plans (open enrollment is from October 15 through December 7). They will give an overview of Part D and how to go about changing prescription drug plans.

Tuesday, October 30 at 3:00 p.m. Teen Halloween Chocolate Making

Drop-in after school for a fun hour of chocolate making! We will be making a wide variety of spooky, Halloweenthemed chocolates. For teens in grades 6 through 12.

Friday, November 2 at 10:00 a.m. **Get Up and Go!**

for children ages 2 1/2 through 5 years old.

Friday, November 2 at 3:15 p.m. Lego Club

We provide the Legos; you provide the creativity for children in grades 1 - 5. No registration required.

> Sunday, November 4 at 2:00 p.m. **Autumn Family Fest -**

Family Concert with Presley and Melody

Join Presley and Melody for an amazing high-energy and dynamic musical performance that includes creative visual props and read and sing graphics for children ages 3 through 10.

Wednesday, November 7 at 3:00 p.m.

Teen Soap Making

Drop-in after school for a fun afternoon of soap making for teens in grades 6 - 12

Thursday, November 8 from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **AARP Driver Safety Class**

Tune up your driving skills and update your knowledge of the rules of the road with the AARP Driver Safety Class. Learn about normal age-related physical changes, and how to adjust your driving to allow for these changes. Many automobile insurance companies provide a multi-vear discount to AARP Driver Safety Class graduates. In honor of Veteran's Day, this class is free for veterans and their spouses or widows.

> Tuesday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m. **Italian Tenor Salvatore Chiarelli**

Join us for a night of Italian favorites as renowned singer Salvatore Chiarelli performs selected works.

Wednesday, November 14 at 3:30 p.m.

Thanksgiving Story and Craft

For children in grades K - 5.

Saturday, November 17 at 10:00 a.m.

Family Storytime

Interactive storytime for children ages 2 through 5. No registration is required for this program.

FRIENDS OF LIBRARY **SEEK DONATIONS FOR BOOK SALE**

Preparations are underway for the Friends of the Clark Public Library book sale. Donations of gently used hardcover and paperback books are being accepted for the November Book Sale. Magazines, encyclopedias, and textbooks will not be accepted. All donations benefit the Clark Public Library. Donations may be dropped off inside the library during regular business hours from now until November 3rd. The book sale will be held on Saturday, November 17th from 9:30a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 18th from 1:00p.m.-4:00p.m. in the Ayers Room at the Library. Please come and support the Friends of the Library.



(above, r-l) Patty Anderson, Director of the Clark Public Library presents the 2012 Library Advocate Award to Henry Varriano, on behalf of the Libraries of Union County. A reception was held at the Elizabeth Public Library earlier this month.

SENIORS TAP INTO COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS

Ms. Hamilton's senior students at Arthur L. Johnson High School recently had a visit from Christian Tibok, a representative from Everest College, as part of their college and career unit. Mr. Tibok conducted a very engaging and interactive presentation about college and career readiness. The students were each provided with an iPod to use in conjunction with the presentation. While Mr. Tibok asked questions about professionalism and etiquette, the students were instructed to use the iPods to wirelessly respond using a survey-style model. As the students would complete each question, pie charts and discussion topics would be projected onto the board. At the culmination of the presentation, Mr. Tibok showed a brief video clip about what Everest College has to offer to students interested in several career options such as massage therapy, medical assisting, and dental assisting.



(above) Christopher Purcell, Zak Hijazi, and Marc Avena are interactively participating in the presentation by completing a survey regarding college interview etiquette.

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PROVIDENT BANK HONORED BY THE LIBRARIES OF UNION COUNTY

Provident Bank was honored by the Libraries of Union County at its annual reception recently for its outstanding Business Contribution to Union County Libraries this past year. The bank was nominated by the Clark Library who received a significant donation toward its ongoing 50th Anniversary Capital Campaign. On hand to accept the award from Provident Bank were Robert Vivo, Jr., Regional Vice President: Paula Palermo of Clark. Vice



(above, l-r) Councilwoman Angel Albanese presents award to Provident Bank's Paula Palermo, Tracey Barr, and Robert Vivo, Jr. Provident Bank was the lead donor for the library's Capital Campaign in 2012.

President; Tracy Barr, Clark Branch Manager; commitment by creating the Provident Bank and Jean Quinn, Provident's VP of Public Relations. Council woman Angel Albanese presented the award and thanked Provident for being, "a community bank deeply rooted in New Jersey, committed to supporting the communities it serves" and noted that "we in the Township of Clark and the Clark Library and Library Community of Union County are thankful for that commitment."

Provident celebrated the grand opening of its new branch at 1139 Raritan Road just about a year ago. The new office replaced the branch previously located at 10 Westfield Avenue. Provident increased their community Foundation. Since its inception, the Foundation has provided more than \$16 million in grants for programs focusing on education, health and wellness, recreation, the arts and social and civic services. Provident recently unveiled a new tagline, "Commitment you can count on," emphasizing the bank's commitment to consumers and businesses.

To date the library has raised over \$11,000 toward its \$50,000 goal. For those interested in making a contribution please send a check to the Library, payable to Clark Township-Library Capital Campaign. All contributions small or large are greatly appreciated.

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Clark Recreation held the fourth Annual Roller Hockey clinic sponsored by the NJ Devils. Retired NJ Devil players Jim Dowd and Bruce Driver instructed the clinic for a large

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group of girls and boys teaching techniques, skills, stick handling, passing and shooting. Each child received a free NJ Devils Jersey, team photo, stickers and autograph postcards.

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SCOUT'S SHREDDING PROJECT IS BIG SUCCESS



On Saturday, September 29th a paper shredding project was held at ALJ High School. Event coordinators would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who came out to support Cub Scout Pack 145 and the Town of Clark.

Special thanks go out to Secure Shred Document Destruction, Storage and Recycling Services as well as Curtis Sliwa from AM970 The Answer and The Guardian Angels. The event was a huge success and all paper recycling benefited the town of Clark 100%.

CUB SCOUT PACK GOES CAMPING

Cub Scout Pack 145 of Clark, (along with Packs from Cranford, Springfield and Kenilworth), went camping at BSA Camp Allamuchy in Stanhope, NJ. This camping trip was a special weekend dedicated to George Hoffman, a member of the Boy Scout family who passed away this past summer. It was a very emotional and moving weekend, with a flag being flown in his honor, and being retired Saturday evening at the Council fire ceremony. All cub scouts in attendance had a great weekend. It was the "belt loop bonanza" whereas scouts had the opportunity to earn belt loops in map & compass, hiking, fishing, flag football and volleyball, to name a few. Over 80 members of Cub Scout Pack 145 of Clark were in attendance for this special weekend. It's not too late to join in on the fun. Join cub scouts!! For more information please go to: www.cubpack145.info



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CLARK MONTHLY • Page 10 • October 2012 KIWANIS CLUB SAYS SOS (SAVE OUR SERVICE CLUB)

Born has issued an open invitation to the Clark community and residents in surrounding areas to consider joining the community service club that has been in existence in Clark for well over 60 years. Save Our Service (Club) is the motto for this year's club. "We are a small but mighty

(left) Clark Kiwanis Club members Leona Kamieniecki and Ron Pask peruse materials at the end of one of the philanthropic club's meetings. Guest speakers every month enlighten and educate the members on volunteer opportunities for all of the Kiwanis family clubs in the elementary schools, the middle school and high school as well as the adult club. Photo by Susan Dougherty

Outgoing Clark Kiwanis Club president Doug club," he said of the group which meets on the second and the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Clark Public Library for hour-long meetings.

> He explained the general purpose of the club. "The bulk of what we do is based on volunteerism with the youth-sponsored activities in the community. We are the proud sponsors of the K-Kids Club at Hehnly and Valley Road Schools, the Builders Club at Kumpf Middle School and the ALJ Key Club." Kiwanis member Ann Yarusavage is the Youth Liaison for the young clubs.

> President Born said that the adult club knows the importance of showing children the joy of doing things for others while they are at a young age. The newest clubs in Clark are the ones at the elementary schools. "Donna Kircher, the nurse at Hehnly, is a dynamite of energy as the adviser of the club for children in grades three through six," Born said. The club schedules two service activities a month, focusing on low cost projects that bring happiness to children, veterans and senior citizens.

> The Valley Road students have been involved in a number of activities at their elementary school in Clark. Principal Ralph Baltrumba told Kiwanis last year's youth liaison Susan Dougherty that the club, under the advisership of enthusiastic teachers Paula Spence, Sue Dzurovcik and Teresa Gotti, "has taken off like wildfire." The membership of both of the elementary schools has skyrocketed almost 20 -25% from the first to the second year.

> Parents of students in all of the clubs are especially invited to see what the Kiwanis Club is all about. For more information about the club and the upcoming meetings, call President Elect Susan Dougherty at 732-382-5367.



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(above) Clark recreation Fall Middle School Tennis team proudly pose for a photo before their first match. Clark Recreation Fall/Winter season is ongoing.

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GIRLS SOFTBALL POSTS REGISTRATION DATES FOR THE 2013 SEASON

The Clark Girls Softball League (CGSB) is happy to announce the registration dates for the 2013 season. Registration will take place at the Brewer Recreational Center (Clark Municipal Building) on October 24 and 25 from 6PM -8PM, both days.

The league is open to all girls in grades K-8, who reside in Clark, Garwood and Winfield, or who attend private school in Clark Township. The 2013 season is slated to begin in mid-March and runs to early June.

The 2012 season had over 300 girls participating and CGSB looks forward to increasing the number of teams in each division, especially the instructional division (grds K-1).

Registration forms can be obtained from the CGSB website - www.eteamz.com/CGSB. For any questions regarding the registration process or if you are a business interested in sponsoring a team or wanting a billboard display, please William contact Smith

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Students and Faculty wore their pajamas to school one day as part of the schools Anti-Bullying Week. This day was named "Put Bullying to Rest".

Pinwheels for Peace is an art installation project started in 2005 by two Art teachers, Ann Ayers and Ellen McMillan, of Coconut Creek, Florida, as a way for students to express their feelings about what's going on in the world and in their lives.

Students created pinwheels of all shapes and sizes under the guidance of Art teacher Lina Crincoli. As part of the creation process, the students wrote their thoughts about war and peace, tolerance and living in harmony with others on one side and on the other side, they painted pictures to visually express their feelings.

The students assembled their pinwheels and on International Day of Peace they "planted" their pinwheels as a public statement and art exhibit.



(above) Heather Schnaars, Principal and Lina Crincoli, Art teacher with students from 8th grade and Kindergarten.



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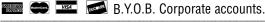
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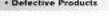
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