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**NEXT
CHAMBER
MEETING**
DECEMBER 10, 2008
8:30 am
MY CUBAN ROSE
625 N. Michigan Ave.

**Sunday,
December 7th**

Kenilworth
Recreation Dept.

**BREAKFAST
WITH SANTA**

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Building

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- Storytelling & crafts by Mrs. Claus.
- Horse and buggy rides 10am - 1pm.

TREE LIGHTING

5 pm

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HONORS PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS

The Rev. Sylvester P. McVeigh Council #4186 of the Knights of Columbus in Kenilworth recently held their Annual Shield Awards to honor outstanding emergency personnel. The Rev. Joseph S. Bejgrowicz Public Safety Officer of the Year Award recipients included: Detective James Grady of the Kenilworth Police Department, Mona Salman of the Kenilworth Volunteer Rescue Squad, Joseph Giorgio of the Kenilworth Volunteer Fire Department and Kevin Murphy of the Roselle Park First Aid Squad.

"Each of our honorees has made an effort to make the towns in which they reside a better place to live, work and play," stated Grand Knight Mike Relovsky, "Through their volunteerism, we are kept safe. The Knights of Columbus Council #4186 are proud of each of these individuals."



(above, l-r Det James Grady, Mona Salman, Kevin Murphy and Joseph Giorgio. - Photo by Tony Peters.

CHAMBER CALLS FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Funds raised by the Kenilworth Chamber of Commerce from the "Taste of Kenilworth" event will go to scholarships for graduating high school students living in Kenilworth, who are planning to pursue a certificate or associate degree.

These scholarships were originally established to aid high school students who intend to pursue certificate or associate degree programs in New Jersey with a specific career objective. Preference will be given to students

pursuing post-high school education other than traditional four-year college programs.

Scholarships of up to \$1,000.00 will be awarded to the institution for the account of successful candidates. Students can be from high schools other than David Breairey as long as they live in Kenilworth.

The deadline for returning the scholarship applications is FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2009. If you have any questions, please call Helen Durish at the Chamber office at 908-352-0900.

VFW POST 2230 VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

Kenilworth VFW Post 2230 held a ceremony on Veteran's Day at the newly finished Memorial Park along side the Veteran's Center. The Park was dedicated this past summer where monuments stand in honor of Kenilworth residents who gave their lives in the defense of the country. Commander Bob Jeans presided over the ceremony which featured words from Mayor Kathi Fiamingo and prayers by Rev. Alfred J. Kowalski, of St. Theresa's Church. Veterans from Cranford VFW were also in attendance.



(above) Bob Jeans addresses the crowd.



(above, l-r) Rev. Kowalski, and Mayor Fiamingo at podium.



(left, l-r) Cranford VFW 335 members Mike Camiel, Bill Hendry and James D'Arcy.

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MEMO FROM THE MAYOR

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I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. As Christmas approaches, I hope that we are all able to help someone less fortunate have a happy and wonderful holiday. There are so many opportunities to give and share. I hope that if you are able to do so that you take the opportunity this year to make someone's Christmas a happy one.

On December 7, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. all Kenilworth children are invited to have breakfast with Santa. Each child will have his or her picture taken with Santa and will be given an opportunity to create a craft and spend some quality time with Mrs. Claus who will read a story or two. There will also be a horse and buggy ride through the streets with Santa.

The annual tree lighting will be held on that evening at 6 PM. Please join us for some roasted chestnuts, hot cocoa and caroling. A DJ will also be on hand. Celebrate the season and get into the spirit!

I would like to extend my thanks and gratitude to Councilmen Lawrence Clemente and Anthony DeLuca, who will be finishing their terms at the end of the year. Both Larry and Anthony have been great assets to the Borough.

I hope everyone has a happy and safe New Year. I have enjoyed being your Mayor for this past year and look forward to the future.

Mayor Kathi Fiamingo

UPCOMING MEETINGS

GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF KENILWORTH

All meetings are held in Council Chambers at Borough Hall, 567 Boulevard.

DECEMBER 9 - Work Session
to start at 7:30 PM

DECEMBER 10 - Regular Meeting
to start at 8:00 PM

JANUARY 1 - Reorganization Meeting at 12 noon

UPCOMING PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS

All meetings are held at Borough Hall, 567 Boulevard.

DECEMBER 4 - Regular Meeting
to start at 7:00 PM

DECEMBER 18 - Work Session
Meeting to start at 7:30 PM

JANUARY 8 - Reorganization Meeting at 7:00 PM

KENILWORTH BOARD OF EDUCATION

All meetings are held in the Board Conference Room at David Brearley Middle/High School at 401 Monroe Avenue.

Regular meetings to start at 7:30 pm

DECEMBER 8 - Regular Meeting

DECEMBER 12 - Regular Meeting

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AND BOROUGH TREE LIGHTING DECEMBER 7th

The Kenilworth Recreation Department will be hosting a Breakfast with Santa and a Tree Lighting on Sunday, December 7th at the Borough Recreation Building.

Santa will arrive at 10 am. Breakfast will be served and children can have their pictures taken with Santa. Mrs. Claus will be on hand for storytelling and crafts. There will be horse and buggy rides from 10 am to 1 pm with Santa.

At 5 pm the tree lighting festivities will begin outside of Borough Hall with roasted chestnuts, hot chocolate, popcorn and carols around the tree.

*The Kenilworth Business Life
welcomes news and press releases
from the community.
To submit your news email:
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GATEWAY CHAMBER EVENTS

- 12/3 BUSINESS SUCCESSION PLANNING**
8:00am Crowne Plaza Hotel,
36 Valley Road, Clark, NJ
- 12/4 NETWORKING PROFESSIONALS OF NEW JERSEY MEETING**
7:45am Perkins of Green Brook,
Route 22 East, Green Brook, NJ
- 12/4 WORKFORCE EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING**
8:45am Gateway Chamber Downstairs
Conference Room, Elizabeth, NJ
- 12/9 NETWORKING OUTSIDE THE BOX**
6:00pm Stone House at Stirling Ridge,
50 Stirling Road, Warren, NJ
- 12/10 KENILWORTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**
8:30am My Cuban Rose,
625 N. Michigan Ave., Kenilworth, NJ
- 12/11 LINDEN CHAMBER HOLIDAY PARTY**
5:30pm La Casa di Martino, Roselle Park, NJ
- 12/12 LOCAL & COUNTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING**
8:30am Township of Union, City Hall
1976 Morris Avenue, Union, NJ
- 12/16 IRISH BUSINESS ASSOCIATION NETWORKING EVENT**
6:00pm Molly Maguire's,
1085 Central Avenue, Clark, NJ
- 12/19 EMPLOYER LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**
8:00am Lana's Fine Dining at Hyatt Hills,
1300 Raritan Road, Clark, NJ
- 12/17 SPRINGFIELD CHAMBER MEETING**
8:30am Springfield High School
Mountain Avenue Springfield, NJ
- 12/17 CLARK CHAMBER MEETING**
8:30am Crowne Plaza Hotel,
36 Valley Road, Clark, NJ
- 12/18 GATEWAY ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS WOMEN HOLIDAY LUNCHEON**
11:45am La Casa di Martino, Roselle Park, NJ
- 12/19 SOMERSET HILLS BUSINESS NETWORK MEETING**
8:00am Olde Mill Inn, 225 Route 202
(I-287, Exit 30B), Basking Ridge, NJ
- 1/8 NETWORKING PROFESSIONALS OF NEW JERSEY MEETING**
7:45 am Perkins of Green Brook,
Route 22 East, Green Brook, NJ
- 1/8 WORKFORCE EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING**
8:45am Gateway Chamber Downstairs
Conference Room, Elizabeth, NJ

From the desk of Police Chief William Dowd

Holiday Shopping

The holiday season is upon us and the Kenilworth Police Department urges you to use common sense while shopping. When using a credit card to make to a purchase please safeguard your information and request any carbon copies if they are produced. If you shop on the internet please use a secure website. Also, please do not display large sums of cash while making purchases and if using an ATM, please be aware of your surroundings and safeguard your pin number. Lastly, please remember never to leave your purse or pocketbook unattended while shopping. Numerous thefts have been linked to such circumstances.

Once your shopping is complete please be alert while walking back to your vehicle, if shopping at night please park in a well-lit area. Enjoy your holiday season and happy shopping.

Snow and Ice Removal

With the approach of winter, the police department would like to remind residents and property owners of their responsibility to remove snow and ice from public sidewalks that abut their property. For many people this is a tedious task, however it is necessary to ensure safe passage for persons utilizing the sidewalks.

Township Ordinance (170-4.2) states within 4 hours of notice from an enforcing authority, the borough may remove said snow or ice and the responsible party shall be liable for the full cost of removal.

During the holiday season a helping hand would be much appreciated, if you live next door to an elderly individual spend a minute or two in assisting them in clearing their sidewalk.

The Kenilworth Police Department wishes all residents a happy and healthy holiday season.



Access Self Storage of Kenilworth is pleased to announce that they are a drop off point for this year's

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SPIRIT OF GIVING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

Boy Scouts Fundraiser

Boy Scout Troop 83 will be having their annual Christmas Tree and Wreath sale at the Kenilworth Veterans Center, 33 South 21st street on Friday December 5th, Saturday December 6th and Sunday December 7th. Trees will also be available on Thursday December 11th, Friday December 12th, Saturday December 13th and Sunday December 14th. Weekdays trees are sold from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm and on weekends 10:00am to 9:00 pm Christmas trees are 5'-8' and are \$35 to \$50 and wreaths are \$20.

Any questions please call Scoutmaster Kozak at 908-276-8167.

St. Theresa's Giving Tree

With Thanksgiving behind them, Social Concerns will now be collecting donations for a "giving tree" which will be located in St. Theresa's Church. The tree is decorated with tags with needed items written on them. Donors simply take as many tags as they wish and return the items to the church for distribution.

The orders on the tags were collected from needy families within the community as well as Covenant House, Catholic Charities and St. Joseph's Social Service Center located in Elizabeth.




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SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

Kenilworth, New Jersey has a very active Senior Citizens Club. The club's membership stands at over 365 members. To join the club, you must be a Kenilworth resident, or have lived in Kenilworth for 10 years, be at least 60 years of age, and pay membership dues of \$5.00 per year.

The Kenilworth Senior Center is located at 526 Boulevard, Kenilworth NJ. The building is equipped with an elevator, air conditioning, a full kitchen, a large dining area, and a large meeting room upstairs.

Standing activities include:

Regular Meeting – 1st Wednesday of the Month

Trip to Atlantic City – 1st Thursday of the Month

Crafts – every Tuesday and Friday Morning

Line Dancing – Every Wednesday Afternoon

Bingo – Every 1st and 3rd Friday Afternoon

Mah Jongg – Monday and Friday – 10:00 am – 3:30 pm

Cards – Most Monday, Wednesday and Friday Afternoons

AARP meeting – 2nd Tuesday of the Month

Birthday Party for Members – 3rd Tuesday of the Month

Nutrition – Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 12 noon (suggested donation is \$1.50). You must order two days ahead.

In addition, the Seniors sponsor many trips. Information on all these trips and activities is published monthly in the Kenilworth edition of The Leader, the Suburban News and the Cranford Chronicle.

For more information, or to join the Kenilworth Senior Citizens, contact Barbara Morison or Joe Matturro at 908-272-7743 on Monday, Wednesday or Friday during the hours of 9:30am and 3:30pm.

2008 SENIOR CRAFT FAIR



Dottie Keys was this year's organizer. With a total of 15 tables rented.



Craft table was sponsored by the Senior Center Barbara Morison, President of the Kenilworth Seniors Club; Joe Matturro Sgt. At Arms; Dereka Turner and Lenore Pucik.



Kitchen volunteers Mary Emmolo, Joe Matturro and Edith Caravello.



(above, l-r) Helen Wagner, Lucille Lucadema, Barbara Morison President of the Senior Club helped with selling cakes.



(above) Kenilworth Library Thanksgiving Day Craft



(above, l-r) 50/50 table run by Irene Cowen and Dorine Sammons.

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NEW JERSEY SNAKES & TURTLES APPEAR AT LIBRARY

Park Naturalist, Ruth Yablonsky from Trailside Nature and Science Center located in Mountainside visited the Kenilworth Library.

Children, ages 4 & up learned about snakes and turtles found in New Jersey. At the conclusion of the program, children were invited to view and touch live snakes and turtles.

The program took place on Thursday, Nov. 6th which coincided with the NJ State Teacher's Convention. Public Schools were closed.



DOGS WERE ALL EARS FOR LIBRARY READING PROGRAM



(above) Christopher Mattos, age 5 1/2 of Kenilworth reads aloud to Dexter, a Great Dane.



(above) Nathalia Rivera, age 9 of Kenilworth, reads aloud to Callie, a Golden Lab.

CHECK OUT LIBRARY'S BIG DVD COLLECTION

The Kenilworth Public Library currently houses a collection of nearly 1,200 popular DVDs, available for free checkout to anyone age 18 or older who holds a valid Kenilworth library card. Additionally, the library owns more than 400 children's DVDs which may be checked out to any child or adult with a valid Kenilworth library card. Each card holder may check out up to two DVDs at one time, with each DVD available for a three day loan period. Overdue DVDs are subject to a fine of \$1.50 per day, including Sundays. To make browsing of the DVD collection more convenient, the library now offers a special link on its webpage which facilitates searching of the library collection by genre, rating, and date of acquisition, in addition to movie title. The database also provides a link to the "Yahoo Movies" web page for a thumbnail synopsis of each movie. The DVD database can be accessed through the library's webpage at www.kenilworthlibrary.org, clicking on the "online catalog" tab and then clicking on the link for DVDs. The database can also be accessed directly by going to www.kenilworthdvds.com. For more information about all of the library's programs and services, please call 908 276-2451.

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WORTH PHOTO ALBUM

Attendees for making this year's event another great success!

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with staff
at & Irish Pub



La Griglia: Migel, Chiss Tocci



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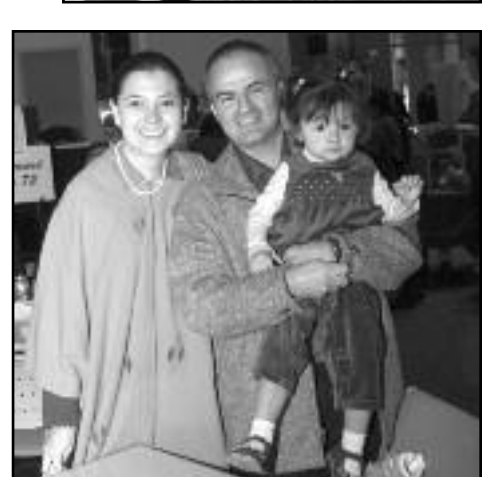
Boulevard Portuguese BBQ



Garlic Rose: Marc Corello & Al Mitchko



Coffee Distributing Corp.: (l-r) Rodney
Turner, Susan Preasha and Jamie Feinberg



'08 KENILWORTH POP WARNER JR. PEE WEE BEARS

Submitted by: Chris Burns



(above, l-r) Amanda Ritter, Kristine Rivera, Rosa Cuppari and Nicholas Walker.

ST. T'S STUDENTS MEDAL AT SCHOLASTIC OLYMPICS

Submitted by Rosa Cuppari
8th grade, St Theresa School

On Wednesday, October 22, sixteen students from St. Theresa School in Kenilworth attended the Scholastic Olympics. This exciting event took place at Roselle Catholic High School after school on that day. The Scholastic Olympic students competed with over 10 other schools in all subjects. The participants left at 2:00 to register at 2:30 and testing began at 3:15. The test lasted a short hour, until 4:15. The results were then announced at 5:00 pm.

The 16 students from St. Theresa's School were as follows: Nicholas Walker and Kristine Rivera for Math, Matthew McCracken and Rosa Cuppari for Religion, Alex Parra and Amanda Ritter for Social Studies, Roman Miranda and Adriana Blemonte for English, Edward Hance and Ashley Speers for Art, Justin George and Tochi Azu for Science, Al-Nisa Ruiz for Forensics, Brian Deahl for Current Events and Danny Tannelli and Shaunte Smith for Spelling.

After an hour that seemed days long, the students finally received the results!

In first place, was Rosa Cuppari (Religion). There was also one second place and two third places! Amanda Ritter studied long and hard but it was worth it when she won 2nd place in Social Studies. Both Nicholas Walker and Kristine Rivera won 3rd place in one of the hardest subjects, Math.

All in all everyone did their best and represented their school fabulously. Congratulations to everyone who participated.



This year's Kenilworth Jr. Pee Wees might not have started off the year as the biggest, fastest or most experienced team in the league, but what they did have was a dedicated coaching staff lead by Joe DiGrado and tons of potential.

These coaches gave of themselves and time away from their own families because they believed in these kids and the potential they possessed. Through hard work on and off the field the coaches and players became family. "One Man, One Team" became the motto. With everyone playing together as a team, they were a force to be respected and feared!

The regular season brought hard fought battles resulting in many victories and two narrow defeats. One of which was to Union County rivals, Clark Crusaders. The Bears would face the Crusaders once again only this time it was in the first round of the RVC Play Offs. The Bears were victorious in the rematch beating Clark at home and continued on to become Raritan Valley Conference Champions

by beating Bound Brook in the RVC Championship game.

Being RVC Champs earned them an invitation to play in the "Dawg Bowl" Vs. Mountain Valley Conf. Champs, Washington Rock and a trip to the Eastern Regional play offs Vs. Hopewell Valley. The Kenilworth Jr. PWs won the "Dawg Bowl" in one of the seasons most exciting games but were defeated by Hopewell Valley in a very well played Eastern Regional Play Off game. The Bears completed their season with an overall record of 9-3.

Many teams in our conference start the year with hopes of making it to the post season. Few succeed and only one will be know as Raritan Valley Conference CHAMPIONS. This is a very special accomplishment, the kind that can bond young players, forge relationships, build confidence, teach respect and provide memories to last a lifetime. And No One can ever take that away!

Edward J. Hobbie

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Twenty-five years ago Father Oling of St. Theresa's Church felt that there was beginning to be a need for a community group to help the needy of the Parish. Ten women answered his call and started a small food pantry and a Christmastime giving tree. They've also come to the aid of Kenilworth families after tragedies such as a fire. The original members of what became known as Social Concerns were, Lisa Wood, Sandy Wood, Sally Ordner, Monica Anglim, Carol Savona, Ann Rembish, Judy DeRose, Joan O'Connor, Vickie Devlin and Mary Michitsch.

This year thirteen adults (and 2 very helpful children) assembled 58 baskets of food to be given away for Thanksgiving. Expecting a greater need this year than ever before, the group was inspired by the generosity of the community. Mary Michitsch, president of Social Concerns and a founding member, said this was the most generous year she has experienced. Each basket contained a turkey, \$10 supermarket gift certificate, and other groceries.

The food pantry is in operation all year and always needs re-stocking after the big Thanksgiving giveaway. No appointment is necessary to make a donation. Nonperishable goods and gift cards to any supermarket can be left in the crying room in the church on Sundays. Monday through Friday donations can be dropped off at the rectory during business hours 9 am - 5 pm. Supermarket gift cards and checks made payable to St. Theresa's can be mailed to Social Concerns c/o The Church of Saint Theresa, 541 Washington Avenue, Kenilworth, NJ 07033.

The pantry mostly services Kenilworth residents, but no one is turned away.

If you are in need of food you can contact the Rectory at 908-272-4444, they will arrange for a volunteer from Social Concerns to meet you at the pantry.



(second from left) Mary Michitsch, president of Social Concerns, the non-profit group that runs the pantry within St. Theresa's Church is pictured with some of the volunteers who made up Thanksgiving food baskets.

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ST. THERESA'S JV VOLLEYBALL ARE CHAMPS

Submitted by Jane Castro - 6th grader at St. Theresa School

ST. T'S STUDENTS UC FORENSIC CHAMPS

On Wednesday, November 5, 2008, Saint Theresa School in Kenilworth, NJ was one of nine schools, a total of 49 students, who attended the Union County Forensic Reading Competition held at Hillside Catholic Academy in Hillside, NJ. Saint Theresa's team consisted of six students: Rosa Cuppari (8th grader), Katrina McCarthy (5th grader), Katelyn McCarthy, Michael Batkiw, Sarah Ferreira and Elizabeth Tramontana (seventh graders).

Rosa Cuppari advanced to the final round and was awarded an honorable mention ribbon.

St. Theresa's School in Kenilworth, JV volleyball team won 1st place at a championship game that took place on November 15, 2008 hosted by Rahway Recreation. Team members, Caitlin Speers, Jane Castro, Ashley Skrec Amanda Lynes, Natalie Stanzione, Angela Bui, Mariah Petracca, and Madison Kutakoff were undefeated and could not be stopped. Their

Coach, Lou Velez and assistants, Brianna Velez and Elizabeth Solan were very proud of the team. The girls always say that their coach is an amazing coach and an even better person.

This is St. Theresa's JV volleyball team second year in a row for winning 1st place, and the girls are looking forward to next year already!

(right, front, l-r)
Madisen Kutakoff,
Angela Bui and
Caitlin Speers.
(back, l-r) Amanda
Lynes, Jane Castro,
Ashley Skrec and
Natalie Stanzione.



(left, back, l-r) Michael Batkiw,
Rosa Cuppari, Sarah Ferreira,
Elizabeth Tramontana
(front, l-r) Katelyn McCarthy and Katrina McCarthy.

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KENILWORTH GOSPEL CHAPEL YOUTH NIGHT

About 160 teens attended a youth night hosted by the Kenilworth Gospel Chapel on Friday November 14th. The teens were served pizza after listening to feature speaker Gerard Dematteo from Rutherford along with Praise Band the Darby's.

Along with the Gospel Chapel teens, youth from 11 churches attended the festivities including

- Mt. Ridge Bible Chapel, Berkeley Heights
- Silverton Bible Chapel - Toms River
- Woodside Bible Chapel, Fanwood
- Grace Gospel Chapel, Tenafly
- Rutherford Bible Chapel, Rutherford
- Cedarcroft Bible Chapel, S. Plainfield
- Fifth Ave. Chapel, Belmar
- Kearny Bible Chapel, Kearny
- Grace Gospel Chape, Manhattan
- Templo Biblico, Manhattan.

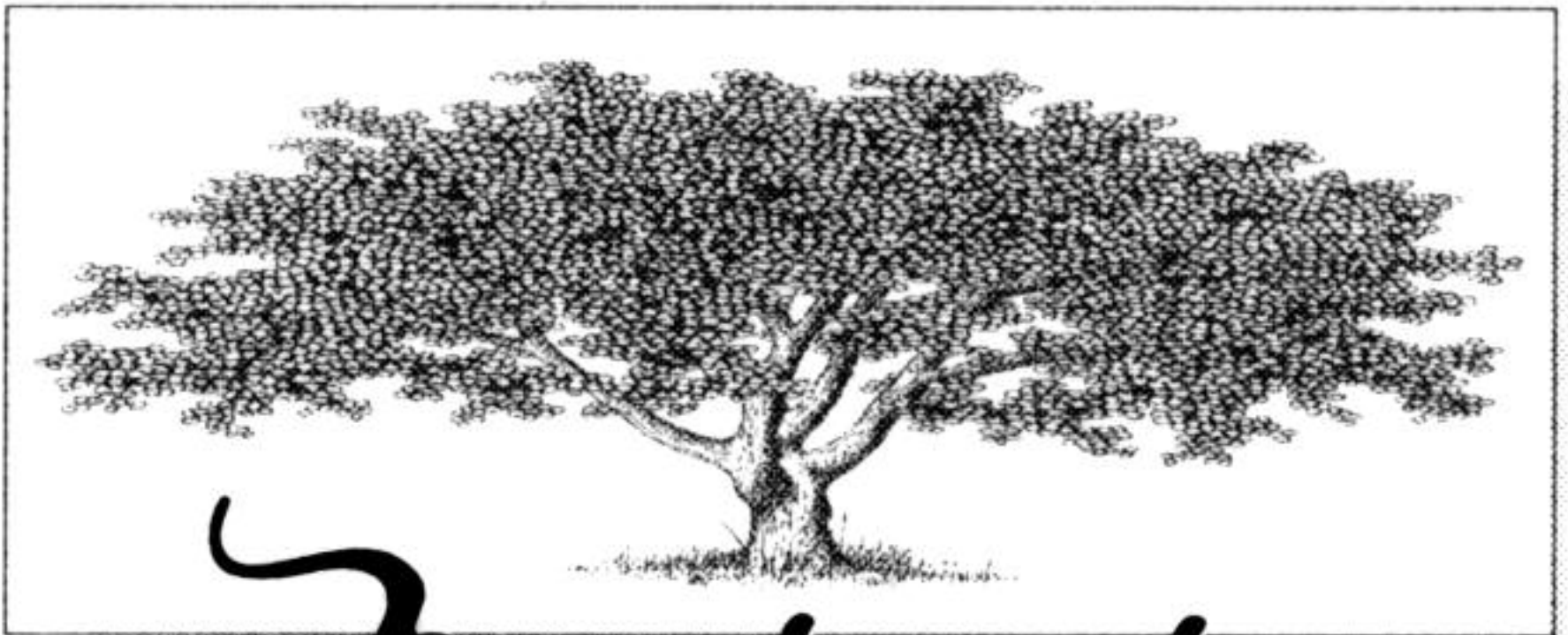


The Kenilworth Gospel Chapel has many programs dedicated to children and youth. You can learn more about them on the web at www.kenilworthgospel.org

BREARLY BEAR SENIOR TO THE RESCUE

David Brearly High School Senior Joe Puerari was recognized as a hero and received a life saving merit award from the Mayor of Beach Haven, NJ this past summer after he rescued a woman caught in the rip currents of the Atlantic Ocean while on duty as an ocean lifeguard.

The award, signed by Mayor Thomas J. Steward, states "For calmly, quickly and competently rendering lifesaving and assistance thereby saving the life of Amybeth Lindsey, caught in a riptide on July 13, 2008. Your actions reflect the highest degree of professionalism and responsibility to the citizens and visitors of the Borough of Beach Haven."



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Today, the cost of cars and the many available financing opportunities make car ownership more affordable and less risky. Decisions to dump money into a repair or just dump the car are easier to make when repairs cost more than a year’s worth of monthly payments.

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There is a distinction to be made between home repairs and home improvement.

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Improvements can come in the form of upgrades. Like replacing old windows with those of a higher quality, or using roofing material with a longer life span. Replacing siding on the home may offer a good opportunity to also add a deck, addition, or a dormer can be added in the same time that a new roof is being installed. The difference in the cost of the repair and added improvement may be minor.

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Before you plan your improvement, check thoroughly for needed repairs.

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