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VFW POST 2230'S 2nd ANNUAL AWARDS RECOGNITION NIGHT

Kenilworth's VFW Post 2230 was established in October 1933 and has a long history of community service and veteran activities. On January 23, 2010 the organization gathered to honor five people who have distinguished themselves in the community and their professions and have, over the years, continued to support the ideals of the veteran mission. Commander Bobby Jeans stated that the Veterans of Foreign Wars motto "We honor our dead by supporting the living" is most exemplified by the recipients pictured right: Barbara, Bilger, Kathi Fiamingo, Lewis J. Giordino, Edward J. Miller and Daniel F. Sims. "The honorees have unselfishly given countless hours of their time and their talents so that we may fulfill that obligation."



KENILWORTH RESIDENTS HONORED AT JANUARY REORGANIZATION MEETING

Employee of the Year Mr. John Hathaway. John has worked for the Borough as the Senior Citizen Handyman since October, 2004. John handles small repair projects for the senior citizens who apply to the Senior Citizen Handyman Program for help. Mayor Fiamingo stated "I have heard nothing but praise and thanks for John from those who have taken advantage of the program. So today we recognize John as our employee of the year and we thank him."

Volunteer of the Year Scott Vanek. Scott is a member of Boy Scout Troop 83 sponsored by the Kenilworth VFW Post 2230 and a junior at the Union County Magnet school. He is scheduled to ascend to the position of Eagle Scout. His Eagle Scout Project was the painting of the recreation building both

outside and in. Mayor Fiamingo stated "He did a fantastic job".



(above, l-r) Employee of the year John Hathaway and wife Johanna



(above, l-r) David Vanek, Volunteer of the Year Scott Vanek; Madison Vanek; Debra Vanek

KENILWORTH MARKET OPENS AT 488 BOULEVARD

The Kenilworth Market had a grand opening recently. Mayor Kathi Fiamingo was on hand for a ribbon cutting. The market features fresh Portuguese and Italian Bread from America's Bakery in Newark, along with fresh meat, fruits, vegetables and other foods.

(right) Mayor Kathi Fiamingo cuts the ribbon. To her left are owners Carla and Henry Rocha.

(below) Kenilworth resident Rose Fennes was the first customer.



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MEMO FROM THE MAYOR



Excerpts from Reorganization Speech 2010

I don't think there are many people sad to see the end of 2009. Financially it was a difficult year for everyone, including the Borough. Early on in the year we received the unwelcome news that the RVSA assessment to the Borough was increased by almost \$400,000. At the same time we learned that the revenues earned by the Borough like interest on its excess funds, fees, etc. decreased by almost \$200,000 and that Schering was to be merged into Merck with the future of world headquarters here in the Borough cloudy at best.

Budget wise, the Borough's employees and department heads all pulled together and there was a minimal increase in spending. Unfortunately, even with everyone working hard together, we had a huge gap between what the Borough required and our available revenues. In 2008 we were required to use a large portion of our available surplus to plug the gap caused by the State's unprecedented slashing of our municipal aid and due to the economic conditions we have been unable to replenish it.

At the same time we were working with the architects selected to construct the new public safety building. Something had to give.

Unfortunately the plans for the new building were put on hold and we arranged for the sale of Borough-owned property at the end of North 18th and 19th Streets. The proceeds of the sale were used to help with 2009's budget. More funds are available for 2010 if necessary.

So, that's the not so great part of 2009 – financially a potential nightmare, but one which we were able to survive.

There were good parts of 2009 - quite a few of them. The Pride in Kenilworth Committee, chaired by Kassie Joho produced several successful events, including the Independence Day Fireworks and our recent Breakfast with Santa and Tree Lighting. We had a extremely successful Street Fair – one of the best since the event was begun and I think the largest by far.

The Recreation Department under Director Scott Pentz sponsored many activities for the children of the Borough. Scott is stepping down from his position as director this year and I really want to thank him for all he has done these past his six years.

I also want to commend our Zoning Enforcement Officer Robert Herbert for all his hard work. Although the position is a part-time one, he has been extremely active and proactive in the position. Very few people would be able to provide the Borough with the type of dedication that Bob has brought to this position.

All of our Borough employees deserve recognition. They all go beyond the call of duty and give us their absolute best. In that regard, I'd like to mention that our Finance Officer/Tax Collector Nancy Nichols retired as of the end of the year. We were fortunate to find Robert Ordway who will join us tomorrow as our new Chief Finance Officer and Tax Collector. I know he will make a fine addition to our crew.

Public hearings on our revised master plan should be held in the next few months. The master plan committee has worked very hard over the past nine months or so and I am very much looking forward to their recommendations and conclusions.

I am also looking forward to putting together a new web site for the Borough. I'm asking anyone who has any interest in helping with that endeavor to contact me. We have a professional to actually design the web site, but I would like volunteers to help put together content for the site. I would love to hear from everyone who is interested in getting involved. Please call our clerk, Mrs. Lipke and ask her to forward your information along to me.

I again want to thank Scott Vanek for the fantastic job he did painting the recreation building. It was truly a great effort and a beautiful job. Scott did have some assistance from Deb Vanek, Dave Vanek, Madison Vanek, Nick Maier, Joe Licwincko, Joe Kaiser, Chris Koehler, Kyle Addvensky, Erica Montero, Richard Tiemann, Mark Tiemann, Henry Koehler and Dan Ryan. Thanks to all of you for your help.

Looking forward, I am encouraged by the enthusiasm of these folks up here with me. Councilman Joho, as the head of the Finance Committee will work hard with his fellow committee members and Borough department heads to produce a budget that will take into account both the needs of the Borough and those of our residents.

Councilwoman Sosnosky will continue to work with Superintendent Ryan and his Department of Public Works employees, Councilman Klinder is again the liason to the Library and Welfare Departments and Councilman Leary will once again work with the Fire Department and Recreation Department.

I am extremely pleased to have Councilman Candarella and Councilman Pugliese back on council. Both Sal and Fred have worked very, very hard. They contribute such a great deal to this council and to the Borough and we are all very fortunate to have them.

Of course, we could not do it without the assistance of our Clerk, Mrs. Lipke. She keeps us and the business of the Borough running like a well-oiled machine.

Thank you everyone for your continued confidence. I am very optimistic for the future of our wonderful town. With folks like Scott Vanek, John Hathaway Bob Herbert and everyone else who makes this Borough the special place that it has always been, it is easy to be optimistic. Happy New Year, everyone. God bless you all, the Borough of Kenilworth and may God bless America and keep her safe.

Mayor Kathi Fiamingo

UPCOMING MEETINGS

GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF KENILWORTH

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

FEBRUARY 9 & 23 - Workshop meeting to start at 7:30 PM

FEBRUARY 10 & 24 - Regular meeting to start at 8:00 PM

PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS

All meetings are held at Borough Hall, 567 Boulevard.

FEBRUARY 4 - Workshop meeting to start at 7:00 PM

FEBRUARY 25 - Regular meeting to start at 7:30 PM

KENILWORTH BOARD OF EDUCATION

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

FEBRUARY 8 - Regular Meeting to start at 7:30 PM

MARCH 1 - Regular Meeting to start at 7:30 PM

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8:00 AM FEBRUARY 2

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Hiring, Firing & More: The Employment Law toolbox for the Road to Recovery
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 36 Valley Road, Clark

7:30 AM FEBRUARY 4

NETWORKING PROFESSIONALS

OF NEW JERSEY BREAKFAST MEETING

Perkins of Green Brook,
297 US Highway 22 East, Green Brook

8:45 AM FEBRUARY 4

WORKFORCE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chamber Office, 135 Jefferson Avenue, Elizabeth

8:00 AM FEBRUARY 9

VETERANS BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Food, 339 Springfield Avenue, Summit

8:00 AM FEBRUARY 10

KENILWORTH CHAMBER MEETING

Access Self Storage, 750 Boulevard, Kenilworth

6:00 PM FEBRUARY 10

NEW JERSEY REAL ESTATE

SOCIAL NETWORK

The Westwood, 438 North Avenue, Garwood

8:00 AM FEBRUARY 11

SMALL BUSINESS COUNCIL

Kenilworth Inn,
Boulevard & South 31st Street, Kenilworth

8:30 AM FEBRUARY 12

LOCAL & COUNTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Borough of Mountainside,
1385 Route 22 East Mountainside

6:00 PM FEBRUARY 16

IRISH BUSINESS ASSOC. (IBA) MEETING

Molly Maguire's, 1085 Central Avenue, Clark

8:00 AM FEBRUARY 17

EMPLOYER LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

MEETING

Kenilworth Inn,
Boulevard & South 31st Street, Kenilworth

11:45 AM FEBRUARY 18

GATEWAY ASSOCIATION

OF BUSINESS WOMEN

La Casa di Martino,
301 West Clay Avenue, Roselle Park

8:30 AM FEBRUARY 23

LINDEN CHAMBER MEETING

Hosted by Hotel Indigo @ Skyview,
1 Carriage City Plaza, Rahway

8:30 AM FEBRUARY 24

CLARK CHAMBER MEETING

Arthur L. Johnson High School Media Center,
365 Westfield Avenue, Clark

8:00 AM FEBRUARY 26

SOMERSET HILL BUSINESS NETWORK

GENERAL MEETING

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On Thursday, January 14, 2010 the motivational and inspirational author Mark Scuderi visited Mr. Manuel Antao's Introduction to Business class at David Brearley High School in Kenilworth, New Jersey.

Renowned author, speaker and entrepreneur Mark Scuderi revealed some of his secrets toward award-winning entrepreneurship. He explained how to "bridge the gap from goal setting to goal achieving!" In his book *It's Not by CHANCE – Overcome What's Holding You Back*, Mark explains how he "has success, and he understands exactly why he has it and he is willing and able to give this understanding to anyone who truly desires to make changes in their life. It is this understanding that he has eloquently and clearly compiled in his book based on years of study, research, and experience that is helping people all over the world go from goal setters to goal achievers."

Mark coached the students and promised them that they are only days away from cultivating unshakable confidence in their abilities that will make them unstoppable! Many students asked questions and all were left truly inspired, motivated, and hopeful for success. Mark has personally developed from a police officer to a two office realty company owner/operator and then into a renowned author in just a few short years of setting and working toward goals.



(above) Mark Scuderi, second from right, with David Brearley Students

NEW INDUCTEES TO DAVID BEARLEY HALL OF FAME

In 1999 the Kenilworth School District began a tradition by creating the David Brearley High School Hall of Fame. Since that time, a total of fourteen David Brearley graduates have been honored through their induction.

The criteria for being selected are that a nominee must have graduated from David Brearley between 1967-1993, OR 1997 to the present. The nominee must have distinguished himself/herself in his/her chosen field and has distinguished himself/herself in community and/or humanitarian activities.

The David Brearley High School Selection Committee has selected two former graduates, Tom Perrotta and Lenore Jeans, to be named to the David Brearley Hall of Fame.

Tom Perrotta is a 1979 graduate of David Brearley. Tom Perrotta, award-winning author, is inducted for his body of work, which chronicles modern American suburban culture with wit, insight, and compassion. He has authored six books, including *Election*, *Little Children*, and *The Abstinence Teacher*, and has written short stories and essays. Two of his novels have been adapted to film.

He earned a B.A. in English from Yale University and a M.A. in Creative Writing from Syracuse University, and he has taught writing at Yale and Harvard. His educational and professional accomplishments are an inspiration to all David Brearley students.

On Thursday – January 07, 2010; Mrs. Lenore Jeans, David Brearley High School Class of 1969 and the David Brearley Athletic Director's Secretary, was inducted into the David Brearley High School Hall of Fame. She was presented with this award and recognized for her countless acts of community service, honoring the military, increasing the motivation of David

Brearley students, and keeping alive the David Brearley spirit. Congratulations, Mrs. Jeans! She is shown in the photo below with her two granddaughters who wore Brearley Bears shirts. The colors of blue and gold will always be in her heart. Mrs. Lenore Jeans has put her talents to work for the good of our Kenilworth community and our Brearley family as well.

Lenore is a hometown girl whose dedication and hard work have always focused on the Brearley Bears. She was active in helping to save our school, giving up family time for a cause she was passionate about.

Mrs. Jeans can always be counted on to lend a helping hand or a compassionate ear. She is truly, the original Mama Bear of David Brearley.

The entire educational community of Kenilworth, congratulated Mrs. Jeans and Mr. Perrotta for their accomplishments and thanked them for their commitment to the students of Kenilworth. Mrs. Jeans and Mr. Perrotta will have their picture permanently displayed on a plaque in the school's Hall of Fame.



(above) Lenore Jeans and granddaughters McKenna and Emerson

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Students at the David Brearley High School love coming to the Culinary Arts class because they take pleasure in what they are going to experience—the art of cooking! David Brearley High School students in Mrs. Donna Schneider's Culinary Arts classes are preparing home-made minestrone soup and Italian Focaccia bread for a gourmet meal. Students are learning how to create an array of cream soups and stock-based soups. Culinary techniques are an essential part of the program such as sautéing, proper use of seasonings, soup consistency and

combining ingredients to produce this comfort food. Kitchen groups build on team work and working within a specific time frame as in the real world of culinary cuisine. Students enjoy coming to class and often leave with a sample of their work to bring home for family members to experience. The hallways of the school are often filled with the aromas of delicious food being prepared in the class. The goal for each kitchen team is to present their final products to the teacher for her approval in the areas of taste, appearance, and presentation.

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The David Brearley High School Student of the Month for January is a very "hardworking, self-motivating, and honest" senior, in the words of her teachers. Laura Romanowski, a member of the Distinguished Honor Roll, is a student who has earned a position among the top students of her class, proving her strong academic skills. Laura has been a member of both the Middle School and High School Choirs and has participated in every concert during her years as a Brearley student. This year Laura joined the elite Chamber singers. Outside of school you can catch up with her at work at the Kenilworth Public Library. Congratulations, Laura!

The January Middle School Student of the Month is Mr. Shemar Givens. Shemar is described by his teachers as being a well-prepared and hardworking student. His



*Students of the Month
Laura Romanowski and Shemar Givens*

enthusiasm about learning is commendable, as he takes responsibility for learning by always asking questions to clarify new information. Shemar is known to go the extra distance to insure that his work is done thoroughly and completely. In addition to this, he is also known to be a very respectful and friendly student who is always willing to lend a hand to his classmates, as well as his teachers. David Brearley Middle School is proud to ring in the New Year with our student of the month, Shemar Givens! Congratulations!



*(above, l-r) Mrs. Schneider with Students
Joseph Muniz and Anthony Madonia.*

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GALLERY ON THE BOULEVARD

Gallery on the Boulevard, the exhibit space of the Kenilworth Public Library, is pleased to present the photography of Sheila R. Lenga during the months of January and February. The photographs of this exhibit open a window onto the sights of southern Africa, featuring such exotic images as herds of impalas, ostriches, and wildebeests at the Kariega Game Reserve in Port Elizabeth, South Africa as well as the native dancers of Shakaland Zulu Village in Durban. Visitors to the exhibit will also have

the experience of viewing the strange but beautiful Welwitschia plant which is the national flower of Namibia.

Lenga, a resident of Union, has been taking pictures since she was a child growing up in an artistic family in Westport, Connecticut. After first studying at the Julliard School of Music and then pursuing an interest in jazz and raising a family, Lenga renewed her love of photography through membership and leadership positions in the Cranford Camera Club (now the

Cranford/Millburn Camera Club), the Contemporary Art Group and Unique Visions. Lenga has exhibited her photographs at a variety of New Jersey venues including the Watchung Arts Center, Les Malamut Gallery in Union, The Westfield Art Gallery, the Jewish Community Center in Edison, the North Edison Public Library and the Millburn Public Library. Her photographs are also in private collections in New York, Arizona, Massachusetts, Mexico, Canada and St. Maarten.



(above l-r) Lenga with African Chief

CAN I WEAR MY NOSE RING TO THE INTERVIEW?

AUTHOR TO OFFER ADVICE TO YOUNG JOB SEEKERS

The Kenilworth Public Library and the Cranford Public Library are pleased to co-sponsor a presentation for job seekers by Ellen Gordon Reeves, noted expert on job hunting and the author of a witty and no-nonsense career manual, *Can I Wear My Nose Ring to the Interview?: A Crash Course in Finding, Landing, and Keeping Your First Real Job*. The program will take place in the Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Avenue, on Tuesday evening, March 2, at 7:30 PM.

Ellen Gordon Reeves has an Ed. M. from the Harvard University Graduate School of Education and spent fifteen years as the education editor of the *New Press*. She currently serves as the resume and job-hunting expert at the Columbia Publishing Course. With a focus on young job seekers, her book provides a step-by-step guide to identifying what works and what doesn't in today's especially challenging job market. While placing a

special emphasis on the importance of a professional mind-set which includes such basics as having a working cell phone, a respectable e-mail address and proper attire for a job interview, Ms. Gordon Reeves also covers the important do's and don'ts of writing cover letters and resumes. In addition, her book covers such essential topics as how to negotiate your salary, what to expect in a review, and basic on-the-job common sense for the newly hired. Ms. Gordon Reeves' presentation will conclude with a Q&A session and she will remain on hand to sign books which will be available for sale after the presentation.

This program is free and open to all members of the general public and preregistration is not required. For more information, please call the Cranford Public Library at 908 709-7272 or the Kenilworth Public Library at 908 276-2451 or visit <http://www.cranford.com/library/> or www.kenilworthlibrary.org.

TRIP TO MOHEGAN SUN CASINO TO BENEFIT KENILWORTH'S NITSCHKE HOUSE

The Kenilworth Historical Society will host a bus trip to Mohegan Sun Casino (Uncasville, Conn.) on Sat., Feb. 20, 2010. The trip will depart Kenilworth (St. Theresa's School parking lot) at 8 a.m. and return to Kenilworth at approximately 9 p.m.

Cost of \$49 includes motor coach transportation, an approximate six-hour visit to the casino, which additionally houses a wide range of distinctive shops and restaurants; a coupon for a \$10 food credit or complimentary buffet; and a \$10 coupon for free bets.

Participants will also have an opportunity to visit Mohegan Sun's most recent 64,000 square-foot addition – the Casino of the Wind -- which opened last year and includes a 42-table poker room along with slot machines, table games and eateries, including "Jimmy Buffett's Margaritaville."

For further information and reservations, please call 908-709-0391 or 908-709-0434. As space is limited on this traditionally popular trip, it is suggested that reservations be made early to ensure availability.

Proceeds will benefit the Kenilworth Historical Society's project to restore the local 19th-century Oswald J. Nitschke House and transform it into a "living history" museum and cultural arts center.

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BLACK HISTORY CELEBRATION TO FEATURE AFRICAN STORYTELLING, MUSIC AND ART

A celebration of black culture through African storytelling, music and art will be hosted by the Kenilworth Historical Society on Feb. 18 in honor of Black History Month. The general public is invited to attend the event, which will be held at 7 p.m. at the Kenilworth Seniors' Center, 526 Boulevard, Kenilworth, N.J. Admission is free.

Master storyteller Debbie Kirkland will entertain participants with a traditional African story, "Where There is Life, There is Hope." This delightful tale has a meaningful theme that appeals to all age groups. Kirkland will also introduce the group to the Swahili language, demonstrate such African musical instruments as the talking drum and rainstick, and present an African arts and craft activity. Audience participation will be welcomed.

Light refreshments will be served following

the featured program.

Parking and entrance to the Kenilworth Seniors' Center are located at the rear of the building. For further information, please call 908-709-0434.

Kirkland, who has more than 12 years' experience as a storyteller, is the founder of Union, N.J.-based Afro-Centric Parties, a cultural entertainment company that specializes in corporate, school and family events.

The Kenilworth Historical Society is an independent, non-profit, tax-exempt organization dedicated to the research, preservation and interpretation of local history and culture. Its regular meetings, open to the general public, are held on the third Thursday of each month, except July and August, starting at 7 p.m., at the Kenilworth Seniors' Center. Visitors are welcome.

WRITERS WORKSHOP CONTINUES AT KENILWORTH LIBRARY

The Kenilworth Public Library is pleased to announce that its Writers' Workshop, a forum for local writers to share and critique each other's work, has been scheduled for 7:00 PM on Tuesday evening, February 23, in the library's activity room. In order to register, each participant must submit to the library a sample of his or her writing, no more than five pages in length, no later than February 16. Writers of fiction, non-fiction, and poetry are all welcome. Between February 18 and February 23, each registered participant may stop by the library to pick up a packet which will contain copies of all

submitted writing samples. Each participant will then be expected to read all of the samples and be prepared to discuss them at the February 23 meeting.

This program is free and open to all members of the general public, including people who did not participate in previous sessions, and new members are always welcome. Because space is limited, preregistration is required and can be done in person at the library or by calling 908-276-2451 during regular library hours. The Kenilworth Public Library is located at 548 Boulevard.

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 I will be there for anyone who needs me. I can be reached at pat@kenilworthrecreation.com or (908) 400-2898 and you can call me for anything you may need. Last but definitely not least, I would like to thank Scott Pentz for the 10 years that he put in, and for showing me all that I know. You will be missed.
 Sincerely, Pat Boyle
(right) Nicole Tancs at Kenilworth Recreation's Skate night.



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