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BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE RECOGNIZES CIVIC PRIDE

On December 17th, 2010, the Kenilworth Beautification Committee presented certificates of appreciation to residents and business owners for their role in caring for several planters on the Boulevard. The civic pride shown by Don and Amelia Corrigan, James Kennedy of Kennedy Opticians, and Shaheena Haq and Shehnaz Shams of Unionland Farms must be mentioned.

The Beautification Committee members, Maria Cardoso, Justine Melillo, Trudy Neuhauser, Robert Porter and Chair, Councilwoman Toncia Sosnosky have all volunteered their time throughout the seasons.

We urge all our residents to volunteer in keeping Kenilworth looking good. To volunteer, call Borough Hall on 908-276-9090.



(above, l-r) Beautification Committee members Councilwoman Toncia Sosnosky, Trudy Neuhauser, Maria Cardoso, Robert Porter, Justine Melillo, Don Corrigan, and certificates of appreciation recipients Amelia Corrigan, James Kennedy, Shaheena Haq and Shehnaz Shams.

FERDINANDO WILL CONTINUE AT BELLA GENTE SALON

Ferdinando Hair Fashion located at 508 Boulevard has made a seamless transition under new ownership. Grace Figueredo and Erica Tromp are the new owners and have renamed the salon Bella Gente. Ferdinando Ambrosio, who had owned the salon since 1987 will continue servicing clients.

Bella Gente is a full-service unisex salon including waxing,

nails, hair extensions, Brazilian blowouts and eyelash extensions. The salon specializes in color correction. Erica is a colorist for L'Oréal and is on call to give color advice to stylists for L'Oréal's color hot-line. The salon features Brocato brand hair products and the shop makeover will include a jewelry and accessories boutique. Bella Gente means beautiful people in Italian and Grace says, "We are people persons and consider all our customers beautiful."

You are welcome to attend a formal ribbon cutting ceremony and Grand Opening event which is being planned. Details to follow.

(left, l-r) Past and present owners Ferdinando, Grace and Erica.



(above) Award winning stylist Ferdinando styles the hair of 1963 American Junior Miss Dianne Sawyer.



(left) Grace holds a statue of St. Joseph, patron of all working people, given to her and Erica by sister Emmy from St. Theresa's Church as an inspiration for their success.

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GATEWAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EVENTS

For additional event information call the Chamber at 908-352-0900 or visit our website at www.gatewaychamber.com

- 8:30 AM JANUARY 12**
KENILWORTH CHAMBER MEETING
Access Self Storage, 750 Boulevard, Kenilworth
- 6:00 PM JANUARY 12**
NJ REAL ESTATE SOCIAL NETWORK MEETING
The Westwood, 439 North Avenue, Garwood
- 8:30 AM JANUARY 14**
LOCAL & COUNTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Hosted by Linden Mayor Richard J. Gerbounka
The JTG Recreation Center, 330 Helen St., Linden
- 8:00 AM JANUARY 18**
GATEWAY CHAMBER BREAKFAST SEMINAR
“SOCIAL MEDIA IN AN HOUR: THE BLOG”
presented by Don D’Alonzo,
American Insurance Services Agency
Kenilworth Inn, Boulevard & S. 31st Street, Kenilworth
- 6:00 PM JANUARY 18**
IRISH BUSINESS ASSOC. NETWORKING EVENT
Molly Maguire’s, 1085 Central Avenue, Clark
- 8:00 AM JANUARY 19**
EMPLOYER LEGISLATIVE COMM. MEETING
Kenilworth Inn, Boulevard & 31st Street, Kenilworth
- 11:45 AM JANUARY 20**
GATEWAY ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS
WOMEN LUNCHEON MEETING

- Garden Restaurant, 953 Magie Avenue, Union
- 8:30 AM JANUARY 25**
LINDEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING
Sam’s Club, 1900 East Linden Avenue, Linden
- 6:00 PM JANUARY 25**
GATEWAY CHAMBER 100TH ANNIVERSARY
AWARDS DINNER
Newark Airport Marriott Hotel, 1 Hotel Road, Newark
- 8:30 AM JANUARY 26**
CLARK CHAMBER GROUP
Hosted by Traci Powers at Hotel Indigo @ Rahway,
1 Carriage City Plaza, Rahway
- 8:00 AM JANUARY 28**
SOMERSET HILLS BUSINESS NETWORK
MEETING
Royce Brook CC, 201 Hamilton Road, Hillsborough

UPCOMING MEETINGS

GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF KENILWORTH

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

JANUARY 11 & 25

Workshop meeting to start at 7:30 PM

JANUARY 12 & 26

Regular meeting to start at 8:00 PM

PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS

JANUARY 6, 2011

Reorganization meeting to start at 7:00 p.m.

KENILWORTH BOARD OF EDUCATION

All meetings begin at 7:30 pm and are held in the Board Conference Room at David Brearley Middle/High School at 401 Monroe Avenue.

JANUARY 10 Regular Meeting

JANUARY 24 Budget Meeting

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MEMO FROM THE MAYOR

2010 was not the most difficult year we have had in the Borough but it was certainly quite challenging. The depressed economic

conditions experienced throughout the nation affected the Borough as well. The governing body pulled together with our department heads and presented a budget with an increase in spending of less than 1%. I hope that everyone understands just how impressive that is. The cost of operating this Borough in 2010 increased less than 1% over those costs in 2009. More importantly, this was achieved without reductions in services to our residents.

Kenilworth taxpayers continue to receive the same services in the Borough for their tax dollars that they have received in years past. In many other municipalities governing bodies have resorted to cutting services from their municipal budgets to reduce the tax bills, without actually reducing costs to the taxpayers. In those municipalities, homeowners now pay separately for sewer and garbage fees, have no bulk waste pickups and/or are required to deliver their recycling to community recycling centers, while their tax rates are high and continue to climb. Kenilworth remains a community with one of the lowest tax rates in the county and with services that other municipalities no longer provide.

We are also a community of people with impressive accomplishments. Despite the relatively small size of Kenilworth, in 2010 alone four young men completed the rigorous requirements to achieve Eagle Scout status. Zach Kozak, Jeff Jaeckel and Chris Koehler were each elevated to the status of Eagle Scout. Scott Vanek completed his final project and his Eagle Scout Court of Honor will be held later this month. The Borough also benefited because several of the young men focused on service projects in

Kenilworth for their final Eagle Scout projects, including painting the Recreation Center, the OEM building and installing a victory garden at the Nietschke House.

In 2010 we welcomed Robert Ordway as our Tax Collector/CFO. Rob jumped into the position with both feet and has been a fantastic addition to the Borough's team. Rob's enthusiasm for his position and his interest in continually improving himself and the Borough is inspiring. He and his staff in the Finance and Tax Department perform a wonderful job on a daily basis, as do all of the other employees in the Clerk's office, Construction Department and Municipal Court. Thanks to the dedication and hard work of all of our staff, the Borough is run efficiently and professionally.

In the Kenilworth Police Department we saw the end of an era with the retirement of Chief William Dowd, a fixture in the department for almost forty years. With his retirement, came the appointment of a new chief, Kenneth Grady who has hit the ground running, looking to upgrade and improve the department. He is assisted by members of one of the finest police departments in Union County and the Borough is well-served by them all.

In fact, the blizzard of last week demonstrates just how well served we are by all of our Borough employees. When workers in other municipalities called in sick or refused to man their positions, the Kenilworth DPW was out in full force during the height of the storm doing their utmost to keep the Borough running. It was a huge task for which they should be thanked and congratulated.

In the coming months we will be unveiling a new web site for the Borough which we believe will serve as a model for all municipalities. It will significantly reduce the need for the public to make requests under the Open Public Records Act because the new web site will put information available under OPRA at your fingertips without cost to you or the Borough. This administration believes that the public should not have to ask or pay for general

information otherwise available under OPRA. The new website will achieve that result and more. More importantly, it will be completed without cost to the Borough. I am pleased to announce that the new web site is being designed at no cost to the Borough and will be maintained and updated by Borough employees, eliminating the need to pay an outside contractor for that service.

We continue to apply for and receive various grants for projects throughout the Borough. We also continue to explore cost cutting measures through shared services and other possible collaborative efforts with the County and other municipalities. We are currently looking into the possibility of a shared services arrangement for expensive equipment used in Public Works projects. In the past, we have made arrangements with other municipalities on a project by project basis. I recently proposed to other Union County municipalities a more formal cooperative situation which we hope will be mutually beneficial to all participants. We are also utilizing Union County services which may be available to the fullest extent possible in order to maximize our County tax dollars as well as minimize duplication of efforts.

With the Governor's Property Tax initiative, which we fully support, coming into full effect in 2011, we will be looking for additional methods to reduce costs and expenses. It will be challenging to meet the financial requirements of the new legislation especially if State Aid to the Borough is reduced again. We are however dedicated to containing costs and spending and to giving the taxpayer the most bang for their tax dollar.

I hope everyone has a better New Year, and one which is happy, healthy and prosperous for all.

May God bless the United States of America, the Borough of Kenilworth and each and every one of us.

Mayor Kathi Fiamingo

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST

On January 15, 2011, the Rev. S.P. McVey Council #4186 of the Knights of Columbus will hold their Annual Free Throw Competition at St. Theresa's School Gym, 540 Washington Ave., Kenilworth. Registration starts at 10:00 am with the contest to begin shortly thereafter. The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is open to all boys and girls in the community, ages 10 to 14. Eligibility is determined by the age of the contestant as of January 1. Proof of age is required. Winners will compete in the District Free Throw in February. For additional information, please contact Grand Knight Dan DiFabio 908-875-5071. We wish all a very Happy New Year!

BUS TRIP TO MOHEGAN SUN TO BENEFIT NITSCHKE HOUSE

The Kenilworth Historical Society will host a bus trip to Mohegan Sun Casino (Uncasville, Conn.) on Sat., Feb. 26, 2011.

The group will depart Kenilworth (St. Theresa's School parking lot) at 8 a.m. and return to Kenilworth at approximately 9 p.m. The 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 popular restaurants; a \$10 coupon for free bets; and a coupon for a complimentary buffet or \$10 food credit. There will be complimentary door prizes on the trip.

For further information and reservations, please call 908-709-0391 or 908-709-0434. As space is limited, it is suggested that reservations

be made early to ensure availability.

Gift certificates are available for the Mohegan Sun bus trip and for other 2011 Kenilworth Historical Society events, as well as for engraved commemorative pavers in the "Kenilworth Heritage Walkway" at the Oswald J. Nitschke House.

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

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WHAT ARE TEACHERS DOING ON THOSE HALF DAYS?

Submitted by -Dr. Scott Taylor, Assistant Superintendent

The Kenilworth School District had a clear plan in mind when it asked the Board of Education to grant eight half days to teachers and administrators to engage in professional development activities. What we've been doing on these afternoons is all about promoting student achievement.

More than just an educational buzz-phrase, the idea of "professional learning communities" has taken root in Kenilworth. The administrators, teachers and staff of the Kenilworth School District are committed to the academic progress of our students and are finding ways to improve the learning process. Teachers have formed 21 small groups focused on conducting research, applying new instructional methods in the classroom, and analyzing results.

In 1996, the touted National Commission on Teaching & America's Future made a clear case for the importance of supporting teachers with professional development, pointing out the need for teachers to be able to enhance and build on their instructional knowledge. The Washington Post (December 9, 2010) chimed in on this topic: "making time for peer learning is a critical step toward improving instruction." Knowing the importance of professional development and recognizing the direct impact small-group

professional learning has on student academic, social, and emotional growth, Kenilworth teachers have been developing year-long professional development goals, action plans, timelines, and measures of goal attainment since September 1 of this year.

One group of Harding School teachers developed a professional learning community around the positive impact of "guided reading" on young children's literacy skills development. The group of eight teachers developed a SMART (specific, measurable, attainable, realistic, timely) goal that reads, "upon completion of research, studies, and discussions, teachers will gain a better knowledge of the components of guided reading and identify a guided reading assessment program to utilize in classrooms to gauge the reading levels of our students." These teachers have been reading the most important literature on guided reading and have planned to utilize what for the district would be a new form of literacy skills assessment that will allow K-5 teachers to identify specific reading levels and individualize instruction to elevate reading and reading comprehension skills for each child.

At Brearley, a learning community of seven middle and high school teachers established a SMART goal that has them working toward

acquiring an understanding of pedagogy and practices that comprise Lemov's techniques of engaging students (Doug Lemov is a highly respected educational specialist who has documented instructional techniques gleaned from years of observations of outstanding teachers). The group fittingly called its research "[Teaching] Like a Champion" and plans to study the impact implementation of this pedagogical technique has on student achievement.

These are just two examples of the many goals that are being set to improve the quality of the educational environment for our students. Teachers have been documenting their work and progress toward meeting their SMART goals by maintaining blogs on the district's Google Apps site. Many of the 21 instructional techniques being examined by the district's professional learning communities will be adopted school-wide in the next two years. These programs will then be sustained with additional professional development support so that they become institutionalized aspects of the district's student achievement program.

For more information about professional learning communities, I suggest visiting the following website: www.allthingsplc.info.

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MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

DECEMBER 2010 - Submitted by: Mr. David Novak

The David Brearley High School Student of the Month for December is a very creative and expressive senior. Proving her strong academic skills, Kelly Hotz is a member of the National Honor Society and is a student who consistently earns honor roll status. She has also earned numerous Academic Booster Club (ABC) Awards for her success in mathematics, science, English, and Spanish. Kelly has been able to successfully juggle her demanding academic schedule of Honors and Advanced Placement classes over the last four years with extracurricular activities that display her unique self-expression. She is actively involved in both forensics and Brearley's drama and musical stage productions. Kelly has been a cast member of every drama and musical produced at David Brearley during her four years here. She just finished an amazing performance as "Julia," the female lead role, in this fall's production of *The Wedding Singer*. Congratulations, Kelly!

The December Middle School Student of the Month is Mr. Christopher Zobek. Christopher is described by his teachers as being a dedicated and focused student who completes all of his assignments with great effort and care. In fact,

this strong student's first marking period grades span well within the A-range; his highest being a 97 in Civics class. Not only does Christopher shine in Civics, but his interest in science is demonstrated through his ability to successfully complete laboratory work and ask a multitude of questions that are clearly indicative of his inquisitive mind. Moreover, this student of the month's polite and respectful personality is greatly recognized by everyone he meets. Congratulations Christopher Zobek on being chosen as David Brearley's Middle School Student of the Month!



Christopher Zobek and Kelly Hotz, David Brearley December Students of the Month.

THE CHALLENGE IS ON!

Mrs. Candace Grimaldi's 7th grade science class invited Mrs. Christina Sara's Multiple Disabled class to help them compete in the "Marble Run Challenge." Students teamed up to compete in a week of daily activities to construct a marble run under specific guidelines. Competition was fierce and exciting as each team gave it their full potential! The final challenge was to design a marble run to go the longest distance given a specific time allotment. Students had just completed two chapters involving Newton's Laws of Motion (1st Law, 2nd Law, and 3rd Law of Motion), so this was a fun learning experience to end the unit!



(above) 7th Graders Dani Mauro, Gabriella Noqueira and Nicole LaTorre

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Through LV-UC's network of volunteer tutors, adult learners in the program have been able to get better jobs and become more productive members of the community. Tutors meet at libraries throughout Union County.

To become a volunteer tutor you must be 18 years old. You do not need prior teaching experience, and no foreign language is required. To find out more about how literacy changes lives, visit our website, www.lvaunion.org. If you are interested in registering for the Linden workshop, click on the link in Upcoming Events. There is a \$40 non-refundable registration fee. Needbased scholarships are available to cover this charge. You may also register by calling Susan at 908-755-7998 or emailing susan@lvaunion.org.

CONGRATULATIONS !



Thomas F. Roche, III, CPA, Principal with the firm Fazio, Mannuzza, Roche, Tankel, LaPilusa, LLC was named President-elect for 2011/2012 & President of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants 2012/2013.

SALUTE TO THE VFW POST 2230 AND VET CENTER

VFW Post 2230 and the Kenilworth Veterans Center have deep roots in the community of Kenilworth. Its membership of nearly 200 veterans participate and support many community organizations and functions. We are proud sponsors of Boy Scout Troop # 83 and our team in the Kenilworth Little League. VFW #2230 has also supported the Kenilworth PBA, Kenilworth Historical Society, Vietnam Veterans Association, Kenilworth Volunteer Fire Department, Kenilworth Senior Citizens Programs, Cranford Autistic Society, to name just a few.

VFW #2230 provides over 20 scholarships per year through the "Voice of Democracy" and "Patriots Pen" programs as well as scholarships for high school and college students. VFW

#2230 members assemble for flag deployment on Memorial Day and Veterans Day each year to place flags on the graves of deceased military personnel at local cemeteries, and conduct memorial services for the public on those respective holidays. These are just some of the many causes we embrace and the programs we support.

We also recognize and applaud those who share our commitment in support of our community and our organization. We invite you to join us on Saturday, January 22, 2011, as we honor some special people who have graciously gone "over and above" to support our missions: Paul Campanelli, Rick Harrison, Joe Padula, Bill Sinkowitz, Bill & Gina Tipton & Diane Westbrook.



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BOOKS WITH A BEAT THAT WON “BREARLIES!”

Submitted by: Nicole Warchol, Middle School Language Arts and Maryrose Little, Middle/High School Library Specialist

How do you get a room full of adolescents to sit and be silent? One glance at the students of David Brearley will reveal that the answer is quite simple....Give them books and let them read.

Too often we don't take the time to sit with a good book, but during the third week of October (official Teen Read Week); students of David Brearley Middle/High School had the collective opportunity to engage with a good story by participating in a school-wide “read-in” for the second year in a row. Every quarter hour, classes rotated through the Instructional Media Center, with students claiming their reading territory like tributes from one of their favorite series, *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins. Students could be found reading on the floor, under tables, beneath computers, perched on chairs, but all with one thing in common – eyes glued to the pages of a book or magazine.

Teen Read Week (TRW) is an initiative of YALSA, the Young Adult Library Services division of the American Library Association.

David Brearley participated in Teen Read Week for the first time last year, and it was a huge hit, demanding a return engagement this year. The purpose of Teen Read Week is to raise awareness of the importance of reading “for the fun of it”, as the TRW slogan says. Reading research shows that independent reading boosts comprehension and helps across the board in all subjects, so it might be more than just “fun” going on when a student cracks open a book, be it a comic book, graphic novel, fantasy, or classic literature.

This year's Teen Read Week was made even more special by mini-grants from the David Brearley PTO and YALSA. The PTO grant funded student awards, and the YALSA mini-grant was used to purchase 3 Flip Video camcorders that were used to record the week's activities and were available to students who wished to participate in a video contest. Two favorite activities from last year were continued – daily trivia contest questions were announced over the PA system, and “The Brearlies”, awards

for favorite books and characters, were put up for student vote.

David Brearley middle school marked the end of TRW with an assembly that rivaled the opening of a highly anticipated vampire series movie premiere. Students were welcomed into the auditorium by their language arts teachers, equipped with inflatable guitars, who rocked out to celebrate the YALSA “Books with Beat” theme. Many students expressed their support for TRW by creating pro-reading signs. Others wore their custom t-shirts and sat in our VIR – Very Important Readers – section. ‘The Brearlies’ were announced to passionate audience response, and the winners of the daily trivia and the video contests were warmly received.

After two years, TRW is firmly entrenched at David Brearley Middle/High School. While the results of our reading awards may change each year with the publication of new books, our tradition of celebrating teen reading “for the fun of it” is here to stay.



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THE LIBRARY'S REGULAR SCHEDULE OF OPERATION: Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays: 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM, Wednesdays: 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Fridays: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Saturdays: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Registration for the Winter Reading Club, Toddler Time, and Story Time is underway at the Kenilworth Public Library.

PROGRAMS BEGIN ON MONDAY, JANUARY 3RD AND CONCLUDE ON FRIDAY, FEB. 18TH, 2011.

Children must be registered in one of the following programs in order to participate in any other Kenilworth Public Library special event.

Children who were previously registered for these programs in the fall, will automatically be registered for the winter programs.

MOMMY, DADDY & ME

a parent and child at home reading program for children ages 2 - 5

I CAN READ

a reading program for children who are just starting to read on their own from ages 6 - 8

CLUB READSALOT

a reading program for children ages 9 - 12.

Registration is required for:

TODDLER TIME

for 2 year olds will be held on the following Wednesdays from 10:30 - 10:50am; Jan. 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th and Feb. 2nd, 9th & 16th. Stories, puppets and music just right for the youngest listeners will be introduced.

STORY TIME

for children ages 3 and up will be held on the following Thursdays from 10:15 - 10:45am; Jan. 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th and Feb. 3rd, 10th & 17th.

EASY TO USE ONLINE JOB SEARCH TOOL

The Kenilworth Public Library is pleased to announce the availability of "Job & Career Accelerator," a comprehensive online job search system that provides job seekers with everything they need to find their next job, all in one easy-to-use application. This online program is available to library patrons at no charge with their library card and can be accessed either at the Kenilworth Public Library or from any internet-enabled computer by going to www.kenilworthlibrary.org. Once there, users are instructed to go to the top of the page to click on "online resources," click on "JerseyClicks" and then to scroll down to click on "Job and Career Accelerator."

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Registration is required for all crafts. Due to popular demand, children who are Kenilworth residents will be given first priority to register for all crafts programs one week prior to the date of each program. Out of town residents may register for the craft programs 2 days prior to the date of each program, space permitting.

CRAFTS

A Winter Craft will be presented on Saturday, Jan. 15th at 11:00 - 12:00 noon in the Activity Room for children ages 4 & up.

Children ages 4 - 6 must be accompanied by an assisting adult.

A VALENTINE'S DAY CRAFT

will be presented on Saturday, Feb. 12th at 11:00 - 12:00 noon in the Activity Room for children ages 4 & up. Children ages 4 - 6 must be accompanied by an assisting adult.

BINGO FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

will be held on the following Fridays from 3:30 - 4:00pm for children ages 3 & up: Jan. 7th & 21st and Feb. 4th & 18th.

Games may include A-B-C Bingo, Number Bingo and Color & Shape Bingo. Parents must remain in the library during the program.

BINGO FOR CHILDREN WHO CAN READ

will be held on the following Fridays from 3:30 - 4:00am in the Activity Room: Jan. 14th & 28th and Feb. 11th.

Games may include Book Bingo, USA Bingo, History Bingo & Kenilworth Bingo. Parents do not participate in this program.

BOOK GROUP TO DISCUSS A LESSON BEFORE DYING

The book discussion group of the Kenilworth Public Library will meet at 7:15 PM on Tuesday, January 11, to discuss *A Lesson Before Dying*, by Ernest Gaines. Nominated for a Pulitzer Prize and winner of the 1993 National Book Critics Circle Award for Fiction, this novel is set in the late 1940s in the fictional small town of Bayonne, Louisiana. Jefferson, a young and mentally slow black man, has been wrongly convicted of murder and awaits execution. His grandmother seeks assistance from Grant, a teacher who is the sole educated black man within the community. Grant is torn between his desire to leave the South and his sense of responsibility toward helping both Jefferson and the other struggling members of his community.

Participation in the book discussion group is free and open to all members of the community ages 18 and up, including residents of communities other than Kenilworth. Previous experience in a book group is not required and new members are always welcome. Because space is limited, preregistration is requested.

Copies of the novel will also be available for check out at the library and residents of other communities are encouraged to inquire regarding ways they may be eligible to register for Kenilworth Library borrowing privileges.

COWBOYS ON EXHIBIT

The Gallery on the Boulevard at the Kenilworth Public Library is pleased to announce a showing of photographs by Union resident Walt Jarko during the months of January and February. Shot at the Flitner Ranch in Shell, Wyoming utilizing both film and digital techniques, these photos represent an in depth examination of the life of the cowboy and his horse. With 300,000 acres in the foothills of the Big Horn Mountains providing the perfect backdrop for such scenes as horses splashing in a shallow stream and powerful herds thundering through clouds of dust, the photos provide an in depth examination of the life of the cowboy and his horse. It is the artist's intention to allow the viewers of these photographs to gain a heartfelt appreciation for the "Cowboy Way." Photographs in this exhibit will be available for purchase; arrangements can be made by direct contact with Mr. Jarko through information that will be made available at the library.



KENILWORTH RECREATION EVENTS



Kenilworth Recreation hosted a “Kenilworth Roller Skate Night” at the Arenas at Woodbridge. The event was free for all Kenilworth residents, and children who attend school in town, along with their families.



Ted and Donna Balke of Commonwealth Drive won the Holiday House Decorating contest sponsored by the Kenilworth Recreation Department. The Balke’s received \$100. Four runner-up houses received \$50.

KENILWORTH LIBRARY BUILDING MARKS 75 YEARS

What do Mary Tyler Moore, Carol Burnett, Burt Reynolds, Robert Redford and the building at 548 Boulevard all have in common? While there may be several correct answers to this question, the one thing we know for sure is that each of them will turn 75 during the course of 2011.

While it’s possible that Moore, Burnett, Reynolds and Redford could be feeling their age - and maybe even thinking about slowing things down - the Kenilworth Public Library, happily ensconced in the red brick building at 548 Boulevard for the past 75 years, is getting stronger with age; with its network of computers, it also keeps getting smarter.

To celebrate this 75th anniversary milestone, the Library Board and staff are looking for members of the community who are willing to share their memories of the library’s earliest days. Suggestions for other ways to celebrate are

also being sought and anyone interested in working with the library on special events should contact Library Director Dale Spindel at 908 276-2451.

Said Spindel, “It would have been impossible for the original librarian to have imagined a scene at the library that included both grownups and children casually sitting down to use multiple computer workstations. Even the idea of checking out a movie would have been more than most people could have begun to fathom back in 1936.”

To usher in the celebratory year, the library has included a 75 cent off coupon to be applied toward a library fine. “The Board actually voted to approve the change in terminology to ‘extended usage fee’ a year or two ago,” said Spindel. “It sounds so much nicer and less punitive than telling someone they’ve incurred a fine.”

KENILWORTH ANNOUNCES DOG LICENSE REGISTRATIONS

Dog licenses are due during the month of January. The most efficient method is to mail your license request to Borough Hall. Simply enclose a copy of the updated rabies certificate with your check for payment, and a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Using this method will alleviate the inconvenience of waiting at Borough Hall. Licenses can also be purchased in person, Monday through Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 PM.

All original documentation will be mailed to you with the license and tag. A license cannot be issued without proof of a current vaccination. All dogs seven months of age or older must be licensed. Please use this form to mail your request to the Borough Clerk’s Office, 567 Boulevard, Kenilworth, NJ 07033.

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