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JERRY MOBUS INAUGURAL FISHING DERBY

On September 21, 2013, the Watchung Recreation Commission sponsored the inaugural Jerry Mobus Memorial Fishing Derby at Watchung Lake. A fitting tribute to a great mayor, public servant and avid fisherman. It was an excellent opportunity and a beautiful day for families to enjoy the lake.



(above) Derby's first fish caught by Danielle Nunn.



(above) Derby Bass Master Mia Lobozzo hooked the largest bass of the day: 17 inches long.



(above) Dave Mobus (far left) looks on after proudly handing out trophies to Derby winners for most fish, largest and smallest caught by age groups.



(above) Eliaz Michel bare hands a bluegill as he takes it to the Derby measuring station. Eliaz later reeled in a huge catfish that wowed the crowds.



(above, 1-r) Officer Ryan Dunne, Watchung Rescue Squad Vice President and EMT Denise Wilson, Mayor Stephen Pote, and Officer Brian McLaughlin pose in front of Watchung Lake, the location used for the derby.







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PROMOTE YOUR COMMUNITY EVENT

Community service organizations and sports teams are encouraged to submit news of upcoming events or highlights and photos on recent events.

Organizations who are interested in submitting content can email Lynn Sjurset at lynn@rennamedia.com.

TRAVELING EXHIBIT COMES TO HIGH SCHOOL

By Eleanor Mathews

The mall area of Watchung Hills Regional High School was transformed into an art gallery for five days, September 23 - 27, as the school displayed "Art Beyond Borders," part of the "Teacher's Discovery Traveling Exhibit." Replicas of pieces of art by rising artists from around the world made up the "vibrant, educational, eye-opening exhibit,' according to its sponsors.

The exhibit represents a partnership between Teacher's Discovery (a distributor of classroom teaching materials) and The International Museum of Twenty-First Century Arts (TIMOTCA). It was born from a series of international exhibits that premiered at the United Nations Headquarters in New York City, the United Nations Educational Scientific & Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Headquarters in Paris, and the World Expo in Lisbon, Portugal. TIMOTCA's goal was to collect one piece of art from an artist in every country in the world "to serve as a catalyst for peace and cultural understanding through the universal language of art." To date, 63 countries are participating in the program.

When an artist is officially selected by TIMOTCA to participate in Art Beyond Borders, TIMOTCA'S co-founders, Edward Solomon and Maryann Del Pizzo, visit each country to meet the artist and sign the Artist Agreement.

The Watchung Hills exhibit is sponsored by the Arts Department, which purchased the rights to the show. Brad Commerford, chairperson of the World Language and the Arts Departments, coordinated the project. He said that the works, though unknown in the United States and the world, are representative of the artists' countries- "a brief snapshot" of the creators' cultures and countries. The show was mounted in the entry mall where it received excellent exposure.

Art is a passive way of communicating, getting ideas across, enhancing understanding,



(above) Fine Arts 4 (Advanced Placement) students Francesca Magali and Sam Defino discuss some of the fine points of the "Art Beyond Borders" display with Brad *Commerford*, *department chairperson of the* World Languages and Arts Departments who coordinated the one-week show. Photo by Eleanor Mathews

Commerford said. The works displayed would have relevance not only to students of art, but also to world languages and social studies as they provide a brief snapshot of the artists' countries and culture.

A whole series of similar exhibits is planned to take place over the coming school year. Salvador Dali will be highlighted November 11-15. Leonardo DaVinci, who gained renown as a scientist and inventor as well as being among the world's renowned artists, is on the schedule from January 13-17, Claude Monet, from February 24-28, Pablo Picasso, from March 17-21. With cooperation of the Social Studies Department, a special Civil War exhibit is planned for April 28-May 2.



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MEGA GARAGE SALE

Hosted by the Valley View 8th Grade Graduation Committee

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Parking Lot / Inside School

50 Valley View Road, Watchung NJ 07069 Decorative Household Items, Furniture, Lamps, Paintings, Clothing including, Dresses, Suits, Coats,

Handbags, Dress Shoes, Boots, Holiday Decorations, Books, Toys, Children Items, Sporting

Equipment, Tools, Garden Tools.

This event will raise money for the 8th grade Graduation party and other events throughout the year. Every year, the 8th grade students at Valley View go to a graduation party after the graduation ceremony. This party is a great chance for the children to have fun with their friends since kindergarten.

Parents of the 8th grade children will donate items to sell at the garage sale that will be held in the school parking lot, 50 Valley View Road, Watchung, NJ.

The Valley View Administration has kindly provided the parking lot to hold the event. In case of rain it will be held indoors in the All Purpose Room.

The Committee invites the local neighborhood to come and shop.

At the end of the day, all items that are not sold will be donated to St. Anne's Soup Kitchen in Newark and to The Lupus Foundation.

Any questions please contact The VV 8th Grade Graduation Committee, Teresa Schaefer tmschaefer2003@yahoo.com

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QDOBA GRAND OPENING IN WATCHUNG

Thursday October 3rd. Welcome to Watchung and the Chamber!



(above) Tiffany Thrasher (Regional Marketing Specialist) Kate Conroy (Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce) Carlos Martinez (General Manager)

I PROMISE TO DO MY BEST



(above) Continuing a 75-year tradition in Watchung, some of the newest members to join Cub Scout Pack 32 are shown earning their

Bobcat badge with the guidance of their leaders. The Bobcat is their first achievement on the adventurous trail of scouting. (l-r) Cub Master Joanne Cort, Thomas Schaefer, Nolan Weber, Henry van Maanan, and Ayden Mistry.









(above) Mayor Stephen Pote and Historical Committee Chairperson Barbara Diem cutting the ribbon to open Watchung Texier House Museum.



(above) Councilman Robert Gibb, Councilwoman and Historical Committee Laison Dianna Beck-Clemens, Mayor Stephen Pote and Historical Committee Chairperson Barbara Diem welcoming residents to the Watchung Texier House Museum.



(above) Texier House, circa 1893, was originally the home of local glove manufacturer, Hippolyte Texier.

NEIGHBORS & NEWCOMERS CLUB!

The Neighbors & Newcomers Club of Watchung Hills has been welcoming both new and existing residents from Warren, Watchung, Long Hill and Green Brook for over 35 years. Members receive a monthly newsletter highlighting the Club's activities and events for the month. The Club offers a variety of activities such as monthly meetings featuring guest speakers; special interest groups including Bunco, book club, day trips, knitting, fun in the kitchen; evening socials including game night, wine tasting, and candlelight dinners.

For additional information, please contact Laura Merizio at (908) 490-0140, or at ajmlam4@aol.com. Feel free to visit our website: www.nncwhnj.org.

WATCHUNG CELEBRATES HISTORY DAY

On Saturday morning, October 5th a grand opening ribbon cutting ceremony was held by the Watchung Historical Committee at the newly refurbished Texier House in Watchung Circle, across from Borough Hall. Visitors were welcomed by the Borough of Watchung and the Watchung Historical Committee to the official opening of the Watchung Texier House Museum. Dozens of residents and well-wishers were there to witness the official opening and join in the day's festivities. The Texier House, circa 1893, was originally owned by local glove manufacturer Hippolyte Texier. The Watchung Historical Committee has been working long and hard on this project to develop the Texier House, which had been used for a variety of purposes during its lifetime, including most recently as municipal offices, into the Watchung Historical Museum.

The members of the Watchung Historical Committee are: Barbara Diem, Chair; Betty Jean Aldrich, Co-Chair; Dorothy Addario, secretary; Sue Tucker, Event coordinator; Elaine Stomber; Richard Stomber; Betse Titus; Betty Black; Susan Feibush; and Borough Councilwoman Dianna Beck-Clemens, Council liaison.

The Museum portrays many facets of the history of Watchung, including the restored stained glass window from Moldenke's Elsinore Castle, the restored and renovated diorama of old Watchung, displays about Watchung sports champions, Congressman Charles A. Eaton, ice cutting on Watchung and Best Lakes, antique farm tools and more. For his Eagle Scout project, Watchung Troop 32 Eagle Scout candidate, Walter Pennett, researched and created a display of Watchung sports champions for the museum.

Also on display at the event, was a 1949 Mack Fire Engine, courtesy of the Watchung Fire Department. There were plenty of refreshments and activities as well. A 1950's vintage ice cream truck sold cold treats while other refreshments were sold by Boy Scout Troop 32. The Watchung Girl Scouts had craft activities for the children.

To call attention to the Texier House's big day, The Historical Committee hosted the town's first Civil War encampment on the adjacent Village Green as part of the festivities. The Reenactor/Living history organization, the 3rd New Jersey Volunteer infantry, presented a Civil War encampment reenactment. The group reenacted a Civil War era encampment, presented gun drills for kids, had displays of Civil War Memorabilia and cooked over a campfire, among other activities. Visitors could journey back in time to the Fall of 1863 and wander the camp or be treated to guided tours of "history stations" in the camping area, including cooking, tent equipment, medical station, officer's tent, drill field firing demonstrations and uniform and equipment displays.

Later that day, to enhance the Watchung History Day activities, the Watchung Arts Center presented Musician/Historian David Kincaid in concert. In period clothing, he performed the songs and history of the Irish in the Civil War. The Arts Center is located on the Watchung circle at 18 Stirling Road.

The Watchung Texier House Museum is located at 10 Mountain Boulevard, on the inside of the Watchung circle, opposite the Municipal Building. It is now open to the public from 2-4pm on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month. Groups by appointment.

The museum will also be open for the town's Harvest Festival, Sat. Oct 26, 3-5 p.m. (rain date 10/27) Watchung Recreation's Harvest Festival Mobus Field Family Fun and Antics! Enjoy autumn treats, apple cider & other goodies! Train Rides, Pumpkin Painting, Games, Slides. Haystack for climbing, Petting Zoo & Prizes

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WATCHUNG PTO'S ICE CREAM SOCIAL

(above, r-l) Event Chairperson Marianne Tyler with Xavier Ainsworth



(above, l-r) Tanguy and his mother Corinne Lesegretain sample excellent ice cream during the beautiful early evening.



(above) Cub Scout Pack 32 parents offer items for the crowd.



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(above) Lisa Waschkau, Lisa Irving, Georgia Glasser-Nehls and Leanne Salerno scoop up delicious ice cream for the hundreds that attended the Watchung PTO's Ice Cream Social. Ice Cream & Italian Ice were graciously donated by the Ice Hut of Springfield, NJ.



NOVEMBER PROGRAMS

Art 4 All ~ Barbara Gerson

Hanging Watercolor Fall Banner with Crayon Resistance

Friday, November 8 ~ 10:30 am Draw and / or trace leaves, color them with crayons and then cover with watercolor paints. The resistance offered by the crayons creates a special effect. Advance reservations required by Monday, November 4.

Raritan Valley CC Dance Ensemble Performance Friday, November 15 ~ 10:30 am

Under the direction of Loretta Di Bianca Fois, Assistant Professor, Dance, Raritan Valley Community College, the group's performance will expose the communicative aspects of the art form of dance. It features dancers performing a variety of dances set to a wide range of music and sound accompaniment. The audience will have a chance to inspire movements that will be incorporated into dance phrases.

Grieving As If Your Life Depended On It Audrey Oxenhorn, LCSW, Social Worker Monday, November 18 ~ 10:30 am

If you are over 65, you most likely have experienced significant grief in your life already. The discussion will focus upon learning healing strategies to cope with grief and bereavement. It is important to remember that the grief process is different for everyone and it depends upon a variety of physical, mental and emotional influences. Please be prepared to share the strategies

that have worked for you.

LUNCH and LEARN OPPORTUNITY Photography Tips for Taking "EXPERT" Holiday Pictures Monday, November 18 11:45 am

Award winning photographer, Ghanshyam Patel, will share his knowledge and expertise on how to take the best pictures possible using a basic camera. He will offer suggestions when taking a group family picture, individual photos and outdoor scenic pictures. Learn how to recognize the best lighting and photo composition to make your holiday pictures a vivid memory. This is a hands-on workshop so attendees are asked to bring their own camera. Advance reservations are required by Thursday, November 14. An entree menu choice of pot

roast or chana masala and vegetable korma (Asian Indian entrée) or grilled chicken salad box lunch is required when you make your reservation. Lunch for attendees 60 and above is \$2.00 and \$6.50 for anyone under 60. Exact change is required.

FREE Body Mass Index Screening With Nutritional Counseling ~ Kathy lannuzzo, RN, Community Mobile Health Services, St. Peter's University Hospital

Wednesday, November 20 ~ 10:00 am Your Body Mass Index (BMI) is calculated from your weight and height and measures average body fatness. This can serve as a guide to overall health and should be treated as a helpful guide to healthfulness. Advance reservations required by Friday, November 15.

POLST (Practitioner Orders for End of Life Care) ~ Michele Cameron, RN, BSN, MA ~ Manager of Community Outreach for Atlantic Home Care and Hospice Monday, November 25 ~ 10:30 am

This is a must attend program. POLST provides a new, easier and more applicable form to communicate end-oflife decisions. This program will highlight the following

learning objectives: will describe the purpose of a POLST form, identifies appropriate patients for POLST, will demonstrate communication skills helpful in end-oflife discussions and more importantly, will articulate how POLST travels through all care settings, something that other forms do not provide.

The Warrenbrook Senior Center staff, group leaders and volunteers wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving.

NATCHUNG LIBRARY

Watchung Library is located at 12 Stirling Road in Watchung, behind the Watchung Arts Center. For complete program registration information, please check the online calendar (www.somerset.lib.nj.us, then go to Evenys/Programs for Watchung).

Program information is subject to change, so also look online for updated programs and additions.

KIDS CREATE HALLOWEEN TREAT BAGS

Smiles and Stories at Watchung Library: Happy Halloween! In the dappled light of a fall morning, young listeners and their caregivers gathered around Elaine Stringer of Watchung Library to hear Halloween tales. After the stories, the children turned plain paper bags into treat bags and joined in the singing of happy monster songs.



(above) Library patrons, Gretchen and Ezekial Minieri.



(above) Lucia Angulo and Maximiliano





(above) Good eats make summer treats! Peggy Ellis presents the last of the home-baked goodies from a two-day bake sale by the
Friends of the Watchung Library. Funds raised by the Friends will make Watchung Library's Summer Reading Club possible. Members of the community volunteered to bake so that patrons could enjoy their fill of delectable cookies, muffins and cakes now - and children could enjoy library programs next summer.



(above) Library patrons, Amy and Brad Dierichs.



CRAFT TABLE PROJECT



(above) Walk-in Crafts for Children: Can't make it to a children's library program?
Families are always welcome to do a craft at the main table, across from the circulation desk. You'll find instructions, supplies and more ready for you whenever you visit.

WIN BIG WITH LIBRARY'S BIG ON BEDTIME STORIES

November's shorter days and longer nights are perfect for sharing bedtime stories. Check out the biggest amount of picture books from Watchung Library between November 1 and November 15, and you win! The Big on Bedtime Stories program is a family reading event that gives children ages 0 through second grade, and those who read to them, a chance to win a big basket of prizes. Every child who participates will pick up a prize at the end of the Big on Bedtime Stories reading program. If there is a tie for the biggest number of books read, a single winner will be pulled from the tied entries. Lots of great stories are waiting for you at the library – and they are free to read! Stop by the library for more information and a reading log.

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