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BOY SCOUTS FINISH 3RD IN KLONDIKE DERBY

Submitted by Lesley Duncan

The Klondike Derby was a Boy Scout Watchung Mountain District event held annually. This year it was held on January 25th at Watchung Reservation in Mountainside. Teams of 6-10 scouts compete in the following competitions and earn "nuggets" for their performance at each town, as well as time to complete the course pulling a sledge around: first aid, compass & orienteering, wilderness survival, camp preparation, lashings & knots, firebuilding and tomahawk throwing. The team from Troop 228 was entered in the senior competition and finished 3rd overall.

(right, l-r) Andrew Roth, David Cantone, John Fogarty, Jarrod Thompson, Dillon Monti, Austin Cantone, Andrew Cantone, Ross Warlick, Wesley Lukas, Alex Duncan.



Andrew Meisenbacher of Troop 228 earned his Eagle rank on June 28, 2013. His service project was the renovation of the outdoor seating area at the Middlebrook Encampment, owned by the Washington Campground Association in Bound Brook. His Eagle Court of Honor was held on December 14, 2013.

(right, l-r) Steven Guerin, Life scout; Wesley Lukas, Life scout; Andrew Meisenbacher, Eagle scout; Ross Warlick, Star scout; Alex Duncan, Life scout.





SCOUT SUNDAY AT MT. HOREB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Scout Sunday for Boy Scouts is traditionally held the first or second Sunday in February. This year it was held on Sunday, February 9th at Mt Horeb United Methodist Church, which also happens to be our Troop's sponsor. Boys from Troop 228 were also accompanied by 3 webelos from Warren's Cub Scouts Pack 182.

(left, back row, l-r)
Michael Maloney, Peter Fogarty,
Andrew Cantone, Austin Cantone,
David Cantone, Bobby Fippinger,
Dillon Monti, John Penek;
(front row, l-r) Michael Minieri, Richard
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LIONS CLUB CELEBRATES VALENTINE'S DAY

Submitted by: Charlie Oliva

Love was in the air when the Warren Lions Club held its third annual Valentine's Day Dinner Dance on February 12th at Prezzo Restaurant in Warren. It was a great celebration with delicious Italian cuisine, dancing to music provided by the Charlie "O" DJ Service and plenty of holiday merriment.

Lion Neal Drasin and his wife Resa did a wonderful job decorating the Prezzo private dining room, and they created a special party favor for each couple to take home. Neal also brought a Valentine's Day-themed picture frame for guests to be photographed in.

The Warren Lions Club's upcoming special events include its annual EXPO from June 11th through the 14th. Find out more at warrenlionsclub.org. Photo Credit: Neal Drasin



(above) Helena and Paul Swaniche

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WARREN CELEBRATES WORLD TENNIS DAY

In celebration of World Tennis Day on March 3, 2014, the Warren Township Recreation Commission will be hosting a free tennis clinic for ages 4 and up, showcasing the latest teaching tools that are widely used by the USTA. Steve Levin, head pro, will be demonstrating 10 & under tennis which utilizes smaller rackets and low compression tennis balls making learning the game easier for kids. For adults, Steve will be starting a new program called Cardio Tennis where players burn calories and monitor their target heart rates. Tennis is one of the lifetime family sports that can be enjoyed by people of all ages and is a great source of exercise.

The free clinic will take place on Monday, March 3rd from 4-7pm at the municipal tennis courts on Bardy Rd. If it rains or too windy, please go to Central School gym, 109 Mt. Bethel Rd, Warren. Please check weatherclosings.com. Kid's clinics will run from 4-6pm and adult clinics will run from 6-7pm. The clinics will run every half hour with a maximum of 12 per class. Registration is suggested for a specific time starting Feb. 12 and clinic registration deadline is on March 3rd at noon. Walk-ins are welcome but if you do not register and the time slot is filled, you may wait for the next time slot to begin. Open to Warren, Watchung and Green Brook residents only.

Spring and fall Tennis lessons also will be offered by the Warren Recreation Commission. Registration will begin February 17 for Warren Residents and March 3rd for Watchung and Green Brook residents. There are two 6 week (1hr) spring sessions for ages 4-adult. Classes begin March 31st with a registration deadline of March 28st at noon. Sorry no refunds. For more information and to register www.warrennj.org/wtrec

Please contact Steve Levin SLevin530@optonline.net with any further questions.



Poll Shows Most Americans Suffer From Chronic Or Reoccurring Pain

LATEST TREATMENT OFFERS NEW APPROACH AND HOPE FOR MILLIONS

According to an ABC News/USA Today/Stanford University Medical Center poll* over 50% of Americans suffer from chronic pain. Chronic pain is often described as pain that extends beyond normal healing time. Pain is more than just an uncomfortable sensation; it affects everything from work to play and ultimately your quality of life. As discovered in the ABC News/USA Today/Stanford University Medical Center poll, 48% of people didn't know what caused their pain. Of the remaining participants, pain was blamed on sports injuries, arthritis, disc pain (sciatica, slipped disc, etc.), and old age.

People deal with pain in a variety of ways. Some rely on prescription or over-the-counter medications while others try exercising, stretching, injections, and more. However, these solutions often fail causing the patient to lose hope. Worse yet, addiction to medications are a real threat and can leave pain sufferers in a dangerous situation.





Do you suffer from any of the following?

- · Tennis elbow/golfer's elbow
- · Rotator cuff tendonitis/bursitis
- · Arthritic hip/knee/ankle/shoulder conditions
- · Plantar fasciitis/heel spur pain
- · Meniscus injury of the knee
- · Chronic tendonitis
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This new treatment program is called Platelet-Rich Plasma (PRP) Therapy and is a cutting-edge process that relieves pain by promoting long lasting healing of musculoskeletal conditions.

This rapidly emerging technique is showing exciting potential with osteoarthritis of the knee, shoulder, hip and spine, rotator cuff tears, chronic plantar fasciltis, anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) injuries, pelvic pain and instability, back and neck injuries, tennis elbow, ankle sprains, tendonitis, and ligament sprains.

What is Platelet-Rich Plasma Therapy?

Platelet-Rich Plasma Therapy offers a great solution to accelerate healing of tendon injuries and estecarthritis naturally without subjecting the patient to significant risk. PRP is an emerging treatment in an ever popular, all natural health sector. The treatment consists of merging advanced technology with the body's natural ability to heal itself. Blood is made of RBC (Red Blood Cells), WBC (White Blood Cells), Plasma, and Platelets. In the last 20 years researchers have learned that when activated in the body, platelets release healing proteins called growth factors. There are many growth factors with varying responsibilities, however cumulatively they accelerate tissue and wound healing. Therefore after increasing the baseline concentration of these platelets, the doctors of Performance Rehabilitation and Integrated Medicine are able to deliver a powerful combination of growth factors that can dramatically enhance tissue recovery and reduce pain.

PRP is virtually a "cocktail" of many naturally occurring proteins that collectively stimulate, repair, and regenerate the problem area. However, there are some proteins included in PRP that can be selectively isolated to promote anti-inflammatory effects and pain reduction. Scientists have developed natural/homeopathic based tools to selectively isolate the cells/growth factors within PRP that meet each patient's needs for a customized treatment by reducing inflammation and simultaneously stimulating repair.

What are the expected results?

The goal of PRP Therapy is to resolve pain through the natural healing process and has proven to have lasting results. Initial improvement may be seen within a few weeks and will gradually increase as the body's healing progresses. PRP Therapy has been shown to be very effective at relieving pain and returning patients to their normal lives in many cases. The need for surgery can also be greatly reduced by treating injured tissues before the damage progresses and the condition is irreversible.

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— Ron Spieggia, DC - Clinic Director Joseph Mejia, DO, F.A.A.P.M.&R. - Medical Director

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MARCH SPECIAL EVENTS

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Monday, March 3 ~ 11:00 am

Using sticks of spaghetti, tape, string and one marshmallow, attendees will use their creative and engineering skills as they work together to try and create the tallest freestanding tower.

Maple Sugaring ~ Vanessa Darras, Naturalist

Tuesday, March 4 ~ 11:00 am

Commission, Environmental Education Center ~ Maple sugaring and winter go hand-in-hand. Attendees will learn about both the history of maple sugar from the time of the Native Americans, as well as, the techniques used to make this tasty treat. Discover the secrets inside a maple tree. Mini pancakes will be provided for a maple syrup tasting.

Keeping Your Mind Sharp

Monday, March 10 ~ 10:30 am

Caitlin Witucki, MS, Health Promotion Specialist, Somerset County Office on Aging & Disability Services ~ This is an educational workshop that will provide information that will empower attendees to lead a healthier lifestyle. Actions will be suggested to improve one's current health and to keep one's mind sharp.

Sci-Tech 101

Tuesday, March 11 ~ 11:15 am
Soft Shell Eggs and Rubber Chicken Bones ~ Eggs and

chicken bones contain calcium carbonate. See what happens when acetic acid is added to them.

Minute To Win It Team Games

Monday, March 17 ~ 10:30 am

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Diabetes and Arthritis Basics

Tuesday, March 18 ~ 11:00 am

Bryan Denenberg, National Diabetic Education
Association ~ After discussing diabetic basics, there will
be a demonstration on proper foot care and additional
information given regarding proper eye care. Other
topics to be discussed are: arthritis pain management,
benefits to orthotic bracing and NO COST Medicare
programs. Everyone attending the program will receive a
FREE pair of diabetic socks so pre-registration.

Quinoa Cooking and Tasting with Roberta

Tuesday, March 25 ~ 11:00 am

This hands-on cooking preparation opportunity will allow attendees to make a simple pudding-like quinoa recipe. What is quinoa? According to the Incas, quinoa is known as chisaya mama or "mother of all grains." It is an ancient seed that is harvested from the goosefoots plant which is native to South America. While it is mistakenly associated with the grain family, quinoa is actually more closely related to beets and spinach.

LUNCH and LEARN

Thursday, March 27 ~ 11:45 am

Journey Dancing with certified leader, Esta Kaftan, LCSW ~ Journey Dancing is a grooving celebration that will have you loving your body and loving your life! Weaving simple, guided movement sequences and free exploration, Journey Dancing reconnects you with your innate state of joyous wellbeing. Your mind becomes clear, free, and positive, and your body feels supple, energized, and powerful. Practiced to inspiring world music, your dance is an empowering journey to self-acceptance and transformation. Lunch begins at 11:45 am and the program begins at 12:45 pm. This is the first of four "Boomer-errific" (Baby Booomer + Terrific) well-being, movement programs. Advance reservations are required by Tuesday, March 25. A lunch donation of \$2.00 for anyone 60 and above is appreciated.

Musical Interlude with Josie

Monday, March 31 ~ 10:30 am

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This special event will have hundreds of cars to choose from ranging from brand new models to pre-owned vehicles all priced to move quickly.

The Snow Emergency Sales Event will feature major brands including: Chevrolet, Hyundai, Jeep, Kia, Mitsubishi and a large variety of over 250 pre-owned makes and models.

This big event will be held at: Global Auto Mall, 1099 Rt 22 West, North Plainfield, NJ 07060 or Call: 1-866-645-4337 for easy directions.

The Global Auto Mall Sales team is prepared to move as much inventory as possible to manage this overstock and are offering great deals on their entire inventory to Local Residents like



yourself only. Global's General Sales Manager, Rich Locurto, says, "Our prices are already great and with the added specials it won't be hard to find a great price on the vehicle you want."

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Credit problems are never a problem at Global Auto Mall. All are welcome to call in for information or visit during this event. A Global financing expert is onsite and available to work out a great loan and financing plans for every customer. Their financing office is prepared to work with any customer's budget.

The Snow Emergency Sales Event is scheduled for a limited time only. Once it's over, it's over! Hurry in to Global Auto Mall today and drive home with the vehicle you've always wanted at a price you'll love. For further information please call anytime at 1-866-645-4337, or visit

www.globalautomall.com.

BONFIRE WINTER FESTIVAL A COMMUNITY FAVORITE

On January 18th, Warren Township has become a community favorite. Recreation Department held its 6th annual Yuletide Bonfire Winter Festival and Fireworks event. It took place on the grounds behind the municipal complex at 46 Mountain Blvd. This

The bonfire is fueled by the discarded natural Christmas trees of residents.

This year's events included games, a train ride, an old-fashioned carousel, the Clydesdale

horse and carriage ride, live music at the Pavilion by Ryan Tunney Band, a Flash Mob by Take Flight Dance Center of Millington and the fireworks debut by Garden State Fireworks and















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Thursday, March 13th

"Bloody Callan" at Bridgewater "The Snakes" at Gillette Two Seatings Available: 5:45 & 7:15 pm

Monday, March 17th

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NEW DEAN OF STUDENTS WELCOMED

Excitement is in the air as Mr. Max Achtau joins the Warren Township school district. He is replacing Mr. Scott Cook who is currently the new Principal at Mt. Horeb School. Achtau received his Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts from Rutgers University. He earned a Masters in Teaching and German Literature and Language from Tufts University. He completed his post Master's certificate program in Educational Leadership at The College of New Jersey. Achtau taught for 15 years; the majority of classes were German and Science. For two of those years he taught English as a Second Language at The American School in Switzerland.

Achtau believes in collaboration and cooperation. He characterizes himself as one who is a patient listener and good problem solver. His goal is to be the most effective leader he can be, while supporting staff and students. Warren is confident that Achtau will shine brighter every day!



(above, l-r) New Dean of Students, Max Achtau and Superintendent Dr. Tami Crader.





IT IS NEVER TOO EARLY

The Mt. Horeb Career Expo, held on a recent evening in February, was a huge success. Gifted and Talented teacher Wendy Piller, and her colleagues Michelle Cebula, Michele Gaglioti, Andrew Ahimovic, Kara Miletic and Jill Ziobro designed the enrichment opportunity in line with current research which states that exposure to a variety of career options early on benefits students greatly. It allows them to connect schoolwork with the real world, and gives them something to aspire to as they learn and grow.

The team of educators assembled a well–represented assortment of careers including a composer, a chemist, an author, a medical doctor, a television producer, a math professor, an expert in marketing, a financial specialist, and physical therapists. Students were allowed ownership to select from the diverse list of career workshops offered.

As the individual sessions began, the professionals shared background knowledge about their chosen careers as well as the education and training involved, and they detailed how subjects taught in elementary,

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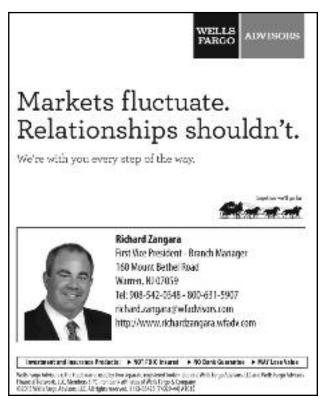
middle, and high school classrooms do have relevance in their day to day work lives. Then, students were tasked with a career related problem to solve. The children were eager to brainstorm, create, collaborate, evaluate and discuss. Whether analyzing a financial acquisition, diagnosing bone fractures from x-rays, testing chemicals in a mock lab, or gathering news elements to crack a current unsolved mystery, the children were engaged and motivated!

Special thanks to the following professionals who donated their time and talents to solidify the school and community partnership: Dr. Lisa Bash, Mr. Kevin Butterfield, Mrs. Jill Gallina, Mr. Mark Hardy, Mrs. Dina Lombardo, Dr. Mary Mueller, Dr. Mandy Osifchin, Mrs. Corey Schwartz, Mrs. Tina Walter, and Mrs. Elizabeth Yuskaitis. Additional thanks to former Mt. Horeb Principal William Kimmick and current Mt. Horeb Principal Scott Cook for their combined efforts and support of the Mt. Horeb Career Expo. Warren Township Schools.... Shining Brighter Every Day.



(above, l-r) Corey Rosen Schwartz, author of Three Ninja Pigs, explains her craft to interested students during Career Expo.





MIDDLE SCHOOL'S CHROMEBOOK INITIATIVE

Submitted by Warren Township Schools

Warren Middle School: Chromebooks = contribution + collaboration! The use of Chromebooks in 6th grade has already allowed for more collaboration between students, encouraged learning partnerships, and best of all has given students a chance to shine as they help each other. By sharing documents via Google

Docs, students communicate their ideas and each can contribute to the work at hand. Both teachers and students are supportive of the process and as always, there is a strong sense of community in the middle school. This is a wonderful opportunity for teachers and students



(above) Staff and Administrators celebrate the Chromebook initiative as part of Warren Township Schools' Strategic Plan. (l-r) Scott Cook, Ken Creedon, Max Achtau and Robert Comba.

STUDENTS SEND VALENTINES TO VETERANS

for Veterans to send to the nearby VA Hospital in Lyons. The Kindergarten children wrote messages thanking the veterans for serving our a difference in the lives of many, who already country and wished them a Happy Valentine's have made a difference in the lives of all.

Students at Central School created Valentines Day. Each was unique, colorful, and full of kindness! The classes of Rebecca DeMarco, Christina DeShields, and Andrea McGuire made





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MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS WIN 2ND PLACE IN QUIZ BOWL

Warren Middle School students competed in a quiz bowl, called the Charter Oak Open, taking home the 2nd place honor. It was an intense 24team quiz bowl competition where students outstanding displayed knowledge, sportsmanship and teamwork. This is a tribute to Warren Township Schools' fine teaching staff, dedicated families, and hard working students...keeping Warren on the map!



(above, l-r) Carl Peterson, Jarett Schwartz, Neelay Trivedi, Christopher Yu and Lindsey Shi.

WINTER WONDERLAND

Students at Central School created a Winter Wonderland extravaganza! Using recycled products such as cardboard boxes and plastic bottles, students learned about sustainability while integrating math and science. Central School's stage came alive with snow owls, penguins, snow seals and polar bear decorations. In addition to an igloo, there were a multitude of unique snowflakes to enhance the winter setting. Children enjoyed listening to "Winter" by Vivaldi as well as a poetry reading in connection with the district's brand, Shining Brighter Every Day! The following Warren Township Schools' staff members played a role in this exciting project: Rebecca Davenport, Laurie Donovan, Alison Hales, Patsy Iannacone, Jennifer Kanuika, Allison Reu, and Melissa Stoeckel.



WARREN TOWNSHIP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOLDS MONTHLY NETWORKIN GMEETINGS

Warren chamberof Commerce meetings are held on the fourth Thurday of each month in the Municipal Court Room located at 44 Mountain Blvd Warren, NJ. All businesses are welcome. The meetings are free to attend. Coffee and light breakfast is supplied.

Anyone interested in hosting a future meeting can call or email Kate Conroy 908-352-0900, kateconroy@gatewaychamber.com



(above, l-r) Warren Chamber of Commerce president Evan Tornquist thanks Joseph Lambariello, Amy Smith and Stacy Pilato from the Law Offices of Lambariello & Pilato for hosting the Chamber's January



(above) Sailing with the wind to increase business is Catherine DeBerry presenting the first Warren Chamber Meeting trophy to Ian Welham for his 30 second elevator speech at the January 2014 Chamber Meeting.

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'ERNATIONAL DAY AT ANGELO L. TOMASO SCHOOL

Winter snowfall did not stop Angelo L. sessions highlighting the two cultures. In the Tomaso School from celebrating diversity at its International Day held on February 7, 2014. PTO president Darleen Fenton, with the help of parents Tian He, Sumedha Kotasthane, and Priom Patel, organized a group of volunteers who were eager and able to transport the children from Warren, NJ to the continent of Asia.

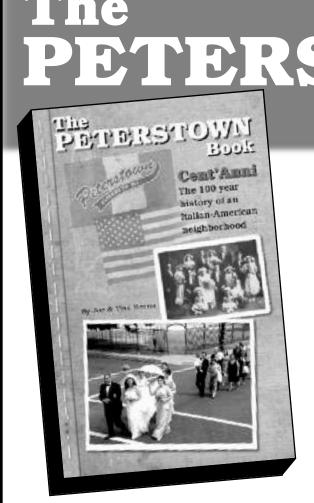
morning, guest speakers taught facts about the countries and demonstrated traditional dancing and sport. Children were amazed to compare and contrast the location, size, and population of China and India, to that of the United States. Youngsters learned about the Panda, Kong-Fu and Great Wall of China, as well as the Taj Mahal, Diwali and Bollywood. All of the Each grade level attended a variety of children were able to participate in a Chinese

Dragon Dance. Midday, students had hands-on time to play with the traditional toys, learn how to use chop sticks, have their names written in Hindu and see a Chinese artist in action. In the afternoon, students were treated to a traditional Indian attire fashion parade. Additionally, there was an assembly, The Art of Chinese Dance, by a professional Chinese dance troop.

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(left) PTO president Darleen Fenton, with the help of Tian He, Sumedha Kotasthane, and Priom Patel, organized a group of parent appreciate the cultures of China and India.





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