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MIDDLE SCHOOL JOINS "LIGHT IT UP BLUE"

"Light it up Blue" and "Autism speaks" are the sayings you will hear when April and World Autism Awareness Day begin to approach. Blue is the color people around the world use and wear. It aims to increase people's awareness about those, especially children, with autism.

The eighth annual World Autism Awareness Day was April 2, 2015. Every year, autism organizations around the world celebrate the day with unique fundraising and awareness-raising events. The NBA, the UN, over 16,000 buildings around the world including the Empire State Building, Sacs 5th Avenue, along with many other organizations shine light on autism awareness. Over 90 countries were lit up in blue to show how connected people are worldwide in raising awareness to autism. From the Empire State Building in New York to the Niagara Falls in Canada and Burj Al Arab in Dubai.

On Thursday, April 16, 2015, Green Brook Middle School held an Autism Awareness Day. It was a school-wide "wear blue" day. Staff members and students wore blue to make those aware of autism. Students and teachers purchased blue stripes and wore them in their hair to participate in the awareness. It was their way of lighting up GBMS with blue. Autism is a developmental disability that remains with a person for his or her whole life. This condition affects the brain's functions. The first signs usually appear before a child is three years old. Autism affects girls and boys of all races and in all geographic regions and has a large impact on children, their families,



(above) Teachers show their school spirit and support by wearing blue and putting a blue stripe in their hair too. Ms. Vinhal sprays Miss Lehlbach's bun.



(above) Student Amanda Malgieri gets a blue stripe in her hair for Autism Awareness Day.

communities and societies. The prevalence is currently rising in many countries around the world. Caring for and educating children and young people with this condition places challenges on health care, education and training programs. Green Brook Middle School has joined the world in their "Light it up Blue" to spread the word and help autism speak.

STUDENTS COMBAT "CYBER BULLYING"



(left) Watchung Hills Regional High School students bring 'White Out' initiative to Watchung's Valley View students, concentrating on "cyber bullying." The photo includes state Senator Tom Kean Jr, Watchung Mayor Steve Pote, representatives from the Somerset County Sheriff's Department including Captain Tim Pino, Watchung Board of Education Vice President Ellyn Margulies and member Tina Kelly, Watchung Principal Mary Nunn, and students and staff from Watchung Hills and Valley View School.

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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



The Green Brook Education and Athletic FOUNDATION (GBEAF) Presents

A Food Tasting and Business Networking Event

Green Brook Middle School

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> Thursday May 14th, 2015 5:00 - 7:00pm





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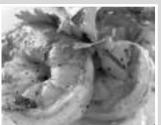
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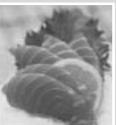
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(above, l-r): Day & Night: Gilliana Loyola, Sachi Negri, Victoria Pantagis (1st place winners for Craftsmanship, Progress Journal, and Engineering)



(above, l-r): Breakfast Club: Alexandra Fenlon, Eshika Kaul, Meredith Hurley (2nd Place winners of Craftsmanship)

SOLAR CAR TEAMS EXCEL IN SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Submitted by Maggie M. Silver

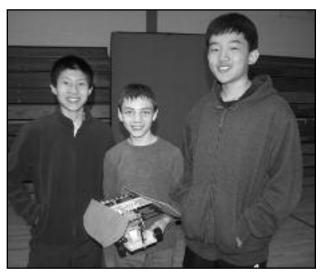
Gifted and Talented middle school students competed in the local Jr. Solar Sprints model car competition on Friday, April 17.

Four winning teams will go on to compete at the Inter- County Finals on May 15 in Frenchtown, NJ: Day & Night, Sushi To Go, Solar Submarine and Mars Rover. Students follow specific competition rules and guidelines in constructing a solar car model competing in six categories (Engineering, Craftsmanship, Best Use of Recycled Materials, Progress



(above, l-r): Garden of Eden: Vivian Zhang, Annabelle Pu, Katie Tan (2nd Place winners of Recycled/Up-Cycled Materials)

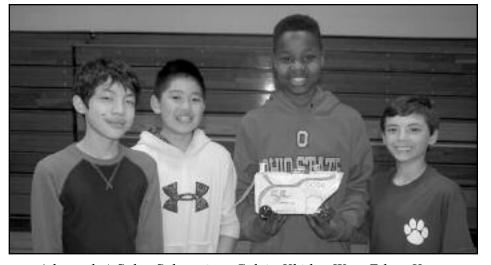
Journal, & Speed). Each team was scored by a panel of professional judges, which include various engineers, educators, & local contractors. The program was able to run due to sponsors which include TransOptions, for car supplies and Tunison Home Improvement, for contributions on event day.



(above, l-r): Mars Rover: Eric Zeng, Elliot DeGuilo, Timothy Zhang, and Sameer Howe (not pictured) (2nd place winners of Engineering)



(above, l-r): Sushi To Go: Jessica Yan, Kathy Chang, Sarah Dang, Maggie Zhou (1st place winners for Recycled/Up-Cycled Materials and Speed)



(above, l-r) Solar Submarine: Calvin Khidee-Woo, Ethan Kang, Tim Wamakima, Sam Schwartz (2nd place winners of Progress Journal and 2nd place for Speed)



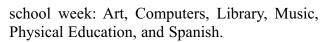




CALLING ALL POTENTIAL KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS!

As we move briskly toward the conclusion of the 2014-15 school year, Irene E. Feldkirchner (IEF) Elementary School in Green Brook, NJ anticipates the arrival of its new incoming kindergarten students for the 2015-16 school year. If you are a parent of a child who will be 5 years of age on or before October 31, 2015, and have not yet registered your child for kindergarten, please note the following information. To register your child for kindergarten, please contact Ms. Marianne Tomore at (732) 968-1171 (extension 1202).

IEF School offers a positive and nurturing full-day kindergarten program staffed by highly qualified, State of New Jersey certified teachers who effectively deliver Common Core-based curriculum and instruction. In order to ensure that all students receive a well-rounded educational experience, all students attend the following "specials" during the course of a



If your child is ready for kindergarten, but is yet unregistered, please register as soon as possible. Green Brook residents as well as residents of neighboring towns who may be interested in sending your child to a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence on a tuition basis may contact the school at (732) 968-1052 for more information.





EDUCATION & ATHLETIC FOUNDATION SPRING NETWORKING EVENT!

The Green Brook Education and Athletic Foundation (GBEAF) supports academics and sports in Green Brook, and they will be holding a business networking and food-tasting event for local professionals and businesses from throughout central New Jersey. This event will take place at Green Brook Middle School on Thursday, May 14 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. There is no charge to attend, but participants must register at Eventbrite. Food vendors and businesses are invited to purchase table space for the event and advertisements in the event program. For more information, please go to www.gbtps.org. The GBEAF looks forward to bringing professionals together to make valuable connections.





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Submitted by Dave Schreck, Cub Scout Pack 129

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are formally advanced to the next rank in the Pack. Special acknowledgement was given to the six Arrow of Light Cub Scouts who now advance to become Boy Scouts.

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