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The 2015 NJ Chargers 11U baseball team has been ranked nationally by Baseball Youth Magazine. The NJ Chargers are based out of Kenilworth, NJ. This national recognition is a tribute to all of the hard work and dedication each coach, player and parent has put in over the past two years. Well deserved.

It's an outstanding accomplishment for a baseball team in the northeast to be ranked among the best youth baseball teams in the Nation. In five age groups (9U-13u) only 3 NJ teams were included in final 2015 BY National rankings.

The NJ Chargers would also like to congratulate NJ's 11U BC Phenom & 10U NJ Axeman on their 2015 National ranking. The NJ Chargers want to thank all who have supported them in 2015!! See you in 2016!!

The NJ Chargers 11U baseball club based in Kenilworth, captured the National Youth Baseball Northeast 11U Championship in Long Island.



(above, top, l-r) Rick Carlucci (Coach), Dominick Carlucci, Tywone Malone, Joe DiGrado (Manager), Will Gallagher (Coach) Andrew Fernanadez, Luca Cianfano (bottom, l-r) Andy Troczynski, Stefon Johnson, Will Gallagher, Matt Mendoza, Joe DiGrado. (Not in Photo: Frankie Ciccone; Lucca Limeira)

WHITE CASTLE PLANS NEXT BOY SCOUT CHESS TOURNAMENT

The Scotch Plains Baptist Church was the site for the latest Boy Scouts Chess Tournament sponsored by White Castle. The tournament was open to all registered Boy Scouts, Venturers and Explorers. This was the second annual tournament for the Watchung Mountain District.

Robert Mehorter of Scotch Plains won third place honors. Second place was won by Harrison Hahne-Lum of Springfield and first place went to Kevin Cavicchia of Summit, who won all four of his games.

White Castle purchased 20 sets, boards and clocks for the Boy Scouts and will continue to sponsor tournaments in all seven Boy Scout Districts in New Jersey.

The company covered expenses for running the tournament including trophies for the top three winners and ribbons for participants. They also supplied lunch for all players and spectators. White Castle will continue to support the Boy Scouts and the Chess program. The Program is coordinated by Joe Renna of Renna Media, a Chess Merit Badge Counselor.

Scouts, Venturers and Explorers are invited to play in all districts. The next scheduled tournament will be in Cranford on Saturday, February 27, 2016.



(left, l-r) Joe Renna of Renna Media and Jasmin Arroyo of White Castle with tournament players and Charlean Mahon, Boy Scouts of America District Executive.

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Munsee District Chess Tournament in Cranford
will be on Saturday, February 27 in 2016.
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WINTER WONDERLAND DEC. 6, 2015

Conducted by The Pride in Kenilworth Committee will be a "Winter Wonderland" event to celebrate the December holiday season. This event will take place on December 6, 2015 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and will be staged on South 21st Street in the Municipal parking lot, The Nitschke

House and the Kenilworth Veterans Center. There are currently numerous items scheduled for this event including a ride on a 6 person horse-drawn carriage, snow making machine, magician, food trucks, children's petting zoo, balloon artist, reindeer and numerous Christmas crafts for the children to enjoy. The Kenilworth Historical Society will also be participating in the event and will be providing a Victorian era Santa Clause and children may visit the Nitschke House and have their picture taken with Santa Clause so be sure to bring a camera! There will also be performances by Karate World and a local cheerleading groups. This event and every exhibit and ride is free to all residents and grandchildren of residents. There will also be free hot chocolate and hot cider served inside the Veterans Center to put us in the holiday spirit. This event will then culminate with the Borough Tree Lighting ceremony as we carolour way over to Borough Hall immediately thereafter.

GIVING TREE

With Thanksgiving behind them, Social Concerns is collecting donations for a "giving tree" which is located in St. Theresa's church. The tree is decorated with tags with needed items written on them. Donors simply take as many tags as they wish and return the items to the church for distribution.

The orders on the tags were collected from needy families within the community as well as Covenant House, Catholic Charities and St. Joseph's Social Service Center located in Elizabeth. If you are in need please call the Rectory (908) 272-4444.



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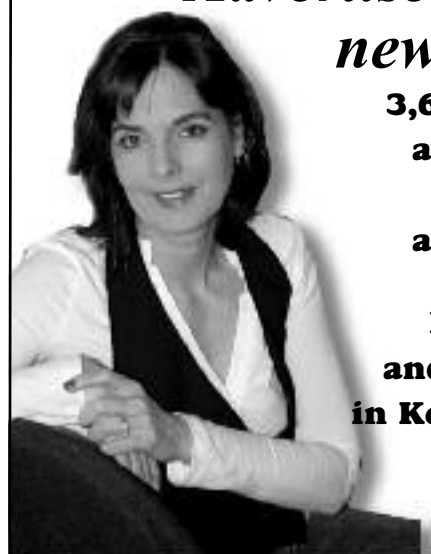
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NEW KENILWORTH HISTORY BOOK RELEASE AND SIGNING SAT., DEC. 12

The new Kenilworth history book titled *Kenilworth Memories* will be released Saturday morning, Dec. 12 at a formal book signing by the author, Walter E. Boright, Ed. D., at the Kenilworth Veterans Center, 33 S. 21st St. The distribution and signing of books that were advance ordered will be held in the lower level of the VFW Hall between the hours of 10 and 12. A limited number of additional books will be available for purchase.

Robert Jeans, post commander noted, "This book about Kenilworth goes above and beyond of what one might expect to find in a local history book. I am especially pleased about the many pages and numerous photographs that pay tribute to the men and women of Kenilworth who served in the armed forces. There is even information about two soldiers – one from the American Revolution and one from the Civil War – who lived in what is Kenilworth today."

Shirley Boyden Maxwell, president of the Kenilworth Historical Society, commented, "Kenilworth Memories takes the reader back to the late 1700s and brings the person to the present time. There are many stories that have never been published in a local history book before and others that present much new information on topics from Kenilworth's past."

Dr. Boright added, "There are many pictures of Kenilworth residents from years gone by to the present day. They were submitted for inclusion in several family sections of *Kenilworth Memories*. Readers may find themselves, friends, and family members displayed on some of the book's more than 300 pages."

An additional feature of the book signing will be the presence of Charles Shallcross, president of the Union County Historical Society. He is a direct descendant of the Shallcross family, one of the original families that arrived to settle here before 1900 when Kenilworth was a part of New Orange. He will be available to speak with individuals and small groups about the Shallcrosses and to autograph the Shallcross section of the book."

Dr. Boright concluded, "There has been much talk about the chapter in the book of the time in

1946 when a youthful navy man, John F. Kennedy, came to Kenilworth looking for a young woman he met and had taken out in Florida during the war. Her name, where she lived in Kenilworth, and other details are revealed."

Persons who advance ordered books to be shipped by mail are scheduled to receive them during the week of the week of December 7-12. Inquiries may be directed to the author via email (drbori@aol.com) or by phone or text to 908-256-5200.



(above, l-r) Author Walter E. Boright presents Shirley Boyden Maxwell of the Kenilworth Historical Society, and VFW commander Robert E. Jeans, with a glimpse of the new history book, Kenilworth Memories, to be released Sat., Dec. 12. In the background are the historic Oswald Nitschke House and the granite war monuments that are among features in the new book.

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Prek 4A -Joseph Napolitano
Prek 4B -Mateo Cruz
Kinder -Jenavieve Villanueva

1st - Uzoma Ononiwu
2nd -Arielle Lopina
3rd- Daniella Welker
4th- Nicole Santoro

5th- Sean Meehan
6th- Michael Grossi
7th- Gabriela Ronquillo
8th Rachel Tramontana



(above l-r) Front Uzoma Ononiwu, Daniel Correia, Joseph Napolitano, Mateo Cruz, Daniella Welker (back,l-r) Back Sr. Helene Godin, Sean Meehan, Gabriela Ronquillo, Michael Grossi.

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(above l-r) Sophia Palmadessa, Leah Sims, Melinda Almeida, Simone Wewna, Ella LaRosa, Marissa Pace and Bianca Sode.

Working together Kenilworth Junior Girl Scout Troop 40995 created an inspiration bulletin board in the hallway of Harding Elementary School. Decorated with colorful frogs this bulletin board titled "Tips On Leaping Towards Healthy & Happy Living" offers advice on healthy eating, exercise, safety, positive attitude, good manners and making friends. The girls hope this bulletin board will help classmates leap towards making happy and healthy choices.

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for babies ages 0 - 23 months

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for children and teens ages 9 - 17
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Wednesdays from 10:30 - 10:50am;
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Wednesdays from 3:30 - 4:00pm;
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for children ages 4 - 12 years old
Children will have an opportunity to design their own Lego creations using thousands of Lego bricks.
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PJ Story Time

Thursdays from 6:30 - 7:00pm;
Jan. 7, 14, 21 & 28 and Feb. 4, 11 & 18.
for children ages 3 and up will be held on the following

Bingo For Young Children

Fridays from 3:30 - 4:00pm
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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

Fridays from 3:30 - 4:00pm
in the Activity Room:

Jan. 15 & 29 and Feb. 12.

Games may include Book Bingo, USA Bingo, History Bingo & Kenilworth Bingo.

Parents do not participate in this program.

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EXPLORE THE EXCITING WORLD OF 3D PRINTING

Submitted by: Kathleen Czarnecki/Michael Maziekien

The future has already arrived in Kenilworth NJ, with the addition of a 3d printer for public use at the Kenilworth Public Library. Thanks to a generous gift from the Ralph W. Errington Fund, visitors to the library can design, download and print 3d objects.

The printer, an Ultimaker 2, works by laying down layers of superheated plastic filament onto a gradually lowering build plate. Layers of plastic are laid down and fused together until a three dimensional object appears. It looks like magic, but in reality science and technology are what really drives this printer.

The printer was the centerpiece of the library's Tech Tuesday program series for teens, held in summer 2015. Along with computers, robotics kits, and microcontroller technology (also made available through donations from the Errington Fund), local children were encouraged to design and print their own projects. Miniature animals, jewelry, and even a working grasping hand have been just a few of these projects. You can even print a bust of yourself, using a repurposed

scanning camera and some free software.

One recent project holds great promise for fiber enthusiasts. A library staff member purchased two extremely sharp wool combs, which can easily damage objects around them or injure a person. Using nothing but our printer, free online software, a ruler, and a calculator, the library staff was able to quickly design and print a plastic cover that protects both the comb, its owner and whatever it's stored with. Problem solved!

Perhaps the most exciting printer-related development is seeing children, some as young as nine years old, design printable 3d objects using a computer. Hopefully, this skill, developed at such an early age, will inspire a generation of architects, engineers, designers, animators, artists, game designers, and other leaders.

Come visit our library and learn what it takes to create and print 3d images. There is no cost to use this service, but some policies, procedures and time constraints may apply. As always, it's an exciting time to visit the library!



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TRINITAS DESIGNS PROGRAMS TO SERVE ITS MILITARY VETERAN PATIENTS

Elizabeth, New Jersey The specific medical and mental health needs of veterans are being addressed through a series of programs offered by Trinitas Regional Medical Center.

Thanks to the support of the Thomas Glasser Foundation, Inc., Trinitas participates in a special National Hospital and Palliative Care Organization (NHPCO) and Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) program that offers enhanced patient care and other services to veterans. To address the needs of current veterans and the growing number of veterans in the next 10 to 20 years, the interface with the VA and the NHPCO gives veterans care with the dignity, recognition, and gratitude they deserve.

"The new grant-funded program supports the ongoing measures Trinitas uses each day to meet the health care needs of service men and women while they are under our care," explains Magie Cruz, RN, MSN, Director of Palliative Care. "This program is another way that Trinitas doctors, nurses, and other health care professionals members, as well as our volunteers, respond to the needs of veterans, their families

and caregivers. It's a natural complement to our existing Palliative Care program and a fitting way to treat our valued veterans who deserve everyone's respect and gratitude."

Johanna Thomas, Intervention Clinician of Hospital Elder Life Program (HELP), at Trinitas works closely with Trinitas staff and volunteers to identify vets when they are admitted for care. "Upon admission to the hospital, we ask patients if they are military veterans and if they'd like information about veterans' benefits. We are also proud to give them a formal acknowledgment of their service to our country."

The Behavioral Health and Psychiatry Department of Trinitas makes a valuable contribution to the mental health needs of veterans who suffer from a range of mental health issues, including Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), all of which negatively impact their quality of life. Linda Reynolds, Director of Adult Outpatient Services, explains: "In partnership with the Elizabeth Veterans Administration (VA), Project Pride for Veterans is a counseling and case management program. One of our two

licensed social workers is an active reservist and our Advance Practice Nurse is retired from the Air Force. Their common bond with veterans is so important to the positive patient outcomes we strive for in this program. The Project Pride program provides individual, group, and family psychiatric services designed to reduce symptoms and improve the quality of life for veterans and their families. Ultimately, in partnership with the VA, we direct our energies toward helping veterans live the life they want and deserve."



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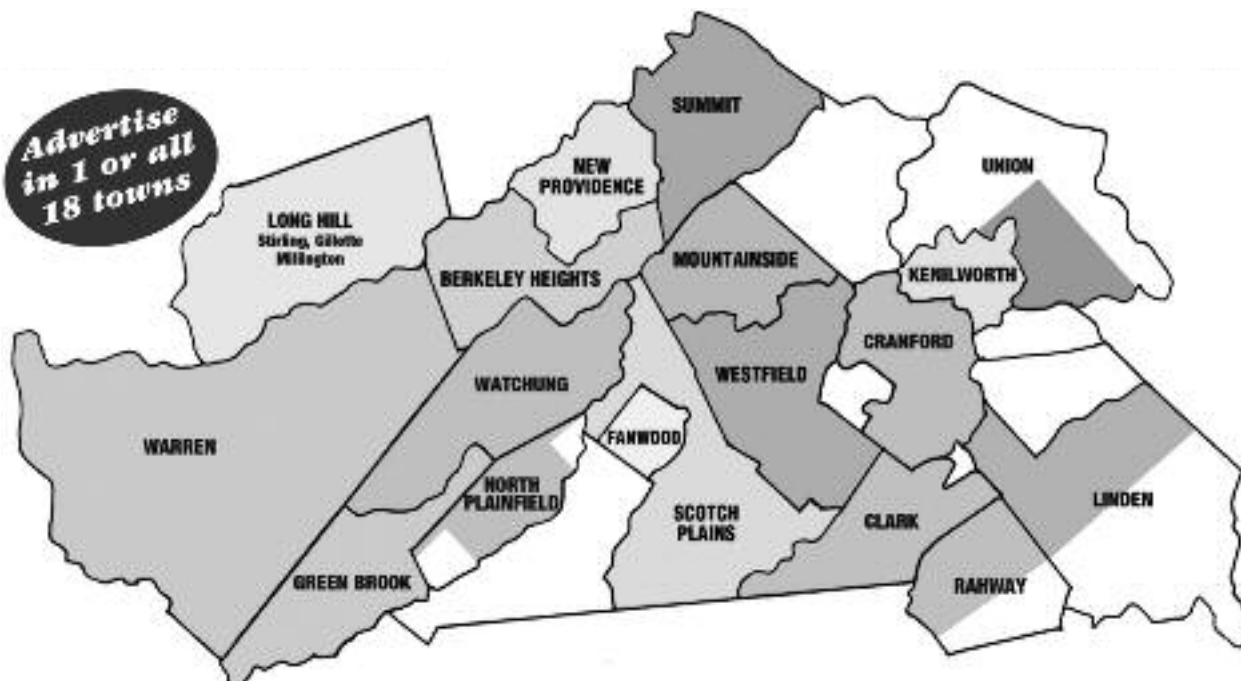
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