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JOIN THE FUN AT THE 21ST ANNUAL KID'S HOLIDAY PARTY!

The Long Hill Community Center is planning the 21st celebration of its Annual Kid's Holiday Party, and invite all Long Hill Township children to come join the fun at the Long Hill Township Community Center, located at 1229 Valley Road (across from Jaeger Lumber) held on Sunday, December 13th at 1:00 - 3:00 PM. This event is free to all Township children and their families.

Again this year, the Community Center will be sponsoring a Toy Drive in cooperation with the Long Hill PBA #322 and the Long Hill Township PTO. We ask all who attend to please bring a new, unwrapped toy for ages' newborn through teen. These toys will be distributed to sick or injured children hospitalized during the Holidays and throughout the year.

The party commences outside the Community Center at 1:00 PM when Santa will arrive via a fire truck provided by the Stirling Fire Department. Central School 6th grade Gold & Blue Band, under the direction of Eileen Schanager, will entertain the crowd while waiting for Santa. Upon his arrival, Santa will move the party inside and begin the lighting of the tree, donated again this 21st year, by Great Swamp Greenhouse, Meyersville. Children can then share their wish list with Santa and receive a complimentary gift and candy cane.

Back by popular demand, the Center will provide its' mule drawn, enclosed, red wagon rides, and a petting zoo, from Kafka Farms, Warren. DJ Mike will provide lots of holiday music and games. Rainbow the Clown, Watchung, will delight children with her pet pig and other animals, birds and magic.

The Long Hill Girl Scouts will help assist children make a Holiday craft, decorate cookies, and offer more fun with nail polishing and face painting.

Children ages 3 - 8 can enter our coloring contest with a prize to the winner in each age group, provided by Learning Express Toy Store. All entries will be displayed at the event; all winners will be announced at the party. Flyers will be e-mailed throughout local schools. Copies of the coloring contest picture can also be obtained at the Learning Express Toy Store, located on Valley Road, Gillette, (across from the car wash), or download it from our web site at www.lhcommunitycenter.org.

Door prizes donated from area merchants will be drawn throughout the party. Holiday treats and hot chocolate will be served, donated by Stirling Hotel, Burger King, Shop Rite, Dunkin Donuts & Community Center. There will also be fresh popcorn being popped during the party, compliments of the Center.

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(above) Rainbow the Clown (Becky Santora, Watchung).



(above) Santa (Phil Sievering, Gillette).





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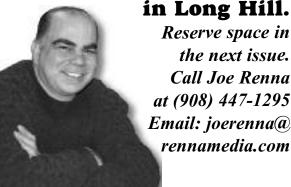
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BURGER KING HOSTS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Meet and Greet, Business card exchange on November 18 2015 at Burger King located at 1013 Valley Road in Gillette. The morning get together took place at 9:00 AM. Burger King supplied a complimentary breakfast for those in attendance.

The networking event focused on holiday plans and ways to promote the "Shop Long Hill"

The Chamber of Commerce is an organization of Long Hill Business people who sponsor events to make the town a better place to live. Their purpose is to provide leadership and unity for the stability, growth and prosperity of the overall economy and environment for the Long Hill area.

Business owners have a common goal, to see their business grow and prosper. At the Long

The Long Hill Chamber of Commerce held a Hill Chamber of Commerce, we are committed to helping fulfill this goal for the Long Hill business community. While the goal of the Chamber is to create economic development, community development, and provide benefits for our membership, our work includes many other, varied components that support our ability to achieve these goals. Our many activities and initiatives all serve one purpose: making the Long Hill area a better place for the people who live and work here.

> Long Hill Chamber of Commerce meets monthly on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 8:00 AM at the Long Hill Senior Center, 769 Valley Road; Gillette, NJ. The Chamber can also be found online at www.longhillchamber.org.

> Anyone interested in joining the Long Hill Chamber of Commerce can call 908-647-2900 and leave a message.



(above, standing, l-r) Businesses attending the November Chamber meeting at Burger King are Steven Johnson of CKO Kickboxing, Jonan Cheng of Jonan Academy, Adam Montross Manager of Burger King, Long Hill Director of Government Relations Denis Sandow, Mary Mayer of Mary's Your Name Here, Carmela Arale of Biagio's Bakery and Deli, Joe Renna of Renna Media, Will Haiback owner of Burger King, Denise Murphy of Weichert Realtors. (seated, l-r) Jennifer Ward of NJ Hills Media Group, Katy Mason of Burger King and Tony Catanzaro of Regency landscape.

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At the end of the evening, approximately at 8.30pm, we will have an early visit from Santa coming in on his fire truck from the North Pole. All children that wish to may sit with Santa and have their pictures taken with him.

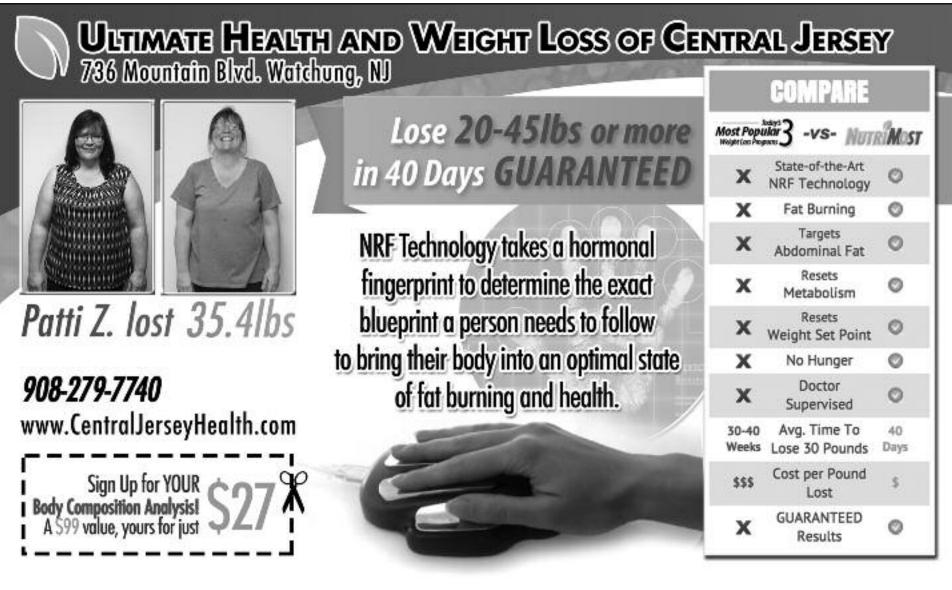
The event is open to all children residing in Long Hill Township and is free of charge.

On Saturday December 19th, the Fire Company will once again send out the Santa Express for residents that wish to have their child receive a gift from Santa as he comes to your house in a fire truck! The cost is \$40 and you also need to supply a wrapped gift for your child. Gifts can be dropped off at the fire house on December 10th, 17th and 19th and checks with a note including your name, address, phone number and email should be sent to the firehouse. Details can be found at the MVFC Facebook page or by emailing santa@millingtonfc.org

In the event of severe inclement weather Santa Express may need to be cancelled and you will be fully refunded.

The Millington Volunteer Fire Company is located on 1891 Long Hill Road in Millington and welcomes new members at all times. For more information call (908) 647-5882 or stop by any Thursday evening.







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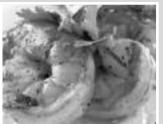
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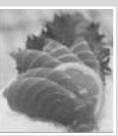
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KALWICZ AND POPOLILLO NAMED HOMECOMING KING AND QUEEN

Homecoming Court King and Queen for 2015 were announced and presented on Friday, Oct. 23, at Watchung Hills' Tozier Field during halftime ceremonies at the game versus Union High School. Union won the game, 40-27. King is David Kalwicz and Queen is Giuliana Popolillo.

They were selected from among five boys and five girls who form the Homecoming Court. Last spring, the Junior Class nominated the court. The

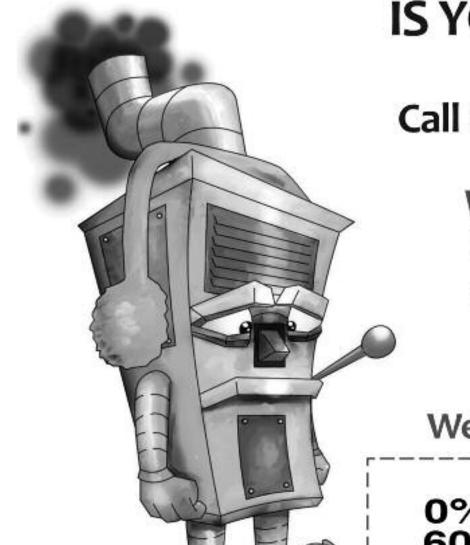
The Watchung Hills Regional High School All School Council (ASC) determined the nominees: The top five girls for queen and the top five boys for king. In September, the entire school voted for King and Queen from among those five boys and five girls.

> The five boys in the Homecoming Court are: Kyle Andersen, David Kalwicz, Jack Lane, Connell Rae, and Gregory Seawright.

> The five girls in the Homecoming Court are: Stacie Bernhaut, Parima Kadihar, Claire Chen, Giuliana Popolillo, and Lauren Stone.



(above) The 2015 Watchung Hills Regional High School Homecoming Court are, from left: Parima Kadikar, David Kalwicz, Stacie Bernhaut, Jack Lane, Lauren Stone, Connell Rae, Claire Chen, Kyle Andersen, Giuliana Popolillo and Gregory Seawright. From among them, the two selected King and the Queen are David Kalwicz and Giuliana Popolillo.



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26 HILLS STUDENTS INDUCTED INTO TRI-M MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY

Twenty-six students at Watchung Hills Regional High School were inducted into the Tri-M Music Honor Society on Thursday, Oct. 22, in the Performing Arts Center at the school.

It was the first such induction to the Music Honor Society at the school, according to choral music teacher and Watchung Hills Honor Society chapter advisor, Angela DiIorio Bird.

The Tri-M Music Honor Society has added 470 new chapters in the past two years to raise the total number of chapters to 1,700, including 24 international chapters in 15 countries. There are now some 67,080 members of the society.

The society is a program of the National Association of Music Education (NAfME). According to the NAfME Web site, www.nafme.org, "The Tri-Music Honor Society is the international music honor society for middle/junior high school and high school students.

It is designed to recognize students for their academic and musical achievements, reward them for the accomplishments and service activities, and to inspire other students to excel at music and leadership." Tri-M offers chapters and members webinars, chapter resources, service project and fundraising ideas, awards, scholarships and merchandise.

The students who were inducted for vocal performance are: Nikhil Bhat, Krishti Bhaumik, Jillian Carbone, Allison Horvath, William Johnson, David Kalwicz, Sarah Kelly, Hannah Melillo, Veronica Mu, Jack Pacetti, Jordon Reynolds, Julia Sluyter and Amelia Stapperfenne.

The students who were inducted for instrumental performance are: Chris Barry, Ryan Branco, Owen Di Donna, Stella Hung, Andrew Morrison, Ethan Marmolejos, Laura Osborne, Justin Panzarino, John Ray, Emilie Ricciardi, Alyssa Rosenblum, Simon Yang and Isis Zhang.

The students named as officers of the Watching Hills chapter are: President-Vocal, Jillian Carbone; President-Instrumental, Andrew Morrison; Vice President Jordon Reynolds; Secretary, Alyssa Rosenblum; Treasurer, Justin Panzarino; and Isis Zhang, historian.

Guest speaker for the induction ceremony was Angelika Nair, an Austrian-American mezzosoprano opera singer and voice professor.

In addressing the students, their parents and teachers in the audience, Nair said she wanted to share two lessons she has learned during her more than two-decade-old career.

The first lesson, she said, is "Be curious, never settle and work hard." The second is, "It's not just playing/singing the right notes."



(above) The newly inducted student officers of the Watchung Hills Regional High School chapter of the Tri-M Music Honor Society gather with their faculty advisor, Watchung Hills Music teacher Angela DiIorio Bird, fifth left, and guest speaker, Mezzo-Soprano Opera Singer and Voice Professor Angelika Nair, fourth left. From left are: students Alyssa Rosenblum, chapter secretary; Isis Zhang, chapter Historian; and Jillian Carbone, vocal president; Nair; DiIorio Bird; and students Andrew Morrison, instrumental president; Justin Panzarino, treasurer; and Jordon Reynolds, instrumental vice-president



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In November of 1990 Rev. Tom answered the call to become the pastor of this church. He and his wife (The Rev. Barbara Peters) moved to Stirling from Corfu, NY with their two young children, and they raised their family here in Long Hill.

Anyone who has a special memory, picture or story that they would like to share is encouraged to come that day, and even to share it ahead of time with Janet Parziale, who heads the Worship Committee at the church.

For further information, please contact church office at (908) 647-1033 or through the website at www.FPCStirling.org. The First Presbyterian Church of Stirling is located at 158 Central Avenue in Stirling.





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