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NORTH PLAINFIELD **BUSINESS ASSOC** GENERAL MEETING Tuesday **APRIL 26TH** at 7pm FABRICLAND 855 Route 22 West North Plainfield

Please RSVP to Bruce Heyman at 908-755-4700x102 or bruce@fabricland.com

All members of the North Plainfield business community are invited. There is no admission or dues to attend.

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ROTARY'S PENNIES FOR PATIENTS

The high school service organization known as the Interact Club prides itself on service to others through the Rotary International motto of "Service Above Self." One of the club's recent projects was Pennies for Patients.

"Pennies for Patients" is a foundation that helps kids fight leukemia and lymphoma," said Lena Zhu, Interact member. "The Interact Club raised money through the generosity of the students at North Plainfield High School. Through their kindness, the money will help to raise awareness and may even help cancer, leukemia, or lymphoma patients live a better life."

"With Interact Club's leadership, we raised and donated money to benefit these cancer patients. Club members helped with the banners to raise awareness and attention for Pennies for Patients. Interact members collected any change that was given to us, from coins to bills. The project is ongoing; our goal is \$500. We believe that our contributions to this foundation will help at least one person and will increase kindness and generosity in the community."

The Interact Club is active in other ways, also. They recently sponsored a blood drive with the American Red Cross, collecting seventy-nine pints of blood, enough to help 237 people in need. This is an annual club activity, one that has helped over a thousand people so far.

Club members also support the Rotary Club of Plainfield-North Plainfield, their sponsoring club, by working with Rotarians at Rutgers basketball games. "We work two concession stands at eighteen basketball games this season," said Ravenell Williams IV, Rotary president. Money raised through this activity helps fund the Rotary club's scholarship program.

More information about the Interact Club can be found at the Rotary Club's website at www.rotarypnp.org.

The Rotary Club of Plainfield-North Plainfield welcomes new members who have an interest in serving others while developing new friendships. The club meets Wednesdays at 12:15 PM in Giovanna's Restaurant, 1462 South Avenue, Plainfield. Come as a guest and see what Rotary is all about.



(above) North Plainfield Interact Club members pose for a group photo at the Rutgers Athletic Center before working the concessions stands at a recent basketball game.



(above) North Plainfield High School Interact Club members display one of the banners that they created to raise awareness for the Pennies for Patients project.



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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 Lori Theiss at lori@rennamedia.com or call 908-858-4012

MRS. BETH SOBEL

West End Principal Passes, 3/23/16 Excerpts from the Superintendent's Letter to the Community

Dear North Plainfield Families,

It is with a saddened heart that I share with you that Mrs. Beth Sobel, our beloved West End, North Plainfield principal, passed away March 23, 2016. This is truly a day of loss for the North Plainfield School Community. Please join us in our prayers and support for Mrs. Sobel's family and for all those who were close to her...

Mrs. Sobel was truly dedicated to family, both to her own immediate family and her family at West End School. Mrs. Sobel placed the needs of her students first and shared this spirit with the staff of the West End School. We know that Mrs. Sobel touched many lives in a very positive way during her time as a teacher, child study team member and administrator in North Plainfield. We know that many will be affected by Mrs. Sobel's sudden departure from us including students past and present....

James V. McLaughlin, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools



MISS NEW JERSEY VISITS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL'S GEMS CLUB



On March 10, Miss New Jersey, Lindsey Giannini, visited Somerset Intermediate School in North Plainfield to speak to sixth graders in the GEMS (Girls for Engineering, Science, and Math) Club. Miss New Jersey gave an inspiring, uplifting talk about achieving goals and shared a breathing technique that she uses to calm her nerves before any public speaking engagements. Miss New Jersey's visit was a part of SCLSNJ's North Plainfield Memorial Library branch's Talk It Up initiative, funded by the Curiosity Creates grant, which aims to encourage children ages 6-14 to explore public speaking. For more information, visit SCLSNJ.org/s/TalkItUp.



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Sunday, April 17, 2016

Bergen County: Overpeck County Park, Ridgefield Park Morris County: Horseshoe Lake Recreation Complex, Roxbury Essex County: Orange Reservoir, West Orange Middlesex County: Parsons Elementary School, North Brunswick Mercer County: Veterans Park, Hamilton Monmouth County: Battlefield State Park, Manalapan Monmouth County: Bar Anticipation, Lake Como

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NEXT NPCCR MEETING

The next meeting of the North Plainfield Citizens for Community Rights (NPCCR) will be

THURSDAY, APRIL 7TH

at 7:00 P.M. at the

NORTH PLAINFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER 614 Greenbrook Road at Clinton Avenue.

Our guest speaker is from the State of New Jersey Department of the Treasury Division of Taxation and will tell us how to apply for the "Senior Tax Freeze"

When the presentation is completed there will be a question and answer session.

If you are 65 years or older and own a home you might be eligible for the "Senior Tax Freeze".

NPCCR meetings are open to all. If you have a topic that you believe would be of benefit to our residents please email your suggestions to communityrights@gmail.com

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VACATION CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

Submitted by Chief of Police, William G. Parenti, North Plainfield, New Jersey

Are you planning a trip out of town? Chances are a vacation may be in your plans. If so, Chief Parenti has a few tips to ensure that your home is safer from criminals attempting to take advantage of your absence:

Several days before you leave:

- Notify your local law enforcement agency about your departure and return dates, and give a name and telephone number of a neighbor or relative to notify in case of a burglary, fire or other emergency..
- Notify the Post Office to hold your mail, or arrange with a neighbor to pick up and hold your mail.
- Notify your newspaper carrier to discontinue newspaper deliveries, or arrange with a neighbor to pick up and hold your papers.
- Make arrangements to have your grass cut and watered while you are gone. Have someone check daily to remove throwaway papers and circulars from your doorway and yard.
- If you have valuables in the house, take them to the bank for storage in your safe deposit box. Deposit extra cash in your bank account.
- Move valuables so they can't be seen from the porch windows. Be sure you have a list of small appliances and valuables.
- Make sure any broken window, door locks and window locks are repaired.
- Put things away. Lawn furniture, bicycles, etc., should be put away before leaving. Items left out can easily be stolen.
- Arrange with a neighbor or relative to watch your house. Give them a key and let them know where or how you can be reached in an emergency. Write down their telephone number so you can check with them during your trip. Give them your car description and license number.
- Arrange inspection by a trusted neighbor if you will be gone for more than a few days, to be sure that nothing has been disturbed.

Just before you leave

- Turn down the volume control on your telephone so it cannot be heard from outside.
- Set an electrical timer to turn on some lights and a radio on and off during the day and evening hours. Added protection can be achieved if you have a neighbor rearrange the timer - controlled lights so that a pattern is not established in your absence.
- Unplug all electrical appliances such as stereos, televisions sets, irons, washer and fans to prevent possible damage from electrical storms.
- Make sure that all gas appliances are in good working order, and that pilot lights are working.
- Turn off water to automatic washer to prevent possible damage from broken hoses.
- Set your thermostat so that your furnace and airconditioner will maintain a reasonable temperature while you are gone.
- Close all windows and sliding glass doors, and be sure that all screens or storm windows are locked or fastened.
- Close and lock your garage door.
- Put the window shades in the normal daytime position, and make sure all main floor drapes, shades and curtains are arranged so that neighbors and police can see into your house. Do not close blinds, pull shades down or do other things that advertise that your house is empty.
- Make sure the last person out locks the door. Then, take a walk around the house. Check the doors and windows.
- If you leave a car or other vehicle in your driveway, make sure it is locked.

In case of a break-in, the neighbor should be instructed to not go in the house until the police have arrived and cleared the house. They should know how to reach you and your insurance agent, and should give this information to the appropriate law enforcement agency when reporting a suspected burglary.

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Come and enjoy a joint concert with the choirs of Church of the Holy Cross, North Plainfield, and Christ Church, Bordentown: Hymns Ancient and Modern.

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Holy Cross is one of our area's treasured and beautiful historic landmarks. Enjoy the atmosphere, the architecture, the music, and the majesty of the organ!

NORTH PLAINFIELD SENIORS UNITE

The North Plainfield Senior Citizens meet Tuesday mornings 10:00 AM. at the community center 614 Greenbrook Rd.Transportation is available at no cost. All seniors are invited to attend. For more information contact Frank at 908-757-6353 or frankdsr@comcast.net

A bus, sponsored by the North Plainfield Seniors, to the Golden Nugget Casino leaves the parking lot of Saint Luke's Church 300 Clinton Ave. the 2nd Wednesday of each month, all are invited. For more information call Elsie at 908-755-9347



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Join the New Jersey Foundation for Open Government (NJFOG) the evening of April 26, 2016 for a discussion of the state's open public records and meetings laws.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn about the laws that provide public access to government meetings and documents and that allow citizens greater insight into the operations of state and local governments in New Jersey.

The seminar is free and open to everyone, so please help us spread the word and feel free to bring your questions on April 26. Handouts and light refreshments will be provided.

Please let us know you will be attending by registering via email to info@njfog.org.

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TALK IT UP! NEW JERSEY ORATORS SHOWCASE

Memorial Library branch's Talk It Up!

New Jersey Orators Showcase March 8. The Library partnered with the New Jersey Orators to teach children 7-10 years old the art of public speaking and life skills, and encourage an

This photo is from SCLSNJ's North Plainfield appreciation for literature, reading and media arts literacy.

> During this four-week program, which started in February, participants chose pieces of poetry/literature to practice and present in front of others at the March 8 Showcase.



(above, back, l-r) Jeremiah Pasteur, Willie Vick, and Victoria Caraballo; (front, l-r) Camila Chavez, Joshua Pasteur, Diego Sanchez, Brennan Vick, and Autumn Friesz.

NORTH PLAINFIELD BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

North Plainfield. It will provide an opportunity for all types of local businesses to band together and promote commerce in our town. The Business Association will work closely with North Plainfield's government (and with trade brand out in the market.

The NPBA's mission is to promote the organizations throughout Somerset County and economic, professional and civic welfare of NJ) to ensure our local business interests are protected. There is strength in numbers: member businesses will take advantage of shared marketing costs, as well as a rich community of neighbors to help them network and get their

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