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#### CADET STAFF SERGEANT VERONICA VERGARA RECEIVES THE "PHASE ONE CADET OF THE YEAR" AWARD

Scotch Plains resident Cadet Staff Sergeant Veronica Vergara, a volunteer in the Civil Air Patrol (CAP,US Air Force Auxiliary), received the "Phase One Cadet of the Year" award for the New Jersey Wing. She received the award at the CAP NJ Wing Conference which was hosted at the Liberty Science Center on April 16th, 2016. Veronica Vergara competed with cadets from 23 NJ CAP squadrons and received the award from Colonel Steven Tracy, NJ Wing Commander at the Conference. In addition, Veronica received recognition for participation in the 2015-2016 National CyberPatriot (Computer and Network Security) competition as a member of one of the many NJ CAP teams.

Furthermore, at the conference, Veronica and her team participated in the Aerospace Education Competition and presented their team's theory on "How Artificial Intelligence Will Impact Aviation or Aerospace Development 20 Years from Now". Her team members included Cadet Staff Sergeant Ethan Morrobel, Cadet Senior Airman Joseph Cajigal, Cadet Airman Gavin Perry, and Cadet Airman Charles Phillips. Cadet Vergara is a student at the Academy for Information Technology in the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools.

These cadets are members of the Capt. "Bud" Jackson Squadron who meet every Tuesday from 7:00PM to 9:00PM at the Chatham High School in room L10.

The squadron serves the youth from Chatham, Berkeley Heights, Cranford, Fanwood, Kenilworth, Mountainside, New Providence, Scotch Plains, Summit, Watchung, Westfield, and other neighboring towns. CAP offers the cadet program to students from ages 12 to 18 years old. The program provides Aerospace Education, STEM, Orientation Flights, Physical Training, Summer Camps (both nationally & internationally), and



(above, l-r) Scotch Plains resident, Cadet Staff Sergeant Veronica Vergara, was presented with the "Phase One Cadet of the Year" award for the New Jersey Wing from Colonel Steven Tracy.

many other programs.

For more information, please contact Mary Romany at 732-424-6484 Email: mary.romany@njwg.cap.gov.



(above l-r): C/Amn Phillips is from Morristown, C/Amn Perry is from Chatham, C/SSgt Vergara is from Scotch Plains, C/1stLt Daley is from Franklin Township, and C/SSgt Morrobel is from Scotch Plains

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#### **JOE MCCOURT WILL BE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE GRAND MARSHAL**



Joe McCourt, who as a lieutenant served in the U.S. Army as a platoon leader in the Vietnam War, will be the Grand Marshal of this year's Fanwood Scotch Plains Memorial Day parade.

McCourt, 70, of Scotch Plains, is active in both the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars groups at the local level, has been an integral part of the Borough's and Township's Memorial Day and Veterans' Day observances for many years and was also a member of a fiveperson committee that oversaw fundraising and construction of the Vietnam War memorial in Scotch Plains.

"With Joe's support, we've been able to add the concert and it really pays tribute in the right way to acknowledge those who made the ultimate sacrifice -with touching music and letters from home," Fanwood Mayor Colleen Mahr said. "Joe has always made sure that the integrity of the parade remains and that the focus is on our nation's war casualties and it is a day to

remember their loss."

The parade, to be held on Monday, May 30, caps a weekend observance that includes a concert and services remembering those who gave their lives for the nation. Events are as follows:

#### SUNDAY, MAY 29 The fifth annual

#### MEMORIAL DAY CONCERT

featuring patriotic music performed by the Westfield Community Band at the Alan Augustine Village Green on Park Avenue in Scotch Plains (bring a chair). The concert will be cancelled in case of inclement weather; email alerts will be sent.

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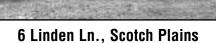


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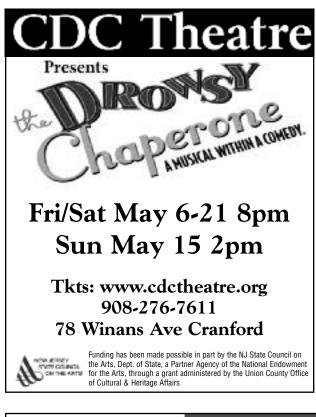
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#### THE DROWSY CHAPERONE IS COMING TO CDC THEATRE IN CRANFORD MAY 6

Rehearsals have begun at CDC Theatre in Cranford for the last show of the theatre's 97th season. The Drowsy Chaperone, winner of 5 Tony Awards (including Best Book and Best Original Score), and hailed by New York Magazine as, "The Perfect Broadway Musical", is a loving send-up of the Jazz age musical featuring one show-stopping song and dance number after another.

"It is a real thrill for my wife Mary and me to be directing "The Drowsy Chaperone" at CDC this season, following up on our successful production of "The Music Man" in 2013." said show director Ken Webb. "We have been lucky



enough to assemble an extremely talented cast. It is a show that is fun for both the actors and the audience. It is a very unique production because it is basically a show within a show. It allows us to bring in some contemporary elements while at

enough to assemble an extremely talented cast. It the same time transporting the audience back to the roaring 20's."

The show will run weekends from May 6 through May 21. Visit www.cdctheatre.org for tickets and further information.



(above l-r) Some of the Cast of the Drowsy Chaperone: Colleen Renee, E. Dale Smith-Gallo CJ Carter, Dana Simone, Gene Lough, Zach Mazouat.





#### **PAY TO PLAY FIELD HOCKEY**

Submitted by: The Scotch Plains Fanwood Field Hockey Club

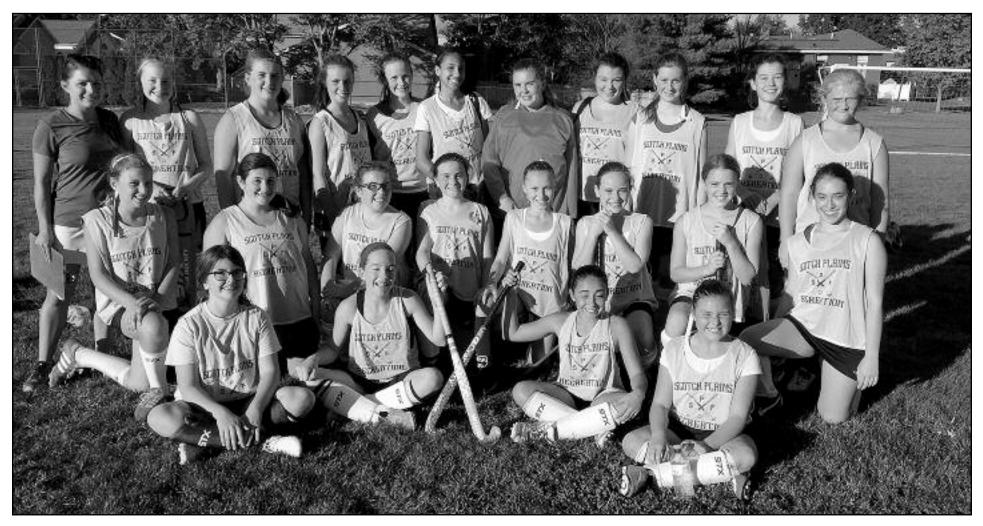
The Scotch Plains Fanwood Field Hockey Club is excited to announce that Field Hockey is back in town. Field Hockey was a sport in SPF in the past and thanks to some local parents and a resurgence of interest from new players, our SPF Board of Education voted to approve a payto-play team.

This past year, our middle school team had a great first season and began to raise funds for this program. Fundraising events included: bake sales, field hockey apparel sale, bedsheet sale, a Go-Fund me site, and a Raider socks sale. Through these events the Field Hockey Club has raised part of the needed amount.

Our biggest fundraising event will be a golf outing on Monday, May 9th at Ash Brook Golf Course in Scotch Plains.

There is still availability for golfers and for hole sponsors. Please contact Nick Nitti at nicholas.nitti@cbre.com if interested. Go Raiders!

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#### MATT HALL VISITS SPF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School One elementary staff of Grades 1 through 4 had the opportunity to receive professional training in the area of writer's workshop from The College of New Jersey professor Matthew Hall.

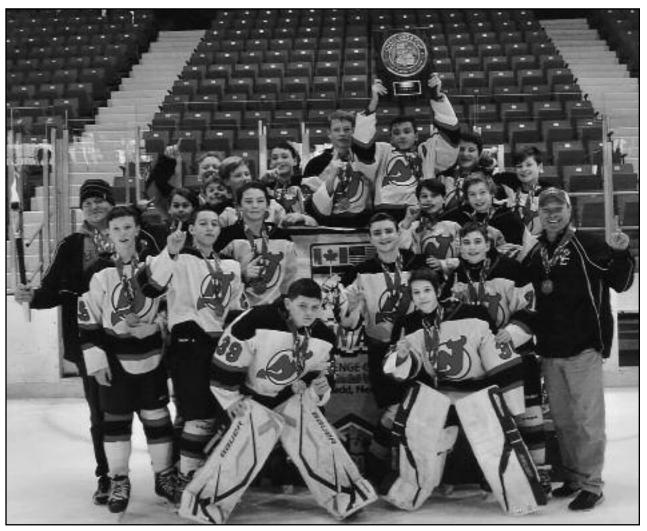
Teachers were given the opportunity to meet in a small setting to learn strategies of writing for their particular grade level. This small setting offered the opportunity for teachers to ask questions and get ideas with an emphasis on conferring. In addition, Mr. Hall presented a demo lesson for teachers to see first hand ways to incorporate what they learned into their practices.

The day ended with a debriefing session to discuss the lesson, experiences, next steps, and ideas. It was a positive experience for the teachers of School One.



#### **RYAN LAMBERTA ON GOLD WINNING TEAM**

Ryan Lamberta of Scotch Plains playing for NJ Youth Devils Bantam B hockey team from South Mountain Arena brought home the GOLD from Lake Placid in the CAN/AM tournament against Bethlehem Eagles from NY 3-1.



(above, Back Row, l-r): Coach Paul (holding the torch), Jack Fischer (equip mgr), William Schneider, Matthew Pupko (goalie coach), Hugh Zanelli, Matthew Wolmelsdorf, James Cummings, Michael Bonomo (holding the plague), Kieran Hollander, Kyle Remo
(Next Row, l-r): Jack Stein, Justin Hornstein, Harrison Grange, William Fischer, Andrew Walsh (Front Row, l-r): Ryan Lamberta(Goalie), Ryan Potechin, Benjamin Pupko, George Schneider (Asst Coach), Daniel Lynes(Goalie).

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## **ANNUAL UNITED FOR A CAUSE 5K RUN AND FAMILY 1 MILER**

The Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA and the SPF PTA Council are partnering to host their annual United for A Cause 5K Run and Family 1 Miler on Sunday, May 15, 2016.

The 5K begins at 9:00am and the 1 mile walk/run at 10:15am. The event will start and end the Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA located at 1340 Martine Avenue in Scotch Plains.

United for A Cause celebrates and provides opportunities for health and wellness within the Scotch Plains-Fanwood community. Proceeds from United for a Cause benefit the LIVESTRONG at the YMCA® program and support a Scotch Plains Fanwood High School scholarship for a student pursuing further education in the Health and Wellness field.

Many local students choose to pursue a career in the health and wellness field and this event will acknowledge a student's positive intentions by providing scholarship funds to put towards their college, school or training program costs. By providing financial support the hope is to foster

their desire to make our world a healthier one.

LIVESTRONG at the YMCA® is a twelveweek physical activity program free to members of the community whose lives have been challenged with cancer. The LIVESTRONG program enables the YMCA to offer participants educational seminars, child care assistance and services for financial management.

The program focus helps recovering cancer survivors "get their lives back" physically, mentally and spiritually. The goal is to give survivors the tools to continue their journey of health and wellness beyond the twelve-week program. "I am so pleased to say that over the course of the 12-week program, the LIVESTRONG experience has given me back my vigor, my strength, my self-esteem and my smile. The program has helped me lose weight, tone my body and increase my stamina and strength. Moreover, I was so happy to see my husband enjoying the program equally as much as I did, and getting himself back in good physical shape. When cancer strikes, it robs individuals and families of so much more than anyone can ever imagine. Thank goodness for programs like LIVESTRONG at the Y that support cancer patients and their families' minds, bodies and spirits, says a LIVESTRONG participant. To register for the United For A Cause 5K Run and Family 1 Miler, go to www.unitedforacause5k.org.





#### **RELAY FOR LIFE OF SCOTCH PLAINS TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016**

Relay for Life is an overnight fundraiser to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Our motto is that "cancer never sleeps" and on Friday, May 13th, neither will we! The event will be held at the track and field at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School from 6pm to 6 am and the theme is "Cirque de Relay." We will have an inflatable obstacle course, carnival food, games, and more! Come out and support our efforts to raise money for cancer research!

At this writing 47 teams and 446 participants have raised \$45,354.33. Members of the community can register on line or donate by Googeling: Relay For Life Scotch Plains and our town's page will show up. You can also show up that day and pay \$10 to enter.

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life movement is the world's largest and most impactful fundraising event focused on ending cancer. It unites communities across the globe to celebrate people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and take action to finish the fight once and for all.

With the support of thousands of volunteers like you, the American Cancer Society is helping save more than 500 lives a day. Please join us and take action against a disease that has taken too much!

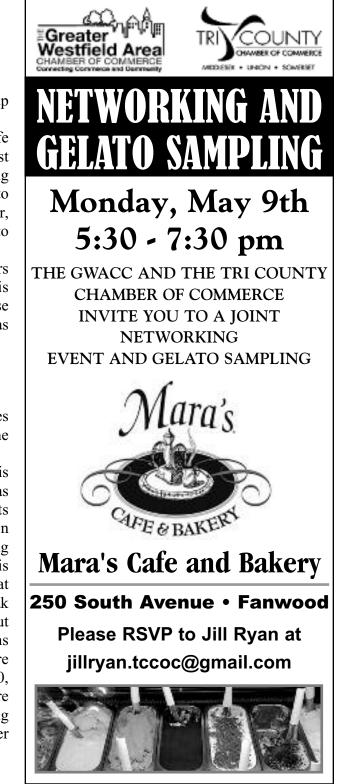
#### **FANWOOD-SCOTCH PLAINS SERVICE LEAGUE**

Finally, we have packed up our winter wear. It is time to freshen up our wardrobes and homes with the bright colors of spring. The Fanwood-Scotch Plains Thrift Shop, 1741 East Second St., Scotch Plains is ready for spring shopping.

The Thrift Shop has clothing for men, women, and children; for work, school and play. Take a look at the windows dressed in the colors and styles for outdoor activities. Inside the shop, look through our collection of new items with their original tags. Other items are gently used and a good value.

Spring is also the time of celebrations and gift giving. The Thrift Shop has clothing for special occasions; proms, weddings, Holy Communions, Confirmations, Graduations, and other memorable events. Mother of the Bride and wedding gowns are available. Shoes and accessories are also in stock. For gift giving the Thrift Shop features collectibles and antique items. To freshen up the house linens and housewares are available.

The Fanwood-Scotch Plains Service League is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization that has served our communities since 1974. Since its founding, the League has donated \$1.1 million for local causes. Anyone interested in learning more about the League or League membership is invited to call 908-322-5420, visit our website at www.scotchplainsthriftshop.weebly.com or speak to any of our volunteers at the shop. Check out our Facebook page "Fanwood-Scotch Plains Service League" and give us a "Like." Hours are Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday 10-2:30, Saturday 10-1.New and gently used donations are always welcome during open hours. Free parking on the street and in the rear of the building (enter parking lot via Willow Ave.).





#### ROCKIN' FOR AUTISM MUSIC FESTIVAL RAISES MORE THAN \$10,000 FOR AUTISM PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR NEW JERSEY FAMILIES

The Town of Fanwood's Rockin' For Autism Music Festival is pleased to announce that its inaugural event, held on Saturday, April 16 at LaGrande Park in Fanwood, has raised more than \$10,200 to support autism programs and services in New Jersey.

The fundraising effort surpassed the \$7,000 fundraising goal set by its creator 14-year old Fanwood resident Mallory Banks, an Autism Awareness Junior Ambassador who ranks among the top kids in New Jersey raising money for Autism Awareness Month. It also doubled the \$10,000 that she had previously raised from 2011



The Town of Fanwood's Rockin' For Autism through 2015 in honor of her brother Ethan (16) and all those affected by autism spectrum disorder. Therapy; Rich Tric Photography; Temple Sholom of Scotch Plains' Inclusion Taskforce; Dip's Fashion Conception; Glam Pam and Her Glitter

Several hundreds of people packed into LaGrande Park throughout the day to listen to music from a variety of local bands, including: Goodworks; Three-Piece Nugget; The Broadcasters; Leave the Gun; and Eric Harrison's Crash Course. Additional entertainment was provided by Main Source DJs; special needs music therapist Jammin Jenn; and the Cindy Smith Dance Studio.

Food and refreshments were provided by Nick's Pizza & Deli, "The Empanada Guy" food truck, Picklelicious, New Jersey American Water, and more than three dozen volunteer bakers.

Local merchant and non-profit participants included: Be Craftful; Child's Play Challenge Course; Robert Wood Johnson Hospital; Children's Specialized Hospital; Autism NJ; Watchung Pediatrics; Tiny Tots Therapy; Jammin Jenn Music Therapy; Functional Performance

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The festival also coincided with the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Youth Baseball Association's annual opening day ceremony, where Miss Banks, Fanwood Mayor Colleen Mahr, and Scotch Plains Mayor Kevin Glover threw ceremonial first pitches. In addition, the Soccer Association and Wolves Basketball Academy ran sports clinics for special needs kids.

All proceeds will be donated to Autism NJ, the largest statewide network of parents and professionals dedicated to improving lives of individuals with autism spectrum disorders.

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which are traditionally recited by the youngest child during the Passover Seder. The Four Ouestions ask about the customs and foods associated with the Passover Seder that



distinguish the holiday from the rest of the year.

Congregation Beth Israel's Pre-K program, open to three and four-year-olds, meets monthly on Sunday mornings, and introduces children to Jewish holidays and Shabbat through art, storytelling, music, cooking and other age-appropriate activities. Synagogue membership is not required to enroll in the Pre-K program or in other Sunday School classes through second-grade. However, families with children below third grade now have the option of joining the synagogue at a reduced rate and enjoying full benefits of synagogue membership, including High Holiday tickets. Congregation Beth Israel strives to create an accessible environment for all. The staff, teachers and volunteers are committed to ensuring access and meaningful participation by all members of the community.

Congregation Beth Israel is located at 18 Shalom Way, Scotch Plains, NJ (corner of Martine Avenue). For more information about the Religious School, contact Gail Beckman Buchbinder, Education Director of Congregation Beth Israel, at (908) 889-1830.

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This industry report shows clearly how the traditional ways of selling homes have become increasingly less and less effective in today's market. The fact of the matter is that fully three quarters of homesellers don't get what they want for their homes and become disillusioned and - worse - financially disadvantaged when they put their homes on the market.

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#### CANEVARI RECEIVES SCHOLASTIC ART & WRITING AWARD

Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School senior Nancy Canevari has been notified that her short story The View From Paris has earned national recognition in the 2016 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Program. Panels of creative professionals have identified Nancy as being among the most talented young writers in the nation. The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Program is the longest running, most prestigious competition and largest source of scholarships for teenagers in the United States.

#### WARREN TO REPRESENT NJ AT JOURNALISM CONFERENCE

Peter Warren, a junior at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School was selected as the New Jersey representative to the Al Neuharth Free Spirit and Journalism Conference. Only one student per state is chosen for this weeklong, allexpenses-paid conference at the Newseum in Washington, D.C.

The conference promotes "the vital role of the First Amendment as a cornerstone of democracy" and "inspires(s) students to pursue journalism careers."



(above) Nancy Canevari will be recognized at Carnegie Hall during events held in New York City on June 1 to June 3.



(above) Peter Warren was selected as the New Jersey representative to the Al Neuharth Free Spirit and Journalism Conference.



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#### **12 SQUARED PARENT VISITATION**

On April 13, School One students who participated in the I2 Inspiration and Innovation Program had the opportunity to present their I-Book creations to parents, staff, and peers. Students worked very hard in developing their I-Books as they followed a process of researching, organizing, and writing.

The process from beginning to end was shared with parents. This offered the opportunity for discussion of their topic, for questions, and answers. The students shared their finished product on an I-Pad and were able to provide additional details of the process. The Parent Visitation ended with a celebration of the students that included light refreshments.



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## **ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR**



Carls Fair. The Fair will be located outdoors, or the beacht. Also Aquethe Village Green, in the heart of downtown, next to the Municipal Building at 430 Park Asense. The Pair is open to applicants in all arts and crofe media. Artists who simply with to show their art and not sell are welcores.

The 2nd Annual Arts & Crafts Fair on Alan Augustine Village Green is scheduled for Saturday, May 21 from 10 a.m. — 4 p.m. The fair is open to all types of artists, including those who wish to display art, but do not intend to sell.

If you wish to participate, download an application from the Scotch Plains website and return it to the Town Manager's Office at 430 Park Avenue. For more information, contact Leah Zara-Acevedo at letsmonet@gmail.com or call



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#### **MATT HALL VISIT TO SPF PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

School One elementary staff of Grades 1 through 4 had the opportunity to receive professional training in the area of writer's workshop from The College of New Jersey professor, Matthew Hall.

Teachers were given the opportunity to meet in a small setting to learn strategies of writing for their particular grade level. This small setting offered the opportunity for teachers to ask questions and get ideas with an emphasis on conferring. In addition, Mr. Hall presented a demo lesson for teachers to see first hand ways to incorporate what they learned into their practices.

The day ended with a debriefing session to discuss the lesson, experiences, next steps, and ideas. It was a positive experience for the teachers of School One.

#### **VARIETY SHOW PRESENTS: A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES**

The School One PTA hosted their 2nd Annual Variety Show presenting, "A Night at the Movies." Students in grades Kindergarten through fourth grade participated in individual and group acts using music from their favorite movies. All participants did an amazing job and enjoyed performing. DVD's were available to order so parents and students could relive their act. The show was a huge success thanks to the members of the School One PTA Variety Show Committee.





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Resolve Community Counseling Center (Resolve) hosted a dinner last month at Giovanna's Restaurant in Plainfield to honor the Westfield Y's Men's Club as a "Friend of Resolve". Here Michael Walch, 2nd from the left, President of the Resolve Board of Directors,

#### **BRUNNER SCHOOL PUBLISHING PARTY**



(above) Ella Butters, reading to her parents.

The writing process you might remember from grammar school is very different in today's classrooms. Students are first immersed in the genre they will be writing about, then they go through a period of idea generation, drafting, tinkering with openings, closings, word choices, sentence fluency, revising....and more revising, and then editing...and more editing. How to keep students motivated and engaged through this sometimes month long process is no easy task. Teachers wrestle with motivation and engagement like a fly fisherman searching for just the right lure for the day's water conditions.

At Brunner School, teachers are using "Publishing Parties" as one tool in their toolbox to motivate and engage students. At the beginning of the writing process, students and their teacher map out a calendar for the process ending with the Publishing Party - which usually includes invited guests to see and hear the writing from the author first hand! When students have a specific audience in mind, their motivation increases, their focus increases, and their engagement increases, which ultimately makes for stronger writing.

Mrs. Jessica Brzezinski, third grade teacher at Brunner School, recently had a Publishing Party wherein parents were the invited guests and the students were the excited and motivated authors. Mrs. Brzezinski stated, "My students were thoroughly engaged with the writing process and stayed on task and focused during writing for extended periods of time knowing that the Publishing Party was coming. They wanted to be there and that meant they had to have their writing ready for prime time!" Mrs. Samantha Melworm, a fourth grade teacher at Brunner, who has also used publishing parties, shared that a student who was out of school for a period of time came back with her writing ready for review and potentially publishing knowing that the publishing party was coming and that the ticket to the party was quality writing.

#### **RESOLVING SOME ISSUES**

presents the plaque to representatives from the Westfield Y's Men's Club including Joseph Carroll, Dominic DiGiorgio, William West, and Stephen Suriano.

Resolve has been helping families in Scotch Plains-Fanwood and surrounding towns since 1974. It is a private non-profit mental health agency dedicated to providing quality and affordable counseling, advocacy, and educational programs for children, adolescents and adults, individuals and families. To learn more or to make online а donation visit http://www.resolvenj.com/.

Resolve clients are from all walks of life and often they do not have enough money or insurance to pay for the hourly services that they need. However, Resolve tries to help everyone regardless of the financial situation. In order to serve all their clients the organization relies on grants and donations from individuals and organizations, like the Westfield Y's Men's Club.

For over 60 years, the mission of the Westfield

Y's Men's Club is to function as a service organization and raise money for charitable causes. Selling Christmas trees has been their primary fundraising method, and they have raised over \$2,000,000 that directly supports the community, including Resolve. For more information on the club visit www.westfieldynj.org/.



#### **F-SP SERVICE LEAGUE THRIFT SHOP INTRODUCES COLLECTIBLES AND VINTAGE ITEMS**

The Fanwood-Scotch Plains Service League Thrift Shop, 1741 East Second St, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076, (908) 322-5420, has introduced collectibles and vintage items to its varied brica-brac selections.

The Collectors' Corner and front show case features items which may include Hummel Gallery figurines, fine ribbed Jeanette Plates, signed pieces, Stangl, vintage Farberware, Norman Rockwell, and Royal Doulton. The shops' Collectible Managers research and price items according to the market. Buyers will always find items below market price.

The Thrift Shop does not buy items, nor sell items on consignment. All pieces are donated. Inventory varies.

The Fanwood-Scotch Plains Service League is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization that has served our communities since 1974. Since its founding, the League has donated over \$1.1 million for local causes. Anyone interested in learning more about the League or League membership is invited to call 908-322-5420, visit website our at www.scotchplainsthriftshop.weebly.com or speak to any of our volunteers at the shop. Check out our Facebook page "Fanwood-Scotch Plains Service League" and give us a "Like." Hours are Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday 10-2:30 and Saturday 10-1. All items are new or gently used.



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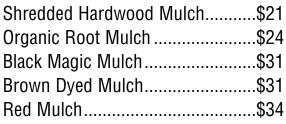
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# **BUBBLES FOR AUTISM**

Two special education teachers at School One, Mrs. Jacquelyn Santos and Ms. Jaclyn Tumolo, arranged for a celebration for Autism Awareness. Staff and students were invited to congregate on the playground in the form of an awareness ribbon to show support.

Everyone was given a small bottle of bubbles to blow in unison. Mrs. Santos and Ms. Tumolo shared some information to remind everyone that autism is not a choice, but acceptance is.

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