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RESCUE SQUAD INSTALLATION AND AWARDS DINNER

Squad held our annual Installation and Awards Dinner. The Berkeley Heights Volunteer Rescue Squad (BHVRS) was established in 1942.

In 2016, the BHVRS responded to 836 calls in total. The BHVRS is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by volunteers who live and work in the township. On every shift there are two members who hold a valid New Jersey EMT Certification, which requires a class of 180 hours to obtain. Whether you call the Rescue Squad for an adult or child, illness or injury, you can be sure that you are getting at least two experienced medical professionals to take care of you or your loved ones.

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The Squad always needs volunteers, both medical and auxiliary. If you are interested in joining or would like additional information, please visit www.bhvrs.org, or call (908) 464-0013



(above 1-r) Cadets Emily Matrone, Nicole Pirone, Cate Dougherty, Nicole Segalini, Peter Illis, and Hannah Probst.

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JUNIOR LEAGUE OF SUMMIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM SEEKING APPLICANTS

The Junior League of Summit is pleased to continue its scholarship program in 2017. We will be awarding two (2) \$2,000 Shirley Wight Keeney Voluntarism Scholarships to graduating seniors who have demonstrated a commitment to voluntarism in their community.

All seniors who live or attend school in Berkeley Heights, Chatham, New Providence, and Summit, have demonstrated academic excellence within their academic class, and are continuing their education at an accredited four year or two year college or business/vocational school, are invited to apply.

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Applications must be received or postmarked by Sunday, March 1, 2017. An applicant's submission must include:

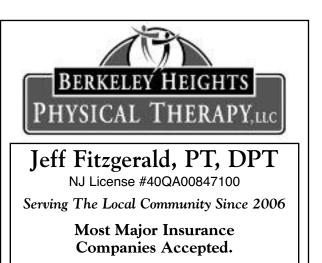
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Please send all completed applications to: JLS Scholarships, Attn: Shannon Dalpe, Chair, 37 Deforest Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901 or jlsummitscholarships@gmail.com.



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FOUR BERKELEY HEIGHTS SCOUTS RECEIVE SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD

At a recent awards event, four Berkeley analysis. In Troop 68, he has served as Senior Heights Scouts were recognized for outstanding achievements in scholarship and athletics by the Patriots' Path Council of the Boy Scouts of Livingston High School, where he is a member America. They were: Vasant Bhardwaj, Troop 368; Alexander ("Sasha") Frolov, Troop 68; Alton Grossman, Troop 68; and Anton Kral, Troop 68. All four Scouts are Life rank, working toward Scouting's highest rank: Eagle. Troops 68 and 368 are sponsored by the Rotary Club of Berkeley Heights.

Vasant Bhardwaj is a sophomore at the Academy of Information Technology. He is a member of the Governor Livingston High School marching band and the Varsity swim team, and is also involved in karate. Vasant's future plan is to major in computer sciences at MIT. In Troop 368, he has served as Patrol Leader and Troop Quartermaster.

Alexander Frolov is a senior at the Academy of Information Technology and a member of the GLHS Varsity cross-country and track teams. Sasha's future plan is to pursue a career in data Patrol Leader and Junior Assistant Scoutmaster.

Alton Grossman is a senior at Governor of the marching band (drumline section leader), the Varsity fencing team (sabre), President of the GLHS Model United Nations, and member of the Latin club. Alton's future goals include pursuing studies in economics, business, and the Classics. In Troop 68, he has served as Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, and Junior Assistant Scoutmaster.

Anton Kral is a senior at Oratory Preparatory School, where he is a member of the Varsity hockey, and track and field teams, and the rugby club. He will attend Tulane University and major in the sciences. In Troop 68, he has served as Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Trek Crew Leader at Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico.



(above l-r) Alexander ("Sasha") Frolov, Vasant Bhardwaj, Alton Grossman, Anton Kral.

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EMS Council of New Jersey (EMSCNJ) officers recited their oaths of office for 2017 on January 15th at the Middlesex County Fire Academy. Senator Bob Smith (D-Dist. 17) and Assemblywoman Nancy J. Pinkin (D-Dist. 18) were on hand to administer the oaths to several

With assistance from two state legislators, of the officers. The 88-year-old nonprofit EMSCNJ represents 20,000 EMS volunteers affiliated with nearly 300 rescue squads throughout the state.

> The executive board members who were sworn in, all incumbents, included Membership Secretary Sue Meyer of Berkeley Heights.





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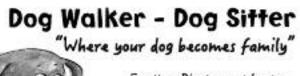
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(above) At a recent meeting Berkeley Heights Rotarians were given oranges and grapefruit from the Scouts of Berkeley Heights Troop 368 for their support as the troop's sponsor, the gift of citrus is the Scouts' way of saying thanks for another great year.

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Open to students in grades 4-8, there is no audition required to be a part of Mulan, Jr. but space is limited and registration is on a first come

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Curtain Call classes begin on February 27, and run on Mondays and Wednesdays after school: Mondays for grades K-3 and Wednesdays for grades 4-8.

During the spring, classes focus on movement,

basis. Additional information can be found by acting and singing as students prepare a one of a kind cabaret performance of some of Broadway's To register contact Andrea Redmount at biggest hits on May 20 at 12:00 and 3:00 pm. Details at www.cdctheatre.org.

> Students in grades 8-12 are invited to sign-up and audition for Rent on March 25 and April 1.

Visit www.cdctheatre.org for information and sign-up details.





(above) The cast of CDC Theatre 2016 Young Artist Program production of Footloose

AUDITIONS FOR THE MUSICAL 9 TO 5

CDC Theatre in Cranford, New Jersey's oldest continuously producing community theatre, will be holding open auditions for the musical 9 to 5 at the theatre's 78 Winans Ave.

Auditions will be Wed. 2/15 7:30 -10pm and Sat 2/18 2-5pm with Callbacks on Tues. 2/21 7:30-10pm. The show will run from May 5-20, 2017. Interested performers are asked to prepare 32 bars of a song of your choice. There will be no initial dance audition. Additional information can be found by visiting www.cdctheatre.org.

9 to 5 The Musical, with music and lyrics by Dolly Parton and book by Patricia Resnick, is based on the seminal 1980 hit movie. Set in the late 1970s. This hilarious story of friendship and revenge in the Rolodex era is outrageous, thought-provoking and even a little romantic. Pushed to the boiling point, three female coworkers concoct a plan to get even with the sexist, egotistical, lying, hypocritical bigot they call their boss. In a hilarious turn of events, Violet, Judy and Doralee live out their wildest fantasy – giving their boss the boot! While Hart remains "otherwise engaged," the women give their workplace a dream makeover, taking control of the company that had always kept them down. Hey, a girl can scheme, can't she?







FORMER SHELTER DOG MARKS MILESTONE 5,000 LIVES SAVED

Even an unexpected snowstorm could not stop a 1-year-old shelter dog named Travis from finding a permanent family of his own and becoming Home for Good Dog Rescue's milestone 5,000th adoption on Jan. 7.

That Saturday, the New Jersey-based nonprofit organization hosted its first adoption event of 2017 and welcomed the public to its facility in Berkeley Heights to meet its rescue dogs. And despite the winter weather brewing just outside, visitors continued to arrive throughout the day, all in hopes of finding the perfect four-legged companions to complete their families.

"We cannot fathom just how far we have come," Richard Errico, Home for Good's cofounder and treasurer, said. "This rescue quite literally started out of somebody's home, and to stand here today and watch our 5,000th dog go home is truly a humbling experience."

Among the day's visitors on Jan. 7 was the Lenahan family of Berkeley Heights, NJ, who, amid enthusiastic cheers from Home for Good's staff, volunteers, and foster families, completed an official adoption agreement to take home lucky dog number 5,000 himself.

Travis, an Australian Cattle Dog mix, originally came from a high-kill shelter in Barnwell, South Carolina after facing abandonment and life as a stray. After coming into the care of Home for Good Dog Rescue, he arrived in New Jersey via an overnight van transport and entered a volunteer foster home.

"He had the nice demeanor and the write-up, the nice picture and nice friendly looking face," adopter Thomas Lenahan remarked. "And the right size for our family."

Travis's adoption would mark the Lenahans' first family experience as dog owners. And after completing an online application for adoption before arriving on Jan. 7, they were eager to take their new family member home that day.

Since its inception in 2010, the 100-percent foster-based Home for Good Dog Rescue has transported dogs from high-kill shelters throughout South Carolina and Georgia to New Jersey in search of their forever homes. Upon arriving in the Northeast, each dog enters a local volunteer foster home, where they live until adoption and receive all the benefits of family life a kennel setting cannot provide.

It has been only one year since the organization celebrated its milestone 4,000th adoption in 2015.

Home for Good continues to look forward to the construction of the Almost Home Wellness Center in Aiken, SC. This specialized facility will allow the organization to rescue even more dogs by providing a safe place for animals too young or too sick to travel to recuperate prior to traveling northward.

For more information on Home for Good Dog Rescue and its ongoing capital campaign for Almost Home, please visit

www.HomeforGoodDogs.org.





(above) Home for Good Dog Rescue. The Lenahan family (pictured) of Berkeley Heights, NJ adopted a former shelter dog named Travis from Home for Good Dog Rescue on Jan. 7.



(above) Home for Good Dog Rescue. James Lenahan (pictured) eagerly welcomed Travis into his family's Berkeley Heights home after adopting him at the rescue organization's local facility that morning.



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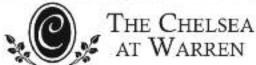
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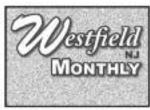
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