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OUTSTANDING CITIZENS TO BE HONORED BY BOY SCOUTS



Andy & Christine Gottesman

Sandy Bloom

Boy Scouts of America, Patriots' Path Council will be honoring local citizens at the Boy Scouts of America 2017 Summit Good Scout Award Dinner to be held on the evening of Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at The Grand Summit Hotel in Summit at 7:00 pm. This year's honorees are Sandy Bloom, Christine & Andy Gottesman, Steve Rapp, Nellie & John Stewart, and Terri Tauber.

The event recognizes these seven outstanding citizens for their community service, as evidenced by their leadership and interests within the Summit community, and for their embodiment of the values of the century old Scout Oath and Law in their personal and professional lives. The event chairs are past Summit Good Scout Award Recipients, Annette and Terry Dwyer.

Sandy Bloom is an active Summit volunteer and has served on three city boards for the last eighteen years. She is currently on the boards of the Summit Public Library and the Summit Area Public Foundation. She is the immediate past president of the Library board and is the Co-Chair of the Summit Area Public Foundation's Grants Committee.

Christine Gottesman is Special Counsel at Nukk-Freeman & Cerra, P.C. She is also a member of the Board of Trustees of SAGE Eldercare located in Summit as well as a past Cub Scout den leader for both of her sons, Joseph and Benjamin. Andy Gottesman is Chief Executive Officer of Gottesman Real Estate Partners, and Edison Investment Advisors, LLC. Andy is a member of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association of the University of Michigan and of the Board of Trustees of the Pingry Alumni Association, as well as a Trustee of the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn.

Steve Rapp has been teaching music since 1989, and has been in the Summit Public Schools since 1996. His extensive range of responsibilities currently includes Director of the High School Marching Band, Conductor of the Concert Band, Conductor of the Wind Ensemble, and Pit Orchestra Conductor.

Nellie Stewart is a Social Worker and has worked with



Steve Rapp

John & Nellie Stewart

Terri Tauber

various populations and in a multitude of settings, including Overlook Medical Center and most recently as a Case Manager at United Health Care. John Stewart spent 20 years in the markets and banking divisions of Standard Chartered Bank before joining J.P. Morgan. Nellie has been a passionate volunteer within the Summit Public School district for over 12 years; holding various PTO board positions at Lincoln Hubbard, LCJSMS and Summit High School, chairing school activities and an avid sign-up-genius connoisseur. She has been enthusiastically engaged in various roles within Girl Scouts troop 397, Summit Lacrosse, Summit Summies Gymnastics Team at The Connection, Summit Performing Arts Resource Center (SPARC), Summit Music Parents Association, Summit Democrats, and the Boy Scout Troop 67, Summit. John, a fervent soccer and hockey player, was a youth coach for Summit Soccer Club, Summit Junior Baseball and Beacon Hill Hockey. After serving as assistant Scoutmaster, he currently serves on Boy Scout Troop 67's Parent Committee.

Terri Tauber runs The Flamingo Fundraiser, a hallmark of Project Graduation, and is one of Terri's many pet projects. Terri became involved in Project Graduation back in 1998 when she was appointed to the Summit Youth Services Board. In 2006, she launched the Flamingo Fundraiser, which has raised over \$45,000 in 10 years. Terri has served on the Youth Services Board for 10 years, including a term as Board Chair. She served on the Women's Resource Center board for over 10 years, including two terms as president and was a member of the Summit Kiwanis Club for many years.

Summit is a part of the Patriots' Path Council, Boy Scouts of America which serves 17,000 youth in over 400 Scouting units in communities like ours throughout Morris, Middlesex, Somerset, Sussex, and Union Counties.

For more information on Scouting, attending the event, and sponsoring an ad in the program journal, contact Jennifer Volz, Sr. Development Director, at 973-765-9322 ext. 249 and/or jennifer.volz@scouting.org.



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SUMMIT FIREFIGHTER JOE MOSCHELLO WINS FRANK SMITH AWARD FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

The City of Summit Fire Department is announcing firefighter Joe Moschello as the recipient of the 2017 Frank Smith Award for Public Safety. The award is given annually by the New Jersey Electronic Security Association (NJESA) to an active duty firefighter or police officer that "exemplifies commitment, loyalty and consistently goes beyond the call of duty for the municipality they serve."

"We are extremely proud of firefighter Moschello," explains Summit Fire Chief Eric Evers. "Joe sets an excellent example of how everyone should approach work with security companies to help them interpret fire codes and pass inspections. His professional manner and expertise are a truly an asset for the City of Summit."

Firefighter Moschello was presented with the 2017 Public Safety Award at a membership luncheon at the NJESA Annual Symposium at Harrah's Convention Center on March 2.

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(above) Summit firefighter Joe Moschello accepting the 2017 Frank Smith Award for Public Safety.

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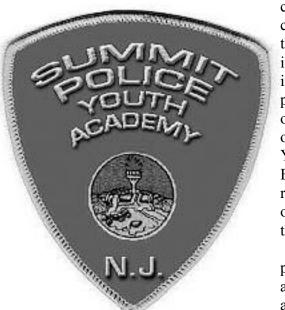
SUMMIT POLICE DEPARTMENT YOUTH ACADEMY

The Summit Police Department has announced the dates for the 2017 Youth Academy. The academy will be running two, oneweek sessions: Session One from July 17 to 21; and Session Two from July 24 to 28. Both sessions will be held at the Summit Police Department. Classes will run from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily.

This will be the thirteenth season of this popular program, designed to provide area youths with the opportunity to gain an

understanding of the role of the police officer. While other youth academy programs provide a day camp setting, the Summit Police Youth Academy has been modeled after today's police academy. Those accepted to the program will undergo physical training and daily training in Drill and Ceremony, as well as instruction in criminal investigation techniques, evidence recovery and patrol practices. In addition, the cadets will participate in field trips to the Union Police Academy County and attend demonstrations from various specialized units that are available to law enforcement, such as the police canine unit, SWAT team and the bomb squad.

Each cadet will receive official Summit Police Youth Academy uniforms to wear throughout the



course. Upon successful completion of the course the cadets will participate in a graduation ceremony in which they will be presented with a certificate of completion and an official Summit Police Youth Academy patch. Each cadet will also receive a DVD slideshow of photos taken during their session.

Acceptance into this program requires that the applicant be between the ages of 11-14. Cadets will be selected on a first come,

first serve basis. Please note, however, that preference will be given to Summit residents who are new applicants; former recruits and out-oftown applicants will be placed on a waiting list. In order to be considered, the tuition fee of \$100 must accompany the application. However, for those applicants that are experiencing financial hardships, there are a limited number of scholarships available.

Applications are available at the Police Department, the Summit Middle School Office, and online at http://www.cityofsummit.org. The deadline for applications will be April 17, 2017.

For additional information please contact Det/Sgt. Rick Proctor at rproctor@spdnj.org (908-273-5871) or Pam Ferreira at pferreira@spdnj.org (908-277-9473).

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Summit NJ - According to industry experts, there are over 33 physical problems that will come under scrutiny during a home inspection when your home is for sale. A new report has been prepared which identifies the eleven most common of these problems, and what you should know about them before you list your home for sale.

Whether you own an old home or a brand new one, there are a number of things that can fall short of requirements during a home inspection. If not identified and dealt with, any of these 11 items could cost you dearly in terms of repair. That's why it's critical that you read this report before you list your home. If you wait until the building inspector flags these issues for you, you will almost certainly experience costly delays in the close of your home sale or, worse, turn prospective buyers away altogether. In most cases, you can make a reasonable pre-inspection yourself if you know what you're looking for, and knowing what you're looking for can help you prevent little problems from growing into costly and unmanageable ones.

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NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER INVESTING \$200,000 IN SUMMIT

In March, New Jersey American Water began working to replace approximately 650 feet of aging 6-inch water main that was installed around 1920 with new 12-inch ductile iron main along Morris Court (from Morris Avenue to the dead end). The existing pipe has reached the end of its useful life. The project also includes replacing utility-owned service lines and fire hydrants along the pipeline route, as well as the installation of meter pits to replace meters currently installed inside residents' homes.

"With the installation of the new water mains, New Jersey American Water customers should experience increased water flows for residences and fire protection, and continued improvement in reliability," stated Thomas Shroba, senior director of Operations, North Region. "And having the meter located outside of their homes is an improved/added convenience."

Sections of street where the construction is taking place may be closed during work hours, which are generally 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. All traffic control will be coordinated by local police. New Jersey American Water is committed to the safety of its employees and advises pedestrians and drivers to please take caution in the vicinity of work sites.

At various segments of the project, customers may experience temporary service interruptions while the work is performed. Customers may also experience a slight discoloration of water. If this happens, run the water until it is clear. New Jersey American Water will notify customers 24 hours in advance when the utilityowned service line is being replaced at the property. Also, customers will receive instructions on how to flush the household plumbing prior to using water.

As part of this improvement project, American Water will also be installing a meter pit at the curb area of the properties, in the right of way. After installation, all that will be visible is a 15-inch circular cover that will be flush with the ground. Once the meter pits are installed, and the entire project is complete, residents will be contacted to set up an appointment to move the meter from inside the property to the meter pit.



SUMMER FARMERS MARKET OPENS APRIL 23

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Summit Downtown, Inc. (SDI) is excited to announce the Summit Summer Farmers Market will open for the 2017 season on April 23! The Summer Farmers Market will be open from 8am to 1pm every Sunday, April 23 through November 19, in Park & Shop Lot No. 2, at the corner of DeForest Avenue and Maple Street.

The Summit Winter Farmers Market will continue to be open from 10am to 2pm every Saturday at Calvary Episcopal Church through April 8. Many favorite summer vendors are there every Saturday, so be sure to stop by!

A majority of last year's vendors will be returning to the Market this year, with a few exciting new additions! A full listing of vendors will be available on summitfarmersmarket.com closer to opening day.

Widely regarded as one of New Jersey's best farmers markets, this will be the Market's 22nd year of providing fresh, locally-sourced food and produce to the Summit community. The Give It Fresh Today (G.I.F.T.) program will celebrate its 6th season at the Market and continue to collect fresh food each week to donate to those in need.

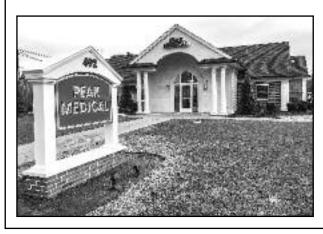
Sunday Funday activities will also continue at the Summer Farmers Market! The tradition of Sunday Fundays began in 2015 as a celebration of the Summit Farmers Market's 20th Anniversary. New this year will be a Blueberry Muffin Contest on July 9 and a Pumpkin/Sweet Potato Pie Contest on November 12. There will also be a Salsa Contest on September 10 and Pumpkin Painting on October 29.

For more information on either of Summit Downtown's Farmers Markets, please subscribe to our newsletter, check out our Facebook and Instagram pages, visit our website, or call Summit Downtown, Inc. at 908-277-6100. Summit Downtown, Inc. is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the on-going development and promotion of the business community in downtown Summit, NJ.





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Play: A Streetcar Named Desire Sunday, April 23, 2:00pm

The Hudson Shakespeare Company will perform Tennessee Williams' classic drama.

Lincoln Center Local Screening: Mariachi Flor De Toloache

Friday, May 5, 12:30pm. Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with traditional Mexican music. Mariachi is an important part of Mexican folk culture, known for its vivid vocals, driving string rhythms and soaring trumpet melodies. Mariachi Flor De Toloache is NYC's first all-female mariachi group, celebrating the traditions of this folk form from around the world while creating a style all their own. This screening of a performance at Lincoln Center was recorded in 2016.

SUMMIT LIBRARY SEMI-ANNUAL DONATED JEWELRY SALE

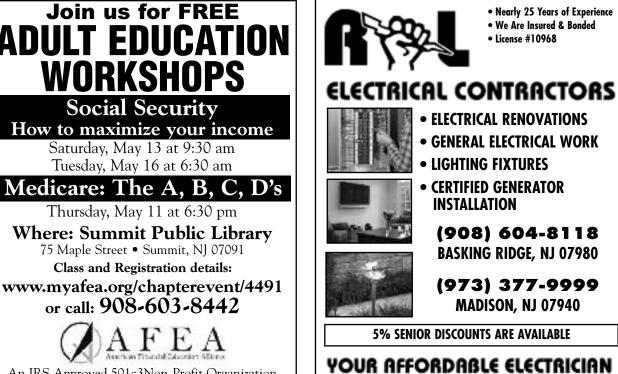
SEEKING JEWELRY DONATIONS

The Friends of the Summit Public Library are seeking donations of jewelry for their upcoming, wildly popular 'Semi-Annual Donated Jewelry Sale'. Any and all jewelry will be accepted, including fine estate- quality pieces, costume jewelry, children's items, men's jewelry, even broken pieces, single earrings, pieces missing stones, non-working watches. If you know-- or even think-- your donation is real gold, silver or includes real gemstones, please add a note. Donations may be brought to the library circulation desk during regular library hours from now through April 19th, so clean out your jewelry boxes and bring us your bling! The library is located at 75 Maple St., Summit. The FOL is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and donation receipts are available. All proceeds from the sale benefit the Summit Public Library, enabling the purchase of programming, equipment and supplies that are not provided by the municipal budget. The sale will be held Saturday April 22, 2017 – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, April 23, 2017 - 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

JEWELRY SALE TO BE HELD APRIL 22 – APRIL 23

Come to the spring edition of the Friends of the Summit Public Library's wildly popular Donated Jewelry Sale! There's something for everyone among the gently used items, including beautiful estate pieces of real gold, silver and gemstones; gorgeous costume jewelry, kid-size items, men's jewelry and bags of odds and ends (broken jewelry, single earrings, etc.) for crafting! It's the perfect place to shop for Mother's Day or treat yourself to something "new"! Sale dates: Saturday 4/22 10 a.m. -5 p.m., Sunday 1-4 p.m., in the library's Hickock Meeting Room, 75 Maple St., Summit. The FOL is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and donation receipts are available. All proceeds from the sale benefit the Summit Public Library, enabling the purchase of programming, equipment and supplies that are not provided by the municipal budget.





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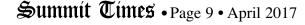
For the last four year, Spanish Teacher Tim 1,000 sponsors, for a grand total of \$10,790. On March 22, 2017 they donated the money to MSM Founder James Campbell and Board Member Michael Temple when they visited the middle school to speak with the students about the incredibly positive impact their efforts. "I wanted my students to develop a greater perspective, and have the opportunity to make a difference. I hope this continues to inspire and motivate them in years to come," said Margiotta.





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(above) Jim Hayes

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With humble beginnings as a wedding band, the Miami Sound Machine had already been well known in the Miami area in the late 70's and early 80's. In 1977 with the addition of a young vocalist named Gloria Maria Fajardo Garcia, later known as Gloria Estefan, they became a phenomenon of the Latin music scene.

But it wasn't until Discos CBS, a subsidiary of CBS International, put out the album Primitive Love on Epic Records in 1985 that the band crossed over into mainstream megasuccess. And Jim Hayes, president of Discos CBS, was at the helm.

"Gloria was in my office three or four times a week," he remembers from his apartment at The Chelsea at Warren assisted living residence in Warren, NJ. "She didn't think we were spending enough money on promoting the group, and she was right." The rest is history, of course, and Jim has the platinum album to prove it.

"I really wanted that job," he says, recalling the six years he spent in Miami. He had been a veteran of the publishing industry, working for several book companies, one of which was acquired by CBS.

He jumped at the chance to become President and General Manager of Discos CBS, wanting a job with more excitement and a change of scenery. That was in 1985, just as the Miami Sound Machine emerged into the main stream. Hayes was in the driver's seat."Gloria and my daughter Carrie became friends," he says.

Today, Hayes, 83, is surrounded by dozens of photo albums, photos of his 6 children, 19 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren, and technology that keeps him connected via internet, phone and TV.

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This event is a jam-packed evening of high quality jazz entertainment, presented by five musicians and three singers, all of whom are outstanding talents in jazz," America's music." Consider buying your tickets soon, supporting both live jazz and a most worthy non-profit organization...and treating yourself to a wonderful evening of entertainment. The show will be approximately two hours, not including the intermission. General admission is \$25, Premium Ticket is \$40.

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HEARING SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Hearing Society is pleased to announce that it is currently accepting applications to its Sarah H. McGhee and Katherine Schmidt Memorial Scholarship funds for the school year 2017-2018. These scholarships provide financial assistance to high school graduates who have documented hearing loss and have been accepted into accredited two-year colleges or vocational schools (\$2,000) or four-year colleges or universities (\$4,000). A special characteristic of these awards is that they are renewable for one to three years for the student providing satisfactory grades are maintained.

Application forms are available on request by

contacting Mrs. P. Hanigan, Scholarship Chairperson, 1213 Wyoming Avenue, Mountainside, NJ 07092, or by phoning her at 908 232 4512 (voice). Applications must be submitted no later than May 19, 2017.

The Hearing Society is a not-for-profit organization that has served people with hearing impairments in Union County since 1932. The society also sponsors a class in speech (lip) reading at the First Baptist Church in Westfield, and welcomes interested people from the area to attend. For more information about the Society, contact Alice Knecht, 908-688-8241 (voice), or online at alirobkn@aol.com.



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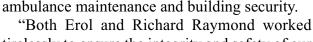
The City of Summit Volunteer First Aid Squad presented awards to squad volunteers who exhibit outstanding leadership and exceed organizational service goals.

The Presidential Award for a member that "goes above and beyond during the year for the good of the organization" was presented by squad President Mike D'Ecclessis to Erol Raymond. Raymond is a 10-year veteran of the squad and was recognized for his consistent and dedicated service as chairman of the technology committee.

The Chiefs Award goes to a line officer that "provides exceptional assistance to the Chief throughout the year" was presented by squad Chief Kari Phair to Richard Raymond. Raymond, who is the son of Presidential Award recipient Erol Raymond, has served on the Squad for the past 15 years. He was recognized for his work in



(above) Erol Raymond with Squad President Mike D'Ecclessis and Squad Chief Kari Phair.



tirelessly to ensure the integrity and safety of our equipment and physical building," explains D'Ecclessis. "They are dedicated and valued volunteers and fully deserving of this special recognition."

A 30-year service award was also presented to volunteer Kate Getzendanner, recognizing her three decades of dedicated service to the squad.

The Summit Volunteer First Aid Squad provides Emergency Medical Services at no charge, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to people in Summit. The squad responds to more than 2,000 emergency calls each year.

To learn more about the Summit Volunteer First Aid Squad, membership opportunities or to make a donation, go to summitems.org.



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CASA'S CHARITY 5K RUN/1M WALK IS MAY 7

Join the race to reach all of Union County's foster youth

crucial steps to change the life of an abused, neglected or abandoned Union County child placed in foster care: On Sunday, May 7, 2017, CASA of Union County will host its third annual Foster the Dream 5k Run and 1 Mile Walk at Oak Ridge Park in Clark to raise awareness of the need for community volunteers to serve as Court Appointed Special Advocates, and to raise funds for expanded recruitment and training efforts.

The race course is USATF-certified and trophies are given to the first-place female and male finishers, as well as runners in the following brackets: 10 and under, 11-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, and 60+. In addition, participants can try their luck at various raffles — tickets are \$5 - and enjoy such post-race sustenance such as fruit, bagels and water. Whether a serious runner, a speed-walker or simply looking to stroll with friends and family — this race for a reason promises fun for all, and helps vulnerable youth

right in your own community! Life in foster care and the road to it is no walk in the park, but your walk or run in the park can change that. Two-thirds of Union County foster youth still need a CASA volunteer, and your

Lace up your sneakers and take simple but participation brings CASA of Union County closer to remedying that by providing a committed advocate for every youth that needs one. Appointed to a case by a family judge, trained CASA volunteers serve foster youth by advocating in court and the community to ensure their needs are met and best interests remain priority. They are court-empowered to speak with the vouth's teachers, doctors, therapists, foster parents, caseworker, attorney and more, and then report findings to the judge.

> Race check-in and packet pick-up begins 7:30 am race day; the 1 mile walk starts at 9 am and the 5k at 9:30 am. Award presentation and raffles begin at 10:30 am. Performance race shirts are guaranteed to all paid registrants through April 25. Registration is \$25 to run and \$20 to walk; \$5 more after April 15. Children under 10 run or walk for free!

Ready? Set. Go register yourself, your family and your friends at www.fosterthedream.org, taking the first steps toward changing the life of an abused, neglected or abandoned child from Union County! Contact Jen Mutch, race chair and CASA board president, at (917) 453-5415 or jcdowntown@hotmail.com with questions.

SUMMIT RESIDENT BECOMES CASA VOLUNTEER

Union County Superior Court Judge James Hely administered oaths to 16 community members on March 20, 2017 — among them Mary Ellen Lawrence of Summit - who stepped up to volunteer as extra eyes and ears for Family Court judges on cases involving Union County's abused, neglected or abandoned children now placed in foster care.

The new child advocates completed 30 hours in a new, flexible training option that comprises fewer in-person sessions than the traditional session, but incorporates an online learning component for scheduling flexibility. After the new advocates took their oath and received a commemorative CASA pin and certificate, they gathered with staff and board members for a celebratory luncheon, during which they were matched to their new case.

Volunteers with varied backgrounds make successful advocates and this class is no exception: Advocates range in age from 21 to 81; are parents and non-parents; recent retirees and students; and careers include business professionals, a teacher, nurse, attorney and professor; as well as homemakers. Languages



spoken include Spanish, Chinese, Ukrainian and German. Most have no prior knowledge of the foster system, and at least two of the volunteers are immigrants.

CASA volunteers have court-ordered access to all parties in a child's life, including foster parents, doctors, caseworkers, therapists and teachers, and incorporate into court reports findings from these contacts as well as time spent with the youth. Volunteers advocate both in the community and court to ensure their youth's needs are met and their time in care is as short as possible. There are 600 Union County children currently in foster care and CASA of Union County serves approximately one-third; its mission is to provide an advocate for every foster child that needs one.

For details on future trainings, contact Courtney at 908-527-7045 or cgreen@casaofunioncounty.org. To inquire about other ways to support CASA of Union County, contact Executive Director Marla Higginbotham at 908-527-7041 or marlah@casaofunioncounty.org.



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SUMMIT HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME SEEKING NOMINATIONS

The Summit High School Hall of Fame committee is announcing its search for coaches, teams, and individual athletes for its second class of inductees. The Hall of Fame was created to honor those who propelled SHS to success over the years. We invite the Summit community, coaches, peers, and others to make nominations. Online forms are available on the SHS page of the Summit Public Schools website. "This is a great way to recognize those who have given so much to the SHS Athletic program over the years. "It furthers our mission of honoring the past, and creating the future," said SHS Principal Stacy Grimaldi





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CITY IMPLEMENTS LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION TECHNOLOGY FOR PARKING PAYMENTS IN MUNICIPAL LOTS & GARAGES

The City of Summit Parking Services Agency is announcing as part of its unified parking management program it will begin installation of automated license plate recognition technology for parking payments in municipal parking lots and garages on Monday, March 20 through the end of April.

Payment stations with automated license plate recognition technology will be installed on specified dates in the following locations:

March 20 to 22: Broad Street Garage, Broad Street East lot

March 23 to 24: Elm Street lot, Sampson lot April 3 to 5: Tier Garage April 6 to 7: Chestnut lot, Post Office lot April 10 to 12: K-lot April 17 to 19: Bank Street lot April 20 to 21: Park & Rail lot April 24 to 26: Library/YMCA lot April 27 to 28: Park & Ride lot The City of Summit first implemented automated license plate technology in November 2016 on Railroad Avenue. Parking enforcement vehicles have been equipped with a camera and computer that reads a license plate, checks for a digital permit, and looks up the payment type.

"Customers purchase parking time by entering the license plate number of their vehicle and the amount of time they wish to park at a pay station," explains Parking Services Manager Rita McNany. "Each machine accepts payment by coins or bills with exact change only, by credit and debit cards, and Parkmobile for smart phone payments. Parking Services staff will be available to assist users at each location during the transition."

For more information about parking in Summit, please visit cityofsummit.org/parking or contact the Parking Services Agency at parking@cityofsummit.org or 908-522-5100.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES FORMATION OF SPECIAL OPERATIONS UNIT

The City of Summit Fire Department is announcing the formation of a special operations division that will encompass the specialty disciplines of hazardous materials response and technical rescue.

The unit is trained to deal with chemical spills, gas leaks and other situations involving hazardous materials. It conducts confined space, trench or high angle rescues that involve the use of ropes and rappelling techniques. The division also stands by in a "ready" status for all Overlook Hospital helipad transports.

"We are extremely pleased to launch the special operations unit and provide additional service and support for Summit's residential and business community," explains Summit Fire Chief Eric Evers. "Our firefighters are trained to provide expert response in the most challenging situations. With a special operations unit, we now have the advanced skills and tools to best mitigate

any of these possible hazards."

Multiple vehicles and technical rescue equipment for the Special Operations division was donated by Celgene Corporation.

"We recognize the potentially significant impact that providing support for Celgene's two Summit campuses will have for the Summit Fire Department," reports Celgene Executive Vice President Rich Bagger. "Our donation of vehicles and technical equipment will ensure that, if the need arises, the Summit Fire Department is able to respond in an efficient and effective way to Celgene and our entire Summit community."

Chief Evers continues: "We appreciate the generous donation of technical resources from Celgene and know that its benefit will extend to the entire Summit community."

For more information on the special operations unit and the Summit Fire Department, please go to cityofsummit.org/fire.

CITY OF SUMMIT OFFERING UNPAID INTERNSHIPS FOR SUMMER 2017

The City of Summit is continuing its successful unpaid college internship program for the tenth consecutive year. Applications will be accepted through April 21. Interviews will be scheduled in early May for selected applicants.

College students majoring in political science, public administration, business, engineering, or communications and marketing are encouraged to apply for the program. Participants will be able to add significant project management experience to their resumes. Students are expected to work a minimum of 20 hours per week for four weeks during the summer.

Alumni of the City's internship program have secured positions in the White House internship

program and with the US State Department, as well as paid positions at Google, Tesla Motors and Goldman Sachs.

"The City of Summit internship program is an excellent way for college students to gain practical, on-the-job experience," explains Summit Mayor Nora Radest. "Our interns are able to get directly involved in municipal projects and learn from top city officials and department experts."

There are a limited number of positions available in the summer internship program. If interested, please send a resume to pressoffice@cityofsummit.org. The deadline to apply is 4/21/17.

APRIL 2017 SAGE ELDERCARE EVENTS

SAGE Eldercare, 290 Broad Street, Summit.

To register or obtain more info, call 908.598.5548 or email education@sageeldercare.org.

Dementia Conversations and Effective

Communication Strategies

Wednesday, April 12

Learn some tips for having difficult conversations, hear from people dealing with similar issues, be connected with helpful resources, and more. Presented by the Alzheimer's Association, Greater New Jersey Chapter. Free, 7 - 8 pm, SAGE Eldercare, 290 Broad Street, Summit. To register or for more information, please call 908.598.5548 or email education@sageeldercare.org.

Free Tax Help Thursday, April 13

AARP's Tax-Aide program will offer free tax counseling and preparation for middle- and low-income taxpayers with special attention to those who are 60 years old and older at SAGE Eldercare, 290 Broad Street, Summit, on Thursdays from February 9 through April 13. Appointments will be taken 9 am - 12 pm. Appointments are required. To make an appointment, please call:

908.598.5509 or email: klarkin@sageeldercare.org. The Impact of Untreated Hearing Loss Wednesday, April 19

Untreated hearing loss can cause social isolation, increase the risk of falling, and coincide with depression or dementia. Doctor of Audiology Leslie Herman, Au.D., founder of Summit Hearing Aid Center, will discuss the significance of treating hearing loss. Free, 1 - 2 pm, SAGE Eldercare, 290 Broad Street, Summit. To register or for more information, please call 908.598.5548 or email education@sageeldercare.org.

Casino Night

Thursday, April 20

Casino Night benefitting SAGE Eldercare will include casino games, live jazz, Texas Hold'em tournament, dinner, and open bar. Held at The Berkeley Plaza, 735 Springfield Ave., Berkeley Heights. For ticket or sponsorship information, please call 908.598.5504 or email ssharma@sageeldercare.org.

Alzheimer's New Jersey Caregivers Support Group Tuesday, April 25 (meets monthly)

These monthly meetings provide an opportunity for family members and caregivers to discuss the frustrations and trials of caring for someone with Alzheimer's disease with others who understand. The group provides

caregivers with emotional and educational support. 10 -11 am on the fourth Tuesday of the month, SAGE Eldercare, 290 Broad Street, Summit. To register for this

free program, please call 908,598,5548 or email education@sageeldercare.org.

Free Twilight Planning Seminar

Wednesday, April 26

SAGE Eldercare has partnered with other community groups to offer free "Twilight Planning" seminars. Bradley & Son Funeral Homes LLC, The Mavins Group, Barnabas Health Home Care and Hospice, Drinker Biddle, and SAGE will offer valuable advice on healthcare, independent living, housing and relocation, estates and trusts, hospice, funeral planning, and more. The seminars, which will be held at the Summit Public

Library, include a 40-page resource planner and a gift card to Charlie Brown's. April 26, 2017, 6:30 - 8:30 pm. RSVP by calling: 844.733.6532 or visit:

http://www.twilightdoneright.com/ Long-Term Care Planning Without Going Broke

Thursday, April 27

Elder Law Attorney Yale Hauptman, of Hauptman & Hauptman, P.C., will discuss how to pay for long-term care and STILL leave an inheritance for your loved ones. The discussion will include how to avoid having your life savings wiped out, details about estate planning and power of attorney documents, planning for senior care options, and more. Free. 7 - 8:30 pm, SAGE Eldercare, 290 Broad Street, Summit. To register or for more information, please call 908.598.5548 or email

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LINCOLN-HUBBARD **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

There is always high interest in the weather, be it snow, rain, or sun. Students in grades 1-5 at Lincoln-Hubbard Elementary School were visited by Meteorologist John Marshall (WCBS). He taught them about the weather by combining video, animation, and a live weather station. Many students became weathercasters, reporting in front of a green screen.



(above l-r) Evan Dixter, Matthew Caplan, Meteorologist John Marshall, and Bryce Lunsford.

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The 30th Annual "Taste of Summit" was held on Sunday evening, March 26, 2017. The event was hosted by the Grand Summit Hotel.

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Summit is the key fundraiser for the Summit Historical Society, an allvolunteer not-for-profit organization dedicated to preserving and promoting the history of Summit through the Carter House Museum and its archives.

Photos from this and other events can be found online at rennamedia.com and on the Summit Times page on facebook.com. Feel free to "Like", "Tag" and "Share"



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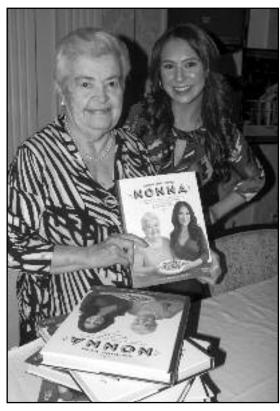








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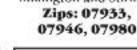


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