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## Happy Holidays!

The spirit of kids from 1 to 92 were bright as the traditional Holiday Parade traveled along The Boulevard on Friday evening, November 24th.

Floats, bands, community groups, antique cars, fire trucks plus Santa met at Williams Avenue at 7:00 p.m. and marched along The Boulevard to Henry Street.

Immediately after the parade, Santa met with children at The Senior Center (320 Boulevard), for photos and treats

sponsored by **Kathy Dunn Cultural Center** and **Heights Flower Shoppe**.

There were over 8,000 give-a-ways.

The parade line-up was as follows: The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department Honor Guard, Hasbrouck Heights Police Department Honor Guard and the VFW Post 4591 Honor Guard, with the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department foam/crash truck following.

The BCFPB Bagpipers

were followed by Girl Scouts, **Oradell Animal Hospital**, Boy Scouts, various cheerleaders and sports teams, some on small floats (provided by *Cinelli Iron and Metal*, *Lenox Towing and On-Site Johnny*), and many antique cars.

The Port Authority and employees at Teterboro Airport provided a float. The excitement continued with the Park Ridge High School Marching Band followed by Hackensack University Medical Center pro-

viding several floats plus a contingency of festive marchers.

The Hasbrouck Heights High School Marching Band led Santa's personal float (sponsored by **Otterstedt Insurance Agency**) down The Boulevard.

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department followed with their equipment and personnel.

The event was sponsored by the Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce. *Spe-*

*cial thanks to the Moonachie Fire Department for their assistance.*

To view previous Holiday Chamber parades, check out [www.hasbrouck-heights.net](http://www.hasbrouck-heights.net) ###

**Holiday Parade  
photos are on  
pages 18 & 19**

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**The Solution?** The most effective deterrent to heat loss is a set of glass fireplace doors that can be opened when a fire is blazing and closed when the fire is dying. But always remember to give the fire enough oxygen to burn.

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By law, you are allowed to make no more than six withdrawals and transfers per month if the transactions are overdraft protection transfers, automatic bill deductions, wire transfers, telephone transfers and PC banking transfers.

However, money market account holders are usually allowed to make unlimited free deposits and withdrawals from ATMs in their network.

Money market account holders are allowed to write up to three checks per month. If the owner exceeds the allotment, a bank will often charge a service fee per check. Repeat offenders may have their accounts closed.

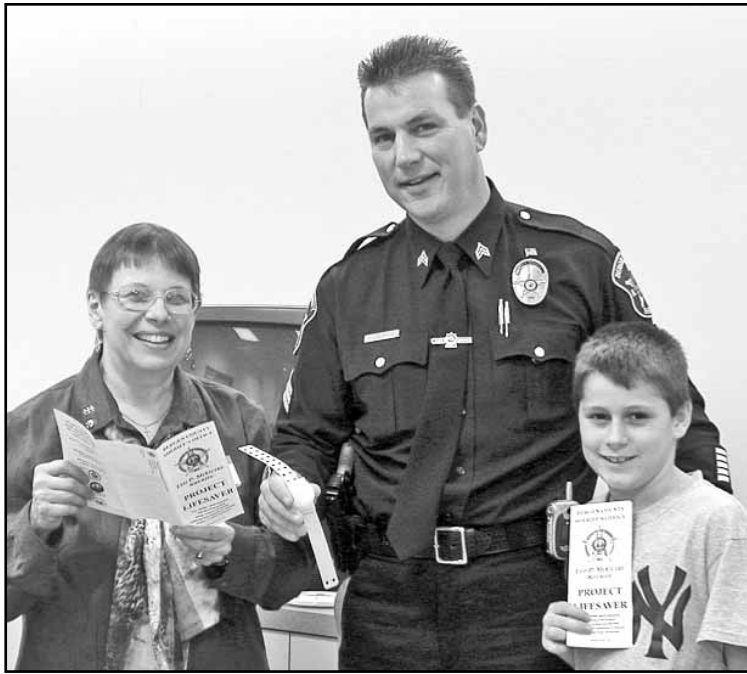
Many financial planners maintain that an individual should have three months to six months of cash or cash equivalents -- checking accounts, savings accounts and CDs -- on hand for emergencies. For medium-term expenses, such as saving for a down payment on a car or furniture, a money market account can be the ideal choice.

Some families use the interest that their money market accounts earn each month to pay off credit card bills or handle emergencies. Money market accounts provide a higher rate of return than a regular savings account.

There are three types of Money Market Accounts:

- The basic account often requires a minimum opening deposit of \$100.
- The tiered account often requires a bigger minimum opening deposit than a basic account but pays a higher yield as deposits increase.
- The package deal offers a money market account in conjunction with savings, certificates of deposits and other bank investments. Banks and credit unions may offer a slightly higher yield to holders of these accounts than to basic- or tiered-account holders.

Money market accounts continue to be one of the most popular forms of savings because they are safe havens for many individuals who want to avoid the risks of the stock market. ###



*Kiwanis Club President Barbara Smith with Bergen County Sheriff's Officer, Sergeant John Calabrese, and his son/assistant John Jr., displaying the wrist transmitter bracelet used in the Project Lifesaver program being used in over 30 states.*

### Kiwanis Funds Project Lifesaver

At the last meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Hasbrouck Heights and Teterboro, a special program was presented to parents whose children have

been diagnosed with Autism or Down Syndrome. This program was Project Lifesaver.

The speaker for the night was Sergeant John Calabrese

of the Bergen County Sheriff's Department. He discussed how this special device can help parents with their greatest fear--not being able to find their child if he/she wanders off.

Sergeant Calabrese spoke to the parents about a one-ounce battery-operated radio wrist transmitter that emits a silent tracking signal every second, 24 hours a day.

The child wears this bracelet 24 hours a day. The battery, as well as the band, is changed once a month. The child can do everything with it on, even shower.

Sergeant Calabrese displayed the wrist transmitter and the specially designed radio receiver used to track a lost child. He passed these around the room for the parents to hold and examine.

He stated that a special wand is used which allows the radio receiver to pick up beeps up to one mile. A child can be found in twenty minutes. His team is specialized in approaching a lost child.

When a child is missing, the caretaker calls the Police Department -- then the Police call the Sheriff's Department. They use this device and, in extreme cases, they use helicopters as well as trained dogs.

Project Lifesaver is operating in over 30 states and in every county in New Jersey by the local Sheriff's Department.

The Kiwanis Club is sponsoring this project and will pay for all wrist transmitters for children who live in Hasbrouck Heights that qualify.

There is a monthly maintenance fee of approximately \$13.00, which pays for a new battery and wristband. The parent(s) must assume this fee.

Parents of children who qualify should contact the Kiwanis Club. All names are kept confidential via the Child Study Team.

If you would like further information about this program, please call Marie at 201-288-0276. *Story and photo by Peter Gallo Jr. ###*

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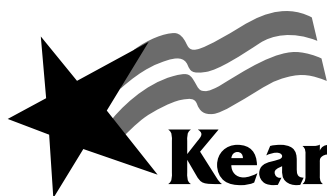
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# Keeping Pace With The Contemporary Club

The month of November was a busy one for the members of the Contemporary Club.

The annual bus trip to Atlantic City was fun for all who attended. The winners, of course, had a much better time than those who did not. Marge Heeren always does a spectacular job filling the bus and arranging for snacks and entertainment.

The Contemporary Club provided the film, "Know Stroke," that provided information on knowing the early signs of strokes and was played during flu shot registration. It emphasized how early detection prevents the debilitating effects that one associates with stroke victims. Pamphlets were also provided.

After October's fun meeting with Ray from Heights

**Flower Shoppe**, in which every member in attendance went home with a gift, members thought it couldn't get any better. They were wrong!

The November Hostess Committee outdid themselves with a celebration of Americana. This included hot dogs, potato salad, home made apple pie and ice cream.

The members worked on stuffing Christmas stockings and designing hats for children cancer victims. The best gift is giving of oneself and the members really know how to do that.

The Christmas Dinner get together is scheduled for December 12th at Picasso's in Lodi. Everyone is trying to figure out what to get her secret pal.

They are working on a date for a **QuiznosSub** (Hasbrouck Heights) fundraiser. Look for details in the upcoming **Gazette**. ###



Front row: Bill Linnell, Wayne Fitzmaurice, Bob Vrablik; 2nd row: Roe (Jerome) Gannaio, Anita (Trippodi) Henderson, Anita (Wos) Jones, Marjorie (Limburg) Rook, Gerry Dinallo, Wilma (Buterfield) Albury, Leslie (Barwick) Worden, Gayle (Childs) Kitchen; 3rd Row: Don Loesch, Al Dunlap, Richard Jones, Barbara (Henne) Schneider, Regina (Amabile) Mackey, Ken Selger, George Obsuth, Ron Drotos, Danny Nucera

# Class of '56 Celebrates 50 Years

Members of the Hasbrouck Heights High School Class of 1956 met at the Hasbrouck Heights Hilton on October 29th to celebrate their 50th reunion.

The events started with din-

ner at Joe Latona's on Thursday, October 26th, followed by the high school pep rally on Friday afternoon at the gym, the football game Friday evening, a tour of the high school on Saturday afternoon, the main event -- a dinner-dance at the

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## Franklin Avenue Fire Call

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After a brief search, the fire was determined to be from a faulty air conditioning wall unit.

The unit was knocked out of the wall into the alley and

the smoldering AC was quickly extinguished.

A search for fire extension was made using a thermal imaging unit. The complete two-story structure received a review.

Upon completion of the call, Department members returned to their festivities.

Also responding were the Moonachie EMS Squad and the Wood-Ridge Fire Department. ###

## 2006 Leaf Collection

The DPW will continue the service of curb-side leaf collection.

Leaves may be raked into the street until December 4th.

Leaves may be raked to the curb -- but not within 10 feet of storm drains.

The DPW requests that the leaves be raked off the top of the curb and fully into the street.

It is advised that providing a drainage space between the leaf pile and the curb will allow a better flow of rain water to storm drains.

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<i>(ricotta, prosciutto, mozzarella cheese)</i>		
Roasted Potatoes	22.00	40.00
Spinach or Broccoli	29.00	55.00
Garden Salad	14.00	26.00
Chef Salad	32.00	65.00
Antipasto	32.00	65.00
Caesar Salad	17.00	39.00
with Grilled Chicken	32.00	65.00
Seafood Salad	49.00	95.00
Calamari Marinara	29.00	55.00
Shrimp Scampi	38.00	75.00
Italian Hot Wings	27.00	52.00
Stuffed Mushrooms	31.00	59.00
Clams Oreganata	35.00	69.00
Garlic Knots	16.00	30.00
Chicken Fingers	30.00	48.00
Rice	20.00	38.00
French Fries	10.00	18.00
Chicken Francese	32.00	56.00
Chicken Cacciatore	32.00	56.00
<i>(peppers, mushrooms, onions, white wine &amp; marinara)</i>		
Chicken Marsala	32.00	56.00
<i>(mushrooms &amp; marsala wine)</i>		
Chicken Parmigiana	32.00	56.00
Chicken Scarpiello	32.00	56.00
<i>(peppers, mushrooms, sausage, fresh pot. &amp; onions)</i>		
Chicken Giambotta	32.00	56.00
<i>(peppers, mushrooms, onions, potato &amp; white wine)</i>		
Chicken Calabrese	32.00	56.00
<i>(hot peppers, sausage, garlic, balsamic vinegar)</i>		
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Veal Parmigiana	36.00	65.00
Veal Marsala	36.00	65.00
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# December 2006 Senior Calendar

## SENIOR ACTIVITIES

**Monday, December 4, 11, 18**

10:00 a.m. Games, cards & coffee

**Tuesday, December 12, 19, 26**

10:00 a.m. Line Dancing \$1.00

2:00 p.m. Adv. Senior Yoga \$1.00

**Wednesday, December 13, 20, 27**

2:00 p.m. Senior Paced Aerobics \$1.00

**Thursday, December 7, 14, 21, 28**

2:00 p.m. Senior Yoga \$1.00

**Friday, December 1, 8, 15**

10:00 a.m. Fun Bingo

1:00 p.m. Movie Day

- One Magic Christmas..... December 1  
Mary Steenburgen & Harry Dean Stanton
- Santa Clause 2..... December 8  
Tim Allen
- Keep Christmas With You.. December 15  
Kenny Rogers and Garth Brooks

**Friday, December 22, 29** Center is Closed

## CLUB MEETING SCHEDULE

**Wednesday, December 6**

10:00 a.m. Leisure Club Executive Meeting

No Leisure Club General Meeting

is Scheduled for December

## HOLIDAY PARTY

**Tuesday, December 5**

12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Cotillion in Garfield

## UPCOMING 2007 EVENTS

**Thursday, April 19** Hunterdon Hills Playhouse

Trip to Hampton, NJ. \$65 per person includes dinner and mystery, "Catch Me, If You Can."

Reservations with full payment will begin at the January meeting.

**Third Week in September**

Canada Trip leaving on Monday, September 17th and returning Friday, September 21st.

More detailed information will be announced at our regular meetings.



## Leisure Club News

By Peter Gallo Jr.

The Leisure Club held its last meeting for this year, prior to their Annual Christmas Party. It was a year ending treat for the over 100 members that attended. They were served apple turnovers purchased from the **Regina Bakery**. They couldn't believe how good the turnovers were. The new owners, who recently took over, know how to make their products look and taste great.

At the meeting, the current officers were re-elected to serve for another two years. The officers are President John Fitzin, Vice President Peter Gallo, Secretary Ann Fuhro and Treasurer Dorothy Fitzin.

They will be installed by Mayor Ronald Jones at the Club's Christmas Party at The Cotillion in Garfield. Terry Hund is the chairperson for this affair and expects it to be one of the best parties ever.

The entertainment for the meeting was Richard Stillman, a tap dancing troubadour, recapturing the liveliness of old

time musical vaudeville.

He sang songs from yesterday as well as told stories and brought the house down when he started to walk around on his hands.

Mr. Stillman has performed on Broadway, the Kennedy Center and on PBS's Shining Time Station.

The members were thrilled to be able to see him singing and dancing between the tables.

The Key Club members, who helped out with the serving of the refreshments, were also fascinated by his performance as well as being able to hear tunes that were standards for their grandparents.

Program chairman, Ed Sosnowski, has done an outstanding job of providing diversified programs throughout the year. He has indicated that we will have many of the old favorites back as well as some new exciting ones for 2007. ###

Some programs planned are entertainers Ken Lelen, Peter

Lieberman, and Don Anthony; the Top Hatters dance group; Peter Gentile, a speaker; and, possibly, Dave Zwengler from the Golden Age of Radio.

Alice Shenloogian is in the early stages of planning a five day, four night trip to Canada.

Her past group trips to Vermont, Georgia, Cape Cod and Niagara Falls were a great experience for all who attended.

A committee, consisting of Bertha Spada and Claire Happe, is planning a one day trip to the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse for dinner and a mystery/comedy.

The next meeting of the Leisure Club is scheduled for Wednesday, January 10, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. in the Senior Center.

All Hasbrouck Heights seniors over 60 years of age are invited to join. Treasurer Dot Fitzin reminds all that the dues for 2007 are due and should be paid by check no later than March 2007. Dues are \$12.00. ###

## Free Health Consultation

The Hasbrouck Heights Health Department advises residents over 18 years old that free health consultations are scheduled to be held at the Municipal Complex Senior Center on December 28, 2006 from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. No appointment is necessary.

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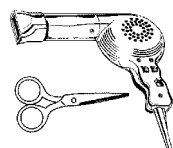
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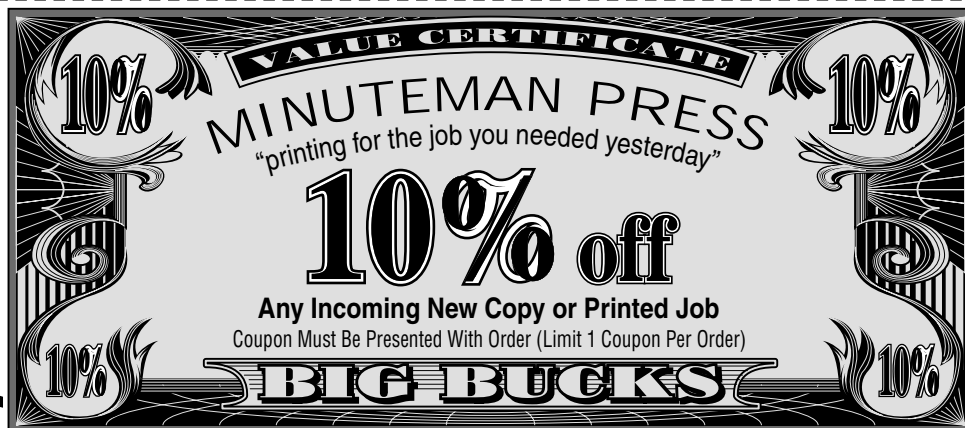
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Going back to the ceiling for a sec, don't forget about directional lighting.

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And just for fun - don't put away those small, twinkly Christmas lights. Some little girl you know might love them in her room. Or they can give a home bar an "every day is party day" feel.

The nice thing about changing lighting is that it's not as permanent as paint or new flooring. If it doesn't please you, return it. So you can be as creative as you want to be. Hey, is that a light bulb I see over your head?

*Amy Emilita is a lifelong resident of Hasbrouck Heights. She owns her own design company, Emilita Interiors, and is a part of the Window Fashion Certified Professionals Program. www.emilitainteriors.com. Questions? amy@emilitainteriors.com ###*

## Are Getting Permits Illegally Worth The Trouble?

There have been a number of occasions recently where homeowners have taken out permits in their own name. In a one family house the homeowner is legally allowed to do his or her own work. When a homeowner takes a permit out and then hires a contractor to do the work, problems arise.

The state registration of contractors was adopted to protect homeowners. In order to get the registration, the contractor must provide the state with all kinds of contact, insurance and reference information. This was done to weed out the contractors who misrepresent themselves.

If you are hiring a contractor and falsifying the information on the building permit, you are forfeiting the protection afforded to you under the law. The contractor you have hired may or may not be qualified and may not have liability insurance. If you encounter problems with this contractor, the government will not be able to help you because you signed the Certificate saying you did the work. Additionally, you are violating the criminal laws of the State of New Jersey, if you sign the Certification indicating you are doing the work when in fact, you are paying someone else to do it.

If the contractor gets hurt while working on your house, your homeowner's insurance may not cover this and you may become liable for any injuries. Even if the job is done correctly

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- Smaller, hotter fires will burn more completely and produce less smoke than larger fires.
- Do not burn cardboard boxes or trash, as they can spark a chimney fire.
- Install stovepipe thermometers, which help monitor flue temperatures where wood stoves are in use, then adjust burning practices as needed. ###

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## Discover Secrets to Speed up Your Metabolism

The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights is sponsoring food seminars, based on today's key trends. As part of the series, certified hypnotist, Chris Halbolm, will reveal the secrets to speed up your metabolism – just in time for the holidays! Chris reviews the ways that the body and mind functions to maintain a certain weight. We learn how to use these functions to speed up our metabolisms. The interactive lecture is on Thursday, December 7 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

Chris Halbolm is a certified hypnotist and owns hypnosis/weight loss centers and institutes. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology and was trained in hypnosis by Unlimited Potential Institute. Chris is a member of a number of recognized organizations, including the National Guild of Hypnotists, the American Board of Hypnotherapy, and the New York Academy of Sciences.

Be sure to catch this starter-kit for a healthy, attractive body. The seminar is free and open to the public. To register please call 201-288-0488 or sign up at the circulation desk at the Library. ###



## Rummage Sale At First Reformed

The First Reformed Church Guild for Christian Services' annual Fall Rummage Sale was held on November 3rd and 4th from 9:30 a.m. to noon, with a preview the evening of November 2nd. Proceeds go the Church projects and missions. The Guild holds rummage sales every spring and fall. ###



## “Suzie’s Ques”

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“Tis the season to be careful -- *Fa la la la la.*

Stretch before you pull a muscle -- *Fa la la la la.*

Snow and ice can weigh a bundle -- *Fa la la la la.*

Check with the doctor before you shovel -- *Fa la la la la.....”*

Yes, my fellow neighbors, it is the cold, wintry, blustery months that make us want to hibernate like the bears, stay under the warm covers, or make that getaway to a warm, tropical oasis.

This may not be the reality for most of us so we must somehow learn to cope with the chilly, wintry mix of rain, sleet, snow, and gusty winds.

If you're fortunate enough to have the snowy days off, why not enjoy a cup of lite hot cocoa, or a hot toddy (*try a cup of hot apple cider sprinkled with cinnamon*) and gather round for some healthy tips to keep us all safe during the storms.

If you must venture outside, be sure to bundle up with layers of clothing, hat, and gloves.

Take an inventory of your winter wardrobe and be prepared early before the snow falls upon our area. The snow can be especially dangerous. It can be a beautiful sight to see;

however, one must be careful in the snow.

On a personal note, several years ago, I lost a family member who died of a heart attack while shoveling snow from his front driveway walk area.

He was an active and fit family man who ate healthy and enjoyed the occasional summer swim at the pool club.

The doctor said that he had a coronary blockage in his heart that went undetected. Due to the strain on his heart from shoveling the heavy snow, he collapsed and was gone. He had no signs or symptoms prior to his death.

This is why the experts call heart attacks the “silent killer” due to the fact that there are no real signs or symptoms of any impending trouble.

It is extremely important to make sure that we check with our doctors and get a thorough health check-up.

Here are several suggestions to make your snow shoveling and outdoor exercise regime a safe event so that you will hopefully avoid a trip to the emergency room.

- If you must shovel, remember to take it slowly
  - Take breaks often
  - Bend at the knees to prevent back injuries
  - Drink plenty of water to stay hydrated
  - Don't try to lift a lot of snow at once
  - Push shovel rather than lift
  - Keep extremities covered to prevent frostbite
- Stay safe, stay warm, and stay healthy!

See you next month!!  
Got a question? Email me SuzanneKinzler@yahoo.com  
*Hasbrouck Heights resident Suzanne Kinzler is a Health/Physical Ed Certified Educator and author of, “A Multicultural Approach to Physical Education,” 2002 Human Kinetics Publishing Co. ###*

## Medicare Part D Assistance

Here is a list of websites and phone numbers to obtain more information on the Medicare Part D prescription drug benefit program:

- Medicare at [medicare.gov](http://medicare.gov) or 800-MEDICARE
  - US Administration on Aging at [eldercare.gov](http://eldercare.gov) or 800-677-1116
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  - The National State Health Insurance Assistance Program at [shiptalk.org](http://shiptalk.org) or the NJ office at [www.state.nj.us/health/senior/ship.htm](http://www.state.nj.us/health/senior/ship.htm) or 800-792-8820
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The Hasbrouck Heights Flag Football Cheerleaders coached by Darlene Parente and Theresa Gasparino. There were 40 cheerleaders and they cheered 7 games. Flag Football is part of the Jr. Football League. This was the first year the Jr. Football League wanted cheerleaders for Flag Football. The uniforms (skirts) were provided by the Jr. Football League and the girls paid for the jerseys. The girls are 7 and 8 year olds from Lincoln, Euclid and Corpus Christi Schools (any 7 and 8 year old girl from HH could have joined). ###



5th Grade teacher Eileen LaTorre, Mindy Voss and Jessica Staats from New Jersey Marine Sciences Consortium, Lincoln School Principal Steven Forte with 5th Grade students.

## Oceans To Go

Lincoln School 5th Grade students learned where sand comes from, what it is made of and how it gets to the Jersey Shore.

An on-site laboratory was set up where students used microscopes and hand lenses to investigate sand samples from New Jersey and around the world.

The program included "make and take" activities to include sand wheels, sand art

and sand cards.

The program was presented by the New Jersey Marine Sciences Consortium which offers "hands-on" marine science programs to schools.

Lincoln Elementary School was a recipient of the Governor's School of Excellence Award (2005-2006) and was awarded \$25,000. Part of this award funded this presentation. ###



## Watching Grass Grow

The Kindergarten students at Euclid School were surprised to see their grass seeds grow so quickly after their Second Grade "gardening buddies" taught them the best planting procedures for growing grass.

The Second Graders have also taught them how to keep journal records of their findings and shared story and poetry reading time together.

The Kindergarten looks up to their gardening buddies and can hardly wait for their next encounter.

They are sharing a planting experience that encompasses

all the subjects because of the NJEA Fredrick L. Hipp Foundation Grant for Excellence that their teachers received. Photo provided by Euclid School.###

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## Pilot's Log Gets National Acclaim

The Hasbrouck Heights High School newspaper, "The Pilot's Log," earned a Pacemaker Award (*Pulitzer of high school journalism*) plus third best-of-show award during the National High School Journalism Convention in Nashville, TN, November 9-12, 2006.

The awards are presented by the National Scholastic Press Association. NSPA began the awards in 1927.

"The Pilot's Log" was one of 26 papers that won in the Pacemaker division from a field of 50 finalists, and the only NJ paper to get a first place best-of-show in the 13-16 page category. This is the third time in four years "The Pilot's Log" earned the Pacemaker award.

Pacemakers are based on: coverage and content, quality of writing and reporting, leadership on the opinion page, evidence of in-depth reporting, design, photography, art and graphics.

"The Pilot's Log" publishes five times a year, operates with a budget of \$5,000 and a staff of about 62 students.

"The Pilot's Log" advisors are Lora Gefitic and Gary Pan-kiewicz. ###

### Scouts "Try It Patch"

Xcel Tae Kwon Do Center in Hasbrouck Heights will be offering a free "Try It Patch" group class for any local Girl or Boy Scouts and affiliates. If interested in a martial arts class for your troop, contact Chrissy at 201-288-8033. ###



## Dreams Come True For New Black Belts

Marc Mastropietro and Anthony Stefanelli's Tae Kwon Do training began at the tender age of five.

Walking on the training mat of Xcel Tae Kwon Do Center in Hasbrouck Heights for the first time, they never realized they would be spending the next half of their lives learning this fascinating sport, martial art and a way of life known as Tae Kwon Do.

Now, five years later, Marc and Anthony's dream became a reality as they traded their white uniforms for the black.

They were two of 14 students who took part in the Xcel Tae Kwon Do Center's Black Belt Test held on Sunday, November 12th, 2006.

Other black belts include Sara Mammone, Nipun Sudhir, Gary Natiello, Susan Karpinski, Brittany Gudanowski, Angel Gaetan, Cayla Teehan, John Mark Dagarrd, James Santangelo, Anthony Froguso and Julie Sheridan.

As most people are aware, martial arts training requires tremendous dedication and discipline.

Tae Kwon Do training is not just something they practice a few hours a day.

From the first time you put on that pure white uniform you are expected to live 24 hours

a day exemplifying a special code of conduct, a conduct expressing strength, respect, discipline and dedication.

These traits are essential not only to succeed on the training mat but also to achieve success in any field of life.

Xcel Tae Kwon Do students have validated the possession of these characteristics by dedicating all these years towards a goal only a few people have accomplished.

When many young people their age are consumed by video games, pop culture and seasonal only sports, Marc, Anthony and others have focused twelve months out of the year in their training while juggling other activities.

Many times Master Steven Lee, instructor at Xcel Tae Kwon Do, has seen them struggle and have doubts, which made him wonder if they were black belt material. However, they have all proven to him time and time again how focused they were by staying strong both mentally and physically.

Becoming a black belt at Xcel Tae Kwon Do Center is a great achievement and an honor but also comes with a heavy burden. Mr. Lee explained, "A black belt is not just something you wear around your waist. Being a black belt means gaining people's respect by carrying yourself in a positive manner at all times and helping others who are in need of help."

These 14 black belts now share a special bond. They are now members of an exclusive club only reserved for individuals with great dedication and discipline.

They all have shown characteristics which will guide them through great successes in any arena of life, be it school, professional career, or in their never-ending pursuit in the martial arts.

Now that Marc and Anthony are members of this exclusive club, when they see each other in the hallway in Lincoln School, they can give each other that secret black belt look and head nod, then smile quietly. Photo provided by Xcel Tae Kwon Do Center. ###



## Busy Christmas Season at Corpus Christi School Offers Faith and Fun

by Sonya Buckman

It is hard to believe that we are heading into another Christmas Season! This time of year is one of the most joyous and busy for Corpus Christi School students and their families.

December starts off with Corpus Christi's Tricky Tray, one of its biggest fundraisers of the year. This popular event continues to grow every year with tickets selling out shortly after they go on sale. Also, on December 1st the Kindergarten students, along with their 8th grade "Buddies," decorate the Parish Giving Tree and participate in the Tree Lighting Ceremony. Corpus Christi encourages everyone in the Parish and in Hasbrouck Heights to visit the Giving Tree in the main lobby during the holiday season to pick out an ornament to help Christmas come to a person in need.

On December 2nd, the 2nd Graders will participate in their First Reconciliation in preparation for their First Communion in the spring.

The PreK classes learn about St. Nicholas Day, and on December 6th, bring in a shoe so that it can be filled with treats "secretly" by St. Nicholas.

Spirit Day on the 11th, in which the students are allowed to wear "street clothes" for a small donation, will use the funds from that day for a Liturgical program for the Junior High.

The opportunity for the children to purchase small gifts for their friends and family will take place December 11-13th. "Santa's Shop" is set up and manned by parent volunteers who then assist the students

with their purchases. Also on the 13th is the Christmas Concert with grades K-2 and the school choir.

The always popular Breakfast With Santa will be held on Sunday, the 17th and the 8th Graders will tour Sacred Heart Cathedral, a National Historic Landmark Church, and truly the "heart" of the Newark Archdiocese, on the 19th.

The PreK3 and PreK4 classes will present their Christmas programs on the 20th and 21st, respectively.

The last Advent Prayer Service and a school-wide Christmas party, sponsored by the Home School Association, will be held on Friday, the 22nd with a 12:00 p.m. dismissal.

Classes will resume on Wednesday, January 3rd. ###

### American Doll Christmas Pageant

The 1st Annual American Doll Christmas Pageant is scheduled for December 16, 2006 at the Holiday Inn, 283 Route 17 South, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Age divisions are: Baby Doll: 0-11 months, Toddler Doll: 12-35 months, Princess/Prince Doll: 3 & 4 years, Little Doll: 5 to 7 years and Sweet-heart Doll: 8 to 10 years.

Awards include crown, banner, trophy, gift certificates and presents. Runner Up winners receive trophies and sash. Awards will be presented in several other categories.

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## Oak Grove Gets Repaved

Oak Grove Avenue was repaved for its entire length and was the only street repaved this year. The contract was for \$221,151.54. The Borough is in the process of reviewing change orders in the approximate amount of \$34,000.00 to replace existing curb cuts.

This project was funded by a bond ordinance in the amount of \$325,000.00 with \$235,000.00 in State of NJ Department of Transportation Funds and the remaining \$90,000.00 from Municipal Funds.

This project required that

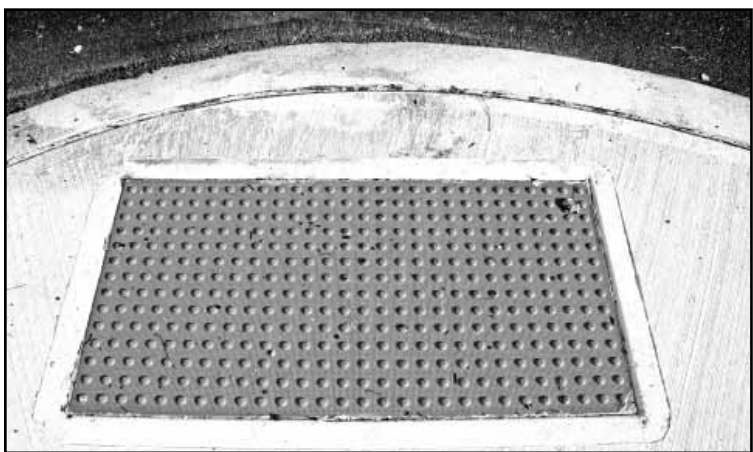
all curb cuts include a detectable warning surface. This requirement applies to the 39 existing curb cuts as well as any new cuts to be installed. Also, any existing curb cut that does not meet current standards must be replaced.

As with any repaving project the manholes must be raised. In the case of Oak Grove Avenue, it was found that approximately 12 of the castings were deteriorated and in need of replacing.

As with any repaving, no sidewalks, curbs or driveway aprons were replaced unless damaged by the construction.

Hasbrouck Heights does not have a street schedule for 2007 yet, and they are working on the budget and capital plan now.

They have, however, applied for grant funds to repave Madison Avenue from the Boulevard to Terrace and Division Avenue from The Boulevard to Terrace. Paving parts of Central Avenue as part of the parking lot improvement is also planned. ###



### About Detectable Warning Surface

Curb ramps have become common in response to the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act (1973) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (1990) with an unintended consequence that blind pedestrians have found it more difficult to locate the boundary between the street and sidewalk.

The only surface repeatedly demonstrated to be detectable to most blind pedestrians, either under foot or by the use of a long cane, is the raised truncated dome detectable warning surface, which has been required on the full length of transit platform edges since 1991 and at curb ramps since July 2001.

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The use of distinctively-textured paving patterns as signaling and way finding devices was pioneered in Japan in the mid 1960's.

Mobility impaired individuals generally considered curb ramps with detectable warnings

to be safer, more slip resistant, more stable and require less effort to negotiate than concrete curb ramps.

Device domes are aligned on a square grid in the predominant direction of travel to permit wheels to roll between the truncated domes. ###

## Depken Field Upgrade Planned

During the November 14, 2006 Mayor & Council meeting, a \$2 million dollar plan for renovating Depken Field was presented.

The project will be funded by the \$1.73 million dollar June sale of property at the end of Oldfield Avenue (west of Swim Club parking lot) and \$44,000 interest accrued over the life of the project. These funds would refurbish the playing and practice fields and track, modify the bleachers and repave portions of Ravine Avenue.

Several Bergen County Open Space grants, totaling \$177,500, have been committed for a toddler playground and skate park.

School alumni are expected to fund the upgrade for locker, wash, coaches' and training rooms.

The co-joining naming rights are available to assist in the funding. No bond costs are expected.

A putting area and bocce court will be incorporated if any funds remain.

All upgrades would be handicap accessible.

The project is expected to begin in March and be completed by August 2007.

The facility is owned by the Board of Education and the renovations are being done by the Borough under a special agreement. Maintenance will be handled by the Board of Education.

With concerns expressed regarding Riser Ditch, flooding and drainage: the field turf being considered drains quickly; a clean out drain on the practice field will be restored and New Jersey new construction regulations require a retention basin.

Independent of this project, but in the same time frame, the Hasbrouck Heights Little League plans to construct an indoor practice facility behind their major league field. ###

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## Energetic Weather Pattern Will Continue...

By Meteorologist  
Dan Ventola

We have seen some rather stormy weather here in the Hasbrouck Heights-Teterboro area over the past couple of months; One of the more recent events being our significant rain storm on November 8 which dumped about 3 1/2" of rain here and over 4" elsewhere in other parts of northern New Jersey.

Flooding was commonplace in the usual low-lying roadway areas and many roads were closed due to the deep water.

One saving grace is that we did not have the strong winds as the previous storm did, back on October 28th and 29th. Of course, we know that storm downed trees and powerlines. The more recent one was just responsible for some major flood headaches!

Anyway, it appears to me

that our energetic weather pattern will remain in place across North America and, in turn, right here in good ol' Hasbrouck Heights.

We can blame it all (*or give credit to*) our active jet stream. There is some very cold air building up and over northern Canada and Alaska.

The difference in temperatures from north to south contributes to the difference in air pressure and hence stronger winds aloft. The jet stream is a river of air about 20,000 feet above the Earth's surface which generally steers our "surface" weather. This active jet will continue to produce what we call strong "short waves" in the atmosphere, coming in out of Canada.

Long story short... cold fronts and their associated frontal waves or low pressure systems will tend to be stronger.

Look for my long range forecast to come to fruition. (*The Gazette, Nov. 2006*)

That is, at or slightly below normal temperatures, but above normal snowfall as a whole for the winter. We will have some mild spells, but watch out for a few blockbuster snow storms.

The question is, will the timing on one of these snow events help Santa Claus on Christmas morning?

Well, I want to make Santa and the kids happy and will see what I can do. But, you know... I only PREDICT the weather, I don't MAKE it. *Hasbrouck Heights resident Dan Ventola is President of The National Weather Station, Weather Consulting, Forecasting & Analysis, 1-877-447-6699, "Serving Clients with Expert Weather Services Since 1985," www.nationalweatherstation.com ###*

## NJ Energy Assistance Programs Offered

The following is a summation of the various programs that are available to energy consumers in New Jersey:

**Winter Termination Program** – This program is in effect from November 15 through March 15. The program prevents residential gas and electric customers who participate in the Lifeline, Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), Work First New Jersey/Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (WFNJ/TANF), Federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD), from having their gas or electric service disconnected during the winter months. Call 1-800-624-0241 for more information.

**Lifeline Program** – Lifeline is a program that offers \$225 to persons who meet the PAAD eligibility requirements. This includes utility customers as well as tenants whose utility bills are included in their rent. Lifeline benefits are provided for only electricity and natural gas. Approximately 314,000 people received over \$70 million in Lifeline benefits last year. For more information

### Special Fuel Grant Available

The Center for Food Action (CFA) has received a special Deliverable Fuels Grant to help Bergen County residents who are struggling to pay for their heating oil, propane, kerosene, coal, or wood.

This grant is available through December 31, 2006.

To qualify, a person must have an economic need. Call the CFA, 201-569-1804 for details. ###

about Lifeline, call 1-800-792-9745.

**The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program** - LIHEAP is a federally funded program that provides subsidies every winter to help low income families pay their home heating cost. The program typically runs from November 1st to March 31st.

LIHEAP funds can be used for the payment of home oil, natural gas, electric heating, propane and kerosene. Households whose heating costs are included in their rent may also be eligible for these funds. Last winter LIHEAP provided grants -- \$305 was the average benefit—for 120,000 households. The amount of the benefit will be determined by income and household size. New Jersey residents can call 1-800-510-3102 for information and LIHEAP applications.

**New Jersey Statewide Heating Assistance and Referral Energy Service, Inc.** - NJSHARES is a non-profit corporation organized to provide assistance to individuals and families living in New Jersey who are in need of temporary help in paying their energy bills. To qualify for NJ SHARES, a person or family must be facing a financial crisis and not be eligible for welfare. Recipients must also have a history of good-faith payments of their utility bills. Eligibility is determined by New Jersey SHARES' 68 local social service agencies. Upon approval, recipients may receive a one-time grant of \$250 each for gas and/or electricity. Call NJSHARES at 1-866-657-4273.

**Universal Service Fund (USF) Program**- The State of New Jersey created the Universal Service Fund (USF) program to help make energy bills more affordable for low income customers. The goal of the USF program is to ensure that income eligible New Jersey utility customers pay no more than 6% of their annual income for their natural gas and electric service combined. Households with income equal to or less than 175% of the Federal Poverty Level are income eligible. The program is administered by The New Jersey Department of Human Services. For more information about USF, call toll free at: 1-866-240-1347. ###

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Eggplant Parmigiana -----	\$35.00	\$60.00
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Cavatelli w/Broccoli -----	\$35.00	\$60.00
Cavatelli w/Chicken & Broccoli -----	\$45.00	\$70.00
Cavatelli w/Shrimp & Broccoli -----	\$60.00	\$90.00
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Sausage & Peppers -----	\$40.00	\$70.00
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Chicken Parmigiana -----	\$45.00	\$70.00
Chicken Marsala -----	\$45.00	\$80.00
Chicken Francaise -----	\$45.00	\$80.00
Chicken Piccata -----	\$45.00	\$80.00
Veal Parmigiana -----	\$55.00	\$90.00
Veal Marsala -----	\$55.00	\$90.00
Veal Francaise -----	\$55.00	\$90.00
Veal Piccata -----	\$55.00	\$90.00
Mussels -----	\$50.00	\$80.00
Fried Calamari -----	\$60.00	\$90.00
Shrimp Marinara or Fra Diavolo -----	\$60.00	\$110.00
Shrimp Parmigiana -----	\$70.00	\$130.00

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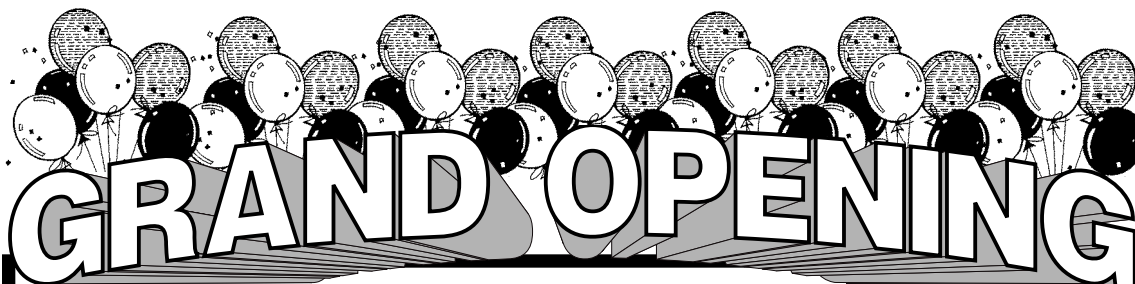
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## Santa Visited Heights on Nov. 19

Bill O'Shea's Open House on Sunday, November 19, 2006 featured free photo with Santa. Photos were taken by Victor Vera of *Elite Photography* (105 Union Street, Lodi). This annual event traditionally kicks off the region's holiday season with plenty of food, prizes, free flowers and balloons. *Bill O'Sheas Florist* has been delivering the Season's cheer for over 37 years. ###



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Mussels Marinara	\$35.00	\$65.00
Baked Clams	Market	Market
Shrimp Cocktail 16/20, 26/30	\$14.95	dozen
Swedish Style Meatballs	\$35.00	\$60.00
Cheese, Crackers & Fruit Platter	\$45.00	\$65.00
Vegetable Platter w/dip	\$25.00	\$45.00
Cold Antipasto 12"/16"	\$45.00	\$80.00
Pickle & Olive Tray	\$25.00	\$45.00
Stuffed Artichokes	\$6.00	each
<b>Salads</b>		
Mozzarella & Tomato	\$40.00	\$60.00
Mozzarella & Roasted Peppers	\$45.00	\$60.00
Garden Salad	\$18.00	\$29.00
Caesar Salad	\$20.00	\$35.00
Italian Seafood Salad	\$55.00	\$90.00
Tortellini Salad	\$40.00	\$70.00
<b>Pasta</b>		
Baked Ziti	\$25.00	\$40.00
Stuffed Shells	\$30.00	\$45.00
Lasagna w/Meat	\$30.00	\$50.00
Cavatelli w/Sausage & Broccoli Rabe	\$30.00	\$55.00
Linguine w/Clam Sauce (Red or White)	\$40.00	\$75.00
Penne a la Vodka	\$35.00	\$55.00
<b>Chicken &amp; Seafood</b>		
Chicken Parmigiana	\$45.00	\$70.00
Chicken: Marsala/Cacciatore/Peppers & Onions	\$45.00	\$80.00
Shrimp Parmigiana	\$70.00	\$130.00
Shrimp Scampi	\$70.00	\$110.00
Fried Shrimp	Market	Market
<b>Italian Specialties</b>		
Italian Meatballs	\$30.00	\$55.00
Eggplant Parmigiana or Rollatini	\$35.00	\$60.00
<b>American or Italian Style Party Heroes</b>		
3 foot - 6 foot	\$12.00/foot	
<b>Sandwich Platter</b>		
Platter of assorted sandwiches & 1 salad	\$9.95 per person	
<b>Cold Buffet</b>		
Choice of assorted cold cuts & cheeses, homemade salads, relish tray & breads	\$9.50 per person	

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As well as "Brightening The Boulevard," this annual appeal has generated thousands of dollars every year to benefit The Center for Food Action.

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This year, a banner promoting this annual holiday tradition is scheduled to be placed across The Boulevard for approximately two weeks.

Contributors simply complete the "Buy-A-Ribbon - Feed The Hungry" form, listing their name, family, memorial, etc., with a limit of up to 30 characters.

Most ribbons are \$10, but generous folks can make a \$50 donation which provides a special breakfast and traditional dinner for Christmas or Hanukkah for a family in our neighborhood.

Corporate donations of \$100 or more will receive a unique red and gold ribbon.

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## Holiday Decoration And Display Contest

Ho. Ho. Ho. Hop in your sleigh and join the fun. Check out the festive displays on The Boulevard and in your neighborhood with yards, homes, lamp posts and doors seasonally dressed for the holidays.

Judging is Saturday and Sunday, December 16 & 17, with final selections on Monday, December 18.

This annual tradition is sponsored by the Mayor's Celebrations Committee. ###

## Pizza With Santa

The Hasbrouck Heights Junior Women's Club is sponsoring Pizza with Santa on Friday, December 15 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building. Cost is \$8 per person and includes photo with Santa, craft, goody bag, pizza, refreshments and raffle. For tickets call Nancy at 201-288-6485. ###

## Santa's Visit Highlights AHOF Holiday Season

Santa is scheduled to depart the North Pole at Midnight and is expected to arrive at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 9, 2006 at the Aviation Hall of Fame. Santa will have candy and gifts for the kids.

Bring your camera for this photo opportunity! Children under 6 (six) years of age will be able to meet and greet Santa Claus inside the museum free of charge, when accompanied by an adult.

The museum will open at 10:00 a.m., to accommodate expected interest in this special event, and the public is advised to arrive early. The visit of Santa Claus is presented annually by the New Jersey Aviation Hall of Fame & Museum, located at 400 Fred Wehran Drive. For more info call 201-288-6344. ###

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## Save Your Stamps From Christmas Cards

The Kiwanis Club of Hasbrouck Heights/Teterboro is collecting all canceled stamps both foreign and US.

They are being sent to Sister Ann Mary, a retired Carmelite Sister.

The stamps are sold to collectors and the monies received from the sale support the St. Benedict's Day Nursery and Infant Hospital of Georgetown, St. Vincent of the West Indies.

St. Benedict's cares daily for 175 children from age 3 months to 4-1/2 years -- at which time they enter a government infant school.

If you would like to help the Kiwanis Club in collecting canceled stamps, please trim the stamps to 1/4 inch around the stamps. The stamps can be dropped off or sent to: **The Gazette Newspaper**, 343 Boulevard, HH. ###

## Heights Post Office Extends Retail Hours

The Hasbrouck Heights Post Office, located at 185 Boulevard, opens at 10:00 a.m. and closes at 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and opens from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday.

Postal officials say many services such as: buying stamps, paying for postage, confirming delivery and using Click-N-Ship to print mailing labels, and even requesting a package pick up at their home or office at no extra charge, are available online at [www.usps.com](http://www.usps.com) ###

## Tree Lighting At The Circle

The Hasbrouck Heights Annual Tree Lighting at The Circle is scheduled for 5:00 p.m., December 3rd, at The Circle.

The Hasbrouck Heights High School will provide the Chorale.

There will be plenty of hot cocoa and snacks.

This annual tradition is sponsored by the Mayor's Celebrations Committee. ###

## Heights Seniors' Holiday Party

The annual Holiday Party, sponsored by the Leisure Club, open to all Heights seniors, is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5th at The Cotillion in Garfield, from noon to 4:00 p.m. The meal choices are: chicken, beef or fish. Tickets are \$37.00 per person.

Payment should be made as soon as possible. Call Theresa at 201-288-4291 for tickets. ###



## Fire Department To Take Santa Around Heights

### Santa's Schedule for December 17, 2006

- Collins & Baldwin 4:00 to 4:20 p.m.
- Hasbrouck & Ottawa 4:30 to 4:50 p.m.
- Paterson & Burton 5:00 to 5:20 p.m.
- Oak Grove & La Salle 5:30 to 5:55 p.m.
- Oak Grove & Jefferson 6:05 to 6:25 p.m.
- Oldfield & Division 6:35 to 6:55 p.m.
- Cleveland & Summit 7:05 to 7:20 p.m.
- Firehouse -- Last Stop 248 Hamilton Avenue 7:45 p.m.

Any parent who cannot get a child to a Santa stop due to illness or handicap can make special arrangements by calling the Fire Chief at 201-288-0082.

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The Hasbrouck Heights Men's Association will be selling Christmas Trees again this holiday season at St. John the Divine lot, at the corner of Franklin and Terrace, starting Saturday, December 2nd.

They will be carrying an array of over 200 Balsams, Frasers and Douglas Fir trees of various sizes and prices.

Hours are weekdays from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and weekends from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

This sale has been a Hasbrouck Heights holiday tradition for over twenty years.

The money raised goes to the HHMA Scholarship Fund that benefits graduating high

school seniors from Hasbrouck Heights who want to attend college.

The Hasbrouck Heights Men's Association wants to thank area residents for their on-going support of their sale and they wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season. ###

## Pet Photos with Mrs. Claus

FOCAS (Friends of the County Animal Shelter, Inc.) will be hosting holiday pet pictures with Mrs. Claus on Sunday, December 3rd at the American Legion, 100 Liberty Street, Little Ferry from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. All pets are welcomed. The cost per photo is \$5.00. Pets should be up-to-date on all shots and appropriately restrained.

There will be an array of holiday gift items for sale, refreshments and lots of holiday "cheer" to share with people and pets alike. This is an annual FOCAS event. Donations will go to benefit sick, homeless and abandoned animals.

For information call the FOCAS Help Line at 201-943-4019, visit [www.focasnews.org](http://www.focasnews.org) or email [info@focasnews.org](mailto:info@focasnews.org). ###

## Santa to Visit Kearny Federal

Santa is scheduled to visit the **Kearny Federal Savings Wood-Ridge Office** at 250 Valley Boulevard, on Saturday, December 9th, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Santa has been visiting this branch and bringing joy to families and friends for many years. Stop in and experience an afternoon full of happiness and laughter as neighborhood families listen to old St. Nick recite, "The Night Before Christmas." Upon Santa's grand entrance, children of all ages will be welcomed with

free candy canes and a stuffed toy. For the grand finale, children will have the opportunity to have their photo taken with Santa, while anxiously revealing what they want for Christmas this year! ###

## Yule Bash

Outreach Angels is a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to helping those affected with AIDS and HIV.

They are holding their 8th Annual Yule Bash at the Empire Club, Little Ferry, NJ, on December 5th at 6:00 p.m.

Cost is \$30 per person and includes buffet, a door prize ticket, DJ music and dancing.

Bring a gift for a child and mark for a boy or girl with their age, and receive an extra door prize ticket. For information and reservations call Dottie at 201-288-9177. ###

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# Happy Holidays

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# The Pirillis' Santas

By Justin Watrel

Hasbrouck Heights is a town known for its Christmas decorations.

Our annual contest brings out the best of the creative and imaginative members of the community.

While some people show off their holiday decorating on the exterior of their homes, John and Nancy Pirilli show their best work inside of their home with a festive array of holiday decorations and their extensive Santa Claus Collection (*over 200!*).

The Pirillis have been active members of the community, working for years on the Mayor's Celebrations Committee.

During Christmas, the Pirillis have worked as judges in the house-decorating contest and work on the Annual Tree Lighting ceremony at The Circle.

Nancy has also worked as a volunteer in town teaching ESL and John is an active member of the Hasbrouck Heights Men's Association.

The couple just won the Kiwanis Club "Good Neighbor Award" (*See The Gazette, October 2006*).

When it comes time for the holidays, the Pirillis decorate with their extensive collection of holiday decorations, including John's massive Santa Claus collection.

They keep a portion of their decorations up all year round. In a special room in the house, the decorations include an array of Santas, Christmas ornaments, Santa prints and puzzles and imported music boxes. Nancy's favorite is a little red book which opens to reveal Christmas carol sheet music in miniature. It is also a music box.

They have a collection that spans the country and the world. John started his Santa collection years ago. "I was working in downtown Brooklyn in 1963 and I came across a Santa that sang, which was very rare to find back then. I had to

buy it," John said. "This started the collection."

"Now it has become part of our family lore," John laughed. "It is, what do we buy Uncle John for Christmas? I know, a Santa! Now the collection has over a hundred Santa Clauses." When they travel, the Pirillis pick up a Santa from the place they are visiting. "There is no great science to what we collect," John added. "We buy what we like. Unfortunately, we like a lot of Santas."

They have collected Santas from places like China, the Caribbean and one of their most unusual ones; is from Venice, Italy. Nancy laughed, "You should see Santa on a gondola."

"It takes a lot of time to set up the displays and make it look just right." Some of their collections have different themes. There are Yankee Santas, cowboy Santas, antique Santas and traditional Santas. One is even based on a famous picture by Norman Rockwell.

Some are of porcelain, some of glass, some are of wood and others are cloth. Displays of Christmas ornaments, Christmas scenes and unique Nativities from around the world round out the collection.

"We do a lot of entertaining during the holidays," Nancy said. "John and I come from big families and it really puts everyone in a festive mood to see the house all decorated. People really get into the holiday spirit when they come to our house for our annual get-togethers."

"We spend a lot of time putting the collection out to show it off. Every year it seems like more work, but we really enjoy it. As for the Santas, it is a collection that just keeps getting bigger," John said. "We have to see how many more we can fit in each year."

The Pirillis have found a way to start the holiday season early and bring a festive spirit to anyone who visits their home. It really is a collection that rings in the holiday season. ###



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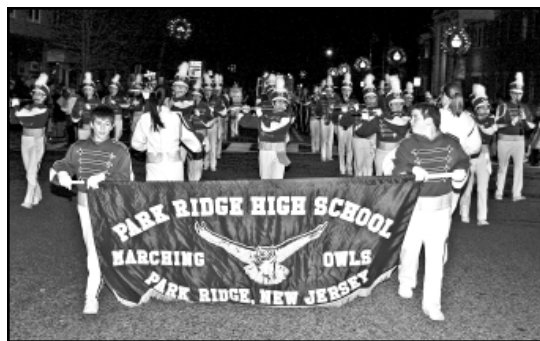
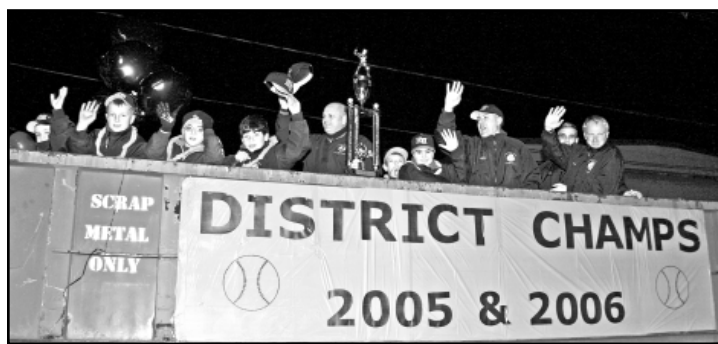
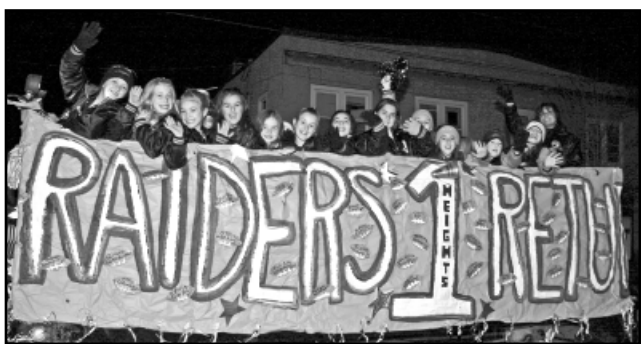
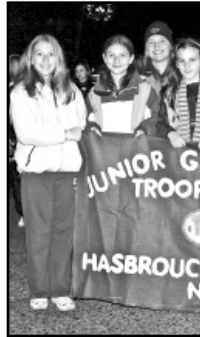
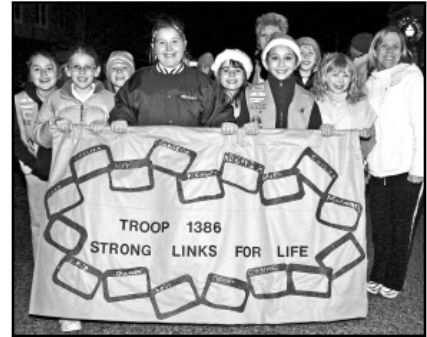
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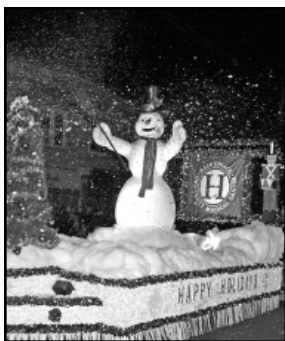
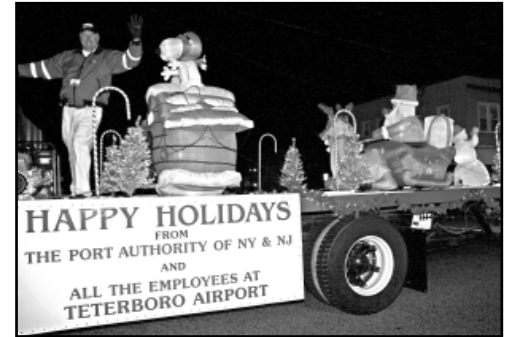


## Boulevard Carnivale

Otterstedt Insurance Agency held a free pre-parade carnivale with hot dogs, cotton candy, pretzels, popcorn, balloon sculpting, etc. Additionally, many businesses, including Century 21 Eudan Realty, Bergen Commercial Bank, Franks on the Boulevard, Quiznos, etc., as well as some Borough employees at the Municipal Complex, offered parade-goers plenty of hot chocolate and goodies to enhance the festivities. ###



# Day Parade Along the Boulevard



## Annual Ragamuffin Parade Was "Boo-ti-ful"

On Saturday, October 28, at 1 p.m., the Annual Hasbrouck Heights Ragamuffin Parade was held at the Senior Center in the Municipal Complex at Central Avenue for a "boo-ti-ful good time."

There was a video for the children to watch. Juice and cookies were served.

The traditional parade march from the Public Safety Building along the Boulevard to the Municipal Complex was cancelled due to heavy rain.

This annual event was sponsored by Mayor's Celebrations Committee. ###



## Youngsters Enjoy Halloween Munchkin Mash

The Junior Women's Club of Hasbrouck Heights invited all to attend the Munchkin Mash, on Sunday, October 29, 2006.

The Munchkin Mash was held in the Senior Center at the Municipal Complex from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Hasbrouck Heights D.A.R.E. Officer Sgt. Nicholas Sisto provided the children with Halloween Safety Tips.

This tiny tot dance party was geared towards the age of 7 and under. Light refreshments were served. ###



On Tuesday, October 3, the Corpus Christi 2nd Grade Brownie Troop 1180 took a trip to Demarest Farms in Washington Township, NJ. The hayride brought them into the pumpkin patch where they each picked a "Great Pumpkin." After snacking and playing in the field, the hayride returned and took them to the corn maze and country store. A great time was had by all. ###

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# Seniors' Haunted Halloween Party

By Peter Gallo Jr.

How many times do you think a senior gets invited to a Halloween Party, and has a chance to get dressed up? Here in Hasbrouck Heights -- at least once a year.

Thanks to **Century 21 Eudan Realty**, seniors this year were invited to their Third Annual Halloween Bash. This annual affair has been open to all seniors who live in Hasbrouck Heights.

The realty office staff were gracious hosts. They were friendly and considerate. They made sure that all who attended had a good time.

The food, which was catered by Henry's Deli, was delicious with a generous selections of hot and cold items.

Chris was the DJ for the event and he played music that got the seniors to dance, mostly line dancing. The decorations were seasonal with spiders, monsters, bats and cornstalks.

The costumes worn by the seniors were not the usual ones seen on Halloween. There were some witches; however, there were no monsters, ghosts, skeletons or ghouls. There were angels, cowboys, scarecrows, pilgrims, clowns, gypsies, and a man in a Roman tunic.

Some costumes were in a class by themselves. Anita Krieger and her sister, Ella Dollinger, came dressed in striped long johns and wore clown wigs. They both have the figures that make them look great. Some members who did not wear a costume did come with colorful Halloween shirts.

The highlight of the bash was when the selections were made for the best costumes worn by a man and a woman. The winners were Dorothy Harrison, dressed as an angel and Stephen Catania, dressed as Julius Caesar. ###



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# Window Painting Delights Boulevard

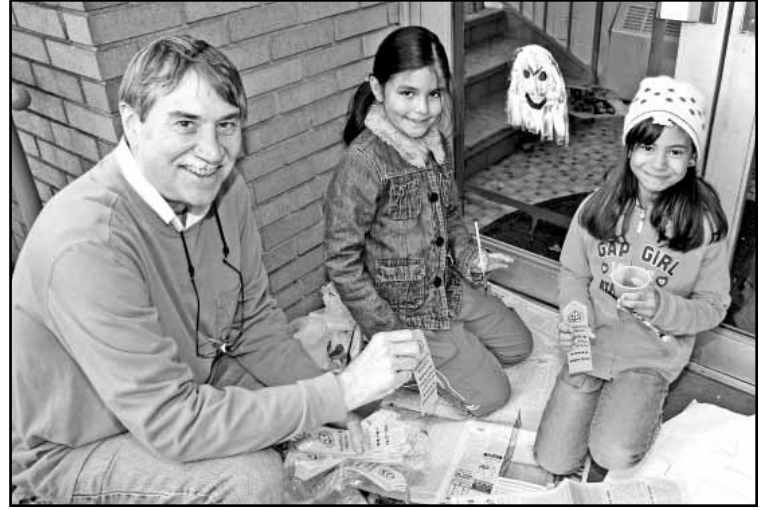
Area residents could stroll The Boulevard during late October where local businesses, in conjunction with the three grammar school PTA's, sponsored the 13th Annual Halloween Window Painting Contest.

Over 300 3rd, 4th and 5th Grade students painted a Halloween theme illustration on a space provided by Boulevard businesses on Wednesday, October 25th.

Graphics were judged upon originality and artistic expression.

Winners from each grade received 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Ribbons. All participants receive ribbons.

Event is sponsored by: Hasbrouck Heights Chamber of Commerce, chaired by Bill O'Shea, in cooperation with 2006 Home School Association chairs: Maria Wyman, Eileen Dzugay and Charlotte Sodora (*Corpus Christi*), and PTA chairs: Lesley Giaquinto (*Lincoln*) and Rose Pagan and Kaye Weber (*Euclid*). ###



# Trunk or Treat Delights

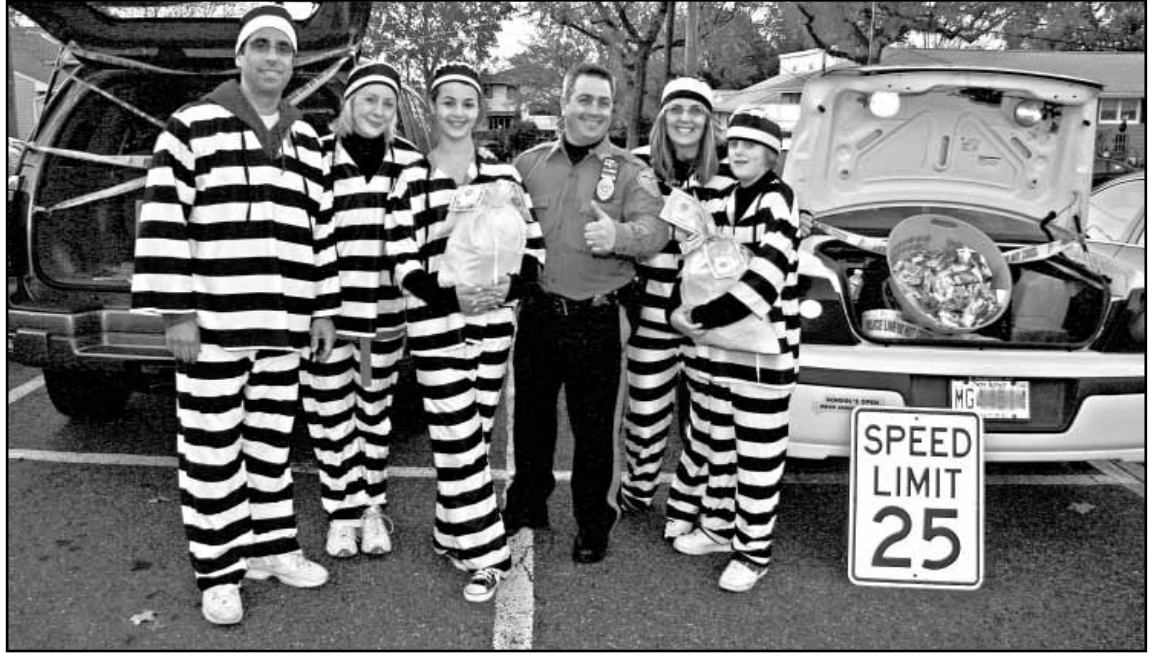
**Bible Baptist Church** invited the community to its 3rd Annual "Trunk or Treat" on Sunday, October 29th.

From 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. the Church closed its parking lot for this free, fun event which provided a safe, fun alternative to trick-or-treating.

Children up to the 6th Grade had the opportunity to walk through the parking lot full of decorated automobile trunks and fill their bags with lots of goodies and special treats.

Due to the nature of this event NO masks, blood, guts, gore or evil costumes were permitted.

The **Bible Baptist Church** is located at 31 Passaic Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights. ###



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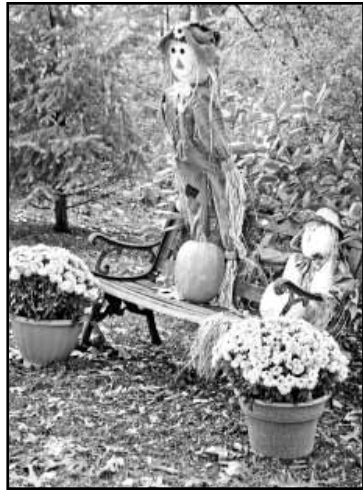


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# Veterans Day Service Nov. 11 at 11 a.m.



On Saturday, November 11, at Memorial Park, a brief service was held at 11:00 a.m. The service was co-sponsored by VFW Post 4591 and the American Legion Post 106.

Remarks were made by American Legion Commander

Michael Cahill and VFW Commander Elmer J. Winterfeld. ###

Origins: In 1921, an unknown World War I American soldier was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. Similar ceremonies occurred earlier in England and France, where an unknown soldier was buried in each nation's highest place of honor (*in England, Westminster Abbey; in France, the Arc de Triomphe*).

These memorial services took place on November 11, the anniversary of the end of World War I at 11:00 a.m., November 11, 1918 (*the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month*), which became known as Armistice Day.

Armistice Day officially became a holiday in the US in 1926, and a national holiday 12 years later. On June 1, 1954, the name was changed to Veterans Day to honor all US veterans.

In 1968, new legislation changed the national commemoration of Veterans Day to the fourth Monday in October. It soon became apparent, however, that November 11 was a date of historic significance to many Americans. Therefore, in 1978 Congress returned the observance to its traditional date.

Official national ceremonies for Veterans Day center around the Tomb of the Unknowns.

To honor these men, symbolic of all Americans who gave their lives in all wars, an Army honor guard, the 3rd U.S. Infantry (*The Old Guard*), keeps day and night vigil.

At 11 a.m. on November 11, a combined color guard representing all military services executes "Present Arms" at the tomb. The nation's tribute to its war dead is symbolized by the laying of a presidential wreath and playing of "Taps." ###



### About the Pavers

Engraved brick pavers with Veterans' names were placed in a Memorial Walkway in Veterans Park on Terrace & Passaic late April 2003.

About 120 bricks were engraved and integrated into the walkway surrounding the Memorial Stone, and as of December 31, 2004, there are about 200 with more on order.

Bricks are available to all Veterans from all services.

To participate, it is not necessary for the Veteran to be a member of the VFW or American Legion, nor be a deceased Veteran. Bricks are 4" x 8" with 13 characters per line with a maximum of 3 lines. Cost \$50 each.

Contact Boro Clerk's office at 201-288-0195.

### Serving in Iraq

Jeremy Gaal, son of Gregory and the late Donna, is currently stationed in Baghdad, Iraq.

He is serving his second tour of duty as an M.P. in the 615th M.P. Company participating in O.I.F. '05-'07.

Jeremy's wife, Jessica, is also an M.P. based in the same battalion. ###

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**Winter Service**



High school students from the Interact Clubs of Bergen County Technical School in Teterboro and Wood-Ridge High School with several members of the Mid-Bergen Rotary. Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people ages 14-18.

## Mid-Bergen Rotary Holds Beefsteak & Auction

The Mid-Bergen Rotary Club held their 30th Annual Beefsteak Dinner/Charity Auction on Friday, November 17, 2006 at The Excelsior, Route 46 East, Saddle Brook. The doors opened at 7:00 p.m.

Fun was had by all with dancing and music provided by Rotarian Dan Shiver of the Paterson Rotary Club.

Club President Calisto Bertin thanked everyone who attended, volunteered or generously donated prizes or cash. This year's Rotary theme is, Lead the Way. Through our Rotary leaders around the world,

we are striving to make the world a better place to live. In Rotary, a few who care can make a significant impact on a community."

High School students from both Interact Clubs of Bergen County Technical School in Teterboro and Wood-Ridge High School helped set up and were prize runners throughout the evening (*Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people ages 14-18*).

Over recent years, Mid-Bergen Rotary has donated and supported organizations both within the community and

worldwide: The Faith Foundation, Emmanuel Cancer Fund, Aviation Hall of Fame, Habitat for Humanity and the Wheel Chair Foundation.

The focus of this year's Beefsteak event was the Gift of Life and the Dictionary Project.

The Gift of Life provides life saving cardiac surgeries to children from around the world.

On hand at this event was Raymond R. Hough, Rotary District 7490 Gift of Life Foundation Chairman.

He stated, "The Gift of Life program began in 1906. District 7490 has helped over 400 children and that this District is currently averaging about 50 children a year."

The Mid-Bergen Rotary recently sponsored an eighteen month old boy from Mexico who underwent a heart operation on November 2, 2005, and the Mid-Bergen Rotary-sponsored Interact Club of Bergen County Technical School in Teterboro sponsored an operation on seventeen year old Jackelin Chávez, from Bolivia, suffering from a congenital heart defect, on April 5, 2006 (see *The Gazette*, June 2006).

Both operations were completed at the Maria Fareri Children's Hospital, Westchester Medical Center, Valhalla, New York.

The Dictionary Project is a community project that ensures that every Third Grade school child within its service area of Hasbrouck Heights, Wood-Ridge, Teterboro and South Hackensack, receives a dictionary.

This has been a great success with students and teachers with over 300 dictionaries donated this school year.

Mid-Bergen Rotary Club was originally chartered as the Teterboro Rotary Club on February 8, 1962.

As the 1960's progressed, the Club grew with members from the surrounding towns of Hasbrouck Heights, Wood-Ridge and South Hackensack thereby prompting its name change to Mid-Bergen.

The Club meets every Tuesday at 12:15 pm at the **Holiday Inn**, Hasbrouck Heights.

For more information visit the Club's website at [www.Mid-BergenRotary.org](http://www.Mid-BergenRotary.org).

Rotary International has over 32,000 Clubs throughout 170 countries worldwide. ###



President Calisto Bertin, Pat Reilly and Rodger Woodbridge welcome guests.



Young lady expressing her interest in one of the hundreds of items available at this annual auction.



(l-r) Immediate Past President Ruth Nebiar, Charlie Paduch, Pat Reilly, District 7490 Gift of Life Foundation Chairman Raymond R. Hough and Foundation Treasurer Joseph Lauren review the Mid-Bergen Rotary Gift of Life Display.



(l-r) Mimi Hui, Joan Spaldo, Judy Mascis, Lisa Traina, Mickey Maschio, Susanne Kepsel.

## Library Book & Bake Sale

The Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library held their Fall Book and Bake Sale on October 21, 2006 and was Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

About \$1,000 was raised. The funds are used for teenage and children's programming.

Books sold come from uncirculated stock and community donations. Residents wishing to donate books for the May 2007 book sale should contact the circulation desk.

Baked goods were donated by members of the Friends of the Library. ###



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## Kiwanis Club Pancake Breakfast

For the last thirty-two years, the Kiwanis Club of Hasbrouck Heights and Teterboro has held its annual Pancake Breakfast on the Sunday before Thanksgiving Day. This year they continued the tradition.

It was held in the Corpus Christi Cafeteria where it has taken place for 31 of the 32 years. One year they held it in the high school cafeteria.

Co-Chairpersons for this year's breakfast were Marty and Maryetta Saccomano. They

had the help of the members of the Kiwanis Club and Key Club. The pancake batter and syrup were from Hasbrouck Heights IHOP.

Following another tradition the men were in charge of the kitchen.

The Kiwanians in charge of making the pancakes were Nick Gristina and Doc Eglow. The Kiwanian in charge of cooking the sausage was Bill Pakacs.

The rest of the kitchen crew were Vincent and Joseph Costa, Jim Jarvis, Marty Saccomano, and Peter Gallo Jr.

The women of the Kiwanis Club sold the admission tickets and raffle tickets. Over twenty-two gift baskets were raffled off as well as a 50-50.

The monies raised through this breakfast will be used to fund local projects for the youth of the community. *Photo provided by Peter Gallo Jr. ###*

## ASDO Held Business Development Program

As part of its business development efforts, The NJ Air Services Development Office (ASDO) sponsored a program at the **Holiday Inn**, Hasbrouck Heights, on November 17, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

After a continental breakfast and networking opportunities, Helene Gibbs, Project Manager of NJ ASDO and Bill Huisman, Director of the Aviation Development Council, welcomed those attending.

The featured speaker was Danny Wood, who provided a fast paced, interactive presentation, "The one sales technique that will change your life."

He presented techniques to overcome selling obstacles and the opportunity to investigate the pitfalls that prevent reaching sales goals.

John Panarello and John Kastens from AvPorts (*manage Teterboro Airport daily operations*), provided an overview of how to do business with the airport.

Judith Ross, Director of Business Development and Membership Services for the Meadowlands Regional Chamber of Commerce, offered comments on business development.

NJ ASDO serves Newark Liberty International and Teterboro Airports, is funded by the Port Authority of NY & NJ and administered by the Aviation Development Council.

The mission of NJ ASDO is to connect aviation industry buyers with 1,500 local businesses who have registered with their office. All services are free of charge.

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(l-r) Zach Shustyk, David King, Peter Kepsel, Peter Allen, Michael Shustyk, Paul Bunone, Thomas King & grandson Calvin King and Fred Allen

## Help the Lions -- Help the Blind

The Hasbrouck Heights Lions Club held their White Cane Day on November 18th at the entrance to the Hasbrouck Heights Shop-Rite. Neighbors were asked to give a donation and, in return, received a miniature "White Cane." One hundred percent of the money collected went to the Lions' visually impaired projects. The White Cane program publicizes

the needs of the blind and visually impaired.

The familiar white cane with a red band at the bottom is a simple device invented in 1930 by George A. Bonham, a member of the Lions Club in Peoria, IL. Today, blind and visually impaired people throughout the world use Bonham's invention. ###

## Dog License Renewal Info

Laura French, Secretary to the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Health, reminds all dog owners that their 2006 dog license will expire on January 31, 2007 and must be renewed during the month of January to avoid an administrative fee in addition to the cost of the license.

All licenses will be issued in number order as they are received.

Licenses will be available starting Wednesday, January 3, 2007.

Owners are reminded that the dog(s) must be immunized against rabies for the first 10 full months of 2007. Dogs with rabies immunizations which will expire prior to October 2007 should receive a booster prior to applying for the new license.

Fees for the year 2007 will remain the same: \$7.00 if altered; \$10.00 unaltered.

Licenses can be obtained by mail by enclosing a copy of the current rabies certificate, proof of spaying or neutering along with the license fee with checks made payable to: Borough of Hasbrouck Heights and sent with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Health Department, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604.

If applying in person, the

Health Department will issue the license between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to noon and from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Failure to renew a license will result in legal action. All licenses are issued in the order they are received. Please call 201-288-1636 to advise the Health Department if you no longer have your pet. ###

## Preparing for Puppies & Kittens

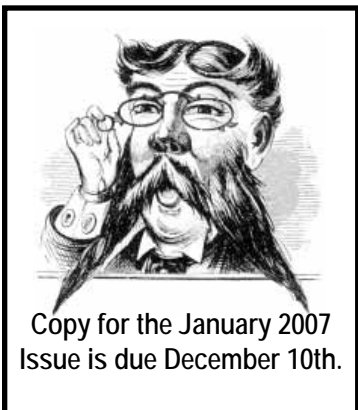
FOCAS is sponsoring a seminar on "Preparing your home for puppies and kittens ... a common sense approach for positive family adjustment."

The seminar is scheduled for December 6, 2006 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the **Oradell Animal Hospital**, 580 Winters Avenue, Paramus, NJ. This program is highly recommended for the first-time pet owner or adopter of a shelter animal!

This program helps you start off on the "right paw" to establish a healthier, happier long-term relationship for your new pet companion and you.

Guest speaker: Eileen Haley, Professional Member of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers and founder of Second Chances, Inc. This seminar provides an opportunity to address individual questions.

There is no registration fee. Attendance is limited to "people" only; seating is limited. To ensure a seat, you can register in advance by calling the FOCAS Help Line at 201-943-4019. For more information please visit [www.focasnews.org](http://www.focasnews.org) or email [info@focasnews.org](mailto:info@focasnews.org). ###





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# PA Installs Arrestor Bed at Teterboro Airport

In February 2005, twenty people were injured when a 20-ton corporate jet aborted takeoff on Runway 6, crossed Route 46 about 300 feet and crashed into Strawberry Warehouse at the corner of Huyler Street and Route 46.

About eight months later, the Port Authority Board of Commissioners authorized the installation of a 170-foot-wide, 251-foot-long arrestor bed at the end of the 6,015 foot Runway 6 at Teterboro, near Route 46, at a cost of \$8.5 million

The FAA covered \$7.5 million of the cost.

A second arrestor bed is scheduled to be installed at the south end of the 7,000 foot Runway 19 facing Moonachie Road and Redneck Avenue at a cost of \$11 million. Work will begin once Redneck Avenue is relocated slightly east, and utilities and a berm, that reduces jet noise, are moved.

Teterboro is one of three general aviation airports in the country that have arrestor beds.

A change in federal law passed last year requires all commercial airports without a 1,000 foot buffer at the end of their runways to install arrestor beds.

The bed near Route 46 is designed to stop planes traveling between 57 mph and 80 mph.

The arrestor bed technology, known as the Engineered Material Arresting System (EMAS), was pioneered by the Port Authority and the Federal Aviation Administration, and has proven effective at John F. Kennedy International Airport, where the world's first EMAS was installed in 1996.

Port Authority Executive Director, Kenneth J. Ringler Jr., said, "The technology has proven effective in bringing aircraft to a safe and complete stop. It could be compared to driving a vehicle into gradually deepening snow."

## Construction

EMAS arrestor beds are lightweight pre-cast concrete blocks that consist of crushable cellular cement material.

They are installed on the runway overrun/set-back to decelerate an aircraft in an emergency. Resistance provided by the crushed material decelerates the aircraft.

The blocks are light enough to crush under a jet's landing gear, but heavy enough to slow or stop a jet. The beds can withstand the weight of rescue trucks responding to an accident.

A factory installed jet blast resistant block protection system is applied to raw blocks



to enhance durability and to protect against the effects of aircraft jet blasts.

Each arrestor bed configuration is custom engineered in length, depth and strength to provide optimum performance for the aircraft mix.

EMAS arrestor blocks were set on an asphalt bed (similar to a typical road) which was graded for drainage. Site preparation was completed in September 2006.

**"It could be compared to driving a vehicle into gradually deepening snow."**

Construction of this EMAS arrestor bed began on the evening of October 14 and took about two weeks to complete.

Blocks were installed using forklifts and placed tightly together on a chalked grid.

The blocks are stacked at the foot of the runway and gradually sloped up starting at 4-1/2" and ending at 18." The sides are stepped to facilitate ARFF vehicle access and passenger egress.

Once positioned, the block joints were caulked/taped and additional coats of water-resistant paint were applied to seal the bed and prevent weather damage.

The Port Authority contracted for the site preparation,

ESCO provided the blocks and a contractor installed the blocks. AvPorts supervised the installation.

The space used for this arrestor bed will be mitigated wetlands (*an equal space used will be restored to wetlands*).

## Repairs

On the evening of Wednesday, October 25, 2006, a Challenger jet taxiing to a terminal, made a wrong turn onto the arrestor bed. About 15 panels were destroyed.

The aircraft was extracted using tugs and straps attached to each main landing gear and pulled out backwards with minimal damage. After the arrestment (*the time between aircraft extracted and time repairs completed*), the runway remained open.

An FAA Advisory Circular for EMAS includes a design requirement that EMAS can be repaired within 45 days after an overrun arrestment.

Damaged panels will be removed with a front-end loader and discarded. New, pre-cast blocks are then installed and finish coats applied.

Repairs for this incident are estimated to cost \$15,000. Repair costs are normally paid for by the insurance of the party responsible for inflicting damage to the EMAS system.

## Maintenance

Weekly drive-by inspections, as well as a monthly walk of the bed, are recommended.



Normal maintenance consists of maintaining the protective surface coating -- painting and caulking as needed.

Proper maintenance protects the underlying arrestor bed blocks from the environment, keeping excessive moisture out and prolonging the life of the system. Repainting the entire bed may be required every three to five years.

Snow is not expected to have any substantial effect on performance. Excessive build up that may obscure approach lights or affect the ILS may be handled with a snow blower.

Vehicular traffic should be avoided on the arrestor bed. Site preparation includes paving around the perimeter to allow vehicles to drive around the bed for inspections and maintenance. Maintenance and other authorized personnel can

walk on the bed without damaging the surface.

The EMAS manufacturer ESCO, has been developing and providing arresting systems for military applications for over 50 years and, in the early 1990's, started to develop a soft-ground arresting system for commercial airports.

ESCO's EMAS has the distinction of being the first and currently only engineered aircraft arresting system certified for airport runway safety areas and satisfying Part 139 requirements.

Teterboro Airport handles about 200,000 aircraft annually. It is a 24 hour public use, although it adheres to a voluntary nightly curfew from 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. The airport imposes a 100,000 lb. weight restriction. The airport holds an ISO 9002 certification. ###



View of the scene at Strawberry Warehouse at about 8:10 a.m. on February 2, 2005, when a twin-engine Canadair Challenger 600 skidded off the runway, through the fence, across Route 46, striking several cars and injuring 20 people.

Photos by Fritz Rethage

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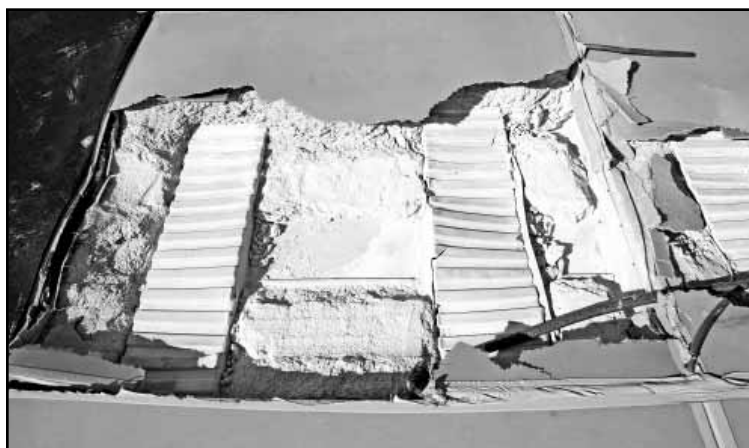
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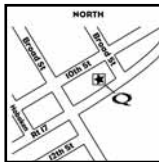
Installation of the arrestor bed began on the night of October 14th. The runway was closed and most of the work was done at night and during the weekends until completed.

Damage done to the EMAS during the October 25th incident affected about 15 panels.



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The flashing blue lights are a visual request to drivers to yield the right-of-way and allow emergency responders to react quickly and safely to all emergencies.

Blue lights do not give volunteers any special privileges. They are courtesy lights only. The blue light is to alert other drivers that they are on their way to an emergency -- it's up to the other driver to pull over and let them go by!

Please yield to blue light responders as if they were heading to an emergency involving your own family.

It could give them the extra time to save a life or stop a fire before it's out of control. For a fire or rescue a quick response is always important!

In a few minutes these same people will be responding with a red light and siren.

Give the volunteer first aid members and firefighters the courtesy they deserve when responding to a call so they can respond in a timely manner. The time of their response could mean the difference between life or death.

Please practice blue light courtesy and help them help you. ###

## Firefighters Walk of Honor

A Firefighters Walk of Honor at the Firemen's Memorial on the Circle, is being created. The Walk will consist of engraved brick pavers. Cost is \$65 per paver. The DPW will install the pavers.

Pavers are available to all Hasbrouck Heights firefighters, ambulance squad or rescue members (*living or deceased*).

This memorial program is also available to Hasbrouck Heights residents wishing to honor their relatives who served as firefighters, ambulance squad or rescue members (*living or deceased*) from other communities. Please contact the Boro Clerk's office for an application or info at 201-288-0195. ###

## HHFD Appeal

The Department recently sent their annual appeal letter.

They request residents and businesses who did not respond yet, to send in their contribution to: HHFD, PO Box 492, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604 ###

## HHFD Conducts Training

On Saturday, October 28, 2006, the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department conducted training at Callahan's Restaurant on Route 17 South.

The building was slated for demolition.

Prior to the Department's arrival, senior members prepared the structure to include filling it with artificial smoke (*couldn't see your hand in front of your face*) and outlined the various exercises. These hands-on lessons were organized into 15 to 20 minute periods.

Practice included various entry techniques, search and rescue, hose work, command and control, safety tips, etc.

They also performed various venting activities to include ladder work, natural venting, roof cutting, etc.

These training exercises provided opportunities for senior members to share their real-life experiences with the newer members and probationary firefighters.

Without the stress of an actual fire, extra time was spent discussing unknown hazards, practical short cuts, theory behind procedures, safety concerns, etc.

Although all firefighters received Firefighter 1 training at the Academy prior to being a member of the Department, the benefits of this type of training included: addressing various potential scenarios, team work, practicing of Department procedures, using the equipment, etc. ###

# It's a Family Affair

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department includes many families who actively participate together. This series presents a glimpse of those who serve our community.

## A Visit With The Taylor Family

By Justin Watrel

We want to recognize Chief Joseph Taylor Jr. and his wife, Colleen, for their contribution to the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department.

Over the past six years, Chief Taylor has served as Second Assistant Chief, First Assistant Chief and, for the past two years, as Chief of the Department. At the end of December, his duty as Chief will be ending and he will go back to his duties as a member of Engine One.

In his time in this position, Chief Taylor has seen the Department through many transitions, from the move and adjustment to the new building, to several plane crashes.

The Chief and his assistants have worked together to overcome this adversity and build the Department to what it is today, with better training, new equipment, including the new foam/crash truck, and new members.

Chief Taylor is a 36-year resident of Hasbrouck Heights. He is an Alumnus of Hasbrouck Heights High School. He is the son of Joseph and the late Rose,

who lived in town.

On top of his responsibility at our firehouse, Chief Taylor is a professional EMT with the Hackensack Fire Department and a full-time dad.

Colleen Taylor was born and raised in North Arlington and is the daughter of Charles and Doris Kelley.

Colleen is an Alumnus of North Arlington High School and is a graduate of Jersey City State College with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management and a Master's Degree in Health Care Administration. She is currently the Director of Human Resources for Radiology Group, P.A., in Hackensack.

They have a four-year old son, Jason, who is currently attending pre-school and an infant daughter, Caralyn, who was born October 22, 2006.

"It's funny how we met," Colleen said. "I was walking out of work one night when I was waitressing, while attending college, and there was Joe walking down the street at the same time. You could say it was love at first sight." The couple married in 1998.

When asked how he got involved with the Department, Chief Taylor explained, "I was coming home from high school one day and I saw a group of firemen putting out a house fire. I was impressed with what I saw. Three days later I signed up to join the Department." When asked what made it so influential, he added, "I can't

mention why for sure, but it was just something that I wanted to do."

Colleen got involved with the Department when she met her future husband. "I went through the EMT program because I thought it would help me with my work at the time. I didn't join the Department immediately. After awhile, members of the Department would say, 'You went to school for EMT so why don't you put it to good use.' I joined and picked up a Friday duty night. I was a member in good standing until we decided to start a family."

They both have different thoughts about their time on the Department.

"There is a difference in being the Chief of the Department as opposed to First or Second Assistant Chief. There is much more responsibility; it's unbelievable. The meetings alone can be overwhelming. Even now, being Chief will be different in five years. The laws keep changing and the paperwork keeps increasing. It's a hard job. The schooling I have taken over the years has prepared me to become Chief, yet there are things that you are just never prepared for in this job," Chief Taylor explained. "It gets even more difficult when personnel gets hurt."

"We also work with more agencies within the state than ever before," the Chief explained. "We have had to deal with so many changes, so quickly. When I started, we had just moved into the new firehouse, then we immediately had to deal with two plane crashes at Teterboro Airport. We now work more closely with the Port Authority."

"I was much more involved in Department activities before my son, Jason, was born," Colleen said. "Having a family and working makes it harder. I hope people understand that this is a volunteer Department and there are many people who sacrifice a lot to protect the town."

As for being the Chief's wife, Colleen added, "It can be difficult at times. When I was on the Department (*she left in 2002*), I was able to spend more time up at the firehouse. I know first hand what the dangers of the job are and I worry sometimes because we have a family. I also know that my husband



is well-trained and that there are a lot of well-trained members who look after one another when they are on calls. I have a lot of confidence in the members of the Department."

The Chief said, "There are many challenges and changes that will occur in firefighting in the future."

He added, "Some of the future challenges I see for the Department are the increased use of the airport and the growth of population in this area. Projects like Xanadu coming into play will bring a big increase of people into the area. This is tough when you are a volunteer fire department. Everyone is working on top of his or her firefighter duties. Recruiting is going to be a major priority for the Department."

The Chief added that when talking to residents, most don't realize that the Department is volunteer. When talking with a member of the community about his role in the Department, she was surprised by the status of the Department. "The woman had lived in town for two years and just assumed that we were a paid department. We may not always be at the firehouse but we are always there for the town."

"For a department our size, we get a lot done," the Chief continued. "Not only do we help in both Hasbrouck Heights and Teterboro, but we lend mutual aid to Wood-Ridge, Lodi and Hackensack when we can. This is both for the Fire Department and for the Ambulance. Also, many of our members, especially Firefighters Tim Moots and Tom Rubino, were very helpful in the fund-raising and donation efforts to our fellow firefighters and their families in Pascagoula, MS, during Hurricane Katrina. The men and women of this Department help where they can."

"The time spent on the Department can be taxing at times. I am lucky that my wife was on the Ambulance for a number of years. Her involvement made her aware of what goes into the job and she can be very understanding. I try to be there as much as I can for her and my children."

Colleen added, "When he goes back on the line at the beginning of the New Year, I know that he is going back to work with people who can depend on one another. Their experience in firefighting means everything as they depend on each other on every call. I have confidence in his judgment that he will do his best and look out for his fellow firefighters."

"My advice for future firefighters is to learn to keep quiet and do what you are told by the senior members of the Department. They are there to make sure you stay out of harm's way. We don't want any member of the Department getting hurt," Chief Taylor said. Colleen added, "I want to let people know that there is no difference between a paid and volunteer department in terms of the job that needs to get done. Our Department is very committed to the town and I hope more people in town will recognize the value of this Department's dedication."

We want to thank Chief Taylor and his wife, Colleen, for their time and dedication to the Department over the years, and big congratulations on the birth of their new baby, Caralyn, hopefully, a future firefighter. ###

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department suggests that you periodically check your smoke and carbon monoxide detector batteries.

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*Hasbrouck Heights  
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## *The Meaning of the Holiday Season*

*By Rev. Msg. Rodrigo San Pedro  
Corpus Christi Church*

Trying hard to beat the Christmas issue deadline, I came across this e-mail from my friend. I quoted or borrowed some of them from Mary G.:

1. Last Holiday Season we were thinking about all the things we didn't have...

• This Holiday Season we are thinking about all the things we do have.

2. Last Holiday Season we were letting our sons play with toy guns...

• This Holiday Season we are teaching them that guns are not toys.

3. Last Holiday Season we paid lip service to the real meaning of the holidays...

• This Holiday Season we are paying homage to it.

4. Last Holiday Season we were lighting candles to decorate...

• This Holiday Season we are lighting candles to com-

memorate.

5. Last Holiday Season we were thinking about the madness of the holidays...

• This Holiday Season we are thinking about the meaning of them.

6. Last Holiday Season we were getting on one another's nerves...

• This Holiday Season we are learning to appreciate our family and friends.

7. Last Holiday Season we were giving thanks for gifts from stores...

• This Holiday Season we are giving thanks for gifts from GOD.

8. Last Holiday Season we believed in the power of the pocketbook...

• This Holiday Season we believe in the power of PRAYER.

9. Last Holiday Season we were complaining about how much of our earnings went to pay taxes...

• This Holiday Season we comprehend that freedom isn't free.

10. Last Holiday Season "PEACE ON EARTH" is something we prayed for on Sunday mornings...

• Now, it is something we pray for every day.

Lastly, let me greet all of you: **MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!** ###

## 5 Days in Bethlehem

"5 Days in Bethlehem," an intergenerational Advent experience, will be held at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Burton and Hamilton Avenues, Hasbrouck Heights, on five consecutive Saturdays, November 25, December 2, 9, 16, and 23, from 10 a.m. to 12 Noon.

Sponsored by Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Hasbrouck Heights; Zion Lutheran Church, Garfield; and the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Maywood, this 2-hour experience will be enjoyed by both young and old.

People of all ages may come alone or with their family to hear the Christmas story in a new way and experience what it was like for Mary and Joseph in Bethlehem.

Make the crafts, play the instruments, and eat the foods of Bethlehem in the time that Jesus was born.

The baker, shop keepers, census taker, and Roman soldiers are waiting to welcome visitors to Bethlehem.

If you have any questions, please call Holy Trinity Lutheran Church at 201-288-6889. Registration requested. ###

### Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Christmas Schedule

• December 24, 4th Sunday in Advent, 11:00 a.m., Holy Communion

• Christmas Eve, 7:30 p.m., Family Holy Communion, 10:30 p.m., Recital of Christmas Music and 11:00 p.m., Festival Holy Communion

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Tuesday & Friday - 12 noon, N.A. Meeting



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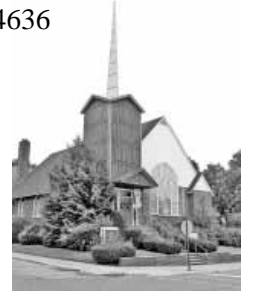
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## Hasbrouck Heights CROP WALK Raised Over \$3,000

This year's annual CROP WALK was held on Sunday, October 29th, beginning at 2:00 p.m. at Corpus Christi Church and concluding at the First Reformed Church (*Washington & Burton*).

The 2.4 mile route was along Burton & Oak Grove. Refreshments were served.

Over \$3,000 was pledged by the community

CROP WALK raised funds to change the world in real and measurable ways; digging wells to bring clean water to villages; providing seeds, tools and simple irrigation techniques, helping families and communities rebuild from disasters

like tsunamis, the earthquake in Pakistan, and the Gulf Coast hurricanes.

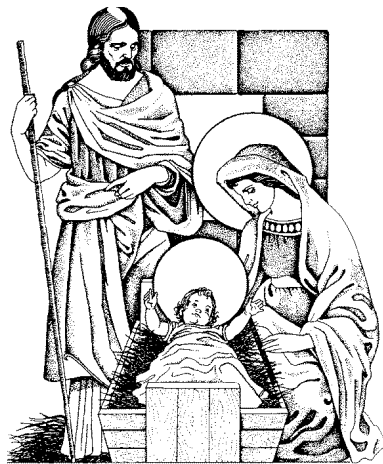
CROP WALK funds will benefit the overall work and ministry of Church World Service- working in some 80 countries to help those in need help themselves through refugee assistance, self-help develop-

ment programs, advocacy and disaster relief.

And, it's important to note that 25 percent of what was raised will help local agencies in their important work here in Hasbrouck Heights.

For more information call Joe at 201-462-0220 or Pastor Smith at 201-288-1122. Email: support@hhcropwalk.com

Online donations are still being accepted at: www.hhcropwalk.com ###



## Church Christmas Service Schedules

The Churches of Hasbrouck Heights invite you to join us for worship as we celebrate the joyous Christmas Season

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Dec. 24 -- 5:00 p.m. (Family) and 10:30/11 p.m.  
Dec. 25 -- 10:00 a.m. Christmas Celebration

### FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

Burton & Washington • 201-288-1122  
Dec. 24 -- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
Dec. 24 - 11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion

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Burton & Division • 201-288-4636  
Dec. 24 -- 10:30 a.m. Carols and Kids  
Dec. 24 -- 11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion

### HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Dec. 24 -- 7:30 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. Holy Communion  
Dec. 25 -- 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

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Dec. 25 -- 9:00; 10:30; 12 Noon (All services in Chapel except 4:15 Dec. 24)

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Dec. 24 -- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

### Annual Ecumenical Epiphany Walk

Join us Saturday, January 6, 2007 for our Annual Ecumenical Epiphany Walk. We will begin at the Community United Church of Christ at 6:00 p.m. and end at the First United Methodist Church for a Reception.



## Gospel Art Service

The First United Methodist Church (*Burton & Division Avenues*), will present, "The Gospel in Art" on Thursday, December 14 at 7:45 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Gospel message will be portrayed in art, music and readings. Each program creates a mood of devotion allowing quiet communion between the worshipper and God. Members of the congregation participate in the service through music and readings.

The Rev. Matthew V. Labriola, chalk artist, will present the program, creating a large painting with pastel chalks and special lights, accompanied by readers and music. The painting will be given to the Church.

The combined choirs of the First United Methodist Church and Christ Church of East Rutherford will provide the music.

Prior to entering the ministry, Mr. Labriola was a New York advertising artist. Since entering the ministry, he has developed a series of programs called "preaching with paint," or "devotional evangelism through art," portraying spiritual themes through art.

He states, "I have found that art and song transcend all denominational boundar-

ies and labels as they point us to universal truths." He has presented his art ministry in more than 500 churches that represent the entire liturgical spectrum, both Protestant and Roman Catholic.

He has studied at the Art Students League and Ridgewood Art Institute and with leading artists. He is noted for his landscapes of the Saddle River Valley in NJ where he resided for many years.

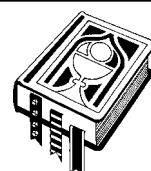
A United Methodist pastor, Mr. Labriola has served parishes in the tri-state area. A graduate of Drew Theological School and Fairleigh Dickinson University, Mr. Labriola has also served as associate editor of the United Methodist Relay.

He is the author of, "The Prophet Meets Madison Avenue," a collection of plays.

His Easter sermon, "Arrivederci, I will See You Again," was included in "Best Sermons 3," an anthology published by Harper & Row.

Refreshments will be served following the presentation along with an opportunity to meet Pastor Labriola. Cost is a free will offering to cover the artist's honorarium.

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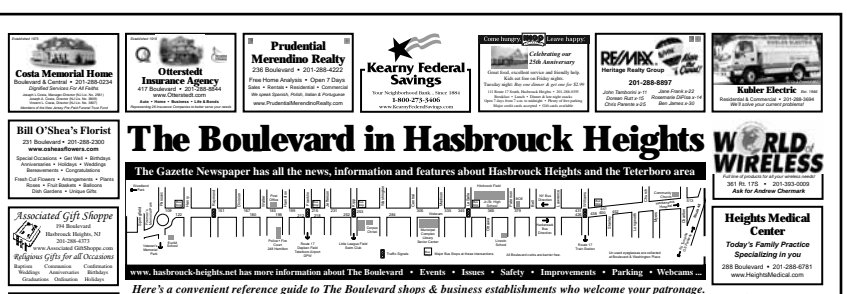
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## Corpus Christi Tricky Tray

Start your holiday fun in Hasbrouck Heights with friends and family at Corpus Christi School's "Wish List" Tricky Tray on December 1st.

The entrance cost is still a very affordable \$12.00 and with this, attendees receive a sheet of entrance prize tickets, a goody bag, coffee and dessert. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Tickets are available now for this very popular event and can be purchased by calling Cheryl Gugliotti at 201-370-0107. ###

## VFW Holds Christmas Dinner Dance & New Year's Eve Gala

The VFW Post 4591 is hosting their annual Christmas Dinner Dance on Saturday, December 9th from 7:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. at the VFW Post, 513 Veterans Place. The public is invited.

Cost is \$25 per person and includes open bar from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Dinner is chicken, pasta, salad and dessert. Dancing music by Peter Lieberman. Reservations and checks must be received by November 30th.

The New Year's Eve Party will be held on Sunday, December 31st. Prime Rib dinner, champagne toast. Open bar. Music by Chris. Cost is \$75 per person. Book your tables by December 20th. Call the Post at 201-288-1112 for more information. ###

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## Boro Reorganizes January 1, 2007

The Borough of Hasbrouck Heights Mayor and Council will hold a Sine Die meeting at 11:45 a.m. on January 1, 2007 to conclude 2006 business.

After a brief recess, new council members will take the oath of office and a reorganization meeting will be held.

The oath of office will also be administered to Fire Department officers.

Council assignments and appointments will be presented, followed by the Mayor's Annual State of the Borough Address.

Comments by Council members and the public will follow. Light refreshments will be served in the Senior Center. The public is invited. ###

## "Beatlemania Now" Jan. 6 at W-R High

Wood-Ridge High School Project Graduation 2007 is sponsoring "Beatlemania Now" at the Wood-Ridge High School on January 6th, 2007 at 8:00 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. All seats are general admission. Tickets are \$25 each.

Touring for close to a decade, "Beatlemania Now" has become the premier multi-media Beatles show in America today.

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For tickets call Lou at 201-819-5429 or Mary at 201-933-2361. ###

## Friendly Neighbors Kick Off Their Annual Fund Drive

by Jackie Mazza

The members of the Friendly Neighbors held their fall meeting on Friday, November 3rd at the home of Jackie Mazza.

Plans were made for the 2006 campaign that officially began on Thanksgiving Day and goes through New Year's Day.

The Friendly Neighbors is an organization that has been in existence since 1939 and consists of a group of local women who donate their time and energy to raise gifts of money and food for needy local families.

Over the years, there have been special friends of the organization who donated generously all through the year.

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Special thanks go to our first donors of the campaign: Rosemary A. Smith, Mildred and Mike Cahill, and Dot Mitchell.

Additionally, a food drive was held at Euclid School with the donations going to help local families celebrate Thanksgiving. Thank you for your generosity. ###

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## Computer Literacy Classes Offered at St. John the Divine

On Monday, January 29th, 2007, students can register for the winter session of Basic Computer Literacy Classes at the Care on the Corner, an outreach ministry of the Episcopal Church of St. John the Divine (333 Franklin Avenue in Hasbrouck Heights).

Registration is the First night of Class. Space is limited to six students on a first come, first served basis.

The first session begins on Monday night, January 29, 2007 at 6:45 p.m. at the Care Center. Classes continue for the next three weeks, February 5th, February 12 and February 19th. A certificate will be awarded upon completion of the course. Suggested donation \$10.00.

For more information call 201-288-9460 x 5 or 201-288-0002. A registration form must be completed for each student. ###

## Church Concert December 8th

The Stella Maris High School Choir of Rockaway Park, NY, will perform in the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Concert Series on Friday, December 8, at 7:30 p.m.

The school's excellent choir will feature Benjamin Britten's "Ceremony of Carols," a masterpiece of twentieth century choral repertoire.

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Call Holy Trinity Lutheran Church at 201-288-6889 for more information. ###

## Make Holiday Gingerbread Houses

The next meeting of the Crafts-to-Share Club is December 5th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The group will be joined by the teens.

This meeting's project will be making Holiday Gingerbread Houses.

The community is invited to join this informal group of crafters, meet people with common interests, learn something new from others, share your knowledge, promote your craft and just have fun.

Bring your knitting, crocheting, scrap booking and ideas for crafts that others may enjoy learning.

All crafters are welcome, from beginners to advanced.

The Club meets the first Tuesday of every month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Free Public Library. Call 201-288-0488 for more information. ###

## Second Annual Wine Tasting Dinner Dec. 10

St. John's Second Annual Wine Tasting Dinner will return to The Ivy Inn on Terrace Avenue on Sunday, December 10th at 5:00 p.m.

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