





Commemorating Memorial Day 2023

By Ed Hornichter

As we do each year, our Veterans held a march from the Clubhouse to the Gatehouse over Memorial Day weekend on Sunday, May 28.

We thank Boy Scout Troop 3 and Girl Scout troop 73 for the great job they did marching with us and carrying our colors.

We also like to mention commanders of the American Legion, Al Brown of 522, and their NJ Commander, JWV Department Commander Salina Kanowitz, and Commander Jack Kirshenbaum JWV P 609. Thanks also go out to the Monroe Township Council, Eileen and MT Police Chief Biennes and the

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Presorted

Standard



Members of the Clearbrook Billiard Club recently gathered for a hearty feast at a local restaurant. See page 9 for the club's news.

Manager's Report

By Donna Galindo, CMCA

This is the first year I can remember in a very long time that there was actually a spring and a long one at that. June was chilly and I am happy to see July come in warmer. The first day of summer did not even reach 70 degrees. We can look forward to the sun and heat for a few months now.

The **CCA Board Election** is right around the corner. There are 9 candidates for 5 positions this year. Their resumes are in this edition of the Courier for your review.

Get to know your candidates by attending Candidates Night on Wednesday, July 12 at 7 p.m. in the Clubhouse Ballroom. Unit owners can submit questions for the candidates prior to the event. You can drop your questions at the Administration office or in the drop box outside the rear entrance to the Clubhouse, or you can email questions to Liz Saunders: Isaunders@taylormgt.com. The deadline to submit questions is Monday, July 10, 2023, at 5 p.m.

The CCA election will be held on Monday, August 7, 2023, in the Clubhouse Ballroom. Polls will be open from 1:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for in person voting. The Annual Meeting of the CCA will be held in the Ballroom starting at 7:00 p.m. Please watch your mail for the Notice of Annual Meeting, Resumes

The CCA President's Report

July 2023 *By Beverly Eskra*

We will be celebrating the 4th of July this month which, by the way, happens to be one of my favorite holidays where we get to celebrate our country's independence and freedom. Many of us celebrate by having barbecues, setting off firecrackers or just simply by watching their colorful display in person or on TV. In all ways we are reminded of the strength and courage of our forefathers who took on the bullies of their times. They were faced with many anxieties and fears, some of which we are facing today, all in trying

to establish our country as

they fought against the tyranny of their time. We may not be fighting to establish our country but we are fighting to maintain it. As we gather on this 4th of July let us all be thankful to them for our ability to share a common goal of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. A very Happy Fourth of July!

We have come a long way since the first Fourth of July celebration and have joined together to make it happen. Like the anxieties and fears our past has seen we too have had obstacles but endured. The Covid 19 pandemic not only took the lives of some of our loved ones, but it tried to rob us of our

resilience, however, it only made us stronger. We have proven that this invasive virus was wrong if it thought we would give up the fight to preserve our common goals. As our residents in Clearbrook have shown we have the courage to face any adversity if we stand together. We have reached out to one another to prove that we can listen, we can share not only our feelings but we can work together to bring about effective change. A positive change has taken place in Clearbrook and we see its presence in the way we approach each other and the gratitude for having the abil-

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Golf Season Arrives

By Joe Zicaro

The Men's Association has been building up for a great season ahead. The weather has been cooperating with just enough rain.

The four man team scramble

1st place Rich Davis Jim Pierson, Jerry Totin and Mr Han

2nd place Mike Rekuc, Ted Bundy, Dan Seltzer

Closest to Pin Team Bundy

Better Ball Partners

1st Place Chris Perdoni and Bobby Boy Tereshko 2nd place finished with a tie

Jerry Totin Sr. and Jerry Jr.
Dan Seltzer and Jimmy Pierson

Schoolyard Scramble Team Swartz

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Golf: 1st place team, Jim Equals, Jerry Totin, Ted Bundy, and Joe Zicaro. Submitted by Joe Zicaro

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Lifestyle Happenings

By Krystal Graves, Lifestyle Director

Lifestyle really does always have a lot happening! Now that summer has officially kicked off, let's chat about what is upcoming.

Art Appreciation has done an absolutely stunning job with their annual Art Show. This year Lifestyle would like to add to the experience by hosting an Arts & Crafts Fair. The Clubhouse will be transformed into a wonderful, artistic experience with Art Appreciation in the Clubhouse Ballroom and many of our other groups and clubs like Stained Glass, Fiber Arts

and Ceramics in our other rooms, featuring and displaying their work. Let this be your opportunity to see what your friends and neighbors have been crafting and creating. We are in the process of scheduling a date so be on the lookout for updates on Channel 26, the VOC, eblasts and promotional flyer updates at the Lifestyle Desk. We hope to schedule this for August 4 or 5 in the evening. Refreshments will be served in the Lounge A Café.

Other great upcoming events are a trip to see a Trenton Thunder game on August 18 and a performance from Anna and Peter of the MusAlliance on August 19. Musical Bingo with our favorite extrovert, Tara Feeley, is back in action right before the end of the summer on August 29.

Don't forget, Grumpy Old Men: The Musical tickets went on sale on June 15. This trip includes the show ticket, transportation and din-

We hope that summer is treating you well and you are enjoying all that Lifestyle has to offer.

Happy 4th of July to all!

Golf Season

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Ed Swartz, Doug Dowling, Dan Selzter, Bobby Boy Tereshko

We also had our first big outing of the year with an awesome turnout ran by Joe Zicaro

Team Zicaro prevailed bringing in 1st place with a score of -12

Joe Zicaro, Jim Equals, Ted Bundy Cottingham, Jerry Totin

2nd Place

Team Ferrara

Tony Ferrara, Petey Ferrara, Jimmy Pierson, Richie Davis Closest To pin Rich Davis 11 inches Red/ Gold

Joe Zicaro 4'7' White/Blue

Welcome to our New Member and resident Petey Ferrara

Always looking for new members and players. Come and join in on our Saturday fun!

Quote of the month: A great shot is when you pull it off. A smart shot is when you don't have the guts to try it!!

A lot of tournaments coming up so get in and sign up.

Hope to see you around the course. Until next month Grip it and Rip it.

FORE!

By Susan Martiejunas

The golfers were blessed with fair weather for all five weeks of tournaments. That means five rounds to report, and a long column.

On May 17, the big winners with a five under 30, were Betty Lou Carney, Bob Kaufman, Sager, and Dan Seltzer. Ed Schmierer, Ed Tauss, and Ann Marie and Dan Wasilko were next with a 33. There was a tie at 34: Carol Ann Hroch, Stan Ko-Iodziejski, Peter Perperas, and Joe Servedio; and Irwin Bailer, Gary Davis, and Fred and Nancy Stone. At even par were Pat Brzozowski, John Jensen, Al Peller, and Jerry Totin. And we had another tie at 37; Harold Carlton, Toni Fama, Walt Link,

and Jim Pierson; and Mark Baff, Herman Bozenhardt, Ed Kopil, and Andy Kosco.

May 24 could be one for the books. There was one group at three under; one at two under; one at three over; and six, count 'em six, at 34. Note too, that there were eight groups that day. Winners at 32 were Ed Kopil and Al Peller. Next were Walt Link, Libby Podber, Dan Seltzer, and Ed Swartz. The group shooting 38 included Herman Bozenhardt, Melody and Paul Henry, and Andy Kosco. Now for the six groups shooting 34; they were Nancy Haberman, Jim Pierson, and Ed Schmierer; Irwin Bailer, Pat Brzozowski, Gary Davis, and Stan Kolodziejski; Harold Carlton, Vito

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Call for Applications to the **Grievance Committee**

New Jersey law requires condominium associations to provide a means to mediate disputes as an alternative to litigation. The CCA has chosen as its means of alternate dispute resolution mediation by a member of the Griev-

ance Committee or by Community Association Institute New Jersey Chapter (CAI-NJ) Mediation Services.

As per the CCA By-laws, "the committee must consist of at least three and no more than seven members provided that the Board is able to identify a sufficient number of qualified members willing to serve on the committee.'

Committee members, "mediators," mediate disputes between unit owners and Section Boards and sometimes between neighbors. A mediator must be very familiar with the community's governing documents which are, the master deed, the By-Laws (Section By-Laws and CCA By-Laws) and the Clearbrook Community Rules & Regulations. Applicants must be unit owners in good standing.

The committee members. If you would like to know more about the Grievance Committee process, or want to submit an application, please visit www.clear brook-nj.com. On the resident-only portal of the web site, follow links to Resources/Documents Forms/Advisory Committee Applications/Grievance Advisory Committee Application and Guidelines. Or stop by the office to pick up an application and procedures.

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and Absentee Ballots. Please make sure you place your absentee ballot in an unmarked envelope in another envelope that is marked with your name, address and Section. If your name and address are missing from the outside envelope, your vote will not be counted. Absentee ballots must be returned to the Administration office before 9:00 a.m. on Monday, August 7, 2023, in order to be included in the count. Unit owners who have given their email addresses will receive an email invitation from Vote-HOANow to vote online.

As a reminder, "Anyone owing money to the CCA is considered not to be a member in good standing and therefore will not be able to vote." This regulation includes unpaid monthly assessments, unpaid late fees and interest, unpaid legal fees and unpaid special assessments.

Census forms were due back in March 2023 but there are many residents who have not returned a completed form. Please get your census back as soon as possible. Returning your census is part of your responsibility to keep the community age restricted and your property taxes at a lower rate. Should you need a new form, please drop by the Administration office or visit the Clearbrook website at www.clearbrooknj.com. All forms can be emailed to Rosetta Key at rkey@taylormgt.com dropped off that the office.

Now that we have covered elections there are a few other items to remind the community of:

- 1. Pools are open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 days a week. Guidelines and rules are available at the office and on the website.
- 2. Please DO NOT drive around the speed humps. It is dangerous for our walkers

and bike riders.

- 3. The speed limit is 25 mph throughout the entire community.
- 4. All pets must be leashed and please pick up after
- 5. As of July 1, we will be transitioning to a new database. This is where your payments are applied. There may be some bumps in the road so please be patient.
- 6. As the weather gets warmer and we get less rain, there will be some dry grass. Unless you have a sprinkler system, this is something we will all have to deal with.
- 7. Walking, riding a bike, or walking your pet is prohibited on the Golf Course. If you are not golfing, you do not belong on the course. This is for your safety. Flying golf balls can cause serious injury.

I would like to give a shout out to Debbie Pasquerella for the Zoom she did regarding insurance. It was very informative and very helpful to the residents when purchasing HO6 insurance. This was recorded and is posted on the website.

Advisory Committees are an integral part in assisting the CCA Board. Committees serve at the direction of the board in an advisory capacity. If you have a special talent, interest or experience with any of the following committees, we would appreciate you volunteering. Applications are available at the Administration office. The following are active commit-

- 1. Activities Advisory Committee
- 2. Architectural and Landscape Advisory Committee
- 3. Energy / Green Advisory Committee
- 4. Golf Advisory Committee
- 5. Grievance Advisory Committee
- 6. Pool Advisory Committee 7. Sports Advisory Commit-
- 8. Voice of Clearbrook Advisory Committee

Lastly, I would like to wish everyone a Happy 4th of July.

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President's Report

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I want all of you to know that it has been a pleasure serving this community this past year as your President. We have come a long way from the

past; however, we have more work to be done. We need to continue to make Clearbrook the number-one community where each of us is considered for one of our most fundamental human needs that of connection and acceptance

Thank you!

Candidates' Resumes appear on pages 16-17.

CCA Open Board Meetings for 2023

All Open Board Meetings are at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, July 26 Monday, August 7

Wednesday, August 23 Wednesday, September 27 Wednesday, October 25 Wednesday, November 22 No Meeting in December

Clubhouse Ballroom **Annual Meeting** (Election Day) Clubhouse Ballroom Clubhouse Ballroom Clubhouse Ballroom Clubhouse Ballroom

Work Sessions take place the second Tuesday of the month. All meetings are subject to cancellation.



Above and below: Our newest Veterans Group, with almost 60 members, recently held its first Pizza Social with 54 attendees. A good time was had by all. The group is growing. All Clearbrook Veterans are invited to join. For more information, contact Roland Jopling or Myles Cappiello. (Phone numbers are listed in the Clearbrook Directory.)

Photos by Ed Hornichter



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Ponzio, and Ann Marie and Dan Wasilko; Steve Holzinger, John Jensen, and Benson Situ; John Donohue, Fred and Nancy Stone, and Bob Tereshko; and Carol

Memorial Day

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officers who handled the radio car.

Special thanks and kudos to our brave WW II Veteran Hal Wexler, who placed the wreath at the gatehouse flag pole, along with the assistance of Mayor Steve Dalina and Senator Linda Greenstein.

Thanks to Special Ops Sgt. Major Myles Cappiello, (ret) for playing taps, Jerry Sperling for supplying sound and music along with our drummer. Commander Allan Brown, who has sound speakers built into his golf cart. Also, our appreciation goes to Sgt. Norman Kleboe for lowering and raising the flag, Ted Hendricks, our Chaplain of the Day, and, of course, our CCA President Beverly Eskra for her charming welcome.

A special thank you, again, to our Boy and Girl Scouts, who immediately after the parade went to Washington Cemetery to place grave markers and American flags at the graves of our departed.

Also we must not forget to send our appreciation to Administration, Activities, and Rezcom.

I hope I didn't miss anyone! Thank you all for making this parade the most successful ever. Ann Hroch, Peter Perperas, and Jerry Totiin.

On May 31 Barbara Desiderio, John Donohue, John Jensen, and Jerry Totin shot a blazing hot 29. They were followed at 31 by Al Peller, Joe Servedio, and Fred and Nancy Stone. Tim Casatelli, Bob Kaufman, Ed Kopil, and Ed Schmierer came in with a 32. Next, tied at even par, were Herman Bozenhardt, Ted Cottingham, Andy Kosco, and David Nailburg; and Gary Davis, Stan Kolodziejski, Jim Pierson, and Libby Podber. With another tie, at 36, were Harold Carlton, Melody and Paul Henry, and Dan Seltzer; and Mark Baff, Benson Suti, and Ann Marie and Dan Wasilko.

And on to June we go. On the seventh, with a 31, were John Donohue, Carol Ann Hroch, John Jensen, and Bob Kaufman. There was a four-way tie at even par 35 by Harold Carlton, Fred and Nancy Stone, and Benson Suti; Tim Casatelli, Vito Ponzio, and Bob Tereshko; Herman Bozenhardt, Pat Brzozowski, Andy Kosco, and Ed Schmierer; and Mark Baff, Ed Kopil, Jim Pierson, and Libby Podber. Irwin Bailer, Nancy Haberman, Paul Henry, and Al Peller shot 36; and Gary Davis, Melody Henry, Dave Nielburg, and Dan Seltzer shot

Thirty-four seems to be a popular score. This week there were four groups tied there. They were Tim Casatelli, Barbara Desiderio, John Donohue, and Jim Pierson, Pat Brzozowski, Dave Nielburg, Dan Seltzer, and Fred Stone; Joe Servedio, Ed Tauss, Bob Tereshko, and Jerry Totin; Nancy Haberman,

Ed Kopil, Nancy Lee, and Peter Perperas. There was another tie, this on at 36: Herman Bozenhardt, Barbara Camhi, Harold Carlton, and Andy Kosco; and Gary Davis, Melody and Paul Henry, and Al Peller. Bob Kaufman, Libby Podber, anad Ed Swartz came in with a 38.

That's it for this month. Until next, keep swingin' and hit 'em long and straight.





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Prom Dance



The Prom \$5 Dance was held at the Cultural Center on June 3. All ticketholders were invited to nominate a Queen and King. The happy winners were Prom Queen Edith Lehman and Prom King Bill Yersevich. Congratulations!



The Thursday Evening Woodshop Ladies work on their projects from 7 to 9 p.m. every Thursday with enthusiasm. The Woodshop Supervisors keep out of their way after showing them the correct tools to use on their projects and how to use them safely. You can see by the smiles on their faces how much the Clearbrook Ladies enjoy their Thursday night sessions. Come on down and enjoy the fun of working in the Clearbrook Woodshop.





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The Clearbrook Woodshop Supervisors listen intently to instructor Bill Turkus as he delivers his "Safety in the O.S.H.A. Course." Safety is the first priority in the Clearbrook Woodshop at all times and all Supervisors took the course to refresh their memories.

Photos and captions by Jerry Sperling

Did You Know?

- "Darts" is now in the Cultural Center! 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays
- · Chair Aerobics with Bailey is every Thursday in the Clubhouse at 7 p.m.
- Zumba is going to make a comeback! Stay tuned for more info!
- 12th & 15th Movie: Jerry and Marge Go Large
- 13th Game Show Night
- 17th Nutritional Seminar -Yogurt Parfait
- 21st Sip & Paint Canvas **Art Painting**
- 26th Broadway: MJ

Music in the **Park Concerts Cultural Arts Comm.**

Please join us for our Music in the Park Summer 2023 free concerts. The concerts will be offered on six consecutive Thursday evenings at 6 p.m. at the Open Grove Gazebo on the Lake in Thompson Park, Monroe Township, New Jersey. Bring your own chair and blanket.

July 6 - KINDRED SPIRIT - Classic Rock & Roll - 60's through today

July 13 - ENJOY! - Songs from the 50's to today

July 20 - JERSEY ROCK-ERS - Classic Rock from the '60s, '70s, and '80s

July 27 - JOHN BIAN-CULLI GROUP, Featuring Deb Lyons - Jazz, Samba and Swing

August 3 - HIDDEN GEMS - Singing, dancing, and performing talents of India and Bollywood

August 10 - ECO DEL

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Nurse's Notes

Take Care of Your Eyes! They're the Only Two You've Got

Elizabeth Caruso, MSN, RN, COHN-S, Nurse Manager Community Health Services, Saint Peter's Univ. Hospital

Your eyes are your windows to the world, allowing you to see your family and friends, read and watch television and enjoy the beauty of nature all around. As you age, it's important to do everything possible to keep your eyes healthy.

Unfortunately, some people take their vision for granted. They don't get their eyes checked annually as they should. They notice their vision might not be as good as it used to be; they are experiencing eye strain or pain and they write it off as a normal part of aging. It's true that eyes age as our bodies do, but some vision changes can be a sign of something more seri-

It's important for seniors to have their eyes checked regularly by an eye care professional. You may want to search for an ophthalmologist or optometrist who specializes in caring for older eyes; they may be more familiar with common conditions such as cataracts or dry eye.

Additionally, eye doctors who specialize in the care of aging eyes keep current regarding new medications and how they can impact vision and eye health. If you are taking medications to treat diabetes, heart disease, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or any other condition, don't forget to tell your eye doctor about your prescriptions.

Is it the sun, an infection or dry eye?

Do you find that your eyes are leaking tears even when you have a smile on your face? If this only happens when you are out in the sun or wind, wearing sunglasses to shield your sensitive eyes may help. If your eyes feel dry, you may want to try eye drops to moisten them.

However, teary eyes can be a sign of a more serious problem. When tear glands are not working as well as they used to, and you feel stinging or feel as if something is always in your eye - like a grain of sand you may be suffering from dry eye. This is a common condition people may get as they get older. It's more common in women than men.

Regardless, it requires a visit to the eye doctor. You may get a prescription for stronger eye drops or eye ointment. Your doctor may suggest you use an air purifier or humidifier in your home. If dry eye gets severe, your doctor may suggest tear duct plugs or surgery.

Wet, leaky eyes can also be a signal that you have an eye infection or a blocked tear duct. Again, these conditions require examination by an eyecare professional.

When your vision is not as sharp as it used to be...

Age-related macular degeneration (AMD) affects your ability to see things crisply and clearly. Often a diagnosis of AMD could mean you can no longer drive a car and it can make reading difficult. Your eye doctor can diagnose or rule out AMD with a dilated eye exam. While it's impossible to roll back the clock on AMD, there are treatments on the market that may reduce the chance that your condition will get worse.

For those with diabetes...

Diabetic retinopathy appears usually without warning signs. Of course, regulating your blood sugar to proper levels and keeping blood pressure under control - along with regular eye checkups - may slow the progression of diabetic retinopathy if caught in the early stages. During later stages, laser eye surgery may be a treatment option. Talk to your eye doctor if you have diabetes so they can regularly screen for this condition.

Cloudy vision

Do you feel like your vision is cloudy or hazy? Perhaps things seem blurrier than they used to, and you feel like something is getting in the way of seeing clearly. You may

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From the Jewish Congregation of Clearbrook

On Rosh Hashanah, it is written. On Yom Kippur, it is sealed.

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YOM KIPPUR

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SHEMINI ATZERET

Saturday, October 7th **Yizkor**

10:00 am

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Clubs and Groups

Italian American Club

By Medele De Filippo

At our May 23 meeting it was announced that retiring club president Lou DiMeglio had been admitted to the hospital. The next day we learned with much sorrow and sadness of his passing. Lou had been an efficient and loyal president for 20 years and had made many contributions to the club resulting in its growing success. He worked hard and always enjoyed talking to club members. We will greatly miss his presence and have conveyed our deep sorrow to his loving family. May he rest in peace.

Below I will report on our meeting. Vice President Marie Schiumo reminded us that at our April meeting, President Lou DiMeglio advised that he had chosen to retire from his duties. At that time, with Lou's approval and that of the other board members, it was our pleasure to learn that club member Tim Casatelli had volunteered to be president of the club. Marie introduced Tim to a round of applause. Welcome to you Tim. Marie then introduced club member Marie Service, who will serve as a club director and will assist wherever needed. Welcome to you Marie.

Tim asked us to stand and pledge to our flag. Treasurer Betty Colgate was called upon to give an up-to-date report on the club's expenses and bank balance. Secretary Medele De Filippo read the minutes of our April meeting, and followed with reading of the names of members celebrating birthdays and anniversaries during April, along with the names of new members. In JoAnn Rago's absence, director Marie Service spoke about the monthly casino trips to Atlantic City. Reservation forms and checks were collected for our June 27 luncheon and Marie Schiumo reminded us to leave any additional requests in our Clubhouse mailbox.

There being no further business, we met our entertainer for the evening, comedian Billy Garan. Billy lives in Greenbriar and told us that he lived in California for a time but returned to New Jersey, where people don't give a "_ He has performed at the Improv Club, Catch A Rising Star, and the Rodney Dangerfield Club. Billy zoomed in on various subjects, especially comparing kids growing up years ago, to kids growing up now. He said no one cared if you smoked cigarettes back then because everyone did. In fact, he said, parents gave their kids a "starter kit" containing chocolate cigarettes. How funny and true. He gave us some great impressions including Peter Falk as Colombo, Sylvester Stallone as Rocky and the old-time comedian George Burns. He was on target with all of them. There was continuous laughter throughout his act and we would welcome Billy back any time, without a doubt.

After the entertainment, refreshments were served and after refreshments, Rick Davis called the winning 50/50 ticket numbers. The meeting was concluded shortly thereafter.

Happy Birthday wishes in July (birthstone: Ruby) (flower: Larkspur) to: Gus Bachman, Sharon Buchsbaum, Rosalie Caldarera, Ralph Carito, Lynn Cutter, Linda Dean, Camille Dell'Olio, Rosallier (Linda) Galler, Andrew Geary, Joseph Graci, Helen Heckel, Thomas

Krieger, Estelle Mazzola, Bob Musso, Glenn Petriello, Flo Picco, Filippo Ruffino, Joan Sarlo, Evelyn Sekac, Marie Service, Ron Sorensen, Richard Torrisi, John Vollaro

Happy Anniversary wishes in July to: Patti and Steve Holzinger, Patricia and Joseph Montalbano, Elizabeth and Nolberto Nieves

New Members: Say hello to: Barbara Delaney, Anne Fedor, Pia and Enzo Gioia, Martha Henry, Lou Kilian, Loretta Miglioro, Loretta Mikita, Kathy McLaughlin, Marge Nichols and Kenneth Taylor, Lucille and John Panos, Ana and Charlie Perez, Brigitte Sparta, Nina Triuca. Welcome to the club everyone.

Mark Your Calendar Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cultural Center.

Trips: Monday, July 10, to the Resorts Casino in Atlantic City. Please call A/C Trip Coordinator, JoAnne Rago (609-655-4482) if you wish to join us for the day. You are always welcome and so are your friends. We play games on the bus and watch a movie on the trip home. And you might have "Slots of Fun."

Interested in Joining? We always welcome new members. If you are interested in joining, please call Vice President Marie Schiumo (609-409-9931). Everyone in Clearbrook is invited to join and to be a part of our membership.

Before signing off, let me leave you with this: A man

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Italian American

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who laughs at his own mistakes can lengthen his life. Laughing at his wife's mistakes can shorten it.

Happy July 4th, Independence Day! Arrivederci, buona salute a tutti. So long and good health to everyone.

New Horizons

July 5 Book Club

For those who are new, we meet the first Wednesday of the month, 1 pm in the conference room of the Clubhouse. Call Anita Hyman (609) 409-6775 for further details.

The book for July is The Bluest Eye by Toni Morrison. There will be no moderator for this group. We will each read it and bring 2 or 3 questions for discussion to the group. We have never done this before. The book has been banned in some high schools. We are going to determine why.

There is no book for August. That is our semi-annual lunch out. It is usually some place local that provides us with separate checks. Anita Hyman is our social director, and it is always a lovely afternoon out. Please let Anita know if you plan to attend.

Nurse's Notes

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have cataracts which can be safely treated with a routine surgical procedure. This surgery is safe and can restore vour vision! Don't suffer in silence.

Glaucoma

When you go to the eye doctor and they do a screening test that involves a puff of air being blown at your eye, they are testing for glaucoma. This condition is the result of excess fluid pressure inside your eye. It's a serious eye disease that can lead to vision loss, and even blindness, if not treated as soon as possible. Since there are no warning signs of glaucoma, your best bet is to get your eyes dilated and checked annually.

Corrective lenses - or glasses/contacts

Some people have worn glasses all their lives. Others are lucky - they may not see vision changes until they are older. This is another reason to never skip your annual eye exam. If you need corrective lenses, it's an easy process and you'll soon be seeing clearly again. If you already wear glasses or contact lenses, don't forget to regularly get your prescription checked. Small changes in eyesight have a big impact on us as we age.

Conclusion

Whether you rely on your eyes to help you see the world as you travel, love to read or simply want to see the smiles of your friends and family members, make eye care a top priority in your life. And, if it turns out you need a bit of assistance to see better such as a magnifying glass or flashlight - don't hesitate to use them.

As Roman philosopher Marcus Tullius Cicero said: "The face is a picture of the mind with the eyes as its interpreter."

Movies

Movies of Social Significance will return on Thursday, September 14 and the name of the film will be announced in

Have a wonderful summer. Thursday, July 13, New Horizons Board Meeting- 11-1, room LA or LB

Thursday, July 20, New Horizons General Meeting, Ballroom at 11 pm

Contact: Michelle Hoff Mhoff11@yahoo.com

Boomers Club

By Frank Casey and Steve Rudin

Our next Open Membership Meeting is scheduled to be held on Friday, July 14, at 7 pm in the Clubhouse Ballroom. Doors open at 6:30 pm. This

meeting will be open to all Clearbrook residents. If you're not yet a member please feel free to stop by and check us out. If you know of someone who's new to the community, please bring them along.

At this meeting you can BYOB (no hard liquor), while mingling with our other resident members. We'll be serving dessert and coffee and selling 50-50s.

I've been recently informed by our website administrator, Eric Wolff that the photos from our Cinco de Mayo dance are now up on the website, along with photos of previous events. www.boomersofclearbrook.com

As many of you already know, CCA will begin renovations at the Cultural Center in late July and run through the month of August. This has resulted in us cancelling our August event. Hopefully this project will be completed in time for our 50-50 Derby event in September. Updates about this will be up on our website, and on Channel 26.

For those of you who are interested in joining the Boomers Club, our membership dues are still just \$10 annually. For information not listed on our website, please contact either President Frank Casey at fcasey69@hotmail.com or Vice President Steve Rudin at srud58@outlook.com.

Democratic Club

By Larry Silverman

On June 12 the club met with Charles Zeichner, an experienced educator, who is a

candidate for the Monroe Township Board of Education. Mr. Zeichner discussed his background, the suggested qualifications for a board member, an overview of the school system and possible directions for moving forward.

Mr. Zeichner has served as Teacher, Supervisor and Principal for the Chester Public Schools, Director of Curriculum and Instruction and Director of the Child Study Team. He has served in various leadership positions in the Stonebridge Homeowners Association. He believes that school board members should demonstrate leadership, integrity, and commitment. The Monroe School system is rated the sixth best school district in

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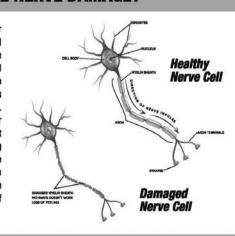
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Peripheral neuropathy is the consequence of damage to your peripheral nerves. There are over 100 different kinds of peripheral nerve disorders or neuropathies - some are the result of a disease like diabetes, while others can be triggered by a viral infection. Still others are the result of an injury or compression on the nerves. No matter where the problems begin, it is imperative nerve disorders are resolved as soon as possible to prevent permanent damage. Many people suffer with pain for years, not realizing that their symptoms may be due to Peripheral Neuropathy. Symptoms start gradually, then get worse, including numbness, burning or tingling sensations and sharp, electrical-like pain. Treatment options have been limited to a small assortment of pain medications, which can lead to further issues. Ignoring the problem or masking the symptoms has never been a viable solution. If you suffer from any of the aforementioned symptoms, we can help.



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Democratic Club

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Middlesex County and educates nearly 7,000 students in K-12. Among the issues he discussed were inconsistencies in standardized test score data between schools and overcrowding in the middle school. He suggested that the district conduct a ten-year study of student growth, not five years.

The club's next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 10 in Clubhouse Lounge A.

Computer Group

By Hal Wexler

Microsoft has recently announced the introduction of a new integrated Al-powered feature that could completely change the face of Windows as we know it. This new feature is called Copilot and will include all the usual Artificial Intelligence chatbot modes such as answering questions, writing content, compiling computer software code and several others. The user will be able to request Copilot to set up Windows for optimal performance and be presented with a number of options to achieve that goal. In another case Copilot could set up Windows for gaming and it will present a number of options that can be enabled with a single click. According to Microsoft, Copilot will be integrated into all of Windows to personalize and navigate the PC. This emphasis on Copilot seems to lend truth to the theory that there is a Windows 12 coming. Copilot, is set to be introduced first into an Insider preview build sometime this

Microsoft recently admitted that there are bugs in Windows 11 affecting some users that they have been unable to fix. Work-arounds have been provided. However, this situation leaves the impression that Windows 11 was rushed out in an undeveloped state. Copilot might be needed to resolve some of the Windows 11 problems but, this means the traditional. Windows operating system will be replaced almost entirely by AI.

If you aren't happy with the Windows 11 Start Menu aesthetics and would rather it

looked like Windows 10. You can download a third-party alternative for a minimal cost. A top choice is Stardock's Start 11 that can be purchased for \$5.99 and includes 30 days of direct technical support, plus unlimited access to its tech support forums. The program's setup screen asks if you want your taskbar left aligned or center aligned. You can then choose a style of Start menu, such as Windows 7 style, Modern style, or Windows 10 style. You can further tweak a style by clicking the down arrow next to it and selecting a compact or grid layout. If you prefer the classic two-column Start menu, go for Windows 7 style or Modern style. Windows 10 style will mimic the OS's tile-based lay-

Another alternative is called StartAllBack that costs \$4.99. Here you are first asked to choose your preferred two-column Start menu setup from Kinda 10 or Remastered 7. To further tweak StartAllBack, use the tabs on the left to edit the Start menu, taskbar, File Explorer, and more. When done, click the Start button to use the new menu. Right-click anywhere on the menu to delete, rename, or move specific shortcuts.

Art Appreciation Club

By Paula Davis

Our annual Art Exhibit will be held on Saturday, August 5, in the Ballroom. This beautiful and inspiring event has been taking place in Clearbrook for more than 30 years. We are always so amazed at the variety of submitted art and the fact that so many talented people live right here in our community. One of these people, Bea Donovan, is a wonderful artist who will be our featured artist at this year's exhibit.

We are most anxious to include our previous artists again, and would be delighted to add any new talent this year. We welcome all types of original art including painting, sculpture, and photography. If you would like to participate, please call Evie Sutkowski at (732) 928-0891. She will be glad to answer any questions about the exhibit.

All residents are invited to come to see the exhibit. Keep looking for more information about this event in the Courier and on Channel 26. This year, the Lifestyle Department will be inviting other organizations to participate that day with their own special exhibits throughout the Clubhouse.

Republican Club at Clearbrook

By Melody Henry, Club President

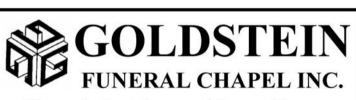
The Primary Election took place on June 6. There were three days of early voting preceding it. Many changes. Unaffiliated and independents were permitted to vote in the primary; however, they had to declare a party and then vote that party's primary. Many, many thanks to our General Manager, Donna Galindo, who was thoughtful enough to provide the poll workers with coffee, tea and bagels to sustain them through the 16 hours of poll work! Congratulations to all candidates who will be running in November.

On June 9, the Republican Club at Clearbrook hosted a campaign fundraiser for the local Monroe candidates. Special guests included Monroe Councilman and Mayoral Candidate Charles Dipierro and former Gubernatorial candidate Jack Ciattarelli. The evening consisted of a great dinner by Tuscany, wonderful and inspiring speeches by our guests, incredible raffle gifts, and a sumptuous dessert spread prepared by Clearbrook resident Esther Capone. Residents met our local candidates, had an opportunity to dialogue with them, had fun with the raffles and time enough to dance to the music of our DJ. Many thanks to our friends and residents who came out to support our candidates and our Republican beliefs. Special thanks to our sponsors: Amore Homes LLC, The Doughfather, Cryolux Holistic Day Spa, Antonio's, Elias & Gonzalez, LLC, Legacy Realty, LLC, Bina Shah Broker, James Brew and Ciro's Italian Restaurant . Many, many thanks to all our volunteers who donated their time. gift items and who did so much to make this event so great! A good time was had by all.

Remember, the Monroe Township Republican Club (MTRC) meetings take place the third Thursday of the month in the Monroe Township library at 7 pm. This group focuses on local town issues

The Republican Club at Clearbrook meetings take place on the fourth Thursday of the month in the Clubhouse also at 7 pm. This is an informal group of residents getting together to discuss the issues that make us shake our heads in disbelief. George Orwell said it well, "The people will believe what the media tells them to believe It's amazing how several news channels sound like they're speaking from the same prepared script, using the same buzz words. It's so hard to ascertain

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Jewish Congregation of Clearbrook



At the Ice Cream Social

By Michael Katz

Hope everyone will have wonderful 4th of July holiday.

Cannot believe the unhealthy air we Hopefully everyone took precautions and came through it without any Il effect.

Now for the

Congregation news. Our membership drive, Tree of Life and Memorial Tree drive were very successful. Thanks to everyone for their prompt responses. There is still time to sign up. Please contact Michael Katz at 609-619-3762 if you need any information.

Very important! The High Holidays begin on Friday, September 15, (Rosh Hashanah). Cantor Sucher will be conducting services. Tickets for the High Holidays will begin mid-July. An email and robo

call will be sent out with more information. As always tickets will remain at \$30 per person or a special price of two tickets for \$60. Please keep an eye out for the sale date. Any questions you can call Michael Katz.

We would also like refuah send schlema prayer for a speedy and compete recovery for all who are ill. Amen. Best wishes for a great summer!



On Sunday May 21, the Clearbrook Jewish Congregation held its annual Ice Cream Social and were entertained by an all-male singing group, The Princeton Garden Statesmen. Besides ice cream, other refreshments were also served. Photos by Ed Hornichter

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Republican Club

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truth from fiction, especially if it's not what you want to hear. "If liberty means anything at all, it means the right to tell people what they do not want to hear..." so eloquently said by George Orwell. The topic of freedom of speech, our First Amendment is so relevant, yet many times we curb ourselves because we worry about being "politically correct" or offending someone who doesn't share the same values. We need to speak up and let folks know when "the emperor is naked" and not be afraid to speak the truth.

We all need to socialize our differences congenially and learn the art of negotiation and diplomacy. If topics like this stimulate you, consider joining us on the fourth Thursday of the month. We welcome dialogue, discussion and even discord.

Rack 'Em Up"

By Pat Castrucci

We are excited with the new season of Billiards and Tournaments that are being scheduled and so pleased that billiards continues to capture new members of our community.

We welcomed our newest members at our May 3 billiard meeting. They are Bernie DiGiulo, Michael Ezzo, Andrea Wisman and Nancy Egerton.

On a sadder note, our longtime member and past Vice President, Michael Macys passed away surrounded by love ones and family on June 6. Our members would like to offer our condolences and prayers to Fran Marra and Michael's family. He will be missed by all of us.

Our 8 Ball Tournaments A and B Bracket were a success. Winners of our 8-ball tournament were Michael Kircher for A Bracket and Mel Goldstein for B Bracket. Trophies presented at our Billiard Club Breakfast. Congratulations, guys. Ladies, thanks for a great effort and making the tournament lots of fun along with our men players.

Monday night Billiards will continue - even though outside activities are occurring. All are always welcome after your outside activities are completed or if weather is too warm - welcome into our airconditioned room.

The Billiard Club Breakfast was a success - 34 members attended enjoying the comradery.

All are excited to watch our tournament winners receive their well-earned trophies. These were presented at our Billiard Breakfast by our President Paul Barbash.

A Little Bit of Trivia

Captain Mingaud, the inventor of the leather cue tip, was imprisoned for political reasons during the French Revolution. With the help of a fellow prisoner, he was able to have a billiard table installed in his cell. It was during his incarceration that he became obsessed with the game, that he devised and perfected his invention. His obsession became so intense, that at the end of his prison term, he actually asked for a longer sentence so that he could complete his study of the game.

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Section 1

By Marianne Gallagber

It was an interesting month, eh? Hazardous breathing, strange smells, unusual weather for June... good times! I actually ordered an air filtering mask for my dog, since this may become the new normal! (As yet, she does not know about it... mums the word!) Speaking of weather, it appears we may be experiencing another drought. PLEASE remember to NOT water during the middle of the day! Most of the water is lost to evaporation, causing more water to be needed. Even though you don't get a water bill, the Section does, and increases are passed along to the residents in monthly maintenance. Water in the early morning or early evening, and only for 15-20 minutes.

Concrete work will be starting soon, primarily walkways and aprons. Vinyl siding is well underway, and painting is scheduled. All tree removals are finished, and area restoration where trees were removed LAST year will occur in the fall. Power washing on all houses will be done during the painting project. If your shrubs in the 3-foot area are closer than 9 inches from the building, please have them trimmed back so the painters have ac-

I am sorry to report that the food truck will have been discontinued by the time you read this. There was not enough participation to keep it going.

I hate to mention this again, but it seems people still are complaining about our Section on social media. Not one of the complainers comes to meeting or volunteers to help the Section. They are unaware of what is happening or why, and are also uninformed about what is NOT happening and why. They do not have a grasp of the budget because they do not attend the meetings. They do not understand the distinction between CCA and the Section. I do understand that many are busy, many are retired and resting, and many, frankly, are not "joiners", which is perfectly fine. What is not fine, is dragging the Section's name (and MY name sometimes) through the mud before getting the facts. Try to be kind - we are volunteers and are doing our level best with no remuneration.

Section 2

By Barbara J. Turner **Greetings Section Residents!** A Word from Our President:

If you would like to utilize any portion of the area outside of your unit known as "common ground" please notify our Section President, Kathy McLaughlin (267) 697-

Welcome Summer

On June 4 we held our "Welcome to Summer" block party. Mother nature graced us with just the right temperature for a perfect outdoor event. Approximately 85-90 were in attendance and everyone had a great time. The participation and cooperation of our residents in every aspect of this event were tremendous. There was a wonderful variety of food and beverages for all to enjoy in a warm and friendly atmosphere. Thank you to all our residents for whatever they contributed to help make this event a success. A special thanks to Mary Jones and Sandy Jackson for their tireless efforts in the communication and coordination of this

Residents tend to entertain more often during the summer. Please be mindful of adjoining unit owners whether entertaining inside or outside so that everyone can enjoy the peace and tranquility of their unit. Also, please keep the following in mind:

- · Stay hydrated. The lack of proper fluids can cause serious health risks;
- Please be reminded to both operate and store your grills 5 (five) feet from your unit;
- · If you plan on having overnight guests, parking is available in the cul-de-sacs. A parking permit must be obtained from the Gatehouse.

your enjoyment. The pool at

the Clubhouse is available for you and your guests. Please remember that only two guests are allowed per unit (not per person in the unit). A fee of \$5 will be charged for any additional guests over and above the two allowable guests per unit. Checks should be made payable to CCA. The pool at the Cultural Center is for "residents only".

The election for the CCA Board is coming up soon. Our own Kathy McLaughlin will be running for a seat. Please support her in her continued efforts on the CCA board.

There are no open board meetings planned for the summer months; however, we hope to see the same increase in attendance we have enjoyed in the past when meetings resume in the fall.

Our best wishes to Shirley Greenbaum of 42C Catalpa Plaza on celebrating her 101st birthday.

Happy 4th of July. Please enjoy the holiday and stay

Trying to control what is outside of your control will control you. ~ Unknown

Section 3

Chatham Gardens

By Patricia Feeney

Hello to all residents, hoping you are enjoying the warm weather, the pools, and some of the beautiful sunsets and the few rainbows we had as well.

At our Annual Meeting in May, the Executive Board retained its current members and we have added a new member to the Board. His name is Richard Cirincione and he moved into the community in November. Thank you, Rich, for volunteering (no begging involved) and the Board looks forward to working with you. Without volunteers. we would all be paying a lot more in maintenance if we had to outsource this work.

Moving right along, our lawns are okay, but could be in better condition. Last year we had a landscaper put down topsoil and seed the areas where trees have been cut down. Unfortunately, grass didn't grow in any of these areas which may have been due to the excessive heat we experienced and also learning that any plantings should be done in the fall - live and learn!! As of this writing, there are four dying/dead trees that absolutely have to be cut down, especially with hurricane season nere. The big gest problem with one tree is that the roots broke an underground pipe and the tree has to be cut down before the pipe is replaced.

Everyone should have received an email from Andrea Wolstromer in Administration regarding your air filters. With the Canadian wildfires and the dangerously poor air quality around us at the time, it may be a good idea to change your air filters, such as the house filter for the air conditioning. It was also suggested on the news to change the cabin filter for the car which is in the glove compartment.

Our next general meeting is on Thursday, July 20 at 2:30 p.m. Come out and meet our new Board member, Rich, and enjoy the refreshments served.

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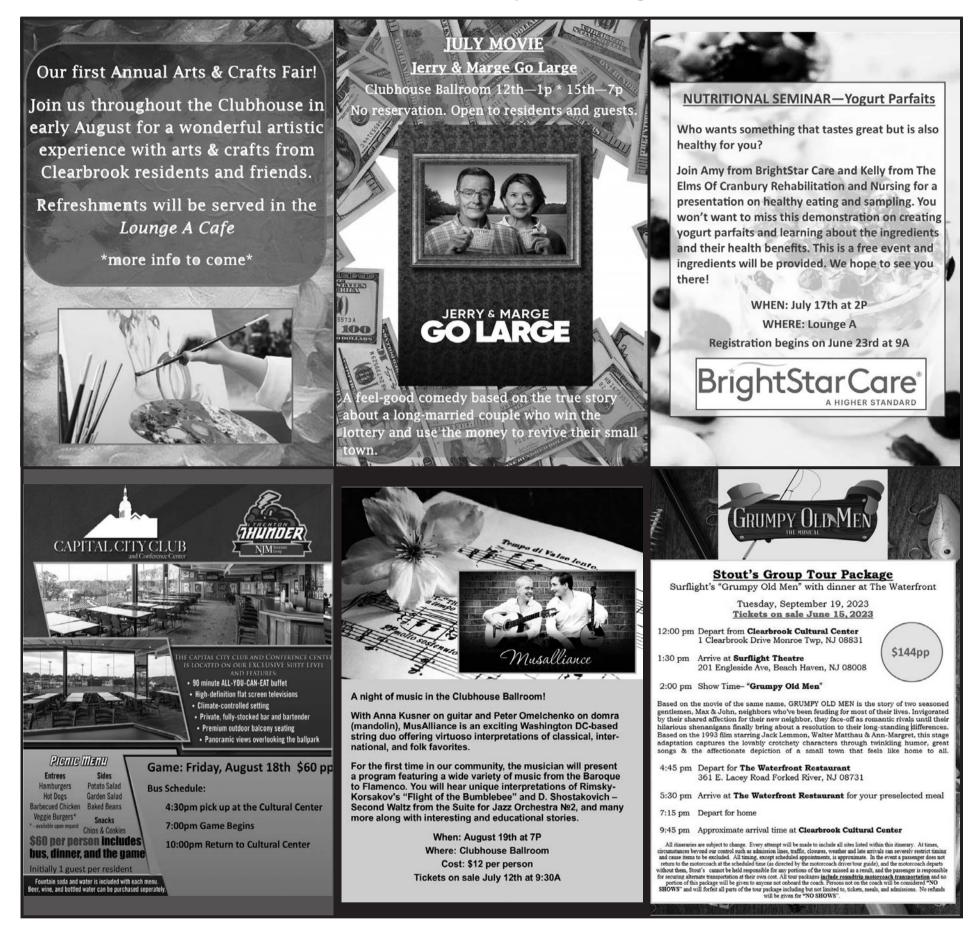
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Wednesday, September 27
Clubhouse Ballroom
Wednesday, October 25
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Wednesday, November 22
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Work Sessions take place the second Tuesday of the month. All meetings are subject to cancellation.

Clearbrook Grocery Bus

The grocery bus runs on Thursdays. Pickups start at 9:30 am and go throughout the community. To reserve your seat, you must call the Activities Department. NO LATER THAN 2pm the day prior to the day you want to go. 609-655-5760

Please look for eblasts regarding activities the Activities Department is putting on. Also, Channel 26 and the Clearbrook Website continue to be a great resource for information to keep you up to date

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Section 3

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This month brings us to July 4th, Independence Day. Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence 247 years ago. God Bless America!!

Section 4

By Irene Belinsky

time you read this we may have already felt its effects

and the sun's rays. Although we welcome summer with all our outdoor activities and warmth, we need to do everything possible to protect ourselves from both the heat and the sun. It can be dangerous and even life-threatening.

Older adults increase their risk of skin cancer when they do not protect their skin from the sun if they're outside for an hour or more. It is a fact that less than half of us do protect ourselves. We are putting ourselves in danger.

The CDC reports the follow-

"Each year in the United States, more than 5 million people are treated for skin cancer at a cost of about \$8.1 billion. Most cases of skin cancer are found in people older than 65 years of age, but little attention has been given to ways to reduce skin cancer risk among people in this age

group."

And folks, skin cancer, in particular melanoma is lifethreatening. I personally know this as I battled it with my husband for 15 years. Trust me, you don't want to go that route.

Protecting yourself is relatively easy. Make sure you do the following when you're out and about in the sun for an hour or more:

Wear protective clothing long sleeves and a hat.

Put on sun-screen - This is SO important. All products have an SPF rating on them. So, what is SPF? Sun Protection Factor: A system that measures the amount of ultraviolet radiation produced by the sun's rays, or how much is needed to give you a sunburn on protected skin (using a sunscreen) as opposed to how much is needed to produce sunburn on unprotected skin. That's how they rate the various sunscreen products as follows:

SPF 100 blocks 99 % of UV rays; SPF 50 is about 98 %; SPF 30 protects against 97%; SPF 15 guards against 93%

Along with potentially harmful sun rays comes the heat. You need to protect yourselves from that as well:

- •Hydrate, hydrate, hydrate
- Avoid any strenuous activity
- •Stay indoors in the AC when temperatures are in the 90's. These coupled with high humidity can be deadly.
- •Check on your elderly neighbors also.

We want to make sure everyone stays safe.

Section 4 has had quite a few new residents moving in over the past six months. We want to welcome them to our Section and to the Clearbrook community:

Our new residents are: Peter Ferrara - 268 Corylus Melanie Sullivan & Lindsay

Tuccillo – 277-3B Crosse Felecia Ansah-Moore - 273A Corylus

Mari-Celeste Massaro - 269A Corvlus

Gina Bellizzi - 277-1E Crosse Kimmerly Ellis – 268B Corylus Kathleen & Edward Mooney -2767B Corylus

Pura Estalilla Avisado - 278-1B Crosse

Robin Jefferson – 277-2C Crosse

And while I've resigned as President of the Board for Section 4, please be assured that the Board will continue to work as before in a cohesive fashion addressing all your concerns and making Section 4 a desirable place to live. It's a great team of volunteers and it was a pleasure to work with them and all of you. Just remember to call the Work-Order Number at (609) 642-6813 for any issues. I personally want to thank the Board for being such a great team of dedicated volunteers to work with as well as all the residents of the Section for making my experience a very productive and fulfilling one. I thank you all for your support.

Section 8

Hampton Village

By Liz Strazza Vice President

Welcome to July! Picnics, BBQs & Summer Fun!

Bocce, pickleball, horseshoes, shuffleboard and of

tural Center pool every morning at 10 a.m.

Ground work is being initiated for a "Section 8 BLOCK PARTY". As progress moves forward, we will keep you in the loop!

As the weather is warmer, many residents start planting. Remember you can only plant low growing shrubs and plants in the 3-ft. area around your unit. PLEASE NO TREES ARE TO BE PLANTED. Removal of shrubs may be done without permission. If there are dead bushes, overgrown bushes, vines or wandering plants in these areas they must be removed by the unit owner.

Folks having plumbing issues: If your bathrooms are backing up or not draining or you have no heat/hot water, etc., please do not call the Board members. Here is the process for anyone experiencing plumbing / hot water heating issues within their unit. Call a plumber. If he cannot clear it, then call any board member.

Dog Walkers: When walking your dogs, please remember to pick up after them, especially in the common areas. Additionally, when you see garbage in the streets, please take the time to pick it up and place it in a garbage can. Let's keep our streets and neighborhood clean!

New Resident Welcome to: -257A Doremus Dr. -- Maher Abdelmesih, Manal Mekhail & Monica Abdelmesih

-267B Glen Rd. -- Mary Schlesinger

(Say HELLO, welcome to the neighborhood!)

General Section Meetings: We encourage all residents to attend.

Below are the remaining dates for this year, so please mark your calendars.

Wednesday September 20, 7-9 pm Lounge B

Wednesday November 15, 7-9 pm Lounge B

Maintenance requests

If you have maintenance requests, please fill out a Section 8 - Work Assignment Sheet. Unless it is an emergency, please do not call because we do not want verbal requests. We use the Work Assignment Sheet as an audit trail. These forms are now located in the file room of the Administration Building - on the right hand side in the center cubby. They can also be returned to the same location. The form is also available on the Clearbrook-NJ.com website. You need to LOG-IN, (if you don't have your password information, go onto the site and follow the prompts. Then go to CONTACTS. Once there, go to SECTION 8, then scroll down until you see the RED BUTTON. Click on this button to view and print the Work Assignment Sheet. (I put this in every month, for our new residents or just in case vou misplace the directions to access.)

Programs

If you are getting tired of being inside, Monroe Twp. Senior Center now offers evening and weekend programs. The new lifestyle and fitness oriented classes, lectures and entertainment are geared toward the township's active senior community while offer-

Do you feel the heat? By the

Frank Bianco

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So, if the time comes when you are interested in selling your home, or having a friend or family member move into our neighborhood, remember I am right here in Clearbrook to help!



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ing flexible options for those who maintain traditional daytime work hours. Why not check them out?

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY. Celebrate the birth of our na-

Best Wishes to all celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this month.

Keep love in your heart and "Celebrate Everything!"

Section 9

Kensington Village

By Marie Service

Hello Kensington neighbors. and welcome to all our new residents!

With much dismay, I begin this month's article with sorrowful news. On May 24 we lost our neighbor and friend Lou DiMeglio at the age of 90. Lou and his wife Arline were active residents in our Section since 2002. I understand that Lou was very dedicated to his wife and cared for her before her passing. They both served on our Section board for many years. Lou was also the president of the Italian American Club for the past 20 years. He was a proud veteran of the US Army and I was told he was quite active in sports in his younger years. He will surely be missed.

We had our annual block party on Sunday, June 11 catered by City Streets in the Clubhouse. For those of you who missed it, hopefully we'll see you next time. It was like having a picnic without the work, the bugs, rain and the heat but with all the delicious barbecue and fixings. We even had the sunshine indoors with our bright yellow tablecloths decorated with a big yellow bumble bee handmade by Donna Richards.

The only holiday in July of course is the fourth, the day that marks the birth of American independence.

Remember ladies, our luncheon is on Tuesday, July 18 at City Streets at 12:30.

Many happy returns to our birthday and anniversary cele-

Section 10

By Barbara C. Kist

Wishing all a Happy 4th of July. The Section 10 summer party will be held July 9 in Ballroom. I hope all can attend.

The July Section meeting will be on July 24 at 7 pm in the Clubhouse Lounge B. Refreshments will be available before and after the meeting. We have had very good attendance at the Section meetings; please try to attend.

We will be cleaning all the dryer vents in the Section over the summer; each resident will be contacted to schedule an appointment. The cleanings will be done during the week and at this time there will not be any weekend appointments. The houses were power washed in June.

We are planning to have a get together for new residents of Section 10. We have not scheduled a date yet, but hope to have it in July. This meeting will be open to all Section residents. More information to follow. I have also been walking around looking at exterior doors and door frames that need to be painted and repaired. I am hoping to complete this by the end of July.

One touchy issue I would like to address. We are a community that has an easement to maintain the 3-4 foot areas around our homes and the rest of the property is the responsibility of the Section and CCA. That being said, there should be respect for people's privacy. Residents should avoid walking behind others houses. If there is a need to do so, talk to your neighbors to discuss why you need to.

If you have an issue that the Section needs to address, call the Section hotline at 609-655-

If you have anything you want to be discussed in the Section News, please email me at barbkist@com

Section 11 Malden Village

By Rich Kretschmann

Board Reorganization Meeting - This meeting was held on May 23, 7 pm, followed by its Work Session at 7:30 pm. The purpose of the Reorganization meeting was to elect Board officers for the 5/23/2023 to 5/21/2024 term. The results of that election were: President, Richard Kretschmann; V.P., Julia Leonard; Treasurer, David Silverthorn; and Secretary, John Price. We extend our thanks to these four Directors for taking on the added responsibilities of their offices.

Roof and Eaves Update -In 2022, we completed the final year of our seven-year project to replace the roofs on our 43 Section 11 buildings, encompassing our 99 residences (aka, homes/units). We are now in a program to upgrade our roof eaves to opti-

mize ventilation of attic areas, thereby lowering roof maintenance costs, extending the life or our new roofs, and making our homes more energy efficient. By the end of 2023, we will have completed the eave modifications on 17 of our 43 buildings. As with our sevenyear roof replacement program, the eave modifications will take seven years, minimizing the impact, if any, on our monthly unit fees.

Personal property must be stored inside your unit - The only unit owner or renter items that may be stored outside the building are the usual ones you would expect: patio furniture, barbeques, propane tanks, rolled-up garden hoses. Examples of items that should not be stored outside include bags of fertilizer and other vegetation treatment products, empty flower pots, garden tools, sports equipment, bicycles, and children's toys. If you have questions about approval for other items, please contact the CCA Admin Office or a Section 11 board member.

Rules concerning outdoor grills - The document, "CCA Rules & Regulations, Article VI Resident Rules, Section S Outdoor Grills" states the fol-

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My office sends many people to Clearbrook because of the low taxes, which many seniors find attractive. I look forward to hearing from you and working with you. Remember 908-337-3633 to call me.

Have a Happy and Safe July 4th! Enjoy your summer and see you around the Clubhouse!



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lowing: Outdoor grills of any type and propane tanks must be operated and stored at least 5 feet away from any building and never stored in any interior space including garages. In addition to being a CCA rule, these requirements are also Monroe Township requirements. For the safety of our unit owners, the Section 11 Board will be notifying the respective unit owners and residents when a violation of this safety rule is observed. Repeated violations will be reported to the CCA for further follow-up.

Our Newest Section 11 Neighbors - The new owner of 450B Closter is Mizhou ("Michelle") Tan. Michelle plans to lease the unit as soon as her refurbishing work is completed. As a contractor, Michelle also owns other units in Clearbrook. This unit will soon have a new resident. Please welcome Michelle if vou have the chance.

Section 14

Oxford Village

By Grace Makuch ClearbrookSection14@gmail.com

Thank you to all the residents who came to the June meeting. It is important for you to come and share concerns and meet your neighbors. Save this date and time: .August 14, 2023, 7 pm Lounge A for the next open Section meeting.

Please check your 3-foot area for new tree seedlings that seem to be sprouting in the Section. You need to remove them or you will have trees growing in that area. Important: you need to try to make time to review your attic outside vents periodically. Last year we had a large number of break ins from rodents that did \$\$\$\$ of damage to the resident's attics. When a rodent breaks in it can eat wiring in the attic and ruin your electrical system and air conditioner units. It can also start a fire in the attic. We all don't want that to happen. Contact Vinny if you see anything that is concerning. Don't forget to check with the office, to see if you need a form for any inside or outside changes you may want.

It has been brought to the Section's attention that many residents walking their dogs are not cleaning up after. It is no fair for others to clean up after your dog. Please be considerate and clean up and take the poop home with you. Leaving it on the curb in a bag is not acceptable.

Save this information below if you need assistance. President Lee Wargo (609) 619 3978 Vice President Vinny DiNiso (609) 903 0273 Treasurer John Morgan Secretary Lisa DiNiso Also block Captains: Nicole Dorcelien Ardmore Rd (203) 219-5036 Pam Laminsky Pompton, Croydon, Marlton Rd (609)-619-3043 llene Feilich Hazen and Belford Rd (609)-655-3617

Email contact: Clearbrook-Section14@gmail.com if you want to email concerns or questions. Grace Makuch Clearbrook

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Section 15

Pickwick Village

By Sandra Stark

Lisa Diniso

"Our American tradition of neighbor helping neighbor has always been one of our greatest strengths and most noble traditions."

Ronald Reagan Residents/ Owners Meeting Save The Date:

Our next Section #15 meeting and party is scheduled for Thursday, August 10. Due to excessive price hikes, we are not able to have a BBQ. However, Joanna Cook and Beege Haney will be planning our "Midsummer Night's Soirée"! Watch for further information. Don't miss out!

Capital Improvements Vinyl Siding and Insulation:

Vinyl re-siding and insulation for five of Section #15's twenty buildings have been completed, including 538, 542 and 543 Berberis Plaza, 551 Cornus Plaza and 553 Ardmore Road. The Board of Directors will be working on our Reserve Study and Capital Expenses to determine scheduling of our next projects.

Operations Drainage Update:

Per our agreement the Board of Section #17 has implemented drainage remediation from 630 Madison Road. We are hopeful that these measures will resolve the flooding of the parking area for 544 ABCD Ardmore Road. The true test of success will be determined through next winter's months. Time will tell.

Landscape Committee:

Five beautiful flowering trees have been planted: three have been installed in the pond area behind the homes on Cornus Plaza, and two have been installed in the lawn area extending from the front of 541 Berberis/Cornus Plaza toward Ardmore Road. Special thanks to Perry and Indira, Sylvester, Bob and Karen, and Ruth for tending to the watering task. The Landscape Committee (Anna Marie Wasilko, Ellie Kane and Ruth Golush) will be considering additional plantings and lawn repairs for early fall.

CCA Responsibility

Belgian Block - The repairs have been made! If you see any loose blocks in the future, please report them to the Section President.

The contact information for the Section President: Sandra Stark at 908-938-0798 or by email: starkc21@ aol.com

Happy 4th of July!

Section 16

Queensway Village

By Maria Petro

We are now in the lazy, hazy crazy days of summer. The pools are open daily. Aguasize is back each morning at 10 am at the Cultural Center pool, and lap swimming is at the Clubhouse pool each morning. For all the pool rules and times, see the listing in the Courier.

The CCA Board elections will be held next month. Please be sure to vote so your voice can be heard. should have received your ballot in the mail. Candidates' night will be held July 12, in the Clubhouse Ballroom. Be sure to attend so you can get to know the candidates who are running for the CCA Board.

We now have a full working Board in our Section. Please be sure to fill out a Maintenance/Landscape work request when you have a problem that needs to be addressed. Do not call Board members unless there is an urgent issue. The Board is also working on a dedicated phone number for all issues and an email so you can send your request by email if you can't get to the Clubhouse.

Remember to follow the watering rules for the months of July and August. We must be mindful of the water expenses and conserve as much as possible. Watering days are Monday, Thursday and Saturday. Be sure your sprinklers are watering your grass NOT the street.

The Board wishes you and Happy and Safe 4th of July.

I would like to remind everyone that your Board is always working to make our Section a great place to live. I would also like to remind everyone that the Board is ALL volunteers. Please be mindful not to call a board member late or on weekends unless it is an emergency.

Section 17

By Holly Ives

How often have you heard the phrase 'It takes a village'? Many things require us all to partake in order to have a good outcome. Clearbrook is no different. We must all take part in affecting change, getting involved and caring for our community. How are you getting information? Are you reading emails and the Clearbrook Courier, watching Channel 26 and/or attending meetings?

Section News:

Our Section 17 election took place May 18. Congratulations to Patricia Czerwinski, Holly Ives and Robert Scheid (all 3-year terms) and to Peter Abate (2-year term). Pat is our new Vice President and Bob continues as Treasurer. We thank Bob for stepping up to wear two hats to fill in for the late Joyce Park-

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Section 17

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Chris Thronsen for tallying the votes.

The next Section 17 Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 13 from 2 to 4 pm in the Conference Room at the Club-

And our next Section 17 Meeting will be Thursday, September 21 from 7 to 9 pm at the Cultural Center.

Holidays for July: National Postal Worker Day (1), National Wildland Firefighter Day (2), INDEPENDENCE DAY (4), World Chocolate Day (7), National Ice Cream Day (16), Parents' Day (23), National Gorgeous Grandma Day (23), National Drive Through Day (24), Uncle & Aunt Day (26) and WW I Day

Happy Birthday to all born under the signs of Cancer and Leo. Anniversary wishes to those who are celebrating. And for all who need them, especially Viviana Cruz and Bob Axelrad, Get Well wishes.

One final word on 'it takes a village'...or, in our case, a village of firefighters. Our neighborhood witnessed the Monroe Township Fire Department along with Hightstown and neighboring units (there were a lot!) at work to control a house fire. Also present were the Monroe . Township Police and First Aid Responders. And it was indeed a Life Magazine moment to see a fireman, in full gear, cradling the furry black cat he rescued!

Section 18A

Stuart Village By Marianne Ippolito

Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer! Whether you are planning to be part of the many activities here in Clearbrook or elsewhere, stay safe and enjoy!

I am hopeful you had the opportunity to attend the June 22 open meeting. These meetings are the best way to meet with your Section Board and learn what is going on in 18A. Thanks to all residents who voted in the elections. Our current board has changed a bit and let's welcome Bob Ambosino and Ralph Gerbino as new mem-

A very warm thank you to Stan Brim who has served on the board for several years and while he is no longer a board member, we will continue to rely on his expertise on committees. Many of you know Stan from VOC and along with his wife Susan are very active in service to our community. I'd also like to give a shout out to Sharon Monchinkski for all her efforts while on the board. She will continue to be our Section social director. Be on the lookout for information on our second annual "Octoberfest" Section party. Sharon and Myra did such a great job last year and as we all know the reward for good work is more work!

I look forward to writing this article monthly and find our Courier has an abundance of information about our community and township.

If you didn't get the chance I suggest you take a look at last month's CCA President Report on page 1. Beverly Eskra's article was just so well written and touched on much of what our lives are becoming as we age. Thank you, Beverly, for your warm words especially as they relate to the spirit of kindness and acceptance.

As we celebrate our nation's birthday on the 4th and beyond throughout the summer, please keep safety in mind. Remember to keep your BBQ grills at a safe distance. This is another example of damage that you as a unit owner would be responsible for. As a reminder, your Section is not responsible for certain issues/repairs so it's a great idea to familiarize yourself with the rules and regulations of our HOA. The board has a fiduciary responsibility to keep our maintenance costs manageable.

If you are planning renovations in your unit, be sure to use only licensed and ensured professionals. Be cautious of scammers and vendors that prey on "elderly." Feel free to reach out to the board with questions. Contact information is provided below. Kindy refrain from calling on weekends, before 10 am or after 5 pm unless it is an emergency. The Clearbrook Community Association's webpage has an abundance of information including what needs a permit or form, community governance, model floor plans, amenities, a link to this publication and FAQs. You will be sure to find helpful information on the site.

Looking forward to seeing many of you at the various activities right here at Clear-

Section Contact List:

- Dryer Vents, Myra D'Agostino 609-619 3201
- Power Washing, Josh Jacobs 646-606 4876
- Gutter Guards, Josh Jacobs 646-606 4876
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- 606 4876 • Trees, Mike Shinkle 609-
- 655 8619 • Winterization, Myra
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- Maintenance and sprinklers, Ralph Gerbino 609-662 4736
- Roofs Walkways Driveways and Drainage, Joe Manzo 732-900 6936

Section 18B

Tudor Village

By Kay Neu

The Annual Meeting and Election was held May 16th although the June's Courier went to press too early to announce results. Three incumbents were running unopposed for three seats and all were re-elected to the Board. They are Edward Swartz, Anthony Yodice and Gene Zonis. The by-laws of Section18B require a quorum of at least 15% of eligible units casting votes. Thanks to the great turnout, we more than surpassed that. Welcome to our new homeowners. July 18 is the next Section meeting in the Cultural

July Fourth, also known as Independence Day, had its first organized celebration in 1777 with ships' cannons giving a thirteen gun salute for the thirteen colonies. July was named to honor Julius

Summer is in full swing with ideal weather for bocce, tennis and pickleball and golf as well as two pools, but walking is one of the best exercises with no signups required. There are some changes to the pool regulations depending on which one you use. Most significant are that the Cultural Center pool will not have lifeguards and will not allow guests. The Clubhouse pool will have lifeguards. Guests will be permitted to attend with the first two guests free and over two \$5 each.

I am always surprised at how many Clearbrook residents do not take advantage of the Monroe Township Senior Center. The June bulletin offered close to 40 programs including several music presentations, art, health (June offered skin cancer screening), armchair travel, cooking and educational programs. Exercise programs are offered for most all levels. There was a mobile unit from DMV to assist with license renewal and Real ID. The phone number is 609-448-7140 if you would like more information.

The Monroe Township Library also offers a variety of programs, and the Clearbrook Courier prints the monthly schedules. If you read on a kindle or tablet, you can set up an online account and if a book is available in an electronic format, download it directly to that

We have had many home sales in 18B. Prices continue to rise, and it is not uncom-

mon for buyers to bid more than the listing price. As a reminder to all homeowners, and especially our new neighbors, when you buy a home you take on responsibility for items that a previous owner may have installed or added, e.g. irrigation systems.

Please be diligent regarding entry points around the unit where rodents could enter. We have had several incidents including raccoons doing significant damage in attics.

The two dumpsters between

Sewell and Vail are for the use of residents of the Quad; however, recently they were used by individuals not authorized to dispose of kitchen cabinets and mattresses, and surveillance cameras are now in use.

Please remember to give visitors and contractors the 1 Clearbrook Drive address to put in their GPS. Also, the gate can get backed up this time of year so please have the address as well as the owner name for the unit you are visiting and give the gate a call prior to their expected arrival.

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Candidates' Resumes

Clearbrook Community Association Board of Directors Election 2023

Following are the resume-bios of the candidates running for the CCA Board. These have been edited to not include the candidates' opinions on campaign issues.

The CCA election will be held on Monday, August 7 in the Clubhouse Ballroom. Polls will be open from 1 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for in-person voting. The Annual Meeting of the CCA will be held in the Ballroom starting at 7 p.m.



IRENE BELINSKY 287B TABOR ROAD

My 25 years of managerial experience has given me the skills and talents required for the position of Director. These strengths would ensure that my service contributes to "getting things done".

My first work experience was as a Russian interpreter for almost 10 years both overseas and here in the States. I am fluent in French and Russian.

I then switched direction to technology and spent 8 years with Pearson Education, a textbook publisher, managing a group of 40+ desktop publishers where I worked with resources, contractors, editors, deadlines, and budgets as well as focus

For 10 years my employment with PSE&G fine-tuned my skills as a Document Controls Manager. My group built SharePoint sites and various technical infrastructure tools for 450 construction projects and trained personnel within the utility to better manage and track projects. I was also responsible for leading the initiative for 27 procedures - their creation, review, and implementation.

After retirement from PSE&G in 2019, I worked as an ESL (English as a second language) instructor teaching young adults and businessmen from many different countries and worked as a free-lance writer for the healthcare industry.

For the past two years+ I have had the privilege of being the President of Section 4. From the onset of my term, I have been committed to making the lives of our Section residents better so that all felt the same way I do - that Clearbrook is a great place to live. Our Board developed several processes for our residents such as a work-order call in number, a work-order log online for tracking issues and sharing information. We upgraded our two, 3-story apartment buildings (unique to Clearbrook) which had not been done in 14 years with new flooring, carpeting and paint. We installed cameras in both buildings which we monitor and implemented many other improvements. A great deal of credit for all this work goes to our terrific Board members. I've been so proud to work with them and proud of our achievements.

I am a person who welcomes and enjoys challenges. My work experience, both professional and association, along with a very strong work ethic, makes me confident I can contribute greatly to "this government" of Clearbrook and represent your needs. I am more than comfortable in working with a diverse population, a variety of contractors, obtaining bids, and evaluating them. I can build and monitor small and large budgets as well as plan projects and track them. Foremost and always, I am team player.

All of this I feel would benefit our Clearbrook Community. And more importantly, I'm a person who moves on things quickly and "gets things done!" I thank you for your consideration.



BEVERLY ESKRA 490A GRANDIN ROAD

I have been a resident of Clearbrook since 2014. I have been on the CCA Board since 2017 as a Director/Secretary and currently serve as your president. During my tenure as president, this board has seen significant changes that have enhanced the communication between residents and the CCA Board. There is open and transparent communication between the board and this community. We invite your input and it is part of our decision making. I take pride in being part of this change. Under my leadership we have formed the Rules & Regulations Committee that includes residents working with our board to effect positive change for all. We will soon see the addition of electric vehicle charging stations in the community. We have reinstated the pool committee along with the addition of a food truck, speed humps to reduce speeding and the addition of quarterly joint meetings between the Presidents' Council, CCA Board and administration to bring about unity and understanding between all. Working together to maintain harmony.

Working for this community has always been my top priority and that is why I am running for reelection. Our residents are the heart of Clearbrook and I want to continue to support them to the best of my ability. I also spent four years as President of Huntington Hills Golf and Country Club Villa Association in Lakeland. Florida.

As a NJ State Board of Nursing Registered Nurse, I worked as an emergency room nurse, Nursing Educator and an Administrative Director where I developed a life support training center at University Hospital in Newark, New Jersey. Under my direction, 300 instructors taught our physicians, nurses, medical, dental school, ancillary personnel and the community in the art and expertise of advanced respiratory and cardiac resuscitation.

I graduated with a Master's degree in nursing from New Jersey City University in Jersey City and I am a member of Sigma Theta Tau, International Honorary Nursing Society. I am a widow with two grown children and two grandsons and enjoy oil painting, reading and being with my family and friends.



LISA GESSERT 185A NEWPORT ROAD

Since coming to Clearbrook in 2020, I have delved into the community. I figure if this is my community, I want to do as much as possible to help make it a good one. I am Recording Secretary for the Section 6 Board of Directors; I am on the CCA Rules and Regulations Committee; I am Vice President of New Horizons — a wonderful fund-raising group in the Clearbrook Community.

Professionally, I am owner of Organizing.buzz. I am a professional organizer who has helped many individuals and businesses since 1999 to organize their homes, home offices, clothing, paperwork, time management issues and corporate offices. I am a speaker on the topic of all subjects pertaining to organizing and productivity. I am a blogger and was just signed on to New Jerseysbest.com magazine to write about organizing. I specialize in home offices and small business offices as well as hosting workshops on time management and space management. I am a member of

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LISA GESSERT

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NAPO – National Association of Productivity & Organizing Professionals since 2014.

I feel that my experience along with my dedication to my community will make me a valuable addition to the CCA Board of Directors.



STEPHEN HOLZINGER, II 194C NEWPORT ROAD

My name is Steve Holzinger. I moved into Clearbrook with my wife Patti in December of 2013. I have some experience with being a board director in other facets of my life. I was on the board of directors of the Franklin Township Little League and spent two years as President. I was an officer for the Saint Matthias Knights of Columbus for two years. I served on several boards and committees in my years of employment with Somerset County.

I believe my work and life experience, which includes 36 years in active ministry, the last 29 as a deacon, qualify me to be a director for the CCA. I feel I have contributed a lot in my eight years on the Section 6 board with four years as vice president and the last three years as co-president. I was appointed to the CCA Board in the fall to fill a vacancy and I am currently the Board liaison for the Sports Advisory Committee. My hope is to make a difference for the residents of Clearbrook. While we have made strides, there is still work to do and I would like to be part of that. I believe I have brought and will continue to bring a sense of fairness and an attitude of service to the Board. Afterall, if we are not on the Board to serve the residents of Clearbrook then I believe we are here for the wrong reasons.

I have 16 years of experience in all facets of a fastpaced public and paratransit operation with 130 vehicles (mostly buses) and over 100 subordinates. My background also includes production supervision and management with 19 years of experience in high-tech industry, including six years buying a full line of products, including chemicals and other raw materials, computer parts and equipment, production, and office supplies; five years of experience in facility management and warehousing/shipping and receiving. I am also highly skilled in negotiation, inventory control, interpersonal relationships and many computer applications.



KATHY MCLAUGHLIN 71A PICEA PLAZA

I have lived in Clearbrook since 2010. For the first five years I rented my unit and then when the opportunity to purchase arose in 2015, I took it.

Since becoming a unit owner, I have joined various groups in Clearbrook so that I can be a working member of the Clearbrook community. For some examples, I am President of Section 2 (on my second term as President), Secretary of the CCA Board and Chair of the Rules & Regulations committee. My first two years on the CCA Board I was the Treasurer. I have ALWAYS made myself available to all residents when approached about any issues and have ALWAYS made it a priority to give the right answers.

In addition, I am a member of the Voice of Clearbrook where I have announced, produced, and engineered over the course of ten years.

My three-year tender on the CCA Board has allowed me to be the liaison to the Sports Advisory Committee, VOC Advisory Committee and most recently the Lifestyle Committee.

I was also an active member of the Clearbrook Bowling League and participated in the Mayor's Cup and Senior Olympics. My woman's team brought home the first-place trophy to Clearbrook three years in a row.

My work history includes 38 years with the New Jersey Transit Railroad. I oversaw 100 employees in the maintenance and repair department. I also worked with the FRA (Federal Railroad Administration) to ensure that New Jersey Transit followed all federal laws and regulations.

For the past several years I have been a volunteer with several local and outside USA charities in their fundraising offices, which includes Hope Unlimited for Children stationed in Brazil, and Brava Philharmonic Orchestra here in the Monroe area, as well as their ADA board.

As a member of the CCA Board, I will continue to bring my experience and hard-working ethic and dedicated spirit to all projects and activities. I look forward to being a vital part of making Clearbrook a better and welcoming place we can all be proud to live in.



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MARIA F. PETRO 812C SEWELL ROAD

Hello, my name is Maria Petro and I am running for the CCA Board of Directors.

I have been a Clearbrook resident for over 13 years residing in Section 16. I have three daughters, and eight grandchildren who I hold very close to my heart.

I have been active in the Community for quite a few years, serving on the Grievance Committee, Landscape Advisory Committee and most recently on the Rules and Regulations Committee. I write the monthly Clearbrook Courier article and chair the Social Committee for Section 16. I have coordinated our annual block party, pizza parties and other social events. I also chair the Maintenance Committee, which involves handling many issues that concern our residents, making sure the issues are handled promptly and correctly.

I recently retired from Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School where I was the Practice Administrator for the Department of Family Medicine. I managed the clinical site, addressing day to day issues for the large and diversified family practice. I also coordinated the training programs for 15 1st, 2nd and 3rd year family medicine residents. As Practice Administrator, I had to mediate issues with staff, being firm but fair. I also was instrumental in solving patient issues and working with them to solve insurance and payment problems. I managed a staff of 20 physicians, 15 residents and a support staff of 25. I was responsible for adhering to budgets and dealing with supply chain issues.

I feel that I would be an asset to the CCA Board taking my career experience and applying it to the daily activities and issue here in Clearbrook. I am a real people person and will always have the welfare of the people of our community at the forefront of all my decision making. I will always put the needs of Clearbrook residents first. I hope I can count on your support.

The CCA
election will
be held on
Aug. 7 in the
Clubhouse
Ballroom.



PRATIBHA SHARMA 572D NUTLEY DRIVE

I moved to Clearbrook two years ago and enjoy the community very much. I am an active member in our Indian American group. I support every activity which takes place in our community and actively participate year-round.

I have thirty years of bank management experience. I worked as Vice President and Territory Sales Manager in the banking industry and managed staff, grew deposit sw, handled residential and commercial mortgages. I served eight years as Executive Board Director in a mental health clinic in Passaic and Clifton. I was active in the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, and Asian Indian Chamber of Commerce. I was on the Board of a Hindu Temple in Mahwah and taught Hindi at Sunday school for twenty years.

Currently, I work as a business consultant in a business solutions company where I manage payments, payroll, ecommerce and commercial lending.

Serving on the CCA Board of Directors, I see my role as helping our community to grow with more diversity and communicating with everyone in pleasant and friendly ways.



LARRY A. VANT 228A CONVENT ROAD

My wife and I have lived in Clearbrook for six years. Prior to that I was simultaneously president of two condominium complexes consisting of a Section of 330 units and a Master complex of 449 units for 18 years. The respective boards and I com-

pleted the following projects on time and on budget: replaced roofs on 15 22-unit buildings; replaced all internal roads in the complex and all walkways in all 15 large buildings; provided assigned parking spots for residents; implemented Title 39 for police enforcement of traffic laws; replaced landscaping; enforced all rules for pets, trash, improper parking and collections; replaced all rubber hoses on washing machines with braid steel hoses to minimize leaks at no cost to residents.

I worked in sales, construction, service and maintenance as an Operations Manager and Sales Manager in New York City. I stopped commuting to New York and became involved with heavy equipment and services in this part of New Jersey.

I am currently the Vice President of Section 7. Thank you for your consideration.



CEMIL YUCEL 115B CHATHAM DRIVE

I am a retired chemical engineer from Amspec LLC where I was a Senior Field Inspector working with petroleum, petrochemicals and hazmats. I have solid managerial and supervisory experience. I ran my own business for a long time. I have a general understanding and knowledge of office business policies and processes and excellent skills in decision making. I am proficient with many computer applications.

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But looking down on Earth always makes me cry, The people living there should

be quite ashamed, For all that's wrong on earth they can only be blamed,

There is hatred, prejudice and a lack of respect for life, There is jealousy, no kindness

and so much strife, There are wars, weapons and a drug epidemic of fools,

And it seems power and money gets to stretch all the

If they are not careful they will ruin your planet Earth, And if they do that then what

will it all be worth? Be kind to all people and make

everyone understand, You must clean up your world and take a strong stand,

The little pink cloud said I think you heard all I said,

And I hope my message will continue to spread,

I want to enjoy my time rolling around the sky. And not look down on Earth

and always want to cry. Joyce Blechman

July Is Here

By Ellen Tischio July is here!! It's the Middle of the year!!

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