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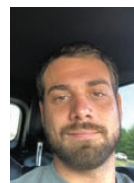


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LETTER TO RESIDENTS By Matthew Drago

Happy End of Summer, East Windsor! It is September. The days are getting shorter, the nights are getting longer. Pools are being prepared for their long winter hibernation. School supplies are being purchased and our children are trying to squeeze the last few ounces of fun out of the waning summer those first few days of September before school begins. There is a bit of a chill in the air at night as we can finally turn off our air conditioners.

However, as I'm penning this letter for the September issue, it is July. I am sitting in sweltering 95 degree heat with the "real feel" (whatever that is) is sitting at a mind-boggling 111 degrees! Doesn't feel like September. There is only one way to beat this heat in New Jersey. That's right, head to the Caribbean! Yes, it is time for another Drago family adventure. We are on our way to Beaches Turks and Caicos all-inclusive resort where it is an invigorating 87 degrees and with the humidity it only feels like 97 degrees! AAAH, how refreshing!

For those of you who read my letter every month, you know all about our family's love for travel. We took our daughter who is now ten on her first plane ride when she was 8 months old. She has been to Italy, Switzerland, Nassau Bahamas (twice), Disney World, Hawaii, Bermuda not to mention two cruises.

Unfortunately, last year we obviously did not travel due to the Pandemic. So this was our first true vacation in two years (aside from a few local car trips). Due to Covid-19 protocols, the preparation for this vacation has been the most stressful ever. We are required to have a negative Covid test result five days before departure. As well as proper travel insurance that covers Covid. Then a maximum of three days before our flight we need to upload all of the paperwork we received to the Turks and Caicos government so they can approve our entry into the country. Wow!

Hopefully, in next month's issue I will be able to write that we were approved for entry into Turks and Caicos and that all this stress was worth it!

And that is what *Neighbors of East Windsor* is all about. Sharing your adventures, your experiences with your neighbors. Please send us your family pictures, pictures of your vacations, your weekend at the shore or just lounging around your house. Share with us your children's individual or team accomplishments. Our vision for Neighbors of East Windsor has always been to "bring neighbors together" by creating a hyper-local publication where residents can read about what is happening in their own backyards. We want to share those lasting memories our community has created with the residents of East Windsor. We want to share not only your travel memories but also your memories of spending the summer taking advantage of all that our wonderful home town has to offer.

Please send your photos, stories and information for our event calendar and bulletin board to our content coordinator Taylor Lier at tlier@bestversionmedia.com.

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MEET FIRE CHIEF JOSH MATORIN...

Station 42 Member Profile – all volunteers; all your neighbors

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Each month, we take the time to highlight a hero right in our community - someone who dedicates their life to being on the front line helping others. This month, we are proud to honor Station 42's Fire Chief Josh Matorin.

Belonging to Station 42 for 16 years, Josh joined EWWFC#1 in June 2005, immediately upon moving into town.

"I was inspired to become a firefighter since college," Josh said. "My fraternity brother was an EMT and later after graduating, I learned a roommate of mine was a volunteer firefighter. I would listen to their calls on the scanner at home as was definitely interested in volunteering."

Due to frequent business travel at the time, Josh's schedule was packed and he couldn't commit to necessary initial training. In 2002, however, while living in North Brunswick, Josh's time got opened up a bit due to a corporate layoff.

"On my way home from turning in my laptop to my employer, I stopped at the nearest firehouse and picked up

an application," Josh said. "I started my career with the North Brunswick Volunteer Fire Company #2 and am grateful to the members there for starting me off on the right foot."

Aside from being a firefighter, Josh and his wife coach their 16-year-old daughter's soccer team with his wife taking the head coach position and himself as assistant. Professionally, Josh is part of the Training and Exercise Unit of the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management, responsible for planning and conducting tests of emergency plans throughout the state.

Being part of Station 42 has been very rewarding for Josh. One of his most memorable moments was becoming chief.

"The most rewarding part of being chief is to see other members develop and grow in the fire service, and knowing I had a hand in it," Josh said. "Watching them work hard to complete firefighter 1 training, become qualified to operate our apparatus and rise into the officer ranks makes me proud."

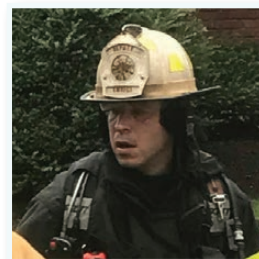
Some other responsibilities of Josh's

position as fire chief include managing all operations like commanding emergency incidents, managing budget, and purchasing equipment and supplies among others.

From a college boy with a dream to volunteer to a fire chief, Josh wants the community to know that getting involved is easy and truly a rewarding experience.

"We are always in search of new members. Members of the community may not realize that even without prior experience, they could do this job. We provide the equipment and training. They simply need to bring the time, effort, and positive attitude, and quickly they will be hooked. I always tell new members, you get out what you put in." Josh said.

The community of East Windsor thanks you Josh for your endless commitment and devotion to its members.



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Grab your clubs, gather your foursome and join us Sept. 1 for Kelly's Heroes' Teed Off! Golf Outing to Fight Pancreatic Cancer! It's our first in-person event since the pandemic, and we can't wait to have some fun while kicking the tar outta' pancreatic cancer. Proceeds from our outing benefit the Steve Kelly Fund for Pancreatic Cancer Research at Johns Hopkins, which gives pancreatic cancer patients access to clinical trials and promising new treatments.

We'll return to Mercer Oaks in Princeton Junction, N.J., with a 9 a.m. shotgun start scramble, a box lunch, post-match buffet, cocktails, prizes and raffles.

Sponsors enjoy an opportunity to join with a cancer advocacy 501c3 which, as an all-volunteer organization, ensures that 100 percent of our proceeds support clinical trials that give patients hope for increased survival against pancreatic cancer, the third leading cause of cancer death.

Kelly's Heroes is a member of the World Pancreatic Cancer Coalition, a global partnership of nonprofits from 30 countries committed to raising awareness and increasing survival. Pancreatic cancer is often called the "silent killer" because there's no reliable screening test for the disease and its symptoms often aren't apparent until the disease has spread. The statistics are sobering:

Pancreatic cancer is expected to surpass breast cancer this year as the third leading cause of cancer death. It is projected to become the second by 2020.

Pancreatic cancer is one of the world's deadliest cancers with a five-year relative survival rate of just 9 percent.

In 2018, an estimated 44,330 people in the United States will die of pancreatic cancer, and 55,440 people will be diagnosed.

To fight this disease, we need everyone to know this disease. The symptoms of pancreatic cancer include abdominal or back pain, rapid unexplained weight loss, jaundice (yellowing of skin or whites of the eyes), abdominal bloating, indigestion, sudden onset diabetes and changes in stools. Know your body, be your own best advocate and see a physician if you experience these symptoms.

Steve Kelly died 22 months after his diagnosis. In those 22 months, he white-water rafted and ziplined in Costa Rica; ran a 5K with his daughter; and donned his kilt and poured the Guinness at his annual St. Patrick's Day bash. Writing for the Philadelphia Inquirer, Steve said, "I'm not afraid of dying, but the thought of not living frightens the hell out of me." Kelly's Heroes is committed to celebrating Steve's life by gathering good people together, raising funds for cancer research and waging hope against this terrible disease.

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Leslie Koppel, executive director of Rise, and her dog, Tilly, in front of the new Rise office, 219 Franklin Street, Hightstown



RISE TO THE CHALLENGE

Helping Communities in Need

By Taylor Lier / Photos by Scott Caster, My Beautiful Family

Now more than ever, there is a need for communities to be able to rely on each other. Whether it is helping those struggling through times of uncertainty to lending a helping hand to those that once assisted you in a time of need, being together even in times of staying apart is crucial for well-being of a community and to see it thrive. This sentiment is part of the overall mission of Community Action Service Center, Inc. (CASC), later renamed Rise I A Community Service Partnership.

Established in 1967, CASC began as a small group of community stakeholders dedicated to win the war on poverty. Strategically locating one of their centers in Mercer County, CASC became a life-line to those in need of immediate services.

In 1982, CASC became a private, non-profit agency and in 2008, after 40 years of service, CASC officially changed their name to RISE, a name that better reflected the group's role as a vital service hub in the local community and one that conveyed hope and optimism that they regularly saw reflected in their clients.

For 50 years and counting, RISE has worked with the local community to better serve neighbors in need. From evolving demographics like migrant agricultural workers and Southeast Asian refugees in the 1970s, RISE has turned their back on no one, remaining constant to their commitment of enabling their neighbors to achieve personal and professional success, health and happiness.

Recognizing a need to feed less fortunate families in the community, the RISE Food Pantry came to life in 2003. The pantry currently provides non-perishable groceries to a hundred qualified families monthly and has grown exponentially over the years, enabling them to move to a larger location to increase their capacity. In addition to non-perishable groceries, the pantry also distributes fresh produce, personal products, baby items, household cleaning supplies, coats, children's books and pet products.

"The move gave us the ability to improve functionality for both clients and volunteers and position the pantry as an ideal volunteer site for

individuals, groups and companies," said Leslie Koppel, Executive Director of Rise.

Three years later, Rise added clothing needs to their list with the opening of the Rise Thrift Store in 2006. Recognizing the need for something more constant as opposed to seasonal fund-raising garage sales, the thrift store is now one of the most visited businesses in Hightstown's downtown area, attracting both shoppers and donors from around the region.

"It's where pre-loved items find a new loving home," Leslie said.

No one understands the overall mission of Rise quite like its director Leslie Koppel. A Monroe township resident, Leslie recently celebrated her tenth anniversary with the group but remembers how it all started.

"I started out as a manager of the Rise Thrift Store. When the director of Rise left, I interviewed with the Board of Directors who decided to take a leap of faith with me and gave me a chance to be director," she said.

Starting at a crucial time in Rise's history with programs floundering and supporters questioning their future, Leslie knew she had to take action and do it quickly! She immediately went to work re-establishing all grant, corporate and donor relationships as well as putting strategies into place with Rise's overall mission top of mind. This resulted in years of success with volunteers and services provided.

As the coronavirus pandemic surged in New Jersey and across the world, Rise stepped up to the plate, working around the clock to provide services to those in need. Whether it was food deliveries, virtual summer camp for kids or simply just a shoulder to lean on, Rise was there to help and they remain thankful for the incredible support they received from grants, donations, sponsors and volunteers.

Rise is proud to say they were able to fully respond to the 300% increase in the number of families seeking assistance last year helping 764 families per week and distributing 68,765 boxes of food to residents in Hightstown, Roosevelt, East Windsor, Monroe, Plainsboro and Cranbury areas.

"Throughout the pandemic surge, the Rise volunteers were on the front lines, helping people get through the darkest days of the

pandemic," Leslie said. "No one here needs to be hungry or in need of clothes. We can get them everything they need."

With the additional hands on deck as well as a surplus of needs in the community that RISE helped and are still helping to fulfill throughout the pandemic, a new initiative was born. In early 2021, RISE launched "uRise Powered by PenFed".

"uRise is a free resource dedicated to helping the community connect with one another, managing their well-being and mindfulness as well as acquiring new skills and knowledge" Leslie said.

The online resource for uRise is 100% free and offers helpful resources like K-12 tutoring, Bilingual story time, how-to videos for the senior community, nutritional education recipes and videos, and so much more. The public can check out uRise at urise.njrise.org.

With the uRise launch and larger demands, Rise moved their headquarter to 219 Franklin Street in Hightstown to expand their facilities.

"We purchased and renovated this historic building in order to bring community programming into a first-rate facility to ensure that we provide a great experience for both clients and volunteers." Leslie said.

Some expanded services at Rise include:

- Free Breakfast and Lunch
- Rise Academic Enrichment Summer Camp
- Rise to College Readiness
- Rise to Entrepreneurship
- Health Screenings
- Nutrition Advice
- Domestic Violence Prevention
- Rise to the TASK Community Dinners
- Emergency Assistance
- English Language Learners

As Rise looks ahead, the future seems bright. As they consider new projects and recruit new volunteers to their force, they never forego the community's needs as being at the forefront of all that they do.

"Rise will continue to be a gathering place for our whole community," Leslie said. "As this sense of connectedness grows, Rise will be at the center of building a more just and healthy community for everyone."

To get involved with Rise, visit njrise.org or call 609-443-4464. You can also like NJRise on Facebook and follow @nj_rise on Twitter.



A Visit to the Thrift Store: Lynda Hiles, volunteer, Hernan Plaza, consultant, Theresa Secks, salesperson, Maria Oliver, store manager



3 HOT TOPICS IN THE HOUSING MARKET RIGHT NOW

Article provided by Tom Hutchinson, CENTURY 21 Abrams, Hutchinson & Associates via Keeping Current Matters

If you're a prospective buyer or seller, it's important to understand the current real estate market conditions and how they affect you. The Counselors of Real Estate (CRE) just released its Top Ten Issues Affecting Real Estate report. Here are three hot topics from the list and how they impact today's housing market.

Technology Acceleration and Innovation

The past year ushered in many changes to the real estate industry, especially when it comes to technology. The CRE report elaborates on this:

"Lockdown-driven changes in our work, in the economy, in social structures, and in our personal behavior have pushed our reluctance aside. The acceleration and adoption of technology during the pandemic has impacted everything, and real estate is no exception."

For real estate, innovations like digital documentation, virtual tours, and video chat enable agents to connect with clients no matter their location. These options are ideal for prospective buyers and sellers who aren't local to the area or those that need the added flexibility signing documents online or doing virtual tours provide. That's why many trusted real estate advisors will continue to use these technologies moving forward to best serve their clients.

Remote Work and Mobility

Working from home became the reality for many individuals during the pandemic, and the latest list from the CRE identified remote work and mobility as an important influence on the real estate market. As the report notes:

"...the pandemic universally caused a movement away from urban cores, particularly for those with higher incomes who could afford to move and for lower-income individuals seeking lower costs of living. Most of these relocations remained within their original region—84%—and, while some are returning, it is unknown as to the permanence of these movements or whether they represent a true urban exodus."

With the added mobility remote work offers, where people are moving and where they can ultimately purchase a home is less dependent on a physical office location. This newfound flexibility is giving remote workers the opportunity to move to more affordable areas and buy more home for their money.

Housing Supply and Affordability

Finally, the limited supply of houses for sale and the related affordability challenges also makes CRE's list of key factors this year:

"According to the National Association of Realtors®, the state of America's housing inventory is dire, with a chronic shortage of affordable and available homes needed to support the nation's population."

There is good news. Homes are still more affordable than they have been historically thanks to today's low mortgage rates. And while housing supply is still low, we're seeing steady increases in the number of homes coming to market, which gives hope to homebuyers. As the supply of homes for sale improves, buyers will have more options.

Bottom Line

New technology, remote work, housing supply, and home affordability are key factors in the housing market right now for both buyers and sellers. If you want to better understand how these topics can impact you, let's connect today.

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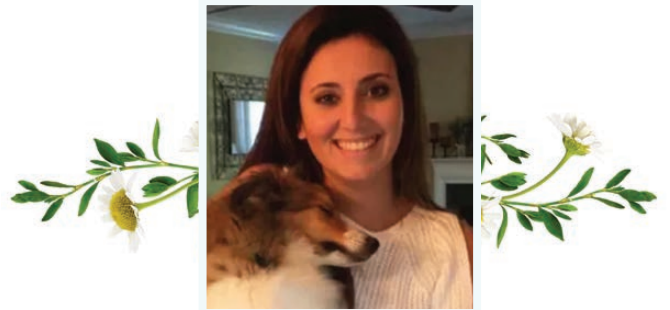
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5K PROMOTES RIDESHARE SAFETY

Mercer County resident Samantha Josephson was murdered by imposter rideshare driver in 2019

Information provided by What's My Name Foundation, compiled by Jennifer Amato, Content Coordinator for "Our Robbinsville"



The #WhatsMyName 5K Run/1 Mile Walk to honor the life of Samantha Josephson will be held on Sept. 25 around the Town Center lake in Robbinsville.

The #WhatsMyName Foundation supports rideshare safety.

On March 29, 2019, Samantha, a 21-year-old senior at the University of South Carolina, was kidnapped and murdered when she was targeted by a person posing as a rideshare driver.

Following this tragedy, Samantha's parents, Seymour and Marci Josephson, set out to educate others on the importance of rideshare safety so that no other family would have to suffer this kind of loss.

Marci and Seymour worked with local representatives to create a law to help prevent tragedies like this from happening again. After getting stuck in red tape, Chris Smith, who counts the Josephsons as his constituents since they live in Robbinsville, reintroduced what is known as Sami's Law, requiring vehicles for ride-sharing companies such as Uber and Lyft to be clearly identified before a passenger gets in.

In the meantime, celebrities Joe Gatto, Darius Rucker, Jason Alexander and Bob Saget are participating in a new Public Service Announcement (PSA) series which focuses on increasing awareness of rideshare safety.

Furthermore, Major League Baseball featured a rideshare safety message during the 2021 MLB All-Star Game.

Registration and sponsorships for the 5K on Sept. 25 are still available. Visit <https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Trenton/WhatsMyName5Kand1MileWalk>

For more information on the foundation, visit www.whatsmyname.org

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7PM - 8PM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 NED HECTOR IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

Registration required
11:30AM - 12:30PM

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 UNDERSTANDING REVERSE MORTGAGES

This workshop will explore all the
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can dramatically de-stress your
retirement planning. Presented by
Bill Greenfield of Wealth Bridge
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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 NEW JERSEY QUAKERS: THEIR HISTORY AND THE RECORDS THEY LEFT

Presented by Annette Burke Lyttle,
owner of Heritage Detective,
LLC, which provides professional
genealogical services in research,
education, and writing. Ms. Lyttle
speaks on a variety of genealogical
topics at the national, state, and
local levels and loves helping
people uncover and share their
family stories. Registration with an
email is required 7PM - 8PM

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2021 EWRSD Summer Learning Program

Article provided by Alyse Mattioli,
Coordinator of Communications, EWRSD

STUDENTS WHO WILL BE ENTERING FIRST AND SECOND GRADE

in the fall had the opportunity to participate in EWRSD's Summer "Camp" in June and July. Learning experiences have been organized around weekly themes to allow for cross-curricular connections. This summer's themes include:

- Under the Big Top
- On Safari
- Knights, Princesses & Dragons
- Blast Off to Outer Space
- Summer Olympics

As students explore the weekly theme, they are engaged in activities that help develop and reinforce their skills in math, reading, and writing as well as music, technology, and physical education. Students have the opportunity to build their knowledge as they explore the week's theme and make connections between their learning in each of the subject area rotations.

STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 3...

In the summer program, students are working on building writing stamina by responding to fun and creative writing prompts. They have been hard at work learning about different animals and their adaptations. New skills and strategies have been introduced to help students become the best readers they can be for third grade! With a math focus on learning place value, the summer program is filled with eager students learning and

enriching their skills. Place value is used for adding, subtracting and even finding odd and even numbers. Calendar Math, Rocket Math, and PALs provided students with opportunities to apply these newly found skills. To further reinforce skills, students enjoyed using interactive online games.

STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 4...

Students have been encouraged to be creative with writing. Interesting and engaging prompts have been used to spark new ideas and stories. They are also discovering how animals and plants work together within different ecosystems. During this discovery, various strategies to find the meaning of new words when reading nonfiction texts were utilized. We are excited to bring our new skills and experiences with us to 4th grade! The focus for math support is multiplication, division, place value, fractions and decimals. Students need these foundational skills and to build upon them for the upcoming academic school year. A variety of engaging computer programs, small group teaching, and working one to one with students to help students succeed has been a focal point for math readiness.

STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 5...

Over the summer, the practice has been focused on taking small moments from students' memories and expanding on them to draw our readers in with exciting details, dialogue, and emotions as they become stronger writers. In reading, students have explored the connection between humans and their ecosystems, discussing the direct and indirect effects people can have on the plants, animals, and environments around them. Supporting students' multiplication facts

and computation skills is the math focus for students. Calendar Math was incorporated into the daily routine where students determined a pattern, completed a problem of the day, and did a multiplication practice problem. These skills will support students as they begin 5th Grade.

Along with English language Arts, students in grades 3 – 5 also took part in Social Emotional Learning and STEM opportunities. The SEL program focused on student's coping skills. Movement and exercises were used to help deal with uncomfortable feelings. Students were able to label their emotions and share difficult experiences within their grade level groups. Socialization with peers provided engaging conversations as well as countless laughs throughout the summer. STEM projects included creating a Ferris wheel, a dream house, a paper tower that could hold a basketball, pinball machines, and food trucks. The Engineering Design Process was used to guide students through each challenge.

Written Out Loud is a program that was brought into the district to support our student's creativity and love for writing. Story Directors supported over 350 East Windsor Regional students (known as Storytellers) in their transformation from creative kids into joyful co-authors of published books. This was accomplished through revealing the age-old storytelling tools and techniques buried in their favorite books, movies and shows - like Harry Potter, Hamilton, Marvel, Star Wars, The Hunger Games - and more! Pioneered at Yale University and taught by Hollywood and publishing professionals, these students fell in love with writing and published their first book!

EWRSD Extended School Year Program (ESY)

By David Roe, Director of Student Services, EWRSD



Every summer, the East Windsor Regional School District offers an Extended School Year (ESY) program for preschool through grade 12 students who are eligible for special education.

Although the program runs every year, this year we have expanded the program to include additional classified students who demonstrated learning loss as a result of the pandemic. For many of the students, this is the first time they have physically been in school since March of 2020. In addition to academics, unique events related to Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) and social-emotional learning are offered.

Approximately 200 students participate in the program, which is housed at the Walter C. Black and Grace N. Rogers elementary schools. The students are supported by special education teachers, educational assistants, nurses, a behaviorist, speech and language, occupational, and physical therapists.

When asked about the program, Director of Student Services David Roe shared, "Although we encouraged all students to attend in-person learning, we also offered a remote option for ESY."



Very few families selected the remote option, and instead appeared eager to have their children attend in person. The transition to full, in-person classes has been exceptionally smooth."

Supervisor Chris Gabbai also shared, "We've worked to make the program as engaging as possible to help ease the transition going into September. That has included special presentations, such as one on character building, science activities with a lizard expert who brought in various animals, and Mad Science, which provided the students with fun, hands-on experiments".



Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Clean Communities Committee members present to East Windsor Panera Bread management Certificate of Appreciation for "Keeping East Windsor Township Litter Free". Pictured (from left to right) are: Vandana Mathur; Peter Blok; Nilesh Patel; John Donnelly, Chairperson, Clean Communities Committee; Natalia, Panera Bread, General Manager; Lamarcus, Panera Bread, Area Operating Partner; Mayor Janice Mironov; Council Member Alan Rosenberg; Raph Copeland; Maanasvi Balasubramanian, Student Member, and Abhinave Mahesh, Student Member.

Mayor Janice S. Mironov and the Township Clean Communities Committee Award Panera Bread with Certificate of Appreciation for "Keeping East Windsor Township Litter Free"

Panera Bread, located on Route 130 South, was recognized as a commercial establishment situated in a highly visible prominent location, for keeping its property and building well maintained and landscaped and free of litter thereby enhancing the municipal appearance and environment. The purpose of the award is to recognize a local business that has made special efforts to keep East Windsor Township litter free.



Child Passenger Car Seat Safety Inspection Initiative, Funded by \$6,000 Grant

from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety on Thursday, September 23 from 3 P.M. to 7 P.M. at the East Windsor Police/Court building at 80 One Mile Road. The FREE Child Passenger Car Seat safety inspections for Township residents, hosted by Mayor Janice S. Mironov, Members of Council and the police department, are to promote child passenger safety. Participants will have their child car seats inspected to ensure proper installation and will receive educational materials regarding current state child restraint laws.



East Windsor Township Recreation Department Announces Yoga in the Park

The Township Recreation Department in conjunction with the East Windsor Health Advisory Board is offering outdoor yoga sessions at Etra Lake Park. The 45 minute Yoga sessions will be led by a licensed Yoga Instructor on September 1, weather permitting. All ages and levels welcome. Participants under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Advance registration fee of \$8 per session is required. Online program registration and payment is available. For additional information call (609) 443-4000, ext. 225.

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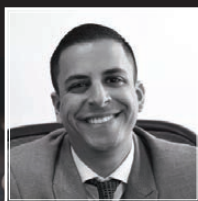
They would love to go together as they have been together since puppyhood, but can also be separated if need be. Both are well behaved, clean, and friendly.

DIAMOND is 11 years old and spayed. She has been trained as a puppy and knows all basic commands. She is extremely intelligent and adores attention. She loves playing fetch. She's good with people and children. She's a Champagne color.

NIKO is 10 years old and neutered. He also has been trained as a puppy and knows all basic commands. He loves to cuddle and is food driven. He's good with older children and people. Children should be 10 or older because he is a strong dog. Niko is on allergy medication, he takes Apoquel and does well. He's Grey and white.



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HIGHLIGHTS OF EAST WINDSOR'S HISTORY

By Greg Ciano, Hightstown-East Windsor Historical Society

HIGHTSTOWN HOTEL – PRE 1921

This was originally the tavern/house of John and Mary Hight (after they moved out of their log cabin that was located in the parking lot of Tavern on the Lake). For 200 years this was a popular inn for travelers.

In 1840 the name changed to Gabe's Big Red Hotel, then it changed names again in 1886 to Lantz's Hotel, and then finally became Leland House in 1912.

The Peddie School purchased the building in 1919 and used it as a student dormitory until 1927 when it was torn down so the Hightstown Engine Company could have a larger space. This is what stands here today.



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525 Nettleton Dr	3	3	\$315,000.00
104 Danbury Ct	2	1/1	\$237,000.00
44 Oakmont Ter	3	2/1	\$460,000.00
D-1 Avon Dr	2	1/1	\$125,000.00
3 Thoreau Ct	3	3/0	\$411,000.00
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452 Livingston Dr	3	2/1	\$290,000.00

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7 Hart Ct	2	1/1	\$247,000.00
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1-X Avon Dr #X1	1	1	\$135,000.00
10 Pinehurst Dr	4	1/1	\$405,000.00
190 Einstein Way	4	3	\$600,000.00
6 Montgomery Ct #506	2	1/1	\$262,000.00
461 Fairfield Rd	3	2/1	\$300,000.00
81 Danbury Ct	3	2/1	\$290,000.00
6 Van Gogh Dr	4	4	\$681,000.00
430 Kellington Dr	3	2/1	\$250,000.00
42 Covington Dr	3	2/1	\$309,000.00

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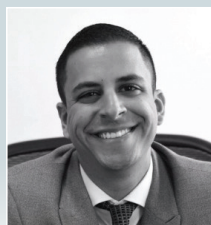
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