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## Local Student Named Governor STEM Scholar

SCOTCH PLAINS -- Manya Trehan, rising senior at Union Catholic (UC), has been selected for the 2018-2019 class of the Governor's STEM Scholars, the Research and Development Council of New Jersey recently announced.

Manya, the founder and president of the first-year "Girls Who Code Club" at UC, was one of just 80 students chosen among nearly 500 applicants using very rigorous criteria, including character, leadership ability, and STEM aptitude. Manya joins a highly motivated class of students from all over New Jersey who share her enthusiasm for STEM.

Over the course of the academic year, Manya will get a comprehensive introduction to what New Jersey offers in STEM, participate in a STEM research project, and meet some of the state's finest minds, including C-level executives and professionals.

The mandatory opening conference will be on Saturday, September 15, at Rutgers University (Piscataway cam-

pus). In addition, there will be internship opportunities, field trips, and other ways to help Manya learn about how to make a professional career in STEM.

Manya has built a great resume at Union Catholic.

This past school year she was selected as a 2018 New Jersey Affiliate Honorable Mention award winner from the New Jersey Affiliate of the National Center for Women and Information Technology (NCWIT), and instructed a Coding Class at the Scotch Plains Library as part of the fourth annual N.J. Makers Day.

Manya also played first singles for the UC tennis team last fall and will serve as a captain this season, has served as an Emerging Leader, is a member of the National Honor Society, and has done volunteer work for the communications department of the American Red Cross.

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## Dr. Sara Karlin, D.D.S., Joins Westfield Pediatric Dental Group

WESTFIELD — Westfield Pediatric Dental Group is pleased to announce that Dr. Sara Karlin will be joining our practice this August.

Dr. Sara Karlin received her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Maryland, College Park, and completed her D.D.S. at the University of Maryland School of Dentistry. Dr. Karlin pursued her specialty training at New York University and Bellevue Hospital Center, earning a certificate in Pediatric Dentistry. Treating patients at the Rose F. Kennedy Center during residency afforded Dr. Karlin the opportunity to skillfully treat patients with special needs. Dr. Karlin's compassionate approach to patient care al-

lows her to connect with her patients while providing comprehensive dental care.



Dr. Karlin is certified in Pediatric Advanced Life Support (P.A.L.S.) and Basic Cardiac Life Support (B.C.L.S.). She is a member of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and the American Dental Association.

Dr. Karlin currently resides in Manhattan and enjoys spending time with friends and family. In her free time, Dr. Karlin enjoys spending time outdoors, singing, Broadway shows, and playing tennis.

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## Westfield Youth to Receive Young Hero Award

WESTFIELD – Ten-year-old Reid Snyder, a resident of the town, was named one of the winners of the National Liberty Museum's TD Bank Young Heroes Award. The ceremony will honor 14 inspiring youth, ages 18 and younger, who identified an area where liberty was lacking and acted to make positive change in their local schools or community. Reid and her fellow winners were selected from among 67 national and international nominations, submitted by friends, teachers and community members who recognized the incredible contributions of these outstanding young citizens.

Reid has received this honor for her breadth of advocacy activism at such a young age.

There is a long list of activities in which the young Reid has had an impact.

Compassionate beyond her years, Reid had stopped an autistic classmate from being bullied. She gave up outdoor recess to play with the classmate indoors as the yard was too stimulating, got others to do the same, and helped the student pack up at the end of the school day. In one incident, after the classmate laid on the floor throwing a tantrum, Reid laid down next to him rubbing his back until he

was calm. Reid broke gender barriers and is a role model to other girls by being the only girl of her age group on the boys' New Jersey Devils ice hockey team. Reid also spoke at a Westfield council meeting to convince the council people to vote in favor of an ice rink in town. She had also convinced her dance school to hire a dance teacher to teach hip hop and subsequently won at a competition for her solo hip hop dance.

Reid will be joined by the 13 other Young Heroes winners at an awards ceremony at the National Liberty Museum on Thursday, August 9, at 11 a.m. when she will receive a certificate of recognition, medallion and gifts, as well as a plaque featuring her story, to be displayed for a year in the Museum's Young Heroes Exhibition.

During the ceremony, one winner will be surprised with the honor of being named the President's Honor Winner and will receive a \$2,000 scholarship. Following the ceremony, there will be a special lunch and the chance to tour the museum where visitors can learn about the many heroes of liberty showcased throughout the museum. The National Liberty Museum is located at 321 Chestnut Street in Philadelphia.

## Wardlaw + Hartridge Trimester Honor Rolls

AREA -- Upper School students at The Wardlaw+Hartridge School in Edison finished the 2017-2018 academic year with a solid performance in the classroom. Nearly one-third of the Upper School earned Honor Roll with Distinction status, as 70 students achieved at least a 93 average. Another 84 students made the Honor Roll, giving the Upper School almost 75 percent representation on the honor rolls.

Students recognized on the Honor

Roll with Distinction included seniors CJ Stueck and Jason Yin of Scotch Plains, juniors Sarah Hoffman of Cranford, Kelly Lawrence of Scotch Plains, Ayush Menon of Scotch Plains, Sandy Miller of Westfield, and JJ Stueck of Scotch Plains, sophomores Logan D'Amore of Scotch Plains and Arun Lakshman of Westfield, and freshmen Alex Caiola of Westfield, Camila Martinez of Scotch Plains and Isabella Sena-Cash of Scotch Plains.

## Mount Saint Mary Academy To Open Bloomberg Lab

WATCHUNG – Mount Saint Mary Academy, at the cutting edge of providing young women with the top-notch resources for financial literacy and independence for nearly 110 years, announced that it will establish a Bloomberg Financial Markets Lab on campus in the fall.

According to Karen Calta, Assistant Directress for Academics and Faculty, Mount Saint Mary Academy will be the fifth school in the New York Metropolitan area and the first all-girls school in New Jersey to offer the Lab from Bloomberg, a leading global provider of data, information and technology.

"This opportunity puts Mount Saint Mary Academy at the forefront of economic and financial education on the high school level," noted Mrs. Calta.

"Mostly available in colleges and universities, the Lab is currently available in only five local high schools in New Jersey and New York," Mrs. Calta said. "The Lab is integrated into the existing curriculum through Economics, Financial Literacy and Data Analysis, and provides our students with the opportunity to engage in online and off-line use of the trading platform."

Beginning this September, four Bloomberg Terminals will be installed in a classroom inside the Academy's main building. These Terminals are integrated software platforms that provide financial, trading and pricing data, news, messaging, and more to leading business and financial professionals around the world.

The Bloomberg Financial Markets Lab enables educational support throughout the year to students enrolled in economics classes. Mount students would be eligible to earn Bloomberg Certification by taking

the Bloomberg Market Concepts (BMC) course and may be able to apply for internships at companies which use the Terminals.

Bloomberg certification would ensure that students learn how to use the Terminals and would demonstrate how they can explore information about any corporation, enable networking and financial professionals, and examine economic data to perform data analysis.

Kathleen Brennan, Mount Saint Mary Academy Director of Mathematics who spearheads the school's successful economics and financial literacy program, stated, "The skills that will be learned by using the Bloomberg Terminals are critical regardless of whether our students opt for careers in finance. It is an essential part of the Mount's mission to make sure that our graduates know how to manage their money and take control of their financial futures."

### Area Students

#### Graduate Loyola Univ.

AREA -- Loyola University Maryland recognized the class of 2018 at its 166th Commencement Exercises on May 19. The following area students were part of the Class of 2018:

Mary Hrinkevich of Westfield, received a BA degree in Political Science; Margaret McKay of Cranford, received a BBA degree in Business Administration; Katherine McLaughlin of Mountainside, received a BBA degree in Accounting; John Piassek of Cranford, received a BBA degree in Business Administration; David Player of Westfield, received a BBA degree in Business Administration; Elena Scarano of Westfield, received a BA degree in Speech-Language-Hearing Science.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**  
**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

NOTICE is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Township of Scotch Plains, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, at the office of the Township Clerk, Scotch Plains Municipal Building, 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076 (Attention: Bozena Lacina, Township Clerk) until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 23, 2018, prevailing time for "SHADY-REST ENTRANCE IMPROVEMENTS, CONTRACT E2018-4."

The work includes the furnishing of all labor, materials, and equipment necessary to complete the work as shown on the Site Improvements Plan and as described in the Specifications. The work consists of the removal of existing site improvements to make way for the proposed ADA accessible asphalt pathway and associated pavement/hardscape improvements and lighting improvements. The work is located at the historic Shady-Rest building adjacent to the Scotch Hills Country Club, 820 Jerusalem Road, Scotch Plains, New Jersey and includes: site work and general construction. The work shall be completed within 60 calendar days of the Contractor's receipt of written Notice to Proceed.

This project will be partially funded by a Community Development Block Grant. At the time and place stated above, such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. No bids shall be received other than at the time and place herein designated for their receipt, unless mailed to the Township Clerk for receipt at the designated time and place.

Copies of the Bid Documents may be obtained during regular business hours

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from the Township Clerk's Office upon payment of \$50 for each complete set of documents, which sum is non-refundable, beginning Friday, August 10, 2018. Written questions regarding the bid specifications may be submitted to the Township Engineer, at 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076 on or before August 14, 2018.

A certified check, cashier's check or bid bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid, but in no case in excess of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), must be submitted with the bid guaranteeing that if a contract is awarded, the bidder shall execute the contract. Bidders must also submit a Consent of Surety with the bid, wherein the surety agrees to furnish a performance bond if the Bidder is awarded the contract. Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 and all other applicable statutes, laws or regulations.

Bidders are required to submit a valid Business Registration Certificate from the State of New Jersey Department of Treasury, Division of Revenue.

Each bid shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Township Clerk, bearing the name and address of the bidder, upon which shall be designated:

"SHADY-REST ENTRANCE IMPROVEMENTS, CONTRACT E2018-4"

The Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS, NEW JERSEY.  
Alexander Mirabella,  
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Bozena Lacina,  
Township Clerk  
Fee: \$72.42

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**WRITING 101...**The Jefferson School PTO in Westfield, in May, hosted author/illustrator Matt Tavares, whose children's book titles include "Red and Lulu" and "Crossing Niagara," as well as biographies of famous baseball players. Mr. Tavares detailed the research and writing process on May 24, while using a few students from the audience, including first grader Summer Rae Sharma, as models for some onsite sketches.

## Ammon and MCC To Provide Scholarship Funds

LINDEN – The Ammon Foundation and Mercer County Community College Foundation announced today a partnership that will provide scholarship funds to students in addition to recovery attending Mercer County Community College. Through the partnership, a total of \$4,000 in scholarship funds will be available for students who have unmet needs to cover their tuition during the academic year 2018-2019.

The Ammon Foundation believes that in order for those in recovery to thrive, they must be supported by four pillars that include continued education, safe housing, stable employment and adequate health care. Ammon is dedicated to supporting recovery through education. To that end, they offer scholarship awards and build supportive networks to help students achieve personal and professional success.

The Foundation's mission is to empower individuals in addiction recovery through combating stigma and providing strategic support to enable personal success. The Ammon Education Award is designed as a matching scholarship opportunity for students attending Education Partner Institutions like Mercer County Community College. Currently, the Ammon Foundation has built Education Partnerships with 9 schools and plans to continue to grow the program throughout the year to expand its transformative impact to more students throughout the state.

Recipients of the scholarship become members of the Ammon Recovery Scholars Program - receiving personal, professional and academic support and joining a national network of peers who have also received scholarships through the Foundation. This allows for students in recovery all over the country to connect and support each other - virtually and in person. Together, Scholars' personal recovery stories help combat the stigma connected to the disease of addiction, by humanizing addiction and showcasing that recovery is possible.

"When we set out to partner with community colleges, Mercer was at the top of our list. We are glad that they'll be on board as a partner. I am glad to be bridging the Ammon Foundation and Mercer County Community College partnership," said Paula Figueroa-Vega, Director of Scholarship Programs at the Ammon Foundation. "Education changed my life, and it is my hope to open that door to as many other individuals as possible."

Established in 1966, Mercer County Community College is a publicly-supported, comprehensive educational institution that provides opportunities for higher education through

an open-door admission policy, with campuses in West Windsor, the newly-expanded James Kerney Campus in downtown Trenton, and "anywhere, everywhere" through MercerOnline. Approximately 11,300 students enroll in one or more credit courses each year.

"Mercer serves a diverse population with numerous challenges, and it is our duty to adequately address those challenges in service to our community," said Ed Gwazda, Vice President for College Advancement and Executive Director and Secretary of the MCCC Foundation. "This innovative partnership with the Ammon Foundation will enable MCCC to expand its reach to the recovery community, which is so often overlooked in our society."

Mercer County Community College students should apply via an application available from the Counseling staff in Student Affairs.

## Two SP Residents Named to Bloomsburg Univ. Dean's List

SCOTCH PLAINS -- Two residents of the township were named to the Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania Dean's List for the spring semester of the 2017-18 academic year.

Local students from the area include: Heather Chernoff of Scotch Plains and Lucy Palmer of Scotch Plains.

To qualify for Dean's List, a student must earn a quality point average of 3.5 or higher (based on 4.0) during the semester.

Bloomsburg University is one of 14 universities in Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education. The university serves approximately 9,600 students, offering comprehensive programs of study in the colleges of Education, Business, Liberal Arts and Science and Technology.

## Daria Speranza of SP Named to Alpha Phi Omega Club

SCOTCH PLAINS -- Daria Speranza, a resident of Scotch Plains, participated as a member of the Alvernia's Alpha Phi Omega club in 2017-18 while studying Occupational Therapy. Daria is a graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.

Alpha Phi Omega (APO) is a national co-ed service fraternity that was founded on the principles of leadership, fellowship, and service. With over 400,000 members worldwide on over 375 campuses, APO provides more service on more campuses than any other collegiate service organization.

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