

Woman's Club Contest Open to Young Writers

WESTFIELD—The Woman's Club of Westfield Announces Its Youth Poetry and Short Story Contest. The Woman's Club of Westfield (WCW) invites all aspiring student poets and authors from kindergarten through high school to enter its 2018 Youth Poetry and Short Story Contest.

Poetry entries may be any style with a minimum length of eight lines and a maximum of thirty lines. Short stories are limited to 2,000 words. Entries must be typewritten, double spaced, with a minimum of one inch margins, on one side of an eight by 10 inch paper.

A student may enter one short story and/or poem.

The author's name, address, email address, if available, telephone number, student's grade and school, title of piece must be entered in the top right hand corner of each page.

All entries are judged on content, organization and form. Decision of the judges is final. Please submit material in duplicate to Woman's Club of Westfield, 314 Orenda Circle, Westfield, N.J. 07090 post marked before Monday, January 29, 2018. Writing must be the original, unpublished work of the author, written during the last year.

Authors must be amateurs with earnings from writings not to exceed \$500. annually. Writers may want to keep a copy of their work as entries cannot be returned.



DOING FOR OTHERS...Members of Scotch Plains-Fanwood's High School Salsa Club ran a successful drive and collected from both students and staff personal hygiene products and non-perishable food for the victims of Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico. As a result, 23 boxes were filled with toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, soaps, shampoo, hand sanitizers, Kleenex, towels, washcloths, socks, deodorant, baby wipes, diapers, Band-Aids and first aid items, as well as non-perishable foods. Salsa Club officers Shane Hernandez and Michael Dieu are pictured with the boxes.

Hallie Traiman Volunteers For Comm. Service Wknd.

ALBANY, N.Y. — Hallie Traiman of Scotch Plains joined more than 500 new Living-Learning Community students who spent one of their first week-

ends at UAlbany volunteering on-campus and in the City of Albany through opportunities provided by the Living-Learning Community Connections weekend.

On September 16 about 250 students volunteered to support Albany Medical Center, The Capital City Rescue Mission, CHIME (an after school music program), and the Red Bookshelf Project. Students also wrote letters to active military members.

Another 250 students volunteered on September 17, at various locations in the local community. This included working with the Central Avenue Business Improvement District to refurbish the city's hanging planters and recycle compostable materials for St. Anne Institute's gardening program, volunteering on various projects in Albany's South End, and supporting the Pine Hills Neighborhood's "Meet, Munch, and More" community event.

Novack Inducted into College Honors Prog.

WORCESTER, Mass. — The Assumption College Honors Program inducted 60 new members from the Class of 2021, including Tressa Novack, of Scotch Plains, on October 29, before an audience of administrators, faculty, and families.

The Assumption's Honors Program offers a demanding, intensive curriculum designed to foster academic engagement inside and outside the classroom. Whether students major in the liberal arts, business, or professional studies such as education or human services and rehabilitation studies, the Honors Program enables students to explore their capabilities with peers who are similarly motivated.

Students apply to the Honors Program when they apply to the College as a high school senior. (Those students who demonstrate academic excellence during their first semester at Assumption are also welcome to apply.) The College then reviews a number of criteria: standardized test scores; class rank; engagement inside and outside the classroom; demonstrated passion for learning; and grade point average (GPA). Students must maintain a GPA of 3.25 in Honors courses, and a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.25.



ASKING THE EXPERTS...Nathan DeBole, third grader at Franklin Elementary School in Westfield, poses a weather-related question to NASA Scientist Kristen Weaver via videoconferencing in the school's auditorium. The face-to-face addition to the curriculum "solidified what the students have learned so far," according to teacher Tara Romano.

Franklin Third Graders Connect with NASA Scientist

WESTFIELD — Third graders at Franklin Elementary School connected via cyberspace with NASA Scientist Kristen Weaver recently to ask questions prompted by their classroom activities. Through videoconferencing in the Franklin auditorium, students spoke face-to-face in real time with Weaver who is with the National Aeronautics Space Administration's Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland. The five Franklin third grade classes selected two questions each for the scientist, who first presented them with information and visuals including satellite maps and imagery.

Matthew Fisher asked, "What can trees tell us about climate change?" Weaver responded that regarding the

life of a tree, climate is an important factor. Depending on if the tree is growing in New Jersey or in sub-tropical temperatures in Florida, for example, will make a difference.

Weaver displayed NASA satellites on the screen, explaining their purpose. One student observed, "I liked learning how waves formed. One of the satellites showed the mountains and why the oceans are colder or hotter."

Tara Romano, third grade teacher at Franklin School who helped organize the videoconference, explained, "I contacted NASA this summer and was successful in setting up this great addition to our new science curriculum. This experience has solidified what the students have learned so far."

Jakub Inducted Into Alpha Chi Honor Soc.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Gabrielle Jakub was among the 41 newest members inducted into the University of the Sciences Pennsylvania Kappa Chapter of the Alpha Chi National Honor Society at a special ceremony held on November 14.

Gabrielle is a master of occupational therapy student from Westfield.

During the ceremony inductees were introduced by their faculty advisers or department chairs who highlighted each student's accomplishments. At USciences, Alpha Chi is open to the top 10 percent of juniors and seniors in all majors except pharmacy, who are eligible for Rho Chi; and psychology/health psychology, who are eligible for Psi Chi.

HONOR ROLL

Terrill Middle School - 1st Marking Period

Grade 8 High Honor Roll

Andrew Abrantes, Mary Adekunle, Aditya Aggarwal, Alice Bachman, Janet Bai, Ryan Beauregard, Kai Bobrow, Julia Bonhote, Meagan Bourke, Marin Brace, Aislinn Brooks, Avery Burman, Anthony Cerino, Joshua Chan, Ava Chin, Victoria Cirillo, Sofia Ciullo, Amelia Collins, Griffin Coolidge, Gabriella Crona, Jack Devine, Brandon DiDario, Samantha Edelman, Isabel Elimu, Amanda Filipiski, Ivana Fontora, Alessandro Frias, Audrey Gabbai, Joshua Gabbai, Alexa Gingold, Alyssa Glickstein, Alina Gonzalez, Catherine Grandmaison, Corey He, Aidan Heifetz, Amanda Hill, Hannah Huang, Matthew Hui, Riya Kishen, Viktoria Kozak, Matthew Levine, Noah Levy, Zachary Levy, Annette Liang, Olivia Linderman, Lauren Magrino, Rachel Manette, Julian Martin, Caitlin Maughan, Eamonn McGovern, Ava McKenzie, Gabriel Melville, Maximus Mercurio, Fatima Mirza, Aidan Mooney, Aislinn Mooney, Gavin Morrobel, Kayla Morrow, Rory Moser, Ayden Mullins, Isaiah Nathaniel, Aditya Phatak, Elle Priesing, Elina Puri, Jessica Rojek, Benjamin Root, Sydney Sadler, Anna Saltzman, Meghan Schirm, Joshua Seewald, Isabela Segarra, Evan Sena, Sophie Shapiro, Anna Sicoli, Emily Sicoli, Keeran Sivaneri, Victoria Solsky, Diana Stinkova, Rebecca Strug, Brenna Sullivan, Isaac Tu, Yasmin Ulerio, Lucas Vega, Skyler Wadleigh, Julianna Warren, Jamie Weinberg, Elijah Wong, Vivian Worley, Julia Yick, Andrew Yu, Victor Zhang

Grade 8 Honor Roll

Bridget Abbott, Dana Ascolesi, Vincent Augello, Michael Banic, Chase Birmingham, Brooke Boissonneault, Luke Brencosons, John Burke, Ariel Burman, Ruby Calabrese, Nathaniel Calefati, Carter Chin, Colin Clarke, Sebastian Clarke, Camille Cooke, Sofia Corsaro, Bridget Ennis, Kerry Ericksen, Nicholas Evangelista, Isaac Feinberg, Evan Fitzgerald, Lauren Fitzgerald, Sophia Gallahue, Patricia Gillen, Lindsey Goldberg, Christopher Groom, Thomas Haverlock, Jodi Hayes, Megan Hillyer, Mark Huby, Lily Hughes, Jacob Jablon, Julia John, Amir Johnson, Jacob Kanterman, Joseph Kaplan, Ethan Kelly, Adam Kiell, Andrew Kipp, Dylan Klein, Jenna Lee, Robert Lerner, Sophia Lerner, Noa Levine, Alexander Lo, Ellora Majumdar, Emi Makimura, Alexa Martorano, Tierney McAuliffe, Brandon Melnitsky, Allison Miller, Michael Minniti, Jake Monroy, Ava Musano, Shyana Nanshah, Abdulaye-Albert Ndiaye, Vanessa Ossy, Sydney Phillips, Matthew Power, Gabriella Pugliese, Grace Regan, Jonathan Rembish, Peri Roper, Miranda Rossi, Samuel Rouder, Morgan Ryan, Noah Sadler, Ethan Scariati,

Giancarlo Schifano, Jake Scrudato, Tyler Snetar, Jessica Steinberg, James Sullivan, Giovanni Sullivan-Massa, Morgan Switsky, Eleni Theocharopoulou, Miles Veleri, Samantha Walden, Amy Walejewsky, Megan Walsh, Zachary Winograd, Thomas Wright, Naomi Ziekert

Grade 7 High Honor Roll

Emma Alchus, Alana Beardsley, Chloe Burfeindt, Joseph Catalano, Brody Chin, Nishaan Desai, Kate Eng, Neve Ferreira, Emily Filipiski, Ethan Filler, Weston Fischer, Jessica Gallagher, Andrew Giuliani, Bridget Hernandez, Avery Higinbotham, Dara Hsu, Joy Huang, Meredith Kenoff, Alexis Kern, Rebecca Kessler, Morgan Kinard, Michael Levin, Anthony Malta, Ryan Matulonis, Sophie Meinke, Giulia Milano, Salma Mohammed, Elizabeth Moose, Matthew Nervi, Aaron Perrotta, Haley Richardson, Abbie Sapira, Nicholas Schmidt, Niyati Shah, Gabriella Smulewitz, Sean Stuart, Chelsey Tang, Matthew Teevan, Rylee Tighe, Shaan Trehan, Kelsey Tse, Natasha Vega, Haley Warren, Reginald Williams

Grade 7 Honor Roll

Benjamin Abrams, Olivia Aiery, Samuel Anger, Caitlin Applebee, Diego Arcia, Jack Barnett, Elizabeth Bedatsky, Eric Botney, Kyle Brainard, Matthew Castucci, Alec Choi, Ryan Cichocki, Benjamin Cohn, Victoria Daszyk, Bridget Davis, Isabella DeCrosta, Meredith DeFouw, Sofia Di Iorio, Raymond Dickscheid, Seton Dill, Stefani Drivas, Mia Erath, Darius Evans, Marco Facao, Emmet Feeney, Sara Feeney, Lindsay Fefferman, Dylan Fei, David Felio, Stephen Folkart, Bradley Frank, Sophie Gannon, Tessa Going, Bartosz Gorski, Charlotte Gumpel, Diego Gutierrez, Julia Hamilton, Evan Hanvey, Owen Higinbotham, Aniket Iyer, Ethan Jaffe, Jacob Jones, Maya Khan, Samantha Klausner, Alisa Lamastra, Catherine Lavin, Samuel Liebowitz, Miranda Lemansky, Tian Liao, Ava Losardo, Amanda Magee, Kyle Minall, Lauren Mirenda, Stephanie Muenzen, Calum Murray, Ava Mustacciolo, Emma Noriega, Alexis O'Brien, Diego Otero, Sophia Paleski, Sarah Paul, Kathryn Power, Brigitte Priel, Reese Priel, Parker Raham, Nathaniel Rayan, Matthew Reynolds, Jordana Romero-Jimenez, Bridget Ryan, Nikita Sahasrabudhe, Nicholas Sanchez, Finn Sautner, Arnab Saxena, Nicolas Sbordi, Jion Shim, Abigail Skibinsky, Madeleine Smith, Anna Soifer, Sarah Sorkin, Luke Talty, Ryan Van Ostenbridge, Patrick Watt, Danielle Wester, William Wheatley, Kelvin Williams, Elijah Wu, Bennet Xia, Thomas Yick, Jeremy Zimmerman

Grade 6 High Honor Roll

Cameron Bloodgood, James Blundo, Saily Bober, Carys Browne, Sripriya Challa, Emily Colasanti,

Mackenzie Crimmins, Graeme Daniskas, Katherine Echols, Aidan Fairweather, Aidan Franciscus, Eden Gabbai, Katherine Guo, Jane Harrison, Ashley Hoberman, Lily Jayinski, Joshua Jenkelowitz, Rachel Lacerda, Isabel LaHuta, Ava Lerner, Katelyn Lester, Layne Levine, Ava Levy, Rachel Levy, Rachel Lipsky, Ahana Majumdar, Thomas Marcassoli, Kelly Marques, Kieran McElroy Barker, Julian Meinke, Lindsey Midrano, Matthew Mihansky, Kourtney Most, Ethan Murray, Diti Nainwal, Diya Nainwal, Shreya Nara, Benjamin Nathan, Pari Patel, Ryan Pierson, Jayant Rai, Gabriella Rijo, Daivya Sadvani, Sarah Sicoli, Catherine Skwirut, Rebecca Sohmer, Jonathan Soler, Ashley Steer, Emma Szabo, Emersyn Teicher, Julia Tiedemann, Anthony Virone, Jack Wall, Owen Wasik, Daniel Wong

Grade 6 Honor Roll

Jude Albert, Brianna Alvarez, Matthew Arnold, Nathan Arnold, Riley Atkins, Olivia Augello, Camila Barreto, Nyla Bartholomew, Spencer Bauman, Madeline Beauregard, Laura Benko, Hayley Blacker, Aliette Boroff, Sean Bradley, Ella Burgo, Isabella Campanile, Aaron Casterlow, Sophia Catalano, Arsh Atif Chaudhary, Julianna Compierchio, Sara Coniglio, David Cooper, Alexander Crona, Jason DeCore, Jake DeRienzo, Nikhil Desai, Jeffery Dietrich, Quinn Donahue, Michael Donofrio, Evan Doyle, Luke Doyle, Ryan Enayati, Joseph Entin, Emily Ericksen, Javier Esteban, Bianca Evans, Benjamin Fei, Kayla Fiore, Katherine Fitzgerald, Lauren Fleckenstein, Evan Gauthier, Ava Goldberg, Mia Gonyou, Charly Griffin, Aubrey Gulbin, Julia Jaramillo, Ninad Kashikar, Keira Kelly, Ella Kleinbaum, Eli Krantz, Artemis Levy Collins, Shaina Li, Benjamin Liang, Chloe Liddy-LaPadura, Jonathan Linderman, Sanaa Mahajan, Maya Marcassoli, Colin McAuliffe, Hanna McCann, Michael Mendes, Jack Merkel, Louis Messano, Charlotte Middleton, Tyler Mundorff, Jack Nolan, Kelly O'Donnell, Haley Oliver, Hope Olivito, John Paino, Saverio Paradiso, Emily Park, Lauren Peeney, Lily Peskin, Kaitlyn Phillips, Eliana Rafael, Jaden Reynolds, Noah Ricca, Joelle Russo, Sean Saggio, Alexander Salameh, Alyssa Sapienza, Amelia Savarese, Kelsey Scott, Ashley Sekiya, Levi Selvage, Mollie Semel, Billie Rose Sherratt, Gabriel Silver, Hannah Solomon, Leah Stevens, Dhruv Thakare, Veronica Thompson, Jake Timchak, Drew Van Ostenbridge, Anthony Veglia, Ryan Volpone, Gia Ziekert

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