



**HAPPY DAYS...** Community service is just one scene depicted as second and third graders at Jefferson Elementary School in Westfield recently joined parent volunteers in transforming school hallways into a magical scene of the many events that take place each year.

## Jefferson School Hallways Transformed With Murals

WESTFIELD — Second and third graders at Jefferson Elementary School recently joined parent volunteers in transforming school hallways into a magical scene that showcases the many events taking place each year.

Painstakingly painted on the walls of certain hallways are colorful scenes depicting the annual Jefferson Jubilee, Field Day, Community Service Day and band and chorus concerts. The project was guided in November by artist and art educator Caren Frost Olmsted who teaches through Morris Arts and The Center

for Contemporary Art and is founding co-chair of ARTsee Open Studio Tour.

This artistic undertaking is a continuation of a mural painted last year at Jefferson's main entrance hallway by third, fourth, and fifth grade students and parent volunteers.

"These murals are made possible by monies donated by the Jefferson PTO," said Jefferson principal Susie Hung. "We are so grateful to the Jefferson community for its support of these projects and for the countless hours of volunteering throughout the school year."

## Rotary Offers Scholarship For Intl. Graduate Study

AREA — The Rotary Clubs in our area are offering an international scholarship for students who are interested in pursuing further study abroad. Applicants must live in Essex, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Morris, Somerset, Sussex, Union or Warren Counties, and must be interested in planning a career in one of the following subject areas: Peace and conflict resolution, Disease prevention and treatment, Water and sanitation, Maternal and child health, Basic education and literacy, Economic and community development.

Candidates must be accepted to a foreign university at the time of application. The scholarship is competitive, and the main factors considered are a scholar's experience, the graduate program of study and career goals. Of added importance is having a plan

with a clear-cut purpose. Additional information may be found in the Rotary Foundation Section of [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org), or by contacting Eva-Pia Reich at [evapiareich@gmail.com](mailto:evapiareich@gmail.com).

Applicants should send their resume, college transcripts, and proposal (to include the program of study and a description of a career path) to Eva-Pia Reich, 24 South Shore Road, Denville, N.J. 07834 or [evapiareich@gmail.com](mailto:evapiareich@gmail.com). The deadline to apply is May 1, 2019, with interviews to follow.

To learn more about Rotary in your community, visit [www.njrotary.org](http://www.njrotary.org).

**ADS PLACED IN THE LEADER/TIMES BRING RESULTS**

## Saint Peter's Prep Honor Roll, First Marking Period

AREA — James C. DeAngelo, '85, Principal of Saint Peter's Prep in Jersey City, has announced that the following local residents earned honor roll status for the first marking period of 2018-2019:

Cranford: James Anderson, '19; Patrick Keenaghan, '19; Jacob Quinones, '19; Andrew Schmutter, '20; John Scheurer, '21; Ryan Cotter, '22; Charles Dino, '22, and Alexander Puhak, '22, earned First Honors. Timothy Garcia, '19; Andre Carcamo, '21; Patrick O'Shea, '21; and Brian Kealey, '22, earned Second Honors. Honorable Mention was attained by Owen Kealey, '19; James McGann, '19; Liam Concannon, '20, and Michael Scheurer, '21.

Fanwood: Aidan Christman, '20, earned First Honors. Honorable Mention was attained by Patrick Corrao, '20; Connor McElroy Barker, '21, and Russ StaRosa, '22.

Mountainside: Kyle Hess, '19, earned First Honors and Jay Post, '20, earned Second Honors.

Scotch Plains: Ethan MacMillan, '20, earned First Honors and Aidan Guarnuccio, '20, earned an Honorable Mention.

Westfield: Patrick Johnston, '29; Aidan Lezynski, '29; Salvatore Imbornone, '20; Brian Mikovits, '20; Jack Riley, '20; Kevin Tierney, '20; Ryan Della Rocco, '21, and John Thorburn, '21, earned First Honors. John Pettit, '19; William Pikus, '19; Colin Elliott, '20; Colin Brancatella, '21; Henry Brown, '21, and Cyril Maliakal, '22, earned Second Honors. Honorable Mention was attained by Christian Della Rocco, '19, Christopher Larkin, '20, and Liam Mooney, '21.

First Honors is awarded to students with an average of A or higher (4.0) and no grade lower than a C. Second Honors is awarded to students with an average at or above the midpoint between A and B+ (3.7) and no grade lower than a C. Honorable Mention is awarded to students with an average of B+ or higher (3.5) and no grade lower than a C.

## Westfield Public Schools To Hold Registration in Jan.

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Public School District will be registering children who will become eligible for kindergarten in the 2019-2020 school year. The District also is interested in reaching children who have not attended the Westfield Public Schools for kindergarten but will enter first grade in the fall.

"It is very helpful for the District to have this information so that we may effectively plan for every new child," stated Superintendent of Schools Margaret Dolan. "We look forward to welcoming our new young learners."

Kindergarten Registration for all children who are residents of Westfield, reaching the age of 5 on or before October 1, 2019, will be held at Lincoln School, 728 Westfield Avenue. Lincoln School is the centralized kindergarten location for the Westfield Public Schools. Parents may register children eligible for kindergarten on the dates and during the times indicated below by first calling (908) 789-4455 for an appointment.

Daytime appointments will be: Monday, January 7, 9:15 - 11:15 a.m.; Tuesday, January 8, 9:15 - 11:15 a.m.; Thursday, January 10, 9:15 - 11:15 a.m.; Wednesday, January 16, 1 - 3 p.m.; Thursday, January 17, 1 - 3 p.m.; Friday, January 18, 1 - 3 p.m.; Monday, January 28, 9:15 - 11:15 a.m.; Tuesday, January 29, 9:15 - 11:15 a.m.; Wednesday, January 30, 9:15 - 11:15 a.m.

Kindergarten evening appointments will be: Wednesday, January 23, 6 - 8 p.m. and Thursday, January 24, 6 - 8 p.m.

First Grade Registration for all children who are residents of Westfield reaching the age of 6 on or before October 1, 2019 and have not yet attended the Westfield Public Schools is as follows:

Daytime Registration: Franklin School (789-4591) - Tuesday, January 15 & Wednesday, January 16, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Jefferson School (789-4490) - Tuesday, January 15 & Wednesday, January 16, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.; McKinley School (789-4555) - Thursday, January 24, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.; Tamaques School (789-4580) - Thursday, January 17, 8

a.m. - 4 p.m.; Washington School (789-4600) - Tuesday, January 15, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.; Wilson School (789-4605) - Tuesday, January 22, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Evening appointments to register first graders who are new to the Westfield Public Schools will be held Tuesday, January 22, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. (for all schools) in the Administration Building, 302 Elm Street, Room 106 (first floor). Please call 789-4420 for an evening appointment at Elm Street.

All new students will be required to provide a host of information for registration in the Westfield Public Schools. Please contact the school district for the complete list.

Registration, Personal Health History, Physical Exam and Medical Records forms are available on the district website at [www.westfieldnj.k12.org](http://www.westfieldnj.k12.org). They are located on the Family Resources tab under the "Student Registration" and should be printed and completed before the scheduled registration date. These forms are also available by calling one of the schools.

Should parents have any questions about the registration process, please call one of the Westfield Public Schools. In the event of a delayed opening or school closing due to inclement weather, registration for that day will be rescheduled.

## Fairleigh Dickinson Announces Graduates

AREA — The following area students graduated from Fairleigh Dickinson University (FDU) in commencement exercises on May 15. FDU conferred nearly 3,000 degrees, ranging from associates to doctorates, on graduates, at MetLife Stadium.

Allison Barba of Westfield, Cheryl Marks Young of Westfield, Arielle Wegbreit of Westfield.

Elan Alexander of Cranford, Michael Monahan of Cranford, Ashley McGuire of Cranford.

Jorge Cruz of Scotch Plains, Mary Kate Laino of Scotch Plains, Raymond Seto of Scotch Plains, Stephen Riefler of Fanwood.



**SANTA'S HELPERS...** Westfield High School Key Club members Noelle Shih and Volunteer of the Month of November Parker Miesch sort canned goods that were collected at a photo with Santa event, and donated to a local food pantry.

## WHS Key Club Volunteers Of The Month Announced

WESTFIELD — John-Michael Jones, president of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Westfield, has announced the names of two students from Westfield High School's (WHS) Key Club who were recently recognized for their outstanding volunteer service in the community. Kiwanis Club is the parent club of the teen club that is advised by WHS teacher Matt Girona.

Olivia Conti, a junior, was named Volunteer of the Month for October for her ongoing volunteerism. Among the many service projects, which she accomplished last year and this year, was helping the Fish Hospitality program at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield. Olivia helped with a birthday party for homeless children last January and cooked breakfast for the families recently this past November 1.

For the month of November, freshman Parker Miesch was identified as outstanding in his assistance with Downtown Westfield's photos with Santa at Lord & Taylor. New to the

Key Club this year, Parker jumped right into the spirit of helping. He enjoyed signing in the families waiting to see Santa and accepting their food donations for the Holy Trinity food pantry. In total, Parker spent over 11 hours volunteering with that weekend project.

It's not a real surprise, however, that volunteerism thrives in the teens involved with Key Club, headed by senior Matt Paden, because the motto of the international organization is, "Caring, our way of life."

For information about the parent organization of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Westfield, email president John-Michael Jones at [grayfdir@gmail.com](mailto:grayfdir@gmail.com). Bi-weekly meetings are held at the Westfield Area Y and are open to parents of Key Club members, as well as any persons who are interested in helping the youth of the community.

## Sarah Patel Inducted Into Phi Kappa Phi

WESTFIELD -- Sarah Patel of Westfield was recently initiated, at MCPHS University, into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society.

Ms. Patel is among approximately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

## Story Time with Brunner Principal

SCOTCH PLAINS -- Students and their families were invited to a special story time with Brunner School's Principal, Scott Bortnick on Wednesday, November 28. This "PJ/sleeping bag optional" event coincided with the PTA's fall book fair. Parents and children enjoyed Mr. Bortnick's narration of *Drawn Together* by Minh Le with illustrations by Caldecott Medalist, Dan Santat. The engaging book tells the story of a boy and his grandfather discovering a shared love of art, helping to overcome language and generational barriers. It was a wonderful event to end the day for students (and parents, too!)



**SPFHS STARS...** On November 16 and 17 Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School performed *Peter and the Star Catcher* play to the delight of their audiences. *Peter and the Star Catcher* explored how a young orphan ultimately became Peter Pan, the boy who would not grow up. From the marauding pirates and jungle tyrants to unwilling comrades and unlikely heroes, *Peter and the Star Catcher* playfully explored the depths of greed and despair, and the bonds of friendship, duty and love. This play was a sheer delight and was exquisitely casted.

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