

Hale Speaker Mr. Albertson To Discuss Digital Media

WESTFIELD — The popular Hale Speaker Series continues its 2018 run on Wednesday, October 3, with a look at the world of digital media/online news from an expert in the field.

Westfield resident Josh Albertson, who has held executive posts with a number of firms, will speak on "Digital Media Is Dead, Long Live Digital Media" during the hour-long talk starting at 7 p.m. It will take place in the meeting room at the Westfield Memorial Library, located at 550 East Broad Street.



Josh Albertson

Mr. Albertson, the chief executive officer of Inman Group, a media news service company, previously served as chief operating officer of Gawker Media, vice-president of Vox Media and president of Curbed Network.

A graduate of Westfield High School, Mr. Albertson received his undergraduate degree from Brown University, where he served as edi-

tor-in-chief of *The Brown Daily Herald*. He was awarded his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Michigan School of Law.

Hale Series talks are free and open to the public. Pre-registration is required. Interested persons may register online at wmlnj.org or by calling (908) 789-4090, extension 0.

The Hale Series, founded by the late Hale Lee in memory of his wife, Anne, receives funding from The Anne and Lee Hale Fund and The Thomas Glasser Foundation and is hosted by the Friends of Westfield Memorial Library. Over its 11 seasons, the Hale Series has sponsored talks by scores of people with ties to Westfield.

Linnea Rhodes serves as chairwoman of the Hale Speaker Series committee, the other members of which include Tina Leshner, Ellen Albertson, Mary Orlando and Barbara Hale.



Dr. Nancy Polow, right, accepts the New Jersey State Governor's Jefferson Award.

Dr. Nancy Polow Awarded N.J. State Governor's Jefferson Award

Dr. Nancy Polow, Owner/Director of Suburban Speech Center, Short Hills, N.J. (resident of Scotch Plains), was awarded the New Jersey State Governor's Jefferson Award in the Executive Leadership award category.

The Jefferson Awards were established in 1972 as the official recognition program of the United States Senate. It is considered America's highest honor for public service and volunteerism. In New Jersey the awards are also the official recognition program of the Governor's Advisory Council on Volunteerism.

Dr. Nancy Polow is recognized both locally and nationally as a leader in the field of speech-language pathology. She is known for her extensive volunteer work in the New Jersey Speech-Language Association (NJSHA). She was recognized by the New Jersey Speech-Language Hearing Association (NJSHA) colleagues when they awarded her "The Outstanding Clinical Achievement Award," "President's Award for Excellence," and the "Honors of the Association." Her most recent award, the Distinguished Professional Service award, was received in 2014 from NJSHA. Nancy was featured on CBS "This Morning" as well as the National Geographic Network (The Science Times). Besides holding

positions as president, vice president, and convention chairperson, her work with Governor Thomas Kean was instrumental to the passage of the licensure bill in 1984.

Dr. Polow also was invited to volunteer and participate at the Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience at Rutgers University. Her achievements were recognized by the Scientific Learning Corporation when she was presented with the Leadership Award and the First Annual Pat Wilson award.

Dr. Polow established Suburban Speech Center, Short Hills, N.J., 40 years ago and has served as Director since that time. She has received national and statewide recognition for her achievements.

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Volunteers Sought For Garwood Cleanup

GARWOOD — The 14th Annual Clean Communities Litter Cleanup Day will be held in Garwood on Saturday, October 13, beginning at 10:30 a.m., rain or shine. Volunteer services, neighborhoods, social and school groups as well as individuals are invited to work together to reduce the amount of litter accumulating in various parts of the borough.

Supervision must be provided for all children's groups and all participants must provide their own transportation to the municipal building to get their supplies and site assignments.

To sign up, call Borough Hall at (908) 789-0710 or e-mail Kathleen@garwood.org.

Obituaries

Mary Ellen Wright Lawson

Mary Ellen Wright Lawson, 97, of Pinehurst, N.C., died on Wednesday, September 19, 2018, at Brookdale Senior Living. Mary Ellen was born on January 30, 1921 in Denton, Md. She was the daughter of the late James Franklin and Bertha (Stewart) Wright.

On October 5, 1946, Mary Ellen married John Lawson at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. They were very devoted to one another during their 64 years of marriage before Mr. Lawson deceased in June of 2010. The Lawsons settled in Scotch Plains, N.J. It was there Mrs. Lawson was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church and served the community in a variety of volunteer roles, including the board of directors of the Union County Psychiatric Clinic. As a Daughter of the American Revolution and a member of Questors, she appreciated our country's history and loved antiques. She created a very beautiful home with her talents in sewing, decorating, and furniture refinishing. Mary Ellen was a strong leader yet very sensitive towards others. She and her beloved John created a home of warm affection.

She power walked her way into her nineties. A humorous peek at Mary Ellen's enthusiasm for staying healthy

and active is exemplified in her being the first to purchase a ten-speed bike in the Scotch Plains area, as well as, at 50 years old, attempting to participate in playing basketball through a local recreation league. She didn't talk about it a lot, but she did say the other women were much younger than she and very serious about the game.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Lawson was preceded in death by her siblings, Katherine Elizabeth Kemp, James Franklin Wright, Jr., and William Alexander Stewart Wright. She is survived by her children, Beth Lawson Calvert

(David), of Ona, W.Va., Mary-Stewart Regensburg (the late Andrew), of Pinehurst, N.C., and John (Jack) Trevallion Lawson (Julie), of Richboro, Pa. She is also survived by four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, as well as nieces and nephews.

The family is thankful for the care she was given at Brookdale Senior Living.

At a later date services will be held at Christ Episcopal Church in Denton, Md.

Online condolences may be left at: www.bolesfuneralhome.com.

Services are entrusted to Boles Funeral Home of Southern Pines, N.C.

September 27, 2018



Mary Ellen Lawson

Westfield Area AARP Now Meeting at Shady Rest

WESTFIELDAREA — Westfield Area AARP Chapter 4137 welcomes all members back to chapter meetings, which from now on will be held at the Shady Rest at the Scotch Hills Country Club, located at Jerusalem Road and Plainfield Avenue in Scotch Plains. Meetings take place on the first Monday of every month at 1 p.m.

The chapter's next meeting is on October 1, with singer Garrad Perry providing entertainment. Known as "G Man," he performs songs made popular by Frank Sinatra's Rat Pack as well as doo-wop melodies. Friends and neighbors are always welcome to come to these meetings.

This meeting additionally will include a discussion of the chapter's Christmas luncheon, as well as future programs and other topics. Members also are asked to pay their \$10 annual dues.

A short business meeting and refreshments will follow the program. As the newly-restored Shady Rest is a historic property, Chapter 4137

hopes to devote a future program to the local landmark, with a guest speaker to provide attendees with historic background on Shady Rest.

Anyone with questions regarding the upcoming meeting is invited to call Ilsa Heinemeyer at (908) 322-1788.

GFD Auxiliary Posts Clothing Drive Date

GARWOOD — The Ladies Auxiliary of the Garwood Volunteer Fire Department will hold a clothing drive on Saturday, October 6, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. This event will be held rain or shine at the Garwood Fire House, located at 415 South Avenue.

In addition to men's, women's and children's clothing, the Auxiliary is collecting shoes, stuffed animals, handbags, linens and belts. Clothing will not be cut up. Money earned from the drive helps support the department and scholarships for local children. For additional information or to arrange for a pickup of items, call Barbara at (908) 868-4358.



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