

Princeton Paper Crane Project

The Princeton Crane is a community initiative symbolic of love, peace for all, and honor for lives lost. A thousand paper cranes depict optimism and hope during these challenging times. This indeed is a moment of pride for the 59 leads and their families across the Central Jersey Chapter. They spent approximately **1,150 hours** & made **9,500 paper cranes** within a record short duration of 5 days. This has been a significant contribution by our leads to the Arts Council of Princeton towards reaching their goal. The exhibition is open to the public from Aug 1st



Kahoot Sessions

Learning is such a fun journey! Sewa leads across all Central Jersey teams (Cherry Hill, Chesterfield, Edison, and Monroe) have been conducting Kahoot sessions Monday-Friday from 5-6 PM. Leads have been showing great enthusiasm in both conducting and playing with an average of 35 participants. The sessions cover a wide range of topics as listed below for July 2020

- Interesting Science Facts - Jaabili Kuruvella & Aniketh Byram
- Quiz on Cars - Tarak Nelluri & Pranav Ramagiri, Nithilan Rajmohan
- Quiz on Geography - Kaashif Shaik & Avinash Sai Pavani, Shraavani Sontam, Shubhransh Joshi
- Movie Quiz - Tanya Sriram
- Quiz on States & Capitals - Manvi Gupta & Saumya Khurana
- Actors & Actress Quiz - Riya Patel & Tanushri Aravind
- Quiz on TV Shows - Anisha Sai Pavani & Medha Singireddy, Siddhanth Ravi
- The Ultimate Food Quiz - Mahathi Chitti
- Quiz on Famous Landmarks - Srinitya Tadisina & Anisha Sai Pavani
- Logo Quiz - Saanvi Damera & Aditi Mahendran
- Quiz on Strange American Laws - Meghana Dheram
- Quiz on Marine Life - Kartik Patidar, Pranav Praveen Kumar
- Quiz on Animals - Akhil Mannam
- How well do you know New Jersey - Trish Velloor?
- General Knowledge Quiz - Aniketh Byram & Arya Shah
- Space Quiz - Srinitya Tadisina
- Quiz on the Human Body/Anatomy - Dhriti Cagathi
- Quiz on Interesting/Cool Facts - Sanketh Kamath
- Quiz on Cars - Nithilan Rajmohan

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Lead(s) Spotlight

ARYA SHAH

Central Jersey Sewa Chapter is extremely proud of our lead who is an international chess player and ranked #1 in Hongkong. His book "AI & CHESS" is published in Amazon and available in paperback and kindle version. His chess camp was received with a lot of excitement. The camp sessions were very detailed and covered the fundamentals of chess in great depth. It ignited interest in chess among the leads and their family members.

Sewa Family wishes him all the very best with his chess!



Food Pantry Drop Off – Chesterfield

Chesterfield Sewa Volunteer Rama Malladi has been supporting the local farm & the food bank by buying the fresh produce from the farm & donating them to the food bank. This month, he donated 4 cases of produce & 11 cases of Breads/Bagels in two batches. The first batch of 10 cases of Bread/Bagel was delivered to Camden Cathedral Kitchen on July 14th & second batch of 4 cases of string beans & one case breads/bagels were delivered to Trenton Soup Kitchen on July 24th.



Kiddie Keep Well Camp Painting - Edison

Leads from Edison volunteered to paint the cabinets and walls @ the Kiddie Keep Well Camp (KKWC), cognizant of COVID 19 leads followed strict safety guidelines and painted the cabinets and walls. It was not an easy task using stencils to paint the letters, however leads had great fun and showed greater determination in finishing the task. Kudos to Pranav Praveen Kumar, Ramya Lakshmi, Aditi Kudva, Ashish Manavarthe, and Suhas Murthy.



Fund Raising Online Camps – Edison

Vedic Math classes are designed to help the participants develop high speed mental math. Funds raised will be sponsoring education of a child for the academic year. HTML & CSS classes. All the funds from the HTML & CSS classes are donated to the “Sponsor-A-Child” program of SEWA International.

Community Garden - Monroe & Marlboro

Monroe leads (Aniketh Byram, Jabili Kuruvella, & Saanvi Damera) have been working in the Monroe community garden growing vegetables organically. The fresh produce from the garden was sold to raise funds for the Monroe food pantry. In the month of July leads have contributed \$30 towards the donation fund.

At Marlboro community garden our leads have been working every week to control weeds, taking care of compost bins, adding mulch etc. Manager of Marlboro community garden is extremely impressed with the commitment and hard work our leads put in every weekend. As a token of thanks to our leads, the Master Gardeners are offering 15-20-minute lessons every weekend. Hats off to our young gardeners - Aditi Mahendran, Akhil Mannam, Aniketh Byram, Srushti Basapuri and, Mahathi Chitti.



Pennington Watershed Trail Watching – Monroe

Three of our leads Aniketh Byram, Akhil Mannam & Mahathi Chitti have been watching the Pennington Watershed trails. As trail watchers, they pick up trash on the trails, cut overhanging tree branches, clear twigs and broken branches on the trail paths.



Feedback

Dear Pradeep Byram & Volunteer for Sewa International.

Thank you so much for your recent generous food pantry donation of fresh produce from the Monroe Community Garden. We appreciate the very dedicated volunteers. Saanvi Damera, Jaabili Kuruvella, Aniketh Byram, who are to be commended for their selfless acts of compassion. During this financially crushing pandemic, more and more needy families in our community are experiencing real hardships. Your kindness and sympathetic response to their essential needs is extremely valued and priceless.

We, and all the people you touch by your thoughtfulness, are very appreciative of your dedication and we are humbled by your charitable actions of support. Saying thank you to such noble individuals is simply not enough; you are our Heroes.

Your compassion and kindness are appreciated more than you can imagine at a time when caring for your neighbor is most crucial. Again, we thank you so much for your benevolence, and stay as kindhearted as you are, you're very special people!

Be safe and stay healthy.

Rosanna Giancaspro
Monroe Twp. Office of Senior Services

Dear SEWA Volunteers,

My husband Bob and I wish to thank you for the work you did for the Marlboro Community Garden yesterday. It would have been impossible for Bob to care for our "baby" trees as you did. I had warned him that you were a focused and hard-working group, and he drove home with me quite convinced!

And you did it all in the HEAT. Picture attached. See you next week.

Love,
Ellen

Dear Sewa Classes Tutors/Coordinators,

Thank you for the effort you put into teaching us. I learned many interesting concepts in HTML and CSS. I really appreciate the patience you had to teach us the basic structure including tags, tables, and much more. Due to your teaching, now I can make an eye-catching webpage. Again, Thank you for teaching us.

Sincerely,
Mahika

11:04 PM

Recently We had pleasure to be part of chess camp conducted by Sewa International - Central NJ chapter. Our 8 year son participated along with many other kids. This camp was conducted by Arya Shah who is International chess player and ranked 1 in Hongkong. This camp was very engaging and our child enjoyed this as fun filled summer activity. This camp developed interest about chess for him and he started playing chess with his elder brother also regularly. Games like Chess are good to keep kids away from screen based entertainment and is very good initiative from Sewa international.

We are looking forward for Sewa International to conduct more such camps in upcoming days. Thank you Sewa International team for organizing this camp.

Mahesh

Upcoming Events

- ❖ Python Programming
- ❖ Java Programming
- ❖ Arts & Crafts
- ❖ Chess Camp
- ❖ STEM Science Camp

Many More !!!

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