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2020 Census: Watchung Hills is an affluent, educated vicinity

By DAVID POLAKIEWICZ EDITOR

The three Watchung Hills communities, on average, have greater household wealth and a higher level of formal education than the state and country.

Those are among the takeaways from the 2020 data compiled by the U.S. Census Bureau. Various statistical totals from the population count have been released by the bureau.

Those statistics also show the three local towns' residents have

greater access to broadband computer technology and health care coverage than the state and country. The numbers reflect a local poverty level far lower than the state and national means, but possibly higher than most area residents would expect in real num-

bers. Statistics were pulled from the bureau's web site, https://www.census.gov.

The 2020 census numbers show Warren's population at 15,923, Long Hill at 8,629 and Watchung at 6,449. Watchung had the most population growth since the prior

census a decade ago, while Long Hill's decreased a bit. The 2010 figures had Warren's people count at 15,311, Long Hill at 8,702 and Watchung with 5,801.

Watchung's population is up

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Watchung campaign's early weeks have informal, family tone

By DAVID POLAKIEWICZ EDITOR

WATCHUNG – Ice cream, yo-yos, a magician and new neighbor introductions typically would not be associated with local politics, but in 2021 campaigning for municipal office has adopted a community feel.

Circumstances have helped dictate the new tone as well as the timing. Some voters don't want to engage publicly in pointed political discussions. Meanwhile, the growth of mail-in, early voting has spurred candidates to start reaching out to their constituents sooner.

Both the Republican and Democratic slates of Borough Council candidates have scheduled community events in the coming weeks. This year's general election sees Democratic Councilwoman Daryl Eisenberg



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Knegten and running mate John Malchow vying against Republicans Christine Ead and Curt Dahl.

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Stirling Street Fair offers crafts, food and more, Sept. 5

LONG HILL TWP. – The 20th annual Stirling Street Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 5, along Main Avenue between Mercer and Somerset streets, rain or shine.

The street will be closed to vehicular traffic during the event and transformed into a giant block party. If you like shopping outdoors then this is the place to be.

The event will include

exhibitors selling assorted items, a special arts and crafts section, live entertainment, kiddie rides and games, festival foods, food trucks and more. Many local merchants and civic organizations will distribute goodies between Union and Essex streets.

Street fair attendees can have a bite to eat at tables

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MERRY-GO-ROUND



Photo by Debbie Weisman

The merry-go-round was a lot of fun Saturday night at the Warren Lions Club Expo. Taking a spin, from left, were Riley Scott, Stella Tierney, Delaney Machiedo and Jordan Passe, all of Warren Township. For a story and more photos from this event, please see Page 9.

PSE&G replacing electric power line towers in Long Hill Twp.

By NICOLE ZANCHELLI STAFF WRITER

LONG HILL TWP. – Installation of 26 new PSE&G electric power line towers will replace about 90-year-old transmission facilities

throughout the township.

The path that holds the 26 PSE&G structures enters Long Hill from Chatham, cuts diagonally southwest through the township, and exits into Basking Ridge at King George Road.

PSE&G's Roseland – Pleasant Valley Project (RPV) is a \$546 million endeavor aimed at strengthening the electric transmission system through the replacement of older transmission facilities between PSE&G's

Roseland Switching Station in Roseland and its Pleasant Valley Switching Station in Hopewell.

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ON THE UPSWING

Rich Seubert, a former player with the Giants in the National Football League, is in his sixth season as head coach of the Watchung Hills Regional High School Warriors. Seubert hopes to keep the program on the upswing beginning with Friday night's season opener at Montgomery. Watch for our 64-page special section on high school football in the Sept. 9 Echoes-Sentinel.

Photo by Chris M. Junior



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