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CECELIA MIRABELLA TURNS 103 YEARS YOUNG

Cecelia Pacheco Mirabella was born in Portugal on July 26th, 1914. She turned 103 years Young on July 26th 2017. She has been a resident of Clark Nursing & Rehabilitation Center since September 2014. She was married to Angelo

Mirabella and had five children. Cecelia was a housewife and also worked as a coat factory supervisor. She enjoyed cooking, and made quilts in her leisure time. Her secret to longevity is to spend a lot of time with family and friends.



ANNUAL OKTOBERFEST SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 9TH AND 10TH

The Deutscher Club of Clark and the Bayern Verein Newark announced that their joint Annual Oktoberfest will take place at the clubhouse grounds, 787 Featherbed Lane, Clark, NJ. The event will feature German food, beer, music, and traditional Bavarian dancers.

Activities will take place from 5 pm to 11 pm on Saturday, September 9th with the John and Maria Orchestra providing live music between 6 pm and 10 pm. On September 10th, activities

will take place from 12 noon to 6 pm with Bernie's Orchestra providing live music between 1 pm and 5 pm.

Come and see the dancers that participated and won in the competition held at the 26th Gaufest in Buffalo, New York this past 4th of July weekend.

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67 BROOKSIDE TERR \$799,900

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The First Presbyterian Church of Cranford, located at 11 Springfield Ave., will hold their free eight-week seminar "Journey to Wholeness - Healing the Grieving Heart" on Sunday evenings from September 17- November 5, 2017.

Patti Williams, a registered nurse and certified pastoral bereavement counselor, along with Virginia Waters, a PhD. Psychologist, will lead the sessions from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Thompson Youth Center of the church. Patti and Virginia are beginning the 18th year of this ministry, and have helped about 2,600 people experience healing, find a new purpose for their lives, and feel joy once again. This is an experience like no other.

The sessions include learning about the stages of grief and understanding the tasks of the grieving process, coping strategies, dealing with loneliness, building a support system, and other helpful skills for healing.

Both of the leaders and all of the facilitators have experienced loss within their lives and share from "the inside out". It does not matter if your loss is divorce, death, or job loss; loss is loss- it must be grieved. It does not matter how long ago your experienced loss. Bring family members and friends. All faiths are welcome. Teen group available. To register for this life changing event, please call 908-709-1341. No fee is charged.

The seminar is dedicated to Patti's late husband, the Rev. Dr. Bruce D. Williams, who had a vision for this program out of wanting to help others deal with their pain and suffering during their time of loss.



(above) Patti Williams, a registered nurse and certified pastoral bereavement counselor, along with Virginia Waters, a PhD. Psychologist, will lead a free eight-week seminar "Journey to Wholeness - Healing the Grieving Heart".



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FEMA ENCOURAGES PEOPLE TO PREPARE NOW FOR THE 2017 ATLANTIC HURRICANE SEASON

The Atlantic hurricane season began in June, and there is no better time to get ready than now. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) encourages residents and businesses across the nation to prepare by understanding their risk, planning together for the entire family, and downloading the FEMA App.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Climate Prediction Center seasonal outlook for 2017 states that the Atlantic could see an above-normal hurricane season this year. The full seasonal forecast is linked at [www.noaa.gov/media-release/above-](http://www.noaa.gov/media-release/above-normal-atlantic-hurricane-season-is-most-likely-year)

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Both hurricanes and tropical systems have the potential to cause serious damage to coastal and inland areas. Their hazards could come in many forms including storm surge, heavy rainfall, coastal and inland flooding, high winds, and tornadoes.

“The time to prepare for hurricanes and tropical storms is now, before a threat even exists,” said FEMA Acting Administrator Robert J. Fenton, Jr. “We want people who live in coastal and nearby inland areas to know where they can get reliable information; prepare their home and workplace ahead of time; know if they live in an evacuation zone and be familiar with evacuation routes. Knowing what to do and practicing your plan now can make the difference between life and death if a hurricane or tropical storm does strike.”

There is a lot of information available to help individuals and communities prepare:

Learn Your Flood Risk: Flooding is the nation’s most frequent and costly natural disaster. Go to FloodSmart.gov and learn how to protect your home or business. Purchase a flood insurance policy if you do not already have one.

Make A Plan: Residents should speak with their family today about how they will communicate with each other during a significant weather event when they may not be together, or during an evacuation order.

Download the FEMA App: The FEMA App contains important information on what to do

before, during, and after a hurricane. The App also allows users to receive weather alerts from NOAA’s National Weather Service, includes lifesaving safety tips, and provides access to disaster resources should survivors need them. The App is available in the Apple App store or the Google Play store.

Know your evacuation zone: Evacuation zones are areas that may be impacted by hurricane flooding. Many communities designate evacuation zones and routes to get citizens to safety. This information is typically found on the websites of state, county, or town emergency management offices. If a hurricane threatens a community and local officials say it's time to evacuate, residents should evacuate immediately. Do not wait for the next forecast.

While much attention is often given to the Atlantic hurricane season, there are tropical systems that can affect many other areas around the nation. To learn more about hurricane seasons in the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, visit www.hurricanes.gov. To learn more on how to prepare before, during, and after a hurricane, visit www.ready.gov.

Additional tips and resources:

- www.ready.gov/animals
- www.ready.gov/business
- www.ready.gov/alerts

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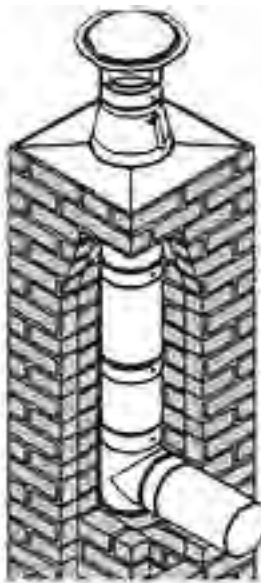
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UNION COUNTY INTERFAITH COORDINATING COUNCIL

The Union County interfaith Coordinating Council, an organization of clergy and lay persons representing all faith traditions, held an Interfaith Prayer Unity Service at the First United Methodist Church, Westfield, NJ on July 20. This event followed a solidarity gathering held on June 28 at Temple Sha'arey Shalom in Springfield, NJ.

Additional programs are being planned including supporting Union County

Thanksgiving Services in November, a Homeless Sabbath in December and the Third Annual Day of Prayer Service at The Parish Community of St. Helen in Westfield on October 24.

For more information on the Union County Interfaith Coordinating Council please contact Rod Spearman at rspearman@caunj.org or UCInterfaith@caunj.org or by phone @ (908) 354-3040 x 4324.

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(above) The following clergy, spokespersons and musicians participated in this truly ecumenical service: The Rev. Dr. David Mertz, host pastor of The First United Methodist Church of Westfield, Rev. Anthony Randazzo of Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church of Westfield, Rev. Carmine Pernini of Zion Lutheran Church, Rahway, Rev. Ann Marie Alderman of the First Unitarian Society of Plainfield, Zaghay Chaundry of the Muslim Community Center of Union County, Eric Kussman, Jr. of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Springfield, Rev. Mayra Castaneda of the First Baptist Church of Westfield, Rev. Richard Hogans, Chaplain of the Union County Correctional Center & Shiloh Baptist Church in Elizabeth, Rabbi Ethan Prosnit of Temple Emanuel, Westfield and Dr. Mohammed Ali Chaudry of the Islamic Society of Basking Ridge. Music selections were provided by Jonathan Evers of the First United Methodist Church of Westfield and Cynthia Manno of the Townley Presbyterian Church in Union.



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As a leading nonprofit committed to strengthening community through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility, the Y seeks to ensure that everyone, regardless of age, income or

background, has an opportunity to learn, grow and thrive. The Gateway Family YMCA is a non-profit charitable organization serving Eastern Union County and Northern Middlesex County for 117 years.

The Gateway Family YMCA offers a variety of programs to help achieve greater health and well-being, nurture youth and inspire individuals to give back to better their community. Fall programs begin September 5th at the YMCA including new swim lessons, youth sports, active older adult fitness and art programs.

To learn more about The Gateway Family YMCA, visit www.tgfymca.org or call 732-388-0057 for more information.

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THE FOUNDATION OF AMERICA CONSTITUTION WEEK BEGINS SEPT 17TH

Submitted by: Mary Leonard, NJDAR Constitution Week Chairwoman

There are two documents of paramount importance to American history: The Declaration of Independence, which forged our national identity; and the United States Constitution, which set forth the framework for the federal government that is still in use today. While Independence Day is a beloved national holiday, fewer people know about Constitution Week, an annual commemoration of the living document that upholds and protects the freedoms central to our American way of life. This year the annual

celebration begins September 17th.

The Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) initiated the observance in 1955, when the organization petitioned the US Congress to dedicate September 17-23 of each year to the commemoration of Constitution Week. Congress adopted the resolution, and on August 2, 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed it into Public Law #915. The celebration's goals are threefold: to encourage the study of the historical events that led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787; to inform people that the Constitution is the basis of America's great heritage and the foundation of our way of life; and to emphasize US citizens' responsibility to protect, defend and preserve the Constitution.

DAR has been the foremost advocate for the awareness, promotion and celebration of Constitution Week. By fostering knowledge of and appreciation for the Constitution and the

inalienable rights it affords to all Americans, DAR helps to keep alive the memory of the men and women who secured our nation's independence, whose bravery and sacrifice made possible the liberties we enjoy today.

One of the largest patriotic women's organization in the world, DAR has more than 185,000 members in approximately 3,000 chapters across the country and even in numerous foreign countries. Membership is open to any woman 18 years or older who can prove lineal, bloodline descent from an ancestor who aided in achieving American Independence. DAR strives to promote historic preservation, education and patriotism via commemorative events, scholarships and educational initiatives, citizenship programs, service to veterans, meaningful community service, and more. For additional information about DAR and its programs and membership, visit www.dar.org.



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By Lauren Faiella, RD, CDN - ShopRite of Clark, NJ

Do you often find yourself reaching for a snack throughout the day? You are not alone! Snacking can help give us a much needed energy boost between meals and can certainly fit into any healthy eating plan – if it is planned right! A common snacking mistake is satisfying a quick craving with foods higher in added sugar, salt, and empty calories without long-lasting energy. But how can we make snacking a smart habit? Here are some tips to help you with smart snacking:

- Snack only when you are hungry. Eating out of boredom may lead to unintentional weight gain. If you rate your hunger before reaching for a snack, you can avoid mindless eating.
- Read the Nutrition Facts label. Keep sugar and sodium at a minimum. Try to choose foods that have at least 3 grams of dietary fiber and pair them with a source of protein. This can help curb your hunger, give you longer lasting energy, and get you from one meal to the next!
- Plan and portion ahead of time. Planning and portioning snacks in advance will prepare you for when hunger strikes! Save time by portioning healthy snacks ahead of time, and keep them handy in accessible places (i.e., in your car, desk, purse, backpack, etc.). These easy steps can help you avoid going long periods without eating and stick to satisfying and healthy portions.
- Keep it interesting with variety. Snacking on foods from various food groups will not only keep your taste buds happy, but can also help you fill any nutrient gaps in your diet!

Need some inspiration? Try these delicious and nutritious snacks:

- Slice a medium apple and pair it with 1 tablespoon of peanut or almond butter (or any nut butter of your choice!).
- Grab 10 baby carrots and dip in 2 tablespoons of hummus.
- Try any combination of raw veggies and fruit paired with a low-fat Greek yogurt dip.
- Pair whole grain crackers with 2 oz. reduced fat cheese.
- Mix 1 oz. roasted almonds with 2 tablespoons of dried cranberries- sprinkle with cinnamon for an extra tasty treat.
- Dip baked tortilla chips in 2 tablespoons of mashed avocado.
- Couple a hard-boiled egg with whole grain crackers.
- Grab a part-skim mozzarella string cheese and pair with sliced grape tomatoes.
- Dunk chocolate graham crackers in a low-fat vanilla yogurt.
- Mix 3 cups air-popped popcorn with a sprinkle of grated cheese.

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GriefShare is a special 14-week series and support group for people grieving the death of someone close. It's a place where you are surrounded by people who understand how you feel and the pain of your loss. At GriefShare, you'll learn valuable information that will help you through this most difficult time in your life as you journey through grief.

One of the participants from a previous series had this to say: "As I walked into my first session of GriefShare, I was taken aback by the sound of gentle music and the sight of candles on the tables. I still wondered how I could go from mourning to joy in thirteen weeks. Now that it is over, I see that that's exactly what happened. Years ago we'd lost our 25-year-old daughter to suicide. Within the last eighteen months I'd lost my mother and sister just a week apart, and then

my beloved sister-in-law. My grief was overwhelming and I thought that my sadness would never end. It was during the GriefShare sessions that I met people who were just as devastated as I was, all with stories not so very different from my own. It was during these sessions that I came to learn that this was a profoundly moving journey that I had undertaken. Our facilitator was soft spoken, gentle and compassionate. We were not only listened to but ministered to. In our grief, we were drawn closer to the Lord. We learned that 'God is close to the brokenhearted' and we learned how to cope with our grief. In an atmosphere of love and confidentiality, we grew to learn to open our hearts, share our stories, and allow ourselves to be healed. GriefShare was a profoundly moving journey; one that I feel was God's gift to us all. If you are suffering the loss of a loved one, no matter how long ago the death occurred, I highly

recommend GriefShare, and the healing experience of feeling God within it all."

The ministry team consists of thoroughly trained, caring individuals who bring to this group their own experience of walking through grief. One participant had this to say about the Ministry Team, "They are amazing, caring people who provide for all of us what we cannot get from our families and friends. It is a safe place where we are understood."

Please join us on September 14th at 6:30 p.m. at Cranford Alliance Church, 7 Cherry Street, Cranford, NJ. Family members and friends of the bereaved are welcome at any time as well. There is a \$10 registration fee to cover materials. Scholarships are available.

For more information, you can go to the GriefShare website, www.griefshare.org, or contact the church office at 908-276-1617 or office@cranfordalliance.org.

SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB OF CLARK NEW SEASON

The Senior Citizens Club of Clark will begin its new season of meetings on Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at approximately 11:30 a.m. at the Polish Cultural Foundation located at 177 Broadway, Clark, NJ.

Residents and non-residents, 55 years and over, are invited to join the Club that meets every Wednesday, September through June, at the above location from approximately 11:30 am to

1:30 pm.

Refreshments are served while you socialize and meet friends, old and new. Bingo is played after a short business meeting. Members may also enjoy two luncheons annually and bus trips organized by the Club.

New members are welcome to join us for our meetings and activities. For more information, contact Dorothy at 732-381-8526.

FLU VACCINATION EVENT THIS SEPTEMBER

The Clark Health Department in conjunction with CVS Pharmacy, located at 60 Westfield Ave. in Clark, will be administering flu shots on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 between 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon at the Deutscher Club, 787 Featherbed Lane, in Clark.

Participants must be 18 years of age or older and DO NOT have to be a resident of Clark to receive the flu vaccine. There will be a barbecue for Clark senior citizens who have pre-registered.

Please bring all insurance cards with you. CVS

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It is highly recommended that interested participants pick up the flu consent form at the Clark Health Department, located at 430 Westfield Ave., room 18, prior to the event. Forms can be completed in advance.

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(above) "Bark-a-Que" is a pet-friendly event attracting hundreds of dog owners each year.

Photo by Jessica Biamonte

ANNUAL DOG ADOPTION EVENT SEPT. 9

Meisel Park will 'go to the dogs' this year as Berkeley Heights-based Home for Good Dog Rescue brings its Seventh Annual "Bark-a-Que" & Dog Adoption Event to Springfield, NJ for the first time on Sept. 9.

From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., the pet-friendly event, which attracts up to 3,000 attendees each year, will feature rescue dog adoptions, food and merchandise vendors, family activities, professional photos, canine contests—including the annual 'Mr. and Mrs. Bark-a-Que' Costume Contest—and on-site prizes and giveaways.

"We're so thrilled to welcome our community to join us for a day of food and fun as we celebrate the more than 5,300 dogs we have rescued since our inception," Richard Errico, Home for Good's co-founder and treasurer, said. "We hope to see so many new faces in 2017 at our exciting new venue in Springfield."

In addition to welcoming the general public and all of Home for Good's adoptive families, "Bark-a-Que" hosts the rescue's largest adoption event of the year. In 2016, the festivities placed nearly 30 dogs with loving permanent households.

"We are committed to rescuing dogs from high-kill shelters throughout South Carolina and Georgia, nurturing them at our rescue facility in Aiken, SC, and transporting them northward to New Jersey for adoption," Errico explained.

As a 100-percent foster-based organization, Home for Good then places each animal with a volunteer family rather than in a kennel or shelter until adoption into a loving, permanent home.

"Seeing our dogs go to good families makes all the hard work worth it," long-time volunteer Anna Newmark of Warren, NJ said. "But even if you're not ready to adopt right now, 'Bark-a-Que' is definitely a great time for adults and kids of all ages. It's just a fun day for any pet lover!"

This year, Home for Good Dog Rescue is encouraging attendees to register early as "Bark-a-Que VIPs" by visiting www.HomeforGoodDogs.org. For a suggested donation to the organization's rescue mission, families can avoid the line at the park entrance

on Sept. 9.

Home for Good Dog Rescue is a 100% foster-based, non-profit 501(c)(3) dog rescue established in 2010 in Summit, NJ with offices in Berkeley Heights, NJ. We rescue homeless dogs from high-kill shelters in the South, which are overflowing with unwanted dogs on the brink of being euthanized. We socialize, care for, and provide them life-saving medical care at our property in Aiken, SC, transport them to our rescue in New Jersey, and nurture them in our network of foster families while they await adoption into loving homes – giving them a second chance at life.



(above) Long-time Home for Good foster Simonti Choudhuri of Berkeley Heights, NJ, pictured with a puppy adopted at last year's "Bark-a-Que" has welcomed over 300 dogs into her home through Home for Good's foster program.

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CDC Theatre in Cranford will be having auditions for its December production of a musical version of A Christmas Carol. This high energy version of the classic, first performed at Madison Square Garden, is full of heart and optimism. The score was composed by Alan Menken (The Little Mermaid, Beauty and the Beast, Aladdin) with lyrics by Lynn Ahrens (Ragtime, Once on this Island, Seussical).

Auditions will be held at the CDC Theater, located at 78 Winans Avenue in Cranford, on

Tuesday, September 19th at 7pm and Saturday, September 23rd from 11am-2pm. Performance dates are December 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, and 16. Actors are asked to please prepare 32 bars of a musical theatre song in the style of the show and provide clearly printed and legible sheet music in a binder (an accompanist will be provided). Please be prepared to dance at all auditions. Female dancers, please bring tap shoes as well as regular dance footwear.

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6:00 pm

Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Rahway
Conference Room 1
865 Stone Street, Rahway, New Jersey

President and CEO Kirk Tice will discuss new programs, services, hospital financials and current healthcare trends.

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The library will resume Sunday hours (1-5 pm) on Sunday, September 10.

Afternoon Book Club

Tuesday, September 5 at 1:00 pm

Join us for a meeting of our afternoon book club. We will be discussing *The Girls in the Garden* by Lisa Jewell. Deep in the heart of London, in a lush communal square, as a festive garden party is taking place, a thirteen year-old girl lies unconscious and bloody in a hidden corner. What really happened to her? And who is responsible? Please speak with a librarian for information on obtaining a copy of the book.

The Alexander Technique

Thursday, September 7 at 7 pm

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Sunday Family Movie Matinee

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Maker Monday

Monday, September 18 at 3:30 pm

Join us in making some fun back to school crafts. We will be making marble magnets, magnetic pencil holders, and troll pencil toppers. For students in elementary school. Registration is required.

Board Game Day

Thursday, September 21 from 10 am - 4 pm

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Tales for Tots on Mondays or Thursdays at 10 am
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Tuesdays at 10 am

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Stories & More

Thursdays at 1:30 pm

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Law Explorer Post 629 is an after school enrichment program where youth have the advantage of seeing and experiencing law and government in a captivating, age appropriate way. The program is open to Union County youth, ages 14 - 20. The youth Explorers meet in the Law Offices of Lucia E. Perpina, Esq., 629 North Wood Avenue, Suite 5, Linden, NJ on Friday nights, from 6:00pm – 7:30pm. In addition

to its educational goals, Post 629 also offers fun outings during the year which may involve hiking, bowling, camping or other non-law related activities to foster teamwork and cohesion within the group. The youth are also encouraged to select and organize a year-long community project (relating to law and/or government) in which all the members will take an active role. Post 629 is not a political group, does not have any political affiliations, and all members must be open minded and accepting of all people.

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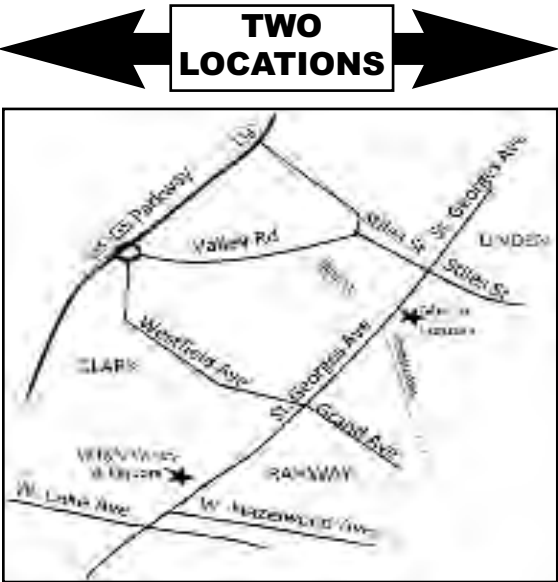
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Tanqueray Sterling	750ml	\$19.99
Tanqueray Sterling	1.75L	\$29.99
Three Olives (all types)	1L	\$19.99
Three Olives (all types)	1.75L	\$24.99
Traveler's Vodka	1.75L	\$10.99

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Bailey's Irish Cream	750ml	\$21.99
Bailey's Irish Cream	1.75L	\$39.99
Kahlua	750ml	\$19.99
Kahlua	1.75L	\$36.99
Krupnik	750ml	\$13.99
Licor 43	750ml	\$20.99
Licor 43	1.75L	\$39.99
Patron XO Café	750ml	\$22.99
Patron XO Café	1.75L	\$29.99
Southern Comfort	750ml	\$17.99
Southern Comfort	1.75L	\$26.99

RUM

Bacardi Light & Gold	750ml	\$11.99
Bacardi Light & Gold	1.75L	\$19.19
Captain Morgan Spice	1.75L	\$25.99
Malibu	750ml	\$17.99
Malibu	1.75L	\$25.99

TEQUILA

Avion Silver	750ml	\$38.99
Casa Noble Silver	750ml	\$34.99
El Jimador Reposado	750ml	\$19.99
El Jimador Reposado	1.75L	\$29.99
Jose Cuervo	750ml	\$18.99
Jose Cuervo	1.75L	\$33.99
Patron Silver	750ml	\$39.99
Patron Silver	1.75L	\$82.29

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Becks (12oz) 24pk	24pk	\$22.99
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Bud and Bud Lite loose bottles	24pk	\$17.99
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Coors Lite/Miller Lite loose bottles	24pk	\$17.99
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Dab (16oz) cans	24pk	\$21.99
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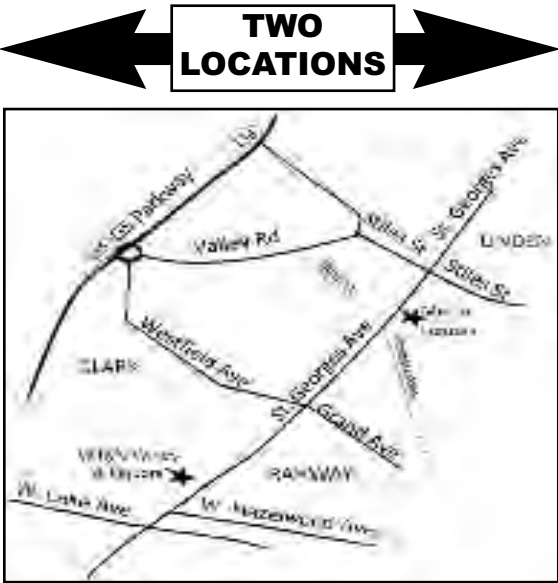
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Rombauer Chardonnay	750ml	\$30.99
Ruffino Chianti	750ml	\$ 7.99
Ruffino Chianti	1.5 L	\$13.99
Ruffino Pinot Grigio	1.5L	\$11.99
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