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HEHNLY AND VALLEY ROAD SCHOOLS HONOR VETERANS

Frank K. Hehnly and Valley Road Elementary Schools in Clark each held special programs to honor veterans this Veterans Day. Veterans visited each of the schools sharing their experiences. Through the veterans' words and actions, students learned about freedom, courage, and sacrifice. Many veterans even brought pictures, artifacts, and medals demonstrating their memories of the time in which they served our country.

At Hehnly, the keynote speaker was the district's very own veteran and first grade teacher, Mrs. Arrowood. She spoke about honoring veterans and what a privilege it was to serve her country.

Mrs. Arrowood also shared information about the flag as a symbol of love, respect, and freedom. Representatives from the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts along with Chief Matos demonstrated how the flag is folded while some students read what each fold meant.

At Valley Road School, students watched a special video about the service of our veterans.

They then participated in a wreath and flag placement ceremony led by the Student Council and local veterans. Veterans also walked throughout the building as students thanked them for their service.

Superintendent Edward Grande stated, "Veterans Day is an important opportunity for us all to give immense thanks to those who served our county so that we can enjoy our freedom and personal liberties. We were fortunate to have a number of our local veterans give their time to be with us at our school programs and for that we are also grateful."



(above) Chief Matos and students folding the flag.





(above) Valley Road students with veterans.



(left) Hehnly Teacher Mrs. Arrowood sharing her experience.



(above) Hehnly students pictured with veterans.



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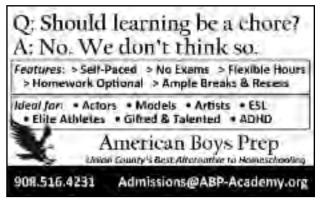
HEHNLY STUDENTS RAISE MONEY TO HELP FIGHT CHILDHOOD CANCER

Students at Frank K. Hehnly Elementary School participated in a pumpkin seed guessing contest led by Donna Kircher, school nurse. The contest was designed to raise money to help fight childhood cancer. Mrs. Bitran's class used their math skills to weigh and measure the pumpkin, revealing a weight of 11 pounds, height of 10 ½",

and circumference of 26 ³/₄". On Halloween, the class counted the seeds totaling 637.

The winner of the contest, Gianfranco Miraldo, won a \$25 gift card to Barnes and Noble. Kircher stated, "This was a great activity for students to use their math skills and raise money for a very worthy cause."







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Students also learned about the five branches freedoms.

Students in Ms. Grigoli's kindergarten class at of the military and what it means for families with active members. To correlate with a previous lesson on shapes, the students created shape soldiers to say thank you to those that have dedicated their time and lives fighting for our



(above) Mrs. Grigoli's students and their shape soldiers.

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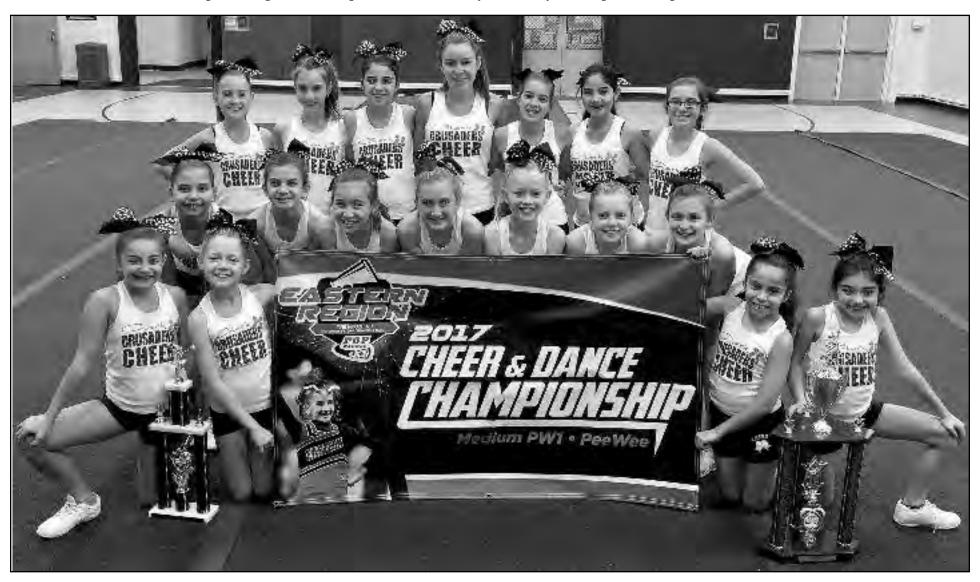
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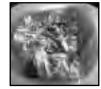
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ALJ STUDENT ATTENDS LECTURE AT KEAN UNIVERSITY

Arthur L. Johnson High School senior Alexis Reed recently attended a lecture and performance by Yevgeny Kutik, a Russian-American classically trained violinist at Kean University's Human Rights Gallery. Reed, a student in the Holocaust and Genocide Studies class, attended

(above) Reed and Kutik at the Holocaust Resource Center.

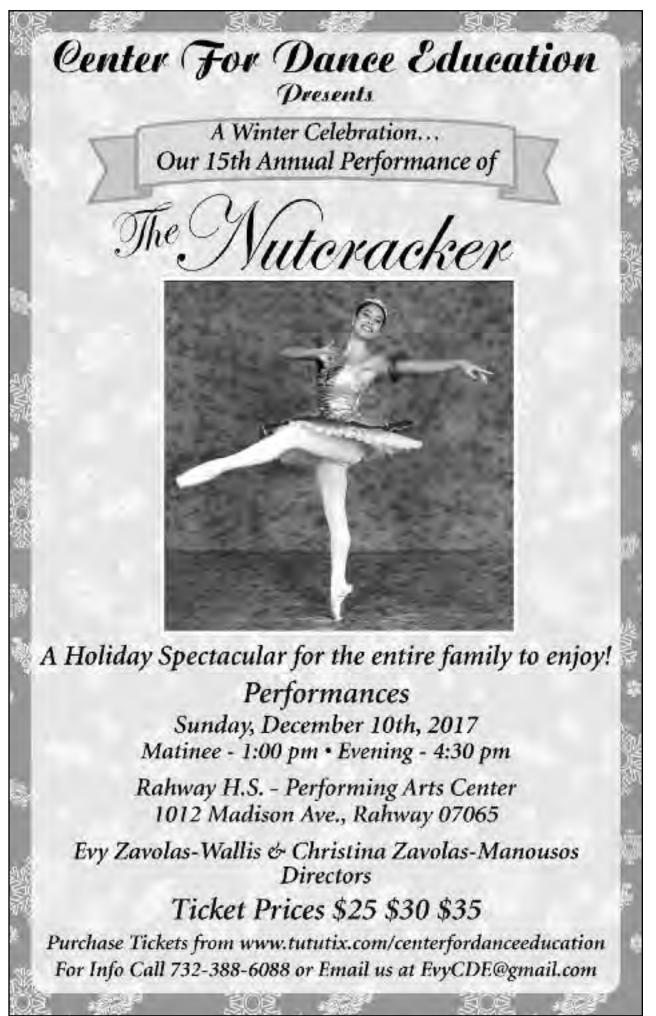


as a result of the school's partnership with Kean Kutik will hopefully change that connotation," University's Holocaust Resource Center and the Diversity Council.

In his lecture, Kutik shared his experience being a refugee and his relocation to the United States. He also discussed making the album, Music from the Suitcase, which was a recording of songs from the sheet music his mother was able to fit into one of the two suitcases they were allowed to bring when they left Belarus. "The term refugee is one that often carries a negative connotation with it. Allowing students to engage in dialogue with and to see the cultural contributions of an artist as acclaimed as Yevgeny

stated Franklin Stebbins, teacher of the Holocaust and Genocide Studies class at Johnson.

"Yevgeny Kutik's performance was so empowering and inspiring. I am lucky to have been one of the few in attendance. Hearing his story of how his family escaped the Soviet Union and the building of their life in America after all they had been through was moving. The music that he chose to play told a painful story and really helped paint a picture of the pain and suffering that his country and his family had been through," stated Reed.





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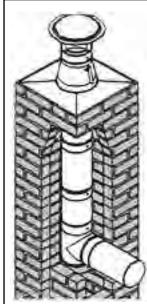


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The program also explores the reasons behind the seasons and the constellations, as well as astronomical phenomena including comets, meteors, novas, supernovas and planetary conjunctions.

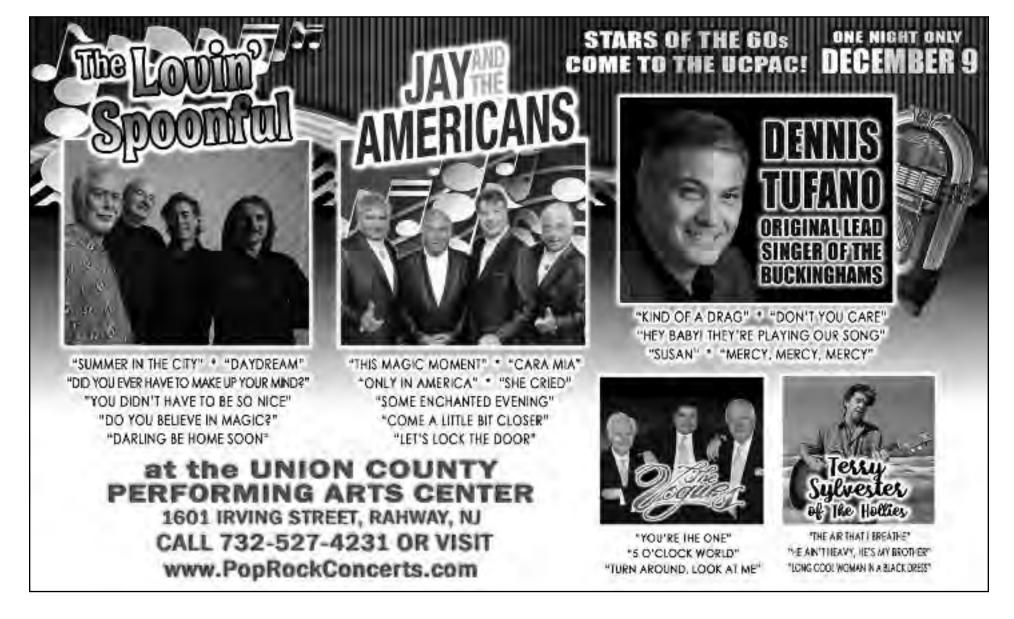
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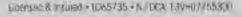














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The children will use these games and manipulatives to practice and reinforce important skills while having fun. "The class would like to thank the Valley Road PTA for their generous donation.

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(above) Mrs. Koepfler's students with their games and materials.

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK ANNUAL TREE & MENORAH LIGHTING

The Township of Clark held the 14th Annual Tree & Menorah lighting at the Municipal building the Sunday after Thanksgiving.

The day was filled with carriage and wagon rides, pony rides, ice sculpture demonstration, Frozen and Candyland obstacle courses, roaming holiday characters, Dickens carolers, train ride, musical entertainment, Clark school choirs and ALJ marching band performances, food, face painting and of course the big man himself Santa. The entire event was funded by donations from various Clark businesses and organizations.

Over 3,000 residents were in attendance and enjoyed the entire day especially at 6:00 p.m. when Mayor Sal Bonaccorso lit the tree.



CUB SCOUT TOYS FOR TOTS

We'd like to thank everyone who donated an item for the Toys for Tots Program at Clark's Holiday Festival this year. Anyone still interested in making a donation can use one of the collection boxes we have through out town at the following locations: Municipal Building at the front entrance, at the Recreation Center, Library front entrance, and at Investors Savings Bank located on Westfield Ave. and Central Ave. in the Target parking lot.





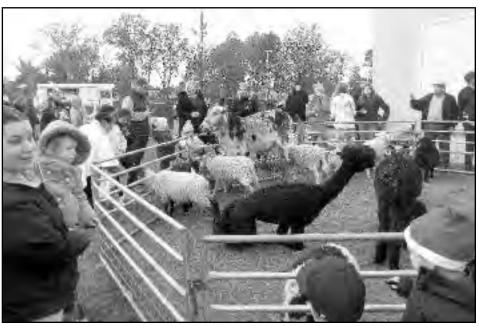












VALLEY ROAD FIRST GRADERS PARTICIPATE IN "FLASHLIGHT FRIDAY"

Students in Mrs. Sakowski's first grade class at Valley Road Elementary School in Clark have started "Flashlight Fridays," a new reading initiative this year. Every Friday, the students receive 20 minutes of reading time in the dark with their flashlight. This unique approach helps students become successful readers through engaging their interest and building confidence. Ms. Sakowski stated, "I already see a change with the students' attitudes towards reading, and I feel Flashlight Friday has played a huge role in that. Every Thursday before we dismiss, the students are so excited that the next day is Flashlight Friday!"









(above) Christian Tortora & Andrew Lechner.

SUPER POWER OF CHARACTER AWARDS

Six students recently received the Super Power of Character Award at Valley Road Elementary School in Clark. Every month, the students learn about a character trait through a variety of character trait of the month. In October, students activities.

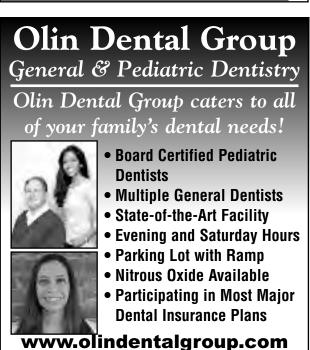
Staff members then select students who do an exemplary job of displaying that trait. In addition to recognizing the students, Mrs. Badillo,

guidance counselor, discusses the actions that led them to nomination.

She also creates a video about the new and teachers focused on respect and responsibility through class discussion, lessons, and a day of team building. Future traits include compassion, generosity, and tolerance.



(above, 1-r) Valley Road School's first Super Power of Character winners: Nicholas Mallick, Caylee Minch, Emily Miekina, Allison Normann, Tyler Wojcik, and Anthony Castro





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The Clark Recreation Department has been and Olympians. Hopefully one of the next 2024 successfully partnering with Advance Fencing & Fitness Academy (AFFA) for 4 years now to introduce fencing to the Clark youth. AFFA is recognized by the US Fencing Federation as one of the very best saber clubs in the country. Coach Janusz has trained multiple National Champions

or 2028 Fencing Olympians will be from Clark!

Clark Recreation will resume the fencing programs in Valley Road and Hehnly schools on January 16th and 18th respectively. Additionally AFFA is located in Garwood and runs free trial classes all year long, 6 days a week.



(above) Coach Janusz Młynek surrounded by his group of fencers from Valley Road School.



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UNICO HOLIDAY FLEA MARKET & GIFT FAIR

On Saturday December 16, Clark UNICO will hold their annual holiday fundraiser to be held indoors and outdoors at Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark, NJ. Open to the public 9-5 p.m.

This annual Holiday Flea Market and Gift Fair is produced by JC Promotions, Inc. and will consist of 50+ exhibitors displaying an array of quality merchandise such as candles, handbags, sports collectibles, jewelry for all ages, clothing, dollar items, unique gift items, gloves and scarves, toys, perfumes, antiques and collectibles, garage/tag sale items all at bargain prices.

This is a great opportunity to do some last minute shopping locally or get lots of stocking stuffers while supporting Clark UNICO.

JC Promotions, Inc. is a fundraising company that produces street fairs, arts & crafts shows, vintage fairs, flea markets, kids fairs, food truck shows and more throughout New Jersey for over 50 organizations. If your group is in need of a fundraiser give JC a call. 201.998.1144 or events@jcpromotions.info.

TECHNOLOGY THANKSGIVING LESSON

Second graders in Ms. Czarnecki's class at Valley Road School used their technology skills to show what they are grateful for this Thanksgiving season. Students created word clouds to visualize free form text which featured their statements of gratitude. The project required students to think critically and make meaningful personal connections as they shared with others what they were most thankful for. "I want to inspire positive attitudes and increase empathy and community. Teaching gratitude in the classroom is one way to do that," stated Ms. Czarnecki, the computer teacher.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT BLOOD DRIVES

NJ Blood Services, which supplies blood to 60 hospitals throughout the state, is in need of volunteers, to work blood drives. The blood mobile volunteer is an integral member of the blood collection team whose task it is assist donors with registration, perform canteen duties and make appointments for their next donation. Volunteers should have the ability to relate to the public, be able to perform different jobs as needed and have the willingness to follow the rules. For additional information contact, Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm, Manager of Community Relations & Volunteer Services Jan Zepka at 732-616-8741.

CUB SCOUT PACK 145 OF CLARK

145 holiday tree. The tree will be on display at visit www.cubpack145.info.

The Lion den, kindergarteners, recently had the municipal building through-out the holiday fun making ornaments for the Cub Scout Pack season. For more information on scouting please



SHOPRITE SUPERMARKETS RAISES \$925,000 FOR LOCAL VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS

ShopRite of Clark was among the top fundraising stores for the company's 2017 campaign to help local veterans organizations. The stores collected donations at checkout and organized events including 5K runs and walks, food drives and raffles. ShopRite Supermarkets, Inc. has raised \$3.9 million for local veterans' organizations since the campaign's 2009 inception.

The donation total will be divided among several beneficiary organizations including:

- Tower of Hope
- Committee for the Families of War Veterans
- Hudson Valley Honor Flight
- Orange County Veterans Food Pantry
- Tri-County Council for Vietnam Era War Veterans
- Unified Military Affairs Council.



(above) Tom Urtz, vice president of operations for ShopRite Supermarkets, Inc. (SRS), announces that the retailer's annual Veterans Fundraising campaign raised \$925,000 across its 34 stores to benefit local veterans' organizations in the communities they serve, as additional SRS team members cheer in the background.

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PIPES OF CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

Commemorating John Curry and the 1879 Vision at Knock, Ireland

The Pipes of Christmas will celebrate its nineteenth season with performances in New Jersey and New York this December. The holiday favorite opens on Saturday, December 16 at Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, located at 921 Madison Avenue (at 73rd Street) for a 2PM performance. The concert moves across the Hudson River on Sunday, December 17 to Central Presbyterian Church located at 70 Maple Street in Summit, NJ with performances at 2 and 7PM.

The 2017 production will mark the world premiere of "Beautiful Things," an original composition by acclaimed Celtic harper Cormac De Barra of Dublin, Ireland. The piece commemorates the vision of the Virgin Mary at Knock Cathedral in Ireland in 1879.

Earlier this year, the remains of the last remaining witness to the vision were reinterred at Old St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City from the pauper's grave where he was laid to rest in 1934. His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York, supervised the service.

For those weary of the ceaseless stream of secular seasonal music from department stores to TV, the Pipes of Christmas offers a spiritual and traditional take on the season that connects concertgoers to the holiday in a fresh, meaningful way. The show features tunes such as O Come, O Come Emmanuel, Joy to the World, and Amazing Grace, all performed live on pipes and drums, harp and fiddle, and organ and brass. Not only does the performance define Christmas cheer, but also it inspires those of Celtic descent to retrace and reconnect to their ancestry.

The concert presents the music of Christmas accompanied by readings taken from the Celtic literature of Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Featured performers include James Robinson from the film "Braveheart," New England fiddle champion Paul Woodiel, "Riverdance" Irish uilleann piper and flutist Christopher Layer, Gaelic Mod champion harpist Jennifer Port of Golspie, Scotland, and the Pipe Major Kevin Ray Blandford Memorial Pipe Band from Redlands, CA.



(above) Pipers from the Kevin Ray Blandford Memorial Pipe Band are returning to the East Coast this December to join the company of the 19th annual "Pipes of Christmas" concerts. Photo by Warren Westura.



(above) Cormac de Barra. The acclaimed Irish composer and performer will debut his new composition on the 1879 miracle at Knock Cathedral, Ireland.

PROCEEDS SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIPS AND MORE

Proceeds from the concert support an extensive music scholarship program, which includes the Carol Hassert Memorial Fine Arts Scholarship at Summit High School in Summit, NJ as well as annual gifts to the National Piping Centre and the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland (both located in Glasgow, Scotland) the Gaelic College of Nova Scotia and Lyon College in Batesville, Arkansas.

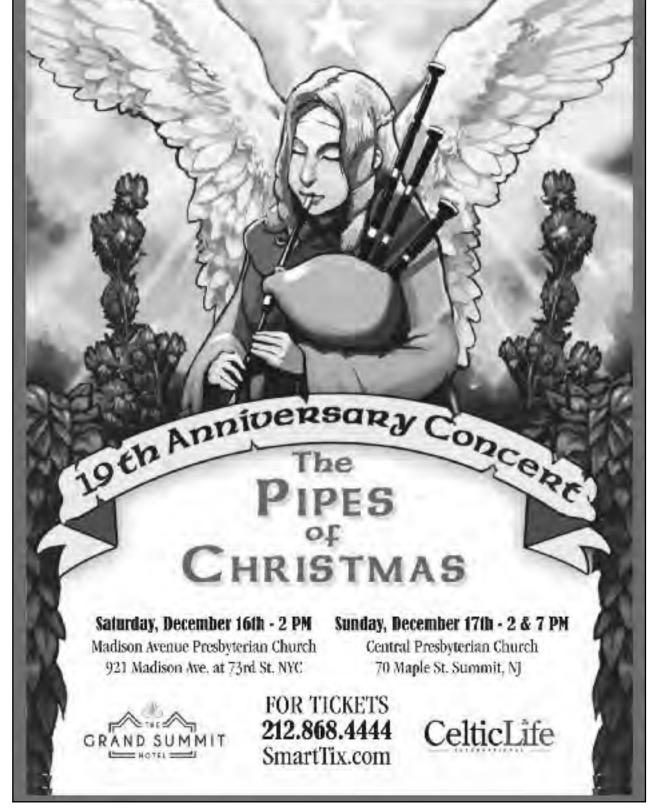
Proceeds also support the Society's sponsorship of the US National Celtic Harp Championship, the Gaelic Literature Competition at Scotland's Royal National Mod and an annual academic research prize at Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, the acclaimed Gaelic college on the Isle of Skye.

Named one of New York City's "Top Ten" holiday events, the concert is made possible by a generous gift from the Grand Summit Hotel in Summit, NJ.

Each year, concert highlights are webcast in hi-definition over the Christmas holiday to a global audience. The 2016 production was the recipient of the prestigious Telly Award for broadcast excellence.

TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW

Tickets may be purchased online exclusively through SmartTix at www.smarttix.com or by phone at (212) 868-4444. Reserved patron seats are available at both venues.



STORY OF PERSONAL COMEBACK KEYS 2017 UNION COUNTY CONFERENCE

Marion Simmons spent 19 years in foster care, experiencing emotional, physical and sexual abuse at every stop until coming to Community Access Unlimited (CAU) at age 16. In time Simmons went to college, worked within New Jersey's child welfare system and recently started a business teaching at-risk youth the skills they need to be successful in life.

Simmons served as the keynote speaker at the Fifth Annual Union County Youth Services Networking Conference held in November at CAU in Elizabeth. The conference drew more than 175 child services professionals from more than 50 government agencies and nonprofits from throughout Union County.

CAU is a statewide Elizabeth-based nonprofit providing support programs and services to adults with disabilities as well as youth served under the Department of Children and Families (DCF) to enable them to live independently in the community, providing supports in areas including housing, vocational skills and life-skills training, education, advocacy and recreation.

Simmons told the audience she believes everyone in life deserves the opportunity to turn a setback into a comeback. Her story outlined her own

She entered foster care at age 4 because of her mother's substance abuse. Due partly to her rebellious nature and partly to the abuse she experienced at various locations, Simmons was referred to what she was told was her last chance, Community Access Unlimited.

"Before I came to CAU I was lashing out but variety of topics impacting the youth they

they didn't give up on me," she said. "They told me, 'We'll let you cry and be mad, but you're still going to work on your goals, your driver's license, getting a job, graduating.' I thrived here. CAU truly is the key that opens the door."

Simmons became a leader at CAU, then earned a bachelor's degree in human services and sociology from Lincoln (PA) University before going to work for the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency. While there she was instrumental in changing the practice of having youth in foster care carry their belongings in black trash bags when moving to now being given luggage.

Simmons now works as a project coordinator at JBS International, Inc. in Bethesda, MD., and recently started HOTEP (Holding Onto Exceptional People), LLC to help other at-risk youth succeed in life as she has.

"If I had not gone through the things I went through in those 19 years in foster care, I wouldn't have the passion to be in child welfare and the courage to start my own business," she said. "If I had not suffered, I would not have had the ability to rebound."

Attendees of at the conference also heard presentations by Jessica Trombetta, director of the Office of Adolescent Services; Alice Hunnicutt, state director of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services; and Gordon MacInness, president and chief executive of New Jersey Policy Perspective. In addition, they participated in roundtable discussions on a variety of topics impacting the youth they

support, including transitioning to adulthood, behavioral health and substance abuse, and employment training and life skills education.

The annual conference is produced each year by the Union County Youth Services Steering Committee, 16 leaders from the county's nonprofit and government sectors working in youth services.

"It is important for us to bring all the various providers and mental health professionals, anyone working with young people, together to learn and network," said Jim Kimberly, director of development at the Cooperative Counseling Services and a member of the committee. "We also try to get speakers who are relevant to the issues we are working with."

About Community Access Unlimited

Community Access Unlimited (CAU), celebrating its 38th year in 2017, supports people with special needs in achieving real lives in the community. CAU provides support and gives voice to adults and youth who traditionally have little support and no voice in society. CAU helps people with housing, life skills, employment, money management, socialization and civic activities. CAU also supports opportunities for advocacy through training in assertiveness, decision-making and civil right. CAU currently serves more than 6,000 individuals and families, with the number served growing each year. For more information about CAU and its services, contact us by phone at 908.354.3040, online at www.caunj.org or by mail at 80 West Grand Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07202.



(above) Members of the Union County Youth Services Steering Committee gather before the Fifth Annual Youth Services Networking Conference.

CLARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

Registration is required for programs unless noted. Additionally, free movies are shown at the library on Monday and Wednesday at 1:00p.m. Newly released DVDs are featured each Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. No registration is required for movies. Visit our online calendar at www.clarklibrary.org or call 732 388 5999 for more information.

December Events at the Clark Public Library. Please note: We will be closed on Sunday, December 24 and Monday, December 25 for the Christmas holiday as well as Sunday, December 31 and Monday, January 1 for New Year's holiday. Be sure to visit the library to enjoy these free events for people of various ages.

Star Wars Movie Nights

at 6:30 pm each Monday in December

DIY Holiday Bath and Body Products

Tuesday, December 5 at 3:30 pm Making your own bath and spa products is fun and easy! These make perfect gifts for the holidays or to keep as a treat for yourself! Open to ages 14 to adult.

Please register.

Pajama Time Story Time

Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00 pm Come in your PJs for our evening family story time! Stories, songs, and fingerplays for children ages 2 - 5 years old. Great for working parents and busy families.

Colonial and Victorian Christmas Customs with Judith Krall-Russo

Thursday, December 7 at 7:00 pm Decorations of holly and mistletoe, gingerbread and caroling, these are just a few of the Christmas customs that have been handed down from earlier times. Learn about the similarities and differences between a Colonial Christmas and a Victorian Christmas celebration. Discover what foods were prepared and enjoyed as part of the holiday festivities. Please register.

LEGO® Club

Friday, December 8 at 3:15 pm Join us for the LEGO® Club at the Clark Public Library! Create your own lego structures. Legos are provided by the library. Creations are displayed in the Children's Area. For children in grades K - 5. No registration required.

Union County Division on Aging Services Monday, December 11 from 10- Noon

Do you have questions about services for seniors or their caregivers? The Union County Division on Aging will be at the Clark Public Library to answer them. Drop by anytime between 10am-12pm and get answers to your questions about: pharmaceutical assistance, home energy assistance, home care, home delivered or congregate meals, caregiver relief, medicaid, transportation, and other questions you may have.

Maker Monday

Monday, December 11 at 3:30 pm Elementary aged students are invited to come and make holiday gifts to give to loved ones or keep for

themselves. Registration is required. **Holiday Calligraphy Class**

Monday, December 11 at 7:00 pm

Join artist Joy Ann Lara as she teaches the basics of calligraphy and make a hand-lettered holiday greeting card to take home. Registration is required.

Tinker Tuesday

Tuesday, December 19 at 3:30 pm

Ages 3 and up are invited to come and make a gingerbread house. Registration is required.

Holiday Family Flick

Thursday, December 28 at 2:00 pm Father Time sends Santa a message telling him that the baby New Year, Happy, is missing! Rudolph must find Happy before midnight or it'll remain the old year forever.

New Year's Noon Celebration

Saturday, December 30 at 11:30 am Children and families are invited to help us celebrate the New Year by counting down the minutes until noon! Crafting, dancing, and stories round out this special family event.

ONGOING EVENTS

Tales for Tots

Mondays or Thursdays at 10 am through December 21

Stories, fingerplays, and songs for active listeners. Geared toward ages 2-3 with a caregiver. Older children are welcome! 30 minutes of open play follows.

First session is Monday, November 27.

Baby Bookworms (formerly called Lapsit for Little Ones)

Tuesdays at 10 am through December 19 Stories, songs, nursery rhymes, and movement. Geared toward babies and toddlers under 2 years old with caregiver. 30 minutes of open play follows. First session is Tuesday, November 28.

Stories & More

Thursdays at 1:30 pm through December 21 Stories, movement, songs and a craft for active listeners ages 3 -5 years old. Sorry, younger siblings may not attend. Registration is required.

First session is Thursday, November 30.

Grown-Up Coloring Club Meets Weekly on most Fridays

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Teen Tech Help

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Do you have a new phone or tablet and need help figuring it out? The library now offers one-on-one assistance with a variety of technological issues. Sessions last one hour and may also focus on email, e-books, Microsoft Office or other technology questions you might have. Advance registration is required, so please call the Reference Desk at 732 388 5999 to schedule an appointment.

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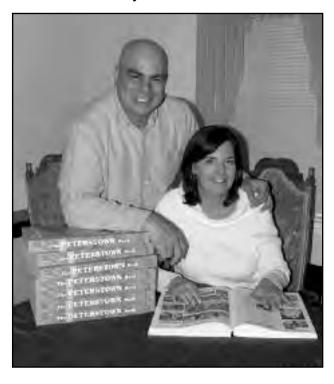
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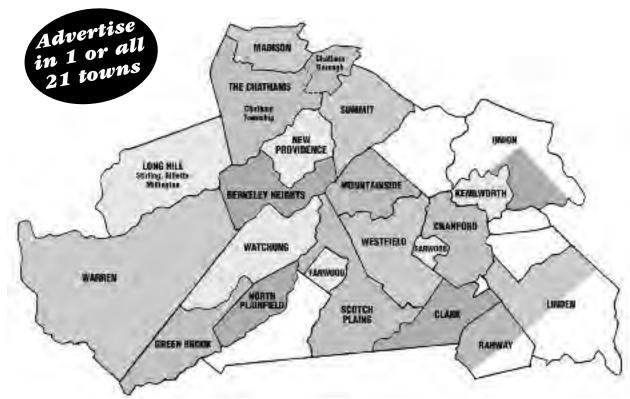
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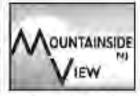


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Patti Williams, R.N., and certified pastoral bereavement counselor, and Virginia Waters, PhD. Psychologist, will lead the sessions from 6:30-8:30 p.m for the first night in the Thompson Youth Center of the church, and then from 4:00-6:00 pm for the following 5 weeks. Patti and Virginia are beginning the 18th year of this ministry, and have helped approximately 2,600 people experience healing, find a new purpose for their lives, and feel joy once again. This is an experience like no other. Teaching is interactive and the small groups are homogenously grouped with a facilitator with the same loss.

The sessions include learning about the stages of grief and understanding the tasks of the grieving process, coping strategies, taking good care of ourselves, dealing with changes, decisions, loneliness, holidays, anniversaries, building a support system, etc.

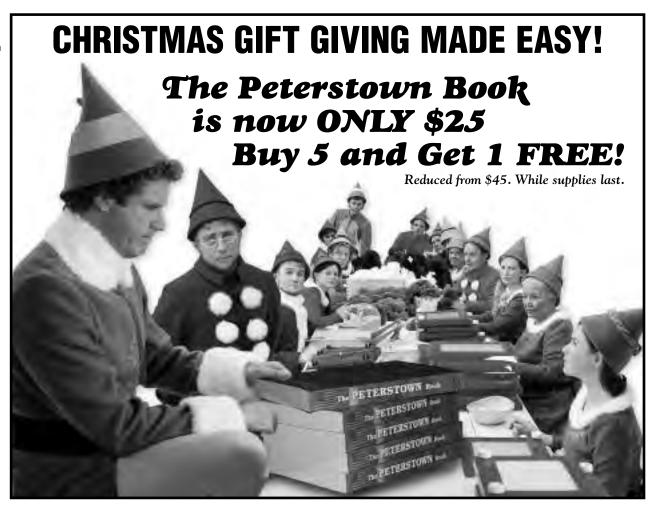
Both of the leaders and all of the facilitators have experienced loss within their lives and share from "the inside out". It does not matter if your loss is divorce, death or job loss; loss is loss - it must be grieved. It does not matter how long ago you experienced loss. Bring family members and friends.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

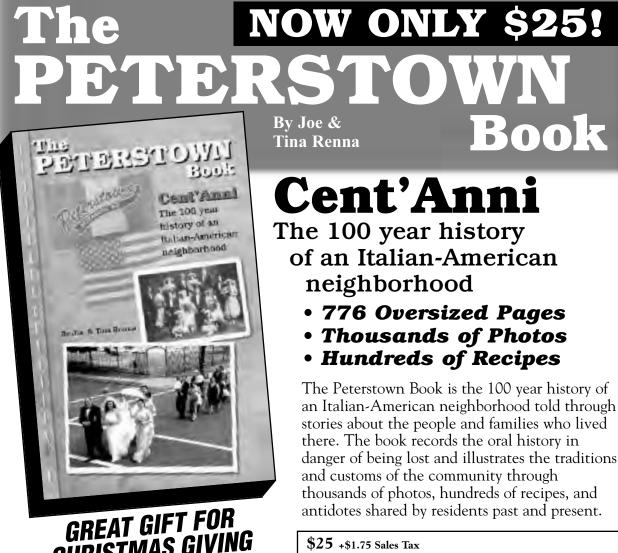
A participant shared, "Your group reflected your love not only in your church but reaching out to your community. This is a very noble action of love! Thank You!! Every Sunday evening I am excited to come to the class. Every session is different, you help us to understand about grieving, tools that we need, a tremendous help to me... to us, giving us hope and enjoy life's blessings! You give your time, the most expensive gift to us. Thank you for all the special things you do! Ms.Patti and Dr. Virginia and others!"

Sincerely yours, Rose.

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







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Coppola Diamond Chardonnay		1
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