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### **WORLD WAR I LECTURE SERIES AT LIBERTY HALL MUSEUM TALKS EXPAND ON BROTHERS IN ARMS EXHIBITION**

Liberty Hall Museum at Kean University's popular World War I exhibit, Brothers in Arms: Memories of the Great War, will draw to a close with a series of lectures exploring the impact of the war on New Jersey and the United States.

Funded by a grant from the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, the lecture series will feature three World War I historians who will elaborate on and bring additional context to the Brothers in Arms exhibition. The exhibition opened last year on the 100th anniversary of the U.S. entering World War I and will close on November 15, a few days after the centennial anniversary of the signing of the Armistice that ended the war.

The first lecture, Good War, Great Men, was held on Thursday, September 27 at 3 p.m., featuring author Andrew Capets.

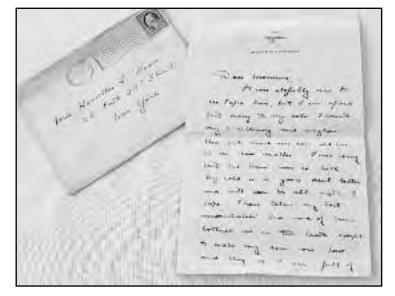
The second lecture in the series, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, and World War I, will be held on Thursday, October 25 at 3 p.m. and will feature Professor Melissa Ziobro of Monmouth University. Ziobro's talk will share the significant breakthroughs created at Fort Monmouth and the important contributions made not only by the fort, but the military men and women stationed there during the war.

The final lecture, Uncle Sam Wants You: World War I and the Making of the Modern American Citizen, will be held on Thursday, November 15 at 3 p.m., and will feature Christopher Capozzola of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Capozzola will discuss his book, Uncle Sam Wants You and the history of citizenship, war and the military in modern American history.

The Brothers in Arms exhibition shares the story of the Kean brothers — Captain John Kean and First Lt. Robert W. Kean — and their experiences of the war from boot camp to the front lines. Using firsthand accounts from letters and postcards, as well as photographs and personal objects, the exhibition allows visitors to walk in their footsteps. The collection at Liberty Hall Museum contains over 300 letters from John and Robert as well as their uniforms, military handbooks, maps, pictures and commemorative pins, all of which are on display.

Admission to each lecture is free with an optional tour of Brothers in Arms at 2 p.m. for a discounted price of \$8. Light refreshments will be served. Liberty Hall Museum at Kean University is located at 1003 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey.

Reservations are required for both the lecture and tour. Email libertyhall@kean.edu or call (908) 527-0400 to reserve a spot.



(above) A letter home to his mother from Captain John Kean during World War I, on display in the Brothers in *Arms: Memories of the Great War exhibition at Liberty* Hall Museum at Kean University.





Captain John Kean, on display in the Brothers in Arms: Memories of the Great War *exhibition at Liberty* Hall Museum.

(above) The World War I uniform of Captain John Kean from the Brothers in Arms: Memories of the Great War exhibition at Liberty Hall Museum at Kean University.



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## **CALLING ALL LOCAL JOB SEEKERS!**

Union Public Library (UPL) invites you to attend Career Kickstart, a series of informative events to help you expand your professional development skills.

Throughout October, UPL will host several lectures on topics of interest to job seekers. Below is the upcoming schedule of events held at Union Public Library:

Path to Employment-Starting Your Job Search This class will introduce you to the New Jersey

Career Connections website and the Path to Employment model: Plan, Prepare, and Succeed. Come discuss the phases of job loss, its emotional impact and how to move forward. Learn about the key factors to creating effective career goals and different methods to finding employment. No registration required.

10/10/18, 3 p.m. -4:30 p.m., Union Public Library - Main Library Activities Room

New Start Career Network Information Session

Learn how New Start Career Network (NSCN) can help strengthen and support your job search through a suite of online resources, through connections to resources of our network of partners, and through access to NSCN's volunteer career coaches. Registration required; please contact the Adult Services department at the main library to sign up.

For more information on New Start Career Network, visit newstartcareernetwork.org.

10/15/18, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m., Union Public Library - Main Library Activities Room

Mastering the Art of Networking

Social media platforms like Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn can be important tools in your job search. Finding the right job or career can be all about WHO you know rather than WHAT you know. Join us as we highlight why networking is so important in today's job environment. No registration required.

10/24/18, 3 p.m.-4:30 p.m., Union Public Library - Main Library Activities Room

Career Resources Online

Join us for this instructional class where Union Public Library staff will go over helpful free career services resources online and some of the library's related digital resources. Whether you are looking for employment, need to prepare for an upcoming interview, or learn a new skill in order to take your career to the next level, you will not want to miss this talk! Registration required; contact the Adult Services department at the main library to sign up.

10/25/18, 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m., Union Public Library - Main Library Activities Room

All programs are free and open to the public and elevator access is available. The Union Public Library is located at 1980 Morris Ave. Union, NJ. For more information, please contact the Main Library at (908) 851-5450 or visit our website at uplnj.org.



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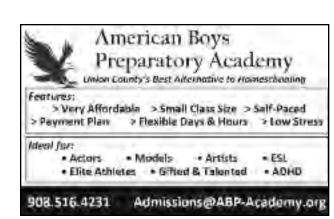
Kick off the school year as a member of Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County! After-School Programs are available in Union, Elizabeth, Plainfield and Roselle. Members participate in Education Enhancement, Physical Fitness, Digital Technology, Arts & Crafts, Swim Instructions/Water Safety, and Swim Team. The newly renovated Teen Center at our Union Club offers new opportunities for teens such as an Audio Production Studio, individual stations for learning and a Career Launch Drop-In Center. Members of Keystone (Teen Leadership) Club participate in activities throughout the school vear such as Leadership, Civic Engagement, Community Service, and Career Preparation. Teen Programs are available at our Union, Elizabeth and Plainfield Clubs.

"Members have a well-rounded educational experience as well as a great time at the Club", said Russell Triolo, Chief Executive Officer. "Our Core Programs teach members to be leaders in their communities and address the needs of today's youth".

Mobile registration for all programs will be available soon – visit our website bgcuc.org for more info.

For over 60 years Boys & Girls Clubs have been shaping the lives of youth ages 5 through 18. For more information contact your local Boys & Girls Club - Union: 908-687-2697; Elizabeth/Roselle: 908-351-3344; Plainfield: 908-822-8672.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County seek to inspire and enable young people, who need them most, to realize their full potential and have provided opportunity for youth since 1955. They are part of a national network of some 4,000 neighborhood-based facilities, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, which serves more than 4.6 million young people annually, in all 50 states and on U.S. military bases worldwide. Clubs provide guidance-oriented character development programs on a daily basis for children 6-18 years old, conducted by a full-time professional staff. Key Boys & Girls Club programs emphasize leadership development, education and Career Exploration, financial literacy, health and life skills, the arts, sports, fitness and recreation, and family outreach.



## **"FOUR CENTURIES IN A WEEKEND"**

The Union Township Historical Society (UTHS) will host Four Centuries in a Weekend at the Caldwell Parsonage on Saturday, October 20, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, October 21 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. UTHS members dressed in colonial attire will greet guests. Students from Kawameeh Middle School's National Junior Honor Society and Union High School's History Club will serve as interpreters (aka docents). Members of Girl Scout



Troop 40024 will assist with colonial crafts, such as corn-husk doll making, and colonial games.

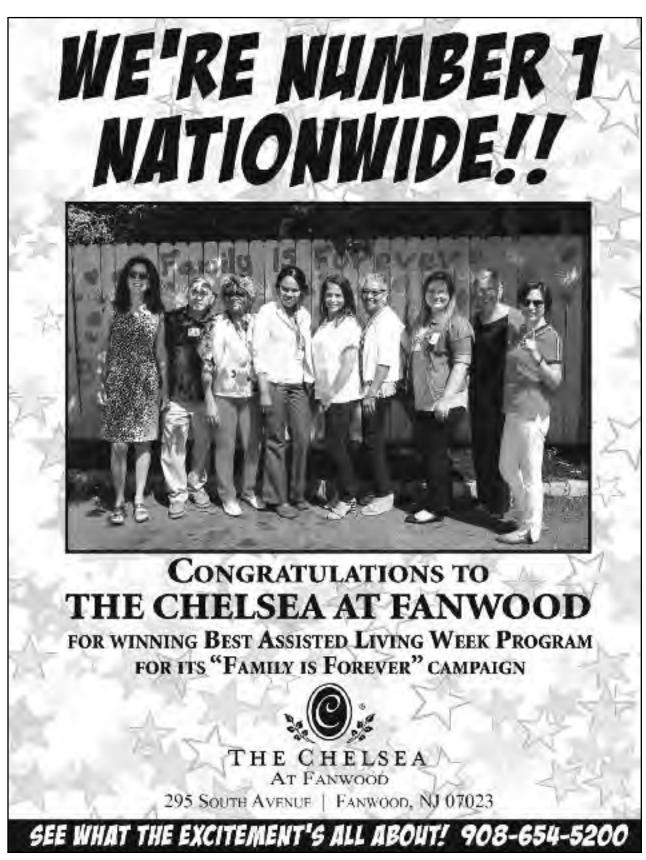
In keeping with Union County's 2018 theme, "Invention, Innovation and Industry," the UTHS will host Extreme Party Racing for four hours on Saturday, which will give visitors a chance to race remote control cars—a reflection of Union history because, at one time, our town was home to two race tracks: Tri-City Stadium (motorcycles and midget cars) and Union Speedway (motorcycles and auto racing);

exhibit panels on the history of Union's schools, especially Union High School, that were created by the newly formed Union High School History Club;

exhibit artifacts and photos related to Thomas Edison; and

exhibit farm implements and old TV's and radios in our Tool Museum in the carriage house.

In keeping with our museum's namesake, Rev. James Caldwell, portrayed by Meridoc Burkhardt, will interact with visitors. Refreshments will be served. Admission is free.





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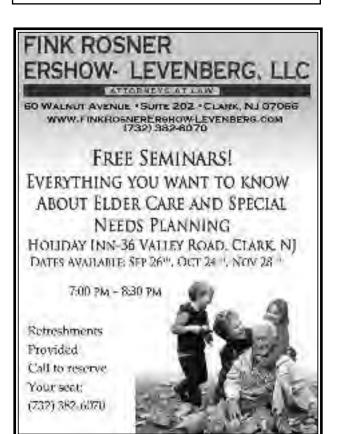




(above) Students from Crossroads School in Westfield participating in their annual "Raingutter Regatta," where they raced handmade sailboats down a narrow channel.

## **USED WHEELCHAIR VANS & MINIVANS FOR SALE**

Transportation Care Company, a Clark based medical and school transportation company owner is retiring and offering 10 vehicles for sale. Both minivans and wheelchair vans meet the current New Jersey DMV inspection requirements. Five of the vehicles are Ford 250s with raised roofs, Braun lifts and walk up stairs. The five minivans are Dodges. These vehicles are in good running conditon. Call for an appointment, 908-413-6658 - Ask for Mr Charles.



## SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN SCOUT REGATTA

Students at the Crossroads School in Westfield participated in their annual "Raingutter Regatta," the school's summer version of their annual Cub Scout Pinewood Derby. In a raingutter regatta two students race handmade sailboats down a narrow channel, whoever reaches the end of the channel first is the winner. The students can decorate and name their boats before the race.

Patriots' Path Council of the Boy Scouts of America has partnered with the Union County Educational Services Commission for over 5 years to provide Scouting programs to special needs youth in Union County at The Crossroads School (Pack 45) and The Westlake School (Troop 1571), both in Westfield. The Westfield United Fund sponsors the program and pays for the students' registration and material costs.

Pack 45 at Crossroads school is led by school social worker Ms. Elaine Liggeri, who enjoys

using Scouting to give her students enrichment activities that they may not be able to participate in outside of a school setting. The pack will have its annual Pinewood Derby next winter.

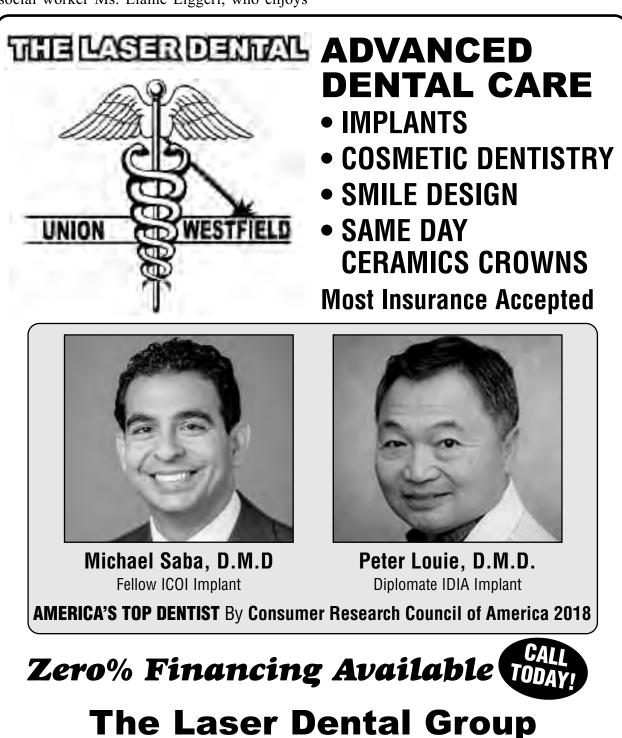
For more information about Special Needs Scouting in Munsee, Raritan Valley, or Watchung Mountain, please contact Program Executive Will Adams at will.adams@scouting.org or 973-765-9322 x234; for Black River, Fishawak, and Sussex, please contact Program Executive Michael Loughman

michael.loughman@scouting.org

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For more information about Special Needs Scouting in our area, please contact Program Executive Will Adams

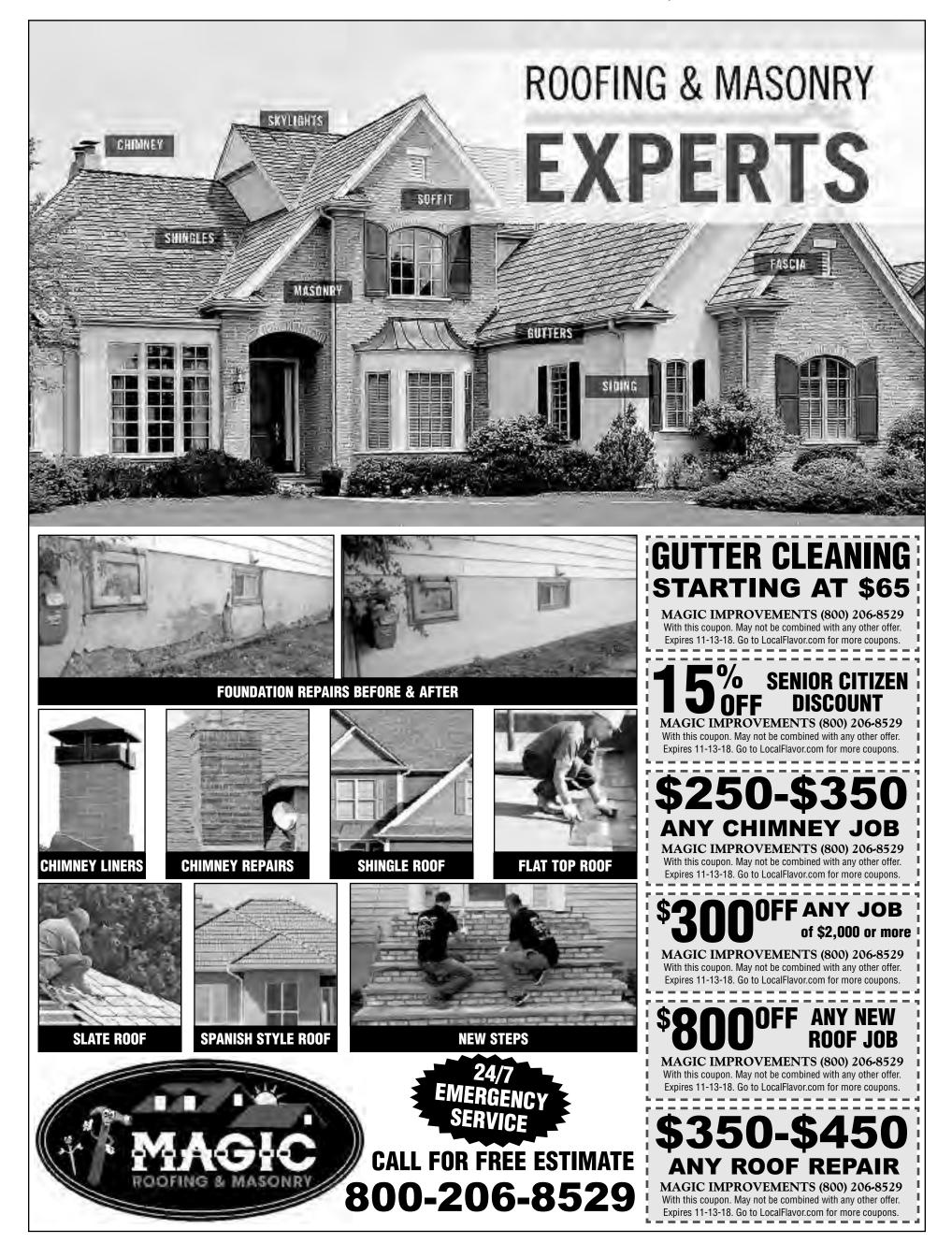
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## **CALL FOR ENTRIES: NJ PHOTOGRAPHY FORUM'S 24TH JURIED EXHIBIT**

Photographers are invited to submit photographs to be considered for exhibition at the 24th Juried Photography Exhibit of the New Jersey Photography Forum. In the almost twentyfive years since its founding, this exhibition has developed to be one of the most important juried photography shows annually and attracts entries from all over New Jersey.

The exhibit is open to any photographer able to hand deliver their work to the Watchung Arts Center on the Watchung Circle in Watchung, NJ on Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 1 - 4 p.m. The cost is \$20 for every two photographs entered. There is no limit to the number of entries; however, all entries must be professionally presented and securely wired for hanging. There will be cash awards for Excellence and Merit. A show prospectus is available on the NJPF website.

The public is invited to attend the opening reception on Sunday, November 4, 2018 from 1 - 4 p.m. at which time awards will be presented and everyone will have an opportunity to meet the artists. The exhibit is free and open to the public during business hours of the Watchung Arts Center: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday: noon - 5 p.m., Saturday: 10 - 3 p.m. The exhibit will be curated by Nancy Ori of Berkeley Heights. All of the images will be for sale with a portion of the proceeds going to support the Watchung Arts Center.

The jurors for the show are: Matthew Gosser, Professor and Gallery Director of the College of Architecture and Design, NJIT and Gallery Dir of Art and Artifacts of Architecture and Design,



NJIT and Gallery Dir of Art and Artifacts of Newark and a photographer, sculptor and furniture designer; Bill Brokaw, owner of Brokaw Photography in Frenchtown, NJ, and a teacher and curator; Nancy Ori, exhibitor, curator, author, freelance photographer and educator and the director of NJ Photography Forum and Digital Arts Group and the owner of NJ Media Center in Berkeley Heights.

The New Jersey Photography Forum is dedicated to furthering the interests of professional and serious photographers living or working in the New Jersey area. Over the past 24 years under the direction of Nancy Ori, the NJPF has become the largest and most recognized group of fine art exhibiting photographers in the state.

The monthly meetings are held at the Visual Arts Center of New Jersey in Summit and attendees are encouraged to share expertise and advance their skills. The meetings provide access to a wide variety of current creative and technical information through informal presentations and demonstrations by manufacturers and photographic artists. Regularly, photographers have an opportunity to display their work for critique by others. Exhibition possibilities within the fine art community are constantly explored, and the NJPF is has become a valuable resource for photographers interested in becoming fine art exhibitors.

The Watchung Arts Center offers new art exhibitions each month, performances of music, comedy, improv and classes for children and adults in art, photography, dance, yoga, and more. Visit their website at watchungarts.org.

You can learn more about the New Jersey Photography Forum by visiting their web site at njphotoforum.com or calling Nancy Ori at 908-790-8820.



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(above) Robert and Connie Dwyer share their joy and approval in light of the brand new Connie Dwyer Breast Center in its final stages before opening to the public at Trinitas Regional Medical Center, Elizabeth.



## CONNIE DWYER BREAST CENTER AT TRINITAS NOW OPEN

In alignment with Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Trinitas Regional Medical Center announces the early October opening of the \$3.4 million Connie Dwyer Breast Center. The Center is located at Trinitas' main campus, 225 Williamson St., Elizabeth.

Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths among women in the U.S., according to the American Cancer Society, and far too many women in the greater Elizabeth community go without prevention, education or proper care.

Trinitas has partnered with The Connie Dwyer Breast Cancer Foundation to bring a highly empathic approach to screening, diagnosis, treatment, and community outreach and education to all women, regardless of financial status, in a brand new facility that evokes comfort and a sense of well-being.

The Breast Center, staffed with board-certified bilingual specialists, offers the most up-to-date equipment and services available, such as 3D imaging, which allows radiologists to view the breast tissue in several layers. This breakthrough technology can detect 41 percent more invasive breast cancers and can reduce false positive results by up to 40 percent.

The American Cancer Society recommends that all women over the age of 40 have regular breast exams and mammograms. Most women who undergo screening will be healthy and not require further services until their next scheduled screening. However, patients who require continued care will meet with a Breast Navigator, a highly trained guide who answers questions and assists patients through the process of diagnosis and treatment. Dr. Adriana Suarez-Ligon, Breast Surgeon, says, "With the generosity of Connie Dwyer, the new breast center at Trinitas will be a beautiful, calming and comprehensive center for women in our community to have everything from their yearly screening mammograms to the latest diagnostic studies. In addition, it will be a onestop shop where care will be coordinated for the patient among our dedicated, compassionate multidisciplinary care team."

Connie Dwyer's story is one of bravery and enormous good will. A known philanthropist, Connie was first diagnosed with breast cancer in 1999 and had a double mastectomy. Inspired by her own ongoing battle, she became mindful of the fact that many women who are uninsured or under-insured and low-income often have limited or no access to critical care. That's when she and a dedicated group of friends began a grassroots effort, where she worked tirelessly to create awareness and raise funds. By 2005, the doors of the first Connie Dwyer Breast Center had opened.

"My experience is a testament to the fact that early detection, quality care, and being monitored by knowledgeable professionals makes the difference between life and death," says Connie, who after 19 years, was re-diagnosed here at Trinitas with metastasized breast cancer in December 2017, and yet, remains steadfast in her determination to help others.

"In partnering with Trinitas, the Connie Dwyer Breast Cancer Foundation has joined a collaborative team of doctors, technicians, patient advocates, and professionals to design a breast center that will provide access to the best science has to offer – by way of breast cancer screening, diagnosis and treatment."

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## WE'RE GETTING BETTER, TOGETHER



(above) "Marielena Viva," acrylic and solid silver leaf, repurposed plaster, is part of Linda Vallejo's American Latinx art exhibition on display at Kean University through December 14.

### **AMERICAN LATINX EXHIBITION AT KEAN** CHALLENGES ETHNIC IDENTITY THROUGH AMERICANA

#### Submitted by Millie Gonzalez

An upcoming art exhibition at Kean University challenges ethnic identity through unique portrayals of American icons. In American Latinx, artist Linda Vallejo has depicted famous people and pop culture icons as Mexicans with tanned skin to encourage the often uncomfortable discourse about race, politics and American history.

American Latinx runs through Friday, December 14 at Kean's Karl and Helen Burger Gallery, located at 1000 Morris Ave. in Union. Gallery Hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

"Vallejo's artwork challenges our thinking with a surprising cultural twist, provoking the viewer to consider how history and pop culture would look if, let's say, George Washington had been Mexican, or if Marilyn Monroe had been African American," said Neil Tetkowski, director of Kean Galleries. "Cultural identity is at the core of her art."

A reception with the artist will be held on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 3:30 p.m., followed by a gallery walk-through and discussion, The Politics of Color and Class, at 5 p.m. Admission to the exhibition and all events is free and open to the public.

"My formative years were spent in far-flung locations throughout the United States and Europe. During my artistic grounding, I became increasingly immersed in the Chicano/Latino arts and indigenous communities – experiences that informed my cultural perspectives and my art practice," said Vallejo.

Vallejo, an arts educator and artist, conceived her recent work when she purchased a classic Dick and Jane children's book and altered the characters' skin color. She then did the same for American pop icons like Mickey Mouse, Cinderella, Fred Flintstone and Elvis Presley as well as historical figures such as Marie Antoinette and American presidents.

"This exhibition already has people talking," said Tetkowski. "American Latinx, like so many

of the works that Kean Galleries presents, challenges audiences to investigate contemporary cultural, spiritual and political issues through an artistic lens."

Vallejo's works can be found in permanent collections at East Los Angeles College Vincent Price Museum, National Museum of Mexican Art, Carnegie Art Museum, California Multicultural and Ethnic Archives, UCLA Chicano Study Research Center and other museums.

For more information, visit www.kean.edu/galleries, email galleries@kean.edu or call (908) 737-0392.

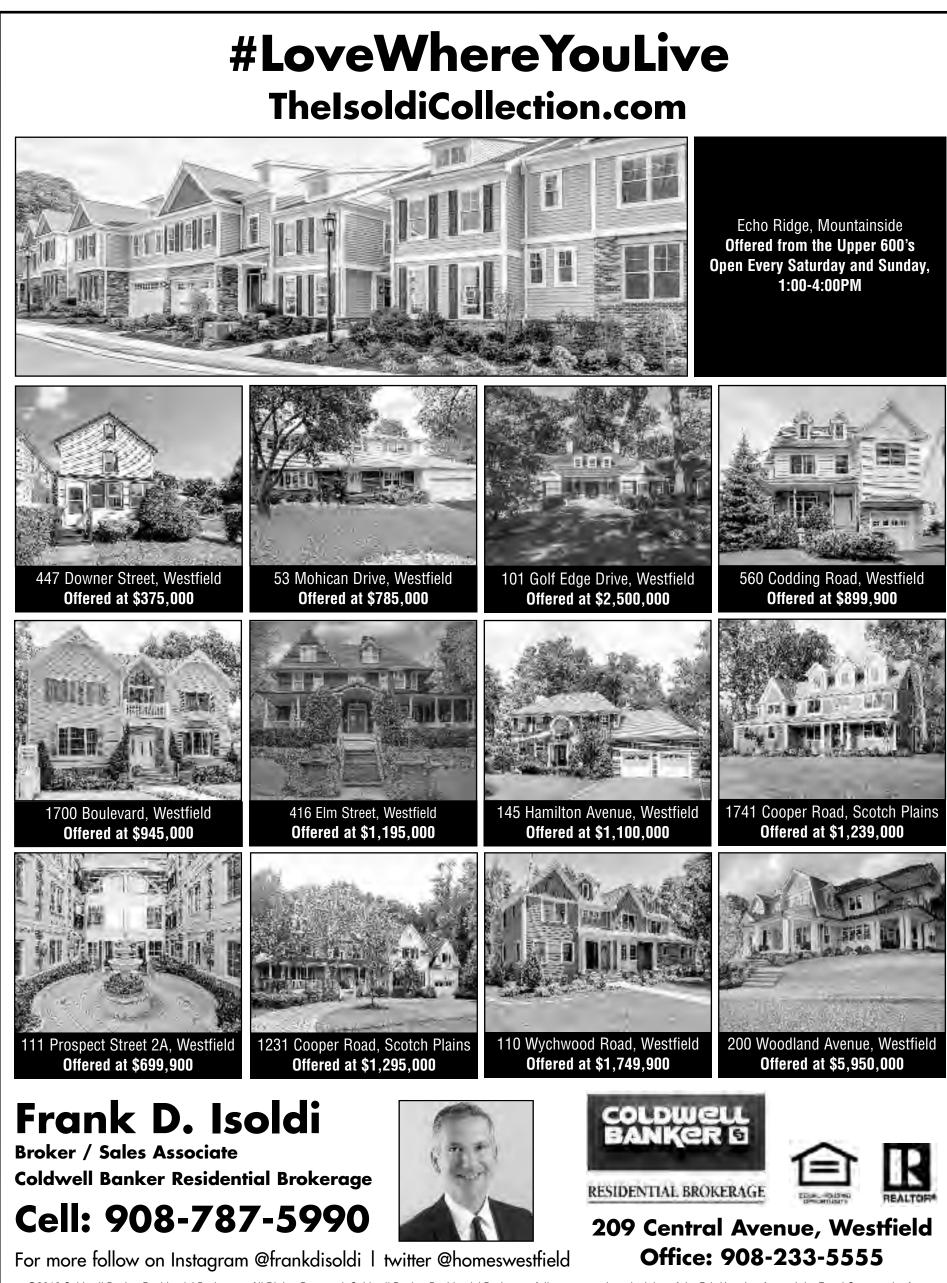
ABOUT KEAN UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1855, Kean University has become one of the largest metropolitan institutions of higher education in the region, with a richly diverse student, faculty and staff population. Kean continues to play a key role in the training of teachers and is a hub of educational, technological and cultural enrichment serving more than 16,000 students. The University's five undergraduate colleges offer more than 50 undergraduate degrees over a full range of academic subjects. The Nathan Weiss Graduate College offers five doctoral degree programs and more than 60 options for graduate study leading to master's degrees, professional diplomas or certifications. With campuses in Union and Toms River, New Jersey, and Wenzhou, China, Kean University furthers its mission by providing an affordable and accessible world-class education. Visit www.kean.edu.

#### ABOUT KEAN UNIVERSITY GALLERIES

Kean University Galleries has a rich and diverse exhibition program that highlights cultural issues, and is interdisciplinary in nature. Public programs are free and designed to educate and engage gallery visitors through the visual arts. Resulting dialogue further encourages visitors to think, share, question and collaborate. At Kean Galleries, we believe that art is an effective vehicle for building awareness of critical world issues and initiating social change.





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## UNION TOWNSHIP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OCTOBER EVENT "NOTHING BUT NETWORKING"

The Union Township Chamber of Commerce will host its October Networking Event on Wednesday, October 24, 2018, at Le Bon Pretzels, located at 2705 Morris Avenue, Union.

"The event will feature 'Nothing But Networking,' which is a chance for Chamber members and guests to spend time learning more about one another, said Chamber Executive James Masterson. "There will be no formal program – just networking. We are grateful to Le Bon Pretzels for hosting this special event."

Admission to the reception, scheduled from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., is \$10 for Chamber members and \$15 for non-members. Registration is required. To register, please contact the Chamber at: executivedirector@unionchamber.com, or (908) 688-2777.

The Union Township Chamber of Commerce is a professional association dedicated to strengthening, uniting, promoting and representing members businesses located in Union and the surrounding area.

### NOTHING BUT NETWORKING! (And PRETZEL TREATS!)

Join us for an evening of food and drink at LeBon Pretzels to connect with colleagues at the Chamber! No formal program. Just meet & eat!



Wednesday, October 24, 2018 5:00-7:00 p.m. **Le Bon Pretzels** 2705 Morris Ave., Union, NJ 07083



ADMISSION: \$10 for Chamber Members/\$15 for Guests RSVP to the Chamber to Register! 908-688-2777 executivedirector@unionchamber.com



## **YMCA EXPANDS PRE-K BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE IN UNION**

The Gateway Family YMCA announced today the addition of an expanded Before and After School Care program in Union, NJ providing additional care to children attending Township of Union Public School's Full-Day Preschool program. Registration is available at The Gateway Family YMCA – Five Points Branch, 201 Tucker Avenue, Union, NJ for Pre-K participants attending the following elementary schools: Livingston, Connecticut Farms and Hannah Caldwell. In-person registration is required to be completed by the parent or guardian and limited space is available for all programs.

The Gateway Family YMCA provides After School Care programs in nine Union Township schools: Battle Hill, Burnet Middle School, Connecticut Farms, Franklin, Hannah Caldwell, Jefferson, Kawameeh Middle School, Livingston and Washington. In addition, Before School Care is available in six elementary schools. This expansion will provide additional space for a separate After School Care program specifically focused on Pre-K participants with ageappropriate curriculum and activities.

Through a well-rounded approach to youth development, The Gateway Family YMCA's Before and After School Care programs offer activities in a caring and safe environment during the critical hours surrounding the academic school day. Whether through sports, mentorship, or academic support, the Y nurtures the potential

of youth throughout the school year and provides parents with the care they need.

"Working parents need peace of mind knowing that their children are in a safe, supportive environment," said Krystal R. Canady, CEO, The Gateway Family YMCA. "Our Before and After School programs provide an opportunity for parents to ensure their kids are receiving additional support, continued learning and a chance to participate in meaningful activities."

The Y is a leading nonprofit committed to nurturing the potential of every child, supporting their social-emotional, cognitive and physical development from birth to career. Financial assistance is available to those in need, to ensure every child has the opportunity to learn and grow at the Y.

The Gateway Family YMCA employs Healthy Eating and Physical Activity (HEPA) standards in afterschool programs that help build a healthier future for our nation's children by encouraging healthy eating habits, limiting screen time and providing physical activity to keep every child healthy.

The Gateway Family YMCA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, health and community service organization of caring staff and volunteers dedicated to strengthening the foundations of community and stands For Youth Development, For Healthy Living and For Social Responsibility. The Y impacts the community by providing quality services to people of all ages, races, faiths or incomes. The Y is a powerful association of men, women and children of all ages and from all walks of life joined together by a shared passion: to strengthen the foundations of community.

For more information about The Gateway Family YMCA's Before and After School Care program in Union, please visit tgfymca.org or contact the Five Points Branch at 908-688-9622. For more information on Before and After School Care in other locations, contact the Elizabeth Branch 908-355-9622 or Rahway Branch 732-388-0057.



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## **OCTOBER EVENTS AT THE UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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#### For additional information call 908-851-5450, or find us on the web at www.uplnj.org **ADULT PROGRAMS AT UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY (MN)**

Traditional Andean Music with Pepe Santana

Monday, October 1 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by going on a musical tour of the Andes, as performed by Ecuadorianborn Pepe Santana on traditional instruments.

#### **Raconteur Radio Presents: Frankenstein**

Saturday, October 20 from 2-3 p.m. Join us as we celebrate the 200th anniversary of Frankenstein's publication with a chilling performance by Raconteur Radio!

#### Ready, Set, Write!:

#### **Preparing for NaNoWriMo with Bill Patterson**

Monday, October 29 at 7 p.m. National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) is an annual, Internet-based creative writing project in which participants attempt to write a novel during the month of November. Aspiring authors should not miss this talk by author Bill Patterson, who will discuss how to come up with ideas for stories and preparing for the challenge of writing a 50,000 word manuscript between

Nov. 1 and Nov. 30!

#### **Finding Your Roots:**

#### **How to Conduct Genealogy Research**

Tuesday, October 9 from 7-8:30 p.m. In this free workshop presented by Kean University archivist Erin Alghandoor and UPL librarian John Daquino, learn about resources that can help with your family history research. John will focus on the website ancestry.com, which library patrons may access for free inside Union Public Library, while Erin will be focusing on resources around New Jersey and elsewhere.

#### **Finding Reliable Health Information Online**

Wednesday, October 10 from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Leam how to identify authoritative medical resources online with UPL librarian John Daquino.

#### Jersey Job Club:

#### Path to Employment - Starting Your Job Search

Wednesday, October 10 from 3-4:30 p.m. Join our Career Coach, Deb Warner to learn tips that will enable you to achieve success with your job search.

#### **New Adult Board Game Night**

Thursday, October 11 from 7-8 p.m. An entertaining evening is practically guaranteed with games like Harry Potter Hogwarts Battle and Kickstarter success Exploding Kittens! Bring a friend for more fun.

#### THE FRIENDS OF THE **UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY ARE HAVING A FUNDRAISER** @ BOSCOV'S

Tuesday, October 16, 2018 from 8am to 11pm

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before the date of the event, go to the circulation desk to purchase your ticket or tickets. 100% of the ticket sales will go to our organization to help support the Union Public Library.

The discount varies from 25%, 15% and 10%, depending on the type of purchases. It includes Refreshments, Entertainment,

**Register to Win Prizes** (three \$500 Shopping Sprees). **New Start Career Network Information Session** 

Monday, October 15 from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Learn how New Start Career Network (NSCN) can help strengthen and support your job search through a suite of online resources, through connections to resources of our network of partners, and through access to NSCN's

volunteer career coaches.

#### Leave 'Em in Stitches!

Tuesday, October 16 from 7-8 p.m. Bring your own project(s) and get ready to knit/crochet!

#### **Off the Shelf Book Discussion Group**

Thursday, October 18 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. This month members will be discussing "A Warrior of the People" by Joe Starita.

New members always welcome. Please contact the library to receive a copy of the book.

#### Jersey Job Club: Mastering the Art of Networking

Wednesday, October 24 from 3-4:30 p.m. Join our Career Coach, Deb Warner to how to make the most out of networking events in your job search.

#### **International Film**

Thursday, October 25 from 2 - 4 p.m. Join us at the library for a free international movie. Doors open at 1:50 p.m. and elevator access is available.

#### **Career Resources Online**

Thursday, October 25 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Join us for this instructional class where Union Public Library staff will review helpful free career services resources online and some of the library's related digital resources. Whether you are looking for employment, need to prepare for an upcoming interview, or learn a new skill in order to take your career to the next level, you will not want to miss this talk!

**Google Drive & Apps** 

Saturday, October 27 from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Learn how to use Google Drive to store files and

#### information online so they can be access by any device. Google Drive can be used to type letters, create spreadsheets, create a slide presentation and more!

#### Tuesdays @ 2 Movies

October 2, 9, 16, and 23 from 2-4 p.m. Join us at the library for free movies. Doors open at 1:50 p.m. and elevator access is available.

#### Meditation

October 4, 11 from 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Relax and unwind in our ever popular meditation class.

#### Friends of the Union Public Library Meeting

Thursday, October 4 from 7 – 8:30 p.m. Monthly meeting of the Friends of the Library. New members always welcome.

#### **Connect Explore & Discover Digital Resources**

Friday, October 5 from 2-3 p.m. Monday, October 22 from 7-8 p.m. Friday, October 26 from 2-3 p.m.

Learn how to download e-books, e-audiobooks, digital magazines, language learning programs, and more using just your Union Public Library card. Please bring your library card and mobile device.

#### **Mobile Aging Kiosk**

Tuesday, October 30 from 11:30-1:30 p.m. Union County's mobile Aging Service Kiosk (ASK) is designed to provide residents with a convenient, friendly way to find out about services for the aging, and for their families and caregivers.

ASK is staffed by professionals with the Division on Aging and Disability Resource Connection of the Union County Department of Human Services.

#### Les Malamut Art Gallery

Join us for an exhibition of pottery by Union-based artist Jessica Gerber. Exhibition will continue through until the end of the month.

### **VAUXHALL UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY**

123 Hilton Avenue, Vauxhall, NJ 07088. (908) 851-5451, or find us on the web at www.uplnj.org.

The Union Public Library has exciting events planned for adults during the month of October 2018 at both the Main Library (MN) and Vauxhall Branch (VH).

All programs are free and open to the public.

#### **Hispanic Heritage Month is September 15-October 15!**

Be sure to check out the programs celebrating Hispanic heritage and culture going on at

the Main Library and Vauxhall Branch. October is both Family History Month and Information Literacy Month! Be sure to check out our special workshop that can help you research your family's roots,

and also our programs that can assist you in identifying trustworthy sources of information on the internet. Our regular Meditation class will be taking a break after

October 11. The class will begin again in December. Adult Programs at Vauxhall Branch (VH)

#### **Adult Dance Class**

Monday, October 15 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, come learn how to dance the Merengue and Bachata with Patricia Frazier! Advanced registration is required.

#### **Bingo for Adults**

Monday, October 1 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Join us for a fun afternoon of bingo. Meet new friends and win cool prizes.

#### **Atlantic Health Care Breast Cancer Awareness** Information Session

Wednesday, October 3 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Talk includes discussion of who is at risk, what is normal for you, what breast cancer means, healthy lifestyle choices for prevention, and the dispelling of myths about breast cancer.

#### **HESAA Presents Adult FAFSA Night**

Wednesday, October 10 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. This information session will provide an overview of the financial aid process and answer questions about grants, scholarships, and loans offered by the State of New Jersey. Advanced registration is required.

#### **Crafty Adults: Lantern**

Monday, October 15 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Creativity doesn't have an age limit! This craft can be used to decorate your space.

Advanced registration is required.

#### **Hilton Readers Book Club**

Monday, October 22 at 6 p.m. This month members will be discussing "Behold the Dreamers" by Imbolo Mbue. New members always welcome. Please contact the library to receive a copy of the book.

#### **Connect, Explore and Discover**

Saturday, October 13 from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Monday, October 29 from 1-2 p.m. Join us for Tech Instruction and learn how to download e-books and e-audiobooks from our digital resources using your Union Public Library card.

#### Tai Chi Free Exercise Program:

**Tuesdays** in October First session: 12:30-1:15 p.m. Second session: 1:30-2:15 p.m. For mature adults. Wear sneakers and comfortable clothing. Sign up required. Library Board Meeting Tuesday, October 23 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

## **UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY YOUTH PROGRAMS - OCTOBER 2018**

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#### **WEEKLY PROGRAMS**

#### **Construction Zone**

Mondays: @ 3:30PM All ages | No registration required Learn, play, and build with us every Monday using Legos, K'Nex, and more!

#### Read to Waldi

Mondays 10/15 & 10/29 @ 4:15PM Ages 5+ | Registration required Bring along a book or two and practice reading aloud to Waldi, our visiting therapy dog! Program takes place on alternate weeks.

#### Tiny Tots (Storytime)

Wednesdays: @ 10:30AM Birth - 2 years | No registration required Spend this special time with baby singing songs & rhymes, listening to stories, free play & socialization.

#### Alphabet Soup (Storytime) Thursdays @ 4:00PM

Ages 4 - 6 | Registration required for 10/4 and 10/18 We explore phonics, letter recognition, and numbers all while reading fun stories, singing songs, and making new friends! Please note that the 10/4 session will feature a pumpkin craft following storytime, and the 10/18 session will be Stretchy Stories, a yoga and movement-based storytime. Please Note: Alphabet Soup will not be held on Thursday, October 25th.

#### **Toddler Tales (Storytime)** Fridays @ 10:30AM

2 - 4 years | No registration required Enjoy stories, singing, and movement, following a different theme each week! The 10/12 session will focus on music & movement.

#### **ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS**

Teen Advisory Board Meeting Friday 10/5 @ 3:30PM

Ages 13+ | Registration required Let us know what programs and events you want to see at the library. Recommend books, movies, and music you want to see on the shelves, and earn community service hours by coming to TAB meetings and programs!

#### Kids in the Kitchen Saturday 10/6 @ 2:00PM

Ages 6 - 12 | No registration required Prepare a recipe from one of our cookbooks of the month (A Halloween Cookbook: Simple Recipes for Kids by Sarah Schuette / Halloween Sweets and Treats by Ruth Owen ) and bring it with you to share! Miss Emily will also lead a cooking demo during this program. Copies of the cookbooks will be available to borrow at the Children's Room circulation desk.

#### Michael Albert, Pop Artist

Saturday 10/13 @ 2:00PM Ages 5 - 12 | Registration required Join Michael Albert (a.k.a. Sir Real), the renowned New York collage artist, for a fun, colorful, 2-hour hands-on pop art workshop!

#### ShopRite Kids Cuisine

Wednesday 10/17 @ 4:00PM Ages 6 - 12 | Registration required Learn about healthy eating and try some yummy new foods, following a different theme each month! Presented by Megan Hewitt, RD, ShopRite of Union.

#### SciFri: Candy Challenges Friday 10/19 @ 3:30PM

Ages 8 - 12 | Registration required Explore the basics of physics and engineering using candy treats.

Drop-in Craft @ Cotton Swabs Painted Autumn Tree Saturday 10/20

All ages | No registration required Paint your own autumn tree using cotton swabs to celebrate the fall season! The W.H.O. (We Help Others) Club: Kids' Edition

Tuesday 10/23 @ 4:30PM Ages 5+ | No registration required Interested in making our community a better place? Join us each month for a new service project. This month, we'll be writing appreciation letters to military recruits, veterans, and first responders!

#### Teen DIY: NaNoWriMo Planner

Thursday 10/25 @ 1:00PM Ages 13+ | Registration required Get ready for NaNoWriMo next month by putting together a planner filled with resources, checklists! Bedtime Storytime

Thursday 10/25 @ 7:00PM All ages | Registration required Join us for a special bedtime storytime to celebrate International Artists Day! Don't forget to wear PJs.

The W.H.O. (We Help Others) Club: Teen Edition Friday 10/26 @ 3:30PM

Ages 13+ | No

registration required Join us each month for a new service project. This month, we'll be writing appreciation letters to military recruits, veterans, and first responders through Operation Gratitude!

### **VAUXHALL UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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#### WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Toddler & Pre-K Time

Tuesdays @ 11:00AM Ages 3 - 6 | Registration required Interactive storytimes, crafts, and more for young children and their parents/guardians. 10/2: Story & Craft: Farm Animals 10/9: Interactive Learning Time 10/16: Music & Movement 10/23: STEM Story & Activity: Fall (Pt. 2) 10/30: Interactive Learning Time

#### **ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS**

Club Teen: Vision Boards

Wednesday 10/3 @ 6:00PM Ages 14+ | Registration required Map out your future goals and aspirations by making a snazzy vision board!

#### Tween Game Time

Thursday 10/4 @ 3:00PM Ages 9 - 13 | Registration required Join us for an afternoon of friendly competition. We're

breaking out the Wii U and our collection of boardgames. Feel free to bring your own games too!

#### Homeschool Hangout

Thursday 10/11 @ 11:00AM Ages 10+ | Registration required Meet, learn, and engage with other local homeschooling families through a variety of fun activities! Tween Movie: Ant Bully

Thursday 10/11 @ 3:00PM Ages 9 - 13 | Registration required Join us for a screening of Ant Bully (Rated G)! We'll supply the popcorn and a beverage.

#### **Michael Albert, Pop Artist**

Saturday 10/13 @ 11:00PM Ages 5 - 12 | Registration required Join Michael Albert (a.k.a. Sir Real), the renowned New York collage artist, for a fun, colorful, 2-hour hands-on pop art workshop! He is excited to share his unique form of collage and upcycled creations with

Union's art lovers!

Club Teen: Waffle Wii Wednesday 10/17 @ 6:00PM Ages 14+ | Registration required Play some games on the Wii U and enjoy some freshly-

made waffles!

#### Tween STEM Builders Club

Thursday 10/18 @ 3:00PM Ages 9 - 13 | Registration required Play around with Legos and 3-D magnetic tiles to create amazing shapes and structures!

#### Tween 'Make It @ Your Library'

Thursday 10/25 @ 3:00PM Ages 9 - 13 | Registration required Create an out-of-this-world galaxy jar, perfect for decorating your room or desk





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## IMAGINE RECEIVES GRANT TO EXPAND CHILD BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PROGRAMS

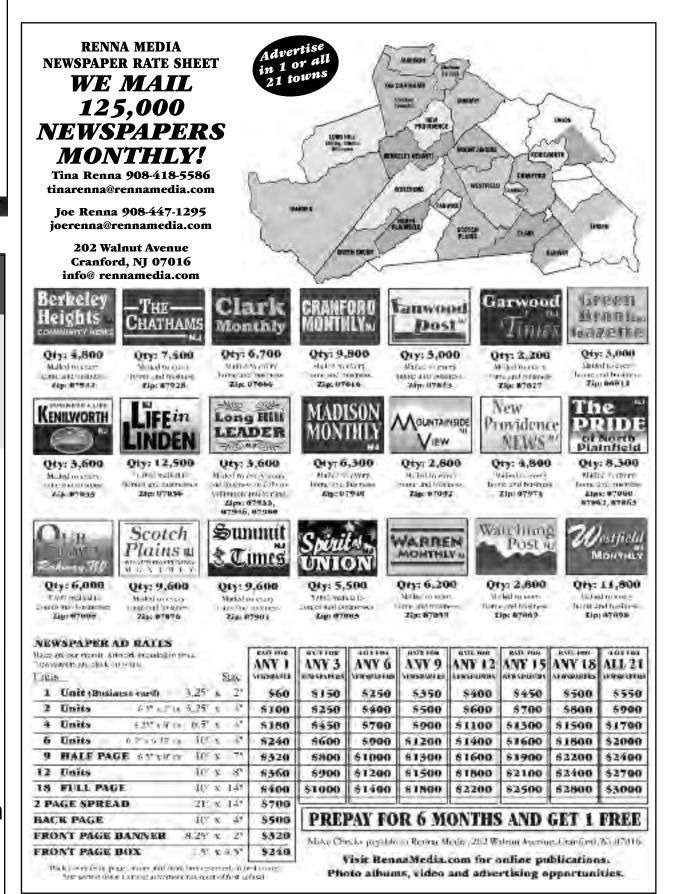
"We are so grateful to The Merck Foundation for their generous grant of \$25,000 for the expansion of our bereavement support programs at our new center in Mountainside," said Stuart Arnold, Imagine Board Chair. "With Merck's commitment to healthcare and the community it's a perfect match. The Merck Foundation has been a generous supporter of Imagine for many years and we are so grateful."

Childhood bereavement is a serious public health issue. The death of a parent or other important person in a child's life has been noted to be one of the most commonly reported and disruptive Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs.) There are currently over 109,000 NJ youth age 0-18 who are bereaved due to the death of a parent. Imagine is currently serving 285 of those children, from 55 NJ towns every two weeks at our center.

"Imagine helps make a difference in the lives

of grieving children and families in the communities around our sites," said Paula Alston, Executive Director of Merck's NA Research Facilities. "We are proud to partner with Imagine through our Merck Foundation Neighbor of Choice grant program this year, and we are pleased to be able to help Imagine grow and succeed in their mission."

Imagine offers free year-round grief support groups for children age 3-18 who have had a parent or brother or sister die, and for families coping with a family member with a terminal or chronic illness. Concurrent groups are available for parents and guardians, and young adults 18-30. Support groups meet on weekday nights for an hour and a half. Dinner is provided prior to the group meeting. To schedule an orientation for yourself or your family or for more information please contact Imagine at 908-264-3100 or info@imaginenj.org.





### FIRE PREVENTION **WEEK OPEN HOUSE OCT.** 13

The Union Township Fire Department will be hosting a Fire Prevention Week Open House event on Saturday, October 13, 2018. The funfilled, educational event will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Union Fire Headquarters located on Bond Dr.

During National Fire Prevention Week, a week dedicated to informing the public on the importance of fire prevention, the Union Fire Department hopes to promote prevention and awareness through fun, innovation and community. Some of the day's activities are set to include:

- An obstacle course for kids
- Firehouse tours
- Seminars on basic first aid and CPR
- Extrication demos
- Meet and greet with local firemen
- Light refreshments

For more information on the Open House event, contact the Township of Union Office of Public Information at (908) 851-5096 or via email at publicinfo@uniontownship.com.¬

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