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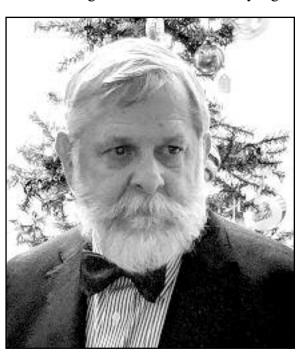
Submitted by Carol Goggi

During an open house held on December 8, 2018, the Mountainside Historic Restoration Committee held a grand opening of the circa 1818 Levi Cory House which was moved to Constitution Plaza five years ago. Originally located at the corner of New Providence Road and Mountain Avenue, the house was the location of the first Children's Country Home during the 1890s, before expanding to its current location as the Children's Specialized Hospital. After years of repair, renovation and restoration, it is now open as Museum for Children's Interests and Boutique. Prior to the Grand Opening, the Levi Cory House was opened for a few weekends as a Holiday Boutique where many visitors got a preview of the restored house. In the future, two porches will be built onto the house in order to restore it to its original form.

During the open house, several dedications were held. The lower level living room was dedicated in Honor of Deb & Scott Daniels by the Committee. An upper level Children's School, Sports & Scouts Room was dedicated in Memory of Ryan Patrick Faella funded by the Ryan Patrick Faella Foundation. In addition, two windows in the House were dedicated – one to the memory of former Mountainside Mayor Bob Viglianti by his family; and another in Honor of Mary Greeley and Carol Goggi by the Mountainside Girl Scouts.

The Levi Cory House and Deacon Andrew Hetfield House are located at Constitution Plaza (Watchung Ave., off Birch Hill Rd.) adjacent to the Mountainside Library. The Mountainside Restoration Committee is a 501 (c)(3) charity and a committee of volunteers whose purpose is to maintain the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House, restore and maintain the Levi Cory House and collect and save historic Mountainside information and items from destruction.

For further information, please call 908-789-9420 or go to mountainsidehistory.org



(above) Scott Daniels. Chairman of the Mountainside Restoration Committee, listens as the 1st floor living room is dedicated in honor of Deb & Scott Daniels.



Daniels and Sandy VanderMeer during the Grand Opening of the Levi Cory House.

(right) Mary Greeley and Carol Goggi look on as a window in the School, Sports & Scouts room is dedicated in their honor by the Mountainside Girl Scouts.



(above) The ribbon is cut by Scott (above) Mayor Paul Mirabelli speaks during the dedication of a window in Memory of former Mayor Bob Viglianti.





(above) Sean, Mary and Al Faella react to the dedication of the Levi Cory House's School, Sports & Scouts Room in Memory of Ryan Patrick Faella.



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senior organization that was founded in 1983 to promote cultural, educational, recreational and social activities to senior members of the community.

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We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at the Mountainside Borough Hall, 2nd floor, Community Room.

Our direct contact with the Mountainside Council is Kim Moriak, Senior Citizen Coordinator. On December 11, 2018 during a

Mountainside Active Retirees (M.A.R.) is a regularly scheduled meeting of the Mountainside Active Retirees, Mountainside Senior Citizen Coordinator Kim Moriak was presented with a Proclamation plaque in her honor by the M.A.R. board for her countless hours of unselfish time and energy in support of the seniors of Mountainside. During the meeting, Mountainside resident and professional harpist Joanne Hansen entertained the group with beautiful music selections while the members enjoyed homemade cookies they brought for the second annual cookie swap. During a musical intermission, Ms. Moriak was presented with the plaque and flowers. The presentation was a complete surprise to Ms. Moriak.



(above, l-r) Members of M.A.R. at their December meeting Norma Huber, 2nd Vice President; Ellie Annis, 1st Vice President; Madeline Szeles, Recording Secretary; Ruthie Goense, Treasurer; Kim Moriak, Honoree and Senior Coordinator; and Ken Ilgavizious, President. Photo by Deborah Boehner.



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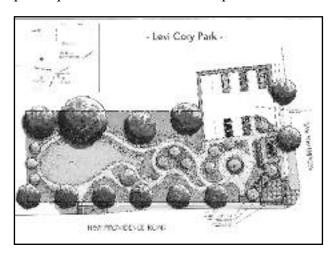
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BEAUTIFUL MOUNTAINSIDE MAKES PRESENTATION FOR POCKET PARK

Submitted by Todd Evans

Beautiful Mountainside presented to the Mayor and Town Council a proposal for a pocket park on the corner of Mountain Avenue and New Providence Road at the last public meeting of the year. This longtime eyesore is looking to be developed and Beautiful Mountainside presented an alternative to further development.

Beautiful Mountainside stated that Mountainside's founders were smart in that they put in place the structure to keep Mountainside



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rural by having no sidewalks, limited lighting and no retail on Route 22- keeping high property values and low taxes. Because of these things, The Borough of Mountainside has retained its rural atmosphere while still being the first traffic light on Route 22 from New York City.

The proposed Levi Cory Pocket Park does three things- it prevents unwanted development in the heart of our downtown, adds some extra parking and provides a new gathering place in our center of town- while at the same time keeping our rural and historic roots with some open space for future celebrations that all residents can enjoy.

We envision another holiday tree here and a relaxing place to watch the world go by- while adding just a bit parking for the future.

We submitted a simple drawing of the pocket park and then also a more complex drawing to show what can be done with the space. We are asking the town to use some of its funds from the Barnes Track to purchase the property and then Beautiful Mountainside and the Borough of Mountainside can seek Open Space and other grants to fund the completion of the pocket park.

One of the nice things about this proposal is that it is not asking for municipal tax dollars to fund but rather using only some of the proceeds from the Barnes Track to fund so that the whole town benefits from that development. It also does not take away any significant funds from our tax base as the property is currently not developed.

Beautiful Mountainside is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization dedicated to making Mountainside more beautiful.

We meet the first Monday of the month except holidays at The Hetfield House at 7 p.m. You can find our Facebook Page under Beautiful Mountainside and can reach us by email to our chairman Todd Evans at rivtodd@aol.com.



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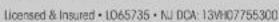












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NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness. For more information, please visit the NAMI website at nami.org.

NEWARK BAIT AND FLYCASTING CLUB

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Our monthly meetings are held at the Kenilworth VFW, located at 33 S. 21st St., Kenilworth, NJ, on the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. (except July and August). There is no fee to attend a meeting.

Our Annual Kids Seminar will be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., at the Kenilworth Veterans Center, V.F.W.33 South 21st street Kenilworth, NJ. A Guest speaker to be announced and topics of discussion will be safety while fishing, fish identification, and practice casting. Prizes will be awarded and snacks will be served. There is no fee to attend.

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The cost is \$50 per person. Tickets can be purchased at the door or to go to our website mountainsideeducationfpundaton.org.

All proceeds will fund educational grants that benefit the students within the Mountainside School District in the areas of arts, science, technology, mathematics, writing, community service.

The Mountainside Education Foundation would like to thank all of our event sponsors for helping to make this event possible. Sponsorship opportunities are still available for both businesses and individuals. The MEF is a registered 501(c)(3) organization and all sponsorship donations are tax deductible.

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The Mountainside Public Library is located at 1 Constitution Plaza, Mountainside, NJ. To register for these programs, stop into the library or call 908-233-0115.

Our Summer Reading Program was such a success that we are now doing a Winter Reading Challenge. Like Summer reading, this program is open to adults as well as children ages 8 and up! And, there will be prizes! We will have weekly book and hockey-related giveaways. The Grand Prize will be 2 tickets to the New Jersey Devils vs. Columbus Blue Jackets hockey game on Tuesday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m. at the Prudential Center.

Log into Beanstack from our website (mountainsidelibrary.org) to participate in our 12 different winter reading activities. After each activity is completed, you will receive a raffle ticket for our weekly raffles. After completing 4 activities, you will receive a raffle ticket for the Grand Prize. Stop in to the library and browse our catalog for a good book and you just might win a prize! Thanks to the New Jersey Devils for promoting reading in our community! The Winter Reading Challenge ends on February 28.

TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES RBG (2018, PG)

is our movie to be shown on February 5. U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg has developed a breathtaking legal legacy while becoming an unexpected pop culture icon. RBG is a revelatory documentary exploring Ginsburg's exceptional life and leading to her rise to the nation's highest court.

Crazy Rich Asians (2018, PG-13) On February 12

Follow native New Yorker Rachel Chu (Constance Wu) as she accompanies her longtime boyfriend, Nick Young (Henry Golding) to his best friend's wedding in Singapore. Rachel is unprepared to learn that Nick has neglected to mention to her a few key details about his life. It turns out that he is not only the scion of one of the country's wealthiest families but also one of its most sought-after bachelors.

Love, Simon (2018, PG-13) will be shown on February 19.

Seventeen-year old Simon Spier has yet to tell his family or friends he's gay and he doesn't actually know the identity of the anonymous classmate he's fallen for online. Resolving both issues proves hilarious, terrifying and lifechanging. Love, Simon is a funny and heartfelt coming-of-age story about the thrilling ride of finding yourself and falling in love.

The Tale of Princess Kaguya (2014, PG) On February 26

One of Japan's most famous folk tales is made into an animated, hand-drawn masterwork. Found inside a shining stalk of bamboo by an old bamboo cutter and his wife, a tiny girl grows rapidly into an exquisite young lady. The mysterious young princess enthralls all who encounter her, but ultimately she must confront her fate, the punishment for her crime. Showtime is 6:30 p.m. for each movie except on February 26 when the movie will state at 6:00 p.m. due to its length.

"Brown Bag Academy", "Pipsqueak Players- Reading Reimagined,"

Friday, February 1 and Thursday, February

at 3:45 p.m.

The popular Pipsqueak Players duo of Cheryl Isbirian and Erin Kraven will continue their programming from last month with the last two workshops in this series. This is a reading enrichment program that nurtures enjoyment and comprehension in a workshop style setting. Classes are designed for 5-7 year olds.

Preregistration is required.

"Opera on Film Series,"

Friday, February 8 at 1:00 p.m. Friday Operas on Film Series is presented by Mena Clemson. This month, a 2017 recording of Otello by Giuseppe Verdi starring Jonas Kaufmann (Otello), Marco Vratogna (Iago) and Maria Agresta (Desdemona) will be shown. The Royal Opera Chorus and the Orchestra of the Royal Opera House are conducted by Antonio Pappano.

"Come Read to Kalee,"

Friday, February 8 at 3:45 p.m. Come cuddle up and read for 5-10 minutes to Kalee, Mountainside's favorite therapy dog. Please bring two favorite books with you to read when you come. This program is especially designed for emergent and beginning readers in Grades K-1. You must reserve a spot for this program.

Kalee will be with us monthly through June.

"The Magic Conductor's Reading Adventures: The Dining Car Mystery,"

Friday, February 22 at 3:45 p.m. Author and Family Entertainer Steve Woyce created "The Magic Conductor's Reading Adventures" to get children ages 4-10 and their families excited about reading. This interactive and engaging program combines Theatre, Storytelling, Comedy, Audience Participation, and Magic to spark curiosity and gets the entire audience involved in helping to solve a mystery. The audience will become Junior Train Engineers as they help Steve search for clues to solve a mystery in this train-themed program designed to get children excited about reading! Everything aboard the Dining Car from spoons to a pitcher of milk will help the audience get one step closer to solving the mystery of what happens when you can't get your head into a good book! Call to register.

"Guided Meditation for Inner Peace," Thursday, February 28 at 7:30 p.m.

Join us every month as we explore and experience the most talked about evidence based meditation techniques for inner peace, overall well-being and stress reduction. Come each month, or drop in when you can. Each month's topic will focus on a different technique.

Note: The Library will be closed on Monday, February 18 in observance of Presidents' Day. Winter Reading Challenge at the Mountainside Public Library.

COME READ TO KALEE THE THERAPY DOG

Mountainside Library on January 11, 2019 and read to Kalee the therapy dog for 5-10 minutes. The program is especially designed for emergent

Young readers were invited to stop by the and beginning readers in Grades K-1, but all readers were welcomed. You must reserve a spot for this program. Kalee will visit the library monthly through June.



(above) The Hess family visited Kalee the therapy dog at the Mountainside Library.

MOUNTAINSIDE BOY SCOUT TROOP 177 COURT OF HONOR

Submitted by John Huss

Mountainside Boy Scout Troop 177 closed out 2018 with their Court of Honor, held at the Community Presbyterian Church. Special guests included Mayor Paul Mirabelli, Councilman Keith Turner and Councilwoman Deanna Andre. Scouts were recognized for their last 6-

months of accomplishments, including 126 merit badges and 24 rank advancements. The Troop was also recognized with a ribbon by Mark Hurwitz of the Executive Board of the Patriots Path Council for attaining the distinction of a Gold Status unit in the district's Journey to Excellence program.



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Scouts can email Will Adams at Will.adams@scouting.org for more info.

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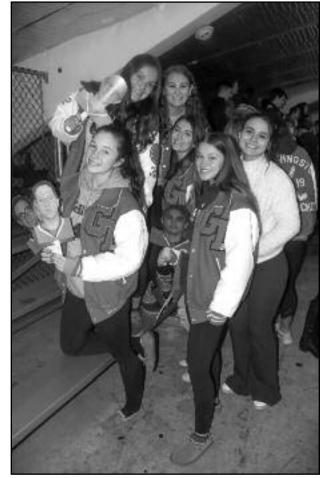
HIGH SCHOOL ICE HOCKEY SENIORS CELEBRATED

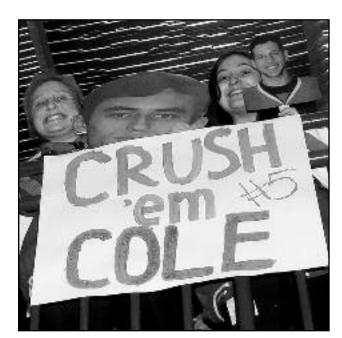
Fans celebrated the senior players of the Governor Livingston High School ice hockey team on January 11, 2019 after a game against Westfield High School held at Union Sports Arena. Senior players were joined by their parents on the ice to cheers from a capacity crowd.

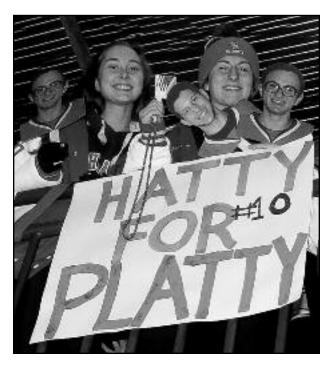
The evening was not only a tribute to the ending of the players' high school sports career, parents were also recognized for the support that the sport demands of them. Seniors honored that night were Ryan Erickson, Max Mele, Zac Miller, Jacob Miller, Nick Papa, Jake Plattman, Ryan Paik, Carson Wahlers, and Cole Wahlers.



(above l-r) Senior players on the Governor Livingston High School 2019 Ice Hockey Team. Carson Wahlers, Max Mele, Cole Wahlers, Jacob Miller, Jake Plattman, Ryan Erickson, Nick Papa, Ryan Paik, Jacob Miller.







(above and left) Fans hung banners and waved masks of the senior players.

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JUNIOR LEAGUE ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER SET FOR FEB. 23

The Junior League of Summit is excited to fantastic announce its fourth Annual Trivia Night. Join the Junior League of Summit on February 23, 2019 for an evening of trivia fun at Chatham Fish & Game. Tickets are on sale now. Teams of up to ten people may register for a table for an entrance fee of \$600. All competitors must be 21 or older. For more details and ticket information, visit ilsummit.org.

"There's an electricity in the air at JLS Trivia Night. Teams are dressed up, kegs are out on the porch, and challenging questions are posed. It is a wonderful opportunity to have a great night out with your friends and other community members, all for a great cause," said Rachel Zucker, the event chairwoman.

The festivities will include lively competition among the teams in various trivia categories, as well as interactive bonus rounds and extra points for best team themes and table décor. The evening will feature Adam Zucker, host of CBS Sports' College Football Today, as the competition emcee.

As with previous years, all funds raised at Trivia Night benefit the JLS's Annual Fund, supporting its community grants, scholarships and projects such as GRACE, the League's signature community outreach project. GRACE stands for Giving and Receiving Assistance for Our Community's Essentials and its main focus is fighting food insecurity in Summit and our surrounding communities.

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MICHAELA MCCLAIN BAND TO PERFORM AT **NORTHERN NEW JERSEY'S MOST INTIMATE COFFEEHOUSE**

The Salem Roadhouse Café, 829 Salem Road, personal event. Union, NJ, proudly presents The Michaela McClain Band, performing on Saturday, February 9, 2019.

Michaela McClain is a singer/songwriter born and raised in Bernardsville. Her "folky-soul" sound is reminiscent of Carol King, Norah Jones and Alicia Keys, and "her warm groove creates an atmosphere of love that's irresistible." Her musical influences range from Carlos Jobim, Ella Fitzgerald, Indigo Girls to India Arie. Michaela writes the music for the band.

Bandmates are: Meredith Foreman, drums; Brad Schwartzseid, bass; and Raul Abbad, guitar.

At her 2016 and 2017 performances at the Roadhouse Cafe, Michaela demonstrated her solid songwriting and performing capabilities while accompanied by an extremely multitalented band. Each band member wowed the audiences with their individual playing, as well as playing together as a dynamic band.

The featured visual artist for the February show is Derek Jay Dent. Derek does some incredibly creative work with collage themed around jazz and music. His work will be on display for everyone before, during and after the show, with gallery lights up full at door opening and during the break, and immediately after the show.

Fans won't want to miss this live, up front and

All ages are welcome. It's a wholesome show, so bring the entire family!

Doors open 7:30 p.m. The show starts at 8:00 p.m. Admission is \$20 and includes the show, snacks, beverages and dessert.

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ABOUT SALEM ROADHOUSE CAFÉ

Dedication best defines the Salem Roadhouse Café: dedication to excellent music and dedication to the community. In its tenth year, The Salem Roadhouse Café reaffirms its commitment to both.

Started in 2008 by members of Townley Presbyterian Church with a grant from the Presbytery of Elizabeth, the Roadhouse Café continues to operate as a non-profit that raises funds for several carefully chosen local charities. That may be its social mission... but the Roadhouse Café is and has been a solid performance venue beloved by the musicians who play there because of its special intimacy with the audience.

CHURCH MUSIC, IT'S NOT

The Roadhouse Café has always offered its stage to local and independent main stream musicians. It's a clean, safe place for people who

enjoy listening to live music, in a world of clubs and bars. Jazz, rock, folk and other groups have performed. During the past ten years well over 100 different entertainers have appeared. Local fine artists also display their works.

COMMUNITY ORIENTATION

The Salem Roadhouse Café has raised funds for many carefully chosen charities. They include: The Presbytery of Elizabeth E-port Center, Center For Hope Hospice, Community Food Bank, Monarch Housing, Angel Paws Animal Rescue, National MS Society, Haiti Disaster Relief, Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief, The Union County YWCA Domestic Violence Program, Making It Possible To End Homelessness, Camp Johnsonburg, The Music Institute, Groundwork Elizabeth, Union Twp. Police "Santa In Blue" toy campaign and others. Thousands of dollars have been raised for these deserving charities.

The musicians who play the Roadhouse often ask to return as soon as possible. The Roadhouse has given them a place with a beautiful stage, good acoustics, a live, attentive audience, and a sound system that is first class.

Now well into its eleventh year of operation, the Salem Roadhouse Café features many of the performers who have graced the stage in the past, as well as talent that is new to the Café stage. The current season will benefit local charities.

LOCAL BASEBALL PLAYERS AND COACHES WILL BE HONORED AT ANNUAL "HOT STOVE" AWARDS DINNER, SUNDAY, FEB. 10 SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER: DWIGHT "DOC" GOODEN

The Union County Baseball Association will induct four new members into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame at the organization's 83rd annual Hot Stove League Dinner on Sunday, February 10, 2019 beginning at 1:00 p.m., at The Gran Centurions in Clark, New Jersey.

The four new inductees into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame include:

Rich Biddulph of Roselle, an All-State catcher for Roselle Catholic High School and longtime coach of American Legion Baseball teams in Cranford and Roselle;

Walter Podgurski of Union, an All-State second baseman for the Farmers, who went on to play for the University of Pennsylvania and was drafted by the Minnesota Twins;

Chris Roof of Berkeley Heights and Scotch Plains, a standout player at Governor Livingston High School and Montclair State University and longtime coach at Governor Livingston;

Tom Urban of Elizabeth, a varsity infielder at Thomas Jefferson High School, baseball coach in Elizabeth and at Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark, and director of the Union County Baseball Association Summer and Fall leagues.

The special guest speaker at the annual event will be Dwight "Doc" Gooden, the former award-

winning pitcher for the New York Mets and the New York Yankees. Gooden's headline-grabbing 16-year Major League career – including Rookie of the Year and Cy Young awards with the Mets and his no-hitter while pitching for the Yankees – remains a hot topic of discussion nearly two decades after he threw his final pitch.

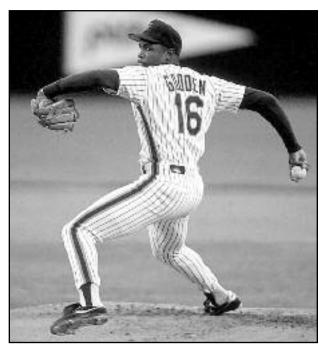
Scholastic athletes from throughout Union County also will be honored at the afternoon awards ceremonies on Feb. 10 for their accomplishments in high school, college and Union County Youth Baseball leagues. Among these honorees will be Luis Amaro of Roselle Park; Jamie Belfer and Danny Serretti, both of Berkeley Heights; and Ed Kushner of Linden.

Tickets for the 83rd annual Hot Stove League awards dinner may be purchased online at UCBA-NJ.org or by writing to the Union County Baseball Association, PO Box 176, Fanwood, New Jersey 07023.

Sponsored by the Union County Baseball Association, in cooperation with the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Hot Stove League awards dinner is the primary annual fund-raising effort for the Union County Youth Baseball Leagues. The summer and fall

leagues have given more than 40,000 boys and girls an opportunity to participate in an organized baseball program for the past 70 years.

For more information call Jim Iozzi, UCBA president, at 908-917-2523.



(above) Dwight "Doc" Gooden will be the guest speaker at the 83rd annual Hot Stove League Dinner on Sunday, February 10, 2019.

MAMMA MIA! IS DANCING INTO CDC THEATRE FEBRUARY 15

The party celebrating the 100th Anniversary Season at CDC Theatre will be in full swing when the musical Mamma Mia! opens on February 15, 2019. Over 60 million people worldwide have fallen in love with the characters, the story and the music that make up Mamma Mia! ABBA's hits tell the hilarious story of a

daughter's quest to discover the identity of her father, bringing three men from her mother's past back to the island they last visited 20 years ago.

The show's director, Sean Lough, recently shared his enthusiasm. "When it comes to having fun directing, Mamma Mia! is going to be a tough one to beat. Mamma Mia! is one of the

world's most popular musicals, so we are excited to bring it to New Jersey audiences as part of our 100th Season! The cast is made up of true ABBA fans; it would be hard not to be working on this show. At our first rehearsal, everyone had huge smiles on their faces as it hit them that we get to perform classic ABBA songs, not just sing them in our cars. This show is a true celebration. It's like we're having a party every night."

The large cast is led by Mandy Feiler, Michelle Sblendorio and Donna Faraone as Donne, Tonya and Rosie with Lindsay Maron playing Donna's daughter, Sophie. Michael Dooley, Mark Smith and James Lopez are Sophie's potential dads and Evan Krug her fiancé, Sky.

Tickets and additional details can be found by visiting the theatre's website, cdctheatre.org. For the best selection, and prices, tickets can be purchased ahead of time online following links on the website. Located at 78 Winans Ave. in Cranford, NJ, CDC Theatre has been designated the NJACT Theatre of the Year. This production is made possible by funds from the Union County Office of Cultural & Heritage Affairs, a partner of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.



(above) Mamma Mia! opens on February 15 for the 100th anniversary season at CDC Theatre.





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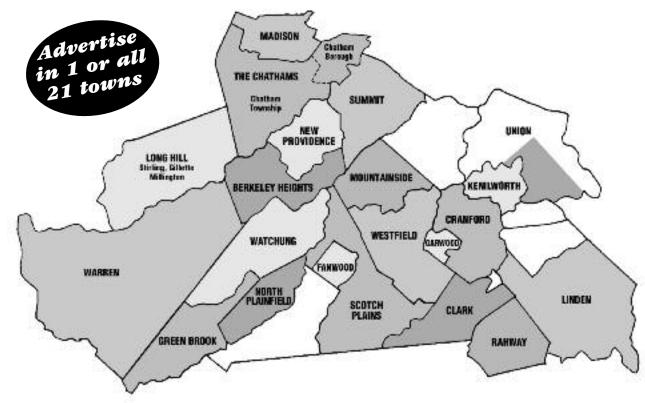
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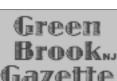
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