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Junior League of Summit is proud to announce that Community Service Association (CSA) has been chosen as the recipient of the annual Jean Hudson Gano Community Service Award for 2018. This award is given in memory of and in tribute to Jean Hudson Gano, a JLS member who died of breast cancer in 1997. Jean's exemplary and extraordinary commitment to volunteerism, community service and particularly to issues regarding women and children, was an inspiration to all those that were touched by her efforts.

CSA was founded in 1954 and is an organization that offers financial assistance to New Providence residents, primarily women and children, during times of financial need. All of the organization's funds come from donations, grants and fundraising. In 2017, CSA provided

close to \$30,000 in assistance to its clients. CSA volunteers meet monthly to review the cases of their anonymous clients and implement solutions. CSA refers their clients to the necessary social and/or government agencies for additional assistance.

The Junior League of Summit is a nonprofit, charitable, and educational organization of women who are committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. For more information about the Junior League of Summit or to inquire about becoming a member, please visit the website at jlsummit.org or contact the office at 908-273-7349. Those interested in donating to the League, please visit jlsummit.org



(above, l-r) Community Service Association (CSA), accepting Jean Hudson Gano Award: President Elect Illya Daddizo, VP Pat Daquila, President Lisa McKnight, and JLS President Erika Melchiorre.

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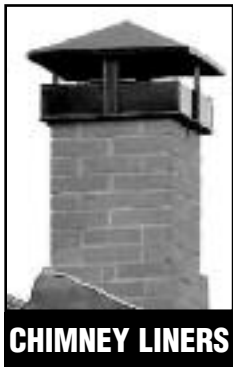


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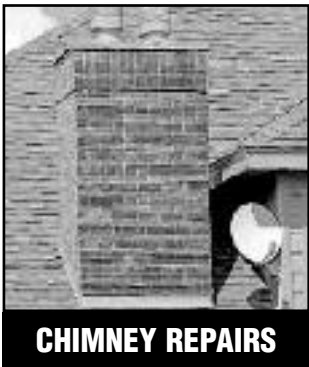




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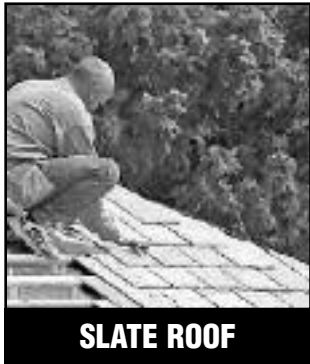
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VALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRATION PROMOTES SAFE WALKING AND BIKING

Submitted by TransOptions

New Providence schools including Allen W. Roberts Elementary, Salt Brook Elementary and New Providence Middle School held a Valentine's Walk to School Day on Valentine's Day, Thursday February 14th, 2019. The themed Walk to School Day had students hand out Valentine's cards and treats to their crossing guards. Students were given a Valentine's card template to give to their crossing guard, but were also encouraged to create their own.

The Safe Routes to School program at TransOptions provides education and encouragement events to schools and

communities to promote safe walking and biking around neighborhoods and schools.

"This event is a way for students who walk to school to get to know their crossing guards," said TransOptions Safe Routes to School Coordinator, Lisa Leone. "It's also a great event to hold during the winter months as a way to continue practices of safe walking and biking to school all year round."

"One of the easiest ways to increase the safety of a student's walking trip to school is to hold events like this," said TransOptions President, Dan Callas. "We want to encourage students to walk to school and to do it safely by utilizing sidewalks, crosswalks and their crossing guards."

Overall, Walk to School Day events raise awareness of the need to create safer routes for walking and bicycling and emphasize the importance of issues such as increasing physical activity among children, pedestrian safety, traffic congestion and concern for the environment. The events build connections

between families, schools and the broader community. According to the latest statewide data collected by the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety (NJDOTS), 351 children between the ages of 5 and 12 were involved in crashes as pedestrians or bicycle riders in 2017.

New Jersey Safe Routes to School, which is created and supported by the New Jersey Department of Transportation with funding from the Federal Highway Administration, enables and encourages safer and more accessible walking and bicycling environments for children in New Jersey through education, training, and research. Safe Routes to School projects can involve physical improvements to the environment, as well as encouragement programs to promote more walking and bicycling to and from school, according to saferoutesnj.org.

For more information on TransOptions and its Safe Routes to School program visit www.transoptions.org/safe-routes-to-school.



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RELAY FOR LIFE KICK OFF

Submitted by Marlene Sincaglia

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life of Berkeley Heights, Mountainside, New Providence and Summit will be holding its 2019 Kick-Off meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at the New Providence High School Cafeteria. The program will run from 7 - 8:30 p.m. The theme this year is Through the Years. Learn more about Relay, how to form a team, fundraising ideas, etc., so you can become a part of this community based event. Come talk to people who have participated and can answer your questions. We are taking back the track.

Relay for Life 2019 will be held at Governor Livingston High School on June 15, 2019. Relay for Life has three prongs: Celebrate, Remember and Fight Back. Everyone has been touched by Cancer, whether it is you, a family member, a friend or a neighbor who heard the words "you have cancer." At Relay we celebrate the survivors and those who are starting the journey. We remember those we lost to cancer and fight back to help prevent Cancer. While doing those things, Relay also raises money for the American Cancer Society (ACS).

The American Cancer Society (ACS) gives money for research grants to find a cure for all cancers. ACS provides, through its 24-hour

helpline at 1-800-277-2345 or via live chat at cancer.org, free information, support and access to resources. They also sponsor workshops for patients so that they can feel more empowered and confident and sponsor Hope Lodge, which provides lodging for a patient and their family when they have to travel for treatment. ACS helps provide rides to and from treatment and trains navigators in hospitals and institutes that help patients by guiding them through cancer treatments. Seventy-five percent of all money collected goes to mission related items, including cancer research, patient support, prevention information, education, detection and treatment. Twenty five percent goes toward management and general and fundraising expenses.

Relay 2019 is looking for teams of people who will work together to solicit money for ACS and then walk the track on June 15 to demonstrate that Cancer does not sleep and neither do we. It is not too early to start the process. Go to RelayForLife.org and sign up.

Relay 2019 is also looking for people to help plan the activities at the event. Become part of the Event Leadership Team. If you are interested, contact Margaret Illis at margaret.illis@gmail.com.

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(above) Team 'Soerl Brainstomers' from New Providence was one of 53 teams that participated in Relay for Life 2018. Teams for Relay for Life 2019 are forming now.

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AMERICAN LEGION POST 433 ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER FUNDRAISER

Submitted by Linda Kale

The New Providence American Legion invites you to our St. Paddy's Day Dinner Fundraiser on Friday, March 15, 2019, from 5 to 8 p.m. Post 433 is located at 357 Elkwood Avenue in New Providence.

The Post will be serving Corned Beef & Cabbage, Potatoes, Irish Farmhouse Stew, Salad, Soda Bread, Crusty Bread, Desserts, Soft Drinks, Coffee and Tea, BYOB. Suggested donations are: \$20 for adults, \$10 under 17 years, children under 10 free.

The revenue raised from the St. Patrick's Day

Dinner will go to various veteran's programs and their families.

Please RSVP. Call/Leave message 908-464-9010 or email alpost433@live.com by March 13.

American Legion is the largest and most powerful organization of U.S. wartime veterans and their families. Since 1919 the American Legion has delivered substantial improvements for veterans and their families. To become a member or for more information about American Legion Post 433, call: 908-464-9010 or email: alpost433@live.com.



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Memoir Writing (Adults)

March 2,9,16 at 10 - 11 a.m.

A 3-part memoir writing workshop with local author Joann Jackovino. Free.

Celtic Music Concert (Adults)

March 3 at 3 p.m.

Ian Gallagher, Irish singer and musician, will perform Irish songs in this free performance sponsored by the Friends of the NPML.

Knitting/Crocheting Group (Adults)

March 4 at 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Drop by the Coddington room with a knitting or crocheting project to work on.

Teen Wii Gaming - Mario March Madness (Teens Grades 6-12)

March 5 at 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Wii Gaming is back at the library, this time to celebrate all Mario games! Teens are welcome to come play Wii in the library with friends for an afternoon of Mario March Madness.

Nonfiction Book Group (Adults)

March 7 at 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

The nonfiction book group will discuss The New Jim Crow by Michelle Alexander. Copies of the book will be available to pick up at the front desk in the preceding month. New members welcome.

Sumi E Society of NJ Art Reception (Adults)

March 10 at 3 p.m.

A public reception will be held by the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library to celebrate the Sumi E Society of New Jersey's art exhibit, which is on display in the Conti room and gallery area of the library. Free.

Teen Job Hunting 101

(Teens Grades 7-12 & Parents of Teens)

*March 11 at 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Teens and their parents are invited to come learn the ins and outs of teen job-hunting in our area. Local business owners, organizations and HR reps will be part of a Panel Discussion on Job Hunting for teens, and will feature information on specific jobs that are available to teens, different types of work to consider, how to prepare for interviews, and more. Don't miss this great community collaboration!

Snap Circuits Jr. Club (Kids)

March 12 at 3:30 p.m.

Calling all budding scientists and engineers! Snap circuits makes learning electronics easy and fun! come and put together circuit boards.

Teen Wii Gaming - Wii Lego (Teens Grades 6-12)

March 15 at 3-4:30 p.m.

Our next installment in our Wii Gaming series will feature all Wii Lego games. Invite your friends and play Wii Lego Harry Potter, Wii Lego Indiana Jones and Wii Lego Star Wars. We'll even put out our bins of Legos while waiting your turn to play.

Storytime with Katie (Kids)

*March 16 at 10:30 a.m.

Join Miss Katie for a fun storytime and craft. Registration required.

Baseball Discussion Group (Adults)

March 18 at 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Baseball fans are invited to come talk about their favorite teams and players, or just listen.

Knitting/Crocheting Group (Adults)

March 18 at 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Drop by the Coddington room with a knitting or crocheting project to work on.

Art & Stories with Miss Alyson (Kids in Grades K-2)

*March 19 at 4:00 p.m.

Join Miss Alyson for a special story, literacy activity & craft. Registration required.

Book Group (Adults)

March 21 at 10 - 11 a.m.

The book group will discuss Saints For All Occasions by J. Courtney Sullivan. Copies of the book will be available to pick up at the front desk in the preceding month. New members welcome.

Make & Take Snack (Kids & Families)

*March 22 at 3:30 p.m.

Make a healthy snack with ShopRite dietician Michelle. A fun, healthy preview to NJ Makers Day tomorrow!

New Jersey MAKERS DAY!!! (All Ages)

*March 23 at ALL DAY

NJ Makers Day is a celebration of maker culture across New Jersey. This all-ages event supports making, tinkering, crafting, manufacturing, and STEM-based learning. The NPML is proud to be a Makers Day participant. Come by the library all day on Saturday, March 23 to get creative and be part of the fun!

*Some programs require advance registration.

Check our website for more details.

LEGO Club (Kids)

March 26 at 3:30 p.m.

Come build with us! Try the monthly challenge or build any creation you'd like!

Teen Movie & Craft "Crimes of Grindelwald" (Tweens & Teens Grades 5-12)

March 27 at 3-5 p.m.

Calling all Harry Potter fans! Come at 3:00 to make magic wands and invisible ink messages, then stay for the newly- released movie, "Crimes of Grindelwald!" Open to students in Grades 5-12.

Short Story/ Poetry Reading: Goldfinch Launch (Adults)

March 30 at 2 p.m.

Women Who Write, Inc. hosts readings of short stories and poems published in their literary journal, The Goldfinch, followed by an open mic for the public.

Teen Study Space (Middle & High School Students)

Tuesday, March 12 at 4-6 p.m.

in Coddington Room

Wednesday, March 20 at 3-5 p.m.

in Conti Room

Reserved space in the library for all teens who need a quiet place to read and work. Tables, chairs and wifi available. Come with a study group, help out a friend, or just get your own work done. Drop in & out as needed.

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SAGE PREPARES FOR 2019 MARCH FOR MEALS

Submitted by Cindy Potters

City officials and members of community organizations are invited to join SAGE Eldercare in March as it participates in the 17th annual March for Meals – a month-long, nationwide coming together of local community organizations, businesses, government officials and caring individuals to ensure that homebound and vulnerable older adults are not forgotten.

Participants have included NJ State Senator Thomas Kean Jr., Summit Mayor, Nora Radest, Police Chiefs from Summit, New Providence, Berkeley Heights, Springfield and Mountainside and local government officials and volunteers.

Established in 1966, SAGE's Meals on Wheels is the oldest continuously run home delivery meal program in New Jersey. In 2018, approximately 300 volunteers delivered more

than 47,000 meals to 232 people in Union County (Berkeley Heights, Mountainside, New Providence, Springfield, and Summit), Essex County (Millburn and Short Hills), and Morris County (Chatham and Madison).

"The services that we provide older adults in our area are critical; it's not just a warm meal, but also a friendly visit, sometimes the only human contact a person gets the whole day," said Marianne Kranz, SAGE Director of Meals on Wheels. "Together, we can keep older adults living independently, healthier at home and feeling more connected to their community as they age."

For more information about participating in March for Meals, contact Marianne Kranz at: 908-598-5514 or email: mkranz@sageeldercare.org.

ABOUT SAGE

Since 1954, SAGE Eldercare has been helping make the communities it serves amazing places to age. The organization provides a wide array of information, support, and services designed to help individuals lead the most independent and active lives possible. From helping with errands and providing Meals on Wheels, to exercise classes, community programs, care planning, an adult day health care center, and home health care, SAGE's expertise helps older adults remain independent in their own homes. SAGE is committed to being the leading provider of programs and services to meet the changing needs of older adults, their families, and caregivers throughout Union, Essex, Morris, and Somerset Counties. For more information, please call 908-273-5550 or visit sageeldercare.org.

ABOUT MEALS ON WHEELS AMERICA

Meals on Wheels America is the oldest and largest national organization supporting the more than 5,000 community-based senior nutrition programs across the country that are dedicated to addressing senior hunger and isolation. This network exists in virtually every community in America and, along with more than two million volunteers, delivers the nutritious meals, friendly visits and safety checks that enable America's seniors to live nourished lives with independence and dignity. By providing funding, leadership, research, education and advocacy support, Meals on Wheels America empowers its local member programs to strengthen their communities, one senior at a time. For more information, or to find a Meals on Wheels provider near you, visit mealsonwheelsamerica.org.



(above) Summit Mayor, Nora Radest and SAGE Board of Trustee Member, Chris Glacken of Berkeley Heights delivered Meals on Wheels in 2018 in support of March for Meals, a nationwide coming together of local community organizations, businesses, government officials and caring individuals to ensure that homebound and vulnerable older adults are not forgotten. If you would like to participate this year (one weekday for 1 ½ hours) please contact Marianne Kranz at: 908-598-5514 or email: mkranz@sageeldercare.org.

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Tuesday, March 12

"Bloody Callan" at Bridgewater
"Celtic Rebels Band" at Gillette
"Courtney Colletti" at Flemington
2 Seatings: 5:45 & 7:15 pm

Thursday, March 14

"Celtic Rebels Band" at Bridgewater
"Round the House" at Gillette
"The Snakes" at Flemington
2 Seatings: 5:45 & 7:15 pm



ST. PATRICK'S DAY ♣

Sunday, March 17

"Hooley Shooters" at Bridgewater
"Courtney Colletti" at Gillette
"Bloody Callan" at Flemington

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OLD GUARD MARCH EVENTS

If you are a retired male and have an interest in living an interesting life with like-minded men... new members are always welcomed. Put on your business casual attire or jacket & tie (or something more casual from May to September) and attend a meeting.

Meetings are held each Tuesday in the council meeting room of the New Providence NJ Municipal Center at 360 Elkwood Ave, New Providence NJ, starting at 9:30 a.m. with coffee and conversation, followed by programs consisting of stimulating talks by people such as past governors, mayors, politicians, Nobel Prize winners, physicians, judges, professors, scientists, economists, authors, journalists, etc.

After the meetings, many members join together to have lunch at various local restaurants.

MARCH 2019 SPEAKERS

MARCH 5

RESEARCH ON HOMELESS AND HELPING YOUNG CHILDREN ADVANCE TO COLLEGE

Rabbi Charles Kroloff, Rabbi Emeritus Temple Emanu-El Westfield, NJ and Professor at Hebrew Union College, New York. will speak about his research and his book on the homeless population, 'When Elijah Knocks' (A Religious Response to Homelessness) and also about "I Have a Dream" project to help underprivileged children.

MARCH 12

COLLEGE ATHLETICS – THEN AND NOW

Mr. Robert Beller, Risk Management and Institutional Compliance Officer- Athletics at Rutgers University will speak about today's demand on men and women's college athletic programs versus the demands of decades ago. Mr. Beller was a member of Harvard's basketball team in the 1970s.

MARCH 19

OUR ANNUAL SPECIAL TOPICS FOR SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

Dr. Dermot Quinn, Professor and Director of Graduate Studies at Seton Hall University, discussed last year at the Summit Old Guard, the diaspora of the Irish to New Jersey. This year he will continue speaking about some special interests with the Irish and Ireland.

MARCH 26

SPORTS TRIVIA PART TWO – THE REST OF THE STORY

Mr. Joseph S. Gyenes, educator, basketball referee and trivia expert, spoke at an Old Guard meeting in 2017. At this meeting his topic was 'Sports Trivia with a Personal Touch'. At today's meeting he will continue his enjoyable discussion with more sports stories and information which we probably have never heard.

PRESENTATION WITH THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

In honor of Women's History Month, The League of Women Voters of Berkeley Heights, New Providence, and Summit will present Ruth Ann Koenick, who will be speaking about "#MeToo, Violence Against Women, History and Hope."

The program will be held on Monday, March 11, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at the DeCorso Community Center, 15 E. 4th St. in New Providence. The program is free and open to the public. There will be a Q&A following the presentation.

Ms. Koenick was the director of the Office for Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance at

Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey. She worked in the field of violence against women for 45 years. Ms. Koenick is an author, speaker and mentor.

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan political organization that works to increase understanding of major policy issues and influences public policy through education and advocacy. The League of Women Voters of New Jersey has a state sub-committee on Women and Family Issues which has taken up the task of studying campus sexual assault and looking for ways to prevent assaults and protect the victims.

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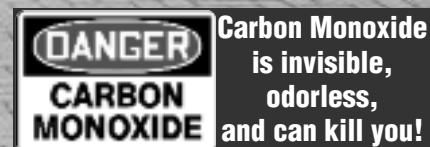
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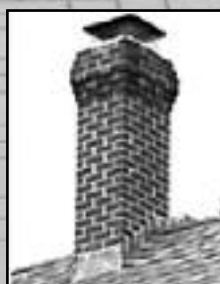
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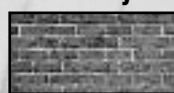
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