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RESCUE SQUAD WELCOMES NEW CADETS

Submitted by ToniAnn Gestone

The Berkeley Heights Volunteer Rescue Squad (BHVRS) is very pleased to welcome our 2019-2020 Cadets.

BHVRS not only trains high school students (16-18 years old) in Emergency Medical Services, but allows them to respond to emergency calls. The Cadets are trained in CPR and First Aid through the American Red Cross and American Heart Association and receive hands-on practical training at their mandatory monthly meetings and from their EMT crew members as well.

The Cadets volunteer three hours per week with assigned shifts and six hours each month on weekends. It's definitely not for

WTEER RESCU everyone, but these dedicated young women and men look forward to that anticipated emergency call, and the opportunity to put their training into action and help those who need medical attention.

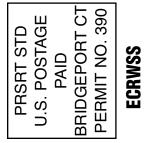
The experience has transformed the lives of many Cadets.

Some have gone on to become NJ certified EMTs and some continue to be involved with BHVRS while on college breaks. It's immensely rewarding work, volunteers say.

The Berkeley Heights Volunteer Rescue Squad is staffed 100% by volunteers who live and work in the town. Squad crews respond to emergency calls 24 hours per day, seven days a week. In addition, the Squad responds to calls for assistance in surrounding towns when needed. The BHVRS is a tax-deductible organization and is funded almost exclusively through donations.

For more information on the squad or to volunteer with the Berkeley Heights Volunteer Rescue Squad, visit our website or call 908-464-0013

or email Membership@BHVRS.org. Even if you don't think you want to join BHVRS, come visit with us at our weekly Open House/Meet & Greets, Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m. Bring the family and meet our members, have some refreshments and tour the ambulances!





(above, l-r) Back row: Livi Quiroga, Megan Knecht, Megan Collins, Jessica Poulos, co-captain Zoe O'Halloran, Christopher Poulos, Bobby Matfes, cadet advisor Joe Plocinski; Front Row: Deana Rodrigues, Olivia Buchholz, Sophia Rocco, co-captain Kira Lu, Carla Arca-Sedda



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ST VINCENT DE PAUL CLOTHING DRIVE

St Vincent de Paul Parish Rosary Altar Society will be holding a clothing drive on Saturday and Sunday, October 19 and 20, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. A & E Clothing Corp, Carteret, NJ, helps facilitate collection of clothing, linens and shoes for distribution throughout the US and developing countries. They will sort and ship the items and compensate the Rosary Society per pound

St Vincent de Paul Parish Rosary Altar collected. These funds will go toward the needs ociety will be holding a clothing drive on of the Parish community.

Donations of clothing, shoes, belts, handbags, linens, stuffed animals, bikes and strollers will be accepted at the church, 250 Bebout Ave, Stirling. Please bag items no heavier than 20 lbs. and bag shoes separately. Please contact the parish office at 908-647-0118 or parish@stvincetnschurch.org with questions.



(above) The clothing, shoes and other donations that were collected during the May drive. St Vincent de Paul Parish Rosary Altar Society will be holding another clothing drive on Saturday and Sunday, October 19 and 20, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Join us on Wednesday, Oct 23, 2019 at 7:00 PM for a presentation on how to help children cope with anxiety. LearningRx Warren is pleased to host Dr. Cassandra M. Faraci, a licensed clinical psychologist who specializes in evidence-based treatment for anxiety.

In this presentation, she will discuss causes of child anxiety, factors that maintain the anxiety cycle, and strategies parents and teachers can use to help children cope with anxiety.

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NEIGHBORS Contribute 132 Pairs of shoes

Submitted by Kimberly Diamond Sustainable Berkeley Heights collected 132 pairs of sneakers, sandals, boots, and other footwear during its summer shoe drive. Collectively, the shoes totaled 160.6 pounds. These sneakers, sandals, boots, and other footwear are finding their way to those in need, rather than taking up space in a landfill.

According to BusinessGreen, it takes at least 50 years for shoes to decompose in a landfill, and when they do decompose, they release into the environment harmful chemicals that resided in the glue, rubber, and other materials used in the shoes' construction. By participating in this shoe drive, the Berkeley Heights community has taken a small step in doing its part to address this issue. Sustainable Berkeley Heights thanks friends and neighbors who contributed their shoes.

For additional information about this shoe drive and other events in which Sustainable Berkeley Heights is involved, please visit SustainableBH.org.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS TO HOST CANDIDATES FORUMS

The League of Women Voters of Berkeley Heights, New Providence & Summit (LWV-BHNPS) will be very busy throughout the month of October.

Local leagues host candidate debates to provide candidates' positions for all levels of government. LWV-BHNPS is sponsoring a Candidates Forum in Berkeley Heights on Tuesday, October 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 29 Park Avenue for Candidates running for Berkeley Heights Township Council. On Wednesday, October 23, the Candidates running for New Providence Borough Council will meet in a forum at 7:30 p.m. at New Providence High School, in the Choir Room. Both these forums will be taped and shown on the cable access stations. Summit's Candidates are running unopposed so based on League rules there is no forum.

The League, including state and local leagues, runs VOTE411.org, a website that allows voters to input their address and get candidate information tailored to their ballot. It is a one stop digital guide to know your candidates and election information. The League of Women Voters of NJ contacted all candidates running for statewide office. LWV-BHNPS contacted all candidates in Berkeley Heights (Township Council and Board of Education), Mountainside (Mayor, Borough Council), New Providence (Borough Council), Summit (Mayor and Common Council), Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and Union County Surrogate and invited them to participate in Vote411. Please read their responses.

Educating the public is the League of Women Voters number one mission. Please go to Vote411.org or UnionCountyvotes.com .



Alzheimer's New Jersey offers support services, education and programs to New Jersey families affected by Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. Order a meal to go in advance by calling 908-903-0911 by November 5th and you will directly support this worthy cause, not to mention enjoy an excellent meal prepared by our fabulous chef!



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OCTOBER 2019 SAGE ELDERCARE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SAGE Eldercare, 290 Broad Street, Summit. To register or for more information, please call 908-598-5548 or email education@sageeldercare.org.

Avoid the Pitfalls of Long-term Care

Thursday, October 3 A program to learn about common mistakes that are made during a long-term care crisis, and how to avoid those mistakes, will be discussed. Elder Law Attorney Laurie Hauptman Esq from Hauptman and Hauptman, P C will explain how to effectively navigate the maze of the senior health care system with a plan and professional guidance. Avoid having your life savings wiped out, details about estate planning, power of attorney documents, and more, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Living Options As We Age Thursday, October 17

As we and our loved ones age, we are faced with the decision of whether or not to remain in our homes. In this panel discussion we will learn about different living options. Our panel of experts will outline various living arrangements and their levels of care to help you navigate the future, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Medicare Changes in 2020 Thursday, October 31

Join us for one of our presentations by SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program) counselors of Union County led by SHIP counselors of Union County SAGE. Come have all of your questions answered. Individual appointments are available also, 12:30 - 1:30p.m.

Fun-to-be-Fit Exercise Class

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (10:15 – 11:15 a.m.) and 4, 11, 18, 25 (11:30 - 12:30) General exercise class for older adults designed to improve overall fitness for all levels. Cost is \$10 per class. SAGE Eldercare, 290 Broad Street, Summit. To register or for more information, please call 908-598-5548 or email education@sageeldercare.org.

Gentle Chair Yoga

October 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30 (11:30 - 12:30 p.m.)Class for older adults that deepens flexibility and strengthens personal body awareness. SAGE Eldercare, 290 Broad Street, Summit. Cost is \$10 per class. 11:30 – 12:30 pm.

Tai Chi

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (11:30 - 12:45 p.m.)Tai Chi is a series of precise flowing movements that develop balance, strength, flexibility, focus, endurance, and calmness. Cost is \$10 per class. 11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.,

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CHILDREN'S STORY TIMES AND PROGRAMS:

Good Tymes String Band: Tuesday, October 8 at 10:30 a.m. for all ages **Paper Plate Story Time** Tuesdays, October 1, 15, 22, 29 10:30 a.m. story and paper plate craft for ages 3 - 5 Mother Goose on the Loose Thursdays, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 9:30 a.m. books, music, rhymes and play for ages 0 - 24 months Craft to Go

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ADULT PROGRAMS: Morning Book Group

Friday, October 4 at 10:30 a.m. will discuss Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil by John Berendt.

Evening Book Group

Tuesday, October 8 at 7:30 p.m. will discuss The Haunting of Hill House by Shirley Jackson.

New members are welcome; to join, please stop by or call the Reference Desk (908-464-9333, extension 150).

Italian Conversation Group

Meets weekly on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Informal Italian conversation group led by a fluent Italian speaker is for teens and adults. Beginners welcome! Check the library's calendar at bhplnj.org/event-calendar for program changes and additions.

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ANUJA BHAMERE STEPS UP TO ADVOCATE FOR FOSTER YOUTH



(above) Anuja Bhamere of Berkeley Heights joined Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Union County as an advocate for foster youth.

Submitted by Gretchen Boger-O'Bryan

Anuja Bhamere of Berkeley Heights is among the latest community volunteers to successfully train as advocates for Union County youth removed from home due to abuse or neglect, and now living in foster care. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Union County is the only organization serving as extra eyes and ears for family law judges in an effort to protect best interests and ensure needs are met.

As Bhamere and her classmates arrived at the courthouse, Judge Richard Wischusen continued his practice of exiting his courtroom to greet and speak with the waiting volunteers. Later, while on the bench during the ceremony, he commended each for their commitment to the community's fragile child victims, and discussed the value of the CASA program to those children and case stakeholders, noting he always reads the CASA report and seeks their input during hearings.

Volunteers with varied backgrounds make successful advocates and this class, ages 24 to 71, is no exception. Each brings diverse experiences, including an adoptee, an adoptive parent, former military, immigrants, nonparents and parents, retirees, full- and part-time employees, and undergraduate and graduate students. Professional backgrounds include education, retail, nonprofit, information technology and academia. Most had no prior knowledge of the

foster system.

The final step before meeting their assigned foster youth is observation of seasoned CASA volunteers in court. Once assigned to the case, a court order grants access to the child, foster parents, doctors, caseworkers, therapists and teachers, enabling advocates to make informed recommendations in the child's best interests.

There are approximately 500 Union County youth from birth to age 21 in foster care, and more than 200 are waiting for a CASA volunteer. Is that you? Contact Courtney:

cgreen@casaofunioncounty.org or 908-293-8136 to learn more.



(above, l-r) Joining Judge Richard Wischusen, center, are Union County's newest child advocates. They are Lisa Riley of Elizabeth, Anuja Bhamere of Berkeley Heights, Diane McCurdy of Mountainside, Adrian Lobo of Westfield, Guitry Banks of Jamesburg, Magdiel Rubiano of Elizabeth, Chris Tobin of Cranford, Victoria Utoh of Union and Karen Villareal of Scotch Plains. Not pictured, Beth Rudnick of Westfield.

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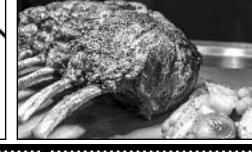
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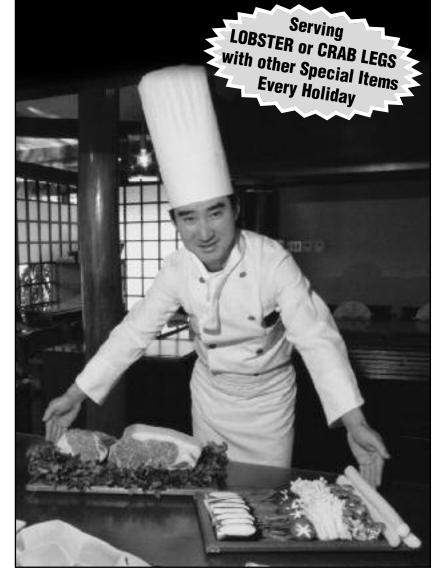
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TICKETS ON SALE FOR SHINING STARS GALA, CHRISTMAS SHOW

Shining Stars Network, a non profit organization shining the light on the special needs community through the performing arts and other activities, has two exciting events planned over the next few months.

Shining Stars will be hosting their inaugural "Reach for the Stars" Gala on Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at the the elegant Park Savoy Estate in Florham Park, featuring a 5-star dinner and show featuring the Shining Stars special needs cast members.

The night will feature a cocktail hour, dinner and a Venetian hour, all highlighted by a 45minute performance from the amazing and talented Shining Stars cast, along with a 50/50 raffle and auction items.

"This is a night we've been dreaming of having for quite some time," noted Shining Stars Network co-founder and President Mike Curci. "As we continue to expand our mission of



providing opportunities in the performing arts, we felt a gala would be a wonderful way to introduce our special stars to the corporate community and other donors while raising funds that will allow us to grow our programs."

Shining Stars Network is an expansion of the successful Shining Stars talent shows which began in Cranford more than eight years ago with 15 cast members. That number has grown to 50 and there are new requests each week from those who want to become a part of the Shining Stars family. While the majority of cast members live in Union County, there are cast members from seven different counties who have taken the stage.

"It's an exciting time for our organization and we continue to receive requests from those who want to join our cast," said Curci. "We know there's a need for what we are providing and our goal is to continue our mission of creating even more opportunities to be on stage in the future."

"Being on stage builds self-confidence and self-esteem, which is something our stars take into their everyday lives," noted Shining Stars Network co-founder and co-director Sally Curci. "Friendships are built between cast members and our volunteer 'buddies' and these long-lasting bonds are just as important as the performing. Our goal is to provide more opportunities as possible for the special needs community."

Tickets for the "Reach for the Stars" gala are available at shiningstars.booktix.com or you can email your ticket request to shiningstarsgala@gmail.com. The cost to attend is \$150.00 per person.

"We are incredibly thankful to our gala committee members for their time and dedication," added Mike Curci. "We could not do this without them. And we cannot say enough thank you's to the local community for their continued support in helping our stars shine over these past eight years."

In addition, Shining Stars Network is also excited to present their second annual "Christmas

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Spectacular," a not to be missed evening of holiday favorites presented by their incredible cast and filled with sing-a-longs and audience participation, including the return of "The Twelve Days of Christmas," which includes every audience member and instantly became an audience favorite.

Because of the success of last year's show, this year's "Christmas Spectacular" will be presented at the beautiful and historic Union County Performing Arts Center in Rahway on Thursday, December 5, 2019.

"UCPAC has been our home for the past two "Evening of Shining Stars" shows, which drew an audience of more than 1,000 each year," said Curci. "We are thrilled to take our Christmas show to this iconic stage and look forward to presenting another magical night for our audience."

Tickets for the Shining Stars "Christmas Spectacular" are on sale now at UCPAC.org/events. There will be a 10% discount on tickets through November 1 by using the code "holiday stars."

Also, mark you calendars for Friday, May 8, 2020 when the Shining Stars return to the UCPAC main stage for the third straight year. The 9th annual "Evening of Shining Stars" promises to be bigger and better than ever.

"Our stars continue to inspire us every day with their passion, dedication and talents," said co-director Nicole Greene. "We can't wait to see them shine on stage again."

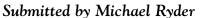
Shining Stars Network, Inc. is a registered 501(c)(3) non profit organization that shines the light on the special needs community by creating opportunities in the performing arts and other events. In addition, our Shining Stars Ambassadors basketball team travels to play local first responders and organizations with the goal of building friendships and understanding in an inclusive environment. The successful Camp Shine — a two-week special needs performing arts summer camp, just concluded their 3rd year.





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One of the most challenging aspects of running a small non-profit is having a place to meet. A good meeting room provides an atmosphere that facilitates effective and decisive meetings.

There's nothing wrong with a friend's living room or a library conference room. Starbucks and Panera Bread seem not to mind meetings. However these options aren't always reliable because of their "first-come, first-serve" nature and certainly can become challenging when the number of members grows.

The Watchung Hills Elks have 6.5 acres of property that include a lodge meeting hall, bandstand, picnic ground and pavilion. These are all available for rent by the public — birthday parties, retirement celebrations, weddings, concerts, movie-nights, etc.

But for non-profits in and near Warren Township, NJ, they can be rented at no charge. (Additionally if you're an Elk, you gain access to our bar/lounge and large, private swimming pool.)

Areas are available at no-charge, Mondays through Thursdays for non-profits and available Fridays through Sundays for a suitable donation. There is seating for about 80 at the round tables in the "banquet style" and seating for about 100 in the "theater style." 8 foot pull-down projection screen (bring your own projector) is available. Other attributes include high-speed internet, good overhead lighting, and ample parking.

We're happy to count these non-profit organizations as satisfied customers of our facilities: American Legion of North Plainfield, Warren Township Cub Scouts, Warren Township Girl Scouts, Warren Township Honorary PBA, and Warren Township PBA Local #235.

Call the lodge to check the calendar at 908-668-9727 and please leave a message if we aren't available to pick-up the phone, or send an email to reservations@elkslodge885.org and the bar staff will get back to you as soon as possible about your request. We're located at 1 Elks Trail, Warren, NJ, 07059 (across the street from the Warren Township Rescue Squad).



(above) The Watchung Hills Elks has meeting spaces available for non-profits at no cost from Monday through Thursday.



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ST. JOSEPH SOCIAL CENTER ANNUAL FUNDRAISING RAFFLE DINNER

St. Joseph Social Center invites the community to their Annual Fundraising Raffle Dinner to be held on October 17, 2019 at the Westwood in Garwood.

Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark, will be the event's guest speaker.

The Grand Raffle will be for 3 cash prizes: \$7,500, \$1,500, and \$1,000. Only 2,500 tickets will be sold so please get your tickets early!

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Since 1983, St. Joseph's has served the materially poor and homeless community of greater Elizabeth, New Jersey, by providing basic human needs such as food, clothing and medications, as well as a wide range of services and programs to help them acquire the material goods and social services they need to live with integrity. St. Joseph's is an independent, nonprofit 501(c)3 organization.



(above) Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark will be the guest speaker.



YMCA CELEBRATING 99 YEARS

Submitted by Shannon Myre

The YWCA Union County announces our Fall Cocktail Reception, Celebrating Empowerment: 99 Years on a Mission. This is our signature event celebrating nearly a century of serving our community and empowering survivors of domestic violence. This event will be held Thursday, October 10, 2019 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Westwood in Garwood and is a major fundraiser for our domestic violence programs.

The 2019 Honorees are Kean University, The Housing Authority of the City of Elizabeth, and Westfield United Fund.

The YWCA's Mission is eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. In 1978, our organization dedicated its mission to an urgent need in our communities – domestic violence. YWCA Union County is on a mission to empower survivors of domestic violence to become safe and free from abuse through comprehensive, client-centered services, and through education, collaboration and advocacy that builds safe, informed and supportive communities.

Domestic violence crosses all barriers of race,

ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, gender and socioeconomic status and it is a crime that impacts our entire community. It is estimated that 1 in every 3 women and 1 in 7 men will be affected by domestic violence in their life - more than breast cancer, lung cancer, and ovarian cancer combined. The monetary cost of domestic violence in the United States in dollars has been estimated to exceed 9.3 billion dollars a year in medical and mental health services, loss of productivity, and loss of paid earnings. An average of 3 women per day in the United States are killed as a result of domestic violence.

The YWCA's Celebrating Empowerment: 99 Years on a Mission will be held during Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The program will include delicious food, refreshments, an online silent auction, a 50/50 raffle, and much more. Proceeds of the event will benefit the YWCA Union County's Domestic Violence Programs. For more information or tickets, contact Shannon Myre by email at smyre@ywcaunioncounty.org.

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The Arc of Union County was founded in 1949 when a group of concerned parents of children with intellectual and developmental disabilities gathered by the collective desire for their children to lead fulfilling lives and thrive in their communities, instead of being subject to institutions with harsh living conditions. Seven decades ago, there was much to learn about intellectual and developmental disabilities (then referred to as 'mental retardation'), the people, their families and the causes. There were virtually no programs or services to assist people with disabilities in the community or to support their families. It was a common occurrence for doctors to tell parents that the best place for their child was in an institution. This group of parents was granted a temporary charter by the "New Jersey Parents' Group for Retarded Children", and what is now known as The Arc of Union County was designated the Union County Unit of that Organization. Seventy years later, The Arc has become a local pioneer within Union County and its surrounding areas.

To commemorate this major milestone, The Arc of Union County will hold their landmark event, "Celebrating 70 Years: Autumn & The Arc," on October 3, 2019 from 6 - 9 p.m. at the Stage House Tavern located at 1099 Route 22. Mountainside, NJ. The event will feature three hours of unlimited food, wine and beer, live music, and high value raffle items, including a cruise to Bermuda. Over 100 community partners and supporters are anticipated to join The Arc in their celebration of 70 years of service. All proceeds of this event will benefit the continuation of programs and services provided by The Arc. For tickets and more information, or donate/sponsor, to please contact aoliver@arcunion.org or 973-315-0009 or visit arcunion.org.

"Our 70th Anniversary has been a recordsetting year for the agency," said Frank Caragher, Executive Director of The Arc of Union County.



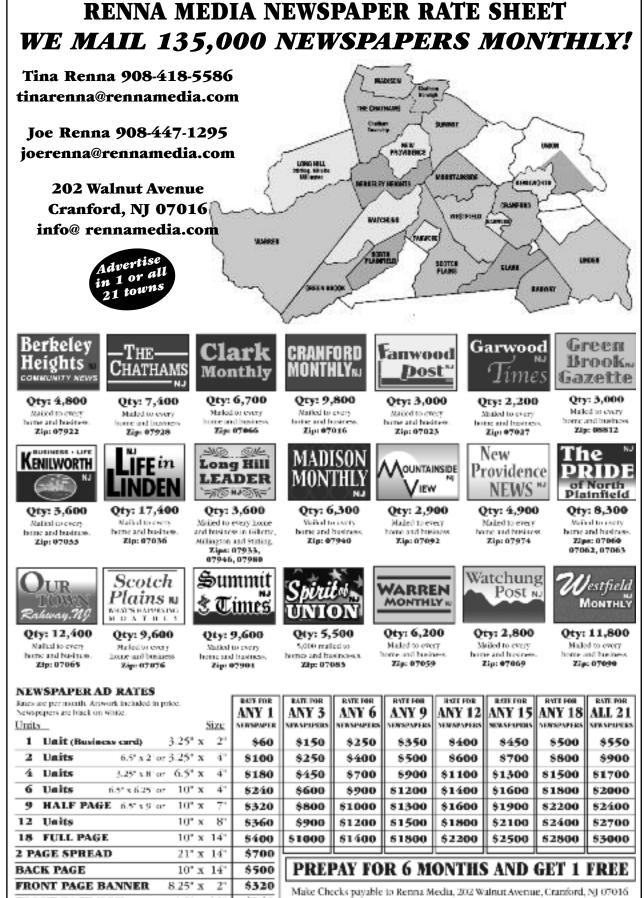
(above) The Arc Kohler School (formerly Harry Kohler Day Care Center) in Winfield Park, NJ is where The Arc of Union County's roots were started, providing services for children and adults with disabilities, including transportation.

"We have a proud history of changing with the times. While the agency has been undergoing exciting new developments and an expansion of services, its core principles have remained constant. As we work to achieve our vision of creating productive and enhanced lives for people with disabilities, their families, and the community, we're taking a moment to reflect on our past while also embracing our future."

Since its founding, The Arc of Union County has played a major role within the community by providing a lifespan of programs and care to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Through quality services and by advocacy efforts to fight the stigma of disabilities, The Arc has a longstanding profound reputation for making change happen. "As we celebrate our 70th Anniversary, we must anticipate the next 70 years. We must continue to grow, taking what has been positive about our history, and use it to improve what we do and how we do it. The more we work together, the stronger we will get, and the better we will be for our consumers and their families," said Frank X. Caragher.

ABOUT THE ARC OF UNION COUNTY

The Arc of Union County is a non-profit, 501c(3) organization headquartered in Springfield, NJ, dedicated to enriching the lives of individuals of all ages with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The Arc of Union County serves more than 1,000 families throughout Union County. To learn more contact 973-315-0000 or visit arcunion.org.



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The Salem Roadhouse Cafe proudly presents Ray Powers & Friends, performing on Saturday, October 12, 2019.

Ray Powers, who was one of the first performers at the inaugural Roadhouse Show, returns as he has every year for his 12th exciting, energetic performance at the Roadhouse Cafe. The usual band will accompany him, along with a list of special musical guests. Ray and the band will perform crowd favorites, and as always will have special guests join in at times for great music and fun.

Ray also has been hosting the The Ray Powers Hour on New Visions Radio, the online "radio station."

His show is syndicated worldwide and reaches 200 countries. He is now the Program Director at New Visions Radio and he just announced an album release in January 2019: 'Ray Powers - The Singles And More.'

Opening for Ray will be Professional Smart Aleck Carla Ulbrich. Carla is a comical singersongwriter and guitarist whose biggest musical influences were (and still are) Sesame Street, camp songs, and cat food commercials. She has a love of the absurdities of ordinary life, a somewhat twisted viewpoint, and a way with words.

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

Artwork and photography will be on display at the Roadhouse Gallery Of Fine Arts.

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

Doors open 7:00 p.m.

The show starts at 7:30 p.m.

Admission is \$20.00.

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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, 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 in 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 bring talent that is new to the Café stage. The current season is benefitting Groundwork Elizabeth – Changing Places, Changing Lives

ADMISSION INCLUDES THE SHOW, SNACKS, BEVERAGES AND DESSERT.

Union 34TV records the shows for broadcast — so check out past shows on cable TV34. See the Roadhouse on Union TV Channel 34's "Union After Dark" nightly music series.

Salem Roadhouse Cafe is located at 829 Salem Road, Union, NJ. Visit online at roadhousecafe.org or facebook.com/roadhousecafe. Reach by phone at phone 1-908-687-1028 (leave a message and a return number).

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