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## LIBRARIAN SUSAN STAUB'S RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

The Fanwood Community came together while social distancing to celebrate the retirement of children's librarian Susan Staub. Family and friends gathered outside the Fanwood Memorial Library on Thursday, July 30th, 2020 to bid a fond farewell to Susan, after 25 years of service.

Susan was hired at the Fanwood Memorial Library in 1995, and immediately began working on programs to help children learn. Over her years of service, she helped create a memorable and intimate environment for children to read, learn, and foster knowledge.

One of Susan's most notable accomplishments is the creation of the Children's library, but she also planned and coordinated popular programs like: Catch the Reading Bug, Imagine Your Story, Build a Better World, and the Summer Drama Workshop.

Speaking at the ceremony were Mayor Colleen Mahr, Councilwoman Patricia Walsh, President of the Board of Trustees Anne Minski, President of the Friends of the Library Carol Campell, and Library Director Dan Weiss.

During their speeches they recalled interesting and exciting times, as well as the challenges over the past 25 years. From special visitors, to an invasion of critters, surviving the HVAC system, and combating the internet, all of which Susan met with the same response, "Just Read."

Members of the community, coworkers, friends, and family all lined up to share another moment with their treasured librarian. Everyone who came to visit Susan shared how she was always there to help, and usually with the perfect book.



(above) Susan with her print of the Fanwood Train Station

Susan took delight in everyone who came out to see her, taking time to reminisce and catch up with the children she once taught. Among those in attendance were former employees and library goers Kat, Rosie, and Sara, who shared nothing but fond memories of their local librarian.

"She's Been around forever... it will definitely be a different place without her here."

In recognition of her years of service, Fanwood Borough presented Susan with a special print of the Fanwood Train Station, traditionally given to individuals who have left their mark on the community. In addition to the print, she received a monogrammed fleece jacket, and countless other gifts from those in attendance.

Even though she was retiring, Susan expressed smiles and happiness throughout the entire ceremony. After looking back on her illustrious career at the Fanwood Memorial Library, she had only one piece of advice to share, "Go Read!"



(above, l-r) Anne Minski, Susan Staub, Dan Weiss, Patricia Walsh, and Carol Campell  
(More photos on page 8)

Photos from this and other events can be found online at [rennamedia.com](http://rennamedia.com) and on Fanwood Post page on [facebook.com](http://facebook.com). Feel free to "Like," "Tag," and "Share."

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## UNITED WAY KICKS OFF VIRTUAL SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

Need for school supplies even greater due to the pandemic

United Way of Northern New Jersey is seeking help from volunteers and donations of new school supplies for its annual United Way Tools for School drive, which provides students with the basic tools needed for learning in any classroom — either in school or virtually from home.

Children still will need basic school supplies, no matter how instruction will be delivered due to the pandemic. The drive seeks to benefit more

than 10,000 elementary and middle school children of ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) workers and those in poverty throughout the northern New Jersey region.

Through a partnership between United Way and YouGiveGoods.com, donors can make an online purchase of supplies that will be delivered automatically to United Way or a partner school. Donations can be made by visiting [www.UnitedWayNNJ.org/ToolsforSchool](http://www.UnitedWayNNJ.org/ToolsforSchool).

Based on needs expressed by local educators, United Way is collecting the following school supplies: hand sanitizer, masks, backpacks, lunch boxes, binders, three-ring notebooks, book covers, filler paper, pocket folders, composition and spiral notebooks, index cards, calculators, pencils, pencil cases, pencil sharpeners, erasers, pens, highlighters, crayons, markers, colored pencils, construction paper, glue, rulers, and scissors.




In addition, school nurses have asked for personal care items such as toothbrushes, deodorant, and kindergarten and first grade-aged children's underwear and socks. Gift cards that can be used to purchase items such as shoes and clothing are also appreciated.

United Way Tools for School seeks to alleviate the budget strains on families who already were struggling to afford basics such as housing and food even before the COVID-19 pandemic hit.

"ALICE essential workers need our help now more than ever," said Kiran Handa Gaudio, CEO of United Way of Northern New Jersey. "United Way Tools for School offers companies, groups, clubs, places of worship, families and individuals a safe way to help neighbors facing unprecedented levels of need."

For more information about making donations, holding a United Way Tools for School drive, visit [www.UnitedWayNNJ.org/ToolsforSchool](http://www.UnitedWayNNJ.org/ToolsforSchool), email [Lisa.Galonardo@UnitedWayNNJ.org](mailto:Lisa.Galonardo@UnitedWayNNJ.org) or call 973.993.1160, x503.

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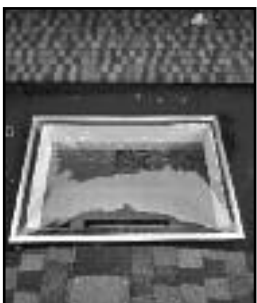
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## SEPTEMBER IS SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

During September mental health advocates, prevention organizations, survivors, allies, and community members unite to promote suicide prevention awareness.

Caring Contact is working locally to change the conversation from suicide to suicide prevention, to actions that can promote healing, help and give hope.

“National Suicide Prevention Month is an important time each year to refocus on supporting our loved ones, friends and colleagues who may be struggling emotionally,” said Janet Sarkos, Caring Contact’s Executive Director. “Awareness events, fundraising initiatives and community conversations are all excellent ways to get involved and are key components to ensuring resources are available and accessible for all. Awareness is especially important now as we have seen an increase in calls since the Covid-19 pandemic began in mid-March.”

Caring Contact encourages individuals to embrace the campaign of #BeThe1To. #BeThe1To is the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline’s message for National Suicide Prevention Month and beyond which helps spread the word about actions we can all take to prevent suicide.

Caring Contact is a local, award-winning, volunteer-staffed crisis hotline and listening community serving central and northern New

Jersey. As a member agency of the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and the International Council for Helplines, Caring Contact compassionately serves those in emotional distress and educates local communities about the power of personal connection. In 2019, hotline volunteers responded to nearly 13,000 calls through the caring and crisis line. For more information please visit [caringcontact.org](http://caringcontact.org). If you, or someone you know, is in crisis, please call 800-273-8255.



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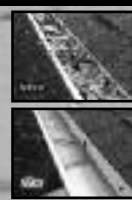
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## COLLEGE CLUB 2020 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

*Submitted by Bernadette Hoyer*

Celebrating its 87th Anniversary, the College Club of Fanwood-Scotch Plains continues its tradition since its inception in 1933: to support the pursuit of a college education for young women in the Scotch Plains and Fanwood communities by providing scholarships. To date the College Club has awarded approximately \$690,000.00 in scholarships to about 552 young women

This past May, the College Club of Fanwood-Scotch Plains awarded a total of \$20,500.00 in scholarships to 10 students, 5 of whom are high school seniors who graduated this June and 5 of whom are currently attending college. These awards included a special education award donated in honor of a current College Club Member, Elaine Carmen.

Among the 2020 College recipients for academic year 2020-2021 are: Aubrey Bagdonas, daughter of John and Jean Bagdonas who will be a sophomore at Villanova; Olivia Barcia, daughter of Vincent and Michele Barcia, who will be a junior at Lafayette College; Vanessa Handy, daughter of Russell Handy Jr. and Marcel Vaughn Handy, who will be a sophomore at NYU; Isabella Hurtado, daughter of Jim and Ann Marie Hurtado, who will be junior at the Fashion Institute of Technology; Alexis Marta, daughter of Melissa Stryker, who will be a senior at The College of New Jersey.

The 2020 High School recipients for academic year 2020-2021 are: Catherine Buren, daughter of Kenneth and Susan Corrigan Buren, who will

be attending The University of Pennsylvania in the fall; Antoinette Chango, daughter of David and Lisa Chango, who will be attending Gettysburg College in the fall, Emma Hastrup, daughter of Herbert and Laura Hastrup, who will be attending Bloomsburg University in the fall, and Isabella Richardson, daughter of Donna Richardson, who will be attending the University of Vermont in the fall.

The annual award for academic achievement was presented to Carina Del Core, daughter of Angelo Del Core, who will be attending George Washington University in the fall.

This is the 84th year that female students,

seeking financial assistance to pursue a four-year college degree, have been helped by the club's fundraising efforts.

The High School awards were presented at the SPFHS virtual annual awards assembly.

The College Club hosts monthly informative programs presented by guest speakers on the third Monday of every month, September through May, free and open to the public, and is looking forward to being able to resume holding meetings. Anyone interested in more information about the College Club of Fanwood-Scotch Plains or would like to become a member please visit the club's website at [fspcollegeclub.org](http://fspcollegeclub.org)

## COLLEGE CLUB SEEKS SUPPORT FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The College Club of Fanwood-Scotch Plains' \$500 ShopRite Gift Card Raffle tickets and 50-50 Raffle Drawing tickets are available for the new drawing date: Sunday, October 4, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Both raffles normally would have been drawn at the Annual Spring event on April 19, 2020. In order to accommodate the Covid-19 regulations, College Club made arrangements to reschedule the drawing.

Since there are only 500 \$500 ShopRite tickets available at a cost of \$5.00 per ticket, the odds of winning are only 1 in 500! The 50-50 Raffle tickets are \$2.00 per ticket or a book of 10 for \$20.00 and will award a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners based on one half of the collected proceeds.

All proceeds are directly used for our Scholarship Fund. College Club has been awarding scholarships to young women for over 80 years. Last year \$20,000 was awarded to deserving young women for the upcoming 2020-21 school year. Please consider supporting this very worthy cause as, due to Covid-19, the Raffle Tickets Sales are even more crucial than ever to provide funds for our Scholarship Awards as this will most likely be our only fundraiser for the 2020 fiscal year.

If you are interested in purchasing ShopRite tickets contact: Dorothy Lusk at 908-230-4917 or [dorothyculleylusk@gmail.com](mailto:dorothyculleylusk@gmail.com); and 50-50 Drawing tickets contact: Sue Spirko at 908-472-8515 or [sslkt@verizon.net](mailto:sslkt@verizon.net).

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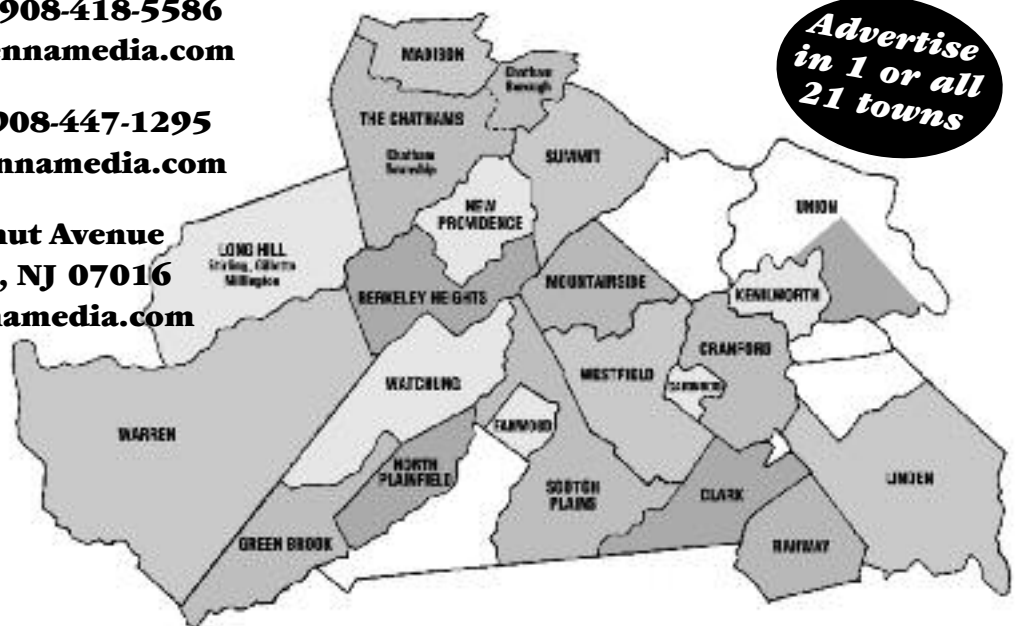
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Rates are per month. Artwork included in price. Newspapers are black on white.

Units	Size	RATE FOR ANY 1 NEWSPAPER	RATE FOR ANY 3 NEWSPAPERS	RATE FOR ANY 6 NEWSPAPERS	RATE FOR ANY 9 NEWSPAPERS	RATE FOR ANY 12 NEWSPAPERS	RATE FOR ANY 15 NEWSPAPERS	RATE FOR ANY 18 NEWSPAPERS	RATE FOR ALL 21 NEWSPAPERS
1 Unit (Business card)	3.25" x 2"	\$60	\$150	\$250	\$350	\$400	\$450	\$500	\$550
2 Units	6.5" x 2" or 3.25" x 4"	\$100	\$250	\$400	\$500	\$600	\$700	\$800	\$900
4 Units	3.25" x 8" or 6.5" x 4"	\$180	\$450	\$700	\$900	\$1100	\$1300	\$1500	\$1700
6 Units	6.5" x 6.25" or 10" x 4"	\$240	\$600	\$900	\$1200	\$1400	\$1600	\$1800	\$2000
9 HALF PAGE	6.5" x 9" or 10" x 7"	\$320	\$800	\$1000	\$1300	\$1600	\$1900	\$2200	\$2400
12 Units	10" x 8"	\$360	\$900	\$1200	\$1500	\$1800	\$2100	\$2400	\$2700
18 FULL PAGE	10" x 14"	\$400	\$1000	\$1400	\$1800	\$2200	\$2500	\$2800	\$3000
2 PAGE SPREAD	21" x 14"	\$700							
BACK PAGE	10" x 14"	\$500							
FRONT PAGE BANNER	8.25" x 2"	\$320							
FRONT PAGE BOX	1.5" x 4.5"	\$240							

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## Online Marketing is like the Wild West

Too many carpetbaggers are exploiting business owners, making empty promises that don't materialize.

Too many businesses are stuck in contracts with no return on investments, no way to check if the work is getting done, and needing to invest more to make things right.

The following is a guide to Renna Media services and costs that you can compare to your present provider.

I highly recommend doing an independent audit of your website!

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Thank you. - Joe Renna

Check out Joe Renna's Hyper Local Network on YouTube. Call 908-447-1295 if you want your business featured online and in print. See sample show below.



## NICK RENNA'S BIBLE REVIVAL

By Joe Renna

My brother Nick is known as 'The Voice of Union County', best known for announcing high school sports. When I created the Hyper-Local Network YouTube channel, we planned on producing a local sports show. The idea was lingering but went completely dormant when the coronavirus put a halt to school altogether.

Nick is not a technical person so any attempt to broadcast would have to be facilitated by someone. That person came in the form of his pastor, Jerry Rittenhouse, who was impressed by Nick's participation in Bible study sessions and thought Nick should be sharing his knowledge of the Bible, his devotion to Jesus, and his gift of gab.

Nick was not plugged into social media. But his fear of big brother was over taken by his love of God. Pastor Jerry created a Facebook page under Nick's name and has been recording him in an impromptu manner. Pastor Jerry has been uploading a video each day since Nick's birthday on August 4th. His videos have been getting a few thousand views each, and he has maxed out his friends list at 5,000.

I'm encouraging Nick to continue his mission, and am loading his videos onto his 'Renna's Arena' playlist.

## Full Service Online Marketing



### Online Marketing Items

- Website ads and Social Media Posts, Classified ads .....\$20 per item
- Special bulk price.....Block of 20 items \$100
- Including: Press releases / Classified Ads
- Web Page / Calendar Event / Monthly Banner ads

### Extra Boost:

- Blast your online ad or press release to a targeted market: .....\$100
- National Press Release Distribution
- to 300 to 500 news outlets .....Budget choice from \$300 to \$500.

### Website / SEO services

- Website Audit/Analysis and recommendation plan: .....\$250
- Website creation/update:.....\$2,400
- (Cost for average website: 12 pages, contact form, SEO friendly, responsive design)
- Website Hosting: .....\$300 per year
- Includes website hosting, software updates, monthly website content updates
- SEO Services:.....average cost \$1,000 - \$2,000 per month
- Custom tailored solutions:
- Google Ranking, Local SEO, Social Marketing

### Video advertising

#### Production:

- Product placement \$250
- 30-second commercial \$500
- 3-minute spot \$1,000
- 30-minute show \$1,500
- 3-hour shoot - \$2,000

**Do not commit to a service unless you have a solid marketing plan and budget.**

Your plan should work on paper before you spend dime one. Don't waste money just trying something. There is no magic bullet. **Call Joe for a free consultation.**

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1 1/2-3 Goose Egg.....\$98

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1 1/2-3 Riverbed.....\$76

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