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Visit https://culturecrawl.org/ for more information. To find out more about Rahway visit rahwayishappening.com.









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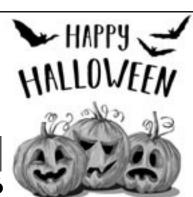
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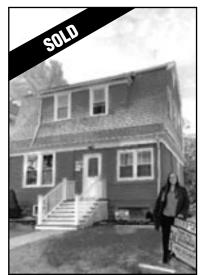






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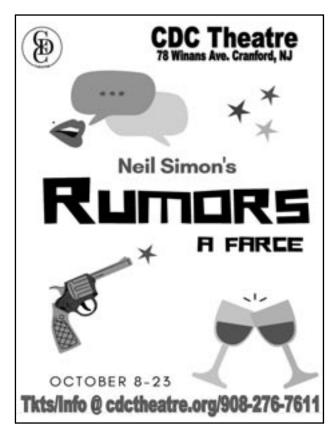
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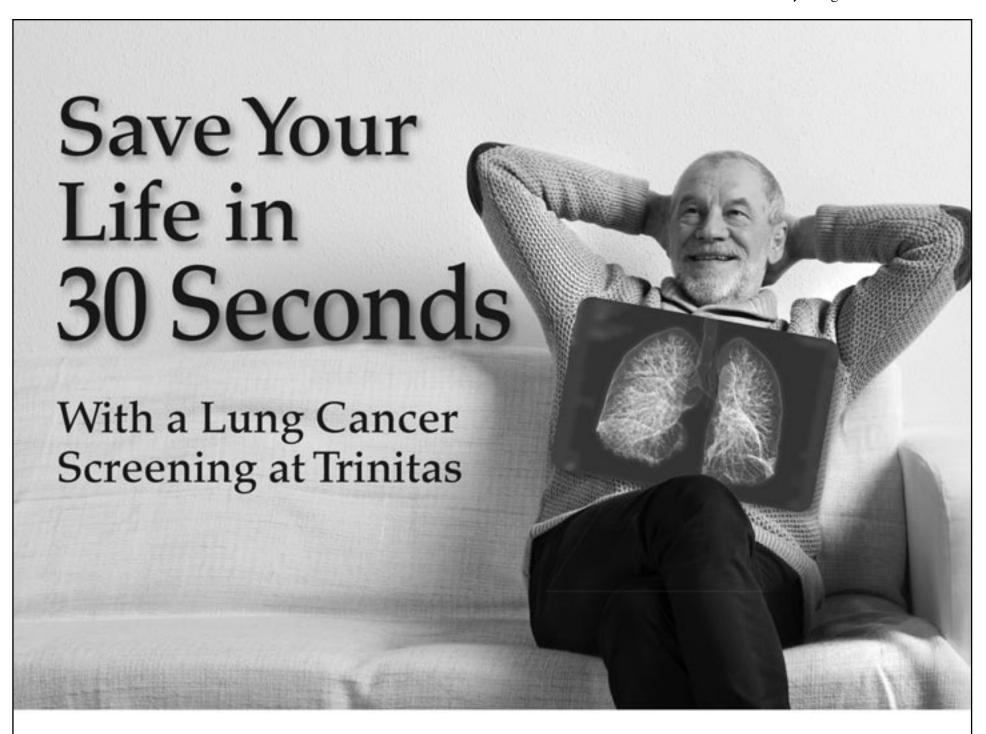
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As the nation continues to reckon with the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, the seventh annual Union County Day of Prayer will serve as "A Memorial Service to Those in Our Memory" on Oct. 6.

The event will be held at 7 p.m. at Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield and is sponsored by Union County Interfaith Coordinating Council and Community Access Unlimited.

The annual Day of Prayer brings the community and leaders of different faiths together for an evening of music, prayers of unity and reflective readings. UCICC works to build bonds within the interfaith community and promotes the respect, inclusion and welcoming of others at houses of worship.

"We cannot do justice to all of the lives that have been taken from us at the Union County Day of Prayer on Oct. 6th, but we can begin to do so together," said Pastor Carmine Pernini of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Rahway. "We can take a few small steps to appreciate the gift that is the life we have yet to live together by honoring those loved ones, those impossible times we have made it through, and those trials that have forged who we are and will be from this side of the pandemic."

The event includes speakers, musicians and readers representing major Abrahamic and Indian religions; among the performers scheduled are students of the Muslim Community Center of Union County and Eliezer Almonte of Communidad Cristiana in Elizabeth. Masks are required and attendees will observe social distancing.

UCICC works closely with Community Access Unlimited to promote accessibility in the local faith community for individuals with developmental disabilities. Past events have included weekly interfaith services and introducing members to different houses of worship in the area.

"Religion and communities of faith are an important part of spiritual life that everyone should have access to regardless of their abilities and needs," said Walter Kalman, associate executive director of Advocacy, Communications and Resource Development at CAU.

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Free for Rahway residents, but registration required at: cityofrahway.org/halloween

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#### If Knee Surgery Sounds Scary, It Should

Have you have been told you are facing knee replacement surgery? Have you been told about all the downsides you could be facing? First and foremost, there are NO guarantees that knee replacement surgery will be the answer to your pain, but let's look further:

- Surgery is costly, regardless of the percentage of services covered by insurance. Surgery requires lost time from work and typically requires a regimen of
- rehabilitation and medications
- With surgery, there is always a risk for unwelcomed complications. And you could be back to where you started, or worse,
- Medications will be required for relief from surgery and you have been down that road before. Addictions to these pain medications can cause potential side effects, something you do not want to experience.
- Rehabilitation can take years.

#### Consider This Alternative To Surgery

Northeast Spine & Wellness Center offers you a real opportunity and a painless way to say goodbye to your knee pain without any surgery. Here are just a few of the important benefits you should consider?

- Diagnostic fluoroscopy accurately targets the pain, unlike blind injections.
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- No lost time from work or family.
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- Recovery time is almost instant, not months or years.

#### How Does This New Treatment Work?

Relief begins almost as fast as it takes to pronounce the treatment. It's called Viscosupplementation Therapy. To begin with, it starts with Northeast

Spine & Wellness Center investing in the use of diagnostic fluoroscopy This enables them to target the exact location of your knee pain with pinpoint accuracy. What follows is a simple injection that causes little to no pain, especially when compared to what you may be living with daily. That explains what you will see on the surface of this revolutionary treatment. What's taking place below the surface is how and where the natural healing process takes place. The injection of a Hyaluronic acid called Hyalgan. This gel-like substance was approved by the FDA in 1996. Hyalgan is a natural substance that mimics the synovial fluid that is already produced by your body in your joints. Osteoarthritis sufferers in particular see a reduction in this much needed synovial fluid in their knee joints. Without that cushioning layer of protection, the cartilage in your knee can begin to wear away leading to the rubbing of bone on bone. Through Viscosupplementation Therapy, this natural substance immediately goes to work reducing the swelling and inflammation in the joint and adding a coating layer of protection. Think about Dorothy taking the oil can to The Tin Man. You'll begin to feel that same kind of relief and quite possibly feel like you're ready for a dance down the yellow brick road to recovery yourself. And with a success rate of over 85% in alleviating pain associated with osteoarthritis, it's easy to see why this treatment is so readily covered by Medicare and by most major insurance providers. Diagnostic fluoroscopy to target the pain, Viscosupplementation Therapy to relieve the pain. Simple, fast and no surgery!

#### Do you Suffer from any of these Symptoms?

There are a number of reasons why you developed Osteoarthritis pain. It can develop with age or because of heredity. It could be from repetitive stress from a job or some glory days in athletics. Of course your concern is with the symptoms you face daily and how to make them end, hopefully without surgery or the use of potentially addictive medications. Northeast Spine & Wellness Center understands the symptoms you have been

living with and can help. If you have any of the symptoms below, please call us today. Relief is a phone call away.

- · Pain Whether it's a sharp aching or maybe a burning sensation, the pain can range from irritating to debilitating.
- · Swelling This can cause tenderness and soreness to the entire knee area, making walking or going up and down stairs painful, getting in and out of bed or bathtubs difficult and dangerous just name a few activities affected by swelling.
- · Stiffness Getting up out of bed or after sitting for a period of time gets more and more difficult. This loss of mobility can be more than a hindrance. It can be dangerous if you need to move quickly
- . Loss of muscle strength This can lead to balance issues and the strong possibility of falling.
- Joint deformity Not just unsightly, but painful as well.
- · Creaking Joints Can be painful and a sign of more discomfort to come
- · Sleepless nights Losing sleep over your suffering is not just irritating, but potentially dangerous because of so many other health concerns that can be affected by loss of

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Every day, I see patients suffering from knee pain due to arthritis, osteoarthritis, sports injuries or other conditions. Many have been told that they are in need of knee replacement surgery. Other patients say they have been prescribed various prescription medications to deal with the pain.

Something else I see almost every day, are patients that have tried viscosupplementation knee injections elsewhere and found it to be a painful and ineffective experience because the injections were not administered using fluoroscopic guidance. Instead of using the



Once I am able to explain to my patients about the pin point accuracy of using diagnostic fluoros copy and the amazing results viscosupplementation can provide, they are thrilled to get started. They are even more thrilled when they feel the relief. Please contact Northeast Spine & Wellness Center today to schedule your RISK FREE consultation

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Submitted by Mr. Bob the Gardener

Suez Water recently was thanked for installing a permanent water source at the Rahway Rain Garden to provide supplemental watering for recently planted flowers and shrubs.

Volunteers have been hard at work over the last year replanting and revitalizing Rahway's Rain Garden located at St. Georges Avenue and Central. The rain garden was created in 2015 and installed by Rutgers University. The rain garden

is designed to capture, filter and divert habitat support for birds, bees, butterflies and stormwater runoff from St. Georges Ave and Central Ave, thereby helping to decrease flooding. The rain garden is planted with native New Jersey pollinator-friendly plants, providing

beneficial insects.

Volunteers are always welcome to join the Rain Garden Committee. More info can be obtained by calling 732-259-8642.



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#### ANNUAL BACK TO SCOUTS EVENT

#### Submitted by Robyn E Koenig

On Saturday, September 11, 2021, the Rahway Girl Scout Service Unit 54 met at Rahway Park to hold their Annual Back To Scouts event. Back to Scouts is a great way for all the troops in Rahway to kick off their year together and get back into the swing of things after being off for the summer. This year was a little extra special as it could not be held last year due to Covid-19.

The girls gathered at Maple Grove #2 to have

fun and reconnect. The activities that the girls participated were tie dying, SWAP making, Indoor/outdoor S'mores and a special tribute for the 20th anniversary of September 11, 2001.

Although none of the girls were born when September 11, 2001 happened, we discussed the importance of keeping the memory of those who died that day alive. Many of the girls spoke about what they had learned about it in school. It was very interesting to hear what they are being taught of this day, especially for

the leaders who had experienced it 20 years ago. The tribute that girls participated in was a Hand Print flag which will hang in Rahway. Then the girls signed the flag to show their respect.

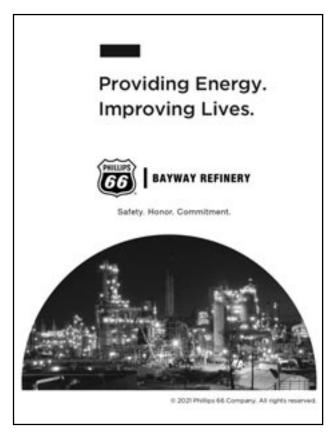
The Girl Scouts had a great day and can not wait to start the new Scout year! If you would like to learn more about Girl Scouts (we accept girls from kindergarten to Senior in High School) please visit our council's website at gshnj.org to find out how to join.





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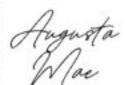


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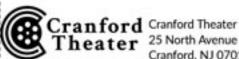


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#### **RAHWAY FOOD FOR FRIENDS TAKES ACTION**

Submitted by Najah Allen

September was Hunger Action Month. A month of giving back, a month to support, and a month to gain further knowledge on food insecure people in Union County, NJ.

Rahway Food For Friends (RFFF) has been operating for 30 years throughout New Jersey, "feeding the whole person." They create a safety net for those who are impacted due to poverty levels, increase of household costs, and those who may not have the opportunity to purchase nutritious foods. Rahway Food For Friends is thrilled to invite the Rahway community and fellow New Jersians to band together as they take a stand against the hunger crisis in The Garden State. Paying homage to their founders, the late Dick Talbot and Bill Reeves who paved the way for this organization to "Feed the Whole Person", RFFF honors their past and present leaders who have served with such passion, grace and dedication to the mission of fighting hunger.

As a partner agency of the Community Food Bank of New Jersey, RFFF provides more nutritious foods to all those families experiencing food insecurity. With the pandemic, children going back to school, and the weather changes, many households can or have been affected across the country, specifically Union County, NJ. Since Hurricane Ida, Rahway Food For Friends have increased their supply and demand of fresh produce available to seniors, those displaced, and families rebuilding due to

damages in the aftermath. Food pantries are needed more than ever. Meeting overwhelming demands and making healthier options a necessity, former Mayor of Rahway Samson Steinman and current Mayor Raymond Giacobbe, The Board of Trustees, and Executive Director Candance Ashe remain innovative in their efforts towards fighting hunger. Fighting hunger in the community remains a "Team Effort" to continue to be Rahway Strong!

Rahway Food For Friends Food pantry is open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays are Mobile pantry delivery days in which the seniors, disabled families and individuals are served with door-to-door food services. Rahway Food For Friends Soup Kitchen remains operating "to go lunches" on every Saturday from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 1731 Church Street, Rahway, New Jersey 07065.

Let's learn a little more about the hunger crisis in Union County, NJ, why Rahway Food For Friends efforts are greatly needed, and why community support keeps the machine operating. According to Feeding America, as of 2019, the food insecurity rate is 7.3% with a little over \$25,000,000 to meet the needs of those who are food insecure. Feeding over 600 families monthly in Union County and the surrounding areas, RFFF understands that even with the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, there are still unmet needs. Rahway Food For

damages in the aftermath. Food pantries are needed more than ever. Meeting overwhelming join the hunger fight during Hunger Action demands and making healthier options a Month. Let's get the community involved making necessity, former Mayor of Rahway Samson sure the hunger crisis is no more!

RFFF thanks all the local businesses who donated: RSI Bank, The City of Rahway, RWJ Rahway Hospital, Rahway Schools, FedEx, Wet Ticket Brewery, Mr. Subs, Rahway's Coffee Box, Rahway's Best After School Program, Rahway's Tiger Martial Arts Academy, Merck, The Rahway Churches, Skip Winters and the Union County Interfaith, Dr. Kristen Koehler and Rahway Community Action, all residents who donated who were featured on our social media platforms, and volunteers! Because of your thoughtfulness and similar beliefs, RFFF will continue to service those in need for another 30 years.

Let's continue to serve our community in need. Please don't hesitate to reach out to volunteer or donate in the form of monetary contributions, clothing, non-perishables, food items, toiletries, baby products, miscellaneous personal items (i.e., soap, toothbrushes, etc.). Rahway Food for Friends needs all helping hands and donations which have become depleted due to increased needs brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic.

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(above) Rahway's Parks and Recreation Food Champions against Hunger: Ally Mongo, Anthony Diege Jr and Marijean Batistella.



(above) The Patel Family is always on hand to assist with food donations.



(above) Marijean Batistella, Board member, and Karen Pickett cleaning up after Hurricane Ida.



(above) Kym Adams of Franklin Elementary School.



(above) Oasis Church Members and Ada Cardona, who are always on call to serve.



(above) Allen Gregory, our longstanding volunteer for over 29 years.



(above) Volunteers, Ed and Paul, Disaster Assistance Samantha Harries.

### RAHWAY FOOTBALL - BEST OF THE DECADES, PART II

Submitted by Al Shipley, City Historian and Rahway Library Research Consultant

Rahway football has a long and storied history dating back to 1908/1909. Over the decades, there have been championship teams that became sources of community pride and individual players who excelled on state and county levels. The following is the second part of a two-part article presenting an account of the teams that were arguably the best of each decade, starting with the 1960s.

#### 1960

The 1960 squad was the last team coached by Boaz "Buzzy" Firkser, who compiled an outstanding 21-2-3 record in his three seasons at Rahway High. After starting out at 1-1, the team won six straight. They were edged out by Springfield Regional 6-0 in the Thanksgiving Day finale, to finish the season with a record of 7-2. Bob Finn and Steve Deutsch were named to the All-County First Team. Bill Jaworovich, Tom Hoagland, and Tony Dinetta were also named to post-season teams.

#### 1978, 1979

After almost 20 years of mediocrity on the gridiron, Rahway football charged back into the ranks of the state's elite teams during the second half of the 1970s. Not since the "golden age" of Rahway Football (1940s and 1950s), had the red and black achieved such success, winning back to back state championships in 1978 and 1979. In the years 1977-1984, Rahway would win three state championships in '78, '79 and '84 and also reach the finals in '77, '80, '81.

The 1978 team (9-2) was guided by first-year coach Mike Punko, who in his 12 years as head coach (1978-83, 1993-99) won two state championships, brought his teams to post-season games seven times, and compiled a career record of 73-48-3. The biggest game of the season was a 23-10 victory over Phillipsburg to capture the Group 3 State Sectional Title. Quarterback Keith Hugger was named to the First Team All-State and All-County Teams. Ken Salters, Bernard Powell, Mike Powell, and Ken Lyons were listed on All-State, All-County, and All-Conference

Teams

In 1979, with several outstanding players returning and again guided by Coach Punko, the team repeated as the Group 3 State Sectional Champs and were ranked Number 4 in the state by the Star Ledger. The team finished with a 10-1 record and shut out six of its opponents. They repeated in besting Phillipsburg 14-6 in the state final played at Giants Stadium. The team was loaded with talent with Bernard Powell, Harold Young, and Tony Catillo named to All-State Teams. Others who received post-season recognition were John Rogiers, Alex Johnson, Herman Blanks, Dave Rankins, Frank Jacik, and Mark Addona.

#### 1980, 1984

The 1980 team (9-2) might have been the best of the 80s, but the 1984 squad (8-2-1) won a State Championship, an accomplishment denied the '80 team. A bit of bad luck and a few costly fumbles prevented the '80 squad from giving Rahway its third consecutive championship. The 10-7 loss to Summit was a heartbreaker for the team and fans alike as they watched the clock tick off the final seconds before a tying field goal could be attempted. Harold Young, Tony Catillo, and Dave Rankins were All-State and All-County selections.

The 1984 team, under the helm of first-year coach, Ed Yergolonis, started the year with four shutout victories and would add two more on its way to a 8-2-1 record, a Watchung Conference National Championship, and a Group 3 State Sectional Championship. They defeated Morris Hills, 8-7, in an exciting state championship final. Donnell Powell, Tyrone McQueen, and Horace Baker made post-season honors. After two years as head coach, Yergolonis would leave coaching to become an administrator and serve as Superintendent of Schools (2011-2014).

#### 1999

In 1993, Mike Punko returned to the coaching lines and six years later would end his coaching career by taking the team to the state finals. His

10-2 squad beat Scotch Plains 14-2 in the state semi-finals, but lost to Morristown in the championship game played at Giants Stadium. Steven Ellis, Stephen Brown, Danny Johnson, and Dan Garay were named to post-season teams.

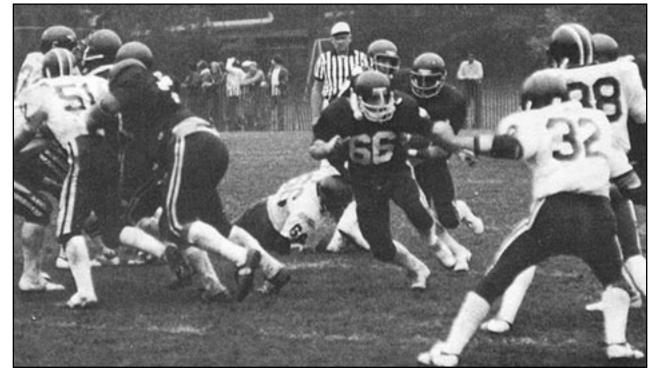
In his fifth year as head coach, Gary Mobley (2004-2014) guided the 2008 squad to a 10-2 record and the final game in the state playoffs. Taking an 8-1 regular season record into the playoffs, the '08 squad defeated Roxbury (33-7) and West Morris (25-12) in preliminary contests. Unfortunately, they were defeated by old rival Phillipsburg, 20-6, in the championship matchup played at Rutgers Stadium. Post-season honors went to Troy Eastman, Richard Draughn, Phillip Newton, Giovanni Smith, and Octavio Bent.

#### 2018

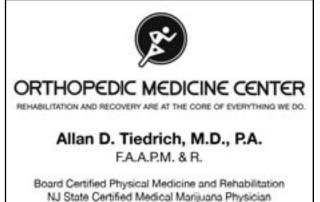
The 2018 squad lost its opener to Somerville, but then reeled off nine straight wins to earn a spot in the state finals. Although they lost to Summit in the state game, the team ended the season with a 10-2 record, only one of four Rahway teams to win ten games over the course of a season. Note: Prior to 1974 and the advent of state playoff games, teams in New Jersey played nine game schedules. Zion Pendleton and Shimei Paige were recognized on post-season lists. The team was coached by Brian Russo, who came to Rahway in 2015 and is now in his seventh year.

What team will end up the best of the 2020s?





(above) The Rahway line opens a huge hole for a first down and more during 1979 play off action.



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## CASA SALUTES ITS VOLUNTEER CHILD ADVOCATES AT BBQ

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Union County, the only local nonprofit advocating for youth from birth to age 21 involved in the child welfare system due to abuse, neglect and abandonment, took time-out on a recent sunny Sunday afternoon to fete its community members who are trained as child advocates and continuously give of their time to ensure the best interests of Union County's most vulnerable youth are protected and their needs are met.

Seeley's Picnic Grounds in Watchung Reservation was host to a guest list that included each of the organization's nearly 170 current volunteer advocates and their families and dogs, its funders, and court personnel with whom the organization regularly works as cases are heard by Union County Superior Court. CASA staff and several members of the Board of Trustees

served guests such grilled fare as ribs, pulled pork, hotdogs, burgers, and sides and dessert galore. Executive Director Mariel S. Hufnagel's husband Anthony was grill master.

Amid the frivolity of lunching, chatting and even competition at the cornhole and KanJam playing fields, CASA volunteers and staff still managed to make time for advocacy work, too. Each year as the summer draws to a close, the organization runs a school supply drive to ensure every foster youth served has a new backpack chock-full of needed supplies so their first day feels full of promise. The park's pavilion became backpack depot where advocates checked in to secure their foster youth's backpack, lunchboxes, and supplies.

Anne Collart, President of the Board of Trustees, was among those welcoming advocates. "It was a gorgeous day, and the perfect setting for CASA of Union County to give its time for all those who gift their time for local foster youth, and keep the organization moving forward in its mission. Today, we wanted to be in their corner, and encourage each advocate to relax, connect and enjoy our gratitude for all they do."

Since 2005, the nonprofit has recruited, trained, supported and supervised nearly 600 volunteers to advocate for more than 900 youth, protecting best interests in the courtroom, classroom and community, and helping ensure already experienced trauma is not exacerbated as youth await permanency in a safe and loving home.

For details on the advocate experience and joining upcoming information and training sessions, email Lucia at info@casaofunioncounty.org.



(above) Among the CASA volunteers attending were, from left, James Walker Jr. of Elizabeth, Isabella Blumberg of Springfield, Barbara Bagger of Westfield, Arlene Sumner of Linden, Carmen Iyala of Scotch Plains, Quetzali Sevillano of Rahway, Lara Gibbemeyer and Robert Bridgeman of Westfield, Flor Maria Mendez of Elizabeth, Mollie Yang of Mountainside, Fernando Porras of Clark, Katherine Romano of New Providence, Shelley Grobe of Cranford, Kristen Kim of Westfield, Rebecca Muston of Summit, Teresa Lastella of Clark, Kevin JeanCharles of Roselle, Donna Isidron of Clark, Karime Herrera of Elizabeth, Komal Nankani of Summit, Lisa Kalichman of South Orange, Sean O'Leary of South Plainfield, Carolyn Colonna of Fanwood, Cynthia Evans of Scotch Plains, and Lydia Pernia of Linden.



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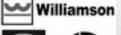
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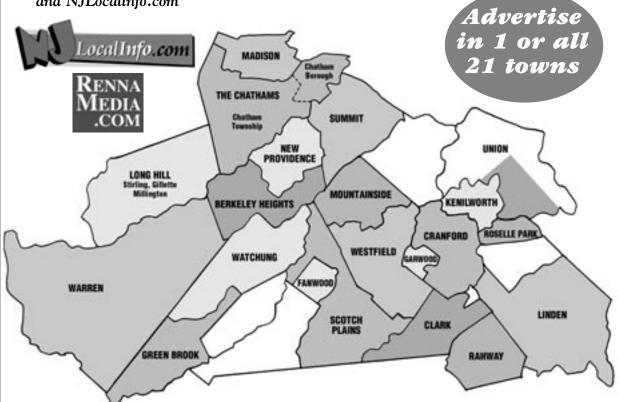
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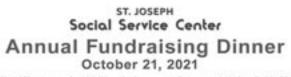
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Chivas Regal 18 yrs old			Finlandia	750ml	\$15.99 C
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Jameson			Bacardi Light & Gold		
Jim Beam Whisky			Bacardi Light & Gold		
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Makers Mark			Patron XO Café		
Makers Mark	1.75L	\$49.99			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
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