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The Friends of the Madison Public Library recently began and streaming services continue to be very popular. their Annual Appeal campaign by reaching out to over 5,000 households with an appeal letter asking for continued support of the Madison Public Library. The Friends, a 501 (C)(3) taxexempt organization of volunteers, are working together with the library staff and trustees to continue to provide programs, museum passes, current books, streaming services, and more that patrons have come to enjoy and expect! The library is open, with innovations that include the outdoor installation of picnic tables for children's activities as well as "Make & Take" craft kits for all ages. In addition, virtual programming website, friendsmadisonnilibrary.org.

The library continues to serve as a vibrant part of the community and gifts enhance its services, programming, and extensive collection. Contributions, both large and small, will allow the Friends to maintain their legacy commitment to the library.

Fully tax-deductible donations can be made by a check made payable to the Friends of the Madison Public Library and mailed to 39 Keep Street, Madison, NJ, 07940, or a secure donation may be made through their



(above) The Friends of the Madison Public Library have started their Annual Appeal campaign to raise funds for the library so they can continue to provide many services to the community.

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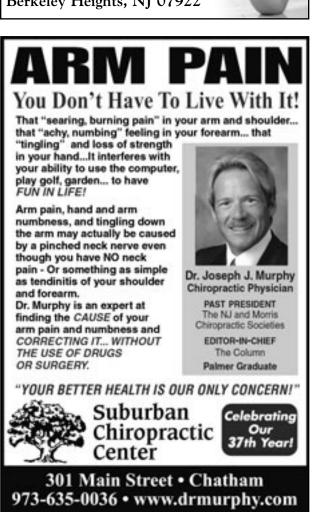
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(above, l-r) Pictured with the packaged wish list items are club members/shoppers Sharon Silver and Connie Rostiac.





CHRISTMAS DELIVERED TO RESIDENTS OF PINE ACRES

continued its tradition of working with the Madison Eagle Christmas Fund by shopping for the residents of Pine Acres Nursing Home. The staff of Pine Acres compiled the residents' wish lists, and Thursday Morning Club members shopped for the items. The purchases were placed in festive holiday bags that the staff distributed

The Thursday Morning Club of Madison at the nursing home holiday party. This year each bag also contained greeting cards decorated by local girl and boy scouts.

The Thursday Morning Club is a federated women's club which is both a social and service organization. For additional information on Thursday Morning Club please visit our web site at thursdaymorningclub.org.

THRIFT SHOP JANUARY SHOPPING

welcoming shoppers during the month of January for their special sales which will include all men's clothing and women's handbags at 50% off.

The Thrift Shop, located at 39 Kings Road, is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. It is

The Madison Independent Thrift Shop will be a non-profit group operated by volunteers, with all proceeds received from sales distributed annually to charitable groups in Madison and surrounding communities.

If you have questions or need further information, please call 973-377-2450 during business hours above.

ART SHOW IS LOOKING FOR YOUNG ARTISTS

The Summit Free Public Library and The Summit Library Chinese Club are hosting their second annual art show.

Young artists from Summit and around the region are invited to participate in the Summit Free Public Library's 2022 Chinese New Year Art Show! The theme of this year's art show is Feast! So, put on your thinking caps, and try to see how you can create a piece of artwork around that theme.

HERE ARE THE RULES:

Entrants must be a student enrolled in Kindergarten thru 8th grade, or an equivalent grade, and must live in Summit, New Providence, Berkeley Heights, Chatham, Madison, Millburn/Short Hills, Mountainside, Springfield, and Westfield

Each participant may only enter one (1) piece. Works of crayons, pastels, water colors, oil paints, acrylic paints, ink, pencil, mixed media, etc. are all accepted.

Works may be created on letter-sized paper (8.5×11) or 11×14 paper.

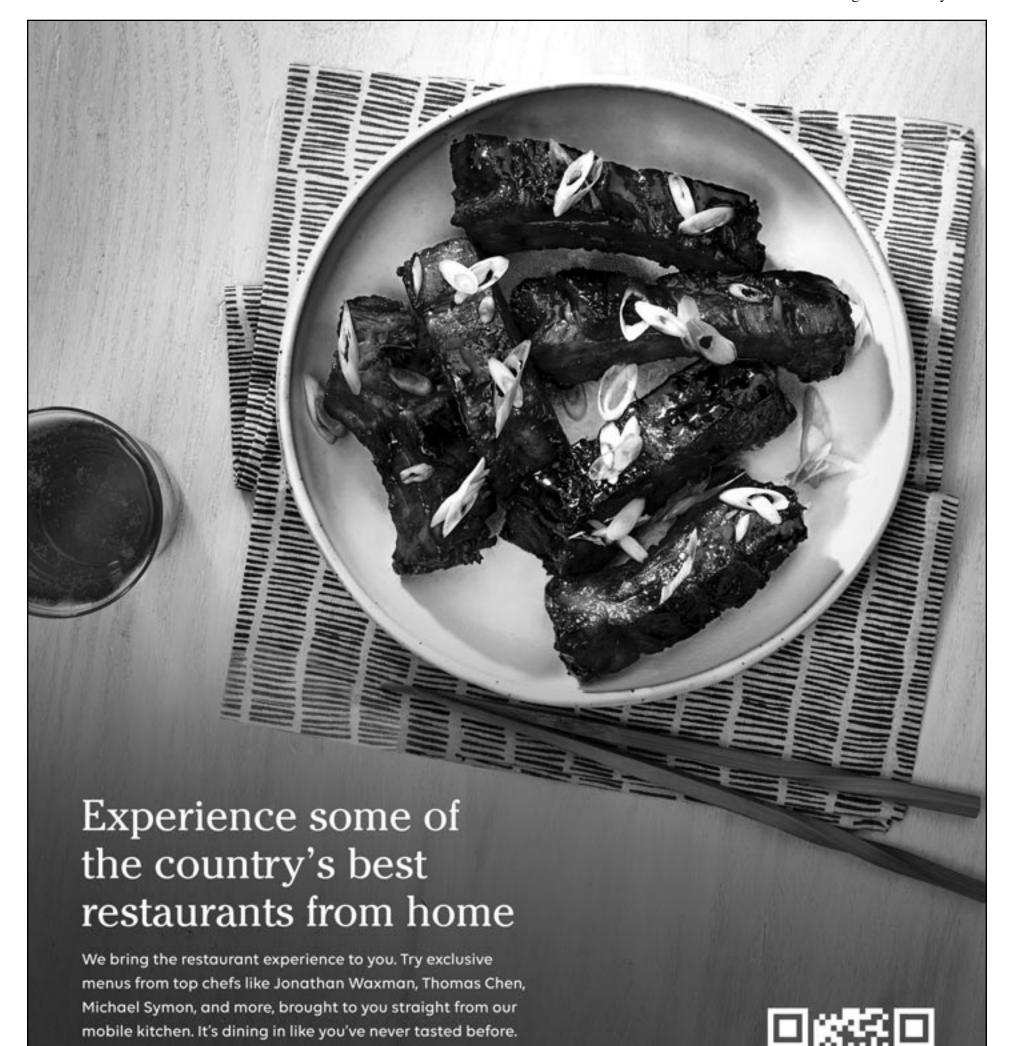
Please drop off your work at the Summit Free Public Library (75 Maple Street, Summit, NJ 07901) between January 1st, 2022 and January 16th, 2022 during regular library hours. Entries must be received by 5:00 p.m., January 16th, 2022.

By entering this event, you are granting Summit Free Public Library and the Chinese Club the right to display your artwork in the library (or the Summit Community Center), and/or post your name, age, city, and the image of your artwork on our website and social media pages.

If you have any further questions about the Chinese New Year Art Show, please contact us at SummitChineseClub@gmail.com.

If you submit a work, it will be hung on the bulletin boards at the Summit Free Public Library from January 16 thru February 20, 2022.





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VIRTUAL MINICOURSES IN WINTER 2022

Friends of the Madison Public Library

The nonprofit Friends of the Madison Public Library will conduct two virtual minicourses via Zoom for the Winter 2022 semester, "New Exhibition Strategies in Art Museums: The Frick Collection, MoMA and British Museum" by Dr. Barbara Tomlinson and Professor Emerita at Kean University and "Presidential Elections Past and Their Importance for American Government" by Dr. Ian Drake, Associate Professor of Political Science and Law at Montclair State University.

"New Exhibition Strategies in Art Museums: The Frick Collection, MoMA and British Museum"

Monday afternoons from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on January 24, 31, 2022 as well as February 7, 14, and 21, 2022

By Dr. Barbara Tomlinson, is 1 ½ hours long. Many museums are seriously rethinking their exhibition strategies. These sessions will examine how the Frick, MoMA and the British Museum are reaching out to a wider audience. The final session is a mid-winter comic treat.

"Presidential Elections Past and Their Importance for American Government"

Wednesday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on January 26, 2022 as well as February 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2022

By Dr. Ian Drake, Associate Professor of Political Science and Law, is 2 hours long. This course will review key presidential elections in American history and seek to understand how they help us to comprehend the role of the presidency, the flow of U.S. history, and how past examples might inform us in going forward and selecting future presidents.

Registration for these courses begins on January 4, 2022. The tuition for one course is \$95 per individual or couple for one screen. Additional courses are \$65 each. Register online at minicoursesmadisonlibrary.org, or with a check made payable to Friends of the Madison Public Library and mail to Minicourses at Madison Library, 39 Keep Street, Madison, NJ, 07940. For information, email minicoursesmadisonlibrary@gmail.com, or leave a voice message at 929-450-7940.

ROTARY SPEAKERS FOR JANUARY MEETINGS

Madison Rotary Club

The Rotary Club of Madison is an enthusiastic and engaged network of ordinary people doing extraordinary things to serve people in their local and global communities. At the Rotary's weekly meetings, the club plans and reports on its service projects, as well as guest speakers present on a broad range of topics that are of interest to the community. Rotary meetings are held each Thursday morning in person at the Madison YMCA, located at 111 Kings Road, Madison, NJ, but are also accessible by Zoom. The club meetings start at 7:45 a.m. and conclude at 8:30 a.m. For January 2022, the club's meeting lineup includes:

Dennis Budinich

January 6th

Dennis Budinich is a successful entrepreneur, bank executive, and advisor to Rutgers Business School as well as Seton Hall Center for Leadership. He also serves as Chief Culture Officer at Investors Bank. He is a highly soughtafter motivational speaker and educator. As a fitting start to the New Year, Dennis will address a variety of principles that club members can use in their personal and professional lives to improve their outlook and effectiveness.

Mike Bianchi January 20th

Mike Bianchi and his wife are Madison homeowners and active conservationists. They recently completed the construction of a highly

energy-efficient house qualifying as a "Passive House," the highest level of energy efficiency in residential construction. As part of Rotary's ongoing focus on the environment and sustainability, Mike will address the goals of an energy-efficient build, the key techniques for achieving energy efficiency, and the challenges involved in not only building, but also operating such a house.

Members of the public are welcome to join the Rotary for its meetings and presentations. To make its meetings widely accessible, the club holds its meetings both in-person and online. For log-in details and more information about Madison Rotary, interested guests should visit the club's website at madisonrotarynj.org.

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