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ST. BARTHOLOMEW CELEBRATES 75 YEARS OF SERVICE

Submitted by: St. Bartholomew's 75th Anniversary Committee

After many years of not having a place of worship within their own town, Roman Catholic Scotch Plains and Fanwood residents turned to the Archdiocese of Newark hoping for a parish to be established within their hometowns. On July 10, 1946, intense efforts began to establish a Roman Catholic parish in Scotch Plains beginning with a "Letter of Appeal" to the Most Reverend Thomas Joseph Walsh, the Archbishop of the Newark Diocese at that time. Nearly two years later, on June 4, 1948, Archbishop Walsh granted their request and issued a "Letter of Establishment". On June 16, 1948, Reverend John S. Nelligan was appointed as the church's first pastor. About 5 months later, on November 21, the "groundbreaking ceremony" took place, and the rest is history. Local Roman Catholics have had a hometown place of worship for 75 years.

Current pastor, Reverend John J. Paladino was appointed pastor on May 1, 2005. Through his vision and dedication for the past 18 years, St. Bartholomew the Apostle parish continues to expand and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Since 1948, St. Bartholomew's parish has celebrated many religious holidays, sacraments, and events with their parishioners. Religious ceremonies performed to date include 11,389 Baptisms, 10,694 First Holy Communions,



(above) Knights & Dames Honorees
with Fr. Matthew, Bishop Lorenzo & Fr. John

10,091 Confirmations, 2,876 weddings and 3,858 funerals and countless masses and other services and sacraments.

The celebrations for this diamond jubilee of the inception of St. Bartholomew Church and 75 years of service to the Scotch Plains-Fanwood community have begun. The festivities kicked off Friday, March 3rd with their "First Friday" Mass. The Mass was celebrated by Bishop Elias Lorenzo, OSB of the Archdiocese of Newark along with Fr. Matthew Gonzalez and Deacon Bob Gurske both of St. Bartholomew's Church. Scotch Plains Mayor Josh Losardo and Township Manager Al Mirabella were in attendance and presented the parish with a proclamation for this milestone. After Mass, over 110 guests attended The Prime Timers luncheon which was organized by parishioner and 75th anniversary committee member Gail Iozzi.

The festivities continued on Sunday, March 5th, with the Knights and Dames prayer service concelebrated by Bishop Lorenzo, Fr. John Paladino, Fr. Matthew Gonzalez and Deacon Bob Gurske. The following parishioners were recognized for their contributions to the St. Bartholomew parish community through the gift of their time, talent, and treasure:

Jack Cirrito, Darlene Coronato, Kelly & Christine Dencker, The Fenandoe Family, John Paul & Brooke Hamel, Deacon Donald Hessemer, Shirley Iovino, Michael & Sharon LaForge, Martha Marino, Andrew MacDonald, Michael & Otilia Michalisin, The Nitro Family, Rev. David Santos, Daniela Sellinger, Kelly Watson

Other celebrations during the diamond jubilee year will include a Golf Outing on May 8, Parish Picnic on June 11, the Faith Based Speaker Series (various dates) and the 75th Anniversary Gala Celebration on November 17. The final celebration will be the 75th Anniversary Mass at the church on November 19, 2023 and will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, CSsR of the Archdiocese of Newark.

For more information regarding the parish and these 75th Anniversary events, visit St. Bartholomew the Apostle Church's website at stbartholomewchurch.org. All are welcome!



(above, r-l) Prime Timer's Luncheon organizer
Gail Iozzi with her mother Rose Cerminaro

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FPS PRESENTS THE OUTCROPS - APRIL 15, 2023

The Outcrops bring their original blues-infused rock'n'roll to Fanwood's arts center on April 15, to open the spring season of the Fanwood Performance Series.

Lead singer Cassidy Rain's vocals have been compared to Bonnie Raitt and Susan Tedeschi, while lead guitarist Bryan Schroeder draws on influences such as Duane Allman, Derek Trucks and Jerry Garcia. The rhythm section infuses their music with a funky, soulful feel. The result is a sound that mixes rock, blues and soul, and their live shows have a range of

dynamics, including electric and acoustic numbers.

Showtime is 7 p.m. at the Patricia M. Curan Cultural Arts Center ("Old Carriage House"), 135 Watson Road, on the grounds of Fanwood Borough Hall. For more information visit fanwoodperformanceseries.org/

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SPFHS CHAMBER CHOIR VISITS ROTARY MEETING



(above) On December 14th, the Scotch Plains/Fanwood High School Chamber Choir joined the Rotary Club to kick off the holiday season with their beautiful singing.

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GROUNDBREAKING FOR THE NEW FANWOOD MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Borough of Fanwood

Mayor Colleen Mahr, joined by members of the Borough Council, library trustees and others, broke ground in February for a new Fanwood Memorial Library, a project in the planning for almost a decade.

The project, currently budgeted at just over \$8.2 million, is funded partially by a grant from the NJ Library Construction Bond Act which was made possible by a voter referendum in 2017. Fanwood applied for and was awarded \$3.5 million of that money thru competitive application process. The Borough is funding the remainder.

"We have spent a lot of time and energy focusing on the transformation of our downtown and now it's time to focus our resources on our public buildings," said Mayor Mahr. "This is the first, brand new public building in close to 50

years. Today we acknowledge that our library plays a critical role in promoting education and knowledge and will serve as an important community hub benefitting everyone."

The current timetable calls for construction to be completed in the spring of 2024. In the meantime, library operations continue at the historic Fanwood train station.

The new library will replace a building that stood at the same spot at North Avenue and Tillotson Road for 71 years and suffered from significant infrastructure issues. It was also not

compliant with ADA regulations. It was demolished earlier this year.

Among those attending the groundbreaking were NJ State Librarian Jennifer Nelson, Fanwood Council president Jeff Banks, Council members Anthony Carter and Gina Berry, library director Dan Weiss, library trustee president Ann Minski and Friends of the Library president Carol Campbell.

M&M Construction of Cranford is the general contractor and Epic Management of Piscataway is the construction manager.

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(above) Artist renderings of the new library building



(above) Ground turned by the assembled

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FANWOOD PD RECEIVES \$4,100 DONATION

Borough of Fanwood

The Fanwood Police Department recently received a \$4,100 donation from Dr. Caesar DePaço, Founder and CEO of Summit Nutritionals International. Dr. DePaço and his wife Deanna Padovani-DePaço have been assisting police departments for over 10 years with their generous philanthropy. The donation will pay for two new “Police Bicycles”, one of which will be an E-Bike. This is Dr. DePaço’s 2nd donation to the Fanwood Police Department, having donated \$10,000 in June 2022 for the purchase of four AEDs (Automated external defibrillators) for patrol units and a new “Outer Vest” Carriers for every Fanwood Police Officer.



RELAY FOR LIFE SET FOR MAY 12TH

Relay For Life of Scotch Plains will be on May 12th from 5 p.m. – 10 p.m. at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.

Relay For Life is a volunteer-led experience that unites communities across the world to celebrate cancer survivors, remember loved ones lost to cancer, and raise funds to improve the lives of people with cancer and their families through advocacy, research, and patient support, to ensure everyone has an opportunity to prevent, detect, treat, and survive cancer.

The Relay for Life of Scotch Plains raised more than \$50,000 for the American Cancer Society’s mission in 2022. We are aiming to raise the same if not more this year!

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There are many ways to get involved.

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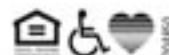


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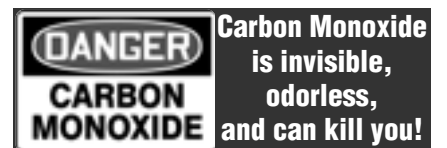
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FANWOOD SENDS JOE NAGY HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY WISHES



(above) Joe and Claire in their Fanwood home in 2021

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(above) Joe with some of the many cards he received from Brunner students

Photo courtesy the Nagy Family

Joe Nagy, who served Fanwood for many years as its unofficial historian and all-around reliable volunteer, turned 100 recently with a large family gathering and fond wishes from his friends here.

Joe and his wife Claire moved from their longtime home on Oakwood Court to an assisted living community in Hackettstown last year. His family gathered to celebrate Joe's birthday on February 11th, a party complete with cake and dozens of well wishes from old friends including numerous cards from students at Brunner Elementary School.

Joe is a World War II veteran who served in the Army's 78's Infantry Field Artillery Battalion,

retiring as a Major after serving 20 more years after the war. In Fanwood, he served on the board of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation, the Historic Preservation Commission and volunteered for many other projects over the years.

In a letter to Joe, Mayor Colleen Mahr wrote, "My heartfelt thanks to you for the many contributions you have made to the Fanwood community for so many years. You have enriched the lives of countless residents and students and are a beloved institution here."

Joe was joined by his three children, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren at his birthday party.



(above) Group photo at Joe's party

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Fanwood-Scotch Plains Thrift Shop

There is still time to SPRING into shopping at the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Service League Thrift Shop. The store is now featuring seasonal clothes and spring and Easter décor, bric-a-brac, and small toys and books perfect for filling in Easter baskets.

April is also the perfect time to put some environmentally-sound practices into high gear. With Earth Day celebrated on Saturday, April 22, it makes sense to not only clean up our community parks and streets, but to also clean out your closets and donate items you no longer need or want for re-sale at the Thrift Shop.

Clean clothes and household goods in good condition have an excellent re-sale rate at the Thrift Shop. That means your donated items have a much better chance that their use will continue to live on instead of being relegated to garbage and landfills. It's a boon to the environment as well as to our shoppers, many of whom routinely come to the store to replenish their families' wardrobes and to buy household items at very modest prices.

Besides a wide variety of regularly replenished clothing in sizes from infants to plus-size adults, the Thrift Shop also boasts shoes; all types of accessories from scarves to pocketbooks; bric-a-brac; linens; toys, games, books and DVDs. Goods sold at the store come strictly from donations, and all store proceeds outside of operating expenses are donated by the Fanwood-

Scotch Plains Service League to local non-profit organizations or used for student scholarships. It's a winning proposition for donors, buyers and the environment.

Items for donation can be dropped off at the Thrift Shop any time during regular store hours. The shop is located at 1741 East Second Street, Scotch Plains. Hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

To learn more about the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Service League, the types of donations accepted and volunteer opportunities, please call the store at 908-322-5420.

You can also visit the Scotch Plains Thrift Shop web site scotchplainsthiftshop.weebly.com/ or Facebook page.



(above) Hop into the Thrift Shop for a great selection of Easter décor and spring clothing for men, women and children.

FANWOOD'S ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Fanwood's Forest Road Park will host Fanwood's annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 1st, which begins eggs-actly at 10 a.m. (please allow time to park your car and walk into the park). The rain date is April 8th, same time and place. All children 10 and under are invited to meet the Easter Bunny and join the fun! Almost 1,800 eggs filled with all sorts of goodies—including hundreds of prize tickets—

will be hidden around the park! Plus, even more prizes will be given out for the winners of the jellybean-counting, chocolate egg-counting, bunny drawing and egg decorating contests (bring your own completed drawings and decorated eggs).

For more information, go to fanwoodrecreation.org or call Fanwood Recreation, (908) 370-7092.

EASTER CELEBRATION AT THE OSBORN CANNONBALL HOUSE APRIL 2

Come celebrate an early Easter Celebration with us at The Osborn Cannonball House Museum. The museum will be open to the public on Sunday, April 2, 2023 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Children can play Easter egg games, make and decorate a bunny mask to wear, and enjoy a special Easter candy treat!

You can also view our springtime antique clothing exhibit along with a special display of antique bonnets and hats. Costumed docents will be available to give tours of the c. 1760 house and tell you the story of the Osborn family, one of the early founding families of Scotch Plains, their 13 children, and the amazing story of how the house came to be known as the "Cannonball House".

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UNICO DONATES TO PRESERVE SHADY REST

The Scotch Plains - Fanwood UNICO chapter donated \$1,000 to the Preserve Shady Rest Committee during a presentation held at the Shady Rest Clubhouse on March 10th.

In 1921, the Shady Rest Golf and Country Club became the first African American owned and operated country club in the United States. It was also home to John Shippen Jr., the first American-born golf professional, and featured entertainment by legendary jazz musicians including Duke Ellington, Cab Calloway, Count Basie, and Billie Holiday. The Preserve Shady Rest Committee, formed in 2013, is committed to preserving the historical significance of the facility. This includes the restoration of the clubhouse (originally built as a farmhouse in the 1700's), the creation of a multi-purpose center and museum, and the recognition of the site as a national historic landmark.

"UNICO is honored to make a \$1,000 donation to help preserve Shady Rest", said Angelo Ucciferri of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood UNICO Chapter. "Our UNICO chapter has been proudly contributing to charitable, cultural, and educational organizations in the Scotch Plains - Fanwood community for 50 years, and we are grateful to the Shady Rest Preservation Committee for recognizing and preserving this important historical heritage within our town."



(above, l-r) UNICO member, Angelo Ucciferri presented the donation check to Shady Rest Preservation Committee chairman, Tom Donatelli. Courtesy photo

READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK

Fanwood/Scotch Plains Public Schools

"Diverse stories provide kids with different perspectives and help them see how others think and feel – In words of Marley Dias – Ambassador and Founder of Read across America. This was never truer than the week of February 27th at JA Coles Elementary School.

Along with many schools across the country, Coles Elementary participated in the National Read Across America Week. Taking place every March, Read Across America is the largest US celebration of Reading, and aims to encourage children and teens to read through events and activities taking place at school.

Coles School staff members and Coles PTA delivered an incredible Read Across America Week to students, which promoted a theme of "Diversity in Literature." The whole week was packed with diversity topics that were introduced to children at all grade levels. Friday, March 3rd, Coles welcomed Guest Readers for each classroom. These included many of our local leaders, including Dr. Mast, Scotch Plains-Fanwood Superintendent of Schools, Scotch Plains Mayor Josh Losardo, Gina Berry from Fanwood Council, Fanwood and Scotch Plains police, Scotch Plains Fire department, Scotch Plains Library, JCC, John Mooney, Editor/Publisher of TAP into Scotch Plains and Fanwood as well as local authors and business owners.

A special part of the Coles Read Across America Week this year was "Change for Change," a campaign conceived by Coles 4th grade student Ben Steinberg. Ben's vision was to raise funds for more books focused on people with different disabilities. Coles PTA helped launch a campaign in partnership with Coles school for students to fill coin jars in their classrooms with extra change from home.

Upon the conclusion of this successful campaign, Ben, pictured here with Dr. Mast, said "No matter what their (people) age they can always make a change. Anyone can make a change no matter what they think, or if they have

a disability, or look different, or are younger, they can always make a change. Never give up."

Congratulations to Ben for leading a successful Change for Change campaign and thank you to all Coles Read Across America PTA volunteers, Scotch Plains and Fanwood community, celebrity guest readers, and Coles school for making this special week at Coles one to remember.



(above) Dr. Mast with Ben

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NEW LAGRANDE PARK PLAYGROUND DEDICATED

Borough of Fanwood

Mayor Colleen Mahr was joined by members of the Fanwood Recreation Commission and Borough Council today in cutting the ribbon for the new and improved playground at LaGrande Park.

The project was completed in mid-February and local families have already been using it. Improvements over the former 27-year-old playground include an expansion of the playground area, all new play equipment including swings, slides, climbing structures, and other attractions for children of all ages and those with special needs, new benches and new mulch substrate. New trees will be planted in the spring.

"It's beautiful," said Mayor Mahr, addressing

the Recreation Commission. "Every one of you should be proud. "It's really nice to see the next generation of LaGrande Park."

The \$215,000 project was constructed by MRC Recreation of Spring Lake, NJ, and was financed by a Union County grant, the Fanwood Recreation Trust Fund and the Borough of Fanwood.

Among those joining Mayor Mahr at the event were Council President Jeff Banks, Council members Gina Berry and Trisha Walsh, Union County Commissioner Al Mirabella, Recreation Director Bob Budiansky, Recreation Commissioners Venessa White, Michael Lowenthal, Rosa Mannarino, Arlene Ross, Mike Kelly and Neil Pierce and police officers Mike Rusin and Sean Murphy.



(above) Top row, Rec Commissioners Venessa White and Mike Lowenthal; sitting on steps Rec Dir. Bob Budiansky; Left of steps Rec Commissioners Neil Pierce and Arlene Ross; Right of steps Rec Commissioners Mike Kelly and Rose Mannarino.

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HOLY WEEK SERVICES AT FAITH LUTHERAN

Faith Lutheran Church in New Providence invites area residents to each of its liturgical services during Holy Week.

On Passion or Palm Sunday, April 2, two Eucharistic liturgies will be conducted, one at 8 am and the other at 10 am. The title of the sermon at both liturgies will be "Hope in the Past." The music at the 10 am liturgy will be provided by the Sanctuary Choir, accompanied by trumpet and organ.

On Holy Thursday, April 6, a spoken Eucharistic liturgy will be conducted at 12 noon and a fully sung Eucharistic liturgy will be offered at 7:30 pm. The title of the sermon at both services will be "Hope for Today." At the evening service, the rite of First Communion will be given to persons in the fifth grade, who are preparing for confirmation.

On Good Friday, April 7, at 12 noon, a Community Ecumenical Service will be held at Faith. Clergy of the New Providence and Berkeley Heights churches will lead the service.

On Good Friday, at 7:30 p.m., a Tenebrae Service, with the Stripping of the Altar, will be conducted. The subject of the sermon will be "Hope for the Future." The music of the service will be provided by the Sanctuary Choir.

Saturday, April 8 will be a day of silence and

meditation. Faith's sanctuary will be open for prayer and reflection.

On Easter Sunday, April 9 at 7 a.m., Faith will hold in its garden a brief service, which will include the lighting of the Paschal Candle. At 8 a.m. there will be a Spoken Liturgical Service with Eucharist, accompanied by organ, brass and timpani. At 10 a.m., Faith will conduct a Festival Easter Processional and Eucharist Service. The music at 10 a.m. will be provided by the Sanctuary Choir, Children's Choir, the Faith Bell Ringers, brass, timpani, and the organ; all coordinated by Shea Velloso, Minister of Music. The title of the sermon at both services will be "Hope for Tomorrow."

Faith conducts an open communion table. All visitors, who are baptized members of the Christian church, are welcome to the Lord's Table.

The pastor of Faith is Rev. Jane McCready. For more information about these worship opportunities, call the church office at 908 464 5177 or visit famfaith.org. Faith is located at 524 South Street in New Providence.

Links for the services that will be livestreamed. Find Faith on Facebook at Faith Lutheran, New Providence; Faith's website; famfaith.org/online-services; YouTube channel youtube.com/FLCNJAV



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Holy Thursday - April 6
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Good Friday - April 7
12 noon Ecumenical Community Service
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SALEM ROADHOUSE CAFÉ ANNOUNCES MARK ADAMY BAND

The Salem Roadhouse Café presents the Mark Adamy Band, Saturday, April 15, 2023. The doors open at 7:15 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. Admission is \$20 and includes show, snacks, non-alcoholic beverages, and dessert. The venue is located in the basement of Townley Presbyterian Church, 829 Salem Rd, Union, NJ. The Roadhouse operates as a non-profit that raises funds for several carefully chosen local charities.

Mark Adamy is a multitalented keyboardist and vocalist who works with artists around the globe as a live performer and recording artist. This includes his own band: The Mark Adamy Band, which is a group of accomplished musicians that has thrilled listeners with its original stylings fusing pop, rock, jazz, R&B, world, and spiritual music.

Mark has enjoyed popularity as a sought-after talent for special events, productions, and performances. Mark has won honors including Entertainer of the Year and Boston Music award nominations. He has shared the stage with greats like Chaka Khan, James Brown, The Four Tops, John-Lee Hooker, Pieces of a Dream, Howard Hewitt, Phil Driscoll, Phil Keaggy, Roger Humphries, and many others.

Mark has played in many Broadway productions as well as music directing off-Broadway productions in NYC.

Mark's concert credentials are extensive with acts such as the Coasters, the Cadillacs, Ink Spots, Jive Five, Silhouettes, Marvellettes, the Charelles, and guitarist Billy Davis. He has jammed with jazz artists such as Warren Hill, Makoto Ozone, Darren Lyons Group, and Lee Robinson at venues ranging from New York's Russian Tea Room and Knitting Factory to Boston's Symphony Hall.

As always, the Salem Roadhouse Café is live, intimate, up front, and personal. All ages are welcome.

ABOUT SALEM ROADHOUSE CAFÉ

It's not "church music." It's music music. Folks who've come to the Salem Roadhouse Café know that it's a clean, safe place for people who enjoy listening to live music — in a world otherwise filled with clubs and bars. The Roadhouse has always offered its stage to local and independent mainstream musicians. Jazz, rock, folk, and other groups have performed. What's the common thread? They're all great musicians playing the kind of music people like to hear. There's no message, just music.

The Roadhouse started in 2008 by members of Townley Presbyterian Church with a grant from the Presbytery of Elizabeth. Hey — that's why we're located where we are, 829 Salem Rd, Union, NJ. The Roadhouse operates as a non-profit that raises funds for several carefully chosen local charities. That's its social mission.

But the many musicians who've played the Salem Roadhouse Café see it as a solid performance venue. They love it because of its special intimacy and great audiences. They say people here "really listen." Ask any of the musicians you meet here — they love to play the Roadhouse, and they want to come back often.

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.

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FANWOOD-SCOTCH PLAINS ROTARY CELEBRATES 85TH ANNIVERSARY

The Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club has been serving the community since 1938. They will celebrate their 85th anniversary at the Gran Centurions in Clark, NJ on April 14th, 2023. Simultaneously, the club is also offering a 50/50 raffle fundraiser which will be drawn at the 85th celebration dinner/dance at 10:00 p.m. All proceeds will support the club's charitable giving.

The anniversary celebration will honor the club's good works, celebrate the happy memories carrying them out, and will be a lot of fun! Tickets are \$85 and include a cocktail hour, dinner, dancing, special remembrances of the club's 85 years, and recognitions. An open beer, wine, and soda bar will be available for the entire evening with a cash bar for mixed drinks. FSP Rotary President Al Smith encourages members of the public to attend, especially those who have been directly impacted by the club's local or international initiatives.

Only 2,000 raffle tickets are available for sale

with four prizes of \$12,000, \$4,000, \$2,000, and \$2,000 if all tickets are sold. Each raffle book contains 5 tickets at \$20 a ticket. With a maximum of 2,000 tickets available for sale, the odds of winning one of the four prizes are reasonable. Tickets can be purchased at the Fanwood Larder and Apple Blossom Flower Shop on Saturday April 1 and April 8. Other businesses who have supported the club's raffle tickets sales include John's Meat Market and Fabio's Bistro. For a complete listing of local businesses who are supporting the sale of raffle tickets, see the club's Facebook page or website. The club asks that you not only support the fundraiser, but also support our local businesses.

All funds raised by the 50/50 raffle will be used for charitable giving. They will be allocated to various local projects, including the Frazee House Foundation's current phase of interior restoration, stocking food pantries, assisting and honoring first responders, assisting veterans and seniors, and much more.

We recently donated \$500 to help purchase needed gear for local EMTs to ably assist autistic patients, and \$500 to the Preserve Shady Rest Committee in honor of Black History Month. The Rotary Club also has a separate Rotary-Garbe Foundation which awards scholarships to local high school students every year.

Internationally, we have supported projects including assisting abused girls in Uganda, helping to purchase dialysis machines in support of a Rotary Club in India, setting up Latrines in Nicaragua, and purchasing a Shelterbox for the crisis in Syria and Turkey. Our major international project this past year has been humanitarian aid for Ukraine. So far, we have donated over \$12,000 in aid to Ukraine.

Check out the FSP Rotary Club's Facebook page at facebook.com/fsprotary or their website at fsprotary.org for more details about the 85th Anniversary event and raffle fundraiser, and to learn more about the club. Contact president@fsprotary.org with any questions.

NIAGARA FALLS AUTHOR TALK APRIL 17

College Club of Fanwood-Scotch Plains

Kevin Woyce is a life time resident of the garden state, an author and photographer who specializes in regional American history.

He has written books about lighthouses, New Jersey State Parks, Niagara Falls, the Statue of Liberty and favorite Christmas traditions. His books are illustrated with his original black & white photographs plus some vintage images.

On April 17th he will present Niagara, the Falls and the River. His program will explore the history of the Niagara Falls region- from Native American legends to modern-day parks and attractions. Attendees will meet the area's explorers and settlers, the daredevils who risked their lives for fame and fortune, the businessmen who harnessed the Falls' power, and the conservationists and visionaries who saved the Falls for generations of visitors. The program will be illustrated with Woyce's original photographs and historic images.

The program is free and the public is invited to attend on April 17th at Fanwood Presbyterian Church, 74 Martine Avenue (McDermott Street entrance) at 7:30 p.m.

Additional information about the College Club of Fanwood-Scotch Plains can be obtained by sending an email to Collegeclub.fsp@gmail.com.



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Back cover, front page banner and front box reserved on first-come, first-served basis. Current advertiser has right of first refusal.

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

PREPAY 6 MONTHS AND GET 1 MORE FREE
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Make Checks payable to Renna Media, 202 Walnut Avenue, Cranford, NJ 07016

ONLINE ADS & PRESS RELEASES DRIVE LOCAL TRAFFIC TO YOUR WEBSITE

- **GET UNLIMITED CLICKS**

An alternative to expensive pay-per-click programs

- **FREE AD DESIGN AND COPYWRITING**

Advertising webpage includes many features including write-up, images, video, Google map, etc.

- **POSTS ARE SHARED THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA**

Posts shared on multiple Facebook pages and twitter.

- **PAID SEARCH ENGINE PROMOTIONS**

Posts are promoted by industry, key words and location.

- **TRACKABLE RESULTS**

All ads include a live view counter.

Joe Renna at 908-447-1295

email: JoeRenna@RennaMedia.com

**\$10
PER POST**

Block of 20 for \$200

Single post is \$20

**RENNA
MEDIA
.COM**

LocalInfo.com

Full Color Flyers and Menus Printed and Mailed to Every Home and Business in Town!

FLYERS - \$45 PER THOUSAND

8.5" x 11" / Full color / 2 sided / 60lb gloss coated stock

Tri-fold add \$10 per thousand. Minimum order \$450

LARGE MENUS - PRINTING - \$85 PER THOUSAND

For quantities more than 50,000 cost is \$55 per thousand.

11"x17" / Full color / 2 sided / 60lb gloss coated stock. Min. order \$850

Includes folding (quarter fold or tri-fold, with or without coupons tab)

INSERTED AND MAILED TO EVERY HOME AND BUSINESS

\$60 per thousand. (as low as \$30 per thousand depending on quantity.)

Minimum order \$400

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MENUS

\$85

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WEBSITE / SEO SERVICES

- **STARTER WEBSITE: \$500**

Basic static site that can be developed further

- **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

Call for free a consultation if you need

help developing an online marketing plan.

**STARTER
WEBSITE
\$500**

Call Walter at 201-478-7408

email: wwwinnj@gmail.com

WEBSITE AUDIT/ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION PLAN

- **SEE WHAT IS WORKING AND NOT WORKING**

Know where your web traffic is coming from and why.

- **ELIMINATE / AVOID COSTLY SCHEMES**

Evaluate the return you are getting from your online marketing costs.

- **INCREASE ONLINE MARKETING RESULTS**

Recommendations include ways to increase traffic to your website

- **NO OBLIGATION**

This service is recommended even if you have an existing

web management contract. Use it to tune up your marketing plan.

**ONE TIME
FLAT FEE
\$250**

**Call for a consultation
if you do not have a website
or if need a new one.**

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AT EVANGEL CHURCH
SUNDAY APRIL 9

Evangel Scotch Plains

1251 Terrill Road, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076

9AM | 11AM | 1PM

Evangel Woodbridge

48 Berkley Blvd, Iselin, NJ 08830

9AM | 11AM

Evangel Deaf

1251 Terrill Road, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076


9AM | 11AM

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