

Published by Renna Media, LLC. On-line at RennaMedia.com

Issue 96 • September 2023

GROW YOUR BUSINESS

Place your ad
in this space
and be in
every mailbox
in town!Troop 177 had
adventurous activity
Troop began the st
Memorial Day and
nation at Fairview
Troop also particip
parade in town, dec
marching in the particip

CALL FOR DETAILS 908-418-5586



POSTAL PATRON MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092 SCOUT TROOP HAS ACTION PACKED SUMMER

Over the summer, our Mountainside Scout Troop 177 had a summer packed with adventurous activities and outdoor fun. The Troop began the summer season by observing Memorial Day and planting flags to honor our nation at Fairview Cemetery in Westfield. The Troop also participated in the Memorial Day parade in town, decorating the route with flags, marching in the parade, and participating in the ceremonies.

In June, our Troop held our Court of Honor, the ceremony where our Scouts formally received their badges, awards, and advanced to the next rank. In total, 24 Scouts advanced to the next rank, 20 merit badges were earned, and two Scouts received national outdoor awards.

Additionally in June, our Troop traveled to Gettysburg, PA. Part of our Troop visited the Gettysburg Museum, while the Venture Crew went on a long hike covering 10 miles. Our Troop also toured the historic barn and farm on which we set up camp.

In July, a Venture Crew of seven Scouts and three adult leaders braved the Alander Mountain trail, South Taconic Trail, and a little bit of the Appalachian Trail in the Berkshires of Massachusetts. The Crew started the first day in pouring rain and storms, climbing up mountain trails that had turned into rivers and resting in a historic cabin at the top. The second day was one of the longest days the Crew had ever seen. They climbed up and down mountains in the pouring rain and even had to hike through water up to their ankles for hundreds of feet. On the final day, the Crew's efforts were rewarded with an easy hike to Mount Everett in the Mount Washington State Forest. They were greeted by picturesque views and slept in a gorgeous campsite in a pine forest near a flowing waterfall. One Scout noted, "The journey was not easy, but that's not why we do it. We make these treks for the challenge, to prove we can overcome, and that's exactly what we did at Taconic 23."

Also in July, 18 Scouts and six adult leaders camped for six days at a Boy Scout camp in the Catskills of New York State. This camp offers a variety of different merit badge programs, with



(See more photos on page 16.)



13 Scouts in our Troop notably participating in the Cooking merit badge, making up almost the entire class. The Scouts camped alongside three other Troops. The Troop earned our third camp-wide award, The Baden-Powell Award. Most notable was our campsite gateway – a revolving door in the middle of our campsite path.

We look forward to more activities in the Fall of 2023 and Winter of 2024. If you have an interest in Scouting, please get in touch with Jeff Healy at jeffhealy8@gmail.com.

Courtesy photos





Renna Media LLC, Publishers 202 Walnut Ave., Cranford, NJ 07016

Mountainside View is published by Renna Media. 2,900 newspapers are printed monthly and mailed to every business and resident in Mountainside, NJ. Although great care has been taken to ensure the information contained within is accurate, Renna Media assumes no liability for errors or omissions. ©2023 Contents of this newspaper cannot be reproduced

without written consent from Renna Media LLC.

SEND US YOUR NEWS

Do you have a community service that you need help publicizing? Did you or someone you know accomplish something amazing? We are interested in hearing about your latest achievement (honor, award, etc.), send us your news! **Email: editor@rennamedia.com**

ADVERTISING Joe Renna: 908-447-1295 joerenna@rennamedia.com



Find us on online: rennamedia.com facebook.com/ Mountianside View

VILLAGE SHOP FALL OPENING

Mountainside Restoration Committee

The Village Shop located in the Mountainside Restoration Committee's Levi Cory House will open again after a summer break. Volunteers are looking forward to welcoming shoppers back. The Shop will be open on Fridays & Saturdays (from 10 a.m. -3 p.m.) on the following dates: Sept. 2, 3, 16, 17; Oct. 7, 8, 21, 22; Nov. 4, 5, 18, 19; and Dec. 2, 3, 16, 17.

The circa 1818 Levi Cory House, which was moved to Constitution Plaza eight years ago, was originally located at the corner of New Providence Road and Mountain Avenue. The house was the location of the first Children's Country Home, during the 1890s, before expanding to its current location as the Children's Specialized Hospital. After years of repair, renovation and restoration, the Levi Cory House now opens as a Museum for Children's Interests and the Village Shop. Recently, a second porch was added as there was one on the original house, and plumbing and a rest room have been added thanks, in part, to funds from the Watts Mountainside Community Foundation.

The Village Shop serves as a fund raiser for the continued restoration and maintenance of the Levi Cory House and maintenance of the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House. The Shop has been restocked with many new items for the home and for gift-giving - home décor, jewelry, antique and vintage items, furniture pieces and many interesting items and curiosities. Stop by to browse and you may find something for yourself or for gift-giving. Purchases benefit the Mountainside Restoration Committee.

The Levi Cory House and Deacon Andrew Hetfield House are located at Constitution Plaza (Watchung Ave., off Birch Hill Rd.) adjacent to the Mountainside Library. The Mountainside Restoration Committee is a 501(c)(3) charity and a committee of volunteers whose purpose is to maintain the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House, restore and maintain the Levi Cory House and collect and save historical Mountainside information and items from destruction. For further information, please call (908)789-9420; or, go to: www.mountainsidehistory.org.



Photo by Mountainside Restoration Committee

(above) Mountainside's Levi Cory House
Village Shop will open on Fridays & Saturdays
(from 10am-3pm) on the following dates: Sept.
2, 3, 16, 17; Oct. 7, 8, 21, 22; Nov. 4, 5, 18, 19; and Dec. 2, 3, 16, 17. Stop by to shop for
unique gifts and household items displayed beautifully in this historic setting.

It Pays to Go Ultra

Ultra Checking 4.20% Annual Percentage

on the first \$10,000¹

Ultra Savings **4.35%** Annual Percentage Yield

on balances from \$100,000 - \$1,000,000²

Rates current as of August 23, 2023. Rates are subject to change without notice. Fees could reduce earnings on the account. 1) Ultra Checking is a blended rate tiered account with dividends paid on portions of your balance falling within designated tiers: \$0.00 - \$1,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$1,000.01 - \$5,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$5,000.01 - \$10,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$10,000.01 - \$25,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$10,000.01 - \$10,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$10,000.01 - \$25,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$10,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$10,000.01 - \$25,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$10,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$25,000.01 - \$25,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$25,000.01 - \$25,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$10,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$25,000.01 - \$25,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$25,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$25,000.01 - \$25,000.00: 4.20% APY; \$25,000.00: 4.25% APY; \$25,000.00: 4.25\% APY; \$25,000.00: 4.25\%

The Atlantic Federal Credit Union

Get started at **TheAtlanticFCU.com**, call us at **908-245-1750** or visit us at our branches in **Union** and **West Orange**.

Federally Insured by NCUA. Equal Housing Lender.



Interior & Exterior Remodeling | Family Owned & Operated

100% FINANCING AVAILABLE | 30+ YEARS EXPERIENCE

NJDCA 13VH07755300

MagnoliaHomeRemodeling.com 🖾

SEASONED CITIZENS CLUB KICKS OFF 40TH YEAR

On September 12th at 10 a.m., the Mountainside Active Retirees will kick off their 40th year as Mountainside's "Seasoned" Citizens club. Mountainside Mayor Paul Mirabelli will be the speaker at that meeting. His topic is "What's Happening In Mountainside". As in the past after he speaks the floor will be open for questions from those attending. Meetings are held in the 2nd floor Community Room at Borough Hall. M.A.R. is open to all Mountainside residents 55+, retired or not.

TOWN WIDE GARAGE SALE SET FOR SEPT. 9

Looking to make a few dollars while clearing out your attic or garage? Or are you hoping to find some "new" treasures for a low price? Start sorting out your items to join in the Mountainside Town Wide Garage Sale, organized by the Mountainside Newcomers Club. We provide lawn signs, a participant map, and many sources of advertising to help make this event so popular. The sale will be held on Saturday, September 9, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., rain or shine.

Please email mtsdnewcomers@gmail.com with any questions, and visit this link to register: forms.gle/LhhH2aiK7e27hKiFA



IMAGINE OFFERING WEBINAR ON GRIEF

In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month in September, Imagine will be offering a free community webinar on Grief in the Latinx Community on September 21st from 7 - 8:30 p.m. There will be two webinars held simultaneously with one being presented in English and the other in Spanish.

Those who attend the webinar will be able to:

- Gain awareness of intersectionality and grief as it applies to the Latinx Community
- Learn traditional cultural values within the Latinx Community
- Identify different types of grief and loss that pertain to the Latinx Community

Registration for the English speaking webinar is available through Imagine's website at



imaginenj.org.

Those interested in attending the Spanish speaking webinar do not need to register and can contact Sonia Nunez at sonia@imaginenj.org for more information. Imagine's staff hope to see you at the upcoming webinar!

Imagine is a 501c3 nonprofit that offers free year-round grief

support groups for children ages 3-18 and young adults 19-30 who are coping with a loss due to death. Concurrently, support groups are available for the parents and guardians of the children in the groups and offered in English and Spanish. Imagine also offers grief and loss education and training to the community.

For more information please contact Imagine at 908-264-3100 or info@imaginenj.org.



On View

National Collage Society: 39th Annual Juried Exhibition HouseBroken by Melissa Stern RE:History Contemporary Takes by Lisa Ficarelli-Halpern

> Complimentary Admission Reservation Required

> > galleries.kean.edu (908) 737-5300

Carol Mullen, "Monarch," collage, 18x2x.5 in. Melissa Stern, "Deflated," 2020, sculpture, 43x18x17 in. Lisa Ficarelli-Halpern, "Joy, after Reynolds," 2023, oil on carwas, 62x38 in.



MOUNTAINSIDE CELEBRATES NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2023

Mountainside held its 2nd Annual National Night Out Event. National Night Out is an event meant to enhance the relationships between residents and all First Responders. Mountainside Police, Fire, EMS, and DPW organized a display of various pieces of equipment for all residents to Union County Police had their RV see. Command Vehicle that was available for tours as well as Union County Hazmat, the Prosecutors Office and Police Officers.

It was a fun event that allowed residents the opportunity to come together to meet all of the First Responders in their community. Additionally, there were 2 bounce houses for the kids to play on, as well as many different games. Music and balloons making was provided by Party Maniacs and the Mountainside Recreation



Spring/Fall Clean Ups Mulch/Stone Planting/Installations Shrub/Hedge Trimming Top Soil/Seed/Sod Fertilization/Weed Control Landscape Design **Drainage and Grading** Pavers (Walkways/Patios) **Retaining Walls**

friendly game of soccer. Mountainside Fire Department Members were on the grill making hamburgers and hot dogs for all residents which came courtesy of a donation by our local Famous Dave's. The biggest hit of the night was Mike's Ice Cream Truck which offered a wide variety of ice cream novelties.

The following people were thanked, who helped put the night together: Matthew DeAnna (DPW Director), Samantha Grindlinger

On Tuesday, August 1, 2023 the Borough of Department had a tattoo table and started a (Assistant Recreation Director), Kristine Moran (Assistant to the Chief of Police), Andrew Yasinski (Police Sergeant), Thomas Norton (Police Sergeant), Eric Pastor and Trey Melville (Police Officers). Lastly, I would like to thank all those who sponsored this event including. The Mountainside Watts Foundation, Mountainside Fire Company, Mountainside Rescue Squad, Mountainside PBA Local 136 and Mayor and Council. Without your support, this event could not be a success.



Photos by Mountainside Police Department

Now is the time to get heating system up to speed. CALL TODAY FOR ALL YOUR HEATING, AIR CONDITIONING, AND FUEL NEEDS 908-760-0583



Now is the time to get your heating sytem ready for fall. If your heating system is over 15 years old, you may want to consider a more efficient replacement. Avoid last minute emergencies during the hot uncomfortable weather. Let the experts at Woolley evaluate your cooling and heating needs and provide you with a FREE no obligation estimate. We are a full-service installation, maintenance, and repair company. In need of a tune-up? We provide that too, along with Woolley Extra Care Service Plans.



WOOLLEY'S PROUD PARTNERS



illiamson



m WEIL·McLAIN



CIOIS AVIE STORE

r Soil. Our Oi

We will continue to offer the same great service delivered to REEL-STRONG customers. The addition of REEL-STRONG represents an exciting opportunity for WOOLLEY to do more for our customers. You will still find the same reliable technicians and office staff from REEL-STRONG now at WOOLLEY HOME.

Expires: 9/30/2023. May Not Be Combined With Other Offers.



N. Woolley Master HVACR contractor Lic. # 1261

KENZAROFING & CHIMNEY 908-627-9696



24/7

EMERGENCY

SERVICE

Google

Why chose us? Guaranteed there is no GIMMICKS or price changes from beginning to finish! At Kenza Roofing&Chimney; LLC. we make dreams come true.

With years of experience, in ROOFING, CHIMNEY & MASONRY, this phrase has become more than a catchy slogan. It's simply the way we do business. We offer quality, professionalism and competitive pricing for every job, regardless of project size. Customer satisfaction is our primary goal.

Kenza Roofing&Chimney LLC. looks forward to making your dream a reality. Call us Today For Your FREE Estimate! 908 627-9696





License number: 13VH09897400 be combined with other offers. Exp. 9/30/23.

On labor only, materials not included. Cannot

SEPTEMBER SPEAKERS PROGRAM

Recovery."

Staunton will also explain the role of EMS

services, how 9-1-1 works, and the 61-year

the ring. A member of the New Jersey Hall of

Fame, many will recall his match with Larry

Holmes in 1982. A boxer from 1977 to 1990

Gerry's record was 28 - 3, with 24 wins by a

knockout In 2019 he wrote "Gentleman Gerry:

A Contender in the Ring, a Champion in

speak September 26, 2023 on the "Fall Classic,"

contested since 1903. Both of these local baseball

fans and experts will share their incredible

Past speakers and much much more can be

viewed at https://SummitOldGuard.org but we

encourage people to drop in on our meetings

which take place at the church at 10:00 AM every

Tuesday. "Come for the Speakers. Stay for the

Friends." We look forward to meeting you.

Finally, just in time for the first pitch of the World Series, John Cronin and John Nolan will

September 19th, Gerry Cooney will step into

history of the Summit Squad.

knowledge and expertise.

The Summit Old Guard was founded in Summit in 1930 and meets every Tuesday at the New Providence Presbyterian Church located at 1307 Springfield Ave. Our motto is "Come for the Programs. Stay for the Friends." September speakers include heavyweight boxer Gerry Cooney, Journalist and author Mark Di Ionno, John Staunton EMT and Trustee of the Summit First Aid Squad, and a timely presentation by two local experts on the history of the rapidly approaching World Series. Please join us. Our programs are free to the public, and we welcome you!

On Tuesday, September 5th, Mark Di Ionno Pulitzer Prize finalist writer of the Star-Ledger will speak about his several humanitarian relief trips to Ukraine, his travels there, and the people he met in Ukraine and in Poland. Di Ionno has also written on New Jersey's Revolutionary War trails and history.'

On September 12th, John Staunton will speak about his 38 years with the Summit Volunteer First Aid Squad, as an EMT and as trustee.



(above) Mark Di Ionno, (above) John Staunton, Gerry Cooney, John Cronin and John Nolan

SAM'S LANDSCAPING COMPLETE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CONTACT US ABOUT OUR PAVER/PATIO SPECIALS *RETAINING WALLS* *DESIGN* SOD *DRAINAGE* RIMMING* TOP SOIL* *CLEANUPS* MULCH CALL 908-441-7302 SAMSLANDSCAPING.COM "SERVICE, OUR BUSINESS. LANDSCAPING, OUR SPECIALTY."



Our floor-to-ceiling renovating team... is in the Neighborhood?



ROOFING

Roof Replacement Gutter Installation



CEMENT/STONE

Masonry Hardscaping

PAINTING Interior & Exterior **Deck Refinishing** Floor Refinishing



CARPENTRY Deck Building Millwork Floor Installation **Cabinet Installation**



RENOVATIONS

Additions Attic & Basement Remodel Kitchen & Bath Remodel

VISIT OUR WEBSITE & REQUEST A QUOTE





WilbersHomeImprovements.com

IS IT REALLY POSSIBLE FOR A KID TO LEARN HOW TO RUN FAST

Retired San Francisco 49ers QB Joe NFL players that has ever played football...when his son started playing football it would have made sense for him to help his son learn how to play Quarterback.

But that's not how it went. Joe Montana had to hire a quarterback coach to help his son be a better football player. Here's possibly the greatest NFL QB of all time, needing to hire someone else to help his son. It was not that Joe Montana was not equipped for the job...it was that his son needed a second voice to help him get to the next level.

Many parents who have much less knowledge, experience, and skills than Joe Montana are in the same boat in regards to helping their kids get stronger, faster, and more confident.

Most parents we've come across want their kids to eat healthier, be more active, and have a stronger mindset. But many have told us they need help.

Even with the constant reminders of telling their kids to eat more vegetables, get outside instead of watching TV, practice their sport more, get to bed earlier...they find that sometimes the message falls on deaf ears...and some backup would be helpful toward their vision of helping their kid be the best they can be.

Parents have told us that having us(the Grit Athlete Performance Coaches) as a second voice to help reinforce the habits they want for their kids...is changing the game.

Montana, is arguably one of the greatest over 20 years experience with training day. athletes himself...and certainly knows a LOT more about getting stronger and faster their kids to do even one good pushthan the average parent...But has all 3 of his up...now they catch them in their room children(9,8 and 6) enrolled in Grit year practicing on their own. round....because he knows the power of that second voice.

> program, parents tell how it's turbocharging calm under pressure and seeking out their parenting. Here are some real-life challenges instead of avoiding them. examples that have been reported...

> kids to eat vegetables...now their kids are watching TV...but rather finding the right asking for more.

> Before, parents struggled with getting successful. their kids to get enough sleep....now their kids are getting to bed earlier on their own. of great coaches waiting to be second

> their kids to watch less TV or play video you're teaching as parents will be games...now they are limiting these reinforced. But most importantly, the activities because they've learned they results you're after for your kids will don't really help them become better actually become a reality. The Grit Athlete athletes.

> their kids have more confidence...now their Berkeley kids are doing things out of their comfort www.gritathletes.com to fill out an zone more often which is helping them application for your child. believe in themselves which further improves self-esteem.

> their kid get faster ... now they are faster get strong, fast, and confident so they can because they've learned that speed is a have a bigger and better future. They have skill, and a few simple tweaks can make a open registration for their fall program kid faster immediately.

> Before, parents could not get their kids December 2nd. to make their beds...now their kid makes their bed each morning on their own for their fall session ... or see below for because they learned that making their bed more details...

Further...Our Grit Athlete Founder has in the morning helps them have a better

Before, parents struggled with getting

Before, parents wanted their kids to have more determination and grit when And after they come through our training new things...now they are staying

Many times it's not about telling your Before, parents struggled with getting kid to eat more vegetables or stop environment for them to be more

Right in your backyard, there's a team Before, parents struggled with getting voices for your kids...so that all the things fall Sports Performance session runs Before, parents struggled with helping September 5th until December 2nd in Heights NJ, visit

Grit Athlete Performance is a Sports Performance Training Company located in Before, parents had no clue how to help Berkeley Heights that helps kids ages 6-18 that starts on September 5th and runs til

Visit www.gritathletes.com to register

Do you want **GRIT ATHLETE PERFORMANCE** to help your child get faster, stronger, and more confident?

The Fall Program begins September 5th.

Scan the QR code to see if there is any availability left.

The program ends December 2nd.



Scan QR Code for cost, timeslots, and dates.

Attention Parents of Kids Ages 6-18 UPDATE: THE GRIT ATHLETE PERFORMANCE FALL PROGRAM HAS OPENED REGISTRATION! Scan below to submit an application.

We'll have your kid stronger, faster, and more confident...guaranteed.

Here's what parents can expect to happen:

- They will get stronger which means when they show up to their sport they'll be able to perform better than ever.
- They will run faster and jump higher so they can show up to their next season and people will start asking what the heck have they been doing.
- They'll become more coordinated and improve agility which means they'll pick up new skills their coaches teach them faster.
- Your children will start to eat better because we'll be educating them daily on what's good and what they should avoid ...don't be surprised if they start asking you to buy more vegetables.
- Confidence will skyrocket. When kids get stronger, faster and more fit...their confidence will rise...so will their self-esteem which means their performance in every aspect of life will get better.
- Their mindset will improve. We're going equip your child with very specific mindset skills that'll help them learn how to transform how they think about mistakes and failures.

HAPPY PARENTS TALKING ABOUT THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL TRANSFORMATION OF THEIR KIDS...

- "When my son started Grit he was quiet, shy, and had some difficulty with movements... Now he is confident in himself, has become more vocal, and is mastering the exercise he struggled with in the past."
- "My son is more disciplined and confident in himself"

- Jen O'Brien, Grit Athlete Parent

- "I have watched my children become more confident and vocal."
- Steve Hughes, Grit Athlete Parent
- Christine Stramandinoli, Grit Athlete Parent • "His confidence has shot up in the last few months...and has carried forward to the way he approaches other activities like sports and schoolwork. My son is now making his bed daily and exercising every day."

- Catherine Solfaro, Grit Athlete Parent

• We saw a noticeable difference in his throwing - he could throw it further and faster! The training definitely paid off!"

- Dara, GRIT Athlete Parent

GET MORE INFORMATION (STARTED SEPTEMBER 5TH)







Warning: Our Fall season begins September 5th and we tend to sell our early. Please respond promptly so we can give you the best chance to grab a spot. Scan the QR Code and enter your information to find out more about the Fall Program.

ANNUAL FALL MUM & PLANT SALE

Don't miss the Mountainside Restoration Committee's Annual Fall Mum & Plant Sale on the lawn of the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House. This year's sale takes place from Thursday, Sept. 14th through Saturday, Sept. 16th from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. (while supplies last). The Committee's plant experts travel to the grower and hand-select every single plant for this sale. The mums are the best you can get, and because they eliminate the middleman, the prices are very competitive. These mums are covered with buds for longlasting bloom. Stop by the Hetfield House from Thursday through Saturday to get a head start on fall color for your home and landscape. Come early for the best selection.

The Deacon Andrew Hetfield is located at Constitution Plaza (Watchung Ave., off Birch Hill Rd.) adjacent to the Mountainside Library. The Mountainside Restoration Committee is a committee of volunteers whose purpose is to restore and maintain the Deacon Andrew Hetfield and Levi Cory Houses and collect and save historic information and items from destruction.

For further information, please call (908) 233-3135; or,

go to: mountainsidehistory.org



(above) Plant experts from the Mountainside Restoration Committee visit the grower to hand-select mums to be sold at their Annual Fall Mum & Plant sale held at Mountainside's Deacon Andrew Hetfield House on Thursday, Sept. 14 through Saturday, Sept. 16 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. (while supplies last).



ESTATE SALE FUND RAISER - SEPT. 8 & 9

The Mountainside Restoration Committee's MRC Estate Sales division will be conducting an outstanding Estate Sale in Mountainside to raise funds for the maintenance and restoration of the historic Deacon Andrew Hetfield House and Levi Cory House.

The sale will be held on Friday and Saturday, September 8 & 9 from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. No early birds. This sale will take place in Mountainside and the address will be announced on Thursday Sept. 7th at mountainside history.org. Purchases are limited to cash only.

This sale has many quality furniture and household items including Thomasville dining set, home office furniture, bedroom furniture, queen sofa bed, futon, occasional furniture, exercise equipment (treadmill, recumbent bike, elliptical, bench, weights), tons of fabric and craft items, hundreds of household and kitchen items, tools, garden equipment, generator, cameras, linens, glassware, crystal, silverware, Italian pottery, Franciscan dishware, Swarovski crystal, teapots, lamps, VHS tapes, electronics, board games, wall art, 10 ft. pre-lit Christmas tree, rugs, outdoor storage unit, patio furniture, and so much more.

MRC Estate Sales are conducted by trusted volunteer Antiques Experts and Estate Sale Professionals with 30+ years of estate sale experience. Most important, all commissions benefit the Mountainside Restoration Committee.

MRC Estate Sales was created to give back to the community and raise additional funds to help preserve and restore local history. The reasonable commission percentage of sales will go directly to the Mountainside Restoration Committee, Inc. which is a 501(c)3 charity.

The Mountainside Restoration Committee is a committee of volunteers whose purpose is to restore and maintain the Deacon Andrew Hetfield and Levi Cory Houses and collect and save historic information and items from destruction. For information on MRC Estate Sales, Mountainside Historic Committee events or to donate funds, please email hetfieldhouse1@yahoo.com; call (908)233-3135, or go to: mountainsidehistory.org

UGLY HOMES WANTED FOR TELEVISION PROGRAM IN THIS AREA

We need 30 Ugly Homes with Ugly Kitchens, Bathrooms, Siding, Window, etc., Inside or Outside that need fixing or Remodeling. We will Repair and Remodel them and shoot video for training film and future TV show on Home Remodeling Work.

Must Sign Release, for purpose of filming job! This must be a complete remodeling job, not just patch up work. This remodeling is to be specially priced, with compensation going back to the homeowner for a signed release.

Serious Inquiries Please!

CALL 833-375-1472 Ask for TV Project Department, for job evaluation and estimate of cost and compensations!

Tri-State Creations LLC - Lic. #s: NJ-13VH04728900, PA-39104



Colorscapes
Tree Saladscape
ServiceHAND PRUNING AND RESTORATION
DOVERGROWN TREES AND SHRUSS
Specializing in preservation of old trees
Experts at proper pruning techniques.Dadscape designs "Second to None!"Landscape designs "Second to None!"Take a tour of local examples of beautiful designs. Call Gene Gregory
See our work first at Colorscapes Inc on Facebook or our Website.

908-322-0253 • www.DesignByColorscapes.com



FALL BOOK SALE

The Friends of Mountainside Library is gearing up for a book sale in October.

Donations are greatly appreciated and will be accepted September 30 and October 2 & 3 - during library hours only.

We are accepting gently used hard cover and paperback children's books as well as select gently used adult hard cover and paperback books.

Not accepting books regarding business, selfhelp, philosophy, religion or dictionaries, atlases, or reference books.

Books must be in good condition--if you would not buy it, we cannot sell it. Please carefully select your donations. It costs us to dispose

of books not in sellable condition.

Sale will be: Wed., October 4 - noon to 5:30 p.m.; Thurs., October 5 - 10 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.; Friday, October 6 - 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; BAG DAY - Saturday, October 7 - 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Clean-up will be Tuesday, October 10 - 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.- volunteers needed!



MOUNTAINSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Did you know that September is Library Card Month? Access to thousands of books online and from our shelves, plus newspapers, magazines, and information is at your fingertips when you have a library card. It takes just a couple of minutes to get a card and all you need is identification with your current address. Minors will need identification from a parent or guardian.

Story Time Session

September 18

The Mountainside Library has a full Fall program schedule for youth and adults. The next story time session begins on September 18 with weekly programs for families with babies

through preschoolers as well as afterschool programs for school-age children including the always popular Reading to the Dogs. Youth-

oriented special events include:

Sharing the World with Raptors

Wednesday, September 20 at 1:00pm The Raptor Trust presents Sharing the World with Raptors: a broad overview to the six types of raptors we have here in New Jersey. Includes touchable artifacts. All ages are welcome.

Bubbly Bears with Miss Jolie

Friday, September 29 at 10:30am Preschoolers and their caregivers will enjoy this music and movement program with bubble popping fun. Especially for preschoolers. Registration is required.

Movies

Friday afternoons at 1:00pm Adults can enjoy regularly schedule movies most Friday afternoons Great Courses program Monday afternoons at 1:00pm focusing on The Gilded Age on most Monday afternoons. In addition, adults now have a choice of three book groups, including:

Monday Night Book Club

Monday, September 11 at 6:30pm. Discuss a designated book on the first Monday of the month. In September the book is Verity by Colleen Hoover. All are welcome! Books are available at the library. Call to reserve your copy or to get more information.

Books and Bagels

Friday, September 22 at 10:00pm There is no assigned reading for this new book chat program. Come prepared to talk about your new favorite books. Get great reading recommendations and enjoy coffee and a bagel. No registration required.

Cookbook Club

Thursday, October 12 at 6:30pm Explore new cookbooks and old favorites. Discuss recipes, techniques, and ingredients. The first meeting will feature sweet and savory fall ingredients. Come for a taste, stay for the discussion.

Discover the natural beauty and history of New Jersey

Thursday, September 28 at 6:30pm For adults who are interested in exploring, autumn is a perfect time to discover the natural beauty and history of New Jersey. Join New Jersey author and historian, Kevin Woyce, to learn about some of New Jersey's most exciting history which can be found in our more than two dozen State Parks. The slide show includes original photographs of many of New Jersey's beautiful state parks, plus vintage images of historic people, places, and events. Where will you explore next?

Please visit mountainsidelibrary.org for a complete listing of programs and details including registration and fees or call the library at 908-233-0115 for further information or to register.



WHAT ARE YOU SEEKING?

A free spirituality seminar is being offered by Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Scotch Plains, NJ. Meetings are weekly, and most are on Zoom.

Some of the most interesting and meaningful discussions occur when we talk about subjects that really matter to us. What is important to you? What fills you with joy? What do you seek in life? What do you believe? Alpha was created as an opportunity to examine important topics that ask us to reevaluate what we believe and why.

The four in-person meetings begin with a meal, followed by a short video on various Christian topics, small group discussions and conclude with some summary comments. The other meetings are conducted on Zoom. There are twelve meetings in total. While it seems as though only people with faith are the target audience, all are welcome whether a believer, an atheist, or an agnostic. Come and bring a friend.

Listening is critical to this format. It is as important to understand other points of view as much as to be understood. Dialogue is expected to be respectful not confrontational. No one is forced to talk if they simply choose to listen.

The comments of those who have done the Alpha Program offer the best reasons to "Try Alpha":

"I needed a spiritual tune up and I got it." "It was a safe place to discuss deep topics of faith." "I found a new energy and peace about my faith."



"It gave me a sense of hope." "I found my faith again."

The next Alpha Program will begin on Monday, September 18, 2023 with a dinner at 7 p.m. in the Nazareth Center at Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) Church, 1571 S. Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains. Since most meetings will be on Zoom it will require access to a device for the Zoom meetings. Links and directions for Zoom will be provided to those who register. Participation is capped at 30 people. Sign up by visiting the IHM website: ihmparish.net. If you have any questions about Alpha, email: office@ihmparish.net or call: 908-889-2100.



(above) Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Scotch Plains to host a free spirituality seminar. Registration is required, please visit ihmparish.net/alpha. If you have any questions about Alpha, email: office@ihmparish.net or call: 908-889-2100.







SCOUT TROOP 177 HAS ACTION PACKED SUMMER







WOOFSTOCK SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL

HOME FOR GOOD DOG RESCUE

Join us for our epic Home for Good Dog Rescue summer music festival event – WOOFSTOCK! Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 9th, and Sunday, September 10th, 2023. You don't want to miss this annual bash at Brook Valley Farm, 336 Loantaka Way, Chatham, NJ.

This is Home for Good's largest adoption day of the year and is a blast for the whole family. This event is pet-friendly, so be sure to bring your beloved pup to join the fun! All Home for Good Dog alum are invited to reunite with their siblings and former foster families.

Live music will be rockin' on both days from the popular band The Cliffs. Endless entertainment includes food trucks, craft vendors, beer and wine, prize raffles, children's activities, and of course Dog Adoptions!

Gates open 11 a.m. Activities commence at 12 noon and conclude at 5 p.m.

Pre-registered tickets are \$30 for adults & \$12 for children (12 and under). Pre-registration will close on Thursday, Sept. 7th at 6 p.m. Tickets at door: \$35/adult.

To become a sponsor for Woofstock 2023, please email development@hfgdr.org, or go to this link: https://bit.ly/38VjhQU

To become a food or craft vendor at Woofstock 2023, please email volunteer@hfgdr.org

ABOUT HOME FOR GOOD DOG RESCUE

Home for Good Dog Rescue (HFGDR) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization headquartered in Berkeley Heights, NJ. We rescue dogs from high-kill shelters in the South, transport them to our rescue, and give them a second chance at life. As a uniquely 100-percent foster-based rescue, we place each dog into a loving foster home until adoption, and since our inception, we have rescued over 10,000 dogs and given them loving homes for good. For more information visit homeforgooddogs.org.



BELOVED BROKEN ITEMS REPAIRED FOR FREE

Summit Repair Cafe closes out their 2023 repair season with their fifth year of repairing. Every event since its inception in 2018 has successfully repaired an average of 67 beloved but broken items from entering the landfill.

On September 9, bring your beloved but broken items to be repaired to Summit's Repair Cafe from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at Christ Church, 561 Springfield Avenue. The last items accepted for repair will be at 2:30 p.m.

Repair services available at this event will include sewing/textiles, lamps, clocks, woodworking, jewelry, computers, knife sharpening, electronics and bicycles. To allow all patrons to have the opportunity for repair, repairs are limited to 2 total items per person and 1 jewelry item per person.

Replacement parts for lamps and clocks will be available for an at-cost fee. Please only bring items that you can carry into our event unaided. No appointment is necessary, wait times may vary.

Summit Repair Cafe events are co-sponsored by the Summit Area Green Faith Circle and Repair Cafe Garden State. Visit repaircafegs.org for the full schedule of all upcoming Repair Cafe events in New Jersey for the autumn season.

Repair and event (setup/check-in/clean-up) volunteers are wanted for the September 9 event in Summit and all future events. If you would like to help please contact us via email: summit@repaircafegs.org.



(above) On September 9, bring your broken items to be repaired to Summit's Repair Cafe. If you would like to help, please contact summit@repaircafegs.org.



Marketing Toolbox

Renna Media offers a full range of marketing services, in print and online, hyperlocal to regional, for every budget and market size.

NEWSPAPER ADVERTS

We mail 160,000 newspapers to every home and business in 24 towns. You can advertise in any number of towns. Ads start at \$60.

FULL COLOR PRINTING

We print flyers and menus, full color, two sided, on coated stock for only \$45 per thousand.

DIRECT MAIL

Insert your flyer into the newspapers and get it mailed to every home and business for \$60 per thousand and as low as \$30 per thousand for higher quantities.

ONLINE MARKETING

Online ads and press releases designed and placed to drive traffic to your website and get your phone ringing.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We can design and/or manage your social media campaign from passive to aggressive plans customized to work within your budget.

WEBSITE AND SEO SERVICES

Start with an audit/analysis of your website giving you a report and recommendations for \$250.

It is highly recommended to have a marketing plan and budget before spending.

CALL JOE RENNA FOR A FREE CONSULTATION. 908-447-1295

RENNA MEDIA NEWSPAPER RATE SHEET WE MAIL 160,000 NEWSPAPERS MONTHLY! Tina Renna 908-418-5586 • tinarenna@rennamedia.com Joe Renna 908-447-1295 • joerenna@rennamedia.com 202 Walnut Avenue, Cranford, NJ 07016



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

Make Checks payable to Renna Media, 202 Walnut Avenue, Cranford, NJ 07016



Departing from our usual format at the Roadhouse, this performance will be held UPSTAIRS in the church sanctuary.

Pianist/Organist Dave Braham has played with and/or recorded with many of the top names in jazz, including Etta Jones, Houston Person, Lou Donaldson, Al Grey, David "Fathead" Newman, Arthur Prysock and Irene Reid. He has two recordings as a leader – "To Be Free" on the RandomAct record label and "Blue Gardenia" on BlueJay records. He has also taught music in NJ public schools, including Union Public Schools. Dave will be backed up with bass and drums by two of the areas finest musicians, creating a musical treat for all who come to this exciting all-acoustic show in a great listening environment.

Bassist Belden Bullock has quickly become one of the most sought-after jazz bassists in the greater NYC area. He has travelled extensively with jazz piano giants Ahmad Jamal, South African pianist Abdullah Ibrahim as well as the Harlem Blues and Jazz Band. Belden lives in a very talented household. His wife, Audrey, is a very busy professional singer. Their two sons are actors/dancers.

Drummer Willie Martinez is well known in the tri-state area as one of the most versatile percussionists around. He has played and recorded with a wide variety of artists – jazz musicians such as Benny Powell, Mulgrew Miller and George Cables; Cuban bandleader Chico O'Farrill; even pop singer Faith Hill. In addition to drum set, Willie is a master of the timbales and other Latin percussion instruments. Willie can also be seen leading his own Latin Jazz sextet, La Familia.

2022 Show proceeds will benefit Townley Church Missions

All shows are featured on UNION TV34's "UNION AFTER DARK" nightly music series Plenty of free parking in our two lots and on the street

SALEM ROADHOUSE CAFÉ @ TOWNLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 829 SALEM ROAD UNION NJ 07083

PHONE: 908-686-1028 (leave message) E-MAIL: salemroadhouse@gmail.com WEB: www.townleychurch.org FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/salemroadhouse

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 nonprofit that raises funds for several carefully chosen local charities. That's its 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. Many thousands of dollars have been raised for these deserving charities.

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

908-964-4004

406 Chestnut St. • Union, NJ 07083



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 quanttiy.) Minimum order \$400





Trusted, Comfortable & Caring Dentistry

Call Us Today to Request an Appointment! 908-273-3873

www.summitdentist.com



Dr. Mindy Ok earned her Doctor of Dental Medicine degree from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, one of the top dental schools in the country. Dr. Ok strives to provide every patient with a thorough and relaxing visit.

No Dental Insurance? We've Got an In-House Plan to Help!

OUR SERVICES

- PREVENTIVE CARE
- **RESTORATIVE CARE**
- EAT, CHEW & SMILE NATURALLY WITH DENTAL IMPLANTS
- COSMETIC DENTISTRY
- MERCURY-FREE DENTISTRY
- INVISALIGN® CLEAR ORTHODONTICS
- JUVEDERM®
- BOTOX®

NO DENTAL INSURANCE? NO PROBLEM.

Join our in-house dental plan for a reasonable yearly membership fee. No annual maximum! Call to find out the details. Call today and ask about our VIP Botox/Derma Filler Program.

- **\$0** Adult Brighter, Whiter Cleaning
- \$0 Adult Exam
- **\$0** Child cleaning and Exam
- **\$0** Second Opinion Evaluation

HOURS:	Mon:	9 am	- 6 pm
	Tue:	10 am	- 7 pm
	Wed:	7 am	- 6 pm
	Thu:	8 am	- 7 pm
	Fri:	9 am	- 3 pm
	Sat:	8 am	- 1 pm

WE WILL MAXIMIZE YOUR INSURANCE!

If you have insurance where a co-pay is not required, your exam, x rays & cleaning will be at no cost to you. Cash, Check or Credit Cards only, or your insurance may cover. If your insurance requires a co-pay, you must pay a small out of pocket cost.