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COMMUNITY CELEBRATES NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2023

National Night Out, a national community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships, was held on Tuesday, August 8th in Roselle Park. The free event was sponsored by the Borough of Roselle Park and along with fun activities the main focus was for residents to meet and greet with members of the Roselle Park Police and Fire departments.

National Night Out is held annually. It enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

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CPR TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION SEMINAR

The Borough of Roselle Park is offering a free CPR training and certification course for a limited number of eligible residents. This program is aimed at empowering young adolescents in Roselle Park with essential emergency response skills before the arrival of first responders.

This life-saving event will take place on Saturday, September 23, 2023, from 12 p.m to 5 p.m at the Casano Community Center. The Borough is delighted to have the support and collaboration of a number of partnering organizations. The Gregory Johnson Civic Association will generously provide safety giveaways and lunch for all participants. Amazing Critical Care LLC will offer certified two-year CPR certifications to 15 lucky

adolescents. Finally, Roselle Park Borough Police and Fire departments will be present to provide important information.

There are a few eligibility requirements for participation in this event. Participants must be residents of Roselle Park, and due to limited space, only one family member per household may participate if selected. The program is geared towards youth aged between 16 and 21 who will be given preference in the selection process. The first 15 individuals who apply and meet the requirements stated will be selected.

This event is free and open to residents of all ages. Please email gjohnson@rosellepark.net to register.

For more information, please contact the Casano Community Center at 908-245-0666.

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NEW PROVIDENCE BOOK FESTIVAL – SEPT. 23

On Saturday, September 23, 2023, New Jersey authors will sign books and talk to visitors at the New Providence Book Festival. Located on the grounds of the historic Salt Box Museum, the festival will include a series of presentations by authors.

At 10 a.m., during the children’s story hour, Nadja Springer, Sue Steinhardt, and Selene Castrovilla will read from their children’s books, *The Big Adventures of a Little Tree*, *This is Tap: Savion Glover Finds His Funk*, and *ImperfectPhil is a Friend*.

At 11 a.m., historical mystery novelist Mally Becker will make her presentation, “Bringing the Past to Life One Spy, Mystery and Murder at a Time.”

At 12:00 Noon, novelist Elissa Matthews will speak on “Three Kinds of Historical Fiction – Which One Calls to You?”

At 1 p.m., Susen Edwards will speak on “Writing Your Own Memoir”

At 2 p.m, J.R. Bale will talk about “Turning the Voices in My Head into Novels”

All these authors will be available for book signing. Other authors signing their books include Linda Barth, Michelle Cameron, Michael Stephen Daigle, Steven Farkas, Sarajane Giere, Tom Kranz, Nev March, Linda Raedisch, Eileen Harrison Sanchez, Kal Uddin, and others.

“We wanted to expand this event which



connects authors with readers in a very personal way,” explains J.R. Bale, author and one of the organizers of the event. “With over 17 authors of writing in various genres, it will be a stimulating event for even the most casual book lover.”

Anyone purchasing a book at the festival will be entitled to receive a free raffle ticket for drawings for a gift basket, which will include a Barnes & Noble gift card.

The festival will be held on the grounds of the Salt Box Museum at 1350 Springfield Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.. The rain date is September 30, 2023. The Salt Box Museum, the site of the festival, is operated by the New Providence Historical Society and will be open for tours, free of charge. Refreshments will be available on the grounds.

More information is available at newprovidencebookfestival.com

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YMCA WELCOMING WEEK OPEN HOUSE – SEPT. 8-17

This Welcoming Week, September 8 -17, The Gateway Family YMCA will join Welcoming America, other YMCAs and organizations nationwide to celebrate immigrants' contributions to communities and bring together all residents in a spirit of unity. The Gateway Family YMCA invites the community to visit the YMCA Open House inclusive of all, with details and schedules available at tgfymca.org/events/welcome23 including a Community Health Fair with vaccination information, fun family programs, social events for all ages, blood pressure self-monitoring and programs open to the community.

In addition to a YMCA Open House for all September 8-17, The Gateway Family YMCA is offering a Membership Special with \$0 Joiner Fee. Individuals and families are invited to tour and join at any YMCA branch in Elizabeth, Rahway and Union, and can join online at tgfymca.org/join-the-Y with code WEL3 during Welcoming Week.

The Gateway Family YMCA celebrates Welcoming Week with the local communities each year, as part of a commitment to the mission of serving all. Every day, The Gateway Family

YMCA offers a complimentary Community Membership for access to select programs and events for every member of the community focused on chronic disease prevention and social opportunities for seniors and families.

As part of the YMCA commitment for inclusive access, the Welcoming Week Open House also includes a digital and virtual program and social component. Community members are encouraged to visit the Y's website and social media channels to participate in Welcoming Week 2023. For individuals who are unable to visit the Y in person, the YMCA will be providing a Digital Community Health Fair and Community Conversation Prompts throughout the week on Facebook at facebook.com/GatewayFamilyYMCA and YMCA Virtual programs are available from home.

Welcoming Week is an annual, non-partisan event that celebrates diversity and the community

benefits of welcoming everyone and their contributions to the social fabric of the country. The Y will be celebrating with themed events for program participants in Child Care, YMCA Residential Housing, Aquatics, Group Exercise and WISE Community Services programs.

The Gateway Family YMCA is a leading 501(c)(3) non-profit, health and community service organization committed to strengthening community by connecting all people to their potential, purpose, and each other. By bringing together people from different backgrounds, perspectives and generations, the Y ensure that all have access to the opportunities, relationships, and resources necessary to learn, grow and thrive.

For more information about The Gateway Family YMCA or Welcoming Week, visit tgfymca.org or contact the Elizabeth Branch 908-355-9622, Five Points Branch 908-688-9622, Rahway Branch 732-388-0057 or Wellness Center Branch 908-349-9622.

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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.
- Guided fluoroscopic injections are virtually pain free, unlike blind injections.
- No lost time from work or family.
- No expensive or time consuming rehabilitation.
- No potentially addictive prescription medications.
- 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 sound sleep.

Let Me Show You Targeted Relief From Your Knee Pain

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 incredibly accurate diagnostic fluoroscopy we use at **Northeast Spine & Wellness Center** these patients experienced a blind injection technique, which can be as inaccurate as playing pin the tail on the donkey.

Once I am able to explain to my patients about the pin point accuracy of using diagnostic fluoroscopy 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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COUNTY COLLEGE GOLF COACH INDUCTED INTO HALL OF FAME

Union College of Union County, New Jersey is proud to announce that longtime Golf Coach and Dean of STEM William Dunscombe was inducted into the National Junior Athletic Association (NJCAA) Golf Hall of Fame at this year's NJCAA Division III National Golf Championship held in June in Chautauqua, New York.

The induction took place at the National Golf Coaches Annual meeting, held in conjunction with the NJCAA Division Golf Championships. Dean Dunscombe started his golf career at Union in 1975, serving as Head Golf Coach until 2019. Over the course of his coaching career, Dean Dunscombe had 18 NJCAA National Tournament appearances (both individual and teams), more than 500 career wins, one Region XIX Championship, seven Garden State Athletic Conference Champions, and coached one All-American player. Four of his athletes went on to play professionally. Dean Dunscombe was inducted into Union's own Hall of Fame in 1981.

"The Union community is incredibly proud of Dean Dunscombe and thanks the NJCAA for their recognition of his vast contributions over the past 40 plus years," stated Union's President Dr. Margaret M. McMenamin. "It is the support of coaches, like Dean Dunscombe, that help our athletes to grow and develop their skills. Dean Dunscombe has inspired many student-athletes during his time coaching, and he should be proud of the mark he has made on them. This is a tremendous recognition."



(above) William Dunscombe was inducted into the National Junior Athletic Association (NJCAA) Golf Hall of Fame.

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SEPTEMBER 11TH SERVICE

The Borough of Roselle Park will be holding its Annual September 11th Remembrance Service on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at Kelly-Kaulfers Memorial Park. This service will honor all those lost in the tragedy on September 11, 2001, including residents from Roselle Park.

The Annual September 11th Remembrance Service will include a performance of "Taps" from the Roselle Park High School Marching Band. For more information, please contact the Casano Community Center at 908-245-0666.

"FIESTA HISPANA Y LATINA" RETURNS SEPTEMBER 8TH

This September, the Borough of Roselle Park continues its tradition of celebrating Hispanic and Latino culture with its annual Fiesta Hispana y Latina. This vibrant and pulsating evening will take place on Friday, September 8, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Michael J. Mauri Park located at 16 East Grant Avenue.

Festivities for this event include a dance party, food trucks, and a concert from Los 9 Del Sabor,

a Latin and South American band based right in Roselle Park! Latin Bites and Arepas Kreme Bar, local food truck favorites, will be at the festival offering tastes of the culture. There will be some fun activities for the kids, featuring a few small rides and Midway Kid Zone.

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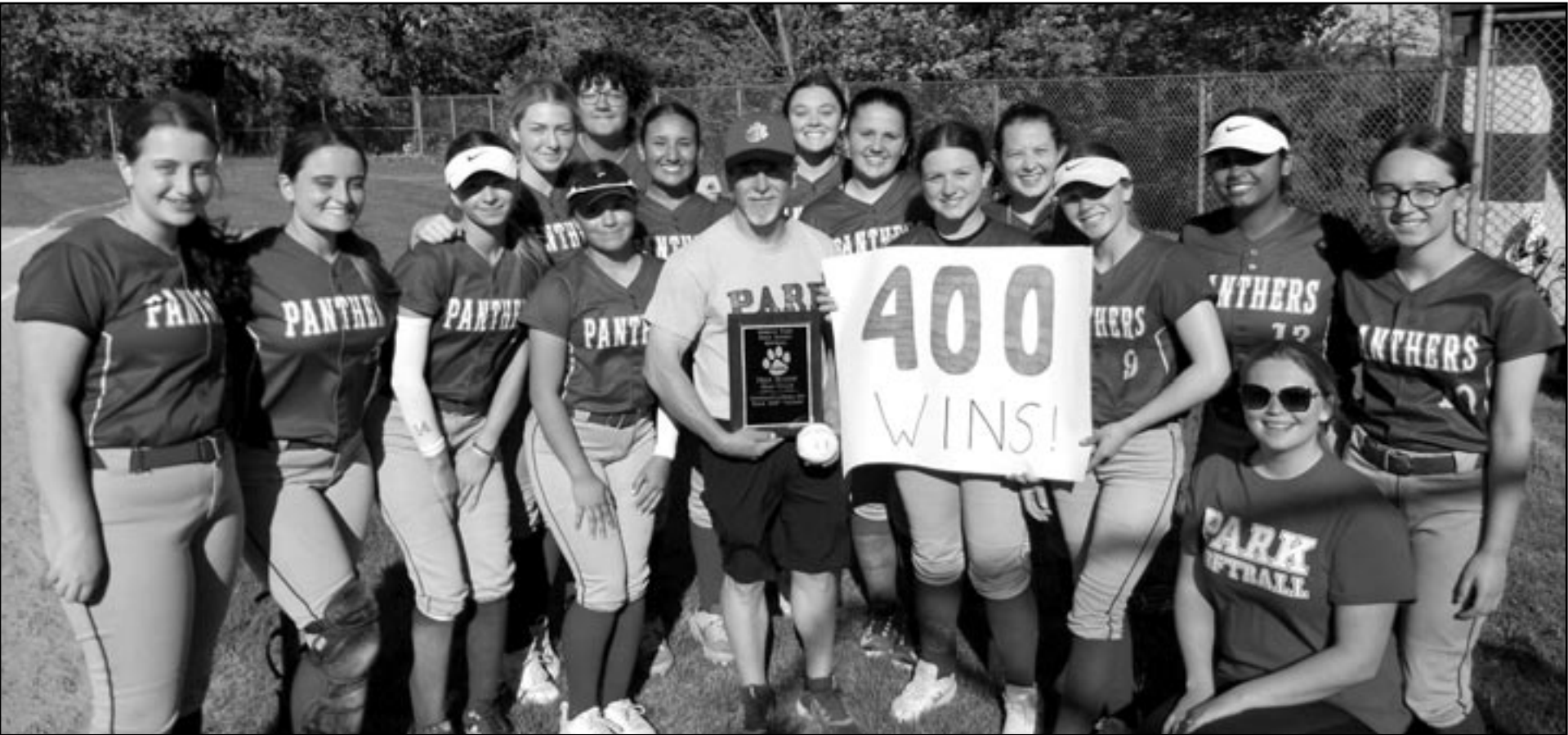
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Congratulations Fran Maggio head softball coach at Roselle Park High School for earning his 400th career victory on May 5, 2023 with a 16-1 win over South River High School. (above, l-r) Roselle Park High School Varsity Team Madley Hemenway, Sarah Wenskoski, Sofia Calas, Brooke Gallo, Sophia Tavares, Mariah Ortega, Nataliya Negron, Head Coach Fran Maggio, Sam Dasilva, Emma Adams, Madison O'Connell, Madsion Gallo, Collen Sweeny, Julia Perez, Hannah Foy, kneeling assistant coach Samantha Graves.

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The Elks National Foundation is proud to announce the start of the 2024 Elks Most Valuable Student scholarship contest. The MVS scholarship is available to high school seniors who are United States citizens. Applicants do not need to be related to a member of the Elks. The judging criteria is based on academics, leadership, service, and financial need.

The application is completed online and must be submitted by the November 13, 2023, deadline. The 500 national winners will be announced in April 2024. The top 20 national

finalists will participate in the Leadership Weekend in Chicago and receive \$30,000 scholarships. The remaining 480 runners-up will receive \$4,000 scholarships.

This year, the Elks National Foundation is investing more than \$4 million in college scholarships. MVS scholars—all of whom demonstrate outstanding leadership skills and a commitment to service—are graduating from college at a rate of 90 percent, 30 percent higher than the national average.

Since 1931, the Elks National Foundation has

awarded life-changing scholarships to thousands of students.

“My ultimate career goal encompasses working as an agricultural problem solver through mechanical development and usage education,” says Jones.

Applications for the 2024 contest are available on the Elks National Foundation’s website.

For complete Most Valuable Student scholarship contest details, including the application, visit enf.elks.org/MVS.

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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":

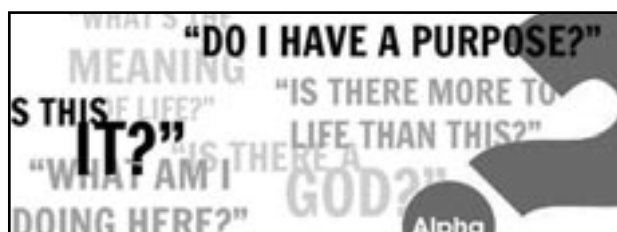
"I needed a spiritual tune up and I got it." "It was a safe place to discuss deep topics of faith." "I found a new energy and peace about my faith."

"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.



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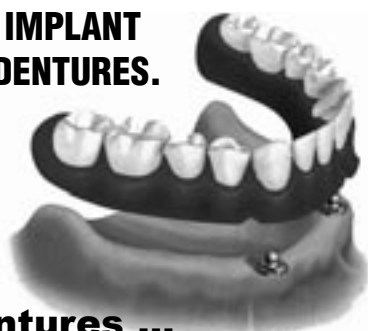
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Submitted by Faith Odat

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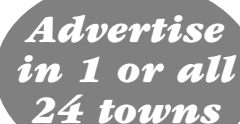
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The Salem Roadhouse Café presents Carrie Jackson and the Jazzin' All Stars, Saturday, September 9, 2023. The doors open at 7:30 p.m., the show starts at 8:00 p.m. Admission is \$20 and includes show, snacks, non-alcoholic beverages, and dessert. The 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. The 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 area's 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.

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 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.

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