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IMAGINE VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT

Imagine staff recently gathered with many of Imagine's not be able to say anywhere else. What they do is they wonderful volunteers to thank them for all of their volunteer support during Imagine's 22-23 program year.

Some of the volunteers who gathered support Imagine's families by facilitating a support group for children, teens, young adults or their parents or guardians who have experienced a loss due to death. They create safe spaces where group participants can share their stories with one another and receive empathy and support.

Other volunteers at the event serve as greeters, welcoming families as they arrive for pizza dinner at the center on their Night of Support. Still other volunteers help by setting up or cleaning up the center before or after a Night of Support. Imagine could not be the resource for the families they seek to support without this amazing community of volunteers and the staff at Imagine were so happy to show their gratitude and appreciation for all that the volunteers do!

Imagine's Executive Director, Lindsay Schambach said this about Imagine's volunteers: "The volunteers at Imagine truly change lives. They are the most humble, kind, considerate, selfless human beings who sit in a room with you or your children in your moments of the most vulnerability, and they just hold space. They allow you to say everything and anything, the types of things you might contact Imagine at 908-264-3100 or info@imaginenj.org.

create safety so that you can put yourself back together again. People who volunteer here at Imagine truly help change lives, and we hope that others who can give of themselves in that way consider joining us! The need for grief support continues to grow, and we know there are volunteers who can help meet that need."

If you're interested in learning more about becoming a volunteer at Imagine, please reach out to 908-264-3100 or email info@imaginenj.org to connect with Imagine staff about volunteering options available. Bilingual (Spanish/English) facilitators are also needed at both locations.

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. Groups are also available for parents who have lost a child aged 30 or younger. Imagine's Training and Education staff provide grief and loss education and training to the community.

For more information, please visit www.imaginenj.org or



(above) Imagine staff members and volunteers in Imagine's support group program gathered at their Mountainside center for the annual Volunteer Appreciation Event. The wall behind this community of volunteers is filled with snowflakes, stars, and leaves on which Imagine participants have written messages to their person who died.



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COMMUNITY DONATES 300 BACKPACKS

Lutheran Church in New Providence organized the collection of new backpacks and school supplies to be shared with area children.

Don Treich, coordinator of this ministry for Faith, hoped to top last year's number of 200. Through the generosity of members and friends in our local community, a grand total of 300 backpacks were collected and distributed. Each bag was stuffed by Faith volunteers with construction paper, a spiral bound notebook, a composition book, a ruler, glue stick, eraser, crayons, kid scissors, a toothbrush and toothpaste, pencils, pens, and pencil sharpener, as well as a colorful note wishing all a good year ahead.

During worship on August 27th,Pastor Jane McCready led the congregation in a special blessing of the backpacks before they made their way to their new homes just in time for the start of the new school year. Area organizations that received backpacks were St. John's Soup Kitchen in Newark; St. Stephan's Grace Community in Newark; St. Vincent DePaul Society Food Pantry in North Plainfield; students in Bound Book schools; and Second Street Youth Center in Plainfield.

Many thanks to all who donated time, supplies and funds to this ministry.

To learn more about Faith Lutheran Church, visit https://famfaith.org. Faith Lutheran worships on Sundays at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

For the fifteenth consecutive year, Faith with livestreaming available on our website, Facebook, and YouTube. Sunday School, adult and youth forums are at 8:45 a.m. We practice an open Communion table, and all are welcome.

> The church phone number is 908-464-5177 and the address is 524 South Street, New Providence, 07974.



(above, l-r) Pastor Jan and Twana, Second Street Youth Center on pick-up day.



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EAGLE SCOUT KATELYN CANNON NAMED NJ VFW SCOUT OF THE YEAR

Submitted by Scouts BSA Troop 19 The annual Department of New Jersey Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Convention was again held at the Wildwood Convention Center in Wildwood this June, where Eagle Scout Katelyn Cannon of Scouts BSA Troop 19, chartered at St. Rose of Lima Church, Short Hills, was honored as the New Jersey Veterans of Foreign Wars "Scout of the Year."



(above) VFW Scout of year - Eagle Scout Katelyn Cannon (center) with NJ Department of VFW Commander Jay Boxwell (right) and VFW Scouting Chairman, Jim D'Arcy (left).

Photo by Scouts BSA Troop 19, St. Rose of Lima, Short Hills NJ

Millburn High School graduate was selected by the VFW's Scout of the Year as New Jersey's single standout Scout who exemplifies leadership, patriotism, and love of country. Statewide applicants for this distinguished award are both Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts who have earned either the Gold Award or achieved the rank of Eagle Scout respectively.

"The challenge (for the selection committee) is that there are so many worthy applicants from all the districts, but I found this year's choice to be easier than most. It's because this person, this Scout, this Eagle Scout, was just head and shoulders above her peers.", said VFW Scouting Chairman, Jim D'Arcy.

"She was in the Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts of 2021, now that is going through a glass ceiling." added D'Arcy to a round of applause.

Cannon was requested to address the statewide delegation at the convention where she requested the assembly of dominantly male veterans to close their eyes, as she walked them through a visualization as to what their childhood as Scouts may have entailed.

"Allow me to take you back to your teenage years. Think about the outdoor place that you loved. It may have been a summer camp, or on the riverbed fishing, or even hiking the

Cannon, a resident of Millburn and a recent Appalachian Trail or possibly camping in the Pinelands. Think about those adventures, what did you learn? You were taught to be independent and confident, you learned critical life skills, became leaders, and made lifelong memories and friends along the way. Just think, for over 110 years, these opportunities to learn leadership, experience adventure, and master life-long skills were only open to young men. Now open your eves. I am proud to stand before you as living proof that your daughters and granddaughters now too can have the same wonderful experience in Scouting and possibly become Eagle Scouts."

Cannon's Scouting accomplishments include being a founding member of Scouts BSA Troop 19, a former Senior Patrol Leader and current Junior Assistant Scoutmaster who has earned 83 merit badges to date, has received the Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII religious awards, as well as a citizenship medal from American Legion. Furthermore, she was selected to attend 2022 New Jersey Girls State, a leadership and citizenship program sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. In addition, she was recently selected as the Sons of American Revolution Eagle Scout Essay contest winner for the State of New Jersey and was national runner-up.

Katelyn Cannon will be embarking on a new journey this fall, studying Public Relations & Strategic Communications at Purdue University.



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BULLIES TO BUDDIES WORKSHOP – OCT. 19TH

On Thursday, October 19th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Imagine, A Center for Coping with Loss will offer a Bullies to Buddies workshop at their Mountainside center at 244 Sheffield Street in Mountainside. Ther is no cost for this program. Children and youth, third grade and older are welcome to attend along with adults who wish to help the children in their lives gain skills for responding to bullying behavior. Young people attending will have an opportunity to role play techniques taught throughout the session.

Bullying is a challenge for many students, but children and youth who are grieving are more likely to be bullied or become bullies. The Bullies to Buddies method fosters resilience by showing how to respond to verbal aggression. Children from 3rd grade and up, parents, school staff



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members and any interested community members are welcome to attend whether or not they have been recently impacted by a loss.

The training will be offered by Connie Palmer, LCSW who is a Grief Education Consultant for Imagine. Connie is a former school social worker, therapist and is a Certified Bullies to Buddies Trainer.

If you and/or your kids are interested in attending, please register by scanning the QR code below or visiting Imagine's website at imaginenj.org. Pizza dinner is available prior to the workshop at 6:15 p.m. Please indicate your interest in coming early for pizza when you register. We hope you can join us at Imagine for this timely and beneficial workshop!

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UCC GOLF COACH INDUCTED INTO H OF F

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 Duncombe 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."

DOCUMENTING NJ'S REVOLUTIONARY WAR VETERANS

Elizabeth Snyder-Continental Chapter DAR

Two local women are helping create a new database of New Jersey Revolutionary War Soldiers. A project of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), the database will be the most comprehensive produced to date utilizing a wide variety of sources.

"The hope is that this database will not only allow us to recognize and honor these veterans, but also help their descendants and researchers to learn about them," said DAR volunteer Holly Dunbar. Working on Somerset County, Dunbar has compiled information on more than 1,700 individuals to date.

Project volunteers aim to find and record as much information about each patriot as possible. This includes dates and locations of birth, enlistment, death and burial; service record with rank and unit, battles, if wounded, taken prisoner or killed; family with names of spouses, parents and children; and the sources of this information. A special effort is being made to include women, African Americans and Native Americans.

"We are starting with the current DAR database, but also using church records, county and local histories, surviving military and pension records, newspapers, and more," said Dunbar, who is a member of Elizabeth Snyder-Continental Chapter in Green Brook.

Another chapter member, Ruth Ryno, is working on Essex County, which also includes present-day Union and and part of Passaic County. ""I look forward to helping prepare this database in honor of our New Jersey patriots as our country prepares to celebrate America's 250th

Two local women are helping create a new anniversary in 2026." When the project is completed, the database will cover all of New Jersey and will be made available to the public.

DAR is a nonprofit nonpolitical service organization open to women 18 and older who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution. Elizabeth Snyder-Continental Chapter is based in Green Brook and serves areas in Somerset, Middlesex and Union counties. New members are welcome. Contact ESCchapterDAR@gmail.com or learn more at DAR.org.



(above) Holly Dunbar, New Jersey DAR State Chairman



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







BLOOD DRIVE ON OCTOBER 3

All Blood Donors Will Receive a \$15 Amazon E-Gift Card

NJ Sharing Network is proud to announce a partnership with the American Red Cross to host a life-saving Blood Drive on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM, at NJ Sharing Network's headquarters, located at 691 Central Avenue, New Providence, NJ. This collaborative initiative is a direct response to a blood shortage currently affecting New Jersey after a summer of declining donations.

"At NJ Sharing Network, we take immense pride in our commitment to supporting our local communities. We believe that addressing urgent needs and exemplifying the spirit of neighborly care and compassion is at the heart of our mission," said Carolyn M. Welsh, President and CEO, NJ Sharing Network. "We urge our community to participate in our upcoming Blood Drive. Every blood donation can save a life and help ensure trauma patients, those undergoing cancer treatment, and people with lifelong blood disorders can get the blood they count on."

To further encourage donations, the American Red Cross will provide each blood donor with a \$15 Amazon.com E-Gift Card.

For more information about the Blood Drive at NJ Sharing Network or to schedule an appointment, please visit RedCrossBlood.org and use sponsor keyword "NJSharing" or call 1-800-733-2767.

ABOUT NJ SHARING NETWORK

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years of Experience Located in Summit The Summit Old Guard was founded in Summit in 1930 and meets most Tuesdays at the New Providence Presbyterian Church located at 1307 Springfield Ave. in New Providence. Our motto is "Come for the Programs. Stay for the Friends." Please join us. Our programs are free to the public, and we welcome you!

October speakers include Dr. Wm. Happer, professor of Physics; Mike Martin discussing ethical drug development; Robert Connley, Mayor of Madison; and Paul Cirillo, astronomer.

On October 3rd, Dr. William Happer, retired professor of physics, Princeton, will present a different interpretation of selected Climate change data. Dr. Happer will question current dogma about climate change by presenting scientific data and theory which questions the underlying assumptions of conventional wisdom, He expects many questions and will allow ample time to accommodate OG members. Dr. Happer worked in various capacities for the Bush and Trump Administrations.

Our speaker on October 17th with be Mike Martin. Mike spent many years in the pharmaceutical industry and will focus on how drugs are developed, the regulatory process, historic examples of pioneering discoveries which have combated serious diseases. Unique theories on how penicillin was discovered! Is Thalidomide which was the scourge of the 1950's still prescribed? The discussion will present an entertaining description on important historical discoveries and controversies. As part

The Summit Old Guard was founded in of the presentation, he will also discuss the origins of a few common therapies which the OG members are currently taking.

On October 24th, Robert Conley, Mayor of Madison will be our speaker. The Mayor will discuss his administration's efforts to maintain the excellent quality of life in Madison despite dealing with diverse populations composed of students and suburbanites with different needs. Three universities are headquartered in Madison which has tax consequences and other social issues, The Mayor had to address the following proposals: allow Madison to become a sanctuary city and providing a storefront for marijuana dispensing, indeed, Madison is also unique because it has its own electric power distribution facility. The Mayor will discuss these and other issues.

Finally, on Halloween, October 31st, amateur astronomer, Paul Cirillo will tell us about the latest discoveries that have been made by the many robotic space exploration missions to the planets, asteroids and comets in our solar system as well as the latest images from the James Webb Space Telescope. Also, an overview will be provided of the latest human space programs planned by the United States, China and several commercial space companies.

Past speakers and much more can be viewed at SummitOldGuard.org but we encourage people to drop in on our meetings which take place at the church at 10:00 a.m. most Tuesdays. "Come for the Speakers. Stay for the Friends." We look forward to meeting you.



(above, l-r) Paul Cirillo, Robert Conley, Dr. Wm Happer



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FRIENDS OF LIBRARY CRAFT FAIR – OCTOBER 7

The Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library are hosting their 17th Annual Craft Fair on Saturday, October 7, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Conti Family Community Room in the New Providence Memorial Library.

The Craft Fair is a perfect place to find unique gifts and start your holiday shopping early! Local crafters and artisans will be selling jewelry, pottery, home goods and decor, quilts, toys, holiday items and more. The fair was begun 19 years ago to support our local crafter community. Admission is free, and all are welcome to come and shop! A portion of the sales proceeds will be donated to the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library, and ultimately, will go to our library's Strategic Plan fund.

The Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to raise awareness and funds, as well as advocate for, the New Providence Memorial Library. We organize free music concerts and the Fall Craft Fair, support the library's Museum Pass program, purchase movie licenses, and fund

special events and programming for all ages. We curate the revolving art spaces in the library, and encourage area artists and crafters to inquire about exhibiting their work at npmlcurator@gmail.com, or to fill out our online application form.

Our library has a new Strategic Plan created with public input and designed to guide our Library forward over the next five years. The Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library promises to support this new growth for expanded programming in order to keep our library the unique, vibrant, cultural, and educational community center we all love. We rely on volunteers and contributions from the New Providence community. Please help us as we discover, collaborate, and connect with our library and our community. If you'd like to learn more about joining or supporting the Friends, please visit us on the library's home page: newprovidencelibrary.org (About/ Friends of the NPML) email or us at

LIBRARY FALL CONCERT SERIES BEGINS OCT. 15

New Providence Library

The Friends of the Library are happy to announce our Fall Sunday concert series performances at the New Providence Library. It's fast approaching, and we have exciting talent to share with you. Please mark your calendars.

All these free concerts are open to the public, and held on Sundays from 3 - 4 p.m.

We start our season on October 15th with Aideen O'Donnell, a professional Harpist, Vocalist, and Teacher, recognized by the Cambridge Who's Who. Aideen creates a powerful sound and has showcased her talents at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, the Keswick Theatre in Philadelphia, the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, and the Helix in Dublin, to name a few venues. You won't want to miss this. On November 19th we welcome Sam Edelston who is not your ordinary Dulcimer musician. He plays to many musical tastes: rock, pop, blues, country, classical, a bit of jazz, and of course folk music; and all on the acoustic and electric dulcimer. He aims not just to expand the horizons of dulcimer players, but to expand the common repertoire of the instrument.

We close our Fall season on December 17, with our very own New Providence High School Jazz Ensemble, always a big hit in the community, who will share their holiday tunes and magical sound.

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MURDER MYSTERY IN THE LIBRARY – NOV. 4

Submitted by Sangeeta Prasad Benbow

The Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library invite you to a Murder Mystery in the Library from 6 - 9 p.m. on Saturday, Nov4th.

Get glamorous for a special night out! Bring your friends and family to our (age 21+) Fall Fundraising Event. Come "dressed to kill" as you enjoy wine, hot and cold appetizers, and desserts with fellow sleuths and suspects. There will be a Door Prize and Silent Auction Gift Baskets from local vendors. This "unique, immersive, hilarious" interactive night out is presented by (2022 Bucks County "Best") "Without a Cue Productions" Company. We thank our generous local sponsors: NP Fuel, Diner. Provident Prestige Bank/New Providence, Richland-Knowles Insurance, Lantern Hill, Real Estate Agents Karen Canniffe and Denise Torsiello of Berkshire Hathaway Home Services, and M&M Liquors.

More information and a one-click ticket purchase link on the library's website will be available in early September! Limited Seating... First come, first served!

Best of all, support our library's Strategic Plan goals as we grow for the future! The library has a new Strategic Plan created with public input and designed to guide it forward over the next five years. The Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library promises to support this new growth for expanded programming and improved building and space design. We want to keep our library the unique, vibrant, cultural, and educational community center we all love. Please help us as we discover, collaborate, and connect with our library and our New Providence community. If you'd like to learn more about supporting the Friends, please visit us at: newprovidencelibrary.org (About/ Friends of the NPML)

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MOUNTAINSIDE'S FIRST EVER RESTAURANT WEEK - OCT 21ST - 28TH

restaurant week this year. It will run from October 21st through the 28th. Mayor Paul Mirabelli announced the program, "There are so many great dining options in Mountainside. Some were featured in the most recent edition of NJ Monthly magazine."

11 establishments will be participating in the event. There is something for every taste and every time of day. One can get premium sandwiches and prepared food at Mazzella's and the Mountainside Deli. Chrone's is a favorite local tavern that has good Italian food and American fare.

Bovella's has been the go to bakery in the area for many years, and now their Mountainside location offers breakfast and lunch. The Mountainside Stage House Tavern is a great place to watch "the Game" or catch some

Mountainside will be holding its first ever live entertainment while choosing from an eclectic menu. Mosaico is known for fine Italian dining and delicious deserts. They also have live entertainment, check the website for details. Spanish Tavern has been named one of the best Spanish Restaurants in Northern New Jersey. Seafood dishes are a specialty reflecting the heritage of its owners.

> New Jersey monthly highlighted the Publick House as an upscale gastropub that is the place to go for all occasions. Echo Tap has a very wide selection of delicious culinary choices. It is also a great place to watch your favorite sporting event or enjoy a weekend brunch. Famous Dave's has long been serving the best BBQ in the area.

> Most of the restaurants offer an al fresco dining experience as well. If you prefer to eat in the comfort of your own home, all of the

restaurants offer take out. If you choose to go this route, local liquor store Vine Republic will be participating in restaurant week as well. The knowledgeable staff can guide you to just the right bottle of wine or micro brew to enhance your dining experience.

Mayor Mirabelli added "I look forward to meeting residents and visitors while enjoying the delicious food that Mountainside has to offer." Borough Administrator Glenn Mortimer added "Mountainside is always looking for ways to build community and to support our local businesses. It is our hope that is the first of many such events."

Visit the Restaurant Week website and mountainsiderestaurantweek.com for more information, including a full list of participating establishments and for a chance to win a \$50 gift certificate.

PARTICIPATING ESTABLISHMENTS:

- Bovella's
- Chrone's
- Echo Tap
- Famous Dave's
- Spanish Tavern • Stage House Tavern

• Mountainside Deli

• Publick House

• Vine Republic

- Mazzella's
- Mosaico





(above) Councilwoman Deanna Andre & Councilman Steve Matejek hold Restaurant Week posters.



WINTER COAT COLLECTION IS HEATING UP

With colder weather on the horizon, Faith Lutheran is getting ready by collecting winter coats, scarves, hats, and gloves for Market Street Mission's Annual Coat Giveaway in Morristown. Faith has gathered these vital winter necessities for Market Street Mission for the past 30 years.

The local community is invited to help. If you have a new or gently worn winter coat that you would like to donate, please bring it to Faith Lutheran at 524 South Street, New Providence during office hours Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We are also collecting new handmade or purchased warm winter hats, scarves, and winter insulated gloves and mittens.

Please note that no rain jackets, windbreakers, vests, or sweaters are needed-only coats. All sizes are requested in men's, women's and children's with a special call for women's and children's.

The coat collection at Faith Lutheran will run through October 22. After that, the coats will be on their way to Market Street Mission in time for the big Giveaway, which is scheduled for Saturday, November 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Morristown Green. Anyone in need of a coat can come to the Giveaway.

Market Street Mission is a non-profit organization helping to fight alcoholism, drug abuse, hunger, and homelessness in Northern NJ.



(above) Faith Lutheran Church is collecting winter coats through October 22nd.

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ST. JOSEPH'S DINNER TO BE HELD OCT 19TH

St. Joseph's serves the materially poor and homeless community of greater Elizabeth.

We look forward to the support and participation of the community at our Annual Fundraising Dinner, which will be held on October 19th, at 6 p.m., at the Westwood in Garwood, NJ.

Here's How to Support Our Fundraiser...

ONLINE/MAIL: To purchase Dinner Tickets, Raffle tickets, Sponsorships, or to Donate online or by mail, please go to the following link: sjeliz.org/special-events.html

IN PERSON: To purchase Grand Raffle Tickets in person, here are the locations:

St. Joseph Social Service Center, 118 Division Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07201 - Emy Cruz, 908-354-5456 x3

St. Helen's Parish Center, 1600 Rahway Avenue, Westfield, NJ 07090 - Marilyn Ryan, 908-232-1214 x113

We hope you'll support us with ticket purchases, sponsorships, and donations and join us at our dinner on October 19th. Together, we can satisfy hunger, improve health, and inspire hope in our community!

For more information, please contact Bernadette Murphy, Executive Director, St. Joseph Social Service Center, email: bmurphy@sjeliz.org, 908-354-5456 x402.

FALL FUNDRAISER – BASKETS OF HOPE

The Center for Hope Hospice Auxiliary

The Center for Hope Hospice and Palliative Care Auxiliary 25th annual fall fundraiser "Baskets of Hope" will take place on October 22nd, 2023, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Pines Manor in Edison, New Jersey.

The event will feature a wonderful luncheon, and raffles of over 100 baskets, a 50/50 raffle, door prizes, two gift card aprons, and a raffle for VISA gift cards in denominations of \$2,000, \$1,000 and \$500, and various vendors will offer an array of beautiful merchandise for sale.

The Center for Hope Hospice and Palliative Care Auxiliary provides financial support of the Center's charity care through fundraisers such as the "Baskets of Hope" in the Fall and a Wine Tasting in the Spring. The Auxiliary also runs the Hope Chest, a thrift store located at 26 Prospect Street in Westfield, New Jersey.

The Center for Hope Hospice and Palliative Care is a not-for-profit hospice that provides loving care to patients and their families regardless of race, ethnicity, religious affiliation, or ability to pay. This care is provided in facilities in Scotch Plains and Elizabeth, New Jersey, and in patients' homes.

For more information regarding the event, and to purchase tickets visit cfhh.org. Tickets for the VISA card raffle can be purchased at the Hope Chest, located at 26 Prospect Street, Westfield, NJ, or from an auxiliary member.



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Movie Matinee: "Somewhere in Queens"

NP Chess Club (Kids, Teens & Adults)

October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 @ 4:30-7:30PM Followed by play from 5:30-7:30. Open to kids, teens, and adults. Children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Register 1 day in advance at npchessclub.org

Knit/Crochet Night (Adults & Teens)

October 2 & 19 @ 7 PM - 8:30 PM Drop by the Conti Room with a crochet, knitting or any type of needlework project. No registration required.

Books & Bagels (Adults)

October 3 @ 10:30 AM - 12 PM Join us for a free bagel from NP Bagel Cafe & tell us about what you've been reading and which books you've enjoyed recently. Kids After School Movie: Coco (Kids)

October 5 @ 3:15 PM "El Regreso/ The Return" (Adults)

October 5 at 6:30 PM - 8:10 PM shown in the Conti Room Roma Words, Roma Worlds (Adults)

October 5 @ 7:30 PM

Join via zoom or attend in person in the Coddington Room. This month's book is "The Stopping Places: a Journey through Gypsy

Britain" by Damian Le Bas. Math Club (Kids & Teens)

October 6, 13, 20, 27 @ 3:45-4:45PM Join the NP Math Club and hone your problemsolving skills while meeting with other math enthusiasts. Open to students in 2-12th grades. Email to register.

Craft Fair (All Ages)

October 7 @ 10:30 AM-4 PM Shop for hand-crafted goods from local artisans while supporting the library at the Friends of the New Providence Memorial Library 17th annual craft fair! In the Conti Family Room.

College Essay Help (Teens)

October 8, 22 @ 2 PM - 3 PM Register for a half hour slot to work on your college essay with a tutor to help you get your college essay ready to submit. Email to register.

CRAFTERDAY (Children)

October 7, 21 @ 10 AM - 4 PM Come by the Coddington Room and use the materials and instructions that have been left out on the tables.

SAT Math Help Club (Teens)

October 7, 14, 21, 28 @ 3 PM - 4:30 PM Tutoring sessions for students who are looking for help with the math portion of the SAT. Run by a NP Teen. Email to register.

Soundstage Presents Italian Music (Kids) October 9 @ 11 AM

Soundstage 4 Kids presents an interactive show for kids of Italian music from the old country to the U.S.A. for of Italian Heritage month.

Batter Up - Let's Talk Baseball (All Ages) October 9 @ 6:30 PM - 9 PM

Baseball enthusiasts are invited to discuss teams, players and issues of the sport with other baseball fans. Email the library at to register. (Adults) October 10 @ 1 PM In the Conti Room.. European Travel Tips and Tools with Guidebook Author Rick Steves (Adults) October 10 @ 4 PM Join guidebook author and TV host Rick Steves online as he shares the latest in smart

European travel. Register online at https://libraryc.org/newprovidencelibrary. Paint a Rock Craft (Kids)

October 10 @ 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

It's Rocktober! Create a pet and take it home. Snap Circuit Jr. Club (Kids)

October 11 @ 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM The Snap Circuit Jr. Club is back for children 1st grade and up. Learn about electronics, science, technology and engineering with mini

experiments on your circuit board. Book Group "The Last Slave Ship" by Ben Raines (Adults)

October 12 @ 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM The book group will discuss "The Last Slave Ship: the True Story of How Clotilda was Found, Her Descendants, and an Extraordinary Reckoning" by Ben Raines.

Rocks from the Sky: a Meteorite Exploration with astronomer Wayne Zuhl (Kids and Families) October 14 @ 1 PM - 2 PM

A hands-on journey into the world beyond Earth's atmosphere. To register, email . Aideen O'Donnell, Harpist (All Ages)

October 15 @ 3 PM

Critically acclaimed harpist and vocalist Aideen O'Donnell will perform Irish music in the first concert of the annual series in the Conti Room.

Read to a Scout (1st - 4th Graders)

October 16 @ 3:15 PM - 4:45 PM Practice your skills by reading to a Girl Scout. To register your 10 minute slot, please email. Book Group "Their Eyes Were Watching God"

by Zora Neale Hurston (Adults)

October 17 @ 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM The book group will discuss "Their Eyes Were Watching God" by Zora Neale Hurston. Teens Teaching: An Introduction to

Impressionism (Children & Teens) October 17 @ 5 PM - 6 PM

Topic is Impressionism, the 19th century art movement. For grades 3-8. Please Email. Good Tyme String Band (Kids & All Ages)

October 18 at 10:30 AM

All music lovers welcomed!

Master of Suspense: Virtual Author Talk with Ruth Ware (Adults)

October 18 at 2 PM Chat with New York Times bestselling author of The Woman in Cabin 10 and The It Girl as

she talks about her newest book, Zero Days. Register online.

Paint a Rock Craft (Kids) October 18 @ 3:15 PM - 4:30 PM It's Rocktober! Create a pet and take it home.

Kids After School Movie: Monsters Inc. (Kids)

October 19 @ 3:15 PM Artist Reception for Thomas Dackow and Gerald Vogel (Adults) October 19 @ 6-8 PM

Meet Thomas Dackow and Gerald Vogel, and view their joint photography exhibit. The exhibit runs through the end of November.

Cookbook Club (Adults) October 24 @ 1 PM - 2 PM

Soups/stews and everything pumpkin are this month's theme. Stop by or email.

Read to a Dog (1st - 4th Graders)

October 24 @ 6:35 PM - 8:05 PM Practice your skills by reading to a therapy dog. To register your 15 minute slot, please email.

Lego Club (Kids) October 25 @ 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM Build a creation to fit the monthly theme or just

make your own creation. **Teen Take Out Box Pickup (Teens)** October 26 @ 3:00 PM

Available for pickup starting today. **Knitting Workshop (3th grade - teen)** October 26 @ 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Bring your own needles and yarn. Space is limited and registration is required.

A Lifetime of Writing: A Virtual Conversation with Bestselling Author John Irving

October 26 @ 7:00 PM Join us for a virtual conversation with John Irving as he chats about not only his most recent novel, The Last Chairlift,. Register online at libraryc.org/newprovidencelibrary.

Little Monster Bop (kids)

October 31st @ 10:30 AM We'll listen to some Halloween stories, sing songs, have a costume parade and trick or treat around the library. To register, please email.

STORYTIME AND PLAY

In the Coddington Room: Tuesday Signs, Songs & Stories with Miss Cathy @ 10:30 AM (preschool - K)

Featuring stories, interactive rhymes and movement with sign language! **Open Play**

Tuesday @ 11:15 AM - 8:15 PM

(closed from 4-5 pm) Anytime Stories with Miss Debbie @ 7:00 PM (all ages)

New stories posted every Tuesday. https://www.youtube.com/c/newprovlibrary. Questions? Email NPMLChildrens@gmail.com

Mother Goose Group with Miss Debbie Wednesday @ 10:30 AM (babies-preschool) An active storytime with songs, fingerplays, dancing and fun for babies to preschool.

Open Play

Wednesday @ 11:15 AM -1 PM **Storytime with Miss Anita** Thursday @ 10:30 AM (0 - 3 yr olds) OUTSIDE on Front Lawn. **Open Play** Friday @ 11:15 AM - 4:15 PM

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