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# **STEM EVENTS AT GREEN BROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Submitted by Brian Mojta

During the 2023-2024 school year, students at Green Brook Middle School got a chance to enjoy two great science exhibitions. Both events were attended by more than twenty students each. These STEM events were organized by NexGen STEM and the Green Brook Education and Athletic Foundation to provide GBMS students with cutting edge science activities. The GBEAF is a local non-profit that works with the Green Brook schools and the community at large. NexGen STEM is an exciting new non-profit based in Somerset County. NexGen STEM was started by Jashith Gorrepati of Green Brook and co-founded with Rohan Patel. Among many core contributors, Aiden Desai and Lucas Larrosa have contributed a lot of time and effort to providing the innovative science curricula that NexGen STEM delivers. However, there are many other great mentors in the NexGen STEM group that also deserve thanks for the team effort that has helped them become so successful so quickly. The NexGen STEM website nexgenstem.org provides ample information about their programs and mission. In short, this is an organization with an important mission to democratize science, technology, engineering and mathematics education.

There is no doubt that they will continue to inspire the community for years to come.

Following the first successful science expo in November, it was decided to hold another STEM event in January. The first NexGen STEM expo focused on the water filtration process. Students learned first hand how to effectively filter water using different media. Ultimately, the hands-on exhibition demonstrated for students the importance of filtering water to remove impurities. NexGen STEM mentors were incredibly well prepared, organized and professional in their presentations. The second science expo at GBMS taught students how to collect DNA samples from inside their cheeks. Then, the students went through a process to isolate their DNA from the spit sample using a few simple scientific steps. Some students found tremendous success carefully collecting large samples. Unfortunately, high resolution electron microscopes were not available to analyze the differences in the different DNA samples that were collected! Everyone is hopeful that NexGen STEM and the GBEAF can partner again to bring more exciting science exhibitions to Green Brook Middle School students in the future.



(above) Students at Green Brook Middle School recently enjoyed two great science exhibitions organized by NexGen STEM and the Green Brook Education and Athletic Foundation.



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# **CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF INCLUSIVE BASEBALL: BUDDY BALL 2024!**

The Watchung Hills Baseball & Softball Association is thrilled to announce the 10th year of Buddy Ball Baseball in 2024! This remarkable program offers children with special needs the opportunity to engage in America's favorite pastime, regardless of disability. Taking place on Saturdays starting April 27th at the Warren Municipal Fields, this initiative embodies the spirit of inclusivity and sportsmanship.

Buddy Ball, initially established by Babe Ruth Baseball, has become a nationwide phenomenon, with over 30,000 players participating in similar leagues across the country. At its core, Buddy Ball ensures that every child gets the chance to play baseball, fostering a sense of belonging and camaraderie within the community.

#### **ABOUT BUDDY BALL:**

Buddy Ball, also known as the Bambino Buddy Ball Division, is designed to cater to children with special needs. It pairs each player with a volunteer "buddy" who provides support and encouragement throughout the game. This unique approach ensures that every child can fully participate and enjoy the thrill of playing baseball.

#### **ELIGIBILITY AND GAME INFORMATION:**

Special needs children between the ages of 5 and 20 from Warren and surrounding towns, where Buddy Ball may not be offered, are eligible to join. Games will be held every Saturday starting April 27th, running from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Warren Municipal Fields on Bardy Rd. There are no mandatory practices; instead, players engage in pregame warm-ups. Soft baseballs and bats will be provided, but participants are encouraged to bring their own gloves.

# PLAYER REGISTRATION AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Registration for players is free and can be completed through the Watchung Hills Baseball & Softball Association website at watchunghillsbaseballsoftball.com/buddy-ball/. Additionally, volunteers from 5th grade through college are welcome to sign up as buddies to support the players.

For more information about Buddy Ball Baseball 2024, please reach out to Coach Terry MacConnell at tmacc2713@gmail.com or Cathy Maguire at cmaguire@warrentboe.org. Join us in celebrating a decade of inclusivity, teamwork, and the joy of baseball for all!





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# PHOTO EXHIBIT HONORS WOMEN'S HISTORY



The Somerset County Library System of New Jersey's (SCLSNJ) Watchung branch is hosting an exhibit, curated by Virginia Hartmann, Lieutenant Colonel, USAFR (retired), highlighting the Special Collections of the United States Air Force Academy Library in honor of Women's History Month.

The exhibit, entitled "Preparing for Historic Change; Twelve Women Break Barriers at All-Male USAF Academy in 1976" will be on display at the branch throughout the months of February and March 2024.

Hartmann selected some of her favorite photos to print, frame, and display. This exhibit marks the first time these pictures have been seen by the public.

The Watchung branch is located at 12 Stirling Road in Watchung. To contact the Watchung branch, call (908) 458-8455 or email watchung@sclibnj.org. To discover all SCLSNJ has to offer, visit SCLSNJ.org or connect with SCLSNJ on Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), Instagram, or YouTube.



# **"INSPIRATIONAL WOMEN" ESSAY CONTEST**

#### Somerset County

Out of dozens of essay submissions from local students, six talented students recently won the "Inspirational Women" essay contest sponsored by the Somerset County Commission on the Status of Women (SCCSW). The winning essays were selected for originality of content, the organization of argument, and adherence to grade-appropriate writing standards. The winners received citations at the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners meeting in December.

The six winners came from five different schools, in Bernards Township, Bernardsville, Franklin, Montgomery, Watchung Hills, which had two winners. One student was chosen as winner from each grade, 7 through 12.

Among the people named as "inspirational winners" were First Lady Dr. Jill Biden, Red Cross Founder Clara Barton, Women's Right's activist Alice Paul, New Jersey Congresswoman Bonnie Watson Coleman, and local nonprofit leader, Megan McDowell of Bernardsville.

Maya Omkar – 9th Grade, Watchung Hills Regional High School, honored Founder of the American Association of the Red Cross, Clara Barton

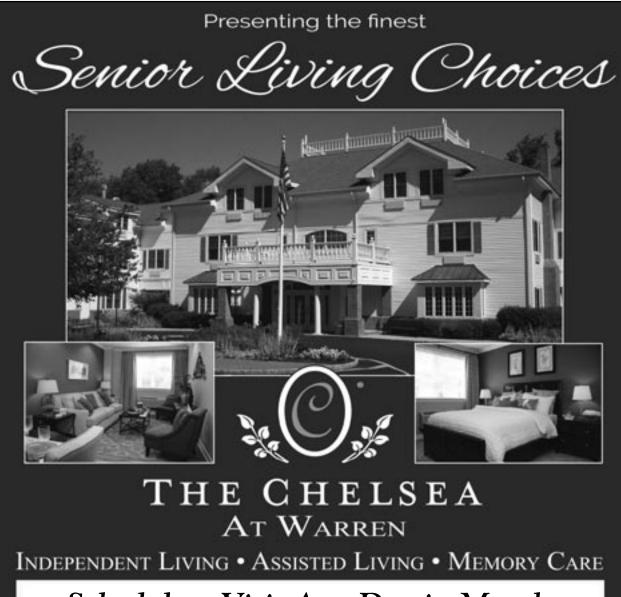
"Every year, the American Red Cross reaches over 100 million people, and we have Clara Barton to thank for that."

Advaith Busa – 10th Grade, Watchung Hills Regional High School, honored Women's Rights Activist, Alice Paul

"Alice Paul's inspirational journey from a small town in New Jersey to the forefront of the suffrage movement showcases the immense impact that one dedicated individual can have on her community, state, and nation."

#### ABOUT THE SOMERSET COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (SCCSW)

SCCSW was created by the Board of County Commissioners in January 1985 and is a group of advocates who help identify and address issues that affect women in their communities.



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# **Dr. John Vermeule House OPEN HOUSE**

**Green Brook Historical Society** The Dr. John. Vermeule House. located at 223 Rock Avenue, Green Brook, will be open for visitors on

#### Saturday, March 16, 2024 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Volunteer members to give you a glimpse into 19th - 20th century rural living. Our meetings are held at the Green Brook Town Hall, 111 Greenbrook Road, on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

For additional information, please contact 732-968-7696.



# **CASA SHAW PROVIDES ONLINE FAMILY RESOURCES**

Court Appointed Special Advocates of • Positive Childhood Experiences Somerset, Hunterdon, and Warren Counties (CASA SHaW) has announced an online resource for families through their CASA SHaW Family Video Series. The video series is housed on their YouTube channel and provides an array of presentations for resource and biological parents to utilize as they navigate the world of parenting and child development.

"We want to make sure that all families have access to educational resources to learn about their children in a fast paced and changing world. Caretakers do not always have the time to sit through an hour or two-hour webinar to learn about different issues facing children and youth. What is great about our family video series is that they are short videos that aim to inform individuals about issues surrounding the world of parenting," said Tracey Heisler, Executive Director of CASA SHaW.

Thanks to a grant provided to CASA SHaW by the Lowell Johnson Foundation, the staff at CASA have been busy over the past 9 months producing the "TED Talks-type" videos for the community at large. Family series videos that have been uploaded include:

- Infant Brain Development
- Caring For Textured Hair
- Educational Advocacy
- Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Advocating For a Child with Disabilities
- Domestic Abuse
- Supporting LGBTQ+ Youth

Future videos will be forthcoming as CASA continues to dive into other subject matters pertaining to foster care in the future. The videos accessed can be at youtube.com/@casashaw3959.

CASA of Somerset, Hunterdon, and Warren Counties is part of a statewide network of community-based, non-profit programs that recruit, screen, train and supervise volunteers to "Speak Up for a Child" removed from home due to abuse or neglect. CASA is the only program in New Jersey that uses trained volunteers to work one-on-one with children, ensuring that each one gets the services needed and achieves permanency in a safe, nurturing home. To find a local CASA program in your county, visit casaofnj.org.



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# WINTER BREAK IS OVER FOR DAR

Submitted by Holly Dunbar

After a holiday hiatus, Elizabeth Snyder-Continental Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will resume monthly meetings on March 12. On the agenda are upcoming naturalization ceremonies, a public workshop to clean and help preserve historic headstones, and the DAR Spring State Conference.

It was announced by the DAR that the Wattles & Snood 4-H Club of Somerset County placed first in New Jersey in the Junior American Citizens contest for their community service project; their entry in the contest was sponsored by the chapter.

Eight young people have applied to join the

Pis-Cat-A-Qua Society of the Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.), hosted by the chapter. Membership is open to girls and boys from birth through age 21 who are descended from an American Patriot. Learn more at NSCAR.org or contact the chapter.

DAR is a nonprofit service organization open to women 18 and older who can prove descent from man or woman who aided the cause of independence during the American Revolution. Based in Green Brook, Elizabeth Snyder-Continental Chapter serves areas in Somerset, Middlesex and Union counties.

New members to DAR and C.A.R. are welcome. Contact ESCchapterDAR@gmail.com.



(above) Members of the Wattles & Snood 4-H Club were recognized by the DAR for their community service project, a sock drive at the Ted Blum 4-H Center.



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# THE OLD GUARD MARCH SPEAKERS PROGRAM

The Summit Area Old Guard is a social, educational, and recreational organization that serves men of retirement age. We meet most Tuesdays at the New Providence Presbyterian Church located at 1307 Springfield Ave. Our dues are minimal, and members manage all aspects of the operation. Our motto is "Come for the Programs. Stay for the Friends." The organization was founded in 1930.

March speakers include Gregory J. Kaczorowski, PhD., Jessica Arkel, Dr. Dennis Liotta, and Dr. Lenny McDonald. Please join us. Our programs are free to the public, and we welcome you!

Our speaker on Tuesday, March 5th will be Dr. Greg Kaczorowski (ex-Merck) discussing the importance of ion channels vis-a-vis our health. Ion channels are a large family of membrane proteins that are present in all cells of the body. These proteins span the plasma lipid bilayer membrane and contain an internal pore structure which can be opened/closed by various stimuli to allow the gated passage of ions (e.g., sodium, potassium, calcium, or chloride ions) into or out of a cell. Nature has used this rather simple mechanism to modulate all major biological activities, both somatic responses like voluntary muscle movement and autonomic actions like cardiac and respiratory activities. Because of their fundamental importance in systems biology, Greg will discuss how ion channels can be modulated for therapeutic benefit or be targeted to kill an organism.

Our speaker on March 12th will be Jessica Arkel, the development officer at Children's Specialized Hospital Foundation. She will discuss the history of Children's Specialized Hospital in New Jersey from its early days in 1891 in Westfield to becoming a preeminent provider of pediatric rehabilitation with 15 facilities across New Jersey serving more than 35,000 children annually who are living with a

variety of complex pediatric medical conditions—from chronic illnesses and complex physical disabilities like brain and spinal cord injuries—to a full scope of developmental, behavioral, and mental health concerns.

Our speaker on March 19th will be Prof. Dennis Liotta. Prof, Liotta has led a group of synthetic/medicinal chemists at Emory University for over four decades. He will provide an overview of his research in the antiviral arena, featuring stories of three highly successful antivirals he developed in collaboration with his academic colleagues and biotech partners. Dr. Liotta has contributed to 18 FDA-approved therapies, with perhaps his biggest impact coming in the HIV/AIDS field. He will also highlight recent drug discovery endeavors in various therapeutic areas, including oncology and neurological diseases.

Finally, on March 26th, our speaker will be Dr. Lenny McDonald discussing the importance of

experimentation and creativity in photography and sharing his journey from science (ex-Wyeth/Pfizer) to his present avocation. Macro and close-up photography are his favorite styles, and he will discuss the impact of exploiting minute details. He will also show some of his non-macro abstract work. Lastly, he will briefly share his perspective on AI in photography and how it fits into his workflow. Lenny has exhibited his work in various venues across New Jersey, including Reeves-Reed Arboretum, Mayo Performing Arts Center, and the Trenton City Museum at Ellarslie Mansion. You can review some of his work on his Instagram page at instagram.com/lennysfineartphotos/.

Past speakers and much, 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 AM most Tuesdays. "Come for the Speakers. Stay for the Friends." We look forward to meeting you.



(above, l-r) Prof. Liotta, Dr. McDonald,. Ms. Arkel, Dr. Kaczorowski



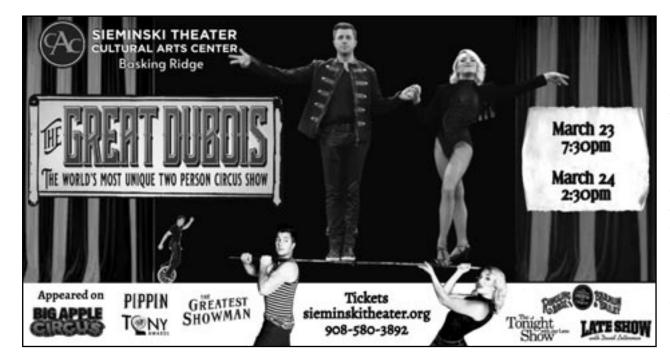
# THE GREAT DUBOIS: WORLD'S MOST UNIQUE TWO-PERSON CIRCUS SHOW

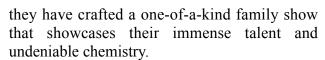
Step right up, The Great DuBois are coming, and they are ready to dazzle you with their unparalleled talent and boundless creativity! The Great DuBois, the two-person circus act, that captivated audiences in the film The Greatest Showman, is coming to The Sieminski Theater in Ridge for two spellbinding Basking performances on

#### Saturday, March 23rd, at 7:30 pm & Sunday, March 24th, at 2:30 pm.

This is not your ordinary circus! It is a breathtaking display of talent, energy, and sheer magic that will leave children of all ages

astounded. Just imagine a world where juggling balls defy gravity, hula hoops spin with otherworldly grace, and unicycles glide through the air with such effortless ease. Picture daring acrobatics that take place high above the stage, as bodies twist and soar with a grace that seems almost mystical. All of this, intertwined with ribbons of comedy and audience interaction, will have you laughing, cheering, and on the edge of your seat throughout the entire show. These extraordinary performers Michael DuBois and Viktoria Grimmy possess a combined heritage of circus talent spanning five generations. Together,





Michael, with his magnetic stage presence and impressive resume, includes appearances on The Tonight Show, Jay Leno Show, and The Late Show with David Letterman. His talents have taken him around the world, entertaining audiences on cruise lines and halftime shows. Before teaming up with his wife, Viktoria, he wowed audiences with his one-man circus act, "Solo Circus."

Viktoria brings unparalleled grace and skill to the stage, born into a multi-generational Circus family that toured with the Soviet Circus, Ringling Brothers, and the Barnum and Bailey Circus. She has achieved international acclaim as an aerialist, earning notable awards. Her talent has taken her on tour with Britney Spears to the bright lights of Broadway in the hit musical "Pippin.", and to the movies with "Burlesque" and "The Greatest Show on Earth" with Michael.

From the moment the lights dim, and the vibrant tapestry of their performance begins to unfold, you will find yourself transported to a world where dreams defy gravity, and anything is possible. So, mark your calendars and prepare for an experience that will leave you breathless. Get your tickets at Sieminskitheater.org or call the Box Office at 908-580-3892. Ask about our Family Discount offer.

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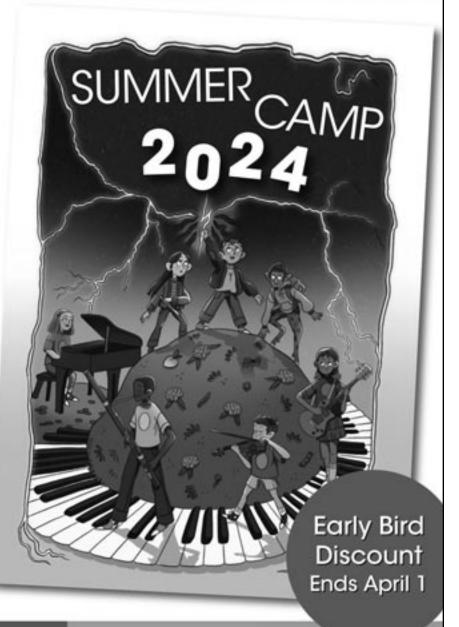
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#### **Henri Matisse Inspired Collage Craft**

March 1, 11 a.m.

April Zay will teach us about the artist Henri Matisse and his big, beautiful collage work. Using colored construction paper.

#### Lingering Mystery of Lindbergh Kidnapping March 4, 10:30 a.m.

Explore the possibilities of what may have happened that evening and evaluate many lesser-known facts with Terry Antoniewicz.

#### Lindbergh's Flight Trivia Game

March 4, 1 p.m. After a history lesson about Lindbergh we will play a flight simulation game to fly from New

play a flight simulation game to fly from New York to Paris by making three teams and see which team reaches Paris first.

#### "Heads Up Seniors! A Fall Prevention Presentation"

March 6, 11 a.m.

This interactive discussion by Debbie Aidelman from Brain Injury Alliance will focus on fall prevention strategies and pedestrian safety for older adults.

Jeopardy

March 7, 11 a.m. Join in the fun as we engage in a game of Jeopardy where the Categories include Movies,

Royalty, True or False, TV Series, Italy. Brains n Games and Hand Bells

#### with Adrienne Graubard

March 8, 22, - 11 a.m. Join Adrienne for some mind-tingling, brainstumping word games and a fun-filled musical

#### workout using hand bells. Living with Low vision – Tips, Strategies and Simple Inexpensive Solutions

March 11, 11 a.m.

This educational seminar by Elsa Zavoda from Vision Loss Alliance of New Jersey.

#### Monthly Book Club (Virtual) March 12, 1:30 PM

Meets Every Second Tuesday of the month. Discuss "Thursday Murder Club" by Richard Osman and select the next book to read. Only for Warrenbrook Senior Center Participants



March 13, 10:30 a.m. The students of RVCC will join us and provide free blood pressure screenings. Stop in and check your health. No appointment is necessary.

Bingo with Rashmi & Bob Mazet

March 13, 28, 11 a.m.

Bingo promotes socialization, strengthens hand-eye coordination, and improves listening and short-term memory skills.

#### Breathing techniques for mental wellness (Virtual)

March 14, 11 a.m.

Dr Prabha Srinivas will be teaching some practices that can be used to distract the mind and induce calm during an anxiety episode.

#### St. Patrick's Day Craft

March 15, 11 a.m. The goal is to create the craft with likeminded people while having a fun time socializing and using hand and eye co-ordination. All supplies will be provided. Pre-registration required.

#### **Nutrition & Aging Myths**

March 18, 11 a.m. Kathy Bassiacos from Unicity Healthcare will discuss all the tales of what people think is true as they age.

Springtime Musical Entertainment March 20, 11 a.m.

Music by Paul Elwood. Paul will have us up and dancing as he plays guitar and sings our favorite songs of the 50s, 60s and 70s.

# **MAH-JONGG CLUB**

We've MOVED!! After more than 10 years meeting at our home at the Watchung Library, we've moved across the street to Wilson Memorial Church. The Mah-Jongg Club of Watchung meets every Monday and Thursday afternoon beginning at 1:00 p.m. New players are welcome. Knowledge of the game is mandatory. Members are from Watchung and surrounding towns. For more information, email Melanie Novello at Novello1800@aol.com.



#### **Armchair Travels to Greece**

March 21, 11 a.m. To celebrate Greek Independence Day, we will travel to Greece, a country rich in culture & stunning natural beauty.

#### Greece Trivia & Games

March 21, 1 p.m. To continue with our visit to Greece, we will learn Greek alphabets, play Greek Trivia and pin the eye on cyclops.

#### Words Matter

March 25, 11 a.m.

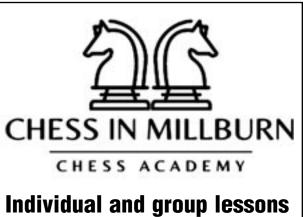
Randi Goldberg from Archer Law Office will talk about a very interesting topic on how words are the most important part of our daily lives.

#### Breathing techniques for mental wellness

March 25, 1 p.m. Dr Prabha Srinivas will be teaching some practices that can be used to distract the mind and induce calm during an anxiety episode.

#### The Queen's Rangers Britain's 1st American Regiment

March 27, 11 a.m. Joseph Wroblewski, a historian will talk on the history topic that examines one of the most important Loyalist units in the American Revolution. This was originally brought into being by Col. Robert Rodgers of the famed Rodger's Rangers during the French and Indian War and its greatest successes under the final commander Col. John Graves Simcoe.



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# **THE WONDER BAND TO PLAY MARCH 9**

Wonder Band – a Tribue to Stevie Wonder's Music, Saturday, March 9, 2024. The doors open at 7:15 p.m., the show starts at 8 p.m. Admission is \$20 and includes show, snacks, non-alcoholic beverages, and dessert. The venue is located in the basement of Townley Presbyterian Church, 829 Salem Rd, Union, NJ. The Roadhouse operates as a non-profit that raises funds for several carefully chosen local charities.

The Wonder Band is made up of three extremely talented performers who are well known to the Metro NY/NJ area music scene. Ed Alstrom, leader, is the organist for Yankee Stadium, as well as keyboard player for many famous performers such as Bette Midler, Chuck Berry, Leonard Bernstein, Herbie Hancock and others. The list goes on and on.

Accompanying Ed will be guitarist Al Orlo. Al has recorded with the legendary Ben E. King and was his musical director for 25 years. Al also held the #1 chair at Broadway shows, such as Kinky Boots, Carol King Musical, Hairspray abd Smokey Joe's Café, to name a few.

Bobby Deitch on drums rounds out the trio. Bobby has performed on several recordings such as Richard Sorce's Latin album "A Place I've Never Been" and Richie Hart's "33 1/3" album.

States Ed Alstrom, "Obviously, Stevie's music is even more fun to play than it is to listen to. This group does a mix of the hits and some lesser-

The Salem Roadhouse Café presents The known things, without the vocals, and it doesn't hurt the music one bit not to have them, because they'll be playing in your mind!

> Original artwork by local artist James Spath will be on display at the Roadhouse Gallery of Fine Art for all to enjoy before, during and after the show.

> 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.

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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# **RENNA MEDIA LAUNCHES YOUTUBE PODCAST**

Joe Renna

Renna Media has posted its first episode of "Mind Your Own Local Business," a podcast that gives advice on how to run a successful local business.

This is my 40th year in business and I draw from my experience and expertise to give advice. I have received so much help in my career from mentors and seasoned business owners, and this is a way to pay it forward.

I already offer free one-on-one consultation on putting together business plans and marketing plans. The show would be a way to reach many more people.

I started in business in 1984 as a graphic designer and grew into a full-service marketing and adverting company. Now, along with my wife Tina, we publish twenty-four community newspapers mailing out 160,000 to homes and businesses monthly.

Like the newspapers, the show will serve as a venue to support local community service organizations and events and production costs will be covered by advertisers. There are several marketing and advertising opportunities for businesses to be included with the freedom to be unique and creative.

I am looking forward to having a lot of fun doing the show. It is another application of my Do-What-You-Love mentality. The show is a free-form magazine format production that is flexible. I welcome business owners to join in the fun.

To learn more call me, 908-447-1295, or email joerenna@rennamedia.com.



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Roseann O'Keefe, Broker Associate

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