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### **CELEBRATING A BLUE RIBBON YEAR OF SERVICE**

Elizabeth Snyder-Continental Chapter DAR A National Blue Ribbon Achievement Award is one of the honors being celebrated by Elizabeth Snyder-Continental Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) at their 128th Anniversary Luncheon held in Warren on January 27, 2023. The chapter was recognized for outstanding support of the DAR's goals of historic preservation, patriotism, and education.

"We are very honored to receive this award," said Regent Ashley Salsano. "Our members are a dedicated group of women who work hard to honor their heritage by serving our local community and our nation."

Chapter members recorded 1,800 volunteer hours in 2023. Service projects included supporting youth programs and promoting the study of American history; honoring veterans; greeting new citizens at naturalization ceremonies; organizing public genealogy workshops; preserving local historic sites; and assisting in the creation of a New Jersey Revolutionary War soldier database.

The chapter was also honored for their work with the Children of the American Revolution, American Indians, and Membership committees. Barbara Pollison-Beck, Ruth Ryno, and Holly Dunbar each received committee awards. Ashley Ryno was recognized for serving as a state page and was named Chapter Outstanding Junior.

The DAR is a service organization open to women descended from an individual who aided the cause of independence during the American Revolution. Based in Green Brook, Elizabeth Snyder-Continental Chapter serves areas of Somerset, Middlesex and Union counties. Prospective members are welcome to attend monthly meetings and events as the DAR prepares to celebrate America's 250th.

Contact the chapter at ESCchapterDAR@gmail.com.



(above) DAR Chapter members volunteered 1,800 hours of community service in 2023.



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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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### 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 Basking Ridge for two spellbinding 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, they have crafted a one-of-a-kind family show that showcases their immense talent and undeniable chemistry.

Michael, with his magnetic stage presence and impressive resume, includes appearances on The Tonight Show, Jay Leno Show, and The Late has taken her on tour with Britney Spears to the 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 "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

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 wowed audiences with his one-man circus act, 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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### PRESERVATION PLAN ADOPTED BY WARREN HISTORIC SITES COMMITTEE

The Warren Historic Sites Committee has adopted a Historic Preservation Plan for the Township. The purpose of the Plan is to foster pride in the community, help maintain historic resources and contribute to rational discussions about growth.

This is the first time a Preservation Plan has been prepared for the Township. The Committee members have been concerned about the loss of historic properties during the past few years, especially the demolition of the King George Inn, and hope that the adoption of a Preservation Plan will bring attention to Warren's rich and storied past as well as protect its historic buildings and resources.

John Lindner, Chairman of the Committee and Township Planning Board Member, noted that "The Preservation Plan and related Historic Inventory is a great milestone for the Historic Sites Committee and our community. Warren's history is now better preserved for future generations."

Warren Township has numerous historic sites and structures located throughout the municipality. The Committee completed a thorough and comprehensive analysis of historic sites that have previously been identified by various government entities. Numerous factors and previous governmental designations were considered before finalizing a list of 192 Historic Resources that are an essential part of the Preservation Plan. The Historic Inventory includes sites which are listed on the State and

The Warren Historic Sites Committee has National registers, sites which are now or potentially eligible for designation, and those deemed to be historically significant.

The Plan outlines various Goals and Strategies that should be considered to better recognize and protect the Township's historic resources. Present-day Warren evolved out of a collection of historic hamlets or neighborhoods, i.e. – "Union Village & Mt. Bethel", that still exists today. One goal of the Plan is to consider the establishment of Historic Districts for these areas. The Township's Preservation Plan is consistent with the goals and objectives set forth in the Somerset County Preservation Plan that was adopted in 2022.

Alan Siegel, President of the Warren Township Historical Society, stated "As a town settled nearly 300 years ago, Warren ought to make every effort to preserve the historic structures, neighborhoods and environments which give our community much of its physical appeal and special character. The Preservation Plan will go a long way toward achieving that end."

The Historic Sites Committee feels that with the coming 250th Anniversary of the founding of our country, it is a fitting time to recognize the many historic resources of the Township. It is also hoped that the Preservation Plan can be adopted as a Historic Element of the Township's Master Plan.

To view the plan please go to warrennj.org/254/Historic-Sites-Committee





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### VIRTUAL REALITY ENHANCES LEARNING AT WARREN MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### Warren Township Schools

Eighth-grade students from Warren Middle School (WMS) embarked on a unique educational journey using the Oculus Quest application, Anne Frank House Virtual Reality (VR).

WMS Language Arts teachers Jill Long, Gina Banks, and Heather Saum, along with Instructional Specialist Cynthia Cassidy, gave each student in the grade the opportunity to experience the Oculus Quest 2 headset to virtually visit the rooms where Anne Frank and her family hid from the Nazis for over two years. The experience served as a prelude to the students reading a graphic novel about Anne Frank.

In 1942, thirteen-year-old Anne Frank and her family sought refuge from the Nazis by going into hiding. The VR app intricately recreates the

"Secret Annex," where the Franks and four others lived for over two years within the confined quarters of an old office building in Amsterdam. The experience offers insight into the challenges, fears, and resilience of those who lived under the constant threat of Nazi persecution.

Anne Frank House VR presents an unprecedented opportunity for students to step back in time and traverse the recreated rooms of the Annex. Through the power of VR technology, the eighth-grade students immersed themselves in Anne's thoughts, feelings, and daily life.

Anderson Diaz remarked that being able to see something visually helped him put himself in Anne Frank's shoes. "Seeing what they went through and visualizing the actual surroundings elevated my learning experience."

Ethan Hammond said the virtual reality

experience made him realize what Anne went through. "I could put myself in her shoes and see how difficult it was to be in her situation."

Haylie Tremper shared that the lesson made it easier to connect with what was happening with Anne Frank in her hiding place. "I noticed that the attic was the only place that they could look up and see outside."

The use of VR technology in education has opened new avenues for engaging students in historical narratives. By leveraging immersive experiences like Anne Frank House VR, WMS teachers aim to create empathetic and informed learners. As these eighth-grade students embark on their next language arts unit, they are poised to engage with the graphic novel armed with a more comprehensive connection to this pivotal chapter in history.



(above) Grade 8 Warren Middle School students Ethan Hammond. Devan Rosa. Evan Weiss, and Justin Smulski use virtual reality to experience Anne Frank's Secret Annex.

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### **CREDIBLE MIND SERVICE**

Warren Township Health Dept

The Township of Warren is pleased to announce a new service to the community. Warren is providing an online, confidential, scientifically vetted, platform designed to assist residents with their mental health questions and needs.

dedicated to Warren Township at warrennj.crediblemind.com and take advantage of the resources available, including an introductory assessment. This program is being funded through monies received by the township from the National Opioid Settlement.

Please visit the Credible Mind website

### LOSS OF A CHILD PRAYER SERVICE

Parents who have lost a child at any age, under any circumstances, are invited to a time of prayer and remembrance to be held on Sunday, March 10th at 2 p.m., at Church of the Little Flower, 310 Plainfield Avenue, Berkeley Heights, NJ. The

program will also be livestreamed at littleflowerbh.org.

For any questions contact Dan Grossano, Pastoral Associate for Outreach and Ministries at 908-464-1585, pastoral110.lf@gmail.com.

### **WEBINAR ON TALKING TO KIDS ABOUT DEATH**

#### Imagine

"A child can live with anything as long as he or she is told the truth and is allowed to share with loved ones the natural feelings people have when they are suffering." – Eda LeShan

We often struggle to find the words to talk to kids about life changing diagnoses, illness and death. Sometimes, we feel so unsure of what to say that we don't say anything at all. But our kids need to be given the opportunity to engage in honest conversations about these life changing events.

The staff at Imagine are offering a free webinar to help community members navigate these difficult conversations. On Thursday, March 14th from 7-8:30 p.m., Imagine will offer a webinar on Talking to Kids about Death and Dying. Those attending the webinar will learn to:

### Recognize that grief begins at diagnosisDescribe how children grieve at different

- developmental stagesDevelop tools for creating a safe space where
- children can share their feelings
- Discover ways to navigate conversations about diagnosis, illness and death

If you'd like to join us for this webinar, please visit our website at imaginenj.org or scan the QR code below to register. Once you register, you'll receive a zoom link to join us on March 14th. Please contact Imagine's Training and Education Director, Veronica C Ortiz, LPC at veronica@imaginenj.org with any questions.

Because loss is inevitable, it's so important that we have open conversations with our kids in these difficult moments. We hope that you can join us as we work to create a world where no child grieves alone.



### WARRENBROOK SENIOR CENTER MARCH PROGRAMS

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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 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

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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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### **DAR WELCOMES NEW CITIZENS**

Members of Elizabeth Snyder-Continental Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) were on hand to greet Somerset County's newest citizens at the annual naturalization ceremony recently held in Somerville.

"It is always a thrill to share the excitement and joy of new citizens and their families," said Chapter Regent Ashley Salsano. "Many of us find it an emotional experience. It reminds us to not take for granted the freedoms that we enjoy thanks to many generations of Americans who came before us."

The DAR has a long history of supporting immigrants on the path to citizenship. DAR chapters assist people preparing for the American History and U.S. Government exams and they attend naturalization ceremonies to welcome and celebrate with new citizens.

Also attending the ceremony from the DAR chapter were Marti Kalko, Ruth Ryno, Cate and Grace Carley, Erin Fountain and prospective member Beth Kavanaugh, along with several other New Jersey DAR members. The DAR congratulated the newly sworn-in citizens and presented each with a gift bag containing an American flag, copy of the U.S. Constitution, a flag pin, the Flag Code and other patriotic materials.

Elizabeth Snyder-Continental Chapter has attended naturalization ceremonies in Elizabeth and New Brunswick. During the years that Ellis Island was in operation, the chapter supported an occupational therapy program for detained immigrants by donating sewing machines and fabric. Now in its 127th year, the chapter continues to welcome those seeking citizenship.

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 www.DAR.org.



(above) DAR Chapter Chairman of Americanism Cate Carley (l.) welcomes a new citizen following the ceremony.



(above) Regent Ashley Salsano (l.) congratulates a family celebrating their American citizenship.



(above) DAR Chapter members attending the ceremony were (l. to r.) Regent Ashley Salsano, Grace Carley, Registrar Ruth Ryno, Cate Carley, Vice Regent Marti Kalko and Erin Fountain.



Sunday Mornings 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Liturgies with Eucharist 8:45 a.m. Education Hour

Passion/Palm Sunday - March 24 8:00 a.m. Spoken Liturgy with Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Festival Liturgy with Eucharist

Holy Thursday - March 28 12 noon Spoken Liturgy with Eucharist 7:30 p.m. Liturgy with Rite of First Holy Communion

> Good Friday - March 29 12 noon Ecumenical Community Service 7:30 p.m. Service of Tenebrae

Holy Saturday - March 30 A Day of Silence, Prayer & Reflection

Easter Celebration - March 31 7:00 a.m. Memorial Garden Liturgy 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Liturgies with Eucharist

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### **TEN STAFF MEMBERS RECEIVE HIGH HONORS**

Warren Township Public Schools

Professionals from Warren Township Schools have been named recipients of the Governor's Educator of the Year awards. The district received more nominations this year than in previous years.

#### **TEACHER RECIPIENTS**

• ALT

- Tara Lento, Special Education Teacher Central
- Celeste Ostry, Special Education Teacher • Mt. Horeb
- Michelle McMahon, Grade 3 Teacher • Woodland
- Joan Toth, Special Education Teacher • Middle
- O'Brien Speckin, Science Teacher EDUCATIONAL SERVICES PROFESSIONAL RECIPIENTS
- ALT
- Oscar Alfaro, Paraprofessional
- Central - Francesca Frosoni, Instructional Specialist
- Mt. Horeb
- Lisa Pravato, Paraprofessional
- Woodland - Sue Francione, Paraprofessional
- Middle
- Diane Moon, Paraprofessional



(above) George Villar, Warren Middle School Principal; Diane Moon, Paraprofessional; O'Brien Speckin, Science Teacher; and Maria Mensinger, Warren Middle School Assistant Principal.

Five teachers and five Educational Services on Tuesday, December 5, when Superintendent Dr. Matthew Mingle, Board of Education President (previous) Mr. David Brezee, their respective principals, members of the Board Office, and other visitors made unscheduled pop-ins to each of the district's five schools. The group briefly interrupted each staff member's classroom or duty for the principal to deliver the exciting news and a beautiful bouquet of flowers. In each case, the award recipient received rounds of applause, highfives, and hugs from the students and their colleagues.

> The Governor's Educator of the Year recipients were selected based on their exceptional skill and dedication to the students of Warren Township. All ten educators are known

All ten educators were met with a big surprise for their strong leadership skills, effective communication with their colleagues and families, and ability to inspire their students to reach their fullest potential.

The district is grateful for the participation of the Warren community, students, and the many wonderful Warren staff who nominated their peers.

Superintendent Mingle shares, "Warren Township Schools benefit from the dedication of talented educators daily. It is wonderful to take a moment to celebrate some of our shining stars!"

Mingle publicly announced the recipients at the Board of Education meeting on December 12, 2023, and the group will be celebrated later in the spring.

Warren Township School's Teachers are Shining Brighter Every Day!



(above) Alison Tugya, Central School Principal; Celeste Ostry, Special Education Teacher; Francesca Frosoni, Instructional Specialist; Dr. Matthew Mingle, Superintendent; and David Brezee, Board President (previous).



(above, l-r) Tara Lento, Special Education Teacher; and Christine Smith, Principal; Oscar Alfaro, Paraprofessional; Scott Cook, Mt. Horeb School Principal; Michelle McMahon, Grade 3 Teacher; Lisa Pravato, Paraprofessional; Joan Toth, Special Education Teacher; Jeffrey Heaney, Woodland School Principal; and Susan Francione, Paraprofessional.

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### THE WONDER BAND TO PLAY MARCH 9

The Salem Roadhouse Café presents The 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 lesserknown 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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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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