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JV CHEERLEADERS AWARD WINNING SEASON HONORED



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Submitted by Robyn Feldblum

Watchung Hills Pop Warner JV Cheerleaders were honored recently by the Warren Township Committee for their achievements throughout the 2023 season.

The girls ended their award-winning season with a National Championship Title for Sideline Cheer at the Pop Warner National Championships in Orlando, FL in December 2023. In addition, JV Cheer took home a second trophy, receiving 3rd place in Show Cheer at the National Championships against some very tough competition and a field of 12 teams.

This year was the very first year WHPW competed in Sideline cheer and the JV girls worked tirelessly to add on this second routine. The girls scored an unbelievable 98.07%, the highest score of Nationals this year, with a flawless routine.

Thanks to coaches Alissa Montgomery, Jan McCarey, Adi Addvensky, Michelle Sandomenico and Team Mom Krista Comitini!

Congratulations to the WHPW JV Cheerleaders!

Gabby Addvensky, Sofia Agha, Emma Arch, Victoria Barnas, Skye Battiste, Sara Braverman, Stella Buyanovsky, Avery Carter, Sara Clemente, Claire Connolly, Coutrney Comitini, Maddie Cunha, Dana Dealaman, Vanessa DelForno, Juliana Feldblum, Shanel Garrido, Aubrey Hansen, Aria Johnson, Rozalia Kay, Madeline Mungekar, Bailey McCarey, Hayden Montgomery, Sarah Nunes, Maia Paredes, Ryann Prinzivalli, Grace Sandomenico, Aubrey Shoback, Savana Snider, Chelsea Stotler, Julia Thomasey, Stella Volante.



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CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF INCLUSIVE BASEBALL: BUDDY BALL 2024!

The Watchung Hills Baseball & Softball **ELIGIBILITY AND GAME INFORMATION:** 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.

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 Association website Softball 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!



Wilson Church Rejoices in a Full Year Together!

I was thinking of the old song "We've Come this Far by Faith" the other day. Written by African American pianist Albert Goodson in 1956 during a time of deep despair, it is an anthem of hope when hope feels like a foolish notion. It recognizes that faith, however one expresses their faith, is that human element that gets you up in the morning and guides you through another day.

Wilson Memorial Church has been on its journey of faith for over a century. We have stood through two pandemics, two world wars as well as numerous domestic and international conflicts, fires, floods, internal struggles, and outside critics, yet what has given us the ability to stand the test of time is our faith.

Faith is different than dogma or creed. Those change as people, education, and needs change. But faith is that deeply rooted experience of seeing a bigger purpose and a higher love. We have lived that faith since the 1800's, we lived it in 2023, and we will live into 2024 with that same faith that has "gotten us this far."

We say all of this because we want to make sure that our community knows that they are invited to participate in the journey with us. Our goal is to be a fully inclusive community of faith that prioritizes love.

Some of our work this year will be the launch of Wilson U (educational opportunities beginning in February), VBS (our weeklong summer program for area children, July 22-26), our third annual Gala (September 28), as well as Spring events that we are putting together as I write.

Keeping up with Wilson is easy. You can explore the website (wilsonmemorialchurch.org) or follow us on social media (@mywilsonchurch on Facebook and Instagram). We have lots of ways to stay connected in person or online.

Ways we stay connected or how we express ourselves keeps on changing – but it continues to be our faith that keeps us keeping on.

Blessings,

Rev. Michael W. Droege



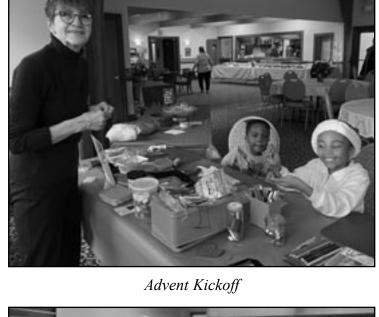
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Fall Gala



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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 Ridge Basking for two spellbinding performances on

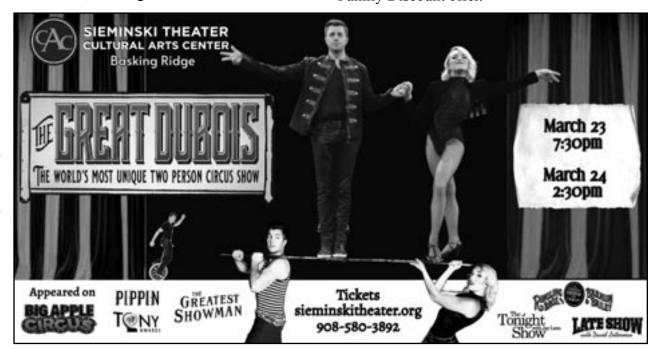
Saturday, March 23rd, at 7:30 pm & Sunday, March 24th, at 2:30 pm.

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 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 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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NEW JERSEY VETERANS NETWORK - HELP US SAVE VETS!

Michael D. Boll, Director NJVN

Everyday 22 veterans take their own lives, unfortunately this number hasn't changed over the years. Several groups and organizations have worked tirelessly to combat this horrible epidemic. The New Jersey Veterans Network (NJVN) is one of those groups that strives to help veterans daily to live a better way of life.

NJVN is a mobile outreach team, that aggressively seeks out veterans in need and

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provides them life changing and saving resources. The NJVN is a 501c3 created in 2017 and has focused its mission by always putting our veterans first. Since the NJVN started thousands of veterans and National Guardsmen have been fed, clothed, and provided with various personal items. Also, we were able to get 30 veterans newer refurbished vehicles through the Recycled Rides program. However, the NJVN most important mission is that we save lives, just in the past first years alone our team has saved over a dozen lives.

Being a network, the NJVN works with other military, veteran, and first responder groups that share the same mission. We would never have succeeded without having the support and commitment from our partners and sponsors. This is vital for the NJVN to be able to help veterans in need throughout New Jersey.

Most recently, the NJVN has stepped up recreational events and programs such as camping, hiking, movie nights, BBQs, and field trips. We are fortunate to have amazing partners and volunteers that will help transport our veterans to and from the hospitals and shelters. These events allow our veterans to feel like they are part of a unit again and are not forgotten or abandoned.

What makes the NJVN unique is its willingness to try different things and think outside the box. By asking the veterans what they

want most, and how we can help them, has really made our program a huge success.

Our next initiative will be the launch of our veteran peer support/ mentoring program the "Uniformed Heroes Project". This initiative is a collaboration between the military-veteran-first responders groups and organizations. Also, it is backed by legislators and numerous charitable organizations. The NJVN is currently looking for volunteers and groups willing to help us provide our veterans with the best help possible. If you are interested in filing the team, or would like to volunteer, please send us an email at NJVNM1775@gmail.com or call directly (973)332-1556.

ABOUT NEW JERSEY VETERANS NETWORK

We are a group of veterans and volunteers dedicated to helping our veterans and their families live better lives. Our mission is to identify veterans and connect them with resources and programs designed to meet their unique set of needs. Help us save Vets! We are always looking for volunteers, with various skills, to join the team. If you are a veteran or family member that's in need of assistance; or are interested in volunteering, would like us to speak at your event, or contribute to our mission, call 973-332-1556 or email njvn1775@gmail.com To learn more about the team please check out our website njvn.org (accomplishments). Help us save Vets!



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host artist's receptions for the rotating art installations in the library's gallery space. The Friends recently hosted an evening reception for Watchung resident Virginia Hartmann, Lieutenant Colonel USAFR (retired). In honor of Women's History Month, Lieutenant Colonel

The Friends of the Watchung Library regularly Hartmann had spent months curating neverbefore-seen photos from the Special Collections of the United States Air Force Academy Library. The exhibit, entitled "Preparing for Historic Change; Twelve Women Break Barriers at All-Male USAF Academy in 1976" will be on display at the Watchung Library through March.



(above) Lieutenant Colonel Virginia Hartmann, (right) presented a fascinating talk a bout the early experiences of Air Force women at the US Air Force Academy to a packed room. Watchung Library patrons were the first members of the public to lay eyes on these historic photos of the first women at the US Air Force Asademy.

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JERALYN LAWRENCE HONORED WITH 5 AWARDS FROM THE NJSBA 2024



The New Jersey State Bar Association 2024 Board of Trustees hosted an Awards Celebration at the New Jersey Law Center in New Brunswick, New Jersey on Thursday January 18, 2024.

This event was held to acknowledge the year of collaboration and advocacy by the Association and it's members who worked tirelessly improve the legal profession. Jeralyn Lawrence received five awards at this event. We are so thankful for the recognition of Jeralyn's work on advocating to change the law.

For the Amicus Awards, Jeralyn accepted honors for Cardali v. Cardali and State v. Burgos for her work in alimony and the impact of cohabitation and her advocacy to abolish the Madden assignments of counsel, respectively. For the Legislative awards, Jeralyn won three awards for her work on the Survivor Protection Act, Alimony Legislation and Cell Phone Rights for Victims of Domestic Violence.

We appreciate the recognition of Jeralyn's contributions to the legal profession and applaud all of the other honorees.

SURPRISE SNOW DAY



(above, l-r) Madeline & Max Mayers enjoyed a snow day on February 13th, and made snowman on skis.

"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

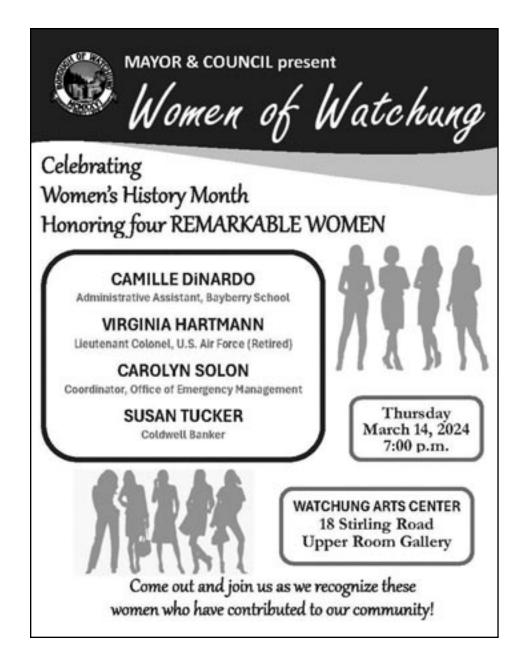
Cross Founder Clara Barton, Women's Right's activist Alice Paul, New Jersey Congresswoman Bonnie Watson Coleman, and local nonprofit leader, Megan McDowell of Bernardsville.

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

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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

Blood Pressure Screenings

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 Novello 1800@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.

SENIORS CLUB INVITE

Watchung Seniors Club 55+ regular meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month (except July and August) from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Meetings are held at the Watchung Fireman's Exempt Hall, 31 Mountain Blvd. Watchung (lower level, handicap accessible). Guest speakers, trips, pizza parties, and other fun events are planned throughout the year. Annual picnic in June. Join us! For more information call Madelyn 908-816-0641.

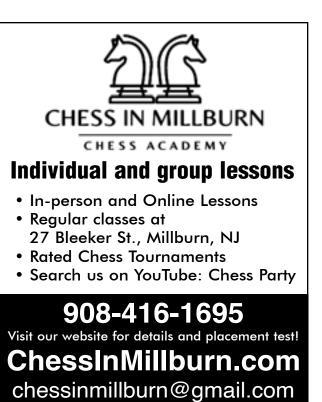


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POLICE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONS

Borough of Watchung

Mayor Jubin recently administered Oaths of Office after Council unanimously approved promotions of five (5) officers to the ranks of Lieutenant and Sergeant of the Police Department.

Lieutenant Peter A. LaVecchia began his career with the Watchung Police Department in July of 2008 after having graduated from the Somerset County Police Academy. In April of 2013, Peter was assigned to the Detective Bureau. In July of 2014, Peter was promoted to the rank of Sergeant where he served as a patrol supervisor. In October of 2021, Peter was reassigned to the Detective Bureau as the Special Service Sergeant, where he supervised the Detective Bureau, Traffic Bureau and the School Resource Officer Program.

Lieutenant James Kimock grew up next door in North Plainfield. He started his career with the Watchung Police Department in 2000 as a dispatcher. In 2012, Jim was assigned to the Detective Bureau. In June of 2017, Jim was promoted to Sergeant in the patrol division. Since 2021, he has served as the administrative sergeant in the records division. In addition, Jim has been a WPD firearms instructor since 2008.

Sergeant Peter Cuevas started with the Watchung Police Department in 2018 after graduating from the Bergen County Police Academy. Pete started his career in Patrol where he diligently served Watchung's community. Throughout his time on Patrol, Pete worked on building community outreach events and programs through involvement with the Watchung PBA. In 2021, Pete received the Life Saving Award for encountering and providing aid

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to the victim of a serious motorcycle accident. In 2022, Pete became the departments DARE Instructor where he currently teaches 5th grade students at Valley View Middle School. In 2023, Pete became a Field Training Officer where he mentored some of the department's newer officers. Later that same year, he was assigned as Watchung's first School Resource Officer. Pete grew up in Somerset County.

Sergeant Andrew Pero has dedicated the last 20 years of his career to serving his community at both the local and federal levels. Since 2013, Andrew has been part of the patrol division of the Watchung Police Department. Prior to joining our community, Andrew was as a police officer in Lavallette. In addition to his law enforcement duties, he also serves as a Boat Recovery Leader for the Somerset Dive Team. Andrew started his career in 2004 when he joined the United States Coast Guard. Like his father, a retired Paterson Police Officer, Andrew now proudly joins him with the rank of Sergeant.

Sergeant Brian McLaughlin started his career in Law Enforcement with the Seaside Heights Police Department and graduated from the Ocean County Police Academy in May of 2010. Brian started with the Watchung Police Department in April of 2013, where he was assigned to the Patrol Division. While in patrol, he assisted the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office Organized Crime and Narcotics Task Force. In 2019, Brian became a Firearms Instructor who trains new, current, and retired members. In 2021, Brian became a Field Training Officer and was entrusted with training new officers. In 2022, Brian was assigned to the Detective Bureau.







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(above) Lieutenant Peter A. LaVecchia with his wife, Eileen and their three children, Elizabeth, Joseph, and Reilly. Courtesy photos



(above) Sergeant Andrew Pero



(above) Sergeant Brian McLaughlin with his wife Erica and their two daughters, Isla and Natalie.



(above) Sergeant Peter Cuevas and his family.



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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.

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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.

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