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A PHONE CALL CAN SAVE A VETERAN'S LIFE

Michael D. Boll, President, NJVN

Every year we honor the fallen, who have sacrificed their lives so we can live in the best country in the world. Please reflect on the service our heroes perform to keep us safe and protect our way of life. This Memorial Day we are asking people to call and check on our active duty soldiers and veterans that have served. Every day we lose twenty-two veterans to suicide and 40 percent of veterans that return from combat are diagnosed with PTSD. Unfortunately, this number has not changed much, and we feel that recreational therapy and peer support can really make a difference for our veterans living in crisis. The New Jersey Veterans Network (NJVN) is fully committed to combat this epidemic by aggressively seeking out veterans in need. Our goal is to contact the veteran before they fall into a deep state of depression and provide them lifesaving and lifechanging resources.

Over the last few years, the NJVN has been able to provide thousands of meals to our veterans and active duty soldiers. Thousands of veterans were given new suits and clothing from our storage area, over thirty newly refurbished automobiles were gifted to disabled veterans, and the most important thing the NJVN does is save lives through our peer support /mentorship program.

The NJVN works from the heart and is therefore able to work with all the other amazing veteran charities that share the same common goal, putting veterans first. Our donations go directly to the veteran's programs, which allows us to assist veterans and their families throughout the entire state and host numerous recreational therapy activities as well. This year we are starting up a few veterans' retreats and will focus on increasing events at our state veteran hospitals and shelters.

We are always looking for volunteers that can both assist with upcoming events and help mentor veterans so they can live better productive lives. Volunteers are the most important NJVN resource, and we would love to have more people help us save lives. If you need assistance or are interested in joining the team, please send us your name, email, and phone number to NJVN1775@gmail.com or call 973-332-1556. Check out our website NJVN.org for our services and accomplishments.



(above) New Jersey Veterans Network veterans and volunteers at a recent event.



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More than just a walk, the American Cancer Society Relay For Life brings together passionate supporters who embody the American Cancer Society's vision to end cancer as we know it, for everyone. This volunteer-led experience unites communities to celebrate cancer survivors, remember loved ones lost to cancer, and raise funds to improve the lives of people with cancer and their families through advocacy, research, and patient support, to ensure everyone has an opportunity to prevent, detect, treat, and survive cancer.

Please join us for our biggest event of the year, and bring the whole family, on Saturday, June 8th at the Rahway River Park Stadium, Rahway, NJ, from 2:00 to 10:00 p.m. (check in begins at 1:30). During the course of the day, we will celebrate cancer survivors and caregivers; there will be an array of children's activities; healthcare, fitness, and wellness personnel with educational materials; music, entertainment, fun, and food trucks! At sunset, there is a very moving, candlelight luminaria ceremony to honor and remember loved ones who have lost their fight against cancer.

Visit relayforlife.org/rahwaynj to register today and join your community in the fight against cancer. If you cannot attend this event, please go to our website to find information regarding cancer prevention, support and services for patients and families, ways to get involved, future events, or to make a tax-deductible donation.

Relayers celebrate the wins we have accomplished, own the impact our dollars are making, and champion the future for everyone. Sadly, in 2024, it is predicted that there will be over 2 million new cancer cases diagnosed, and over 600,000 cancer deaths in the US. Cancer deaths have declined dramatically in the last 30 years due to early detection, a decrease in smoking, and much improved treatment options. These are just some of the things the contributions of relayers have funded. Together we have made a huge impact!

Cancer has touched us all. This is our chance to fight back! Every cancer, every life.







ALJ HIGH SCHOOL'S UNSUNG HEROES

Clark Public Schools

Danielle Archer and Cassandra Gloster were recently recognized by Union County School Boards Association as Arthur L. Johnson's 2024 Unsung Heroes, at a ceremony at Kean University on March 5th.

The ceremony honors students who "make Arthur L. Johnson High School students your district a better place simply because they are part of it." According to the New Jersey School Boards Association, these students have made "outstanding contributions to their schools and communities."

"Unsung heroes can be people who make

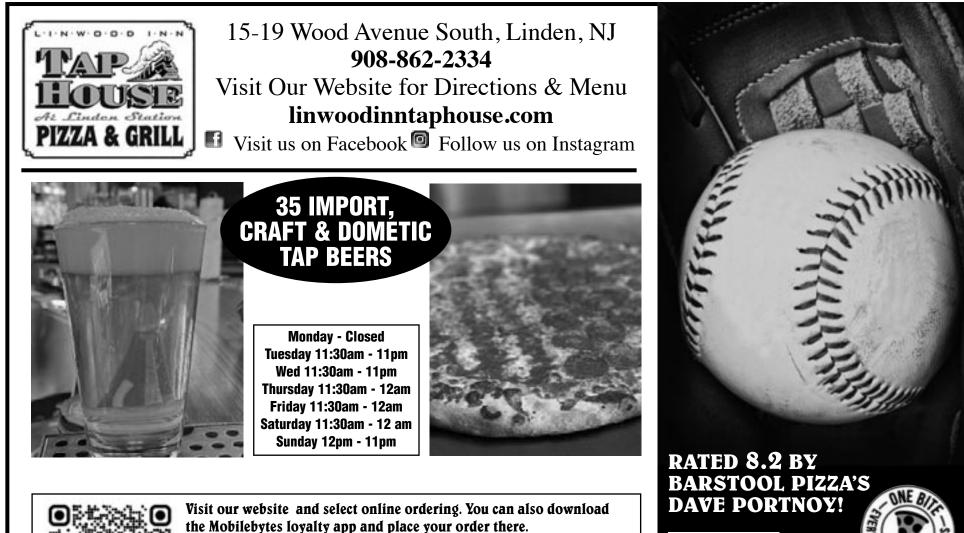
their school a better place because of their warm personality, their empathy and concern for others." They have impacted their school, district and larger communities through their leadership and desire to help others. The district is immensely proud of the achievements of these students.



(above) Cassandra Gloster



(above) Danielle Archer





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TOTAL NUMBER OF TRANSACTIONS = 235, 162 ARE IN CLARK

SPRING CERAMICS

Clark Public Schools

On April 11th, the Clark Public School District's Parent University Program hosted Spring Ceramics Night. Parents and students district-wide created a turtle with ceramics teacher Barbera Aliseo. Earlier in the year, a winter ceramics night was held in addition to other programs including "Remembering T.J.," which addressed mental health, and motivational speaker Gian Paul Gonzalez who spoke to parents and students about being "All In". The program also held a Tea with the Superintendent on the topic of "Transitioning to Kindergarten."





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READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY

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Frank K. Hehnly Elementary School celebrated Read Across America with several guest readers including Board of Education members, administrators, and community members. Special guests selected a favorite book to read to a designated grade level. Members of the Carl H. Kumpf National Junior Honor Society also visited classrooms and read to the students.

Principal Shirley Bergin stated, "We are so grateful to have such involved community to promote reading. The students enjoy having Board of Ed members, district administrators and supervisors, the Clark Public librarian, and the Clark police DARE officers reading their favorite books."

According to the National Education

Association, "Read Across America is an annual reading motivation and awareness program that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading on March 2, the birthday of beloved children's author Dr. Seuss."



(above) Clark police DARE officers reading to students.





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VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN ANNOUNCED

Clark Public Schools

Arthur L. Johnson High School is proud to announce the Class of 2024 Valedictorian Grace Wright and Salutatorian Taylor Normann.

Grace has excelled in a challenging curriculum of honors, AP and Dual enrollment courses at Arthur L. Johnson High School, including being the lone student to take Calculus 3, a class typically reserved for the second year of college. Mr. Michael Charatan, her teacher, commented, "Grace is extremely bright and easily grasps difficult concepts." She had the distinction of receiving the Dwight. D. Eisenhower Leadership Award from West Point



(above, l-r) Arthur L. Johnson High School 2024 Valedictorian Grace Wright and Salutatorian Taylor Normann. Photo by Clark Public Schools

2024 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES ANNOUNCED

The Arthur L. Johnson High School Alumni Association will be inducting the 2024 Hall of Fame Class at our annual HOF/Scholarship Dinner on May 16, 2024, at The Gran Centurion Banquet Hall in Clark. If you'd like to attend the dinner, a dinner registration form can be downloaded by visiting: aljalumni.org/defaultnew.asp - Click on "Alumni Hall of Fame", and then "Dinner Registration Form".

THE ALJHSAA HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES FOR 2024:

- Arleen Crescenzi Allen (Posthumous Induction) – Class of 1960 (Distinguished Faculty)
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- Dr. Christopher Velotti, Ed.D Class of 1992 (Community Contributor)
- James Burg Class of 1964 (Hero)
- Honorable Fred H. Kumpf Class of 1961 (Accomplished Professional)
- Dr. Daniel Redziniak Class of 1992 (Accomplished Professional)
- Thomas Galiszewski Class of 1960 (Distinguished Faculty)
- Matthew Joseph Baker Class of 2006 (Accomplished Professional)

and the Rensselaer Medal for her excellence in math and science. Throughout the years, Grace's talents flourished in all of her activities, notably serving as a peer leader, treasurer for the S.M.A.C (Student Movement Against Cancer), varsity tennis and softball player, member of five national honor societies, Key Club volunteer in both her school and community, and reigning as homecoming queen. Seeking a new adventure this year, she had her first audition for a high school musical and landed the starring role of Regina in "Mean Girls." She will be attending the University of Virginia and pursuing a major in biochemistry.

Taylor has taken on the most rigorous course load that Arthur L. Johnson High School offers. She has excelled in 10+ Advanced Placement courses, including our AP Capstone Program, which is a two-year endeavor through the art of conducting research. Outside of the classroom, Taylor has been a dedicated member of our Theatre Program; from coordinating musical numbers to small roles to starring in this year's rendition of "Mean Girls," Taylor is just as artistically talented as she is academically. She plans on studying Pharmaceutical Sciences and/or Chemistry at Duquesne University in the fall.

Superintendent Edward Grande stated, "Grace and Taylor displayed standout academic performance. We are looking forward to celebrating their accomplishments with them and their families in the coming weeks and ultimately at graduation this June."



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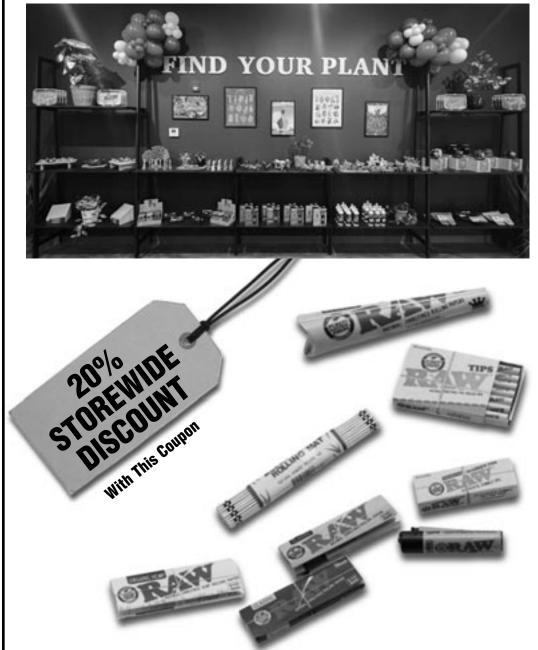
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(above) Osceola Presbyterian Church in Clark collected donations to help Imagine.



The Gateway Family YMCA is a nonprofit organization dedicated to strengthening community.

CLARK COMMUNITY MEMBERS HELP IMAGINE

Imagine, A Center for Coping with Loss offers free peer support groups for children, youth, young adults and their parents and guardians who are grieving the loss of someone close to them. Each time the groups meet for a Night of Support, an activity is planned that the group members may participate in. Some activities may help group members connect with one another as they share their stories, some can provide opportunities to remember and honor their memories, while others may encourage them to consider coping skills and strategies that can be helpful. Often, supplies are needed for the group activities.

Recently, Kathy Terzo, a Deacon at the Osceola Presbyterian Church in Clark coordinated with Imagine's Mountainside Program and Partnership Manager, Kristin Imbimbo to collect items needed for the activities planned for Imagine's groups. Kathy also collected other items for Imagine's support group rooms in Mountainside and Newark.

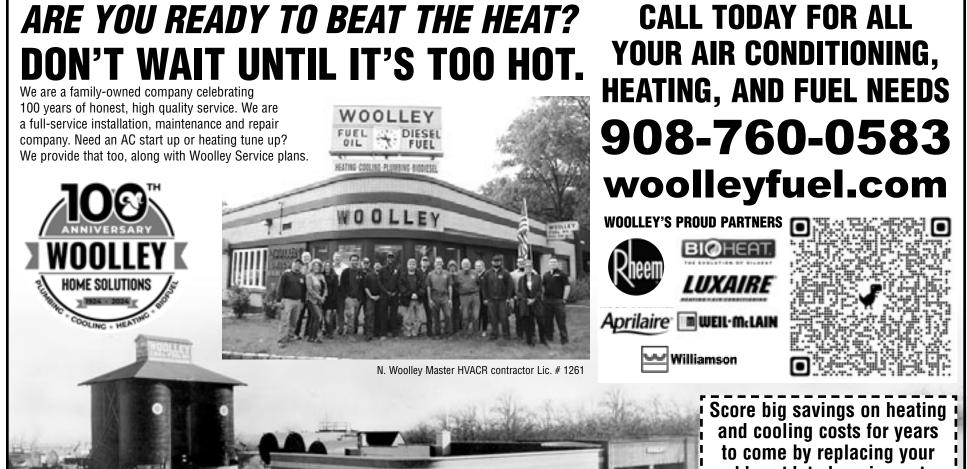
Donations came from many community members and friends and family of the church and included board games, doll houses, stuffed animals and mats for our "Volcano Room" in Newark, along with the items for activities. (Imagine's Volcano Rooms are spaces where participants can have a safe physical outlet for feelings that are sometimes hard to express verbally.)

In addition to the church community, local high school student, Charlie Nemeth did a service project that resulted in the collection of a large box of assorted art supplies for Imagine.

When asked about the overwhelming success of the collection, Kathy shared: "It does indeed take a village, and we have one of the best villages in the town of Clark."

Imagine staff appreciate the donations so much, and Kristin shared: "We are so grateful for this amazing community and all the coordination and thoughtfulness that went into this donation. We feel so honored and grateful that we were chosen to receive this and that so many people are supporting the families of Imagine."

Imagine is a 501c3 that offers grief and loss education and training to the community and 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. For more information please contact Imagine at 908-264-3100 or info@imaginenj.org or visit our website at imaginenj.org.



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ADMINISTRATIVE ASST OF THE YEAR

Clark Public Schools

Geraldine Bonaccorso has been chosen by the Executive Board of the DAANJ and Chairman of the Committee, Joe Piro, as the Administrative Assistant of the Year for Central Jersey. This is a well-deserved honor that speaks of Geraldine's ability, personality and dedication to the Clark School District and athletic community.

Gus Kalikas, Athletic Director of Arthur L. Johnson High School, had the following to say about Geraldine "Behind any high functioning Athletic Department stands an effective Administrative Assistant willing to do the hard work that is needed for all of our student-athletes. Geraldine works tireless hours for our studentathletes, and our Athletic Department and student-athletes are lucky to have such a dedicated employee working for them behind the scenes."

Geraldine was honored at the DAANJ Annual Awards Banquet on March 14, 2024.

Photo by Clark Public Schools



(above) Geraldine Bonaccorso

CLARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS' SCIENCE FAIR

Clark Public Schools

Valley Road and Hehnly Schools participated in the Elementary Science Fair held in the Arthur L. Johnson High School cafeteria. At this event, students displayed their science fair projects which ranged from determining which foods/drinks are healthiest to vegetables powering lights to assessing the bacteria growth on common surfaces.

For each project, students had to create a question to guide their experiment as well as generate a hypothesis, collect data and draw conclusions based on their results. The event was well attended by students, parents, teachers, board members, and elementary administrators.

According to Assistant Principal of the Elementary Schools Mallory Applebaum, "Each



year we are blown away by the creativity and hard work of our students. All of the participants were passionate about their topics and were knowledgeable when it came to presenting their finds at the fair. Congratulations to all of our participants! "



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uniform hanging in your closet that is not used anymore? Please consider donating it to the uniform exchange maintained by Cub Scout Pack 23 and Boy Scout Troop 23 at St. Genevieve's Church, Elizabeth.

Like everything else, the cost of Scout uniform parts has risen greatly in recent years. Through its uniform exchange, the Scouting program at St. Gen's helps to ease that burden for its member families. Scouts are often able to find a shirt, pants, belt, hat, neckerchief or webfoottroop@gmail.com.

Do you have a Cub Scout or Boy Scout neckerchief slide that has been donated by a former member, or by a current member who has outgrown the uniform.

> Donations can be brought to the church hall almost any Wednesday evening from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., or they can be placed at any time in the American flag retirement box next to Webby's Woodshed, behind the church Rectory, at 822 Livingston Road, Elizabeth.

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TEA WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Clark Public School District's Parent University will be holding a Tea with the Superintendent "Preparing for College" on Monday, May 13th, at 6 p.m. in the Arthur L. Johnson High School Instructional Media Center. Join us for an informational discussion with Director of School Counseling Andrew Amendola on how to best help your child prepare for college. Practical strategies will be shared with a focus on social/emotional skills. The event is open to all parents who have children attending the Clark Public Schools. To register, contact Christine Broski at cbroski@clarkschools.org or (732) 574-9600 x3355 by May 6th. This event is part of the district's Parent University program, which includes virtual sessions, community education nights, and two larger assembly-type programs.

The Clark Public School District's PARENT UNIVERSITY PRESENTS Tea with the Superintendent Preparing for College

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FRIENDS OF THE CLARK LIBRARY MAY 11 EVENTS

The Friends of the Clark Library will be hosting a Mother's Day Flower Sale on May 11, from 10 a.m. -3 p.m. at the Clark Library. Hanging Baskets are \$19, 4" cups of flowers are \$6, Dish Gardens are \$11, and flats are \$16 for a full flat or \$8 for a half flat. All proceeds will benefit the Clark Library.

I.G.C. Concierge Jewelers will also be at the library from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. for a precious gem and metal buyback event. Bring your unwanted gold and silver jewelry, coins, flatware, and timepieces you would like to sell.

10TH ANNUAL TRICKY TRAY FUNDRAISER MAY 18TH

Emmanuel Cancer Foundation Many residents are unaware that right in our hometown of Clark is a compassionate and caring foundation that helps children with cancer. The Emmanuel Cancer Foundation (ECF) is located on Brant Avenue and provides private counseling, food, emergency funds and so much more to these brave children and their families. ECF's goal is to make life more manageable for families who are dealing with the fear, stress and the financial burden of pediatric cancer. We need your help to continue this important work. Your donation will help make a difference in the life of a child.

ECF is holding our 10th annual tricky tray fundraiser on May 18th at the Polish Cultural Foundation. Tickets required and can be purchases on line at givebutter.com/TrickyTray2024

If you have new items - big and small - that you'd like to donate ... please contact Nancy nnancypat@comcast.net. Any help you can give will be so greatly appreciated.



ALJ'S NIGHT OF CRUSADER HONORS

Clark Public Schools

Arthur L. Johnson High School recently held a Night of Crusader Honors in the auditorium. During this celebration of student achievement, students were inducted into various honor societies. The mission and accomplishments of each society was shared as well as the requirements for induction. The event was attended by parents, students, teachers, and administrators. The Honor Societies recognized were National English Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta Honor Society, Science National Honor

Society, American Sign Language Honor Society, Italian National Honor Society, and Spanish National Honor Society. Students were welcomed by principal Tara Oliveira. Superintendent Edward Grande also congratulated the students. Students inducted received certificates.

Grande stated, "Getting to see the accomplishments of our students across a number of different content areas was extremely gratifying. I was honored to be a part of the night."



(above) Italian Honor Society







UNICO CELEBRATES ST. JOSEPH'S DAY

On March 19, each year Catholics celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph, protector of the family and patron of the universal Church and of workers. The importance of this day in Catholic tradition extends throughout the world, but one related custom in particular originated on the island of Sicily: St. Joseph's Table. Clark Unico celebrated St. Joseph's Day with an annual dinner at café Gallo complete with St. Joseph's alter, delicious food and of course St. Joseph's zeppole. Over 50 Clark Unicans attended the event along with National President Anthony Bencivenga, past National President Anne Walko, Westfield President Bob Tart, Secretary Gerri Samuael.





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PASSAIC COUNTY CASA EXPANDS TO UNION

Submitted by Gretchen Boger-O'Bryan Passaic County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), a leading child advocacy organization focused on protecting the best interests of abused and neglected youth, has announced the expansion of its service footprint to include Union County. With this expansion, critical volunteer advocacy for child victims removed from home and living under the jurisdiction of the family court will be made available to even more of New Jersey's most vulnerable children. This expansion allows for greater community impact, efficiency in operations, and greater long-term sustainability.

CASA recruits, screens, trains, and supervises community volunteers to advocate for local abused, neglected, and abandoned youth from birth to age 21 involved in the child welfare system through no fault of their own.

Executive Director Erica Fischer-Kaslander, who continues to lead the expanded advocacy organization, said, "There's no doubt this expansion will reap even greater rewards for Union County's vulnerable youth. The synergy created from two experienced programs allows far greater community impact and enhances its agility to withstand today's shifting landscape as a strengthened, multi-county program." Acknowledging the nearly two-decade impact of the previous Union County CASA organization, Fischer-Kaslander adds, "The dedicated advocates in Union County remain focused on fulfilling CASA's mission: quality advocacy, continuity of presence, and increased access to services for local vulnerable youth-victims. As a combined force, we will build on that good work. I remain grateful to all professionals involved in these cases for their support – judges, attorneys, caseworkers, and more - and look forward to the collaboration required for us all to do our best for the children depending on us."

Gretchen Boger-O'Bryan, Content Director for CASA of Passaic and Union Counties, added, "In my 11 years working with CASA in Union County, I have seen the organization pivot to



meet unforeseen needs, adapt to changing trends, and persevere through recent challenges faced by all nonprofits, including a global health pandemic. Indeed, passion for and commitment to every child drives us, and this new chapter is simply an opportunity to enjoy greater efficiency, resource allocation, and space for innovation. Ultimately, the expansion of Passaic County CASA to include Union County breeds a strengthened organization that bolsters CASA's impact throughout the county. For our local youth, that's what matters."

Considered extra "eyes and ears" for judges hearing abuse and neglect cases, CASA volunteers are assigned to a youth or sibling set by court order, granting access to all parties in the youth's life. Advocates use unbiased observations to make fact-based recommendations to judges deciding the future of each youth. Often, CASA volunteers are the only long-term, caring, and informed adult in the corner of a youth awaiting a safe, stable, and permanent placement.

Volunteer advocates need no prior experience in child welfare. All prospective volunteers complete a 36-hour training course, extensive application, and screening process in addition to background checks. Volunteers with the newly expanded CASA of Passaic and Union Counties program are supported by a 26-person professional staff with extensive experience in child welfare. For details on becoming an advocate or other ways to get involved, visit casapassaicunion.org.





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Open from 2pm to 5pm on Wednesday, May 3 for staff training. We will be closed on Sundays from May until Labor Day. We are closed for Memorial Day Weekend on Saturday, May 25, Sunday, May 26 and Monday, May 27.

Chess Club

Thursdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 at 11am - 3pm

New members and all levels are welcome! Thursday Afternoon Movies

Thursdays, May 2, 16, 23 & 30 at 1pm For adults. Check our online calendar or visit library to check the movies being shown.

Paint a Flower, Plant a Flower

Thursday, May 2 at 6:30pm Ages 4-12 are invited to join us to paint a pot

and plant a flower in it! Registration is required. All others will be on the pending waitlist until 48 hours before the

event, if space remains. Wear old clothes! **Tales for Tots**

Mondays, May 6, 13 & 20

at 9:45am OR at 10:30am Stories and songs for active listeners.Geared toward ages 2-3 with a caregiver. Older children are welcome! 30 minutes of open play follows. Please register.

Teen Advisory Board

Monday, May 6 at 3:15pm Teens - let your voice be heard at the library! The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) helps create, plan, and run teen programs and services they would like offered at the Clark Public Library. TAB is open to all teens in Grades 6-12.

Registration is required.

Baby Bookworms

Tuesdays, May 7, 14, 21 & 28 at 10am Join us for stories, songs, nursery rhymes, and movement activities. Geared toward the under 2 crowd with caregiver. 30 minutes of open

Patches and Stitches

Tuesdays, May 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 12pm - 2pm

Bring your quilt or other crafty project and visit with the members of the quilting club.

Digital Literacy Tutoring

Tuesday, May 7, 14, 21, 28 at 6:30pm Join us for tutoring sessions on topics including Google Drive, Microsoft, Email, and resume help. Registration is required as sessions are limited to 4 students at a time.

Paint a Flower, Plant a Flower Thursday, May 9 at 3:30pm

Ages 4-12 are invited to join us to paint a pot and plant a flower in it! Registration is required and priority registration will be given to Clark residents. All others will be on the pending waitlist until 48 hours before the event, if space remains. Remember to wear old clothes!

The Roaring '20s with Alisa Dupuy Thursday, May 9 at 7pm

Actress Alisa Dupuy returns to the Clark Library. Join us as "Alice Dupree", friend of Gatsby, tells us all about the Roaring '20s.

Stories & More

Fridays, May 10, 17, 24 & 31 at 10am Stories, movement, and songs followed by a simple craft for active listeners ages 3 - 5 years old. Registration is required.

Mother's Day Flower Sale

Saturday, May 11 from 10am-3pm Help support the Clark Library! All proceeds will benefit the library. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Hanging baskets - \$19 4" cup of flowers - \$6

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Saturday, May 11 from 10am-3pm

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friends to read to that won't laugh if your child makes a mistake or stumbles over a word.

Registration is required.

Totally New Tuesdays

Tuesdays, May 14, 21 & 28 at 6:30pm Enjoy a new movie for adults just released to DVD on our big screen. Please check our online calendar or visit the library to check the movies being shown.

Alzheimer's Disease and Preparing for the Unexpected

Wednesday, May 15 at 11am Join us for this educational finance program presented by Edward Jones. Krafty Kids

Wednesday, May 15 at 3:30pm

Join us as we make some fun and creative artwork! Don't forget to bring your imagination and creativity! Registration is required. Geared for Kindergarten-5th grade.

Tinker Tots

Thursday, May 16 at 10:30am Come join us for a morning of fun STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities perfect for little ones. Play is station based. For children ages 1 through pre-k.

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LEGO Master Builders

Thursday, May 16 at 6:30pm Create your own LEGO® structures to be displayed in the Children's area of the library! LEGO® are provided by the library. For children entering grades K - 5.

Light snacks will be served.

Digital Literacy Tutoring

Friday, May 17, & 31 at 11:30am Join us for tutoring sessions on topics including Google Drive, Microsoft, Email, and resume help. Registration is required as sessions are limited to 4 students at a time.

Needlework Club

Saturday, May 18 at 10am-2pm Needlework includes counted cross stitch, needlepoint, knitting, crocheting, embroidery, quilting, etc. Bring what you are working on to sit, stitch, and chat with others who enjoy needlework! The club will meet one Saturday per month. If you have any questions, please

per month. If you have any questions, please drop by the meeting.

Little Scientist

Thursday, May 23 at 3:30pm Learn how to build and create with our Science Experiments! Each session will be a different experiment that will touch upon a different

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Books & Bagels Friday, May 31 at 11am

Enjoy bagels and coffee while we chat about books you have been reading and learn what others in your community are reading as well.

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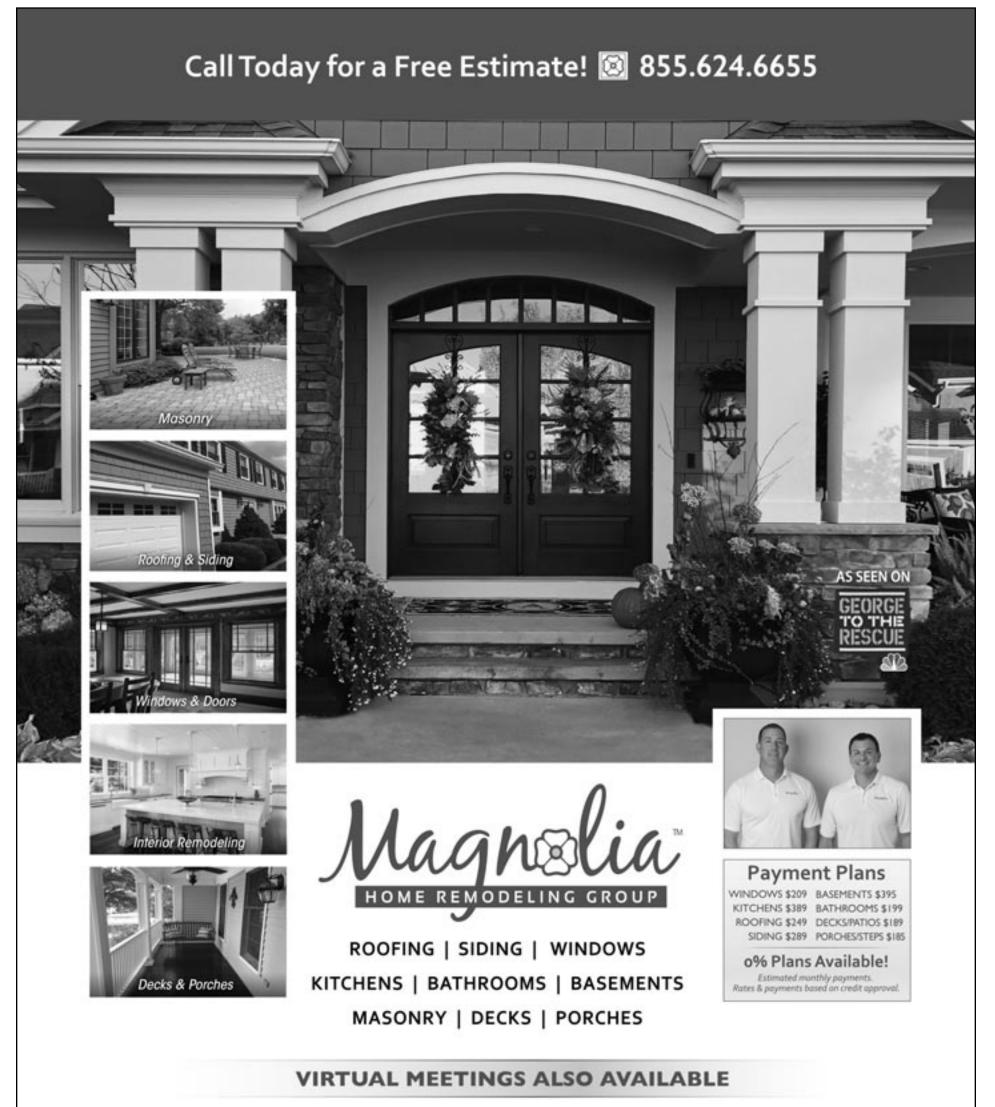
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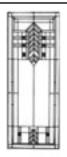
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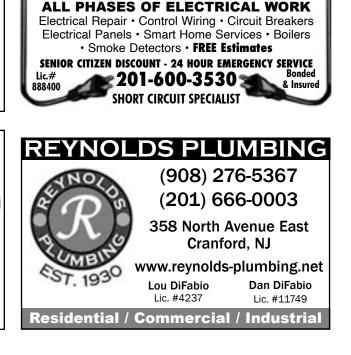


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