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LIBRARY OFFICIALLY WELCOMED TO MAIN LIBRARY ALLIANCE

The New Providence Library was officially welcomed as a new member library of the Main Library Alliance on Thursday, April 25, 2024. A celebration was held in the library's Conti Room. Library Trustees and staff members, Mayor Al Morgan and other town officials, as well as other Main member library staff members were in attendance to celebrate.

By joining Main the New Providence Library has expanded their collection and improved their service to the community in multiple ways, including greater access to materials, upgraded technology through affordable group purchasing, and licensing to many subscription services that they could not afford on their own.

According to the Main Library Alliance website:

Main and its over 50 member libraries serve over 700,000 patrons of every age and from every walk of life in over 100 municipalities in Hunterdon, Morris, Somerset, Union, and Warren Counties. We present hours of free classes and workshops each year that meet the ambitions of people of all ages, whether they want to attend preschool programs, learn English or another language, build their career, get homework help, or learn how to use technology.

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The library may not be open 24/7, but the digital library is! Library card holders at Main member libraries don't only have access to a large physical collection. Member libraries share eBook, eAudiobooks, and eMagazines via the Libby app, and can access additional resources like Tumblebooks for Kids, Mango Languages, and ConsumerReports.org any time.

For a complete list of services and to learn more about the Main Library Alliance visit mainlib.org.

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(above) The Main Library Alliance Proclamation was presented by President Nancy Shah to the New Providence Library Director Stacey Maisch.





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Join us for the Run for the Roses with a live stream of the race, buffet, 50/50 cash raffle, and auction items. Tickets are \$30.00 per person and should be purchased by May 1 by visiting summitlionsclubs.org/donate. Or you may Sciallero Lion Stephanie contact stephanie.sciallero@gmail.com.

The Summit Lions was chartered in 1926 at the Summit Beechwood Hotel and is celebrating 98 years of service to the community. In 1925 Helen Keller challenged the Lions to become "Knights of the Blind in the crusade against darkness." Since that time, Lions have been tireless advocates for the blind and visually impaired and has expanded its challenges to six pillars of service. Diabetes, Youth, Environment, Hunger, Disaster Relief and Pediatric Cancer. Visit our website at summitlionsclub.org. Our membership is 1.4 million worldwide. Our motto is We Serve.





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"THE BEAT GOES ON" – A CHER SPECTACULAR! MAY 4, 2:30 PM & 7:30 PM

Straight from the dazzling lights of Las Vegas, award-winning artist Lisa McClowry takes you on a nostalgic and vibrant odyssey through Cher's iconic discography. Imagine witnessing eight dazzling costume changes that transport you to different eras of Cher's career. And that's not all! Mesmerizing video projections enhance the storytelling, leaving you feeling like you've attended the Goddess of Pop concert. Get ready to relive the magic of Cher's hits and experience the glitz and glamour of Vegas!

FABULOUS FANNY: THE SONGS & STORIES OF FANNY BRICE MAY 12, 2:30 PM

Immerse yourself in the timeless charm of Broadway with Kimberly Faye Greenberg's heartfelt homage to the incomparable Fanny Brice. "Fabulous Fanny" rekindles the essence of the beloved "Funny Girl," making it an essential experience for Broadway enthusiasts. Revel in the enduring humor and the poignant melodies that made Fanny Brice an icon.

A HEARTFELT TRIBUTE JUNE 1, 2:30 PM & 7:30 PM

Join us for an unforgettable musical journey as Frankie Cirell pays homage to the legendary Tony Bennett. Backed by a full orchestra, this heartfelt tribute captures the emotional depth and elegance of Tony's iconic songs. From "I Left My Heart in San Francisco" to the soaring melody of "Fly Me to the Moon," get ready to be moved by timeless classics. Whether you're a lifelong fan or discovering Tony Bennett's magic for the first time, this performance promises an evening of pure musical bliss.

TEA FOR THREE: LADY BIRD, PAT & BETTY JUNE 9, 2:30 PM

Elaine Bromka's one-woman show brings to life the remarkable stories of Lady Bird Johnson, Pat Nixon, and Betty Ford. Set in three intimate scenes, each woman shares her hopes, fears, and loves. From the White House to personal struggles, this captivating performance offers a glimpse into the lives of these influential women. Get ready to be inspired by their resilience, compassion, and unwavering spirit.

DANCING DREAM: AN ABBA TRIBUTE JUNE 15, 7:30 PM

Put on your dancing shoes and travel back to the disco era! It's time to groove to timeless ABBA hits like "Mamma Mia" and "Dancing Queen." Dust off those platform shoes, embrace the sparkle of sequins, and get ready for an unforgettable night. The harmonious vocals and lively dance routines will transport you to a world where the dance floor is your playground. Get ready to sing along, dance, and relive the magic of ABBA!

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 - Morgan GRIT Athlete Parent
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 - Robert, GRIT Athlete Parent

• "My son is more disciplined and confident in himself"

- Steve Hughes, Grit Athlete Parent
- "I have watched my children become more confident and vocal."
 - Christine Stramandinoli, Grit Athlete Parent
- "His confidence has shot up in the last few months...and has carried forward to the way he approaches other activities like sports and schoolwork. My son is now making his bed daily and exercising every day."
 - Catherine Solfaro, Grit Athlete Parent
- "We saw a noticeable difference in his throwing he could throw it further and faster! The training definitely paid off!"

- Dara, GRIT Athlete Parent

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LINDA KALE NOMINATED GRAND MARSHALL OF MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Linda Kale, a prolific community volunteer, has been nominated to serve as the Grand Marshall of the New Providence 2024 Memorial Day Parade by American Legion Post 433. Commander Howard Jow announced



(above) Linda J. Kale

"Celebrating mothers' dedication and support of their military families, American Legion Post 433 have picked Linda J. Kale as our Grand Marshall for the 2024 Memorial Day event.

When Linda was born her decicated military family lived at the army base Fort Sill, in Oklahoma. She has 5 brothers and one sister.

Linda stated "My family moved and lived on many military bases in the US including 2 tours in Germany throughout my childhood. Our family was one of the first military families to be sent to Germany in 1946 after WW11. We witnessed in person all the destruction and devastation of war. My father's job during this tour was to help the "Displaced Persons" of the war to get back to their homelands. The 2nd tour was in 1958. My father was Commander of the American Forces Network Europe. All 5 of my brothers joined the military after finishing their education."

Linda and her husband raised 5 sons and one daughter in New Providence, where they moved after they got married. She has 10 grandchildren.

Linda worked for the New Providence Recreation Department for 23 years teaching exercise classes for women and children as well as classes for disabled adults.

Linda worked at the local weekly newspaper the "Independent Press" for about 10 years in sales and marketing. She also worked for New Providence Chiropractic as a marketing director, and at the Madison Board of Education in Accounts Payable.

During Covid, with the help of the New Providence Lions Club, of which she is a member, she made hundreds of cloth masks for healthcare workers and nurses as well as any citizens that needed them.

Linda is a past president of the New Providence Historical Society, a member of the NP Lions club (10 years), Member of the Wm. Paca Club, she teaches a class of "Greeting Card Making" for the NP Seniors Club, and a local children's summer camp. She also helps the PBA, Lions Club and local businesses with the US Marine Corps "Toys For Tots" toy drive at Christmastime. For the past 6-7 years she has been serving as a Union County Poll worker for elections.

Linda Kale's other honors include:

- The Melvin Jones Fellow Award for dedicated humanitarian service from the Lions Club International Foundation.
- A Special Congressional Recognition from the Honorable Thomas H Kean, Jr. "In appreciation of the generous spirit of community service."
- A New Jersey General Assembly Citation "Senior of Distinction Award" from Assemblyman Jon Bramnick, Assemblywomen Nancy Munoz and Michele Matsikoudis.

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CRAFT FAIR -NEW PROVIDENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Sat, May 11 9:00 AM — 3:00 PM Salt Box Museum grounds

1350 Springfield Ave., New Providence

Annual Craft Fair, sponsored by the New Providence Historical Society, Saturday, May 11, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.; on the grounds of the historic Salt Box Museum, 1350 Springfield Ave., N.P.

A variety of crafters displaying their items, on the grounds. Also a Bake Sale taking place, and the Salt Box Museum will be open for visitors.

Crafters interested in taking part, a \$25 registration fee, or \$35 for canopy rental for a 10' X 10' space on lawn. Please call 908 665-1034 for details.

Spring Plant Sale will be conducted by the New Providence Garden Club, now in their 85th Year. A selection of plant materials to include annuals and perennial transplants from members' gardens as well as quality donated plants from local garden centers. Please stop by and support our N.P. Hist. Soc. 908 665-1034.

Contact Information N.P. Historical Soc. 908 665-1034

SENIOR HEALTH FAIR - MAY 15

The New Providence Department of Health and DeCorso Community Center will host a Senior Health Fair at the DeCorso Center on Wednesday May 15 from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. All New Providence Residents 55+ are invited to attend. The Senior Health Fair will be informational along with some basic screenings, and will bring together local service providers and medical professionals. There will be Atlantic Health wound care team foot screenings, as well as Hepatitis B, dental and chiropractor

screenings. Pharmacy representatives, a physical therapy provider and other senior health organizations will also be participating. Call the DeCorso Center at 908-665-0046 to make an appointment for a wound care team foot screening, or to request bus transportation to the health fair.

You may also email or call the Public Health Nurse with any questions or to make a screening appointment at Jaranda@newprov.us or (908) 743-1049.



(above) New Providence Senior Citizens enjoyed a recent visit from The Bright & Beautiful Therapy Dogs, Inc. organization.

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NICOLE OEHLER NAMED WHARTON ARTS DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT



(above) Nicole Oehler, is a New Providence native.

announced the appointment of Nicole Oehler as its new Director of Development, effective April 10, 2024.

Said Executive Director Gina Caruso, "I'm delighted to announce that Nicole Oehler will be joining us as our new Director of Development. With her experience integrity and positive

community performing arts education center, has

delighted to announce that Nicole Oehler will be joining us as our new Director of Development. With her experience, integrity, and positive energy, Nicole is poised to make a significant impact on our organization. Her commitment to non-profit initiatives benefiting children, families, and individuals of all ages, and her strong ties to the New Providence community, make her an invaluable addition to our team. We eagerly anticipate the contributions she'll make as we continue our mission to foster an inclusive, supportive community, where every member of Wharton Arts embraces and celebrates the unique learning styles and gifts of each individual."

Oehler, a lifelong resident of New Jersey, grew up in New Providence, and holds a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from Drew University. After a career in pharmaceutical advertising, she pivoted to the non-profit sector seeking connection with beneficiaries and donors. She has worked for America's Grow-a-Row in programming and development and more recently for Self Help Africa, where she focused on fundraising, events management, and business development. In her spare time, she loves to hike, spend time with her family, and spoil her dog.

Oehler will assume a pivotal role in executing the organization's long term strategic plan in the realm of Development, collaborating closely with the Board of Trustees and the Executive Director to identify and engage new major donors crucial to the organization's growth. Working alongside the Executive Director, the Development Committee, and as lead of the Development team, she will spearhead a targeted individual giving campaign encompassing major gifts, prospecting, cultivation, solicitation, and stewardship strategies. In pursuit of these objectives, Oehler will establish and uphold an extensive 12-month events calendar, overseeing key fundraisers, such as the annual Gala and

Wharton Arts, New Jersey's largest non-profit other special events.

Wharton Arts' mission is to offer accessible, high quality performing arts education that sparks personal growth and builds inclusive communities.

Wharton Arts' vision is for a transformative performing arts education in an inclusive community to be accessible for everyone.

Wharton Arts is New Jersey's largest independent non-profit community performing arts education center serving nearly 2,000 students through a range of classes and ensembles. The 5 ensembles of the New Jersey Youth Chorus, an auditioned choral ensemble program for students in grades 3–12, encourage a love and appreciation of choral music while nurturing personal growth and creative development. The 15 ensembles of the New Jersey Youth

Symphony, which serve nearly 600 students in grades 3–12 by audition, inspire young people to achieve musical excellence through high-level ensemble training and performance opportunities. Based in Paterson, the Paterson Music Project is an El Sistema-inspired program of Wharton Arts that uses music education as a vehicle for social action by empowering and inspiring young people to achieve their full potential through the community experience of ensemble learning and playing. From Pathways classes for young children to Lifelong Learning programs for adults, the Wharton Performing Arts School has a robust musical theater and drama program and offers both private and group classes for instruments and voice for all ages and all abilities. With the belief in the positive and unifying influence of music and that performing arts education should be accessible to all people regardless of their ability to pay, Wharton Arts offers need-based scholarships.

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ANUAL FAIR - MAY 11

New Providence Historical Society

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(above, l-r) Lodge Officers responsible for the 4 Pillars of Elkdom: Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. Rocco DiPiano - Esteemed Leading Knight (Charity); Fred Honold - Exalted Ruler (Fidelity); Apollo Hrehorovich - Esteemed Lecturing Knight (Brotherly Love); and Mary Twill - Esteemed Loyal Knight (Justice). These four officers look forward to serving our communities for the benefit of all. Courtesy photo

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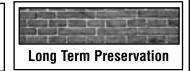
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The New Jersey Youth Symphony (NJYS), a program of Wharton Arts, will present its 45th Anniversary Celebration Concert on Sunday, May 5 at 3:00 p.m. at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) in Newark. Experience a grand celebration of the Garden State's premier youth orchestra program as its three full symphony orchestras and Jazz Orchestra come together with alumni for a triumphant concert commemorating the 45th season. Special guest stars George Marriner Maull of The Discovery Orchestra and jazz legend Rufus Reid join the jubilee led by NJYS conductors Dion Tucker, Mark Gunderman, Simon Lipskar, and Helen H. Cha-Pyo. The celebratory program features works by Holst, Copland, Rufus Reid, Valerie Coleman, James Ra, and Respighi.

Audience members are invited to take a sweeping look at the New Jersey Youth Symphony's 45-year history and the road ahead. Tickets are \$20, \$35, and \$50, available at NJPAC.org. VIP Tickets can be purchased for \$150 and include premium seating and admission to the post-concert reception. VIP Tickets, as well as more ways to support NJYS, can be found at NJYS45. gives mart.com.

Said Maestro George Marriner Maull, "As founding Music Director and Conductor of the New Jersey Youth Symphony, nothing could make me happier than the celebration of the youth symphony's 45th Anniversary—an amazing accomplishment in the lifespans of today's nonprofits. The New Jersey Youth Symphony, a vital part of the Wharton Arts family, is now flourishing under the artistic leadership of Helen Cha-Pyo and her staff. It is flourishing beyond the wildest dreams of those of us—and there were so many during those first eighteen years beginning in 1979—who planted and nourished this seed. Just gaze at and listen to what that seed has blossomed into...Happy 45th Anniversary indeed!"

"As we commemorate the New Jersey Youth Symphony's remarkable 45-year journey, this concert stands as a tribute to the unwavering dedication, exceptional talent, and boundless passion of our young musicians, their families, our devoted artistic and administrative teams, and our invaluable community partners—including public school music educators, private teachers, and generous supporters," said Helen H. Cha-Pyo, Artistic Director and Principal Conductor. "Creating an inclusive and nurturing environment where our youth can explore their potential requires a collaborative effort. At the New Jersey Youth Symphony, a program of Wharton Arts, we deeply appreciate our vibrant and engaged community. We are committed not only to delivering outstanding musical experiences but also to fostering positive life experiences that empower our young artists to flourish. We are eager to present a concert with our honorees, Rufus Reid and Maestro George Marriner Maull, and NJYS alumni that honors our rich history while embracing an exciting future. We hope the audience enjoys the world premiere of Ring O Bells! by James Ra, commissioned to



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commemorate the 45th anniversary, and we invite you to join us for this unforgettable musical celebration!"

Throughout the 2023-24 season, NJYS has honored its vibrant history and bright future with premieres of new compositions and beloved music from the inaugural season in 1979. For more information, go to NJYS.org.

Wharton Arts' mission is to offer accessible, high quality performing arts education that sparks personal growth and builds inclusive communities.

Wharton Arts' vision is for a transformative performing arts education in an inclusive community to be accessible for everyone.

Wharton Arts is New Jersey's largest independent non-profit community performing arts education center serving nearly 2,000 students through a range of classes and ensembles. The 5 ensembles of the New Jersey Youth Chorus, an auditioned choral ensemble program for students in grades 3–12, encourage a love and appreciation of choral music while nurturing personal growth and creative development. The 15 ensembles of the New Jersey Youth Symphony, which serve nearly 600 students in grades 3–12 by audition, inspire

young people to achieve musical excellence through high-level ensemble training and performance opportunities. Based in Paterson, the Paterson Music Project is an El Sistemainspired program of Wharton Arts that uses music education as a vehicle for social action by empowering and inspiring young people to achieve their full potential through the community experience of ensemble learning and playing. From Pathways classes for young children to Lifelong Learning programs for adults, the Wharton Performing Arts School has a robust musical theater and drama program and offers both private and group classes for instruments and voice for all ages and all abilities. With the belief in the positive and unifying influence of music and that performing arts education should be accessible to all people regardless of their ability to pay, Wharton Arts offers need-based scholarships.

Wharton Arts is located in Berkeley Heights, New Providence, and Paterson, NJ and reaches students from 12 counties. All of Wharton Arts' extraordinary teaching artists, faculty members, and conductors hold degrees in their teaching specialty and have been vetted and trained to enable our students to achieve their personal best.



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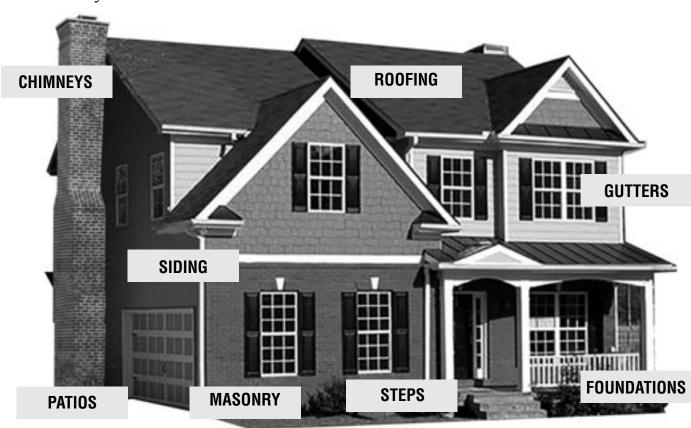
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WE WILL HAVE FOUR PROGRAMS IN MAY: MAY 7TH, DR. LESLIE PENDLETON

On May 7th, our speaker will be Dr. Leslie Pendleton, founding director of the Machen Florida Opportunity Scholars Program at the University of Florida (UF). The Program . . . "reimagines the first-generation student experience by providing transformative access, comprehensive scholarships, and elite support programs." She is a national leader in creating sustainable efforts to support the college and life success of students who are the first in their families to pursue a college degree. Dr. Pendleton now serves as the lead development officer for the program, and she will discuss the 18-year history and impact of the Machen program Through intentional peer mentoring, academic coaching, and overall care and compassion for first-generation college students, UF has created a scalable model for other universities to follow.

MAY 14TH, GARY FISCH On May 14th, our speaker will be Gary Fisch, founder & CEO of Gary's Wine & Marketplace,

a four-store retail wine & spirits chain in northern NJ. Founded in 1987, Gary's Wine & Marketplace has become an industry-leading independent retailer selling wine, beer, spirits, gourmet foods, and giftware. During this presentation, Gary will speak about his founding story and some innovations he has pioneered in retailing over the past 35+ years. Gary has also been a good corporate citizen by supporting an annual wine-tasting event in Morristown.

MAY 21ST, ALLEN HAMILTON

On May 21st, our speaker will be Allen Hamilton. Allen will present his experience with Ancestry.com, including the wealth of online information, such as the census and birth/death/burial records. He will also discuss the DNA results for himself and his wife. Finally, he will lead a discussion of your stories.

MAY 28TH, CHRIS GAFFNEY

Finally, on May 28th, our speaker will be Chris Director of Championships, Gaffney, Metropolitan Golf Association. Conducting firstclass championships that "promote and conserve the best interests and true spirit of the game of golf" was the founding mission of the MGA. Today, the MGA is recognized as a leader in championship administration and conducts some of the nation's oldest and most prestigious events with a list of champions that reads like a who's who of golf. Chris will provide insight into the historic MGA Championship program, the fantastic golf courses, accomplished alumni, great volunteering opportunities throughout New Jersey, and some insight on the Rules of Golf.

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.





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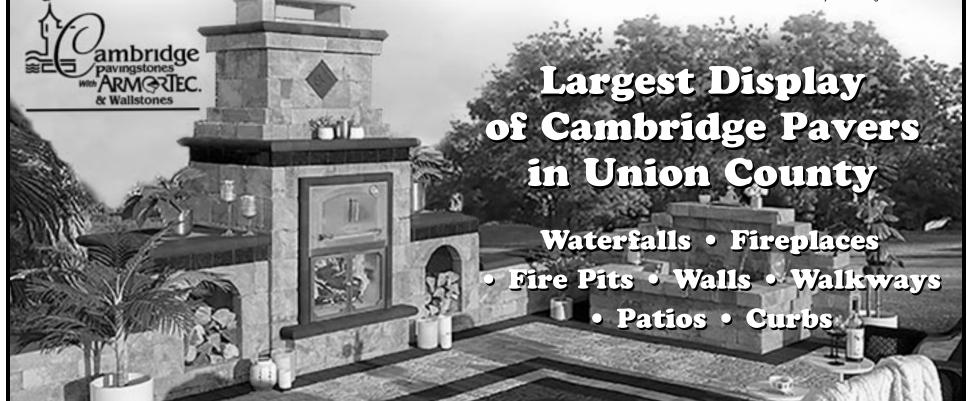
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goal is to contact the veteran before they fall into a deep state of depression and provide them lifesaving and lifechanging resources.

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.





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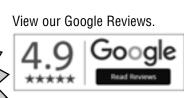
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JAZZ BANDS TO PERFORM MAY 18TH

Band, with an opening act by Flesh World, Saturday, May 18, 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 Bailey Hall, below Townley Presbyterian Church, 829 Salem Rd, Union, NJ. The Roadhouse operates as a non-profit that raises funds for several carefully chosen local charities.

Returning to the Roadhouse, the CMJ Jazz Band is an energetic, dynamic band based in New Jersey that blends Smooth Jazz, Traditional Jazz and Hip Hop in a creative way to captivate audiences of all ages. Known for their stellar musicianship and intimate relationship with audiences, the band is blowing people away with their energy, creativity, polish, and lyrical word rhymes. People attending their concerts reflect on the fun they had dancing, singing, and interacting with the band.

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The Salem Roadhouse Café presents CMJ Jazz Caribbean and pop. Their repertoire includes we're located where we are, 829 Salem Rd, cutting-edge original compositions as well as covers of tunes by popular artists such as Britney Spears, Juice WRLD, and Nine Inch Nails.

> As always, the Salem Roadhouse Café music 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. What's the common thread? They're all great musicians playing the kind of music people like to hear. There's no message, just music.

Now ion it's 16th year of operation, the Roadhouse started in 2008 by members of Townley Presbyterian Church with a grant from the Presbytery of Elizabeth. Hey — that's why

Union, NJ. The Roadhouse operates as a nonprofit that raises funds for several carefully chosen local charities. That's its social mission.

But the many musicians who've played the Salem Roadhouse Café see it as a solid performance venue. They love it because of its special intimacy and great audiences. They say people here "really listen." Ask any of the musicians you meet here — they love to play the Roadhouse, and they want to come back often.

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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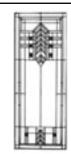


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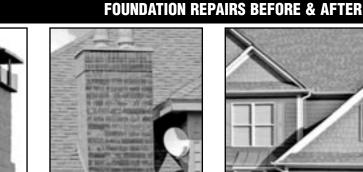
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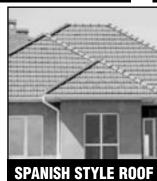








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Math Club (Kids & Teens)

May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 at 3:50 pm - 4:45 pm Join the NP Math Club and hone your problemsolving skills! Run by NP Teens, open to students in 2-12th grades.

Crafterday (Kids & Families)

May 4, 18 from 10:00 am - 3:30 pm Use the materials and instructions that have been left. Take home what you create.

SAT Math Help (Teens)

May 4, 11, 18 at 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Tutoring sessions for students who are looking for help with the math portion of the SAT.

Swing Era Music with Florian Schantz (Adults)

May 5 at 3:00 pm

The Florian Schantz Jazz Combo will perform swing era music in the Conti Room.

Knit Night (Adults)

May 6, 16 at 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Knitting or crochet projects and chat with this friendly group while you work.

NP Chess Club (Kids, Teens & Adults)

May 6, 13, 20 at 4:30 - 6:30 pm Instruction Lectures & Strategy from 4:30-5:30 followed by play from 5:30-6:30. Register at least 1 day in advance at npchessclub.org

Teen Game Night (Teens)

May 6 at 5:30 pm

Teens in grades 6-12 are invited for pizza and board games in the Conti Room! Bring your own board game or play one of ours.

Movie Matinee: "Boys in the Boat" (Adults)

May 7 at 1:00 - 3:00 pm

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Writing Wizards (Kids grades 3-7)

May 7, 14, 21, 28 at 4:00 -5:00 pm
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Mother's Day Craft

May 7 at 6:00 - 7:30 pm

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Excel Workshop

May 7 at 7:00 pm

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Library STEAM Club (Kids grades 1-5)

May 8 at 3:15 - 4:30 pm

This month we will explore the science and art of symmetry and mandalas. Register to NPMLChildrens@gmail.com,

Mother's Day Craft

May 9 at 3:15 - 4:30 pm

Make something beautiful for your mother using the materials provided.

Author Talk with Nina Simon (Adults)

May 8 at 7:00 pm

You're invited to join Nina Simon online as she chats about her lighthearted whodunnit about a grandmother-mother-daughter trio of amateur sleuths, Mother-Daughter Murder Night.

Book Group: "The Personal Librarian" by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray (Adults)

May 9 at 7:30 - 8:30 pm

The book group will discuss The Personal Librarian, the story of Belle da Costa Greene, J. P. Morgan's personal librarian

DIY Madhubani Painting (Adult & Teens)

May 11 at 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Paint a canvas with a Madhubani design from traditional Indian art with Gunjan Maheshwari, our craft expert. Registration is required.

Batter Up - Let's Talk Baseball (All Ages)

May 13 at 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Baseball enthusiasts are invited to discuss teams, players and issues of the sport with other baseball fans. Join in person in the Conti Room or over zoom – your choice.

Books & Bagels (Adults)

May 14 at 10:30 am - 11:30 am

We'll take turns talking about books we've recently read – a great way to learn about books you might want to read next. Enjoy a free bagel from NP Bagel Cafe while we chat!

Napoleon: The Devil's Favorite (Adults)

May 15 at 7:00 pm

The darker aspect of Napoleon Buonaparte will be considered in this virtual lecture.

Career Search Workshop (Adults)

May 16 at 6:30 pm

Ken Cavanagh, a certified career management coach and the former director of Graduate Career Advising at Fordham University's Gabelli School of Business, presents a workshop on advanced networking & informational interviews.

Read to a Dog (Kids)

May 18 at 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

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Family Movie: "Encanto" (Kids & Families) PG

May 19 at 2:00 pm

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Growing Canna, Caladium and Elephant Ear Hostas (Adults)

May 20 at 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Deb Murphy will give tips on growing these plants at the monthly New Providence Garden Club meeting, held monthly in the Conti Room.

Book Group: "Hoot" by Carl Hiaasen (Adults)

May 21 at 10:30 - 11:30 am

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Movie Matinee: "The Color Purple" (Adults)

May 21 at 1:00 - 3:20 pm

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Read to a Dog (Kids)

May 21 at 6:20 - 8:05 pm

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Asian American Representation in Literature: Author Talk with Rebecca Kuang (Adults)

May 21 at 7:00 pm

Register for this virtual conversation with Rebecca F. Kuang, author of Yellowface.

Lego Club (Kids)

May 22 at 3:15 - 4:30 pm

Construct a scene to fit the monthly theme.

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Good Tyme String Band (Kids & Families)

May 23 at 10:30 - 11:00 am

Join this string band for some toe tapping fun.
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Family Movie: How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World PG (Kids & Families)

May 23 at 1:00-3:00 pm

Sign up for June Teen Take Out Boxes (Teen)

May 23 at 3:00 pm

Knitting Workshop (Kids, grades 3 - 8)

May 23 at 3:15 - 4:30 pm Registration is required.

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Tuesday Open Play

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Wednesday Mother Goose Group with Miss Debbie

at 10:30 am (18 months - preschool)

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Thursday Storytime with Miss Anita

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Friday Open Play

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- The Botanist The Essence

Vapes

Brands: • &Shine • Airo • Cookies • Fernway

• Legend • Lily Extracts • Rythm • Select

Flower

Brands: • Buoyant Bob • Cookies • Crops • FIND

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- Ozone Prolific Growhouse Road Tripper Rythm
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Brands: • 1906 • Encore • Gron • Incredibles

• Valhalla • Wana • Zoobies

Order Online

View our pre-order menu online or on your mobile phone to reserve your order. It will be prepared and ready for purchase when you arrive at the store.

Order In-Store

Visit the store and speak with an available budtender to create your order. You can also order your products at one of our kiosks in the lobby or sales floor.

Marketing Toolbox

Renna Media offers a full range of marketing services, in print and online, hyperlocal to regional, for every budget and market size.

NEWSPAPER ADVERTS

We mail 160,000 newspapers to every home and business in 24 towns. You can advertise in any number of towns. Ads start at \$60.

FULL COLOR PRINTING

We print flyers and menus, full color, two sided, on coated stock for only \$45 per thousand.

DIRECT MAIL

Insert your flyer into the newspapers and get it mailed to every home and business for \$60 per thousand and as low as \$30 per thousand for higher quantities.

ONLINE MARKETING

Online ads and press releases designed and placed to drive traffic to your website and get your phone ringing.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We can design and/or manage your social media campaign from passive to aggressive plans customized to work within your budget.

WEBSITE AND SEO SERVICES

Start with an audit/analysis of your website giving you a report and recommendations for \$250.

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Otv: 4,700

Zip:07922





Qty: 6,700

Zip: 07066







Qty: 5,400 Zip: 07208 Section of Ilizabeth, NJ



Qty: 3,000 Zip: 07023







Zip: 07928

Qty: 2,500 Zip: 07027



Qty: 3,000 Zip: 08812



Qty: 3,500 Zip: 07033



Qty: 17,900 Zip: 07036



Qty: 3,500 Zips: 07933. 07946,07980

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Qty: 6,300

Zip: 07940







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Qty: 13,000 Zip: 07065

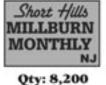


WHATS HAPPENING M O N T H L Y Qty: 5,600 Qty: 9,400





MONTHLY



Zips: 07041

07078

2-PAGE SPREAD

FRONT PAGE BOX

FRONT PAGE BANNER

BACK PAGE



Zip: 07092

Qty: 9,600 Zip: 07901

21" x 14"

10° x 14°

8.25° x 2°

1.5° x 4.5°



Qty: 6,800 Zip: 07083 (partial)

\$500

\$320

\$240



Oty: 6,200 Zip: 07059



Zip: 07069

Qty: 11,800 Qty: 2,700 Zip: 07090

Unit	WSPAPER AD RATES Size Unit (Business card) 3.25° x 2	Town S60	3 TOWNS S150	6 TOWNS 5250	9 TOWNS 5350	12 TOWNS 5400	15 TOWNS \$450	18 TOWNS \$500	21 TOWNS \$550	24 TOWNS \$600
2	Units 6.5° x 2° or 3.25° x 4	\$100	\$250	\$400	\$500	\$600	5700	\$800	\$900	\$1000
4	Units 3.25° x 8° or 6.5° x 4	\$180	\$450	5700	\$900	\$1100	\$1300	\$1500	\$1700	\$1900
6	Units 6.5° x 6.25° or 10° x 4	\$240	\$600	\$900	\$1200	\$1400	\$1600	\$1800	\$2000	\$2200
9	HALF PAGE 65'x 9" or 10" x 7	\$320	\$800	\$1000	\$1300	\$1600	\$1900	\$2200	\$2400	\$2700
12	Units 10° x 8	\$360	\$900	\$1200	\$1500	\$1800	\$2100	\$2400	\$2700	\$3000
18	FULL PAGE 10° x 14	\$400	\$1000	\$1400	\$1800	\$2200	\$2500	\$2800	\$3000	\$3400

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PER POST
Block of 20 for \$200
Single post is \$20



Full Color Flyers and Menus Printed and Mailed to Every Home and Business in Town!

FLYERS - \$45 PER THOUSAND

8.5" x 11" / Full color / 2 sided / 60lb gloss coated stock Tri-fold add \$10 per thousand. Minimum order \$450

LARGE MENUS - PRINTING - \$85 PER THOUSAND For quantities more than 50,000 cost is \$55 per thousand.

11"x17" / Full color /2 sided / 60lb gloss coated stock. Min. order \$850 Includes folding (quarter fold or tri-fold, with or without coupons tab)

INSERTED AND MAILED TO EVERY HOME AND BUSINESS \$60 per thousand. (as low as \$30 per thousand depending on quantity.)
Minimum order \$400

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PER 1,000
MENUS

PER 1.000

WEBSITE / SEO SERVICES

• STARTER WEBSITE: \$500

Basic static site that can be developed further

• WEBSITE CREATION/UPDATE: \$2,400

Cost for average website: 12 pages, contact form, SEO friendly, responsive design

• WEBSITE HOSTING: \$300 PER YEAR

Includes website hosting, software updates, monthly website content updates

• SEO SERVICES: AVERAGE COST \$1,000 - \$2,000 PER MONTH Custom tailored solutions: Google Ranking, Local SEO, Social Marketing

Call for free a consultation if you need help developing an online marketing plan. STARTER WEBSITE \$500

Call Walter at 201-478-7408 email: wwwinnj@gmail.com

WEBSITE AUDIT/ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION PLAN

ONE TIME FLAT FEE \$250

• SEE WHAT IS WORKING AND NOT WORKING Know where your web traffic is coming from and why.

• ELIMINATE / AVOID COSTLY SCHEMES

Evaluate the return you are getting from your online marketing costs.

• INCREASE ONLINE MARKETING RESULTS

Recommendations include ways to increase traffic to your website

NO OBLIGATION

This service is recommended even if you have an existing web management contract. Use it to tune up your marketing plan.

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