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COLLECTION DRIVE FOR RISE AGAINST HUNGER – SEPT. 28

Osceola Presbyterian Church (OPC) in Clark, NJ, is thrilled to announce our annual Meal Packing Event with Rise Against Hunger, is scheduled for World Communion Sunday, October 6, 2024.

Rise Against Hunger (riseagainsthunger.org) aims to end hunger in our lifetime by providing food and life-changing aid to the world's most vulnerable, while empowering and educating the communities they serve through locally-led development programs worldwide. OPC has partnered with this organization for 7 years, and during the event, volunteers will pack 10,000 meals to support this crucial cause.

This October, in our Fellowship Hall, members of OPC and community volunteers will come together for a dynamic event filled with music, dancing, laughter, and, of course, plenty of food packing! From the youngest to the oldest, everyone can participate in helping to end world hunger. This year we will hit 80,000 meals!

Sponsored by the OPC Mission Commission, this meal packing event reflects our commitment to sharing God's love with those in need both locally and globally. In order to raise funds for this mission OPC is hosting a drive on Saturday, September 28 from 2 – 3 p.m. in the church parking lot at 1689 Raritan Road, Clark. We invite the community to come

out and donate clothing, clothing accessories, shoes, small toys, stuffed animals, towels, sheets, bicycles and strollers. All proceeds will be used to help cover the costs of the meal packing event.

In addition to Rise Against Hunger, OPC supports the community with a robust food pantry program that assists many local families in need. We thank the many local groups that donate food to our Pantry so that we can keep the shelves stocked however there is increasing food insecurity and we always welcome donations!

Located next to GSP exit 136 and affectionately known as 'the little church on the parkway,' Osceola Presbyterian Church, a presence in Clark since 1943, celebrated its 80th anniversary this past year. After a devastating fire in 1989, the determined congregation rebuilt and upgraded the church, preserving all but one of the original stained-glass windows, which were saved along with the sacraments by a Clark firefighter.

For more information about how to join us and who we are, please visit: osceolapresbyterianchurch.com or visit us on Facebook @Osceola Presbyterian Church. You can also contact the church office at our email osceolapresbyterian@gmail.com.

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Mayor Brian Andrews, pictured at left, recently presented a proclamation to five young Cranford men who helped find their friend who went missing at Yankee Stadium. Zach Carter, Zach Jones, Kurt Petschow Jr., Robbie Salvatore and Nolan Spurr (pictured). The five young men first contacted stadium security and then

proceeded to conduct a search on foot, eventually joined by members of the New York City Police Department. Cranford TV 35 filmed a segment on how these young men found their friend among 50,000 people at Yankee Stadium. The video is available to watch on cable or YouTube at CranfordTV35.



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The Aliver Foundation

The Aliver Foundation was selected as the charity beneficiary of the Rotary Club of Cranford's 34th Annual Golf Tournament, held on August 5th at Shackamaxon Country Club.

Jill A. Pall, Founder & President of The Aliver Foundation spoke about surviving cardiac arrest at Echo Lake Dog Park, priorities of the organization, and the disparities that exist in terms of receiving bystander CPR as related to sex and race. She also educated attendees on how to do CPR compressions, showed them how easy it is to "learn" to use an AED, and conveyed why AEDs being available 24/7/365 is so important

to saving lives.

"Thank you to the Cranford Rotary for their continued support and for recognizing how crucial our mission is. We cannot wait to share where this equipment will be installed," Jill A. Pall, Founder & President of The Aliver Foundation.

The Aliver Foundation's Mission is to raise awareness and funds to install all weather AEDs in outdoor recreation spaces while also providing crucial resources and educational opportunities to individuals and communities. Learn more at: thealiverfoundation.org.



(above) Proceeds from the Rotary Club of Cranford's 34th Annual Golf Tournament will purchase an all-weather, climate controlled, tamper proof AED enclosure and AED.



(above) Jeffrey Christakos- Cranford Rotary President, Eugene Matics- Cranford Rotary Treasurer, Jill A. Pall- Founder & President of The Aliver Foundation, and Andrew Blumenstock- Board Member of The Aliver Foundation.

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ATTENTION: ADULTS OVER 40 WHO WANT TO SHED THOSE EXTRA SUMMER POUNDS

We hope you had a great summer!

Have you kept up with your healthy habits, or are your clothes tighter than they were before Memorial Day due to BBQs, boardwalks, and booze?

Did you know September is the new January for people wanting to change their health and fitness?

The 6-week "holiday season" pales in comparison to three fun-filled months of summer.

It's so easy to slip off the fitness wagon and tell yourself, "I'll wait until after Labor Day."

Well that time is here and if you want to return to pre-summer shape (or if it's been a while since you've been in shape), then our **Fit for Fall 50-Day Challenge** may be just what you need. It kicks off on September 23.

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REGISTER FOR TOWN WIDE GARAGE SALE – SEP 28

Project Home of Cranford’s Spring 2024 Town Wide Garage Sale is scheduled for Saturday September 28, 2024, Rain or Shine.

Those who register will have the address of their sale and a brief description of what they are selling included on the listing that will be posted on the Project Home website and on Facebook for shoppers looking to find sale locations. On-line registration will be open through Tuesday, September 24.

To participate in the Town Wide Garage Sale registration is required, to register go to the Project Home of Cranford website projecthomeofcranford.org, click on Fundraisers. Only the address of the sale and highlights of what the seller is offering for sale will be posted for shoppers to see. The complete listing will be posted the evening of September 27.

It is through fundraisers like the Town Wide Garage Sale that we as a community are able to



lend a hand to those in need when unexpected financial crisis impacts our neighbors.

For over 30 years Project Home of Cranford, a 501(c)3 charity has been working through Cranford Family Care to keep Cranford families in crisis in their homes. The Town Wide Garage Sale is one of the events that Project Home runs to raise funds for Cranford Family Care. For questions about the garage sale or just find out more about Project Home and our mission please email us at projecthomeofcranford@gmail.com, visit us at projecthomeofcranford.org and Like us on Facebook - Project Home of Cranford.

ANNUAL MUSIC FEST TO FEATURE LOCAL TALENT

Centennial Village Group

On Saturday, September 21, the Centennial Village Group will be holding its annual Music Fest outside of Lincoln School, 132 Thomas Street, Cranford, NJ. The event begins at 4 p.m., with music and festivities lasting until 9 p.m. Admission is free, but donations are graciously accepted.

Bring your lawn chair and enjoy an evening of fun family entertainment, featuring live music from local artists. In addition to musical entertainment, there will be a 50/50 raffle and Tricky Tray with items from local Cranford shops. Food will be available to purchase at food trucks on location. Stop by to try your luck with the Tricky Tray and enjoy an afternoon of great music, food, and time with neighbors at this event celebrating what Cranford has to offer. All proceeds will go towards helping Centennial Village Group’s beautification efforts in the area.

The Centennial Village Group is made up of volunteers dedicated to the revitalization and beautification of the Centennial Village area in Cranford. In addition to MusicFest, the group holds an annual 5K race to raise funds for its continual efforts to improve the community.

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CLAIRE JOHNSON '24: A VIEW FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE CAMERA LENS

William Paterson University

For graduating senior Claire Johnson, her years at William Paterson University can be chronicled in photos.

An art major graduating summa cum laude, Johnson started as a freshman at William Paterson in 2020, when all courses were online because of COVID. The Cranford native subsequently describes her early days of college as lonely. But all that quickly changed during her sophomore year when she started an on-campus job as a student photographer for the University's Marketing and Public Relations Department.

"It completely changed my college experience," says Johnson, who describes herself as shy during high school. "Working as a photographer on campus got me out of my shell and gave me a lot of confidence. I know so many more people than I ever would have expected and it made me feel so much more comfortable here."

Over the past few years, Johnson has captured a multitude of images depicting life at William Paterson, working with departments from all over campus and photographing events, people, and places—from Common Hour activities to WP jazz students performing at Dizzy's Jazz Club in New York City to musician Colin Hay at Shea Center, among many others. Her photos have graced the University website, as well as its social media pages and promotional materials.

With the encouragement of her art professor, Robin Schwartz, Johnson also took the opportunity to showcase her photography skills for her Honors College thesis in the independent track, creating a photo book of images from Governors Island, a 172-acre island in New York Harbor that includes a park, dozens of historic buildings, and educational and cultural facilities.

Johnson first began visiting the island in 2012 with her father, who is now a vice president of the Trust for Governors Island, and later did a horticultural internship there during high school. The 32-page photo book, entitled "Governor's

Island: Inside and Out," reflects Johnson's personal history and perspectives on the island as she has seen it grow and change over the years.

Her photographs chronicle both the natural beauty of the island as well as the insides and outsides of abandoned buildings and spaces that she found "beautiful in an empty way."

"My photography skills improved through critiques, looking through photos with Professor Schwartz, and revisiting Governors Island to photograph it multiple times," she says, noting that she also benefited from thesis advice and guidance from Honors College Dean Barbara Andrew and art professor James Blasi.

Images from her project were displayed this spring during her thesis class exhibit at Power Art Center and the "Here/Now" exhibition of student art at Ben Shahn Center for the Arts on campus.

Although more comfortable behind the camera than in front of it, Johnson is also one of the

proud student faces portrayed in the University's new "Powerhouse" marketing campaign, where she appears on everything from Tik Tok and Snapchat video ads to the cover of the University's Admissions viewbook.

An aspiring photographer, Johnson's experience participating as a subject for the advertising portraits taken by Ologie, the University's marketing agency, was particularly interesting.

"It was super exciting to see the agency photo shoot from behind the scenes with the whole crew there. I realized that is something I would love to do myself," she says.

Other highlights of Johnson's time at WP include making close friends through Theta Phi Alpha sorority and traveling to Paris on a spring break trip with the Honors College. She is planning to pursue a career in photography after graduation.



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Included with entry, all attendees will enjoy a delicious pig roast, grilled burgers, hotdogs, pulled pork, sausage & peppers, sandwiches, sides, desserts, water, soda, beer, wine, sangria, and more. Kids' activities will include DJ Mr. Socks, contests, games, a bounce house, magic performances, a fire truck, and more. Adults and teens can participate in a professionally run cornhole tournament, a golf pitching contest, volleyball, and bocce ball. Additionally, the event will feature a special rendition of the National Anthem, a NJ State Police helicopter, World War II vehicles, bagpipers, a dunk tank, 50/50s, a Silent Auction, and a paratrooper parachuting the American Flag into the event.

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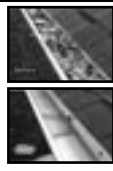
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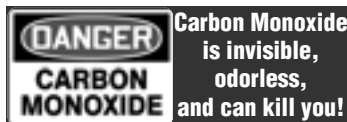


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JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR COMING TO CRANFORD

The 106th season at CDC Theatre in Cranford will open with the seminal rock musical, Jesus Christ Superstar which will run from October 11 through the 27th.

The legendary score, which includes 'I Don't Know How to Love Him', 'Gethsemane' and 'Superstar', began life as a groundbreaking rock double-album, with lyrics by Tim Rice and music by Andrew Lloyd Webber who, at the ages of 25 and 21 respectively, were just embarking on what would become extraordinarily long and successful careers. Though originally conceived as a theatre piece, no one was interested in producing it on stage, so the pair created a concept album instead. Jesus Christ Superstar is set against the backdrop of an extraordinary series of events during the final week in the life of Jesus Christ, as seen through the eyes of Judas Iscariot, one of his twelve apostles.

Released in 1970, the album's popularity rocketed with thousands of plays on FM radio. It became a #1 hit on the USA Billboard album charts 4 months after its release. It went on to be the biggest-selling album of 1971 beating the likes of such masterpieces as 'Sticky Fingers' by the Rolling Stones, 'Santana III' and John Lennon's 'Imagine'. Jesus Christ Superstar also received a 1972 Grammy nomination for Album of the Year, but lost to Carole King's Tapestry. On October 12th, 1971, Jesus Christ Superstar opened at the Mark Hellinger Theatre on

Broadway with Tom O'Horgan, who had previously directed the original production of Hair, directing.

The cast is led by Jared Milian as Jesus, Blaze Levario as Judas, Melissa Calicchio as Mary, Corey Chichizola as Caiaphas, Shane Long as Herod, Robbie Stevens as Peter, Michael Fleischer as Pilate and Danielle Bouie as Simon. Joining them as Apostles, Priests and Ensemble will be Asher Cerreto, Arielle Dance, Alex

Foreman, James Hahn, Ranai Jones, Gene Juanich, Kaite Kane, Alexandra Marcinak, Erica Vieira, Edgar Hidalgo, Joe Rodriguez, Michelle Sblendorio, Christina Cruz, Haley Deluna and Nikki Scavone.

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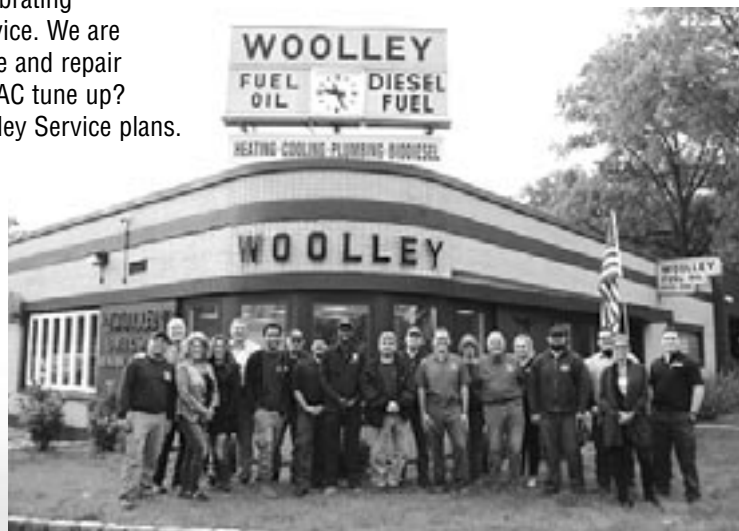
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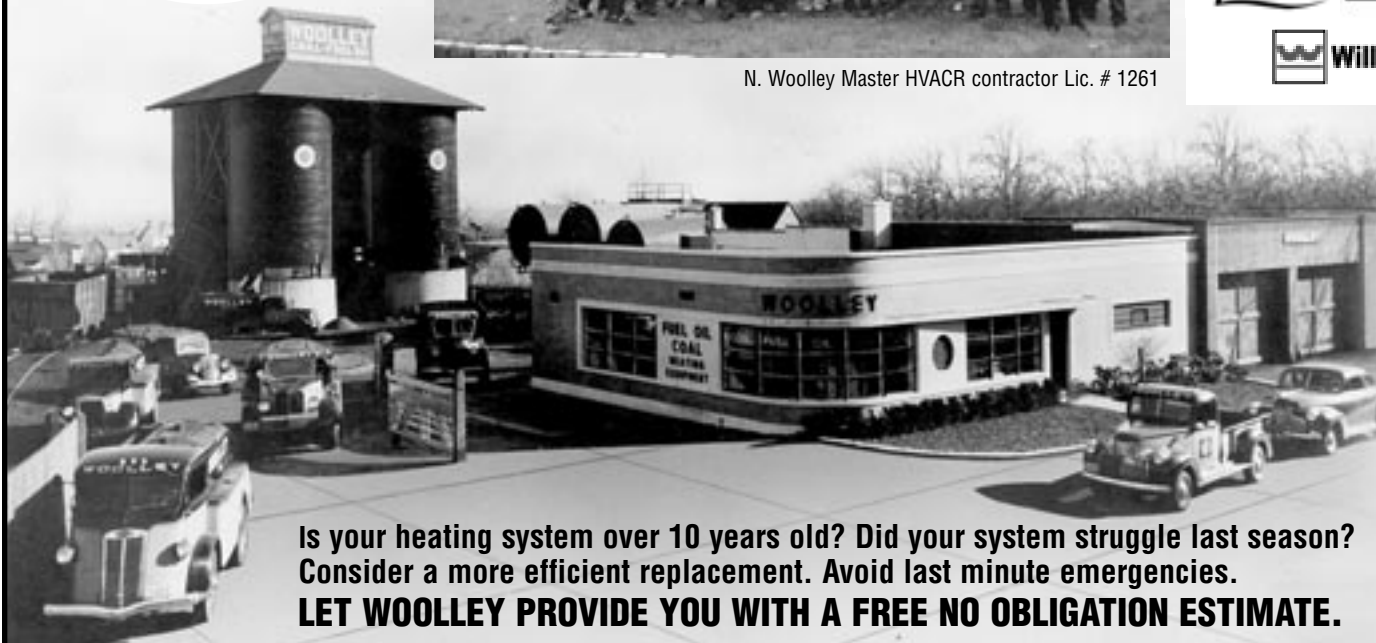
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JUNIOR LEAGUE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS FOR 2024

Junior League of Elizabeth Plainfield

The Junior League of Elizabeth Plainfield (JLEP) awarded four \$4,000 scholarships at their Annual Dinner held on May 22, 2024 to college bound women who demonstrated a passion for volunteerism. The scholarship recipients are: Sienna Colon of Elizabeth, NJ who will be attending Pennsylvania State University, Natalie Fitzgerald of Westfield, NJ who will be attending University of Florida, Bushra Imran of Linden, NJ who will be attending Villanova University, and Katelyn Lester of Fanwood, NJ who will be attending the University of Texas, Austin.

Bernadette Houston, chair of the JLEP

Scholarship Committee said “We were amazed and impressed by the many scholarship applications for this year’s program. It was no easy task to select the top four candidates. The level of volunteerism, while maintaining high grades and sports involvement, shows dedication and enthusiasm, as well as good time management. Hard work and a focus on our communities all bode well for the future success of these young women, and hopefully these are future volunteers with the Junior League of Elizabeth Plainfield.”

The Junior League of Elizabeth Plainfield awards scholarships each spring. To find out more about the League’s scholarship program or

about how to join as a member, please contact the League at 908-709-117, or via email at office@jlepnj.org.

ABOUT THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF ELIZABETH PLAINFIELD

The Junior League of Elizabeth Plainfield is a chapter of the Association of Junior Leagues International, Inc. and is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. To learn more about the Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield please visit jlepnj.org.

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(above, l-r) Scholarship winners and the selection committee: Bernadette Houston, Teri Difrancesco, Katie Barnes, Sienna Colon, Natalie Fitzgerald, Katelyn Lester, and Dolly Donahue. Not pictured: Bushra Imran (recipient), Liz Strong, Eileen Hume and Mary Jackson-Dwider (committee members)

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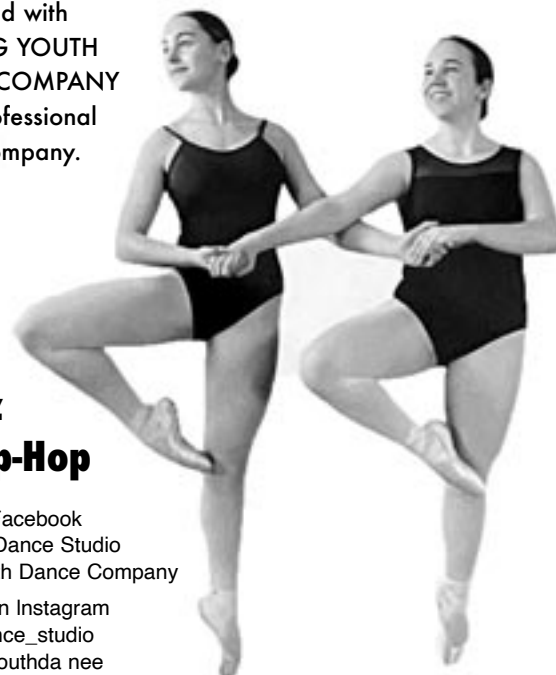
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CRANFORD DMC RECEIVES STATE FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SPACES

Cranford Township

Cranford's award-winning Downtown was awarded \$2.7 million in the New Jersey Fiscal Year 2025 state budget for revitalization and pedestrianization projects. This funding will directly support the Downtown's public spaces. This tremendous support will allocate financial resources to enhance accessibility, improve safety, refine the functionality, and increase the vibrancy of Downtown public spaces and provide flood mitigation remedies to businesses in the Downtown.

Over the past year, the Cranford Downtown Management Corporation (DMC) Board has been seeking the views of stakeholders and working with a planning firm to identify priority improvements for the Downtown. The effort identified opportunities to unify and expand public spaces in the heart of Cranford's downtown to benefit local businesses and residents of all ages while improving the pedestrian connections and experience with focus on accessibility and safety. The last major infrastructure improvement for the Downtown was approved nearly four decades ago.

"The last major investment in our Downtown was almost 40 years ago," said Cranford Township Commissioner and DMC Liaison Kathleen Miller Prunty. "This planned streetscape improvement project is exciting and an important reinvestment in our Downtown to make sure Cranford remains competitive and a desirable destination for shoppers and businesses."

"The DMC staff and board have long seen the

need for improved public gathering spaces within Cranford's downtown--spaces that allow for community gatherings, bolster local businesses, improve pedestrian safety and increase accessibility to all," said Kristen Mider, the DMC Board Chair. "The ever-growing popularity of our downtown as a destination--to dine, to shop, to attend the multitude of special events organized by the DMC office--makes this a logical next step. We're grateful the state understands the importance of supporting New Jersey's small downtown economies and improving safety and accessibility for all."

"This is a great opportunity for our community," said Cranford DMC Director Caren Demyen. "Cranford has long since recognized the importance of the Downtown. Back in 1985, we became the first community in New Jersey to create a Special Improvement District. I'm grateful for this support as we continue to serve our business owners, property owners and residents."

With this funding secured, Cranford will launch a broader public outreach campaign to solicit views and feedback from additional residents, Downtown business and property owners, and a range of Township Boards and Committees, including the Complete Streets Committee, the Shade Tree Commission, Environmental Commission, and Green Team. Cranford has already conducted a traffic study of potential improvements and will review the findings with the New Jersey Department of Transportation.



The Cranford Historical Society invites you to a

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We are reopening the Crane-Phillips House Museum with tours and an outside festival. There will be vendors and crafters showing and selling their items, food, music and children's activities including face painting and crafts. Merchandise from Dreyer Farms and the Cranford Historical Society will be available for purchase.

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RAKE AND HOE GARDEN CLUB

This summer, members of the Rake and Hoe Garden club have been tending to public gardens in Westfield, all on a voluntary basis. In July, club members braved the heat to carry out a clean-up, weeding and beautification project at Shadowlawn Garden, off Rahway Avenue in Westfield.

Rake and Hoe members are dedicated to the community. In addition to volunteering in the Westfield community and beyond, the club hosts workshops, field trips and plant exchanges and facilitates education in horticulture, floral design, nature and wildlife.

The Rake and Hoe Garden Club is affiliated

with the Garden Club of New Jersey and the National Garden Clubs, Inc. and meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 12:00 p.m. at the Scotch Hills Country Club. Membership is open to residents of Westfield and surrounding towns.

If you would like to embrace the beauty of gardening and nature, connect with fellow enthusiasts who share your passion, engage in fulfilling community service projects and make enduring friendships along the way, call Sharon Shiraga 908-228-2865 or visit the club's website: rakeandhoe.org, or Facebook page.

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(above, l-r) Members of Westfield Rake and Hoe Club at the Shadowlawn Garden cleanup: Mabel Woloj, Barbara Spellmeyer, Nancy Smith, Sharon Shiraga, Alice Cowell, Carmen Skoletsky, Jeanie Pelikan, Adah Levin and Cheryl Katz. Not pictured: Beth Siano and Richard

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Movie Night

Wednesday, September 4, at 7pm

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Monday, September 9, at 2pm and 7pm

International films are back! Join us for an International film screening. The same film will be shown at 2pm and 7pm. Please contact the library for the film title.

Romance Readers Book Club

Monday, September 9, at 7pm

Join us for our monthly Romance Readers Book Club! Bring any book you're reading and want to discuss and share. No registration is needed but space is limited. Join us in the Raddin Room!

Deni Bonet and Chris Flynn Concert

Tuesday, September 10, at 7pm

Deni Bonet and Chris Flynn are a New York based Americana, folk-rock duo whose blend of voices, virtuoso violin, guitar, and humor have entertained and captivated audiences from Carnegie Hall to Mountain Stage to the White House. Join us at the Cranford Community Center for this concert! No registration needed.

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Lit Cafe

Saturday, September 14, at 10:15am

Literary Café is a book chat program. The format is simple: Bring a few of your recent

favorite books and tell the other members of the group what you like about them. books can be new or old, fiction or non-fiction, classic or contemporary. There is no required reading, and you will have the opportunity to learn about books recommended by other group members. Light refreshments provided by the Friends of the Cranford Public Library. Attend in person or on Zoom (contact library for link).

Grab & Go Craft Project

Wednesday, September 18

Stop by the library and pick up this month's adult craft! This month you'll get to create a garden journal from recycled book covers. Thanks to the Friends of the Cranford Public Library for sponsoring this monthly program!

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Poetry in Motion Book Club

Wednesday, September 18, at 7pm

If you're interested in poetry of any kind and from any era, this is the club for you! The first half of the meeting will be a brief, informal class highlighting the history of poetry along with some of its major types and techniques. The second half will be in the style of a book club, with poems that we will discuss and interpret together as a group. Please visit our website or contact the library to register.

Native Seed Collecting

Thursday, September 19, at 7pm
 (at the Hanson House)

Get hands on experience collecting seeds from native plants! The program will begin with a short introduction to collecting native seed with presenter Deb Murphy of the Green Thumb Garden Club. Participants will then tour the beautiful gardens at Hanson Park and get practice collecting seeds.

This event will be held at Hanson House, limited parking is available behind the building. Street parking is available on Holly Street. This program is a partnership between the Cranford Public Library, Green Thumb Garden Club, and Hanson Park Conservancy.

Theater Project

Saturday, September 21, at 2pm

The Friends of the Cranford Public Library invite everyone to attend a live theatrical performance! New Jersey's own Theater Project will present a reading of an original short play. The reading will be followed by a question and answer session with the audience, director, playwright and cast. This program has been made possible by funds from the Union County Office of Cultural & Heritage Affairs, a partner of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. Funds have also been provided by the Friends of the Cranford Public Library. No registration needed.

Readers Forum Book Club

Monday, September 23, at 7pm

All are welcome at the Readers Forum monthly book club! Additional copies of the book to check out are available at the Circulation Desk. This month's book is: Moll Flanders by Daniel

Dafoe (1722).

Trivia Night

Wednesday, September 25, at 7pm

Join us for another fun evening of trivia! This free event is hosted by the Friends of the Cranford Public Library! Join us in the Community Room on the first floor of the Community Center! Feel free to bring your own snacks and (non-alcoholic) drinks. Prizes awarded to the winning team. Please visit our website or contact the library to register.

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Piktors' Metamorphosis takes you on a journey back to the incendiary sounds of the Jazz/Rock fusion era injecting their improvisational craft. The Jazz/Rock/Fusion heyday of experimental creativity has inspired it's fans and other great musicians alike to push music further to its limits. This exciting music is challenging to execute, understandably a reason why many have not approached it. That is until now. Whether it's exciting tributes or their ambitious original pieces this ensemble delivers with passion and warmth.

Piktors overall sound departs from just another stage show to a level of cerebral and tonal excitement that comes with Fusion rock/jazz. They are masters at what they do, and they continue the traditions of modern fusion started

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EVENT DETAILS:

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GREEK FEST IN WESTFIELD - SEPT 27-29

Get ready to immerse yourself in the vibrant culture of Greece at the highly anticipated annual Westfield Greek Festival, NJ Greek Fest, hosted by Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Westfield.

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Join us in celebrating Greek culture, heritage, and community spirit at the annual Westfield Greek Festival. For more information and updates, please visit njgreekfest.com and follow @njgreekfest on Instagram and Facebook.

About Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church: Holy Trinity is a cornerstone of the Westfield community and surrounding area, founded in 1966, is dedicated to enriching lives through faith, fellowship, and service. Our annual NJ Greek Fest is one of the many ways we connect with our neighbors and celebrate our shared values.

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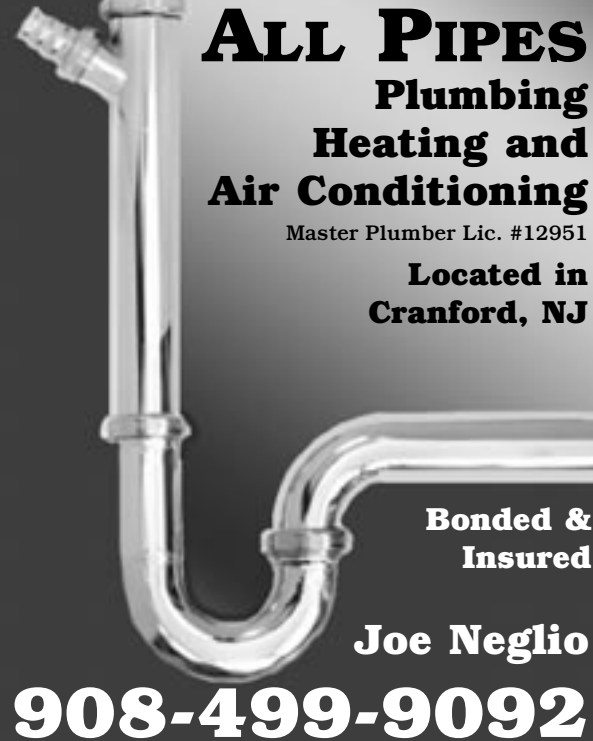
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