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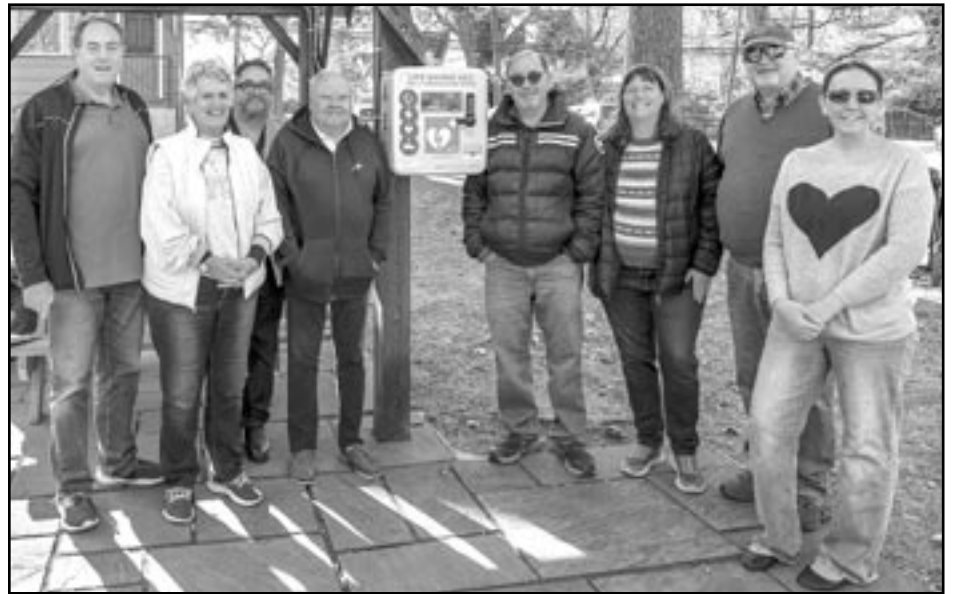
The Aliver Foundation held a community event at Hanson Park in Cranford, NJ on November 16, 2024, to celebrate the donation of an all weather, climate controlled, tamper proof AED enclosure and device to this public recreation space.

Residents gathered with trustees from Hanson Park Conservancy, the Cranford Fire Department, the Cranford Police Department, and Rotary Club of Cranford members.

The Aliver Foundation's Founder & President, Jill A. Pall, introduced the nonprofit's Board of Directors/Advisory Council members and detailed how speaking at a Cranford Rotary Club meeting led to the organization being selected to receive a donation from the group's August golf tournament. "The Rotary Club of Cranford is pleased to have been able to partner with The Aliver Foundation on this very important project," Juan Rengifo, Immediate Past President. Pall said she researched public recreation spaces in Cranford and contacted Ellen McHenry, President of Hanson Park Conservancy to discuss the donation. "Hanson Park Conservancy thanks The Aliver Foundation and the Cranford Rotary for selecting Hanson Park to install a lifesaving device," McHenry said.

Pall noted that Cranford Police Captain (now Chief) Matt Nazzaro was influential in advocating for this equipment, speaking with Lavona Patterson at the Township who facilitated accepting the donation almost immediately. "Anyone can become a lifesaver by quickly dialing 9-1-1 and beginning the emergency response to sudden cardiac arrest. Adding this outdoor AED to one of our most popular Township parks is an incredible step towards saving a life and keeping our residents safe," said Nazzaro.

Pall spoke about having cardiac arrest, an electrical issue with an 8% survival rate, at Echo Lake Park on June 25, 2021. She mentioned that there was no AED in the park and introduced Ailene Connors-Albarron (who is now a board member of The Aliver Foundation), who performed CPR compressions on her for over ten minutes until paramedics arrived. Given that



(above) President, Hanson Park Conservancy Elen McHenry (second from left), Founder & President, The Aliver Foundation, Jill A. Pall (right) and Members of the Cranford Rotary Club with Hanson Park's new all weather, climate controlled, tamper proof AED device.

Photo credit: Garrett Maney

every minute without an AED decreases survival by 10%, Pall asked attendees to do the math.

The Aliver Foundation Board Member, Andrew Blumenstock, talked through some startling statistics, including the fact that white men were most likely to receive bystander CPR while the chances went down significantly for women and people of color, and encouraged attendees to not be afraid to step in and do something if presented with the opportunity.

Following Pall and Blumenstock's remarks, Lieutenant John Dillon of the Cranford Fire Department showed attendees how to do CPR compressions and how to use an AED through an interactive demonstration. The day was captured through the lens of Garrett Maney from Just A Soul Photography and children had the opportunity to decorate a special "stethoscope" to take home to listen to hearts.

"It's incredible to see the impact The Aliver Foundation has had in Union County, NJ and beyond in just 10 months since securing nonprofit status," Andrew Blumenstock, Board Member, The Aliver Foundation.

The Aliver Foundation announced that by the end of the year, the organization will be directly responsible for over 100 all weather, climate controlled, tamper proof AED enclosures being installed in public recreation spaces, ensuring lives can be saved 24/7/365.

The Aliver Foundation raises awareness and funds to install all weather AEDs in outdoor recreation spaces while also providing crucial resources and educational opportunities to individuals and communities. To learn more, please visit: thealiverfoundation.org.



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NAZZARO SWORN IN AS POLICE CHIEF

Cranford Police Department

On December 3, 2024, Matthew R. Nazzaro was sworn in as the Cranford Police Department's twelfth Police Chief. The Oath of Office was administered by US Magistrate Judge for the District of New Jersey, Justin Quinn.

In his acceptance speech, Chief Nazzaro addressed the men and women of the Cranford Police Department saying, "It is your commitment and dedication that keep Cranford a safe, thriving place where people want to live." He further went on to say, "Residents should rest assured that this township is protected and served by the finest of the finest."

Chief Nazzaro joined the Cranford Police Department in June 2002 as a Communications Officer, and was sworn in as a Police Officer in December of 2003. He graduated from the John

H. Stamler Police Academy and has served in every division of the department. He was assigned as a Detective to the Investigative Division in 2014, and was promoted to Sergeant in 2015, Lieutenant in 2020, and Captain in 2022. Chief Nazzaro holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree and Master's Degree in Public Administration from Kean University. He has served in many capacities including School Resource Officer, Bias Liaison Officer, and Executive Director of the Cranford Police Athletic League.

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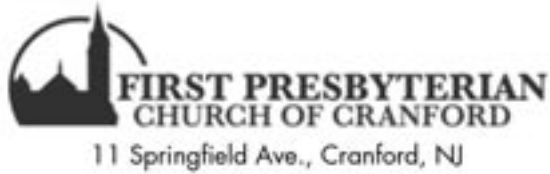
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Manzella has had a long and varied career in photography, illustration, painting, computer graphics and design which he merged to create compelling digital art and photography. Vibrant color is a consistent theme and feature in all his work, which helps him achieve a "painting like" quality.

He has received 3 First Place Awards from Union County Art Exhibits, and 2 First Place

Awards with New Jersey Senior Citizen Art Show in the Digital Category. His images have been on display with the Westfield Art Association and the Artist Framer in Cranford.

Manzella states that "I always felt a need to preserve what I see, whether in the 'real world' or in my mind's eye so that I can experience and enjoy it later. This is what I strive for in the art and photography that I create and what I can, hopefully, offer to people who see and experience it." All artwork is available for purchase by contacting the artist.

The exhibit is free and open to the public during regular library hours.

For more information call 908-276-2451.



(above) Golden Sunset at Leeds



(above) Cranford Hotel

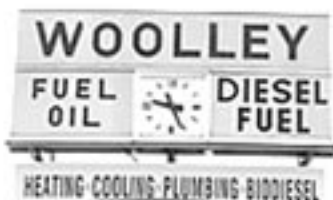
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Westfield Service League

Twenty volunteers from the Westfield Service League (WSL) put on a fashion show for the residents of Cranford Senior Housing on Friday, November 29th. All the clothing and accessories modeled was then available for sale.

"We started the Fashion Show as a community outreach effort and now it is an annual event that residents look forward to," said Michele Williams, founder and co-chair of the show. "The

goal has always been to provide entertainment to the seniors while also giving them an opportunity to shop for inexpensive items in their own environment, since the majority of them lack access to transportation."

Beyond the fashion show, an additional thirty WSL volunteers set up a Boutique on the premises where items such as jewelry, toys, scarves, handbags, hats and gloves, and holiday décor were purchased. Almost all items were \$5.00 or less. Barbara Cantor and Patty Tata co-chaired this part of the event and worked with the volunteers to sell the merchandise.

"This event is wonderful on so many levels. The seniors have fun, they can buy holiday gifts for their families and something for themselves, and we raise money for the non-profits that the WSL supports," said Barbara Cantor.

"For the second year in a row, the seniors received a special gift from Martin Jewelers in Cranford. We are grateful to owner Ellen Ramer for providing these gifts," said Patty Tata.

"I'm thrilled with the relationship we have with the Westfield Service League and thankful to Michele Williams for coordinating the Annual Fashion Show and Boutique. I also want to thank all the volunteers who help to make this such a special event for our residents each year." said Cindy Rabinowitz, Executive Director, Cranford Senior Housing.

The WSL Thrift & Consignment Shop is located at 114 Elmer Street in Westfield. All net proceeds from the fashion show, the boutique, and the shops are given out in grants to local non-profits that the WSL supports. Last year, the WSL donated more than \$90,000 to 41 organizations.

The shop is open Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information about donations or volunteering, call 908-233-2530 for the Thrift Shop or 908-232-1223 for the Consignment Shop. Visit thewestfieldserviceleague.org and follow the organization on Facebook and Instagram.



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(above, l-r) WSL volunteers, Susan McClelland and Jan Herring, walk the runway to raise funds for local non-profits.

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AAI has always interested anyone who loves looking and learning about the night sky. Housed in the William Miller Sperry Observatory on the Union College campus in Cranford, the observatory is open to the public every Friday night with their twin domes looking at the heavens. One of the domes houses a 24-inch reflector and the other dome houses a refractor, which was constructed by club members. Public lectures start at 8:30 p.m. on Fridays, they are on current topics in Astronomy.

Youth lectures are presented by the club at 7:00 p.m. to preregistered scout groups to help them earn their patches in science. If you are interested in preregistering a scout group, please contact info@asterism.org.

The club also celebrates celestial events such as eclipses by opening the Observatory and having numerous telescopes outside the building. For more information about AAI email, membership@asterism.org or visit asterism.org.

ASTRONOMY DAY - MAY 17, 2025

Amateur Astronomers, Inc. along with the North Jersey Astronomical Group, two amateur astronomy clubs located in New Jersey, are once again holding their annual Astronomy Day on Saturday, May 17, 2025. The event will be held in 2 locations: Trailside Nature & Science Center in Mountainside in the afternoon and at William Miller Sperry Observatory on the campus of Union College in Cranford in the evening. The theme is "Solar Max, Unlocking the Secrets of the Sun." This is a family friendly event that focuses on learning about our Sun and its impact on us, and also about astronomy and related sciences in a fun and easy to understand atmosphere. This event appeals to both children and adults. The event is free and open to the public and does not require preregistration. So, mark your calendars for Saturday, May 17, 2025, and come out to learn more about the Sun and our universe!



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(above) We're thrilled to see this Brant goose take to the skies (or water) once more! It was a charming patient.

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SOCK-IT-TO THEM

Now thru January 20th, the St. Mark AME Church, 34 High Street, Cranford, is having their second annual sock drive. The drive is aiming to collect 1,000 pairs of new socks for the homeless community again this year. The socks will be distributed to at least 3 homeless shelters.

Last year the drive surpassed their goal of 1,000 pair of new socks and distributed them to the Raphael House Inc in Elizabeth, NJ; PROCEED Inc in Elizabeth, NJ, and the Fairmount Health Services Shelter in Newark, NJ.

This year, we are asking the community to help us reach and surpass our goal of 1,000 new pairs of socks. It's so easy to contribute; just stop by the church St. Mark AME Church, at 34 High Street, Cranford, NJ drop your socks off in the orange bin on the front or side steps. The bins will be emptied daily. The drive will conclude on Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, January 20th, and the socks will be distributed to the homeless community the following week. Thank you for your support.

If you have questions, please contact the church at stmarkamecranford@gmail.com or call 908-276-3449.



ST. PATRICKS PARADE COMING TO CRANFORD

A newly formed Cranford based committee has just announced that there will be a First Annual St. Patrick's Parade in Cranford next year. Committee Chairman and Township Commissioner, Dr. Terrence Curran explained, "We are long overdue for such an event in a town like Cranford that has such a tremendous affinity for the Irish. It'll be a great day for everyone."

The parade will be held on Sunday, March 16, the day before the actual St. Patrick's Day is celebrated. It will step off from the Community Center on Walnut Avenue and wind its way

through town, ending at the Post Office Plaza on Miln Street. At the Plaza there will be an exhibition of Irish Step Dancing by the Shea Jennings School of Irish Dance, as well as the traditional pipes and drums and other attractions.

The Committee also announced that the first Grand Marshall of the parade will be Kilkenny's own Barry O'Donovan. The committee will also name the annual Irishman and Irishwomen of the year which is forthcoming shortly. Please be sure to save the date.

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The series runs for 12 weeks on Monday nights beginning at 7:30 p.m. and ending at 9:00 p.m. It will begin February 3rd, 2025, and end May 12th, 2025. Three of the sessions are live in person and the remainder are on Zoom. There is no cost to participate. You will need a desire for frank discussion, a willingness to participate and a commitment to attend. You will also need a computer or smartphone capable of Zoom sessions.

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Cranford Public Library

Thanks to a generous donation from the Cranford Jaycees and the Cranford Elks, we were able to restock the Native Seed Library! The library, located in a card catalog by the building's front entrance, is packed with seeds that are available to the community at no cost. As always, please take only what you need and limit yourself to three seed packets a week.

All of the plants are local ecotypes and support biodiversity. We have added: Common Yarrow, Eastern Columbine, New England Aster, Purple Coneflower, Joe Pye Weed, Wild Bergamot, Blackeyed Susan, Wrinkeleaf Goldenrod, Golden Alexanders, and a variety of Milkweeds.



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GRIEF FACILITATORS WELCOMED; VOLS SOUGHT

The staff at Imagine, A Center for Coping with Loss are so pleased to welcome 10 new facilitators to their wonderful team of volunteers! The new facilitators completed three full days of training where they learned about Dr. Alan Wolfelt's Companionship Model practiced at Imagine, and role-played situations in which they used their new facilitation skills assisted by members of the Imagine staff.

One of the participants in the training shared a bit about her experience saying: "I was amazed by the way a group of strangers could feel so safe in a non-judgmental environment to share their most vulnerable feelings and stories." Another spoke about the Imagine staff who facilitated the training sharing: "All three facilitators were more than generous of heart and spirit."

Each of the new volunteers is now facilitating a grief support group on one of Imagine's Nights of Support in Mountainside or Newark. The staff at Imagine are so grateful to welcome this new team of volunteers! One of the largest hurdles the staff at Imagine faces in meeting the demand for

their services is finding compassionate individuals like those above, who can dedicate their time and talents to volunteer.

If you would like to explore the possibility of joining Imagine's incredible team of volunteers, please visit their website at imagineinj.org to complete their interest form, or contact Imagine's Communications and Volunteer Engagement Manager, Val Stierhoff at val@imagineinj.org. Additional trainings are planned for youth facilitators in January, and for adults in February and May 2025.

Imagine, A Center for Coping with Loss 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@imagineinj.org or visit our website at imagineinj.org.



(above, l-r) Participants in Imagine's recent facilitator training. Back Row: Indira Jagoo, Imagine's Newark Clinical Program Director; Cynthia White; Zeinab Fattahi; Virginia Farnum; Arlette Rodriguez; Tikeisha Johnson; Rena Jordan, Imagine's Chief Development Officer; Sonia Nunez, Imagine's Bilingual Program Manager; Ruth Lushen; Front Row: Abigail Preece, Imagine's Clinical Program Supervisor; Tracy Maitin; Tèanna Johnson and Caroline Hislip

CHILDREN'S GRIEF AWARENESS EFFORTS RECOGNIZED

Cranford Township Committee proclaimed National Children's Grief Awareness Month (observed in October) and Children's Grief Awareness Day (observed every year on the third Thursday in November) during its official meeting on November 12, 2024. Pictured, Cranford Mayor Brian Andrews presents the proclamation to Pat Keefe, a board member of Imagine. The mission of Imagine is to support children and families coping with loss and to foster resiliency and emotional well-being for all those who grieve. Imagine currently is serving 600 children and family members in New Jersey, and among those Imagine is supporting six families in Cranford. Learn more about Image at imagineinj.org.

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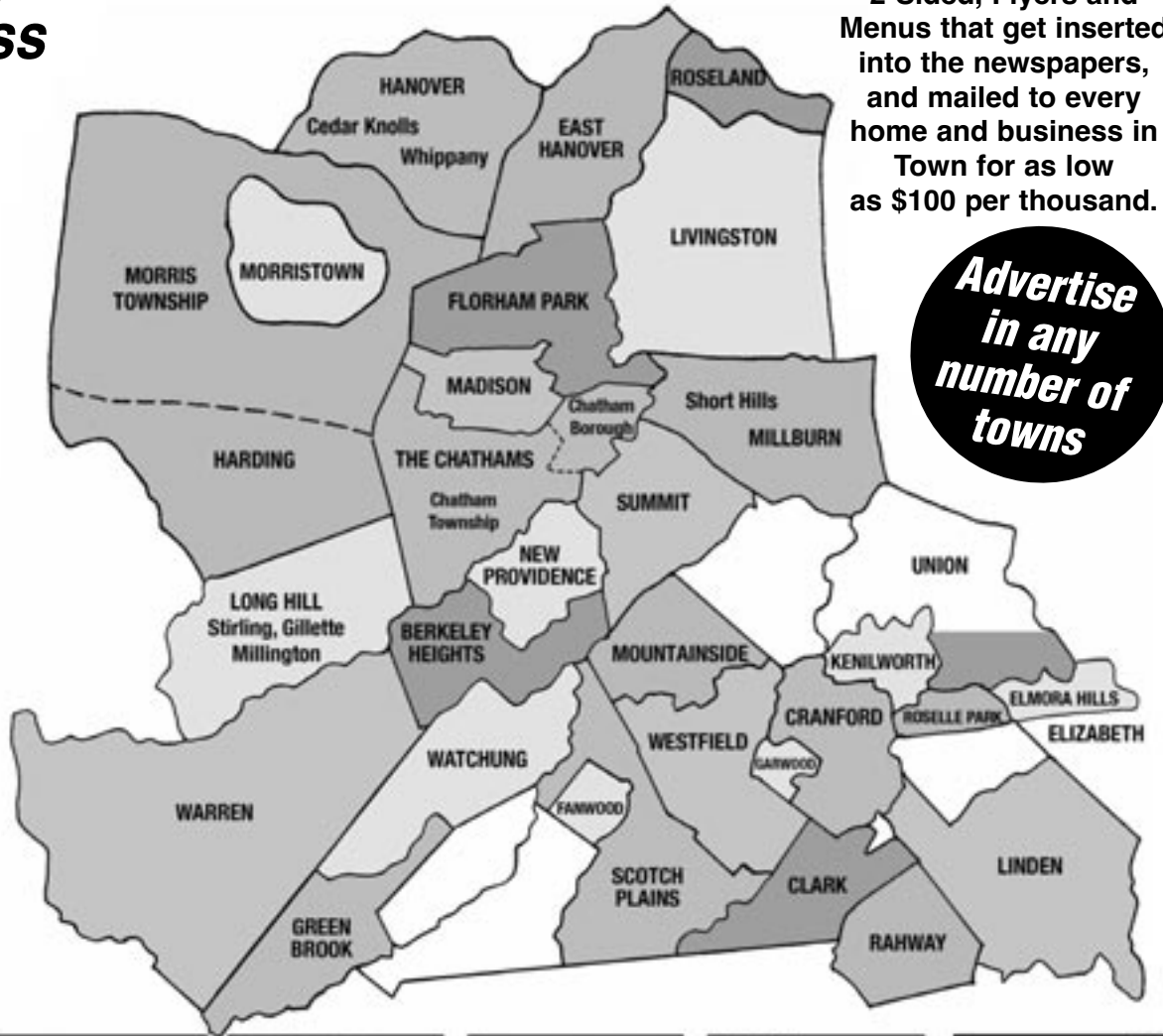
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Friends of the Library Used Book Sale

Thursday, January 9 - Saturday, January 11

Looking for some good reading at bargain prices? The Friends of the Cranford Public Library invite you to visit their Used Book Sale in the Cranford Public Library's Friendly Book Cellar from Thursday, January 9, through Saturday, January 11, 2025. Saturday is bag day. We provide the bags. Browse through thousands of books at low prices. This sale is open to all, and registration is required. Attendees are invited to sign up for a one-hour session, starting on the hour. Please sign up for one session only; reservations for multiple sessions on one day will be canceled except for the first session booked. Only cash and checks are accepted; no credit or debit cards. Registration is required and can be done through our website.

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Tuesdays starting at 1pm

Have questions about your smartphone, tablet, or other device? Register for a 15-minute tech help appointment with a librarian. Register online or contact the library. Appointments are weekly on Tuesdays from 1-2:30pm at the Cranford Community Center. This program is co-sponsored by the Cranford Public Library and the Cranford Community Center.

Romance Readers Book Club

Monday, January 6, at 7pm

Join us for January's Romance Readers Book Club. Please keep an eye on our website for the book title. If you don't want to read that book, or for some reason can't find a copy, feel free to come anyway to discuss whichever romance you've recently read.

Movie Night

Wednesday, January 8, at 7pm

Join us the first Wednesday of the month for a screening of a recently released DVD! Please visit our website or contact the library for film titles.

Lit Cafe

Saturday, January 11, 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. If you don't have a copy of the book you want to talk about, that's okay, too. The 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. Admission is free and all are welcome. Light refreshments provided by the Friends of the Cranford Public Library. Attend in person or on Zoom (contact library for link).

International Film

Monday, January 13, at 12:30pm and 7pm

Join us for an International film screening. The same film will be shown at 12:30pm and 7pm. Please contact the library for the film title. Please note the new start time for the afternoon showing.

Adults Create

Tuesday, January 14, at 7pm

Join us the second Tuesday of the month for crafts! This month we are making snowmen –or whatever you want– with recycled corks! Space is limited; please visit the library or our website to register. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cranford Public Library.

Vinyl Revival

Wednesday, January 15, at 7pm

Did you know: that we are in the midst of a resurgence of vinyl records? In 2022, vinyl record sales in the US outperformed CDs for the first time since 1987. Most of the record albums being reissued are from the early '60's up through the 70's, and record collectors are looking for the ORIGINAL copies of these reissues and as a result, values have increased significantly.

Are there hidden gems packed away in that cardboard box that could be worth hundreds or even thousands? Are you interested in knowing how to determine if a record you own is valuable?

Join Lance Jacobs, Scotch Plains resident (and record collector) as we explore how to "read" a record. Websites considered by many as authoritative regarding values will also be discussed and shared. You can actively participate by bringing a record you think may have some value. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cranford Public Library.

Theater Project

Saturday, January 18, 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.

Wednesday Morning Adult Craft

Wednesday, January 22, at 10am

Join us in the teen zone for a new monthly adult craft program on Wednesday mornings! Sponsored by the Friends of the Cranford Public Library. Today we are making puzzle mosaics. Registration is recommended and can be done through our website.

Trivia Night

Wednesday, January 22, 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.

Matcha and Coffee Painting

Monday, January 27, at 7pm

Join us at The Morning Roast Downtown to learn watercolor techniques with coffee and matcha powder, led by a local teaching artist. Open to adults and teens 11+. Space is limited and registration is required.

Going, Going, Gone

Tuesday, January 28, at 7pm

In "Going Going Gone" Maryanne Christiano-Mistretta will take a walk down memory lane and talk about products that are either on their way out the door, or completely obsolete. Some may surprise you! Items we'll discuss include VHS video tapes, phone booths (and making phone calls in general!), newspapers, maps, dial-up internet, encyclopedias, CDs, landline phones, jukeboxes, green stamps, address books, subway tokens, and red pistachio nuts!

Darkroom Drop in–Wednesdays from 5:30pm-8:30pm

Photographers of all levels are invited to connect, share their work, talk shop, and work in the darkroom. The Darkroom is located in the Arts & Crafts Room on the second floor of the Community Center, the space is wheelchair-accessible.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT JANUARY 10

The Cranford Prevention & Wellness Alliance's (CPAW) popular Family Game Night is returning this January, just in time for the dog days of winter. The event will be held at the Cranford Community Center at 220 Walnut Ave, from 6-9 p.m. on Friday, January 10th, and welcomes parents and children to meet up for a fun night of board games with families from town.

Cranford Family Game Night is part of the continuing efforts of the CPAW to prevent underage substance abuse in town, and to encourage positive health choices. Particularly at this time of year, Family Game Night is a great opportunity for everyone to emerge from hibernation, disconnect from devices for the evening, listen to music and play board games with each other, while interacting with fellow neighbors. Please note that parents must remain at the event with their children. The CPAW looks forward to seeing you at the Community Center, on Friday, January 10th, at 6 p.m.

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