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Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad

During the January General Meeting, Clark Township Acting Mayor and Council President Angel Albanese administered the oath of office to the 2025 members of The Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad (CVES) elected to serve in the various capacities.

The Executive Board consists of eight members. Those elected to serve are: Ron Weslosky – President, Charles J. Poyssick – Vice-President, Charles W. Poyssick – Recording Secretary, David Newby – Treasurer, Susan Alacchi – Corresponding Secretary. Ann Marie Krok will serve as Trustee joining Laurie Sheldon and Lorraine Podraza.

The members elected the following to serve as Line Officers for 2025: Captain – Katherine Sheldon, First Lieutenant – Christopher Jimenez, Second Lieutenant – Michael Hajkowski, First Sergeant – Austin Funnye, Second Sergeant – Chelsea Kossock.

Each member has certain duties to fulfill to ensure the

smooth and efficient running of the organization. The CVES was founded in December 1941. The purpose of the squad is to benefit the people of the Township of Clark and vicinity, and through its facilities to administer first aid and to furnish ambulance service to and from hospitals, or to such other designated places as necessary. Throughout its history, the squad has responded to many calls including assisting other first responders working through the devastation following 9/11.

Now in our 84th year, the Clark Emergency Squad continues to proudly serve our communities.

Donations are gratefully accepted by sending a check to The Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad at 875 Raritan Road, Clark, New Jersey 07066 or donating online at the CVES webpage at ourclark.com/324/Clark-Volunteer-Emergency-Squad. Anyone with questions or interested in joining the Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad is invited to contact the squad at cves@ourclark.com

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MARCHING CRUSADERS TAKE THE WIN

Clark Public Schools

The Arthur L. Johnson High School Marching Crusaders traveled to MetLife Stadium, home of the Giants and the Jets, and took the field in USBAND's Ludwig Musser Championship, where they won the entire championship for the 1 Open division. They won best overall and

swept every single caption available (Best Music, Best Visual, Best Overall Effect, Best Percussion, Best Color Guard). Marching Band Director Erik Krebl stated, "A special thank you to our band moms and dads that have been helping with the trucks and props, as amongst having a champion band, we have a champion parent association!"



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15 Tudor Dr.
10 Washington St., Unit 03
47 Briarwood Path
39 King St.
56 Lexington Blvd.
13 Blake Dr.
213 East Lane
1168 Lake Ave., Unit 4
45 Wendell Pl.
501 Oak Ridge Rd.
309 Oak Ridge Rd.
29 Conger Way
13 Florence Dr.
303 West Ln.
1 Rose Ter.
187 Liberty St.
11 Harding Ave.
40 John St.
77 John St.
17 Hillside Ave.
11 Avon Rd.
81 New York Ave.

42 Kenneth Pl.
1 Kathryn St.
29 Hillside Ave.
9 Shetland Dr.
12 Yorktown Dr.
84 Wheatsheaf Rd.
12 Ascot Way
301 West Lane
1119 Maurice Ave.
1 Longfellow Lane
8 Wendell Place
13 Blake Dr.
42 School St.
29 Harvey Ct.
18 Yorktown Dr.
45 Starlite Dr.
1538 Franklin St.
40 Conger Way
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18 Ginesi Dr.
7 Blake Dr.
43 Willow way

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28 Gibson Blvd.
41 Largo Lane
5 Tudor Dr.
111 Westfield Ave.
14 Washington St.
118 Jupiter St.
61 Sycamore Rd.
15 Briarheath Ln.
43 Kathryn St.
54 Harding Ave.
1 Plymouth Rd.
306 Parkway Dr.
75 Union County Pkwy
49 Briarwood Path
549 Valley Rd.
161 Meadow Rd.
16 Nassau St.
160 Meadow Rd.
415 Valley Rd.
49 Joseph St.
23 Ayers lane

110 Sweet Briar Dr.
30 Stanton St.
76 Harding Ave.
53 Stemmer Dr.
291 Willow Way
330 West Lane
139 Jupiter St.
458 Oak Ridge Rd.
307 West lane
93 Jupiter St.
166 Meadow Rd.
67 Lefferts Lane
41 Oleander Way
160 Riverside Dr.
45 Briarheath Lane
40 Emerald Pl.
24 Hawthorne Dr.
45 Briarwood Path
21 St. Germain Dr.
532 Valley Rd.
21 Orchard Ter.
307 West Lane
64 Mildred Ter.
103 Amelia Dr.
1132 Westfield Ave.

22 Glenwood Ter.
344 West Lane
30 Haliday St.
30 Coldevin Rd.
30 Stanton St.
131 Jupiter St.
63 Liberty St.
31 Ross St.
118 Sweet Briar Dr.
902 Raritan Rd.
357 Willow Way
47 Briarwood Path
114 Stemmer Dr.
30 Haliday St.
312 New York Ave
30 Haliday St.
349 Willow Way

UNDER CONTRACT

668 Raritan Rd.
5 Sycamore Rd.
118 Delia Ter.
131 Jupiter St.
52 Skylark Pl.

TOTAL NUMBER OF TRANSACTIONS = 271, 182 ARE IN CLARK

NATIONAL GIRLS AND WOMEN IN SPORTS DAY



(above) Mackenzie Thompson

Photo by Clark Public Schools

Clark Public Schools

On January 12, 2025, Mackenzie Thompson, of Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark, N.J., joined together with other female student-athletes from New Jersey's high schools, colleges, and universities at Rutgers University in celebration for National Girls and Women in Sports Day (NAGWS). NAGWS is one of the largest events in the state that recognizes women's athletics. Mackenzie was nominated by her coaches and ALJ Administration for her accomplishments as an outstanding high school female student-athlete in soccer, basketball, and track & field.

NAGWS is recognized in all 50 states to honor the success of female athletes and recognize the struggle for equality for women in sports. The Outstanding Athlete Awards were presented to one individual from each high school, junior college, and college in attendance.

CVES HOSTS STROKE TRAINING FOR EMTS

Submitted by Susan Alacchi

The Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad (CVES) recently hosted a training session. Members from CVES and squads from surrounding communities were invited to learn pre-hospital stroke care at the squad's building on Raritan Road. Dr. Matthew Letizia gave updated information about what EMTs can do to help in the recovery of stroke patients.

Dr. Letizia is a leading authority in the world of first responders. He is the Medical Director for many squads, including CVES. In 2021, Dr. Letizia was named the Nation's EMS Physician of the Year. He sees EMS as a safety net. As such, it is important that First Responders stay updated on the latest developments to properly care for patients before coming to the emergency department.

The training session was organized by CVES Trustee, Laurie Sheldon. Laurie is a professor at Union College of Union County NJ. She is a Life Honorary member of the squad and

previously held the positions of president and captain. Her daughter, Katie, is a pharmacist and is the squad's current captain. Those attending were served pizza before the presentation.

Each EMT earned 2 continuing education credits. EMTs are required to earn a total of 48 credits over three years to keep their certification. Serving as an EMT is extremely rewarding. We are there when people's plans go awry. We are always learning the latest in care to help, whether it is a stroke, car crash, emergency childbirth, or other situations requiring medical assistance.

CVES is always looking for people who have the desire to help others whether you have experience or not. The squad will train and mentor you through the certification process. Being an EMT is a wonderful way to give back to your community. Please visit us at ourclark.com/325/Join-Us for an application or email us at CVES@ourclark.com with questions or for more information.

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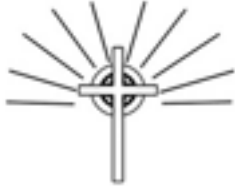
Township of Clark

Clark Recreation Director Ralph Bernardo presented the 2024 Volunteer Resident of the year award during the January 21st Council Meeting. “So many residents offer their services and volunteer their time to help the recreation department throughout the year. We are so appreciative to all the parents that coach teams, hold classes, help set up for major events and general help whenever I reach out. There is not

much we can do to show how much we appreciate the help, except to publically recognize these individuals and thank them for going above and beyond.” said Bernardo.

Clark Recreations Volunteer of the Year for 2024 is Kim Baglieri. Kim has been volunteering her time to the Recreation Department, UNICO,

and the Township of Clark ever since she moved into Clark 24 years ago. She takes part in every area of set up and cleanup of the Tree Lighting, Trunk R Treat, Easter Egg Hunt and the UNICO Italian Feast just to name a few. We congratulate and thank her for her dedication and unselfish volunteering of her time.



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(above) Kim Baglieri (center) was presented with the 10th Annual Volunteer Resident of the year award.

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ALAN REILLY AND GARY WAGNER HONORED FOR 50 YEARS OF SERVICE

Submitted by Susan Alacchi, CVES

During a Clark council meeting held recently, the Clark Township Council honored two Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad members, Alan Reilly and Gary Wagner, each serving the community for fifty years.

Proclamations were read and Mayor Sal Bonaccorso commented on the exemplary service these gentlemen have given to the community. The Mayor went on to explain the squad's importance to the community. Mayor Bonaccorso noted that the squad is completely autonomous and, while the Township makes a donation to CVES, the squad depends on donations from the public. Only recently has the squad been collecting fees from insurance companies for calls.

More than a dozen current and former members attended. One of the Life Honorary Members, James Ulrich, now serves as Clark's Business Administrator. Past members who pulled duty with these men made a point to come to the Township's meeting. This shows the comradery and long-term friendships made at the squad.

Both Gary and Alan have held various leadership positions within the squad. Many may recognize Alan's name from passing his "Home Town Pride" banner on Westfield Avenue. He is also a familiar face at Ace Town Hardware. Alan was raised in Rahway and moved to Clark after serving in Vietnam. Alan is well known for his

calming and soothing demeanor. As an officer, Alan has always been able to lead with a soft and steady voice, regardless of the situation.

Gary spends many hours every week answering calls. Besides covering his own shift, he also fills gaps, keeping CVES in service. One of Gary's more memorable calls was saving a dog trapped in a house that was on fire. Gary, a lieutenant at the time, along with another member, was able to take the dog to a local veterinarian who opened his office to tend to the dog. A bystander commented that the crew cared as much for the dog as a child. The dog survived its ordeal.

Together, Gary and Alan have served the community for over a century. Both continue to serve the Township, with no thought to ending their commitment to helping those in need. CVES holds these two men as guiding examples. As Alan's Proclamation states, "... legacy of excellence will continue to influence and guide our organization for years to come."

The Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad is always looking for members to join its ranks. If you are interested in helping your community, please fill out an application available at ourclark.com/DocumentCenter/View/1972/CVES-Application-Fillable



(above) Alan Reilly, Mayor Bonaccorso, and Gary Wagner

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Don't forget to join our Winter Reading Challenge which runs from now until March 10. Log your reading into the Beanstack app or online at clarklibrary.beanstack.org to track your progress and earn some prizes. Open to all ages.

The library will be closed on Monday, February 17 for President's Day.

Tales for Tots

Mondays, February 3, 10 & 24 at 10am
Stories and songs for active listeners. Geared toward ages 2-3 with a caregiver. Older children are welcome!

Teen Craft Break: Heart String Art and Boba

Monday, February 3 at 3:30pm
Teens are welcomed to take a break from studying to create a fun craft with us. We will be making a heart string art to help you decorate for Valentine's day and Boba Tea to sip on while you're crafting. Snacks will be served! Crafts are open to teens in grades 6-12.

Baby Bookworms

Tuesdays, February 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 10am
Join us for stories, songs, nursery rhymes, and movement activities. Geared toward the under 2 crowd with caregiver.
30 minutes of open play follows.

Patches and Stitches

Tuesdays, February 4, 11, 18 & 25 from 12pm-2pm

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

George and Martha: A Love Story

Tuesday, February 4 at 7pm
Join us as Alisa Dupuy and Curt Radabaugh portray America's first "First Couple." Hear from them about how they met, about their marriage, their families, their responsibilities and, of course, about their love.

Krafty Kids

Wednesday, February 5 at 3:30pm
Bring your imagination and creativity as we make crafts to celebrate the winter season and all December holidays! Registration is required. Geared for elementary students.

Chess Club

Thursdays, February 6, 13, 20 & 27 at 11am - 3pm

New members and all levels are welcome!

Thursday Afternoon Movies

Thursday, February 6, 13, 20 & 27 at 1pm
Enjoy a movie for adults. Please check our online calendar or visit the library to check the movies being shown.

Stories and More

Fridays, February 7, 14, 21 & 28 at 10am
Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes followed by a simple craft. This program is designed for children ages 3 and up. Registration is required.

LEGO® Master Builders

Friday, February 7 at 3:15pm
Create your own LEGO® structures to be displayed in the Children's area of the library! LEGO® are provided by the library.
For children entering grades K - 5.
Light snacks will be served.

Black History Month Bingo for Kids

Monday, February 10 at 3:30pm
Join us for a special Bingo celebrating Black History Month! Try to make a bingo while sharing and learning about famous black Americans and win real prizes!

Evening Book Club

Monday, February 10 at 7pm
Join us for our next evening book club meeting. We will be discussing "The Sanatorium" by Sarah Pearse. Please speak with a librarian or email librarians@clarklibrary.org if you need a copy of the book.

Barks & Books

Tuesdays, February 11 & 25 from 4-5pm
If you have a young, reluctant or struggling reader, we want you to meet our therapy dogs! They are non-judgmental listeners and furry friends to read to that won't laugh if your child makes a mistake or stumbles over a word. Children learn to associate reading with being with the dog, and begin to view reading in a positive way.

Register for a 15 minute session of reading.

Digital Literacy Tutoring

Tuesday, February 11 & 25 at 6:30pm and Wednesdays at 1pm.

Do you need help with your digital literacy skills? Join us for tutoring sessions on topics including Google Drive, Microsoft, Email, and resume help. Registration is required.

Madam CJ Walker:

The First Black Female Millionaire

Tuesday, February 11 at 7pm
Join us for Black History Month as Rick Feingold discusses Madam C.J. Walker.

Teen Gaming Club

Friday, February 14 at 3pm
Drop in after school for a fun afternoon of gaming. We will set up our Nintendo Switch on the big screen and participants can choose from a range of games including Super Smash Bros, Mario Kart, and Just Dance.
You can also bring your own system or laptop to game on. We have plenty of tables and chairs to set up for those interested in gaming as a group!

Snacks will be served. Registration Required.
Open to Grades 6-12.

Family Movie Matinee

Sunday, February 16 at 2:00pm
Gru, the world's favorite supervillain turned Anti-Villain League agent, returns for an exciting, bold new era of Minions mayhem. Following the 2022 summer blockbuster phenomenon of Illumination's Minions: The Rise of Gru, a new chapter begins as Gru and Lucy and their girls, Margo, Edith, and Agnes, welcome a new member to the Gru family, Gru Jr., who is intent on tormenting his dad. Gru faces a new nemesis in Maxime Le Mal and his femme fatale girlfriend Valentina, and the family is forced to go on the run.

Afternoon Book Club

Tuesday, February 18 at 1:30pm
We will be discussing "Sylvia's Second Act" by Hillary Yablon. Please speak with a librarian if you need a copy of the book.

Tinker Tots

Thursday, February 20 at 10:30am
Come join us for a morning of fun STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities perfect for little ones.
Play is station based. For children ages 18 months through pre-k.

Little Scientist

Thursday, February 20 at 3:30pm
Learn how to build and create with our Science Experiments with a different STEM skill.
Geared to Kindergarten - 5th graders.

Books & Bagels

Friday, February 21 at 11:00am
Enjoy bagels and coffee while we chat about books you have been reading and learn what others in your community are reading as well.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting

Monday, February 24 at 3:15pm
Teens - let your voice be heard at the library! The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) helps create, plan, and run teen programs and services they would like offered at the Clark Public Library.
TAB is open to all teens in Grades 6-12.
Teens in neighboring towns are always welcome to join.

Sewing Basics

Wednesday, February 26 at 10:30am
Learn the basics of a sewing machine and make a soup bowl cozy in this 2 hour class.
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HOLOCAUST SPEAKERS VISIT KUMPF SCHOOL

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Carl H. Kumpf Middle School students had the opportunity to hear stories from second generation Holocaust survivors who are also Union County residents. Rita Geller shared the story of her mother (as a young child) and grandmother's survival of the Holocaust, as Bielski partisans in the forest. Raya Warner discussed her father's wartime experiences working with the underground in Budapest under Raul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who was responsible for saving the lives of thousands of Hungarian Jews by providing Swedish protective passports and shelter. Barbara Simon shared the story of her parents, survivors from Poland, who went through the war in ghettos, forced labor camps, and

concentration camps. After the war, they eventually moved to Clark in 1964 when she was 6. Students also had an opportunity to ask questions.

In addition to the speakers, students also participated in various activities throughout the day including a diary writing activity, learning about the Resistance, reading the related story *The Terrible Things*, and writing reflections of the day.

Humanities Supervisor Olivia Miller stated, "I was so impressed with the students' thoughtful reflections of the day and the cross-curricular collaborations led by the teachers that were inspired by these stories. We look forward to more of these programs in the future due to the positive student feedback."

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ALJ UNIFIED BASKETBALL

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On Tuesday, January 14, Arthur L Johnson's (ALJ) Unified played their first game of the season against Union City. Unified Sports is a program run by Special Olympics that supports students with and without disabilities playing sports together. The goal of this program is to establish relationships between students with and without disabilities both on and off the court. Unified Sports advisors, Miss Jenn Barbera and Mrs. Emily Colonni have worked very hard this year to create a team, composed of 12 students.

Despite a loss, the ALJ Unified team played their hearts out. The students had a great time and learned the importance of sportsmanship and teamwork.

"Unified Sports has been a huge part of my life since college. Being able to coach a high school program has been such a dream and I am so proud of the team! The team has worked very hard in practice these last few weeks and I am excited to see where the rest of the season brings us! A special thank you to Mr. Gus Kalikas, Mrs. Tara Oliveira, Mrs. Katrina Poskay and Dr. Heather Austin for all your support this school

year," said ALJ Special Education teacher and Unified co-advisor, Miss Jenn Barbera

"I am so grateful and proud to be able to help start Unified at the high school level. Seeing students of all abilities work together and have fun, brings joy to my heart. I am so excited for all the hard work and efforts so far. I would like to thank the ALJ administration for their continued support. I look forward to continuing to grow the program," said ALJ Case Manager and Unified co-advisor, Mrs. Emily Colonni.

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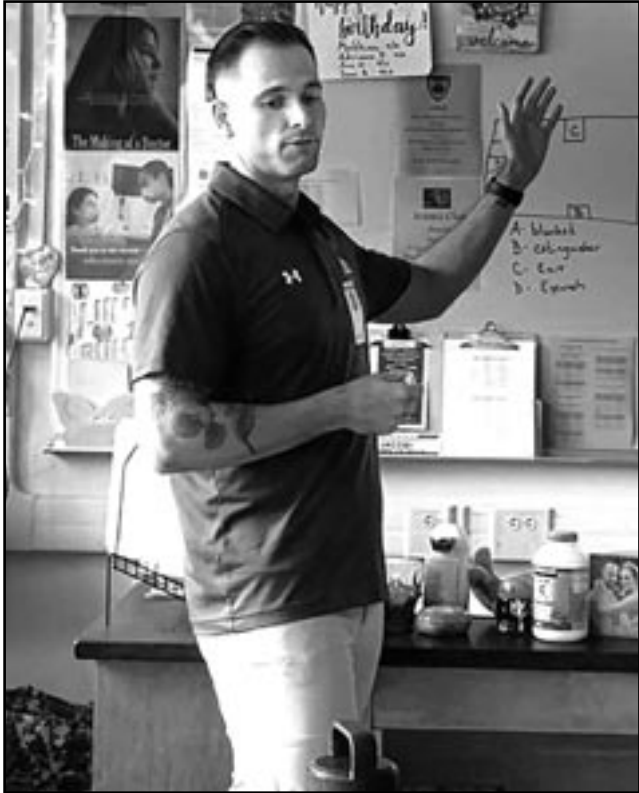


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ALJ ALUMNI VISITS PREMEDICAL CLASS

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(above) PreMedical Studies students received a visit from 2017 ALJ graduate Ray Williamson.

Ray Williamson, a 2017 graduate of ALJ, recently returned to his old classroom to share his journey through Physical Therapy school with Mrs. Bernadette Jacobi's PreMedical Studies students. Ray shared his experiences about his course loads, his struggles, and his achievements. He spoke about the importance of experiencing as many scenarios in a clinical setting as possible to gain the knowledge needed to help decide what avenue to follow in their career. The students asked Ray many questions about the pathway he chose, and the decisions he made along the way. They were thrilled to have him speak about real life as a student in a medical career pathway, which many of them aspire to do in the future.

Ray graduated with his Master's Degree from University of Rhode Island and is now attending the University of Pittsburgh. He has and still is serving with the National Guard since he entered URI in 2017. He is presently beginning his final year of learning, clinicals and rotations.

Ms. Jacobi stated, "I was thrilled to have Ray come to speak to our PreMed students. Ray approached me about coming back to ALJ to share his story, saying he remembered the guest speakers when he was a student, and he wanted to give back to our school community. I am so proud of all of his accomplishments, and his determination to succeed, with so much on his plate, and I'm so excited for his future."

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Submitted by Cecilia Gomes

Clark Boy Scout Troop 145 is an active Troop of young men who dedicate themselves to the values of Scouting while learning and having fun in a safe environment. Scouting teaches leadership, citizenship, and volunteerism, as well as appreciation for the outdoors.

Troop 145 is committed to giving the Scouts a fun outdoor experience. Their annual camping trip to Citta Scout Reservation, the Scouts participate in cook their own meals, hiking, practicing orienteering skills, shooting rifles and shotguns, fire-building competition and so much more. One of the favorite events the Scouts attend is the annual Klondike Competition, held in February at the Watchung Reservation. This annual event is a day of Scouting fun with a mixture of competitive spirit and outdoor fellowship. The Scouts work as a team and compete against other Scouts to demonstrate their skills in pitching tents, tying knots, building fire, first aid, orienteering and lashing. This is always a fun event and something the

Scouts look forward to each year.

Boy Scouts know how to have fun, but they also make sure to give back to the community. Each year the Scouts participate in the clean-up efforts following the annual UNICO Italian Feast held in each October, Clark Reservoir Clean up and the Rahway River clean-up in the spring.

The Scouting fun continues over the summer. Each year, Troop 145 attends summer camp at Ockanickon Scout Reservation located in Pipersville, PA. During this weeklong camp, the Scouts have the opportunity to work on rank advancement and merit badges. One of the highlights is always the Volleyball Championship which Troop 145 has won 3 years in a row. At camp, the boys participate in cooking, camping, canoeing, swimming and much more. It is always a fun-filled week where many great memories are made.

Boy Scout Troop 145 offers something for everyone! If you would like to learn more about Troop 145 or to enroll your child, please send an email to info@troop145.org.

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Photos from this and other events can be found online at rennamedia.com and on Clark Monthly page on [facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com) Feel free to "Like," "Tag," and "Share."





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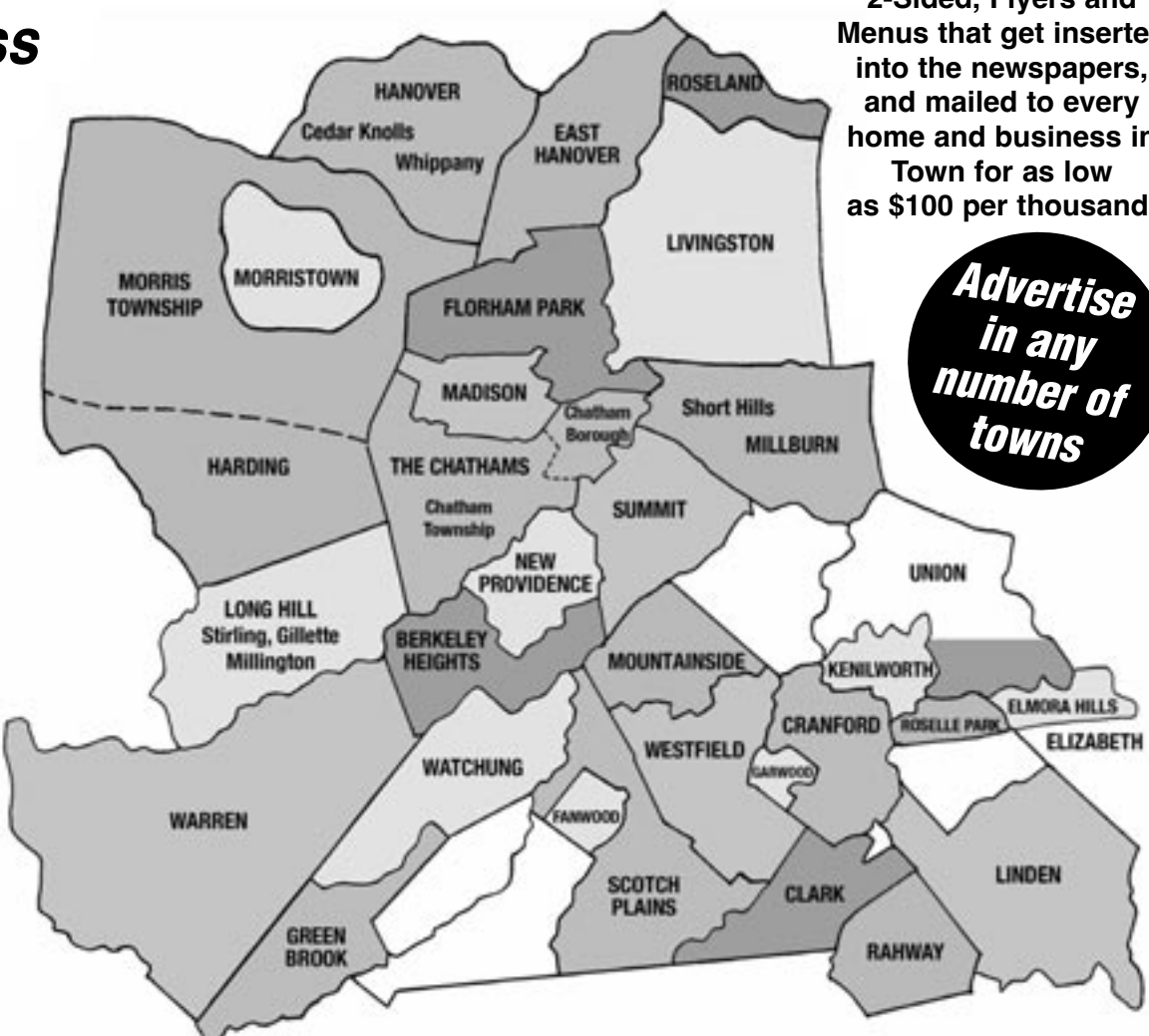
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On Feb. 11th, Dr. D.J. Peron will discuss the Surrealist art movement. DJ will show how Dadaism emerged during World War I as a rebellious movement against world war one and the societal ‘establishment,’ and how surrealism came into being. These two movements have been of extreme importance in the evolution of art from post-war modern art up to the present day. The presentation will be like a stroll in a museum with many art representations shown.

SUMMIT MAYOR ELIZABETH FAGAN

On Feb. 18th, Mayor Elizabeth Fagan, will discuss Summit’s current and future trends. Mayor Fagan has been an active resident of Summit for more than 20 years. She will discuss recent and future projects for the City. Some of her updates will be about the coming old firehouse land project and street closings for

restaurant dining. Also, state regulations, specifically the Mount Laurel decision, regarding affordable housing is a topic that affects all municipalities in New Jersey and a current issue for Summit. Bring your questions for the Mayor.

MARYKATE VAUGHN - DOCTOR OF AUDIOLOGY

Finally, on Feb. 25th, we will learn about hearing loss and hearing aids. Marykate Vaughn, AuD, CCC-A, is a doctor of audiology affiliated with Summit Health. She will speak about the various ways to evaluate hearing in children and adults. She will discuss the large variety of hearing aid devices on the market with their pros and cons. She will also discuss the common reasons why people end up not using their hearing aids and the remediating solutions. Dr. Vaughn has over 30 years of experience in audiology. This topic should elicit a few questions from the Old Guard members!

2025 NJ FMBA COOKED & UNCORKED

On Monday, February 24, 2025, firefighters from around New Jersey will compete at the Cooked and Uncorked Food and Wine Festival, at the Pines Manor in Edison. Proceeds from the event will be donated to the Mark A. Virag Memorial Cancer Fund, Family Promise of Bergen County, and The Burn Center at Saint Barnabas Medical Center.

The Ultimate Fire Department Cook-off is an integral part of the evening as firefighters will compete in three different categories: Gourmet, Firehouse and Dessert.

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