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10TH ANNUAL PASTA DINNER & BASKET RAFFLE - MARCH 2

CSA of New Providence

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The Community Service Association of New Providence ("CSA") helps New Providence families, young and single parents, seniors, and any other residents who find themselves in financial distress. This may involve putting food on the table for their children, covering unexpected expenses or helping with due rent or utility bills. The CSA, a registered 501(c) 3 nonprofit founded in 1954, is not a government entity and relies solely on the kindness and generosity of neighbors.

"The pasta dinner fundraiser is our biggest fundraiser of the year. It is an exciting and popular event that brings the community together, for all ages," said CSA President Gene Castagna. "The impact the CSA has for residents in our community is immeasurable, especially when we can help pay basic bills due to an unforeseen hardship. We give them hope and comfort – and that's everything. We invite the entire neighborhood to come together for a delicious meal, great prizes, and a great cause," he continued.

Residents in need of the CSA's help, or anyone wishing to get involved The Community Service Association of New in supporting or volunteering, can call (908) 665-8254 or email csanewprovidence@gmail.com. All requests for assistance are kept anonymous. Visit csanewprovidence.org and like the CSA New Providence Facebook page.



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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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LEARNING ABOUT COMMUNITY SERVICE



(above) Mayor Al Morgan spoke about community service and shared some local history with New Providence Cub Scout Pack 363 at their recent meeting held at Salt Brook School. The Mayor was a former Cub Master for over 10 years and still enjoys working with the children and the scouting community.

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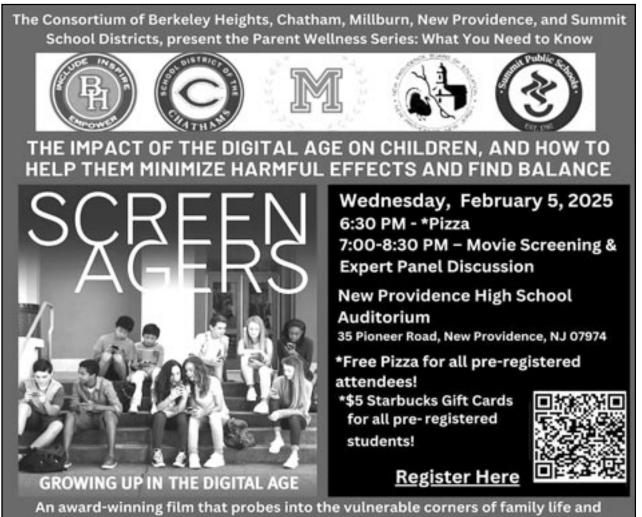
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Sixth grade science students from Allen W. Roberts School, led by science educator Leslie Ditta, visited with seniors at the DeCorso Center on January 8th. This visit was the culmination to the science classes' study of the nervous system and sensory functioning.

Prior to the visit, the students participated in class experiments to help them understand how their senses work, as well as participating in sensory impairment simulations. Understanding

the causes of sensory impairment, how it can be prevented, and how we can support members of our community who may be experiencing sensory challenges were all foci of the lessons.

For the December holiday season, the science classes (and their generous families) "Adopted a Senior" by donating sensory-sensitive activities such as large-print crossword puzzle books, stress balls, and table-top games (e.g. table-top cornhole and pickleball), etc. to be gifted to those who visit the DeCorso Center.

During the January 8th visit, in addition to the presentation of the gifted activities, the students conducted some of their class experiments and simulations with their senior friends. Experiments included a mystery smell station, lab goggles altered to simulate cataracts and glaucoma, and rubber gloves stuffed with cotton balls and popsicle sticks to simulate neuropathy and arthritis, respectively. It was a special visit filled with smiles, laughter, and fun!



(above) On January 8th students visited with seniors at the DeCorso Center. It was a special visit filled with smiles, laughter, and fun.

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February 24*

- Flute Choir 5:00-5:40 PM
- Flute Forum 6:30-7:10 PM
- Fortissimo Flutes 8:00-8:40 PM

*Location: Wharton Performing Arts School 60 Locust Avenue, Berkeley Heights

February 25

- Percussion Ensemble III 4:00-4:45 PM
- Sinfonia 5:00-6:00 PM
- Youth Symphony 6:30-8:00 PM

February 26

- Philharmonia 6:15-7:15 PM
- Clarinet Ensemble 6:30-7:00 pm

February 27

- Primo Strings 4:30-5:15 PM
- Percussion Ensemble II 4:30-5:15 PM
- Percussion Ensemble I 6:30-7:15 PM
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New Providence Recreation helped organize the event at the Municipal Center Gym, which included many of the local organizations that

help and support the community including Linc Food Pantry, New Providence Public Art, Sustainable New Providence, New Providence Volunteer Fire Department, Weekly Sandwich Mission, New Providence EMS, CSA, New Providence Mental Health, New Providence Diversity, New Providence Friends of the Library, and the Municipal Alliance.



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In February, we will have four speakers:

ERICK A. FORD, VICE PRESIDENT STEVENS & LEE PUBLIC AFFAIRS

On Feb. 4th, our speaker will be Erick A. Ford, Vice President of Stevens & Lee Public Affairs. Erick is a recognized leader in policy and business. In 2024, he was recognized by ROI-NJ as one of New Jersey's leading energy and utilities influencers, highlighting his significant impact on the state's energy landscape. He will discuss the state of the energy markets in NJ.

DR. D.J. PERON -THE SURREALIST ART MOVEMENT

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!



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(above) Erick A. Ford, Dr. D.J. Peron, Mayor Elizabeth Fagan, Marykate Vaughn

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ANGELS IN AMERICA PART ONE: MILLENNIUM APPROACHES" AT CDC

We are excited to announce that Tony Kushner's acclaimed play, "Angels in America Part One: Millennium Approaches," will be in performance at the CDC Theatre in Cranford from February 14 to March 1. This monumental production is a significant event in the cultural calendar and promises to be a landmark moment for theatre enthusiasts.

"Angels in America Part One: Millennium Approaches" is the first part of Tony Kushner's Pulitzer Prize-winning epic that explores the complex themes of politics, sexuality, and faith against the backdrop of the AIDS crisis in the 1980s. The play is known for its profound narrative, compelling characters, and its unflinching examination of societal issues.

The CDC Theatre in Cranford is honored to host this powerful work. As one of New Jersey's longest producing community theatres, CDC Theatre has a rich history of bringing highquality productions to the stage. The upcoming performance of "Angels in America Part One: Millennium Approaches" is set to continue this tradition, offering audiences an unforgettable experience. Directed by Michael Kidney is the cast: Corey Chichizola as Prior Walter, Brian Petty as Louis Ironson, Sean Lynch-Littlejohn as Joe Pitt, Molly Reinhardt as Harper Pitt, Lisa Barnett as Hannah Pitt, Aaron Hancock as Belize, Richard Colonna as Roy Cohn and Even T. Charpentier as The Angel.

The staging of "Angels in America Part One: Millennium Approaches" at CDC Theatre is not just an exciting theatrical event; it is a cultural milestone. The play's themes are as relevant today as they were when it first premiered in 1991, making this production a poignant reminder of the ongoing struggles and triumphs within our society.

We invite you to join us for this extraordinary

production. Tickets are cdctheatre.org. Don't miss the chance to witness Tony Kushner's masterpiece come to life on the stage of CDC Theatre in 2025. This is an event you won't want to miss.

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New Providence area residents can obtain free AARP Foundation Tax-Aide assistance in preparing and filing their 2024 tax returns at the DeCorso Center for appointments from 9:45am-2:30pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from February 5 through April 15 (with the exception of Wednesday, 3/5 when there will not be appointments).

Trained AARP Foundation Tax-Aide volunteers will provide in-person tax assistance free of charge, with a focus on taxpayers who are over 50 and have low to moderate income.

Taxpayers with complex returns may be advised to seek paid assistance. Taxpayers may call the Center at (908) 665-0046 between 10:00am and 2:00pm Mondays through Fridays to schedule an appointment or may sign up in person at the Center.

WHARTON ARTS ANNOUNCES 2025 SUMMER CAMP LINEUP

Wharton Arts is pleased to announce new summer camp offerings to join its lineup of returning programs for summer 2025. Meet the Instruments, for ages 4-7, encourages young campers to explore song, dance, rhythm, art, stories, and dramatic musical play while learning about a different family of instruments each day: Strings, Brass, Woodwinds, Piano, Percussion. Broadway Adventures, for ages 4-6, introduces budding young actors to the world of acting, singing, and dancing, culminating in a fun-filled showcase for friends and family. In addition to these new offerings, summer favorites will return for 2025, including Drama Kids (Scooby Doo), Summer Musical Theater Company (You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown), Triple Threat Musical Theater Intensive (High School Musical JR), and eight weeks of Theater Explorers. To view weekly camp themes and for complete camp descriptions, WhartonArts.org.

In addition to summer camps at the Wharton Performing Arts School in Berkeley Heights, the New Jersey Youth Symphony (NJYS), a program of Wharton Arts, will host several ensemblebased camps in New Providence, June 22-July 3. Experience the wonders of ensemble playing at the NJYS Orchestral Camp (String and Winds/Brass/Percussion Sessions), Chamber Music Camp, and Double Reed Camp, where students learn from accomplished faculty and strengthen their talents. Whatever your camper's creative ambitions are, they will develop skills, find the space to flourish, and join an artistic community at Wharton Arts. For more information, call (908) 790-0700 or visit WhartonArts.org.

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

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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 over 500 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.

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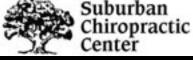


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New Jersey Fish and F&W Record Bowfin 2024

Frank Hubert caught the new state record Bowfin in Mantua Creek on December 17, 2024. The fish weighed 12 pounds, 10 ounces, replacing Pierce Dopkin's 11-pound, 8.5-ounce record from 2017, which was caught in the same creek.

Frank was casting from a kayak and using a Sixgill spinning rod with a Shimano spinning reel loaded with 30-pound test Snakehead Outlawz braided line when the fish hit. A Snakehead Outlawz Dragon Destroyer was the lure used for catching this new record bowfin.

ABOUT THE NJ STATE RECORD FISH PROGRAM

Despite its small size and high population density, New Jersey offers a wide range of fishing opportunities, including the chance to catch "trophy-size" fish. Such fish are recognized in the Skillful Angler Program and the State Record Fish Program.

The objective of the Record Fish Program is to increase the awareness of fishing opportunities for species that are regularly sought after and routinely found in the freshwaters or off the coast of New Jersey. Separate lists are maintained for freshwater and marine species, and in 2014 a new Spearfishing category was created for saltwater species.

Presently there are 90 species (31 freshwater

and 59 saltwater, including 17 in the Spearfishing category) eligible for entry in the Record Fish Program. In May 2007, the program was revised to include Retired Categories (Saltwater) of fish no longer accepted for entry in the program, as well as Retired Historical Records which were believed to be "unbeatable" at the time.

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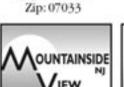
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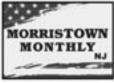
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The Hannah and James Caldwell Memorial Obelisk recently underwent a complete restoration and cleaning at the Siloam-Hope First Presbyterian Church (formerly known as the First Presbyterian Church of Elizabethtown) in Elizabeth thanks to the Union County Historical Society (UCHS).

UCHS President Joanne Rajoppi said, "The 179-year-old obelisk honoring Revolutionary War pastor and patriot James Caldwell and his wife Hannah, was in terrible condition: encrusted dirt from years of neglect with loose mortar and unreadable engravings. As we approach the 250th anniversary of our country, what better time to reflect, remember and honor the contributions of our patriots, especially the Caldwells, who sacrificed their lives for independence."

The Siloam-Hope First Presbyterian Church cemetery is one of the oldest in the state, dating to the late 1680s. More than 40 officers of the

Continental Army are buried there, many of whom attended the church while Reverend Caldwell served as its pastor. Caldwell also served as General George Washington's Deputy Commissary of supplies during the war. The British placed a bounty on his head and he was murdered in 1781. His wife Hannah and mother of their nine children had been murdered the previous year by a British soldier in the aftermath of the Battle of Connecticut Farms.

There are also more than 313 enslaved and free African Americans buried in the historic cemetery, often in unmarked graves: some are children, and some are likely war veterans. The 313+ Ancestors Speak Project acknowledges and commemorates their lives and burials. A monument with their names was recently erected in the cemetery.

The restoration of the Caldwell memorial was partially funded by a Union County Heart Grant,

donations by the Union Township Historical Society, the NJ Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, (NJSAR), the West Fields Chapter of SAR, American Legion Post 248, the First Presbyterian Church of Springfield and many individual contributors.

Ms. Rajoppi said that the restoration included a workshop on how to clean gravestones.

Volunteers, including local area Boy Scouts, the Crane's Ford Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and UCHS members attended the four-hour event.

The restoration work was completed by Richard Grubb & Associates, a full-service cultural resource management firm and one of the largest, independent archaeological and historic preservation consulting companies in the eastern United States. Their corporate headquarters are in Cranbury, New Jersey.

ABOUT THE UNION COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF NEW JERSEY

The UCHS was incorporated by an Act of the 93rd Legislature of the State of New Jersey on April 1, 1869. The objective of this Society is the collection and preservation of all matter of historical relics, books, records, documents, and manuscripts, to stimulate and encourage historical research and the study of history pertaining to the territory originally embraced by Elizabethtown and the present Union County.

The Society exists through the help and generosity of its members. Membership is comprised of citizens who have a common interest in preserving the past. There is no paid staff. The Executive Board and Members perform all Society functions.



(above) The recent restoration and cleaning of the James and Hannah Caldwell Memorial Oblesik at Siloam-Hope First Presbyterian Church in Elizabeth was commissioned by the Union County Historical Society.



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