

JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

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Submitted by Ashley Shanley

Franklin School celebrated its inaugural Student of the Month initiative in January, an event organized by the Academic Success Committee. This program aims to encourage student growth both academically and socially, while fostering stronger family involvement.

Each class selected one student who demonstrated excellence across five key areas:

- Academics: Consistent effort and a desire to improve.
- Behavior: Positive and respectful conduct.

• Attendance: Regular and enthusiastic school attendance.

- Social-Emotional Learning:
- A positive and optimistic attitude.
- Franklin Pride:

Demonstrating school spirit and a love for learning.

The morning celebration included an assembly with proud parents, the presentation of certificates to each honoree from Principal Dr. Holness and Vice Principal Mrs.

Adriana Mosca, commemorative photos, and a celebratory treat. In attendance were Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Aleya Shoieb, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, Dr. Tiffany Beer and members of the Board of Education including President, Mr. Joseph Toma, Vice President, Mrs. Jennifer Monteiro, and Mrs. Shanna Raysick.

"We are thrilled to recognize these outstanding students," said Dr. Holness, Principal of Franklin School. "This initiative highlights the importance of hard work, positive behavior, and a love for learning. We believe it will motivate all our students to strive for excellence."

A huge thank you goes out to the Academic Success Committee for their hard work and dedication to our students not only today, but every day:

Alicia Scipioni, Kathy Bentley, Kelly Brennan, Susan Cesare, MaryJane Dunn, Kristi Gaglio, Raffaella Nicoll, Venisha Jordan, Stephanie Nasser, Jennifer Jimenez, and Ashley Shanley.



(above) Franklin School January Students of the Month

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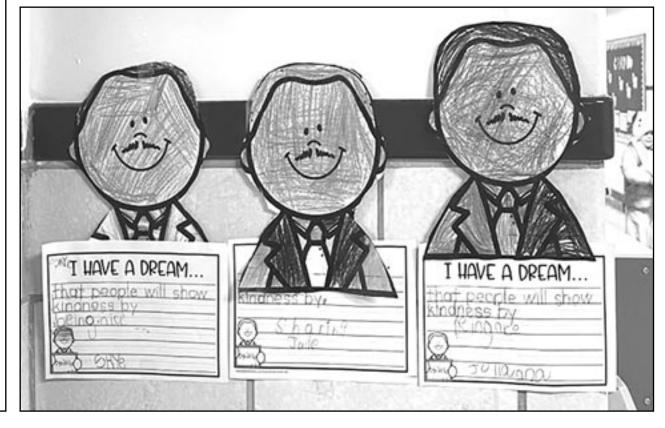
THE LEGACY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

Submitted by Kenneth Betros

birthday, Madison Elementary School's kindergarten classes participated in a variety of activities aimed at exploring his remarkable legacy and the significant impact he made on our society.

Students engaged in meaningful discussions about Dr. King's life and his message of

kindness, equality, and peace. Through In celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s interactive lessons and hands-on art projects inspired by his vision, students learned valuable lessons about empathy, respect, and unity. These activities provided an opportunity for young learners to understand Dr. King's values in a fun and engaging way, encouraging them to apply his principles in their daily interactions.



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WRESTLING TEAM CELEBRATES SENIORS

Submitted by Rahway Public Schools Rahway High School's (RHS) wrestling team celebrated Senior Night on January 24th, with a significant win of 56-19 over Arthur L. Johnson (ALJ) High School.

The event honored the team's senior male wrestlers, including Matthew Samaniego, Chris Valerio, Davin Duran, Javier Gonzalez, John Bunburry, Imir Bearfield, Nelson Perez, and Jona Martinez.

The seniors were announced by Mr. Kerry Burkhard, the head coach of the girls' team.

The wrestlers came out on the mat, accompanied by their families and friends, and were greeted by their wrestling coaches, along with Rahway Athletic Director Tom Lewis and RHS Vice Principal Dr. Michael Celoski.

The team's subsequent victory over Johnson

improved Rahway's season record to 9-3 in the Watchung Division of the Union County Conference.

It's been nothing but success ever since, as the Indians now have a 12-3 overall record.

The senior female wrestlers will be honored on Thursday, February 13. The details are not yet available. Congratulations to the seniors and the entire team!



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KATELYN MAGLIONE PART OF HONORS BAND

By Rahway Public Schools

Rahway High School sophomore Katelyn then all day on Saturday. Maglione, a flutist, recently performed with the Kean University Honors Band. The weekend event cu

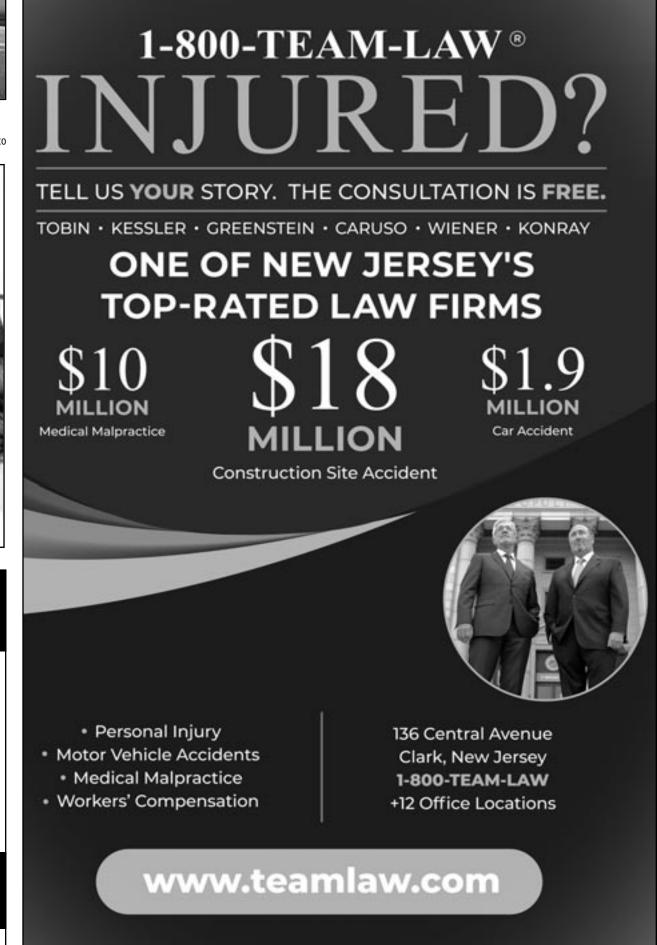
Maglione was nominated for this prestigious honor by RHS band director Ms. Meg Spatz.

The Honors Band, which is hosted annually by Dr. Tom Connors, Director of Bands at Kean, includes "outstanding student musicians from all over the state who have been nominated by their directors," Spatz said.

Those students selected for inclusion in the honors band must first perform an audition to determine seating placement in the ensemble. Following this, rehearsals begin, which take place for three hours on Friday evening and then all day on Saturday.

The weekend event culminated in a concert performance on Sunday afternoon, February 2, at Kean's Enlow Recital Hall.

At RHS, Maglione performs on the flute in the school's concert band, marching band, and wind ensemble; on tenor saxophone in the jazz ensemble; and as a member of the percussion ensemble. Additionally, this year, she was also part of a highly selective number of students who joined Mr. Robert Van Wyk, Ms. Spatz, and the other professionals in the pit orchestra for the high school's musical theater productions.





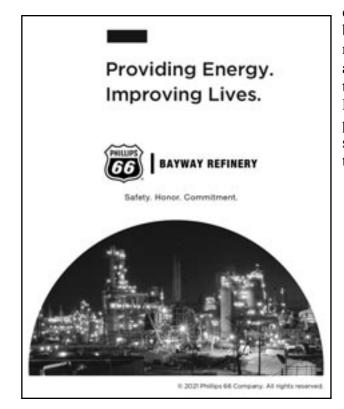
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Bayway Complex Community Advisory Panel Offers Students up to \$2,000

For the year 2025, the Bayway Complex competitors in the state. Community Advisory Panel (CAP) is offering high school seniors who are residents of Linden, place finish, defended his high jump crown, and Rahway, Elizabeth, and Staten Island the finished second in the 400m, running a personal opportunity to be awarded a CAP scholarship. Several one-year scholarships will be awarded in runner in Rahway history. the amount of \$2,000 each, to students in these four municipalities represented by the CAP. It is Presley, and Judah Garcia Phillips for the 4x4 a onetime \$2,000 award.

The winners will be selected by the CAP Scholarship Committee, who will be taking the best in the shot put to finish in fifth place for his following areas into consideration when first varsity score. reviewing the applications: The applications must have all sections completed; Academics both the 55m and the 200m. (transcript/SAT/ACT scores); Financial Need; Essay (AI generated prohibited); Science/Math Teacher Recommendation Letter(s). This scholarship is open to candidates who will be pursuing a college, university, career, or vocational school education in the Industrial, Process Technology, Computer Science or Engineering, i.e., Chemical, Civil, Mechanical, Electrical, or Environmental fields. Please contact your high school guidance counselor for more information or go to shorturl.at/uKLa1 to access the application. The deadline to submit applications is April 25, 2025.

The Bayway CAP is a committee of interested stakeholders including community representatives from Linden, Rahway, Elizabeth, and Staten Island representing various sectors of the community including neighbors, educators, retirees, public officials, emergency responders, and environmental organization representatives. The group meets quarterly for face-to-face dialogue between the community and company representatives from Phillips 66 Bayway Refinery, Infineum USA L.P., Cogen Technologies, Linden Venture, Nexpera, Solutia, Linden VFT LLC, and Parkway Generation.



TRACK TEAM COMPETES AT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rahway Public Schools

The Rahway High School track and field team continues a prosperous winter season. On Wednesday, January 22, the team participated in the UCIAC Championships.

At the county championships, the team competed against some of the toughest

Rolando Simpson led the boys team to a fourth best. Simpson is now the fourth fastest 400m

Simpson also joined Prince Rousseau, Michael relay. They ran 3:27.82, taking second place.

Junior Ryan Gourdet had a three-foot personal

Rising star Quashawn Haynes finished fifth in

Senior captain Jorge Fernandez had a huge





(above) Nvasia Wvnn Courtesy photos

(above) Rolando Simpson

personal best to finish fifth in the 1600m.

Meanwhile, the girls finished fifth in the team standings, led by first-time county champion Nyasia Wynn, who won the shot put event.

Teammate Remy Warfield also picked up a medal, finishing third.

Sanaa Thomas finished third in the high jump and sixth in the 55m hurdles, while also running a personal best in the 200m.

OSAZE MORRIS TAKES HELM OF BOWLING TEAM

Rahway Public Schools

This year's Rahway High School (RHS) bowling team has a new coach at the helm, 2016 RHS graduate Osaze Morris.

Morris, a high school counselor in Sayreville, bowled for the Rahway team between 2012-2016. He was a four-year varsity starter and the team's captain in his senior year, posting a career high game of 288 and a 710 series. He was a member of the team when Rahway finished with a third place ranking in the state during the 2014-2015 season, and he also competed in the state individual tournament in 2014.

Morris shared his pride in the team and the progress all the players had made thus far, saying, 'This season has truly been one of growth. Every last bowler has gotten better from the beginning of the season to now."

He went on to say, "We have a mixed group of bowlers. Some have bowled their whole lives, while for others, it's their first time competitively bowling. But even though some may lack experience, none of them lack heart. Every single bowler comes with a positive attitude and mindset, trying to become better every time they approach the lanes. It has been an honor being their coach. This year we will be graduating our lone senior, Nyla Butler, who has been an integral part of our team. I am very excited to finish strong this season and am also very excited about the future of Rahway bowling."

Mr. Michael Keat, the high school's longtime

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physics teacher who served as the Rahway bowling coach during Morris' years with the team, also made a statement about Morris.

Keat said, "I'm very excited for Osaze to take the lead of the Rahway High School bowling team. He was an integral part of our #3 stateranked team in 2014-2015 and qualified for the state individual tournament in 2014. Osaze has the knowledge and drive to rebuild the Rahway bowling team for its future."

This year's team includes:

Varsity Bowlers: Captain Anthony DelBene, Paityn Torres, Elijah Torres, Nechama Davila, Zaire McCombs

Junior Varsity: Nyla Butler, Aiyana Webb, Mei-Li Ramos, Ruby Robles, **Rachelle** Pasteur

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ST. THOMAS FLEA AND CRAFT MARKET

St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church in Rahway NJ, will host a Flea Market and Craft Sale on Saturday March 8, 2025. All are invited to shop 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, with vendor access starting at 7:30 am.

The Flea Market is held in the parish center located at 1407 St.Georges Ave. Rahway. This handicap accessible center can accommodate 60+ vendors at each market. Everyone who attends will receive a free raffle ticket for a drawing of a special gift card at 1:00 pm.

The Vendors have beautiful gifts for children and adults, as well as household items, collectibles, toys and antiques. Our Parish Gift Shop will also be open. This shop is filled with unique religious articles for the holidays, Baptisms and Weddings.

Our kitchen will be open for both breakfast and lunch. The St. Thomas chefs offer homemade ethnic specialties such as stuffed cabbage, kielbasa and sauerkraut subs and pirohi, as well as taylor ham and egg sandwiches for breakfast.

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Rahway Chamber of Commerce

The Rahway Chamber of Commerce proudly awards scholarships to high school seniors who are residents of Rahway and who best meet the requirements set forth by the Chamber's Scholarship Committee. Award amounts are at the discretion of the Committee. Up to \$4,000 of Chamber and sponsor funding is available for 2025 scholarships.

SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES:

Scholarships are available to graduating high school seniors who are residents of Rahway, NJ. Scholarship monies will be paid directly to the scholarship recipient(s). Student applicants must meet the following guidelines:

• Plan to attend an accredited college,

university, or trade school on a full-time basis.

"READ AND GROW WILD" CHALLENGE IN ON!

Submitted by Dyan McMillen

Grover Cleveland Elementary School kicked off its district-wide reading incentive program, "Read and Grow Wild," on January 22nd with a lively parade featuring the school's academy band, district supervisors, the principal, and vice principal, the Library Media Specialist, Director of Curriculum and Instruction and the superintendent. Students lined the hallways to cheer on the parade and celebrate the start of the reading challenge.

"We are thrilled to launch this exciting reading initiative," said Mr. McCormick, Assistant Principal at Grover Cleveland Elementary. "Our goal is to encourage students to develop a love of reading and to improve their literacy skills. The 'Read and Grow Wild' challenge is a fun and engaging way to motivate students to read more and to achieve their reading goals." The "Read and Grow Wild" Reading Challenge runs thru April 11th. Students are challenged to read 1,000 minutes during this time. The program includes various activities and incentives to keep students engaged, such as:

• Have a minimum Grade Point Average

• Have acquired acceptance to or be enrolled

at a college, university, or trade school.

• Intend to enroll in a business, commerce,

The scholarship application and additional

technology, or trade-oriented curriculum.

All applications and supporting documentation

Scholarship recipients will be notified by

Friday, April 18th. Scholarships will be awarded

contact@rahwaychamberofcommerce.com.

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• Weekly challenges: Students participate in fun reading-related activities.

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to see who can read the most minutes.

• Class DOJO messages.

The "Read and Grow Wild" Reading Challenge is open to all district students. Grover Cleveland Elementary encourages families to support their children's reading efforts by creating a reading-friendly environment at home and read with them.



FAMILIES EMBRACE WINTER WITH PAINT & PAGES EVENT

Rahway Public Schools

Despite the chilly weather on Thursday, January 9th, many Rahway families bundled up and braved the cold to attend the Curriculum and Instruction Department's engaging "Paint & Pages" event.

The event, perfectly timed with the current winter season, featured a reading of Kevin

Henkes's beloved book, Winter is Here. Following the story, attendees unleashed their creativity by painting snowy and wintery scenes inspired by the book's illustrations.

The evening was made possible by the dedication of several Rahway Public Schools staff members. Special thanks are extended to Ms. Kathleen Bentley, Ms. Susan Garretson, Ms.



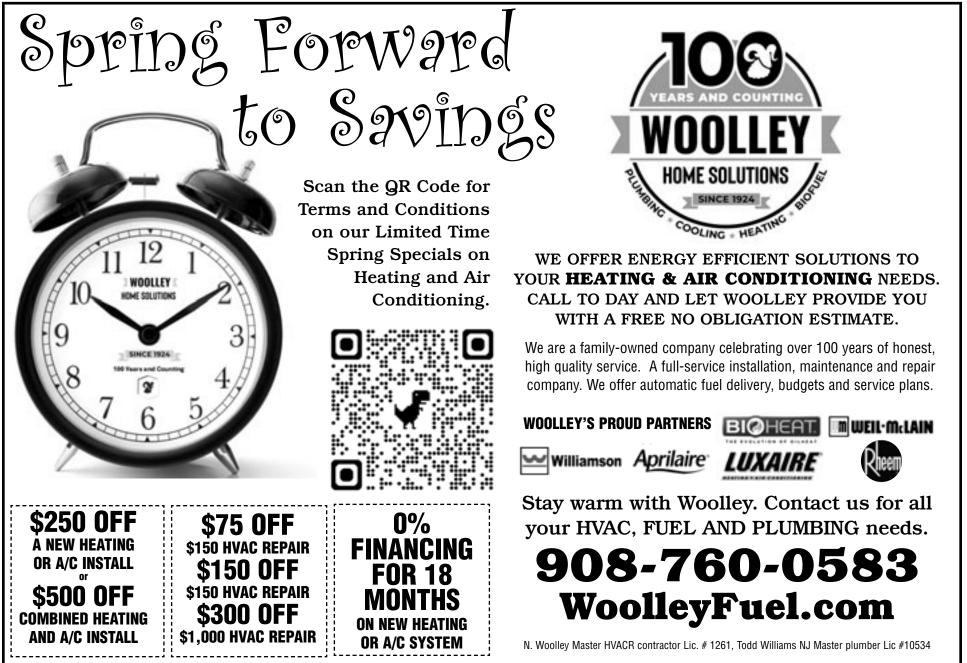
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Stephanie Holobinko, Ms. Stephanny Ramos, and Ms. Cindy Zatorski for their engaging readings of the book. Ms. Susana Monteiro and her team of high school student volunteers provided valuable assistance throughout the event. A special thank you is also given to Ms. Laura Gould, who expertly guided the young artists in creating their winter masterpieces.

Each family left the event with their finished artwork and a complimentary copy of Winter is Here, allowing them to continue enjoying the story at home. The event was a resounding success, with smiles all around.

"It was wonderful to see so many families come out and participate in this fun and educational event, despite the cold weather," said Dr. Tiffany Beer, Director of Curriculum & Instruction. "We are grateful to our dedicated staff and volunteers who made this event such a positive experience for our community."





DEUTSCHER CLUB HAD ROOTS IN RAHWAY

Submitted by Al Shipley, City Historian and Rahway Library Research Consultant

The 1937 City Directory gave Rahway's population as 17,500 and noted that the predominating nationalities of foreign born residents were Irish and German. This is not surprising, as from the earliest days in Rahway, going back to colonial times, newcomers from various countries including Germany were settling here. As the numbers of these groups increased and as time passed, their progeny became vibrant additions to the community and by the late 1800s nearly every ethnic group had established religious, business, and social institutions of their own. The Deutscher Club was started by Rahway citizens of German-American ancestry in 1935 and records indicate that another German club was actually organized 40 years earlier in 1895.

Throughout the history of our nation, emigrants came to this country looking for a better life. The German population in Rahway grew in the early and mid-1800s as emigrants came to the city to work in the carriage industry taking on jobs as carpenters, painters, blacksmiths, wheelwrights, and upholsterers. In the later years of the 1800s, at the height of emigration to America during the industrial revolution, large groups of German artisans came to the city to work in its many factories. Most of the workers at Gustave Brachausen's Regina Music Box factory were from Germany.

Once here, these new arrivals would seek family or friends whose backgrounds were similar. People have an affinity towards keeping together where they can feel a part of something and can share the traditions that make up their very beings. As the number of countrymen increased, it was natural that institutions were established to serve their needs. In 1852, German-Americans organized a Lutheran Church. St. Mark's Church, built in 1870, was a parish established for German Catholics. A German Presbyterian congregation was also formed. German owned shops became common throughout the city where families could feel more comfortable doing business. Hedeman's Bakery, Baumgartner's Deli, Feitz' Barber shop, Schupman's Market, and Kessling's Saloon were a sample of the names seen on signs that hung from store fronts.

After a long day toiling in factories and stores, it would not be surprising to find workers stopping in at a local tavern for a bit of libation before heading home. German workers might have frequented the tavern of fellow countryman August Giebelhaus located on the corner of Main Street and Elizabeth Avenue. Perhaps it was there that discussions about forming a German social club might have begun.

Newspaper accounts covering 1895-1905 indicate that a group of men of German ancestry organized Club Unter Uns in the fall of 1895 which had elected officers, regular scheduled meetings, and a program of social activities. The name loosely means "Our Club" or "Among Us" or "Between you and me and the gatepost." The club hosted picnics, masquerade balls, clambakes, and Christmas parties. Their larger



(above) The Eagles Building home of the Deutcher Club for 10 years, was located on Grand Avenue at the end of Irving Street.

Courtesy photos

social gatherings were held at Turn Hall located on the SE corner of Milton Avenue and Fulton Street. For whatever reason, Club Unter Uns must have disbanded as there are no articles that mention meetings or activities after 1905.

Interest in organizing another German club was growing by the 1930s, perhaps again as men gathered in establishments like Gruenwald's Deli on Irving Street where they could reminisce about their lives back in the old country. The sense of kinship that grew out of these impromptu gatherings led to the formation of the Rahway Deutscher Club. The first meeting was held at Greven's Hotel on West Cherry Street on Friday, September 27, 1935. The 25 men in attendance, elected Karl Kummer as their first president. The club's mission was to foster and provide cultural and social endeavors for German-American citizens both old and young.

By 1940, now with a membership of over 150, the club moved from Greven's into the larger Eagles Hall on Grand Avenue where they would meet for the next ten years. Like club Unter Uns, the Deutscher Club hosted all manner of social events including picnics, bus trips, song fests, card parties, movie nights, dances, and Christmas and New Year's Eve parties. Their biggest and most popular event was the annual vintage festival which was modeled after the Grape Harvest Festivals held in the Rhine wine land section of Germany. The festival offered a full



(above) Early meetings of the Deutcher Club were held in Grevens Hotel. Older Rahway residents remember the building as the Cross Keys Hotel.



(above) An invitation notice f or a social event hosted by Club Unter Uns.

day of singing German folk songs, dancing, and entertainment.

Membership in the club continued to grow and with a membership of 350 they once again had to look for larger quarters. They would find a home of their own in November 1950 when they purchased a 3 ¹/₂ acre site in Clark. Members who surveyed the property felt the rural expanse covered with beautiful trees and tall bushes reminded them of their homeland. They called it their "Waldeslust," their "Forest of Joy."

The club, which became the Deutscher Club of Clark after the move, reaches its 90th anniversary in 2025.

100 STUDENTS INDUCTED INTO HONOR SOCIETY

Rahway Public Schools

Rahway High School held its annual Honor Society Induction Ceremony on January 30, 2025. Over 100 students were inducted into nine separate honor societies. The honor societies included the National Art Honor Society (advised by Robert Flanagan), National English Honor Society (advised by Kimberly Sharrock-Shaw), National Italian Honor Society (advised by Rosemary Curcio), National Math Honor Society (advised by Leslie Breen and Samantha Nievas), National Honor Society (advised by Julie Koft and Kaitlyn Secor), National Spanish Honor Society (advised by Carmen Sierra), National Science Honor Society (advised by Julie Koft and Jason Nibauer), International Thespian Society (advised by Zachary Love), and Tri-M Music Honor Society (advised by Timothy Orton).



(above) The RHS Marine Corps Junior ROTC, under the direction of Gunnery Sergeant John Sardine and Master Sergeant Brian Gomez, presented the colors for the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by senior Brendan Gilliard's performance of the national anthem.



LENTEN ROSE (HELLEBORES)

Hellebores, commonly known as Lenten Rose of the sepals is often green-tinged, and most is a group of about 20 plants that are native to the Mediterranean and Baltic regions. They were called Lenten Rose because they bloom in late winter and spring.

If you are one of the gardeners that love to lift, move and transplant your plants, then Lenten Rose may not for you. Hellebores take a very long time to establish themselves after being planted. When planting one in your garden put them in a spot that they can stay for up to twenty years and both you and your Lenten Rose will be happy.

Lenten rose is hardy from Zone 9 to Zone 5 and colder areas when plants have winter protection such as good snow cover.

Mature plants can form clumps that are 18" to 24" tall and 24" to 30" wide. The glossy, deep green foliage can be quite variable in color and shape. The toothed, leathery foliage remains attractive throughout the growing season, remaining evergreen in mild climates and even persisting under snow, but decline over the winter.

Flower buds form during the previous summer, with the distinctive, 1-2" wide, longlasting flowers blooming in early spring with daffodils and tulips. Mature plants often have 50 or more flowers per plant. Blooms make good cut flowers and their seed heads add interest in dried arrangements.

Flowers of hellebore come in a rainbow of colors in both single and double forms. Flower's color ranges from pure white to a plum color bordering on black, with clear red, pink, yellow, green or cream; others speckled, spotted and mottled on the inside of the flower. The outside

flowers become greener as they age.

Lenten roses are an outstanding combination plant for adding color, texture, and habit to the ornamental shade garden, in areas between deciduous shrubs and under trees, or naturalized in woodland areas. Lenten rose combines well with other spring-blooming perennials. Later in the season the foliage provides a nice backdrop for hostas and other shade perennials. They are also excellent for planting on a hillside above a path where the downward-facing flowers can be viewed from below.

They are relatively drought tolerant once established but do best with consistent moisture. They are very sensitive to soggy soil, so the site must have good drainage. This plant requires little maintenance. The previous season's leaves will be dried and tattered after the winter and are best cut off at the ground as the flowers emerge in the spring. Fertilize in early spring, and mulch in winter in colder areas.

Hellebores have alkaloids in the leaves and seeds that can cause mild dermatitis in sensitive individuals, so gardeners should wear gloves when exposure might occur. These same alkaloids make the leaves undesirable to deer and rabbits, but slugs like their flowers. My gardening friends avoid planting them around pets.

– Susan Mahr,

University of Wisconsin - Madison

HAPPY GARDENING EVERYONE,

James

RAHWAY ENACTS NEW TREE ORDINANCE

SPRING BEGINS THURSDAY MARCH 20TH AT 5:01 AM

On July 8, 2024 the Rahway City Council voted to adopt new tree regulations to 'preserve and protect trees within the

City of Rahway'. This ordinance includes the trees on your private property.

'City trees' can only be removed by the Rahway Department of Public Works (DPW). If you have a concern about a street tree on your property line or a tree on city land, call Rahway submitted to the City Engineer's office. The DPW * and they will send an inspector to look at it. This regulation has not changed.

The City of Rahway has found that the indiscriminate and excessive cutting of trees causes increased surface water runoff and soil erosion which adversely impacts the general welfare of the inhabitants of Rahway. This causes increased municipal costs to control the drainage within the city.

Therefore, tree removal on private property is

prohibited unless a Tree Removal Application with the appropriate fee is submitted and approved by the OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER.

Rahway's City Engineer office is located in City Hall.**

If your tree is a Hazard Tree, a report must be filled out by a licensed tree expert and cost of this report is the responsibility of the property owner.

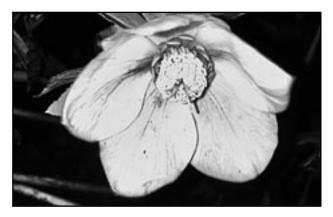
Enforcement of these provisions shall be performed by the Department of Engineering and Land Use during the course of ordinary enforcement duties.

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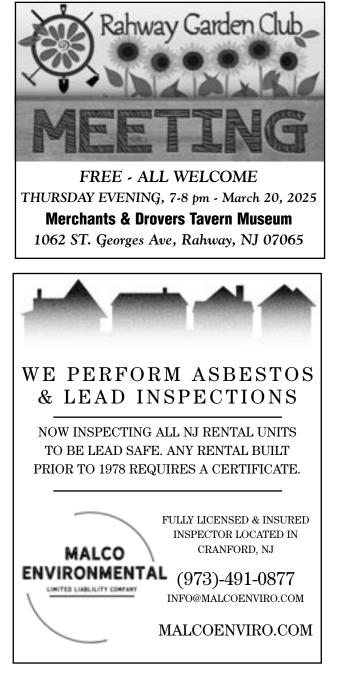
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(above) Past President of The Rahway Garden Club, James Keane, has been researching and answering garden questions since 1995. Visit 'Keane Gardener' blog at: keanegardener.blogspot.com



(above) Hellebores have a long flowering season from late winter until springtime.





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FIRST GRADERS PUBLISHING PARTY

Submitted by Colleen Kurdyla

Roosevelt Elementary School is proud to announce the publication of informational animal books written and illustrated by its first-grade students. This exciting project culminated with a publishing party where each student created their very own book, showcasing their research and writing skills.

The process began with each student choosing an animal to study. They then embarked on a research journey, gathering information and organizing their findings using graphic organizers. Students wrote rough drafts of their book pages, carefully crafting their thoughts into written form. Each page was then brought to life with original illustrations related to their chosen animal.

The students worked closely with their teachers, participating in one-on-one editing sessions to refine and polish their work. After

incorporating feedback and making final revisions, the students completed their unique informational animal books.

The culminating activity was a publishing party where students shared their books with classmates, teachers, administrators, district supervisors, and anyone who stopped by for a quick read. Students kept a log of who read their book, and each reader was able to leave a compliment and award a sticker.

This project not only fostered a love of reading and writing but also instilled in these young authors a sense of pride and accomplishment. The publishing party served as a wonderful celebration of their hard work and creativity, allowing them to share their newfound knowledge and passion for learning with the entire school community. These first-grade authors are now published and ready for their next literary adventure!



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ANNUAL CORNED BEEF DINNER – MARCH 9TH

Knights of the Columbus, Council #1142, will be having its annual corned beef dinner On Sunday, March 9th from 3 - 7 p.m., eat in or take out. Adults \$15, children under 10, \$10, includes coffee, tea, and desert. Dinner will be held at the Columbian Club hall located at the corner of Jaques St and Inman Ave. Rahway.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST – MARCH 16, 2025

Come to a Pancake Breakfast, hosted by the American Legion Auxiliary - Unit 102, on Sunday, March 16, 2025, at the American Legion Post 102, located at 112 West Elizabeth Ave., from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. This month's special will be Corned Beef Hash!

Donations: Adults \$8.00 / Seniors & Children \$7.00 / Ages 5 & Under Free. Take outs are available.

This event is open to the public, so come out and enjoy a home cooked breakfast, and support our veterans!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST -MARCH 22, 2025

Come one, come all to the VFW#1397 Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, March 22, 2025, for the VFW Post #1397, which will be held at the American Legion Post 102, located at 112 West Elizabeth Ave in Linden from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Donations: Adults \$7.00 / Seniors & Children \$6.00/ Ages 5 & Under Free. Take outs are available.

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