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The Sea Dogs, a group of privateer re-enactors, will bare their cutlasses at historic Twin Maples in Summit on Saturday, October 4 in two shows at 2 and 3 p.m. History buffs and the whole family will enjoy a brief lecture, exhibits of privateer artifacts and musical renditions of old sea shanties. Will the British arrive to chase the brave privateers? Come and see!

Tickets are available online at www.fortnightlyclub.org/ events-1/nj-privateers-the-american-revolution. Ticket prices are \$15 per adult and \$5 per child (3-12). Seating is limited. Free parking. No strollers, please.

The program takes place at Twin Maples, 214 Springfield Avenue, Summit, a site on both the New Jersey and National Historic Registers. The Twin Maples estate was built in 1908 in the Colonial Revival style. Its facade is reminiscent of the White House. The estate is owned by the Fortnightly Club of New

Proceeds benefit Twin Maples' historic preservation.

Later, on October 4 at 5 p.m. the Fortnightly Club of Summit will host a Colonial Tavern Night fundraiser featuring authentic colonial drinks and music with a colonial inspired appetizer and dessert buffet, featuring the Regimental Brewmeister and the Ministers of Apollo. Tickets for this event are available at fortnightlyclub.org for \$65 per person. Proceeds benefit masonry repairs of the Twin Maples terrace.

The Fortnightly Club has a full calendar planned for the coming year including a Designer Fashion ReSale event, a Twin Maples Ghost Hunt with New Jersey Paranormal, a Holiday Ceramics Workshop, breakfast or brunch with Santa at Twin Maples on December 6 and 7, the Battle of the Bubblies, Baking at Twin Maples and a Tranquility Workshop. For more information about upcoming events and to join the club go to fortnightlyclub.com.







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A LITTLE TASTE OF KENILWORTH - NOV. 8

"A Little Taste of Kenilworth" will be presented by the Kenilworth Historical Society on Sat., November 8, at 1 p.m., in celebration of Kenilworth's reputation as a favorite place for dining. The event, to be held at the Kenilworth Veterans Center (33 S. 21st Street), will offer attendees a taste of culinary specialties from more than a dozen popular participating establishments. There will be musical entertainment as well as a 50/50 raffle and a small gift auction.

Admission is \$30. Advance reservations (by October 25) are requested, as seating is limited.

"A Little Taste of Kenilworth" will be For information/reservations, please call 908-esented by the Kenilworth Historical Society 709-0434.

Proceeds from the November 8 event will benefit the Oswald J. Nitschke House "living history" museum and cultural arts center by helping defray operating and building expenses, including the cost of an elevator that makes the site fully accessible.

Any local restaurant/culinary business owner who is interested in participating in "A Little Taste of Kenilworth" but who has not yet committed to doing so is encouraged to call the Kenilworth Historical Society at 908-709-0434.

ATTIC SALE AT HISTORIC NITSCHKE HOUSE

-An Attic Sale featuring antiques, books, glassware, collectibles, crafts, linens and various other household items from the Kenilworth Historical Society's collection will take place at the historic (c. 1880) Oswald J. Nitschke House "living history" museum and cultural arts center on Sat., October 4, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Proceeds from the sale, which is being hosted by the Kenilworth Historical Society, will help defray the museum's operating expenses, including the cost of an elevator that makes the restored site fully accessible to everyone. Information about the Kenilworth Historical Society, the Nitschke House and upcoming events may be found on the organization's Facebook page.

The Kenilworth Historical Society is an

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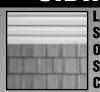


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WHAT, WHERE, AND WHEN IN OLD KENILWORTH

KENILWORTH'S DISAPPEARING HILLS – PART IV – FOUR MORE GONE

A discerning eye can still find remnants of two more hills that have gone from Kenilworth's landscape. One was on the east side of Michigan Ave. between Kingston and Monmouth avenues. The crest of a second was in the area of Oak St., Michigan Ave, and the top of N. 22nd St. running downhill to the end of the today's Boyd Ter. cul de sac.

A 1949 aerial photograph captures the area of the initial excavation for the first hill mentioned. Excavation appears to have commenced at the Monmouth Ave. area. It then continued north almost reaching the rear yards of older homes that already existed back then at what today are 729 to 735 Kingston Ave. Research to date has not determined where the dirt went. Research suggests that the hill was leveled to make is suitable to erecting new homes which commenced in the 1950s, and then most others into the 1960s.

One easily can find evidence of a segment of the hill. Take a ride past addresses 729, 733, and 735 Kingston Ave. The homes are on distinctly elevated properties – the foothills of the hill that no longer exists that were in their backyards.

were constructed in the period of 1928 to 1930, before the hill was almost fully obliterated during the ensuing years.

A photo taken about 1920 from College Hill (now Water Tower Hill) shows a hill in the short distance away somewhat along today's Oak St. The photo is a view looking downhill from the old Upsala College main building before much of College Hill itself was hauled away in the late 1940s. Pinpointing when the Oak St. area hill was reduced in size has not yet been established, but in the early 1950s, new homes were being built at the upper end of N. 22nd St. so that fact indicates that excavation took place before then.

Looking north from the N. 22nd St. barricade the street has a definitive incline indicating a slope toward the now gone-forever Oak St. hill. More of the hill's remnants were cut away about 10 years later in the early 1960s when Boyd Ter., a cul de sac off N. Michigan Ave., was developed. To complete the cul de sac and level the land at

According to Zillow.com, these older homes the end for house construction, earth was carted away. A visit there today gives view of the elevated back yards of homes on N. 22nd St.

> The third hill in this article once stood in the area of Lafayette Ave. pretty much off the east side of N. 17th St. It was commonly known as Johnson's Hill for a family in the area that at the time was very sparsely settled. It stood at 123 feet above sea level (ASL). A fourth hill shown on a topographical map was somewhat northwest of today's Water Tower Hill. It stood at 155 feet ASL. Research has not revealed when these hills were cut down or where the dirt went.

> Read the next issue of Kenilworth Business Life for the final segment about Kenilworth's hills. Research provided by Walter E. Boright, Ed. D., historian, and Historic Signs, Inc. including data from the G. H. Cook Topographical Map of 1888. Persons with inquiries about this, or other Kenilworth history topics, may contact Dr. Boright at drbori@aol.com or 908-256-5200.



(above) Arrow points to hill near Oak and N. 22nd streets from Upsala campus, ca. 1920. Source: Historic Signs, Inc.



(above) Elevated Kingston Ave. homes built on slope of hill that once stood there.

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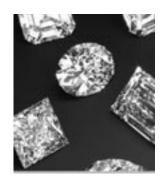
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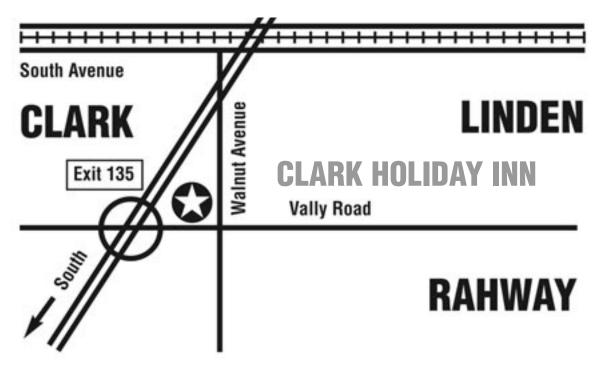
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The Kenilworth Historical Society

Visitors to Kenilworth's historic Oswald J. Nitschke House (c. 1880), at 49 South 21 Street, on October 18 and 19 will experience everyday life in a developing late 19th-/early 20th-century suburb through enlightening, interactive, multicultural "living history" and garden programs, activities and exhibits, including a replica late 19th-/early 20th-century children's bedroom and schoolroom and a tribute to the community's first acting postmaster, John Hiller Jr. Artifacts from Hiller's late 1800s general store/post office will be on display (in view of this year's 250th anniversary of the U.S. Postal Service).



(above) The historic Oswald J. Nitschke House (c. 1880) at 49 South 21 Street, Kenilworth, N.J., will be open to the general public on Oct. 18 and Oct. 19 (12-5 p.m.), during Union County's annual historic sites tour, "Four Centuries in a Weekend." Multicultural living history and garden programs, exhibits and music at the Nitschke House will be offered. Guided tours of the Nitschke House will be offered in both English and Spanish. Admission is free.

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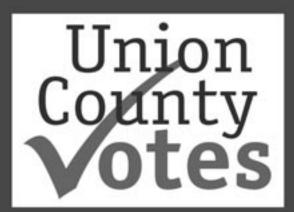
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please call 908-709-0434.

program and exhibits have been made possible in research, preservation and interpretation of the part by the New Jersey Historical Commission, a 2025 HEART (History, Education, Arts and culture.

Activities will be offered to the general public Reaching Thousands) Grant from the Union Division of Individual and Family Support Services].

The Kenilworth Historical Society is an independent, volunteer-based, non-profit, tax-Various aspects of the Nitschke House exempt, 501c3 organization dedicated to the historic Oswald J. Nitschke House, local history



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Sharing the spotlight will be 80 gifted artists and designers including several nationally recognized for their award winning accomplishments; many traveling from across the U.S., from as far as California and Florida. Guests will enjoy work never before seen on the East Coast. The fair could be called a weekend "Off-Broadway production" - with a great cast, many stars, with several booths designed like stage sets.

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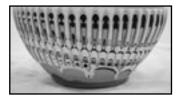
An incredible selection of ceramics, independent fashion artists, fine woodworking, jewelry, paintings, mixed media, Illustration, photography, and art glass - from \$25 keepsakes to Michael Alexander's \$10,000 masterpieces.

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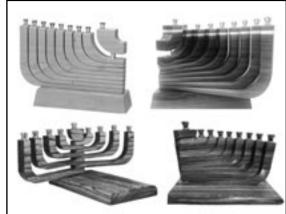




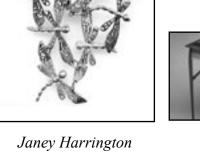
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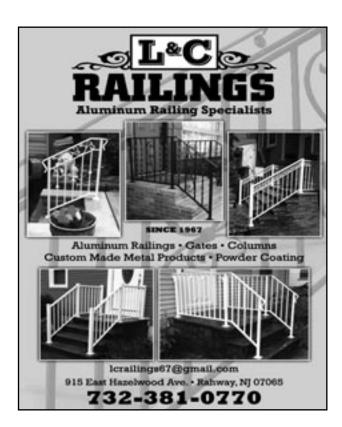
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(above, left)Richard Stillman - German Heritage program, (above, right) Read To A Dog - Savor, Standard Poodle

OCTOBER SPECIAL EVENTS

Registration is required for all special events. Lego At The Library for Ages: 4 – 12

3:30pm - 4:00pm on Thursdays **October 2 & 30**

Build with Lego bricks and design your own creations. Registration is not required.

BOOGIE WOOGIE BABIES for ages: 0 - 4

10:30am - 11:00am on Tuesday, October 7 Interactive musical program REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

YOGA STORY TIME for ages

2 - 5.: 10:30am - 11:00am on Wednesday, October 8

Join us for stories and yoga poses for the youngest listeners and their caregiver. This program will be presented by certified yoga instructor Heather Valente

Diwali Celebration for Ages: 6 - 12

4:00pm - 5:00pm on Thursday, October 9 An interactive demonstration of the ancient Hindu art form of Rangoli.

Children will have an opportunity to participate in this event. Presented by Purvi Shah. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

SPACE IS LIMITED. **Read To A Dog**

4:00pm - 5:00pm on Tuesday, October 14 For early beginning readers and those who are learning to read. Young, reluctant, or struggling readers are encouraged to register for this program and read aloud for 15 minutes with a certified therapy dog, Savor. Registration is required.

Special Event Story Time for Ages: 3 - 8

6:30pm - 7:00pm on Tuesday, October 14 Join us for a special story time featuring local children's author Tara Tomczyk. Children will listen to the author read her new book, Oh No, Rosco! and participate in a craft related to the story.

Exploration Stations for Ages: 1 - 4

10:30am - 11:30am - Wednesday, October 15 Join us for a Toddler Sensory Play experience. This program will be presented by Esu Tedino REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. SPACE IS LIMITED.

Italian American Heritage Month Celebration: Ages: 4 – adult

7:00pm - 8:00pm on Thursday, October 16 Join us as for an evening featuring traditional Italian music, dance and costuming. Registration is required.





(above) D'Italia Programs - Italian Heritage program, Author Tara Tomczyk with her dog Rosco

Oktoberfest Celebration or ages 4 – adult

7:00pm - 8:00pm on Tuesday, October 21. Interactive program celebrating German heritage. Participants will enjoy songs sung in German and English, traditional dancing and the playing of varied musical instruments.

Halloween Magic Show for Ages: 4 - adult

7:00pm - 8:00pm on Thursday, October 23 An exciting & interactive magic show!

GOOD TYME STRING BAND

10:30am - 11:00am - Wednesday, October 29. Children are welcome to wear their Halloween costumes to this event. All ages are welcome to attend and enjoy foot tapping knee slapping banjo music.

Six Week Cursive Handwriting Workshop 5:00pm - 6:00pm

beginning on Tuesday, September 30 Children who are currently attending fourth and fifth grade are welcome to register for this 6 week program. Children must be available to attend all 6 weeks. Registration is required.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Paper Pals

Tuesday, October 21 at 2-4pm and Monday, October 7 at 6:00 – 7:30pm Card making group "Paper Pals." You don't need any paper crafting experience to join.

Yarnies

Thursdays, October 2, 9 & 23 at 2-4pm and on October 30 at 6-8pm

You don't need any crafting experience to enjoy these creative explorations. Feel free to bring a project to work on. Watch demonstrations of knitting, crocheting and weaving.

Spin - A - Yarn

Tuesday, October 28 at 5:00pm - 7:30pm Bring your spinning wheel or drop spindle and create beautiful yarns! If you don't have a wheel, you are still welcome to join us to learn about spinning.

Weave with us

Monday, October 6, 2025 - 5-7:30pm Join us and enjoy the company of fellow weavers. Bring your portable loom! Beginners welcome. This event is open house style.

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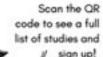
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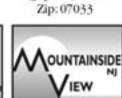
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Data from the U.S. Small Business Administration has shown that small business owners with an established mentor have twice the success rate – 70 percent versus 35 percent – as those who do not have a mentor.

In conjunction with National Military Appreciation Month in May, SCORE, a national nonprofit organization that assists small businesses, has developed specific resources for use by its 10,000 mentors nationally in mentoring SCORE mission." veterans.

The SCORE Veterans Small Business Resource Guide features veterans-specific resources to offer insight on developing a business plan, securing funding, starting a business, buying an existing business, buying a franchise, connecting with one of SCORE's volunteer mentors, and gaining a better understanding of business through webinars and workshops.

"Volunteering at SCORE is my way of showing appreciation to those who helped and guided me during my career while sharing my background and experience to help entrepreneurs succeed," said SCORE Mid-Atlantic Regional Vice President Ed Coleman. "While I enjoy working with all SCORE clients, as a U.S. Army veteran, I particularly enjoy working with veterans to translate their military experience into entrepreneurship. Helping clients realize their dreams is very gratifying and the essence of the

SCORE Central Jersey Chapter Chair Nancy Verduin said mentors continually expand their knowledge base to better assist veterans on their entrepreneurial journey.

"Military transitioning from active duty have different needs than civilians in terms of starting a business," said Verduin. "It's wonderful to have veterans' resources at our volunteers' fingertips to aid in mentoring our service men and women."

Veterans account for about 10 percent of SCORE's client base. Veterans own 10 percent of small businesses and 14 percent of franchises. Since franchisors have a defined plan of what the business should entail, veterans represent the perfect franchisee given their ability to effectively execute plans as intended.

Nationally, veterans own nearly 2 million businesses, employing more than 5 million Americans, and generating more than \$1 trillion in annual income. Of those, 40 percent of veteran-owned businesses generate more than \$500,000 in annual revenue.

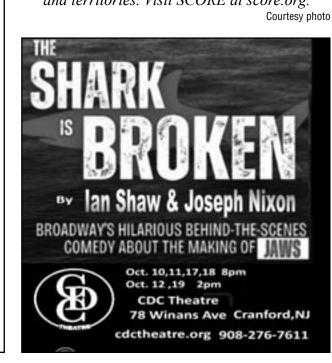
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