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The day-long event featured arts and crafts vendors, activates for children, food vendors and music by The Nerds and a DJ.



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Docents will offer continuous tours of the house and barn, including new exhibits in both buildings; souvenirs and refreshments will be available. Admission is free.

For details, please call Barbara La Mort at 908-687-0048.

### HISTORIC PUB CRAWL

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at noon for its first Historic Pub Crawl, stopping at inns/taverns

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For \$70 per person (\$20 of which is a tax-deductible donation to the UTHS), guests will be transported by (motor) coach from Burnet Middle School to the Grain House in Basking Ridge, the Black Horse Tavern in Mendham, and the Ryland Inn in Whitehouse Station. At each stop, light pub fare will be provided with a cash bar available. We will return to the Burnet parking lot at 5 pm.

To make reservations, call 908-687-7468.

## IS THE CALDWELL PARSONAGE HAUNTED?

Come see the evidence and decide for yourself! On Saturday, October 24, 2015, from 6:45 to 7:45 and again from 8:15 to 9:15 pm, members of New Jersey Paranormal will describe the results of investigations they've conducted in the Parsonage, 909 Caldwell Avenue, Union. Then they'll lead audience members on their own ghost-hunting expedition through the house.

To purchase tickets at \$10 each, please call 908-591-4377. Leave a message, and your call will be returned promptly. (Proceeds will benefit the Parsonage, which is listed on the National and State Registers of Historic Places.)

During each session, the New Jersey Paranormal staff will: Explain how an investigation is conducted; demonstrate equipment used during an investigation; show video evidence from the Parsonage investigation and their other investigations; and lead a tour through the building, during which visitors may take pictures with their own digital devices to potentially capture orbs.



To learn more about New Jersey Paranormal, visit the website, [newjerseyparanormal.com](http://newjerseyparanormal.com) or search on Facebook (New Jersey Paranormal). For additional information about the Parsonage, the history of Union, or the Union Township Historical Society, go to [www.unionhistory.org](http://www.unionhistory.org) and [www.uniontwphistoricalsociety.webs.com](http://www.uniontwphistoricalsociety.webs.com).

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The Gateway Family YMCA – Wellness Center Branch hosted a graduation ceremony for the first class of nine graduates from LIVESTRONG at the YMCA, a twelve week wellness and recovery program for cancer survivors. The graduation was held at the Wellness Center Branch, 1000 Galloping Hill Road in Union, NJ.

LIVESTRONG at the YMCA is a nationally recognized twelve-week, small group wellness recovery program designed for adult cancer survivors; it is collaboration between the LIVESTRONG Foundation and selected YMCA's across the country. This program fulfills the important need of supporting the increasing number of cancer survivors who find themselves in the transitional period between completing their cancer treatment and the shift to feeling physically and emotionally strong enough to attempt to return to their normal life or their "new normal". "Our goal is to help participants build muscle mass and muscle strength, increase flexibility and endurance and improve functional ability," stated Paul Mickiewicz, Wellness Center Branch Executive Director. Additional goals include reducing the severity of therapy side effects, preventing unwanted weight changes and improving energy levels and self-esteem. A final goal of the program is to assist participants in developing their own physical fitness program so they can continue to practice a healthy lifestyle, not only

as part of their recovery, but as a way of life. In addition to the physical benefits, LIVESTRONG at the YMCA provides participants a supportive environment and a feeling of community with their fellow survivors, YMCA staff and members.

LIVESTRONG at the YMCA Coaches work with each participant to fit the program to their individual needs and are trained in the elements of cancer, post rehab exercise and supportive cancer care. One participant thanked her coach, stating "Thank you for opening the doors of your heart and giving us joy, gentleness, vision, courage and most especially HOPE."

"Through LIVESTRONG at the YMCA, we are able to offer those who have been diagnosed with cancer the support they need to build both emotional and physical strength," stated Krystal R. Canady, CEO, The Gateway Family YMCA. The twelve week program is offered at no cost to the participant and is open to the community.

For more information on The Gateway Family YMCA or the LIVESTRONG at the YMCA program, visit [www.tgfymca.org](http://www.tgfymca.org) or contact Lexy Anderson at the Wellness Center Branch, 908-349-9622.



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## UNION AUTHOR TO DISCUSS HIS BOOKS

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Richard J. King, a lifelong resident of Union, has been aggressively researching the history of the Rahway Valley Railroad. This railroad was a small, locally-owned, and family-operated line that only extended for 11.8 miles between Roselle Park and Summit, with a branch into Maplewood. Headquartered in Kenilworth, the railroad was a catalyst for industrial development in Union County between the years 1897 and 1992. The railroad connected with the Central Railroad of New Jersey in Cranford.

In partnership with the Garbely Publishing Company of Pompton Plains, NJ, King has written two books about the Rahway Valley Railroad, which cover the railroad's history from 1897 to 2009. King will give a presentation of the railroad's history, and its impact on the Township of Cranford and surrounding area. All are welcome to attend and King's two books will be available for purchase after the presentation.

Admission is free. To reserve your seat, call the Historical Society at 908-276-0082 or email us at [cranfordhistoricalsociety@verizon.net](mailto:cranfordhistoricalsociety@verizon.net). Visit our website at [www.cranfordhistoricalsociety.com](http://www.cranfordhistoricalsociety.com).



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# BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY

Summer is over, school has begun and children have returned to the classroom.

With all of the excitement related to back to school, sometimes important things can be overlooked. The Township of Union Police Department urges students, parents, and especially drivers to be aware of the increase in vehicular and pedestrian traffic. Parents should take time to review the basic safety rules with children, including the routes they should be taking to and from school and the locations of school crossing guards.

Encourage use of the same route each day. Young children should be advised of basic safety rules, including the importance of not talking to strangers.

Parents who drive students to school should remember to pull up to the curb before letting children out and only park in designated areas around schools. Disregard of parking regulations, especially around schools, can create dangerous situations for both drivers and children.

Sergeant Robert Christie, Supervisor of the Union Police Department's Traffic Bureau feels children are never too young to learn good safety rules. "Learning how to stay safe is something that can be fun and doesn't have to be frightening," advises Christie. "Children need to be taught how to keep themselves safe as they grow and venture out into the expanded world of school and community, although the Police Department and other community helpers are there to provide assistance, parents are

often their child's first and best teachers in this area," added the Sergeant. Mayor Florio encouraged parents to sit down with their children and to advise them about basic safety

rules. "Parents are a child's best and first teacher when it comes to safety," stated Mayor Florio. "Safety should never be overlooked."

Parents of students who walk to school (Middle and High School students) should be aware that walking in the street rather than on the sidewalk is not only dangerous for the student, but is a violation of a traffic law 39:4-34. (Where sidewalks are provided it shall be unlawful for any pedestrian to walk along and upon an adjacent roadway.)

Parents of students who ride bicycles to school should know that any person under 17 years of age is required to wear a properly fitted and fastened bicycle helmet.

The safety of the students should be a concern of all, so following these rules will help make Union safe for the children on their way to and from school.

According to Union's Police Director, Daniel Zieser, the Department will be utilizing strict enforcement when it comes to motor vehicle and pedestrian violations. "Strict traffic enforcement and summoning of all violators is an effective tool in reducing motor vehicle accidents and protecting the safety of local residents, said Zieser. "The serious injury of one person due to disregard of traffic laws is one too many. We have to do everything we can as police officers to modify driving behaviors that are obvious causes of accidents and injuries," added the Director.

The Union Police Department also advises parents to discourage children from taking items of value to school such as cell phones, i-pods, mp-3 plays, expensive jewelry or other costly items. These items are often misplaced or can become the target of a theft.

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

The Friends of the Union Library are looking for new members who want to bring creative ideas and energy to our organization. Our mission is to create public interest in the Union Public Library, to promote increased knowledge and understanding of its services and needs, and to foster public support for the necessary development of said library so that it may serve adequately the needs of the community.

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Gala sponsors include: Altria, Law Office of Fred Shahrooz-Scampato, Kean University, and Elizabethtown Gas (AGL Resources). The evening will begin with a cocktail hour, as guests enjoy an open bar, photo opportunity, and

commemorative displays; followed by dinner and dessert. We are pleased to announce that Jim Clark, President & CEO of Boys & Girls Clubs of America, is our special guest and we will honor Where Angels Play Foundation.

A collection of unique gifts will be available for silent auction. Several prizes include Louis XIII cognac, Steve Weatherford (NY Giants) autographed cleat, 2 first class airline tickets on United Airlines, a 50" flat screen television, 4 Disney Park hopper passes, Allan Houston (NY Knicks) autographed basketball, Silpada sterling

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Tickets can be purchased online at bgcuc.org. We look forward to seeing you there!

## MILLENNIUM MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY

Millennium Martial Arts Academy has recently relocated to 2191 Morris Avenue in Union. The Academy was located on Liberty Avenue in Union for 13 years and recent construction forced them to move. The new location is bigger and better with parking facilities.

Roy McLean, owner and master head instructor, has been involved with martial arts since 1973, and has been helping adults and children reach their personal and fitness goals. With over 22 years of teaching children, Roy has learned how to give students a fun, safe and nurturing environment where they can make mistakes without fear of embarrassment. Students are guided according to their means and abilities to higher levels of achievement in a program that has been specifically designed to promote personal advancement, and that builds successful futures for those who are willing to make the commitment.

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*Those of you who have suffered from low back pain know all too well what this means.*

Anyone with a history or a predisposition to lower back pain is a prime candidate for an episode of it during the Holiday Season. It begins with raking leaves and putting out the Fall decorations, the giant turkeys, stringing up the lights or a Christmas tree, the unending shopping, and heaven forbid shoveling snow!

What can you do to prevent back pain from spoiling the holidays? Just follow a few simple guidelines explains Dr. Victor M. Fano, a local Chiropractic Physician.

For starters, Dr. Fano says, "try to think of what it is your about to do before you do it. Be aware of what task is ahead of you. Quick, sudden movements may make you unstable and can cause injury to muscles, ligaments, and even the discs of the spine. Twisting motions of the torso, particularly with carrying heavy or awkward loads, such as a big turkey, are the most dangerous for your lower back", explains Dr. Fano. "This causes a wrenching or wringing of the disc and could potentially result in injury. When turning, your feet should always lead or point in the direction you wish to go", this he explains, will help to avoid and prevent those twisting motions of the torso.

Secondly, Dr. Fano notes "whenever lifting objects of considerable weight (twenty pounds or greater), hold them as close to the body as possible", this will reduce the leverage or force put on the lower back muscles. A good tip is to always slide the object as close to you as possible before lifting it. This keeps the object near your center of gravity, preventing strain on the lower back muscles. If the object is on the floor, use a squatting technique to lift it, bending at the knees and keeping the back straight. Dr. Fano is quick to point out that the leg muscles are some of the most powerful muscles in the human body, far stronger than those of your lower back. He advises you to lift by pushing with your legs, not by using you back muscles (strain) are some of the most common type of injuries seen in Dr. Fano's practice.

When getting out those stored away decorations, Dr. Fano cautions you not to reach for objects higher than chest level. Rather, use a step-stool to bring the object closer to the waistline. This keeps the object nearer your center of gravity and reduces your chances for losing your balance and injuring yourself. If the object you wish to move is awkward, like a couch or large chair, have someone help you to prevent sudden load shifts while carrying the object. "It's better to plan ahead than to risk injury", says Dr. Fano.

Lastly, if you are traveling this Holiday Season, when carrying luggage or packages, balance the load evenly. If only carrying or pulling one bag, occasionally shift the bag from side-to-side to prevent overuse or strain on one side of your body. Following these general guidelines should help you to avoid back injury and help you to enjoy the Holidays. "With all the medical advances to date", notes Dr. Fano, "prevention is still the best treatment".

Dr. Victor M. Fano is a Chiropractic Physician with Union Medical, LLC located at 2182 Morris Ave. in Union, NJ. Dr. Fano is also a Certified American Red Cross Instructor for their "Protect Your Back" program. Union Medical employs both Medical and Chiropractic physicians who work together to identify and treat injuries of the muscles, joints and nerves.



If you or someone you know would like more information or a thorough evaluation by the team of physicians at Union Medical, LLC, please call (908) 851-2666. Mention this article and receive a complimentary consultation (\$175 Value).

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On Sunday, November 8, 2015 at the Crane-Phillips House Museum, Union resident, Richard J. King will discuss his books, "Just A Short Line, The Story of the Rahway Valley Railroad, Volume I: History of the Line 1897-1950 and Volume II: History of the Line 1951-2009" at the Crane-Phillips House Museum from 2:00-4:00 pm. Program begins at 2:15pm.

Richard J. King, a lifelong resident of Union, has been aggressively researching the history of the Rahway Valley Railroad. This railroad was a small, locally-owned, and family-operated line that only extended for 11.8 miles between Roselle Park and Summit, with a branch into Maplewood. Headquartered in Kenilworth, the railroad was a catalyst for industrial development in Union County between the years 1897 and 1992. The railroad connected with the Central Railroad of New Jersey in Cranford.

In partnership with the Garbely Publishing Company of Pompton Plains, NJ, King has written two books about the Rahway Valley Railroad, which cover the railroad's history from 1897 to 2009. King will give a presentation of the railroad's history, and its impact on the Township of Cranford and surrounding area. All are welcome to attend and King's two books will be available for purchase after the presentation.

Admission is free. To reserve your seat, call the Historical Society at 908-276-0082 or email us at

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Tuesday, October 6 at 7:00 PM – 8:15 PM

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### OFF THE SHELF BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Thursday, October 15 at 7:00 – 8:15 PM

Now in its 16th year! October's selection, "Open City: A Novel" by Teju Cole will be discussed. Contact the Reference Desk for help in obtaining a copy of the book. New members welcome.

### "THE ARK, THE GRAIL,

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## OCTOBER EVENTS

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#### Part 2:

Monday, October 19th, 6:00 p.m. – 7:45 p.m. Dr. Lewis-Mosley will discuss, "What's in a Name?" and "Who are Your People?"

### HILTON READERS BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Monday, October 26th at 6:00 p.m. – 7:45 p.m. to discuss "Yellow Crocus" by Laila Ibrahim. Bring dinner. Beverage and dessert are provided. Please contact the Vauxhall Branch Library Circulation Desk for help obtaining a copy of the book. All are welcome to attend. No registration required.

### CHILDREN

#### BEDTIME STORY TIME

Monday, October 5th at 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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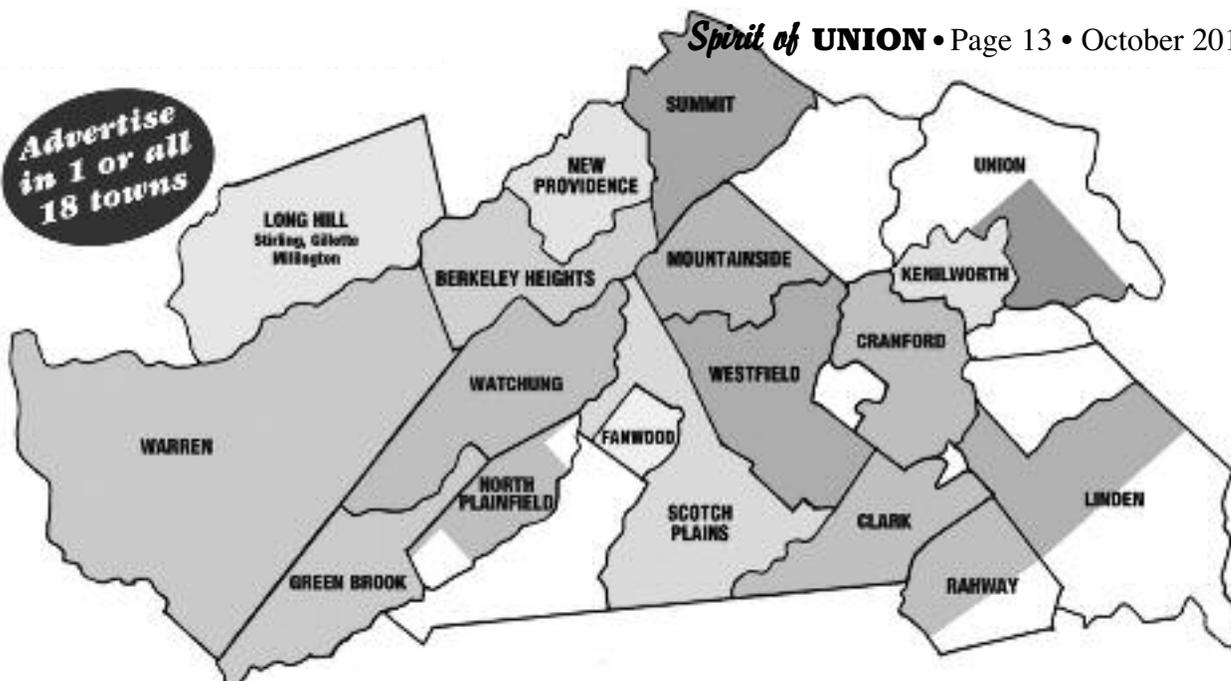
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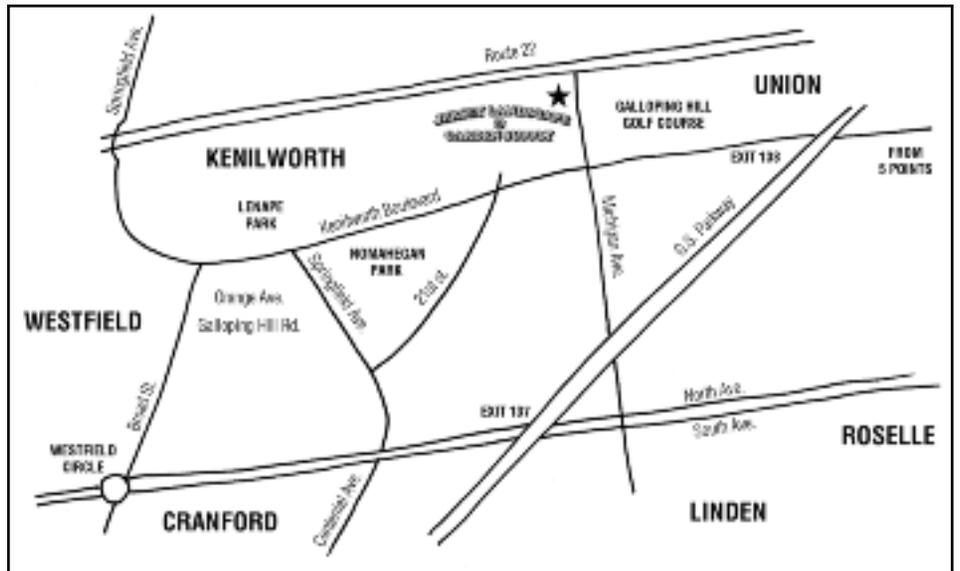
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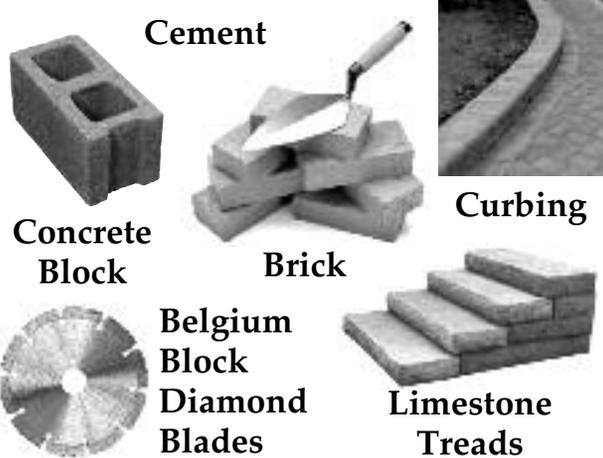
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**Elegant, modern, fresh, executed with care and confidence. HIBACHI Grill Supreme Buffet brings together 250+ of fresh-made Asian dishes in eleven buffet bars.**

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