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## NEXT CHAMBER MEETING

**JUNE 23, 2011**

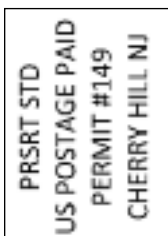
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## MEMORIAL PARADE

**SUNDAY MAY 29th**

**(DETAILS ON PAGE 13)**



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## MASTER ZHANG WOWS THE CROWD

*Multi Talented Master of Martial Arts Opens Rahway School*

Master Zhang Wei Dong, a guest at the Chamber's April 28th general membership meeting, performed a short Tai Chi form and Baguazhang form to the delight of all in attendance.

Master Zhang, internationally respected martial artist and teacher, is head instructor at the newly opened Zen Martial Arts and Meditation Center of Rahway located at 1491-95 Main Street in downtown. The school teaches Children's' Martial Arts, Yang Style Tai Chi and Push Hands and Great Compassion Fist or Zen Boxing. Most group classes are held on weekends.

"The Center provides a safe, clean and positive environment for all ages to experience all aspects of the martial arts" noted the Center's Vice-President Ken Leung. Information can be obtained by calling 917-832-0128.



photo by Clea Carchia

## MARY PETER SELECTED "OUTSTANDING RAHWAY SENIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR FOR 2010"

Mary Peter has been selected as "Outstanding Rahway Senior Citizen of the Year for 2010". This is the City's 14th year to recognize an outstanding senior citizen.

Mary was raised in Irvington and has lived on Oak Street in Rahway for the past 47 years. She has 5 children and twelve grandchildren. Mary was nominated for this honor by the Rahway Service League where she has been President for the past four years and also served as Shop Manager at the Rahway Thrift Shop. Mary has been a member of the Rahway Service League for over 30 years and has been instrumental in many projects including playground equipment for Grover Cleveland School, new chairs for the Senior Center, Rahway Library security system and scholarships to Rahway High School students. The Rahway Service League has been giving scholarships to students at Rahway High School for over thirty years. She also helps prepare food baskets for families at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Mary is also a Charter member of the Union County Performing Arts Center. She became involved when the Theater was threatened to close and continues to usher at many of their events. She has been a Rolling Reader at Grover Cleveland for the past six years and volunteered as a dancer to entertain the troops with the USO.

Mary is a very active member of St. Mary's (Divine Mercy) Church. She was secretary of the Parish Council and currently assists the priests at services and is a Eucharistic Minister. She has visited patients at the Geriatric Center and is currently Co-President of the Rosary Society. She is also a member of Right to Life.

With all these commitments, Mary still finds time to enjoy her hobbies of reading, painting, dancing, traveling and bowling. These are some of

the numerous reasons why Mary Peter has been chosen as "Outstanding Rahway Senior Citizen" of the year 2010.

The purpose of this award is to publicly recognize and honor a Rahway Senior Citizen who has displayed exceptional service to the community. Mary will be presented with a resolution at a City of Rahway Council meeting. The Board of Trustees of the Rahway Senior Center chooses the recipient of this annual award. Rahway Senior Services is a Division of the City of Rahway Health & Senior Services.



*(above) Mayor Rick Proctor presented Mary Peter, Rahway Senior Citizen of the Year 2010 with a plaque on March 23, 2011.*

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## Message from the President

### WE NEED TO PROTECT AND MAINTAIN RAHWAY'S EXISTING STREET TREE STOCK

I took the "before" Irving Street tree photo on Arbor Day, Friday April 29. I took the "after" photo a few days later. Nobody in the neighborhood had any idea what was going to happen. In total, 7 mature, healthy flowering pear trees were sawed down for sidewalk improvements.

These seven trees made their home on our downtown streets for the last 30 years. As they matured they provided: shade and cooling during the summer; beauty of foliage in the spring and the fall; a home for the birds and the bees; a pleasing and softening look in a commercial neighborhood and when in leaf, each tree each year converted 50 pounds of carbon dioxide into oxygen.

It was explained to me that the old tree locations just didn't fit into the spacing and rhythm required by our City Engineer's new plan. That planning maybe appropriate for a brand new shopping center when you're starting from scratch, but certainly not in an old downtown. For those of us old enough to remember, the rhythm method didn't work very well for the Catholic Church nor should it rule decisions when improving older neighborhoods: you need to work around what you've got.

What can we do?

1st: Seriously implement Rahway's Green Building & Sustainability Master Plan Element which makes it a priority to "save trees that are threatened with redevelopment and routine street repairs, consulting a certified NJ arborist to help make these decisions".

2nd: Form a tree commission that is comprised of representation from City engineer, DPW, RPD Traffic Department, Environmental Commission, a Certified Arborist and interested residents. Many caring communities in New Jersey, like our neighbor Linden, have found that forming a

tree commission is the best way to go.

Lastly: Ask our town's residents and stakeholders for genuine input before taking actions that affect their neighborhoods and keep them informed of what is going to happen and when.

Sincerely, *Bob Markey*

Bob Markey, can be reached by calling 732-388-1765, by email at Bob@SaligaMarkey.com, or by mail at PO Box #277, Rahway, NJ 07065



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# CITY MEETING DATES & SCHEDULES

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## RAHWAY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, City Hall Plaza, Rahway. Please call (732) 827-2100 for any inquiries.

Tuesday, June 8, Pre-Meeting Conference  
Monday, June 15, Regular Meeting

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Monthly Caucus Meetings are held in the Louis R. Rizzo Board Meeting Room (room 105) of the Middle School at 7 p.m.

Board Meetings are held in the Cafeteria at 7 p.m. Organization Meeting begins at 7 p.m., Regular Meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. (Both in the Cafeteria). Please call (732) 396-1000 for any inquiries.

Tuesday, May 10, Reorganization Meeting & Regular Monthly Caucus  
Tuesday, May 17, Regular Board Meeting

## BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Meetings are held in the Municipal Council Chambers, 1 City Hall Plaza, Rahway, at 7:00 p.m. Please call (732) 827-2176 for any inquiries.

Monday, May 16

## LIBRARY BOARD

Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm at the Rahway Public Library. Please call (732) 340-1551 for any inquiries.

Tuesday, May 17

## PARKING AUTHORITY

Meetings are held at the Parking Authority offices at 67 Lewis Street, Rahway, on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Please call (732) 382-3279 for any inquiries.

Tuesday, May 24

## PLANNING BOARD

Meetings are held in the Municipal Council Chambers, 1 City Hall Plaza, Rahway at 7:00 p.m. Please call (732) 827-2176 for any inquiries.

Tuesday, May 24

## RAHWAY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. at Rahway City Hall (2nd floor conference room)

Thursday, June 9, 2011

## RAHWAY CENTER PARTNERSHIP

Meetings are held at 7 p.m. at Café at UCPAC, 1601 Irving Street. Please call (732) 396-3545 for any inquiries.

Check for meetings; [www.cityofrahway.com/rahway\\_center\\_partnership.htm](http://www.cityofrahway.com/rahway_center_partnership.htm)

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## RAHWAY REAL ESTATE SNAPSHOT

Currently there are 189 single family homes listed for sale in Rahway within the Garden State Multiple Listing System. Today's average list price is \$269,500 and the average days on the market is 176.

Since the first of this year 45 single family homes have sold and closed in our town and the average sales price for these properties was \$211,000.

The above number includes short sales and foreclosures. Also, the large snowfall kept many buyers homebound and prevented many showings. The Buying and Selling season is just getting ready to kick in high gear, so contact your local Realtor for assistance now



*This update was submitted by Rahway Chamber Board of Trustee member & Real Estate Broker Carmen T. McLendon of Striker Realty, 1582 Elizabeth Ave., Downtown Rahway, Carmen can be*

*reached by cell at 732-259-6361*



## WHY RENT WHEN YOU CAN BUY?

Colin and Michelle Edgar moved to the United States several years ago. They settled in Scotch Plains and rented a nice apartment. But after 5 years, one begins to wonder, where is all of my money going? If you pay \$1,000 per month to your landlord, after that amount of time, you will have given your \$60,000 down payment. The Edgar's wanted to move. This couple wanted a house. The grand colonials and vintage Victorians reminded them most of the homes they knew in their native Scotland.

They met Realtor Matthew Dobrowolski of

ERA Village Green on Brant Avenue in Clark. His favorite type of home? You guessed it: colonials and victorians. He showed them many homes in several cities. They even got into a bidding war on a fabulous colonial on Maple Ave. Alas, it was not meant to be. After a brief mourning period, they were back out looking again. Matthew showed them a gorgeous victorian which he had seen many years earlier. When he saw the listing price, Matt knew the Edgar's would be

getting a dream home for an amazing price. They saw it and fell in love as well. Its 4 bedrooms, huge eat-in kitchen and cozy fireplaces were just a few of the things that moved them.

This working couple loves their new city. With friends now surrounding them; Colin's job around the Corner; restaurants they frequently patronize downtown such as Flynn's; Rahway's newest residents are very happy.

Realtor Matthew Dobrowolski can be reached at ERA Village Green 732-381-7477 or email at MattDobes@aol.com



Friends of Rahway Library And The Rahway Library Board of Trustees present

## Amazing Rahway Race

*Solve clues, complete challenges, explore Rahway and race with friends!*



The Amazing Rahway Race is an adventure where teams of two to four people solve clues, complete challenges and race through downtown Rahway in order to be the first to cross the finish line.

WHEN: MAY 21st, 2011

WHAT TIME: 11:00am  
Race Day Registration:  
10:00-10:45am

WHERE: On steps outside  
Rahway Public Library

HOW MUCH: \$10 2 person teams  
\$15 3-4 person teams

\*Register at the Library or on race day outside Rahway library from 10:00am. Race begins at 11:00. Race day bib pick-up 10:00- 10:45 am.

\* For Race Info:  
\* email [amazingrahwayerace@yahoo.com](mailto:amazingrahwayerace@yahoo.com)  
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\*Proceeds will support the JA High School Heroes Program  
in the Linden and Rahway communities.

## LIBRARY PRESENTS THE RAHWAY AMAZING RACE

The Rahway Library Friends Group and Board of Trustees are proud to present the Rahway Amazing Race on May 21, 2011. The Rahway Amazing Race is an adventure where teams solve clues, complete challenges and race through downtown Rahway in order to be the first to cross the finish line. This experience will test your wits and ability to move quickly while discovering and exploring the uniqueness of the city.

Some clues require the use of a digital or phone camera, internet access at the library or on a smart phone and some spare change to navigate and complete the challenge. If you enjoy watching the Amazing Race, here is an opportunity to explore the city of Rahway and participate in a fun and exciting adventure.

You can pre-register for the race by going to the RPL website or register on race day from 10:00am – 10:45am at the Library. The race will begin at 11:00am on the steps of the Library. The cost for participation is \$10.00 for teams of 2-4 members and one member must be 18 years old. Teams are encouraged to dress alike or in customs. All proceeds of the Amazing Race will go the Friends of the Rahway Public Library whose mission is to support the library. Trophies will be given to the first, second, third place winners and the best team costume.



(above) Eric Miles (Center) a Rahway Public Library Board Trustee meets with Patti O'Mahoney (Left) and Joanna Miles (Right) who are members of the Friends of the Rahway Library.

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## RAHWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY MAY 2011 EVENTS

### CREATING AND EFFECTIVELY USING AN EMAIL ACCOUNT:

Presented by Middlesex County College.

Registration required.

Two sessions; you must attend both.

**Wednesday, May 18 at 6:00 pm**

**AND Wednesday, May 25 at 6:00 pm**

### READER'S CIRCLE BOOK GROUP:

This month's title: "The Camel Bookmobile"

Wednesday, May 18 at 2:00 pm

### BOOK BINGO: for ages 18+; everyone wins!

Tuesday, May 31 at 2:00 pm

## TEEN EVENTS

### SUMMER TEEN VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION: Mandatory!

Pick up a volunteer application at the Reference Desk.

Monday, May 16 at 7:00 pm

### ANIME CLUB:

Watch Funimation anime and enjoy a snack!

Monday, May 23 at 6:30 pm

## CHILDREN'S EVENTS

### TODDLER TIME:

No registration required.

Tuesdays 17 and 24 at 10:30 am

### LAP-SIT: Storytime for babies up to 18 months old

Wednesdays at 10:30 am

### MOTHER GOOSE ON THE LOOSE

Thursday 19 at 6:30 pm

### DROP-IN CRAFT: Memorial Day



City of Rahway  
Mayor Rick Proctor

**DIVISION OF PARKS & RECREATION**  
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**The 11th Annual Mayor's Trophy 5K Run**  
**One Mile Run/Walk & 100 yards Pee Wee Run**  
**Monday, May 30th, 2011**  
**\*\$1000 IN PRIZE MONEY\***

**DATE:** Monday, May 30, 2011 (Memorial Day - Rain or Shine)  
Rahway City Hall Complex  
3 City Hall Plaza, Rahway, New Jersey.

**TIME:** 9:00am 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk  
9:30am Pee Wee 100m Run  
9:45 Mayor's Trophy 5K Run & Wheelchair Athletes

**COURSE:** Out and back, Flat, Fast, Scenic. Traffic controlled,  
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Residents & Wheelchair Athletes, Male and Female.

**1 MILE AWARDS:** Trophies to the top three overall male and female

**REGISTRATION:** Pre-registration 5K by May 20, 2011 - \$15:00  
Pre-registration 1 Mile by May 20, 2011 - \$ 12:00  
Free for Pee Wee Runners. (Ages 6 and under)  
Post Registration: Mayor's Trophy 5K - \$20:00  
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## WATT WATCHERS

Gifted and Talented fourth grade students in Rahway have just completed a two day program titled "Watt Watchers" Mrs. Carol Wilson, from Wilson Educational Services in Connecticut, conducted the program. The Watt Watchers program taught the students to use academic skills to recognize problems of electricity waste in their school. Students worked in small groups, seeking to identify appropriate solutions to the problems found, to calculate the savings to be achieved by correcting the problems. They will be presenting their final report of findings and recommendations to Superintendent of the Rahway Public Schools, Edward L. Yergalonis. Pictured are Gifted and Talented fourth graders with their teachers Mrs. Debby Geis, Mrs. Margaret Cilia, and Mrs. Susan Rubino.



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Steve E. Knicks – drummer



Steve meets Joan Jett.

Steve with his niece Sarah and nephew Kenny



## STEVE ERDELAN: MUSIC IS MY ART - SEWERS IS MY JOB

Rahway native, Steve Erdelan has a real sense of humor when it comes to how he juggles the yin and yang of his work and his play. While holding the position of Sewer System Supervisor at the Rahway Department of Public Works, Steve is also a long-time musician and music archivist who is pragmatic in deciding which is more important. “It depends ... music can soothe the soul,” he says, “but when your sewer’s backed up you don’t want me to rush over and play you a song, right?”

His life-long love of the arts began when he was just a kid growing up in Linden with nothing to do. To keep him out of trouble, his mother looked at him one day and pronounced, “You’re a drummer.” Then she marched him down to the local music store and bought him his first set of drums. He started banging on them and hasn’t stopped. “Playing music is something I do just for the fun of it,” says Steve. “It’s a great pick-me-up and a way to make lots of friends.”

For the past 21 years, Steve has manned the station pump or been on call for sewage emergencies so committing to a serious music career would have been impossible. He made the decision early on to look elsewhere to make a living so that his love of writing and making music could remain a pure pleasure. “If it’s something you’re gonna want to do for your whole life, you gotta pace yourself.”

Steve’s taste in music lends itself to hard rock and jazz but over the years he’s played in a wide range of local bands from “Punk Rocker Overdrive” and “That 70’s Band” to the “Polkats”, a two-man polka band he formed with his then-boss at the old American Flange steel plant.

Nowadays, he teams up with partner Joe Danker in a classic rock party band they call “I Loathe Lucy” that plays around town at private parties and local events, like his own sister’s wedding. Joe builds his own guitars, basses and amps to create a unique sound that they record in their own studio under the equally unique name of “Lighten Up, Francis.”

Perhaps one of the biggest perks he’s experienced with his devotion to music has been his penchant for bumping into rock legends. “I always find myself in the company of people like Joan Jett, Meatloaf, Ted Nugent and Jewel”, remarks Steve, “I even bumped into Michael Jackson. TWICE. Once in the Garden when I had stolen his seat and once in a little music store on Wood Avenue of all places.” It appears that the late King of Pop was looking for a small store he could shop in quietly and, before he left, racked up a \$900 purchase of his own Michael Jackson merchandise.

Steve recently surprised Tommy Chong, of Cheech and Chong fame, with a dub of a rare recording of the comedy duo’s very first radio interview. As he looks to the future, one day he hopes to open an archival research center offering up his collection of over 2,500 music recordings and memorabilia for others to study and enjoy.

Rahway’s arts and music scene gives him hope, especially seeing younger artists leaving cyberspace for awhile to perform live music. “Creativity is so important,” says Steve E. Knicks (his current rock drummer pseudonym.) “It can save your life.”

*This article and photos submitted by Francesca Rizzo*



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## 1st CHAMBER NETWORKING EVENT A GRAND SUCCESS

Over 45 guests attended a free networking event that was held on Tuesday April 19 at the Waiting Room.



(above, l-r) Waiting Room  
owner and Chamber Trustee  
Chris Wenson & Bob Brown  
of Handyman Carpentry.



(above) Sean  
Crawford of  
Smoker's Den.



(above, l-r) Josh Donovan, Linda Chandler,  
Carmen Tyler McLendon, Jason Pressman.



(above, l-r) Michael Smanko, Deborah Dadds,  
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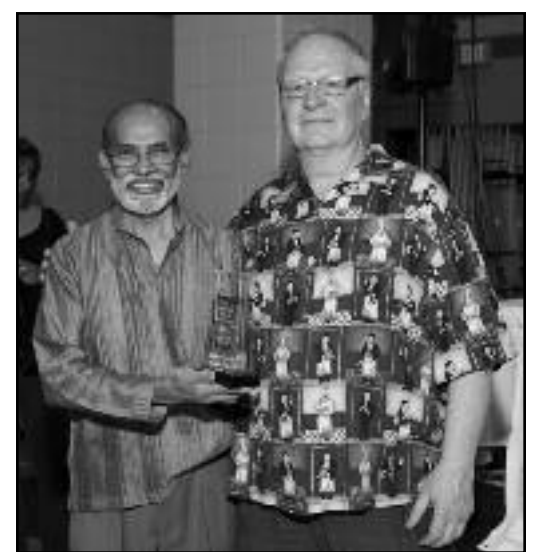
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(above) Chocolate display at My Sweet George Divine Candies.



(above) Young "Tasters" enjoys the day.



(above) Rahway newbie Patria won best presentation.



(above) Taste-goers, led by Terry Jeter, dancing to the music of On Fire Entertainment.



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(right, l-r) Melinda Maysonet-Youth Group Coordinator, Sgt. Ricky Calderon, Marquis Arrue Pastor of Spanish Ministry. Bottom from left: Church youth Jose, Luis, Alyssa, Mariah (Photo courtesy of the Rahway Police Department)



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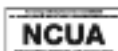
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(above) Students at Roosevelt School in Rahway celebrated Earth Day by planting a tree on the front lawn of their school.


(left) Students dig the hole.

(right) School Principal Rocco Collucci and students celebrate Earth Day.

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*Student-Athletes Win Full Tuition College Scholarships*

Rahway High School's Track and Field team is more than about winning championships; it's about changing lives and creating opportunities. So when seniors Al-Raji Winbush, Brian Pyrus and Cary Jones signed National Letters of Intent on Monday, April 25, it was a proud day in Rahway.

"As custodians of this program, we strive to develop the entire student-athlete. Our goal is not to simply win championship titles, but to build young men and women who can be productive members of society. We focus on building character and developing each team member's true potential as a student-athlete. We use athletic talent to create post-secondary educational opportunities at a reduced-cost to the parents," says head coach Gary Mobley.

Winbush and Pyrus, both All-Union County athletes, signed full-tuition scholarships to Neosho College in Kansas. Jones, one of the state's top throwers, signed a full-tuition scholarship to Iowa Western. They are the second, third and fourth athletes to sign athletic scholarships this year. Senior Jeremy Antivo signed a full-athletic scholarship with American International College in February.

"All of the hard work has paid off, thanks to my coaches and teammates that have pushed me the whole way. Our coaches have taught us that our primary focus isn't just winning rings. Our focus is to develop as student-athletes and use our athletic gifts to reach our fullest potential. Getting this scholarship is a testament that hard work really works," says Pyrus.

"We've been pretty successful at what we do.

In the last six years alone, our girls have won three state titles and three county titles. Our boys have won three county titles and six state titles. In addition, we've had eighteen athletes receive scholarships to colleges ranging from Southwest Mississippi to the University of Connecticut," says assistant coach Leon Bunion. "It's a tough job, but it is very rewarding to see our athletes use their gifts to further their education."

Rahway High School Interim Principal John Farinella says, "I want to wish our athletic scholarship recipients continued success in their academic and career pursuits! I am confident that they will maintain the solid work ethic in their college years and beyond. Congratulations to Coach Bunion and to Coach Mobley for inspiring excellence on the field and in the classroom."



(above, l-R) Rahway High School Track athletes Al-Raji Winbush, Brian Pyrus and Cary Jones sign National Letters of Intent on Monday, April 25.

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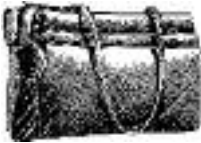
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