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(above) Arts Guild New Jersey is a non-profit center for the arts located at 1670 Irving St. at Seminary Avenue in the Downtown Arts District of the City of Rahway.

Arts Guild New Jersey presents a yearly program of fine art exhibitions as well as three semesters of multi-week art classes for adults, teens and children, one-day workshops for adults, summer art workshops for kids, and a variety of secondary art and cultural events, such as lectures and seminars.

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Most of my message's banner was borrowed from a recent Wall Street Journal editorial. The article by Conor Dougherty describes the efforts of Chris Mead of Alexandria, Virginia at writing a book for the last five years about the little known influences of Chambers of Commerce in this country. Mead says in part, it was the Atlantic City Chamber of Commerce that created the Miss America Pageant; the St. Louis Chamber that had Lindbergh's plane named the Spirit of St. Louis; the Chicago Chamber collected financials on Al Capone that led to his imprisonment, and the Chamber at White Lake-Bethel, New York had the permit that allowed the Woodstock 1969 Music Festival to happen

Our Rahway Chamber has yet to claim such influence and notoriety; however we've been a mover and shaker in our community since we re-formed just over two years ago. Over one hundred businesses and organizations and residents have joined together for the betterment of our community and are active members in our organization. Over the last two years we've hosted numerous and extremely successful free Business Networking parties, sponsored holiday contests, over a dozen action packed General Membership meetings open to the public, created and sponsored the now annual Rahway Day Celebration, published the 7th edition of the Rahway Business Directory with an online presence, supported our public schools and improvements to our city's quality of life and helped make the Our Town Newspaper, "the Voice of the Rahway Chamber of Commerce", such a popular success. I'd say our recent accomplishments to date are nothing to yawn at.

Our Achilles' heel is that we are a volunteer driven organization and always at risk of simply not having enough volunteer helpers. To cut to the chase, we really need you. We need you to come on board as a dues paying member and we also need some of your time participating at a special event or involved with a committee or helping out on our Board of Trustees. So come and check us out at our Networking Event this coming Tuesday evening at Hotel Indigo or the upcoming General Membership meeting at 8:30 AM on Thursday, September 27th. We do know that volunteer time is more and more difficult to schedule these days for all of us. It's not the amount of time that you might have, rather how about sharing with us even just a little here and there. As my first boss Sam Teicher used to remind me, "Bob, half a loaf is better than none".

*Bob Markey*

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Leah takes this Bruce Springsteen/Patti Smith hit to a whole new creative level with her lilting, acoustic version of this well-known song. Raised on an inspiring dose of Pat Benatar,

Natalie Merchant, Madonna and Shakira, the Japan-born, Jersey-bred singer and performer discovered her calling early, at age 13 to be exact, when she set foot in a Tokyo studio to record tracks for TDK Electronics, where her grandfather was vice president at the time.

Arranged and produced by Joe Kurasz on the Ren Music record label, Leah's version of "Because the Night" was recorded at the New Jersey Center for Media Arts in Linden. Her video can be seen on [www.njcfma.com](http://www.njcfma.com).

Wanting to touch people through music, Leah has worked hard to develop her talents in multiple styles of dance and voice. Only recently has she been able to turn her dreams into reality with this recording and video.

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## RAHWAY REMEMBERS - WHEATENA

*Submitted by Al Shipley, City historian and Rahway Library research consultant*



Mention Wheatena to anyone fifty years old or older who grew up in Rahway and they're sure to remember the warm, wholesome, nut-like aroma emanating from the plant on mornings when the cereal was being roasted. For rail passengers, the memory of Wheatena would likely be the sight of the snow-white building and the huge yellow and blue cereal box water tower, the first objects to strike the eye when coming into Rahway on a west-bound train. Located on the corner of Grand Avenue and Elizabeth Avenue the handsome building and well-manicured grounds were one of the beauty spots of the city for almost sixty years.

The name "Wheatena" first appeared in advertisements in 1879 when the cereal was produced and packaged in Akron, Ohio and distributed through the Health Food Company of New York City. It is said that Wheatena was one of the first, if not the first breakfast food to be placed in packaged form for retail sale.

In 1902 Mr. Arthur Wendell, manager of the Health Food Company, separated Wheatena from the other products forming the Wheatena Company. In the next six years, with Mr. Wendell serving as Vice-President and Treasurer, the New York City based Wheatena Company prospered and it came to be realized larger quarters would be needed. The city of Rahway, located on the main line of the Pennsylvania Railroad offered the best possibilities. Situated adjacent to the tracks, there was ample sidings for the receipt and shipment of the raw and finished product.

Wheatena came to Rahway in 1908. Its new factory headquarters was a large four-story plant constructed of reinforced concrete, one of the

first of its kind to be built. Besides the building, Wheatena owned tracts of land on the other three corners of the Elizabeth Avenue/Grand Avenue intersection. Early photos show the company actually grew its own choice wheat on the fields surrounding the plant in the first few years after coming to Rahway.

By 1912 business was doing so well an addition, which more than doubled the size of the original building, was added to the structure.

In the early twenties a mill in Highspire, Pennsylvania, which had been supplying the wheat for Wheatena, was bought by the Rahway Company. The hard, red, winter- wheat from Pennsylvania's Lebanon Valley was found to be the richest in nutrients and made the most delicious cereal. It was when this wheat went into the metal roasting pans to roast for eight to ten hours that the tempting aromas filled the neighborhoods. In 1928 the Rahway plant and the mill in Pennsylvania combined to form the Wheatena Corporation, with Mr. Wendell serving as President. Wendell was proud of his company and equally proud of his city and always included the name "Rahway" on all pieces of advertising, on stationary and on every box of cereal produced.

Through the 1930s, 40s, 50s, and into the 1960s, Wheatena remained one of the city's most recognized and respected businesses. The Company had a reputation of having loyal employees and at its height employed a staff of over one hundred-fifty. The property, with its beautiful lawns and well-kept flower beds, was considered the most attractive factory complex in Union County. Wheatena was certainly one of Rahway's special landmarks.



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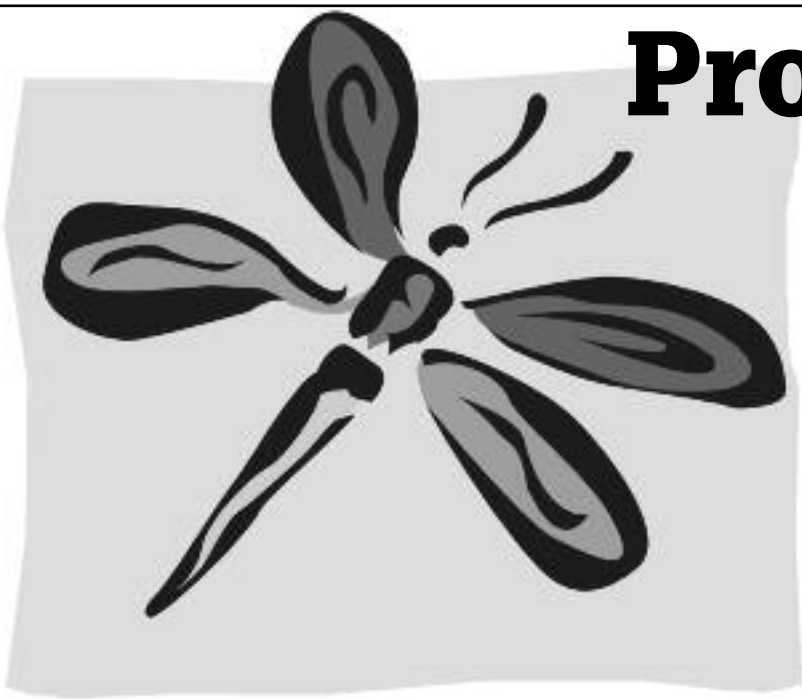
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# MUSEUM PRESENTS "GHOSTS OF THE PAST" CEMETERY TOUR

*Submitted by Al Shipley, City historian and Rahway Library research consultant*

The Merchants and Drovers Tavern Museum Association (MDTMA) has announced that their annual "Ghosts of the Past" Rahway Cemetery Tour this year will once again celebrate the rich history of Rahway through the stories of the city's past residents. The tours will take place over two days, Saturday and Sunday, October 6 and 7 from 1-4 p.m. in Rahway Cemetery, St. Georges Ave in Rahway. This exciting event will take visitors through the circa 1724 cemetery to meet the "ghosts" of long-ago residents and learn about the history of this city from the stories of the people who lived it.

Tour participants will be rewarded with an

experience that takes them to the graves of over 13 past citizens and, through interpreters in period dress, they will hear their real-life, interesting or poignant stories that helped shaped local, state and national history. Alex Shipley, Rahway's city historian, and Museum Director noted that this cemetery, located next to the Merchants and Drovers Tavern Museum, holds the remains of 300 years of Rahway citizens. Alex explained, "Walking through this cemetery is a lesson in regional as well as national history. You will find some very prominent, famous, interesting and even mysterious people buried there. It was hard to

choose who among them who we would portray. This year we're including some tour favorites such as Abraham Clark, the signer of the Declaration, Ambo, a 19th century slave woman, Carolyn Wells, who wrote and published 170 books and Alfred Jewell, a Rahway Police Officer who in the 1880's was the first policeman in Union County to be killed in the line of duty. We are also adding some new ones, such as a Civil War soldier of the U.S. Colored Troops recently honored by the American Legion. Of course, we'll be including the cemetery's most famous resident, the Unknown Woman, who was murdered here in Rahway in 1887. As everyone knows, she was never identified, nor her killer every found." Alex recently wrote and published a book documenting this famous cold-case, which is a local best seller and is on sale at the Museum.

Tickets can be purchased at the museum both days at \$10 for adults, \$8 for members and seniors, \$5 for students and children under 12, and free to children under 5. The cost also includes refreshments and access to all the museum exhibits. All proceeds benefit the continued restoration of the Museum buildings and grounds. The Museum, located at St. Georges Avenue (Rt. 27) and Westfield Avenue, is recorded in the Historic American Buildings Survey and listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

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Native to the eastern United States the vines can be found everywhere, climbing trees, rambling through bushes and shrubs, in parks and climbing up trees in the best of gardens. It grows at the seashore where the salt water spray kills most plants.

In the spring small red to reddish purple leaflets first appear. These leaflets turn a glossy green by mid-summer. Each leaf consists of three leaflets that are two to four inches long.

As summer turns to autumn this vine is often the first plant to change color, bright orange, red and yellow which makes it easy to spot. The bright colors make September a great time to scan your property and area for Poison Ivy.

Poison ivy has both male and female plants. The females produce clusters of white berries that hold on the vine throughout winter and are spread by birds that ingest the fruit.



Rahway resident gardener "Extraordinaire" James Keane, has been researching and answering garden questions since 1995.

If you do have poison ivy keep a safe distance. Rutgers Cooperative Extension fact sheet (#1019) 'Poison Ivy and Its Control' will give you proper information on identification and killing it.

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John actually grew up as a child directly across the street from the home that he and Stef purchased. John attended Roosevelt School and Rahway Middle and High Schools while Stef grew up in neighboring Linden . "This house was owned for well over 50 years by Mrs. Dot Green and her family and all of us neighborhood kids used to come over and play cards and board games with Dot on the open porch. When Stef and I saw it come up for sale, we knew this

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positive, inclusive school community. Students will make responsible choices, empowering them to reach their fullest social, emotional and academic potential. Their mascot is TRACKER the Bear.



(above, l-r) Mascot, TRACKER the Bear, Julie Schroeder, Gianna Muschiatti, Aidan Evans, Yasmeeen May, and Caitlyn Sorber.



There are many reasons one might move to Rahway; but ask 100 residents and you will find 100 different reasons to stay. Drew Baker and Katie Aylward are the proud new owners of their Rahway home which they purchased from longtime residents Robert and Barbara Enderle. Drew and Katie grew up in Rahway and decided to stay because "We love the town and it just feels like home with the friends we have gained over the years."

The Striker Agency team helped these two love birds find a home to build their future. They will be getting married on May 3, 2013 and are happy to be starting their life together in their new home.

*Written by Carmen Tyler McLendon,  
Broker/Branch Manager of Striker Realty,  
Rahway and Jasmine Leake, performance poet  
and president of Grey Eyes Publications*

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Enjoy a Deluxe Buffet Dinner, share memories with friends and dance the night away.  
Business Casual Attire \$80 per person (add Saturday 9/22 Pizza Party for \$10)

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND

10:00 – 11:30 AM Merchants & Drovers Tavern Tour (aka Girl Scout House)

led by Author/ Historian and former RHS Teacher, F. Alexander Shipley ('66).  
Reservations Recommended... \$10.00 Donation Suggested\*

1:00 – 4:00 PM Rahway Tour - As Seen Through The Eyes of An Artist Lloyd Garrison ('62)

will host a guided tour of the Rahway you remember! This tour features Lloyd's personal photographs and illustrations as well as nostalgic music and vivid narration. The tour's stops include the completely renovated Rahway Theater (now UCPAC), Rahway High School and the Senior Steps (tour and photo opportunity), and many more. Transportation provided by Breza School Bus ...Limited Seating/ Reservations Required...\$10.00 Donation Suggested\*

4:30 – 6:30 PM Book Reading/Signing/Art Exhibit at Merchants & Drovers Tavern Museum

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7:00 – 11:00 PM Pizza Party American Legion Hall Maple Ave, Rahway.

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## FILLING AN EMPTY NEST

*Submitted by Colin Gittens, President of the Friends of the Rahway Public Library.*



*Colin Gittens*

As I sit down to write this column, summer has officially taken leave and the school year has begun. Leisure has been replaced with schedules and study, and although the too-warm impressions of summer still linger, the knowledge of cooler weather to come has been hinted at by the recent rains and a sartorial shift

to darker hues.

Among some people I know, the arrival of the school year signals that although life gets busier, it also gets more structured, with children in school at set times, then on to afterschool activities such as sports or a first job. Other friends are facing the “empty nest,” as their older children have gone off to college. For these individuals, their time is their own for the first time in many years. And whether a cause for elation or a separation that brings pain and sadness, these friends certainly will now have

more time on their hands.

Of my empty nest friends, so far none have announced plans to travel around the world or indicated their desire to take up a new hobby. Perhaps it is still too soon, or perhaps their plans have not come into focus. But empty nesters and retirees often think of volunteering as a way of setting up a next step, and there are obviously many options and many worthwhile causes. May I suggest one that may not have occurred to you?

The Friends of the Rahway Public Library help support this institution through volunteerism and fundraising, and we would love to take advantage of your newly found time! If you are happy with your newfound freedom, we’d love for you to bring that positive spirit to our group. And if you’re down about your little one having grown, well, our group’s positive camaraderie can provide you a shoulder to lean on as you help us run our various events.

Right now, we’re planning a progressive dinner for November (more on that in next month’s column), and a spelling bee in conjunction with the Rahway schools in February. This latter event will take a lot of planning and volunteers, and we’d love for you to join us in this effort. Who knows? Perhaps reconnecting with the schools and children can allow an empty nester to feel—if only for a little while—that the nest has been filled again. Please join us at our next meeting on Thurs, Oct 11, at the library.

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# The Rahway Record

THE EAST IS BORN WE FACE TO DAY

RAHWAY, N. J., THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 1936

## Woman Gets Liquor Permit After Split Vote; Five Held Up

Four Tavern Operators And One Store-keeper Must Post \$500 Fee By Tonight Or Close; City Collects \$19,025

### Commission To Change Store Rules

Granting of a license to the first woman operator in the city after a split vote of the Municipal Board of Alcoholic Beverage Control featured the public hearing on renewal of liquor licenses in City Hall last night. The board voted to grant 31 consumption or tavern, six distribution or store and seven club licenses for which the licensees will pay a total of \$19,025.

Clerk William J. Hennessy will issue licenses from his office in Campbell street today. Four tavern operators and one storekeeper were refused licenses last night for non-payment of the \$250-2500 fee. Unless they post the fee by 6 p. m. today, they will not be allowed to operate their places after the expiration of the present licenses at midnight tonight.

#### BOARD SPLIT

Ethel Eric became the first woman tavern operator when she was granted a permit to operate Claire Burke's Tavern at Route 25 and East Milton avenue with Adolph Smarsch, owner of the place, who shares her permit.

Commissioner Jacob W. Schmidt opposed granting the license to a woman while Commissioners Frank Follis and Charles Anson favored the permit which was ordered granted.

Schmidt cited the city control law which forbids a woman to go behind a bar. He said that should a woman be given a permit to operate a place, she could go behind the bar and that other instances of this violation of the present rule would follow.

#### Could Face Charges

Anson argued that women have as much right in business as men and that if the bar-keeping clause were violated, the woman could be charged with the offense.

Frank Vitagliano, operator of the Blue Night Inn at 174 Main street, was granted a permit after a warning from the board to adhere more strictly to the rules. The board received reports from Acting Police Chief Dunphy testifying to the fact that Vitagliano's place had been the scene of disturbances on three occasions and that complaints had been received because of "undue disturbances" in the place.

#### Three Police Visits

A disturbance had been reported May 31 and after he had been warned, the proprietor was again the object of police warning June 7 and June 13, reports of the police showed.

On May 31, there were men at the bar 15 minutes after closing time, the reports showed, while on the other occasions a disturbance was caused by persons outside the premises.

Vitagliano said that those who caused the street disturbance were not from his place. He said that while he was in the place after hours, he was serving nothing and had remained to check up on receipts and clean up. The board accepted his explanation with a warning that he follow the rules closely which he promised to do. The four tavern operators who were not granted a license because of non-payment of the \$250 fee

were Harold Parker, 33 Campbell street; John Jank, 35-37 Lewis street; Frederick P. Martens, 3 Leanington street and Robert Olschewski, 54 Main street. Maurice Fox, 156 Main street, was refused a distributor's permit for the same reason.

#### Permits Now Ready

Hennessy said this morning that those granted licenses may have them by calling at his office today. A personal appearance must be made because the operators must sign for them.

It was voted to hold a public hearing July 11 to hear arguments on the changing of operating hours for stores. It is planned to restrict store sales to 9 a. m. Sunday and also make them conform with the rules which force taverns to remain closed until 9 p. m. election day.

Those granted retail consumption licenses were: Arnold D'Amico, 12 Essex street; Daniel Kovacs, 24 Monroe street; Julius Harnock, 247 St. George avenue; Joe Norrillo, 24-26 Main street; Andrew Caci, 4 Main street; John J. Mosco, 6 Fulton street; Christian A. Lee, 61 Irving street; Patrick J. McCullary, 120 Main street; Frank Vitagliano, 174 Main street; William A. Fagan, 120 St. George avenue; William E. Enos, 41 West Sixth avenue.

Also Fred Zollo, 169 Main street; James Park, 59 Main street; Edward B. Collins, 7 Coach street; E. Adam Danylyk, 144 Irving street; Walter Kohl, 134 Irving street; George Billy, 32 Irving street; Wesley J. DeLima, 55 Leanington street; James L. Elise, Hart street and East Hazelwood avenue; Stephen Murzyn, 100 Main street.

Also Louis Robert, 48-50 Lafayette street; Herman and Ralph Schultz, 51-53 West Grand avenue; Russell V. O'Connor, 208 Jacques avenue; Charles Green, 51 Cherry street; James Donnelly, 4 Parrot place; Ethel Eric and Adolph Smarsch, 207 East Milton avenue; Michael Connors, 50 Monroe street.

Also John James Brennan, 154 Main street; Alexander Stambler, 88-90 Irving street; Renato Charbon, 324-326 St. George avenue.

Those granted distributor licenses are:

Morris Sacher, 117 Main street; Earl Bell, 60 Irving street; Bernard Engelstein, 129 Main street; Sanders Cohen, 132 Main street; Hyman Dembling, 251 West Grand avenue and Great A. F. Tea Company, Cherry street.

Also granted licenses are: Rahway Lodge of Elks, 86 West Milton avenue; Edman Collins Club, 83 Pierpont street; Rahway Youth Club, Pullman street; Rahway Rod and Gun Club, 459 St. George avenue; Rahway Arm of Eagles, 115 West Grand avenue; Russian-Ukrainian-American Citizens' Club, 8 Wolfe avenue and Italian-American Independent Citizens' Club, 230 Main street.

## DEMBLING'S MARKED END OF PROHIBITION

Submitted by Bruce Dembling PhD, Senior Research Scientist (retired)

University of Virginia School of Medicine Dept. of Public Health Sciences



My grandfather Hyman Dembling ended prohibition in Rahway in 1933 when Rahway granted Hyman Dembling license #001 in June 1936. In November 1936 he sold Old Mr Boston for 98c. I think Rahway Discount Liquors still holds the license. The little Royal Market (now Rahway Barbers) fed a family of 9 through the Depression and WWII, then expanded to 736 W Grand in 1947.



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might be, for us they are worth a second chance to find great homes. Our rescue was created through the desire to save more lives right here in our neighborhood. We all have a passion to save animals as well as a commitment to ensure great futures for all the animals we rescue.

Fostering is the most rewarding of all volunteer opportunities. You get to have the love and companionship without a long-time commitment. You can take a dog into your home for a period ranging from one week to a few months. You take care of them and give them the extra time they need until they find a home of their own. Many animals are very adoptable but are in high-kill shelters where they only have 3-7 days to find a home. Most just need more time to find their new family. This is a very good experience for somebody who has the room in their home and in their heart but not sure yet of taking that final step of adopting. It is an unbelievable feeling to know you were the reason they are alive, you were part of their journey to find their forever home. And we provide the food, the vetting, the toys and beds, even crates where necessary, you only provide the love. And all these dogs show so much affection to reward you in so many ways

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Bringing animals to the vet - We currently use two different vets. When we rescue dogs they need either updated shots or to be fixed. If you can help, you would pick up and drop off the animal at the vets. This is a task that could help us greatly. If you have some extra time to spare one day, we can make a vet appointment to fit your schedule.

Helping get us "out there" - We are always trying to spread the animal rescue message. As well as how important fixing your animals is. We are always trying to make a presence and have everyone remember to adopt versus purchase a dog. We need help calling around to get exposure. Whether it is the local newspaper, fliers, anything.

Supply Drive - We collect old blankets, towels, sheets; small, medium & large dog collars, leashes; carriers/crates; dog food; dog beds; and monetary donations for vet bills (spay/neuter).

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## SENIOR SERVICES HAPPENINGS

### RAHWAY SENIOR CENTER

If you would like to get a copy of our latest newsletter or more information about any Senior programs please call 732-827-2016.

### CLUB SCHEDULE

Come join a club at the Rahway Senior Center starting in September. The meeting schedule for the clubs follows:

#### Rahway Retired Men's Club

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#### Merck Retirees

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#### Ladies Golden Age Club

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#### A.A.R.P. Chapter #607

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#### Union County Minority Task Force

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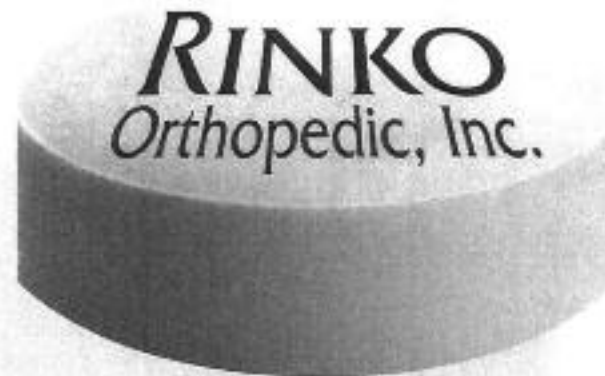
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## RAHWAY POLICE DEPARTMENT LOOKING FOR CERT VOLUNTEERS

The Rahway Police Department is looking for people who want to make a difference in their community. Volunteers will be trained to become Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members.

When emergencies happen, CERT members can give critical support to first responders, provide immediate assistance to victims, and organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site. CERT members can also help with non-emergency projects that help improve the safety of the community.

The Rahway CERT team recently was activated to assist in the Hurricane Irene post

flood notification held in flood prone areas of Rahway. There are currently 40 trained members of the Rahway CERT/Flood Team.


The CERT program is designed to train and set up communications between first responders and the community to save lives following a major disaster. There will be eight sessions (20 hours) consisting of the following topics: Disaster Preparedness, Disaster Fire Suppression, Disaster Medical Operations Part 1, Disaster Medical Operations Part 2, Light Search & Rescue Operations, Disaster Psychology & Team Organization, and Terrorism. There will also be a final practical

exercise realistic to this community help at the Union County Fire Academy.

The Rahway Police Department is now accepting applications from people within the community who are at least 21 years old with no criminal record. The training will be held at the Rahway Police Department Community Center located at 52 East Cherry Street on Wednesdays from September 19th through November 14th, between at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.

Applications may be obtained at the Rahway Police Department. For more information, contact Detective William Eicholz at 1-732-827-2079 or [weicholz@rahwaypolice.com](mailto:weicholz@rahwaypolice.com)

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