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Players like to come to Union also because it offers games every night of the week. Some take advantage of that and play several nights. There are many regulars that have their special place to sit. The atmosphere is very upbeat and fun. One can get the sense that the players have been playing together for years and are more than casual acquaintances. From the conversations and kibitzing one can tell that good friendships have been forged.

As complex as the operation can seem to an observer the production is done with ease and efficiency. Obviously years in development and experience has gone into the operation.

Bingo is an enjoyable pastime and, though it can be financially rewarding it can also a be

rewarding on a social level. Above all that, Proceeds from Bingo goes to benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County which is housed next door and funds its many programs that enable all young people, especially those who need help most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

Bingo players, potential Bingo players or just those curious could take in the action nightly around 7:00 pm at 105 Jeanette Avenue, Union. Call 908-687-2697 ext. 114 for more information.



(above) Director of Community Center, Gemma Samper, oversees the operation.



(above) Working the counter are Judy Simmons, Union; Luz Fernandez, Union & Joan Gechtman, Mapplewood. other nights they take their turns at calling.



(above) Cindy Sheh of Union Constance Jones of Newark work the floor.



(above) Tuesday night caller Linda Hines.



(above) Nancy Grlyb comes from Bayonne four nights a week and likes to plan Bingo in Union because she is able to use the computer sitting next to her.

(right) The progressive tally is up to \$1,810 for anyone who fills the board in 56 calls. The winner gets that amount plus 1/2 the take for the evening. If no one wins the take is added to the prize money and the next progressive night the call would increase by one.



(above) Judy Burrell and Cindy Tarney both of Union share laughs while they play.

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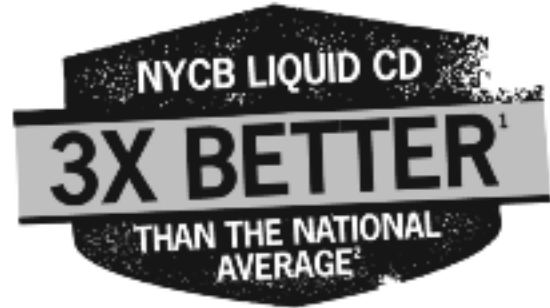
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The Parsonage is listed on both the National and State Registers of Historic Places. Lore Ullrich and Anita Centeno, members of the Union Township Historical Society, will be dressed in authentic colonial attire and will serve as docents.

Admission is free; donations are welcome. Information is available at one of the Society's websites or by calling Barbara La Mort, Secretary, at 908-687-0048. Website address is [www.uniontwphistoricalsociety.webs.com](http://www.uniontwphistoricalsociety.webs.com)



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## PROGRAM HONORS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

By Viktoria Morozovska

The Union Public Library earnestly attempts to instill a love of learning and reading in the children who visit. As such, the staff plans a bevy of events that focus on stories and crafts; the children experience the story and are able to make it tangible. In honor of Black History Month, Ms. Monica arranged a reading of Angela Johnson's story *Violet's Music* on Monday February 11th. Accompanied by a project to design and construct drums out of recycled materials. Sadly, the unusually thick fog kept most people at home, and the night did not go as planned. Despite the weather, Ms. Monica continued the program for the pair that did manage to come, Janelle and her charming son Shane. Janelle noted that they come every week for story time, and Shane happily banged on his drum with markers. The library has many of these events coming up, the most recent being on Saturday February 16. The entire staff is very welcoming and it is easy to see why they hold these events, the children simply love them.



(above) Janelle and son Shane create a craft during as library honors Black History Month.



(above) Janelle and Shane follow along with Ms. Monica's reading of Angela Johnson's story *Violet's Music*.

## VAUXHALL BRANCH CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

### Game Day

Tuesday, February 19th at 11:00am.

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### Game Day Part 2

Thursday, February 21st at 3:30pm

for children in grades 1 through 6 and their caregivers  
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Join us at our Movie Matinee showing of the films,  
"Cat in the Hat Comes Back" and "Hop on Pop"

Tuesday, February 26th at 10:45am

Children of all ages and their caregivers are invited to  
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Our After School Movie Presentation of,  
"Dr. Seuss's The Cat in the Hat"

Thursday, February 28th at 3:00pm.

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### Toddler Time

Wednesdays, February 20th and 27th at 10:30am.

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### Preschool Storytime

Thursdays, February 21st and 28th at 10:30am.

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"National Tooth Fairy Day" Storytime and Craft Program

Tuesday, February 19th at 11:00am.

This program is for children of all ages and their  
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### The Union Public Library Lego Club

Thursday, February 21st at 3:30pm

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### The children's film, "Cinderella"

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When asked about his advice for future entrepreneurs, he says the three things that made him successful are working hard, being honest, and trusting God. He plans on remaining a permanent fixture in Union's business community as long as he has the strength.



(above) Restoration pharmacy owner Charles Ezeonyim and the business' quaint corner store appearance.

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