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GRAND OPENING OF RENOVATED AUDITORIUM AT RHS

Rahway High School is hosting a "Grand Opening" on Saturday, October 12th to showcase the improvements at this building. Tours will be given starting at 10am, and a program will be held in the new auditorium at 5pm, showcasing student performance, invited guest speakers, etc. The Rahway Public Schools wish to thank the community for its support of this project. As we continue to move forward, together we will provide opportunities to our students and "Expect Excellence" in our schools.

The September 2009 Rahway Public Bond Referendum project has reached substantial completion. The project's total cost was \$34 million, of which \$22.8 million was funded by the local bond referendum. The remaining \$11.2 million was funded by the State of NJ through R.O.D. Grants. This project has brought our district into the 21st Century by updating systems district-wide.

Improvements include:

- Secure vestibules in all elementary schools
- New fire alarm systems in all schools
- New solar panels at both the 7th & 8th Grade Academy and RHS
- New electrical service at Grover Cleveland, the 7th & 8th Grade Academy, and RHS
- New performing arts addition at RHS, including new band room, chorus room, dance studio, rama classroom, and a state-of-the-art auditorium upgrade
- New family and consumer science labs at RHS
- New state-of-the-art science labs at the 7th & 8th Grade Academy, and RHS
- A new addition at Grover Cleveland School with classrooms and Media Center
- New HVAC system at the 7th & 8th Grade Academy
- New floor and auditorium seating at Roosevelt School



(above) New Addition at Grover Cleveland



(above) New Chorus Room at RHS



(above) New Elementary Classroom at Grover Cleveland



(above) New Solar Panels at 7th & 8th Grade



(above) New Science Labs at both the 7th & 8th Grade Academy and RHS



(above) Renovated Auditorium at RHS

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Message from the President

SPECIAL OFFER TO NEW MEMBERS

The Rahway Chamber of Commerce is a volunteer-led, non-partisan and fully transparent organization. Its mission is to help strengthen all Rahway businesses, public schools, parks and quality of life. Working together enables its members to do together what they might not be able to do individually. We believe the effectiveness and success of the organization depends on our credibility and representation of the community's interests.

The Chamber supports the community, and it encourages businesses, organizations and residents to join its ranks. Volunteerism and participation are its cornerstones and our members have responded to this call with great enthusiasm.

Please help us to improve these efforts by joining the Chamber. As a special offer to new members; Join now and pay for the 2013 membership and receive the 2014 membership FREE.

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For more information about the Rahway Chamber of Commerce, visit our website at www.rahwaychamberofcommerce.com. You can attend a general meeting for free. Our next general meeting will be Thursday, November 21st, 8:30 am at the Masonic Lodge on Irving Street. I look forward to seeing you there.

Tom Bayone

Tom Bayone can be reached by calling 732-396-3990, by e-mail at tom@mrbbprinting.com, or by mail at PO Box #277, Rahway, NJ 07065.

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Project Ready will be accepting applications on the first day of its six week job preparedness program on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. Applicants should be prepared to stay until 12 pm. The program will run Tuesday through Friday from 10/22 - 12/5 (no class Thanksgiving week). The six week program is offered at no cost to people seeking to improve their skills as they search for employment. Students receive training in basic business and computer skills. Volunteer business and education professionals teach courses such as resume writing, job search techniques, interviewing, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, and use of the Internet. Class size is limited, so please call to reserve your spot. Project Ready is located within St. Joseph Social Service Center at 118 Division St. in Elizabeth.

For more information please call (908) 353-1045 x213, email projectreadysj@yahoo.com or visit www.stjosephelizabeth.org.

CROP WALK WILL BE SUN., OCTOBER 27TH

Rahway's annual town CROP walk will be Sunday, October 27th. We will gather at 2:00 at Rahway City Hall. All money raised goes to Church World Service which distributes it throughout the world, though 25% of what we raise goes directly to the town's soup kitchen, Food for Friends. Anyone interested in finding out more about CROP/Church World Service can go to www.cwsglobal.org. If you are interested in collecting donations and walking in Rahway, you may find out more information and register at: hunger.cwsglobal.org. Come and put God's love for us into action.



TICKS IN NEW JERSEY

October is an active time for adult ticks and it is important that we stay diligent with their detection. Even an Indian Summer can cause these tiny creatures to become active when we often let our guard down.

In New Jersey we have four hard body ticks; The American Dog tick, the Brown Dog tick, the Lone Star tick and Deer ticks. It is the Deer tick, also known as the 'Black legged tick' that causes humans in our area the most concern due to the transmission of Lyme Disease.

Early tick detection is the surest way to avoid problems. This simply means taking a visual exam of yourself and your children every day. Deer ticks need 24-36 hours to transmit the Lyme Disease bacteria. An adult deer tick is about the size of a sesame seed. Now with more and more deer roaming through our area we need to increase our guard.

If you do find a tick correct removal is very important. Remove the tick carefully with tweezers and put it into a container with a moist cotton ball (an old prescription bottle works best). A good tick is essential if your doctor decides to have it tested. Do not put rubbing alcohol on the tick as it will kill the bacteria and that tick will no longer be viable for testing.

Rutgers C.E. Garden Helpline can identify your tick for you. Bring the intact tick to the Union County office at 300 North Ave East, on the 2nd floor. For more information call 908-654-9852.

Rutgers suggest you always call your doctor when you are bitten by a tick. They will know the best course of action to be taken.

HARVEST TIME DECORATIONS

A major part of Harvest celebrations are the decorations. They can be as simple as a pumpkin



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

on a doorstep, Indian corn hanging on the door or the elaborate displays of hay stacks and scarecrows. Though the centuries these types of decorations have symbolized prosperity for the families as well as the cultures they lived in.

Please support our local farms and garden centers.

Happy Gardening, James

'TICK TALK'

Join the Rahway Garden Club

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

from 7 PM until 8:00 PM

Learn more about
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CHAMBER MEETING HOST ALARIS HEALTH



(above, l-r) Tom Bayone, Rahway Chamber of Commerce President with Alaris Health at Riverton Administrator Roy David. Alaris Health at Riverton was the Chamber's host speaker for the September meeting.

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READER'S CIRCLE BOOK GROUP:

Wednesday, October 16 at 2:00 pm
This month's title: "Clara and Mr. Tiffany"
by Susan Vreeland

THE OBESITY EPIDEMIC:

Wednesday, October 16 6:30-7:30 pm
What NOT to eat. Guest speaker Richard Perlmutter,
Abington Nutrition Services, LLC

YOUR PERSONAL CARBON FOOTPRINT:

Monday, October 28 6:30-7:30 pm
Get past the questions like "paper or plastic?" and
determine for yourself which daily living choices have
the greatest impact on the environment. Guest Speaker
Laura Knipmeyer.

TEEN EVENTS

CONTEST!: October 1-28

Guess how many Halloween treats are in the jar!
Winner takes home the jar on Halloween.

TEEN READ WEEK:

October 13-19

Check out all the library has to offer during this national
celebration! Read for the fun of it! It's fun, free, relaxing
and can translate into better performance at school.

TEEN SCREEN MOVIE:

Monday, October 30 at 5:30 pm
Rated PG-13 "World War Z"

All are welcome to attend and popcorn will be served.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

TODDLER TIME:

Tuesday, October 15, 22 & 29 at 10:30 am

AFTERSCHOOL LOL STORYTIME:

Thursday, October 17 & 24 at 4:00 pm

COLUMBUS DAY CRAFT:

All day drop in craft. Saturday, October 12, 9-4 pm

NUTTY FALL TALES:

Story & Craft: Wednesday, October 16 at 6:30 pm

COOKS AND BOOKS FALL SPECIAL:

Wednesday, October 23 at 6:30 pm
Pumpkin Muffins: Learn to make your own delicious
mini pumpkin muffins. Ages 5-12 Registration required.

LOL SCARED SILLY: Story & Craft:

Wednesday, October 30 at 4:00 & 6:30 pm

A "FIT-FOR-KIDS" HALLOWEEN SHOW:

Thursday, October 31 at 1:00 pm
Live show! The healthiest show on Earth with Muscle
Man Mike and Soccer Sue. Show is for all ages.

2013 RAHWAY ZOMBIE PUB CRAWL SATURDAY OCTOBER 26TH, 2013

Zombies are taking over the downtown once
again this year for the annual Zombie Pub Crawl
on Saturday October 26th, 2013. With such a
great turnout during last year's inaugural, crawl,
there was no way the Zombies could stay in the
grave this year.

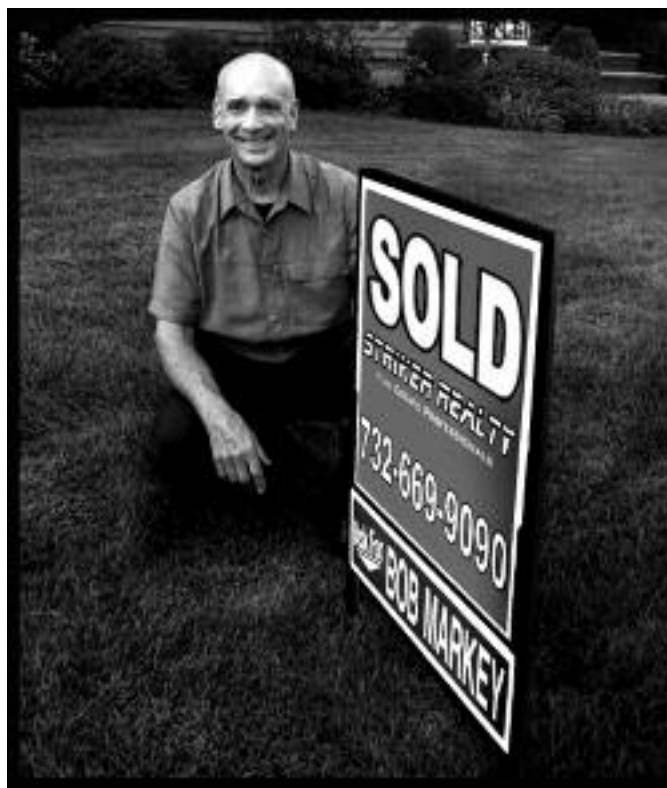
This year's infestation starts at

- Flynn's Irish Pub and Steakhouse located at
1482 Main Street, Rahway NJ at 6:00pm. Throughout the evening of beer and brains,
there will be prizes and giveaways as the crawl
travels to
- Cubanu (1467 Main Street, Rahway, NJ)
- Nancy's Townhouse Pub (1453 Main Street)
- The Waiting Room (22 East Cherry Street)
- The Railhouse (1449 Irving Street)
- Butch Kowals (950 St Georges Avenue).

You will find Zombie drink specials at all
locations, and food will be available at Flynn's,
Cubanu, Nancy's, The Railhouse, and The
Waiting Room. In addition to the Crawl
Locations, there will be many other local
businesses that are considered Zombie Friendly
, these locations will have food services
available to those that are attending. All Zombie
and Non-Zombie attendees are welcome before
and after at Flynn's Irish Pub and Steakhouse for
their annual Halloween Party where they will
have Live Music and Great Food.

Visit rahwayzombiecrawl.com to learn more
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Submitted by Colin Gittens, President of the Friends of the Rahway Public Library.

First Presbyterian Church (1731 Church St./Corner of Grand, Rahway) **AIDS AWARENESS SERVICE AND QUILT VIEWING.**

There are two viewing opportunities:

Saturday, October 12th 12-2

and Sunday, October 13th 12-2.

There is a service on Sunday at 10:30am.

A portion of the AIDS Quilt will be on display, which is always beautiful and profoundly touching. It helps us to remember that AIDS is not just about numbers, statistics and science. As we view each panel it commands that we remember individuals. Each was made by loved ones who experienced incredible pain and loss. Some were even made by the individuals themselves, anticipating their own death and knowing that their name would, in the near future, be added to the ever-growing Quilt.

The speaker will review the history of the AIDS pandemic, give a brief overview of current scientific breakthroughs and speak of the many different themes that are shown throughout the AIDS Quilt. Please join us as we reflect, mourn losses, celebrate recent discoveries and eagerly anticipate the end of the AIDS virus.



Colin Gittens

Last year, in the wake of Superstorm Sandy, the Friends of the Library wondered if the town would recover in time to allow our planned Progressive Dinner to benefit the library. Just 2 weeks after the storm made landfall and devastated our town, it was unclear if the participating restaurants would be able to take part, and whether ticketholders would have recovered—mentally, financially, and logistically—enough to bring themselves out for a night on the town.

As it turned out, the answer to all these uncertainties was a resounding “Yes!” We had a terrific turnout, the 3 restaurants provided top-notch fare, and we had a memorable—and filling—evening. And in looking back, it seems that the event, just at that time, was just what was needed.

Those trying days caused neighbors to lean on one another, and to make friends of strangers. And our November gathering, roughly a week after power was finally restored, helped us to laugh, to commiserate, to share, and to look forward.

So here we are, nearly a year later. Thankfully, we have not had any super-sized storms since, and life has gone on. (In fact, I finally just had removed the stump from a massive oak in my backyard felled during the storm.) And though these days may be less dramatic, the need to connect, to laugh, to live

remains undiminished, I would argue.

So in the spirit of continuance and camaraderie, the Friends are once again happy to announce that our Progressive Dinner will be held Wednesday, November 13, beginning at 7 PM at the Cuban fusion restaurant Cubanu. For those not familiar with the concept, a progressive dinner entails having the successive courses of a meal—appetizers, main dishes, and desserts—at different nearby restaurants. So after appetizers at Cubanu, a 1-block walk up to the well-regarded Rail House Restaurant will bring diners to the main course. Finally, a short walk back down to Irving Street will help make room for desserts, which are being provided by Flynn’s Irish Pub and Steakhouse.

Ticketing for this event will be limited. Tickets are \$45 and are available at the library’s reference desk; any of the three participating restaurants; at Witty’s Liquors on St. Georges Avenue; or by calling 732-381-6960. Alcohol is not included in the price but may be purchased at any of the eateries.

Tickets may be purchased in advance until Monday, November 11. If any tickets remain, they can be purchased at the door of Cubanu on the night of the event. Checks should be payable to “The Friends of the Rahway Public Library.”

We hope you are able to join us for this event. If you do, you’ll be able to learn more about the Friends and our planned activities for 2014, a major portion of which concern the library’s 10-year anniversary at its City Hall Plaza location. We look forward to seeing you again, or meeting you for the first time. Mangia!

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MORNING QUOTES TO START THE DAY

Students at Roosevelt School in Rahway begin each day with morning announcements. After the morning announcements are read a student recites a quote to help the school stay positive every day. (pictured) Principal, Mr. Rocco Collucci and 3rd grader Harrington Wheeler-Timmons. His quote was "Courage does not always roar. Sometimes it's the quiet voice at the end of the day saying, I will try again tomorrow. (Mary Anne Radmacher).



FARM & CRAFT MARKET THURSDAYS

Rahway's Farmers Market will run through the summer at the Train Station Plaza, located at the intersection of Irving and Main Streets in downtown Rahway. The Market will be held on Thursdays through October from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. and features locally-produced from New Jersey, as well as baked goods and crafts.

DR. ZIENTEK IS NOW A CERTIFIED DOT MEDICAL EXAMINER

Dr. Mark Zientek, chiropractor, of Dr's Choice in Rahway, recently passed the federal certification examination for DOT Medical Examiners.

Commercial Driver's License holders need a DOT physical and current medical certificate for a CDL Commercial Driver's License. Dr. Zientek is now a standing member of The Federal Motor Carrier Safety

Administration (FMCSA) National Registry and provides these DOT physicals out of his office, located at 1082 St. Georges Avenue, for occupations and individuals that require a Commercial Driver's License CDL.

Dr. Zientek is proud to add this latest certification to the list of quality healthcare procedures available at Dr's Choice. Schedule your DOT physical today! 732-388-4787.

RAHWAY HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM HELPS "HEAL THE CHILDREN"

For the past 25 years, the Rahway High School Volleyball team has been linked to the charity, "Healing The Children". This began years ago when (then coach) Ray Candiloro was approached by Dr. Francis Light, Head of Anesthesiology at Rahway Hospital, and was asked to run a recreational tournament to raise funds for the cause. The group performs life changing surgeries on children in Third World countries for only the cost of supplies. A typical operation costs \$100.

In 2005, the coach decided to make it an "in-season" girl's invitational tournament; it has continued to be run that way since, even though two coaching changes. Since 2005, the team has

been able to contribute over \$25,000 to the charity, and has generated its own nickname, "Kids helping Kids". Over the years, the tournament has garnered the support of the officials, who also donate their time at the event, led by assigner, Linda Liebiedz.

This year's event was won by Woodbridge High School. Other participating schools were: Elizabeth, Rahway, Colonia, Scotch Plains, Bishop George Ahr, and Union. Thanks are in order for the current Rahway coaches, Danielle Marsh and Amanda Porr, as well as Linda Kasprzyk, and the Rahway JV Team, who volunteered to run the tournament. This year's anticipated gift: \$3,500.

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(above, l-r) Maura E Scott, Child Life Specialist from Overlook Hospital with Blue and Gold Club Members, Keren Lebron and Ashley Celis.

RAHWAY RESIDENT COMPETING IN THE MISS NEW JERSEY USA PAGEANT



Sherri-Nichole McLendon has been selected to compete in the prestigious Miss New Jersey USA Pageant. Miss McLendon is a graduate of Virginia Tech University where she earned a BS in Business in Hospitality and Tourism. She also attended St. Mary's and Union Catholic High School. She is a print and runway model and has participated in Fashion Week in NYC. She is presently an Account Executive at C2 Imaging in NYC.

You may have seen her jogging around Rahway training for the competition. Feel free to wave and encourage her. Miss McLendon competed last year and was one of the top 18 Semi-finalists of 127 contestants. She is the daughter of Mark and Carmen McLendon.

The Miss New Jersey Pageant is sponsored by NBC and Donald Trump Ventures and will be held on October 20, 2013 at The Hilton Parsippany Hotel in Parsippany.

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Prescription drug abuse is rapidly becoming one of our nation’s greatest emerging drug problems and it is widely recognized that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from home medicine cabinets.

According to the 2012 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration’s National Survey on Drug Use and Health, more than seven million Americans currently abuse prescription

drugs. Additionally, the survey reported for the 3rd year in a row that prescription drugs are the 2nd most abused drug category behind only marijuana.

The goal of “Operation Take Back New Jersey” is to allow the citizens of New Jersey to deliver all of their unused, unwanted, or expired medications to law enforcement officials who can in turn dispose of these controlled substances in a safe and non-hazardous manner, preventing these pills from falling into the hands of juveniles or into the illicit market in our communities.

For questions on the Operation Take Back program contact Detective William Eicholz at (732) 827-2079 or Weicholz@rahwaypolice.com.

FALL PUMPKIN INVESTIGATION

Students at Madison School in Mrs. Klein and Mrs. Ross’s class took part in a fall pumpkin investigation. The students used math and science as they measured the circumference and diameter of each of their pumpkins. They later investigated to see if there was a correlation between the length of the stem and the number of seeds in the pumpkin.



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- Consider adding reflective tape or striping to costumes and trick-or-treat bags for greater visibility, or carry a flashlight or glow stick.
- Think twice before using simulated knives, guns or swords. If such props must be used, be certain they do not appear authentic and are soft and flexible to prevent injury.
- Trick or treat in groups for your safety
- Parents should always accompany younger children while Trick or Treating.
- If there are no sidewalks, walk as close to the right side of the street as possible.
- Always cross at crosswalks or traffic lights, not between cars.
- Trick or Treat on well-lit streets
- Teach children their home phone number and how to call 9-1-1 if they have an emergency or

become lost.

- Plan and review with your children the route and behavior which is acceptable to you.
- Do not permit children to bicycle, roller-blade or skateboard in costume.
- Agree on a specific time when revelers must return home.
- Along with flashlights for all, older children and escorts should wear a wristwatch and carry cell phones.
- Remind all household drivers to remain cautious and drive slowly throughout the community.
- Parents should check all candy before allowing children to eat it!!!!
- If the candy looks tampered with, do not eat it.

The Rahway Police Department would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Halloween. For any problems that may occur, please call the police desk at 732-827-2200, or 9-1-1 for an emergency.



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

Within two months after the outbreak of the Civil War men from Rahway had trained and enlisted and were off to join the fight to save the Union. Because this initial group of thirty-nine men had formed an artillery battery they connected with the 9th New York State militia as New Jersey was not accepting artillery or cavalry units. The battery which was designated Company K detached from the 9th Regiment on December 22, 1861 and became the 6th Independent New York Battery, commonly called Bramhall's Battery. The unit was kept in constant service to the close of the war seeing action in the major battles of Chancellorsville and Gettysburg.

Besides the artillery group other Rahway boys heeded their call to duty and joined the nation's struggle. In July of 1862, when President Lincoln called for three hundred thousand volunteers, seventy-two young men from Rahway enlisted. A year later thirty-two more joined the Union Army. By the close of the war almost one-tenth of Rahway's population had participated in the War Between the States.

After the war's end veterans returned to their hometowns and formed G. A. R. (Grand Army of the Republic) posts. The Rahway veterans established Barry Post #27 and by the late 1800s had built a handsome headquarters building on Main Street that still stands today.

In 1912, with the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg approaching, Post #27 began plans to construct a fitting memorial to commemorate the heroic deeds of soldiers and sailors in all our country's wars. The triangular piece of land between Irving St., Main St., and Central Ave. was chosen as an appropriate location. Fundraisers were planned to cover the expense of the monument which was estimated at over \$2,000. Money was collected through a city-wide canvass for donations, a school pageant, a ballgame between city officials and members of the Board of Trade, and a sauerkraut

supper. By the end of the successful campaign a total of \$2,300 was raised.

Ground was broken and a cornerstone laid on July 4, 1913. The projected date for the unveiling ceremonies was set for Monday, October 13.

The festivities of the October afternoon started with an impressive street parade that ended at the monument site. It was reported that more than 5,000 persons were present to take part in the impressive ceremony. After the



(above) The Soldier and sailor Monument as it looked after the unveiling ceremony on October 13, 1913.

invocation the flag salute was recited led by 450 students from the High School and eighth grade. Speeches were presented by Mayor Fyffe, the commander of the G. A. R. post, monument committee members, and several ministers. Musical selections were preformed after each speech. A large American flag covered the monument and when it was drawn aside a band played the Star Spangled Banner. The monument, a figure of a color bearer, was produced from Barre granite. The figure was 9' 6" in height and the total height of the monument was 23'. Appropriate wording was inscribed on each of the four sides.

In the words of Father O'Brien of St. Mary's Church, "No words that human lips may frame can equal the power and eloquence of this sermon in stone. It is not only eloquent of the past but also a voice of the future and shall be one of the most powerful speakers of civil and religious liberty, patriotism and valor and moral integrity."



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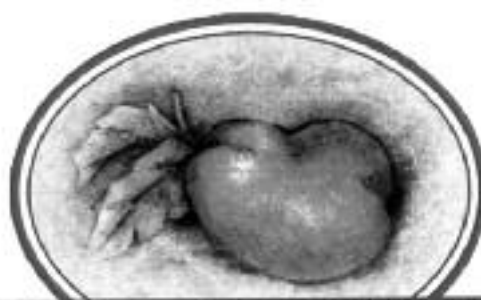
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This month's RCC Member Spotlight article features Clea Carchia. Clea grew up in Edison, NJ where her father owned and operated a full-service advertising agency. Clea got her start in the design field by working with her father in the family business.

After her father retired, the agency closed and Clea went on to work for a variety of agencies and design firms, until deciding to open her own business. She switched gears a bit from the visual arts to the performing arts when she opened a Ballroom Dance Studio, Indigo Ballroom, in Somerville, NJ. It was during this time Clea worked with and employed many of the professional dancers who would later appear on *Dancing with the Stars*. Clea used her design and marketing experience to grow the dance studio into a successful business, at one point employing ten dance teachers and an administrative staff.

Spotlight on **BUSINESS** RAHWAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

CLEA CARCHIA, CHAMELEON DESIGN HOUSE

Clea sold the studio in 2005, moved to Nyack, NY and opened Chameleon Design House, which she still owns today. CDH specializes in website design, graphic design and professional event photography. Chameleon Design House creates branding for businesses, professionals, organizations, and political campaigns.

By 2009, Clea felt that it was finally time to invest in a permanent home and purchased a house on Sycamore Street. She chose Rahway because of the character and friendly nature of the neighborhoods and the beautiful old growth trees. Being situated between the Garden State Parkway and the NJ Turnpike gave her access to her New York clients. Rahway is also close to her family home, in Edison.


Shortly after moving to Rahway, Clea met Bob Markey who was in the process of re-activating the long defunct Rahway Chamber of Commerce. Bob encouraged Clea to run for

Chamber office and she was elected as a Trustee and became the first Marketing Chairperson in the newly re-formed Chamber. During her 2-year tenure, Clea and her committee (consisting mostly of now president Tom Bayone) created entirely new branding, including a new logo, palm card, window sticker, and website.

Clea is an active member of the Rahway Environmental Commission. She is an avid environmentalist and enjoys learning about and contributing to Rahway's environmental health.

Clea shares her Rahway home with a variety of unusual pets, including her pigeon Nicky, her bearded dragon Honey Puff and her dog Cooper.

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BRESENHAN REMINDS RESIDENTS TO BE STORM READY

"In conjunction with September being storm preparedness month, area residents need to be proactive and prepare for the upcoming storm season," said Rahway Councilman Bob Bresenhan. "Residents are warned not to wait until the last minute when all basic supplies including bottled water, flashlights, batteries, candles, matches and so many other basics essential to riding out a storm disappear from supermarket shelves," he added. "I urge residents to be vigilant and visit the American Red Cross (redcross.org/prepare/location/home-family/preparedness) or the National Hurricane Center (www.nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/ready) for their useful storm guides and checklists to be sure they are ready for any upcoming storms that may pose a threat to the local region," he continued. Councilman Bresenhan stated "besides having adequate supplies on hand and moving individuals or automobiles to higher ground, residents also need to secure outside property such as patio furniture, umbrellas,

grills, garbage cans or any other items that can become dangerous flying objects under extreme storm conditions." "I also encourage families to plan an evacuation route should it be necessary, gas up vehicles and choose an out-of-area emergency contact person. If you are told to evacuate, please do so immediately, he continued."

Bresenhan warned, "It is imperative for citizens to heed storm warnings and advice from such organizations as the National Weather Service, local news forecasts as well as messages from state, county and local emergency organizations. These warnings are treated seriously and only sent out when the threat is real." Bresenhan added, "it's better to be prepared and safe than put oneself or the lives of emergency personnel in a dangerous or compromising situation just because an individual was reckless and did not take a storm warning seriously."

Bresenhan also provided some key

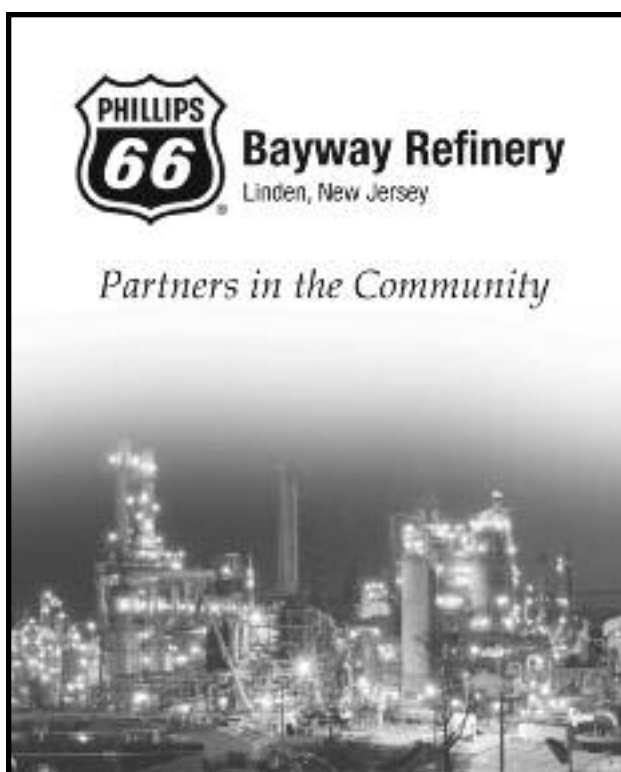
emergency organizations and their contact information detailed below:

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FEMA: FEMA's website has suggestions for preparing your home or business for a hurricane, what to do if a storm approaches, and how to respond after it passes: <http://www.ready.gov/hurricanes>.

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