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YMCA HOLDS 5TH ANNUAL ZUCCHINI RACE

For the 5th year in a row, over 50 summer campers from the YMCA of Eastern Union County Rahway Branch lined up to test the speed and agility of their Zucchini racers.

After a fun summer of learning for over 100 campers how to grow vegetables, herbs and plants as well as enjoy the fruits of their labor as part of the Y summer gardening program, camper Kayla Clemendore, reminiscences on her experience. "We planted basil, parsley and marigolds in the garden, and we got to take them home," said Kayla, 9, of Linden, "I like that we get to grow fresh food and not go to the market."

Ironically, a handful of our YMCA campers did go to market a few days prior to the race but for a different reason. Our campers accompanied by Bob Markey our volunteer Square Foot Gardening Instructor and Althea Llewellyn YMCA staff member and Master Gardener had a fantastic opportunity to sell their crops at the fresh market in front of the Rahway Train Station. "They sold all their crops and the proceeds will go towards our YMCA's Annual campaign which supports financial assistance" said Lindsay Sudia, YMCA Senior Program Director.

The Y "Square Foot Garden" program is part of the YMCA's commitment to reduce the rise of childhood obesity. The garden is one of many programs the YMCA of Eastern Union County is committed to in order to support healthy lifestyles for children, adults, families and the community. Strengthening the foundations of community for youth development, healthy living and social responsibility is at the core of the work we do every day. To learn more about our Y visit our website at www.ymcaeuc.org.

"The Zucchini races are an annual event at our Branch, signaling an exciting conclusion of our summer gardening program. The children created race cars from green and yellow zucchini", said Gerry Gessie, Rahway Branch Executive Director.

The children creatively use bamboo skewers to attach wheels made from slices of potatoes, carrots and corn, wire nuts for hub caps, and decorated cherry tomatoes as hood ornaments, as well as flags, umbrellas, plastic toy palm trees and feathers. Then they gave the veggie vehicles names such as "Tornado", "Stars" and "King Cars." Having fun while learning is one of the keys to our success as we work with children to live, grow and thrive.

The event, originally slated to be held outside near the garden, had to rapidly be moved indoors as the weather turned stormy. "Rain will not stop us from having the race" said Gessie. Gessie commends his staff team in quickly being able to reassemble the track inside the gymnasium, while campers put the finishing touches on their racers. The rain could not dampen the camper's enthusiasm as the zucchini racers went down the track. "The cheering could be heard throughout our branch" said Gessie.

We look forward to next summer and a new crop fresh food, educated campers and of course Zucchini Racers.



(above, l-r) Nyjae and Madison, Rahway Branch YMCA Day Campers, enjoy making their race car for the Great Zucchini Race.

The YMCA of Eastern Union County is a not-for-profit community service membership organization working to meet the health and social service needs of the children, men and women. Committed to our mission of building healthy lives through programs that strengthen spirits, minds and bodies for people of all ages, religions and cultures, the YMCA serves over 15,000 youth, teens, adults, families and seniors through four branches located in Elizabeth, Union (Five Points) and Rahway. All of our programs are tools the YMCA uses to achieve its vision of strengthening the foundations of community and to reinforce the YMCA's core values of honesty, caring, respect and responsibility. Visit our website www.ymcaeuc.org.

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We have two networking events planned for the fall. September 19th at the Rail House, details can be found on page 12, and another in October (date and location TBA). Also through our partnership with Union County College we continue to provide FREE computer classes to our members. Our next class is October 21st and 23rd. Sign up now, space is limited. Details can be found on page 10.

We'll be finishing off the year with a formal Holiday Gala. Details TBA

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, Sept 26th 8:30 am at the Masonic Lodge on Irving Street. I look forward to seeing you there.

Tom Bayone

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MAKING “ALONE” TOGETHER

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



Colin Gittens

The publication of *Bowling Alone* in 2000 brought to a wider public consciousness the idea that participation in civic and public life in America was in serious decline. Offering examples from bridge clubs, VFW halls, alumni groups, and the Elks and Lions organizations that had experienced membership declines since the 1960s, author Robert Putnam made a persuasive case that “social capital”—the connections among individuals fostered by the reciprocal behaviors and trustworthiness that develop in social networks—was running low. (The book title illustrates this well, pointing out that although more Americans are bowling, they are not joining leagues and interacting through them.)

An item in the latest issue of the American Library Association newsletter shows that this is still occurring a generation later. “How do we attract younger members to our Friends group?” was an elemental question at a discussion session at the annual ALA conference.

For an Illinois Friends group, the solutions include sponsoring a trivia night in a local bar

with prizes or hosting a “Guilty Pleasures” party featuring romance authors and chocolate. In Euclid, Ohio, a student Friends group helps coordinate children- and teens-only booksales, and the teen volunteers are thanked in a formal ceremony at which parents are invited and encouraged to become Friends as well.

Although these are all worthwhile ideas, the Friends of the Rahway Public Library have not yet gone this route, believing that participation is its own reward. As put by the library liaison to the Santa Clarita, California, Public Library in the same article, “people start volunteering because they have a passion for the cause, but they stay with their organizations because of the relationships they form.” We subscribe wholeheartedly to this idea, and I know that has been the case for me since joining the Friends 3 years ago.

An article elsewhere in the ALA newsletter reinforced this notion. Describing some of the

reasons for having a Friends group (although the article focused on Friends for a specialized academic library, these reasons are universal), the list included the following:

- 1) Friends promote collaboration and cooperation
- 5) Friends can lift you up when you are down
- 9) Friends can provide a sense of pride and accomplishment. These feel-good reasons are a plus (who doesn’t need more positivity in their life?), but we also have achieved concrete and noteworthy results in terms of monies raised for the library.

In 2014, we’ll also be fulfilling reason #6 (Friends can help you celebrate). As I mentioned in last month’s column, we’re planning events to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the library being open in its present location. Please join with us as we get this planning under way. It’s better for all of us - the library, the Friends, and you - if we don’t go it alone.

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Mums are available in many colors from white, pink and purples to my favorites the yellow and gold and orange. I love the way they blend with changing hues of the trees. There are even varieties with multi-colored flowers. Whichever color you choose you will be rewarded with weeks of additional color in your garden.

Like all flowering plants, mums need a good amount of water to stay healthy; more than most. If planted in the ground they need water every other day. In pots on your front steps they do best if watered every day. If you can store a gallon of water within arm's reach, this task will be much easier. The easier I can make a job the more likely I am to do it. The Japanese claim the success to great flowering mums is watering twice a day; once in morning and then again in the late afternoon. The popular soilless potting mixtures dry out incredibly fast.

If the winter is mild mums can come back for years. This is not dependable and is a major reason why chrysanthemums are so inexpensive compared to other garden perennials. They are generally considered an annual.

At the end of the season cut your mums down to the ground and cover them with mulch, in the spring pull the mulch away to see if your plants have survived. If they have come back, give them a good feeding and cut back at least twice, late spring and mid-summer to encourage them to become bushy. Bushy mums will produce



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

many more flower heads. You will have better luck if you plant young mums in the spring so they have a few months to adjust and root in.

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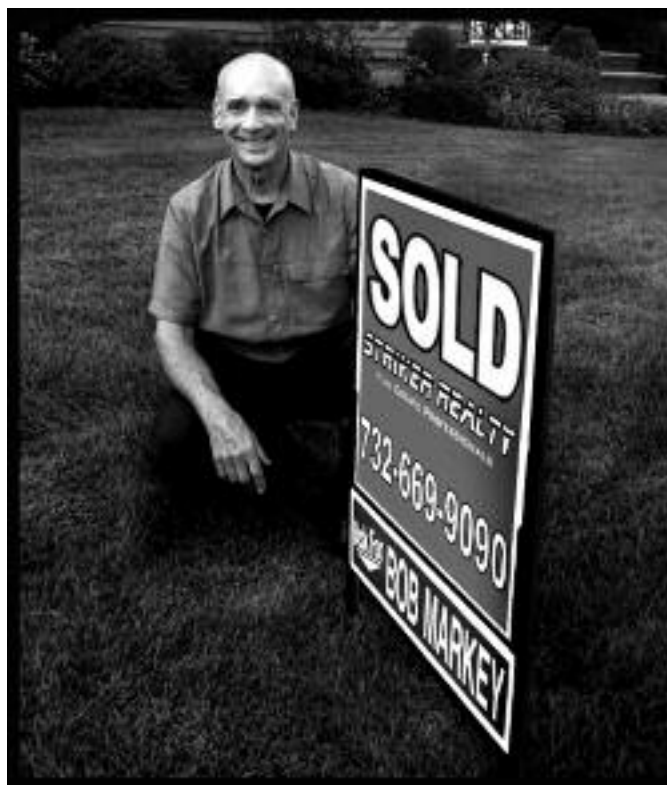
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THE YMCA TO OFFER NEW EARLY LEARNING READINESS PROGRAM

Program supports school readiness; provides informal family, friend or neighbor caregivers with skills to enhance and support the learning experiences of children in their care

The YMCA of Eastern Union County, Rahway Branch has been selected to pilot an early learning program to enhance the learning experiences of young children in informal child care settings. The Early Learning Readiness Program for Informal Family, Friend and Neighbor Caregivers is a national initiative through YMCA of the USA, supported by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, to improve school readiness among children.

For many low-income and newcomer/immigrants, a family member, friend or neighbor is the most common source of child care. According to a recent U.S. Census Bureau report, children 5-years-old and under were more likely to be cared for by a relative (42%) than by a nonrelative (33%), while 12% were regularly cared for by both, and 39% had no regular child care arrangement.

While family, friends and neighbors may provide safe and caring environments, these types of caregivers are often not trained in child development. The YMCA's Early Learning Readiness Program provides caregivers with the program elements, support and tools needed to enhance their role in children's cognitive and emotional development.

"At the YMCA of Eastern Union County, we work every day to provide kids the best possible chance to learn and reach their full potential," said Gerry Gessie, Branch Executive, Rahway Branch. "This new Early Learning Readiness Program will give us the opportunity to serve the large number of infants, toddlers and preschoolers being cared for by informal family, friend and neighbor caregivers."

The Y's Early Learning Readiness Program provides a preschool-like experience through planned learning centers that focus on supporting and developing the skills and confidence of caregivers, while improving school readiness among children. The program

model includes biweekly meetings throughout the school year for both the caregivers and children at neighborhood locations such as Ys, community centers, libraries, schools and places of worship. Y staff and volunteers share information to help caregivers build their knowledge about how children learn and experience activities simple enough to be replicated at home.

The YMCA of Eastern Union County, Rahway Branch is one of 19 YMCAs selected to pilot the Early Learning Readiness Program. The program is scheduled to begin the week of September 15 and will be held at the First Presbyterian Church, 1731 Church Street, Rahway. Classes will be from 10 am – 12 pm on Monday and Wednesday (bilingual) and Tuesday and Thursday (English). The Early Learning Readiness program is free to the community.

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UNION COUNTY SPECTRUM ALL STARS FALL BOWLING LEAGUE & SUPPORT GROUP

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Due to the success of the summer bowling league for individuals with Autism Spectrum, the Union County Spectrum All Stars will be continuing the program into the Fall/Winter. It will be a total of 12 weeks starting on September 28th at Linden Lanes bowling center located at 741 North Stiles Street in Linden.

In addition to the league, we have started a parent support group with monthly presentations based on the interests and needs of our families. We meet once a month at 6:30 pm in the Linden Lanes party room.

We have also put together a program geared specifically for dads. This includes group sessions with guest speakers, round table discussions, and planned activities for the dads and their children. This program was started in August and has been very well received. The meeting dates and times are coordinated by Rick Gonzalez. You can reach him at 732-259-6677.

This is a parent-run group so our options are unlimited. We are open to all ideas/suggestions for the development of new programs and recreational activities. These ideas will be discussed during our parent support group meetings.

This group is open to all individuals regardless of age with Autism Spectrum living in Union County.

Please note if your child is not interested in bowling, you may still join and take part in the support groups and activities.


Upcoming dates for Fall/Winter Session for Bowling: September 28th – December 14th, Saturdays starting at 12 noon.

Upcoming dates for parent support group meetings: October 16th, November 13th, and December 11th. Meetings begin at 6:30 p.m.

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ANNUAL MUSEUM “GHOSTS OF THE PAST” CEMETERY TOUR

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 5 and 6 from 1-4 p.m. in Rahway Cemetery, St. Georges Ave., 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. More about this enjoyable and informative event can be learned by going to the Museum website at: www.merchantsanddrovers.org or by calling the museum at: 732-381-0441.

Tour participants will be rewarded with an experience that takes them to the graves of 13 former 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, Dr. Fredrick Albee, internationally famous WWI surgeon and a Civil War soldier of the U.S. Colored Troops. Also included will be 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 has become a local best seller and is on sale at the Museum.

Tours begin at 1 p.m. and leaving every 15 minutes on both days, October 5rd and 6th, with the last tour leaving at 4 p.m. This popular annual event which draws hundreds of visitors is designed to be a memorable as well as educational experience for all ages. All tours begin at the Merchants and Drovers Tavern Museum located on the corner of St. Georges and Westfield Avenues in Rahway, next door to the Rahway Cemetery. Reservations are recommended but tickets may also 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. All proceeds benefit the continued restoration of the Museum buildings and grounds. The museum gift shop will be open and free parking is located at Parkside Plaza on St. Georges Ave.

one block south of the museum. For additional information, please call Alex Shipley at 732-381-0441, go to the website at www.merchantsanddrovers.org or visit them on Facebook.

The Merchants and Drovers Tavern Museum Association (MDTMA) is dedicated to preserving the Merchants and Drovers Tavern (c. 1795), the Terrill Tavern (c. 1735), developing the site as a tavern museum and to interpreting the important role played by stagecoach taverns and inns in early American history; to provide a regional education, cultural and historic resource; and to preserve local history. 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. To learn more about the Museum’s exhibits, guided tours, events and openings go to: www.merchantsanddrovers.org, or call 732-381-0441.



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THE MERCHANTS AND DROVERS TAVERN MUSEUM A LANDMARK FOR GENERATIONS

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

“Go down Westfield Avenue until you come to the St. George Hotel and make a left. Then go...”

“Follow this street until you come to the Girl Scout House. Turn right and go...”

“Stay on St. Georges Avenue until you come to the traffic light on Grand Avenue. You’ll see the historic building on the left. Turn left and go...”

No matter what the year, no matter who was giving directions, the Merchants and Drovers Tavern Museum, although known by different names over the years, has always been a local landmark. Today it seems almost impossible to believe that on two occasions this historic building came close to being demolished to make way for a park, a fast-food restaurant, or gas station.

It was December, 1968 when motorists, accustomed to passing the building each morning, were surprised to see “For Sale” signs on the property. A general “call to arms” immediately went out, and discussions began on how to save the landmark. An important result of these activities was the formation of the Rahway Historical Society, a group whose purpose was to preserve the historic building. Within a short time, a community-wide fund drive was started, \$75,000 was raised, and, in the fall of 1969, the Historical Society took ownership.

The new caretakers soon began working to restore Rahway’s landmark with the intention of replicating an 1820s hotel and tavern. In the mid-1970s, the tavern room was recreated. Early on, the first floor was made structurally sound and over the next four decades, the exterior was painted and repainted several times. In the mid-1990s a Historic Structures Report produced a preservation plan for the interior, and in 2003, an impressive permanent educational display was constructed in the large, second floor meeting room.

Besides the work done to preserve the structure, much research has been done to get an accurate account of the chronological history of the building.

The Merchants and Drovers Tavern began its life about 1795 as a two-story commercial building. In 1798, John Anderson purchased the property from Oliver Pierson and applied for a license to operate “a Tavern at Rahway...in the house lately occupied by Squire Pearson as a store.”

Physical evidence indicates that Anderson immediately made major renovations to the structure. He pushed the north wall out approximately eleven feet, and squared the second level over the new construction to create a two-story rectangular shaped building. The second floor now featured two private rooms and one long dormitory room which ran the length of the building overlooking St. George’s Avenue.

By 1820, the building had become the property of Dr. David Craig, Anderson’s son-in-law, who would add two stories with five rooms on each floor. The floors were added in part because business was increasing and Craig realized the need to upgrade the building to attract more customers. Dr. Craig owned the hotel until 1865.

Following the 1820s enlargement, many renovations would be made over the next century to keep the business up-to-date as an active hotel. However, by the mid-1920s, the hotel could no longer provide the public with the amenities required to meet the lodging standards of the day, and the business finally closed in 1926.

The fate of the structure now fell in the hands of Mrs. Marjorie Searles, the owner and great-granddaughter of Dr. Craig (the building remained in the same family from 1797 to 1969). Rather than see the building razed to make way for open public parkland, she had the



old hotel renovated and thereafter offered it to the Rahway Girl Scouts to serve as their headquarters. A dedication service would be held on February 7, 1933, thus beginning the building’s tenure as the “Girl Scout House”, one that would last for the next thirty-six years.

Today, this 1820s Federal style structure retains a high degree of architectural integrity. Its four-story height makes it a one-of-a-kind example of an early public house.

The Tavern Museum is owned, maintained, and operated as a museum by the Merchants and Drovers Tavern Museum Association (the name of the Society was changed in 2001 to broaden its regional appeal). It is listed on both the National Register of Historic Places and the New Jersey Register of Historic Places, and is recorded in the Historic American Buildings Survey.

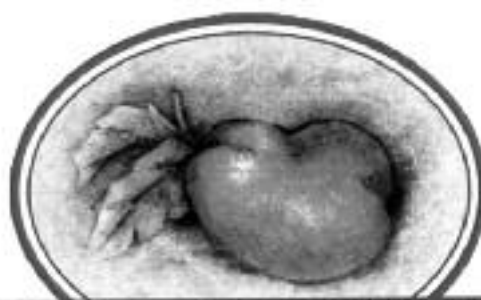
The Association has recently initiated a major renovation project which will include the construction of a new roof, as well as the restoration of the front, rear, and side facades. It is the Association’s hope that this important landmark will stand for many more generations to come.



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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEETING
Thursday, October 10 at 7:00 pm
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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
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Monday, October 28 6:30-7:30 pm
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TEEN EVENTS

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Wednesday, October 9 at 6:30 pm

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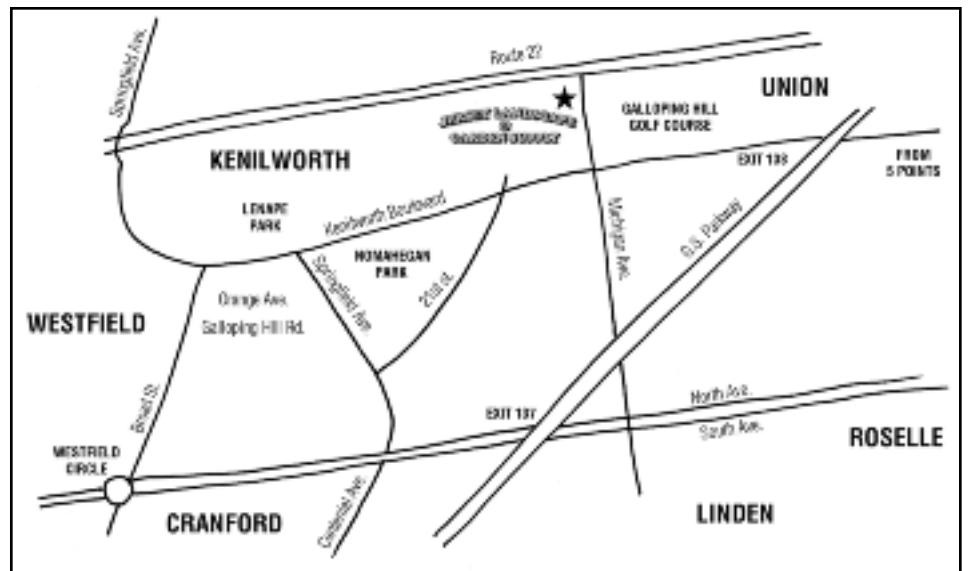
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- Plan to bring in all outdoor furniture, decorations, garbage cans and anything else that is not tied down.
- Keep all trees and shrubs well-trimmed so they are more wind resistant.
- Secure your home by securing outdoor objects or bringing them inside.

- Ensure a supply of water for sanitary purposes such as cleaning and flushing toilets. Fill the bathtub and other large containers with water.

Step 3: Stay informed

Hurricane hazards come in many forms: lightning, tornadoes, flooding, storm surge, high winds. Look carefully at the safety actions associated with each type of hurricane hazard and prepare your family disaster plan accordingly. The first and most important thing anyone should do when facing a hurricane threat is to use common sense. Stayed tuned to your local news for changing conditions. Finally sign up at Nixle.com for storm information and City of Rahway storm recovery updates.

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Dewars 12yrs old	750ml	\$29.97	Remy Martin 1738	750ml	\$49.99	RUM		
Dewars 12yrs old	1.75L	\$49.99	Remy Martin V.S.O.P.	750ml	\$36.99	Bacardi Light & Gold	750ml	\$13.99
Dewars White Label	750 ml	\$19.99	Remy Martin V.S.O.P.	1.75L	\$84.99	Bacardi Light & Gold	1.75L	\$19.99
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Famous Grouse	750ml	\$19.99	Absolut	750ml	\$19.99	Malibu	750ml	\$16.99
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Glenlivet 12yrs old	1.75L	\$72.99	Finlandia	750ml	\$15.99	Jose Cuervo	750ml	\$19.99
Grants	750ml	\$13.99	Finlandia	1.75L	\$25.99	Jose Cuervo	1.75L	\$32.99
Grants	1.75L	\$23.99	Fris	1.75L	\$18.99	Patron Silver	750ml	\$39.99
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Jack Daniels	1.75L	\$42.99	Grey Goose (all types)	1.75L	\$54.99	BEER		
Jameson	750ml	\$26.99	Ketel One	750ml	\$26.99	Becks (12oz) 24pk	24pk	\$21.99
Jameson	1.75L	\$48.99	Ketel One	1.75L	\$37.99	Budweiser Family cans	24pk	\$15.99
Jim Beam Whisky	1.75L	\$28.99	Majorska	750ml	\$ 8.99	Budweiser loose bottle	24pk	\$16.99
Johnnie Walker Blue	750ml	\$174.99	Majorska	1.75L	\$13.99	Coors Lite (24oz) can	12pk	\$10.99
Johnnie Walker Blue	1.75L	\$399.99	Pinnacle (all types)	750ml	\$13.99	Coors Lite can/Miller Lite can	30pk	\$21.99
John Barr Red	1.75L	\$19.99	Pinnacle (all types)	1.75L	\$19.99	Coors Lite loose bottles	24pk	\$16.99
Johnnie Walker Black	750ml	\$32.99	Skyy	1.75L	\$22.99	Corona/Corona Lite loose bottles	24pk	\$25.99
Johnnie Walker Black	1.75L	\$61.99	Smirnoff Vodka 80 proof	750ml	\$10.99	Dab (16oz) cans	24pk	\$20.99
Johnnie Walker Double Black	750ml	\$39.99	Smirnoff Vodka (all types)	1.75L	\$19.99	Famosa Lager cans	24pk	\$18.99
Johnnie Walker Gold	750ml	\$84.99	Sobieski	750ml	\$11.99	Guinness Pub cans (14.9oz)	24pk	\$29.99
Johnnie Walker Gold	1.75L	\$129.99	Sobieski	1.75L	\$18.99	Heineken/Heineken Lite	24pk	\$24.99
Johnnie Walker Red	750ml	\$19.99	Soplica	750ml	\$ 9.99	Lech (500ml)	20pk	\$26.99
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Macallan 12yrs old	750ml	\$47.99	Svedka (all types)	750ml	\$11.99	Sam Adams Lager	24pk	\$26.99
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Seagrams 7	1.75L	\$19.99	Three Olives (all types)	1.75L	\$26.99	Warka Radler (500ml) cans	24pk	\$23.99
GIN			Traveler's Vodka	1.75L	\$10.99	Yuengling Lager cans and bottles	24pk	\$17.99
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J. Lohr Cabernet and Merlot.....750ml	\$13.99		
Kendall Jackson Vintners Chardonnay.....750ml	\$11.99		

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