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Fifth Annual MAYOR'S DAY 5K RUN

Sunday
SEPT. 20, 2015

start at
UNION HIGH SCHOOL

on Cooke Drive.

Registration begins
at 7:45 a.m.

with race commencing
at 9:00 a.m.

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GARDEN STATE RYDERZ MOTORCYCLE CLUB JULY FUNDRAISER

On July 18, 2015 Garden State Ryderz Motorcycle Club held their Christmas in July fundraiser at the Indian Motorcycle dealership located in Union, New Jersey. Participants were asked to donate \$10 with a new toy, and \$20 without a toy. The money raised that day will be sent to the Garden State Ryderz MC fallen brother Manny Ruivo, wife and two children. Ruivo had passed away in November of a massive heart attack. Ruivo was honored during event.

This year's ride also honored WWII Navy Veteran, Walter Woytowicz. A Linden resident who served his country from 1944 -1946. Mr. Woytowicz passed away on February 3, 2015 and was not given a full military funeral because his official records were missing. After they were found, members of the club worked to give Woytowicz the honor he rightly deserved.

Walter was born in Elizabeth, N.J., lived in Linden and Colonia and resided in Point Pleasant since 1974. He was self-employed and was the owner of Woyts Tavern in Linden, and he also owned Woyt Trucking Co. in Linden.

The United States Navy sent a full Honor Guard, they traveled all the way from New London, Connecticut, to pay tribute to Walter Woytowicz, an American hero, and

presented his family with the American Flag during a ceremony.

The Garden State Ryderz is a non-profit family oriented motorcycle club that organizes fund raisers throughout the year to help those in need.



(above) Union Police Officer David Popick presented the flag to Walter's son and grandson.

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(above, l-r) Union Police officers David Popick and Robert Leamy folding the flag. Leamy also played bag pipes.



(above) Manny Ruivo's family in attendance for his memorial.

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UNION TOWNSHIP CHAMBER PLANS FIFTH ANNUAL MAYOR'S DAY 5K RUN

Get up, grab your running shoes and join the Union Township Chamber of Commerce again this year at its Fifth Annual Mayor's Day 5K Run on Sunday, September 20, 2015. A committee has been actively working over the summer to plan and expand this year's event.

Held rain or shine, the event will start at Union High School on Cooke Drive. Registration begins at 7:45 a.m. with the actual race commencing at 9:00 a.m. Participants will traverse a USATF – certified course beginning and ending at the high school. This year's course is being updated and redesigned.

Eugene Mitchell of Spencer Savings Bank and Hayley O'Connor of Electro America, Inc, both of Union, have been named co-chairs of this year's 5K.

"This year marks the fifth anniversary of this popular community event, and we are working to make it our biggest and better ever," said Chamber Executive James Masterson. "We are grateful to the Township of Union Board of Education for generously hosting this event, and we are holding it on a Sunday this year, based upon feedback from last year."

Prizes will be awarded for various categories, and t-shirts and gift bags will be distributed to participants.

Masterson added that a portion of the proceeds will go to benefit a local resident, 10--year-old Benjamin Duvelson of Union, who was diagnosed with sickle cell anemia, and has endured multiple hospitalizations and treatments. "We are so pleased that Union

Mayor Manuel Figueiredo shared Ben's story with us, and we are thrilled to be able to help him in some way through this event," Masterson said. "We encourage our community to come out in support of this boy and his family, while enjoying a fun day with their own families as well."

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The day will also feature a Kid's Run for grades K through 5 at the high school's Cooke Memorial Football Field. This event will begin at 9:00 a.m., with registration from 8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. The cost to participate is \$5.00, payable at the gate. There will be no preregistration – all participants must register that morning. The Kid's Run is sponsored and coordinated by the Gateway Family YMCA.

Businesses wishing to become a sponsor may contact Masterson at executivedirector@unionchamber.com for a listing of the various levels of support. All sponsorships include a table at the event for businesses to showcase their companies.

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(above l-r) Catarina Guimaraes, Mayor Manuel Figueiredo and Nicholas Quinones.

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UNION RESIDENTS EARN NURSING DIPLOMAS

A class of 46 completed the co-operative nursing program offered through Trinitas School of Nursing and Union County College (UCC) this spring. The graduates now hold nursing diplomas and Associate in Science degrees granted at graduation. Exercises held recently at the UCC campus in Cranford. Four men were among the graduates who hail from Cape May, Essex, Middlesex, Monmouth and Union Counties, as well as the Bronx, Brooklyn and Staten Island, New York. The following Union residents graduated: Carlo Castro, Maria Jose Heredia, and Maria Frances Martino.

Trinitas School of Nursing currently holds full continuing accreditation from The National

League for Nursing (NLN) Accrediting Commission, Inc. through Fall 2020. The NLN's Board of Commissioners' extended accreditation is based on the School's designation as an NLN Center of Excellence; the length of employment of the faculty, all of whom hold certification as Certified Nurse Educators (CNE); the School's fostering of excellence among students with English as a second language; the School's nurturing environment for student support that encourages success among the entire student body, and the excellent relationships among the Trinitas Regional Medical Center nursing staff, clinical unit managers, faculty and students.



(above) Union residents Carlo Castro, Maria Jose Heredia, and Maria Frances Martino. were among the graduating class of Trinitas School of Nursing. Photo by Trinitas School of Nursing



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MEET BENJAMIN....THIS YEAR'S RECIPIENT OF A PORTION OF THE 5K PROCEEDS

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Ten-year-old Benjamin was born healthy at seven pounds and two ounces. It was at 10 days old when Benjamin's parents received notice from the State to make an appointment because the State-mandated sickle cell screening came back positive. Sickle Cell Anemia is a hereditary disease in which the red blood cells are crescent moon shape instead of round. Due to their crescent shape the red blood cells are rigid and sticky which can slow or block blood flow and oxygen to vital parts and organs. This often creates intolerable pain.

Ben's first hospital admission was at seven months for a fever. Since then, he has been admitted for Vaso occlusive crisis, pneumonia and fevers numerous times. When he was younger, his arms/legs would swell up -- helping the family to identify the reason for his crankiness and tears. The disease required him to have surgeries, frequent tests, blood drawings, multiple blood transfusions and hospital admissions. There is only one cure for this illness: a bone marrow transplant, which can be very dangerous. The illness continues to claim lives in early adulthood.

In September 2014, Ben was diagnosed with Stage IV Avascular Necrosis to the left hip resulting from loss of blood flow to the femur head. This has left Ben unable to walk without pain or assistance. Being too young for a hip replacement, he has endured many procedures followed by months of hospitalization and rehab. Ben has been recovering well; however, he still has days of pain and fatigue from the anemia.

Ben is an intelligent youngster who loves to



make people laugh. He is the fourth son of parents Emmanuel and Perette Duvelson. His three older brothers have traits of the illness. His younger brother shows no sign of illness. They have learned to adjust to many changes that this illness has caused to the family.

The Union Township Chamber of Commerce is pleased to donate a portion of this year's Mayor's Day 5K proceeds to help defray some of the medical expenses associated with Ben's treatment. We are grateful to Union Mayor Manuel Figueiredo for sharing the family's story with us. Join us in helping Benjamin and his family by running, walking or becoming a sponsor of this community event!

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Scretchen was a beloved employee of the Union School district for over twenty-seven years. She devoted herself to care for the students she has helped over the years, and had

a smile that could light up any room. She loved music, and could be heard singing through the halls at any given moment. The students were eager to pay one final tribute to Miss Crystal before the school year ended, and one of the students approached their teacher Mrs. Minnoia about writing special messages to Miss Crystal and sending them up in the air using colorful balloons. The idea was born, and on the last day of school students and teachers wrote special notes that were placed in balloons that would be sent up into the sky. Mrs. Minnoia shared "Miss Crystal was an inspiration and a shining light. Her presence is still all around us. The students were excited to write messages to Miss Crystal as a tribute, she will always remain in all of our hearts."



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SENIOR PROM CELEBRATED AT THE GATEWAY FAMILY YMCA – FIVE POINTS BRANCH

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The Gateway Family YMCA –Five Points Branch hosted a “Senior Prom” this Spring, celebrating the senior members and their vibrant, healthy lives. The Five Points Branch, located at 201 Tucker Avenue, Union, NJ, provides specialized programs focusing on Families, Youth, Teens and Senior members, along with traditional YMCA programs and child care. “Much like our youth and teen members, our seniors begin to see the Y almost as a second home. There is a great sense of belonging here for them and I wanted to create an environment in which they are associating coming to the Y as a place to do something fun and enjoyable to better their lives. It’s these types of events that allow the seniors to feel comfortable and create lasting memories,” stated Thomas Galuppo, Health Living Director.

The Senior Prom was designed to celebrate senior members with an afternoon of music, dancing food and good company. Approximately 50 people attended this year’s Senior Prom in the YMCA’s gymnasium. There was a DJ playing a variety of music, including popular line dances and songs on request. A Prom King and Queen were crowned by the fellow attendees at the end of the event. Props were available for photos, and members were happily commenting on the posts to the Y’s Facebook page. One YMCA member, Linda Greer, stated, “Thank you to the wonderful directors and staff for a great afternoon at the Senior Prom! It was so much fun. I love dancing and had a blast! You guys know how to party.”

For those who attended the prom, there were a lot great memories made, friendships forged



(above) Approximately 50 people attended this year’s Senior Prom held in the YMCA’s gymnasium. A DJ played a variety of music, including popular line dances and songs on request.

and community bonding. “The event definitely brought our seniors back in time and made them feel young again,” added Danielle Cioffi, District Executive Director. “So many seniors went out of their way to let me know they had a blast and looked forward to more events like this at the branch.”

Admission to the prom consisted of a \$2 donation to the YMCA’s Annual Support Campaign, which provides financial assistance for YMCA membership and programs. “Many of the members who came to the events attend our Active Older Adult and Water Exercise classes on a regular basis, and many of their friendships started right here at our YMCA,” added Jessica Samolewicz, Associate Executive Director.

The Gateway Family YMCA is a 501(c)(3)



(above) Theodore and Carolyn Thomas (Hillside, NJ), Prom King and Queen.

non-profit, health and community service organization of caring staff and volunteers dedicated to strengthening the foundations of community and stands For Youth Development, For Healthy Living and For Social Responsibility. The Gateway Family YMCA impacts the community by providing quality services to people of all ages, races, faith or incomes. The Y doesn’t just strengthen bodies – it strengthens people, families and communities.

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GATEWAY YMCA'S ANNUAL SUPPORT CAMPAIGN

In early June, Joanne Rajoppi, Union County Clerk, presented a generous donation to The Gateway Family YMCA's Annual Support Campaign. The donation, which was presented to Krystal R. Canady, CEO, Joseph R. Venezia, President, Board of Directors and Melynda A. Mileski, EVP/COO of The Gateway Family YMCA, will provide funding to the Y's financial assistance program for membership, programs and community services.

Every day, The Gateway Family YMCA works to support the people and neighborhoods that need it most by addressing community issues such as school readiness, chronic diseases and food insecurity. The Gateway Family YMCA uses financial gifts to help individuals and families in need participate in programs such as: Early Learning Readiness, Diabetes Prevention, employment skills training, teen leadership programs, supportive housing, and social services in the communities surrounding the YMCA branches in Elizabeth, Rahway and Union. "As a charity, financial gifts help to strengthen our community by allowing all individuals and families to participate in programs and services that support youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. We are dedicated to providing support to our neighbors," stated

Krystal R. Canady, CEO of The Gateway Family YMCA.

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(above, l-r) Joanne Rajoppi presents YMCA leaders with a donation to the Annual Support Campaign. Krystal R. Canady, CEO, Joanne Rajoppi, County of Union, Joseph R. Venezia, President, Board of Directors and Melynda A. Mileski, EVP/COO of YMCA.



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The Gateway Family YMCA is thrilled to announce upcoming try-outs for our 2015-2016 Rapids swim team! After a very successful 2014-2015 season, the team is looking to grow even more! Our diverse team currently encompasses 62 swimmers from fifteen towns in both Union and Middlesex counties!

The competitive swim season runs from September through March; with dual meets starting in October, and Championship meets starting in February. Our team will swim against other YMCA's in the Northern New Jersey Swim League. Swim meets are held on Saturdays at The Gateway Family YMCA Rahway Branch, or at the site of the competing YMCA. This year we are happy to announce that we will be adding additional swim meets to enhance our swimmers' development.

The Rahway Branch will be holding a Summer Stroke Clinic from August 3rd through August 19th, 2015 that focuses on stroke techniques, endurance, starts and turns, and other essential skills. The clinic will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:00- 8:00PM. The Summer

Stroke Clinic is a great way to get your swimmer ready for the upcoming season!

Tryouts for the upcoming season will be held at 6:00PM on the dates below:

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Children of all ages and their families, friends, and caregivers are welcome. No Registration is required.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME AND CRAFT:

August 4, 11 at 11:00am to 12:00pm

Join us in the Children's Department of the Union Public Library for a story and related craft.

Children of all ages and their families, friends, and caregivers are welcome. No Registration is required.

FAMILY CRAFT: "Superhero Puppet":

August 5 at 11:00am to 12:00pm.

Join us in the Children's Department of the Union Public Library to make a "Superhero Puppet" to take home.

Children of all ages and their families, friends, and caregivers are welcome. No Registration is required.

LEGO CLUB:

August 5, 12 at 2:00pm to 3:30pm

Do you like playing with Legos? Join us in the Children's Department of the Union Public Library for our Lego Club. Bring your imagination and we will provide the Legos. Please note that all your Lego creations must stay in the library so bring your camera to take a picture. Children of all ages and their families, friends, and caregivers are welcome.

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FAMILY CRAFT: "Butterfly Mask":

August 6 at 11:00am to 12:00pm.

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COLOR AND SHAPE BINGO:

August 7, 14 at 11:00am to 11:30am.

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BOOK BINGO

August 7, 14 at 2:00pm to 2:30pm.

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SUPER SCIENCE DAY:

August 12 at 11:00am to 12:00pm.

Join us in the Children's Department of the Union Public Library for a fun day of science. Children of all ages and their families, friends, and caregivers are welcome. No Registration is required.

FAMILY CRAFT: "Summertime Fan":

August 13 at 11:00am to 12:00pm.

Join us in the Children's Department of the Union Public Library to make a "Summertime Fan" to take home.

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VAUXHALL AUGUST EVENTS

Bedtime Storytime

Monday, August 3rd at 7:00pm.

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Make a "Superheroes to the Rescue: Dream Catcher"

Thursday, August 6th at 2:00pm.

At our School-Age Craft Program. This program is for children, grades 1 and up and their caregivers.

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"Puzzle Me Friday: Fun and Games"

Friday, August 7th at 2:00pm.

For school-age children and their caregivers.

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"Firefighters to the Rescue"

Tuesday, August 11th at 11:00am.

Preschool Storytime and Craft Program for children, ages 3 – 5, and their caregivers. Signup is required.

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In attendance were Union Township representatives, as well as representatives from Bridge Development Partners, LLC, PREMIER Design + Build Group, LLC, Jones Lang LaSalle, CIT and MidAtlantic Engineering Partners.

"Bridge Point Port West meets the demand for new industrial buildings with class A amenities in the Northeast. This is one of several PREMIER sites in the area that will exceed tenant expectations," says Alec Zocher, Executive Vice President of PREMIER Design + Build, LLC.

Bridge Point Port West tenants will have convenient access to neighboring sea and

airports. These businesses will also be able to pull from a local labor pool from surrounding towns.

Building envelope materials will consist of load-bearing, precast wall panels and aluminum frame storefront entrances. The facility will be equipped with a 60 mil TPO roofing system. A complete storm drainage system and sanitary system will be constructed as well.

Bridge Point Port West will feature 36 ft clear-height warehouse spaces, 44 truck dock positions, 2 drive-in doors and an ESFR fire protection sprinkler. Additionally, a new lot with 153 car stalls, 76-onsite and 26-offsite trailer parking spaces will be provided.

Julie Piszczek of PREMIER Design + Build Group, LLC is the project manager overseeing construction and Matt Robson is the field superintendent. Joel Lubin, Blake Chroman and Chris Hile of Jones Lang LaSalle are representing the building. Cornerstone Architects are providing the architectural design and MidAtlantic Engineering Partners, LLC are providing civil engineering services.



(above l-r) Alec Zocher, PREMIER Design + Build Group, LLC; Tony Pricco and John Porcek, Bridge Development Partners, LLC; Union Mayor Manuel Figueiredo, Union Committeeman Joseph Florio, Union Committeeman Clifton People Jr.

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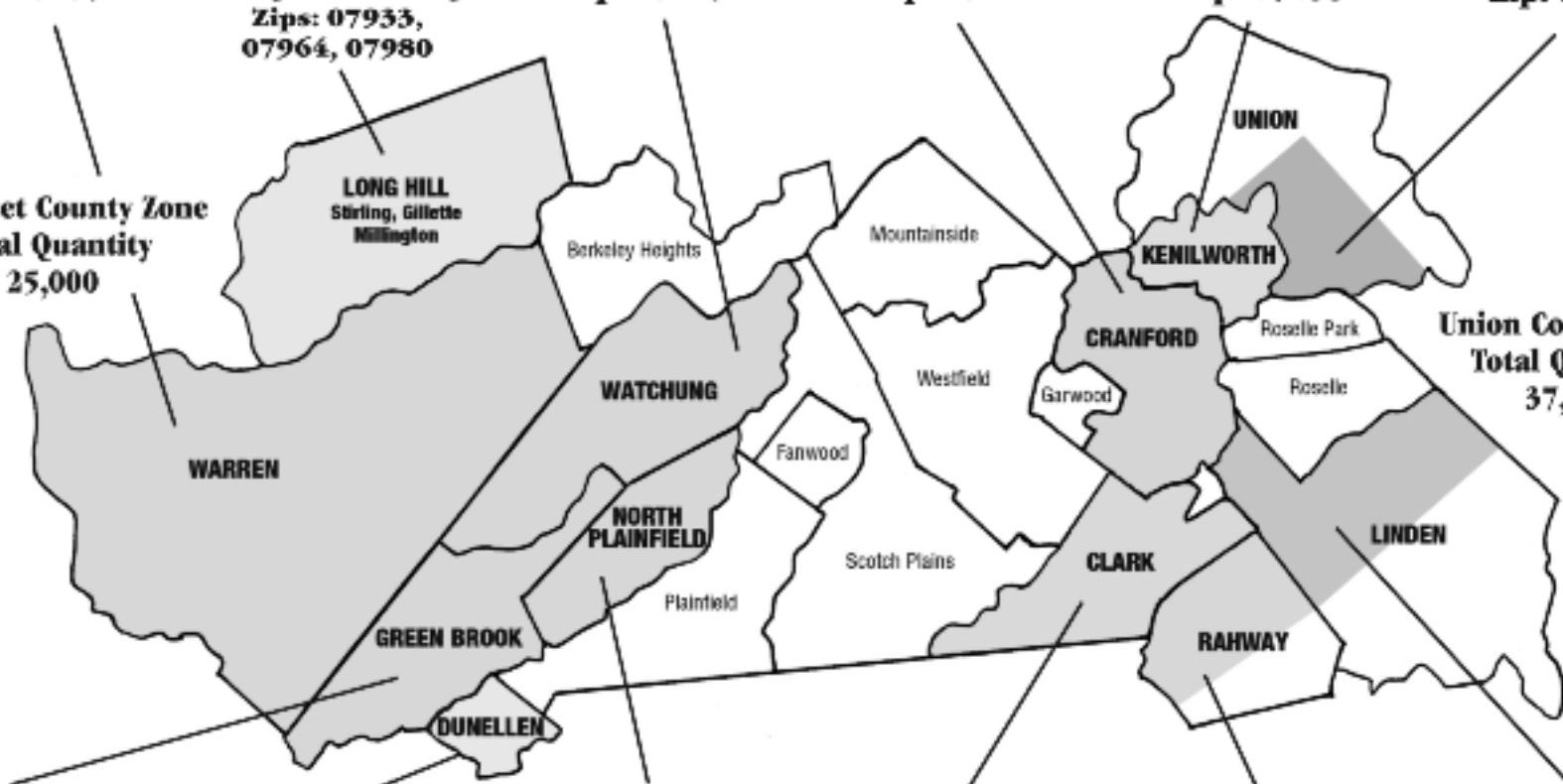


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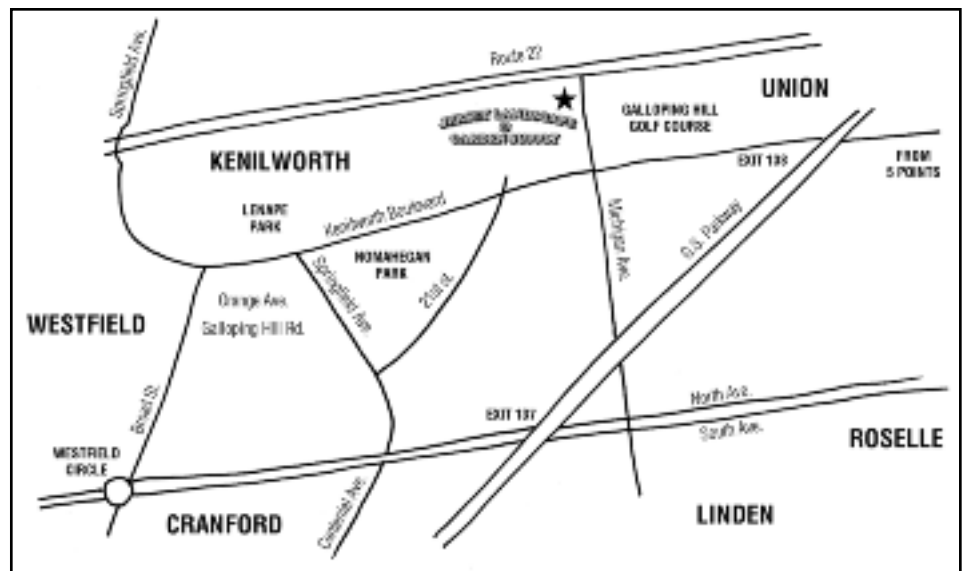
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The Off the Shelf Book Discussion Group

Thursday, May 21 at 7:00 PM
This discussion group meets on the third Thursday of each month in the second floor Activities Room at 7:00 PM. This month’s selection is White Teeth by Zadie Smith. All who have read the selection are welcome. Visit the Reference Desk for help in obtaining a copy of the book. Light refreshments are served.

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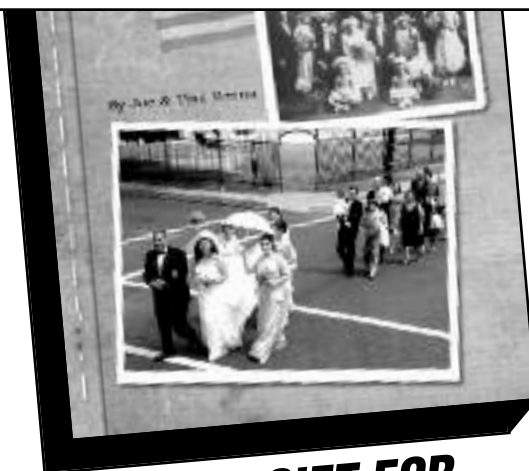
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Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce is an annual event that recognizes and local businesses and individuals.

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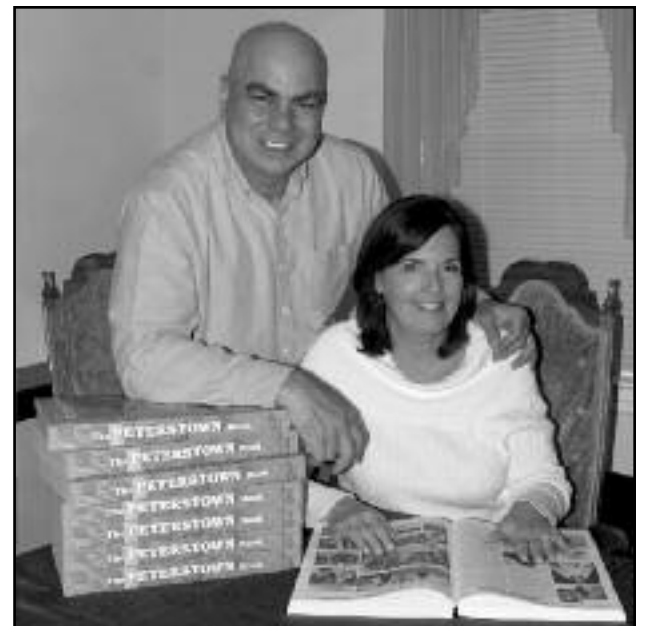
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The biggest benefit to being a Gateway Chamber member is networking. The smallest companies have access to the largest. The Chamber hosts approximately 180 networking events a year. Prospective members are invited to events also. If a business is a member of one group then they are automatically a member of all groups.

The groups include:
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Clark Chamber of Commerce
Kenilworth Chamber of Commerce
Warren Chamber of Commerce
Somerset Hills Business Network
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Gateway Association of Business Women
Workforce Education Committee



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February 9, 2015

from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

**at the Newark Airport Marriott Hotel,
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Anyone interested in attending
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