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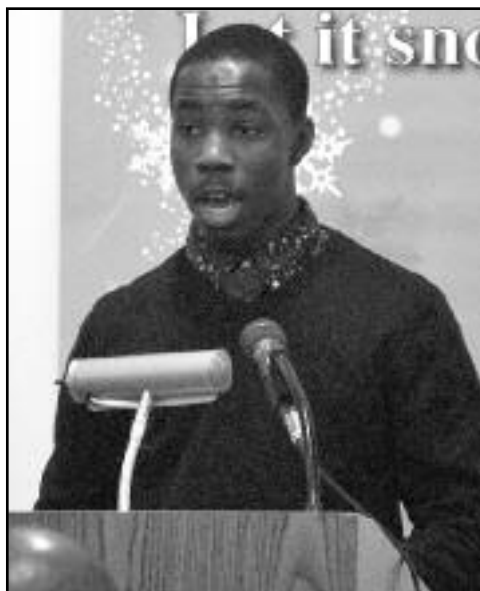
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS JOIN COMMUNITY IN CELEBRATING THE LEGACY OF REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING

Story by: Rob Kinch

School may have been closed but that did not deter students from devoting their free time to help their city honor the memory of the pioneering leader in civil rights. The commemorative event, sponsored by the Rahway Branch of the NAACP was organized by branch president Mr. Ronald C. McCray and Ms. Deborah R. Thomas, MLK chairperson. The day's widely attended program began in Rahway's Second Baptist Church and included welcoming remarks by its pastor, Reverend Dr. James W. Ealy, along with scripture readings and prayer. The Rahway High School Gospel Choir, directed by Ms. Michelle Price, performed two moving selections and, following a closing benediction by Friendship Missionary Church's Pastor Reverend Allen Thompson Jr., community members joined in a march to the MLK monument for a formal wreath laying ceremony.

The march continued on to the Rahway Senior Center where attendees were formally greeted by Mayor Samson Steinman and Council President James Baker who both offered moving testimonials to the importance and contemporary relevance of Dr. King's contributions to the civil rights of all individuals. A special highlight of the program was provided by nine Rahway High School students who gave readings of portions of Dr. King's famous "I Have A Dream" speech in six different languages: English, French, Spanish, Italian, Creole and Yoruba.

Also present for the ceremonies were members of the Moab Lodge #70 with Worship Master Brother Daniel Allen Sr., Sister Amelita B. McDowell, GWM Abigail Chapter #64 Order of Eastern Star, PHA and Post 499 Color Guards. To conclude a day of true community spirit in celebration, a closing prayer was offered by Reverend Dr. Erika D. Crawford, Ebenezer AME Church.



(above) Senior Seun Akande delivers passage of speech in Yuroba (native language of Nigeria).



(right) Junior Sephora Delice delivers passage of speech in French.



(above) Rahway Mayor Samson Steinman extends thanks to High School foreign language speech readers. Photos by: Joseph Mudrak

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“THE BAKER’S DOZEN” ART EXHIBIT OPENS AT ARTS GUILD NJ IN FEBRUARY

Arts Guild New Jersey is pleased to present The Baker’s Dozen, featuring the artwork of the thirteen winners from our Baker’s Dozen open juried competition. The exhibition, which opens on February 14 and runs through March 10, 2016 will have a free, public reception on Sunday, February 14, 1-4 PM, at Arts Guild New Jersey, 1670 Irving Street, Rahway, NJ 07065. Gallery Hours are Mon-Thurs 10am-4pm, Fri: 10am to 2pm, Sat: 1-4pm or by appointment for groups of 10 or more. The exhibition is wheelchair accessible.

In 2015, Arts Guild New Jersey presented an open juried competition in order to select thirteen artists for this exhibition. The artists selected were Linda Aldrich, Francesca Azzara, Sarah Bass Aspe, Sheilagh Casey, Richard Earl, Ann Marie Fitzsimmons, Eva Marie Fitzsimmons, Daniel Genova, Adel Khalaf, Patricia Malarcher, Kelly Schott, Elissa Swanger and Al Vasselli. Their work shows not only great skill and talent, but a broad range of styles and mediums and genres. Twelve of these artists are also being featured, one per month, on our website as an Artist of The Month which started in January, 2016.

The Artist of the Month competition has become a yearly program presented by Arts Guild New Jersey. Viewers and lovers of art can see the 2016 Baker’s Dozen by visiting our website and clicking on the Artist of The Month tab on our

website Home Page. The website features a range of sample images of the artist’s artwork, a current resume, a link to their website, artist’s statement and their bio.

For more information about this program and exhibit opportunities at Arts Guild New Jersey visit our website and join our mailing list or contact us at: info@agnj.org or by phone at (732) 381-7511.

About Arts Guild New Jersey
1670 Irving Street
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Arts Guild New Jersey is a non-profit center for the arts located in the downtown Arts District of Rahway. Each year, the Guild presents a series of fine art exhibitions and an art education program that includes studio art classes for adults, teens and children, an on-going series of intensive one-day workshops for adults, and a series of summer art workshops for teens and children. Arts Guild New Jersey is easily accessible from the Garden State Parkway, NJ Turnpike, Routes 1 & 9, Saint Georges Avenue (Route 27/35), and by train, via NJ Transit Northeast Corridor and Jersey Shore Lines.

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For the year 2016, the Bayway Community Advisory Panel CAP has elected to offer High School Seniors who are residents of Linden, Rahway, Elizabeth, and Staten Island the opportunity to be awarded a CAP scholarship. Seven (7), one-year scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$1,000 each to students in the four municipalities represented by the CAP. This scholarship is open to candidates who will be pursuing a college education in the Industrial, Process Technology, or Engineering fields. Please see your high school guidance counselor for more information and the application forms.

The Bayway CAP is a committee of community representatives from Linden, Rahway, Elizabeth, and Staten Island including neighbors, educators, retirees, public officials, emergency responders, and environmentalists who attend quarterly meetings that serve as a forum for dialogue between the community and company representatives from Phillips 66 Bayway Refinery, Infineum USA L.P., Linden Cogen Technologies, Chemours, Eastman Chemicals, NuStar Energy, and PSEG Linden.

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Paola Lopez from the Blue and Gold Club at Franklin Elementary School in Rahway collected SunnyD labels and was able to use them to get the school 20 new books for free. SunnyD has a program that allows schools to exchange 20 labels for 20 books. The new books went to 3 different classrooms in the school. Everyone was very grateful for the new books and Paola's kind efforts.



(above l-r) Paola Lopez and Ms. Susan Farrar, Franklin School's Librarian.

HANDMADE FROM THE HEART

The Rahway Police Department would like to thank Sharon Young instructor for the Rahway Seniors Helping Hands Class for the donation of "Blanket Babies".

The Rahway Police Department hands out these Blanket Babies to children who have experienced a traumatic event or been involved in an accident. It's a great tool to help console a young child who has experienced an unforeseen tragic event.

Each Rahway patrol vehicle will carry the handmade Blanket baby thanks to this generous donation!!!



(above l-r) Rahway Police Officer Robert Zarzycki, Sharon Young and Police Officer TJ Salvia accepting the "Blanket Babies" for use in Rahway Police vehicles.

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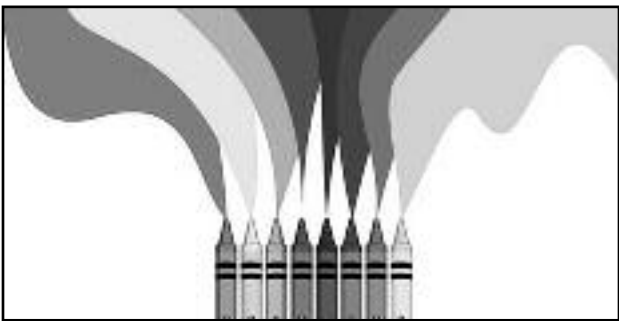
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RECYCLED CRAYONS

Got piles of broken crayons filling your junk drawer? Or, half boxes of used crayons collecting dust? Franklin Elementary School in Rahway wants them! As part of the school's ongoing initiative of helping the community and those in need, they're holding a used crayon drive from now until February 29, 2016.

Crayons can be placed in the donation box at the Rahway Recreation Center located at 275 E. Milton Avenue or if you have a child at Franklin School, they can place crayons in the donation box at the school. All forms of crayons are welcome. All brands, sizes and all types (washable/non washable). Even the ones in the twist up tubes. And, there is no need to sort or peel them.



Once all the crayons are collected, the student volunteers at Franklin School's Blue and Gold Club will take the used crayons and recycle them into new crayons to be used by the student at the schools here in Rahway. Please consider helping them out with this great project.

Thank you for your support! Have a great day!

STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN "CSI" CONVOCATION

On January 11th, Ms. Susan Farrar and the 6th grade Gifted and Talented students from Franklin Elementary School, participated in the Union County Gifted and Talented Crime Scene

Investigation "C.S.I." Convocation. The students had to use higher level thinking, research, investigative skills, and experiments to solve a crime.



(above l-r): Matthew Rodriguez and Richie Rojas are performing a Chromatography experiment on an article left at the scene.



(above l-r): Richie Rojas, Daniel Blake, and Matthew Rodriguez are observing the crime scene.

7 THINGS YOU MUST KNOW BEFORE PUTTING YOUR HOME UP FOR SALE

Rahway NJ - A new report has just been released which reveals 7 costly mistakes that most homeowners make when selling their home, and a 9 Step System that can help you sell your home fast and for the most amount of money.

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As this report uncovers, most homesellers make 7 deadly mistakes that cost them literally thousands of dollars. The good news is that each and every one of these mistakes is entirely preventable. In answer to this issue, industry insiders have prepared a free special report entitled "The 9 Step System to Get Your Home Sold Fast and For Top Dollar".

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WINTER BIRD FEEDING: BLACK-OIL SUNFLOWER SEEDS

The winter months leave me with the gardening blues. Thankfully, the incoming plant catalogs are a sure sign that spring is not far away.

My favorite way to spend a bleak winter day is spent watching gardening videos on 'YouTube'.

There is a wealth of gardening information to be found on the internet. Most of the Cooperative Extension Services throughout the nation have posted their 'fact sheets' online for easy access by the public. These are the most reliable sources for well researched gardening practices.

Many videos are posted by professionals such as P. Allen Smith, a television host and designer who has shows on PBS and cable. He's always enjoyable to watch. Additionally many landscapers have posted videos to promote themselves and educate the public.

There are videos for every topic from Amaryllis to Zebra plants, soil testing and vegetable gardening. The list seems endless.

Most of the YouTube videos are posted by non-professionals to share their personal knowledge. I find many of them very entertaining, but not always accurate.

As with all things on the internet it is wise to pick and choose which techniques are best for you. Being aware of where the video is filmed can also be helpful. Plantings in North Carolina that can easily survive their mild winters, may not survive our harsh winters where the ground completely freezes. One good example is the use of pansies. Well known in NJ as a popular early spring annual, pansies are planted in autumn in Washington DC where they survive the winter and bounce back in the spring more beautiful than ever.

As president of the Rahway Garden Club, I often glean though YouTube to find the best video on our monthly topic. This can be a useful educational tool but homemade video 'hosts' often know little of what they are talking about.

All in all, YouTube garden videos are a fun way to spend a snowy winter day.

*Enjoy your garden
all year long, James*



(above) President of The Rahway Garden Club, James Keane has been researching and answering garden questions since 1995. Visit 'Keane Gardener' blog at: keanegardener.blogspot.com



(above) A Cherry tree in full bloom on New Years Day, January 1, 2016 in front of Clark High School.



MUSEUM PRESENTS "STRANGE, SCARY AND TRUE" WITH SYFY'S BRUCE TANGO OF LONG RUNNING SERIES GHOST HUNTERS

Bruce Tango, cast member of the SyFy Channel's long running series Ghost Hunters will present an all new exciting event "Strange, Scary and True" hosted by the Merchants & Drovers Tavern Museum on Friday, February 26, and Saturday February 27 at 7 p.m. each night. Bruce Pearson, radio show host, filmmaker, UFOologist and paranormal researcher will be joining Bruce Tango both nights. Bruce Tango's presentation will include "My Encounters with the Dark Side" and Bruce Pearson will present "UFOS – We Are Not Alone". The evening's other events include a meet and greet, haunted history of the Museum, EVP session, Q&A session, refreshments and more. Tickets are \$45 per person and seating is limited. Reservations for both evenings are required and can be made by calling the Museum at: 732-381-0441.

Bruce Tango is a highly decorated and retired Police Officer from Elizabeth, NJ. He was the youngest member to ever join the force at the age of 19. In his 25 plus years on the force he was involved in many aspects of law enforcement including working as a member of the SWAT team and as a trained sniper. Among his several commendations, Mr. Tango is the recipient of three Valor awards for heroism. He has been interested in ghosts and hauntings since he was a young boy. It was his interest in the paranormal that inspired for his son, Dave Tango, star of SyFy's Ghost Hunters, to begin his career in the field of paranormal research. Bruce has appeared many times on Ghost Hunters, investigating with his son and the rest of the TAPS team.

Alex Shipley, Museum Director stated "Bruce Tango is a great friend of our historic site and has hosted several fun and exciting fundraisers for us over the past few years. We are delighted to have him back and bringing along his friend Bruce Pearson to share his personal experiences in UFO research. Needless to say, both Bruce's have lots of fans and we can look forward to another great event and another sellout."

For additional information about this event go to the Museum website at www.merchantsanddrovers.com. To reserve tickets for "Strange, Scary and True, February 26th or 27th at 7 p.m. each night, call the Museum office (732)381-0441.

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 schedule of events go to: www.merchantsanddrovers.org, or at Facebook www.facebook.com/merchantsanddrovers, , or call 732-381-0441.

CELEBRATE HEALTHY FAMILIES AT YMCA

Open House February 15-21

February is American Heart Month and The Gateway Family YMCA branches in Elizabeth, Rahway and Union will celebrate healthy families with an open house February 15 - 21. The Y will be hosting activities throughout the week that are open to the community including family exercise programs, healthy recipe and nutrition tips, art activities, story time, family swimming and basketball, all focused on the theme, "Healthy Family, Healthy Heart!" The Gateway Family YMCA locations include: Elizabeth Branch - 135 Madison Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ, Five Points Branch - 201 Tucker Avenue, Union, NJ, Rahway Branch - 1564 Irving Street, Rahway, NJ and Wellness Center Branch - 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union, NJ. For branch specific schedules of free events, seminars and classes February 15-21, visit www.tgfymca.org.



(above) Children pose for a "Healthy Kids" photo.

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19TH CENTURY SCHOOL FOR AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHILDREN TO BECOME A HERITAGE CENTER

Submitted by Al Shipley, City Historian and Rahway Library Research Consultant

Few residents realize that the small, unassuming, one-story red brick home on Central Avenue near the corner of Esterbrook Avenue was built in 1844 to serve as a school house for the African-American children of Rahway. Today it represents the oldest standing school in the city and possibly one of the oldest in Union County and perhaps even in the state. The building was recently purchased by the congregation of Ebenezer A.M.E. Church, whose plans are to restore the structure and eventually create an African-American History and Heritage Learning Center.

The history of the building and school goes back to the late 1700s and is tied in with the Society of Friends (Quakers), who at that time were a very active religious group in the city. The Quakers, who were involved with many social issues and promoted education, had built the first school in the area in 1785. With a concern for the education of children of the poor, one member, Miss Isabel Hartshorne, willed approximately £200 to establish a trust fund to be used to address this particular need.

A few decades later, in 1844, construction of a one-room school house was started after the newly formed Trustees for the Rahway School for Colored (sic) Children received the monies that had been placed in the Quaker trust fund. An early record notes that as many as thirty children attended classes in the new school and that the school year ran for eleven months. G. McKinney was listed as an early teacher.

The school was built on the property owned by Jacob R. Shotwell, a prominent figure in Rahway who was president of the Rahway Gaslight Company and vice president of the Rahway Savings Institution (RSI Bank). The New Jersey State Legislature assisted the school by passing a bill making it possible for the trustees to procure money out of the funds set aside for the public schools. With the passage of the legislation, a number of trustees made a request to the Board of Education that they assume the administration of the school, but the terms of Miss Hartshorne's original will prohibited such a union.

In 1872 the school was finally placed under the auspices of the city school system, although it would continue to be run as a separate institution. City directories of the period list Matilda Putnam as principal. Ms. Putnam had been a well-respected teacher in the Rahway system for many years and once the Board of Education took control of the school, she was

assigned to the leadership position.

In 1882 the Rahway Public Schools were integrated and the building's service as a colored (sic) school came to an end. Before the school's doors were closed, however, Mrs. Lucy Eddy, a local philanthropist, established the Rahway School for Colored (sic) Children Trust Fund in the amount of \$6,000. Following her death in 1879 and the school's closing three years later, the fund was transferred to the Rahway Public Library who used the donation to restore books held in their collections.

By the late 1800s, the building was purchased by an individual to be used as a private residence. In the 1930s an addition was attached to the rear of the home which included a kitchen and a bathroom. A jalousie porch, which hides the original center entrance, was added sometime before the mid-1900s. Notwithstanding the modern additions, characteristics including the fieldstone foundation, stone sills, semi-circular vent under the front gable, and brick exterior attest to the building's age and help to maintain its structural and architectural integrity.

The congregation of Ebenezer A.M.E. is excited about the opportunity to reclaim and preserve this important piece of history. After the building is restored to feature its original characteristics, members of the church plan to invite individuals and organizations to come forward and share artifacts and information related to the school and/or African-American history with a goal of creating an important and unique History and Heritage Learning Center and Museum.



(above) This Central Avenue home, built in 1844, was a school for almost 40 years.



(above) Section of an 1882 map of Rahway showing names of many public buildings, churches, and factories. The school is shown near the bend of Central Avenue on Jacob R. Shotwell's property.

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FREE AND INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS

Just Be You Performing Arts; a Rahway based mentoring and enrichment organization, will conduct a series of free and interactive workshops in Rahway, this February and March 2016. The first workshop will honor Black History Month, on Thursday, February 25, 2016 at 5:15 p.m. This celebration of historical African-Americans in the performing arts world, will be held at the Rahway Public Library, 2 City Hall Plaza in Rahway, New Jersey.

The mission of Just Be You Performing Arts is to build self-esteem, and provide positive, enriching guidance for young people. Their second workshop will honor Women's History Month and will also be held at the Rahway Library, on Saturday, March 5, 2016 at 2:15 p.m. The goal, is to enlighten young people on the myriad of historical figures who made a strong impact in the entertainment industry, by breaking down barriers of inequality.

Each workshop will be conducted in two parts. Starting with an Acting and Vocal Technique Master Class. Followed by a showcase; featuring the talented artists of Just Be You Performing Arts, who will portray historical performing artists. Participants of the workshop will be taught acting technique, by Mahogany Reynolds-Clarke, Founder/Executive Director of Just Be You Performing Arts. They will also learn vocal technique from Devin J. Hall, a professional musical theater performer. Hall performed at the organization's musical "Who Am I", held on December 5, 2015; at the Gateway Family YMCA Rahway Branch.

Rahway resident, Kiana Queen, 17; a student at Rahway High school, and an original member of Just Be You Performing Arts; will portray the legendary jazz vocalist, Billie Holiday during the workshop. Queen; who according to Reynolds-Clarke, bears an uncanny resemblance to the music legend, will perform a monologue, followed by a medley of the singer's classics.

"I'm very honored to portray the legendary Billie Holiday. At times I feel like I'm walking in her shadow. Her quote affected my life many years ago 'sometime it's worse to win a fight than to lose'", said Queen, who also performed in the Just Be You Performing Arts musical in December 2015.



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Additionally, to pay tribute to another vocal great, Kayla Richardson, 15, of Hillside, New Jersey, will portray Ella Fitzgerald. Richardson was cast for this role by Reynolds-Clarke because the young singer has a very refined sound and quality to her voice; like Fitzgerald.

"One of the things that makes Just Be You unique, is that I teach the members about art history. In fact, it is required that they study historical performing artists. This teaches them to appreciate the foundations that were already laid. My purpose is to train up a generation of young artists who value those who came before them," said Reynolds-Clarke.

As a special highlight to the workshop on February 25, aspiring actor, Brody Ferrer, 9, of Edison, New Jersey, will portray John F. Kennedy. Ferrer will reenact the president's famous Civil Rights Speech of 1959. Reynolds-Clarke selected Ferrer for this role because of his ability to adapt to any character.

The Just Be You Performing Arts Workshop Series will be an engaging activity for children ages 5-18 years-old and is open to the general public. In addition to the workshops, the organization will also hold auditions for new members to join their theatre ensemble and youth choir. Reynolds-Clarke is actively seeking talented young singers, actors, dancers, and models; for upcoming Just Be You Productions.

To request an audition; or to register for the workshops, please visit their website: www.justbeyouperformingarts.org. You can also email them at: justbeyou.contact@gmail.com. Or by calling 848-250-6724.

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(above) *Sharing knowledge across the grades is a great way to learn.*

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The 1000 Degrees location in Linden marks the first in Union County and will be operated by the restaurant group 1000 Degrees Pizza of Central New Jersey.

"We're looking forward to bringing an authentic Neapolitan-style pizza to Union County residents who will experience a unique and personal dining experience," said franchise partner Andrew Bani.

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To learn more about 1000 Degrees Neapolitan Pizza or to be part of its daily free pizza contests and delivery service, please visit www.facebook.com/1000DegreesPizzaLinden or call 908-862-3555.



(above l-r) Lou Bani holds one end of the ribbon for his son Andrew as Linden Mayor Derek Armstead cuts it during a Grand Opening Ceremony for 100 Degrees Pizza, with Janet Miller, President of the Linden Chamber of Commerce anchoring the other end of the ribbon.



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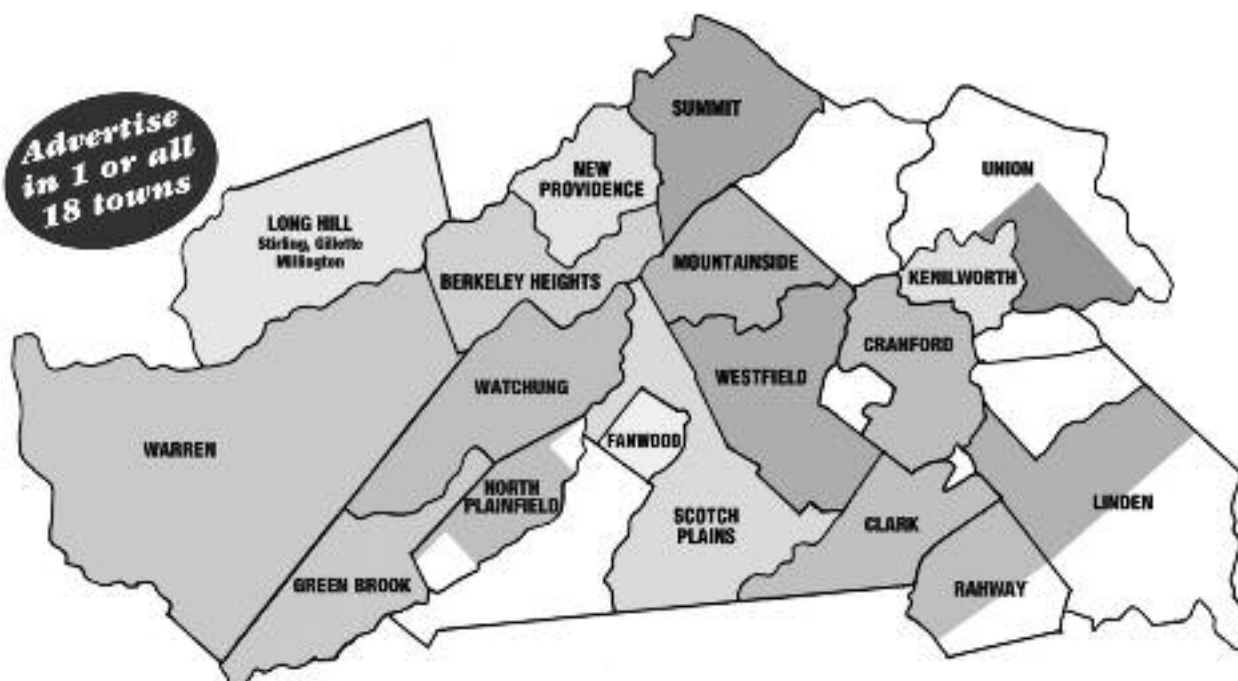
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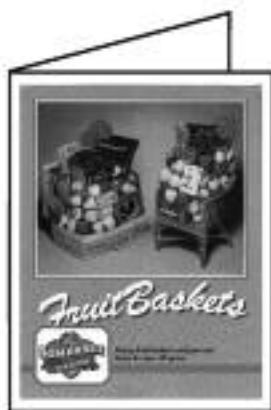
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(above l-r) Students from Mrs. Prakapas's class, Amanda Puga, Rashad Jones, Giselle DoCarmo, and Jewel Hicks after collecting and identifying their souvenir rocks and minerals.

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(above l-r) Ladies Top row: Elizabeth Iovino, Janet Buchanan and Sharon Young. Bottom row: Rhoda Dorrbecker, Dolores Suma, Pat Keenan, Melinda Cabezas and Laura Sandhorst. Not shown are Betty Caradi and Josephine Egidio.

CULTURE DAY AT MADISON SCHOOL

Last month, Mrs. Wisniewski's second grade class at Madison School celebrated Culture Day! Classmates made a poster and presented facts and pictures about the country where their parents or ancestors were born. We watched videos of polish dancers, tasted many foods from around the world, and learned many fun facts about other countries. We tried pupusas from El Salvador and Galaktoboureko, a yummy Greek dessert!



RAHWAY POLICE HELP COMMUNITY MEMBERS AT RAHWAY FOOD FOR FRIENDS SOUP KITCHEN

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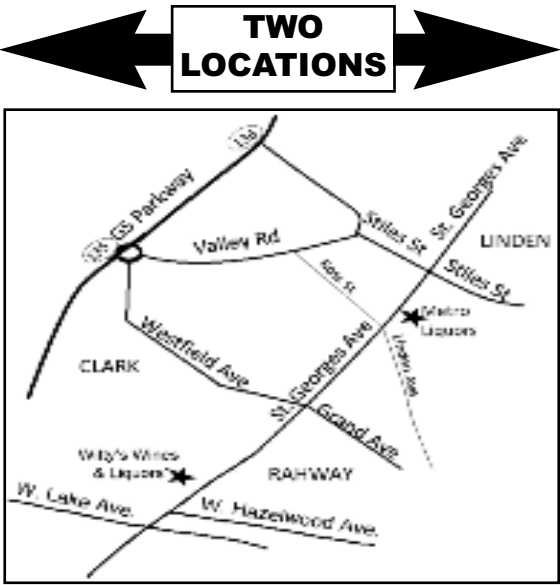
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| Dewars White Label | 750 ml | \$19.99 |
| Dewars White Label | 1.75L | \$31.99 |
| Gentleman Jack | 750ml | \$28.99 |
| Gentleman Jack | 1.75L | \$51.99 |
| Glenfiddich 12 yrs old | 750ml | \$40.99 |
| Glenmorangie 10 yrs old | 750ml | \$36.99 |
| Glenlivet 12 yrs old | 750 ml | \$41.99 |
| Glenlivet 12 yrs old | 1.75L | \$79.99 |
| Grants | 750ml | \$13.99 |
| Grants | 1.75L | \$23.99 |
| Jack Daniels | 750ml | \$24.99 |
| Jack Daniels | 1.75L | \$43.99 |
| Jack Daniels Fire | 750ml | \$24.99 |
| Jack Daniels Fire | 1.75L | \$43.99 |
| Jameson | 750ml | \$28.99 |
| Jameson | 1.75L | \$49.99 |
| Jim Beam Whisky | 1.75L | \$28.99 |
| Johnnie Walker Blue | 750ml | \$179.99 |
| Johnnie Walker Blue | 1.75L | \$375.99 |
| Johnnie Walker Black | 750ml | \$29.99 |
| Johnnie Walker Black | 1.75L | \$59.99 |
| Johnnie Walker Double Black | 750ml | \$38.99 |
| Johnnie Walker Red | 750ml | \$19.99 |
| Johnnie Walker Red | 1.75L | \$32.99 |
| Knob Creek 9 yrs old | 750ml | \$31.99 |
| Knob Creek 9 yrs old | 1.75L | \$56.99 |
| Macallan 12yrs old | 750ml | \$51.99 |
| Makers Mark | 750ml | \$28.99 |
| Makers Mark | 1.75L | \$52.99 |
| Old Smuggler | 1.75L | \$19.99 |
| Seagram V.O. | 1.75L | \$22.99 |
| Seagrams 7 | 1.75L | \$19.99 |
| Woodford Reserve | 1L | \$44.99 |

GIN

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|-----------------|-------|---------|
| Beefeater | 1.75L | \$35.99 |
| Bombay Sapphire | 1.75L | \$41.99 |
| Seagram's gin | 1.75L | \$15.99 |
| Tanqueray | 750ml | \$19.99 |
| Tanqueray | 1.75L | \$37.99 |

COGNAC & BRANDY

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|-----------------------|-------|---------|
| Cardenal Mendoza | 750ml | \$37.99 |
| Courvoisier V.S. | 750ml | \$27.99 |
| Courvoisier V.S. | 1.75L | \$54.99 |
| E & J V.S. Brandy | 750ml | \$ 8.99 |
| E & J V.S. Brandy | 1.75L | \$20.99 |
| E & J V.S.O.P. Brandy | 750ml | \$10.99 |
| E & J V.S.O.P. Brandy | 1.75L | \$22.99 |
| Hennessy V.S. | 750ml | \$31.99 |
| Hennessy V.S. | 1.75L | \$60.99 |
| Leroux Blackberry | 750ml | \$11.99 |
| Leroux Blackberry | 1.75L | \$21.99 |
| Paul Masson Amber | 750ml | \$10.99 |
| Paul Masson Amber | 1.75L | \$19.99 |
| Paul Masson Peach | 750ml | \$10.99 |
| Remy Martin 1738 | 750ml | \$48.99 |
| Remy Martin V.S.O.P. | 750ml | \$38.99 |
| Remy Martin V.S.O.P. | 1.75L | \$84.99 |

VODKA

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|----------------------------|-------|---------|
| Absolut (regular) | 750ml | \$19.09 |
| Absolut (regular) | 1.75L | \$29.09 |
| Belvedere Vodka | 750ml | \$27.99 |
| Belvedere Vodka | 1.75L | \$45.99 |
| Ciroc (all types) | 750ml | \$29.99 |
| Ciroc (all types) | 1.75L | \$59.99 |
| Finlandia | 750ml | \$15.99 |
| Finlandia | 1.75L | \$24.99 |
| Grey Goose | 750ml | \$28.99 |
| Grey Goose (all types) | 1.75L | \$49.99 |
| Ketel One | 750ml | \$22.99 |
| Ketel One | 1.75L | \$39.99 |
| Majorska | 750ml | \$ 8.99 |
| Majorska | 1.75L | \$13.99 |
| Pinnacle (all types) | 750ml | \$11.99 |
| Pinnacle (80 proof) | 1.75L | \$16.99 |
| Sky | 1.75L | \$21.99 |
| Smirnoff Vodka (80 proof) | 750ml | \$11.99 |
| Smirnoff Vodka (all types) | 1.75L | \$18.99 |
| Sobieski | 750ml | \$10.99 |
| Sobieski | 1.75L | \$19.99 |
| Soplica | 750ml | \$ 9.95 |
| Soplica | 1.75L | \$18.99 |
| Stolichnaya (all types) | 1.75L | \$29.09 |
| Svedka (all types) | 750ml | \$11.99 |
| Svedka (all types) | 1.75L | \$19.29 |
| Tanqueray Sterling | 750ml | \$19.99 |
| Tanqueray Sterling | 1.75L | \$29.99 |
| Three Olives (all types) | 1L | \$19.99 |
| Three Olives (all types) | 1.75L | \$24.99 |
| Traveler's Vodka | 1.75L | \$10.99 |

CORDIALS

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|----------------------|-------|---------|
| Bailey's Irish Cream | 750ml | \$21.99 |
| Bailey's Irish Cream | 1.75L | \$39.99 |
| Kahlua | 750ml | \$19.99 |
| Kahlua | 1.75L | \$34.99 |
| Krupnik | 750ml | \$13.99 |
| Licor 43 | 750ml | \$21.99 |
| Licor 43 | 1.75L | \$39.99 |
| Patron XO Café | 750ml | \$22.99 |
| Patron XO Café | 1.75L | \$34.99 |
| Southern Comfort | 750ml | \$17.99 |
| Southern Comfort | 1.75L | \$26.99 |

RUM

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|----------------------|-------|---------|
| Bacardi Light | 750ml | \$11.99 |
| Bacardi Light & Gold | 1.75L | \$19.19 |
| Captain Morgan Spice | 1.75L | \$25.99 |
| Malibu | 750ml | \$16.99 |
| Malibu | 1.75L | \$24.99 |

TEQUILA

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|---------------------|-------|---------|
| Avion Silver | 750ml | \$36.99 |
| Casa Noble Silver | 750ml | \$34.99 |
| El Jimador Reposado | 750ml | \$19.99 |
| El Jimador Reposado | 1.75L | \$29.99 |
| Jose Cuervo | 750ml | \$17.99 |
| Jose Cuervo | 1.75L | \$32.99 |
| Patron Silver | 750ml | \$39.99 |
| Patron Silver | 1.75L | \$84.99 |

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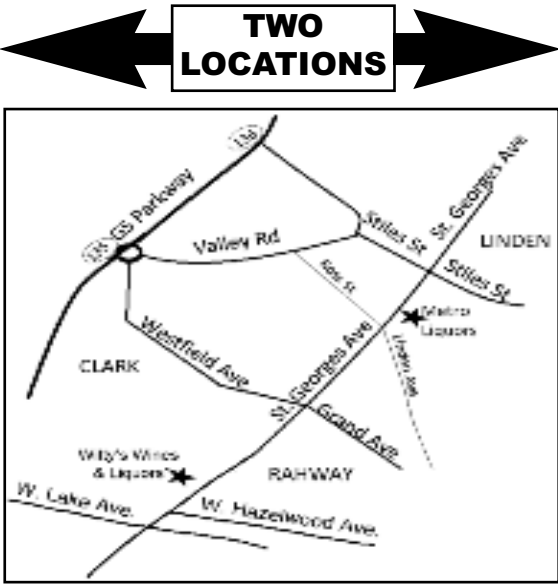
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| Becks (12oz) 24pk | 24pk | \$22.99 |
| Bud and Bud Lite cans | 30pk | \$20.99 |
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| Avalon (Cabernet Sauvignon)..... | 750ml | \$ 9.99 |
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| Beringer White Zinfandel | 750ml | \$ 4.99 |
| Beringer White Zinfandel | 1.5L | \$ 8.69 |
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| Blackstone (All Types)..... | 1.5L | \$13.99 |
| Bogle (Chardonnay and Merlot) | 750ml | \$ 6.99 |
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| Chateau Ste. Michelle Columbia Valley Chardonnay | 750ml | \$ 9.99 |
| Chateau Ste. Michelle Columbia Valley Riesling | 750ml | \$ 8.99 |
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| Clos du Bois Cabernet, Merlot..... | 750m | \$ 9.99 |
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| Coppola Diamond Chardonnay | 750ml | \$11.99 |
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| Mark West Pinot Noir..... | 1.5L | \$17.99 |
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| Merry Vale (Cabernet) | 750ml | \$49.99 |
| Mezzacorona Pinot Grigio..... | 1.5L | \$12.99 |
| Mi Amore Red | 750ml | \$ 8.99 |
| Moet Imperial Champagne | 750ml | \$39.99 |
| Noble Wine 337, 667..... | 750ml | \$10.99 |
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| Ravenswood (All Types) | 750ml | \$ 8.99 |
| Real Sangria | 1.5L | \$10.99 |
| Rex Goliath (All Types) | 1.5L | \$ 9.29 |
| Robert Mondavi Private Select | 750ml | \$ 8.99 |
| Robert Mondavi Private Select | 1.5L | \$18.99 |
| Rodney Strong Sonoma Cabernet & Merlot..... | 750ml | \$15.99 |
| Rodney Strong Sonoma Chardonnay | 750ml | \$11.99 |
| Rombauer Chardonnay | 750ml | \$27.99 |
| Ruffino Chianti | 750ml | \$ 7.99 |
| Ruffino Chianti | 1.5 L | \$13.99 |
| Ruffino Pinot Grigio | 1.5L | \$10.99 |
| Ruffino Chianti Gold | 750ml | \$29.99 |
| Ruffino Tan label | 750ml | \$19.99 |
| Santa Margerita Pinot Grigio..... | 750ml | \$20.29 |
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| Silver Oak Alexander Valley Cabernet | 750ml | \$65.99 |
| Simi Chardonnay..... | 750ml | \$12.09 |
| Sonoma Cutrer Chardonnay..... | 750ml | \$20.99 |
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