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RAHWAY'S OWN SPECIAL OLYMPICS HOLDS SPECIAL PLACE IN THE COMMUNITY'S HEART

Submitted by: Rob Kinch

Egg Races! Parachute Fun! Pin the Clothes on the Line! Scooter Runs! An impressive 102 young athletes ranging from Pre-K to 6th Grade, with a variety of personal challenges, showed great prowess and excitement in these and similar activities at Rahway's Recreation Center on May 20, 2016.

With Rahway High School students and cadets from the MCJROTC program on hand to support them, the young competitors were enthusiastically cheered on by Rahway's Mayor Samson Steinman, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Patricia Camp, District School Principals, Supervisors and public workers.

The event, organized and run for the last 12 years by Rahway High School teacher Trish Williams, was created to allow these special athletes from Roosevelt and Madison Schools to enjoy a day of competition free from prejudice based on their disabilities. Ms. Williams adds, "Since there are no similar programs in town for them, this is the closest many of them get to being on a sports team."

Among the over 30 community sponsors for this especially endearing event were the Rahway Education Association, Century 21 JRS Realty, RSI Insurance and the Rahway Dept. of Public Works. T-shirts, goodie bags and promotional giveaways for each athlete and volunteer were generously donated. Former and current board members, along with RHS alumni, provided lunch for 200 people. Pepsico was equally gracious in providing all beverages for the event. Ms. Williams is quick to affirm, as well, that "Without our community's support, this yearly program could never take place. All these gifts assure that no additional financial burden would be placed on our Board of Education."

"To watch the compassion, caring and encouraging attitudes from the RHS students was a privilege for me to see," offers Guidance Counselor Nicole Gleason who was present to photograph the athletes' activities. "To witness everyone working together to create such an



amazing atmosphere filled with laughter and fun made me feel so proud to be part of something much bigger." Junior Sephora Delice added, "It was an unforgettable experience. Seeing how happy the kids were really made my heart feel full." Master Sgt. Mintz offered perhaps the best summation of this memorable day, "Ms. Williams should be recognized for her enthusiasm, her dedication and her sense of caring for our special needs Olympians. All the kids did an amazing job in keeping their young competitors enthusiastic and totally involved."

Photos by: Nicole Gleason

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Rahway NJ - According to industry experts, there are over 33 physical problems that will come under scrutiny during a home inspection when your home is for sale. A new report has been prepared which identifies the eleven most common of these problems, and what you should know about them before you list your home for sale.

Whether you own an old home or a brand new one, there are a number of things that can fall short of requirements during a home inspection. If not identified and dealt with, any of these 11 items could cost you dearly in terms of repair. That's why it's critical that you read this report before you list your home. If you wait until the building inspector flags these issues for you, you will almost certainly experience costly delays in the close of your home sale or, worse, turn prospective buyers away altogether. In most cases, you can make a reasonable pre-inspection yourself if you know what you're looking for, and knowing what you're looking for can help you prevent little problems from growing into costly and unmanageable ones.

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RWJ Rahway Foundation unveiled its 2016 Donor Recognition and Heritage Society Wall as part of the Hospital's 100th Anniversary Celebration on Thursday, May 26.

"We are so pleased to recognize our donors whose generous support makes RWJ Rahway a better place to care for our patients and a better place to provide health and wellness programs to the communities we serve," said Marlene H. Lubinger, RWJ Rahway Foundation President.

Everyone listed on our donor wall makes a difference for our Hospital," Foundation Chairman, Michael Widmer said, adding that as the hospital moves into its second century, we will continue our mission to provide safe, quality and outstanding healthcare.

In April we launched the million dollar 100th Anniversary Fund Campaign. It has already raised \$300,000 to improve patient care facilities

and service.

The Wall recognizes \$9 million in philanthropic support to the hospital since 2000, and also recognizes the Heritage Society members. "Through a generous bequest from Livia Kelemen, a grateful patient and former hospital employee, the William and Livia Kelemen Nursing Scholarship fund has been established. Scholarships will be given to one woman and one man annually for the next five years," said Heritage Society Chairman, Roberta Geyer.

For information regarding inclusion on the Donor Recognition Wall, to donate to the 100th Anniversary Fund Campaign, or to leave a legacy of good health to the community,

please call the Foundation Office at 732.499.6135

or e-mail foundation@rwjuhr.com.



(above l-r) Michael Widmer, Foundation Chairman; Allen Geyer, Vice Chairman, RWJ Rahway Board of Governors; Roberta Geyer, Heritage Society Chairman and Foundation Trustee and Kirk C. Tice, President & CEO, RWJ Rahway.

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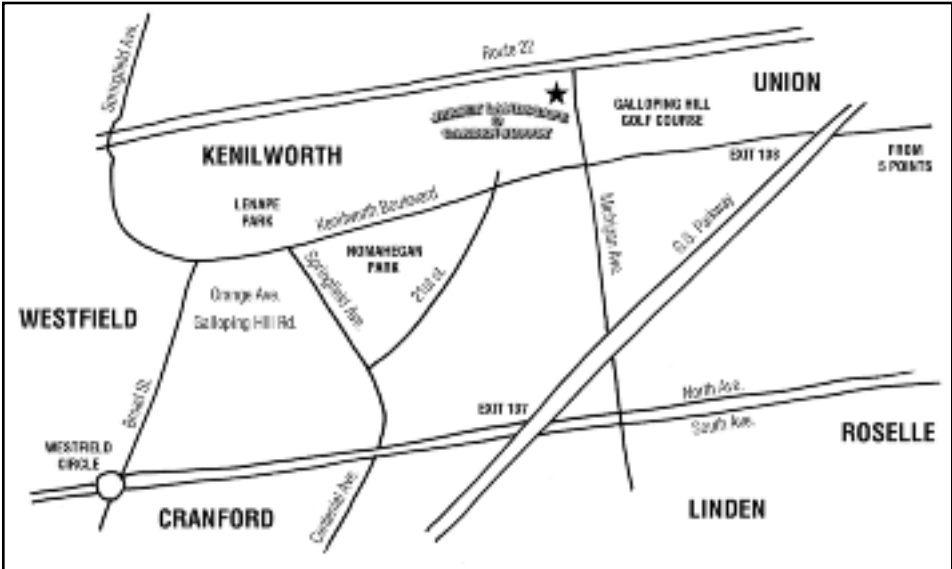
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Program is free for teens and adults.

Friends Meeting

Thursday, July 14 at 7:00pm.

The Friends of the Rahway Public Library will meet at the library at 7:00 pm on the second Thursday of each month.

Special Film Screening and Panel Discussion

Saturday, July 16 at 12:00pm.

“RACE”: Jesse Owen’s drive to the 1936 Olympics where he faces off with Adolf Hitler’s “vision”.

Book Bingo

Wednesday, July 20 at 1:00pm.

Match up titles to win books and other prizes! This program is open to adults (age 18+). Everyone wins!

Readers Circle Book Club

Wednesday, July 20 at 2:00pm.

Join us for the discussion of *The Flight of Gemma Hardy* by Margot Livesey.

Dr. Valerie Lewis-Mosley and

“I Know Who My People Are”

Saturday, July 30 at 11:30am.

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TEEN EVENTS

2016 Teen Summer Reading

Turn your challenge sheets in June 23 to August 22.

“Get in the Game! READ!”: Complete tasks to enter a raffle for prizes to be held at the end of the summer!

Teen Screen Summer Movies

Mondays at 2:00pm on 7/18 and 7/25.

Movies in the auditorium! Free! Surround Sound! A/C!

Teen Circle Open House

Wednesdays at 11:00am on 7/13, 7/20 and 7/27.

Board games, card games, computers, books, coloring.

Make It, Take It

Thursdays at 2:00pm on 7/14, 7/21 and 7/28.

Create something different each week!

CHILDREN’S EVENTS

Kids Movie

Fridays at 2:00pm on 7/15, 7/22 and 7/29.

Come to the library for an afternoon movie and popcorn!

Call the library for the title. All ages.

Science Club

Tuesdays at 2:00pm 7/19 and 7/26.

Volunteers from Rahway High School will teach kids fun science projects. Registration Required. Ages 6+.

Toddler Time

Wednesdays @ 10:30am 7/13, 7/20 and 7/27.

Ages birth - 4 with caregiver. We will be talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing during this literacy readiness storytime.

Family Game Night

Thursdays, 7/14, 7/21 and 7/28.

Play one of the library’s games or bring your favorite to share! All ages.

Drop in craft

Saturdays, 7/16, 7/23 and 7/30.

Stop by on Saturdays to make a craft. All ages.

Lego Club

Mondays 7/11, 7/18, 7/25 at 6:30pm.

Make something out of Legos and put it on display!

Ages 5+.

Little Ninja Day

Thursday, July 21

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USA Karate & Fitness will present this introduction to fitness & self-defense for kids. Registration required.

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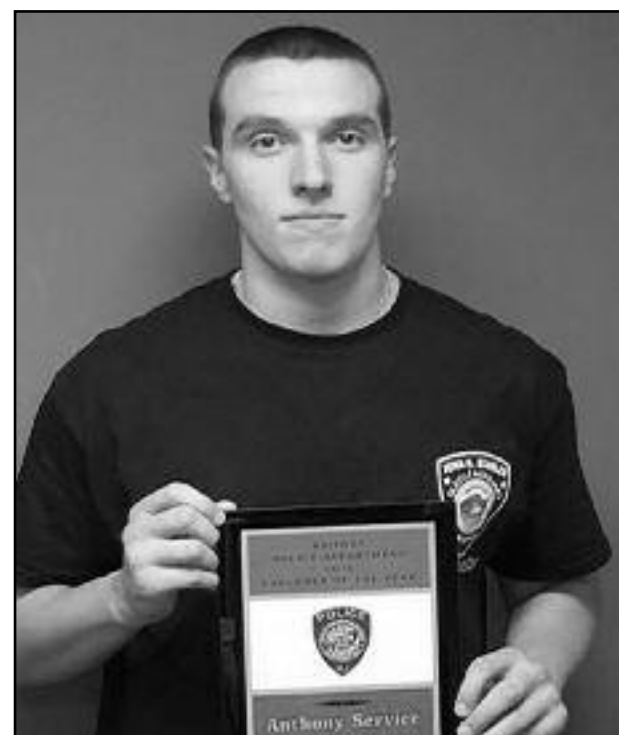
(above) The Rahway Police and Fire departments members took part in the 2016 NJ Torch run for Special Olympics on June 10th 2016.

ANTHONY SERVICE - EXPLORER OF THE YEAR

The Rahway Police Department is proud to congratulate Rahway resident Anthony Service for being selected as the 2016 Rahway Police Explorer of the Year. Anthony is graduating from Rahway High School this June, and has actively served his community as a Rahway Police Explorer for the past two years. During his tenure, he participated in countless Rahway community events, and attained the position of unit leader. Anthony recently graduated from the John H. Stamler Police Academy as an Auxiliary Police Officer for the City of Rahway. He plans on joining the United States military later this year. The Rahway Police Department congratulates Anthony on his outstanding achievements!

(right) 2016 Rahway Police Explorer of the Year Anthony Service.

Photo by Rahway Police Department.



6TH GRADE VIRTUAL LAB

Sixth grade students in Mrs. Nicole Brighthouse’s class at Franklin school in Rahway participated in a Virtual lab through the Students 2 Science program based in East Hanover, NJ. Students 2 Science is an innovative program that links local classrooms to working scientists by bringing challenging STEM based experiments to the classroom.

Mrs. Brighthouse’s 6th grade classroom was turned into a functioning lab environment. An experiment was then led virtually, via video conferencing, by a scientist at the East Hanover lab facility and facilitated in the classroom by a volunteer Merck scientist.

The students conducted an experiment entitled “Glow it up”. Students worked with their lab partners, under the guidance of the virtual scientist and Merck scientist present in the class, to investigate the best method for illuminating a space without the presence of a spark. This led into a lesson on “glow sticks” and an experiment which explained how the glow sticks work. Not only did the Franklin students gain scientific knowledge they were connected with a professional scientist who demonstrated to them the inner workings of a real laboratory and revealed what it looks like doing actual scientific experiments for a living.



(left) McKiethen, Syed, Richie, and Marlon are being guided through the lesson by Mrs. Nicole Brighthouse.



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The Company Men. In the style of the Jersey Boys, *Thursday, Aug. 4*

The Company Men are a nationally recognized pop vocal group who have appeared on numerous national and regional television shows, including Hallmark Home and Family, Good Day New York and PBS to name a few. Unlike any other four-man vocal group touring today, The Company Men uniquely interweave today's Top 40 hits with re-imagined classics of the last six decades by blending songs by your favorite artists. They will be joined on stage by local Phenomenon Paris Williams as an opening act.

Peace of Woodstock and The Family Stone *On Thursday, Aug 11*

Peace of Woodstock and The Family Stone will help spread the spirit of the sixties to the citizens of Rahway. Peace of Woodstock pays tribute to Woodstock, the famous three day festival of peace, music, love, and fun, that helped define an entire generation. The show will take you on a musical journey from the acoustic opening act of the Woodstock experience, Richie Havens, all through the closing moments of the festival with the explosive, electric sounds of Jimi Hendrix. During an era of injustice and inequality, living legends the Family Stone broke down barriers with their psychedelic funk and powerful lyrics. With original founding members Cynthia Robinson, Gregg Errico, and Jerry Martini as part of the lineup, the band performs Sly and the Family Stone hits like "Everyday People" and "Dance To The Music" with the same enthusiasm as they did in the '60s and '70s. The Family Stone and friends always have fans coming out in droves to their thrilling performances.

Steven Dorff

Thursday, Aug. 18

His many top hit songs have been sung by some of the greatest artists of our time-Barbra Streisand, Celine Dion, Whitney Houston, Aaron Neville, Vanessa Williams and countless others. The X Factor season 1 finalist Stacy Francis, The X Factor season 3 finalist Rachel Potter, and Nashville superstar Becky Pine will Join Steven on stage to help sing some of his timeless songs with each of the women representing the genres of music R&B, Rock, and Country.

10,000 Maniacs and The Smithereens *Thursday, August 25th*

One of the most critically acclaimed bands of the last three decades, 10,000 Maniacs were founded by Robert Buck, Dennis Drew, Steven Gustafson, John Lombardo, Jerry Augustyniak, and Natalie Merchant. Together with artists like R.E.M. they defined college rock and created the first wave of alternative rock bands and what became known as the alternative rock format on FM radio. Writing and performing powerful, danceable and socially conscious original material, the group tours extensively and have produced two independently released records, Human Conflict Number Five and Secrets of the I Ching on their own Christian Burial Music label. Local New Jersey legends, The Smithereens, are known for writing and playing catchy 1960s-influenced power pop that inspired countless alternative rockers including Kurt Cobain. The Smithereens gained popularity with "11" the album that spawned radio favorites "A Girl Like You", "Blood and Roses", and "Blue Period". The band continues to record and tour aggressively including a recent extensive tour opening for Tom Petty, and co-headlining Rock of the 80's with The Romantics and Berlin.

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THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ESTABLISHED BEFORE THE UNITED STATES, DATES BACK 275 YEARS

By Al Shipley, City Historian and Rahway Library Research Consultant

This year, the First Presbyterian Church is celebrating 275 years of Christian ministry in Rahway. Founded in 1741, First Pres. has the longest tenure of any institution in the history of the city.

The four settlements of Rahway, Leesville (also called Lower Rahway), Bridgetown, Upper Rahway, and Milton, developed shortly after the founding of Elizabethtown and Woodbridge both of which date back to the 1660s. For the next seven decades, the inhabitants of the Rahway area had to travel to the two larger communities to conduct business or to participate in religious services. For religious groups, making the long trek to either city every Sunday was difficult at best, but during the winter of 1741, a time referred to as the "Hard Winter," it became impossible. It was during that season that the Rahway Presbyterians made a formal request to organize their own church.

The construction of a sanctuary commenced in the summer of 1741 and was completed within the next year. It was built on St. Georges Avenue across from Union Street on the present grounds of the Rahway Cemetery. The location of the structure is clearly outlined by the position of the grave stones which stood on the north, south, and west sides of the church. This first church was two stories high and constructed of heavy timbers. A bell tower rose from the roof and was topped with a copper weathercock. During the Revolutionary War, the weather vane was damaged when a musket ball was shot through it. Church rolls listed members who were New Englanders, Scottish Presbyterians, those of Irish and Welsh extraction, Puritans, Covenanters, and Quakers.

For the first six years, sermons were given by visiting preachers. In 1748, Aaron Richards became the spiritual leader and remained in that position for the next forty-three years. His length of service is still the longest in the church's history.

In the mid-1770s, the Revolutionary War



(above) Photo (circa 1900) shows the minister's home next to the sanctuary.

began bringing with it hardships and loss of life to the church. As a group, the Presbyterians were hostile towards the British who considered a Presbyterian and a rebel to be one and the same. Pastor Richards, an ardent patriot, was forced to flee to South Hanover to escape capture and imprisonment. While there, he continued to speak out against English rule and returned to Rahway only after his safety was no longer jeopardized.

A famous patriot, who was a member of the church, was Abraham Clark, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. A large granite monument marks his grave in the church cemetery.

In the years following the war, membership in the church increased and by 1830 it became apparent that a new and larger sanctuary was needed. A seventeen acre lot that encompassed the area from the corner of Grand Avenue and Church Street all the way back to the river had been left to the congregation by Pastor Richards. Ground was broken for a new church in May 1831. Job Squier and Samuel Oliver each gave \$5,000.00 to help defray the \$14,600.00 construction cost. The church, which was patterned after the Third Church in Newark, and minister's home, which was built next to the church, were both dedicated on February 5, 1832.

As all parts of the city continued to grow, neighborhoods became populated enough to be able to support their own churches. By the 1840s, members of First Pres. who lived in Lower Rahway began to consider organizing a congregation that would be located closer to their homes. Discussions were held and on November 9, 1849 the way was made clear "with deep brotherly regard, cooperation, fellowship, and true Christian spirit" to organize the Second Presbyterian Church in Lower Rahway.

From the mid-19th century, the history of First Pres. continued to illustrate a congregation whose enthusiasm never waned and whose mission always encouraged improvement and refinement. In 1912, Mrs. William Squier donated a \$6,000 organ to replace the old water-powered organ the church had been using since 1875. The congregation paid tribute to Mrs. Squier on December 6, 1926, when a new Community House, built behind the church, was dedicated to her memory. A new residence for the minister was built on Union Street and was dedicated on January 1, 1938. In 1967, many changes and modernization work took place. Improvements were made to the Community House, extensive renovations were made in the church sanctuary, and a new building, Davis Fellowship Hall, was added to the property. This large addition was named in honor of the Reverend Chester M. Davis, who served faithfully for thirty-six years (1922-1958).

The church was recognized as a historic site in 1974 by the Historical Sites Commission of the Presbyterian Historical Society. On January 29, 2012, after 160 years of faithful ministry, the congregation of Second Pres. reunited with the mother church marking a "New Dawn" in the history of Presbyterianism in Rahway. In 2016, the year of its 275 anniversary, First Pres. is a welcoming church that is actively engaged in creating a multi-cultural and multi-racial community of faith, striving to be a living testimony of Christ in the world.



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Rahway's 4th Annual Culture Crawl took place on Friday, June 17th in the Downtown Arts District. This year, the Rahway Arts & Business Partnership, host of Culture Crawl, partnered with the Tesla Science Foundation to honor Nikola Tesla.

A ceremony was held at the Rahway Train Station Plaza dedicating a bust of Nikola Tesla generously gifted to Rahway by the Republic of Srpska and the Nation of Serbia. Mayor Samson D. Steinman of Rahway; Upendra Chivukula,

Commissioner on the NJ Board of Public Utilities; Obrad Kesic the Director of the RS Office of Cooperation, Trade and Investment; Nikola Lonchar President of the Tesla Science Foundation; Samuel Mason, Director of the Tesla Science Foundation; and Marina Zivkovic, the Consulate General of Serbia were among the speakers present. Special performances by Mano Divina, "Nikola Tesla Drops the Beat" and Bisire, a Serbian folklore dance group, added to the celebration.

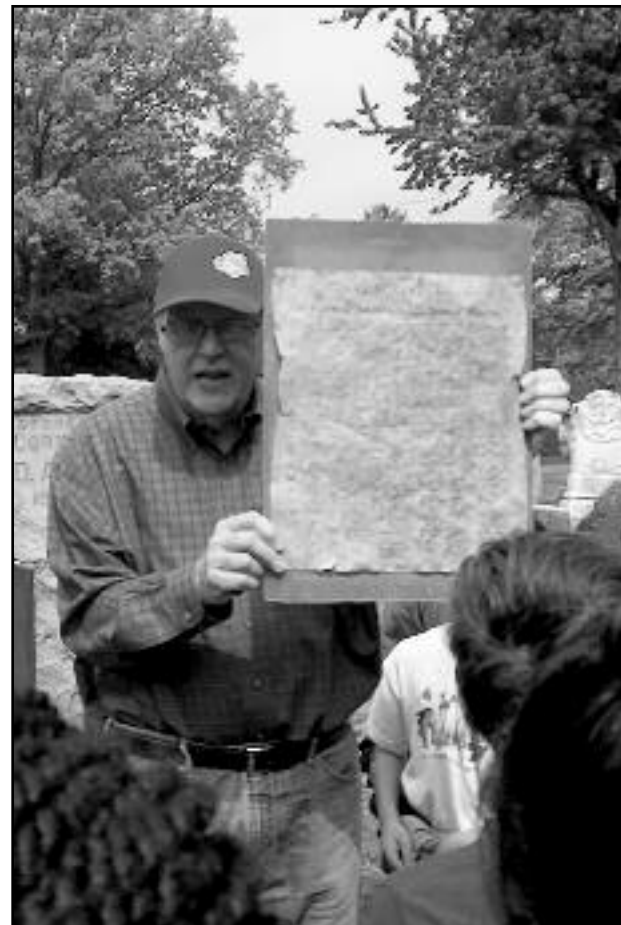


(above) A bust was dedicated in honor of Serbian immigrant, Nikola Tesla's incredible contribution to Rahway during this year's Culture Crawl. Tesla, a scientist, and innovator helped to put Rahway on the map in March of 1885. Tesla founded the Tesla Electric Lighting Company on Irving Street and created the first Alternating Current lamp posts at the Rahway Train Station.

Photos from this and other events can be found online at rennamedia.com and on the Our Town Rahway page on facebook.com. Feel free to "Like", "Tag" and "Share".

STUDENTS VISIT LOCAL HISTORICAL SITES

The fourth grade students of Roosevelt School in Rahway had a walking trip to the Merchants & Drovers Tavern and Rahway Cemetery. They were enthralled learning what life was like in Rahway during colonial days and visiting the grave sites of such notable people as Abraham Clark, signer of the Declaration of Independence; and mystery writer, Carolyn Wells.



(above) Historian Al Shipley displayed a copy of the Declaration of Independence to the students before showing them the gravesite of Abraham Clark in Rahway Cemetery.

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Justin Penik, son of Christine Schmitt, Grandson of Charles and Patricia Schmitt, and nephew of Charles and Kim Schmitt, all lifelong Rahway residents, was one of 190 students who received their diplomas, as part of the St. Peter's Prep, Jersey City, NJ Class of 2016. This 138th Annual Commencement took place at St. Peter's University, Yanitelli Life Center on Saturday June 4, 2016.

Justin received two prestigious awards. An Academic gold medal in Religion and the Jerome Pederson'92 Award. This is awarded to the St. Peter's Prep graduate for modeling the values that former Prep student Jerome Pederson lived so well: good humor, faith and selfless service to the Prep community. Justin will be attending St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA this fall, majoring in Criminal Justice and Sociology. We congratulate Justin for his amazing accomplishments.

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WASPS AND YELLOW JACKETS

Throughout the centuries humans have learned to fear wasps, with good reason. When disturbed, wasps render a quick and painful response. After stinging a victim, wasps keep their stingers intact, enabling them to repeat the attack on their target multiple times, while alerting the rest of the colony to join in.

Hornets, Yellow-jackets, Polistes, Mud daubers and Cicada killers are all wasps, considered a beneficial insect because they feed on other destructive insects around the home grounds and in gardens. No matter how beneficial wasps are to the environment they also attack us, so their nests should be destroyed when they build them close to where we live and children play.

The type of wasp can be identified by the nest they build. Polistes, also known as paper wasp and Hornets build their nest above ground in trees, shrubbery and under eaves.

Mud daubers nest under eaves, porch roofs and behind shutters, but not in trees.

Cicada killers nest in the ground and will not usually attack humans.

Yellow-jackets mostly nest in the ground but will take advantage of many other nesting sites they find.

Yellow jackets are one of the most feared wasps in our area. In the early summer, yellow jackets feed mainly on insects, but as the season changes so does their diet. By September yellow jackets feed on meat which makes them an unwelcomed and aggressive visitor at picnics and BBQ's.



(above) If you find a Yellow-jacket nest avoid it and warn others to stay away. Make plans to destroy the nest safely at dusk or before dawn.



(above) President of The Rahway Garden Club, James Keane has been researching and answering garden questions since 1995.

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Whatever you do, don't spray a nest during the day when the colony is on the alert to defend itself, especially if children, pets and other humans are nearby.

Warn everyone to stay away and if possible rope off the area. Then make plans to spray the nest at night when wasps are least able to defend themselves. Before spraying, make sure you have a quick and safe escape route from the area.

For more information on this urgent topic read Rutgers Cooperative Extension Fact sheet # FS212, 'Wasps and Their Control'.

You can also call Rutgers's Garden Helpline of Union County at 908-654-9852 with questions or a copy of the Fact sheet.

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There are nine teachers and seventy-five students from grades Kindergarten through sixth grade that are a part of the garden club. The students are given the opportunity to dig, plant, compost, and claim the garden as their own.

Photo by Rahway Public Schools.

5TH GRADE PERSUASIVE WRITING CELEBRATION

Grade 5 students in Mrs. Laura Lopez's class at Franklin School were excited to take part in their first ever mock debate during their end-of-the-year Writing Celebration held in May at the school's auditorium. Family, staff, and students were invited.

The journey to this day began with a simple question: Should chocolate milk be served in school cafeterias, or not? After a heated impromptu classroom debate, the students spent weeks analyzing articles, websites, videos, statistics and other data in order to draw their own conclusions

about this controversial issue.

In addition to expressing their stance on the great chocolate milk debate, the students showcased the skills and knowledge they've acquired relative to argument writing.

In their Writer's Workshop curriculum, 5th grade marks the transition from traditional persuasive writing to research-based argumentative writing. They've learned that effective persuasive essays utilize evidence to bolster their opinions.



(above) At the podium is Nicole Wilk reading her essay on the benefits of drinking chocolate milk.

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Phillips 66 Bayway Refinery is partnering with The Gateway Family YMCA – Rahway Branch to provide funding for the Rahway Branch Specialized Arts Inclusive Learning (SAIL) Program. “We are grateful to the Bayway Refinery for their dedication to our community and their support of our YMCA and the families in our specialized arts programs,” stated Krystal

R. Canady, CEO of The Gateway Family YMCA, “Providing this program in Rahway and the surrounding areas fills a need directly reflected in our needs assessment survey completed during recent facility renovations, creating expanded access to arts education.”

Introduced in Summer 2015, the YMCA has continued to offer a unique Specialized Arts Inclusive Learning (SAIL) program throughout the 2015-2016 school year to students from the Jardine Academy, an approved private school of the New Jersey Department of Education, operated by the Cerebral Palsy League, and accredited through The Middle States Association. The Rahway Branch is also working in partnership with the Paper Mill Playhouse to provide the YMCA’s Theatre in Motion program for special needs children, ages 7-21, and their families. Additionally, the YMCA also plans to begin training with the Matheny Medical and Education Center to develop a digital art component to the SAIL program similar to Matheny’s Arts Access program. Arts Access utilizes trained facilitators and adaptive technology to provide participants, dealing with a vast array of disabilities, with the means and

capability to create unique works of art that solely display the vision of the artist. The YMCA is working with Matheny staff to duplicate this program, on a modified scale, to offer at the Rahway Branch.

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The employees of Phillips 66 graciously donated \$500.00 to each Rahway elementary school for a total of \$2,000. This donation will help purchase materials for the four new STEM clubs at each elementary school. Phillips 66 recently donated \$5,240 as seed money to begin the STEM clubs at the elementary schools and this additional funding will provide teachers and students with materials to conduct experiments in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. Mrs. Mary Phillips, of Phillips 66, was instrumental in supporting this donation and Rahway Public Schools appreciates the generosity of Phillips 66 and its employees in the further education of our students.



(above) Derek Chiao, Phillips 66 Bayway Refinery Engineer and YMCA Board Member, along with Mary Phillips, Phillips 66 Bayway Refinery Community Relations Coordinator presented the \$5,000 donation to Krystal R. Canady, Chief Executive Officer, Melynda Mileski, Executive Vice President/COO, Rodger Koerber, Rahway Branch Executive Director, and Lara Kennedy, Arts Director at The Gateway Family YMCA - Rahway Branch, 1564 Irving Street, Rahway.

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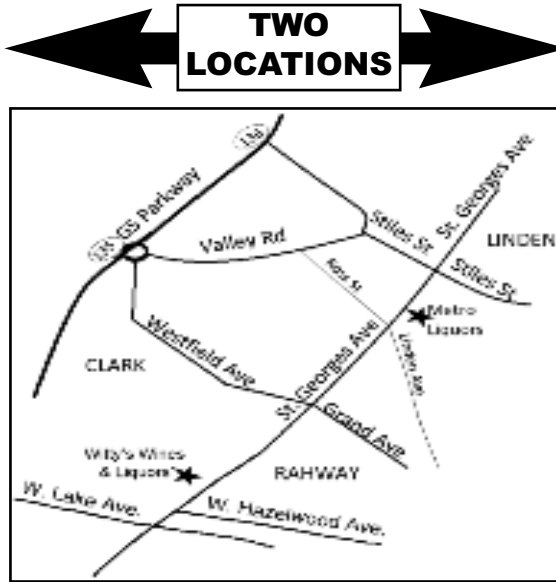
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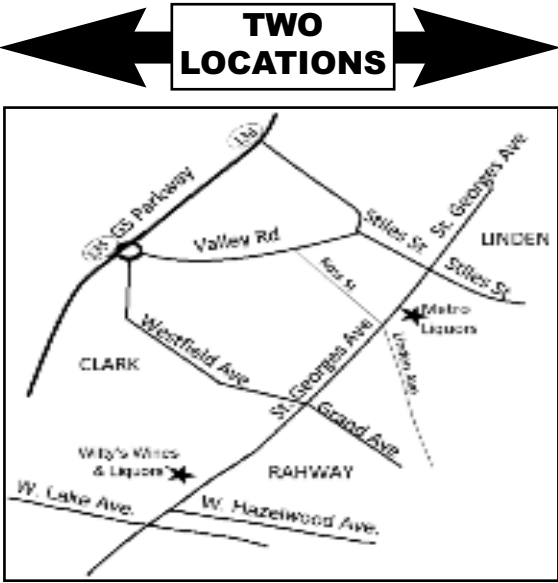


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WHISKY

| | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|----------|
| Ballantine | 1.75L | \$29.99 |
| Buchanan's 12yrs old | 750ml | \$28.99 |
| Buchanan's 12yrs old | 1.75L | \$54.99 |
| Bushmill's Irish | 1.75L | \$40.99 |
| Canadian Club | 1.75L | \$19.99 |
| Canadian Mist | 1.75L | \$17.99 |
| Chivas Regal | 1L | \$29.99 |
| Chivas Regal | 1.75L | \$58.99 |
| Chivas Regal 18 yrs old | 750 ml | \$72.99 |
| Clan Macgregor | 750ml | \$11.99 |
| Clan Macgregor | 1.75L | \$19.99 |
| Crown Royal | 750ml | \$26.99 |
| Crown Royal | 1.75L | \$47.99 |
| Dewars 12 yrs old | 750ml | \$32.99 |
| Dewars 12 yrs old | 1.75L | \$60.99 |
| Dewars White Label | 750 ml | \$19.99 |
| Dewars White Label | 1.75L | \$32.99 |
| Gentleman Jack | 750ml | \$28.99 |
| Gentleman Jack | 1.75L | \$51.99 |
| Glenfiddich 12 yrs old | 750ml | \$42.99 |
| Glenmorangie 10 yrs old | 750ml | \$36.99 |
| Glenlivet 12 yrs old | 750 ml | \$40.99 |
| 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 | \$58.99 |
| 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 | \$19.99 |
| Seagrams 7 | 1.75L | \$17.99 |
| Woodford Reserve | 1L | \$34.99 |

GIN

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|-----------------|-------|---------|
| Beefeater | 1.75L | \$35.99 |
| Bombay Sapphire | 1.75L | \$41.99 |
| Seagram's gin | 1.75L | \$16.99 |
| Tanqueray | 750ml | \$19.99 |
| Tanqueray | 1.75L | \$37.99 |

COGNAC & BRANDY

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|-----------------------|-------|---------|
| Cardenal Mendoza | 750ml | \$38.99 |
| Courvoisier V.S. | 750ml | \$27.99 |
| Courvoisier V.S. | 1.75L | \$49.09 |
| E & J V.S. Brandy | 750ml | \$ 8.99 |
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| E & J V.S.O.P. Brandy | 750ml | \$10.99 |
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| Hennessy V.S. | 750ml | \$32.99 |
| Hennessy V.S. | 1.75L | \$62.99 |
| Leroux Blackberry | 750ml | \$12.99 |
| Leroux Blackberry | 1.75L | \$18.99 |
| 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 | \$39.99 |
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VODKA

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|----------------------------|-------|---------|
| Absolut (regular) | 750ml | \$19.09 |
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| Belvedere Vodka | 750ml | \$27.99 |
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| Ciroc (all types) | 750ml | \$29.99 |
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| Finlandia | 750ml | \$15.99 |
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| Grey Goose | 750ml | \$28.99 |
| Grey Goose (all types) | 1.75L | \$49.99 |
| Ketel One | 750ml | \$22.99 |
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| Majorska | 750ml | \$ 8.99 |
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| Pinnacle (all types) | 750ml | \$11.99 |
| Pinnacle (80 proof) | 1.75L | \$17.99 |
| Skyy | 1.75L | \$21.99 |
| Smirnoff Vodka (80 proof) | 750ml | \$11.99 |
| Smirnoff Vodka (all types) | 1.75L | \$19.29 |
| Sobieski | 750ml | \$10.99 |
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| Soplica | 750ml | \$ 9.95 |
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| Stolichnaya (all types) | 1.75L | \$29.09 |
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