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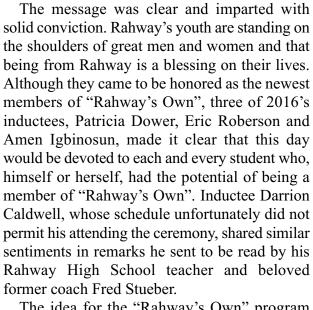
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#### **WE ARE ALL "RAHWAY'S OWN"**

Story by: Rob Kinch



The idea for the "Rahway's Own" program was originally conceived and presented to Mayor Samson Steinman by community members Rachael Faillace, then Director of the Rahway Arts District, and teachers at the time Patricia Volino-Reinoso and Daniel Garay. They recognized that the school district and the town were the launching pad for many successful careers, especially in the arts and in athletics. "And from there, the "Rahway's Own" concept was born!" explains Amy Garcia Phillips, Artistic Director of the Rahway Arts and Business Partnership. She adds that it was created as "a means to motivate the youth of Rahway" who they believed "were it most precious resource."

From its initial focus on former RHS students who had developed both their artistic and athletic talents, "Rahway's Own" has been expanded to include some of the many accomplished members of the Rahway community. Recognizing the importance of reinforcing the visions and goals of her students and the impact the stories shared by the inductees would have on them, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Patricia Camp was eager to open the high school as a venue for this year's program. It is her wish that "they all reach their dreams." RHS Vice Principal and organizer for the October 3 event, Patricia Volino-Reinoso, offered, "It was



(above) Dr. Patricia Camp Schools Superintendent joins welcomes new inductees Amen Igbinosun, Eric Roberson, and Patricia Dower.

amazing to see the seventh graders I knew grow to be the accomplished adults who were on that stage today."

Throughout the program, another theme was similarly echoed by each of the guests. They all reassured students that it was quite natural not to know who one 'is' at such an early age. Each believes that, in fact, many events, obstacles, and opportunities which present themselves along the way all contribute to the person one becomes. Patricia Dower, celebrated author of novels such as 'Stony River', shares that her life "was shaped by my choices." She advised students to "go to what speaks to your heart at the moment."

Singer, songwriter, producer and 2 time Grammy nominee, Eric Roberson, admits that he "needed every brick wall I faced to become who I was" and working actor Amen Igbinosun advises that he took "many routes trying to fulfill my dreams" and that one must "always be ready to make a change."

Darrion Caldwell, wrestling champion and now martial artist currently competing in the bantamweight division of Bellator MMA, says that one must "always be prepared" and that he "was faced with making many decisions" in his life especially after being faced with professional career challenges due a serious injury. It became quite clear to the students that perseverance, drive, and dedication were the key variables in their equation for success.





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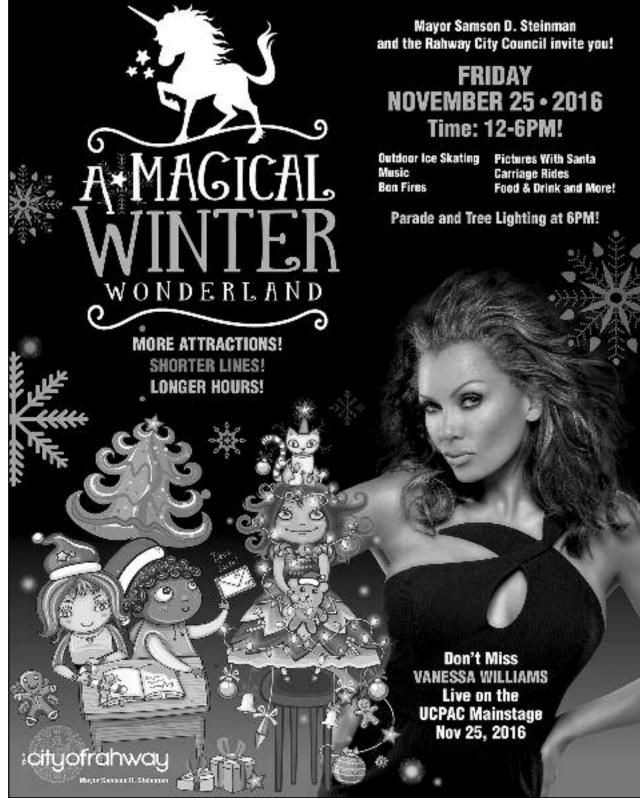
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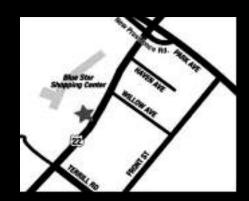
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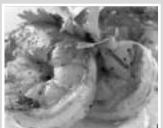
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## ACTOR AMEN IGBINOSUN SHARES HIS ACTING TOOLS WITH RHS THEATER STUDENTS Story by: Rob Kinch



Students in Rahway High School teacher Jensyn Modero's theater classes were afforded the rare opportunity to receive some acting tips from 'Rahway's Own' actor Amen Igbinosun. Mr. Igbinosun, whose credits include roles in "The Last Ship" and the miniseries "Texas Rising", was happy to generously share his time working with the students in part to express his appreciation for having been able to "find employment in something I love" and, as well, to reinforce techniques used by professionals to become better actors.

Through participation in such unusual (and fun) exercises as doing 'Wacky Jacks' and creating giant 'X's' on the floor, students got to experience tools actors use to warm up the body and to prepare for developing dimensional characters.

Ms. Modero found the classes especially important for her male students since "guys were able to see guys doing these exercises not just

their teacher (who happens to be a girl). This male 'modeling' gives the boys permission to be silly and to play vocally and physically."

Mr. Igbinosun found working with the students "a rewarding experience". He is quick to add,"They were open and ready to work and cared for their partners. It's a testament to the work Ms. Modero has put into the program." From his lesson, he hopes the students will take away that "they should act by coming from their 'selfs'. That all we need to do is look our scene partners in the eyes, breathe and live as honest as we can under imaginary circumstances."

"Working with a current industry actor was honestly a great experience," affirms senior Jay-Quan Johnson. "I observed great techniques for how to read my scene partner and how to build off of them and potentially save them if the scene is failing!"

One wonders if this could not be a valuable life lesson as well.

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(above) It's ok to be silly. Students in photo: Jenia Vega, Qadreek Strickland, & Ronald Humphrey with Ms. Modero and Amen Igbinosun. Photos by: Joseph Mudrak

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Fresh Tomato Bruschetta	15.00	25.00	35.00
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	Small (8-10 people)	Medium (12-15 people)	Large (18-20 people)
Ciao Bello	25.00	35.00	40.00
Italian	15.00	25.00	30.00
Roasted Beet	30.00	35.00	45.00
Caesar	20.00	30.00	40.00
Fennel	30.00	40.00	50.00
Benny's Salad	30.00	40.00	50.00
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House - mixed green with cucumber tomatoes olives red onions side of tulian deening

Roasted Beet - cucamber, somanoes, red & golden beets, real orion, gorgonsola cheese side of balsamic viraigrene Caesar - crispy romaine hearts crutous & parmigano reggiano side of

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cranberries, goat cheese side of figs vinalgrette Benny's Salad - teeberg romaine, grupe torrotoes, avocado, sed outon, com, black

beans, cucumber side of red wine vinaignette & parmigano reggiano

Arugula — Organic baby arugula, pignoli nurs, raisim, tornatoes, avocado, sweet com and gorgonosla choise in a halsamic viralgrette

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- Oven roasted turkey with lettuce, tomatoes & onions
- Chicken cutlet or grilled lettuce, tomatoes & honey mustard.
- Chicken parm eggplant, parm roasted peppers, grilled eggplant
- Prosciumo rousted peppers & mozzarella

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- · Grilled vegetable with fresh mozzarella
- Sirloin steak with sautéed onions peppers mushrooms & mozzarella
- Chunky white tuna salad
- Grilled chicken sautéed spinach, onions, mushroom & fresh mozzarella
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Milanese

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Oreganato - medallions stotéed in lemon , butter white wine topped seasoned bread crumbs

Marsala

Parmigiano

Cacciatore - medallions sautéed with mushrooms & onions in a light basil marinara sauce

Scarpariello - medallions with sliced surrage, fresh resemery in a wine demiglaze

M Saltambuca alla romana – topped with prosciutto & mozzarella over spinach in a marsala demiglaze

Francese – breast lightly battered sauté in a lemon butter sauce Marsala - breast sautéed with exotic mushroom in a marsala wine demiglate

Parmigiana - Lightly breaded with morzarella & mest sauce Gao Bello - lightly bastered chicken breast layered with ricotta , eggplant , romanies - mozzarella in a marinara sauce

Rollatine - breast stuffed with prosciutto messzarella & wrapped with bacon

in a meshroom marsala demiglace Balsamico - breast chopped tomatoes , white wine balsamic demiglaze

Milanese - panko crusted chicken breast curlet with arugula,

chopped summoes, fresh musearella, in a light balsamic vinaigrene

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Mare Chiaro - white wine garlic clan source with souch of marinara

Cajun or Blackened - served over sauted broccoli rabe and cherry perpen-

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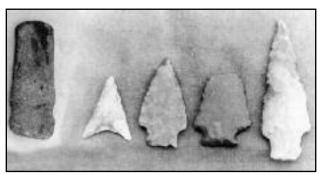
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#### RAHWAY'S NAME IS CITY'S CONNECTION WITH THE "ORIGINAL PEOPLE"

By Al Shipley, City Historian and Rahway Library Research Consultant

Almost seven thousand years ago, when the banks of the Rahway River were decorated with picturesque foliage and the pure, still air was pierced only by the cries of wild game, man first set eyes on this area and sensed the possibilities of making it his home. The visitors at the time were members of the Lenni Lenape tribe (Len-ne Le-nah-pay), a group that had been migrating to New Jersey as early as 5000 B.C. It had taken their ancestors centuries to journey from Mongolia, across what is now the Bering Straits, through the northwestern part of North America, until they finally reached the Atlantic Ocean. They became the Indians of New Jersey who would call themselves "Men of Men" or "The Original People." The history of their presence here is remembered in the name of the city.

Archaeological findings indicate that the largest Indian encampments were located in the western part of the state. Many Indians living in these settlements passed through the Rahway area as they followed what is today Westfield Avenue. This historic road was once a main Indian trail from the Watchung Mountains to the Arthur Kill. It was also the path that led to what is now St. Georges Avenue, a trail the Indians used as they traveled toward the southern regions. There is evidence that groups of these travelers made stops in this abundant territory and that some made encampments along the Rahway River during the summer months. The river afforded the Lenape the means to sustain their lives as they followed the primitive ways of the forest. The Indians found fish and game to be plentiful along the river and its banks. The river



(above) These arrowheads and the axe head are some of the Indian artifacts found along the Rahway River by Rahway residents over the years.

also served as an artery for transportation and one that could be easily handled by an Indian in a dugout canoe. Over the years, arrowheads used for hunting and fishing, axe heads, and grinding stones have been unearthed in several parts of the city.

This placid existence was maintained by the New Jersey Indians until the dawn of the 1500s when a new group of visitors discovered the region. It was at this time that the white man landed, bringing with him a culture that would eventually force the Lenape nation to change its way of life and ultimately vacate the region.

The Lenape's first contact with Europeans is believed to have been in 1524 when they encountered the explorer Giovanni da Verrazzano when his ship entered Lower New York Bay. Over the next century and a half, interaction between the Lenape and the Europeans was primarily through the fur trade. Over the course of those years, the Europeans came to find the

region to be extremely valuable, and permanent settlements were soon being established including Elizabethtown (1664) and Woodbridge (1669). It's not certain how long the Indians remained in the vicinity, but most encampments were certainly abandoned by the 1670s when the four distinct villages in the area of present day Rahway were being settled. Once gone, the Indians would only be seen occasionally as they passed through on hunting excursions. In the Rahway area, the Indians and the new settlers were able to establish a tranquil relationship. Most of these early settlers were Quakers who, like the Indians, were a peace loving people. Both groups believed everyone should be treated fairly and took pride in their ability to live in harmony with one another.

After the arrival of the white man, the Lenni Lenape people were steadily moved back towards their larger camps in western Jersey which they inhabited until 1758 when they were moved to a reservation in Burlington County. They remained there until 1802, when they were forced to migrate into New York State and from New York, sent even farther west, retracing the steps of their forefathers.

Today, little remains of the rich tradition that was experienced by Rahway's first "citizens." Artifacts and legends are poignant reminders of Indian activities in the city, yet it is perhaps the name "Rahway" that is the most obvious. The term is derived from the name of a local Lenape chieftain called Wawhawahack, or Rahwack, or possibly Rahawa, which over many years evolved to its present form.











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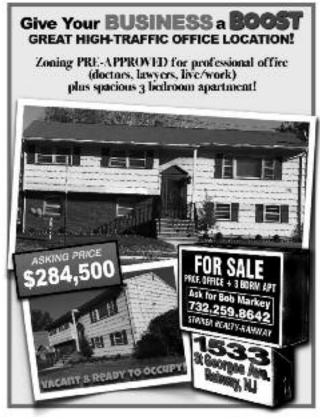


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After a sixty six day journey seeking religious freedom, the Pilgrims arrived in Massachusetts, far from their destination along the Hudson River. With no suitable place to land most of the Pilgrims spent the first winter on board the Mayflower where many died from hunger and disease.

In early spring when they arrived on land they were surprised to be greeted by an 'Abenaki Indian' who already spoke English. A few days later he returned with 'Squanto' a Patuxet Indian who also spoke English\*.

Squanto took pity on the new settlers and taught them how to farm, gather wild berries, fish in the rivers and hunt. He also taught them how to avoid poisonous plants.

Squanto forged an alliance between the Pilgrims and the local Indian tribe, the Wampanoag.

The main three farm crops of the Wampanoag were corn, beans and squash. Wampanoag also farmed watermelon and sunflowers, gathered blueberries, cranberries, strawberries and hunted game. They taught the pilgrims how to collect maple sap and turn it into maple syrup.

After the first successful corn harvest in November 1621 the leader of the Pilgrims, Governor William Bradford declared a celebration feast, which today is known as the First Thanksgiving.

Although there were earlier feasts to "Thank God Almighty" in the colonies, the one held on December 4, 1619, it is the Pilgrim's Thanksgiving we remember today.

The 50 surviving Pilgrims and 90 Wampanoag Indians had a three-day feast which included five deer donated by the Wampanoag chief.

Today's modern holiday feasts are marked by pies and sweet treats, but there were no sweets at



(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

the first Thanksgiving because the Pilgrims had already eaten all the maple syrup.

Throughout the decades afterwards Americans would occasionally celebrate a 'National Day of Thanksgiving'.

In 1863 during the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln established our annual Thanksgiving Day on the fourth Thursday of every November.

\*Before the arrival of the Pilgrims, Squanto and many other members the Patuxet tribe were captured by the British and brought back to England as slaves. The Patuxet tribe members remaining in America died from small pox transmitted by the English. Squanto who now spoke English was able to escape and return to America as a stowaway on another ship. Squanto died on November 30, 1622. He was buried at Burial Hill, Plymouth, MA.

Happy Thanksgiving,

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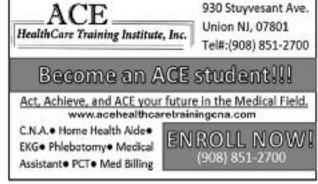
Mrs. Nicole Brighouse's sixth-grade students at Franklin School in Rahway are excitedly investigating properties of air. The students are collecting data with various weather tools; such as a barometer, anemometer, thermometer, compass, and hygrometer. The collected data is

then analyzed by the students and they make predictions regarding future weather changes. As their understanding of meteorology increases, students apply their knowledge to the analysis of current weather systems such as Hurricanes Matthew and Nicole.



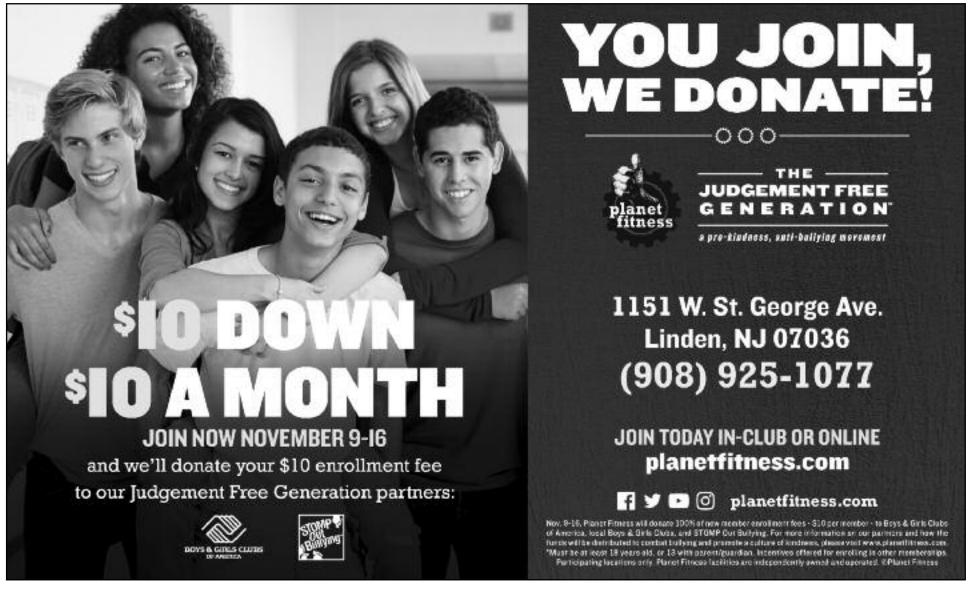
(above) Mrs. Nicole Brighouse and her students outside using the various weather tools and collecting their data.











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#### THE WONDER PROJECT

On Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2016, Roosevelt School in Rahway celebrated RESPECT Week with an assembly program called myFace The Wonder Project This project is based based on a New York Times Best Seller, Wonder, by RJ Palacio. Wonder is a young adult novel that tells the story of Auggie, an ordinary boy with an extraordinary face. The book details Auggie's journey with facial difference while he attends public school for the first time, having been homeschooled his entire life.

myFace has taken Wonder and built a curriculum around it, focusing on empathy and acceptance. The myFace Wonder Project aims to educate children and young adults on the importance of having compassion for their peers, celebrating uniqueness in every sense, and always choosing to be kind.



(above) Former Roosevelt School student and presenter Claudia Lopez and Mrs. Donna Fidecaro (her former teacher at Roosevelt School).

## THE JUNIOR MUSICAL CLUB WILL HOLD AUDITIONS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

The Junior Musical Club, a club for students in 8th -12th grades from Westfield and nearby towns, welcomes applications from young instrumentalists and vocalists who have a personal commitment to performing music of any and all genres. For more information about the Club and how to apply, please email juniormusicalclub@gmail.com.

Teen-aged musicians may audition to join the club on Sunday, November 20, 2016, between 5:00 and 7:00 pm. Exact audition times will be set after the candidate submits an application. Auditions will take place at the home of Beverly Shea, Senior Advisor to the Club, 2121 Princeton Avenue in Scotch Plains.

Each candidate must perform two pieces in contrasting styles. Total playing time should be 5 to 8 minutes in length. Auditioners are encouraged to perform some portion of a piece from memory and must provide their own accompanist, if needed. To obtain an audition form and to request the name of a possible

The Junior Musical Club, a club for students accompanist, applicants may email Samantha 8th -12th grades from Westfield and nearby Sprechman at juniormusicalclub@gmail.com.

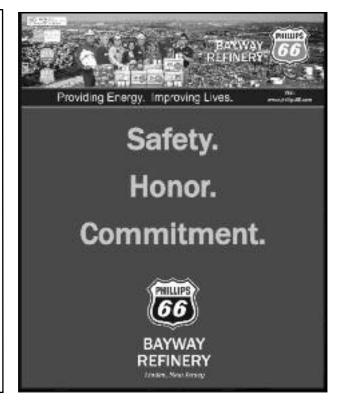
The club meets once each month on a Sunday evening at the homes of various club members. Each meeting consists of discussions about future concerts or events, and club members perform some of their current repertoire for one another. The club holds two concerts each year at the First Baptist Church of Westfield, open to the public free of charge. On March 29, 2017, at 7:30 p.m., The Ensemble Concert presents all club members in duets and group performances; on June 1, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., the high school junior and senior members will perform solo pieces in the Upper Class Recital. Club members also perform at senior citizen centers and play chamber music, solos and duets during the Tour of Notable Homes for the New Jersey Festival Orchestra, Saturday, May 13, 2017.

For additional information contact Beverly Shea, 908-654-1036, Senior Advisor, The Musical Club of Westfield.

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Wednesdays at 10:30am, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23, 11/30. Ages birth - 4 with caregiver. We will be talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing during this literacy readiness storytime.

#### **Storytime & Craft:**

Thursdays @ 6:30pm, 11/10, 11/17. Ages 4 and up with caregiver. Join us for this fun storytime & craft.

#### Lego Club:

Monday, November 14 at 6:30pm. Make something out of Legos and put it on display! Ages 5+.

#### **BINGO:**

Friday, November 18 at 3:30pm. Have a blast playing BINGO at the library! Ages 4+.

#### **How to Talk to a Robot:** Wednesday, November 16 from 4-6pm.

Learn some Basic programming language that will make a robot talk! Ages 8-13. Registration is required.

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Thursday, November 10 from 4-5pm.

Join the Pearl Observatory as they bring a planetarium to the library! Locate planets, stars, constellations and more. Ages 4 and up. Registration is required.

#### **Preschool Mad Science:**

Tuesday, November 15 at 11:00am.

Experiment with fun science projects! Ages 2 ½ - 5. Registration is required.

#### **Kids Knitting:**

Thursday, November 17 at 4:00pm.

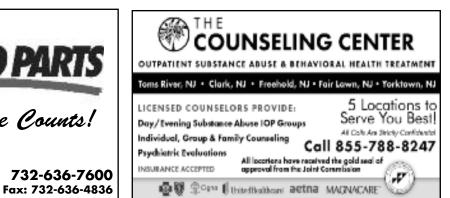
Learn the basics of knitting or bring a project with you to work on! Yarn and needles will be provided. Ages 6 and up. Registration is required.

#### **Chess Club:**

Monday, November 21 at 6:30pm. Play and learn chess with friends and local chess champion, Jack Silver! Ages 6 and up.

#### **Junior Lego Club:**

Tuesday, November 29 at 11:00am. Build with the library's new LEGO DUPLO collection. Ages 2-5.





#### **FOR ADULTS**

#### **Knit & Crochet Club:**

Thursday, November 17 at 6:30pm.

Bring your hooks, needles, and yarn. Work on a project or learn a new technique!

Program is free for teens and adults.

#### **Friends Meeting:**

7:00 pm on Thursday, November 10. The Friends of the Rahway Public Library will meet at the library

#### First Aid & CPR for Parents,

#### **Grandparents & Babysitters:**

Wednesday, November 16 at 1:00pm.

Bandage or Emergency Room? Mobile Intensive Care Paramedic Jennifer Green from Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Rahway, will discuss making those important decisions in the critical first minutes following a child's injury.

#### **Book Bingo:**

Saturday, November 12 at 11:00am. Match up titles to win books and other prizes! This

program is open to adults (age 18+). Everyone wins!

#### **Readers Circle Book Club:**

Wednesday, November 16 at 2:00pm. Join us for the discussion of The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George.

#### Songs, Colors, and Thanks:

Saturday, November 26 at 2:00pm.

Performance by Singer-Songwriter Christine DeLeon. Drop by after work and enjoy songs both old and new as we welcome the season of gratitude and gladness.

#### **Free Staged Reading:**

Wednesday, November 16 at 6:30pm. The War of The Worlds presented by The Rahway

Public Library, The City of Rahway, UCPAC and Fearless Productions.

#### TEEN EVENTS

#### **Teen Screen Movie:**

Monday, November 14 at 5:00pm X-Men: Apocalypse Rated PG-13. All are welcome to attend.

#### **MAKE IT, TAKE IT:**

Thursday, November 17 at 4:00pm. Join us in the Teen Circle. Use your creativity to produce a masterpiece!



#### RAHWAY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TRY THEIR HAND AT VOTING

Story by: Rob Kinch

With all the sound bites, heated opinions, and political vitriol expressed by adults regarding November's presidential election and its respective candidates, it is often forgotten that America's youth have their own views and concerns as well. Thanks to history teacher John Odin and to the Union County Board of Elections, Rahway High School students were given the opportunity to make their choice of candidates clearly known to their community.

On Friday, October 14 students voted for their presidential choices, in school, on the actual voting machines that will be utilized by their parents and guardians next month. Working together with guests from the Union County Board of Elections, members of RHS's student government and of its National Honor Society guided their peers through the voting process throughout the course of the day.

Mr. Odin, who also teaches courses in AP World Government and AP Comparative Politics, felt that it was important for students not only to have a platform to voice their preferences but also "to participate in the most basic piece of the foundation of freedom." Senior Ana Marques definitely agrees and offers, "The younger generation got to experience what is 'real' in the real world. I took this seriously and am anxious to learn the results." Gabrielle Filsaime was pleased that students turning 18 now have the insight into the procedure of voting," and quickly added, "I like it!"

Freshman Josh Darisme echoed a similar feeling, "It was a great experience and something to look forward to doing in the future as an adult."

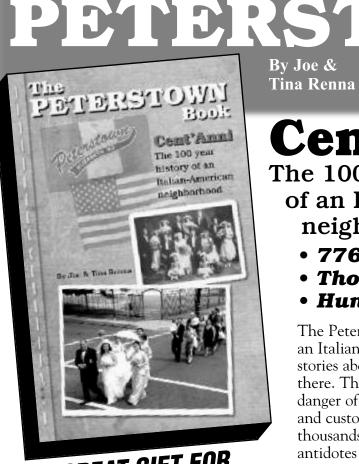
Mr. Odin was also eager to offer his gratitude to the Union County Board of Elections who, he affirmed, "made all this possible, they could not have been more helpful." He also wished to thank all the faculty for their cooperation in allowing their students to participate in this debut program. "Having served in the U.S. Marine Corps in the early 1970's and having witnessed what so many sacrificed for the privilege of voting, any inconvenience today may have caused was more than worth it."

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(above) Organizer John Odin demonstrates an actual voting booth brought in for the election.

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CASA of Union County is seeking Rahway residents to step up and be the voice for one of the nearly 600 Union County youth, ages 0-21, currently in foster care through no fault of their own.

Traditionally, the required 30-hour training is held over six weeks, with volunteers meeting several evenings each week. However, two new training options are now available, in response to prospective volunteers seeking more scheduling flexibility. A December training — which begins Monday, Dec. 5, 2016 — allows those home during the day to complete all training within five days from 9 am to 4 pm at the CASA offices; the January training — which begins Thursday, Jan. 12 — continues the traditional six-week format, but incorporates online learning at the volunteer's convenience, and fewer in-person sessions. Lunch or light dinner is provided. At the conclusion of training, a Superior Court judge swears in the new child advocates at the Union County Courthouse.

to foster parents, teachers, doctors, lawyers, therapists and more. CASAs visit the youth regularly and incorporate findings into a report for the judge. They attend quarterly court hearings, working to ensure a youth's time in care is as short as possible and their best interests remain the priority. Although not required, there is an additional need for male advocates and advocates who speak Spanish. Just who is a typical child referred to CASA of Union County? Meet 12-year-old Marissa:

When my mother was pregnant with me, she drank alcohol and used cocaine, and I was born with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome. Even though the state was working with my mom to help her get clean and be a better mom to me and my brother, she couldn't stay away from the drugs and alcohol. My older brother tried to take care of me, but he said it was too hard, and our house was so dirty and cluttered. A worker from the state came and took me, and put me into a foster home. That

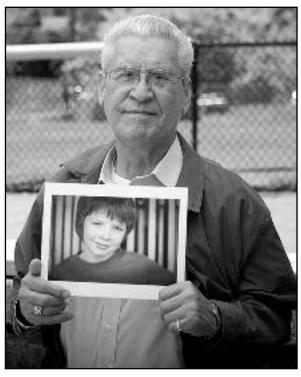
Trained CASAs are court-empowered to speak worker left and I have a new worker. When I met her, she said the plan was for me to go back with my mom as soon as she's better. I was so happy. But I just found out that now my mom is missing! I'm so worried and hope she's okay. Is she drinking again? Is she hurt? Every day I wonder what will happen to me and what's happened to her. I'm so scared. I don't see my brother anymore at all. My family is so broken and I feel all alone.

> Rahway residents are encouraged to contact Rachel 527-7044 (908)rwhite@casaofunioncounty.org to RSVP for an information session below, or for more details on claiming a seat in the December or January class.

> Evening information sessions are: Thursdays, Nov. 17 and Dec. 15 at the County Clerk Building, 300 North Avenue East, Westfield; morning sessions are 10 a.m. Fridays, Nov. 18 and Dec. 16 at CASA's offices, 1143-45 East Jersey Street, Second Floor, Elizabeth.













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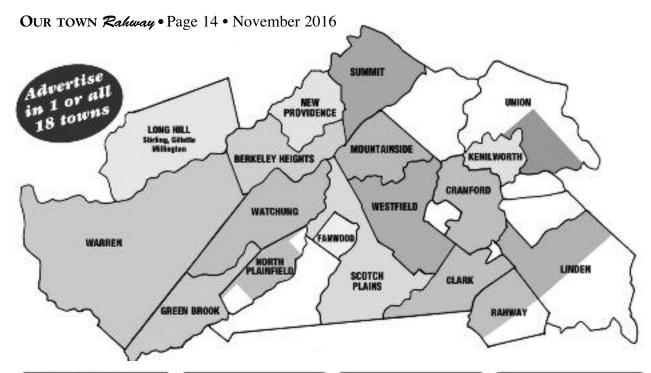
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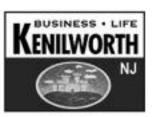
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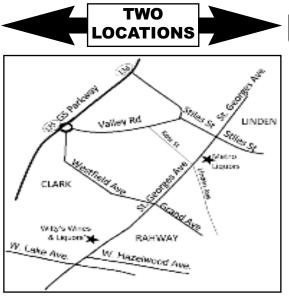


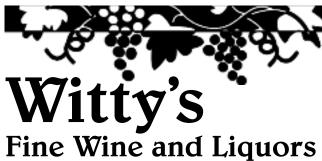




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Mi Amore Red	=
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Rodney Strong Sonoma Chardonnay	
Rombauer Chardonnay	
Ruffino Chianti	•
Ruffino Chianti	
Ruffino Pinot Grigio	
Ruffino Chianti Gold	
Ruffino Tan label	-
Santa Margerita Pinot Grigio	
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Silver Oak Alexander Valley Cabernet	
Simi Chardonnay	
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