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Reach Out Rahway
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IT'S ALL HERE.

The Rahway Review is the definitive go-to-guide for every Rahway resident. Stay informed about what's going on in our City. Right here. Right now.

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This year, Mayor Samson D. Steinman and the Rahway City Council invite you to share in the Citywide Halloween celebration and festivities! Join in Rahway's Halloween Costume Parade, followed by our popular Trunk or Treat at Hamilton Stage, with awards for the best costumes and vehicles. The frightful fun doesn't stop there! On Saturday,

November 1st, join in on some ghoulish fun as the City kicks off The Rahway Zombie Challenge at 12 p.m., Zombie Movies at 12 p.m., and the popular Rahway Zombie Crawl from 6 p.m. until the witching hours! For a complete listing of details and times, please refer to the pull-out section of this issue, or visit www.cityofrahway.com. See Page 9 for more details.

3:00 PM Costume Parade!

Marches down Irving Street from RSI Bank to the judges reviewing stand in front of the UCPAC.

4:00 PM Trunk or Treat! Hamilton Stage parking lot

(set up time 1:00 -2:30 PM)
 Can't bring a car? No problem! We can provide a table for you to decorate! Shuttle service to Parade start will be available.

4:30 PM Awards Announced!

1st, 2nd and 3rd place for best costume by age group and best decorated vehicle/table.

RAHWAY RESIDENTS ONLY.
FREE WITH PRE-REGISTRATION BY OCTOBER 30.
\$10 PER CHILD TO REGISTER AFTER OCTOBER 30.
ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

(See page 12 for more details)

Winter Wonderland in Rahway

Save the Date
Friday, Nov. 28, 2014
City Hall Plaza

Join us in downtown Rahway for the most spectacular winter celebration around!



For more info visit www.cityofrahway.com

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from
the mayor's desk
Mayor Samson D. Steinman

In the past year that I have been your Mayor, Rahway has flourished and grown. We have a lot going on steered by the goals of bringing people to downtown Rahway; providing fun activities for residents to do in town; and most importantly taking care of our community's needs.

This year Halloween is taking over Rahway as we have an impressive line-up of spooktacular events! Our senior citizens will be the first to kick-off the City's Halloween celebrations on October 30th as the City Council and I will host the Rahway Senior Citizen Halloween Party! On Halloween day we will host Rahway's Halloween Costume Parade! See page 12 for all details. And to cap off the Halloween celebrations in town, on November 1st Rahway will be hosting the First Rahway Zombie Apocalypse! Titled The Day of the Undead which aims to attract countless zombies and ghouls from all over to Rahway for a fun and unique day. You

can find more details in the pull-out section of the Review.

My most important duty as your Mayor is to address your concerns and issues. Two of the most recent tasks I undertook is the planning and execution of the Milton Lake Park clean-up and a host of meetings in Washington D.C. to acquire funding to address our flooding issue.

“We have a lot going on in the City including safety and infrastructure improvements, significant redevelopment projects and fun activities for residents.”

The clean-up was an event planned to supplement the City's ongoing recycling programs and drew over 100 community volunteers out to

make sure our neighborhoods are clean. Pictures and details can be found on page 5.

This past September I visited our nation's capital and met with the Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Senators Robert Menendez and Cory Booker, U.S. Congressmen, Donald Payne, Jr. and Leonard Lance to discuss the Rahway River and Watershed Flood Control study. The meetings were very productive and resulted in great manifestations of support from our Congressional delegation. More information on page 4.

We continue to diligently work on our redevelopment efforts as we see our downtown being revitalized with new façade projects and residential buildings under way. The Meridia Lafayette project will start its construction any day now.

Please enjoy the content in this Review and should you ever have a concern, do not hesitate to contact my office.



RAHWAY MUNICIPAL DIRECTORY

If you get an answering machine when calling any of the following numbers, please leave a message and your call will be returned as soon as possible. All area codes are 732 unless otherwise specified.

Municipal Offices

- Building Inspector..... 827-2087
- City Clerk..... 827-2100
- Community Development..... 827-2193
- Comptroller/Finance..... 827-2020
- Municipal Court..... 827-2039
- Economic Development 827-2193
- Emergency Management..... 827-2120
- Engineering 827-2193
- Fire (non emergency)..... 827-2155
- Fire Prevention Bureau..... 827-2133
- First Aid..... 827-2013
- Health Department..... 827-2085
- Mayor's Office..... 827-2009
- Municipal Administrator..... 827-2001
- Police (non emergency) 827-2200
- Public Works..... 827-2060
- Recreation..... 669-3600
- Recreation Hot Line 827-2095
- Recycling 827-2159
- Tax Assessor..... 827-2030
- Tax Collector 827-2050
- United Water (877) 303-2435
- Vital Statistics 827-2085

Helpful Numbers

- Board of Education..... 396-1000
- RWJU Hospital at Rahway 381-4200
- Rahway Library 340-1551
- NJ Transit (973) 275-5555
- P.A.L. Hot Line..... 827-2097
- Parking Authority 381-8778
- Post Office 388-3264
- Rahway Redevelopment Agency 827-2193
- Rahway Y.M.C.A. 388-0057
- Union County
- Performing Arts Center 499-8226

Rahway Schools

- Superintendent's Office..... 396-1020
- Business Administrator..... 396-1010
- Services for Children..... 396-1035
- Rahway High School..... 396-1090
- 7th & 8th Grade Academy 396-1025
- Grover Cleveland School..... 396-1040
- Franklin School 396-1050
- Madison School 396-1070
- Roosevelt School 396-1060



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THE CITY OF RAHWAY PROUDLY HOSTS Downtown New Jersey 2014



Downtown New Jersey is a statewide organization of individuals, businesses, government agencies, and local and regional organizations that are passionate about downtowns. Downtowns provide a focal point for our communities, reflect their unique identities, provide our communities a sense of place, and offer a place in which people gather and truly be community. Downtown New Jersey is a resource dedicated to ensuring the vitality of our downtowns.

On September 12th, Downtown New Jersey, Inc. (DNJ) held its annual conference at the Hamilton Stage in Rahway. The focus of the conference was "How to Get Feet on the Street – in Your Downtown!" concentrating on programs, initiatives and creative ways to improve the economic vitality of the downtown retail environment. DNJ's annual conference was a wonderful opportunity to network with public officials, real estate and legal profession-

als, developers, business and property owners, industry leaders, community volunteers and downtown managers in an informative and dynamic atmosphere.

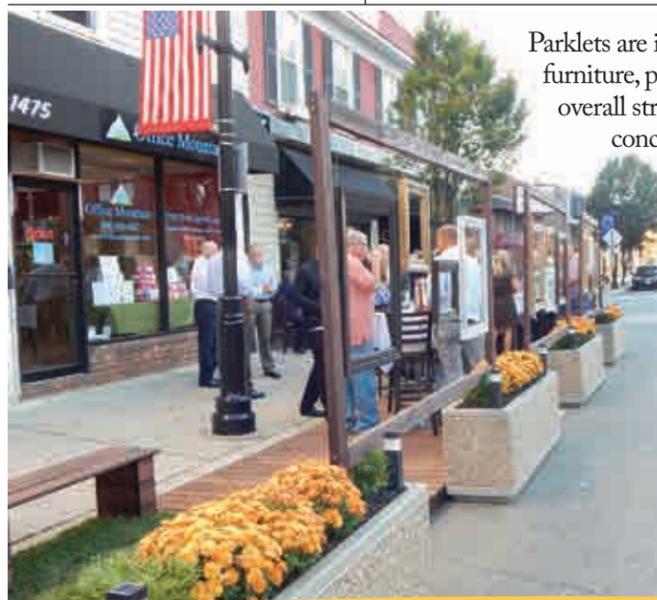
“Given the current economy and the highly energized topic of creative place-making, this event proved to be very successful”

– Mayor Samson Steinman

“I am tasked with bringing people to our community to stimulate the economy and raise the standard of living in our city” said Mayor Steinman. This conference brought people who

are involved in developing downtowns all over New Jersey and they were very pleased with what was happening Rahway. The conference had over 180 attendees and stimulated Rahway's local businesses to the tune of approximately \$16,000.00.

On that day Rahway's first parklet was unveiled. A parklet is a small space serving as an extension of the sidewalk to provide amenities and green space for people using the street. It is typically the size of two parking spaces. Parklets typically extend out from the sidewalk at the level of the sidewalk to the width of the adjacent parking space. Parklets are intended for people and offer a place to stop, to sit, or to eat while taking in the activities of the street or a local restaurant. In some instances, a parklet may provide additional greenery, art, or some other visual amenity. The concept was tested here in Rahway and the response was overwhelmingly positive!



Parklets are intended to be seen as a piece of street furniture, providing aesthetic enhancement to the overall streetscape. By not requiring a permanent concrete base, parklets are a much faster and less expensive way for the City to bring sidewalk improvements to our downtown.



Rahway's First Parklet!

Open to the public for your enjoyment.



Relax. Unwind. Enjoy.

INTRODUCING

REACH OUT RAHWAY
Police • Fire • Emergency — connecting with Citizens to create awareness.



RAHWAY POLICE
DEPARTMENT



RAHWAY FIRE
DEPARTMENT



RAHWAY EMERGENCY
MEDICAL SERVICES

This new program presented this Fall by Mayor Samson D. Steinman and the Rahway City Council, will station the City's Police, Fire and EMS Departments at various events and locations throughout the City in the upcoming weeks. The agencies will be on hand to answer questions, open lines of communication and get to know City residents in an informal, open format setting. Children will also have the opportunity to see some of the emergency vehicles and equipment up close.

Upcoming dates include:

- Wed October 8th**
Train Station Plaza
4:00pm-7:00pm
- Sat October 11th**
Veteran s Field
1:00pm-4:00pm
- Sun October 12th**
Madden Field
9:00am -12:00pm
- Sat October 18th**
Greenfield
9:00am-12:00pm

Coming Soon: WQTS Rahway's Reach Out Radio Station

In the coming months, set your dial to 550 AM and tune in to WQTS your Reach Out Rahway Radio Station. This new service will expand our abilities to connect with residents during emergency situations. This need was identified after recent emergencies when communication was difficult due to the failure of other services such as electricity, internet and cable television. This new AM station will expand our abilities to provide critical information when it is most important. If needed, residents can use battery powered radios or even go to their vehicles for instructions on what to do in order to protect themselves and their family in these critical times. Licensing by the Federal Communications Commission was recently received and equipment will soon arrive enabling us to begin broadcasting. A live date will be announced shortly. On a daily basis, this station will broadcast

community news and events and during times of emergency will be preempted and broadcast information important to our residents. While municipal stations are unlike commercial radio stations, in that they are only licensed for low power broadcast, this ability will fill the void when all other systems fail.



Rahway Public Library

It isn't just for reading anymore!

Take advantage of all that the Rahway Public Library has to offer this Fall and Winter, as we continue to commemorate our 10th anniversary at our City Hall Plaza location.

The Rahway Public Library 2014 Summer Reading Club for children and teens proved to be a real 'blast' this

year—especially with the science themes “Fizz, Boom, Read!” for kids, and “Spark a Reaction” for teens. Besides earning small treasures for books read, the kids had fun at the many programs offered. Movies, Mad Scientists, a Mini-Maestros music program, and even marvelous mime came together to make a fun and science filled summer. Children and young adults from community programs visited us on a weekly basis as

they prepared their summer reading assignments and learned about the library. The teen volunteer program was big this year with enthusiastic young helpers assisting with library tasks and programs. Nearly 3000 books were read by children of all ages, more reading than last summer! Now that Fall has arrived, we hope you will join us at the Library for a full slate of exciting new activities and as your 'go to' place for information and school materials.

Payne Pledges Support to Mayors' Council for Rahway River Watershed Flood Control Project

U.S. Congressman Donald M. Payne, Jr. (NJ-10) has pledged his support to the Mayors' Council Rahway River Watershed Flood Control for funding of the Rahway River Basin Flood Risk Management Study.

Following requests from constituents and local leaders, Rep. Payne, Jr. sent a letter to Colonel Paul Owen of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers earlier this year urging the New York District of the Army Corps of Engineers to exert its jurisdiction to conduct a study over the Rahway Arch site. In that letter, Rep. Payne, Jr. expressed his deep concerns of the discharge of petroleum, contaminated soil, and toxic waters into the Rahway River as well as the chronic flooding that has occurred along the Rahway River.

At the request of U.S. Rep. Donald Payne Jr., the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has agreed to include the controversial Rahway Arch landfill redevelopment project in its upcoming flood study of the Rahway River.

To show his continued support of this project, in September, Congressman Payne, Jr. met with the Mayors' Council of Rahway River Watershed Flood Control. In that meeting, Rep. Payne, Jr. discussed the importance of funding this flood control project and keeping the study on pace so that the residents and businesses in the region can soon be better protected from flooding in future weather events.

“I was very pleased that the Mayors' Council came to Capitol Hill, and I believe that we had a productive, positive meeting,” said Rep. Donald M. Payne, Jr. “Hurricane Irene not only caused

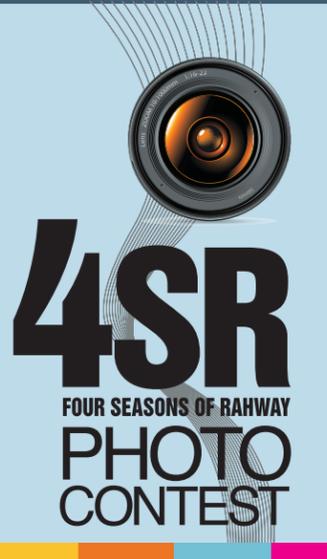


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It is with this in mind, that I strongly believe that completing the Rahway River Basin Flood Risk Management Feasibility Study is essential. Failure to act will open up our local constituents, homes, businesses, and infrastructure to greater risk. I fully support the Rahway River Basin Risk Management Feasibility Study. I commend the Mayors of New Jersey for their hard work and dedication, and they will continue to have a strong advocate on their behalf in Washington.”

Save these dates! For more info, visit us online at www.rahwaylibrary.org



4SR/THE FOUR SEASONS OF RAHWAY PHOTO COMPETITION

Sign up on the library web page www.rahwaylibrary.org and load your photos to enter. This competition is open to adults and children. We want to see the seasons change in our city through your eyes. Photos for the Summer exhibition, to open in late Fall, are being accepted right now. If your photos are selected by the jury panel, they will be printed and framed and then exhibited at venues throughout the city, one exhibition each season. An exhibition catalog will be compiled after the final (Spring) exhibition. There will be awards for finalists selected by our jury. Everyone can be a part of the Arts in Rahway! Call the Exhibition Coordinator at 732-340-1551x225 if you have questions.



RAHWAY CHILDREN READ!

The Library kicks off a new learning to read program for children this Fall through a generous grant from Target Corporation. Storytimes, special programs and speakers will help families to encourage early reading skills by using the Public Library Association's curriculum 'Every Child Ready to Read'. Look for the program in the Library newsletter starting in October or call the library for more information x222.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY PROGRESSIVE DINNER

On October 8th, the Friends hold the third annual Progressive Dinner where hungry diners will have courses of a meal at different restaurants in town. This fundraiser is one of the Friends most popular events. Join us for an evening of strolling, sipping and relishing some of the best Rahway has to offer.

CLASSICAL GUITARIST NICK CUTRONEO

On Saturday October 11th, the Friends are sponsoring a free performance in the library café featuring a new generation of performer, Nick Cutroneo. Check times in the library newsletter. The Friends continue to support the library through volunteerism, sponsored programs and purchases, and fundraising.

GET YOUR LIBRARY CARD

Time to apply or renew that card! Bring two current forms of identification with a valid Rahway address to the library and you can get your card and begin to enjoy all the library offers immediately! Children and teens must have a parent with identification present. TEENS! – Don't forget – you are required to present a library card and school identification card to be in the library.



Sign the petition now! www.cityofrahway.com

In early September, Mayor Samson D. Steinman and other mayors from the area met with members of the New Jersey Congressional Delegation to ask for funding to assist in Rahway River Watershed flood control mitigation studies.



Mayor Steinman leads Mayor's Council meeting with Senator Cory Booker.



Mayor
Samson D. Steinman's
SUMMER
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CONCERT
SERIES

Record-breaking Mayor's Concert Series delights thousands

This summer Rahway witnessed the biggest and best attended Mayor's Summer Concert series! With headlining acts

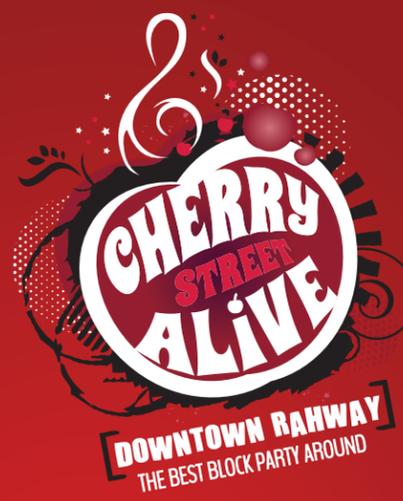
including Pure Prairie League, Brother Josephus and the Love Revolution, Amy Helm and Southside Johnny and the Poor

Fools. We had a great time and have already begun working on topping it next year! Join us again next Summer!

Community Day

AT MILTON LAKE PARK

This past Saturday, September 20, 2014 the Rahway community came out in BIG numbers to help keep our community clean. The Milton Lake clean-up this year was a great success drawing over 100 community volunteers. The huge crowd compiled over 150 bags of garbage and pulled items out of the river such as an old television, lawn chair, toy car, etc. A big thank you to the Rahway High School JROTC which was well represented at the clean-up.



DOWNTOWN RAHWAY
THE BEST BLOCK PARTY AROUND

Cherry Street ALIVE is yet another initiative Mayor Samson D. Steinman has started to draw people into the downtown area and to provide residents with family-friendly entertainment. From Friday to Sunday in September and October, we turned Cherry Street into a pedestrian street with outdoor movies, free dancing lessons and fun games and contests.



Pictured above: Amy Garcia-Phillips of Contento Dance leads Rahway residents in salsa dancing class at Cherry Street ALIVE!



Rollergirls! New Jersey's top-ranked womens' roller derby league

Rahway is on a roll this fall — literally. The Garden State Rollergirls, New Jersey's top-ranked womens' roller derby league, are taking the city by storm, and are now holding their home games at The Center Circle at 1255 Main Street. The next bout is October 25, when GSR defends their home turf against Philly Rollergirls' Block Party in a cutthroat contest on the track.

But this hard-hitting match-up isn't the professional wrestling-style spectacle that aired on television in the 1970s. Today's modern roller derby is a real, unscripted, athletically demanding sport.

In a roller derby bout, five players from each team roller skate around a track. Each

team has a jammer, marked by a star on her helmet, who scores points by lapping skaters on the opposing team.

The remaining players are blockers, and it's their job to help their jammer score points while preventing the opposing jammer from passing them.

Hip- and shoulder-checks, "booty blocking" and defensive "walls" are all allowed in this full-contact sport, but illegal maneuvers such as elbowing or tripping will send a player to the penalty box.

The Garden State Rollergirls are members of the Women's Flat Track Derby Association (WFTDA), the sport's largest governing body which oversees 260 ranked member

leagues across the United States, Europe and Australia. (GSR is a Division 2 league ranked #90.)

The league consists of approximately 40 skaters with two traveling teams, the all-star Ironbound Maidens and the B-team, the Brick City Bruisers. In addition, there are two home teams, the Northern Nightmares and the Jersey City Bridge and Pummel, who bout against each other throughout the season.

Home games, which are open to all ages, might just be the most action-packed way to spend a Saturday night. For the full schedule of roller derby in Rahway, visit gardenstaterollergirls.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Health and Green Fair

October 18, 2014

10:00 AM • Rahway Recreation Center



Featuring health and green programs including:

- flu shots
- blood pressure screening
- body fat analysis
- vision & hearing screening
- cancer prevention & detection
- dietary & nutritional information
- eco-friendly services
- sustainable products
- ...and MUCH more!

The Fair will also be promoting a greener way of living by showing consumers how to reduce their impact on the earth by selecting sustainable, eco-friendly products and services, reducing energy consumption, and conserving water.

CALL TODAY FOR MORE INFORMATION: (732) 669-3600

Rahway Teen Mural Lab!



From left, Councilman Baker, Marcus Myers III, Rachael Faillace, Kevin Milford, Sbermine Saint-Elien, Andrew Garcia Phillips (back), Zaynab Muhammad, artist J.D. McGuire, Quamira Lumpkins, Kaila Davila, Sean Penaranda, and Mayor Steinman.

Rahway Arts District celebrates a new public artwork on Hamilton Street created by Rahway Teen Mural Lab. Ten Rahway teens volunteered their time this summer to develop a large-scale three-dimensional mural. Under the guidance of Rachael Faillace, executive director of Rahway Arts District Inc., and collaborating artist J.D. McGuire, the students worked on the project from its concept to installation.

Various design elements were discussed during group brainstorming sessions. A final design honoring Rahway history integrated a portrait of George Washington, an abstracted map of Rahway, a pattern reminiscent of Native American decoration, and

words like "Friendship", "Music" and "Individuality" that the students use to describe their community.

Marcus Myers III, a Rahway High School senior and Boy Scout, spearheaded the construction of the sculpture as his Eagle Scout Leadership Project. With the assistance of Boy Scout Troop Leader Andrew Garcia Phillips, and members of Troop 49, Myers was responsible for building the modular cubes that make up the larger sculpture. The Mural Lab then set to work transferring the design to the cubes and hand painting the artwork. Adult volunteers from the community later installed the sculpture on Hamilton Street.

•Take•

MAYOR STEINMAN'S WELLNESS CHALLENGE

Join Mayor Steinman and take an active role in improving your health and quality of life. Make 2014 the year to lose unwanted weight, eat a more nutritious and balanced diet, exercise daily, limit or eliminate smoking and any unhealthy substances from your life. Be aware of your cholesterol levels and heart health—so you can **Live Well Rahway!**

Visit us online at www.cityofrahway.com/livewell

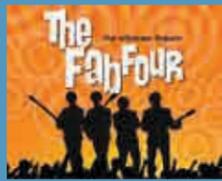


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RAHWAY

FALL/WINTER 2014



Nov. 1



The Ultimate Tribute to the Beatles.
UCPAC Mainstage

Nov. 7-8, 14-15



Mystic Vision Players present the smash Broadway musical Rent.
UCPAC Mainstage

Dec. 6



Orchestra of St. Peter-by-the-Sea
UCPAC Mainstage

Dec. 31

New Year's Rockin' Music Party
Springsteen and Bon Jovi backup singer Lisa Bouchelle rings in 2015 with songwriter Luke Elliot
Hamilton Stage

YOUR GUIDE TO ARTS & BUSINESS IN DOWNTOWN RAHWAY

ARTS IN RAHWAY

Winter Wonderland in Rahway

Happenings at Home!

The Rahway Fall/Winter season is jam-packed with family-friendly events, activities and entertainment that are second-to-none!

Experience Rahway like never before!

This November 28th, downtown Rahway, centered at City Hall Plaza will be transformed into a **WINTER WONDERLAND!**

Activities begin at 4PM with Rahway's traditional tree lighting at 6:30PM and closing at 9:00PM.

This one-of-a-kind event features countless family-oriented attractions like a huge bouncy snowman, walk-in picture snow globe, outdoor movie showing and much more!

SPECIAL SEASONAL PULL-OUT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SPECTACULAR!



Oct. 18 • The Phantoms ... Unmasked!

UCPAC's 86th Anniversary Gala and Night of Song
UCPAC Mainstage

Join the Union County Performing Arts Center for their Phantoms Unmasked! Anniversary Gala. This special showing features three stars from Broadway's The Phantom of the Opera – Richard Todd Adams, Ted Keegan, Gary Mauer – sharing untold stories of their experiences behind the mask and performing classics of passion and seduction from Broadway hits.

For Tickets – www.ucpac.org or 732-499-8226



UNION COUNTY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AT RAHWAY

UNION COUNTY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER'S HAMILTON STAGE

RAHWAY IS HAPPENING OCTOBER

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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OCT 1

1:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime concert: Patrick Poladian

7:00 PM
1591/YMCA Artist info session and tour: New loft studios at YMCA

OCT 2

7:00 PM
Cubanu Wine Tasting Dinner

8:30 PM
HS Fearless Icon elimination round
Lucianos Unibroue Beer Tasting Dinner



OCT 3

7:30-10:00 PM
CHERRY ST Cherry Street Alive! Friday Films

8:00 PM
HS To Kill a Mockingbird

OCT 4

1:00 PM
M&D Museum Cemetery Tour Weekend

4:00-10:00 PM
CHERRY ST Cherry Street Alive! Dancing in the Streets & Saturday Stage

8:00 PM
HS To Kill a Mockingbird

8:00 PM
REC Dead Serious Mixed Martial Arts

9:30 PM
Waiting Room - Rockhaus

OCT 5

12:00-3:00 PM
CHERRY ST Cherry Street Alive! Ultimate Tailgate & Featured Football

1:00 PM
M&D Museum Cemetery Tour Weekend

2:00 PM
HS To Kill a Mockingbird



OCT 6

8:30 PM
HS Fearless Icon elimination round

OCT 8

1:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime concert: Patrick Poladian

OCT 9

8:30 PM
HS Fearless Icon elimination round

OCT 10

6:00-8:00 PM
1591 Opening reception: Art exhibit

7:30-10:00 PM
CHERRY ST Cherry Street Alive! Friday Films

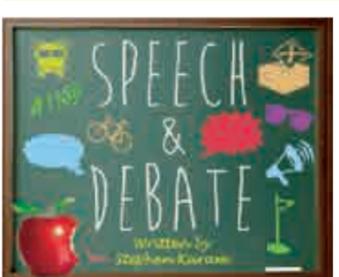
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LOFT Speech & Debate

OCT 11

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CHERRY ST Cherry Street Alive! Dancing in the Streets & Saturday Stage

7:00 PM
HS Flamenco Allstars

8:00 PM
LOFT Speech & Debate



OCT 12

12:00-3:00 PM
CHERRY ST Cherry Street Alive! Ultimate Tailgate & Featured Football

3:00 PM
LOFT Speech & Debate



OCT 15

1:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime concert: Patrick Poladian

9:00 PM
ROCKY'S Bar & Grill The Electric Jam! Live Music Jam



OCT 16

8:00 PM
UCPAC Kathleen Madigan

8:00 PM
LOFT Speech & Debate

OCT 17

7:00 PM
Lucianos Bootlegger's Burlesque & Magic Dinner Show

8:00 PM
LOFT Speech & Debate

8:00 PM
HS American Repertory Ballet: A Midsummer Night's Dream

OCT 18/19

Union County Four Centuries Weekend



OCT 18

10:00 AM
REC Health and Green Fair

6:00 PM
Rail House 1st Annual Zombie Party featuring Live Music

OCT 18

7:00-9:00 PM
M&D Museum Spirits of Rahway - A Lantern Lit Tour of Rahway Cemetery

8:00 PM
LOFT Speech & Debate

8:00 PM
HS RSI Jazz Masters: Vadim Neselovskyi & Doug Carn Trio

8:00 PM
UCPAC The Phantoms... Unmasked!

9:30 PM
Waiting Room Without Reason

OCT 19

3:00 PM
UCPAC NJ Ballet's Pinocchio

OCT 20

8:30 PM
HS Fearless Icon elimination round

OCT 22

1:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime concert: Patrick Poladian

8:30 PM
HS Fearless Icon elimination round

8:00 PM
HS Patty Larkin

8:00 PM
Lucianos Allied Wine Tasting Dinner

OCT 23

7:00 PM
Cubanu Scotch Tasting Dinner

OCT 24

7:00-11:00 PM
ELKS Haunted House

OCT 25

All Day
LIBERTY HARLEY Halloween Party; Blood Drive 12-4

7:00-9:00 PM
M&D Museum Spirits of Rahway - A Lantern Lit Tour of Rahway Cemetery

7:00-11:00 PM
ELKS Haunted House

8:00 PM
LOFT NYC Songwriter Showcase

8:00 PM
HS A Night in Tuscany with Moreno Fruzzetti in Concert

OCT 25

8:00 PM
UCPAC Classic Film Series: The Phantom of the Opera

8:00 PM
REC Strategic Combat MMA

9:30 PM
Waiting Room Retrofix

OCT 27

8:30 PM
HS Fearless Icon elimination round

OCT 29

1:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime concert: Patrick Poladian

8:30 PM
HS Fearless Icon elimination round

9:00 PM
ROCKY'S Bar & Grill The Electric Jam! Live Music Jam

OCT 30

12:00 PM
REC Senior Citizen Halloween Party

8:30 PM
HS Fearless Icon elimination round



3:00 PM
TSP Rahway's First Halloween Parade

3:30 PM
M&D Museum Cemetery Trick or Treating

4:00 PM
HS Trunk or Treat

7:00 PM
HS Halloween Dance Party: Ghosts, Goblets & Dancing

8:00 PM
M&D Museum Spirits of Rahway - A Lantern Lit Tour of Rahway Cemetery

8:00 PM
REC Pro Wrestling Syndicate - Pro Wrestling

8:00 PM
Lucianos Halloween Masquerade Ball

10:00 PM
Cubanu Halloween Party

10:00 PM
ROCKY'S Bar & Grill Monster Rock Party!

RAHWAY IS HAPPENING NOVEMBER

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Rahway is Happening!

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www.cityofrahway.com

NOV 1

REC The Rahway Zombie Challenge (12PM – 5:56PM)
LIBRARY The Rahway Zombie Movie Marathon (12PM-6PM)
MEATBALLS & BREWS Rahway Zombie Crawl (6PM - ??)

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Union County Performing Arts Center are proud to present

RENT

The musical that changed Broadway forever comes to Rahway this Fall.
 Produced by Mystic Vision Players, on the Mainstage at UCPAC, performances are limited to two weekends,
November 7th and 8th, 14th and 15th
 Tix & Info: www.ucpac.org, or call the UC PAC box office at 732-499-8662

CALENDAR LOCATION KEY

1591	1591 Gallery 1591 Irving St.
AGNJ	Arts Guild New Jersey 1670 Irving St.
AP	Rahway Arts District Park Corner of Central & Irving
CC	The Center Circle 1225 Main St.
HS	Hamilton Stage 360 Hamilton St.
Library	Rahway Public Library 2 City Hall Plaza
LOFT	Loft at UCPAC 1601 Irving St.
M&D	Museum Merchants & Drivers Museum St. George & Westfield
REC	Recreation Center 3 City Hall Plaza
RHS	Rahway High School Auditorium 1012 Madison Ave.
RSI	RSI Bank - Main Branch 1500 Irving St.
SEN	Rahway Senior Center 1306 Esterbrook Ave.
TSP	Train Station Plaza Irving St. & E. Milton Ave.
UCPAC	Mainstage 1601 Irving St.
YMCA	The Gateway Family YMCA - Rahway 1564 Irving St.

NOV 1

8:00 PM
UCPAC The Fab Four - A Tribute to The Beatles

8:00 PM
REC Dead Serious World Class Kick Boxing

9:30 PM
Waiting Room Off The Wagon

NOV 5

1:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime concert: Patrick Poladian

NOV 8

8:00 PM
LOFT Darden Smith with special guest Marci Geller

8:00 PM
REC Lou Neglia MMA

NOV 9

All Day
LIBERTY HARLEY 16th Annual Toy Run

NOV 12

1:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime concert: Patrick Poladian

9:00 PM
ROCKY'S Bar & Grill The Electric Jam! Live Music Jam

NOV 14

5:00 PM
REC Franklin Elementary School Tricky Tray

NOV 15

8:00 PM
REC Jersey All Pro Wrestling

NOV 19

1:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime concert: Patrick Poladian

6:00 PM Meet & Greet
7:00 PM First Course
 Lucianos Allegrini Wine Dinner Tasting

NOV 21

7:00 PM
Lucianos Comedy Night with John Pizzi

NOV 22

2:00 PM
UCPAC American Repertory Ballet: Nutcracker

8:00 PM
REC Pro Wrestling Syndicate - Pro Wrestling

NOV 23

2:00 PM
UCPAC Sensory Friendly Theatre: Frosty

NOV 26

1:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime concert: Patrick Poladian

9:00 PM
Cubanu Thanksgiving Eve Party

9:00 PM
ROCKY'S Bar & Grill The Electric Jam! Live Music Jam

NOV 28

4:00 PM
City Hall Plaza Winter Wonderland

NOV 29

8:00 PM
HS Lucy Kaplansky

Don't Miss out on the Fun!

4:00PM – 9:00PM

- ❄ Children's attractions
- ❄ Walk-in Snow globe picture station
- ❄ Art contest
- ❄ Craft fair
- ❄ Outdoor showing of Disney's Frozen
- ❄ Santa's Village
- ❄ Tree lighting 6:30PM
- ❄ MUCH more!

RAHWAY IS HAPPENING DECEMBER

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3



SPECIAL SEASONAL PULL-OUT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DEC 1



8:00 PM
UCPAC Fearless Icon
semifinal

DEC 3

1:00 PM
RSI Luncheon concert:
Patrick Poladian

DEC 4

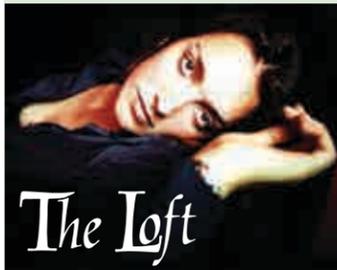
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HS Fearless Productions:
Legends and Bridge

DEC 5

8:00 PM
HS Fearless Productions:
Legends and Bridge

DEC 6

8:00 PM
HS Fearless Productions:
Legends and Bridge



8:00 PM
LOFT The Jen Chapin Trio

8:00 PM
UCPAC Orchestra of St. Peter
by the Sea

9:30 PM
Waiting Room Ruff Edges

DEC 7

2:00 PM
HS Fearless Productions:
Legends and Bridge

10 AM - 2 PM
Lucianos Breakfast with Santa

DEC 10

1:00 PM
RSI Luncheon concert:
Patrick Poladian



9:00 PM
ROCKY'S Bar & Grill - The
Electric Jam! Live Music Jam

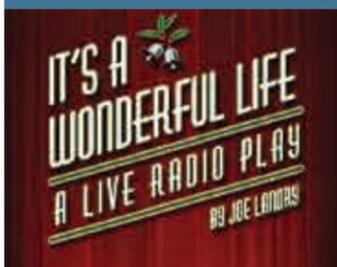
DEC 12

8:00 PM
UCPAC Dick Fox's Doo Wop
Extravaganza



8:00 PM
LOFT It's A Wonderful Life:
A Live Radio Play

DEC 13



12:00 PM
LIBERTY HARLEY Pictures
with Santa and Blood Drive

3:00 PM
LOFT It's A Wonderful Life:
A Live Radio Play

8:00 PM
REC Dead Serious MMA

DEC 14

3:00 PM
LOFT It's A Wonderful Life:
A Live Radio Play

7:00 PM
UCPAC Fearless Icon final



DEC 17

1:00 PM
RSI Luncheon concert:
Patrick Poladian

DEC 18

8:00 PM
LOFT It's A Wonderful Life:
A Live Radio Play

DEC 19

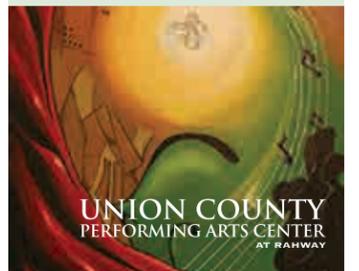
8:00 PM
LOFT It's A Wonderful Life:
A Live Radio Play

DEC 20

12:00 PM
LIBERTY HARLEY Pictures
with Santa and Blood Drive

3:00 PM
LOFT It's A Wonderful Life:
A Live Radio Play

8:00 PM
REC Pro Wrestling Syndicate
- Pro Wrestling



8:00 PM
UCPAC Spectacular Christmas

DEC 31

7:30 PM
Lucianos New Year's Eve
Gala

8:00 PM
Cubano New Year's Eve
Celebration

8:30 PM
HS Lisa Bouchelle

A Holiday Tradition Continues...

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Orchestra Of St. Peter By The Sea

SATURDAY • DECEMBER 6 • 8 PM

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JAN 4

3:00 PM
HS El Sueño: The Dream A
Spanish Nutcracker in
Celebration of Three Kings
Day

JAN 10

8:00 PM
HS Susan Werner

JAN 11

2:00 PM
UCPAC Sensory Friendly
Theatre: Jim West's
Dinosaurs

JAN 24

8:00 PM
LOFT Milton

JAN 24

8:00 PM
UCPAC My Mother's Italian,
My Father's Jewish & I'm In
Therapy!



FEB 7

8:00 PM
LOFT Natalia Zukerman

FEB 21

8:00 PM
LOFT Sloan Wainwright with
special guest Sharon
Goldman



SAVE THE DATES!

APRIL 10, 2015
Rahway Taste of Spring

May 2, 2015
Annual Rahway Day

May 9, 2015
Hot Rods & Harleys

NewBusinessHighlights:

Fearless Productions

1667 Irving Street • Rahway, NJ
www.FearlessProd.com



Brian Remo, founder and artistic director of Fearless Productions, loves Rahway. So much so, that he purchased a home and moved to the city soon after relocating the live theater production company's studios to 1667 Irving Street in Rahway Arts District.

Fearless Productions has been operating out of Rahway since September 2013. The company produces regional and community theatre in New Jersey and New York. Remo refers to it as a "365 day a year, active company", with highlights during all twelve months of the year. The majority of productions are held at the UCPAC complex (including The Loft, Mainstage, and Hamilton Stage) here in Rahway.

The non-profit company has over 125 members (and growing), and it sets itself apart from other groups by its

membership, which includes professionals from numerous New Jersey theater companies, and its fraternal, collaborative nature, which Remo says is "driven by passion" for great theater over ticket sales.

The growing repertoire of performances in Rahway includes main stage musical and nonmusical productions, Shakespeare Saturdays (planned for 2015) in Rahway Arts District Park, an immersive series of productions in The Loft at UCPAC, and Fearless Icon, an American Idol style competition for New Jersey's Best Musical Theatre Voice.

Fearless Productions will also present "A Suessified Christmas Carol" in 2014, in partnership with the City of Rahway. The profits will benefit a score of local charities and Rahway residents.

NewBusinessHighlights:



956 St Georges Avenue
(732) 381-4099 • www.justplainedaves.com

The City of Rahway welcomes Just Plain Dave's, a restaurant serving classic American cuisine with a contemporary twist, to its new home at 956 St. Georges Avenue. Residents may already be familiar with the restaurant, now in its 8th year, formerly located on Westfield Avenue in Clark.

The sit down restaurant will serve breakfast, lunch, and dinner, with take-out and delivery available. Dave Billings, the restaurant's owner, points out that Just Plain Dave's takes pride in using fresh ingredients, and that the new dinner menu will include seasonal specials, taking notes from other cultures, such as

Italian and Mexican cuisines. Local products are used whenever possible.

When asked what attracted him to Rahway, Dave says, "Rahway is friendly towards businesses. I like that the city is putting an effort into being a more vibrant community with a focus on small businesses."

Dave anticipates an opening date of October 15, 2014.

Hours of operation:
Monday-Thursday, 6:00am-10:00pm;
Friday-Saturday, 6:00am-11:00pm;
and Sunday, 7:00am-5:00pm.



Grand Unveiling of the Restored Historic Wurlitzer Pipe Organ

Organist Bernie Anderson, Jr. at the organ console during the grand unveiling of the restored historic Wurlitzer pipe organ presented by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders at the Union County Performing Arts Center on Tuesday, September 23, 2014.

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders today announced the return of a national musical treasure with the unveiling of the newly-restored Wurlitzer organ at the Union County Performing Arts Center.

"It is because of the capacity for impact that the arts have on people – individually and collectively – that the Freeholder Board is committed to supporting the preservation of this facility and access to the arts," said Freeholder Chairman Christopher Hudak. "Today's event celebrates the preservation of musical history and the traditions and craftsmanship of the 1920's, while bringing the theatre organ art form into the 21st Century."

The unveiling event included historical presentations and a photo montage of the restoration process, highlighted by a live concert and demonstration that filled the historic Rahway Theatre once again with the sound of the original Wurlitzer theatre organ.

Because of its enormous sound, albeit small size, this theatre organ has become known as the "Biggest Little Wurlitzer."

The Wurlitzer organ's historic value has been recognized by the American Theatre Organ Society as a Level 1 Quality Instrument. Designated on the National Registry of Significant Instruments as an organ of exceptional historic and musical merit worthy of preservation, the Biggest Little Wurlitzer is one of the few theatre pipe organs in New Jersey still playing in the original venue for which it was acoustically designed.

"The designation by the Organ Society underlines the importance of the Freeholder Board's efforts to fully restore the original Wurlitzer organ in this theatre," said Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen, Chairman of the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund. "The Freeholder Board is proud to have played a vital role in preserving the historic tradition and culture of Theatre Pipe Organ music in America."



Bernie Anderson, Jr., organist, speaks about the Wurlitzer organ restoration during the grand unveiling of the restored historic Wurlitzer pipe organ

This Biggest Little Wurlitzer is a detachable console Wurlitzer Theatre Organ with two manuals, two chambers and seven ranks. It features 500 individual pipes and several percussive elements that were designed to simulate the enveloping and diverse sounds of a live orchestra.

The unique acoustical design of the chambers, auditorium, and instrument work together to make remarkable sounding theatre pipe organ music.

Head down to the Arts District and hear the organ in full concert at the Union County Performing Arts Center. See the silent film classic *The Phantom of the Opera* on Saturday, October 25th with live organ accompaniment by silent film organist and composer Bernie Anderson, Jr.

Built in 1928, the Rahway Theatre is listed on both national and state registers of historic places. It is now operating as a multi-purpose venue for the performing arts.

The Union County Performing Arts Center is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization operating in the historic Rahway Theatre. Conveniently located in downtown Rahway at 1601 Irving Street, this historic landmark is the cornerstone of the Rahway Arts District. The theatre is a beautifully restored 1920's era former vaudeville house and movie palace owned by the County of Union and operated by the nonprofit Union County Performing Arts Center.

L to R: Freeholder Vice-Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder Bruce Bergen, Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Organist/Composer Bernie Anderson Jr., Freeholder Vernell Wright, and Freeholder Chairman Christopher Hudak.



Halloween Parade and 5th Annual Trunk or Treat

Calling all ghosts, goblins and things that go bump in the night!



Mayor Samson D. Steinman and The City Council will host a Halloween Parade along with the annual Trunk or Treat event on Friday, October 31 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm.

Children are invited to march in a costume in a parade downtown at 3:00 pm. Marchers will gather at Irving and Broad Streets (in front of RSI Bank) and proceed down Irving to the judges reviewing stand in front of the Union County Performing Arts Center. From there they will proceed to the Hamilton Stage parking lot for the annual Trunk or Treat festivities.

Residents may bring their cars to the Hamilton Stage parking lot, decorate them in grand Halloween style and pop the trunk. Starting at 4

pm, children in costume will trick-or-treat from car to car. For those who can't bring a car but still want to participate, the Recreation Center will gladly provide a table to decorate. Local businesses are welcome and encouraged to participate in this free, fun community event which draws nearly 400 children and families last year.

At 4:30 pm, awards will be announced. Trophies for best costume will be awarded in four age groups plus a category for families and for best decorated cars.

The Halloween Parade and Trunk or Treat is open to Rahway residents only and is free with pre-registration. You don't have to have children to be part of the

fun, but if you are bringing trick-or-treaters and not giving out treats, a donation of one bag of wrapped candy is requested.

The event will go on rain or shine. Due to the popularity of this event, pre-registration is required and forms will be available for download from the City website in mid-September. The deadline for pre-registration is Thursday, October 30 at 8 pm. Same-day registration will be accepted at a fee of \$10 per child.

Follow the Recreation Center and City of Rahway Facebook pages for information as the date approaches or call the Recreation Center office at 732-669-3600.

“IF YOU CAN'T FLY THEN RUN, IF YOU CAN'T RUN THEN WALK, IF YOU CAN'T WALK THEN CRAWL, BUT WHATEVER YOU DO YOU HAVE TO KEEP MOVING FORWARD.”

— MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Annual MLK Day Celebration

January 19, 2015

Planned and Implemented by Rahway Branch NAACP
Mrs. Shirley J. Palmer, Branch President

10:00 AM Sharp - 11:00 AM at Second Baptist Church

378 East Milton Avenue • Rahway
Reverend Dr. James W. Ealey, Pastor

March to MLK Monument 11:00 AM

All Organizations and all Youth groups are asked to participate

Please call (732) 340-9477 for more information

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Clockwise from top left: Antonio Garay, Carl Sagan, Daphne Lee, Ike Igbinosun, Manny Yarbrough, Nikola Tesla

CITY OF RAHWAY

Home Improvement Program

Qualified homeowners may be eligible for 0% interest, deferred loans up to \$25,000.00.

Repairs may include:
new roofing, windows, doors, bathrooms, kitchens, siding, heating, etc.

Call (732) 827-2193 for an application



CITY UPDATES

New Shared Services Expected to Realize Significant Savings and Expedite Snow Removal

Mayor Samson D. Steinman and the Rahway City Council are pleased to announce that they have entered into an agreement with the Borough of Roselle, the Township of Clark and the Borough of Kenilworth to purchase an Automated Brine Maker to expedite snow removal efforts.

With this new system, salt brine can be applied up to 3 days before the snow begins to fall potentially saving on

overtime costs. When crews are ready to pre-treat the roadways the brine solution is pumped from the storage tank, which will be housed at the Rahway Public Works facility, into a modular tank that is easily fitted onto the bed of a salt truck. The brine is then sprayed onto the roadway surface through a system of stainless steel spray bars equipped with adjustable nozzles. The brine appears as a series of lines on the road surface after it is applied. Because liquids are usually applied before a storm, when a large snowfall occurs the liquids will prevent the snow and ice from bonding to the pavement. If plowing is

necessary it will plow clean leaving only a layer of slush rather than the hard pack that is common when plowing untreated areas. Additionally, the amount of salt that is needed in a brine system is much less than the amount needed using the traditional method in which salt is applied directly to the roadways, thus drastically reducing the City's salt expenses. Partnering with three other towns enabled the City to reduce the costs associated with the initial investment in the system which, depending on weather conditions, is likely to pay for itself in a few short years.

rahway recycles

MAYOR SAMSON D. STEINMAN

Does recycling make \$ense?

To be effective, curbside recycling must be easy and convenient. But beyond that, what other incentives would encourage residents to recycle more? Does recycling really make \$ense? The answer to that is simply YES. Residential and commercial recycling has been mandatory in NJ since 1987. Thus, the City of Rahway has been financially committed to making recycling successful for many years.

But few hardly know the financial incentives behind recycling. Did you know that the City receives grant funding based on the amount of recyclables we generate? Did you know that Rahway receives revenue for its recyclables? So, the more we recycle the more money we make. Every dollar counts as we try to stabilize taxes and provide essential services. So, please do your part and recycle all you can – it really does make a difference.

JFK Helping Hands Learning Academy

JFK Helping Hands Learning Academy exists to provide a safe, developmentally appropriate environment for preschool and school age children. Their focus is to provide a stimulating early care and educational experience which promotes

each child's social, emotional, physical and cognitive development. They offer a quality preschool program, a bi-lingual preschool class, along with toddler and afterschool care. The JFK Center has programs and activities for all children.



photos courtesy of Pat Cook



City of Rahway Receives \$625,000 Federal Grant



City received a federal Drug Free Communities grant totaling \$625,000 over 5 years. The funding will be used toward programs that establish and strengthen collaboration among communities, public and private non-profit agencies and government agencies and to reduce substance use among youth and, over time adults. The Drug-Free Communities Support Program is a collaborative effort between the Office of National Drug Control Policy and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. This is a competitive grant program.

Leaf Collection set to begin November 3rd

Rahway's leaf collection season will begin on Monday, November 3rd and will run through the end of the year. Leaves should be placed in piles along the curb or placed in biodegradable paper leaf bags which are available at most stores. Branches should be kept separate from leaf piles. Leaves placed in plastic bags will not be collected. Due to new statewide regulations from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, leaves and other yard waste cannot be placed in the roadway

more than seven days prior to the scheduled collection dates or closer than ten feet from any storm drain inlet. Please call the City's leaf hotline at (732) 827-2063 during leaf collection season to learn where DPW crews will be working each day. Leaves that are placed in biodegradable paper leaf bags will be given priority and collected as soon as possible. Please leave your address on the Biodegradable Leaf Bag Hotline at (732)-827-2061 and crews will be out shortly. Residents who live along a

road maintained by Union County should refer to the Union County leaf collection schedule which can be found on their website, ucnj.org under the Department of Public Works & Facilities Management.

RAHWAY'S UNIQUE SENIORSCENE

For more information on any item listed below, please call the Rahway Division of Senior Services at (732) 827-2016

MAYOR SAMSON D. STEINMAN,
The Rahway City Council and
The Department of Health and Senior Services present

Halloween Party

Thursday, October 30th



Mayor Samson D. Steinman is pleased to host a Halloween party for Rahway seniors on Thursday, October 30th at the Rahway Recreation Center from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Tickets are \$3.00 and will be available until October 24th at the Rahway Senior Center, 1306 Esterbrook Avenue. The party will include music, lunch, entertainment and prizes. Come dressed as yourself, a witch or a ghost! For more information please call (732) 827-2016.

PICNIC!

DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES
2014



(l-r) Assemblywoman Linda Stender, Mayor Samson D. Steinman, Freeholder Vernell Wright and Sherwood Goodenough (Chief of Staff to Assemblyman Green) took part in the Rahway Senior Picnic festivities. The picnic was sponsored in part by RSI Bank.



The Rahway Senior Picnic was enjoyed by all who attended.



(l-r) Mike Kozick (United Water), Mary Gustofson (United Water), Mayor Samson D. Steinman, Freeholder Vernell Wright, Assemblywoman Linda Stender, Greg Trowbridge (RSI Bank) and Sherwood Goodenough (Chief of Staff to Assemblyman Green) took part in the Rahway Senior Picnic Festivities. The picnic was sponsored in part by RSI Bank and United Water brought gifts to all the seniors who attended.

Union County Senior Art Show

Mayor Samson D. Steinman is pleased to announce that Molly Brown was awarded 1st prize in the acrylic category and best in show for non-professionals at the Union County Senior Art Show. Her painting titled, "The Beauty Within the Iris" will now be exhibited at the State Senior Art Show in Trenton. Molly started painting in her 80's under the guidance of the art instructors at the Rahway Senior Center and 10 years later she is still creating beautiful pieces of art.

Also, the following artists from Rahway were awarded Honorable Mention:

- Mary Ellinger – Charcoal drawing
- Mary Alice Erickson – Watercolor painting
- Madeline Granieri – Watercolor painting
- Thelma Heard – Multicultural Dolls
- Peggy Najaar – Acrylic painting



Molly Brown of Rahway was presented with Best in Show at the Union County Senior Art Show.

Save the Date! Senior Citizen Holiday Party December 17!

Rahway Senior Center is a great place to meet new people for social, recreational and educational activities. We offer a variety of art, exercise, dance and craft classes. We also have a **Garden Club**, **Memoir Writing** and an **Introduction to the Internet Class** in collaboration with the Rahway Public Library. Classes are only \$5 for Rahway Residents. You can go on a trip, join the **Mayor's Breakfast Club** or attend a **Healthy Lunch**. Join one of the four different clubs that meet at the Senior Center. If you would like to get a copy of our latest newsletter or more information, call (732)827-2016. The Rahway Senior Center is a great place to meet new people and have fun.



Rahway Senior Clubs Meeting Schedule

The following clubs meet at the Rahway Senior Center:

Rahway Retired Men's Club
Meets every Monday at 1 PM
President Joe Keefe
(732) 388-4487

Merck Retirees
Meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 1 PM
Pres. Cliff Lenox
(732) 572-2251

Ladies Golden Age Club
Meets every Wednesday at 12:15 PM
Pres. Pat Jack
(732) 382-3206

A.A.R.P. Chapter #607
Meets 2nd Thursday of the month at 12 Noon
Pres. Delores Franklin
(732) 499-7986

Union County Minority Task Force
Meets 1st Friday of every other month at 12 Noon
Elaine Haith (732) 428-4800



CITY OF RAHWAY: FLOOD PROTECTION INFORMATION

THE CITY OF RAHWAY is a participant in a federally subsidized program that enables most property owners to purchase flood insurance with a 20% discount on their flood insurance premiums. The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), requires that the City adopt specific flood damage reduction education, planning and building criteria.

In an effort to inform residents and property owners of the presence of flood hazards in Rahway and to suggest possible actions that may be taken to protect persons and property, the following article is being sent to you because the City of Rahway has many flood prone areas and your property may be susceptible to flooding.

Flood Insurance

Most homeowner insurance policies do not cover losses due to floods. However, since Rahway is a participant in the NFIP, it is possible for property owners to obtain federally backed flood insurance. This insurance is available to any owner of insurable property (a building and/or its contents) in Rahway. Tenants may also insure their personal property against flood loss. Also, most flood insurance policy holders in Rahway benefit from premium discounts. This is due to the City's extensive efforts to obtain credits, through the Community Rating System (CRS), to maintain specific measures for flood damage reduction.

The City strongly urges you to buy flood insurance as needed to protect yourself from devastating losses due to flooding. Following the purchase of flood insurance, NFIP imposes a 30-day waiting period, so residents should purchase insurance before the onset of the rainy season to ensure coverage during the flooding season. You can find out if your property is located in a special flood hazard area through the Office of the City Engineer at (732) 827-2176.

The local flood hazard

The areas in and around the North and South Branches of the Rahway River, the Robinson's Branch of the Rahway River, the Orchard St. Brook, Maurice Avenue Brook, Allen Street Brook, Milton Lake, Rahway River Park and certain other watercourses are subject

to flooding. Flooding occurs in Rahway because the flood carrying capacities of the river channels are exceeded, which is caused by a number of factors, such as record rainfall intensities and increased impervious surfaces due to upstream development. Floodplain maps, charts, reports and studies that document these areas are available for review in the Department of Engineering and also available for review at the Rahway Public Library.

Flood protection assistance

The City Engineer's office can provide technical assistance relating to flood elevations and data on historical flooding, and is available to advise owners of appropriate flood protection measures. The City also has copies of elevation certificates for some properties in the floodplain. City staff members are available to undertake site visits, if requested and authorized, to review flood, drainage, and sewer issues. Please contact the Engineering Department at (732) 827-2176 for this service.

Flood safety

Following is a list of important considerations that should be followed during times of flooding:

1. Keep children away from flood waters, ditches, culverts and storm drains.
2. Evacuate the flood hazard area in times of impending flood or when advised to do so by the police or fire department.
3. In your home, turn off flood prone electrical circuits and shut off the water and gas service valves.
4. Do not walk through flowing water. Currents can be deceptive; six-inches of moving water can sweep you off your feet.
5. Do not drive through a flooded area. More people drown in their cars than anywhere else. Do not drive around road barriers; the road or bridge may be washed out. If your car stalls in high water, abandon it immediately and seek higher ground.
6. During times of heavy rainfall monitor the level of water in the drainage way.
7. Plan escape routes to high ground.
8. Know the following flood warning system.

Flood warning system

When the City of Rahway is expecting or experiencing inclement weather that may

include heavy rain, residents in flood prone areas or low lying area are urged to plan preventative actions to protect life and property.

Residents are urged to monitor frequently weather and flood conditions that are broadcast over local radio and television stations. Residents will be provided with flood watch and flood warning advisories. A flood watch advisory indicates that the potential for a flood exists in the watch area, while a flood warning indicates that a flood has been detected.

Comcast Channel 34 covers the City and will issue timely updated information. This station is part of the Emergency Broadcast System (EBS) as are local television stations Channel 5 & 9. Radio station NJ 101.5 FM, NIXLE and UCFIRSTALERT will also carry EBS messages. Please register for these updates at Nixle.com and Ucfirstalert.org.

In extreme situations, personnel of the Rahway Office of Emergency Management or Department of Public Safety will conduct "Route Altering" within flood prone areas to advise residents to move to higher ground prior to water levels reaching critical stages.

Property protection measures

There are various actions which can be taken to flood-proof structures. Depending upon the situation, location and availability of funds, the following measures can be used:

- a) Install a sump pump system to dispose of infiltrating water to grade outside of the structure;
- b) Move essential items and furniture to the upper floors of your home;
- c) Elevate electrical and mechanical equipment in the basement;
- d) Flood proof walls, windows and doors;
- e) Construct flood walls or closures;
- f) The most effective way to flood-proof a structure is to elevate it.
- g) During times of flooding, homes that have not been retrofitted can be protected during emergencies by the installation of sandbags.
- h) Install flood vents in building walls, doors, or enclosures that are subject to frequent flooding and are not flood-proofed.

Floodplain development regulations

Please be advised that all development, including filling of land located in a special flood hazard area, is regulated differently from other areas and may require a permit. Contact the Office of the City Engineer at 732-827-2176 for further information and prior to undertaking any activity within the floodplain or if you see non-permitted building or filling in the floodplain. Recognize the natural and beneficial functions of floodplains to help reduce flooding.

Floodplains are a natural component of the City of Rahway environment. Understanding and protecting the natural functions of floodplains help reduce flood damage and protect resources. When flooding spreads out across the floodplain, its energy is dissipated, which results in lower flood flows downstream, reduced erosion of the stream bank and channel, deposition of sediments higher in the watershed, and improved groundwater recharge. Floodplains are scenic, valued wildlife habitats, and suitable for residential gardening. Poorly planned development in floodplains can lead to stream bank erosion, loss of valuable property, increased risk of flooding to downstream properties, and degradation of water quality. A number of County and Municipal parks like the Rahway River Park and Milton Lake Park preserve the stream corridor and prevent development in perpetuity.

Drainage system maintenance

In addition to regulating development and fill within the flood hazard area, the City of Rahway and State of New Jersey have regulations prohibiting dumping in channels, obstructing flows or any activity that would adversely effect the water-carrying capacity of any channel, floodway or floodplain. It has been demonstrated that regulating development and maintaining drainage systems can alleviate recurrent flooding which endangers life and damages property and facilities. Any activities that may be in violation of these regulations should be reported to the Department of Engineering at (732) 827-2176.

Substantial improvement requirements

With respect to requirements

of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) relative to substantial improvement in the flood plain, please be advised that if the cost of reconstruction, rehabilitation, additions, or other improvement to a building or home equals or exceeds 50 percent of the building's market value, then the building must meet the same flood plain construction requirements as a new building. Substantially damaged buildings must also be brought up to the same standards.

This requirement means elevating the lowest floor, including basement and certain utility systems, one (1) foot above the base flood elevation, which is the 100-year flood elevation. A 100-year flood water surface elevation is caused by a storm having a 1% chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year.

Map of the local flood hazard area:

To determine whether your property is located within a special flood hazard area, FEMA's Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) are available at the Office of the City Engineer at One City Hall Plaza, Rahway, New Jersey 07065. The maps are also available at the City of Rahway's website at <http://www.cityofrahway.com> or FEMA's Map Service Center website at www.msc.fema.gov.



Important Contact Information:

City of Rahway Internet Home Page:
www.cityofrahway.com

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
Phone: (425) 487-4600
Web: www.fema.gov/nfip

FEMA Map Service Center:
www.msc.fema.gov

The National Flood Insurance Program:
www.fema.gov/business.nfip

City of Rahway Public Library:
<http://catalog.rahwaylibrary.org>

Hiring a Contractor:
www.state.nj.us/lps/ca/contractors/consumercont.htm



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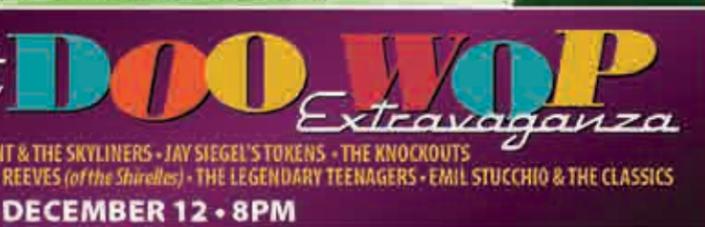

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