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Wine, Cheese & Chocolate Party of the Year

June 18
Hamilton Stage

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Rahway to host the coolest, most eye dazzling and illuminating 5K night race!



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THURSDAY 5.21.15

A Fun Run for a Great Cause!

We welcome runners and walkers of all speeds and experience. Decorate yourself like a Christmas tree or dress up in mesmerizing costumes and let your creativity flow. Enjoy the post-race after party with live entertainment, refreshments, and amazing visual effects! Come out and support us for a great cause that benefits the Valerie Fund Charity. Relax and enjoy the spectacular sight of a one-of-a-kind night-time race. It's time to get your glow on and light up the night like fireflies!

Costume Contest!

Dress your very best to compete and win an awesome prize in our Costume Contest!

The Goodies!

Besides an amazing night with lights, participants will receive the following high quality items:

- Premium t-shirt
- 2 Firefly Run 3M Reflective LED light bands
- Mystery gift!
- A sweet race bib

Post Race Celebration!

Enjoy the music as you drown in mesmerizing lights. Lasers, lighted trees, glowing arches, and other lighting decorations will celebrate with you to dance the night away.

Location:

1 City Hall Plaza

Race Length:

5K (3.1 miles) Both casual walkers and speedy sprinters are welcomed. (Timing Optional for \$5)

Schedule:

5:30PM-7:30PM: Race day registration & Packet Pick Up
7:30PM: Official race start
9:00PM: Costume contest and post-race entertainment



13th ANNUAL
**HOT RODS
& HARLEYS**
SAT MAY 9



For more info, registration fees and event details, please visit www.fireflyrun.com

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Mayor Samson D. Steinman

Welcome to the newest edition of the Rahway Review! This edition boasts articles and announcements about the many wonderful and exciting things happening in Rahway this Spring. As usual, the City of Rahway has numerous upcoming events like the Union County Performing Arts Center shows, the Taste of Spring, Rahway Day, Hot Rods and Harleys, etc. This year we will also be hosting the City's Second Annual Rahway Senior Citizen Prom themed "Masquerade: An Evening of Elegance" and the renamed and revamped LiveWell Expo: Rahway's health, green and wellness fair. In addition we are very excited to replace the annual Mayor's Trophy 5K with the most exciting National fun run: the Firefly Run!

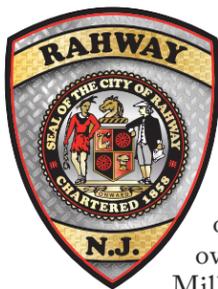


Rahway Business Administrator Cherron Rountree (left) and Mayor Samson D. Steinman (right) receive Business Administrator of the Year and Best Orator Awards respectively at Gateway Chamber of Commerce Mayor's Dinner.

(visit cityofrahway.com or fireflyrun.com for more information.)

Rahway is truly the place where everything is happening and people are taking note! On Monday, March 30th, 2015, Rahway was honored to have received two out of four distinctive awards from the Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce: The Business Administrator of the Year and the Best Orator award at the annual Mayor's Dinner. The regional community has recognized Rahway as a model for economic development, culture and community building and it is all thanks to the great residents and staff we have here.

With that, please enjoy this edition of the Review and I hope to see you around town at our many exciting events!



Rahway Benefits from Federal Surplus Program

This year, Rahway has obtained over \$1.5 Million dollars in emergency vehicles, generators and other emergency response equipment at no cost to the City through a Federal surplus program.



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
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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
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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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Rahway's Health, Green & Wellness Fair On April 19th

Mayor Samson D. Steinman and the Rahway City Council are proud to present the Health, Green & Wellness Fair on Sunday April 19, 2015 at the Rahway Recreation Center

For the "Health" component of the day's activities Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital @ Rahway will be on hand to provide Dental Screening, Glucose Screening, Cholesterol Screening, Cataract Screening, Podiatry/Foot Screening, Pulmonary Function/Respiratory Screening and "Strength & Balance" Fitness Screening

The N.J. Hospital Assn is giving N.J. Family Care Information to visitors.

Vision Screening and Hearing Screening will be provided by other agencies on the 19th.

The Union County Office of Health Management will Screen for Skin Cancer.

You'll also be able to sign up for Organ/Tissue Donation.

The YMCA of Rahway is offering Fitness Demonstrations and information about their Silver Sneakers Program

The Shop Rite of Carteret is distributing information about Nutrition.

The Rahway Recreation Department is going to provide short sessions of Tai Chi, Yoga, Meditation, Zumba and Stationary Cycling demos & classes.

"Green" displays and information about available technologies and greening procedures will also be on hand at the Fair.

Activities include:

Trailside Nature & Science Center
Information and Display

Toyota hybrid Cars
Highlander, Prius, Camry (OUTSIDE – Along outside of Rec building)

Rahway DPW Recycle Bins and other gift giveaways

Seniors that Upcycle
Thelma Heard (dolls)

Seniors that Upcycle
Chris Beutelcheiss (making new wood items from discarded shelves, etc.)

Community Garden Club
Insect Display

Union County Sierra Club
Information

Food & Water Watch
Advocacy Information

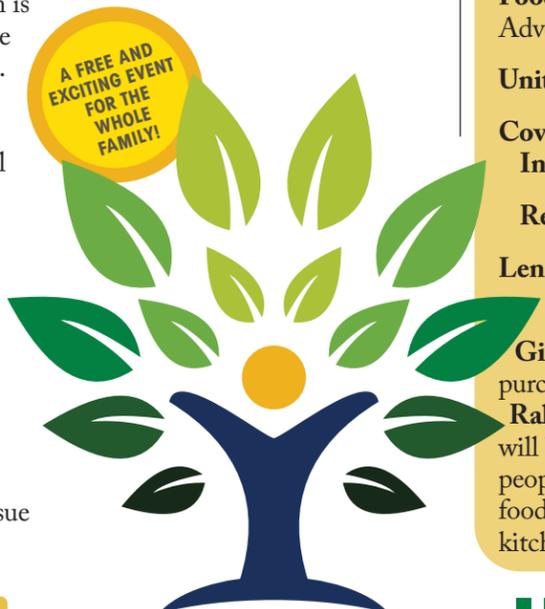
United Water Information

Covanta Energy
Information

Reptile Exhibit

Lenape Indian Exhibit

Handcrafted Arts and Gifts will be available for purchase or on display and **Rahway Food for Friends** will be present to inform people about how to donate food for their non-profit kitchen.



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SUNDAY APRIL 19

AT THE RAHWAY RECREATION CENTER • 10AM - 2PM

A Message from the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders

The arts have contributed to the quality of life in Union County for generations, and in recent years the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has introduced new programs to help more residents enjoy and participate in the arts.

The impact of this renewed focus on the arts has been especially noticeable in Rahway, where four new and recent countywide arts programs are taking place: the Teen Arts Theatre Showcase, the Union County Advancing Community Theatre grant program, the Sensory Friendly Theatre series, and the startup of a new Union County College mini-campus offering arts courses and more.

"Public support is crucial to ensuring accessibility of the arts to all people," said Freeholder Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh. "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 arts in Union County."

Union County's Sensory Friendly Theatre series is continuing its third season on the Mainstage at the UCPAC, located in the former Rahway Theatre on Irving Street. Next up is a popular family favorite, the New Jersey Ballet's performance of the classic tale of Cinderella on Sunday, May 3. The series continues into the summer with a rollicking family concert on Sunday, July 31 featuring two-time Grammy nominees Brady Rymer and the Little Band That Could, performing songs that celebrate children of all abilities.

All performances in the Sensory Friendly Theatre series are specially adapted for audienc-

es with autism and other sensory sensitivities. For more details and a complete schedule, visit ucpac.org or call the Box Office at 732-499-8226.

Through the Union County Advancing Community Theatre (UCACT) grant program, the Freeholder Board is presenting a full season of community theatre performances at the Union County PAC. UCACT aims to support the creative life of the community through enriching theatre experiences that promote economic and social well-being, and to support local organizations that contribute to the advancement of theater as an art form.

For more information about Freeholder Chairman Jalloh's 2015 "Build a Community of The Arts" initiatives, and other Union County programs and services visit ucnj.org.

UNION COUNTY Flood Risk Open House

Have you seen your Updated Flood Hazard Maps?

Learn about the Flood Hazard Maps and your Flood Risk by attending the Union County Flood Risk Open House

Join Union County, New Jersey DEP, and FEMA to have your questions answered about:

- **Your Flood Risk**
- **Flood Insurance**
- **Flood Risk Mitigation**

Come at any time between the hours of 4PM and 8PM on Thursday, April 23rd, 2015 **Rahway City Library, 2 City Hall Plaza, Rahway, NJ 07065. Park at City Parking Garage (corner of Main & Lewis St)**

Bring your Flood Insurance Policy and/or Elevation Certificate to learn how the new flood maps may affect you.

The following information will not be available at this meeting: Updates to on-going levee studies, outstanding insurance claims and disaster-related recovery efforts

For more information, visit www.region2coastal.com



FEMA



A COMMUNITY OF THE ARTS

Union County College Facility Opens in Rahway

Union County Freeholder Chairman Mohamed S. Jalloh and Union County College President Dr. Margaret McMenamain cut the ribbon officially opening the new Union County College facility in Rahway. They were joined by Freeholder Sergio Granados, Rahway Mayor Samson Steinman, Union County Performing Arts Center (UCPAC) Board President Dr. Sondra Fishinger and Executive Director Dr. Lawrence McCullough, members of the College's Board of Trustees and Board of Governor and faculty, staff, and students.

By opening this facility in Rahway, Union expands its ability to bring class offerings closer to home for individuals, businesses and nonprofit organizations in the Rahway area.

"We are bringing the arts to the County of Union on a higher level than it's ever been done before. We have the facilities, we have the resources, and now we have the education right here in Union County for our students to stay here, to learn here, to live here and to do arts here," said Freeholder Chairman Jalloh.

Presented as part of the Freeholder Chairman's 2015

"Build a Community of The Arts" initiatives - a set of initiatives that seek to build a county-wide arts ecosystem that will grow and stimulate our economy - the opening of this facility is the result of a partnership between the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Union County College, the City of Rahway, and the Union County Performing Arts Center.

Among the planned programs at the new Rahway location are credit and non-credit classes in acting, dance, public speaking, and more. In these classes, students will have an opportunity to volunteer with several of the acting companies that stage productions at the UCPAC. In addition classes will be offered by the Industry-Business Institute for employees of businesses in the area. These are free classes funded by a grant from the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Also courses will be available through the college's Senior Scholars Program and Office of Continuing Education. Classes at the new Rahway location, like all others offered through the county college, will be open to all residents.

RAHWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Long Winter Is Finally Over! Swing Into Spring And Summer At The Rahway Public Library!

Reader's Circle Book Club

Meets every third Wednesday of the month at 2pm at the Library. Please call the library for the book title for the month. 732-340-1551

Every Child Ready to Read

Toddler time, Wednesdays @ 10:30am • April, May, July (note hiatus in June)
Storytime, (ages 5 and above) – April, May, June

Comic Book Creator

April 8 • 3:30pm at the Library
Kids, make your own comic book on the library computers.



Annual Friends of the Library Book Sale

April 15-18 at the Library
Thousands of books in an endless stretch across the tables – that's the Book Sale! People come from all over for one of the best library book sales around. Friends of the Library get to shop first on Wednesday evening – you can sign up at the door. Thursday – day and evening hours, Friday – day hours, Saturday 10-2pm.

'Your Best Foot Forward'

April 20 • 6:15 at the Library
Learn to create resumes, interview, and proper job search etiquette. For teens and adults.

Café Music Series – Hungrytown

April 25 • 2pm at the Library
Musicians Rebecca Hall and Ken Anderson perform folk and the American music songbook.

Rahway Day and the Amazing Rahway Race

May 2 • 10am – 2pm. City Hall Plaza
This annual event brings the whole community together. Community groups set up information tables and greet residents with info we all need to know about community services. Lots of games, food, and performances too.

The Amazing Rahway Race is a Rahway trivia competition which pits teams against each other in a race around Rahway to find out the answers to very challenging questions about Rahway history and landmarks.

Café Music Series – Garden State Harmonica Club

May 2 • 2pm at the Library
Sing along to your favorite oldies!

The History of Diners in New Jersey

May 13 • 6:15 at the Library
Author and journalist Michael C. Gabriele will speak about the NJ diner experience and the fascinating history of diners throughout the state featured in his book.

Coding for Kids

May 14 • 3:30pm at the Library
Learn some basics about computer programming.

Mother's Day Craft

May 9 • All Day at the Library
Don't forget Mom's special day!

Dodgeball Tournament

June 13 • 10am Rahway Rec Ctr.
The Friends of the Library are sponsoring a tournament to raise funds and awareness for the library. Get your team on and register. Applications available beginning in May.

Dads and Donuts

June 20 • 10:30am at the Library
Father's Day storytime with music and a special craft.

Unmask!

June 25 – August 7
Teen Summer Reading Program. Activities all summer and support for your assignment reading. Try out the new teen Makerspace – new computers with digital imaging software for your DIY projects!

Every Hero Has a Story

June 25 – August 7
Children's Summer Reading Program. A Concert for Families opens the program on the 25th. Read about your heroes and earn prizes! Participate in activities all summer!

Do You Have The Card?

Your community leaders have The Card! Be a leader, get your library card. Bring your valid driver's license or two current forms of identification that prove Rahway residency to the library and get your card. Call the library for further information 732-340-1551.

4SR Four Seasons of Rahway

Current exhibition will run through the summer at the Library. Enter your photos for the next round by going to the library web page.

MEET YOUR CITY AGENCIES

REACH OUT RAHWAY

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



The Reach Out Rahway program stations the City's Police, Fire and EMS Departments at various locations throughout the City. The agencies are on hand to answer questions, open lines of communication and get to know City residents in an informal, open format setting.

The next "Reach Out Rahway" event will be held

on April 18, 2015, at Greenfield (Madison Avenue and Westfield Avenue) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and again on Saturday, May 2nd, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Recreation Center Parking lot. The second event will coincide with "Rahway Day" events held in the same location.

Mayor Samson Steinman establishes pothole hotline for residents

Mayor Steinman has established a Pothole Reporting Hotline for residents.

"Our Public Works Department will be working diligently to repair the numerous potholes caused by the harsh winter. Residents can call the Pothole Hotline 732-827-2061 and

report a pothole location, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week." All potholes reported, will be addressed as soon as possible. Public Works Personnel will be working (weather permitting) to make the necessary repairs.

Resident's participation and cooperation is appreciated.

Rahway Police Department Launches Rahway Park Watch

Rahway Park Watch is an effective crime prevention program for our neighborhood parks. The goal of Rahway Park Watch is to prevent crime and vandalism through community involvement. Similar to our Neighborhood Watch programs, Rahway Park Watch asks residents and park users to be an extra set of eyes and ears for the Rahway Police Department.

Community members can help to prevent crime and

vandalism to playground, park equipment and park facilities by reporting suspicious activity to the Rahway Police Department. Residents and park users can also assist in the care and maintenance of our city parks by alerting officials of maintenance needs or aesthetic other concerns. Your eyes and ears are a valuable crime prevention tool!

For more information, please contact Det. William Eicholz: weicholz@rahwaypolice.com



MAYOR STEINMAN'S WELLNESS CHALLENGE

Join Mayor Steinman and take an active role in improving your health and quality of life. Choose to lose unwanted weight, eat a more nutritious and balanced diet, exercise daily, limit or eliminate smoking and any unhealthy substances from your life.

FREE CLASSES MAY THROUGH SEPTEMBER!

We will once again hold outdoor exercise classes on the Train Plaza every Tuesday (Bootcamp) and Wednesday (Zumba) evenings from May 26 to September 3, courtesy of The Gateway Family YMCA, Rahway Branch. www.cityofrahway.com/livewell



SPRING/SUMMER 2015



April 19



April 24



Rahway Rec Center

May 21



FIREFLYrun

Comes to Rahway!!
City Hall Plaza

June 12



UCPAC Mainstage

YOUR GUIDE TO ARTS & BUSINESS IN DOWNTOWN RAHWAY

ARTS & BUSINESS IN DOWNTOWN RAHWAY



SPECIAL SEASONAL PULL-OUT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

HOT RODS & HARLEYS ROARS INTO TOWN ON MAY 9!

The City of Rahway is once again presenting Hot Rods and Harleys on Saturday, May 9 2015 (rain date May 16), from 11am to 6pm! This terrific day of entertainment, classic cars and bikes food and fun has been bigger each year! Main Street, Irving Street, Milton Avenue and other downtown locales will be filled with great food, sights and sounds!

This event is expected to attract over 15,000 people to Downtown Rahway throughout the day. In as many as 5 locations throughout the downtown area, live entertainment will be offered. Special outdoor cafes will be set up featuring fine foods of all kinds and drinks. The event will take up more than half the downtown area, where hundreds of Classic Hot

Rods, Harleys, food, street vendors and entertainment will be featured, with fun for the whole family!

Rahway's popular restaurants will also be providing food and drinks with specials for the day both indoors and at curbside locations throughout the downtown.

And, new this year-- don't miss the Hot Rods and Harleys

Kick-off Event on Friday, May 8th! This event, hosted by the Gran Centurions, will feature Live Music from New Jersey's Favorite Oldies & Doo-Wop Vocal Group, The Cameos, with Giffords Lane as an opener! The event features a standard open bar, hors d'oeuvres and a buffet, and it's sure to be a great event to kick-off the fun. Tickets MUST be purchased in

advance - there will be no tickets sold at the door - and space is limited, so please visit www.hrandh.com for more information and to find out how to buy the tickets!

Hot Rods and Harleys is also on Facebook and Twitter:
www.facebook.com/HotRodsandHarleysRahway and www.twitter.com/hrandhrahway

Don't Miss the Kick-Off Event! Friday May 8th at Gran Centurions!

Live Music from New Jersey's Favorite Oldies & Doo-Wop Vocal Group, The Cameos, with Giffords Lane as an opener!

Featuring a standard open bar, hors d'oeuvres and a buffet. Tix and info @ www.hrandh.com

Wine, Cheese & Chocolate Party of the Year

June 18 at Hamilton Stage in Rahway

Arts fundraiser features live music, wine experts and array of international wine, cheese and chocolate vendors

Get your tastebuds ready for an unforgettable evening of Supreme Summer Deliciousness at the 2nd Annual Wine, Cheese & Chocolate Party of the Year set for Thursday, June 18,

from 5:30-9:30 p.m. at Hamilton Stage, 360 Hamilton Street in Rahway.

The event is a fundraiser for Union County Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$25 advance, \$30 at the

door; patrons must be 21 years or older to attend.

The 2nd Annual Wine, Cheese & Chocolate Party of the Year features a selection of fine domestic and foreign wines by Witty's and

Metro Liquors, an array of international cheeses from Emmi Roth USA, assorted chocolate by Lindt Chocolate and live music by Rahway's own favorite pop duo Karickter.

Get your tickets today online at www.ucpac.org, by phone at (732) 499-8226 or at UCPAC box office, 1601 Irving St., Rahway.

RAHWAY IS HAPPENING

APRIL 2015

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



SPECIAL SEASONAL PULL-OUT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL 15



1:00-2:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime piano concert

APRIL 16

8:00 PM
HS American Theater Group:
Beyond Words

APRIL 17

**RAHWAY
TASTE
OF SPRING**



5:30-9:00 PM
REC Rahway Taste of Spring

8:00PM
HS American Theater Group:
Beyond Words



8:00PM
UCPAC Split Level Concerts:
Louise Goffin

APRIL 18

8:00 PM
HS American Theater Group:
Beyond Words



8:00 PM
UCPAC Triple Play: Chris
Brubeck Trio

APRIL 19



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10:00 PM
REC Health & Green Fair

3:00 PM
HS American Theater
Group: Beyond Words

APRIL 22



1:00-2:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime piano
concert

APRIL 23

Retro Chic!



6:00-9:00 PM
M&D Vintage Fashion Show
(at Ill Amici in Linden)

APRIL 24



5:00-8:00 PM
REC Senior Prom (65+)

7:30 PM
RHS Into the Woods

8:00 PM
HS American Repertory
Ballet: Signature Duets

APRIL 25



6:00 PM
REC Pro Wrestling
Syndicate: Spring
Breakdown 2015

7:30 PM
RHS Into the Woods

8:00 PM
HS American Repertory
Ballet: Signature Duets



8:00 PM
LOFT Split Level Concerts:
Alyssa Bonagura and Jesse
& Noah



8:00 PM
UCPAC My Sinatra starring
Cary Hoffman

APRIL 26

Issues



1:00-4:00 PM
AGNJ Issues opening
reception (thru 5/22)

APRIL 29

1:00-2:00 PM
RSI Lunchtime piano
concert

6:00 PM
RHS Poetry Slam

ONE OF THE LARGEST AND BEST ATTENDED
TASTING EVENTS IN NEW JERSEY
PRESENTED BY RAHWAY ARTS DISTRICT • RSI BANK • NORTHFIELD BANK



**RAHWAY
TASTE
OF SPRING**

Friday April 17

5:30 – 9:00 p.m. • Rahway Rec Center

Limited tickets!
\$30 in advance • \$40 at the door

THE RAHWAY TASTE FOOD BANK COLLECTION!
Please help us by bringing sealed cans/packages of food.

more info at:
rahwaytaste.com

Sponsors:
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METRO Rahway
Miller Buick
Station Cab
TD Bank
Witty's Liquors

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.

RAHWAY IS HAPPENING

MAY 2015

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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	4	5	6



Rahway is Happening!

See what the buzz is all about and enjoy these special events, shows and celebrations right here in your home town!

www.cityofrahway.com

Rahway Chamber Presents 4th Annual "Rahway Day" On May 2



RAHWAY DAY will be on Saturday May 2, 2015 from 10:00 AM till 2:00 PM at the Rahway Public Library Plaza. This celebration of all things Rahway brings together the businesses, organizations, and residents of Rahway to encourage everyone to THINK RAHWAY FIRST and to keep our Rahway dollars in Rahway. In case of rain, event will be held in the Rahway Recreation Center next door to the Rahway Library Plaza. This Event is Free to the public.

There will be a full schedule of entertainment and activities, including a welcome message by Mayor Samson D. Steinman, performances by Karickter, Matt Marlinski, and Brien McVernon the Aussie Rocker, and Amy Garcia-Phillips, all of whom claim Rahway as their home, Rahway High School musicians, performers and robotics team, free bounce house, bungee run, face painting, photo booth, arts fun with Rachael from RAD, and much more. We

have invited an international singing star to join us! The MC will be Linda Chandler.

Also to be seen are Displays of Rahway's Police and Fire Department vehicles, motorcycles from Liberty Harley, cars from Miller Buick, civil war cannon, and more. Councilwoman Joanna Miles and The Friends of the Rahway Public Library will be holding their Race Around Rahway in connection with Rahway Day.

If you would like to promote your company or Rahway Business you can show your business, product, and/or services to over 2000 residents who come to enjoy the day.

For questions or to receive an informational/registration packet, or a Chamber membership application, email rahwayday@rahway-chamberofcommerce.com or call the Chamber at 732-675-5140.

For sponsorship levels, email Shakira@jprandevents.com or call 732-713-1167.

MAY 1

8:00 PM
HS Kevin Iso & Friends



8:00 PM
LOFT Fearless Productions:
The Shadow Box

MAY 2



10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
LIBRARY Rahway Day

8:00 PM
UCPAC Split Level Concerts:
Amy Black

8:00 PM
LOFT Fearless Productions:
The Shadow Box

MAY 3



2:00 PM
UCPAC Sensory Friendly
Theatre: NJ Ballet's
Cinderella

2:00 PM
LOFT Fearless Productions:
The Shadow Box

MAY 8

8:00 PM
LOFT Fearless Productions:
The Shadow Box

MAY 9



11:00 AM
Festival Hot Rods & Harleys

MAY 9

TBD
REC Botball Robotics
Tournament

8:00 PM
LOFT Fearless Productions:
The Shadow Box

MAY 10

2:00 PM
LOFT Fearless Productions:
The Shadow Box

MAY 13

7:00 PM
RHS Performing Arts
Concert (Band/Dance)

MAY 15

5:00 - 9:00 PM
REC Youth Twirling
Exhibition

8:00 PM
LOFT Mystic Vision Players:
A Midsummer Night's
Dream



8:00 PM
UCPAC Doug E. Fresh &
Slick Rick: The Get Fresh
Tour

MAY 16

10:00 AM
RHS Band Boosters Jazz and
Pancakes Breakfast

8:00 PM
LOFT Mystic Vision Players:
A Midsummer Night's
Dream

MAY 17

3:00 PM
LOFT Mystic Vision Players:
A Midsummer Night's
Dream

MAY 20

7:00 PM
RHS Performing Arts
Concert (Chorus/Orchestra)

MAY 21



FIREFLYrun

7:30 PM
REC Mayor's 5K Race/Firefly
Run

MAY 23

6:00 PM
REC Pro Wrestling
Syndicate

MAY 26

7:00 PM
RHS District Chorus Concert

MAY 27

7:00 PM
RHS All City Chorus Concert

MAY 28

8:00 PM
LOFT Mystic Vision Players:
A Midsummer Night's
Dream

MAY 29

8:00 PM
UCPAC The 34th Asbury
Short Film Concert

8:00 PM
LOFT Mystic Vision Players:
A Midsummer Night's
Dream

MAY 30

7:00 PM
REC Dead Serious Mixed
Martial Arts

8:00 PM
LOFT Mystic Vision Players:
A Midsummer Night's
Dream

8:00 PM
UCPAC Classic Film Series:
Wings

MAY 31

3:00 PM
LOFT Mystic Vision Players:
A Midsummer Night's
Dream

SPECIAL SEASONAL PULL-OUT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

RAHWAY IS HAPPENING

JUNE 2015

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
31	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	1	2	3	4



SPECIAL SEASONAL PULL-OUT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 4

7:00 PM
All City String Concert

JUNE 6

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
M&D Annual Tag Sale



6:00 PM
REC Pro Wrestling Syndicate

8:00 PM
LOFT Split Level Concerts:
Dayna Kurtz

JUNE 11

DOWNTOWN

NEW JERSEY
CONFERENCE



9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
UCPAC Downtown NJ Conference

JUNE 12



8:00 PM
UCPAC Blues Brothers Revue

JUNE 13

TBD
REC Friends of Rahway Library Dodgeball Tournament

JUNE 18



5:30 - 9:30 PM
HS 2nd Annual Wine, Cheese & Chocolate Party of the Year

JUNE 23

High School Graduation Veteran's Memorial Field



Get Ready For The Mayor's Concert Series This August!

SAVE THE DATES!--- Every Thursday this August is another concert in Mayor Samson D. Steinman's Concert Series. Concerts will be held outdoors in front of the Union County Performing Art Center on Irving Street near the corner of Main St. Admission is FREE. Bring a lawn chair to set up in the audience area in front of the stage. Food vendors

will also be on hand for food, drinks and snacks before and during the concerts.

Concert Series details are not finalized as of this date. For updates on the Bands for each week of the concert series, check the City of Rahway website for Recreation Center programs (<http://cityofrahway.org/departments/parks-and-recreation/>), OR Call the Rahway

Recreation Center at (732) 669-3600.

The musical performers for the mayor's concert series are different each year and many different musical styles are selected. There is sure to be a group or type of music to please you....So Come out on Thursdays this August and listen to some great Sounds at the Mayor's Concert Series!

RAHWAY FARMERS MARKET

THURSDAYS
NOON TILL 7 PM
May 8 - Nov. 13
RAHWAY TRAIN STATION PLAZA

Special Holiday Market To Be Announced

Volunteer Rahway got time?

Community (kə'myo'onitē): a group of people who live in the same area, a feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests, and goals.

The phrase, "It takes a village" applies here. Rahway is a place where we choose to live, play, work, worship, raise our families, and retire - so why wouldn't we want to see it thrive and prosper? Communities require work, maintenance, energy, efforts, and time - all of these things require people, like you and me, to pitch in and do what we can to support our community and make it a better place to live. There are many opportunities throughout the area to get involved - planning or helping with a community event, painting murals, starting a community garden, planting flowers, or cleaning up the town. Whatever your skills or interests, we have a place for you. We're creating a one stop shop where you can visit, see the upcoming needs, sign up and be part of the progress. Invest in your community and watch it grow, become part of something good.

Visit www.cityofrahway.com to sign-up and register. Be a hero - Volunteer!

Main & Monroe Redevelopment Project

The Main & Monroe project is moving closer to ground-breaking. The project will bring a vibrant mix of stores and businesses and residents to a two-acre area in the heart of downtown Rahway which has been vacant for more than 10 years.

Main & Monroe will be a five-story, 208-unit rental apartment community, featuring high-quality finishes inside and out, and will include a fitness center, a community room, a land-

scaped courtyard with a swimming pool, and a rooftop terrace gathering space with views of the New York skyline. The project will enliven Main Street from the railroad near Cherry Street with 5,300 square feet of ground floor retail space. Behind the retail space is a parking garage for residents, convenient but hidden from street view.

The project will extend Monroe Street from its present terminus at Main

Street, at Luciano's, all the way to Cherry Street, enhancing traffic flow in the area and encouraging more pedestrian activity. It will energize the businesses located on Cherry Street, by making it easier to get there on foot or by car.

The design of the project reflects the Redevelopment Agency's goal of promoting growth with high-quality architecture. A variety of unit types, at a range of price points, addresses the needs of the diverse household types

the City seeks to attract, including one and two bedroom apartments, as well as studio apartments, especially appropriate for starter households and young people.

The Main Street frontage of the site will be reconstructed with wide sidewalks and extensive street tree planting, as will the extension of Monroe Street. The buildings have been designed to support and encourage pedestrians with traditional "main street" architecture — large store-

front windows showcasing activity and life, and attractive entrances and lobbies.

The project will provide 55 conveniently located parking spaces which will be operated by the Rahway Parking Authority: 29 on-street spaces along Main, Monroe and Poplar Streets, and 26 spaces in a newly constructed Monroe Street. The project was conceived by Slokker International, which develops high quality projects throughout the US and Canada.




**Rahway Police
Announce Year-round
Medicine Drop-off Site**

The Rahway Police Department is implementing a free medicine-collection program for Rahway residents to safely dispose of unwanted, expired or unused medicines. The collection site box provided by the New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs allows the drop off of prescription and over-the-counter drugs, as well as pet medicines. Medicines from households are accepted 24 hours per day, 365 days a year at the Rahway Police Department lobby located at 1 City Hall Plaza Rahway, NJ 07065.

"The drop-off program is a free, anonymous, no-questions-asked initiative that prevents drug abuse and theft by ridding our homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs and medicines," said Rahway Police Chief John M. Rodger.

"Unused medicine left in the home poses health and safety threats, and improperly disposed of medicines can end up in our water system and streams, and harm wildlife", said Rahway Mayor Samson Steinman. "This year-round collection program helps prevent crime and protects the environment", the Mayor added.

"Most teens who abuse prescription drugs get them from family and friends, straight from their home medicine cabinet," according to Rahway Municipal Alliance Coordinator President Andrea Zapcic. "Painkillers, depressants, stimulants, and over-the-counter cough medicines are the medicines most often abused. These are the most important drugs to remove from your home if they are unwanted, expired or unused." Ms. Zapcic added.

Please keep medicines in their original container when utilizing the drop-box and cross out any personal information on the prescription bottle, and place the bottle in a clear plastic baggie. The drop-off site is for individuals only. No medicines will be accepted from businesses, healthcare facilities, pharmacies, medical offices, or veterinary clinics. The drop box cannot accept syringes.

For more information on the City of Rahway Medicine Project Program please contact Detective William Eicholz at (732) 827-2079 or weicholz@rahwaypolice.com

2015 Spring Cleanup

Mayor Samson Steinman announced this week that Rahway residents are encouraged to participate in the City's 2015 "Spring Cleanup." Code enforcement officers will be out in force this spring asking property owners to keep their homes, buildings, and lots clean, safe and free of debris. For example, residents are reminded that abandoned or unused cars (without license plates) must be properly stored in a garage and not left to rust in driveways or yards; and all lots and grass must be mowed and kept under 10" in height.

Any unsafe and / or unsightly conditions on or around buildings must also be repaired.

According to the Mayor, the City receives dozens of complaints each month from property owners concerned about code violations in their neighborhood.

"Maintaining our property is at the heart of any quality of life initiative," said Steinman. "Keeping our homes and businesses in good condition raises property values, reduces the potential for crime and instills a sense of pride in our neighborhoods. We have a responsibility as property owners to maintain our properties."

The Mayor added that the City offers financial assistance for homeowners who are unable to afford the cost of major home improve-

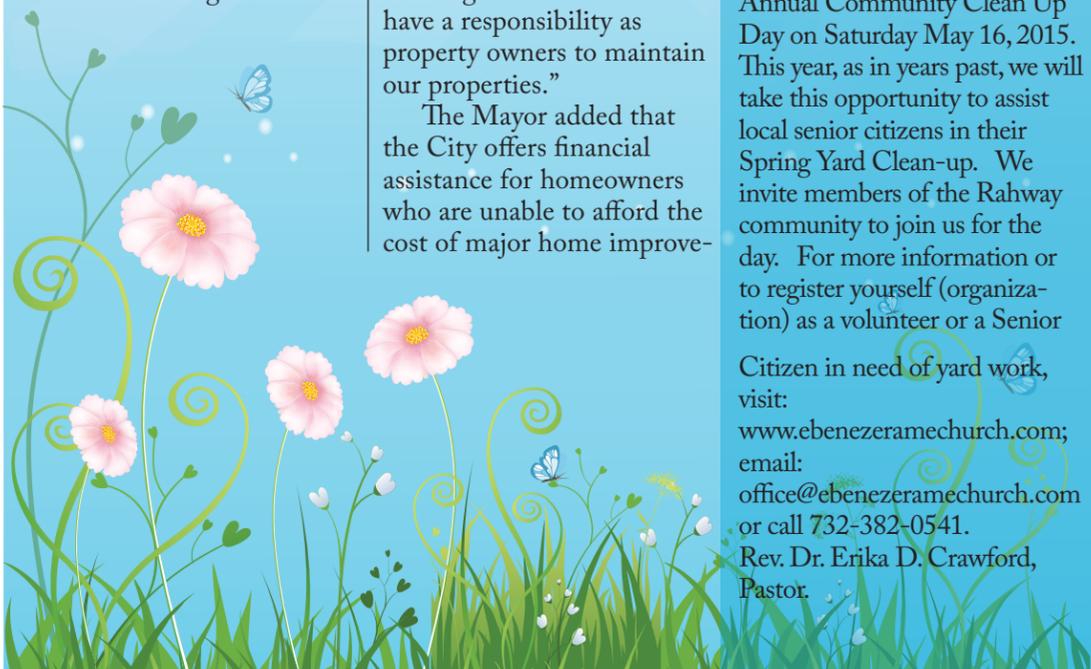
ments through 0% interest, deferred loans. For more information on the City's Home Improvement Program, call (732) 827-2193.

"The cost of most of this work is minimal," said Steinman, "requiring only some elbow grease. Making that investment in your home or business is a sound one that will pay off for both property owners and our entire city."

4th Annual Community Clean Up Day

Ebenezer AME Church (253 Central Ave) is hosting their 4th Annual Community Clean Up Day on Saturday May 16, 2015. This year, as in years past, we will take this opportunity to assist local senior citizens in their Spring Yard Clean-up. We invite members of the Rahway community to join us for the day. For more information or to register yourself (organization) as a volunteer or a Senior

Citizen in need of yard work, visit: www.ebenezeramechurch.com; email: office@ebenezeramechurch.com or call 732-382-0541. Rev. Dr. Erika D. Crawford, Pastor.



RAHWAY IS HAPPENING

RAHWAY 2015 MARCH MADNESS



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With the 2015 NCAA Basketball Tournament in full swing, and spring finally upon us, residents from all over Rahway descended on the downtown area for our first ever March Madness themed festival on Saturday, March 21st. The Rahway March Madness BBQ and Hoop Festival was a fun-filled day of activities and events for both children and adults alike, with bouncy castles, a game-viewing bar, basketball contests, and a delicious BBQ contest.

The day's activities began at the Recreation Center at noon, with one of the area's most talented and comedic basketball groups, The Court Jesters. This entertaining group of players wowed the crowd with their unique set of skills and also their high-flying hijinks. After the Court Jesters, the rest of the activities moved over to Campbell Street, in front of Rahway's newest rental community, Metro Rahway. Once there, thousands of people enjoyed food from the several gourmet food trucks that were available to them, from specialty cupcakes to succulent empanadas and delicious lobster rolls. The festival also featured the City's first ever BBQ contest, where 15 teams competed for prizes in the Chicken, Beef and Chef's Choice categories. In the end, the team Moon River took the grand prize. With all the activities and events that were available, The 2015 Rahway March Madness BBQ and Hoop Festival was a success, and looks to be bigger for many years to come.



Congratulations to Rahway High School and Rahway Academy Theater groups on their performances of Footloose and Hairspray Jr.!



New Business Highlight:

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Last year I decided to take what I love to do out from my basement and bring it into the open for people to see. Since then things have been going very well for me and my Team at the shop!! The road has not been easy but the blood, sweat and tears is starting to pay off. I truly believe if you do what you love and turn it into something positive it will pay off in the long run. Maybe not over night

but it will eventually. With all that being said, I truly want to thank everyone that support us at KPP Graphic Designs.

What we offer at KPP Graphic Designs is endless, something for everyone from designing shirts, promotional products to custom airbrushing and all computer repair needs.

You think, it we create it...

CHERRY STREET FUN RETURNS!



DOWNTOWN RAHWAY
THE BEST BLOCK PARTY AROUND

Mayor Samson D. Steinman presents the return of Cherry Street Alive; the best block party around! Every Thursday night in June head downtown to Cherry Street and get ready for some fun for the whole family including tailgate style games, new and exciting contests like the TEXT'ing competition, and free music and dance lessons. Cherry Street Alive is one of many outdoor events taking place every Thursday Night, weather-permitting, from Memorial Day Weekend until Labor Day Weekend!!!



RAHWAY'S UNIQUE SENIOR SCENE

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



Molly Brown received the Artist of the Year Award at the Mayor's State of the City.



Ernie Olrech received the Senior of the Year Award at Mayor Steinman's State of the City.

Mayor Samson D. Steinman And The Rahway City Council Present The 2nd Annual Senior Prom!

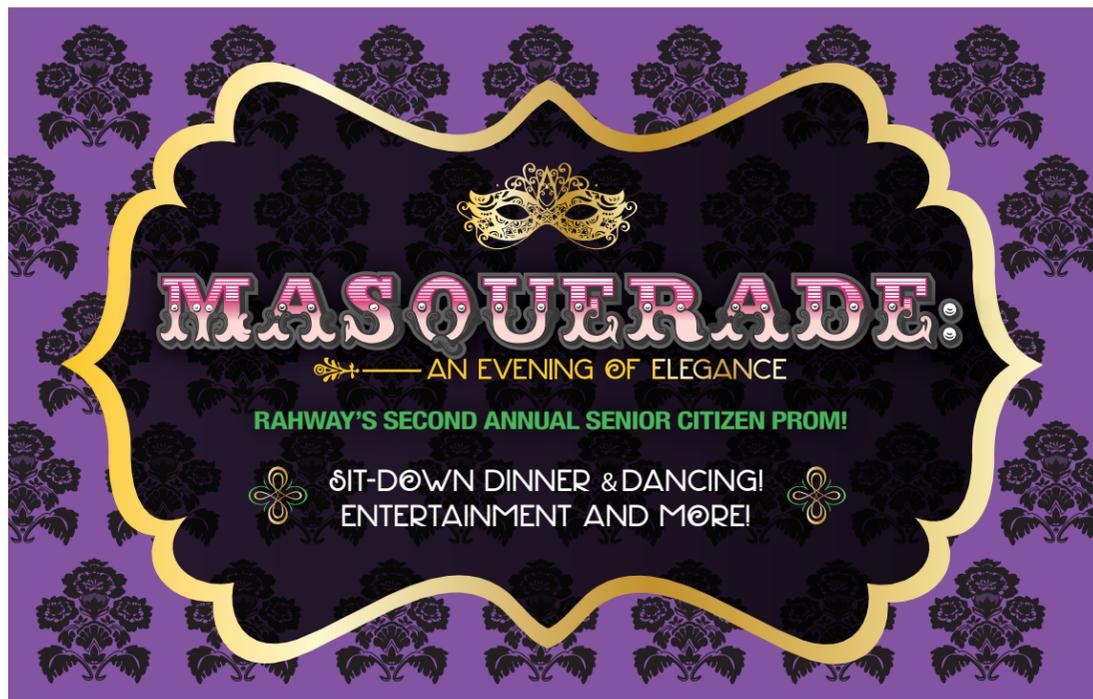
Mayor Samson D. Steinman and the Rahway City Council are proud to present MASQUERADE: A NIGHT OF ELEGANCE, the Second Annual Rahway Senior Citizen Prom on Friday April 24, 2015 at the Rahway Recreation Center.

The evening will be filled with excitement and entertainment for Rahway Seniors ages 62 and up. Festivities include a Sit-Down Dinner, Live Music, Dancing, prizes and more! Seniors are encouraged to wear a mask or dress up in a costume, but it is not required.

Tickets are only \$5.00 for Rahway Seniors and \$10 for guests. Tickets may be purchased at the Rahway Senior Center (1306 Esterbrook Avenue) OR at the Rahway Recreation Center (3 City Hall Plaza) during regular office hours. Get your Tickets Today!

The First Senior Citizen Prom in 2014 was attended by over 125 Rahway Seniors who enjoyed a fine meal and had a great time listening to music and dancing the night away.

For questions or other information, contact the Rahway Recreation Center at (732) 669-3600 or the Rahway Senior Center at (732) 827-2016.



Mayor Steinman's Birthday Breakfast Club

One of the favorite special events run by the Division of Senior Services is Mayor Steinman's Birthday Breakfast. Depending on what month your birthday falls, you and a guest will be invited to the Rahway Senior Center and treated to a full breakfast along with other members of the Club. To register, please call (732) 827-2016. Everyone registered will receive an invitation in the mail with the date and time of the particular Birthday Breakfast. Anyone previously registered who has not responded to the invitation in the last year must re-register.

Healthy Lunch Day

You and Your Knees will be the topic at the next Healthy Lunch Day to be held on April 30, 2015 at the Senior Center. The luncheon begins at 11:30 AM and is free to Rahway Seniors, but tickets are required and limited. Tickets are available at the Senior Center.



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



UNION COUNTY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

AT RAHWAY

MAIN STAGE

1601 IRVING STREET • RAHWAY, NJ 07065



LOU GRAMM
THE VOICE OF
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FRIDAY • APRIL 10 • 8PM

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LOUISE GOFFIN
FRIDAY • APRIL 17 • 8PM

RSJ Bank Jazz Masters Series presents:



CHRIS BRUBECK'S
tripleplay
SATURDAY • APRIL 18 • 8PM

THE HIT PBS SPECIAL BY VOCALIST



CARY HOFFMAN
SAT. • APR. 25 • 8PM

SPLIT LEVEL CONCERTS PRESENTS



AMY BLACK
SATURDAY • MAY 2 • 8PM

NJ Ballet presents



Cinderella
SUNDAY
MAY 3 • 3PM



DOUG E. FRESH
featuring
Slick Rick the Ruler
The Get Fresh Reunion
FRIDAY • MAY 15 • 8PM



34TH ASBURY SHORT FILM CONCERT
FRIDAY • MAY 29 • 8PM



UCPAC Classic Film Series presents:



WINGS STARRING:
CLARA BOW
WRITTEN BY ROBERTS ARLEN COOPER
SATURDAY • MAY 30 • 8PM

THE OFFICIAL
BLUES BROTHERS
Revue
FRIDAY • JUNE 12 • 8PM



THE LOFT AT UC PAC

1601 IRVING STREET • RAHWAY, NJ 07065

Alyssa Bonagura and Jesse & Noah Bellamy
SATURDAY • APRIL 25 • 8PM



FEARLESS PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS
THE SHADOWBOX
MAY 1-10

Mystic Vision Players Presents

A Midsummer Night's Dream
MAY 15-31



SPLIT LEVEL CONCERTS PRESENTS

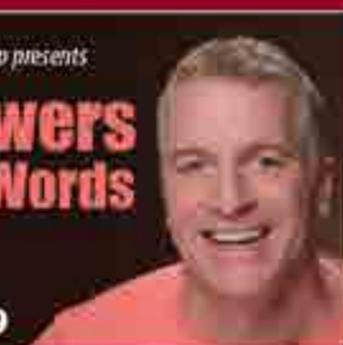


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SATURDAY • JUNE 6 • 8PM

HAMILTON STAGE

360 HAMILTON STREET • RAHWAY NJ 07065

American Theater Group presents



Bill Bowers Beyond Words
APRIL 10-19

American Repertory Ballet presents

Signature Duets:
Featuring Dreams Interrupted - by Trinette Singleton
FRI • APR 24 • 8PM
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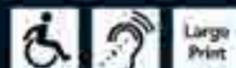


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THURSDAY
JUNE 18 • 5:30PM - 9:30PM




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