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HAMILTON STAGE
PREVIEW
5/12
OPENING FALL 2012

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The old Bell Telephone building on Hamilton Street that was vacant for many years is being transformed into the Hamilton Stage for the Performing Arts. This building will have a 199-seat performance space. A rehearsal hall on the south side of the facility also can be used as a small theater with up to 60

seats. Arts Riverwalk, a promenade along the Rahway River, will stretch behind Hamilton Stage and toward the interim parking lot where the Hamilton amphitheater eventually is planned. Construction on the Hamilton Stage is expected to wrap up this month and a grand opening is

planned for Fall of this year. Hamilton Stage has been designed by the architectural firm of Farewell Mills Gatsch of Princeton (well known for work at the Westport Country Playhouse, Count Basie Theatre, and Dorothy Young Center for the Arts Music Wing at Drew University). The design project is

directed by Michael R. Schnoering, AIA (now of Mills + Schnoering Architects, LLC). Visit <http://www.hamiltonstage.com> for more information on this exciting project and learn how you can become a sponsor to support the growth of the arts in Rahway!

For more on Hamilton Stage see P.5

COMING THIS MONTH!

Hot Rods & Harleys
Saturday May 12
Time: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Where: Downtown Rahway

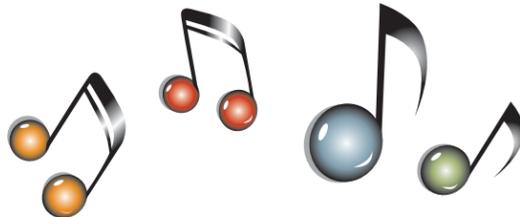
Rabies Clinic
May 15-16
Time: 6 - 7 p.m.
Main Street Firehouse
May 17
Time: 6 - 7 p.m.
Maple Ave. Firehouse

THE MAYOR'S SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

2012 Mayor's
Summer concert
Series is fresh!



From Latin to Caribbean to Soul, Rahway has it all this summer with the best fist-pumping, heart pounding bands in the New Jersey music scene. Mayor



Rick Proctor, the Rahway City Council and the Department of Parks and Recreation have announced a lineup of concerts that begin on August 9 and continue every Thursday evening through August 30 (weather permitting). The concert stage will be in the rear

parking lot of the Union County Performing Arts Center in the heart of the Rahway Arts District. Audiences are encouraged to bring lawn chairs to these free shows and dancing in the street is highly recommended!

For more on the Concert Series see P.8



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A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK By Mayor Rick Proctor

After only one year in office as the Mayor of Rahway I have met many residents, businesses, organizations and concerned citizens. Your heartfelt support has been overwhelming – thank you! A common theme that has resonated is people offering suggestions on how to improve the appearance and aesthetics in the City of Rahway.

A key role to improve our community is within a new program - Volunteer Rahway.

The idea for Volunteer Rahway is based partially on the "Keep America Beautiful" campaign and it was shaped by Cindy Solomon, Director of Community Development. I then received a letter from Corinne Wnek, an elementary school classmate of mine, saying:

"I had an idea for our community, and in particular for the downtown and the train station areas. This is small stuff but might go a long way toward getting outside people to patronize our many fine restaurants and to checkout Rahway as a place to live. I'm a big believer in creating an environment that looks cared for and attractive, one that would make people want to

Volunteer Rahway is also a way of assisting and learning from fellow volunteers and is expected to evolve into many other activities based on the progress and participation of our community.

stop here and see what Rahway has to offer."

The challenge for me was how to harness that energy of Rahway residents who are proud of their city and want to express that pride with concrete actions. Thanks to both Cindy and Corrine - Supporting Volunteer Rahway was inevitable and I am proud that Corrine has graciously agreed to start up the Volunteer Rahway program.

The initial focus of the Volunteer Rahway program

will be to connect social, environmental, and economic boundaries to improve our community and, at the same time, unite citizens, students, businesses and government for a Better Rahway. Examples of start up activities volunteers will participate include: flower planting, park cleanup and graffiti removal, to name a few. Volunteer Rahway is also a way of assisting and learning from fellow volunteers and is expected to evolve into many other activities based on the progress and participation of our community.

Corinne and I hope that you will lend your special talents or if you own a business you will support us with materials and supplies to get the job done. We welcome your ideas, talents and time to help us make Rahway a cleaner community and improve the quality of life for all. We are excited about the program and look forward to hearing from you.

If you, your group or others you know wish to participate in Volunteer Rahway please call the Volunteer Rahway Hotline at (732) 827-2098 or email Corinne at VolunteerRahway@cityofrahwaj.com.

Freeholders Commend Rahway Police Auxiliary for Coat Drive

Union County Freeholder Angel G. Estrada (third from left) presents a resolution to Members of the Rahway Police Auxiliary congratulating and commending the auxiliary officers for organizing the fifth annual Rahway Police Auxiliary Coat Drive to benefit local churches and families. They are joined by Rahway Mayor Rick Proctor. The Rahway Police Auxiliary has the support needed to foster local involvement from both businesses and ordinary citizens in their effort

to help lighten the burden on those less fortunate families. For more information on the

Rahway Police Auxiliary unit contact Detective William Eicholz at (732) 827-2079.





CITY OF RAHWAY UPDATES

Volunteers needed for Flood Response Team

In response to massive flooding that divided the City into four separate islands during last September's Hurricane Irene, the Rahway Police Department has created a Flood Response Team. The team is comprised of professional first responders and lay people from the community who will work together during severe weather events.

To assist first responders during a crisis such as Irene,

the City purchased an Argo — an amphibious all terrain, off-road vehicle which floats like a boat once in the water — as well as a Zodiac boat. In addition, an 1998 Jeep was recently modified by the Rahway DPW for use with flood rescues.

According to Police Chief John Rodger, the new volunteers will support the police and fire departments.

All civilian members, which include residents will have to complete the Community Response Team Training program (CERT) in order to be eligible for the team.

For more information on the CERT Program or the Flood Response Team please call Detective William Eichholz at (732) 827-2079 or weicholz@rahwaypolice.com.



Irene and October snowstorms Batter Rahway

On August 27, 2011, Hurricane Irene caused major damage to the City of Rahway and the State of New Jersey. Major flooding and tree damage was sustained. The Rahway Department of Public Works worked with other emergency response personnel to get our community back to normal operations as quickly as possible.

Over 1,200 tons of storm damage material were collected over the weeks following the storm. Approximately, 200 tons of vegetative debris such as trees and branches were also collected.

The pre-Halloween snowstorm caused massive amounts of tree damage and branch debris totaling over 425 tons that had to be collected.

Rahway has submitted for federal aid through FEMA to reimburse storm costs.



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New sweeper Keeps streets clean



The Rahway Department of Public Works purchased a new regenerative air street sweeper. The new sweeper will

be put to good use cleaning the community after the storms of 2011. The new sweeper replaces a 2001 model.

DPW partners with Emergency Squad

The Rahway Department of Public Works recently entered into an Inter-local Agreement with the Rahway Emergency Squad for vehicle maintenance. The agreement will save the emergency squad

money on fleet maintenance for their vehicles. Rahway DPW personnel will diagnose and repair the ambulances at a more cost effective rate and return the vehicles to full-duty more quickly.

Electronic recycling tops 62 tons In First Year

When electronics recycling became mandatory in January 2011, the Rahway Department of Public Works began collecting electronic curbside for its residents. Rahway was the first municipality in Union County to collect this material curbside in the county. During the first full

year of the program over 62.68 tons of material was collected (fourth highest out of Union County's 21 municipalities), saving tax dollars and keeping heavy metals out of the waste stream. To schedule a pickup of old electronics, please call (732) 827-2159 to arrange a collection date.

Were you flooded? Get Relief?

If floodwaters have “substantially damaged” structures on your property, please notify the City's Engineering Department at jdirmann@bohlereng.com.

“Substantial damage” is defined as the cost of reconstruction, rehabilitation, or other damage repair to a building or home which exceeds 50 percent of the building's market value.

Save the Date!
Hot Rods & Harleys in Downtown Rahway
 Saturday May 12 / Raindate May 19
 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

See page 9 for more event listings

“RACE AROUND RAHWAY” Will Stretch Mind and Muscles

What would you think if you saw different groups of curiously dressed people—some, say, even in their pajamas—running frantically around downtown Rahway while consulting documents and taking photographs with smart phones? You might think you’d witnessed some sort of mass hysteria, but the answer is much less worrisome than that.

On Saturday, May 5, beginning at 11 a.m., the Second Annual Race Around Rahway will take place, sending teams of amateur sleuths around our city in hopes of solving a series of clues, collecting objects and information, and returning to the starting point before any of the others. Competing teams

can display their unity and spirit by dressing alike or in outrageous fashion, and they will likely tearing about the city in this race against time.

The concept for the race is similar to scavenger hunts and television’s “Amazing Race” program, and last year, nearly 20 teams competed. Families, coworkers, and students put together teams, and the result was camaraderie, competition, and a whole lot of fun.

The race is once again being organized by the Friends of the Rahway Public Library to help raise funds to support library programs, and the race will begin and end at the library. The cost for a 4-member team is \$24; 3 members, \$18, and a 2-member team is \$12.

Preregistration is strongly encouraged, and registration forms are available by e-mailing RaceAroundRahway@gmail.com or calling (848) 628-4450, or can be picked up at the Library’s reference desk. Additional race information will be provided on the race’s Facebook page (Rahway Race).

The Race Around Rahway will be held as part of Rahway Community Day, a community awareness-raising event that will bring together businesses, houses of worship, schools, and nonprofits to demonstrate the vitality and features of our fair city. Community Day will run from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Library, rain or shine.

Colin Gittens is president of the Friends of the Rahway Public Library.



Police Community Center Opens Downtown

Police Chief John M. Rodger and Fourth Ward Council member David Brown recently cut a ribbon to officially dedicate the Rahway Police Community Center on East Cherry Street. The chief and Council member are surrounded by the many community volunteers who dedicated their time and resources to make this project come together. The new community center will be home to the Rahway Police Juvenile Bureau, In-Service Police Training Center, and a community meeting site.

Meridia Water’s Edge Begins Construction

The construction cranes you may have noticed behind the Library mark the beginning of the Meridia Water’s Edge residential apartments.

This project is being undertaken by Capodagli Property Company of Pompton Plains, which recently completed the Meridia Grand complex on East Grand Avenue.

Units at Meridia Water’s Edge will range from 672 to 850 square feet and monthly rents would range from \$1,400 to \$1,550, according to the financial agreement between the City and the developer. It will contain numerous amenities like parking spaces on the ground floor, with additional spaces available in the adjacent lot. The project is estimated to generate an additional \$216,000 annual revenues for the City. Since the property was owned by the City for many years, it was not generating any revenue for taxpayers.

Meridia Chateau planned for Main St.

The vacant property at Main & Monroe Street that was home to a rusted steel construction frame will soon be transformed into the Meridia Chateau residential

complex. This market-rate project will feature approximately 100 units and two-level parking deck.

Senior Housing to rise on former St. Mary’s Convent site

Ground was broken in March for a senior housing building on Esterbook Avenue on the site of the former St. Mary’s convent. The four-story, 51-unit complex is expected to be completed next year.

The Jack and Margaret Myers Senior Residence is a Section 202 project for very low-income elderly, with financing from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Union County Department of Parks and Community Renewal, among others. Domus Corporation is the development arm of the Archdiocese of Newark, which will provide a 40-year Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) to the city.

The 44,456-square-foot facility is expected to cost \$8.9 million and include green building features, such as energy-efficient, fiberglass windows, Energy Star-rated appliance and lighting, high-efficiency heating and cooling equipment, and low-flow water fixtures.



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

- Accounts Payable 827-2017
- Building Inspector 827-2087
- City Clerk 827-2100
- Community Development ... 827-2193
- Comptroller/Finance 827-2020
- Municipal Court 827-2039
- Economic Development 827-2176
- Emergency Management ... 827-2053
- Engineering 827-2176
- 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
- RWJ Hospital 381-4200
- Rahway Library 340-1551
- NJ Transit (973) 275-5555
- P.A.L. 669-3610
- P.A.L. Hot Line 827-2097
- Parking Authority 381-8778
- Post Office 388-3264
- Rahway Center Partnership... 396-3545
- Rahway Chiefs 827-2191
- 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 396-1100
- Intermediate School 396-1025
- Grover Cleveland School 396-1040
- Franklin School 396-1050
- Madison School 396-1070
- Roosevelt School 396-1060



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1st thursdays

Make it a night Downtown!



experience

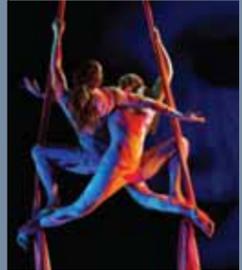
Arts Guild NJ and LightSoundSpace



wine & dine

Stay local! The Downtown eateries are hot this season

UC PAC Highlights



YOUR GUIDE TO ARTS & CULTURE IN DOWNTOWN RAHWAY

ARTS RAHWAY



Photo: Andy Bryant

As spring changes to summer, a very similar transformation is underway at 360 Hamilton Street, the site of Rahway's beautiful new 199-seat theatre. Hamilton Stage for the Performing Arts is in its final stage of construction and is preparing for a two-day open house preview in May.

"Opening a new theatre is a once-in-a-generation moment in the life of any community," said Richard Bryant, president of Front of House Services, who is overseeing the theatre's opening. "There will be opportunities, large and small, to experience the beauty and fun of live performing arts. When Rahway gets inside this beautiful, functional space, they will immediately see that this is a thoughtful investment to their community."

The public will have its first look inside this new purpose-built theater during a special Open House Preview Saturday May 19, 10am to 4pm, and Sunday, May 20, 12pm to 4pm. Hamilton Stage's Artistic Engagement Partner, NJ's nationally recognized Nai-Ni Chen Dance

The Thrill of Hamilton Stage

Inspiration and innovation meet in Rahway

company, will be on hand to greet the community. The Grand Opening is set for September, when builders will trade places with performing arts companies that are poised to bring world-class entertainment to the Rahway Arts District. From breathtakingly original plays, soaring dance, uplifting concerts, and delightful children's events, to parades of innovative visiting artists, Hamilton Stage will set the bar for flavor and spice on stage across New Jersey.

"We expect more than 100 performances in the first year," explained Bryant. "Our artistic affiliates will make Hamilton Stage

their performance home, so look for this stage to be lit again and again."

Anticipation continues to grow as Rahway prepares to get up close and personal with this modern theatre, but even a passing street view reveals the innovative and distinct character of Hamilton Stage. To keep pace with the brilliance of future resident performers, the designers and architects of the new theatre brought their own artistic touch, setting the stage for years of unforgettable creativity.

Adapted from Hamilton Street's former Bell building, the new Hamilton Stage was designed by the architectural firm of Farewell Mills

Gatsch of Princeton, NJ (well known for work at the Westport Country Playhouse, The Count Basie Theatre, and the Dorothy Young Center for the Arts Music Wing at Drew University). The design project is directed by Michael R. Schnoering, AIA (now of Mills + Schnoering Architects, LLC). Fisher Dachs Associates, an internationally acclaimed theatre design team based in New York City, took the conceptual lead on a number of critical planning services, including feasibility studies, concept development, seating, lighting, acoustics and more.

With world-class design, and thoughtful, collaborative development, Hamilton Stage is set for a standing ovation from performers and audiences alike. Keep your eyes and ears open for curtain call; this is one show in the 2012 season you simply cannot miss.

For additional information please visit HamiltonStage.com or contact Front of House Services President-Richard Bryant at (973) 295-6530.

Greetings

Executive Director Rachael Faillace



I am very pleased to introduce myself as the new Executive Director of Rahway Arts District, Inc. As a local artist living and working in Rahway for the past six years, I am proud to be a part of the Arts Renaissance that is unfolding right before our very eyes.

Some of you may be wondering what role Rahway Arts District, Inc. plays within the community. Working with the City of Rahway and the downtown stakeholders, Rahway Arts District, Inc. is raising awareness of the exciting things already happening in town – and providing resources and opportunities to tap the potential of Arts & Culture in our community. The Arts have the capacity to make an impact on our local economy and quality of life in town. In my new position, I look forward to advancing Rahway as an arts and cultural destination in Union County and throughout New Jersey.

The energy around the Rahway Arts District is palpable, and this new issue of ArtsRahway offers you a glimpse of the action: our landmark theatre, the Union County Performing Arts Center, continues to bring in world famous entertainers like D.L. Hughley (page 8); a state-of-the-art creative space, Hamilton Stage, is set to open its doors this fall, bringing with it a host of

resident performers (cover); the Arts Guild provides learning opportunities for kids through its Summer Art Education Program (at right); and LightSoundSpace elevates the experience of music and environment with its Jazz concert series (page 7).

The potential represented by these institutions, along with all businesses and artists throughout Rahway, is thrilling, nothing less. As Executive Director, my focus is on tapping that potential and keeping the momentum going. Arts institutions, local businesses, residents and visitors are at the core of Rahway's future, and working together, we can create a unified vision of Rahway as a unique and vibrant community.

That synergy starts, as all relationships do, with communication. I invite you to contact me as a resident, a neighbor, a business owner, or an artist – in whatever way you fit into the fabric that is Rahway. I can be reached at (732) 540-1075 or stop by during our Rahway Arts Hub drop-in hours, Thursdays, 1-4 p.m., at LightSoundSpace, 1591 Irving Street, to connect on arts and culture in Rahway.

Rachael Faillace
Executive Director
Rahway Arts District Inc.

reDISCOVER Arts Guild New Jersey

Exhibits @ Arts Guild New Jersey

Prismatic

Opening reception:
May 6, 2012, 1-4 p.m.
May 6 – June 7
Works by six artists who make 'color' a primary consideration in their work



Andrew Werth, "After the Dance", acrylic on canvas, 30"x40"



Summer program, Landscape, pastel

We Are You

September 2012
Artistic overview of Latino socio-cultural, political, and economic conditions in the 21st Century

All exhibitions are free to the public and wheelchair accessible

Arts Guild New Jersey
1670 Irving Street
(732) 381-7511
artsguild1670@verizon.net
Executive Director:
Lawrence Cappiello



Summer program, Self portrait

Summer Art Education Program

Arts Guild New Jersey will again offer its popular week-long workshops for kids and teens. For kids (ages 7-11), five-day workshops are offered July 16-August 10, 2012. Four weeks of Drawing, Painting, and Sculpture will be offered, in addition to two weeks of Cartooning and two weeks of a Sampler-style workshop (four projects in four different subjects).

Workshop classes are 90 minutes each day, and times are staggered so children can

take more than one workshop per day. Projects differ each week so children can sign up for the same workshop during multiple weeks or for different workshops each week. Each five-day workshop is \$60.

For teens (ages 12-16), five-day workshops are offered July 23-August 3, 2012. Two weeks of Japanese Anime/Manga, Painting, and Sculpture/3-D Art will be offered. Workshop classes are 2 hours each day, and times are staggered so teens may take more than one workshop per day. Projects differ each week. Each five-day workshop is \$75.

Registration begins in May for kids' and teen workshops. Go to www.agnj.org or call (732) 381-7511 to join the email list for updates.



POSTERS FOR THE PEOPLE ART OF THE WPA

EXHIBIT: MAY 3 - JUNE 14
Closing Reception: June 7 • 6:30 - 9:30

The Rahway Arts District joins Social Impact Studios in presenting POSTERS FOR THE PEOPLE: Art of the WPA. Featuring 100s of posters, including originals and reproductions, Posters for the People explores the social landscape of America during the New Deal through posters created by the Works Progress Administration (WPA). Posters for the People communicates the values, vision, and vitality of American democracy through art. See NEWLY DISCOVERED poster designs from the Newark Poster Division, sample ice cream from Philadelphia's award-winning ice cream saloon, Franklin Fountain, and talk with the authors and curators of Posters for the People at the opening reception and book signing May 3rd!

Opening Reception & Book Signing:
Thursday, May 3,
6:30-9:30 p.m.
Free admission.
Light refreshments and music provided.



SOUND at LightSoundSpace

May 18 | Ilya Yakushev
Russian pianist Ilya Yakushev attended the Rimsky-Korsakov College of Music in his native St. Petersburg, Russia, and subsequently came to New York City to attend Mannes College of Music where he studied with legendary pianist Vladimir Feltsman.

May 19 | Jung Lin
Jung Lin has been acclaimed for her poetic and virtuosic pianism. A native of Taiwan, she conducted her own orchestral works at age 12, won numerous competitions in her native country, and was featured on Taiwan's major news program "90 Minutes." At sixteen her symphonic poem, "The Black Wedding" was given its premiere by the Juilliard Symphony under Miguel Harth-Bedoya.

LightSoundSpace 1591 Irving Street Tickets are available through lightsoundspace.com

The Stage Is Set

Rahway's best singers, dancers and musicians are gearing up for a big night under the lights. The Recreation Department's 2012 Talent Show is planned for June 8 at the new Hamilton Stage. With 15 acts, ranging in age from 9 to 46, the stage is set for a wide variety of entertainment that will showcase some real Rahway flavor.



These talent show contestants are going to give it their all— don't miss it!

Tickets are available at the Rahway Recreation Department—\$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. For more information about the Talent Show and other recreation programs and events please call (732) 669-3600, or visit us online at www.CityofRahway.com.

ArtsRahway.com

where to go, what to do, when to do it.

Everything you need to know to be part of the Rahway Arts District renaissance.

Business, Arts & Culture in Downtown Rahway

Please support these local businesses. They propel our local economy and shape the artistic and cultural sides of Rahway.

- ABC Sign Shop**
1591 Main St
- Aria Bistro & Bar, Hotel Indigo**
1 Carriage City Plaza
- Arts District Park**
- Arts Guild New Jersey**
1670 Irving St.
- Azteca Food Market & Deli**
1534 Irving
- Beverly's Sweet Shop**
1413 Main
- Bianca's Deli**
1561 Irving St.
- Boost Mobile**
1569 Irving
- Bragg's Barber Shop**
1522 Irving St.
- Bridges Book Center**
1488 Main St.
- Captive Bead**
1565 Irving St.
- Cherry Street Farmers Market**
66 E. Cherry St.
- Chessmates**
1591 Irving St.
- CJ Villa Furniture**
1449 Main St.
- Cleaners J**
45 E. Milton
- Community Barbershop**
1593 Main St
- Cubano Restaurant & Lounge**
1467 Main St.
- Davis Financial**
1523 Irving
- Def Def Clothing**
1475 Main St.
- Diesel Training Grounds**
1521 Irving
- Earl's Cuts and Curls**
1701 Irving
- El Almacen**
1593 Irving
- Eye on You Family Eyecare**
1535 Irving St.
- Family Nails**
1479 Main St
- Flynn's Irish Pub & Steakhouse**
1482 Main St.
- Gino's Pizzeria**
1576 Irving St.
- Grace Beauty Supply**
43 E. Cherry
- Hellhound Studios**
1605 Coach St.
- Indigo Hotel at Skyview**
1 Carriage City Plaza
- Kennedy Jewelers**
1519 Irving St.
- Kim's in the Mix**
221 W. Main St.
- Kingdom Karate**
1537 Main St.
- La Malinche Restaurant**
1588 Irving St.
- Liberty Harley-Buell**
12 W. Milton
- LightSoundSpace**
1591 Irving St.
- Little Portugal**
1507 Main St.
- Luciano's Ristorante**
1579 Main St.
- Main Street Barbershop**
1483 Main St
- Mango's Grill**
1349 Fulton St.
- Mastercraft Upholstery**
1605 Irving
- Metro PCS**
67 E. Milton
- Micholino's Pizzeria**
79 E. Milton Ave.
- Mr. Apple Pie**
1524 Irving St.
- Nancy's Townhouse**
1453 Main St.
- New Era Sportswear**
59 E. Cherry
- Niece's Pieces**
1464 Main St.
- Northfield Bank**
1515 Irving St.
- On'Ja Unisex Salon**
1520 Irving St.
- Pampered Paws**
1470 Main St.
- Paris Nails**
1546 Irving
- Park Square at Rahway**
1590 Irving St.
- Patria Restaurant**
169 W. Main St.
- Pet Essentials**
89 E. Cherry St.
- Rahway Beauty & Barber Supply**
1505 Main
- Rahway Dance Theatre**
1439 Irving St.
- Rahway Electric Motor Shop**
1655 Irving
- Rahway Grill**
47 E. Cherry St.
- Rahway Public Library**
2 City Hall Plaza
- Rahway Recreation Center**
275 E. Milton Ave.
- Rahway Travel**
35 E. Milton
- Rose City Tattoo**
219 W. Main St.
- RSI Bank**
1500 Irving St.
- Sabor Peruano**
1578 Irving St.
- Skaff's Corner Pharmacy**
1510 Main St.
- Smoker's Den**
1580 Irving St.
- Sound-O-Rama Records**
1483 Main St.
- St. Georges Art Glass**
1659 Irving St.
- Tarnished Swan Antiques**
11 Poplar St.
- The Academy of Music**
1516 Irving St.
- The Gilded Lillie**
1433 Main St.
- The Railhouse**
1449 Irving St.
- The Waiting Room**
66 E. Cherry St.
- Thomas Surf & Turf**
95 E. Cherry
- Times of Grace**
1417 Main St.
- Train Up a Child Tutoring Center**
75 E. Cherry
- UC PAC / Loft**
1601 Irving St.
- Venturas Moving Company**
1439 Main
- Wells Fargo Bank**
1420 Irving St.
- Wisdom Media**
1409 Main St.
- YMCA**
1558 Irving St.

Every effort was taken to include downtown Rahway establishments in this directory. Please contact info@ArtsRahway.com to provide updated information for your establishment.



UNION COUNTY
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
AT RAHWAY

Students in the Spotlight

Join Union County PAC and Children's Stage Adventures this July for a week of Summer Theatre Camp. Register your child today and join 30-50 local students in the legend and adventure of young King Arthur as they perform "The Sword Called Excalibur."

Children's Stage Adventures offers your child the unique opportunity to participate in a live musical production. The CSA team will arrive in town with everything it takes to put on a play.

On Monday, the team will hold an audition workshop at the Union County Performing Arts Center to cast pre-registered students in the musical production. On Friday, the students will perform the 60 minute musical at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

CSA Summer Theatre Camp is appropriate for students in Kindergarten through 8th grades (ages 5-14) and runs July 16-20. Pre-registration is required.

Visit UCPAC.org to download the Registration Form, or call the UC PAC Box Office (732) 499-0441 for details.

Take a Shot



Summertime is the right time to try your hand at photography. Grab your new point-and-shoot digital camera or that old Polaroid and get ready for Photography 101.

The UC PAC is hosting a Summer Photography Camp for students in grades 5-8 on Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout August. Christina Wilson, a freelance photographer with an MA in photography and a BA in Education & Communications, will be facilitating the 4 week camp.

For more info contact the UC PAC: (732) 499-8226

DID YOU KNOW?

Rahway High School has been named as a Model School for the Arts by the N.J. Arts Education Partnership for excellence in arts education. Awarded on behalf of the N.J. State Council on the Arts, the N.J. Department of Education, Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, and ArtPride New Jersey through the N.J. Arts Education Partnership, Rahway High School was one of three high schools in the state to achieve this honor for a three year term.

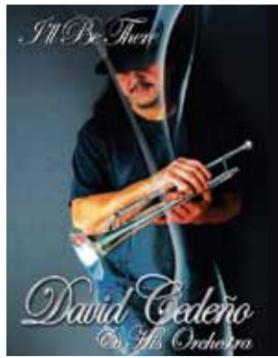
2012 Mayor's Summer Concert Series

All Jersey, all the time

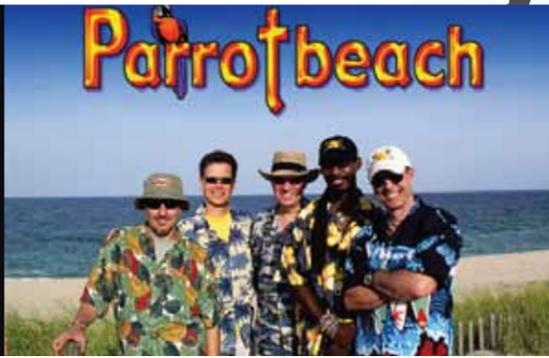
Mayor Rick Proctor is bringing your favorite bands from across New Jersey to the Rahway Arts District for the 2012 Mayor's Summer Concert Series. Starting August 9 and running every Thursday through the month of August, the "Back Stage Lot" of the Union County Performing Arts Center will

be rocking with this free summer concert series. Bring a chair, bring a friend, and let the good times roll!

All concerts start at 7 p.m. and will be moved indoors in the event of rain. For more information, call the Department of Parks and Recreation at (732) 669-3600.



David Cedeno Orchestra



Parrotbeach



The Funktion



Jobonanno and the Godsons of Soul

David Cedeno Orchestra
August 9

Parrotbeach
August 16

The Funktion
August 23

Jobonanno and the Godsons of Soul
August 30

Arts & Economic Impact Saturday night at the UC PAC

The familiar UC PAC marquee shone brightly, bars, restaurants and parking lots were full, and a long line wound down and around the Irving Street sidewalk. There



Photo: Christina Wilson - LongStoryShortPhotography.com

were people everywhere, and laughter - a lot of it. The Union County PAC hosted comedy great D.L. Hughley on January 28 for back-to-back shows. The house was packed all night for these

Income Generated by Event—

Production Value at UC PAC
\$26,000

Hotel Reservations
\$3,000

Residual Spending
(parking, dining, etc)
\$25,000

Impact on the Arts
in Rahway— PRICELESS

two exclusive live shows, as Hughley, one of the "Original Kings of Comedy," recorded two performances for his upcoming Showtime Comedy Special "Reset."

The UC PAC performance brought 2,500 people to Downtown Rahway for a chance to see Hughley perform live, and they brought a boost to the local economy. "Time and time again headliner events at the Union County PAC have a transformative effect on the number of people who visit and eat out in Rahway," explained Pablo Varona, who hosted a steady stream of patrons at his restaurant Cubanu.

RAHWAY'S BEST SHINE THROUGHOUT THE STATE



Percussionist **Gabe Rolon** and Band Director **Meg Spatz** at the NJ All State Concert

Some of Rahway's finest student musicians are representing our community in honors ensembles throughout New Jersey: **Gabe Rolon** - N.J. All State Symphonic Band, principal percussionist, Region II Wind Ensemble, principal percussionist

Phillip Schroeder - N.J. Region II Symphonic Band, trumpet

Robert Parson - N.J. Region II Orchestra, bassoon
Symon Boyd - N.J. Region II Intermediate Band, trombone

Sydney Henriksen - N.J. Region II Intermediate Band, alto clarinet

Phillip Schroeder - N.J. Region II Jazz Ensemble, trumpet

Spring & Summer Preview

The UC PAC moves from spring to summer with a stellar line up of shows that will keep the Box Office doors revolving. Comedy? Check. Drama? Check. Fun for the whole family? Of course.

Cirque Le Masque | Saturday, May 12, 8 p.m. **An Evening with Leon Redbone | Friday, May 18, 8 p.m.**



A stylish and energetic explosion of sight, sound, imagination and beauty for the whole family, Cirque Le Masque is a European-style circus act incorporating acrobatics, lavish costumes, and dazzling special effects. Bodies will be flying!



Under his signature Panama hat, jacket and sunglasses, and behind his eccentric sense of humor, is Leon Redbone's extraordinary instrumental talent. This master guitarist returns to the UC PAC with his special blend of jazz, ragtime and blues.

Ask the Audience

The UC PAC brings you the biggest and best in entertainment. Our stage is your stage, and as we start to book for the back half of 2012 we want to hear from you; visit our Facebook page and tell us who you would like to see on stage next!

Meet our local organizations businesses & city officials!

Lots of FOOD & FUN

COME CELEBRATE RAHWAY DAY! FREE!

Saturday May 5th 10 am - 2 pm

Think Rahway First!

Rahway Public Library Indoors & Out / Rain or Shine

Contact: RahwayDay@RahwayChamberofCommerce.com

city of rahway events

MAY JUN

May 1
Hamilton Stage
Artistic Affiliate
Announcement II – TBA

May 3
5p.m. - 9 p.m.
Irving Music/Car Show

May 3 - June 14
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Posters for the People
Opening Reception
LightSoundSpace
1591 Irving Street
(732) 540-1075 or
ArtsRahway.com

May 5
10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Rahway Public Library
Rahway Day

11 a.m.
Race Around Rahway
Public Library
(848) 628-4450 or
racearoundrahway@gmail.com

6:30 p.m.
Ed Baykowski organ
concert
Senior Center,
1306 Esterbrook Ave.
(732) 827-2016

7:30 p.m.
LightSoundSpace
Tap Madness with
Maurice Chestnut

8 p.m.
UCPAC
1601 Irving St.
NJ Ballet's Ballet
with a Latin Beat II

May 6
3 p.m.
UCPAC
NJ Ballet's Sleeping
Beauty

1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Arts Guild New Jersey
Opening reception:
Prismatic exhibition
1670 Irving Street
(732) 381-7511 or
<http://agnj.org/>

May 12
10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Hot Rods & Harleys
Downtown

8 p.m.
UCPAC
Cirque Le Masque

May 15-16
6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Rabies Clinic
Main St.
Firehouse
Free rabies shots;
dog licensing available
(732) 827-2085

May 17
6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Rabies Clinic
Maple Ave.
Firehouse
Free rabies shots;
dog licensing available

May 17-19
Hamilton Stage
Open House
Preview - TBA

May 18
7:30 p.m.
LightSoundSpace
Ilya Yakushev, piano

8 p.m.
UCPAC
An Evening with
Leon Redbone

May 18-June 2
8 p.m., 2 p.m.
The Piano Loft
U.S. Drag

May 19
7:30 p.m.
LightSoundSpace
Jung Lin, piano

May 28
9 a.m.
Rec Cener
Mayor's 5K Race
(732) 669-3600 or
www.cityofrahway.com

June 7
5 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Irving St.
Music/Car Show

6:30 p.m.
Coralie Dreyer
Senior Center

(732) 827-2016

June 17
1 p.m.-4 p.m.
Arts Guild New Jersey
Opening Reception:
Student, Members &
Faculty - TBA

June 28
8 p.m.
UCPAC
An Evening with
Dave Mason Acoustic

Rabies Clinic

FREE Rabies Vaccinations

May 15 & 16- Main St. Firehouse 6-7 p.m.

May 17 - Maple Ave. Firehouse 6-7 p.m.

All animals must be on a leash or in a carrier accompanied by an adult.

2012 Dog Licenses will also be available for sale.

Fees: \$8.20 for spayed/neutered dogs

\$11.20 for dogs not spayed or neutered



Williams Field Receives New Playground Equipment

Councilmembers Dave Brown and Michael Cox recently visited Williams Field on Lower Alden Drive to inspect the new playground equipment.

The total project budget for the new playground at Williams Field was \$29,031, with 50% paid by the Kid's Recreation Trust Fund Grant and the balance from the City's Community Development program. The amenities include swings, a geodome and other climbers and a composite play structure. The basketball courts will be refurbished this summer, partially funded by the Kids Recreation Trust Fund.





Line Dancing class enjoyed by seniors and taught by Sari Levine at the Rahway Senior Center.



Senior Art Show Artists from the Rahway Senior Center Art Classes enjoyed displaying their art work at the Ninth Annual Art Show opening reception on March 3 at the Rahway Senior Center.



Congratulations to Bob Gering!

Rahway's 2011 Senior of the Year!

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 Proctor's Birthday Breakfast Club

One of the favorite special events run by the Division of Senior Services is Mayor Proctor'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.

Senior Citizen I.D. Card Program

This City wide program to furnish Rahway seniors, ages 62 and older, with free photo identification cards is continuing. To make an appointment call (732) 827-2016. Proof of residency and age will be required at the time of your appointment.

Handyman Program

The Handyman Program is for Rahway Seniors, 62 years and older, who own their own home and earn \$45,500 for a single person household or \$52,000 for a couple. Income limits increase by \$4,000 for each individual person in the household. You can register for this program by filling out a data and income application at the Senior Center. Proof of income and insurance must be provided. Types of repairs that can be done are caulking, repairing a leaky faucet, installing smoke alarms, replacing door handles and minor carpentry. The labor will be free, but the homeowner must supply some materials. No yard work, emergency services, house cleaning or roof repairs will be done.

Estate Attorney

The County of Union Division on Aging has on its staff an experienced Estate Attorney who will visit us on November 17. He will review any existing powers of attorney, advanced medical directives or wills or prepare new documents at no charge. If interested, please contact our office at (732) 827-2016 to set up an appointment.

Senior Citizen Bus Transportation

Transportation is available to all Rahway residents 62 years of age and older. Please call (732) 499-7930 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 12 p.m. to arrange transportation (Shopping, doctors' appointments, etc.)

Computer Class

A new class, Fun on the Internet, will be offered in collaboration with the Rahway Public Library starting May 2 and will run for five weeks. This class is for those who are familiar with the Internet. Each week we will explore interesting Internet applications and websites

Explore New Jersey

On June 20 we will be running a trip to Drumthwacket in Princeton for a 45-minute guided tour. The tour will include the six public rooms that Governor Christie uses for meetings and reception. The rooms include the center hall, dining room, parlor, music room, library and Governor's study. The bus will be leaving from the Senior Center at 10 a.m. and return at approximately 3 p.m. The cost is \$10 and there will be no refunds after June 1. This trip is subject to cancellation should the Governor require the use of the house.

Healthy Lunch Day

Neighborhood Watch will be the topic at the next Healthy Lunch Day to be held on May 31 at the Senior Center. Our speaker will be Detective Bill Eicholz from the Rahway Police Department. The luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. and is free to Rahway Seniors, but tickets are required and limited. Tickets will be available at the Senior Center on Friday, April 27. On June 1 you can sign up to hear a speaker from the New Jersey Citizens Action Group. On June 28, they will discuss mortgage scams and predatory lending. This luncheon is being sponsored by RSI Bank.

Notary Public

The Rahway Senior Center has a Notary Public of New Jersey on the premises. Rahway Senior Citizens 62 years of age and older may avail themselves of this free service.

N.J. Transit Discounts Available

The Rahway Senior Center has applications for seniors 62 and older for N.J. Transit rail and bus transportation discounts. For more information, call the Center at (732) 827-2016.

Organ Concerts

We are continuing with our First Thursday Organ Concerts at the Rahway Senior Center. On May 3 we will be welcoming back Ed Baykowski, who is a long-time member of the Garden State Theatre Organ Society and has performed popular organ music for many years. Equally versatile on theatre pipe organs and Hammond electronic organs, Ed has played for the Monmouth Organ Society, the Shore Organ Society, the Hammond Organ Society of New Jersey, The PENNJ Organ Society, The River City Organ Society in Omaha, NE, as well as the Garden State Theatre Organ Society. He also entertained audiences with his rendition of familiar songs and melodies when he served as organist for the Pascack Theater in Westwood and the Rahway Theatre (now the Union County Performing Arts Center) in Rahway.

On June 7 Coralie Dreyer will make her debut performance at the Rahway Senior Center. Coralie played her first theatre organ at age 5. Her Dad was the organist at the Masonic Temple in Elizabeth, he let her play after the show and she fell in love with the sound! After she learned the basics of piano her Dad began teaching her to play the organ. Coralie has played in many churches in the Union County area, starting at age 11, subbing for the regular musicians. A few years ago, she was on the musician roster at the Union County Arts Center, and entertained the audiences before the show and during intermissions. She was the resident organist in Our Lady of Fatima Church in Piscataway for 25 years. Since retirement, she can follow her muse and play the queen of all instruments.

Both concerts are free and will be held at the Senior Center at 6:30 p.m. on the Wurlitzer Theatre Pipe Organ. This amazing instrument is a 3-manual, 10-rank pipe organ that was originally installed in the Rainbow Room in NYC in 1934 where it entertained patrons until 1954. The pipe work in virtually original condition was lovingly relocated and restored by the Garden State Theater Organ Society.

Come and enjoy an evening of great music performed by talented musicians!



Rahway Senior Clubs Meeting Schedule

The following clubs meet at the Rahway Senior Center:

Retired Men's Club

Meets every Monday at 1 p.m.
Pres. John Klandt
(732) 381-4203

Merck Retirees

Meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m.
Pres. Cliff Lenox
(732) 572-2251

Ladies Golden Age Club

Meets every Wednesday at 12:15 p.m.
Pres. Phyllis Nicholas
(732) 574-1676

A.A.R.P. Chapter #607

Meets 2nd Thursday of the month at 12 p.m.
Pres. Delores Franklin
(732) 499-7986

Union County Minority Task Force

Meets every other 1st Friday of month at 12 p.m.
President Elaine Haith
(732) 428-4800

Blood Pressure Screening

Rahway Senior Center - third Wednesday of month 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
May 16, June 20
July & August - NO SCREENING
September 19, October 17
November 21, December 19

Rahway Library -

First Tuesday of month 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
May 1, June 5, July 3
August 7, September 4,
October 2, November 6,
December 4



CITY OF RAHWAY: FLOOD PROTECTION INFORMATION

THE CITY OF RAHWAY is a participant in a federally subsidized program that enables property owners to purchase flood insurance with a 15% 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 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, Milton Lake, Rahway

Lake 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 will also carry EBS messages.

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.

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 Parkway 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.

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:
<http://www.cityofrahway.com>

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

FEMA Map Service Center:
<http://www.msc.fema.gov>

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

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

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

UNION COUNTY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

AT RAHWAY



Wayne Newton
SATURDAY • APRIL 28 • 8PM

NEW JERSEY BALLET'S
BALLET WITH A LATIN BEAT II
Celebrate Cinco De Mayo
SATURDAY • MAY 5 • 8PM



NEW JERSEY BALLET'S
Sleeping Beauty
SUNDAY
MAY 6 • 3PM



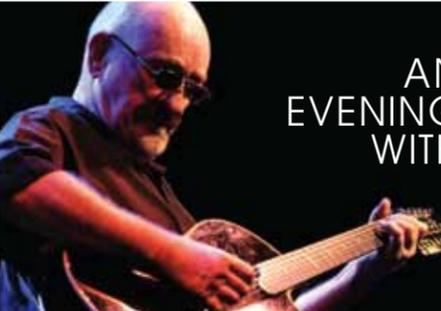
SATURDAY • MAY 12 • 8PM
Cirque Le Masque



AN EVENING WITH
LEON REDBONE
FRIDAY • MAY 18 • 8PM



AN EVENING WITH
Raye Mason
ACOUSTIC
THURSDAY
JUNE 28 • 8PM



CHILDREN'S STAGE ADVENTURES
SUMMER THEATRE CAMP
An opportunity for local students to experience the unforgettable excitement of theatre.
JULY 16 - 20
Starting on Monday, July 16, approximately 50 local students will be cast in Children's Stage Adventures' musical production of **The Sword Called Excalibur**.
Visit ucpac.org to register today or for more information.



The Union County Board Of Chosen Freeholders
presents:
A series of live performances specially designed and adapted for children with autism and related disabilities. Visit ucpac.org for more information.



TOM CHAPIN AND FRIENDS
SUNDAY • JUNE 10 • 2PM

PUSHCART PLAYERS PRESENTS:
LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD AND OTHER STORIES
SUNDAY • OCTOBER 7 • 2PM

NEW JERSEY BALLET PRESENTS:
PINOCCHIO
SUNDAY • NOVEMBER 4 • 2PM

Alliance Rep Theatre Co. presents
U.S. DRAO
A drama by Gina Gionfriddo
Directed by: Michael J. Driscoll
Presented in *The Loft* at UC PAC
MAY 18 - JUNE 20

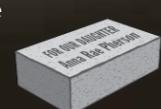


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