

Gregg F. Clyne Foundation Holds Third Fundraiser

WESTFIELD—The Gregg F. Clyne Memorial Foundation, Inc. held its third scholarship fundraiser on March 31 at the Gran Centurions in Clark. Once again, 150 guests came together for a sit-down dinner/fundraiser to celebrate Mr. Clyne's life, legacy and mission.

A video of friends and family sharing loving memories of Mr. Clyne, both amusing and poignant, was the highlight of the evening. There were 75 raffle prize baskets, 14 silent auction items and a live auction (beach house vacation for one week in North Carolina). A money tree, worth more than \$225, also was raffled off. Friends, family, merchants and corporations donated all of these prizes/gifts.

From the time the first "Save the Date" card was sent out in September 2011, \$26,000 was raised (\$11,000 in donations from those who could not attend and \$15,000 at the actual fundraiser). "To hear from many of the guests, as they were leaving the banquet hall, that they couldn't wait for the next fundraiser, was a true testament to the Foundation's mission. Gregg's vision is stronger than ever," read a statement from the Foundation following the event.



Gregg F. Clyne

The Foundation will soon interview students from Westfield High School, Cranford High School, Union Catholic High School and Arthur L. Johnson High School in search of the 2013 recipient/s of Mr. Clyne's scholarship award.

By June of 2013, the Foundation will have awarded and committed to \$71,000 in scholarship awards (scholarships are awarded to the students for up to four years while attending the University of Delaware and provided they continue to meet the criteria). Two Foundation recipients will graduate from the University of Delaware in May 2012.

The Gregg F. Clyne Memorial Foundation, Inc., a non-profit organization, was established in 2008. Just prior to his death in 2006, Mr. Clyne requested that a foundation be set up in his name to give financial support to area high-school students who plan to attend the University of Delaware (his alma mater).

The next scholarship dinner/fundraiser is planned for the fall of 2013. For information regarding the foundation and photos from the March 31 fundraiser, visit greggclynfoundation.com or e-mail gfcfoundation@gmail.com.



HAPPY 60TH ANNIVERSARY, JOAN AND CARL!...Joan and Carl Villane were married 60 years ago today, April 26, 1952, at the Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield. Carl, a lifelong town resident, and the former Joan Serino raised two children, Timothy and Linda (now Mrs. Joseph Dowd), all of Westfield. Before his retirement, Carl, along with his brother, Bill, operated Villane & Sons, Inc., a local construction firm founded by his father, Dominick, in 1950. Joan and Carl are active members of the Westfield Lions Club and the Deutscher Club of Clark.

Golden Agers Reveal Trip To Broadway's George M.

SCOTCH PLAINS – The Scotch Plains Golden Agers Club has planned a trip to the Westchester Broadway Theatre on Wednesday, June 13, for a presentation of the musical *George M.*, which recounts the life of composer and entertainer George M. Cohan.

The show features such songs as "Yankee Doodle Dandy," "Give My Regards to Broadway," "You're a Grand Old Flag" and "Over There," among others.

Tickets are \$68, which include the play; an elegant, three-course lunch with a choice of six entrées, and the bus ride from the Scotch Hills Country Club, which will depart that day at 9:30 a.m. All seats are front row from stage. Payments due to venue request will be required by Thursday, May 3. All are welcome to participate.

The Golden Agers Club year runs from September to June. Club members meet weekly on Thursdays at 10 a.m. at the Scotch Hills Country Club, located at Plainfield Avenue and Jerusalem Road in Scotch Plains. Membership, theater, musical revues

and fun activity trips are available to everyone. For membership details, call Jean DeTore at (908) 889-4121. Trip details are available by calling Mary DeJesso at (908) 654-4512.

JCC to Screen Films At Rialto Theatre

WESTFIELD – The JCC of Central New Jersey will screen two bonus films in its Jewish Film Festival series this spring. Both films will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be shown at the Rialto Theatre in Westfield.

The first, *Nicky's Family*, on Wednesday, May 2, tells the nearly forgotten story of Nicholas Winton, an Englishman who organized the rescue of 669 Czech and Slovak children just before the outbreak of World War II.

The second film, *Mabul* (The Flood), on Thursday, May 17, chronicles the lives of the dysfunctional Rosko family as mistakes of the past and sorrows of the present are confronted.

Full ticket information is available at jccnj.org. Tickets are not available for purchase at the Rialto box office.

Senior Council to Present Awards Luncheon May 3

MOUNTAINSIDE – The 41st Annual Union County Senior Citizens Council Awards Luncheon will take place next Thursday, May 3, at L'Affaire, located at 1099 Route 22 East in Mountainside. *Star-Ledger* 30-year veteran columnist Bob Braun will be the featured speaker.

The luncheon will honor eight senior citizen volunteers for their service and commitment to communities throughout Union County.

The theme of this year's luncheon will be the role of the media. "Traditional media outlets such as television and newspaper have all been impacted by the Internet, which is now a major source of news. How dependable is that Internet content? With the emphasis on immediacy, how will newspapers compete with website delivery? With 30 years as a journalist, we look forward to the insights of Bob Braun," said Board Chairwoman Ellen Steinberg.

Also speaking at the event will be James McCracken, Ombudsman for the Institutionalized Elderly. Recently appointed by Governor Chris Christie, Mr. McCracken will provide an overview of what senior citizens can expect from the state.

The highlight of the Annual Awards Luncheon is the honoring of senior volunteers. Nominated by their clubs for dedicated service, eight volunteers will be recognized. "Each year our seniors look forward

to this event," said Executive Director Richard Stone. "Last year, over 250 people attended."

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a continental breakfast served until 10 a.m. Representatives from multiple private companies, non-profit organizations and government agencies will be on hand to provide information for older adults and their families. There will be a complete sit-down luncheon along with the formal program. Attendees also will be treated to musical entertainment. Special presentations and door prizes will complete the program.

The 41st Annual Awards Luncheon is open to the public. Tickets are \$30 and should be purchased in advance. For more information or to reserve a ticket, call (908) 964-7555. The Senior Citizens Council of Union County is a not-for-profit, grassroots organization devoted to the needs of older Americans and their families.

AARP Chapter Posts

Trip to Showboat

AREA – Rahway's AARP chapter will hold its monthly trip to Atlantic City's Showboat Casino next Thursday, May 3. The cost is \$24 with a \$25 cash voucher. The bus will leave at 8:30 a.m. and return at 6:30 p.m. To reserve a spot, call Irene at (732) 499-7740.

Mr. Banks to Lead St. Paul's Annual Spring Concert

WESTFIELD – Charles M. Banks, Sacred Choral Music conductor and organist at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, will step to the podium on Sunday, May 6, at 7 p.m. to lead the Parish Choir and members of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra in their 26th Annual Spring Concert at

St. Paul's.

Sponsored by the Friends of Music at St. Paul's, this year's event will feature Leonard Bernstein's *Chichester Psalms* plus a concert version of Samuel Barber's *Agnus Dei/Adagio for Strings*. Also featured under Mr. Banks' direction will be guest concert organist Andrew E. Henderson in a rare performance of Enrico Bossi's *Concert Piece for Organ and Orchestra*.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church is located at 414 East Broad Street near Euclid Avenue in Westfield. Parking in the area is free and concert attendees are invited to a gala reception in the parish hall following the event. For more information, call Mr. Banks at (908) 232-8506, extension no. 17, or cbanks@stpaulswestfield.org. A donation of \$15 at the door is suggested.



Charles Banks

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Liam's Room

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Liam's Room would like to thank all of those involved in the planning of the annual Mini Olympics and Home Run Derby event.

Unfortunately, due to the weather, the event was rained out and will not be rescheduled this year.

We hope you will continue your support of Liam's Room by making a contribution to offset the revenue lost and will allow us to continue our work planning for a 2nd Liam's Room at another area hospital.

Donations can be made at www.liamsroom.org or PO Box 461, Westfield, NJ 07091

Thank You!