

Mothers' Center Announces Open House September 23

GARWOOD — New mothers, experienced mothers and mothers-to-be are welcome to the Mothers' Center of Central New Jersey (MCCNJ) Fall Open House on Tuesday, September 23, from 9:30 to 11 a.m., at the Garwood Presbyterian Church. The church is located at 341 Spruce Avenue in Garwood.

The Open House will give mothers an opportunity to meet current members and to sign up for the fall activities MCCNJ offers. Activities this fall include mom-and-baby playgroups, Zumba, book club, Art Exploration, a "Whine & Cheese" party, family hiking and other seasonal events.

Garwood Dem Club Announces Trip To

Monmouth Racetrack

GARWOOD — The Garwood Democratic Club is scheduling "A Day at The Races at Monmouth Park Racetrack" on Saturday, September 27, at noon.

The event will be a fun-filled day of horseracing and barbeque in a private picnic area along the side of the racetrack. Watch your horse run by to win, place or show. Tickets are \$25 each and include racetrack admission, a program, food, water and soda. Attendees can BYOB if you wish. There are typically 10 races a day at Monmouth Park with the last race concluding around 5:30 p.m. Horseracing does not require any previous knowledge of horses or racing. Place bets on the horse's names or number combinations if you want, and there's a winner in every race.

Contact Ann Tarantino at (908) 868-6129 or Sara Todisco at (908-377-7890) by Monday, September 22 to purchase tickets.

MCCNJ is a non-profit, non-sectarian organization providing friendship, education, outreach and support for parents across Central New Jersey. Throughout the year, MCCNJ offers daytime and evening discussion and craft groups, book clubs, morning and afternoon playgroups, library and referral resources and special events.

MCCNJ holds groups and events at the Garwood Presbyterian Church and at the Casano Community Center in Roselle Park. On-site babysitting is available for most daytime activities. A newsletter and other information are available online at cnj.motherscenter.org. MCCNJ also can be reached at (908) 514-8693 or motherscentercnj@gmail.com.

Garwood Seniors Plan San Gennaro Trip

GARWOOD — The Garwood Senior Citizens Club is planning a trip to a San Gennaro Festival at La Neve's in Haledon on Wednesday, September 17. The Jersey Dreamers will present the songs of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and other Italian favorites. Joe DeLuccia and friends will entertain with music while attendees enjoy a specially-prepared Italian meal. Nick DeLuccia will be sure to get everyone up to do the Tarantella as well. The dinner and two complimentary drinks are included in the price, with a wine station available.

The price per ticket is \$50 for Garwood seniors and \$55 for non-resident seniors. The bus will leave at 10 a.m. from the Garwood Firehouse, located at 415 South Avenue, and return at approximately 5 p.m. To reserve a seat, or for more information, call Mary Spina at (908) 789-0127.

Roosevelt Park Plans Underway in CR

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the New Jersey Department Protection (NJDEP) headquarters, 401 East State Street, Trenton, will hold a military veteran's job fair.

Mayor Kalnins urged the public to sign the petition at change.org to support the Army Corp's recommendation for floodwater management along the Rahway River. He along with other public officials had traveled to Washington Wednesday to ask Congress for its support.

At the start of Tuesday's meeting, the Cranford Police Department held a ceremony for the promotion of five police officers. Guy Patterson was promoted to captain; Christopher Polito was promoted to lieutenant; and John Swandrak, Ryan Greco and Steven Toy were promoted to sergeant.

"I am proud of you all," Chief James Wozniak said following the ceremony.

Probitas Verus Honos

Calvary to Celebrate Sunday School Start-up

CRANFORD — The Calvary Lutheran Church, located at 108 Eastman Street in Cranford, will host its Sunday School start-up celebration at 9:30 a.m. this Sunday, September 14. Worship will follow at 10:30 a.m., including a "Blessing of the Backpacks." A church picnic will then take place at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.

The church will return to two services, at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m., the following Sunday, September 21. Sunday school will continue at 9:30 a.m. along with coffee, fellowship and choir practice for adults. For more information, call (908) 276-2418 or visit calvarycranford.com.



POLICE BLOTTER

CRANFORD

Saturday, August 30, Kevin Caviedes, 23, of Edison was arrested and charged with possession of less than 50 grams of suspected marijuana and possession of paraphernalia after a motor vehicle stop on Raritan Road near Moen Avenue. Caviedes was processed and released pending an appearance in Cranford Municipal Court.

Sunday, August 31, Chase Coleman, 25, of Newark was arrested and charged with DWI after a motor vehicle stop on Mohawk Drive near Mohican Place. Coleman was processed and released pending an appearance in Cranford Municipal Court. He also was cited for careless driving and use of a handheld electronic device, police said.

Sunday, August 31, Philip Ruddy, 26, of Rahway was arrested on charges of burglary, theft and criminal mischief after police were notified of a possible burglary in progress at a local electrical/mechanical contractor. According to police, a witness described two persons forcing

entry to the locked facility and removing items from a rear yard, after which both suspects fled on foot prior to police arrival. An officer located Ruddy approximately two blocks away and recovered evidence linking him to the burglary scene, authorities reported. Ruddy was arrested, processed and committed to the Union County jail pending an appearance in Superior Court. Bail was set at \$25,000.

Monday, September 1, Aline Denomme, 37, of Cranford was arrested and charged with DWI, refusal to submit a breath sample, failure to report an accident and leaving the scene of an accident after police were notified of a motor vehicle crash on North Avenue East near Elizabeth Avenue. According to police, one vehicle left the scene and was followed by the second driver, who contacted police, authorities reported. She was processed and released pending an appearance in Cranford Municipal Court. The driver of the second vehicle, a 22-year-old male from Union, was transported to Overlook Medical Center in Summit for evaluation of non-life-threatening injuries, police reported.

'Teddy Bear Picnic' on Tap At Crane-Phillips Sept. 21

CRANFORD — The community is invited to "A Teddy Bear Picnic" on Sunday, September 21, beginning at 2:15 p.m., in the Gardens of the Crane-Phillips House Museum, located at 124 North Union Avenue in Cranford.

Participants are invited to bring a Teddy Bear and a blanket to sit on and enjoy Teddy Bear stories and games in the museum's gardens. Juice and snacks will be provided. This program is intended for small children accompanied by an adult. The rain date is Sunday, September 28.

Admission is free and limited seating is available. Interested persons are asked to respond by Thursday, September 18. To reserve a seat, call the Historical Society's office at (908) 276-0082 or [e-mail cranfordhistoricalsociety@verizon.net](mailto:cranfordhistoricalsociety@verizon.net).

Established in 1928, the Cranford Historical Society, a non-profit organization, has been dedicated to the preservation and perpetuation of Cranford's history. For more information, visit the Historical Society's website at cranfordhistoricalsociety.com.