

## Refugee Assistance Partners To Receive Unity Award

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Union County Human Relations Commission has selected Refugee Assistance Partners (RAP) of New Jersey to receive its 2018 Unity Award for Achievement by a Faith-Based Organization.

The award honors ordinary individuals and organizations who do extraordinary things on behalf of people of Union County, recognizing their programs, services, activities and efforts to foster human rights and relations; to eradicate bias, prejudice and hate; to promote, advance and celebrate the rich cultural diversity of the Union County community, and to touch lives in simple ways with profound impact.

RAP is a non-denominational organization based in Scotch Plains. It is a partnership of religious communities and non-affiliated individuals concerned for the plight of refugees who have been resettled in Union County.

RAP members share their talents, commitment and good will with newly-arrived and settled families. They work closely with other voluntary organizations and professional agencies to provide the most comprehensive support possible. Further, they work to dispel unfounded fear and distrust of refugees by distributing truthful and accurate information and sharing experiences.

Assisting refugees with acclimation may include English-language training, rudimentary schooling, driving to appointments, job training and employment opportunities and finding suitable housing, as well

as other challenges that arise for RAP clients. RAP is a 501(c)(3) public charity.

RAP President Jill Segulin will receive the award during a presentation Monday, May 7, at Kean University in Union. Other officers are Co-Vice-Presidents Anne Goetz and Cantor Darcie Sharlein, Treasurer Nevean Abou-Gharbia and Secretary John Otchy. More information can be found at [refugeeassistancepartnersnj.org](http://refugeeassistancepartnersnj.org).

### FUMC to Host Event About Bangladesh

SCOTCH PLAINS — The First United Methodist Church of Scotch Plains will host "Reflections on Bangladesh - A World Vision Journey" on Saturday, May 12, at 3 p.m. The speaker will be Jim Naugle, a volunteer Child Ambassador for World Vision.

Jim recently returned from a "Vision Trip" to Bangladesh and will share information about Bangladesh and World Vision's work in that country. World Vision is a non-profit Christian humanitarian organization that serves the world's poorest, most vulnerable children in about 100 countries throughout the world.

By tackling the causes of poverty and injustice, World Vision strives to break the cycle of extreme poverty and nurture independent, self-sustaining communities.

The First United Methodist Church of Scotch Plains is located at 1171 Terrill Road. Refreshments will be served.



**GOOD FRIDAY BENEFIT...** Msgr. John M. Walsh Council No. 5437 of the Knights of Columbus held a benefit Fish Fry on Good Friday, March 30. Grand Knight Mike Collings, right, and Treasurer Tom Karmol, left, present Msgr. Ron Marczewski, pastor of the Church of St. Anne in Garwood and chaplain of the Council, with a check for the proceeds of the event, to benefit the parish community at St. Anne.

## Wine Tasting-Auctions To Benefit Center For Hope

WESTFIELD/SCOTCH PLAINS

— The Center for Hope Hospice and Palliative Care Auxiliary is preparing for its Annual Wine Tasting, with both a silent and live auction, to be held on Sunday, May 20. The event will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. at 16 Prospect Wine Bar and Bistro, located at 16 Prospect Street, Westfield. Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased by calling Helga at (908) 889-6287 or by visiting the Center for Hope website at [cfhh.org](http://cfhh.org).

As in years past, guests will be treated to passed hors d'oeuvres and glasses of various wines. The live auction will include items such as Yankee tickets, rounds of golf for four, a stay in a Florida condominium, a signed Jets football and a hot-air balloon ride. A silent auction will highlight wine baskets, local restaurant gift certificates, electronics, a craft beer basket and many other items.

The profits from the event go directly to support the Center for Hope Hospice and Palliative Care. A not-for-profit organization located in Scotch Plains, the Center provides loving care for terminally ill patients and their families along with palliative care for patients with chronic conditions. This care is provided at two resident facilities in

Elizabeth and Scotch Plains. Home care also is available for patients who prefer to remain in their own home. Services are given regardless of a patient's financial situation, age, race, religion or ethnicity.

Each year the Auxiliary supports the Center through various fund-raising events and its thrift store, The Hope Chest, located at 26 Prospect Street, Westfield. The Hope Chest accepts donations of gently-used men's and women's clothing, shoes, books, housewares and artwork. The Auxiliary always welcomes new members. For membership information, visit or call The Hope Chest at (908) 233-9973.

### Caregivers Meeting Set Monday Evening

WESTFIELD — A support group for those caring for elderly or chronically ill loved ones will meet on Monday, May 7. This group meets on the first non-holiday Monday of each month, at 7:30 p.m., in the parish center of St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church on Lamberts Mill Road in Westfield.

These are information and sharing sessions. For more information, call Marilyn Ryan at (908) 233-8757.

## Genealogical Soc. to Learn About Civil War Archives

WESTFIELD — The Genealogical Society of the West Fields invites the public to join Catherine Stearns Medich at its meeting next Thursday, May 10. Ms. Medich will speak on resources relating to the Civil War held by the New Jersey State Archives. This will include regimental records, muster rolls, payments to support the war effort, and photographs. The meeting, beginning at 1 p.m., will be held at the Westfield Memorial Library, located at 550 East Broad Street.

Ms. Medich is a reference archivist with the New Jersey State Archives with 20 years of public service. She is integral in managing the reference

section of the Archives and assisting users with the many, varied collections maintained at the State Archives. Ms. Medich has particular knowledge of the military collections, including the state's Civil War collections and the New Jersey State Militia records, which she also was responsible for processing and organizing.

Ms. Medich is a frequent guest speaker at local genealogical conferences and clubs, where she reviews and explains the types of records held at the New Jersey State Archives and how to access them.

A graduate of Dickinson University with a bachelor's degree in history, Ms. Medich also holds two master's degrees from Rutgers University, in art history and library service. Light refreshments will follow the meeting.

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**SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
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SCOTCH PLAINS, NEW JERSEY 07076

#### ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY INFORMATION

April 30 - The Scotch Plains-Fanwood School District has announced it has information available for citizens interested in running for a vacant seat on the board of education.

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education will have **three 3-year terms open for Scotch Plains** in the November 2018 Annual School Election. Mrs. Saridaki, spokesperson for the school board, announced today.

Candidates must file a nominating petition with the Office of the Union County Clerk located at 2 Broad Street, Room 113 in Elizabeth to get their name on the ballot for the Annual School Election. The current deadline to submit the nominating petition is **Monday, July 30, 2018 before 4:00 pm**. The election is scheduled for Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

Prospective school board candidates can download candidate information from the New Jersey Boards Association's website at **NJSBA School Board Candidate Kit**. The School Board Candidate Kit includes information about nominating petitions, legal qualifications for school board candidacy, and the role of the school board member. Information about the New Jersey School Ethics Act and important dates in the school election process are also included.

On March 31, 2014, a temporary injunction was issued and summarized as follows:

- the circulator for nomination petitions is not required to be a registered voter or resident of the jurisdiction, however, such circulator is required to be "voter eligible", meaning he or she satisfies the age, citizenship and in-state residency requirements.

Please be advised that any person requesting information on becoming a School Board Candidate may go to the County Clerk's website at [www.ucnj.org/county-clerk/](http://www.ucnj.org/county-clerk/).

**CONTACT:** Deborah S. Saridaki  
Business Administrator  
Board Secretary  
1 T - 5/3/18, The Times Fee: \$48.45

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

**BOROUGH OF FANWOOD PLANNING BOARD**

Please take notice that on March 23, 2018 at 7:30 PM at the Fanwood Borough Hall, located at 75 North Martine Avenue, Fanwood, New Jersey, the Planning Board will hold a hearing on the application of the undersigned. The property in question is located at: 165 Vinton Circle, Fanwood, New Jersey, also known as Block 118 Lot 22, as shown on the Fanwood Tax Map, owned by Marc and Margaret Chelnik.

The applicant requests addition and renovation to existing single family residence. Variance required for proposed five foot side yard setback for 2-story side/front addition to accommodate 2-car garage. Second floor addition to the front of the property is to be built over existing 1st floor garage footprint below. New family room addition proposed in rear yard with new masonry patio and wood deck. New open, covered porch at the front entry. New 3rd floor dormer on front facade. Modifications to existing asphalt driveway. Existing shed at rear yard to be removed which is in violation of:

Section 184-115(E5) of the Fanwood Land Use Code. Variance Requested: Side Yard Setback; Permitted: Minimum 9 feet (13%); Present: 16.8 feet; Proposed: 5 feet.

Section 184-115(E2) of the Fanwood Land Use Code. Variance Requested: Lot Width; Permitted: 75.00; Present: 70.01; Proposed: 70.01.

The applicant will also seek such other relief as may be determined necessary at the public hearing based upon review of the application or amendment(s) to the application.

The file pertaining to this application is available for public inspection during normal business hours (8 AM - 4 PM, Monday through Friday) from the Secretary of the Planning Board at the Administration Office of the Borough of Fanwood at 75 North Martine Avenue, Fanwood, New Jersey.

Any interested party may appear at said hearing and participate therein in accordance with the rules of the Fanwood Planning Board.

Applicant:  
Marc Chelnik  
165 Vinton Circle  
Fanwood, New Jersey 07023

Attorney for Applicant:  
Michael S. Doran, Esq.  
959 S. Springfield Ave  
Springfield, New Jersey 07081  
1 T - 5/3/18, The Times Fee: \$51.00

## Training to Be Provided In Mental Health First Aid

WESTFIELD — Caring Contact, a crisis hotline that serves Northern and Central New Jersey, will offer Mental Health First Aid Training in Westfield this month. Attendees will learn the risk factors, warning signs and symptoms for a range of mental health problems and what to do when they encounter a person in mental health crisis.

The training is described as ideal for first responders, educators, clergy, leaders of community groups and business professionals as well as for families with loved ones suffering from mental illness or mental health issues.

The eight-hour course will be presented in two, four-hour sessions on consecutive Tuesdays, May 15 and May 22, from 6 to 10 p.m. each evening. It will take place at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield, located at 140 Mountain Avenue.

"Too often we think mental illness applies only to those with serious issues; for example, someone who is exhibiting easily recognizable symptoms or someone under a physician's care," said Janet Sarkos, Caring Contact executive director.

"But people experiencing mental health issues are all around us, perhaps among our friends and neighbors, co-workers, classmates or even within our own family. Yet too many of us are not trained to recognize the signs and offer help. This training enables you to do that."

The value for the course is \$150. Caring Contact is offering the training for \$75. To learn more or to register, visit [caringcontact.org/training-registration/](http://caringcontact.org/training-registration/) or call (908) 301-1899.

Caring Contact is an award-winning, volunteer-staffed caring and crisis hotline providing active listening support and best-in-class education to the Central and Northern New Jersey community. Listeners serve those in emotional distress and educate communities about the power of personal connection. Caring Contact is affiliated with CONTACT USA, the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and the American Association of Suicidology. Anyone in crisis and in need of someone to listen is urged to call Caring Contact at (908) 232-2880. To learn more, visit [caringcontact.org](http://caringcontact.org).



**GREEN THUMBS...**Members of the Garden Club of Westfield plant personal herb gardens April 18 at Dreyer Farms in Cranford. Pictured, from left to right, are: Margaret Allen, Elaine Puma, Mary Lou Stevens, Merrilyn Crane and Cathleen LaMond.

## Miller-Cory Museum Plans Mother's Day Craft, Tours

WESTFIELD — The Miller-Cory House Museum will present "Mother's Day Craft and House Tours" this Sunday, May 6, between 2 and 4 p.m. The museum is located at 614 Mountain Avenue, Westfield.

Children will be able to make a colorful bouquet of festive paper flowers for that special someone. Volunteers will be available to guide visitors through the fully-furnished, pre-revolutionary farmhouse, built in 1740. Members of the Cooking Committee will demonstrate authentic 18th-century open-hearth cooking using colonial-era recipes and techniques. The craft is appropriate for ages 6 through elementary school.

Admission is \$4 for visitors age 13 and older, \$3 for ages 3 to 12, and free for those under age 3. No reservations are required; however, the museum requests that groups of 10 or larger call in advance to arrange a specific time for visiting.

Upcoming Sunday programs include "The History of Silhouettes and Craft for Children" on May 20, and the last program of the museum's season, "Father's Day Craft and House Tours," on June 3. The museum's annual "Aunt Carrie's Attic Sale" is scheduled for Saturday, May 26, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., rain or shine. The public is invited to attend the sale and to donate items such as housewares, books (excluding textbooks), linens, toys, bric-a-brac or small furniture pieces for the sale. The museum is not accepting clothing or electronics. Individuals may call the museum in advance to arrange drop-off of items.

For more information, call the museum office weekday mornings at (908) 232-1776 or e-mail [millercoreymuseum@gmail.com](mailto:millercoreymuseum@gmail.com). The website is [millercoreyhouse.org](http://millercoreyhouse.org). Details on all programs also may be found on the museum's Facebook page.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

**TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

In accordance with the ordinances of the Township of Cranford, and the statutes of the State of New Jersey, Notice is hereby served upon you that an application for development, Application No. ZBA-18-004 to be located in Zone: R-3, on the premises known as 27 Windsor Place, Cranford, New Jersey 07016, Block No. 252, Lot No. 10, has been submitted by: Charles Shaw of 27 Windsor Place, Cranford, New Jersey 07016.

The proposed development involves and requires the granting of relief from the following requirements of the ordinance so as to permit: It is our intent to build a 12 foot x 22.8 foot dining room off the kitchen in the back of the home. We are requesting a 3 foot variance for this dining room and any additional relief that may be required from the board.

The Zoning Board will conduct a public hearing on this matter on May 14, 2018 at 8:15 p.m. in Room 107 of the Cranford Township Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey. Any person or persons affected by this application will have an opportunity to present any objections to the proposed development. The Board does, however, have the right to exclude repetitious testimony.

All documents relating to this application may be inspected by the public Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in the Planning/Zoning Department, Cranford Township Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey.

Applicant:  
Charles Shaw  
27 Windsor Place  
Cranford, New Jersey 07016  
1 T - 5/3/18, The Leader Fee: \$37.23



**SPRING BLOOMS...**Hundreds of geraniums and other plants are ready for the sale at Mountainside's Deacon Andrew Hetfield House. The plant sale will be held from Thursday, May 3, through Sunday, May 6, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, while supplies last.

## Geranium-Plant Sale Kicks Off Today at Hetfield House

MOUNTAINSIDE — The Mountainside Historic Committee's annual geranium and plant sale is set for Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 3 through 6, at the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day while supplies last.

Proceeds support the fund-raising efforts of the Mountainside Restoration Committee, also known as the Mountainside Historic Committee, including restoration of the Levi Cory House and Hetfield House.

"This year we will have a variety of geranium colors to satisfy every

taste with a beautiful selection of hanging baskets," said Ruth Goense, Historic Restoration Committee vice-chairperson and plant sale organizer. "We will also have some smaller flowering plants. There'll be something for everyone, especially for Mother's Day gifts."

Each plant is hand-picked by the committee's garden experts, who visit the grower and select only the best plants for this sale.

The Deacon Andrew Hetfield House is located at Constitution Plaza (Watchung Avenue, off Birch Hill Road), adjacent to the Mountainside Public Library. The Mountainside Restoration Committee is a committee of volunteers affiliated with the Borough of Mountainside whose purpose is to restore and maintain the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House and Levi Cory House and to collect and save historic information and items from destruction. For further information, call (908) 789-9420 or go to [mountainsidehistory.org](http://mountainsidehistory.org).

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

**TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS PLANNING BOARD**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,** that the Planning Board of the Township of Scotch Plains will hold a public hearing on **May 14, 2018, at 7:30 p.m.**, at the Municipal Building, 430 Park Avenue, First Floor Council Chambers to consider the application of 2590 Route 22, LLC who is seeking Preliminary and Final Site Plan approval for property located at 2586 & 2590 Route 22, Block 4703, Lots 1 and 2, B-3 Highway Business Zone. The Applicant proposes to merge Lots 1 and 2 into a single Lot 1.01, demolish an existing two-story masonry building on Lot 1, remove an existing garage and existing pavement (in various locations), renovate an existing one-story brick building for appliance sales and showroom, and inventory storage, and repair or replace the existing free-standing sign with a conforming free-standing sign at about the same location. Variances are required for failing to provide the total number of required parking spaces (30 are required, and 27 are proposed), minimum required front yard, side yard and rear yard set-backs (pre-existing, non-conforming conditions), and proposing some parking spaces in the front yard setback area. The Applicant will seek any other variances that are deemed to be necessary at the time of the hearing, including any waivers, exceptions, interpretations and other relief necessary to allow the Applicant's proposed use of the property, such relief will be considered at the time for the hearing.

The application, plans and related papers are on file in the Office of the Planning Board and are available for inspection during regular office hours (Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.). All interested persons may be present and be heard at said hearing in accordance with the rules of the Planning Board.

Shannon Rapant  
Land Use Secretary  
1 T - 5/3/18, The Times Fee: \$25.50

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

**TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS PLANNING BOARD**

TAKE NOTICE, that on Monday, April 9, 2018, the Planning Board of the Township of Scotch Plains, Union County, New Jersey, approved New Circular Wireless, PCS, LLC (AT&T) for twelve (12) month extensions of time for prior approvals to temporarily locate its wireless communication facilities at 1610 Raritan Road, Block 14001, Lot 1, R-1 Residential Zone ("Ashbrook Nursing Home Site"), and 1371 Terrill Road, Block 12001, Lots 4, 5, 6 & 7, R-1 Residential Zone ("Parker Greenhouse Site"). The Resolutions memorializing said approvals were duly presented and adopted by the Planning Board at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 23, 2018, confirming the addition of T-Mobile Northeast, LLC ("T-Mobile") as an applicant who benefits from the said approvals and extensions. A copy of the said Resolutions have been filed in the office of the Planning Board and/or the office of the municipal clerk and are available for public inspection.

Shannon Rapant  
Land Use Secretary  
1 T - 5/3/18, The Times Fee: \$25.50

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