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## Sign Right Up for Your Flu Shot

By Sidna B. Mitchell

It's almost flu season so you can be ready by first marking your calendar for Oct. 3 or Oct. 10 for your flu shot. According to Elizabeth (Liz) Caruso, nurse manager for the Rossmoor Health Services, the flu shots will be given between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Ballroom on Friday, Oct. 3 and between 1-5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 10. A flyer went out the first week in August with details.

Next, you will need to register online at https:// tinyurl.com/5ccj4nxh or by stopping by the Health Care Center and filling out the appropriate paperwork to select an appointment time. The nurses can accommodate walk-ins on the day of the shots, but they have to wait until those who have registered are taken care of before others will be given the vaccine. Shut-ins may be able to receive shots at home by contacting the Nurses Office at 609-655-2220.

At the time of your appointment, be sure to bring your current health insurance cards (primary and secondary) and your driver's license or identification card.

The Rossmoor Nurses Office is open seven days a week from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. for a variety of services including blood pressure and lab work. Call 609-655-2220 if you have any questions.



Elena Abdou in a scene from "Grand Horizons" at Playhouse 22.

# Nominated for Outstanding Lead Actress in a Play

By Terre Martin

Rossmoor resident, actress, singer, and neighbor, Elena Abdou, has been nominated for a Perry Award by The New Jersey Association of Community Theaters (NJACT). The NJACT Perry Awards are given for outstanding achievement in New Jersey Community Theater. Elena was nominated for her lead performance in the play "Grand Horizons," which was performed at Playhouse 22 in East Brunswick, NJ. The award ceremony will take place this month.

The premise of the play is how a family is thrown into turmoil when the wife decides to leave her marriage after 50 years. While it is billed as a comedy, the story is also shocking and painfully honest. It takes a hard and intimate look at the unpredictable and enduring nature of love.

Elena has performed in various shows in and around Middlesex County, including an outstanding performance as the Mother Superior in "The Sound of Music." Her soprano voice was chilling as she sang "Climb Every Mountain." In addition to her theater work, she is a cantor at her church, does voice over acting, and is an adjunct faculty member at Middlesex College.

# **Grandparents Times Two**



Happy grandparents Betty Hornig and Jean Dunham

By Mary Jane Brubaker

lean Dunham and Betty Hornig have a few things in common; for example, they are both in the Croquet Club - but that pales in comparison to the most important thing they have in common their grandchildren, Chad and Haley. Because 27 years ago, Jean's son, Jay, married Betty's daughter,

Tiffany.

Since that fateful day, Jean and Betty have taken many a road trip together visiting their children and grandchildren as the young family moved from New Jersey to Florida to Indiana to Tennessee, back to Florida and Virginia, back to Florida, to where they currently reside

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# To Egypt, Where It All Began

By Carol De Haan

Two years ago our neighbor, Dr. Sharon Morgan of Mutual 5, joined a colleague to fly out of JFK Airport for 13 exhausting, nonstop hours to Cairo, Egypt. This began the trip of a lifetime, to the land where began almost everything we know of civilization.

Cairo is the largest city in

### Computer Club's September **General Meeting**

By Cathleen Norback

Please join us for our upcoming Computer Club General Meeting scheduled for Monday, Sept. 15. Our topic month will be "Decluttering Your Technology." The speaker will be Dean Klimek, Interim Director, Technology and Adult Services, Cranbury Public Library.

Dean will focus on how in (Continued on page 5)

Africa, and maybe the world, with 18 million residents. Traffic is so overwhelming that a few major roads were built as doubledeckers. With very few traffic lights in the city, a driver gets creative: he tends to steer with his right arm, leaving the left arm to hang out the open window for signaling to other drivers. Egyptians are amiable people and somehow every driver eventually gets wherever he needs to go.

(Dr. Morgan, who spent four days in Cairo, never saw a woman driver.)

The hotels are modern with all amenities, excellent food, and a pleasant, English -speaking staff.

Big on the list was a visit to the vast Giza plateau on which sit the Sphinx and the three huge pyramids. Surprisingly, the city has expanded right up to the edge of that plateau, making it es-



Dr. Sharon Morgan in front of the Sphinx.

sential to protect the monuments from potential vandalism. Police officers patrol the grounds on camelback.

Egyptians love their camels and decorate them with ribbons, pompoms, and brightly colored blankets.

Like many tourists, Dr. Morgan opted for a camel ride around the pyramids. All went well until she realized the guide had dropped the

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# at the governors' meeting



#### **BOARD OF GOVERNORS** AUGUST 21, 2025, **MEETING**

The August meeting of the RCAI Board of Governors was held at 9 a.m. in the Clubhouse Hawthorne Room. Approximately 50 residents attended with 20 watching the meeting online.

Secretary Lori Moses called the roll. A motion was made to accept the Thursday July 17, 2025, BOG meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

#### President's Report

President Jolly thanked the retiring editors and staff of the Rossmoor news for their years of dedicated service. Mr. Tom Curry handed out certificates of appreciation to Carol De Haan, Jean Hovenour, Anne Rotholz, Helene Gray, and Linda and Alex Monaco. The current Rossmoor News editor Mary Jane Brubaker also thanked the group and announced they would be recognized with a planting of five new trees in their honor on the golf course through donated funds.

#### **Treasurers Report**

Treasurer John Craven discussed the financial reports for June and July stating as of July 31 the budget variance is \$424,401 under budget. He mentioned it is greater at this point but will adjust downward as the year progresses. He stated that income and expenses are on track.

#### **Management Report**

General Manager Tom Curry reported the 2026 budget process is underway with department managers examining current and end-ofyear projections. He reminded everyone of the Sept. 15 Township Bulk Collection Day in Rossmoor. He

announced that both the concrete sidewalk replacement project and the asphalt parking lot replacement project will begin after Labor Day. The Nautilus Court storm water sewer line 24 inches backflow preventer installation was scheduled for this week but has been delayed due to rain.

Residents were reminded to update their email and phone numbers with the Administration office, and he reminded residents to check the Clubhouse news, Channel 26, and read their emails to learn about all the great upcoming E&R events.

Mr. Curry reported on golf maintenance department, where 15 repairs were needed in the irrigation system in July. The course's new golf robotic mowers are saving valuable labor thereby allowing staff to keep the course in top shape. Golf memberships for 2026 are now available for new members that allow golfers to play beginning September of 2025.

Mr. Curry reported on a dog incident in Mutual Three that has created unsubstantiated stories. He said that he had spoken with the Monroe Township Animal Control Officer. The officer could not provide information because the incident was still being investigated. He reported that Mutual Three directors have a meeting scheduled with their Attorney on Friday, Aug. 22 to discuss the matter.

Curry explained why a section of new flooring in Hawthorn Room was pulled up. Moisture emanating from the concrete slab floor has damaged the new flooring adhesive. Our designer and floor installation company owner were on hand to explain the problem and how they are planning to test for moisture content and hopefully readhere the flooring soon.

#### **Committee Reports**

Maintenance Committee Chair John Sarnecky mentioned a concern raised at the meeting about proper storage of E-bikes in the community. Administration is investigating the concern with Monroe Fire District fire prevention officer.

Community Affairs chair Joann Casper discussed upcoming E&R events and upcoming Health Care Center events.

#### **New Business Resolution 2025-28 Five** Year independent **Contractor Agreement for** Landscape and Snow **Removal Services**

A motion was made to authorize a five-year contract on behalf of the association with High Tech Landscaping for basic landscape services excluding sales tax and extra services at a cost of \$5,314,957.60 and utilize their snow removal services as per contract prices. The motion was seconded and after a discussion it was passed unanimously.

#### **Directors Comments:**

Mutual Six Director Mueller stated he appreciated the recent ice cream truck that stopped at the pool. He then reported rat sightings in his mutual including one in a home. Mr. Curry discussed current bait stations in the community, potential causes for the sudden increase and stated the community's exterminator has been on site and resolved the issue concerning the unit involved. Much discussion followed.

#### **Resident Comments:**

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Mutual One resident raised a concern regarding the lawn and weeds around her home.

A resident asked about air

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# Bits & Pieces

By Sue Ortiz

You know that feeling when you walk into the Ballroom on a Friday night, the music's pumping, the lights are low, and everyone's ready to dance like nobody's watching? It's pure magic. But here's the thing-those three hours of fun don't just happen. They're the result of weeks (sometimes months) of planning, organizing, and a whole lot of behind-thescenes hustle.

Contrary to what it might seem, these Friday Night Dances aren't spontaneous little pop-up parties. Nope. They're carefully orchestrated events that take a ton of time, energy, and coordination. From booking entertainment to printing tickets, it's a full-on production.

Let's start with Clubhouse Manager Melissa. She's the entertainment scout extraordinaire. She spends hours researching performers bands, singers, DJs-you name it. Some are new to our community, others are familiar faces. Their fees vary wildly, which is why ticket prices can range from \$10 to \$15 or more. It's not just about the music; it's about insurance, contracts, deposits, and making sure everything's squared away legally before anyone sets foot in the venue.

And yes, we're often booking talent a year in advance. That means we're already thinking about next August while you're still deciding what to wear to this month's dance.

Once we've got the entertainment locked in, we check the Ballroom calendar. We need a full day free so we can decorate, set up tables, and make sure everything looks fabulous. Then comes the budgeting: How many tickets do we need to sell to break even? Are we serving coffee? Snacks? A dessert buffet? Will there be decorations or prizes? That all gets factored into the ticket price.

Advertising kicks off months before the event. We design colorful flyers, post them on Facebook, and update Channel 26. We even put copies in the carousel outside the E&R office, hoping they'll catch your eye and spark some excitement.

Now, about those tickets. I personally design and print each one-tiny little 2.5 inch x 3 inch masterpieces on business card stock. They're numbered, legible, and packed with all the info you need. (And yes, the cancellation policy is printed on the back, just in case.) It's a bit of an art form, squeezing all that detail onto such a small canvas. Maybe one day they'll be collector's items—who knows?

We also set up a spreadsheet to track who buys tickets and how they pay. Our finicky cash register gets programmed with the event name and ticket price (by yours truly), and everything has to balance when I cash out at the end of the week. It's a love/hate relationship, but we make it work.

Each dance has a designated call-in date and timeusually the Monday before the event, right during our lunchtime. Miss the window, and you might end up on the waiting list. And yes, sometimes that list is long. But hey, better to be on it than out of luck entirely.

Once tickets are reserved, we wait for everyone to come in and pay. Some of you are super prompt, others wait until the last minute, and a few forget altogether. If you don't pay by the deadline, we move on to the waitlist-so don't forget!

Want to sit with your friends? We've got a form for that. If you've got at least eight people, we'll reserve a table for you. Less than that, and we'll do our best to seat you together.

Now comes the real challenge: table placement. It's like solving a logic puzzle with a dash of drama. Table A wants to be near the entrance. Tables B and C want to be next to A but not near F. Mr. Weeble doesn't get along with Mr. Amblin, and Miss Ferdinand is feuding with Mrs. Marshall. It's a delicate dance of diplomacy and spatial awareness. Honestly, we could use Sheldon Cooper's help.

Of course, by the end of the night, everyone's min-

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Mary Jane Brubaker, Chair Allen Kobezak Terre Martin Rosemary Masella Sidna Mitchell

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#### **Open RCAI Meetings in September**

Thursday, September 11 Standing Committee Meetings Maintenance Committee - 9:30 a.m. Community Affairs Committee - 10:30 a.m.

> **Board of Governors Meeting** Thursday, September 18 – 9 a.m.

It will be an in-person meeting and will be held via Zoom.

Please watch Channel 26 on your TV or on www.rcainj.com for more information.

**The Rossmoor News Deadline** is the 7th of every month.

# 2026 Budget Planning Process Under Way

By Tom Curry, General Manager

As the decades have passed, we have all heard someone's inflation story. My inflation story involves my dad sending me to the corner station to get gas for the lawn mower. In 1970 for under one dollar. I could buy a gallon of gas, a Slurpee, and a bag of Doritos. Today that would cost almost eight dollars. The stories are fun to tell, but the cost-of-living increases impact seniors harder than others, especially those who are on fixed incomes.

Like everything else the cost of operating a community association goes up with inflation. At home, costs increase a little every day, so you do not immediately feel it. Whereas the annual association budget hits all at once in January. That abrupt change causes some owners to question the need.

Failing to have a budget that follows inflationary rates can cause associations to become fiscally challenged. They may not be able to make needed changes or improvements as costs rise higher. All it takes is one unexpected expense and their entire budget plan can become irrelevant. Planned projects wind up being canceled to pay for everyday needs. Directors might even choose to use a one-time special assessment for the unexpected expense.

None of the mutuals or RCAI face the same situation from one year to the next. Changes in the economy, in the weather, and in the condition of specific common elements, along with reserve study recommendations can make one year's budget look quite different from the previous years.

Each September Rossmoor begins its annual budget process. The mutual directors and RCAI's finan-

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ple they swore they wouldn't

On party day, the custodi-

ans set up tables, leaving

room for the dance floor. In the

afternoon, Sebrena works her

decorating magic with table-

cloths and themed décor. Just

before showtime, we fill ice

buckets, set out water pitch-

ers, and brew coffee. (Oops-

forgot the milk! Cue a last-

Each table gets a fun name

to match the theme—like

"Baywatch Brigade" or "Loony

Dunes"-and I design match-

ing signs. We post a seating

chart on the Ballroom doors so

you know where to sit. Ever

notice that? Just another little

detail to make your night

Then, the lights dim, the

music starts, and the party

begins. For three glorious

hours, it's all about dancing,

laughing, and enjoying the

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cial team devote a lot of time creating budgets.

To properly budget, RCAI and the mutuals must distinguish between required service obligations found in their governing documents, the needs of the community, and residents' expectation of levels of service.

RCAI's budget is even more complicated; aside from all the shared contractual services provided to the mutuals, it must account for employee salaries and benefits, the Maintenance Department operational costs, the Clubhouse's educational and recreational programs plus amenity costs, and the daily operational costs of a large membership-driven professional golf course.

Each new budget cycle begins with a review of the first seven months of the current year and estimations of what may be spent by the year end. Projecting those total costs can be a simple calculation if costs have not varied much over several years, but at other times it requires careful examination and discussions with staff and contractors to estimate the rest of the year's expenses.

To develop a new budget, our mutuals utilize a combination of budgeting methods that examine historical trends with some zero-based budgeting, examining budget line items, and determining if it is needed. If so, the line item is set at zero and is then built back by determining the cost for each anticipated expense.

Historical budgeting assumes the budget line items are needed; it examines multiple years of expenses and adjusts based on the record plus expected inflation. Many of the historical budget lines within the mutuals and RCAI's budget are contractual with built-in increases each year for required ser-

After the final song plays and the crowd starts to clear, we pack up, clean up (thanks for helping!), and head home for a well-earned rest. Thankfully, it's Saturday tomorrow.

Sure, there are always a few grumbles—someone didn't like their seat, the music was too loud, or the room was too warm. But most of you have a blast, and that's what keeps us going. You keep coming back, and we keep planning the next one.

So next time you're grooving on the dance floor, just know: it took a whole lot of love, effort, and coordination to make it happen. And we wouldn't have it any other way.

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"A dream doesn't become reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination, and hard work." – Colin Powell (American statesman, b. 1937)

"The last thing you want is to not be recognized for all of the hard work you put in." – The Weeknd (Canadian musician, b. 1990) vices such as landscape, trash, exterminators, cable tv, auditors, attorneys, and insurance.

After dozens of meetings between the mutual directors and the RCAI financial team, the mutual budgets are presented at their annual November mutual budget meetings. The RCAI Budget is presented at the monthly RCAI Board of Governors October meeting, with the last version approved at the November RCAI Board meeting.

Residents are urged to become more involved with their community by attending their mutual meetings and the RCAI monthly committee meetings on the second Thursday of the month and the monthly Board of Governors meeting that is held on the third Thursday of the month.

#### **Grandparents**

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in Nanuet, N.Y. The two friends reportedly had many adventures during those long road trips, but neither one is talking. Apparently, what happens on a road trip, stays on the road trip.

Grandparents Day is Sept. 7. Happy Grandparents Day to one and all. May there be many road trips in your future!

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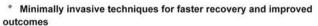
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# Around the Clubhouse

By Mary Jane Brubaker

While there's still some summer fun to be had in the pool, Clubhouse Manager Melissa Barnard and her staff have been working hard to ensure there is an expansive calendar of activities in the works for the fall and winter seasons.

"Over the past three years, we've had a bit of flexibility with the pool that's enabled us to offer extended evening hours in the summer and to keep the pool open for the first week or two in September, weather permitting. So, if the weather holds, the pool will be open until early to mid-September."

Meanwhile, one of the big new events coming this fall is a performance of the MidAtlantic Men. "This is a real coup for us," says Melissa. "We worked in conjunction with surrounding communities, and we each agreed to guarantee a concert within a defined time period so we each got a reduced price which made this in demand group affordable."

The MidAtlantic Men, composed of a Brit, Simon Pearl, and two Americans, J.D. Daw and Julian Diaz-Granados, perform hits made famous in the U.K. and in the U.S., by Queen, Elvis Presley, Elton John, Tina Turner, and the Beatles. This concert is being held at the Meeting House. Tickets are \$20 each and must be purchased in person at E&R, at which point seat selection will take place.

Another popular event is the Friday Night Dance Party. "Our dance parties typically sell out within 30 minutes of going on sale," says Melissa. "Our next dance is on Sept. 19, and we will begin selling tickets on Tuesday, Sept. 9 at 12:15 p.m. We limit tickets to two per manor and you must call the office at 609- 655-3232 and get through to one of our staff to reserve tickets. If you

call and get a busy signal, you should hang up and immediately dial again until you get through. That's really the best bet you have of getting tickets for our dance parties."

Perhaps the biggest event coming this fall is the annual Charity Exchange on Nov. 1, where the Clubhouse is transformed into a massive marketplace and just about anything you could possibly want to purchase is available for a song. Start looking through your homes now for items you would like to donate. You'll be able to drop your items off at the Clubhouse in late October. We'll be highlighting details about this event and some of the volunteers who help make it happen in each issue of the Rossmoor News from now through December.

And while Melissa and her team will be organizing and coordinating all these activities and more, they will also be working on the next component of the Clubhouse Redesign Project. "I am so pleased with how the Hawthorn Room and corridor of the Redesign

Project has turned out," says Melissa. "In addition to the interior design work, we've also added a new sound system to the Hawthorn Room, which really maximizes its utility as a multi-functional space for everyone. Our next project is the Dogwood Room. Our current plan is to reduce the size of that kitchen and reconfigure the large storage closet. This will enhance the space for groups who meet there. This

phase's completion is anticipated before our Charity Exchange."

For detailed information about everything that is happening at the Clubhouse, stop by the E&R Department, check out Channel 26 or the community Facebook page under, "Rossmoor Clubhouse NJ". They maintain an open-door policy and welcome your questions, insight, and feedback.

# Saluting Our Rossmoor Veterans – The Ernie Mogor Story, Part 2

By Jim Wilson

As the 76<sup>th</sup> Division advanced, Ernie Mogor and the other GIs went through huge fields that were filled with landmines. "You did not know where they were until we witnessed some of the men walking through the field and all of a sudden you hear 'BOOM.' How do you find a mine? Very carefully. You probe. You take your bayonet, and you probe in the dirt."

The landmines were made

of metal and if Ernie or his men hit something metallic, it was probably a mine. As long as they avoided the tiny pin that would trigger it, they were safe and would mark the spot with a flag. "You put the flag very carefully in the ground so that the men, soldiers behind you can see them. Scared? You better believe it! Did we lose Gls that way, the mines going off? Yes, we did."

Advancing through forests was dangerous, too. German artillery would bombard the trees. "When one of the cannons fired a shell, it hit the top of the tree. It would break off the top of the tree." And it would fall to the ground on top of whoever was underneath. We lost a lot of men that way, from tree bursts."

Ernie described another time, when his outfit encountered Germans hunkered down in a foxhole. "We had a squad of 10 men. The enemy was ahead in front of us. We couldn't see them. They were dug in, so we all lined up. We got the command of 'Fire!' We all fired and walked at the same time. And I unloaded my rifle. We all unload. My BAR (Browning Automatic Rifle) had 20 rounds. And when we got the word 'Fire!' I unloaded those 20 rounds. We all fired at the same time. After we finished firing, we got the command 'Hold your fire!' Imagine if you were on the other side. All you hear is just pop. pop, pop, pop, pop, pop. And it was loud as hell. And they knew we were there, hands went up and they surrendered."

One time, when Ernie's outfit got through a forest, they came upon a farmhouse. "I remember this is kind of funny, but it's true. They had chickens outside. I found a couple of eggs and I said, 'Holy smoke, this is a chicken egg!' We hadn't seen a chicken egg

in I don't know how long." They were not under fire at this time. Ernie had his helmet. He had a wax-coated box of C-rations that looked like a Cracker Jack box, and he had matches. "I took the liner out of my helmet and took the box and lit it. I cracked the two eggs into the steel helmet and held my helmet over the Cracker Jack box, and I was able to cook the eggs. But, then the inside of the helmet was a mess! What do I do? I can't put it on my head. We took dirt, put it inside the helmet and swished it all around and

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## **Egypt**

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reins, walked away, and her camel was wandering aimlessly with herself perched high in the air, and totally helpless. The guide retrieved control, but that was scary for a moment.

The Cairo Museum was another high point for Dr. Morgan. That facility takes a visitor back 5,000 years to the time when this civilization emerged from the desert. The mummies of many pharaohs are preserved in the Museum.

An interesting part of Cairo is the sook, the ancient marketplace dating back about a thousand years. In its narrow, shaded alleys, anything can be purchased: food, clothing, baskets, gold, silver, fine jewelry, brass furnishings, huge leather pillows, lamps, stone carvings, glasses of fresh pomegranate juice, leather sandals, and antiques. The problem was how to fit so much of this splendid loot into a suitcase for the flight home?

Dr. Morgan and companions flew halfway down the Nile to the ancient city of Luxor, where stand numerous age-old temples and huge statuary. All made of stone, these monuments and tall obelisks survived centuries of Nile floods, that washed away the mud brick homes of ordinary people.

Leaving the shade of green palm trees on the east bank, they sailed across the wide Nile in a felucca (wooden sailing boat) to the barren west bank and the Valley of the Kings, where the burial places of many pharaohs have been discovered. In the tomb of Tutankhamun, the uncovered head and both feet of this young pharaoh can be seen. He died at only 19 years of age and was interred with the mummies of his two babies, both of whom died soon after birth. Outside, long lines of workers in turbans, anklelength robes, and sandals are still digging out more sites, one basketful of sand after another in the heat of a scorching sun.

#### Computer Club

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technology today's world, often accumulates in ways we don't notice. Old files, apps you never use, disorganized email inboxes, and excessive notifications can all create unnecessary mental clutter. A digital reset can help you regain control, reduce stress, calm the mind, and a more intentional tech environment.

The general meeting, hosted by the Computer Club, on Monday, Sept. 15 at 10 a.m. will offer The Three Cs: coffee, cake, and conversation beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Meeting House - note location change. All residents are welcome. You do not need to be a member in good standing. Please join your neighbors for this upcoming, timely, and informative presentation.

#### Veterans group sailed down the Nile in a large floating hotel that let (Continued from page 4) them stop to visit ancient temples and shrines along the

From Luxor, Dr. Morgan's

way. At the pretty market town

of Aswan, Dr. Morgan was in

her element. Having earned a

doctorate in educational ad-

ministration, she took a keen

interest in community infra-

structure. She found there are

about 200 medical providers in

Egypt: big hospitals in the big

cities, clinics and private hospi-

tals all across the countryside.

More than 60 universities offer

advanced education in sub-

jects like computers or engi-

neering, as well as in liberal

arts. Almost everyone speaks

English and literacy is reported

to be above 75 percent

throughout the country. As the

vast, man-made Lake Nasser

provides more and more water

for agriculture, and as the de-

sert therefore blooms, the

economy and literacy rates will

"The trip was an educa-

tional experience," says Dr

Morgan. "Better yet, Egypt is

fascinating. I recommend a

surely skyrocket.

cleaned it as well as we could and put it back on my head. But the eggs tasted delicious."

A main mission for the 76th Division was to push German troops back into Germany. That they did. They advanced to the edge of the Rhine River in Germany. While many of the GIs were

asleep, Ernie was on guard duty, looking for signs of German sniper fire. "Harry was alongside of me. We could see the Rhine River. I didn't realize that I was vulnerable. I was out in the open. I was in the building and came out and stood there with my rifle, protecting the Gls that were inside."

That's when, on March 24, 1944, everything changed.

"I was standing there with my rifle over my shoulder, and I hear a bang. It was a loud

bang and then a thud. I got hit. A sniper was in a castle on the Rhine River. I went down. When I hit the ground, my helmet came off. I dropped my rifle. I remember somebody grabbing my arm and dragging me into the building."

Ernie was not the only soldier to get hit. "Harry was in front of me. Harry also got shot with that bullet. It went through the calf of Harry's leg and into my left groin." Medics took care of both men as best as they could, but Ernie ultimately needed surgery in England. His surgeon told him he had no anesthesia to give him. "I said, 'Sir, do what you have to do.' The doctor got the bullet, or at least most of it. "He dug it out. Did it hurt? Oh, boy, did it hurt!"

Next month, Part 3 of The Ernie Mogor Story - the Long Road Back.



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The talented cast of "This 'n' That"

## Rossmoor Players' "This 'n' That": A Midsummer Night Redeemed



By Joan & Jason Salt

The Rossmoor Players'
"This 'n' That" show was a tuneful and hilarious way to

spend a summer evening. However, this writer was startled to notice several members of the Rossmoor Chorus moonlighting in the Players' show. (Or are they Players who moonlight as Chorus members? Investigations to follow.)

Leaping into new material

and landing on their feet with their usual vocal prowess were Lenny Venito ("Didn't We"), Judi Frey ("The Nearness of You"), Jan Ritter ("Evergreen"), Deborah Baldwin ("Breaking Up is Hard to Do"), and Russ Howard ("It's Five O'clock Somewhere"). Contributing their favorites

once again were Tom McMahon with "The Impossible Dream" and Joe Conti with "I've Grown Accustomed to Her Face." Annemarie Martucci and Camille Stahl took us back in time with a spot-on recreation of Sonny and Cher ("I Got You Babe"), bellbottoms and all. Jim Wilson and Carol

Baldessari shined on the romantic ode to change, "Time to Say Goodbye."

Carl Kruse's farewell to Rossmoor after many happy years took the form of "I'll Be Seeing You" with some lines subtly changed to local references. It was an emotional moment for the audience, and they expressed their feelings for Carl with a standing ovation.

The vocal performances were uniformly excellent. And that includes the audience's rendition of "Bridge Over Troubled Water" accompanied on piano by Janet Wilson. Classic comedy skits, one featuring Judy Frey and host Joe Conti and the other with Jim Wilson and Tom McMahon, kept the mood light. Dolly Daly was a revelation, slaying the audience with standup comedy as though she had done it all her life

Other highlights included Sue Archambault's emotional duet with Janet Wilson on "Shadowland" from "The Lion King"; Norm Politziner's wailing harmonica accompanying Tom Smith and the Sparkle Sisters (also known as Anne Rudolph and Mary Perry) on "Uptown" and newcomer Michelle Riccardi singing a heartfelt "Landslide."

Special mention goes to the Pitt Crew who kept the show visible, audible, and moving around the track at high speed.

And the last word goes to Linda Schoenfeld, Players and Chorus booster, who said, "The Players may be amateurs, but their talent is professional."

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# Krusing Back to Florida



**Carl Kruse** 

By Carolyn Meyer

He might be 93, but Carl Kruse is still singing, writing, and playing croquet. Actually, croquet is how he found Rossmoor with a little help from two guys he met in a tournament – Ken Northrop and the late Bill Cole. Bill invited Carl to join him for a weekend in his home here in Rossmoor and to play some six-wicket croquet on our

### **Krusing Back**

(Continued from page 6) championship court.

After meeting other croquet players here, Carl decided Rossmoor was the place for him: he sold his house on Lake Arrowhead in Denville and moved to Sharon Way in 2013 and later to Dorset Lane. He immediately became busy joining the Rossmoor Chorus, the Players and, of course, the Croquet Club.

Carl was born in Orange, N.J., and spent much of his young life in South Orange with summers working on the family farm in Montville where their crops were mainly raspberries, orchard fruits, and vegetables during World War II. He graduated from Columbia High School in Maplewood, N.J., and then from the University of Maine with a degree in Engineering Physics in 1954. Carl was in the ROTC Army Signal Corps for two years and was stationed at Fort Monmouth and White Sands Proving Ground, N.M., until 1957.

Carl began working for his father at Kruse Engineering where he designed pollution control systems. After getting married and having two children - Russell, now a Rhode Island resident, and Kathy who lives in Bergen County the family moved to Short Hills. There Carl picked up golf, squash, and tennis and enjoyed family ski trips.

Leaving his father's company. Carl struck out on his own with most of his work in air pollution control, air filtration, and pneumatic conveying. After he retired in 2006, he became a snowbird, traveling back and forth between New Jersey and Venice, Fla., home of the Sarasota County Croquet Club.

Carl is selling his place in Rossmoor and moving permanently to Venice where he continues to play croquet, write and sing. In fact, one of his last appearances here at Rossmoor was in the recent "This 'n That" show where he tweaked Irving Kahal's lyrics and sang "I'll be Seeing

The morning bells are ringing, and my heart hangs on. Is it a spell of Rossmoor or just an August dawn?

Who knows if we shall meet again, but when a carillon Chimes, reminding me of here again.

I'll be seeing you in all the old familiar places that this

Of mine embraces all day through,

#### In Sal's small café, the Meeting House just down the way, The club with lots of food and

The croquet folks with our white clothes on.

I'll be seeing you in every lovely summer's day,

In everything that's light and I'll always think of you that

I'll find you in the morning

And when the night is new, I'll be looking at the moon, but I'll be seeing you.

And we'll be missing you, Carl, as you Kruse along.

# Why My Korean Friend and Kimchi Matter

By Terre Martin

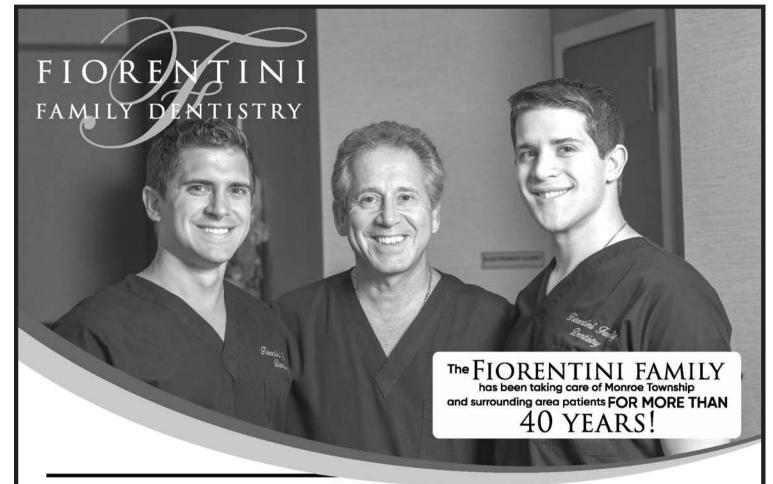
Since moving to Rossmoor, I have had more interaction with people of other nationalities than any other time in my life. As I was growing up, my world was mostly people of Italian and Jewish descent. My closely knit family was Italian, and the town and schools I attended had a large Jewish population. When I went off to catechism, my friends went to Hebrew School. When I spent summers at the local playground, my friends went to a sleep-away camp.

The first time I had Protestant friends was in high school, when our neighboring town merged its junior high with ours. As for students of other ethnicities, there weren't very many. When I first got married, we lived in military housing that was pretty diverse. Once we became civilians again, each town we lived in was pretty homogeneous.

Then we moved to Rossmoor. One of the first clubs we joined was Duplicate Bridge where we played cards with two men from India. They frequented the Hindu temple that was being built in Robbinsville and invited us to visit and partake of the meals and tours, all for free. They also invited us to watch (and participate in) holiday celebrations held in our ballroom. The music and dancing were wonderful!

When I joined a golf group, I met a Korean woman who

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#### My Korean Friend

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enjoyed chatting with me about her ethnic food and culture. I am an avid fan of Korean dramas on Netflix, so I constantly peppered her with questions about customs and food I had seen on TV. She would laugh at me and say, "You know that the stories are fiction, right?" They may be fiction, but they opened up a new world for me. She even took me to an authentic Korean restaurant,

so she could show me her favorite foods and how they are prepared. As a special treat, she gave me some homemade Kimchi, sticky rice, and seaweed paper to enjoy on my own.

My neighbors are from all over the world as well as the U.S. They are Ukrainian, Israeli, Indian, Korean, Chinese, Italian, and Irish. Many are from areas as near as New York, and as far as the South and Midwest. There are also locals who grew up in neighboring towns, and like me, many are home-grown New Jerseyans from all over the state.

Why does all this matter? It matters because I wish my world had expanded sooner. It matters because we live in harmony. It matters because, so late in life, I discovered other cultures neighbors who are just like me. They have families, stories, experiences, and histories similar to mine. If I have one regret, it's that I waited so long to open my mind to another benefit of living in Rossmoor.

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By Joan & Jason Salt

The Rossmoor Chorus resumes Wednesday rehearsals on Sept. 10, 3:30 -5 p.m. in the Meeting House. Their first performance will be on Sept. 14, 11 a.m. at the Sunday service for the Rossmoor Community

The Chorus' annual Sing-Along will take place in the Ballroom on Sunday, Oct. 26, 2-3 p.m. with accompani-

ment from Russ Howard and Lenny Venito on guitar and Moriah Kam on piano.

Then there's the Interfaith Thanksgiving service on Thursday, Nov. 20 at 1:30 p.m. and the Winter Concerts on Saturday, Dec. 6, 2-3 p.m. and Monday, Dec. 8, 7-8 p.m.; all three concerts are in the Meeting House.

Back in June the Chorus honored two members for their outstanding commitment to the Chorus - Alida Granata and Walter Gryskiewicz.

It's a great time to join the Chorus: so if you are interested, please call Janet Wilson at 609-655-4129. Come and observe a rehearsal, and afterward Janet will listen for your range and your ability to stay on pitch.

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#### A Week in Ireland

By Mary Jane Brubaker

It's a cliché, but the first thing my sister and I noticed when we drove from Kerry Airport to our pre-tour hotel, the Killarney Oaks in Killarney, after our week in the Cotswolds, was the incredibly lush landscape in myriad shades of green cradled by the McGillicuddy's Reeks Mountain range. It was glorious. The second thing we noticed was that every person we met was a long-lost friend. We knew no one in Ireland and yet it was like everyone knew us - the Irish, with their charming accents and friendly demeanor, could not have been more welcoming. After a dinner of fish and chips at the hotel's restaurant, we went back to our rooms to get our bags ready for the next day, when our six-day Ireland tour was to begin.

We met our 10 fellow travelers in the lobby of the Grand Southern Hotel in Killarney, which is where we would be staying for two nights. Our Irish tour guides then led us on a walk through a section of Killarney National Park.

We hiked up a steep and rocky trail and ultimately found our way to the Torc waterfall, which was beautiful and the perfect, if slippery, spot for picture taking. After we all documented our ascent to the waterfall, we reversed course and made our way to the Muckross Park Hotel and Spa for a delicious lunch. Then, as we were nearing the exit from the park, we explored the ruins of the Muckross Friary, an old abbey. We later toured Ross Castle, a 15th century stronghold. Taking the steep, narrow and winding stone staircase to the top of that castle was an experience I would just as soon forget.

That eventful first day was followed by several more as we made our way around the Ring of Kerry to the Beara Peninsula, with a few side trips before returning to Killarney. Highlights included a "jaunting car" (horse and buggy) ride through the Gap of Dunloe (as we neared the peak, we each got off the cars to give the ponies a break and to wander the area in wonder at the rainbow-painted mountain goats, lakes and water falls); a boat ride in a traditional wooden skiff across the Killarney lakes; a chocolate-making class with a French chocolatier who came to Ireland 20 years ago and set up his chocolate shop in an old rural Irish post office; a trip to Valentia Island where we learned about the Skellig Islands; a morning with a falconer at Sheen Falls Lodge in Kenmare; and a challenging hike in Gleninchaquin Park where we took a group photo at a majestic waterfall.

On our last day, we toured Muckross House in Killarney, a Victorian mansion that received expensive upgrades in preparation for Queen Victoria's visit with Prince Albert in 1861. With that visit, our tour came to an end, and our bus took us to the Killarney rail station where we parted ways with our tour guides and fellow travelers. As for my sister and me, we piled our bags into a van that took us to Cork Airport for a flight to Scotland, the sight of our third and final Classic Journeys walking tours. More on that next month.



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# A Special Day for Something Special

By Allen Kobezak

I expect that someday there will be a new official US holiday on Sept. 22. It will be a day most of us can celebrate, and those who can't will wish they could.

Although National Ice Cream Cone Day is not an official U.S. holiday and shouldn't be confused with National Ice Cream Day in July, it is a fun day enjoyed by people of all ages. Wouldn't it be great to have more holidays with a legitimate reason to relax and indulge in overeating?

While the origins of ice cream are difficult to determine, the first recorded mention of an ice cream dessert in the New World isn't until 1744.

The credit for the ice cream cone itself is usually attributed to the French around 1825, when their cones consisted of small waffles rolled into a cone shape. However, in the United States, the ice cream cone wouldn't become another popular way to enjoy

everyone's favorite treat until the late 19th century.

Unlike other holidays, the cook in your family can enjoy this day along with all your guests. There's no need to stand over a hot stove all day or pack up leftovers for your visitors to take home. That's because there are never any leftovers on National Ice Cream Cone Day. Have you ever been served this delicious frozen dessert and failed to finish every creamy

If you're on a budget, National Ice Cream Cone Day doesn't have to cost you much to celebrate either. Sept. 22 of each year is the one day when some of your favorite establishments that serve ice cream will offer good deals on your favorite treat. And if you're not a one-cone kind of person, nothing stops you from visiting every generous business handing out ice cream cones.

As of this writing, I have not been able to obtain any

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# Oh My Goodness Look at All Those Clothes



The OMG Shop crew at last year's Charity Exchange. From left: Laurie Moyer, Linda Esposito, Karen Silvester, Mary Trainor, Diane Brown, Noreen Tarwacki, in front Judi Frey.

By Sidna B. Mitchell

The retail store she managed for 20 years in Naples, Fla., was called OMG (Oh My Gauze) for the type of clothing they sold. Come Saturday, Nov. 1, Judi Frey's "store" in the Gallery could be called OMG (Oh My Goodness) for all the clothes collected for the Charity Exchange.

From 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on that day, Judi and her amazing crew of Rossmoor women will be delighted to sell residents and visitors donated clothes and linens at extremely reasonable prices with the results all going to various charity organizations.

People can drop off clothes and linens on Thursday (Oct. 30) from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. and that evening from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. as well as on Friday (Oct. 31) morning from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Gallery. Judi warned, however, that ladies slacks do not sell well but sweats and gym clothes do.

Volunteers will begin sorting the items and, as if by magic, Judi and her helpers will transform the room into a retail store for Saturday. The clothing will be in the Gallery, and linens, which include comforters, will be in the Billiards Room.

"I've been in retail all my

# Special Day

(Continued from page 9) information on whether Rossmoor has plans to celebrate this holiday. It's hard to believe our great E&R team isn't aware of such a momentous holiday. A day that honors the hands-down, number one dessert in America, ice cream.

Oh, well, that won't stop us from enjoying National Ice Cream Cone Day ourselves. Remember it's on Sept. 22, the last official day of summer. Let's all celebrate with two scoops of your favorite ice cream. I'll take butter pecan ice cream in a sugar cone, please.

life," said Judi, who moved to Rossmoor back in 2016. "So being in charge of the clothing room for the Charity Exchange was a given, and I've been volunteering to do that for five years."

She noted that they always need coat hangers and large shopping bags since people tend to buy lots of stuff. So. when searching your home for things to donate, if you

come across extra hangers and large shopping bags, do include them as well as any other items in need of a new home. Fortunately, they received new hanging racks that help display the merchandise.

"This is a lot of hard work and for a good cause," admitted Judi, "but it's a lot of fun, and you get to work with wonderful volunteers."

## Volunteering at St. Paul's Chapel after 9/11

By Mary Jane Brubaker

After 9/11, St. Paul's Chapel became a place of refuge for those working on the massive pile of debris that just days earlier had been the World Trade Center. Many volunteers gave of their time and talent to support the workers during that terrible time. One of those volunteers was resident Barbara Jensen.

"I had been working in the South River school system on 9/11," Barbara recalled. "The school I was in was set up on a hill where you could see the New York Skyline in the distance. I was on hall duty, and I looked out the windows and saw all the smoke. The TVs were on all through the school and word soon came to us that three young men from South River were among the missing. We later found out that one of them, a lovely young man named Christopher, had been on the top floor and did not make it out. That night, my husband and I attended an ecumenical service at the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in South River."

A nun at St. Paul's Chapel was charged with ensuring there was a chaplain onsite to offer solace and support to the workers 24/7. Barbara, an Episcopal chaplain, volunteered. At that time, she was one of 11 people participating in a Deacon Formation Program of the N.J. Diocese, and all volunteered.

"I served one eight-hour shift, from mid-day to 11 p.m. during Christmas vacation," said Barbara. "When you opened the doors at the rear of the chapel, this huge pile of debris and all the workers were right there in front of you."

"While outside there was this unimaginable sight, inside the chapel was something else entirely. There were posters and cards from all over the world expressing their gratitude for the work being done," said Barbara. She added, "There were harpists and pianists volunteering their time to play soft music for all who entered. There were tables of clothing, food and all sort of necessities, including toothbrushes and toothpaste. I remember one of the items most in demand by the workers was white socks. Everything had been donated and those staffing the tables were volunteers. Being there and supporting those workers was an incredibly moving experience for me and one I will never forget."

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# In the Good Old Summertime: An Entertaining Concert for a Good Cause



The Grand Finale - From Left Deborah Baldwin, James Shin, Sheila McCue, Virginia Kondakjian, Anne Rudolph, and Shray Palla.

By Mary Jane Brubaker

Our community came out in force to support childhood cancer research and had a fun time while doing so at a benefit concert sponsored by the Music Group on July 20 at the Meeting House.

More than 150 people were in the audience as Shray Palla, a Monroe Township High School student, shared the story of Om, his late childhood friend, as he valiantly struggled with a rare form of cancer. Shray spoke of how Om's positive attitude despite his diagnosis inspired him to raise funds to

support the foundation Om's father set up in his memory.

We were the latest - and the biggest - audience among those Shray has shared details about his mission while also playing popular and classical music on his viola, which he has been playing for two years. In return, audiences have been generous in their contributions to the Om Foundation.

After a brief intermission, Emcee Virginia Kondakjian took the microphone to introduce the Rossmoorites who were lending their talents to the cause. They included

pianist Seiran Chapman and singers Deborah Baldwin, Sheila McCue, Anne Rudolph, and James Shin. This group of performers had spent the prior month in weekly rehearsals with Virginia, a former opera singer and retired vocal coach, providing guidance and instruction. The result was a delightful afternoon with the audience singing along on such songs as "Take Me out to the Ballgame," "For Me and My Gal," and "Shine on Harvest Moon."

Together, our community raised nearly \$1800 to support childhood cancer research.





## At Last, Rossmoor Gets Its "Just Desserts"

By Jason Salt

The Rossmoor Players' latest play takes place at the Bursten Inn. This bed and breakfast was once the pride of Peachum, Vt., but now, not so much - it's had two guests in the last six months. The owner, Marvin, needs to make some changes before the B & B that's been in his family for years winds up standing for Bankrupt & Broke. His business manager, Mabel, has a plan, but Marvin is turning a blind ear or a deaf eye, so they are locked in a tug of war.

Beyond that, author Jim Wilson cunningly left this writer with more questions than answers. Who are the two guests? Chuck and Bertha. Do we know anything else about them? No! Is there a surprise guest who cooks up a solution to Marvin's woes? Maybe! Is a crime uncovered during the action? Yes! Is it manslaughter or man's laughter? Neither! And how does an antique radio figure in all of this? No one knows - but Jim. Well, Jim and the 1921 Philco Cathedral radio that auditioned for the role. Fortunately, it's a good public speaker.

If you saw "This 'n' That," in late July and early August, you heard the cast sing "What Do We Do" for



Only one radio auditioned for the role – but that was enough.

the finale. That song and six more will pack "Just Desserts" with music like a gelatin mold full of marshmallows. Jim readily gives credit to his collaborator, Kevin Gunia. "I write the words, pick out a tune on the piano, and send a recording to Kevin, who composes the accompaniment. He makes my songs magic."

Of the five plays he has written for the Players, Jim says this one is his favorite. Considering how committed he is to bringing smiles and laughter and joy to the people of Rossmoor, "Just Desserts" should be a treat. And it will be here before you know it: Oct. 9, 10, and 11 (Thursday and Friday 7 p.m., Saturday 2 p.m.) at the Meeting House.

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# **Rossmoor Beginnings: The Pioneers**



Two of Rossmoor's pioneers pose by the Meeting House in 1967.

By Mary Jane Brubaker

On January 18, 1967, Rossmoor's first resident, artist Dorothy Steinmacher of Philadelphia, moved into 70C Old Nassau Road. Dorothy and all who followed in those early days called themselves Rossmoor's "Pioneers," as the going was initially a bit challenging for those hardy souls.

According to Caroline D. Underwood, a Pioneer who documented her memories of the early days, "There was a sea of mud alternating with

the dust bowl surrounding the manors. There was no blacktop in the inner streets or carport areas, and only plywood walks leading to the manors. Some accidents did occur, as people teetered along their precarious ways. More than one electrical appliance had slipped on its way to delivery, as became obvious at the time of the first 'move everything' house-cleaning."

Developer Ross Cortese asked many of the Pioneers

to pose for photos in settings throughout the new community. His goal was to incorporate these photos into his marketing advertisements. While the archives do not include copies of any such advertising, they do include 35 beautiful black and white photos of some of our earliest settlers in various poses throughout the pristine and charming new development.

In 1977, when the Pioneers celebrated their 10th anniversary at Rossmoor, one of them, the late Marie Grant, who was the community's first thespian and playwright, penned the following poem:

#### **Ten Years Later**

On that distant day when we came to this place,

We were excited by the newness of it all.

There was an exhilaration in just Walking through the Club-

house,

Meeting friends, taking les-

sons, Beginning to find untapped

talents.
The years have followed, one on one,

And we are older.
Those first thrills are gone.
Buried under years of living.
But what has lasted and has
not tarnished

Is the deep contentment we have found here.

The light in the tower Still welcomes us home.

# **Tickets on Sale for Classical Concert Series**

By Mary Jane Brubaker

Classical and Renaissance Faire music lovers are in for a treat as three excellent concerts are coming up this fall at the Meeting House, courtesy of the Music Group. These concerts are an absolute bargain - where else can you get front-row seats to hear first-rate talent in a venue with acoustics on a par with the great performance halls for only \$10 per person?

If you haven't already purchased your tickets to see pianist Yidi Jiao, now is the time to do it as her concert takes place on Friday, Sept. 5 at 7:30 p.m. Yidi, who made her Carnegie Hall debut at the age of 17, will be performing Debussy Reverie, Beethoven Sonata No. 13 in C Minor, and Schubert Piano Sonata D. 960.

For those who enjoy all

things Renaissance, tickets will go on sale on Sept. 10 for harpist/singer Michelle Mountain, who will be performing on Sunday, Nov. 9 at 3 p.m. Michelle will perform her program, "A Day at the Renaissance Faire," replete with costume. It will be a lovely way to spend an afternoon.

Returning to the classical realm, on Friday, Nov. 14 at 7:30 p.m., cellist Tsung-Yu Tsai will be joined by pianist Yidi Jiao for a musical journey across eastern Europe from the Carpathian Mountains of central Europe to the Caucasus region - featuring works by composers from Poland, Georgia, Czechia, and Hungary. Tickets for this concert also go on sale on Sept. 10.

Tickets may be purchased in person at E&R or by calling 609-655-3232.

#### September 28 Is Confucius Day

By Anne Rotholz

Confucius, a Chinese philosopher, teacher and politician lived on our earth from 551- 479 BCE. Born Kwong Qiu in the state of Lu (now Shandong Province, China) he was later given the Latin name Confucius. Widely considered as one of the world's greatest sages he is also believed to be one of

the most influential people in history.

Confucianism deals with the philosophy and teaching of Confucius, emphasizing personal and governmental morality, correctness of social relations as well as justice, kindness, and sincerity. It was not a religion but rather a way of

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#### **Confucius Day**

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life that was based on mutual respect, kindness to each other and harmony with the spiritual forces of the natural world.

He believed that people had to have inner peace to live in a peaceful world. He felt strongly that only those with integrity and good moral values should be allowed in politics.

Confucius stressed the importance of cultivating personal qualities such as benevolence, reciprocity, and love of family. He felt that people should never

stop learning because knowledge is infinite. With this in mind, he founded teaching as a profession and became a teacher himself. (Earlier in his life he was a shepherd, a clerk, and a bookkeeper.)

When the Zhou dynasty collapsed after its 790-year-rule, the people began to look at Confucianism as a replacement. It took a while, but they finally realized the value of this new way of looking at life and government. Several surrounding countries adopted it as well. The influence of Confucianism can still be found in China today.

The teachings of Confu-

cius are summed up in his Golden Rule. "Do not impose on others what you do not wish for yourself." Does it sound familiar?

Confucius left many wise quotes. Here are a few:

A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.

Everything has beauty but not everyone sees it.

It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop.

Three things cannot be hidden: the sun, the moon and the truth.

If you are going on a mission of revenge dig two

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## **BOARD OF GOVERNORS AUGUST 21, 2025, MEETING**

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conditioning problems in the Village Center fitness rooms. Mr. Curry explained we are waiting for warranty service by the manufacturer and in the meantime, there are portable units keeping the space cool.

Mutual Three resident began to explain the Mutual Three dog incident and was asked to refrain from discussing the matter since it was under investigation by the township.

Mutual Seventeen Director Stasik asked if a subcommittee would be established to review all the rules and regulations to be consistent in all associations. President Jolly stated he was working on it.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

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# The Inquiring **Photographer**

By Rosemary Masella

Tell me about your pet.



#### **Tony and Darla Pasaniello**

Bella is our pure white Goldendoodle and has lived here since she was eight weeks old. She is now a little over 12 years old and is living her best life. Bella is wellknown all over Rossmoor, and you can find her walking numerous times a day with her Tony. You can find them sitting on the benches, where cars will drive by and wave or stop to say how beautiful she is. People say when she walks, she prances like a princess, and some say she is the Queen of Rossmoor.

#### **Debbie McCauley**



Reggie is 12 years old, and he has many friends and girlfriends. Before he came to Rossmoor, he never saw a squirrel. He ran after one and realized he couldn't catch them. He doesn't like pillows on the couch; he throws them off before he gets comfortable. It's his favorite thing to do.

#### **Marilou Manney**



Rosie is more like my child than my dog. I adopted her nine years ago. She was found roaming around the streets of Philadelphia as a puppy. She came into my life as a rescue; but she's the one who rescued me. We have been through many things together: a terrible breakup, breast cancer, treatments, retirement, a move and now the death of my brother. She follows me around everywhere: we sleep together, we walk together, we watch TV together, and she understands everything I say. She's my baby and I could not love her more.



The Rossmoor Beginnings Photo Exhibit, documenting the construction of our community from 1965-1967, continues in the Gallery through October. Paul Pittari, Mary Jane Brubaker, and Pam Neece hung the collection. Check it out.

# **Every Story Has an Ending**

By Allen Kobezak

If you're searching for one of the most esteemed local spots to rest your tired bones after a long, hard life, I've found just the place. People have been dying to get into Princeton Cemetery for the past 268 years, and there's still room for new residents.

Princeton Cemetery is owned by Nassau Presbyterian Church, founded in 1762. The church and cemetery have had close ties to Princeton University since their inception.

The cemetery is located near the center of town and is an integral part of the 370acre Princeton Historic Dis-

The earliest section, known as the Old Graveyard, is where you'll find some of the European families who first came to this area of the New World. Each person buried here has their own life story, and each found the end of their journey here at Princeton Cemetery.

You'll find many presidents of Princeton University and one president of the United States, whose daughter has a connection to the legendary baseball star Babe Ruth. Scientists, scholars, generals, and politicians are all represented here. Veterans have found a peaceful resting place, including some from the Revolutionary War and the Civil War. There are also two victims of an unspeakable act of violence that shocked the world.

Now that I have your attention, let me tell you about some of these people.

Grover Cleveland, the first U.S. president to serve nonconsecutive terms, chose Princeton Cemetery to spend eternity, along with his wife, First Lady Frances, and their firstborn daughter, Ruth.

Frances Folsom was 21 years old in 1886 when she married the 49-year-old president and became the youngest First Lady. After Grover Cleveland's death in 1908, Frances would become the first widow of a president to remarry.

The president's oldest daughter, Ruth, often called Baby Ruth, died at the age of 12. After her death, her name and that of Yankee home run hitter Babe Ruth became involved in a controversy over for whom the Baby Ruth candy bar was named. The chocolate treat was created in 1920, at the height of the baseball star's popularity, and 16 years after the death of Ruth Cleveland. It seems likely that the Curtiss Candy Company's claim that they named the candy after the president's daughter was to avoid compensating the popular baseball player. Ultimately, George Herman Ruth lost his legal case against the candy company in 1931.

Aaron Burr Jr. was an attorney and senator who also served as vice president during Thomas Jefferson's first term. He is best known for killing Founding Father Alexander Hamilton in a duel in 1804. He was indicted on charges of dueling, and although the charges were eventually dropped, his political career was ruined.

Aaron Burr Sr., a Presbyterian minister, educator, and founder and president of the College of New Jersey that became Princeton University, is buried in the president's lot at the cemetery.

Two others, victims of a shocking crime that made international headlines, rest in Princeton Cemetery: Jose and Mary Menendez, both in their mid-40s in 1989, when their lives were taken in a brutal murder committed by their sons, Lyle and Erik Menendez. Their story, unfortunately, continues.

These are just a few of the over 9,000 stories you'll discover in Princeton Cemetery. If you want a pleasant walk through history, the cemetery is only 12 miles from Rossmoor and is open from dawn to dusk. At the main gate, you'll find a Map Box to guide you to some of the most notable characters in Princeton Cemetery's life story.

The Rossmoor News Deadline is the 7th of every month.

### An Old Restaurant Guide by Duncan Hines

By Sidna B. Mitchell

In reading a piece on "Duncan Hines, 1935: The First National Food Guide" in "American Cuisine and How It Got This Way", I found a list of restaurants mentioned in the original book that were still open in 2019. One of the restaurants named was The Krebs in Skaneateles, N.Y., where my late husband George Mitchell and I ate many years ago, reminding him of the family style service and good food he had as a youngster. His parents had taken him on a Duncan Hines restaurant tour in the late 1930s after his father had purchased "Adventures in Good Eating," a Duncan Hines book for eating places along the highways of America.

Many years later, Ken Northrop and I decided to check out Krebs on one of

our many trips to upstate New York since we had both eaten there years ago. However, the restaurant had become an expensive, upscale eatery, no longer serving food family style. In fact, our martini cost \$14 each back before the Covid days.

I recalled purchasing the Duncan Hines guide. First published in 1936, my copy was a 1944 edition that cost \$1.50 at the time.

In addition to The Krebs on the list in the American Cuisine book, I had also eaten in four other restaurants that were still open: The Williamsburg Inn in Williamsburg, Va., the Beaumont Inn in Harrodsburg, Ky., Antoine's in New Orleans, and Skye's Inn, now known as the Smithfield Inn in Smithfield, Va. I often pass by the Peacock Inn in Princeton but

ceived a patent for his idea to

show movies outside, with

seating provided by the view-

the first-ever drive-in movie in

Pennsauken, N.J., where the

On June 6, 1933, he opened

have never stopped there for a meal.

Then I decided to check the New Jersey section in the Duncan Hines 1944 guide for other restaurants where I had shared a meal with friends or family. Still serving food are the Bernards Inn in Bernardsville, the Clinton House in Clinton, the Ramble Inn aka the Metuchen Inn in Metuchen, and the Molly Pitcher Inn in Red Bank. Other restaurants no longer open or in existence where I had eaten were Pal's Cabin in West Orange, the Essex and Sussex in Spring Lake, the Afton in Florham Park and the William Pitt Tavern in Chatham.

Now I'll have to find an updated restaurant guide to try out some new places to eat. Does anyone have suggestions?

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# **Another First for New Jersey**

ers' automobiles.

By Allen Kobezak

You owe Richard Hollingshead and his mother for many happy memories of your carefree youth. Remember those enjoyable evenings at the drive-in, where movies played on a giant outdoor screen. Maybe you didn't even mind if the movie wasn't very good if you had that special someone with you.

It was Richard Hollingshead's idea to watch movies from a car, and his inspiration came from his mother's inability to sit comfortably in the space-restricted seats found in conventional movie theaters at the time.

In 1933, Hollingshead was employed at his father's auto products company in Camden, N.J. That year, he also re-

Congratulations to

#### first movie shown was a British comedy called "Wives Beware." Richard Hollingshead's ini-

tial investment in his new business, the Camden Drive-In, was \$30,000. He charged an entry fee of 25 cents per vehicle and an additional 25 cents for each person in the car.

Hollingshead devised a plan for arranging the cars so each person could view the screen. However, sound quality was poor at the start with three large speakers mounted near the screen. It would take eight years before RCA would introduce a speaker designed to hang from each vehicle's side window.

Unfortunately for Hollingshead, after battling in court for years, his patent was revoked in 1949, and the Camden Drive-In closed shortly afterward.

However, his initial concept proved successful, and without the need to obtain a license from Hollingshead,

other drive-ins opened across the country. At their peak of popularity, they numbered well over 4,000.

Even some great ideas have an expiration date. In the late 1960s, the drive-in movie would fall victim to skyrocketing real estate prices, video rentals, and an increasing number of indoor theaters with high-quality sound systems.

Today, there are approximately 300 drive-in theaters in America, with only one in New Jersey, the Delsea Drive-In in Vineland.

I'm sure that Richard Hollingshead's mother appreciated her son's thoughtfulness, which led to the creation of the first ever drive-in theater, where even she could experience comfortable seating while watching a

However, if she were alive today, I think even Mrs. Hollingshead would choose the large, comfortable reclining chairs found in today's modern indoor movie theaters. Of course, she may prefer to stream a movie at home on her 60-inch TV screen while sitting in her easy chair with a bowl of popcorn on her lap.

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# Flying Cars? They're Here!

By Steven Gray

Remember the flying cars in the Jetsons? Sitting on the Parkway going to the shore on a nice sunny weekend speeding along at five miles an hour with all the other shore-goers, don't you wish flying cars were real? Spoiler alert - they are! In many cases you don't even need a pilot's license to flit over the traffic.

Of course, reality is a little bit different than the Jetsons and all the other flying car cartoons. You must be very careful of how to take off and land, some are VTOL (vertical take-off and landing), while others require a runway. Also, you need to know how far you can actually fly and at what speed.

The Blackfly is all electric and is a VTOL, plus it will go for about the same cost as a luxurv SUV. However, it only seats one, has a range of about 25 miles, and can only go about 62 mph. There are no wheels so regular driving is out, but it does come with a parachute "just in case."

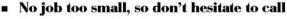
For \$300,000, you can go for either the Terrafugia Transition or the Ehang 184. They have a range of 489 miles and 350 miles respectively with the Terrafugia hitting 107 mph while the Ehang only does 62 mph. The Terrafugia seats four.

The Ehang, like the Blackfly, only seats one. The Ter-

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creating art all her life, was recently awarded first place (professional category) at the Middlesex County Senior Art Contest and Show. As a result, she has been invited to participate in the upcoming New Jersey State Senior Art Show. In 2023, she won in the nonprofessional category at the county level and at the state level. In addition to being a recognized artist, Daisy has worked as a fashion designer and a fitness trainer. She lived and worked in Manhattan for most of her life, moving to Rossmoor three years ago.

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## CULINARY CORNER By Sidna Mitchell

#### **Try These Easy Chocolate Cookies** for a Treat

For Pizza Night at the Rossmoor Croquet Club's Attitude Adjustment after golf croquet one Friday, I decided to make some cookies. Instead of my usual easy sugar cookies, I was inspired to make chocolate cookies after I picked up a box of Duncan Hines\* chocolate cake mix.

That Friday I was also busy trying to complete my regular chores. I first mixed the cookie dough, separating that into two cylinders adding

mini chocolate chips and chopped walnuts to one, and placed those rolls in the freezer as instructed in the recipe. Then I dashed out to interview one of the volunteers for the Charity Ex-

change scheduled for Nov. 1.

Returning home, I barely had time to bake the chocolate cookies. So I decided instead of rolling out the dough, finding suitable cookie cutters, and attempting to cut through the hard dough, I would just cut the dough into quarter-inch slices before putting them on a tray to bake. And I certainly didn't bother frosting the cookies; I just sprinkled them with sugar. For another chocolate cookie recipe, go to https://www.duncan hines.com/recipes/cookies/ german-chocolate-cookies-9274. You can try my "cheating" method or follow the recipe and instructions

#### **Easy Chocolate Cookies**

# Culinary Corner

1 box yellow cake mix

1 stick butter, softened

granulated sugar Frosting (optional)

1 egg

Mix first three ingredients together to form a wellblended dough.

Divide in half, making two rolls, place in plastic wrap, and chill in the freezer for 20 minutes.

Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Sprinkle sugar on cutting board or counter and roll the dough out to 1/4-inch thickness.

Cut with cookie cutters and place on lightly greased baking sheet.

Bake for five to seven minutes.

Remove from oven and cool.

Frost with a store-bought chocolate or vanilla frosting

I can be reached via e-mail at sbmcooks@aol.com.

\*Be sure to check out the Duncan Hines article in another section of the newspaper. Unlike Betty Crocker, Duncan Hines was a real person, born in Bowling Green, Ky., in 1880 and went to Bowling Green Business University that later merged with what is now Western Kentucky University. Our croquet friend Lucinda Sullivan grew up in Bowling Green where her mother taught at Western Kentucky State College, now Western Kentucky University. Lucinda didn't know Duncan Hines but she went to high school with his son "Little Duncan"; her mother was good friends with the wife of the elder Hines who began his career as a traveling salesman. Perhaps that's why he came up with the idea to have a guide to discovering good places to eat when on the road whether for business or pleasure. Duncan Hines went on to publish "Lodging for a Night" and "Adventures in Good Cooking (Famous Recipes)" and the "Art of Carving in the Home" as well as lending his name to ice cream and cake mixes. "We just took it all - his big house and his big name - for granted," Lucinda said of her hometown.

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# Flying Cars?

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rafugia has foldable wings so it is street legal but it does need a runway; therefore, if you are stuck on the Parkway, you are still stuck. You can drop \$120,000 for the one passenger Samson Switchblade that can travel 345 miles and hit 200 mph. This car can easily be driven on the Parkway but, again, needs a runway to take off. The wings are folded into the body and deploy like a switchblade at the touch of a button, hence the name.

Not good enough? For \$3.5 million you can own a Moller Skycap that has a range of 800 miles and can hit 330 mph while seating four. The Skycar does have VTOL capability which would let vou leave all those on the Parkway behind. Problem is that it is not street legal.

For a bit less, \$400,000 to be exact, you could own the Pal-V Liberty that seats two, will go 420 miles and will hit 90 mph. It is street legal but also requires a runway.

Lest I forget and neglect a major mode of transportation, there is the flying motorcycle. Yes, you can own a Star Wars type flying air bike by a Polish company called Volonaut for the low, low price of \$880,000. It does not need a runway and will hover using a form of AI to keep it upright. Cost too much?

The Chinese tech company Kuickwheel has a hybrid motorcycle called the Skyrider X6. It is a threewheeler and can operate either on the ground or actually fly. It only costs \$69,000. It will do a maximum of 43.5 mph on the ground and 44.7 mph in the air with a range of about 124 miles. Perfect for Rossmoor, who needs all those golf carts?

#### Important Reminder

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#### What's in a Nickname — the Constitution State

By Allen Kobezak

The state name of Connecticut comes from the longest river in New England, the Connecticut River. The name was adapted from a Mohegan-Pequot word meaning "long tidal river."

Connecticut played a significant role in our young country's development. It was one of the original 13 British colonies that would become the first 13 states of the United States.

However, Connecticut's nickname, the Constitution State, reflects the state's influence on one of the most important documents in the history of the United States.

In 1639, the adoption of one of the first constitutions ever written in the Western world was the Fundamental Orders of Connecticut. This document helped inspire and serve as a model for the United States Constitution, with many of its democratic principles and concepts influencing the articles contained in our nation's constitution.

It's no wonder that in 1959,

Connecticut's General Assembly designated the Constitution State as the official nickname of the state.

However, Connecticut also has an unofficial nickname: the Nutmeg State, which has an interesting story. While the tale may not be entirely true, it is believable to some due to the New England merchants' reputation as shrewd traders capable of selling almost anything to an unsuspecting buyer.

Due to transportation costs and their scarcity, nutmeg and other spices were regarded as luxuries in most households in the American colonies during the 18th cen-

Nutmeg is derived from the seed of the Myristica fragrans tree, which is native to Indonesia. This seed is not a nut, but a large seed about the size of a peach pit. The seed is often sold whole and then ground into a powder as needed.

As the story goes, clever Yankee traders would sell fake wooden versions of the nutmeg spice to their gullible customers.

I understand why Connecticut's residents would be proud to have the official nickname of the Constitution State, indicating the role the state played in inspiring a document that set forth the dream of our new nation.

And as for Connecticut's other unofficial nickname, the Nutmeg State, I suppose it serves as a good reminder for all of us, whether traveling to Connecticut or elsewhere, not to take any wooden nutmeg seeds — or wooden nickels, for that matter.





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Clubs and Organizations

#### Rossmoor Dance Club News

By Debbie Sills

On Sept. 27, we are holding a three-course-catered Dinner Dance for our 41st Anniversary. DJ Carmine will entertain us from the 6 p.m. start - an earlier start to allow time to eat the delicious meal. Twin Oaks Catering will be providing the threecourse meal that will be served to you at your table. The Dance Club will provide wine. Tickets are \$39 per person for members; nonmembers are \$43 per per-

The first course is Caesar salad accompanied by fresh baked dinner rolls and butter. The main dish choices are chicken breast stuffed with wild rice and portobello mushrooms, baked vegetable lasagna, or sliced stuffed pork loin with brandy raisin sauce.

Attendees need to make a main course choice on the reservation form when submitting payment for the dance. The main dishes are accompanied with two sides,

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Barbara Boyer and Phyllis Pollia having a blast on the dance floor.

#### Rossmoor Dance Club Reservation Form

Saturday, Sept. 27, 2025, from 6 – 10 p.m. Reservation Deadline - Saturday, Sept. 20.

Late reservations won't be accepted. Paid Member(s) are \$39 per person Non-Member(s) are \$43 per person.

Please choose your main dish from these choices: Chicken breast stuffed with wild rice and Portobello mushrooms; baked vegetable lasagna or sliced stuffed pork loin with brandy raisin sauce. If you require sugar- free dessert, please select sugar-free apple pie with sugar-free ice cream.

(If you are bringing guests, please list each name,

information on a separate	sheet.)
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The Korean Ladies Group enjoyed a summer gathering.

# The Korean Ladies Group

By Youngae Lee

About 20 members of the Korean Ladies Group, a subset of the Korean Group, enjoyed a summer tea party at the Clubhouse. This was their third such gathering and presented not only an opportunity to enjoy wonderful and varied baked goods – includ-

ing cookies, baked sweet potatoes and Korean rice cakes – it was also an opportunity for participants to learn from each other. Topics discussed included health issues prevalent among older women, aging well, and how to handle emergencies when they arise.

The group welcomed two new non-Korean members at

this meeting – Katie Khan and Rose Lejoy. Members of the Ladies Group and the larger Korean Club enjoyed the summer benefit concert, "In the Good Old Summertime," in which Korean Club member James Shin, performed.

For more information about this group, please contact Youngae Lee at 201-230-0805.

# Italian American Club

By Tony Cardello

Membership meetings resume after our summer hiatus, with our next meeting being held on Sept. 17 at 7 p.m. in the Ballroom. Entertainment will be provided by the great duo, Silver and Gold.

Our sold-out trip to Wind Creek Casino in Bethlehem, Pa., takes place on Sept. 4.

Bingo will be played on Friday evening, Sept. 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ballroom.

Save the date of Saturday, Oct. 11 for Rossmoor Downs II. Further details to be announced.



## Veterans Group Welcomes Members

All Veterans, come join us at our meeting at 10 a.m. every second Tuesday of the month in the Ballroom.

# **Dance Club**

(Continued from page 17)

fresh steamed mixed vegetables and herb roasted red bliss potatoes. The third course consists of apple pie and ice cream; there is a sugar-free option of this dessert. Attendees need to select that on the reservation form to pre-order the sugarfree option.

You must complete a reservation form as you will need to select your entrée in advance. Reservations must be received by Sept. 20. We

DATE TIME THEME

9/27/25

cannot accept any reservations after this date, so plan ahead.

This is our most formal event of the year, so take the opportunity to dress up. When the Dance Club was established 41 years ago - it was called the Ballroom Dance Club at that time - it was customary to wear evening wear. So, if that tux/suit or ball gown/cocktail dress still fits, why not consider donning them, and show everyone what a glamorous bunch we all are at Rossmoor



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6 PM 41st Dance Club Anniversary

2025 Dance Club Schedule

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# Rossmoor Dance Club Membership Form 2025 Annual Membership dues for 2025 \$10 a year, per person/ \$20 a year, per couple Name: Phone #: Address:

Please give exact cash, or make a check out to: "Rossmoor Dance Club" Send to: Armen DeVivo 449B Roxbury Lane, (609 655-2175). Or

Place membership form and cash or check in an envelope and deliver to E&R in the Clubhouse.

# Religious News

# **Catholic Society Upcoming Events**

By Sheila McCue

As summer draws to a close, the Catholic Society is picking up our fall schedule and encouraging everyone to come out and get involved in our organization. Our Sept. 9 luncheon, with guest speaker, Mary Ann Sulllivan will take

place in the Clubhouse. Tickets for the luncheon have been on sale for \$20 at E&R. Mary Ann will do a presentation on the themes of Meaning, Purpose and Hope.

On Oct. 16, we will celebrate Holy Mass in the Meeting House, sponsored by the Italian American Club. Nov. 13 is the time for our Healing and Anointing Mass. In this season of our lives, as we head into the thick of the flu season, it is a good idea to take advantage of the Sacrament of the Sick which will be administered during the November mass. As usual, refreshments will be made available to allow time for fellowship following the

Council meetings are scheduled for Oct. 7 and Nov. 11. Meeting locations will be posted on the Channel 26 bulletin board. Come to our meetings and see what we are all about.

Fellowship following the mass is a special opportunity to meet fellow Catholics and share our faith. Visiting together after mass offers an opportunity to make new acquaintances, plan faith sharing or social activities, and just get to know one another better. This is very helpful in our community where our Catholic residents belong to a variety of local parishes, which enables them to stay in touch with their "old neighborhood" while enjoying the benefits of life in Rossmoor as well. Any Catholic living in Rossmoor is considered a member of the Catholic Society. We hope you will also become an active participant in this vibrant faith

Catholic Society events are posted on the Channel 26 bulletin board, which is always available on the Rossmoor website at www.rcainj.com, under Community Amenities,

Channel 26. Please check the bulletin board regularly for community news.

We welcome all our neighbors, Catholic or not, to our events which lately have included screenings of "The Chosen" in the Clubhouse, as well as movie presentations designed to spark conversation and share some "feel

Mom just reminded me

that it's time to invite all pets and their parents to the

Blessing of the Animals on

By Honey Owens

Ann Schoonover.

If you've never been to a

Blessing of the Animals be-

fore, you're in for a wonderful,

possibly unique morning! Of

course, if you're an old paw at

this like me, you'll know we not

only get blessed, but we get to

play with our doggy friends

and meet some really nice

humans. Some people bring a

photo of their pet who has

gone to Pet Heaven, or who

might be just a little too ram-

bunctious to sit and behave.

Other folks come without pets

just to watch us fur babies ca-

Here's what you can ex-

pect that day: We'll all gather

in front of the Meeting House

good" entertainment.

The Catholic Society also supports several ministry activities that meet regularly. They include: the weekly rosary which is shared in the Clubhouse, praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and the Prayer Shawl Ministry. Dates and times are posted on Channel 26.

# **Jewish Congregation's High Holiday Services**



By Adrienne Brotman

L'Shana Tova Umtukah. Rossmoor Jewish Congregation invites you to join us for our High Holiday services. The dates are Erev Rosh Hashanah - Sept. 22 at 7 p.m.; Rosh Hashanah -Sept. 23 at 10:30 a.m.; Kol Nidre – Oct. 1 at 7 p.m.; Yom Kippur/Yizkor - Oct. 2 at 10:30 a.m.; Neila - Oct. 2 at 5 p.m.; Break the Fast – Oct. 2 at 6:30 p.m.

We are a warm and welcoming community. Our service includes both English and Hebrew readings. We promise there will be lots of singing. The services are led by Cantor Mary Feinsinger and a Lay Leader. Tickets are \$25 per person for all the services.

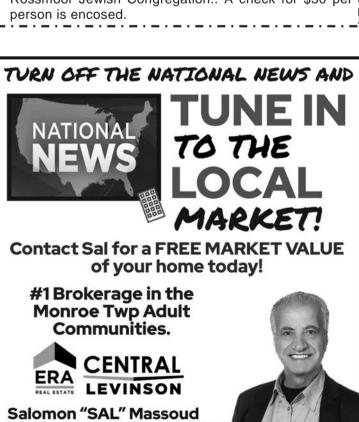
If you would like to join us for Break the Fast, there is an additional charge of \$30 per person for a dairy meal of bagels, spreads, lox, salads, kugel, gefilte fish, herring, and more.

Please mail your check to Morty Wall, 450A Roxbury Lane, Monroe Twp., N.J. 08831. If you have any guestions, contact Scott Hoff 908-705-3422 between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Please RSVP by Sept.15.

Yes, I would like to join Rossmoor Jewish Congregation for the High Holy Days. A check for \$25 per person is enclosed. Please RSVP by Sept.15.
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#### Saturday, Oct. 4 at 10:30 a.m. on the Village Green in front of the Meeting House. As always, it's sponsored by the Rossmoor Community Church and the E&R Dept. I'm so glad that nice Rev. Ted Hardgrove, who has conducted the Blessing for the past few years, will be able to be with us again. Plus, this year you'll all get to meet the new pastor at the Rossmoor Church, the Rev.

Honey Invites You to the Blessing of

the Animals Saturday Oct. 4

The author praying you will accept her invitation to the Blessing of the Animals.

and probably do the necessary sniffing and possibly barking to get to know each other! You won't believe the variety and size of dogs who come - from tiny Yorkies to giant Great Danes, Pomeranians to Pugs to Poodles and, of course, those with questionable ancestry. Cats and exotic critters are invited too, but those guys must come in appropriate carriers.

After everyone gets settled and quiet, we'll be welcomed and told how God created all the many wonderful creatures on this earth, and that we

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## Spaghetti Dinner Coming Oct. 23 in Ballroom



By Alyce Owens

As the days get shorter and summer winds down, folks start to ask about the Spaghetti Dinner that's become one of the longestrunning, successful annual events in Rossmoor. People want to know whether we'll be having one again this year, what the date will be, and when they can buy tickets. Here are the answers in

Yes, the Rossmoor Community Church will again sponsor a delicious, fundraising Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner to be catered as in the past by Patrick Donnelly's Top Hat Caterers.

The date for this alwayspopular, sold-out event is Thursday, Oct. 23.

As always, it will be held in the Ballroom and start at 6

Yes, it's a BYOB affair, but sodas and water will be available.

Tickets at \$25 each will be sold Oct. 13 to 17 (Monday-Friday) 10 a.m. to noon in the Clubhouse Red Room (near the Ballroom). Checks are preferred, payable to Rossmoor Community Church.

Tables of 10 may be reserved in advance by calling Alyce Owens at 609-860-0866.

Tickets generally sell out early, so save the date! Mark your calendar for both the date of the dinner and the dates tickets will be sold. You don't want to miss out.

Watch for more details in the October issue of the "Rossmoor News", and plan to attend this delicious, fun event with friends and family.

## **HEALTH CARE CENTER NEWS**

By Elizabeth Caruso, MSN, RN, COHN-S Nurse Manager Community Health Services, Saint Peter's University Hospital

#### Don't Let Your Guard Down: Now Is the Time to Get **Checked for Skin**

Cancer

Summer may be winding down, but your risk of skin cancer hasn't taken a vacation. In fact, the weeks and months after high sun exposure are a critical time to be proactive about

### Tailgate Party

By Steven Gray

Calling all Giants fans!

The Jewish Congregation is hosting a Tailgate Party to watch the New York Giants take on the Washington Commanders on Sept. 7, in the Ballroom. Doors will open at 12:30 p.m. for a 1 p.m. kickoff.

The menu will offer cold sandwiches, quiche, wings, cocktail franks, salads, fruit, and dessert as well as snacks. Soft drinks, coffee, and tea will be provided. BYOB if you want alcoholic beverages. All this for the low price of \$26 per person. There will be a movie in the Gallery for the footballchallenged.

Please sign up by Sept. 3, either by using the form in the carousel by E&R or sending a note including your name, telephone number, the number of tickets being purchased at \$26 per ticket, along with a check made out to Rossmoor Jewish Congregation or RJC to Morty Wall at 450A Roxbury Lane, Monroe Twp., N.J. 08831.

For more information call 973-476-5702.

#### your skin health. **Take Action this Fall**

If you've spent time outdoors this summer walking, at the pool, gardening or enjoying family picnics, don't assume you're in the clear now that the weather is cooling off.

Think of September as your annual skin awareness check-

Call your doctor to make an appointment for a skin check if you haven't had one recently. Encourage your friends and loved ones to do the same. And going forward, make sun protection a year-round habit. That includes wearing hats, using sunscreen, and avoiding tanning beds.

Your skin has worked hard to protect you all these years. Take a moment to return the favor. A simple checkup now could give you peace of mind or help identify something important before it gets more serious.

#### The Sun's Impact Doesn't **End in September**

It's easy to think your skin is in the clear once you pack away the beach chair and sunscreen. But the truth is, skin damage from the sun can take years, or even decades, to show up. That means the sunburn you got in July might lead to a problem that doesn't become visible until fall or even later.

Seniors are more at risk because skin becomes thinner

with age and less able to repair itself from UV exposure. That means the damage builds up over time and can lead to actinic keratosis (precancerous spots) or forms of skin cancer like basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma or melanoma.

#### Cancer Is More Skin **Common Than You Think**

Skin cancer is the most common cancer in the United States, and older adults are more likely to be diagnosed. But here's the good news: if caught early, most types of skin cancer can be treated successfully.

That's why we urge you not to wait for a suspicious mole or spot to suddenly appear. Now is the perfect time to schedule a full-body skin check with your primary care physician or dermatologist.

#### What to Watch For

If you do notice something new or changing on your skin, don't ignore it. The signs of possible skin cancer include: A sore that doesn't heal; a new growth or bump; a mole that changes shape, size, or color and scaly patches that itch or bleed.

Remember, skin cancer can show up anywhere on your body - not just your face and arms! Ask someone to help you look at the places that don't get a lot of sun and be sure to check your scalp, back, and even the soles of your feet.



Shuffleboard members get back in the swing of things with their summer doubles tournament.

# **Blessing**

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should love them all and each other. The minister will give thanks for us and ask a blessing on all God's animals, even remembering the dear pets who are no longer with us. Then, the Reverends Ted and Ann will walk around and speak with each one of us by name, asking God to bless us, especially if we're old or have special problems. After every pet has been blessed, we get to play some more. Then everyone goes home with the knowledge that God and all these wonderful people love us. It's a great feeling, and I hope you will enjoy it as much as I always do.

Okay, so now you know -

Saturday, Oct. 4 is the day for you to come and get blessed. If you can't hold a pencil in your paw, I'll bet your mom can mark it on the calendar, so you guys don't

all dogs must be leashed and under owner control or in an appropriate carrier and,

paw if you promise to come. I'll be looking for you!

P.S. Blessings for humans are available at the Community Church every Sunday morning at 11 a.m. No leashes required.

miss it. One more thing: Please remind your pet parent that

needless to say, always pick up after us just in case nature calls while we're there. Okay, now, hold up your



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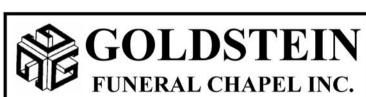


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Pickleball Club members gathered to celebrate National Pickleball Day on Aug. 8.

#### **Pickleball Celebrates National Pickleball Day**

By Dan Dobromilsky

National Pickleball Day is celebrated annually on Aug. 8, and this year our pickleball players all gathered at the courts in the morning to enjoy some competition, friendship, and refreshments. As you may have heard, pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports in the U.S. and beyond, with more than 3.3 million players worldwide. Pickleball courts have become a must for any senior community to attract buyers and resales. Rossmoor was one of the first New Jersey communities to initiate pickleball play.

Pickleball is not difficult to learn, and doubles play is active but not too demanding on the body; men and women can play quite equally. A paddle and court sneakers aren't very expensive. Games are relatively short, getting your heart rate up, but not requiring great endurance. The best part is that pickleballers are very friendly; the smiles and laughter on the court are what can really make the game fun. All levels of play are welcomed, and instruction is freely offered.

Rossmoor Pickleball has a lot to celebrate this year. We fielded a team in the recently formed Monroe Senior Pickleball League with some stiff competition versus seven other senior communities. Our group has the use of a phone app to schedule play in the morning and some afternoons, so you know that other players will be available or at the court. Frequently, there are 20 or more

players on a given morning; and the free app has more than 50 residents signed up, with registration growing.

We hosted the Rossmoor Pickleball Classic Tournament this spring. The tournament drew competitors from as far away as Florida and New England. On Wednesday evenings a Ladies Ladder League is very popular, with two dozen participants competing in round robin play.

Rossmoor will again field teams (Men, Women, and

Mixed Doubles) for the Monroe Township Mayor's Cup Pickleball competition in early September.

Our league play showed us that the Rossmoor Pickleball court setting is top notch, with a shade shelter and lush landscape. RCAI has always seen the value of investing in the maintenance and management of the wonderful assets that we all share and utilize, keeping our community active, vibrant, and attractive to new residents.



Front Row: Juan Soto, Dennis Kalos. Back row: Greg La Croce, Harry Moorhouse, Paul Boisvert, John Ferraiolo

# **The Rossmoor Billiards Champs**

Bv Grea La Croce

In just the second year of billiards becoming a competition in the Mayor's Cup, the Rossmoor "Pool Sharks" won decisive victories to become the 2025 champions of the Monroe Township Mayor's Cup.

The Sharks won every match and then beat Greenbriar 2-0 in the championship finals. The tournament was held at Clear-brook, and they did a great job making everyone feel comfortable.

It was a fun, exciting tournament for all the participants!



The Community Church thanks our generous friends for donating to our recent "Christmas in July" food drive. Items collected went to support the Deacon's Food Cupboard in Jamesburg and RISE in Hightstown. Next up is our annual school supply drive.



Tournament Director Ken Northrop recognizes the 2025 Golf Croquet Doubles Championship winners Sidna Mitchell and Betty Hornig.

# Tournament Play, Kooky Kroquet, BBQ and Fun

By Betty Anne Clayton

The Rossmoor Croquet Club is immensely proud of their new members who played in the Doubles Golf Croquet Tournament on two extremely hot summer days. It takes a lot of courage to play in a tournament when you are just learning the skills needed for croquet, and our new members displayed amazing sportsmanship on the court.

In fact, it was so hot that the finals were played on at Golf Croquet on Friday evening, July 18. The team of Sidna Mitchell and Betty Hornig took home the winning trophies for their excellent play. Barbara Wright and Ida Serrano came in second place after giving the winning team a good challenge.

September promises to give us another exciting challenge when the club takes to the court for the Kooky Kroquet Tournament on Saturday, Sept. 20 at 10:30 a.m. This event always provides a lot of fun with a very colorful court set up by Greensward Ken Northrop who directs the event. A BBQ, for all club members, follows on the patio of the Clubhouse at 12:30 p.m.



Lady winners: Jo Schwegel, Barbara Camhi, Debbie Rusolo

# Another Successful Tournament for Knights of Columbus

By Terre Martin

Rossmoor golfer and tournament chair, Tony Cardello, proudly announced the results of this year's Knights of Columbus outing. Of the 96 goiters that participated, most were non-residents who support the event each year. The day began with a Dunkin' Donuts breakfast and ended with the awards luncheon. Deacon Michael Macchiarola offered a blessing before everyone enjoyed the food catered by Tuscany of Old Bridge.

The total amount raised was close to \$12,000, which will be distributed to various charities by the Knights of Columbus Council of Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church. In addition to the funds raised by entry fees, the golf committee acquired 31 sponsors for the event. There were also amazing donations for the Tricky Tray and Silent Auction held during the luncheon. Among the prizes were baseballs signed by legends

Phil Rizzuto, Pete Rose, and Andy Pettitte, and foursome tee-times for the Rossmoor, Concordia, Clearbrook, Tamarack, and Greenbriar golf courses.

This year's first place winners in the women's division were Jo Schwegel, Barbara Camhi, and Debbie Rusolo with a low score of 73. Maria Torres won for the longest drive. The men's division winners were determined by a match of cards with two nonresident teams having a low score of 60.

Tony credited the success of the tournament to the committee made up of Ed Visinski, Lenny Caglianone, Harry Murphy, Bob Macchiarola, Paulette Mascia, and all the donors. He also acknowledged the golf course crew who prepared the course for a beautiful day. It was a lot of work by dedicated people, but the hope is to return next year with even more success.

#### **News from Your Maintenance Dept.**

By Dave Salter, Maintenance Manager Heating Units Serviced in Mutuals 1, 2, 3 and 4

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#### **Winterizing Manors**

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#### **Thermostats**

With the fall coming upon

us you should turn on your heat thermostats to make sure they are working properly before the cold weather sets in. If you find they are not working, we can replace your thermostats for you. If you have PSG thermostats, Rossmoor strongly recommends you have these replaced as they can over-

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#### Weather stripping

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#### **Channel 26**

It is very important that you keep an eye on Channel 26. It is the Rossmoor Information Highway. There is information regarding road closures. the landscaping daily schedule, important meetings, RCAI information, mutual information, and much more.

#### Free Rossmoor **Community Cleanup**

Monroe Township will come into Rossmoor and pick up all bulk items. All items should be placed in the designated areas on Saturday, Sept. 13 and Sunday, Sept. 14 for pickup on Monday, Sept. 15. The following 17 designated areas are Dorset Lane, Concord Lane, Hanover Lane, Portland Lane, Plymouth Lane, Malden Lane, Mystic Lane, New Bedford Lane, Northfield

Lane, Redding Lane, Somerset Lane, Stowe Lane, Sutton Way, Westfield Lane, Yorktown Lane, the Clubhouse Parking Lot, and the Meeting House Parking Lot. Cones will mark the exact locations.

Fabric typed furniture, including couches, mattresses, recliners etc., must be securely wrapped in plastic.

Items that will not be picked up: clothing, paint, concrete, tires, aerosol cans, motor oil, antifreeze, brake fluid, transmission fluid, kerosene, pesticides, herbicides, pool chemicals, drain cleaners, petroleum lubricants, photographic chemicals, driveway sealer, oven cleaner, mercury thermometers, household or car batteries, fluorescent light bulbs, construction debris and garden debris. Any of the above items that are put out will not be picked up by Monroe Township; it will then be the mutuals responsibility to dispose of them.

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#### Home Improvement

**HOME IMPROVEMENT &** SERVICES. Blinds, furniture assembly? Honey-do-list? Just Call Keith, LLC Handyman. (732) 690-2292. Licensed and insured. NJ#13VH13424900. www.justcallkeithllc.com

T-K-S HOME IMPROVE-MENTS - Full-service contractor. Kitchen, baths, basements, painting, tile and more. No job too big or small. License #13VH05970500. (609) 259-2574.

JOHN PEARL HOME IM-PROVEMENT AND LAND-SCAPING, LLC - General repairs and handyman work, painting, flooring, deck stain/ repairs, powerwashing, landscape projects, and more. Licensed and insured. #13VH06515700. (908) 208-1150.

MIKE THE HANDYMAN -See my display ad in this edition. (732) 780-0468.

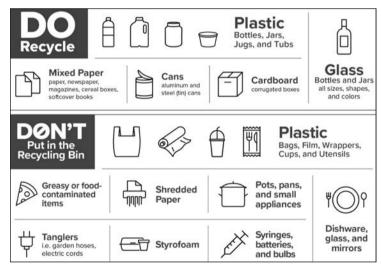
JOHN PEARL HOME IM-PROVEMENT, LLC - Power washing, of houses, decks, sidewalks, patios and fences. Licensed and insured. #13VH06515700. (908) 208-1150.



# **Recycling and Trash**

**RECYCLING -** collected every Friday

The following recyclable items are to be placed loose (no plastic bags of any color) in the containers marked for Recycling. (In those Mutuals not providing curb pick-up.)



TRASH collected twice weekly on Mondays and Thursdays.

 Household bagged garbage and trash must be placed in the appropriate Dumpsters (in Mutuals not providing curb pick-up)

**BULK -** Call Rossmoor Maintenance 609-655-2121 by noon on Monday to schedule a Wednesday bulk collection. BULK ITEMS NOT AC-CEPTED: TVs, electronics, tires, and small engines.

Bundled branches moved by RESIDENTS will be picked up at the curb on Mondays by High Tech (Holidays: Tuesday pick-up). Clippings should be placed in the regular trash.

- and private Contractors' landscapers' refuse is the responsibility of the contractor or private landscaper to dispose of. Contractors and private landscapers may not use the dumpsters.
- Please Note: Medical Waste and Personal Electronics may NOT be placed in either the Trash or Recycling dumpsters. It needs to be disposed of properly.

• If you are not certain as to the proper disposal for Medical Waste, please consult with your physician or medical supplier.

Monroe Township Recycling Center is located at 76 Gravel Hill-Spotswood Rd, Monroe Township, NJ

# TRANSPORTATION TIDBITS

#### Important phone numbers:

Call-in hours are: 9:00 – noon and 2:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Schedule is available at www.rcainj.com under "Amenities".

Monroe Township Transportation ..........609-443-0511

Middlesex County

Area Transportation (MCAT) ......1-800-221-3520

#### **Bulk Trash Collection**

To schedule Bulk Trash collection please call the Rossmoor Maintenance office at 609-655-2121 before noon on Mondays.

Bulk trash is collected on Wednesdays.

#### Miscellaneous/ Services

**TECH BUDDY** - Simple stepby-step help with smartphones, computers and tablets. Large print solutions for low tech problems. Beginner to Advanced. Patience and enthusiasm included. Wireless printers, Netflix, Amazon Alexa setup and training. Have Alexa remind you of your appointments, read audiobooks, more. \$5 off setup. Free quote. (732) 589-4974. techbuddybarb@aol.com

**COMPUTERS CUSTOM BUILT & REPAIRED - RJF** Sales Company LLC.\* Time to clean your computer and get educated on protecting yourself from scams. Desktop and laptop repair in your home. Virus removal and protection. Evenings and weekends also available. Monroe resident with over 20 years of computer experience. (732) 723-9537 or (732) 967-3400. Please leave message; most calls returned

HAIRCUTS DONE in the comfort of your home. Please call Renee, (908) 705-7569. Leave message.

same day.

**DENTURES REPAIRED and** refurbished. Call Michael at (908) 415-6159. Rossmoor resident.

#### Help & Health Services

AT ANGEL TOUCH HOME CARE we provide excellent care for the elderly with licensed, insured and bonded thoroughly screened aides. We are a company that cares for our patients and makes sure they are treated by the best. 24-hour care (living with resident). Elderly companionship. Call (609) 907-6059.

ANNA'S HOME CARE - Certified professional caregiver is looking for live-in/live-out job in Monroe Township. Experienced, references. Driver's license. Accepts long-term care insurance. Low prices. Private care option. Call Anna at (609) 917-4208 or (908) 337-7462.



#### **Transportation**

AAA TRANSPORTATION— Monroe area. (Encore resident.) Transportation to airports, trains, piers, NYC, and I will drive your car to and from Florida. Reasonable rates. Call Howard (732) 979-3085.

LIMO GUY — Our 25<sup>TH</sup> year. Upgraded SUVs. Six vehicles. \$110 to Newark Airport. We go almost anywhere. All airports. Call (732) 803-2521. limoguyincnj@gmail.com

NEED A RIDE? NJ/NY/PA. Airports, cruise terminals, medical appointments. (609) 642-9877.

#### Help Wanted

WORK FROM HOME. Part time - must have at least 1 year experience. Telemarketer and cold calling in local areas. \$20 an hour plus bonuses! Great mentorship and support with big upside. Work with a variety of clients behind a solid brand. Call Milton Paris, Getting Ahead in Business: 732.306.0040.

#### Cleaning Services

JULIANA'S CLEANING SER-VICE: Free estimate, great prices, Call me at (732) 430-

# | CLASSIFIED AD COUPON

Ads must be received by the 14th of the month preceding publication month. MAIL TO:

| Princeton Editorial Services P.O. Box 70 Millstone Twp., NJ 08510

RATES FOR ONE PUBLICATION \$14 for 10 words, 50 cents each additional word

Multiple: 10 words in two publications =  $14 \times 2 = 28$ . 10 words in three

publications =  $$14 \times 3 = $42$ . Check those that apply:

☐ Clearbrook Courier

☐ Encore Speaks

☐ Regency Reporter

☐ Renaissance Reflections ☐ The Rossmoor News

☐ Check here for all five All ads must be mailed

with payment. No classifieds accepted by phone or email.

Note: Phone numbers count as one word. Do not count punctuation. Do not abbreviate.

State category/heading, ie., "For Rent", "For Sale", "Help Wanted." No charge for the heading.

One check or money order must accompany insert, PAYABLE TO PRINCETON EDITORIAL SERVICES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
*Registration required  ABBREVIATIONS Ballroom BR Bocce Courts BC Cedar Room CE Craft Room CR Dogwood Room DR Gallery GL Hawthorn Room HR Maple Room MR Meeting House MH Shuffleboard SC Willow Room WR	9:45 AM Forever Fitness w/ Tracy S. BR 1:00 PM Table Tennis HR 2:00 PM Line Dancing GL 4:30 PM Indian-American Yoga CE 6:30 PM Girl Power Support Group DR	10:00 AM Chair Yoga GL 10:30 AM News of the Week Roundtable MR 11:30 AM Tai Chi Class HR 1:00 PM All in Stitches CE 6:00 PM BR Dancing BR 7:00 PM Jewish Congregation Bd. Mtg. DR 7:00 PM Players Read Through GL 3	9:30 AM Yoga CE 10:00 AM Needle Punch Class MR 10:30 AM Rossmoor News Bd. Mtg. WR 4:30 PM Indian-American Yoga CE 7:00 PM Players Rehearsal MH	9:30 AM Healthy Bones Class BR 10:00 AM Rug Hooking GL 10:00 AM * Italian American Club Casino Trip 11:00 AM Players Bd. Mtg CTAC WR 1:00 PM Table Tennis HR 1:30 PM Catholic Society Prayer Shawl CR 6:00 PM Line Dancing GL 7:00 PM Players Rehearsal MH	9:00 AM Art Class GL 10:00 AM Catholic Society Rosary MH Parlor 1:00 PM Table Tennis HR 4:00 PM Croquet Social GL 4:30 PM Indian-American Yoga CE 7:30 PM * Music Assoc. Performance by Yidi Jiao MH	10:30 AM Indian American Club Meditation DR 11:00 AM Players Rehearsal MH
GRANDPARENTS DAY  11:00 AM Community Church Worship w/ Communion MH  12:30 PM * Jewish Cong. Tailgate Party and Movie BR / GL  7:00 PM Table Tennis HR	9:45 AM Forever Fitness w/ Tracy S. BR 1:00 PM Table Tennis HR 1:00 PM Players Bd. Mtg. WR 2:00 PM Line Dancing GL 4:30 PM Indian-American Yoga CE	10:00 AM Chair Yoga GL 10:00 AM Veterans Group BR 10:30 AM News of the Week Roundtable MR 11:30 AM Tai Chi Class HR 12:00 PM * Catholic Society Luncheon GL 1:00 PM All in Stitches CE 6:00 PM BR Dancing BR 6:00 PM Republican Club Mtg. HR 6:30 PM Croquet Club Bd. Mtg. CE 6:30 PM Democratic Club Mtg. GL 6:30 PM Community Church Finance Mtg. MH Parlor 7:00 PM Players Rehearsal MH	9:30 AM Yoga CR 10:00 AM Computer Club Bd. Mtg. DR 10:00 AM Needle Punch MR 10:00 AM * "Just in Time" on Broadway 3:30 PM Chorus MH 4:30 PM Indian American Club Yoga CR 6:30 PM Scrapbooking Group GL 6:30 PM * Musical Bingo BR 6:30 PM Church Worship Comm. MHP MH Parlor 7:00 PM Players Rehearsal MH	PATRIOT DAY 9:30 AM Healthy Bones Class BR 9:30 AM RCAI Standing Committees HR 10:00 AM Rug Hooking GL 10:30 AM Italian American Club Bd. Mtg. WR 1:00 PM Table Tennis HR 6:00 PM Line Dancing GL 7:00 PM Recipe Exchange BR 7:00 PM Players Rehearsal MH	9:00 AM Art Class GL 9:00 AM Shuffle Bd. Mayor's Cup SC 10:00 AM Catholic Society Rosary MH Parlor 1:00 PM Table Tennis HR 4:00 PM Croquet Social GL 4:00 PM Veterans Bocce Game BC 4:30 PM Indian American Club Yoga CE 5:30 PM Mutual 11 BBQ BR / Terr 7:15 PM "Jewish Congregation Sabbath Services" MH and Parlor	10:30 AM Indian American Club Meditation DR 12:00 PM Kooky Kroquet & BBQ BR / Terr
11:00 AM Community Church Worship MH 1:00 PM Jewish Congregation Event GL 1:00 PM Mutual 17 Party BR / Terrace 7:00 PM Table Tennis HR	8:00 AM Golf Outing DPEC BR 9:00 AM Mayor's Cup SC- Rain Date 9:30 AM Computer Club MH and Parlor 9:45 AM Forever Fitness w/ Tracy S. HR 10:00 AM Mutual 3 Open Director GL 1:00 PM Table Tennis HR 4:30 PM Indian American Club Yoga CE 6:30 PM Girl Power Support	Mtg. WR 11:30 AM Tai Chi Class HR 1:00 PM All in Stitches CE 2:00 PM Mutual 4 Open Director GL 3:00 PM Catholic Soc. Chaplet of Divine Mercy MH Narthex	9:30 AM Yoga CE 10:00 AM Needle Punch Class MR 3:30 PM Chorus MH 4:30 PM Indian American Club Yoga CE 7:00 PM Italian American Club Mtg. BR 7:00 PM Players Rehearsal MH	9:30 AM Healthy Bones Class HR 9:30 AM * Hunterdon Hills Playhouse "Never Too Late" E&R Trip 10:00 AM Rug Hooking GL 1:00 PM Table Tennis HR 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl CR 3:00 PM Book Discussion DR 6:00 PM Line Dancing BR 7:00 PM Emerald Soc. Mtg. GL 7:00 PM Players Rehearsal MH 7:00 PM RCAI Bd. of Governors HR	9:00 AM Art Class GL 10:00 AM Catholic Society Rosary MH Parlor 1:00 PM Table Tennis HR 4:00 PM Croquet Social GL 4:30 PM Indian-American Yoga CE 7:00 PM * "Ahoy Matey" Dance Party with DJ Mel BR	10:30 AM Indian American Club Meditation DR 11:00 AM Players Rehearsal MH 5:00 PM Korean-American Group GL 6:00 PM African Heritage Group BR
11:00 AM Community Church Worship w/ Chorus MH 1:00 PM Mutual 4B BBQ BR / Terr 7:00 PM Table Tennis HR  All Events Are Subject to Change.  Schedule does not reflect changes made after the 15 <sup>th</sup> of the month.	AUTUMN BEGINS 22 9:45 AM Forever Fitness w/ Tracy S. BR 1:00 PM Table Tennis HR 2:00 PM Line Dancing GL 4:30 PM Indian American Club Yoga CE 7:00 PM Jewish Congregation High Holidays Erev Rosh Hashanah MH and Parlor	23  10:00 AM Chair Yoga GL  10:30 AM News of the Week Roundtable MR  10:30 AM Jewish Congregation High Holidays Rosh Hashanah MH and Parlor  11:30 AM Tai Chi Class HR  1:00 PM All in Stitches CE  6:00 PM BR Dancing BR	9:30 AM Yoga CE 10:00 AM Needle Punch Class MR 10:30 AM Rossmoor News Bd. Mtg. WR 3:30 PM Chorus MH 4:30 PM Indian American Club Yoga CE 6:30 PM Indian American Club Players Presentation GL 7:00 PM Players Rehearsal MH	9:00 AM ERA Central Private Party HR 9:30 AM Healthy Bones Class BR 10:00 AM Writers Group CE 10:00 AM Rug Hooking GL 1:00 PM Healthcare Cntr. "Retired, Not Tired" Lecture BR 1:30 PM German American Group CE 5:00 PM Progressive Group BR 6:00 PM Line Dancing GL 7:00 PM Players Rehearsal MH	9:00 AM Art Class GL 10:00 AM Catholic Society Rosary MH Parlor 10:00 AM * NYC Museum Mile 1:00 PM Table Tennis HR 4:00 PM Croquet Social GL 4:30 PM Indian American Club Yoga CE 6:30 PM Italian-American Club Bingo BR	10:30 AM Indian-American Meditation DR 7:00 PM Dance Club BR 7:00 PM * E&R Special Events Comedy Show Clearbrook Cultural Center
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Saint Peter's University Hospital has been selected as a recipient of the Emergency Nurses Association's 2024 Lantern Award for demonstrating excellence in adult emergency care.

Our adult emergency physicians, nurses and staff treat you with compassion every step of the way. We care for you with advanced medicine, skilled hands and warm hearts for the highest level of quality care.

To learn more, call 732.745.8600 or visit saintpetershcs.com/ER



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