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Focus on: Groups and Clubs NJSCCR: What's up in New Jersey?

By Jean Houvener

Do you know the name of the rest area just south of Exit 8A on the New Jersey Turnpike? Do you know why that name was given? Do you know what major battles of the American Revolution were fought right near Rossmoor? Can you identify the more common butterflies of New Jersey? What is on the back of the quarter that represents New Jersey? These and many other questions have been covered at different meetings of the New Jersey Social and Cultural Club Rossmoor o f (NJSCCR).

NJSCCR meets the last Friday of the month at 1:30 in the Ballroom. The membership dues are a reasonable \$15 for the year for informative meetings followed by refreshments provided by the members. Recently That Butterfly Guy, Rick Mikula, gave a fascinating presentation, complete with live butterflies, teaching us all about the local butterflies and how to raise them ourselves in easily and ingeniously created butterfly homes (check out www.butterflywebsite.com).

Other presentations have included the many battles of the Revolutionary War as the troops surged between New York and Philadelphia to Valley Forge and back again; a re-enactment of the story of Molly Pitcher at the Battle of Monmouth, presenting the skit and the

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Spring has finally arrived!



Cecile Wang leads the congregation, chorus and orchestra in the "Halleluiah Chorus" that concluded the special music service at the Community Church.

Community Church musical worship service garners standing room only attendance

By Mary Jane Brubaker

There was not an empty seat to be had in the Meeting House on Sunday, April 2, when the Community Church hosted "Behold the Lamb," a special musical worship service featuring a 41-member chorus and a 17-piece orchestra. "We were very pleased to offer this unique and innovative musical experience to our entire community," says the Rev. Dr. Dierdre Thomson. "We are an ecumenical congregation welcoming people of all faiths and it was just wonderful to see so many new faces from the community at large

joining us for this musical celebration. We were delighted to have more than 200 people in attendance."

Church and Choir Music Director and Organist Cecile Wang was the mastermind behind the scenes who recruited the Rossmoor Chorus, the Rossmoor Singers and the Chin Yun Chorus as well as professional singers Carol Baldessari (a Rossmoor resident), Larry Parker, and Stephanie Pervall to join forces to perform the 35 minute cantata composed by Lloyd Larson, Molly James, and Jay Rouse.

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Mother's Day is celebrated around the world

By Anne Rotholz

In the United States Mother's Day is celebrated on the second Sunday of May. The day is set aside to honor and pay tribute to mothers and mother figures...stepmothers, foster mothers, grandmothers and so on. Since motherhood is closely associated with nurturing, anyone who nurtures another can and should be celebrated on this day.

Families show their appreciation in various ways. They may attend a church service and go for a meal. Special home-cooked dinners are also popular. It is a tradition to give cards and flowers (carnations are sometimes worn on the day). Gifts given include plants, candy, jewelry, perfume or a trip to a spa.

Mother's Day as we know it in the U.S., is a fairly modern celebration. Tributes to mothers date back to the early days of Greece and Rome. The Greeks had a spring festival dedicated to Rhea, the mother of Zeus. To them Rhea was "the great mother of many gods." The Romans honored Cybele, the goddess of nature and fertility. They, too, celebrated her with a spring festival and called her "the mother of the gods."

In the Sixteenth Century, Christians in England and Ireland celebrated a festival on the fourth Sunday in Lent, to honor Mary, the mother of Christ. It was a custom at the time that all the family members would be released from their work commitments so that they could return home on that day to visit one's mother church. This was the origin of *Mothering Day* or *Mothering Sunday*.

During the years following World War II, American soldiers brought their version of Mother's Day to England where it became very popular. Shortly afterwards *Mothering Sunday* and Mother's Day merged into one celebration that is still held on the fourth Sunday of Lent.

Mother's Day in the U.S. does not appear to be related to Rhea, Cybele, or Mothering Day. Historians tell us that it came about mostly because of the work of two women, Julia Ward Howe and Anna Jarvis. In 1870 Julia Ward Howe, who lived in Boston, (she wrote The Battle Hymn of the Re-

public) called for an annual Mother's day for Peace to encourage pacifism and disarmament, since so many women were suffering because of the war. This celebration went on for about 10 years and then ceased.

In 1908 Anna Jarvis of Grafton, West Virginia, gave a memorial service for her mother, also named Anna, who years earlier had organized Mother's Day Work Clubs to help those who were poor or ill in her community. She wanted to honor her mother's wish to set up a memorial Mother's Day. She distributed 500 carnations to those present at the service hence the connection between carnations and Mother's Day. (The symbolism of pink for a living mother and white for one who was deceased came from florists who could not get enough pink ones.)

Her campaign was so suc-(Continued on page 3)

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at the governors' meeting



March 16, **Board Governors Meeting**

Daniel Jolly, RCAI president, opened the Board of Governors meeting at 9 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest speaker Annette Murray, CPA, Wilken and Guttenplan, P.C., presented the highlights of the RCAI 2016 Financial Statements. She gave RCAI a "clean opinion," RCAI is financially stable. "Best practices" are being used and for the first time did not have any audit adjustments. The RCAI 2016 Budget was "break even" and the year ended with a \$93,802 surplus. She pointed o u t that "Undesignated Operating Fund Balance" or working capital is \$359,541 as of December 31, 2016, and should be around \$500,000.

Guest speaker Peter Katula, RM Termite and Pest Control, reported on the findings of the December 2016 inspection of the Community and said that there was no evidence of wood destroying insects at that time. Seventeen buildings were treated for termites in 2016, five of which were never treated previously. The rest of the buildings were treated previously. The chemical being used breaks down between 8-15 years and we will be seeing the need for some re-treatments. He also talked about squirrels, chipmunks and the need to replace broken and missing rodent bait stations. He also explained that mulch does not have an effect on termite infestations.

The RCAI Reserve Study set aside \$35,000 in 2016 for Mutual Domestic Water Line replacements. The Board of Governors approved a resolution for the expenditure of \$43,594.31 for the replacement of Mutual Domestic Water Lines in 2016 and the expenditure will be charged to the RCAI Capital Replacement Account.

The RCAI Reserve Study set aside \$125,000 in 2016 for Mutual Sanitary Sewer Pipe Reconstruction. The Board of Governors approved a resolution for the expenditure of \$112,246.11 for Mutual Sanitary Sewer Pipe Reconstruction in 2016 and the expenditure will be charged to the RCAI Capital Replacement Account.

After careful review of the current Property List, the RCAI Controller recommended that items on the RCAI Property List that have been retired from the inventory be removed from the List. The Board of Governors approved a resolution to debit Accumulated Depreciation for the retired items and credit the appropriate equipment accounts.

The current Pool Management Services contract expires December 31, 2017 and the Board of Governors at their January 2017 meeting authorized the officers of the RCAI and the Chair of the Pool Management Contract Committee to negotiate a five-year extension to the current contract with Sparkling Pool Services, Inc. Based on the years of excellent service and no increase in the current five-year contract, the Board of Governors approved a resolution for the extension of the Sparkling Pool Services, Inc. contract with a 10.59% increase in the daily rate in the first year; no increase in the second year; a 1.28% increase in the daily rate in the third year; a 1.95% increase in the fourth year and no increase in the fifth year. The Board of Governors also authorized the officers of the RCAI and the Chair of the Contract Committee to negotiate and execute the five-year extension.

Bits & Pieces

Sue Ortiz

Vacation time is coming up. Well, for some of us, anyway. Many go on extravagant escapes to exotic lands. I'm not much of a traveler, though. I always say that I've been as far west as Harrisburg, Pennsylvania (Hershey Park on a grade school class trip), as far north as Tenafly (friends' apartment), as far east as the Jersey Shore, and, most recently, as far south as Delaware (trip to Winterthur), if you don't count my anomalous nine-day excursion to the Caribbean on the Explorer of the Seas.

more I'm of a "staycationer." There is so much to see and do right here in New Jersey!

There's Six Flags Great Adventure theme park, which rivals most of the bigger parks everywhere. It will always be just "Great Adventure" to me. I have original souvenir booklets and postcards from the old days. Some of the world's largest, and most terrifying, roller coasters are here, too. I've never ridden on one, and I don't plan on doing so now, either! But, if you're into that kind of thrill, you might like to check out the new coaster in Seaside Heights. The Hydrus is replacing the Jet Star which was washed out to sea during Superstorm Sandy.

I'm neither a swimmer nor a sunbather, but I like to sit on the beach at Ocean Grove for a couple of hours at least once a year, especially before the summer season starts. You'll find me near the waves, sitting on a beach chair under an umbrella, wearing capris and a T-shirt, with SPF 55 sunscreen slathered everywhere. On the aforementioned Caribbean cruise, I came home without any trace of a tan.

Almost every town has a good ice cream stand. Jersey Shore boardwalks, such as Jenkinson's in Point Pleasant, have some of the best. Cold ice cream on a hot summer day ... it's the greatest.

There's so much history right here in New Jersey, too. Washington crossed the Delaware on that fateful Christmas Eve so long ago. He passed through many towns close to here, including Englishtown and even Monroe. Visit Monmouth

Battlefield near Freehold. and you can almost hear the cannons firing and smell the gunpowder from the muskets. Forget Paris, the Statue of Liberty, a gift from France, and Ellis Island are both accessible via ferry from Liberty State Park in Jersey City.

You don't have to travel far. Explore the local parks. Take time to sit by a lake and watch the pond life. Magical dragonflies will flit around the lily pads and wildflowers that line the water's edge. Heck, even on a Sunday drive two towns over, there are roads to discover. Take pictures of your "trip." Share with friends and family or on Facebook. See how many "likes" you

I've never been to Cape May, but it is one of the many New Jersey places on my travel wish list. I want to visit the historic Victorian homes, go on a ghost tour and whale watch, and feel the south Jersey sand between my toes.

It's just like strawberry picking, which is also coming up. Crowds of pickers trudge through muddy and slippery rows of strawberries to the far ends of the earth, thinking the best berries are out there. But I find the best and most berries right at the edge, close to home, you could say.

New Jersey has it all: from mountains to shores; snow storms to heat waves; gardens to metropolises: antiques to Ikea; back roads to the Turnpike, and a wide assortment of ethnic cultures and food.

Grab an old-fashioned paper map of our great Garden State, open it, close your eyes, and point your finger to adventure!

B&P

"Vacation is what you take when you can't take what you've been taking any longer." - Earl Wilson (American journalist, 1907-1987)

(By the way, the word petrichor, which I referred to in last month's column, has been added to Dictionary.com, along with about 300 other weird words including hangry, lightsaber, cold brew, smackdown, cat café, dad bod, and mic drop. Look 'em up. Bring on the summer rain.)

REMEMBER OUR FALLEN SOLDIERS

Open RCAI Meetings in May

Standing Committee Meetings, Thursday, May 11 at 9 a.m.

- Maintenance Committee
- Community Affairs Committee
- Finance Committee

Village Center Meeting Room

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- Election of Officers
- · Followed by the Board of Governors Meeting

Clubhouse Ballroom

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Mother's Day

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cessful that in 1914 President Woodrow Wilson declared Mother's Day a national holiday. In the ensuing years the celebration became so commercialized that, before her death in1948, Anna voiced her regret that she had ever started it.

Mother's Day is usually celebrated in spring, with a few exceptions. While many countries keep the holiday much as it evolved in the U.S., others have adapted it for religious, historical, or political reasons. Some of these reasons are interesting.

In China, Mother's Day has become very popular and it celebrated with lots of

flowers, including carnations. Lilies are usually the flowers of choice because in ancient times Chinese mothers planted lilies when their children left home. In 1997 Mother's Day was set aside as a day to help impoverished mothers and to be mindful of poor mothers in rural areas of the country.

Bolivia celebrates Mother's Day on May 27. The date is the anniversary of the Battle of La Coronilla which occurred during the Bolivian War of Independence. Many Bolivian women who fought in this battle were killed by the Spanish army.

Alarmed by the low birth rate in the early 1900s France attempted to create a national holiday to honor the mothers of large families.

and her music never wa-

vered. But in the middle of

her 87th year, her health be-

gan to deteriorate rapidly.

These women were given an award for High Maternal Merit. American soldiers fighting in France in World War I brought the Anna Jarvis version to that country. Though the American form became very popular, medals were still awarded to women with large families. In the 1950s the celebration was transferred to the last Sunday of May and from that time on all mothers were honored.

In Israel Mother's Day is celebrated on the anniversary of the death of Henrietta Szold who rescued many Jewish children from Nazi Germany and later took care of them. The holiday is now called Family Day. It is a celebration of mutual love within the family. No gifts are exchanged and there is no commercialization of the day.

Argentina celebrates Mother's Day on the third Sunday of October. It was originally celebrated on October 11, a feast of the Virgin Mary. When the feast was transferred to January, national merchants asked that the holiday be transferred to the third Sunday of October, to boost sales in the second half of that month.

Though Mother's Day was first celebrated in Sweden in1919, it was not widely accepted by the Swedish people until years later. They felt that the holiday was set up by merchants for their own reasons. Father's Day, however, was very popular. Sweden celebrates Mother's Day on the last Sunday of May. This date was chosen so people could go outside and pick flowers.

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About Alice

By Bob Huber

There was no question about Alice Tatro being a piano prodigy. She was introduced to the piano at the age of 12, and by the time she was 14, she was giving piano lessons to neighborhood children for 25 cents a lesson.

Her reputation as a teacher grew rapidly from the neighborhood to the entire community. By her 16th birthday, she had become so proficient that she dropped out of high school to devote full time to teaching and pursuing advanced studies in piano and pipe organ at the local conservatory.

Also at the age of 16, she became dissatisfied with the factory community in which her family lived, so she bought her own home in a much nicer neighborhood. She invited her mother, father and her two siblings to move there with her, if they chose. They did.

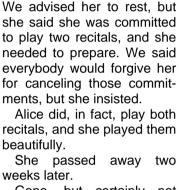
By the age of 19, Alice had achieved an outstanding reputation as an interpreter of Chopin, so she turned her attention toward a career as a concert pianist.

But love got in the way in the form of a young medical student named Ward Huber. During an extended engagement, Ward finished his medical studies, and Alice applied her amazing improvisational skills to composition, adding "composer" to her already impressive resume.

The marriage produced two boys, so Alice now added "wife and mother" to her list of accomplishments. Life was good.

But tragedy struck early in the young family's life. Ward died prematurely from an incurable illness, and Alice was left to raise two young boys under reduced circumstances. She not only survived but she thrived. Balancing an active musical career with compassionate parenthood and a large helping of New England thrift, she was able to put both boys through college and help them on their way to their own successful careers.

Throughout her entire life, Alice's devotion to her boys



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All aboard - Amtrak is the way to travel

By Linda Bozowski

May 1 (Amtrak Day) has probably passed by the time you're reading this issue, but it's not too late to think about an adventure on an Amtrak train. The National Railroad Passenger Corporation, established under the Amtrak banner in 1971, serves 500 destinations in 46 states and in three Canadian provinces. Three hundred trains, traveling over 21,000 miles per day, provide local, regional and long-distance travel accommodations. In fiscal 2015, nearly 31 million passengers traveled on Amtrak rails.

Passenger rail service declined as autos became the most prevalent means of transportation beginning in the 1920s. Commercial bus lines made travel between cities convenient and affordable. Following World War II, air travel became available and more efficient and also cut into rail's niche. By the late 1940s, railroads provided only 67 percent of passenger miles in the United States.

The need to compete with other transit choices led the rail lines to improve their passenger cars, making them attractive and more comfortable. Converting from coal to diesel-powered engines enabled greater speed and less air pollution. Following the war, rail usage continued to decline, and by 1965 only 10,000 railroad cars were in use, down from 65,000 in 1929. The postal service usage of trains for mail transport also shrank, and railroads were losing money at increasing rates.

While most railroads were privately owned until 1971, government subsidies provided significant operating assistance. However, railroads were also subject to local and state regulations, including various taxes. In 1959, the Great Northern Railway, which owned a small parcel of land in Lincoln County, Montana, provided 91% of the entire school tax for that community. The federal government provided monies for highways, airports and other public transit projects but at the same time, the government increased regulations developed to increase public safety. Finally, in 1970, with the likely death of the rail system in the near future, President Nixon and Congress established the current national rail system.

So enough history! Rail travel can be exciting and enriching, while economical. According to Amtrak data, 83% of passengers travel fewer than 400 miles on their trips. Two-thirds of all travel originates in the 10 largest metropolitan cities. In many areas, Amtrak is stil used for local travel, much as we on the Northeast Corridor use NJ Transit or SEPTA.

Amtrak is something to consider if regional and cross -country travel is on the "maybe" list for an upcoming trip. A senior-rate round-trip ticket from Trenton to Selma, N.C. (near Raleigh) can be had for between \$80 to \$180, depending on desired accommodations and what specials may be available. During that eight-hour trip, reading the newspaper, drinking coffee, using the restroom, chatting with friends (new and old), catching up on email, can all be accomplished without worry about watching the traffic on I-95. Is a nap on the agenda for the day? No problem. Of course, that's not an option if you're the driver.

Have you ever seen, or driven through the Continental Divide? Breathtaking views are available from inside a double-decker Amtrak car. The Internet may not be available for part of the journey, but enjoying the views far surpasses whatever excitement there may be on AOL.

If you want to take in the splendors of our country, why not consider a 30-day rail pass? Plans are available for many destinations, and many include sleeping roomettes (not great, but roomy enough for two travelers to sit and sleep comfortably). And then there's the food. Dining is impressive on Amtrak. Generous servings of well-prepared and graciously served foods are available for all three mealtimes each day at a very modest cost. Many trains have snack cars as well as the formal dining cars. Many of the travel packages include meals. Cocktails are available and are not included in the package deals.

The Amtrak website is easy to navigate and has many offerings with photos. Representatives are also available for online chat or telephone discussion. The Amtrak Rewards program offers additional savings opportunities, and there are tieins with hotels, car rental companies, restaurants and other venues at various locations. Other savings may be available through AAA and AARP membership.

Take the train for relaxing and stimulating travel. And don't forget your phone charger.

Who would have thought? International Respect for Chickens Day?

By Linda Bozowski

In case you forgot, May 4 is International Respect for Chickens Day. Hallmark will probably add this notation to their calendars next year so that we can all remember to celebrate this important day before Cinco de Mayo.

As I was researching this observance, I came across a wealth of facts of which I was previously unaware. For example, the chicken is the closest living relative to the tyrannosaurus. Since I haven't seen a tyrannosaurus recently, I never would have guessed that relationship. And did you know that, in the wild, chickens may live for between five and 11 years, but that in confinement, they generally live only six weeks. after which they are slaughtered.

I think chickens should be raced, as some other animals are. After all, they can travel up to nine miles per hour. A chicken's heart beats are 280 beats per minute. Could that contribute to their rapid travel pace? I don't know, I'll have to research that further. And how diverse they are – there are more than 200 breeds and variations of domesticated chickens. And many of those can lay eggs of various colors,

including green and blue. How come we only have choices of white and brown at the grocery store? Does someone save the green and blue eggs for special customers?

My research states that chickens are very social creatures. It is reported that chickens live in flocks in the wild and share responsibilities in the incubation of eggs and the rearing of chicks. Does that make them communist chickens? I mean, they live in sort of a commune, right? They do have some unusual habits, at least from a human's point of view. For instance, they enjoy dust bathing. It is reported that chickens become very frustrated if they are unable to enjoy this habit. Of course, in commercial chicken confinement cages, dust bathing is not an option. I'm not sure how a casual observer knows when a chicken is frustrated. Does it cackle differently, or beat its wings (the chicken, not the observer)? Another tidbit that needs more research.

Finally, FYI, chicken pox has nothing to do with chickens, so stop blaming them. After all, there are more chickens on earth than people, so be warned.

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Sun worship can be hazardous to your health

By Linda Bozowski

We all know that skin care is important, and that excessive ultraviolet light exposure should be avoided. We may not be as aware about the warning signs of melanoma, a deadly cancer that claimed 55,000 lives in 2012 worldwide. Among the 232,000 new cases identified each year, malignant melanoma is most pervasive among people in Australia and New Zealand. Northern Europe and North America also has numerous cases, while Asia, Africa and Latin America have fewer cases.

Women are most likely to develop these cancers on their legs, while men are most often affected with growth on their backs. Fair and red-haired people are more likely to develop this cancer than those with darker skin tones.

The most common symptom of potential melanoma is the growth of or change in a mole. We may think of moles as merely unsightly. However, these seemingly nonsignificant skin lesions, if they change in appearance, color or size, may be the warning signals of a potentially deadly cancer. The most dangerous form of melanoma is called nodular melanoma, and that condition is indicated by moles which are growing, firm to the touch or raised about the surrounding skin surface.

Diagnosis of melanoma is most often done through visual inspection. A visual survey of the whole body is indicated, since even tiny specks that may not appear as typical moles may, in fact, be early growth sites. Some practitioners use digital whole-body photography as well, especially with high-risk patients but critics of this method suggest that smaller potential moles may not be visualized as well. Moles that appear suspicious may be candidates for localized biopsy. Depending on the location and size of a malignant lesion, removal under local anesthesia may be the next

Undiagnosed malignant melanomas can grow and become invasive, a far more dangerous situation. As the cancer cells invade the deeper areas of the skin, they can spread to other body sites including the liver, bones, brain and lymphatic system, which is why this cancer is so deadly. Symptoms of potential metastasis

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include loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting and fatigue. Less than one-fifth of early diagnosed melanomas me-

Less than one-fifth of early diagnosed melanomas metastasize – good news- so early diagnosis is key.

As we move through spring into summer, it's important that we become more mindful of our skin health.

spring into summer, it's important that we become more mindful of our skin health. Limiting exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays, using sunscreen, wearing hats and other skin-covering clothing are all actions that can help reduce our risk to this deadly disease. And for those of us who have spent hours outdoors getting that bronzed look of a good tan, maybe now is the time to put a "call the dermatologist" note on the to-do list.

Bernie Halperin - Passover thoughts

By Linda Bozowski

In our April edition, we published a poem written by the late Bernie Halperin. Due to a mix-up regarding our deadline, a photo of Halperin and his wife Ann, still a Rossmoor resident, didn't make the paper. Peter Halperin, the author's son, graciously sent the attached photo and another of Bernie's works. Hope you enjoy Bernie's thoughts about Passover.

"The Passover Seder - 1978"

By Bernie Halperin

Our friends and relatives sat around a long table

Their instructions "to eat as much as they were able!" There was chopped liver and matzohs, too.

All kinds of "goodies" to fill up a Jew.

Matzo Ball soup and turkey galore,

And sweet wine, to make our spirits soar,

Gefilte fish and so much

We ate and we ate, it wasn't a chore.

Then, the desserts came into our view,

Cake, strawberries and whipped cream, too.

But before the succulent feast began,

The Seder was performed by a Man.

Thirteen years old, our Danny did great When he finished, we all attacked our plate!

And after the meal, the girls "chirped" away,

While the men talked of their hard day.

Our little people ransacked



Bernie Halperin

the house, "So cute, so smart," I said to my spouse.

"What a wonderful meal you made for us all."

Though it was Passover, it seemed like a "Ball"

Passover is a time to remember the past,

But we all wish Passover wouldn't pass!



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Collaborators Bob Huber and Bill Strecker

By Linda Bozowski

Abbott and Costello, Simon and Garfunkle, Batman and Robin, Lone Ranger and Tonto, Martin and Lewis - the list goes on and on. Duets, synergy, complementary skill sets. What do you get when you mix a guy from Cleveland, Ohio, with another guy from Ronkonkama, Long Island? A great collaboration of words and music and laughs designed to entertain all of us. Of course, those two guys are Bob Huber and Bill Strecker, the unassuming talents who gave us "It's News to Us" and "Between Engagements." Although these gentlemen are not chronological peers, their skills mesh so well together that you'd think they were brothers.

Bob Huber, four-time Emmy winner for his TV work in writ-

ing, production, and animation, has been writing skits and plays and other stage treats for the Rossmoor Players since 1997. Bill Strecker, an accomplished musician and composer with three LP albums and numerous appearances under his belt, is a new-



Bob Huber today

comer to the Players. He auditioned in 2012 and was accepted to perform a pantomime skit in the "This or That" production that year. When the Players decided to attempt a musical production in 2015, Bill volunteered to work with Bob in developing the music. The guys "played it again, Sam" in 2016 with their collaboration of "It's News to Us."

Certainly no one thinks writing a stage production is an easy task, but we may not realize how complex it is. Developing a musical is much more complicated than a words-only play, although many of the steps are similar. According to Bob and Bill, the process starts many months before the expected debut. In the case of their efforts in creating a new musical, an initial brief synopsis is presented to the board of the Rossmoor Players, who discuss, comment, and consider the ideas being proposed. If the concept is approved after it may have been tweaked or modified, the synopsis is then expanded the characters are developed, the story line is fleshed out, and opportunities for music are identified.

The script gets written and rewritten, and songs are penned with no score, just words. That's when Bill jumps in with both feet, developing the melodies and harmonies that will help set the mood for the play. Revisions continue



Bob Huber--with-WXEL-cam-Circa 1979

until just a few weeks before the curtain opens.

Rehearsals start about six to eight weeks before opening night. Finding a place to work on the final presentations is an on-going challenge. Although the shows are presented in the Meeting House, that building is used by other groups and is unavailable for many of the rehearsals. The complexities of lighting, the set, musicians' area and seating add to the stresses the Players have to deal with. But, to their credit, the show always goes on!

Bob started serious writing for a radio station in Cleveland at age 17 while he was still in high school. Over his lengthy career, he participated in the development and production of "The Dipsy Doodle Show" and went on to several key positions with Storer Cable, now known as Comcast. In the later 1970s Bob was the program director at TV Channel WJKW, an affiliate of WCBS. As manager of a small specialty animation company, he was able to develop a subcontractor relationship with the Disney organization, and produced a full-length cartoon about nutrition.

Bob's daughter Nancy lives in Brooklyn. His wife Kay died in 2008. Bob shares his home with his cat, about whom he fre-

quently writes, lovingly.



Bill Strecker today

Guitarist and composer Bill Strecker is a member of the Mayflower Trio, composed of a keyboardist and a bassist. Sometimes the Trio is joined by players with drums and/or saxophones when a more robust sound fits the bill. When Bill isn't writing and playing music, he runs a successful landscape architecture business. Designing planting arrays for commercial and public buildings demands many skill

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Two benefits in one: Stay in touch with friends and family while supporting the Salvation Army

By Mary Jane Brubaker

The Community Church is raising funds to support the Salvation Army through the sale of unique notecards that feature a rendering of the Meeting House by artist Cynthia Dawley, daughter of resident Gloria Dawley.

Sold in packs of eight cards for \$5, each packet comes with a free pen. The cards can be purchased weekdays from 9 a.m. to noon at the Community Church office on the second floor of the Meeting House. When entering the Meeting House, there is a buzzer to alert Linda Klink, the church secretary, of your arri-

According to Gloria Dawley,

is illegal and not very consider-

ate to handicapped drivers,

but very common by the pool.

3) While driving on Old Nas-

sau Road toward Rossmoor

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sense. I think common sense

is not common anymore.

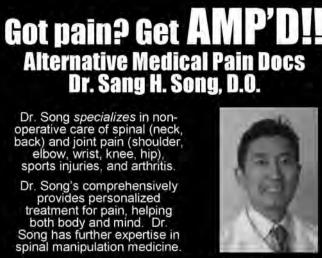
destrians crossing the street. All these things are common

4) The white line and the

low line-very dangerous.

who is leading the sale of the notecards on behalf of the Community Church, "One thing everyone tells me about these notecards is how versatile they are - you can use them as birthday cards, anniversary cards, and some people have even used them as holiday cards." She adds, "At this stage of our lives, what better gift is there to receive than a hand written note? And in this case, that hand written note will be benefitting both its recipient as well as a very good cause."

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Things I noticed while on my daily two-mile walk

By Dennis Kalos

- 1) Handicap placards that are hanging from the rearview mirror are illegal to hang there while driving in N.J.
 - 2) Parking in handicap spots

<u>New Neighbors</u>



By Christina Smith, resident services manager

Maria Restrepo, 115B Hanover Lane, formerly of Monroe Twp., N.J.

Edward and Sharon Condiracci, 393A Newport Way, formerly of Parlin, N.J.

Kenneth and Suejayne Thomas, 456B Roxbury Lane, formerly of Bedford, N.J.

Jacquelyn Coleman, 170N Rossmoor Drive, formerly of Monroe Twp., N.J.

John Yea and Jung Lee, 14B Sussex Way, formerly of Old Bridge, N.J.

Theresa Robinson and Janice Barry, 124A Rossmoor Drive, formerly of Port Saint,

Farooq and Jawad Khan, 519N Spencer Lane, formerly of East Windsor, N.J.

Robert and Maureen Danehy, 120C Rossmoor Drive, formerly of Pine Knoll Shores, N.C.

Chao Chen and Caroline Faraone, 365E Old Nassau Road, formerly of Plainfield,

Christopher and Yong Ko, 175A Prescott Lane, formerly of Monroe Twp., N.J.

Yong and Young Moon, 215N Mayflower Way, formerly of Garfield, N.J.

Kenneth Ply, 439N Newport Way, formerly of Cranford,

Thomas and Debra Stasik, 717A Victoria Court, formerly of Monroe Twp., N.J.

Bob and Bill

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sets, and Bill has managed to utilize them over the past 30

The proud father of two sons and a daughter, Bill is grandfather to seven little ones, including a recent set of

Although we have been told that the next show is in the works, not a peep was shared about the title or content. We will have to patiently wait until The Players reveal information about the next production. We're looking forward to another great show from this multi-talented group.

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"Ask the G.M." Questions posed to RCAI General Manager Jane Balmer by Rossmoor staff and residents.

Q: How are the RCAI Board of Governors Officers elected?

A: By the time you read this article many of the Mutuals will have had their Annual Meetings and elections. It is the time of the year when the Directors elect their Mutual officers, decide their committee assignments for the three RCAI Standing Committees (Community Affairs, Finance, and Maintenance) and the Governor to serve on the RCAI board.

Each RCAI Standing Committee as well as the RCAI Board of Governors, is comprised of a representative from each of the 18 Mutuals. The committee members elect the officers of the three committees this month.

The last step is the election of the RCAI Executive Committee, President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary, at the RCAI Board of Governors meeting on Thursday, May 18, at 9 a.m. in the Clubhouse Ballroom. All 54 Mutual directors elect the RCAI Executive Committee, in person, at this meeting. There are no absentee ballots and nominations are made from the floor. Each director votes by written ballot at the meeting.

It is certainly a very busy time of the year. All the meetings are open, held in the Meeting Room in the Village Center (except the May meeting of the Governors) and we encourage you to attend.

Once all the Standing Committee officers and Executive Committee are elected the fun will begin.

It is an exciting time and we plan to do our best to keep you informed of all the activities, projects and plans through the *Rossmoor News* and Channel 26. As always, I am available to answer your questions, comments or concerns.

Q: How does the staff in the Village Center function?

A: The staff in the Village Center is responsible for the Administrative and Financial affairs of the Rossmoor Community Association, Inc. ("RCAI") and the eighteen Mutuals.

My office is located in the Village Center along with the Controller, Linda Rainey, Resident Services Manager, Chris Smith and five others as support staff. As the General Manager, Chris Smith and Linda Rainey report directly to me as well as the E&R Manager, Michelle Williams; Operations Manager, Ricky DeBlois; Golf Professional, Ted Servis; and Golf Superintendent, Tom Tucci.

Under Linda's direction, Gina Genther, bookkeeper, assists with the daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly and annual financial activities of the 19 corporations. Gina is a new member of the staff and her duties will become more defined and detailed as she is trained.

Under Linda's direction, Debbie Soden, accounts receivable/payroll, is responsible for the collection and accounting of the monthly carry charges, special assessments, late notices and fees; mortgage and interest statements and property tax letters for the cooperative associations; monthly delinquency reports; maintaining data on automatic debit transactions; reconciling payroll, depository, Mutual checking and money market accounts; bi-weekly time cards, payroll and taxes; maintaining personnel records, union dues and pension contributions; annual coupons for Carrying Charges; printing and distributing monthly RCAI and Mutual financial statements and assists the Controller and General Manager with the preparation of the annual RCAI and Mutual budgets.

Also under Linda's direction, Christine Parr, accounts payable, is responsible to calculate and prepare invoices for payment for RCAI, and the 18 Mutual associations; assist with telephone calls; keep all the bank account signature cards up to date; sort and distribute incoming mail; lease and arrange maintenance of the copiers in the various departments; order all the office supplies; and make miscellaneous bank deposits from the various departments.

Linda Rainey, controller, is responsible for the financial operations of the RCAI and the 18 Mutuals including the monthly financial statements; check requests; sales, use and payroll taxes; deposits to the non-union employees pension plan and 401K; reconcile RCAI bank statements and the reserve and capital expenditures; assist the 18 Mutuals with their annual budgets and reserve study updates; record interest earned on investments; prepare all the schedules for the annual audits; adjust reserve cash to fund balances quarterly; transfer cash between RCAI and Mutual accounts through web based cash management program; oversee the 19 corporations' investments to make sure cash is available when needed and fully invested when not needed; and review all the Maintenance Department, Education and Recreation Office and Golf Course daily receipts and deposits.

In her spare time, Linda has kept her department current as there are changes in laws, policies, procedures, and technology.

The rest of the Administrative staff consists of Christina Smith, resident services/office manager; Maryann Sonnenfeld, administrative assistant; and Mary Ann Titus, receptionist.

Christina Smith as residents services/office manager is responsible for the resales for the condominiums and cooperatives including working closely with realtors, attorneys, Monroe Township and our escrow agent, completing mortgage questionnaires, constantly updated the welcome kits, intent to sell forms, ID cards and bar codes, and assisting directors with orientation meetings. Chris is instrumental in keeping the residents list up to date at all times for mailings for the Mutuals, Rossmoor News and the Rossmoor directory. The computerized gate access system for the North Gate, TOPS, is

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Bob's Almanac

By Bob Huber

By Bob Huber

It's May; it's May, the merry month of May! Mother nature puts on her spring finery: flowers and trees are in bloom, not to mention pollen, and testosterone levels are rising in the younger generation. It's no wonder that May 1, (May Day), has been celebrated as a special occasion since ancient times.

Though May 1 is the unofficial start of the wedding season, it should be noted that there was an important wedding of a political nature which happened on May 1, 1707 when traditional enemies Scotland and England joined forces to become **Great Britain**, creating Western Europe's most formidable monarchy.

May 3, 1898 - **Golda Meir** was born in Kiev, Russia. As one of the founders of modern Israel, she served as Israel's prime minister from 1969 to 1974.

May 4, 1494 - Christopher Columbus discovered Jamaica on his second voyage to the New World. Some say he took a circuitous route home after also discovering Jamaican rum.

May 5, 1862 - Mexican troops defeated the French forces of Napoleon III in the

battle of Puebla, thus establishing May 5 as the country's Independence Day, known as **Cinco de Mayo**, similar to our July 4.

May 5, 1961 - Astronaut Alan Sheppard was the first American to fly into space. The sub orbital flight lasted 15 minutes.

May 6, 1937 - The huge German transatlantic airship, **Hindenburg**, caught fire and crashed while landing at Lakehurst, N. J. Out of the 97 passengers and crew on board, only 62 survived. The debate still rages as to whether the fire was started by a saboteur's bomb or leaking hydrogen gas set ablaze by lightening

May 6, 1856 - **Sigmund Freud** was born in Moravia. Though Freud's methods were originally dismissed by his peers as inconsequential or bogus, he was eventually recognized as the father of modern psychoanalysis.

May 8, 1884 - Harry S. Truman was born in Lamar, Missouri. He was the last of only nine presidents who didn't attend college. He was poorly prepared to assume the presidency after Franklin Roosevelt's death, but he skillfully guided our country through perilous times. In his "no non-

sense" manner, he once said his decision to drop the atomic bombs on Japan was not difficult. In the end, it saved thousands of American and Japanese lives. It was a decision that will be debated for generations to come.

May 10, 1869 - The Union Pacific and the Central Pacific railroads met at Promontory Point, Utah. With the driving of a golden spike, the East Coast and the West Coast were connected by railroad for the first time.

May 11, 1888 - Irving Berlin (Israel Isidore Baline) was born in Russia. He could neither read nor write music, but he composed some of the most popular melodies of the 20th century. His patriotic song, "God Bless America," reached the status of a national anthem during World War II.

May 17, 1792 - Twenty-four merchants and brokers established the **New York Stock Exchange**. They met outside under a tree, and in inclement weather they moved into a local coffeehouse.

May 20, 1862 - Pres. Abraham Lincoln signed the Homestead Act into law, which opened western government owned land for settlement. After living on the land and cultivating it for five years, homesteaders could buy up to 160 acres for \$1.25 an acre. Today, it would be hard to rent a parking space for an hour for that much money.

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1. Direct contributions: This is the easiest method. You simply write a check or

make an online donation. If you're giving tangible property, such as artwork, you'll need to deliver it physically to the charitable group.

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constantly updated under Chris' direction. She oversees the *Work Permit* approvals. Chris is also the administrator for mediation hearings. After new residents move into Rossmoor, Chris makes sure they have all the information they need to begin their adventure in the Community and coordinates the quarterly new residents' meetings with staff.

Under Chris Smith's direction, Maryann Sonnenfeld assists with meeting schedules and draft copies of the agendas for approval for the RCAI Standing Committees, Golf Course Committee, Executive Committee and Board of Governors. Maryann also attends meetings and drafts the min-

utes. She handles correspondence for the RCAI President, Mutuals and committees. Maryann organizes and attends the 18 Mutual annual meetings. If you ever wanted to review minutes or resolutions, Maryann has them organized and at her finger tips. Maryann is fairly new to the staff.

Under Chris Smith's direction, Mary Ann Titus is the first-person residents and visitors see and hear when entering or contacting the Village Center. Her position is constant and challenging. Mary Ann also assists Chris Smith and the entire office with scanning and filing. Mary Ann is also new to the staff.

We are a busy, productive group that is proud to serve Rossmoor!

Sound Advice

(Continued from page 9) 30% of your AGI.

Contributions of appreciated property to private foundations are limited to 20% of your AGI.

But in all of these cases any amount that exceeds the limits can be claimed on the following year's return, and such "carryovers" may continue for up to five years.

2. Donor-advised funds: With a donor-advised fund, you give your money to a fund that's set up with an institutional partner. There might be a minimum contribution amount, and the fund may charge fees to cover its costs. But one big advantage of this approach is that you can make a donation to the fund and get an immediate tax deduction and then decide later where you want your money to go.

Once you choose to give a specified amount to a particular charity, the fund will verify that the organization is eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions. Once your grant is approved, the money goes to the group with an indication that it was made on your recommendation. You also can request that your gift be made anonymously.

3. Charitable gift annuities: This approach is somewhat more sophisticated than direct gifts and donoradvised funds. A charitable

gift annuity is a contract between a donor and a charity. You agree to transfer money, securities, or other assets to the organization, which in turn agrees to make specified payments to "annuitants"—usually you or you and someone else you designate.

What are the tax consequences? As the donor, you're entitled to a charitable deduction in the year you make your donation to the charity that is adjusted to account for the expected payments you'll receive, based on your life expectancy and other factors.

4. Charitable trusts: There are two main types to consider: the charitable remainder trust (CRT) and the charitable lead trust (CLT).

With a CRT, you set up the trust and transfer selected assets to it. The charity often acts as the trustee and manages the assets. During the trust term, you (or another beneficiary or beneficiaries you specify) receive regular payments from the trust. The CRT may last for a term of specified years or your lifetime. Finally, when the trust ends, the remaining assets from your contribution (the remainder) go to the charity. You get a current tax deduction based on the projected value of that remainder.

A CLT works the opposite way. You still transfer assets

to the trust, but annual payments go to the specified charity, and the remainder at the end of the trust term goes to the beneficiaries you designated.

Regardless of whether you use a CRT or a CLT, the annual payments may be based on a fixed amount or a percentage of assets. Other special rules apply, so be sure to obtain expert guidance.

This is a brief overview of current rules. But these approaches could be affected by proposed tax changes. We'll keep you up to date on any changes.

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Musings and Memories

By Betty Emmons

Mother's Day 2010 By Betty Emmons

To begin my story, I want to tell you that I had the best Mother's Day anyone could have ever had. But then I'm sure each of you have probably heard that from you own moms. Words that are true and from the heart, but what makes my story different is that I never had any children. So let me explain.

You see, I have been embraced by Jonas' son, two grandsons, and his daughterin-law, and they are the best. The love they have shown me is beyond anything I could have imagined or ever hoped for. And their generosity is beyond belief. A wonderful family that has come to mean so much to me and not only on special occasions, but every day of the year. Denise, the daughter-in -law who is more like a daughter to me, calls me twice a day from Massachusetts just to say hello and how are you. But the nicest part is, she never, never fails to say "I love you" before she hangs up. And the boys always show me the same kind of love, concern, and respect. Beyond that, they send me gift cards for every restaurant they can think of, the Stop & Shop, and Walmart, to make sure I get nourishment and have food

on hand.

But back to Mother's Day. On Friday, there was a pyramid of fruit delivered to my patio door and then flowers to my front door. I was thrilled, but very surprised because the family was expected the next day.

Well, they did arrive on Saturday as planned and that evening we all went out to dinner. We had a lovely time and the next morning, Mother's Day we all went to church and had breakfast together. After breakfast, they dropped me off and then left for the five-hour trip home.

Now I ask you, wasn't that the best Mother's Day anyone could have ever had, let alone someone who wasn't even a mother? But wait, I have to tell you one more thing. After they left, I found money on the mantel which they later explained was so I could participate in fun things.

Much too much and of course, I am very grateful for everything. But the best part is, I know how pleased Jonas would be as his greatest joy in life was his family, the spirit of giving, and their love for one another, and because of who he was. I had the best Mother's Day anyone could have ever had and, truly, my heart is filled to overflowing

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In Memoriam

Francis J. Lupica

Francis J. Lupica, age 90, passed away on Sunday, March 19, surrounded by his loving family. Born in 1926 in the Bronx of Italian immigrant parents. Paulo and Marietta. deceased, Frank was one of two children with his brother, Vincent, also deceased.

During World War II, Frank joined the US Navy, serving honorably in the South Pacific theatre through the war's end. After discharge, he returned to his education and completed his Bachelor's Degree in Business at Iona College in New Rochelle, New York.

Frank married Joan Thompson in 1952. They would have celebrated their 65th anniversary this coming May. They moved to New Jersey in 1957. Frank is survived by four children: Joanne, Nancy and husband Hank Wolman, Paul and wife Lauren, Michael and wife Alexandra, as well as four granddaughters: Katy, Jenny, Gina, and Rowan. Additionally, Frank was blessed with two great grandsons: Nico and Jackson.

Frank spent most of his professional career working at Dun & Bradstreet, retiring in 1987. In additional to his loving family, his passions were playing golf, watching golf, and talking about golf. Forever a very special person in our hearts, PopPop will be missed by one and all.

Concetta Pino

Concetta (LoRe) Pino died on Tuesday April 4, at her home on Yarborough Way South. Connie was 105 years old, born on Christmas eve in 1911. Born and raised in Brooklyn, she lived there until moving to Rossmoor in 1989.

She married her sweetheart, the late Hon. Frank J. Pino in 1936 and they were married for over 69 years until his death in 2007. She was the matriarch of her family and was a homemaker her entire life. She was a former member of the Altar Rosarv Society in Brooklyn. Her favorite television show was The Young and the Restless, which she watched for over 40 years. She was an outstanding cook and her chicken cutlets were everyone's favorite. She was an avid fan of the New York Yankees and was a parishioner of Nativity of Our Lord RC Church, Monroe Twp.

She was pre-deceased by her husband, Hon. Frank J. Pino in 2007, her daughter, Maria Licata, two brothers, and two sisters.

She is survived by two daughters, Angela Albano and her husband Joseph of Somerset; and Frances and her husband Domenick of Jackson; her son-in-law, Richard Licata; six grandchildren: Donna Albano (Jayson), John Albano (Susan), Debra Brey (Lawrence), Frank Petraglia (Monica), Stephanie Licata, and Christopher Licata (Crystal); four great grandchildren: Kayla, Maya, Alexander, and Antonio, as well as her caretaker, Cecilia, and many other extended family members.

Ed Ryan

Ed Ryan, who died on March 22, was a good man who was loved for the caring in his heart, a wise man who taught by fine example, a strong man who worked hard and did his best for his family, and a religious man who would say that your faith was not just a Sunday experi-

Ed was born in Brooklyn the eighth of nine children to Irish immigrant parents Anne McGuinness and James Ryan. He attended St. Mary Star of the Sea Grammar School, where he served as an altar boy, and St. Augustine High School, where he was a varsity baseball and basketball player and captain of each team. After graduation, he became active in the Alumni Association and was its president for many years. He received a scholarship to attend Manhattan College but was unable to use it because his family needed his financial help. After high school, he worked in Todd's Shipyard and then joined the U.S. Navy to serve for four years as a Signalman in the Armed Guard, crossing the Atlantic many times during WW II. At the close of the war, he married Alice Coleman and they were married for 67 years. He was the proud and caring father of his four children, Alice, Patricia, Edward, and William, and warmly welcomed their spouses, Jack, Dennis, Mary, and Heather into the family. He was a kind and loving grandfather to Gavin and Erin, Liam, Chris and Lindsay, Teague, Terence, Alison, Tommy, Colin, Juliana and David, and wonderful greatgrandfather to Olivia, Emery and Gracyn.

Ed had two successful 20year careers, the first as a New York City policeman where he rose to the rank of lieutenant. He went on to become the General Manager of Lincoln Center State Theater in New York City. Both careers were filled with excitement, each in its own way.

Ed worked hard at each career and yet he always had time to do the best for his family. He was a strong believer in Catholic education and all four of his children went to Catholic gramschools and high schools. He was president of the Holy Name Society and an active member in every parish where he resided. He coached baseball and basketball teams in local parishes, and the players to this day remember not only the games but the life lessons that he taught. If you asked him about one of his most fond memories, it would be when he was selected to coach the NYC Anchor Club's Orphan All Stars game against Father Flanagan's Boys Town Team at the Polo Grounds. The Club was a Catholic philanthropic organization whose focus was helping war orphans and children of deceased NYPD members. He often said it was a high point in his life. They won the game in front of thousands of people and it was covered in all the N.Y. papers. He kept in contact with many of the young men on that team, one of whom became a physician and another an NYPD Deputy Police Commissioner.

He spoke in phrases, "a job worth doing, is worth doing well," "it's nice to be nice," "fail to prepare, prepare to fail," "the wise man listens." He was a serious thoughtful man, but after retirement, he moved to Rossmoor to begin what he called the fun time in his life. He was an active member in the Emerald Society, the Brooklyn Club, the Catholic Society, the Barber Shop Quartet, The Rossmoor Players, and The Old Guard. He joined the bocce and tennis teams, won medals at the Senior Foul Shot competitions, sang at various functions, told great stories and jokes, did magic tricks, and joined too many more fun groups to mention. He truly enjoyed this part of his life.

So, today, we celebrate his life. He was a man who was good, wise, strong, and successful and he was loved more than he could know.

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Joe and Lucille Conti with their grandson Michael Bellmier at Family Day with the NYFD.

CULINARY CORNER

By Sidna Mitchell

Linda Metro and Richard Zeck, former Rossmoor neighbors who now live year-round in Venice, Fla., invited us to dinner before we headed back north. Of course, I asked if I could bring anything. Claiming she never thought about dessert, Linda suggested I bring a pie.

Amazing! Dessert is one of the first things I consider when ordering a meal out or planning one for home. In fact, there have been times when Ken and I opted for a banana split or sundae at the DQ instead of having lunch.

About 20 years ago while visiting family in Memphis, I found a recipe for an easy lemon icebox pie. I decided to make one for Linda and Richard's dinner party. This is so easy and tastes just like the pie my mother (Granny) used to make.

Culinary

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cracker crust (storebought) 14-ounce can sweetened can frozen lemonade concentrate, thawed Small carton Cool Whip, thawed

- Beat sweetened condensed milk and lemonade concentrate until thick.
- 2. Fold in Cool Whip and pour into the pie shell.
- Top with more Cool Whip if desired.
- 4. Refrigerate or freeze to make stiffer until ready to serve.
- 5. Serves eight.

condensed milk

Granny often made lemon icebox pie. She got her recipe from the label of the Magnolia brand of sweetened condensed milk. Granny always claimed the lemon "cooked" the egg yolks so you didn't have to worry about baking the filling.

Lemon/Lime Icebox Pie

1/2 cup fresh lemon or lime juice (about three lemon or limes) grated rind of one lemon or

lime 2 egg yolks 14-ounce can of sweetened condensed milk

eight-inch graham cracker crust (store bought) Cool Whip (eight-ounce container) or whipped

- 1. Put lemon or lime juice in mixing bowl along with grated rind and egg yolks.
- Mix briefly and then add the sweetened condensed milk.
- 3. Continue mixing until the pie filling thickens.
- Pour into graham cracker crust.
- 5. Keep in refrigerator until ready to serve.
- Cover with Cool Whip or whipped cream and wait for the praises.

NOTE: If you like meringue, forget the Cool Whip or whipped cream. Simply beat egg whites with a dash of cream of tartar and two tablespoons of sugar until stiff but not dry. Smooth meringue on top of pie filling and bake in 350-degree oven about 10 minutes or until the meringue is golden. Then chill the pie until time to serve

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Clubs and Organizations

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critical jobs performed by the women who followed the army; the history of agriculture; the story of New Jersey diners; the history of the movie industry in New Jersey before Hollywood; and many other fascinating tidbits about New Jersey.

Daytrips have included a

visit to Liberty Hall at Kean University, home of the first New Jersey Governor William Livingston and later the Kean family, a home visited by George and Martha Washington, Alexander Hamilton, and the Marquis de Lafayette among others. The visit included tea overlooking the gardens. Another trip was to the historic town of Allentown, N.J., just south of Monroe and

July. More information to fol-

low. Dan is also working on

the Point Pleasant boat ride

The Emerald Society has

made several donations to

some very good causes,

and they are as follows:

\$100 to the Police and Fire-

men Unity Bike Tour, \$200

to the Smile Train, \$150 to

the St. Jude's Hospital, and

\$200 to the American Can-

Another wonderful year for

the members of the Emerald

Society! See you at the May

cer Fund.

24 meeting.

and dinner trip in July.

Laurita Winery in New Egypt, with lunch at the Plumstead Grill in Cream Ridge. On another occasion the group visited the Pearl S. Buck House in Perkasie, Pa., to learn more about this remarkable woman and to see where she lived after the publication of her book "The Good Earth."

In June, the members all celebrate their birthdays, no matter when they actually occur, with strawberry shortcake. There is also a winter holiday celebration, this year in February to chase away the winter blues. So come join this entertaining and sociable group with enlightening food for the brain and delicious foods for the tummy.



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Emerald Society's spring activities

By Joan Avery

Dan arranged a trip to the Villa Roma in New York for May 15, 16 and 17. The Villa Roma is in the beautiful Catskill Mountains. Five meals are included with social activities and entertainment also included.

Billy Phillips entertained everyone at the April meeting and Gary Morton will be the entertainer for the June meeting.

There will be a trip to the Tropicana on June 2. Dan is working on the Emerald Society anniversary party in

We were delighted by the

return engagement of ac-

claimed pianist/vocalist Alex

Leonard at the April member-

ship meeting. His humor,

warmth and musicality shone

throughout his performance.

of fun and frivolity at our an-

nual Rossmoor Downs horse

racing gala. The date is Saturday, May 13 from 5:30 to

9:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse.

Cost of \$15 includes sand-

wiches, beer, and soda.

We look forward to a night

By Tony Cardello

Italian American Club Upcoming events will be a

bus trip to Eately in N.Y.C.

on June 14 at a cost of \$22

per person. Food is on your The next membership meeting will be on May 17. For those of you who haven't paid your annual dues

please do so. Our next Bingo night will be in the Ballroom on May 19 at 6:30 p.m.

A donation of \$200 was made to the Interfaith Council of Rossmoor.

Democratic Club holds gubernatorial candidate forums

By Susan Kostbar

With the important 2017 gubernatorial race heating up this election year, the Democratic Club will invite Democratic candidates to share their platforms and tell their stories directly to our resi-

The April 17 meeting included both Jim Johnson, former U.S. Treasury official, and State Senator Raymond Lesniak. Each candidate was invited to meet and greet the residents of Rossmoor and communicate why we should consider them for our votes.

Upcoming, on Monday, May 15, Assemblyman John Wisniewski, will participate in our candidate forum. John is a recognized Democratic leader and Bridgegate crusader. Please join us in the Gallery from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday, May 15. Please bring your questions. All are welcome; bring a friend, and refreshments will be served. We recommend reservations by calling Catherine Hunt, secretary, at (205) 821-1209.

As always, we welcome residents to become members of our Democratic Club. Club dues are \$15 per year. Contact Rosa Harris at 609-409-8626 to learn more about membership and to receive the 2017 brochure complete with upcoming Club meeting and event dates, plus more. Be sure to look for us on Facebook and join our Democratic Club!

New Jersey Club event

By Eileen Parker

The New Jersey Club will meet on Friday, May 26 at 1:30 p.m. in the Ballroom.

Cappy Stultz, a realtor, will be our speaker. His topic: "The Camden and Amboy Railroad." He will explore both its birth and the impact it made on the State of New Jersey. Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome.

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By Irene Poulin

A Hiss Before Dying by Rita Mae Brown

Rita Mae Brown and her feline co-author Sneaky Pie Brown are back chasing a mystery with their unique circle of Southern sleuths. And though the changing colors of fall are a beauty to behold, this year the scattered leaves hide a grim surprise.

Dangerous Minds: A Knight & Moon Novel by Janet Evanovich, Phoef Sut-

A new series stars an interestingly different romantic team that includes smart-asthey-come young financial analyst Riley Moon and rich but socially maladapted Emerson Knight, who has Sherlockian tendencies and a penchant for martial arts.

The Switch by Joseph Finder

Michael Tanner is on his way home from a business trip when he accidentally picks up the wrong MacBook in the TSA security line at LAX. He doesn't notice the mix-up until he arrives home in Boston.

The Identicals by Erin Hilderbrand

Identical twin sisters, Tabitha and Harper Frost are separated by more than the salty Atlantic stretching between Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard, but a family crisis compels them to overcome their mutual enemy.

You Will Pay by Lisa Jackson

The deadly secrets of a long-ago summer stir to life once more. It starts as a prank's way to blow off steam after a long summer at Camp Horseshoe.

16th Seduction by James Patterson, Maxine Paetro

Detective Lindsay Boxer's life was perfect – she had a beautiful child and a doting husband, Joe. But Joe wasn't everything that Lindsay thought he was, and she's still reeling from his betrayal.

Come Sundown by Nora Roberts

Mustang-tough Bodine Longbow, who runs the family ranch in Montana always thought the aunt who ran off, was dead. But when two women are found murdered, Aunt Alice herself reappears with a fantastical story.

The Stars are Fire by Anita Shreve

Grace Holland is pregnant and tending to two toddlers when her husband joins the volunteer firefighters, and she and friend Rosie – also with two young children – watch their homes burn to cinders as they rush to the beach for safely.

Against All Odds by Danielle Steel

The story of a longwidowed proprietor of a top flight haute couture resale shop and her four adult children, who, in their search to find the right partners for themselves, encounter and struggle with some very difficult and modern problems.

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Free programs on Internet safety

By Alec Aylat

The Computer Club's new vice-president, Steve Gray, will head up a discussion on Internet safety at the club's monthly meeting at 10 a.m., May 15, in the Gallery. He will note some of the things PC users should avoid and introduce free programs to use to forestall problems.

Uniquely qualified to solve computer problems, Steve, as area system coordinator for the Social Security Administration, handled both hardware and software for a multitude of local offices. He was one of the trainers for new software and wrote his own software when needed. He also ran his own business of computer repair and continues to build his own personal computers.

Think of it. If, today, you've not faced computer problems yet, bet on it that you will, especially with hackers prowling around the Internet. Now you can meet them head on with Steve showing you how. And it's funny how little problems can turn into big ones when you're not computer-wise. So be wise, come discuss with Steve, and enjoy coffee and cake too at 9.30.



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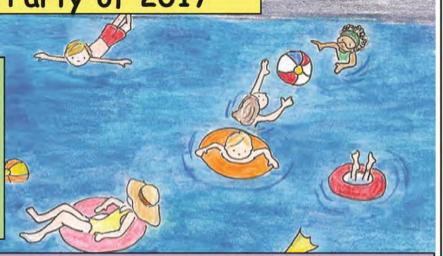
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Rossmoor Clubhouse News May 2017

1st Pool Party of 2017

Friday, June 23 7-10PM Pool Music by: DJ Gary Bring Your Own Refreshments



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EVENTS

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Join Lori Morell for this fabulous presentation focusing on aging in place by understanding the value of nutrition, physical and emotional satisfaction.

ITALIAN COOKING CLASS

Join Aunt Selma for an ole' fashioned cooking class & meal Friday, June 9, 5pm, Ballroom, \$45pp

Menu includes: caprese salad, pasta with homemade sauce, chicken marsala, sautéed greens in garlic & oil. Everyone also goes home with a pan of lasagna. Space limited. On sale now!

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE PARTY-DJ GARY Friday, May 12, 7pm, Ballroom, \$10pp Bring your own refreshments, we provide ice. On sale now!

DON'T FORGET

SHEN YUN PERFORMANCE AT NJPAC-WAIT LIST ONLY Wednesday, May 3

HELLO, DOLLY! ON BROADWAY—WAIT LIST ONLY Thursday, May 11

WINE & DESIGN PAINTING PARTY—WAIT LIST ONLY Thursday, May 25

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EXCURSIONS

ATLANTIC CITY-TROPICANA CASINO Tuesday, May 16, \$25pp

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Veteran Benefits Presentation

Monday, May 22 10am Ballroom

Speaker: VA Outreach Manager, Frank Quadrino Spouses Welcome *Bring a Rossmoor vet with you*

CULTURAL

AVIATION GROUP

2nd Wednesday, 1:30pm, Ballroom "Indonesia Airlines-Long Way From Home"

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP 3rd Thursday, 3:00pm, Dogwood

"King Lear" by Shakespeare-Part 2 of Film and Discussion

Note Date and Room Change

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Carol Burnett Show: Treasures from the Vault

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Mondays, 10:30am, Maple

GERMAN AMERICANS

Last Thursday, 1:30pm, Cedar

GREEK AMERICANS

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LATINO/HISPANIC-AMERICANS

Last Wednesday, 6:00pm, Gallery

POLISH AMERICANS

1st Friday, 1:00pm, Maple

VETERANS GROUP

Monday, May 22, 10am, Ballroom

Veteran Benefits Presentation

Speaker: Frank Quadrino

This is a don't miss meeting...Spouses welcome

Bring another Rossmoor veteran with you!

WRITERS GROUP

Last Thursday, 10:00am, Cedar

Get the latest edition of the Fox in the Clubhouse.

THE ARTS

"ALL IN STITCHES" Knit & Crochet Group Thursdays, 1pm, Maple

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Monday, Thursday, 9:30am, Hawthorn

Saturday, 9:30am, Maple

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

Details TBA

OPENING DAY AT THE POOL Friday, May 26

FRIDAY NIGHT POOL PARTIES July 7 & 28, August 11 & 25

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- COMCAST Q&A Tuesday, May 9, 9-11am.
- CONTACT THE CLUBHOUSE for information regarding events and trips
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MAY 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 9:00am Spring Walk	2 1:00pm Carol Burnett: Treasures from the Vault-BR	3 2:00pm Mutual 11-BR 6:15pm *Trip-Shen Yun	4 1:30pm National Day of Prayer-MH 7:00pm Players "Just Music"-BR	5 12:00pm *Cinco de Mayo-BR 7:00pm Players "Just Music"- BR	6 5:00pm Mutual 17 Social-BR
7	8 1:00pm Health Care Lecture- MP 7:30pm Sisterhood Concert- MH	9 9:00am-11:00am Comcast-BR 10:00am *Fitness Center Orientation 1:30pm & 7:00pm Movie "Mother's Day"-BR	10 10:00am Dimensions of Wellness w/ Lori Morell-BR 1:30pm Aviation-BR	11 9:00am Standing Committee Meetings-VC 3:00pm *Trip-Hello Dolly	12 7:00pm *Dance Party with DJ Gary-BR	13 5:30pm Rossmoor Downs-BR
14 Mother's Day 1:30pm Movie "Mother's Day"-BR	15 GOLF OUTING	16 9:00am *Trip-AC 12:00pm 18-Holers Luncheon-CD 1:30pm Mystery Movie-BR	17	18 9:00am Board of Governors- BR	19 6:30pm Bingo-BR 7:30pm Music Association Program-MH	20
21	22 10:00am Veteran's Meeting-BR	23 9:00am Shuffleboard Tournament-CT 10:00am New Resident Meeting-GL 1:30pm Mystery Movie-BR	24 7:00pm Mutual 4-MH	25 6:30pm *Wine & Design-GL	26 POOL OPENS	27
28	29 Memorial Day RCAI OFFICES CLOSED 1:30pm Interfaith Memorial Day Service-MH	30 1:30pm Mystery Movie-BR	31 10:00am-1:00pm Health Fair-CH		Ticket Sales Get Your Tickets Now! Today!	Events or trips marked * require tickets or prior registration.



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Chorus	Wed	4 pm	МН
Church Discussion	Tues	1:30 pm	MHP
Computer Club	3rd Mon	10 am	GL
Dance Club	Last Sat	7 pm	BR
Emerald Society	4th Wed	2 pm	BR
Italian-American	3rd Wed	7:30 pm	BR
NJ Social & Cultural	Last Fri	1:30 pm	BR
Players	Last Mon	7 pm	GL
Sisterhood	3rd Mon	1:30 pm	BR
Torah Study	Sat	10 am	CD
Women's Guild	3rd Thurs	1:30 pm	BR

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Catholic Society Mass	2nd Thurs	7 pm
Jewish Congregation Sabbath	2nd & 4th Fri	7:45 pm
Community Church & Communion	1st Sun	11 am
Community Church Worship	2nd & 4th Sun	11 am
Community Church & Fellowship	3rd Sun	11 am
Community Church "Living Well at Rossmoor"	Last Sun	1 pm

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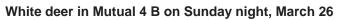














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Players Pastimes

By Sue Archambault

The Players monthly meeting on Monday, April 24 was entertaining as well as informative. Our own Dottie Haff had a variety of materials and methods to wow the audience. She played the musical themes from beloved oldtime popular television shows. The next segment of the evening became interactive as members of the audience attempted to guess the shows the tunes were from. The attendees were then amused by memorable clips from long-forgotten telelvision programs. The commercials that were shown then were hilarious and truly pointed out to all that times have definitely changed. Dottie certainly had her memorabilia down pat, and everyone enjoyed this trip down memory lane.

Our next meeting will take place on Monday, May 22. This is earlier in the month than our customary meeting date, which is on the last Monday of the month; however, due to the Memorial Day holiday on that last Monday, we shall meet one week earlier than usual. Our multitalented Bob Huber will present a program about the famous comedic duo of Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy. This famous pair made over 300 films starting in the 1920s, yet their popularity continues to the present. It has been determined that every single day, somewhere in the world, at least one film of theirs is broadcast.

Bob Huber is a consummate expert on Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy. He believes that their sustained popularity stems from their universal humor and the fact that people enjoy feeling smarter than the two misfits. His presentation on their lives and achievement was initially done as a TV documentary special. The program was extremely wellliked and was even reviewed by Variety. He has done a myriad of programs about them over the years. The station Bob worked for owned all the rights to Laurel and Hardy's films and scripts; as a result, Bob has an extensive library of material by and about the famous duo. Bob's program will include stills, posters, movie clips, and music. This is an event that shouldn't be missed. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the Gallery.



All are welcome to attend.

This month will feature our very popular Just Music performances. Members of the Players will entertain the audience with a variety of musical renditions that include soloists, duets, and group numbers. There will be vocal as well as instrumental performances. Our own Mavflower Trio can be expected to appear and entertain us with some interesting instrumental renditions. Joe Conti, our skillful and much-adored host, will serve as our emcee. Performances will take place on Thursday evening, May 4 and Friday evening, May 5; both shows will begin at 7 p.m. Please note: This year's Just Music shows will take place in the Ballroom and NOT the Meeting House, our usual performance milieu. Tickets will continue to be on sale Monday, May 1, Tuesday, May 2, and Wednesday, May 3, in the Red Room from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Sal's Roma Deli and Pizzeria will also sell tickets through Friday, May 5. Ticket prices are \$5 in advance, and \$6 at the door.

Come learn about tea parties that didn't involve dainty cups and finger sandwiches

By Diane England

Do you remember what happened on December 16, 1773? If you're thinking this was the date of the Boston Tea Party, you're certainly right. But this was not the only tea party that occurred and got the colonists walking down a pathway which culminated in the American Revolution. But before I say anything further about these others, let me refresh your memory about the Boston Tea Party.

Needless to say, the Brit-

ish colonists had a taste for tea. But what they didn't have a taste for was the tax the British Parliament had levied on this tea in May of that same year. Since the colonies were in no way represented in the British Parliament, they were angered because they perceived this as taxation without representation. So, when three ships owned and operated by the East India Company (it was the largest corporation at the time and had a monopoly on the tea trade) sailed into

> Boston Harbor with 92,000 pounds of tea, the colonists wanted to force the loaded ships to return to England. When they realized this was not going to happen, a group calling themselves the Sons of Liberty decided to make a political statement. They stormed these ships and dumped all that tea into the harbor's water.

Because the company lost a great deal of money as a result of this action, its officials were not happy. For that matter, neither were officials of the British

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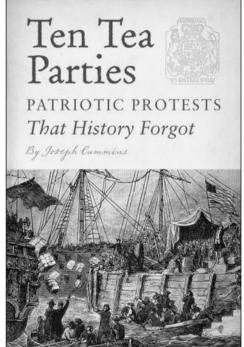
further. The colonists then became more motivated yet to seek independence from Great Britain.

This wasn't the only tea party that propelled the 13 colonies in the direction of revolution. Where did some of the others take place? Plan to attend the Women's Guild meeting on May 18 at 1:30 p.m. in the Ballroom and you'll find out when resident, Dr. Al Parker, presents a talk, Boston Didn't have the Only Tea Party. He'll introduce you to some of the other tea parties which were undoubtedly equally important in spurring on further actions toward independence.

I suspect for most of you, Dr. Parker requires no introduction. You've probably heard him speak at the New Jersey Club or another group such as the Computer Club. However, if you haven't attended a talk of his before, this will grab your attention.

This will also be the meeting to install our officers for the 2017-2018 year. Furthermore, if there are still tickets available for the scholarship luncheon on June 8 at noon in the Ballroom, they'll be on sale at this meeting. The price is \$16 per ticket, with each member limited to two tickets total. We prefer payment by check. There'll be time for fellowship and refreshments donated by some of our members and served up by our wonderful hospitality chairpersons, Josie Cuddy and Pat Martin.

For now, though, why not go and enjoy a cup of tea?



Everyone knows the story of the Boston Tea Party—in which colonists government—and stormed three British ships and hence, they redumped 92,000 pounds of tea into sponded harshly. Boston Harbor. But do you know the Not surprisingly, this history of the Philadelphia Tea Party caused the relation-(December 1773)? How about the ship between the York, Maine, Tea Party (September British government 1774) or the Wilmington, North and the colonists to Carolina, Tea Party (March 1775)?

Almost Summer Dance set by the Dance Club for May

By Judy Perkus

DJ Bobby Picone will be playing all kinds of dance music at the Almost Summer Dance. The Dance Club will take over the Ballroom on Saturday, May 27 from 7 to 10 p.m.

Someone has been spreading rumors that we only do ballroom dancing. Well that someone has not seen some of our Twist experts gyrating! All Rossmoorites, singles as well as couples, are welcome to waltz or disco dance and to enjoy soda, munchies, coffee, tea, and desserts (sugar-free available). Please send your reservation check made out to the Rossmoor Dance Club (\$8 a person for paid-up members; \$10 a person for nonmembers) to Armen DeVivo at 449B Roxbury Lane by May 20.

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Trépanier-Larson Duo, internationally-acclaimed violinist and violist, to perform

By Gene Horan

In the Meeting House on Friday, May 19, at 7:30 p.m. violinist Annie Trépanier and violist Steve Larson, wifehusband duo and internationally-acclaimed artists, will perform works by Mozart, Schubert, Gershwin and more. Tickets are \$15 at the door.

Please note that this concert is on Friday, May 19, not on May 5 as incorrectly listed on the Rossmoor Music Association Performance Pass 2016-17.

Annie Trépanier

Violinist Annie Trépanier's playing has been hailed by The Boston Globe as "supercharged, clearheaded, yet soulful." She is a founding member of the acclaimed Avery Ensemble and has performed throughout Canada, the United States and Europe.

Her recent Avery Ensemble CD of piano quartets by Mahler, Schnittke and Brahms was an obvious favorite of one *classical.net* reviewer: "gorgeous... the performers clearly have passionate feelings about what they are playing. This is what loving music is all about."

She also performs with and is co-executive director of Cuatro Puntos, a musical collective dedicated to bring-

Republican Club

By Ron Haas

The meeting, May 3 at 1:30 p.m., will be in the Gallery. The guest speaker will be announced at a later date on Channel 26. Refreshments will be served. If you have any questions contact Ron Haas at 609-235-9026.

ing people together through musical partnerships around the world, including activities in New England, Bolivia, Brazil, Afghanistan and England Trépanier is on the faculty of The Hotchkiss School and also performs and teaches each summer at the Winterin Virginia.



green Festival Steve Larson and Annie Trepanier, husband and wife duo.

Steve Larson

Violist Steve Larson, senior artist teacher at The Hartt School of the University of Hartford in Connecticut, performs regularly in duo with his wife, violinist Annie Trépanier, and throughout the Americas and Europe with their chamber groups Avery Ensemble and Cuatro Pun-

He is also a member of the acclaimed oboe, viola and piano trio, Ensemble Schumann, and the Adaskin String Trio, and has performed as a guest with groups such as the Emerson Quartet and Lions Gate Trio.

A former member of the Alcan Quartet, Larson won second prize at the Lionel Tertis International Viola Competition in 1997 in Great

Britain, receiving the award for his performance of the commissioned work. He plays an exceptional 173/8 inch viola made by Helmuth Keller in 1981.

The program

The program will include the following works: Three Madrigals for Violin and Viola by Bohuslav Martinu,

Gobi Canticle for Violin and Viola by Lei Liang, Duo in G major for Violin and Viola by W. A. Mozart, Sonate pour deux violons seuls by Eugène Ysaÿe, Sonata for two violins in e minor by Jean-Marie Leclair, Ave Maria by Franz Schubert, Embraceable You for violin and viola by George Gershwin and F.C.'s Jig for violin and viola by Mark O'Connor.

The deadline for The Rossmoor News is the 7th of every month.



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SPORTS





By Terre Martin

The 2017 season started out on a great note. Our opening day was beautiful, and our luncheon was delicious. It was good to see familiar faces from last season and new members who joined this year. We were especially happy to see Sharon Yusko at the luncheon. Her positive attitude and will to get back to golf is inspiring.

The first-place-winners of our opening day tournament were: Grace Hammersfahr, Joyce Cassidy, Soonja Nam,

and Tori Meiselbach.

Wednesday, May 10, will be our first season. Beginner golfers will have

preference. There are only 11 spots available, so get to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the golf club house. If you don't have clubs, note that on the signup, so we can lend you some.

Upcoming tournaments include some new ones like "Ironing Day" (only irons and a putter), "Blind Holes," and "Pink Ball Day." Thanks to Muriel Calvanelli for mixing things up and providing some new challenges for the group.

Remember that we have

revised our handbook and bylaws. If you have questions about a rule, check the handbook first, or contact our new Rules Chair, Paula Richardson.

Any women interested in learning more about the 9-Holers should contact our membership chair, Mary Shine, (609-655-4518) or President Joyce Cassidy (609-619-3618).

Thought for the season: "If it goes right, it's a slice. If it goes left, it's a hook. If it goes straight, it's a miracle!"



Welcome to the Pickleball Season

By Penni McOlvin

Spring has finally arrived. The daffodils are poking their yellow heads up, the tree buds are ready to burst out with color, and one can hear "Pop, Pop, Pop" on the pickleball courts. You may be wondering what that popping sound is and what exactly is pickleball?

Pickleball is a mini-tennis game created during the summer of 1965 on Bainbridge Island, a short ferry ride from Seattle, Wash. The original purpose of the game was to provide a sport for the entire family, according to co -inventors U.S. Congressman Joel Pritchard, William Bell, and Barney McCallum. Pickleball got its name from one of the inventor's family

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Women's 9-holers planning their strategy for the 2017 season.



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Pickleball Season

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dog named Pickles. The dog would chase after the errant balls and then hide in the bushes, thus Pickle's ball was later shortened to the namesake of Pickleball. Initially, families played pickleball in their backyards on a hard surface, on driveways, and on residential dead-end streets. Since the mid-1970s pickleball has grown and expanded from a family activity game to a paddle court sport with formalized rules. Now, over 20 years later pickleball is played in thousands of school P.E. programs, parks and recreation centers, correctional facilities, camps, YMCAs, and retirement communities. This sport is be-

Ladies' 18-hole league season began on April 11

By Arlene McBride

Our tournaments in April began after the newspaper deadline. We had anticipated good weather for the opening day. The results will be in the next issue. There is still time to join our 18-hole league, so don't be shy, give it a try. We will welcome you heartily.

Sign-up forms can be obtained in the pro shop. If you are rusty, there are lessons given by our golf pro Ted Servis. Check on dates in the Rossmoor News or on Channel 26.

Until next month, we'll be looking forward to the warmer weather and exciting tournament play.

Happy Mother's Day, and enjoy Memorial Day.

Golf croquet: the court

By M.Vail

One way to begin understanding the game of croquet is to familiarize yourself with the layout of the court. Walking outside the boundary line (the taut string around the court) is a good start.

Each corner has a flag of a specific color to mark its order. Blue is #1 corner, red is #2, black is #3 and the yellow flag is corner #4. These are in the same sequence of color for the croquet balls and playing croquet.

The game begins when the player with the blue ball shoots at wicket #1 near the corner with the blue flag, red ball shoots second, black third and yellow fourth. Once a player's ball passes through the wicket, players begin shooting toward the second wicket near the corner with the red flag. The game continues around the court to the #3 wicket at the black flag corner and proceeds to the #4 wicket near the yellow flag corner.

The center of the court has two more wickets, #5 and #6 with the stake set evenly between them. The players shoot for #5 wicket coming very popular among active senior adults at community centers. In 2004 Frank Nobile, United States of America Pickleball Association (USAPA) ambassador, first tried the sport in Florida, where it had become a craze, and brought it back to our adult community where it has taken off.

Pickleball is a racquet sport that is a blend of tennis, badminton, and ping pong. The court is 44-feet long and 20-feet wide. A bouncy plastic ball with 40 holes is struck by a paddle made out of wood or a composite material, and is served underhand and diagonally across to an opponent on the other side of a three-foothigh net. The sound of the

ball being struck by a paddle is reminiscent of a Pringles can popping open. From there, it is pretty much like tennis on a smaller court, except games end at 11 points.

Pickleball appeals to a wide range of players and all are welcome to join us on the courts. Hours of play change seasonally. Starting May 1, we will start every day at 9 a.m. and again at 3 p.m. For more information, please contact Frank Nobile at 917-282-1388 or John DelMasto, also a USAPA Ambassador, at 609-235-9009. We look forward to another great season of fun, camaraderie, clinics for all levels of play, and tournaments.

See you at the courts.



Pickelball players

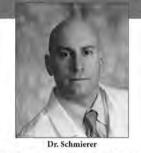


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Croquet

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These are the six wickets on the court and their sequence of play. When a player comes through wicket #6 the game of golf croquet goes to one more designated wicket, #7, to end the game. This layout can be seen in the accompanying photo of the court layout for a 7-point game of golf croquet. The photo of the court layout is

from the United States Croquet Association (USCA) pamphlet "Golf Croquet: A Basic Guide for Playing the Game."

Residents interested in learning about croquet are invited to walk outside the boundary line starting at the blue flag and experience the color sequence of play.

Every Friday from May 5 through October 3, golf croquet is played from 5 to 8 p.m. followed by hors d'oeuvres and refreshments in the Clubhouse Cedar Room. Game

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Court Layout
Direction of play for Golf Croquet
(7 point game)

time is dependent on the weather and seasonal changes. Golf croquet will also be scheduled on other days of the week. Please check the Croquet Club (RCC) bulletin board on the court shed for postings of days and time.

Residents are invited to join in the play on any scheduled play day, but particularly on Fridays for a meet and greet on the court and for refreshments in the Cedar Room. Wearing white is not required for tryouts; however, flat, soft sole footwear or sneakers are required to protect the court's grassy surface. Croquet equipment is available for play.

Membership Chair Betty Anne Clayton is available for questions at 609-662-4659 during the croquet season, April 29 through October 31. She is also willing to speak to other clubs on the topic of croquet.

Basic rules for RCC croquet are posted on the signage board set on the Clubhouse side of the court. Do come and join in the fun.



Bocce: Barbara Kyriak picks the teams for the coming season



Golf Course Highlights

By Ted Servis Rossmoor Golf Professional

What's going on at the Golf Course? Golf season is in full swing which means it's time to start playing golf.

Our next ladies golf clinics will be on June 28. Ladies, please call the Golf Shop to sign up.

The Pro Shop continues to receive new merchandise so please stop in and take a look.

On May 15, our golf club will host the Eastern Amputee Golf Association tournament, so please come out watch some great golf.

The Pro Shop is back to its normal hours, Monday from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with all hours subject to the weather.

If there is anything we can help you with or any questions we can answer, please give us a call at 609-655-3182. Thank you and I wish everyone a healthy and happy 2017 golf season.

Remember: The Golf Course is currently offering a referral incentive of \$200 in pro shop credit for bringing in new members.

Religious Organizations

Come, hear the sounds of music at the Community Church in May

By Mary Jane Brubaker

The Community Church's music program in May will feature professional singers Stephanie Pervall and Wennie Naiyeh Niu, the Community Chorus, and resident Janet Wilson.

On May 7, which is Communion Sunday, Janet Wilson will serve as the suborganist and will perform in partnership with Music Director and Organist Cecile Wang.



Wennie Naiyeh Niu

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Stephanie Pervall

Stephanie Pervall will perform on Mother's Day, May 14. Pervall, who considers the Community Church as her second home, is an ordained elder in the Presbyterian Church USA where she has chaired two terms on the Music and Worship Committee. Pervall is a soprano with the NJ MasterChorale and a member of its Board.

The Community Chorus will perform on May 21, and their anthems will be "Joy in the Morning" by Natalie Sleeth and "Give Me a Song" by Pepper Choplin.

Naiyeh Niu, who will make her debut performance at the Community Church at the May 28 service, has performed widely in Chicago, Houston, San Francisco, San Jose, New Jersey, New York, and Taiwan. A resident of West Windsor, Naiyeh Niu is a graduate of the National Taiwan Normal University. She received a Master's degree and a Professional Vo-

cal Performance Certificate from Northwestern University. She has held major roles in operas including "The King and I, "Cosi Fan Tutte," "Don Giovanni," "Amahl and the Night Visitors," "Rigoletto," "La Boheme," "Hansel and Gretel," and "The Pirates of Penzance."

The Community Church is an ecumenical congregation and welcomes people of all faiths to worship every Sunday morning at 11 a.m. at the Meeting House. For those who already belong to another church, the Community Church offers a dual membership. For more information, please contact Pastor Dierdre Thomson at (732) 757-5190 or Membership Chair Alyce Owens at (609) 860-0866.



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Community Church musical worship service garners standing room only attendance



Pastor Thomson rehearses the narration for the "Behold the Lamb" cantata with the chorus getting ready to raise their voices in song.

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Accompanying this special chorus was an orchestra brought together by Wang and composed of professional musicians, music educators and students, as well as local residents Catherine Hunt (violin), Peggy Mankey (cello), and Toby DelGuidice (alto sax). "It was challenging to find rehearsal time for everyone," says Wang. "Each of the different choral groups met individually to rehearse and it wasn't until April 1, the day before the performance, that I was able to bring the singers and musicians together. We had about three hours of combined rehearsal time. I was very pleased with how well the program was received."

The choral presentation featured eight musical pieces that were woven together with narration performed by Jim Wilson and Pastor Thomson. "I am very grateful to both as they had to step in at the last minute. Those originally slated to perform the narration had unexpected personal issues arise," says Wang. She adds, "Jim and Dierdre both did an excellent job."

The service ended with a joyful rendition of George Frideric Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" during which the congregation sang along with the chorus and orchestra.

"We are very grateful to the Community Church's Hospitality Committee as the weekend of April 1 and 2 was a busy one for them, says Pastor Thomson. "Not only did they provide a lovely rehearsal luncheon for our performers, they also hosted a terrific fellowship hour immediately following our musical worship service during which time our congregation had a chance to mingle with the performers." Special thanks to Hospitality Committee Chair Linda Esposito and her team of volunteers.

Wang adds, "An event of this size and scope is possible only through the good will of many, many volunteers. I would like to extend my thanks to everyone who supported us — in particular Sonya Bacon, who made sure our performers were well cared for during rehearsals and Alyce Owens who

meets every Sunday morning at 11 a.m. at the Meeting House. For those already belonging to another church, the Community Church offers a dual membership. For more information, please contact Pastor Dierdre Thomson at (732) 757-5190 or Membership Chair Alyce Owens at (609) 860-0866.



Putting it all together: Cecile Wang leads the chorus and orchestra in a final rehearsal of "Behold the Lamb."



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Rossmoor Community Church

May 2017 Calendar of Events

- May 2 50th Anniversary Committee Meeting at 10 a.m.
- May 4 Women's Guild Board Meeting at 10 a.m.
- May 4 Interfaith National Day of Prayer at 1:30 p.m.
- May 5 Physical and Spiritual Exercise at 11 a.m.
- May 6 Celebration and Memorial Service for Christine Wilson at 10:30 a.m.
- May 7 Communion Service at 11 a.m.
- May 8 Deacons' Meeting at 10 a.m.
- May 12 Physical and Spiritual Exercise at 11 a.m.
- May 14 Church Service at 11 a.m.; Soloist, Stephanie Pervall
- May 15 Council Meeting at 10 a.m.
- May 18 Women's Guild Meeting at 1:30 p.m.
- May 19 Physical and Spiritual Exercise at 11 a.m.
- May 21 Church Service at 11 a.m.; Guest Preacher; Rossmoor Chorus
- May 21 Fellowship Hour at noon
- May 23 Library Committee Meeting at 1:30 p.m.
- May 26 Physical and Spiritual Exercise at 11 a.m.
- May 28 Church Service at 11 a.m.; Soloist, Wennie Naiyueh Niu
- May 28 Living Well at Rossmoor Service at 1 p.m.; Preacher, Rev. Kahlil Carmichael
- May 29 Interfaith Memorial Day Service at 1:30 p.m.

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Jewish Congregation's annual meeting installs new officers

By Ben Wistreich

The Jewish Congregation's annual meeting on Tuesday, May 9, will install a new slate of officers and delegates for the 2017-2018 year. This is a historic occasion, as the new slate will serve in the 50th anniversary of the Congregation, which will occur in March 2018.

The new quartet of presidents and their dates of service are: Dolores Grieff (June, July, August 2017); Ben and Judith Wistreich (Sept., Oct., Nov. 2017); Judy Perkus (Dec. 2017, Jan., Feb. 2018); and Arnold Jasper (March, April, May 2018). In addition, other officers and delegates to be installed on May 9 for one-year terms are Vice Presidents Ben Wistreich, Judith Wistreich, and Arnold Jasper; Treasurer Jeffrey Albom; Recording Secretary Virginia Kolker; Corresponding Secretary Dolores Grieff; Delegates are Jeanette Dobrin and Steven Gray for three years; Karen Seiden and Carolyn Wall for two years remaining; and Hadassah Aylat and Norman Perkus, with one year remaining.

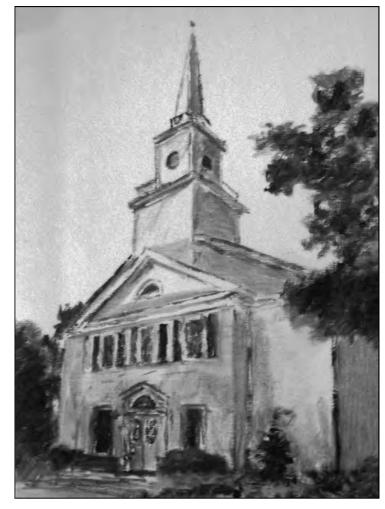
The Jewish Men's & Friends Club will announce our May lunch/dinner event in the Bulletin. Our March event at Antonio's proved to be another successful afternoon meal and we expect another such crowd when we announce our May restaurant choice. As the excellent weather returns, we will choose restaurants farther away from Rossmoor.

The May 12 Sabbath Service will have Hadassah Aylat as Lay Reader and Jeff Albom as Torah Reader. The Sisterhood will sponsor this service and the Oneg Shabbat that follows. The May 26 Service will have Jeff Albom as Lay Reader and Bob Kolker as Torah Reader. The Congregation will sponsor this Service and the Oneg Shabbat.

Those wishing to sponsor a Sabbath Service should

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Two charities in one



Meeting House note card

By Rev. Dr. Dierdre L. Thomson

The Benevolence Committee of the Community Church was excited to support the first of two dates in which Raising Hope For Others, Inc., joined with the Lakewood Blue Claws in sponsoring fund raising events. Many did support Raising Hope for Others and the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Ocean County. Others, who were not into baseball games, still donated \$10 to send a little

sister or brother to the ball game, or \$20 to send Big Brother/Sister and Little Brother/Sister together.

Mark your calendars now for Father's Day, June 18, at 1:05 p.m. for the next fundraising event at the Blue Claws Stadium. For tickets or more information, check with Laura Burke at 732-890-3657 or raisinghopeforothers@gmail.com Hope to see you there.

Catholic Society schedules Mass on May 11

By Gene Horan

The Catholic Society monthly Mass will be celebrated in the Meeting House at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 11. Rev. John Primich, greatnephew of Rossmoorite Grace O'Hare, will be the celebrant. Father Primich, hospital chaplain at Somerset and Hunterdon Hospitals, is a good friend of the Catholic Society and frequent guest at Rossmoor.

The May crowning of the Blessed Mother will take place before the Mass.

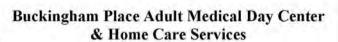
Fellowship and refreshments will follow Mass.

Other May events include:

The Prayer Shawl Ministry on Thursdays, May 4 and May 18, at 1:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse Craft Room.

The Catholic Society Council meeting on Tuesday, May 9, at 1:30 p.m. in the Meeting House Parlor.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy on Tuesday, May 16, at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse Maple Room.



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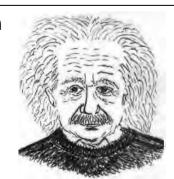
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Meet Albert Einstein

By Hadassah Aylat

The Sisterhood invites all residents to come, see, and hear Albert Einstein (reenacted by Bill Agress) at their next meeting on Monday, May 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the Gallery. You'll learn the truth about the world's most famous genius, about his family, pets, eccentricities, favorites, childhood, and hobbies, how he helped Princeton children with their homework, support for Israel, and his famous theory of relativity.

Agress is a re-enactor, actor, planner, and teacher, and for more than 30 years has been re-enacting various Revolutionary heroes. He has appeared in plays and



A sketch of Albert Einstein

musicals at the Bucks County Playhouse and McCarter Theatre, and is a tireless advocate for the importance of the state of New Jersey in the context of the American Revolution.

Come and enjoy our special refreshments, and we hope you'll bring non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry.

WHY?

By Dierdre Thomson

One thing that is fairly sure here is that in the not too distant future we will lose neighbors or friends one of two ways. Either they will move to an assisted Living/Nursing Home, usually near family, or they will die. We are sad when we lose them, but rationalize with a familiar saying -"He/She had a good, long life." What do we say, however, when the person dying is a young mother who, with her husband, adopted three children and in addition is taking care of three foster children?

Ten years ago, our family was faced with this question concerning my niece, Kathleen. Our family was devastated. Our daughter, Laura, was very close to her cousin. Kathleen was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer at the age of 41. She had the chance of being treated at Cancer Centers of America, but the cost would be tremendous. What could we do?

We kept talking about some sort of fundraiser, but had no idea how to go about it. Finally, Laura just did it. She went to her friend who knew about running a fundraiser. They set up one for Kathleen, calling it "Raising Hope for Kathleen." When Kathleen died a year later we gathered to decide what to do about the fundraiser. We decided to continue it - in memory of Kathleen. We renamed it "Raising Hope for

Others."

During the nine years since then we have become a 501c3 non-profit, and have been able to help recipients with their medical costs. We have gone from Laura's front lawn to the Gordon's Corner Firehouse in Manalapan for the main fundraiser (this year August 5, early to midafternoon).

So, what do we say to the question, "WHY?" when a young person dies, according to us, too soon? God had a plan. It was through Kathleen's illness and eventual death and the initial efforts of one person that Kathleen and the other recipients were helped. God had a plan. Raising Hope for others has not only helped its specific recipients, but was able to work with Blue Claws and Big Brothers/Sisters to reach others. God HAS a plan. You! Where can you volunteer?

We are back!

By Rev. Dr. Dierdre L. Thomson

On May 5 we return to our physical/spiritual exercise class led by the Rev. Kahlil Karmichael and the Rev. Dr. Dierdre Thomson. All are welcome beginning May 5, 11 a.m. in the Gallery at the Clubhouse.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

By Dave Salter
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It Is Well fourth Sunday service at Community Church

By Rev. Dr. Dierdre L. Thomson Remind your friends of this special service held most fourth Sundays, 1 p.m. at RCC. The Rev. Kahlil Carmichael leads the service with the Rev. Dr. Dierdre Thomson assisting. Come, see, and feel the inspiration that is shared at God's Church here in Rossmoor. All are welcome. We are looking forward to seeing you.

Jewish Congregation'

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contact co-Gabbai Judy Perkus. Cantor Mary Feinsinger leads our Services, which begin at 7:45 p.m. in the Meeting House.

The Congregation's monthly board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 2, at 7 p.m. in the Dogwood Room.

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Petunias for many years now have been one of the most popular annuals in the gardening market. They originated in south America and are in the solanase family of plants, along with tomatoes, eggplants, potatoes, nightshade, and deadly more.

They like a lot of sun and should have at least six hours of it every day. Their growth habit is spreading and they will bloom all summer and well into fall. If their blooming slacks off during summer, they probably need to be pruned back and given a shot of fertilizer to encourage new growth, which will in turn produce more flowers. However, they should be fertilized on a regular basis all summer, and how often depends on the type of fertilizer you use. Follow package directions.

Petunias have an amazing range of colors and combinations of colors. The petals are fused at the base, forming a funnel shape. Flowers are classified into four types:

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grandiflora, multiflora, milliflora, and spreading, or ground cover.

petunias Grandiflora have the largest flowers, up to five inches across. Some varieties have double flowers, (carnation like). Some varieties have very unique colors and combinations, such as pure orange, bright yellow, blue with a white star, pink with a broad white throat, rosy purple with deep purple veins, silvery blue with violet veins, bright red with a white picotee edge, and the list goes on.

One problem with grandiflora is the flowers may fall apart if there is a heavy, prolonged rain. It might take a week or so to get back into full bloom. Some of the more popular varieties in the grandiflora class are Aladdin, Hoolahoop, and the Dream series.

Multifora petunias are very similar to grandifloras, except the flowers are smaller, about two to two and a half inches in size. They make up for it by producing more flowers per plant. They have both single and double flowering varieties. With a more compact growth habit, they are resistant to the problems of wet weather flowering. The Celebrity, Carpet, and Hurrah series are the most popularly grown and sold series.

Milliflora petunias are basically dwarf petunias, with flowers that are one to one and a half inches across. The plants won't spread more than eight inches. They come in all colors except yellow. They are good for planting in confined areas such as window boxes and hanging baskets. The Picobello series has a good variety of beautiful colors.

HEALTH CARE CENTER NEWS

Wave petunias, spreading or ground cover type, are the newest. Back in 1995, the wave petunia came into the market. The original wave was a purple color, but since then a lot of new colors have been developed, as well as a lot of new similar varieties. Trilogy, Tidal Wave, Shock Wave, Success, Rapid, Easy Wave, Explorer, and many more varieties are now for sale.

Plant breeders have had a lot of fun (and spent a lot of money) developing these new varieties. These petunias are very prolific growers and bloomers, with flowers about two inches across. By the end of summer, some of these petunias will have spread three to four feet. Mostly they creep along the ground, but some will climb if they have something to climb on. An ad for one variety I read about said, "The Queen of Vigor, this one jumps tall buildings in a single bound and will be in your neighbor's yard by morning."

The first three types mentioned above are usually available in trays of 32 plants or more, at moderate prices. The ground cover types are usually sold in four inch pots with three plants in each pot at a cost of about \$3. This is because the seeds are very expensive.

The wholesale cost of seeds for the grandiflora, multiflora, and milliflora runs between \$7 and \$13 for 1,000 seeds. But the ground cover seeds range between \$15 and \$20 per hundred seeds.

Petunias, in general, have few diseases or insect problems and do not require dead heading. They have a wide range of colors and require a lot of sun. Except for possibly pruning back the plants when flowering slows down, and occasional watering, they do not need much care and will give you color the whole growing season.

Spring and those pesky mosquitoes

By Kaytie Olsheski, BSN, RN-

Spring is in the air and to be able to shed the winter clothes is a welcome relief. But as much we want to get outside and enjoy the warm weather, we need to be aware of two mosquito-borne diseases that also welcome warm weather. Last year we all became aware of the Zika virus that made headlines down in Brazil, and in time those mosquitoes made their way to the United States. The West Nile virus is another mosquito-borne virus that is not usually in the news until someone becomes ill or unfortunately dies from it.

The Zika virus is spread through a cycle where an infected person is bitten by a mosquito and this mosquito bites an unaffected person who now becomes infected. This cycle has the potential of creating an epidemic as more and more people become infected. It has been found the Zika virus is spread through blood transfusions, sexual contact, laboratory exposure, and is passed from a pregnant mother to her unborn child causing serious birth defects. It has also been linked to Guillain-Barre syndrome. Guillain-Barre syndrome targets a person's immune system. This syndrome causes muscle weakness of the legs and arms and eventually causes paralysis. In severe cases, muscle weakness affects swallowing, eye movement, and breathing leading to death.

There are no boundaries where this mosquito will not go and everyone is a target. Common symptoms include fever, rash, joint pain, muscle pain, headache, and conjunctivitis (red eyes). Symptoms usually appear two to seven days after being bitten. The CDC reports that one in five infected people will experience mild illness, which usually does not require hospitalization. Deaths are rare.

The current treatment at this time is to treat the symptoms. Drink fluids to prevent dehydration, rest, and use Tylenol for the fever. Do not use aspirin or non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDS). To break the cycle of spreading the virus to other people, the infected person needs to be protected from getting bitten by a mosquito for the first week of being sick. By preventing the affected person from being bitten, the mosquito cannot spread the virus to an unaffected person.

At this moment, there is no vaccine to prevent the Zika virus. What is known about these mosquitos is that they are known to feed mostly during the daylight hours, but they have been found to be out at night, also. To prevent these mosquitos breeding in your yard, get rid of standing water as in buckets, bowls, animal dishes, flower pots, and vases. To protect yourself from being bitten, wear long sleeve shirts and long pants. Use the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommended insect repellent and follow directions on the product label. Before opening your windows and doors, make sure all window and door screens have no openings or holes in the screens.

If you or someone you know is traveling to an area known to have the Zika virus, read all the latest information from the CDC and stay updated to protect yourself and loved ones from the virus.

As mentioned, the West Nile virus is a mosquitoborne illness. In this disease, the mosquito feeds on an infected bird. The mosquito in turn transmits the virus to

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Rossmoor Resident Telephone Directory

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If your name, address and/or telephone/cell number is in the 2016-17 edition correctly,

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Planting for wildlife

By Jean Houvener

May is Gardening for Wildlife Month. This is a good time to consider what to choose for our garden beds, keeping in mind what would support wildlife in our community. This does not have to be attractions for the Rossmoor foxes or the squirrels and chipmunks (who are quite plentiful), but for smaller creatures such as butterflies and birds.

All creatures need water. food, places to hide and shelter, and somewhere safe for their offspring. A birdbath, cleaned and with new water every day is a welcome addition for the birds. A bowl of sand kept moist is much appreciated by the butterflies. They can sit there to drink or to rest before flying off.

What you plant depends on whether you have sun or

shade. Sun-loving plants need at least six hours of sunlight. Butterflies need nectar plants for their butterfly stage, but this lasts in some cases only a few days. During that time, the females are looking for a good food source for their young caterpillars - as a place to lay their eggs. Birds are also looking for good food sources, including plants with seeds or berries, insects, and worms.

Shrubs are valuable for nesting and for hiding, as are larger trees. When possible, it is best to use native plant species, since these are the plants with which our birds and butterflies have evolved. If possible it is good to leave a certain amount of leaf litter on the ground, both for smaller creatures to hide in and for bugs for which birds will happily forage. Also beneficial insects

and butterfly and moth pupae hide in the litter waiting for spring.

Dead trees have many benefits for wildlife. They serve as a home for squirrels, birds, bats, and attract many insects, which provide food for birds and other wildlife. They can be used as a lookout for danger, such as a circling hawk, or for locating prev. such as a hawk surveying the landscape. Ultimately, they nourish the soil as fungi, moss, and lichens return nutrients to the soil. If a tree presents a danger to homes and residents, it cannot be left, but it is an unfortunate loss of benefits when a dead tree is removed. Bird and bat houses can be built to provide some of these benefits.

Aster, black-eyed Susan,

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Monroe Township property acquisition eyed for future middle school

During a recent budget hearings, Monroe Township officials announced plans to earmark \$2.5 million for the acquisition of an unnamed property that would serve as the prospective site for a future middle school.

Barring any issues, the Township would purchase and then turn the property over to the Monroe Township School District for a nominal fee of \$1 as early as July. Accounting for a growing student population, the tract could be one solution to the

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sunflower, coreopsis, and coneflower are good plants to leave the seed heads in tact so the birds can feed on them during fall and winter. Red cedar, honeysuckle, juniper, holly, hawthorn, and American beautyberry produce late fruit that the birds enjoy. Squirrels enjoy dogwood berries (Kousa) and seeds (both Kousa and Florida). Crabapple fruit is enjoyed in the winter, especially after a freeze, by robins and other birds.

As one might expect, butter-fly bush (buddleia) attracts butterflies and also bees. Hummingbirds are attracted to lobelia, agastache, columbine, lupines, daylilies, and other plants with tubular flowers and nectar, especially if they are red or yellow. Many bees also enjoy the nectar plants, and can be encouraged with a wide range of plants, including sedum, coneflower, sunflower, yarrow, and black-eyed Susan.

The many species of butterfly all have their own specific hosts for the caterpillars. The best known is the native milkweed for monarchs, but there are many others host plants for other species of butterfly, including wild black cherry, ash, tulip tree, azalea, elm, locust, wisteria, and aster among others, which can be found in and around Rossmoor.

The National Wildlife Federation website (www.nwf.org) has information about how to encourage wildlife survival in our gardens. The Native Plant Society of New Jersey (www.npsnj.org) is another good source for ideas. Also check out the That Butterfly G u y 's website.com).

The Rutgers Gardens (off Ryders Lane near Route 1), which was recently recognized by the American Horticultural Society as a Horticultural Landmark, can be a good starting place for ideas of what to plant. The Rutgers' New Jersey Agricultural Extension garden and Earth Center on Riva Ave. in South Brunswick is another good source of information.

So when you begin to shop for new plants for your garden, keep in mind the animals - birds, bees, and others - who share this space with us when you decide what to plant.

district's overcrowded classroom problem.

"There are less constraints placed on a municipal government in terms of financing the land purchase quickly," said Monroe Mayor Gerald W. Tamburro. "It's also worth noting that this property acquisition amounts to more funding than the district received in state aid pittance this year, so I hope Trenton is paying attention. These are the pitfalls of the current state aid school-funding formula, which is playing havoc on our district's ability to function - more and more municipalities are shouldering the burden of underfunding from the state."

The Monroe Township School District is currently reporting that its eight facilities are overcapacity by approximately 1,000 students. Demographers are projecting the influx of another 1,500 students over the next five years, growth that's mainly concentrated in the elementary and middle schools.

"We can't reveal the exact location just yet, other than to say that it is a 30-acre site situated in the southern end of the Township near a controlled intersection with water and sewer access," said Kathy Kolupanowich, Monroe Township school board president. "Our legal team has determined that any further disclosure of the site's location might compromise

the negotiations that are underway with the property owner. We're just so grateful to be working with the Township in a collaborative effort for the betterment of our community."

As of late, Monroe's district has been making due with its shortage of space and state aid through creative planning and scheduling. But to cope with the rising student population, administrators are preparing for the addition of 18 trailers district-wide in the 2018-2019 school year to the tune of approximately \$2 million in associated annual costs.

"Our operating budget provides for the daily operations of the school - from turning on the lights to the teachers' salaries; but certainly not to construct or to overhaul our present-day facilities," said Monroe Township School District Business Administrator Michael Gorski. "We'll have to go out for a referendum by December 2017 or January 2018 for new school construction. We are fortunate that interest rates are currently at historic lows. We've also learned that as time passes construction costs only increase, so we'd like to put this into motion as soon as possible."

Although District Superintendent Michael Kozak is still working with architects to finalize plans, the proposed



Monroe Township School District is in the preliminary stages of planning for a second middle school to accommodate a growing student population.

referendum is expected to fund a new middle school, potentially a new elementary school and an addition to the high school.

"Unfortunately, voters defeated the district's 2002 referendum," Kozak said. "At the time, officials were forced to vastly scale down the high school's conceptual footprint in order to go out for the second referendum. While the second referendum passed, it was only a year or two before the number of students exceeded the high school's capacity. We don't want to have to return to the public with our hat in our hands in another decade because our facilities are inadequate in meeting the anticipated future growth of this community."

Last year, the Township offered the school board a 60 -acre parcel on Church Road, which fell short of environmental standards and sat in the outliers of a sewer and utility connection zone.

While hunting for a prime location, Gerald Tague, district facility director, worked with administrators to narrow the field down to 21 potential sites. Of that pool, only a single site, the one currently being eyed, met all criteria: positioned in the sewer and utility connection zone and absent of any wetlands and environmental red flags.

For further details, contact Monroe Township's Public Information Officer Maria Prato at 732-521-4400 or mprato@monroetwp.com.

Health Care

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humans, birds, horses, and other mammals. There is evidence, through a small number of cases that the West Nile virus has been spread through blood transfusions, organ transplants, and mother to baby during pregnancy, delivery, and/or breast feeding.

Presently, there are no medications or vaccine for West Nile virus. What is so ambiguous about this disease is that there are no symptoms in 70 to 80% of the people infected. One in five people will develop a fever along with a headache, body aches, joint pains, vomiting, diarrhea, or rash. In severe cases, less than 1% of people will develop encephalitis or meningitis, an inflammation of the brain or surrounding tissues. Symptoms of this neurologic illness are headache, high fever, neck stiffness, disorientation, coma, tremors, seizures, or paralysis.

The treatment for the West Nile virus is to treat the symptoms. Drink fluids to prevent dehydration, rest, take Tylenol for a fever, and use over—the-counter medications for headache, body aches, and joint pain. People with milder symptoms usually recover on their own, but symptoms may persist for several weeks. In severe cases, people need to be hospitalized to be treated for

serious and deadly symptoms.

As with Zika virus, do not keep standing water in your yard. Discard water that has collected in containers, buckets, flower pots, pet water dishes, and birdbaths. When outside wear long sleeve shirts and long pants. Apply DEET, an insect repellent, and follow the directions on the product label.

In our lecture series from Saint Peter's University Hospital, Aijaz Hussain M.D., an Internist and geriatrician from Saint Peter's Physician's Associates in Monroe, will be speaking on "What You Should Know About Vitamin and Mineral Supplements," on Monday, May 8, in the Maple Room at 1 p.m.

Our Health Fair is scheduled for Wednesday, May 31, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Health Fair will be in the Hawthorn Room, Ballroom, Maple Room, and Library for the hearing screening. Dr. Sang Song will be presenting a lecture on pain management at the fair. There will be blood sugar, blood pressure, bone density, and facial sun skin screenings. We will also have a balance/fall screening and postural analysis. Chair massage will be there to relax you. If your cane or walker needs a "check-up," let us take a look at it. So, mark your calendar and come and join us for this very informative and fun time at the Health Fair.

LWV: Challenges and opportunities in education

By Ruth Banks

The guest speaker at the meeting of the Monroe Township League of Women Voters on May 22 will be, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Michael Kozak.

The meeting will be held in the courtroom of the Municipal Building at 1 p.m. The public is invited to attend the program, which is free and open to all residents and visitors

Dr. Kozak brings to this position many years of experience as a teacher, principal, and superintendent, as well as the experience of raising his own three children.

His educational philosophy was acquired during those years as he experienced the give and take, the success

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From the Mayor

By Gerald W. Tamburro, Mayor of Monroe Township

Fiscal responsibility leads to no increase in municipal tax rate

Thanks to careful fiscal management, I am pleased to report that the Township is moving forward with a zero increase in the municipal portion of your 2017 tax bill. Our Township Council introduced a \$56.15 million municipal budget with a flat tax rate April 3.

The proposed budget would maintain the previous year's tax rate of 45.7 cents per \$100 of assessed value. For a homeowner with a residence assessed at the township average of \$312,219, that translates to an annual municipal tax bill of \$1,428.

In addition to ensuring a stable tax rate, we have facilitated no increase for residential water and sewer services for the 26th consecutive year. We've also reduced our reliance on the Township utility surplus revenue by approximately \$1 million in 2017.

After factoring in the fire districts, the library, the school district and Middlesex County, the municipal tax rate in Monroe accounts for 20 percent of your total property tax bill.

Our positive record of achievement is primarily due to a concerted and ongoing effort by residents, employees, volunteers and members of our boards and commissions, who work together for the betterment of the community. Monroe continues to offer unrivaled services, superior schools and one of the safest communities in the state, all while securing one of the lowest tax rates in the County.

One of the largest capital expenses in our proposed 2017 budget includes a \$2.5 million purchase of land in the southern portion of Monroe, which will be turned over to the school district in exchange for \$1 in the coming months. The parcel is being considered as a future home of an additional freestanding Township middle school.

Other major capital improvements in the proposed budget include pedestrian and road enhancements along Monmouth Road, park and ride improvements, design of a public safety complex, equipment for police, EMS and Public Works, as well as series of new paving projects.

We here in Monroe understand the importance of capital improvements. In recent years, we've budgeted for traffic signals at Perrineville and Federal roads and at Matchaponix and Spotswood Gravel Hill roads and lighting upgrades at our library's parking lot. These are important facets when considering our residents' safety and quality of life.

Despite our careful planning, Monroe has faced declining municipal and school state aid for eight years now, not to mention a statewide homestead rebate program that passed along dramatic cuts and shrinking reimbursement checks to a broad base of our residents. The state's annual reduction over the past seven years has cut the average homestead rebate from approximately \$1,200 to \$500 per qualified

household.

The homestead benefit program, which our legislators introduced almost four decades ago, was intended to provide a measure of tax relief for the State's homeowners. Unfortunately, many of us depended on this program to offset our yearly property taxes and it's become a safety net we can no longer depend on.

In response, municipal officials are seeking grant programs to further reduce the burden on our taxpayers.

But again, I am pleased to report that we will not be increasing the municipal portion of your tax bill. I am very proud of and would like to thank our officials and municipal staff, who worked tirelessly on crafting a budget that serves the best interest of our great community.

Free Concert - No Tickets Required Monroe Township Chorus Presents "Together as One"

As we honor and

salute our veterans and armed forces Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Richard P. Marasco **Performing Arts** Center **Monroe Township** Middle School 1629 Perrineville Road, Monroe **Township** For information, contact Sheila Werfel at 609-619-3229

Senior Center Highlights

Monroe Township Office of Senior Services & Senior Center 12 Halsey Reed Road, Monroe Township, NJ 08831 609-448-7140

Registering with the Office / Senior Center is free and available to Monroe Township residents, 55 years of age or over. Around the 15th of the previous month members can sign-up for the special, monthly activities either via phone or in person for all programs with a fee. Sign-up dates are subject to change; so, please call to confirm.

For more information, visit the Senior Center to pick up a calendar of events or visit www.monroetwp.com, and look for the "Office of Senior Services" link under "Departments."

Good for You Register in Advance Bagels Plus: On Friday, May 5, at 10 a.m., join Linda, from The Gardens at Monroe, for bagels and smear as she and Sheli, from Caring Connections, host this "What's Your Story?" session. Their guest speaker, Steve Besserman, from Ari-Joe Productions, discusses the importance of preserving your life story and family history by presenting, BUNNIE, an inspiring, short documentary about leaving one's legacy.

Health Challenges: On Monday, May 8, at 1:30 p.m., Lois Glaser, from CancerCare, via a grant from Perrigo, discusses how to stay healthy after being diagnosed with cancer, heart disease, hypertension, and diabetes. Discover how making healthy lifestyle choices can enhance your quality of life. Lite refreshments.

PTR Program: On Tuesday, May 9, at 1:30 p.m., NJ Division of Taxation representatives return to offer helpful information and assistance regarding Property Tax reimbursement, Homestead benefits, and benefits for veterans.

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LWV

(Continued from page 25) and failure of changing educational concepts. Core to his beliefs is that children need to learn to respect each other and learn how to live and work in an increasingly diverse and global society. The building blocks of education should foster critical thinking, creativity and innovation, and should include the four concepts of the STEM system, as well as skills in written and verbal communication, appreciation of and participation in fine and performing arts, and development of a sense of civic responsibility. The concepts in the STEM system are Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, all essential ingredients of an education

geared toward a future which

is continually changing.

The League in New Jersey has a long history of studying education issues and advocating for various changes. Its members have studied teacher tenure, funding, and charter schools. It has a strong position on the importance of public education, and only supported the concept of charter schools if innovations which resulted were shared with the traditional schools. The League has consistently supported adequate funding for all public schools.

For more information on the League, please contact: Judy Perkus, 609-395-1552; Andrea Pellezzi, president, 609-664-2146; Marsha Rosenbaum, voters service director, 609-409-0930; Adrienne Fein, membership, 609-448-4345, or Ruth Banks, 609-655-4791.

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Senior Center

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Overuse Injuries: On Thursday, May 11, at 10:30 a.m., Renata Pac, PT, from JAG Physical Therapy, discusses overuse injuries, from tennis elbow to Achilles tendinitis. Learn about the signs and symptoms of overuse injuries, pain management, and prevention. Learn helpful stretching exercises, too.

Reflexology: On Tuesday, May 16, at 1:30 p.m., Shelly Botwinick, Holistic Health Educator, from Tobias Health Awareness Center, explores the benefits of hand reflexology. Discover how applying gentle pressure can relieve symptoms in other parts of the body to help improve your health.

Pelvic Floor Health for Men and Women: On Wednesday, May 24, at 2 p.m., improve your awareness of the pelvic floor as Meghan Faley, PT, Pelvic Health Specialist, from RWJUH, demonstrates gentle exercises to improve bladder control, reduce back/ pelvic pain, and recover from trauma or surgery.

Music & More Register in Advance Elefant Presents: On Monday, May 1, at 1:30 p.m., Thomas Elefant explores The Music Of Rimsky-Korsakov. Then, on Friday, May 5, at 1:30 p.m., Mr. Ele-

fant returns to discuss The Lyrical & Magical Music of Mendelssohn. When registering in advance, mention the program title and date you wish to attend.

Fred Miller Presents: On Tuesday, May 2, at 1:30 p.m., enjoy Fred's "Lecturein-Song" regarding the time period between 1957 and 1964. Mr. Miller shares the popular songs of this era along with the lingo, crazes, inventions, etc. of that time. Please register early.

The American Songbook: On Wednesday, May 3, at 2 p.m., Maggie Worsdale, Jazz Singer, performs "The Great American Songbook" featuring the songs from the 1950's and 1960's. Please register in advance.

Pizza Plus: On Thursday, May 4, at noon, join us for our pizza luncheon PLUS our featured movie: ARRIVAL, starring Amy Adams and Jeremy Renner. Tickets: \$6 p.p., due upon registering inperson, in-advance. A movie synopsis is available.

Count Basie: Wednesday, May 10, at 1 p.m., enjoy a blast from the past as Mike Ferreira hosts this 1981 DVD celebration of Count Basie's 50th Anniversary in the Big Band biz. This all-star tribute includes Sarah Vaughn, Tony Bennett, George Benson, and Joe Williams. Please register in advance.

Music BINGO: On Thursday, May 11, at 1:30 p.m., join Tara for some Music-Infused Bingo fun. Enjoy this twist on the traditional game as you take a chance to shout, "Bingo!", and win a prize. Lite refreshments, too! Tickets: \$3 p.p., due upon registering in-person, in advance. Space limited.

Love, Marriage, Children & Liposuction: On Friday, May 12, at 2 p.m., enjoy Naomi Miller's hysterical and heartwarming one-woman show that weaves stories and songs that invite you to reminisce about life's joys, challenges, adventures and

Ted's Classics: On Monday, May 15, at 1 p.m., we welcome back Ted as he brings us The Al Jolson Story, featuring Larry Parks.

Mike & Ted Present: On Wednesday, May 17, at 2 p.m., Michael and Ted, from WWFM's "The Classical Network" discuss the songs of the virtually unknown composing team of Jay Livington and Ray Evans. Their names do not ring a bell? Their songs just might, such as:"Mona Lisa", "Silver Bells" and "Que Sera Sera."

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An educational medical series brought to you by Northeast Spine and Sports Medicine

This month's topic: **NEUROPATHY**

Say goodbye to foot and leg pain

NEW Non-surgical, FDA approved treatment for Peripheral Neuropathy now available locally

Millions of Americans suffer from *Peripheral Neuropathy*, a condition that commonly results in pain, tingling, numbness, and other painful symptoms in the legs, feet and hands. This pain changes your life and affects how you work, how you play and how you live.

What is Neuropathy?

Peripheral Neuropathy is the consequence of damage to your peripheral nerves. There are over 100 different kinds of these disorders - some are caused by a disease like diabetes while others can be triggered by a virus infection. Still others are the result of an injury or compression on the nerves. No matter where the problems begin, it is imperative nerve disorders are resolved as soon as possible to prevent permanent damage.

Peripheral Neuropathy Symptoms include:

Tingling, burning and/ or numbness

Pain when walking

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Loss of balance Pins and needles

sensation

Restless legs Muscle Weakness

Spontaneous pinching, sharpness, or electric shock-like pain In the past, treatment options have been limited to a small assortment of pain medications. However, they only provide temporary relief and can be habit-forming. Ignoring the problem or masking the symptoms is also ill-advised, as it can lead to emotional stress and depression.

So.. what is the best course of action for treatment of Peripheral Neuropathy?

A New Hope for Lasting Relief

After years of study, training and trials, AllCure Spine and Sports Medicine is pleased to announce their new integrative program for treating Peripheral Neuropathy. This mode of care incorporates a combination of advanced FDA-cleared treatments with breakthrough technology that aids in the restoration, stabilization, and rebuilding of damaged nerves in your extremities. The options are non-surgical, provided under one roof and covered by most insurances, including Medicare. Healing effects can be felt on the first few visits.

Our treatment options include:



• MicroVas — A noninvasive, pain free treatment that elevates blood flow and tissue oxygenation to the problem area. This treatment



HELLO WORLD: Get rid of irritating numbness and pain in your legs and feet with a NEW nonsurgical, FDA-approved treatment covered by most major insurances, including Medicare!

has proven effective for not only Neuropathy but also chronic low back pain, carpal tunnel syndrome, sports injuries, pressure ulcers, ischemic rest pain and wounds that are otherwise slow to heal.

- Acupuncture Through clinical trials, acupuncture has been proven effective in treating various medical conditions including neuropathy pain and has been expanded into conventional medicine practices throughout the world.
- Physical Therapy —
 A traditional treatment methodology aimed at the treatment and curing of certain ailments common to

patients suffering with chronic or severe pain. Its primary aim is to bring back the patient to his/her normal self, free of any pain or suffering.

 Cold Laser — A gentle, non-invasive treatment that is successful in treating joints and nerves without pain or discomfort to patients.

These treatments have also been effective in addressing the painful symptoms of arthritis, MS, and other forms of chronic pain.

If you are suffering from the tingling, itching, numbness or burning associated with Peripheral Neuropathy, the doctors and staff of AllCure Spine and Sports Medicine invite you to call

their office and schedule a complimentary consultation. There is hope for those suffering with Peripheral Neuropathy. The advanced treatment programs offered by AllCure Spine and Sports Medicine can help you get your life back to where you were before the pain began. Say goodbye to pain and hello to a world of relief.

For details about AllCure Spine and Sports Medicine's Neuropathy treatments, call our Monroe Office at 732-521-9222.



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