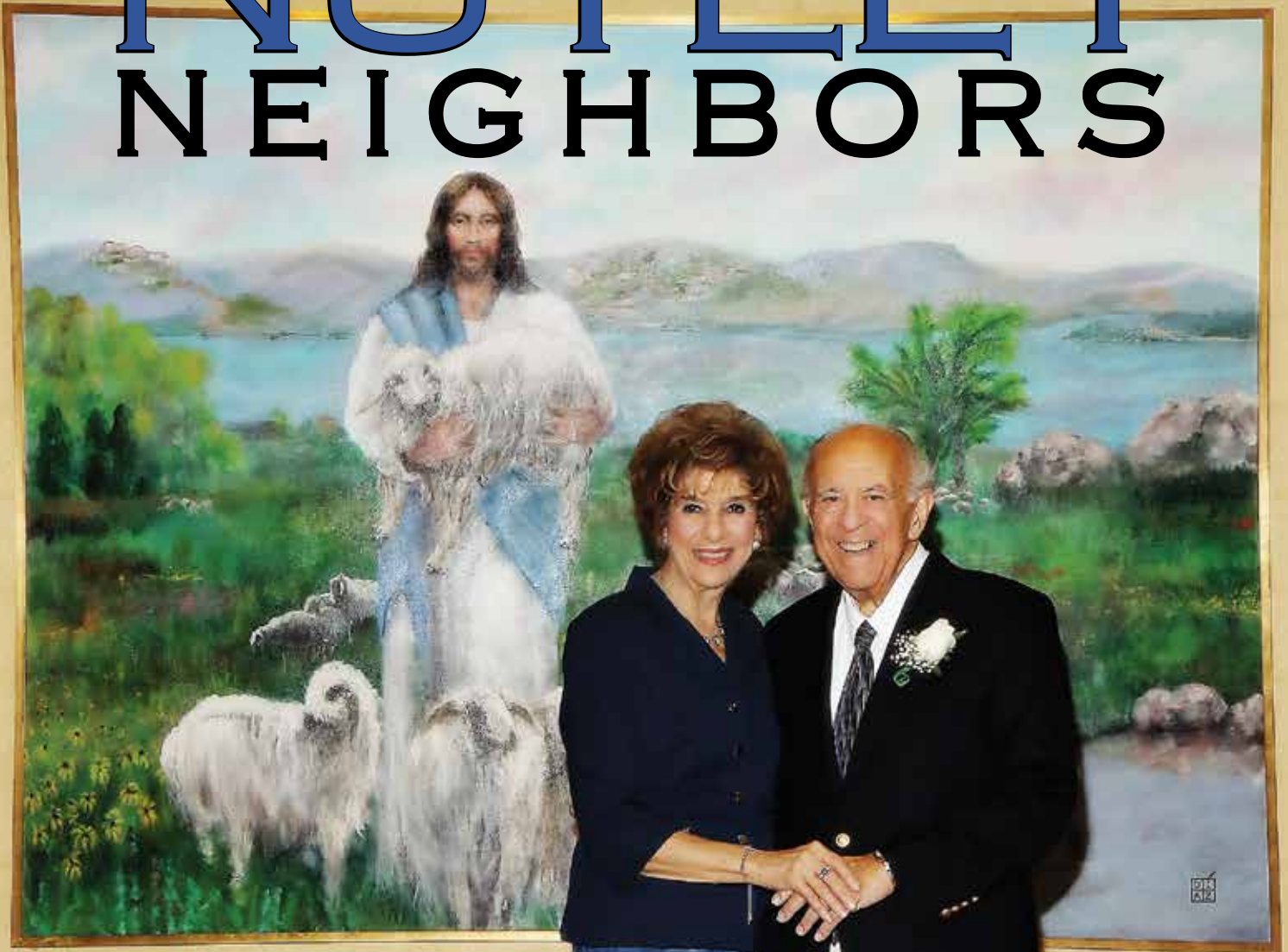


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A Magazine of Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is more than a holiday; it's a wonderful mindset. Each month as I write about the new people I met, reconnect with familiar friends, and find out where all the amazing and interesting things are happening here in Nutley, I realize that this magazine is like celebrating Thanksgiving every month.

This has become more than a job for me; it's a way for me to actively look for the good that is always around. I am much more aware of the wonderful things in life because my mind is searching for it.

And guess what? Every page of this month's issue features delightful people, great events, and generous advertisers. Perhaps instead of a table of contents, for our Thanksgiving issue, I want to play with the idea of a menu.

Our main 'course' is our feature family, Bishop Peter and Minister Rose Marie. They have been feeding the spirit of their parishioners at the Nutley Abundant Life Worship Center for almost 50 years. You may know them and their family and their grandchildren, all of whom stayed in town or fairly local.

Our side dishes are the very interesting articles from our regular contributors at the Nutley Museum and the public library. These are places that everyone should visit as often as possible. The information and knowledge to be gained there will expand, not your waistline, but your mind which is much better.

Dessert treats are also here to stimulate all of your senses. Denise Costantino's artwork to dazzle your eyes, Erik Carlson's organ recital for your listening pleasure, Dave Wilson's restaurant review for your taste buds, the crisp clean air at the Nutley Invitational Golf Tournament, and the touching story of Ray Wilson.

Am I going overboard with this analogy? Nah. I have come to believe that we can never overdo on being thankful and getting excited about all the exceptional things in our lives.

Join me as you turn the pages and see how our *Nutley Neighbors* fill our corner of the world with Thanksgiving – every month.



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"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." JOSHUA 24:15

Bishop Peter Bruno and his wife, Rose Marie, have certainly lived that Bible verse. He has been the pastor of Nutley Abundant Life Worship Center (formerly Nutley Assembly of God) for the past 48 years and in full-time ministry for 62 years with experiences in many diverse aspects such as evangelism, church planting and missionary outreaches to Argentina and Israel.

Rose Marie is the co-pastor of the church as well as the office manager and has been fully active in many different facets of the ministry since day one. Rose Marie fostered a love for the Lord from an early age as she began teaching Sunday school and playing the piano and organ in her

home church from the age of 14. She continues to actively preach and minister the gospel alongside her husband.

Together, they have impacted the lives of many people, both locally and abroad.

"I met Rose Marie at an Elim Bible College graduation in 1956 and we were married June 14, 1958," Bishop Bruno tells us.

Before Bishop Bruno attended Elim Bible College in Lima, New York, he served in the New York National Guard in Oneida as a tank driver. He graduated with a ministerial degree in 1958 from Elim. He later received his bachelor's degree in 1981 and his Master of Bible Theology in 1984, both from the International Bible Institute and Seminary in Orlando, Florida. He received an Honorary Doctor of Divinity that was bestowed on him at the Evangelical Theological Seminary in Dixon, Missouri in 1994. He was commissioned as a Bishop by Archbishop

Quander Wilson in 1997. He currently serves as the International Overseer of Abundant Life Ministries.

Bishop Bruno and Rose Marie have four children who have all gone into some aspect of Christian ministry.

"Jillaine Gingerelli serves as Senior Executive Assistant and has worked closely with me in the administrative office and in the ministry for the past 29 years," Bishop Bruno said. "Joyleen Mainiero works in different areas of ministry here at the church devoting her time and talents in not only assisting our liturgical dance team but in several other areas as well," he continues.

Bishop Bruno and Rose Marie also have two sons who are in Christian ministry whom he tells us about. "Peter Bruno is currently pastoring in Waldwick, New Jersey and Paul Bruno pastors a church in Little Ferry, New Jersey."

Pastor Bruno and Rose Marie are understandably proud and happy that the lives of their children and



Bishop Bruno preaching a lively Bible message to the congregation.

grandchildren reflect their Christian upbringing. As parents, they served as role models through their work and worship which had a profound impact on their family.

Jillaine tells us about her father's work. "For 30 years, we served meals, distributed clothing as well as supplied haircuts to the homeless each week, and after each service we would send them home with bagged lunches. We periodically go out as a team to parks and other areas to hand out food, clothing, and Bibles. Our music department sings and ministers to veteran and nursing homes and we bring gifts that are made from our children's ministry. It has been our mandate to not only reach the community but

have a positive impact on it."

In 1981, Bishop Bruno began training leaders to become future full-time pastors and he has numerous churches under his care as their presiding bishop. Abundant Life Ministries International hosts their sister

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Greeting of parishioners after each service is a standard for Bishop Peter and Minister Rose Marie.

churches in North America as well in Italy, Brazil, and Argentina.

His heart for the family and nurturing children in the faith is also seen in the Abundant Life Academy which he began in 1985. "We have well over 400 students with grades from kindergarten through high school. Our focus is on raising up the next generation of leaders that dedicate their lives to the Lord," he said.

Bishop Bruno and Rose Marie have hosted a vibrant television ministry that was aired throughout the tri-state area each week on numerous cable networks that reached an audience of 3.5 million viewers. Their services

are live streamed on their Nutley ALWC Facebook page and on the church website: nutleyalwc.org.

The Bruno family has lived in Nutley since August 1970. Bishop tells us, "We live in a quiet neighborhood with lovely neighbors. We have always loved the town of Nutley and made a decision to come here many years ago to pastor a work that ministers the love of Jesus."

As for Bishop Bruno and his family, they are certainly serving the Lord and leaving a lasting testament of their faith throughout our town and in many other places worldwide.

5 Things the Bruno Family Loves About Nutley

1. The small-town neighborhood feel
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Nutley Family Service Thrift Shop

By Joyce Corey

Wouldn't it be wonderful to update your wardrobe with designer labels and bargain prices while also supporting the services of the Nutley Family Service Bureau? Well, wonderful just stepped into reality. All of this is possible whenever you visit the Thrift Shop at 172 Chestnut Street.

Linda Grossman, NFSB Board member and long-time Thrift Shop volunteer, sums up the concept of the Thrift Shop, "Serving the people who want to stretch the family dollar is always a priority." Eileen Painter, Executive Director of Nutley Family Service Bureau (NFSB) comments, "We are redefining thrifting. We hope to connect with the new generation of thrifters who believe in reduce and reuse." Patrons know this is the place to find unique items, create a new edgy style, or purchase something that otherwise would be out of their price range in the retail markets.

For example, if these names sound familiar – BCBG, Theory, Tahari, Talbots, Anne Taylor – then perhaps it's time to stop by the Thrift Shop where you can pick up an updated, stylish look for bargain prices! Fashionable shoes, bags, scarves, and jewelry are also available. Men's suits with a decidedly professional flair can be found, too.

Everyone at NFSB understands a very basic premise of their organization; it's all about the family. The Thrift Shop is no exception and expands on this idea in a very practical way. Eileen said, "The shop not only sells adult and children's clothing, but items that a family would need to make a home." Although the location cannot accommodate large furniture or appliances, many household items can be found.

Yet, there is one more important aspect to the Thrift Shop sales that helps the family. Eileen tells us, "One hundred percent of the funds raised from the NFSB Thrift Shop directly support the programs offered at the Nutley Family Service Bureau." That means every purchase



made is used to help fund the services of this organization. A quick trip to their website, www.nutley-family.org, will provide some idea of the diverse and comprehensive ways in which they support the families right here in town.

Eileen credits all the many volunteers who help make the shop a success, "From sorting through the donated items, to merchandizing them in the best possible way, to deciding on budget pricing, the

individuals who contribute their time and energy enable the Thrift Shop to be a thriving enterprise."

The Thrift Shop first opened its doors in 1933 with the purpose of meeting the needs of people in the community and to be a source of funding for the bureau. That goal is still alive and well over 80 years later. Imagine the number of families that have passed through those doors to buy gently-used quality items and those people who have been helped by those purchases through the services offered at NFSB.

The Thrift Shop is more than a place to make a purchase; it's a way to help make a difference in other people's lives by supporting the NFSB with every single donation and purchase.

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The Worlds of H. C. Bunner

By John Simko

H. C. Bunner (1855–1896) is among the 2017 inductees into the Nutley Hall of Fame. Inclusion in the hall is predicated on outstanding accomplishments beyond Nutley's borders on a statewide, national, or international level.

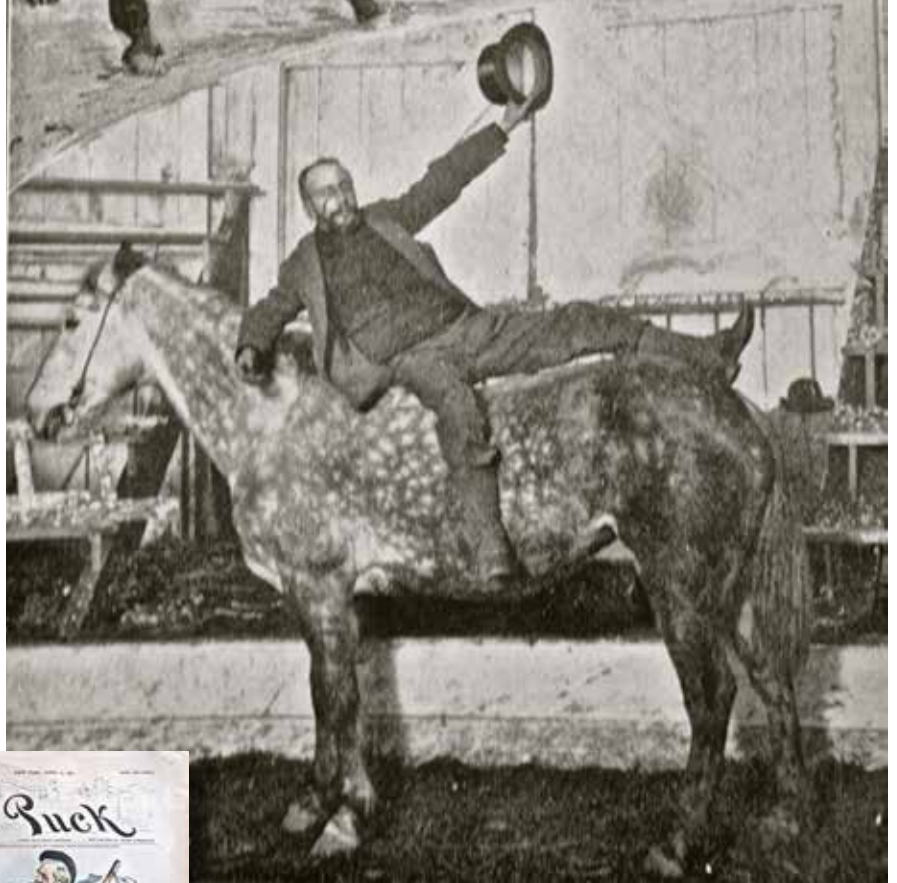
On Sunday, November 12, "The World of H.C. Bunner: Changing the Tastes of America from New York to Nutley" opens at the Nutley Museum. This free exhibit presents the New York-based, internationally known author, poet, and editor as well as the Nutley homeboy.

BUNNER'S NEW YORK

While H.C. Bunner was an acclaimed author and poet, his biggest influence on American literature came through his editorial work at *Puck* magazine.

At twenty-three, Bunner became editor-in-chief of *Puck*, a position he held until his death from tuberculosis at forty-one. A passionate advocate of the democratic process, Bunner viewed the problems of nineteenth-century immigrants—racketeering, unionization, political corruption—as an American dilemma. His editorial vision to use *Puck* as the way to expose their hardships transformed a failing German-language periodical into America's first successful political-comic weekly. At its height, *Puck* informed a readership of more than eighty thousand and facilitated the creation of the Independent Party.

As an author, Bunner introduced the radical concept



Above: H.C. Bunner, Nutley circus performer. Left: April 1891 issue of *Puck* takes on corruption at the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

of using New York City as a creative resource. *Puck*, *Scribner's*, and *Century* magazines began to publish stories that focused on the drama and hopes of the immigrant, the poor, and the new middle-class as they attempted to carve out meaningful lives in the city's tenement houses and overcrowded streets.

Bunner recognized the importance and worth of these communities and used his positions as author and editor to integrate these individuals—whom he considered the "new Americans"—into the fabric of American life.

The New York portion of the exhibit features first-edition Bunner books, covers and artwork from vintage *Puck* magazines, original Bunner correspondence and hand-written poetry, even a crystal that hung from a chandelier that lit the *Puck* Building offices during Bunner's reign.

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Bunner's Nutley: a view north along Passaic Avenue from Chestnut Street

BUNNER'S NUTLEY

Bunner was born in Oswego, New York, lived and worked in Manhattan for ten years, then spent the last ten years of his life in his beloved Nutley. He commuted from his Whitford Avenue home—which he called “the Bunnery”—to the Puck Building in Lower Manhattan. Bunner was a respected and involved member of the Nutley community and one of the founding members of the Nutley Field Club (where he was named Master of Games).

He and his wife Alice counted among their Nutley friends the artists and writers who had begun to gather

around the Enclosure area, the New York lawyers and businessmen with whom he shared his daily commute, and world-famous entertainers who had settled in the area, including Annie Oakley and Eaton Stone.

The Nutley portion of the exhibit celebrates our lively community during its Golden Age. Period photos and maps show off Bunner's beautiful neighborhood. Selected works by significant Nutley artists are featured along with our extensive collection of Annie Oakley memorabilia—including a coin shot at a local fundraiser organized by Bunner. We even have the phone booth from which Bunner made and received all his Nutley calls.

Please join us at noon on Sunday, November 12, for the opening of this exciting exhibit at the Nutley Museum at 65 Church Street. The exhibit runs through December 3 and is open on Thursday and Friday evenings and Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Please visit nutleyhistoricalsociety.org for exhibit hours and for further information.

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Denise Costantino Creates Timeline Mural

By Joyce Corey

Nutley artist and illustrator, Denise Costantino, created a surreal computer-themed historical timeline mural for PCL Solutions at 123 Franklin Avenue. She used her artistic skills to communicate the client's vision, starting with initial sketches and research.

"Each stage of the mural is worked on with the client's objective in mind," she tells us. "The mural is mostly painted in acrylic water-based mixed mediums and in a *grisaille* style, a method of painting in a gray monochrome scheme using layers of washes."

A mural is directly painted on the wall and is an excellent way to tell a story or communicate ideas. Eugene Klyushnichenko, owner of PCL Solutions, explained the inspiration behind this work of art. "We rely so much on technology, computers, machines, series of zeros and ones, that to have something created by the hand makes us feel human." PCL is an IT services and managed hosting company striving to provide worry-free IT management and advisory services for all its customers. The addition of this hand-painted element to the office created a welcoming sense of warmth for both his employees and future clients.

The artistic details of the mural include a few whimsical extra characters relating to the present and a stunning floor-to-ceiling painted red curtain pulled back just enough to reveal the possible unknown glimpse of the future. Behind the front desk, there is a bold statement of the company's logo which the artist hand painted, creating the illusion of a dimensional effect against a soft decorative metallic glazed wall background.

Denise explains the concept of the artwork: "Though early forms of computation, known as tallying systems, have been discovered dating back 30,000 years ago and used throughout the centuries, we decided to start the mural around the 1700s with Gottfried Wilhelm von Leibniz, a polymathic genius. The sweeping timeline depicts a road of intersecting landscapes, with mountains, dates and persons including Ada Lovelace (first computer programmer), Alan Turing (father of computer science who broke the Enigma code) Bill Gates (founder of Microsoft) Steve Wozniak (co-founder Apple Computer) and more."



A view of the mural from the hallway



Red curtain pulled back to give a glimpse of the planets



Computer mountain with faces

"My work takes me on many journeys from wall mural paintings 20 feet high to tiny floral textile designs on paper. Life is a big storybook with many different pages to fill. So, whether I am sketching a children's room, a nursery mural for a client, or creating an illustration for a future book, I always enjoy learning from different perspectives. Those perspectives help me create little stories with textures, splashes of color, lines and movement, action, and gestures."

Denise also created an affirming acronym: "Anyone Realizing Today's Imagination States Tomorrow's Satisfaction" (ARTISTS). She said, "This is my own statement I have used since I was young, to create and express ideas."

Denise's artwork is always a joy to see and experience.

For more information be sure to visit her website:

www.ddarchitecturaldesign.com.

Erik Carlson's Organ Recital at St. Vincent's Church

By Joyce Corey

Erik Carlson will be performing with members of the Vincent United Methodist Church choir at the dedication of the church's newly restored organ on Sunday November 19th at 2:00 pm. The music for this performance has been carefully chosen to reflect the special event.

Carlson said, "I wanted a compelling program featuring hymns of the church that are widely sung today." *Chorale Preludes* and the *Liturgical Year* will explore the influence of the German Baroque School and the compositional treatment of 16th century hymns. It was the common practice among 18th century German composers to write short organ pieces based on these ancient hymn tunes that date back half of a millennia.

The program is also influenced by this year's 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation in Germany which motivated Carlson to showcase chorale preludes based on Lutheran hymns.

Nutley native, Erik Carlson, is currently the organist and choir director at Saint Philip's Episcopal Church in Harlem. As an organist and conductor he has performed at the Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine, Saint Mark's



Nutley native,
Erik Carlson

in the Bowery, Saint Mary the Virgin in New York City, the Washington National Cathedral, and at Saint Michael the Archangel in Chagford, Devon, UK among others.

The recital to commemorate the dedication of the organ is free and open to the public. It will begin at 2:00 pm on November 19th at 100 Vincent Place in Nutley.



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109th Nutley Invitational Golf Tournament was a Wonderful Success

By Joyce Corey

There were 112 golfers competing at the Forest Hill Field Club for the "The Frank Cocchiola Memorial Trophy." This year's trophy was awarded to Sal Cocco, who will now be the Chairman for the 110th Nutley Invitational Golf Tournament to be held September 24th, 2018 at Forest Hill. Congratulations also go out to John Ingelsino who was awarded the Mayor's Trophy for the best low gross score.

Heartfelt thanks to the 100-plus sponsors, local professionals, business owners, and citizens that contributed to this tournament which raises money for the many deserving charities in Nutley and the surrounding communities. A check for \$7500 was presented to Eileen Painter, Executive Director of The Nutley Family Service Bureau, at the awards dinner.



The Nutley Family Service Bureau receives a check for \$7500.

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The Common Cold and You: How to Win

By Shannon DiCarlo

It's the dawn of a crisp autumn Saturday. As your head rises from the pillow, you're looking forward to all the fun that can be had with the arrival of this new season. Before you can even think about which plaid shirt you'll wear for the day, it hits you. That slight twinge in the back of your throat. That subtle feeling of congestion. That not-quite-right achiness that tells you that the arrival of fallen leaves and pumpkins has brought a new, unwanted guest. The common cold.

The common cold has ruined birthday parties, canceled happy hours, and struck fear into the hearts of brides and grooms eagerly planning their beautiful fall weddings. As an October bride myself eleven blissful years ago, the merest hint of a cold sent me dashing for the Vitamin C and spending countless weekends thinking of ways to



Acupuncture and herbal therapy can help ward off symptoms of the common cold.

ward off every germ that ever existed.

The good news is, there is quite a bit we can do to keep our bodies ready to battle against the common cold. As this season approaches, I engage in various discussions with my patients about how to stay healthy. Because they are seeing me weekly

for acupuncture and often herbal therapy that addresses whatever current issues they have, my patients have one foot in the door of good health. Still, you can never have too many weapons in your arsenal against germs brought into the home via classrooms, airports, and the most dreaded germ-spreader of the entire season... the mall.

We talk about the importance of sleep, and I treat every patient I see for proper sleep regulation. It's really that important. We talk about good nutrition, and how nature is our guide to what our bodies need with each season. It's no accident that the fall harvest brings us apples, beets, potatoes, peppers, and other nutrient-dense fruits and vegetables that supply us with what we need to stay healthy. We talk about supplementing what we may not get enough of from our food sources with a little extra Vitamin C, D, and perhaps a good digestive enzyme formula to keep the good bacteria in our gut armed and ready.

In my office, I use acupuncture and Chinese herbal formulas to stimulate the immune system to effectively handle whatever may be thrown its way. Each fall, I put together a Defense Kit for my patients that includes a system to prevent colds, to treat one immediately and naturally should a germ or two get by the goalie, and a formula that gets our body back to a healthy state once we have successfully conquered the illness. Of course, it's impossible to prevent every single cold. My goal is to keep illness to an absolute minimum and to make that typical eight day cold last three days.

We have too many piles of leaves to jump into, too many pumpkins to decorate, and too many opportunities to connect with friends and family over the holidays to miss a single day of any of it. Start to prepare your body now, and it will thank you later.

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Lunch at Luna

by David Wilson

Nutley's downtown business district has seen a growth in eating establishments over the last ten years. We now have many food choices as entrepreneurs look to find a new niche and establish a following. The recent residential developments bring more potential customers into the restaurant district seeking quality and value for their culinary experiences. Spending our hard earned, discretionary money locally is important for the town's business owners, employees, and their families.

One such restaurant, established nine years ago by the Ritacco family, took experience from their popular pizzeria and started Ritacco's Midtown Grill at 223 Franklin Avenue. Conversion of the downtown storefront into a thriving eatery required time and money. A modern,



Sangria and wines paired with foods complete your visit.

well-equipped kitchen, bar, bathrooms, and wood-fired brick oven for pizza were built from scratch. A second renovation occurred in 2014 to rework the floor plan and make it more family-friendly and food-oriented. A liquor license completes the business plan and makes possible craft beers, specialty cocktails, and wine. Lifelong Nutley




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resident, Louie Ritacco, says, "I was inspired by the night sky to rename it as Luna Wood Fire Tavern and design our logo."

Luna now offers lunch specials for students, teachers, and business people who have time constraints. Value, Internet ordering, prompt service, consistent preparation, and healthy choices make this a popular lunch stop for many locals. Specials from Monday through Thursday make dinner affordable for families and seniors. The pizzas are unique and tasty, thanks to the wood-fired oven and the pizza chef's preparation skills. The menu offers many choices with a nod to modern Italian dishes and flavors. Salads, vegetarian choices, creative appetizers, and specials round out Luna's modestly-priced selections that are available seven days a week. A lively crowd gathers Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays for happy hour and dinner.

The welcoming décor is beautiful, comfortable and super clean. You can choose seats at the bar, high top, or regular tables. The staff is attentive and well-trained in customer service. Televisions are limited to six, so you can keep informed, but not have programs or patrons intrude on your dining experience. The complementary EVOO with fresh herbs and bread is delicious.

Mary Rubino-Ryder of Century 21 Award Agency loves the food, especially the beet salad. Michael Ryder's favorite is stuffed wild mushroom ravioli. Jeannie from Joe Bono's barber shop on Centre Street says, "I have never had a bad meal at Luna." Sam and Michele Fleitell of Trio Jewelers are regulars with their friends and golfing

buddies. Many other Nutleyites make up Luna's loyal following, meeting frequently for business and social gatherings.

Louie Ritacco and Peter Daly partnered up in 2016 to bring another infusion of talent and investment into LWFT's future. Peter states, "The restaurant business is constantly evolving as we strive to satisfy our patrons." Manager Anthony DiLauri says, "We can accommodate parties, showers and christenings of up to one hundred people." The owners support many local charitable causes, knowing that reinvestment is paramount to growth and development within Nutley. The menu can be viewed at www.lunawoodfiretavern.com.



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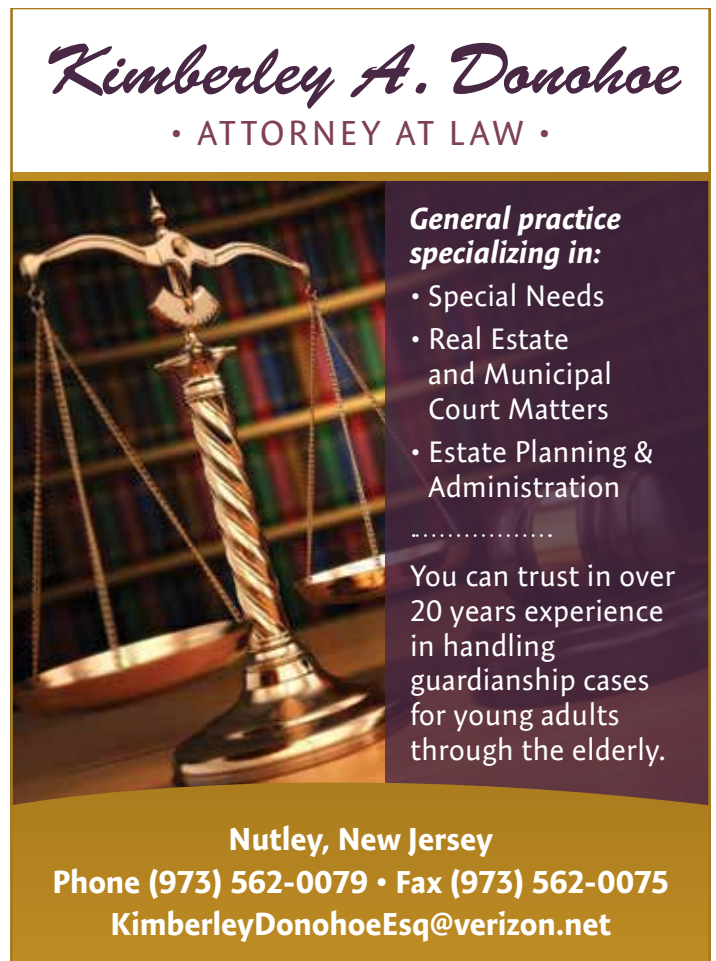


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Paula DiVincenzo Publishes Her Second Children's Book

By Joyce Corey

Paula A. DiVincenzo's second book, *Bad, Bernie!* is bringing smiles to both children and their parents. Paula's inspiration to write this story was her real-life French Bulldog, Bernie. She said, "He was an adorable puppy but got into a lot of trouble." The delightful tale and clever illustrations make Bernie and his naughtiness come to life.

The Nutley Public Library hosted a book launch for Paula's book on September 23rd. "The book launch for *Bad, Bernie!* was a great event," she said. "I had the opportunity to read to a group of children and their families. Afterwards, while signing each book, it was great to chat with the kids and parents about the meaning behind each story. Barbara Hirsch, President of the Nutley Public Library, and Michelle Albert, worked so hard to make this a great day. I am truly appreciative of all their time and effort in organizing my events."

Paula's first book, *Life with Lia; Lia's First Lesson*, features



Paula DiVincenzo at the Nutley Public Library's book launch on September 23rd.

first day at school. As a teacher at Yantacaw School, Paula brought a lot of empathy and real-life observations to this story.

Both of her books are available through Amazon and were published through CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform. "Self-publishing is fabulous," Paula said. "CreateSpace allows authors to publish a book immediately which are listed on websites of major retail bookstores."

She is part of a nice community of writers here in town. "Christina Surretsky is the author of *Divine Bloodlines*. I taught both of her children, Luke and Mark. Chris was a tremendous help in guiding me through the publishing process," Paula said.

Another local author who offered Paula encouragement and advice is Brian Ostrowski. "He is the author of *When I Was Little (Just Like You)*, *The Kid Who Wasn't Good At Anything* and *Blip The Bit*. Like with Chris, I taught both of his children, Emily and Patrick. I reached out to Brian immediately when I finally settled on moving forward with my book. He suggested to me the website Fiverr, which has been an amazing tool in discovering the right illustrator, formatter, etc. It's a self-publishing author's paradise. Both families have been so supportive and truly feel like I couldn't have completed my projects without their guidance. I am very grateful!"

Paula DiVincenzo's next appearance will be at Barnes and Noble in Clifton on November 18th for Library Day.



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Friends of the Nutley Library

By Barbara Hirsch, President, Friends of the Nutley Library

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On November 18, 2017, the Friends will sponsor a Book Fair at Barnes and Noble, Clifton Commons from 9:00am to 11:00pm and they will return there on December 23, 2017 from 9:00am to 1:00pm to wrap your holiday gifts.

Please visit nutleypubliclibrary.org for an application and current programs. Additionally, you are encouraged to contact president, Barbara Hirsch (bhteacher@gmail.com) for information. We are eager to welcome you to the "Friends."



For more information about our print and digital collection and the different programs that we offer stop by the library, check out our website at nutleypubliclibrary.org, or give us a call at 973-667-0405. The library is located at 93 Booth Drive and is barrier free. Hours: Mon.Tues.Thurs. 9am-9pm/ Wed. Fri.Sat. 9am-5pm.

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Kingsland Park: The United Nations Garden

(PART 3 OF A 3-PART SERIES)

By Dave Wilson

The United Nations is "an organization to promote international co-operation and to create and maintain international order." The organization was established in 1945 after World War II in order to prevent another such conflict. The love of freedom and yearning for peace inspired some Nutleyites to create the first United Nations Garden in the U.S.A. Mrs. L.R. Zocca, Gertrude Guenzler, Donald R. Hoch, Mrs. Paul Witting and Henry Lachenauer presented their idea to the Home Garden Club of Nutley, which unanimously approved it. Carl Orechio, a club member and Nutley Commissioner, found the perfect site in Kingsland Park. The north end by the pond between Howe Avenue and Lakeside Drive would allow visitors to easily access the garden.

The next step was design, and the club membership included Roy Blair, a Rutgers University trained landscaper, who formulated the layout that was followed without change. Milton Anderson, another club member, had a world-wide knowledge of trees and shrubs. Milton was the perfect choice to select numerous specimens that would represent various countries from around the world.



Monument at entrance to garden donated by Edgar Sergeant



Mosaic representing world members of UN

Funding ideas came from Ann Troy and Edgar Sergeant. The plan would mirror the one used to raise funds for trees in Memorial Park that honored WWI veterans. Citizens could buy trees and shrubs that helped perpetuate the memories of loved ones. George Stoothoff was the super salesman who collected 112 memorials that would fund the entire garden. The center monument contains a wonderful mosaic that represents the countries that comprise the United

Nations. The above-mentioned members were assisted by Edward Flammer, Cornelius Schenck, Paul Urban, and Edward Woolf when the weeds and grass had to be tamed around the embryonic flower beds.

The formal dedication of the garden took place in October 1959, with Frank Jannuzi, Mayor Harry W. Chenoweth and Carl Orechio making presentations. Alice

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Metasequoia, the oldest known species of trees, still thrives in the UN garden

Lester and Ade Welenowski brought the Girl and Boy Scouts to represent the youth of Nutley. Colors were presented by the Veteran's Council. The first tree planted was a Metasequoia,

also known as a Dawn Redwood. Metasequoias are thought to be the direct ancestor of California redwoods. This oldest tree known was thought to be extinct until an expedition found some in China in 1948 and brought seeds back for propagation. The specimen planted in the U.N. garden is still thriving.

The centerpiece dedication occurred in October 1961 and was followed by a stone monument and flag poles in 1962, donated by Edgar Sergeant. Many trees and plaques were added over the next twenty years as the garden reached its pinnacle. Time, storms, vandalism, neglect and the passing of the founders have taken their toll, and the area is only a shell of the glory and ideas that founded it. Perhaps some local group or an Eagle Scout will find inspiration to restore Nutley's United Nations Garden to its former grandeur.

This article was based on the December 1961 Tendril newsletter and press release which documented the creation of this garden. Thanks to Tom Hanlon for sharing the Parks department files with me back in 1978.





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Have You Met Ray Wilson?

by Dorothy T. Meissner

Years ago, Frank Sinatra sang "The House I Live In (That's America to Me)." The lyrics of that song go on to list a lot of examples of what America could be: your town, our flag, or the grocer down the street. All of these are valid possibilities, but there is one outstanding characteristic that makes our country stand out amongst the rest says Frank. It is "especially the people, that's America to me."

On any given Wednesday you might meet one of those people walking up and down the aisles of Nutley's ShopRite. You will recognize this particular white-haired resident of the town, because he will be holding his shopping list in one hand and a bag carrying his specially-crafted wood workings in the other. Don't be surprised or frightened if he walks up to you, reaches his hand into his bag like some modern-day Santa Claus, and presents



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Who might this unique benefactor be? He is Ray Wilson. He is one of those

tried and true Americans that Frank Sinatra sang about: a boy who started from humble beginnings in Toms River, New Jersey. His early education began in a one-room schoolhouse, where he not only was a student, but the person assigned to stoke the pot-bellied stove on cool autumn days and frosty winter ones. His early school experiences were filled with disappointment and detentions until his family moved to Belleville, then Nutley. It was there that he found his passion for woodworking

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under the guidance of Mr. Henry, the shop teacher at the high school. Ray, as he likes to be called, told this reporter that he learned everything he knows from this well-loved and remembered educator.

After graduation and a short stint in the Army, Ray spent his working years at ITT, LaMonte paper mill, and Hoffman La Roche, all in Nutley. He married Olive Plowright, bought the home where he has lived for the past 48 years, and raised two sons Robert and David.

Ray has now been retired for twenty-five years and has decided that it is the time to give back to his community and he certainly has. In all, he has made and handed out 506 letter/note holders. Recipients reside in twenty-four towns from Paterson to Seaside Heights and four states including New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, and Vermont.

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Nov. 4, Sat.
Wine Tasting at the Kingsland Manor

@3 Kingsland St.
Sample a wide array of wines, receive a complimentary commemorative wine glass, and enjoy a variety of appetizers, desserts, and coffee. The event

is limited to 100 guests so reservations will be required.

Time: 7-10pm
For more information visit www.kingslandmanor.org

Nov. 4, Sat.
Maternity Meet-and-Greet: Getting to know the Maternity Center

@Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville
Prepare for the birth of your child by meeting the staff, touring the Maternity Center and learning about various parent education classes. Get to know the Labor-and-Delivery unit and ask about admitting procedures and childbirth options. Tours are also available by request.

Time: 3:30pm Cost: Free
For more information call 1-888-724-7123

Nov. 5, 12, 19, 26, Mon.
Pulmonary Function Test at Clara Maass Medical Center

@Clara Maass Medical Center, Pulmonary Function Lab, 1 Clara Maass Dr. Belleville
Pulmonary Function Tests (PFT) indicate how the lungs are functioning; specifically, whether the lungs are able to bring enough oxygen into the air sacs and allow the oxygen to get into the blood for use by other vital organs. PFTs are usually performed in order to follow for the progression of lung disease and are also used to determine if surgery is appropriate. You must have a prescription for PFT.
Time: 7:30am-3:30pm
For more information, other program times, or to register for an appointment call 973-450-2263

Nov. 6, Mon.
Monday Night Book Club with Maryanne Christiano-Mistretta
@Nutley Public Library, 93 Booth Dr.

Her fun, upbeat memoir *On the Guest List: Adventures of a Music Journalist* is about a girl who loves music and life in general. The author paints a vivid picture of being a teenager in the 1970s and a young woman in the 1980s—and how the punk, new wave and rock scene was from a young fan's viewpoint.
Time: 7-8pm Cost: Free
For more information visit www.nutleypubliclibrary.org

Nov. 6, Mon.
Bariatric Support Group – Grocery Store Tour

@ShopRite of Belleville, 726 Washington Ave., Belleville
The Bariatric Team at Clara Maass Medical Center will host its monthly support group meeting at ShopRite of Bellville. The meeting will include a tour of the store. The meeting point will be at the customer service desk inside the store.

Time: 7pm Cost: Free
For more information about this and other events visit www.barnabashealth.org/Events-Calendar

Nov. 6, Mon.
Stay Firm on Our Feet

@North Arlington Health Department, 10 Beaver Ave., North Arlington
Find out more about common causes of falls so you can improve your balance and strength and reduce your chances of injury. Join Carl Gargiulo, Physical Therapist and Michael Yasso, Physical Therapist for tips on how to keep your home safe. Learn how to perform exercises in your home to prevent a fall. A light lunch will be provided.

Time: 12pm
Cost: Registration is required for this free event.
For more information or to register call North Arlington Health Department at 201-955-5695

Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27, Mon.
Breast Cancer Support Group

@Clara Maass Medical Center, Cancer Center, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville
Whether coping with a recent diagnosis or survivorship, Clara Maass invites you to share your journey with others. Light refreshments will be served. Please register in advance.

Time: 4pm
For more information or are interested in attending call Joanna Tortora at 973-844-4150 or email Joanna.Tortora@rwjbh.org

Nov. 6, Mon.
Look Good Feel Better

@Clara Maass Medical Center, Cancer Center, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville
Look Good Feel Better is a National Public Service Program that was established by the American Cancer Society to help female cancer patients improve



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their self-image. This interactive program is all about health, wellness and beauty. Each woman will learn beauty techniques and ways to manage the appearance of side effects related to chemotherapy and radiation treatments.

Time: 10am-12pm

For more information or to register for a session at Clara Maass Medical Center, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-227-2345

Nov. 6, Mon.

Surgical Options for Weight Loss

@Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville

The seminar will cover what to expect before, during and after Bariatric surgery. Visit the campus and meet acclaimed Bariatric Surgeon Naveen Ballem, M.D., Director of Bariatric Surgery at Clara Maass Medical Center; the Bariatric Surgery Team and former Bariatric surgery patients. Immediately after the seminar, participants have an opportunity to stay in The Learning Center to attend the Bariatric Support Group Session.

Time: 6-7pm

For more information about this and other events visit www.barnabashealth.org/Events-Calendar

Nov. 6, Mon.

Bariatric Support Groups

@Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville

Each support group focuses on a different topic to help maintain weight loss and receive support from others. Friends and family are encouraged to join.

Time: 7-8pm Cost: Free

For more information about this and other events visit www.barnabashealth.org/Events-Calendar

Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27, Mon.

Self Help Program: Tai Chi, Qigong, Yoga, Stress Technique & Meditation

@Parks and Recreation Bldg., 44 Park Ave.

Time: 10-11am

For more information contact Linda Hamilton, Senior Citizen Coordinator at 973-284-4966

Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27, Mon.

Senior Art Program

@Parks and Recreation Bldg., 44 Park Ave.

Time: 1-2:30pm

For more information contact Linda Hamilton, Senior Citizen Coordinator at 973-284-4966

Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Tue.

Pulmonary Rehabilitation at Clara Maass Medical Center

@Clara Maass Medical Center, Cardiac Rehabilitation Dept., 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville

This program helps individuals who have moderate to severe breathing problems overcome physical limitations resulting from their disease. Candidates for the program include patients recovering from an acute pulmonary episode, people with lung disorders and anyone whose activities are limited by chronic lung disease and shortness of breath.

Time: 7am-3pm

For more information, other program times, or to register for an appointment call 973-450-2263. Parking garage tickets will be validated.

Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Tue.

Golden Age Club

@Parks and Recreation Bldg., 44 Park Ave.

Time: 12:30pm Cost: Free

For more information contact

Linda Hamilton, Senior Citizen Coordinator at 973-284-4966

Nov. 8, Wed.

Living Well with Parkinson's Disease Parkinson's Disease Support Group and Workshop

@Clara Maass Medical Center, Cancer Center Conference Room, 1 Clara Maass Dr. Belleville

This monthly meeting provides an opportunity to talk openly and honestly, aid in finding resources and answers to important questions, and allows one to be a significant participant of a meaningful group. Essential information regarding symptoms, treatments, and medication management will be discussed. Sessions will also offer opportunities to share your experiences and help others throughout this journey in a safe and caring environment.

Time: 10-11am

For more information or to register contact Dhyana Velez, RN or Fabiana Alvarez, RN at 973-450-2631. Parking tickets will be validated.

Nov. 8, Wed.

Board of Commissioners Meeting



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Nov. 9, Thurs.

Princess Ball

@Parks & Recreation Department, 44 Park Ave.

A magical evening with a special appearance by Cinderella and her princess pals. Includes a whimsical princess meal, ice cream sundaes, horse and carriage rides, music and more. Be sure to come dressed as your favorite prince or princess! Open to boys and girls 12 and under.

Time: 6-8:30pm

Cost: A donation of \$25 per child or \$35 for 1 parent and child.

Please make checks payable to Relay for Life of Nutley. Limited space available.

For more information call 973-284-4966

Nov. 12, Sun.

The Worlds of H. C. Bunner: Changing the Tastes of America from New York to Nutley

@Nutley Museum, 65 Church St.

This exhibit presents the New York-based, internationally known author, poet, and editor as well as the Nutley homeboy.

Time: 12pm opening Cost: Free

For exhibit hours and more information visit www.nutleyhistoricalsociety.org

Nov. 12, Sun.

Welcome Baby! Sibling Program

@Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Clara Maass Dr. Belleville

Children will receive a tour of the Maternity Unit along with

personalized age-appropriate information about the childbirth process.

Time: 10am-12pm Cost: Free

For more information call 1-888-724-7123

Nov. 13, Mon.

Belleville Senior Health & Wellness Fair/ Managing Your Joint & Arthritis Pain

@Belleville Senior Center, 125 Franklin Ave., Belleville

In this interactive session, Dr. Joseph Bellapianta, Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine, Board Certified Orthopedic Surgeon, will offer practical measures for dealing with the aches and pains that often come with aging. He will also discuss medical procedures that can be used to address this issue. A light lunch will be served.

Time: 12pm

Cost: Registration is required for this free event.

To register, call the Barnabas Health Link at 1-888-724-7123. Leave a detailed message, including your name, phone number and the event you are registering for, and consider your registration complete.

Nov. 13, Mon.

Considering Breast Feeding?

@Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville

Clara Mass Medical Center nurses, who are trained-lactation experts, will give expectant mothers information about the advantages of breastfeeding, maternal nutrition, breast care and breastfeeding tips for the working mother.

Time: 7-9pm Cost: \$25 per person

For more information call 1-888-724-7123

Nov. 14, Tue.

Graphic Novel Club for Adults

@Nutley Public Library, 93 Booth Dr.

The group will be discussing Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic by Alison Bechdel.

Time: 7-8pm Cost: Free

For more information visit www.nutleypubliclibrary.org

Nov. 16, Thurs.

Going Vegan Without Going Crazy

@Nutley Public Library, 93 Booth Dr.

Learn about this popular and healthy plant-based diet with ShopRite dietician Stephanie Bini. Sample vegan treats, get easy recipes and maybe win a tofu turkey!

Time: 7-8pm Cost: Free

For more information visit www.nutleypubliclibrary.org

Nov. 18, Sat.

Autumn Branch Arrangement

@Essex County Environmental Center, 621-B Eagle Rock Ave., Roseland

For adults. Create a fall centerpiece using branches, leaves, gourds, and pumpkins. Advance registration. Minimum number of participants are required.

Time: 11am-12:30pm

Cost: \$12 per person

For more information call 973-228-8776

Nov. 18, Sat.

Library Day at Barnes & Noble

@Barnes and Noble, Clifton Commons

Get a head start on your holiday shopping and support your library in the process: the Friends of Nutley Library will receive a percentage of all proceeds of in-store purchases on this day, and online purchases November 18-21.

Time: 9am-11pm

Please call the library for details and program information at 973-667-0405

Nov. 19, Sun.

Kingsland Manor Open House Tour

@3 Kingsland St.

Come explore the historic homestead of the Kingsland family and beyond, set within park-like grounds overlooking a pond and waterfalls.

Time: 1-4pm

Cost: Donations accepted

For more information visit www.kingslandmanor.org

Nov. 22, Wed.

Baby Shower Infant Care Class

@Clara Maass Medical Center, 1 Clara Maass Dr., Belleville

Designed for families planning to deliver at Clara Maass Medical Center; this two-hour program covers basic infant care, safety and post-partum concerns. Participants receive a free gift. A physician's approval is required.

Time: 7-9pm Cost: Free

For more information call 1-888-724-7123

Nov. 24-25, Fri-Sat.

RAKES Program

The RAKES program provides an alternative to seniors and those who are disabled and unable to rake their leaves. Residents seeking help must be over 60 and/or disabled, own and live in the home requiring raking assistance, and be unable to afford help. Community volunteer teams will rake homes during this time period.

Time: 7am-5pm

To apply for assistance or volunteer to help call 973-284-4958 or email cgaccione@nutleynj.org

Nov. 30, Thurs.

Lynda.com Introduction Class

@Nutley Public Library, 93 Booth Dr.

This introductory class will provide an overview of the courses, help you set up an account and demonstrate navigation strategies. Lynda.com is accessible from your computer, tablet, or phone. You must have a Nutley library card and email account to attend.

Time: 7-8pm

For more information and to register visit www.nutleypubliclibrary.org

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Scott Armstrong, Independent Insurance Broker of Nutley, 862-432-5867 was welcomed as a member.

L-R:

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Scott Armstrong, Independent Insurance Broker
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Second Row, L-R:

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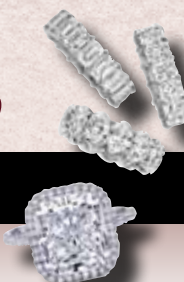
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