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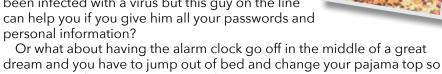
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# In the Middle of ...

on't you hate it when you are right in the middle of something and you are called away? Like when you get a phone call at dinner only to find out that your computer has been infected with a virus but this guy on the line personal information?



you can join the Zoom meeting in three minutes? Oh, and that reminds me. We are in the middle of a pandemic. Gee, I wish something would call me away from all this drama.

But something does. Every day, It's called life.

Despite what is happening globally and locally, we are always called away from the worry by some very normal things.

This month, I had the pleasure of interviewing Rick and Ronna Neiman for our cover story. That was a delightful conversation! Both of them are officially healthcare heroes and I loved hearing their story and virtually meeting their beautiful children. Be sure to read about the unexpected surprise the couple got when Ronna broke her ankle one night in the

My mind was also happily diverted by Barry Lenson's story about four Nutleyites with New York theater connections. I will forever think of these men as Nutley's "Fab Four!"

Our own Ilene Dudek adds to her delightful children's series with her sixth book: Little Ant & the Epic Battle. And, yes, it was inspired by the pandemic. In this book, the loveable little ant battles against angry germs in a child-friendly way. Ilene's reason for writing the book is to; guite simply, interrupt the fear of the pandemic. She said, "I needed to add a little bit of light, and hope, in the only way I knew how."

And in case you are still trying to find a way of being interrupted in the middle of the pandemic, how about visiting some local businesses? The health of a community is not only measured in blood work and lab tests; a thriving neighborhood is one in which people know and support their local business owners. For years, these businesses have been the backbone of our town; they have donated money and services that help us all.

So, let's turn the pages in this month's issue. Read the stories and the advertisements and, hopefully, connect with the people and places that are featured.

Being in the middle of something just means the ending is closer than it was before. May you all be distracted by things that are positive and hopeful.

**Joyce Corey** Content Coordinator





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# All the Small Things Add Up

Rick, Ronna, Gwendolyn, and Brandon Nejman

By Joyce Corey Photograph by Randall Kenneth Photography

ick and Ronna Nejman know the importance of small things. He's a microbiology medical technologist and she's a cytotechnologist, which means both of them spend a good deal of time in the laboratory looking at things that are tiny but powerful. In healthcare, these microscopic elements can literally change the course of a person's life.

Yet, at home in Nutley, the family doesn't need a special lens to show them all the small things that have left a positive imprint on their lives.

It's not surprising that Rick and Ronna met at Quest Diagnostics where they were both using their college degrees.

"Rick graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Bloomfield College," Ronna said. "I graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Clinical Laboratory Science from Rutgers University and UMDNJ."

The couple began dating in 2008 and were married in



The Neimans enjoying the Franklin Spring Festival

2011. When deciding on where to have the marriage ceremony, they discovered a seemingly small, but very significant, coincidence that steered their decision.

"We were married at St. Francis Xavier Church in Newark, where both our parents were also married at the same church in the early 1970s," Rick tells us.

"Our priest at Good Shepherd Church performed the ceremony there," Ronna said. "It was like we were honoring our parents' marriages while starting our own lives together."

Two years later, in the fall of 2013, Rick and Ronna bought a house here in

Nutley and have loved being here ever since.

"This was never just a house but has always felt like home," Ronna said. "Our friendly neighbors, the community, great school system, and all the wonderful family-friendly events Nutley offers have been so welcoming. And as a plus, Nutley isn't far from both our families."

And speaking of family, their Nutley home soon welcomed their first addition.

"In the summer of 2014, we adopted our dog, Riley, from a shelter," Rick said. Riley is now six years old.

But in keeping with the theme of Rick and Ronna making discoveries, puppy Riley was at the forefront of a momentous event.

"One evening as I went to let Riley out, I unfortunately fell and broke my ankle," Ronna said. "Rick was working the night shift at the time and I was home alone. Patty,





Ronna and Gwendolyn at the Halloween Spooktacular (left) Brandon and Riley comfy on the couch together (right)

our wonderful next-door neighbor at the time, heard me cry out and came right over. She called Rick and the ambulance, which arrived there in minutes. Patty even rode with me to the hospital and stayed until Rick and my family came. She was such an amazing help that night to all of us!"

But the night held a wonderful surprise for Rick and Ronna.

"At one point, the doctor in the ER asked if this was my first," Ronna explains. "I knew he couldn't have meant my first broken ankle! A pregnancy test confirmed that we were going to be parents."

"It was a bittersweet night," Rick said. "We were thrilled that a baby was on the way but also worried about Ronna who needed surgery to fix the broken bone."

"Yes," Ronna agreed, "it was terrible and wonderful all at the same time. Everything about

that night, from the help of our good neighbor to the care of the fast ambulance crew, really made the difference."

With the passing of time, baby Gwendolyn joined the family. She is now 5 and is big sister to Brandon, who is 1. Puppy Riley grew to be a 75-pound dog, who takes his job of watching over the family and playing with the children very seriously.

The children also gave Rick and Ronna the chance to

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make other discoveries in town.

"Since having both of our kids, we've really enjoyed all the wonderful events that Nutley offers," Ronna said. "We especially love the Halloween Spooktacular, Easter Egg Hunt at the Mud Hole, and the Franklin Spring Festival. We've also enjoyed going down the Jersey Shore for our summer vacations, especially Point Pleasant and Seaside





Heights. A lot of these events have been put on hold this year due to the pandemic, but we look forward to next year."

Which brings us back to this couple's careers in healthcare. Besides being interesting and friendly Nutley Neighbors, they are both busy delving into the microscopic world to better diagnose and treat health issues.

"I still work at Quest Diagnostics in Teterboro as a cytotechnologist," Ronna said. "My primary work involves looking for cancer and signs of infection from pap smears



and biopsies."

Rick currently works at Montefiore Nyack Hospital in Nyack, New York, as a microbiology medical technologist. "My department is responsible for running the tests for COVID-19, as well as diagnostic tests for infections."

When Ronna mentioned that her and Rick always had an "eye on Nutley as a place to live and raise a family," I couldn't help but think of this

couple's work in the laboratory. Seeing small things definitely adds up to the bigger picture.

From their home in Nutley, Rick, Ronna, Gwendolyn, Brandon, (and Riley!) Nejman have discovered their place in a town that they happily call their home.

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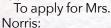
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asha joins us after spending 5 long, lonely years in a local NJ shelter. Yes, you read that correctly-5 years! Thanks to the kindness and compassion of her foster family, we were able to give her the much-deserved opportunity that she has waited so long for.

As you can see, Tasha is all smiles as she settles into the perks of being in a home environment. She is happy to learn "how to dog" from her big fur-brother, Louie. Tasha is about 7 years old, dog friendly, cat friendly, and has been friendly towards all people. Don't let her age fool you; this girl still has a ton of energy and loves to play. She would love a house with a calm, balanced dog to play with and a family to take her for walks or adventures. Tasha would prefer a home with children 10+ because she is still settling in to life outside of the shelter.

Tasha has a lot of lost time to make up for and her foster family is helping her do that. They are working with her on her manners, teaching her how to play, and how to just be a dog. She loves to cuddle and is a big fan of belly rubs. Her foster parents describe her as a puppy stuck in a 7 year old's body! Go to www.jerseypitsrescue.com to

complete an application. ■

# **Presenting Ilene Dudek's** Sixth Book ... Submitted by Joyce Corey

lene Dudek, Nutley resident, author, and illustrator of the Little Ant children's series, presents her sixth book Little Ant & the Epic Battle. This colorful picture book features the lovable little ant and his battle against an army of angry germs. Inspired by the 2020 pandemic, this modern-day fairy tale explores the virus in a way that children can understand: villains attack, heroes emerge, and battles are won. In the end, the little ant tries to

accomplish what others could not-to defeat the virus and save the world.

Written at the height of New Jersey's coronavirus outbreak, Little Ant & the Epic Battle features many subtle details that tap into our current-day events. Whether it's a sneeze heard around the world, armies standing six feet apart, or bumblebee fighter jets symbolizing the Blue Angels and Thunderbirds' flyover, Dudek

weaves everyday moments into this fantastical story. By adding a creative spin to real-life events, she offers a lighthearted view of the battle the world is facing today.

Since its inception in 2017, the *Little Ant* series has grown in popularity among the parenting community. Little Ant books address common childhood problems, like tying shoes and bullying, and teach lessons in humorous, yet powerful, ways. Little Ant & the Epic Battle

llene shares her inspiration, "We were in the middle of the pandemic and New Jersey was getting hit hard. The state was shut down, schools were closed, and it was becoming a very dark time in history. I needed to add a little bit of light, and hope, in the only way I knew how."

Ilene Dudek is a Nutley author with a background in advertising. After several years as a copywriter, she was offered the opportunity to change her path and follow her dreams. She now writes and illustrates the Little Ant children's series, inspired by her own life experiences. Ilene has participated in over 30 local author events, including a book signing at Barnes & Noble, and has been featured on "Spotlight New Jersey" on News 12. She plans to continue writing her Little Ant series and sharing her books with the local community. ■

For more information about Ilene Dudek and her Little Ant series, please visit: www.littleantstories.com.



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# Nutley Family Service Bureau: Responding in a Time of Crisis

by Emma Cortese, Public Relations Chair, NFSB Board of Trustees

onsistent with our mission of responsiveness to the community, Nutley Family Service Bureau (NFSB) is addressing the unprecedented challenges associated with COVID-19. NFSB is dedicated to providing services and creating workable solutions by following guidelines outlined by state and local health departments that allow continuity of operations, while considering the safety of clients, patrons, staff, and volunteers.

#### **■ THE CENTER**

In response to constraints associated with the pandemic, the psychotherapy center has adapted by providing mental health services through a teletherapy platform. In addition, our popular Fall Mental Well-Being Series will be offered virtually and free to Nutley residents. We have started planning for our return to in-person therapy sessions. Based on our success with the teletherapy process and input from the clinical team, we will offer in-person sessions for those clients and clinicians who are interested in returning to a traditional approach, and continue remote sessions for those who are interested in a distance model. For more information visit www.nutleyfamily.org/ services/mental-health-services/

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reorganized our space to allow movement throughout and instituted safeguards: social distancing, limiting the number of shoppers (adults only) at any given time, requiring masks, offering hand-sanitizing stations, checking shoppers' temperatures, and requiring COVID-19 waiver signing. Due to restrictions on space and

> volunteer efforts, The Shop requests that the community be mindful to limit the quantity of donations at a given time and consider the quality of the donations. Bagged and boxed items can be dropped off in our easilyaccessible double-door shed at the rear of the 169 Chestnut St. building. We accept gently used items in order to maintain The Shop's high standards of merchandise. As always, The Shop continues its fantastic weekly sales which offer the community family friendly bargains. Visit www.nutleyfamily.org for updates.

#### ■ THE PANTRY

Rapid changes at our food pantry, with an increase in our rolls of more than 25%, coupled with a decrease in food supplies, have presented significant demands. It has been difficult to maintain levels of shelf-stable items due to the cancellation of the annual Scouting for Food Drive which typically supplies 90% of our yearly stock. Additionally, a persistent reduction in proteins available through our food resource partnerships poses hurdles for highvalue nutrition commodities. NFSB's access to food resources is further impacted by our limited ability to find volunteers with vehicles to retrieve food supplies outside our community.

As we deal with these pressing circumstances, we maintain our open-air food distribution outside the NFSB Annex at 169 Chestnut St. according to a regular biweekly schedule. We are very grateful for the sustained generous support from local residents, businesses, civic, and church organizations. However, demand is unrelenting due to the social and economic consequences of the pandemic. Non-perishable items, which can be dropped off in bins at the rear of the 169 Chestnut St. offices, are always needed, as are gift cards and monetary donations. In the fall, we will gear up for our traditional Thanksgiving Initiative; be on the lookout for information next month at www.nutleyfamily.org.

NFSB is committed to meeting the situations impacting our township by responding with multifaceted efforts coordinated within our organization and with community partners and stakeholders. We look forward to implementing innovative programs which further our vision of a community where mental well-being is valued as an integral part of life. ■

# Meet Four Top New York Theater Professionals Who Hail from Nutley

By Barry Lenson

n the day when I first met Paul Gallagher at an event hosted by the Nutley Historical Society, our conversation quickly got very interesting. Paul, I learned, has had a long career as a stage electrician and lighting technician at the Metropolitan Opera House, Radio City Music Hall, and on top TV shows that have included *All My Children*. But our conversation became even more amazing when he told me he was not the only important theater technician from our town.

"There are actually a bunch of us, and we spend a lot of time together," he told me.

It's a fascinating story, and we're delighted to introduce you to four men who have divided their time between Nutley and major stages in New York.

## ■ Meet PAUL GALLAGHER, In His Own Words

All of us started out in different departments at The Metropolitan Opera House.

It happened when Sandy Hacker, the master electrician at The Met, took a huge risk and hired a bunch of wild college kids who were friends of his sons in Nutley. That led to my incredible ride through show business for 40 years. I've been so lucky to work with the greatest talents, from Pavarotti to Madonna to The Stones to three of the four Beatles, to Aretha, Sinatra, Susan Lucci, Lady Gaga, and many more.

I've worked on two of the greatest stages in the world, the Metropolitan Opera House and Radio City Music Hall, all the time staying close to my childhood friends from Nutley. At the Met, I got an incredible education about live theater and lighting (all due to Mr. Hacker) because when I started, I didn't even know stage left from stage right. There is a small margin of error for mistakes in live theater.

I wound up loving it. I had studied business and



From left: Paul Gallagher, Bill Van Schoick, Bill Malloy and Steve Radice

computer science in college, but this was where I belonged. Then after ten years, I tried TV lighting. I loved that too and wound up on an ABC soap opera, *One Life to Live*. I ran the electric/lighting crew there.

In my last year, I asked my Nutley friend, Steve Radice, if he wanted to come back into the business and he joined me there. I then asked Bill Van Schoick, another Nutley friend, to join us, and I'm glad he did. Show business is not the real world and my friends helped keep me somewhat grounded in what really matters.

The hours we worked were brutal—starting at 3am every day until 6, 7, 8, or 9pm at night, five days a week. While doing these two intense jobs, I made a deal (showbiz is all about deals) that I could leave at times and work other places if everything was running well. I could take a break outside the TV studio.

Our other childhood friend from Nutley, Tom Arrigoni—who is the head of sound at Radio City Music Hall—would hire me to come down with him to do the MTV Music Awards, the Tonys, the Grammys, Paul and Ringo, Sinatra, Tom Petty, the Stones, and many other great shows. I worked sound with him, which wasn't easy; I was a lighting guy. But I worked with some great sound men who were, and are, the best on the planet.

I met my wife, MaryBeth, while we were walking our dogs at the railroad tracks in Nutley almost 30 years ago. I'm so grateful for that dog! MaryBeth is a clinical research scientist at a pharmaceutical company and I'd be lost without



her. Our three children graduated Nutley High.

I've retired recently and I don't miss sitting in traffic or incredibly long hours, but I do miss seeing my friends daily. I got out at the perfect time. I love being home during the days and seeing Nutley in daylight-I take my walks daily in the park and was having a ball before the virus hit. This was a great town for me growing up, a great town for my kids to grow up in, and even better to enjoy retirement in.

Every day was an unusual experience—no two days were even close to being the same, from working with the Rockettes day in day out, to the beautiful people on the soaps, to the greatest talents to ever walk on a stage. But the most impressive people I met were behind the curtains and cameras-the sharpest, smartest, quick-thinking, and fast-on-their-feet people who made it happen. And to spend all those hours with four of my closest friends? Who gets that lucky?

### ■ Meet BILL VAN SCHOICK, In His Own Words

I'm a friend of Paul Gallagher and a Local 1 IATSE stagehand. I've worked in numerous studios and venues throughout my career, including NBC's Nightly News, MSNBC, ABC's All My Children, One Life to Live, The Chew, CBS Sports, MSG Studios, Fuse Music Television, and The Metropolitan Opera. I've worked in most facets of staging, production, lighting, electrical, special effects, carpentry, props, and wardrobe.

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NBC's Nightly News. Currently, the studio is under renovation. I am one of three studio heads and we oversee all aspects of staging, lighting, carpentry, and props, as well as maintaining the quality and safety standards of our studio.

My wife, Darlene, and I met through mutual friends at what was once the Nutley Pub. We have been happily married for 33 years. After living in different locations, including Bermuda, for three years, we returned to Nutley to raise our family. Darlene worked in banking when we were first married but left to concentrate on raising our two children. She currently works as a daycare provider at The Community School of Nutley.

My family's roots run deep in Nutley; we've been Nutleyites for five generations. My father, my two kids, and I attended Spring Garden School and my mother and my wife went to Yantacaw.

Nutley is a great town with a good sense of community; it's a wonderful place to raise a family. I enjoy the parks, activities, sports, and the good food. It's a great, convenient location - with beaches, mountains, and the city, all within an hour's drive - and I couldn't ask for a better commute to my job.

Being a stagehand has been very rewarding. It has afforded me the chance to work with a lot of creative and wonderful people as well as many celebrities and world leaders.

### ■ Meet STEVEN RADICE, In His Own Words

It's been a fun ride working with these characters. Like the other guys, I started at the Met Opera House. That was in 1980. I then left for 14 years. During that time, I started a family and ran a printing press. Then in 2001, I came back to work for Paul at All My Children.

I am currently the head electrician at TV 2 ABC, Tamron Hall. About 85 percent of my job is lighting, but I am also responsible for everything in the studio that has to do with electricity.

My parents moved us to Nutley from Newark in 1968. I met my wife, Lori, 35 years ago in Belleville. Over the years there have been countless jokes about Nutley guys being shunned for dating, or yikes, marrying girls from Belleville! And vice versa. We have loved living in and raising our family here. Now she works from home, here in Nutley.

We live in a house on the same street I grew up on:



Grant Ave. We raised our two sons here, and now I have a one-year-old grandson, also living in Nutley with my older son Dan. My younger son, Adam, works at ABC doing sound for the news.

The 12-mile commute can either be a breeze or torture. With the New York skyline visible from my front yard and the rural feel behind us, because of the railroad tracks, it's hard to find that mix someplace else. There are quite a few theater people in Nutley. But because we all work crazy hours, it's hard to find enough time to see each other as much as we'd like.

#### ■ Meet BILL MALLOY, In His Own Words

I started at the Metropolitan Opera as an extra seasonal dresser in 1983, where I worked with chorus men on large productions. As the seasons went on, my workload and responsibilities grew. In 1989, another Nutley resident who worked at the Met, the great Millie Hacker, offered me the job as supervisor of the Principal Men's Wardrobe. I worked one-on-one with the great opera singers of the world: Luciano Pavarotti and Placido Domingo, to drop two names. Both wonderful men and just two of the hundreds of amazing artists I had the pleasure to work with.

I retired from the Met in 2017 as Head of Wardrobe. I had held that position for 25 seasons. I had my shoulder replaced that May, four years after having a total knee replacement. The Met's long hours and the standards I expected from myself were more than I had left in the tank.

As Head of Wardrobe, I was responsible for the entire inventory of Met costumes. I worked with stage directors and management on hundreds of productions. The Met had productions with hundreds of costumes and performers. My staff, a group of true professionals, dressed all the performers.

One thing about live theatre is you need to be focused on your task. When you are working with performers, you need to be a support and keep your personality in check, which can take you away from what is happening to you at the moment—things like discussing mutual friends with Paul McCartney, asking Elon Musk if the tech people had checked his microphone, having Pavarotti walk off stage during the soprano's aria to ask a question. I have more than a few stories I can tell.

My parents bought their house in Nutley in 1963. My father still lives there. My wife Susan and I just celebrated our 30th wedding anniversary! We met in Belmar. We have been in Caldwell since 2005. Susan has spent over 30 years in healthcare, serving institutions throughout Essex County. We have a son in California and a daughter who just finished at the University of Massachusetts. Nutley was and is a great community.

I look back and know my life has been blessed. I had tremendous role models, especially with Millie and Sandy Hacker who loved the business and shared their love. More importantly, I was impressed by the way they treated and handled artists and the people who worked for them.



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# **Nutley Public Library Welcomes the Fall Season** with Special Events!

By Lucia Alvarez, Library Associate - CYA Services

his fall, the Nutley Public Library will be offering a variety of virtual events and activities for children and teens all season long. The library's early learning program will make its return with Babygarten and Friday Story Times held virtually through Zoom. Children and caregivers can enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes from the comfort of their own home. Special story times will be held throughout the season, including Healthy Cooking Story Time with ShopRite dietician Stephanie Bini, Music Story Time with Tempo! Music Therapy of Nutley, Yoga Story Time with Miss Ali, and a Halloween Sensory Show from the PropBox Players on October 16 at 11:30am.

Other virtual programs that the community will find online this fall include the monthly LEGO Club for grades K-5, Techsplorers technology club for grades 3-6, Chesstronauts for chess enthusiasts in grades 3-8, Hooked on Books reading club for grades 4-6, and Dungeons & Dragons game club for grades 6-8.

For craft lovers, the Library will continue to offer Take & Make projects for children and teens. Take & Make projects are perfect for crafters of all ages and skill levels.

After registration at youthservices.nutleypubliclibrary.org and teenservices.nutleypubliclibrary.org, pick up a craft kit at the library to take home. Enjoy special themes in each project, including seasonal fall and Halloween projects. One craft kit per person, while supplies last.

Be sure to also register for the library's annual pumpkin painting event on October 10. This highly anticipated event is open to children and teens. Each registered painter will receive a kit to take home that will include a pumpkin and paint set. Patrons can send a picture of their decorated pumpkin to the library to be shared on our social media.

Celebrate a *spooktacular* Halloween with the Nutley Public Library! Join us for our Halloween Game Night on October 26 at 7:00pm where participants of all ages can join virtually to play games for a chance to win prizes. Show off your costume during our virtual Halloween Storytime on October 28 at 10:30am and, of course, stop by the library Halloween day, October 31, to pick up a fun craft to do at home. Looking for more to do this fall? Nutley teens know just the thing. Check out additional crafts, recipes, books, and movies that have been teen-approved for Halloween enthusiasts of all ages on our Teen Services page. ■

A full events calendar and registration details can be found at youthservices.nutleypubliclibrary.org and teenservices. nutleypubliclibrary.org. For more information, please visit our websites, or call 973-667-0405 ext. 2623.

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# **Nutley Invitational Golf Tournament for 2020 Has Been Canceled**

By Joyce Corey

he Nutley Invitational Golf Tournament, a tradition since 1909, has been canceled for this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The longest-running community charity golf tournament in America will wait until 2021 to celebrate its 112th tournament.

Although the pandemic is putting the tournament on hold, the Nutley charities that the tournament supports cannot postpone the necessary services that

they provide to our community. The Nutley Family Service Bureau, 1st Cerebral Palsy Center of Belleville, and the Phoenix Center continue to have extraordinary needs.

Even though there will be no golf tournament, let's honor the spirit of this event by remembering the charities it supports.

While 2020 will always be the year this long-standing golf tournament had to be canceled, it can also be known as the year that the Nutley community brought about a different kind of victory for our local charitable organizations.

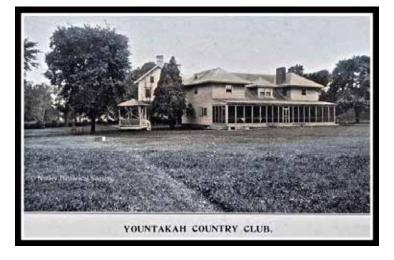
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# EVENTS CALENDAR OCTOBER 2020

At the time this magazine went to print, all event times and locations were accurate, but please check event websites for the most current information. Some events may have been postponed or canceled.

# Sept. 30, Wed. Virtual Perinatal Mood and **Anxiety Disorders Support**

@virtual event from Clara Maass Medical Center

Are you a pregnant or new mom? Are you feeling like motherhood isn't what you thought it would be? Do you have feelings of anxiety, panic, rage, or sadness? You are not alone. You could be experiencing one of the most common complications of childbirth, Perinatal Mood and Anxiety Disorders. This is temporary and treatable, and this group can help. This is a safe and judgment-free group for new and expecting moms to connect online. During this time of COVID-19, increased isolation and greater concern

about crowds and gathering may be preventing you from reaching out for help. This virtual community is led by a certified specialist in perinatal mood disorders who can answer questions, validate feelings and concerns, or offer more resources. You will be sent the link to participate in the group after online registration.

Time: I lam-12pm Cost: Free

For more information and to register visit www.rwjbh.org/events/ event/?event=15765

## Oct. I, Thurs.

All Recovery Meeting (Online)

@virtual event from Clara Maass Medical Center All Recovery Meetings are nondenominational and offer an opportunity to focus on the hope found in recovery. Recovery does not happen alone. Join this group and connect with others who are initiating and maintaining a recovery lifestyle. All Recovery Meetings are facilitated by trained and certified IFPR Peer Recovery Specialists and

provide social support for those seeking or maintaining recovery, as well as family members, friends, and supporters of those who have been influenced by substance use. Time: 12-1pm, 6-7:30pm For more information, other dates and times, and meeting links, visit the Clara Maass Medical Center event calendar at www.rwjbh.org/events/

## Oct. I, Thurs. - Oct 25, Sun. Running with the Devils 5K Run and Walk

@virtual event through the RunGo

RW|Barnabas Health and the New Jersey Devils have teamed up to honor RWJBarnabas Health's 35,000 healthcare workers and the countless essential workers across New Jersey who have gone above and beyond in the call of duty in response to this unprecedented global health crisis, 100% of proceeds from the event will benefit RWJBarnabas Health's Emergency Response Fund, which will help to continue the work of treating the most critical patients while preparing

to protect communities for any potential resurgence of the virus or other emergencies. Time: 8am-11:55pm Cost: \$25 virtual runner, \$20 virtual walker For more information and to register visit www.rwjbh.org/ runningwiththedevils

## Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, Sun. **Nutley Farmers Market**

@Municipal Parking Lot 9, 537 Franklin Ave.

This season, in light of COVID-19, special measures are in place to help ensure the safety of patrons, vendors, and the community consistent with guidelines from the CDC and NJ Department of Health. Time: 9am-2pm For more information on vendors

and safety guidelines visit www.nutleynj.org/farmersmarket

## Oct. 5, Mon.

Virtual DISH! The Monday Night Cookbook Club

@virtual event from Nutley Public Library



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## Oct. 6, 20, Tue. **Board of Commissioners**

Meeting

@virtual event from Township of Nutley

Please take notice that the regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Commissioners will take place via Zoom webinars for the remainder of 2020. Members of the public may participate by utilizing their PC, iOS, or Android device to visit the Zoom link or by dialing in through their telephone. Time: 7pm

For more information, Zoom access link, and call-in numbers, visit www.nutleynj.org/meeting-agendasand-minutes

## Oct. 15, Thurs. Online Film Discussion -Good Will Hunting

@virtual event from Nutley Public Library

Adults can join for an online discussion of this 1997 awardwinning film starring Matt Damon and Robin Williams. Use your Nutley Public Library card to borrow Good Will Hunting from Hoopla. Please note the loan for this movie is 3 days. Once registered, you will receive an email confirmation and one day before the event you will receive connection instructions.

Time: 7-8pm For more information email Nick Van Dorn at nicholas.van. dorn@nutley.bccls.org

## Oct. 19, 26, Nov. 2, 9, Mon 4-Week Free Virtual Diabetes **Management Class**

@virtual event from Nutley Public Library

Time: 10-11am For more information visit www.

nutleypubliclibrary.org/calendar/

## Oct. 19, Mon. Jamie Novak: How to Tidy Up and Get More Done

@virtual event from Nutley Public Library Time: 7-8pm

For more information visit www. nutleypubliclibrary.org/calendar/

Oct. 22, Thurs. Comprehensive Blood

### Screening Program

@Clara Maass Medical Center (Cancer Center Conference Room), I Clara Maass Dr., Belleville Screening includes a complete cholesterol profile and glucose test in addition to other elements including electrolytes and a complete blood count. Preregistration is required. Time: 7-9pm Cost: \$40 payable at time of

screening

For more information and to register call 1-888-724-7123. For a full list of what is included on the blood test, visit www.rwibh.org/ events/event/?event=15783

## Oct. 24, Sat.

Residential Shredding Day @Municipal Parking Lot 9, 537 Franklin Ave.

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