

The South Orange Gaslight



The Gaslight

is published six times a year for the residents and businesses of South Orange Village

November
December
2013

Inside

- Four new firefighters hired
- Boards need new members
- Village and SHU resolve over-flow parking problem
- Preschool Open House on Nov. 18
- Clip and save your 2014 voter recycling guide
- Help nominate deserving 2014 Villagers of the Month

36 Village employees now at PNC locale

A complicated transfer of 12 Village departments from Village Hall to new digs at 76 South Orange Avenue was successfully completed in the first week of October.

Now, 24 full-time and 12 part-time employees are located on the third floor of the PNC Bank building while the 30-month renovation of Village Hall is under way.

The new space is approximately the same in square footage, excluding the large meeting room at Village Hall. But it's "more efficiently laid out" and decidedly more mod-

Renovation brings parking changes

Public parking for municipal business remains available in the Village Hall lot during the current reconstruction project. In addition, 15-minute Village Hall business parking is available on Academy Street, adjacent to the PNC Bank building. For longer-term parking, go to South Orange Avenue lot #5 between South Orange Avenue and Irvington Avenue, just west of Prospect Street.

Renew your parking permit

It's time to update your parking privileges. Renewals for 2014 will be accepted by the South Orange Parking Authority between Dec. 2 and Jan. 7. Look for your mailed renewal letter and application in November.

You may renew in person at the SOPA office on the second floor of The Baird (#5 Mead Street), Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Or, if renewing by mail, be sure to include the completed application and photocopies of all required documentation.

SOPA accepts payment by credit card (in-office swipe only), cash or check.

For more information, call (973) 378-7715, x2037, or send e-mail to nrodriguez@southorange.org. ▲

ern, said Administrator Barry Lewis.

Movers arrived at Village Hall early on Oct. 4 and began hauling out the contents of the Administrative Offices, Information Technology, Village Clerk's Office, Municipal Court, Code Enforcement, Engineering/Zoning, Finance, Health, SOVCA, Tax/Water Collection, Tax Assessor, and the Building Department.

The Parking Authority moved into The Baird on Mead Street back in April.

Since there's no large meeting room at the bank building, municipal meetings will be held at SOPAC throughout the Village Hall renovation period.

Lewis said "a stream of regular customers along with visiting well-wishers" came through the new offices the first week after the move.

Approximately half of the bank's third floor was taken over by the Village, an area that had been vacant for two years.

Lewis said the biggest surprise during the move was "how smoothly it went, with very few issues." He commended the "incredible effort and cooperation of the staff" and particularly praised Deputy Administrator Adam Loehner, IT

Turn to **Move to PNC**, p5

Chief Markey retires from the S.O. Fire Dept.

"In life, I've seen death and heartache. Saving lives and saving people's property" is the better end of the bargain.

So says long-time South Orange Fire Chief Jeff Markey who retired Nov. 1 after a 38-year career in public service — a career "I found I



really loved," as soon as he stepped into his steel-toed boots.

Markey switched from being an architectural draftsman when a

friend handed him a firefighter test application back in 1975. He scored well and started the job that July.

By 1999, he rose to the rank of chief and kept a steady command of 32 firefighters and supervisors throughout his 14 years of leadership. He leaves the department in "good shape for now and the future," given the extensive renovation of departmental facilities that took place under his command.

Through it all, "I've tried not to dictate as chief," he said. "I've tried to teach and I've been very lucky because my success is 100 percent due to the support of my staff."

Markey's retirement marks a new shift in his career. He will now work as a consultant to fire departments far and wide, offering the wisdom of his years as a technician and administrator.

A retirement party will be held in his honor on Nov. 15 at Seton Hall University. ▲

Welcome to 4 new firefighters

Four new firefighters were sworn in for probationary duty on Sept. 23, after graduating from the Essex County College Police and Fire Academy on Sept. 19. They continue to work on emergency medical technician certifications.

• **Timothy Loeser**, a South Orange native, is a 2009 cum laude graduate of Gibbs College, with an associate's degree in criminal justice. He served in the NJ Army National Guard as a private first class. He was the commanding officer of his class at the firefighter academy.

• **Kerry Burke** holds a

bachelor's in English from NYU at Albany and is now realizing a lifelong dream of being a firefighter.

• **Justin Franklin**, a 2006 Columbia High graduate and 2013 Rutgers graduate, holds a bachelor's in political science. He volunteers as a mentor to local high school students.

• **Corey Cucciniello**, a 2001 Columbia High graduate, is the son of retired South Orange Police Officer Jim Cucciniello, his aunt, Lynn Cucciniello is a retired Village Clerk, and his cousin Michael Cucciniello is a current South Orange police officer. ▲

Calling Village volunteers

Four Village boards and committees are seeking new members.

The South Orange Historical Preservation Commission needs one regular and one alternate commissioner to help consider home improvement applications in historic districts.

The Planning Board needs two regular members and one alternate to help develop policy on zoning, site plan and subdivision ordinances.

The Board of Adjustments needs two regular members and one alternate to consider special exceptions to the Village zoning ordinance.

The Public Information and Marketing Committee

needs members to help advise the Board of Trustees on information exchanges between the Village and its residents.

If you are interested in any of the groups, submit your resume and cover letter, along with a completed volunteer application, to the Township Clerk's Office, 101 South Orange Avenue, South Orange, NJ 07079.

Volunteer applications are available on the Village website, www.southorange.org. Scroll to "Community," then "Volunteering." On the application, please specify the name of the group you are interested in serving.

For information, call (973) 378-7715, x7726. ▲

Seton Hall overflow parking problem resolved

The opening of the school year brought a sudden spasm of overflow parking from Seton Hall to the Tuxedo Park area of South Orange. Negotiations between the Village and the university have reduced the problem and long-term solutions are in the works.

In the first week of September, as on-campus parking reached capacity, SHU security personnel began directing students out of the South Center Street gate, which is normally closed, and into the Tuxedo Park neighborhood. The Village received no advance notice and had not approved the practice.

On Sept. 5, more than 150 cars were counted on streets near the gate, causing major congestion and raising public safety concerns.

Village officials and police inspected the area and met several times with Seton Hall and the Tuxedo Park Neighborhood Association. As a result, the South Center Street gate was closed and SHU security personnel were removed from the neighborhood.

The Village temporarily authorized additional SHU student parking on South Orange Avenue and on the eastern side of Ward Place adjacent to the campus, and Seton Hall has committed to developing a temporary parking lot on its open lands. The university has also contracted to use an off-

site parking lot and operate a shuttle service for employee parking. Additional off-site parking lots are being explored.

In the long term, the South Orange Zoning Board of Adjustment recently approved plans for the university to expand its parking deck. Construction is expected to be complete within 12 to 18 months. ▲

New train schedule impacts S.O.

NJ Transit implemented schedule changes to the Morris & Essex line as of Oct. 13. The new schedule is posted at www.njtransit.com/pdf/rail/R0040.pdf. Here's how NJT described the changes impacting South Orange:

- Overcrowding conditions are being addressed.
- Boarding times are being maintained.

- Additional multi-level vehicles will be used on the line.

- Travel time on the 6:19 train is reduced by eliminating two stops. ▲

Recruit a store - Know someone who'd like to open a shop or business in South Orange? Contact the South Orange Village Center Alliance. Members are actively recruiting new businesses and ideas often come from residents. Call (973) 763-6899. ▲

I know how to make Smart Moves!

Maggie Calister

www.njrealestatemama.com

Direct: 973-913-8020

Cell: 973-271-6951

*One step ahead
for ALL your
real estate needs*


**KELLER
WILLIAMS**

Mid-Town Direct Realty



BCB
COMMUNITY BANK

200 Valley Street
South Orange, NJ

201-823-0700

Member
FDIC

www.BCBcommunitybank.com

Celebrate the holidays!

with S.O. Village Center Alliance

Deck (orate) the Windows

A window decorating contest will take place among Village Center businesses during this year's holiday season, with judging by SOVCA on Nov. 29. Prizes will be awarded for the best store-front windows. Come down town and take a look at the creativity of our local business owners. The event is sponsored by The Alternative Press.

Small Business Saturday

a day for residents to show their loyalty to local merchants, takes place Nov. 30 to kick off the holiday shopping season. Please shop in the Village center that

day and throughout the holiday season.

SOVCA's Holiday Open

House returns Saturday, Dec. 7 with Santa, musical entertainment, merchant specials and the Village tree lighting. Village merchants will have specials for shoppers throughout the day, and shoppers can enjoy the annual holiday tree lighting in front of 76 South Orange Avenue in the late afternoon. Music and refreshments will be offered during the lighting. Details will be posted on the Alliance website at www.so-villagecenter.org. ▲

Find out where to send your child for preschool

The Community Coalition on Race will host its 12th annual Preschool Open House on Monday, Nov. 18, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Columbia High School cafeteria, 17 Parker Avenue in Maplewood. The free event showcases local preschools, nurseries, daycare, after care and enrichment programs for residents of Maplewood, South Orange and surrounding communities. Get tips on selecting a school and visit with dozens of school representatives. Details at www.twotowns.org or (973) 761-6116. ▲



MAPLEWOOD SOUTH ORANGE MILLBURN SHORT HILLS

SOUTH ORANGE

TITLE DEED
MARKSLADEHOMES.COM

SALE OR RENT

Buying or Selling a Home ?

Renting a Home ?

Don't Take a *Chance* Card !

Go with a Winner and be a Winner

Don't pass Go, **GO** Directly to Mark

Discreet Short Sale Advice and Success

Listing Clients got 98% of List Price with Mark

Mark Slade

o 973.762.5400
c 917.797.5059

marksladehomes@aol.com
marksladehomes.com
southorangenjopenhouses.com

each office independently owned and operated



KELLER
WILLIAMS®

On Stage at SOPAC SOPACnow.org (973) 275-1114

November

- Nov. 3, 7 p.m. – Midtown Direct Rep in the Loft, \$15.
- Nov. 4 and 5, 7:30 p.m. – “Ireland: The Show,” dance and music, \$39-\$56.
- Nov. 7, 7:30 p.m. – “Blackmore’s Night,” Renaissance music, \$33-\$58.
- Nov. 8, 8 p.m., Jim Breuer, comedy, \$30-\$45.
- Nov. 9, Bettye LaVette, soul/blues, \$30-\$50.
- Nov. 10, 7 p.m., Bill Sims, Jr., Blues in the Loft, \$15.
- Nov. 12, Gerardo Contino y Los Habaneros, salsa and jazz (presented by the SHU Arts Council), \$25.
- Nov. 14, 7:30 p.m., Dar Williams, singer/songwriter, \$25-\$45.
- Nov. 15, 8 p.m., David Bromberg Quintet, bluegrass/folk, \$30-\$55.



Soul/gospel singer Mavis Staples will appear at SOPAC on Nov. 16, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$50-\$75.

- Nov. 17, 7 p.m. Jazz in the Loft, \$15.
- Nov. 20, 7:30 p.m., Brooklyn Chamber Music Society (presented by the SHU Arts Council), \$25.

- Nov. 22, 8 p.m., Robert Klein, comedy, \$30-\$55.
- Nov. 24, 7:30 p.m., The Klezmatics with guest Joshua Nelson, \$25-\$50.
- Nov. 30, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. – “The Very Hungry Caterpillar and Other Eric Carle Favourites,” children’s theater, \$20-\$25.

December

- Dec. 1, 2 p.m. and 5 p.m., “The Nutcracker,” NY Theatre Ballet, \$25-\$40.
- Dec. 3, 6:30 p.m., Viva Verdi (presented by the SHU Arts Council), \$25.
- Dec. 4, 7:30 p.m., SHU Orchestra and Choir, Winter Concert, free.
- Dec. 5, 7:30 p.m., Cherish The Ladies, A Celtic Christmas,” \$25-\$48.
- Dec. 6, 8 p.m., David Benoit – A Charlie Brown Christmas, \$40-\$65.
- Dec. 7, 8 p.m., Richard Lewis, comedy, \$30-\$50.
- Dec. 8, 3 p.m., Holiday Joy with The Juilliard Jazz Ensemble, \$15-\$20.
- Dec. 13, 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Max and Ruby in the Nutcracker Suite, \$18-\$30.
- Dec. 14, 8 p.m., Spanish Harlem Orchestra – Salsa Navidad, \$33-\$55.
- Dec. 20, 7 p.m., Blues in the Loft: Studebaker John, \$15.
- Dec. 22, 7:30 p.m., The Glenn Miller Orchestra – In the Christmas Mood, \$25-\$45.

TAX PROJECTIONS & PLANNING

**Individual and Business Tax Preparation
Tax Reduction Strategies**

COUTO DEFRANCO, P.A.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS & ADVISORS

coutodefranco.com **973.378.3300**

Book Arts Holiday Sale

The Book Arts Roundtable will host its third annual Book Arts Holiday Sale, on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at The Baird. In addition to beautiful handmade books, boxes, cards and paper art, a variety of other fine craft and art items will be on sale. Art enthusiasts can enjoy free mini workshops on "make and take" book and paper art techniques.

Winter Recreation

Highlights of The Baird's winter athletic programs appear below. Details, fees and registration information are available at The Baird and online at www.thebaird.org.

Lacrosse Clinics for Girls - grades 4 to 12, Wednesday nights beginning Dec. 11.

Sunday Indoor Soccer - sessions for children (grades 3 to 8) and adults, beginning Dec. 1.

SOM Baseball - off-season drills and skills, grades 3 to 6. The six-week program takes place in the batting cages at The Baird. See website for sessions offered.

Learn to Ski at Mt. Peter, NY - grades 3 to 8, five Wednesdays beginning Jan. 8.

Jaguar Indoor Track - ages 7 to 16. Register in person at The Baird on Wednesday, Nov. 6, 7:30-9 p.m., or Saturday, Nov. 9, 10 a.m. to noon.

Cougar Youth Wrestling Team - grades 2 to 8. Sign up at the Columbia High School wrestling room, 6 to 7 p.m. any Monday or Wednesday through Nov. 13. For more information, contact Coach Fleming at JJFleming81@hotmail.com.

Recreation Basketball Leagues

Grades 6-8 - The in-town recreation basketball league for South Orange and Maplewood players in grades 6 through 8 begins Saturday, Dec. 7. No tryouts are required but evaluations will be held to create evenly matched teams. It's fun and competitive Saturday basketball. Register early. Enrollment is limited.

Grades 3-5 (administered by the Maplewood Recreation Department) - Players must register online at <https://register.communitypass.net/maplewood>. For details, call Maplewood Recreation at (973) 763-4202.

Cultural Arts Classes

An array of cultural arts courses awaits everyone in the family this winter. From infant to adult, individuals of all skill levels can enjoy hands-on experience in visual and performing arts. New programs have been added and old favorites are returning. All classes are taught by professional teaching artists. For class descriptions, fees and registration, visit www.thebaird.org. Registration begins Nov. 1.

Pierro Gallery

(973) 378-7754, ext 3 • www.pierrogallery.org

The Captivating Cosmos

On display, Nov. 7 to Dec. 21

This group exhibition features artists inspired by the universe, who create works of art with cosmic themes. The blend of art and science creates an exhibition that educates while showcasing the beauty of the universe.

Artists include David Mazure, Luis Alves, Kiyomi Baird, Pasquale Cuppari, Pat Lay, Assunta Sera, Marianne Trent, Diane Churchill, Martha Robinson, Rachael Katz, Kenneth Nicholson, Jantje Visscher, Gray Jacobik. Alyssa Dreliszak and Meaghan O'Connor curators. Admission is free.

■ **Opening Reception** - Nov. 7, 7 to 9 p.m., at The Baird

■ **Panel Discussion with Selected Artists** - Dec. 12, 7 p.m. at Seton Hall's Walsh Library.

La Cinémathèque Film Club

Two screenings remain in the club's German films series. Teaching artist Gérard Amsellem provides commentary and leads post-film discussion. The events take place from 2 to 5 p.m. and are appropriate for tenth grade and older. Attendance is \$45 for both events.

■ Nov. 17, "The Marriage of Maria Braun," directed by Rainer Fassbinder, 1979.

■ Dec. 22, "The Wings of Desire," directed by Wim Wenders, 1987.

interACT Theatre

(973) 544-8489 • info@interactproductions.org
www.interactproductions.org

"The Importance of Being Earnest," directed by Christine Gaden, will run for three weekends in January. Watch for details in the next Gaslight. interACT is the resident theatre at The Baird, currently in its fifth season.

#1 Agent in South Orange*



Eric Schwartz

Sales Representative

Office: 973-762-3300 x119

Cell: 201-953-9994

eric schwartz@luckymail.com

www.TheSchwartzTeam.com



*per GSMLS

Maplewood Office - 697 Valley Street - Maplewood, NJ 07040



Good cooking news for diabetics



Living with diabetes doesn't have to mean a lifetime of special foods and tasteless meals. The South Orange Department of Health, Saint Barnabas Medical Center Community Affairs and Sodexo Food Services will present a free healthy cooking seminar, "Living with Diabetes," on Tuesday, Nov. 12, from 7 to 9 p.m. The presentation and cooking demonstration will be held at Giorgio's Ristorante, 52 Vose Avenue, South Orange.

Learn how to prepare healthy and tasty meals from an executive chef and a registered dietician.

Space is limited. To register, call the Department of Health at (973) 378-7715 ext. 7710. ▲

Call for Entries:

Young playwrights, filmmakers

The Theater Project, a professional theater company in Maplewood, is initiating a Young Filmmakers Competition in addition to its 12-year-old Young Playwrights Competition. All New Jersey secondary school students, ages 13 to 18, are invited to compete.

Entries will be accepted beginning in January. Young Playwrights winners will be recognized in March, and Young Filmmakers in April. In addition to prizes, winners and runners-up will see their work presented to a live audience.

Competition guidelines at www.TheTheaterProject.org. ▲

E-cigs banned from public places

Electronic cigarettes have been added to the state's ban on smoking in indoor public facilities and workplaces. Violations of the state's Smoke-Free Air Act of 2006 are subject to fines of \$250 for the first offense, \$500 for the second offense and \$1,000 for each subsequent offense.

An e-cigarette is an electronic inhaler meant to simulate and substitute for tobacco smoking. The heating element vaporizes a liquid solution. Some devices release nicotine while others release flavored vapor. They are designed to mimic traditional cigarettes, cigars and pipes.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention says e-cigarettes appear to have fewer toxins than traditional cigarettes and some people use

them to wean themselves from regular cigarette addiction. But the impact on long-term health has to be studied. Authorities, including the South Orange Health Department, are concerned that young people using the devices will be encouraged to graduate to disease-causing tobacco products. ▲

Move to PNC

from page 1

Manager Stan Wilkinson and Deputy Village Engineer Ed Gulyas for their many months of strategic planning.

Villagers are encouraged to visit the new offices. For those calling or e-mailing, all contact information is unchanged. (See phone directory, page 6) ▲

Rabies

What you should know

Rabies is a deadly disease caused by a virus. The virus is found in the saliva of a rabid animal and is transmitted by a bite, or by contamination from an open cut. Left untreated, rabies attacks the nervous system and causes death.

Only mammals, including people, can get rabies. The disease occurs most often in wildlife, particularly raccoons, skunks, groundhogs, and foxes. (Less than 1% of bats carry rabies and attacks by bats are extremely rare.)

In New Jersey, cats account for the vast majority of domestic animal rabies cases.

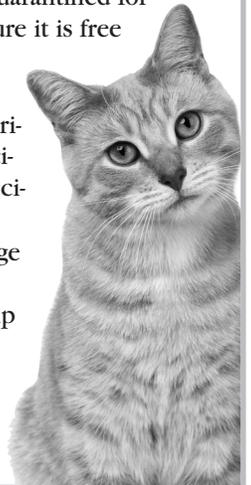
Rabid animals can be vicious and aggressive, or may appear to be drunk and have trouble walking. Some may be rabid even though they appear to be normal.

If you are bitten by a potentially rabid animal, clean the wound with soap and water, and report the bite to the South Orange Health Department at (973) 378-7715, x7711.

A domestic animal that bites will be quarantined for 10-days by the Health Department to ensure it is free of rabies.

If your pet has been bitten by a potentially rabid animal, call your veterinarian immediately. Even if the pet is vaccinated against rabies, it will need to be vaccinated again.

If your pet has bitten someone, urge the victim to seek medical care. Ask your veterinarian if the pet's vaccinations are up to date, then report the bite to the Health Department. After the 10-day quarantine, your pet should be vaccinated for rabies, if overdue. ▲



Villager publishes her first children's book

"Technology is a beautiful thing," but Villager Jill Criscuolo asks: "Remember, a little thing called imagination?"

Criscuolo is the first-time author of a new children's book, "I Want To," featuring a girl named Frankie who uses her imagination to get where she wants to go, and along the

way, teaches children to love themselves and make their dreams come true.

The 8.5x11-inch, colorfully illustrated, 40-page book is available from Amazon, Barnes and Noble online, and Nook. Paperback, \$15; Nook, \$3.49. Details at www.facebook.com/jillcriscuolo. ▲

Natalie Knows...
How to make homeowners happy!

Natalie Farrell | Cell: 917 514-7541
sold@nataliefarrell.com • www.nataliefarrell.com

KELLER WILLIAMS
Each office is independently owned and operated.

The advertisement features a portrait of Natalie Farrell, a woman with short blonde hair and glasses, smiling. To the right of her portrait is the text "Natalie Knows..." in a script font, followed by "How to make homeowners happy!" in a sans-serif font. Below this is her name "Natalie Farrell" in a bold sans-serif font, followed by her contact information: "Cell: 917 514-7541", "sold@nataliefarrell.com", and "www.nataliefarrell.com". At the bottom of the ad is the Keller Williams logo, which includes the text "KELLER WILLIAMS" and "Each office is independently owned and operated." along with several circular icons representing different real estate services.

In Touch

with Village Government

General Info.
 (973) 378-7715
Emergency, 911
Clerk's Office, x1
Administrator, x2
Construction, x3
Tax Collector, x4
Assessor, x5
Finance, x6
Engineer, x7
Parking Auth., x8
Health Officer
x7710
Animal Control
x7711
Fire Dept.
378-7751
Library
762-0230
Police Dept.
378-7775
Public Works
378-7741
Recreation &
Cultural Affairs
378-7754
Rescue Squad
762-3410
Recycling Info. &
Street Dept.
378-7741
Water Service
266-8869

To submit information for **The South Orange Gaslight**, send to Editor Robin Patric, rpatric@comcast.net, or call (908) 823-9001

A few of our past Villagers of the Month, counter-clockwise from top left: Jackie Herships, Katherine Crenshaw, the CHS Robotics Team, and Bradley Takahashi.



Help choose next year's Villagers of the Month

The Villager of the Month Award is presented to individuals (and occasionally groups) who have made significant contributions to the quality of life in South Orange, or residents whose achievements warrant recognition by their home town. Student VOMs must have exhibited outstanding commitment to their community.

Nominations from the public are welcome. Nominees may live or work in South Orange. Letters of nomination should include:

1. Explanation of WHY the person should be considered.
2. Name, phone number, and e-mail of the nominator.
3. Street address, phone number and e-mail of the nominee.

Current Village employees and Village committee members are ineligible for the VOM Award. They are eligible for other Village recognition.

Nominations are reviewed by the Community Relations Committee. Please submit nominations to any CRC member, to ktjdz@aol.com, or to the Town Clerk's Office, ssmith@southorange.org. ▲

Township of South Orange Village South Orange, NJ 07079

Presorted Standard
 U.S. Postage Paid
 Newark, NJ
 Permit No. 7081

Postal Customer
 Local 07079

Village Web Site: www.southorange.org

South Orange Library Events

(973) 762-0230 • www.sopl.org

Berkley to entertain

Author, singer and songwriter David Berkeley will bring his literature and music to the library on Sunday, Nov. 10 at 2 p.m. People of all ages will enjoy the event sponsored by the Friends of the Library. The show is free and refreshments will be served.

Foreign Film Series

A film series led by Gerard Amsellem, connects animated and classic films.

- "Dreams" (classic Japanese film), Nov. 19 at 7 p.m.
- "Persepolis" (animated Iranian/ French production), Dec. 17 at 7 p.m.

Library Discussions

Thursdays, 1 p.m.

- Nov. 7 – "Evocateur: The Morton Downey, Jr. Movie," will be shown and discussed by Seth Kramer, the filmmaker, producer, and director.
- Nov. 14 – "Willa Cather's Letters," with Jo Ann Middleton, author and Drew University English professor.
- Nov. 21 – "Weathering Today's Society: The Art of Coping," with psychotherapist Lewis Epstein.
- Dec. 5 – "How Soccer Explains the World: Sports, Nationalism and Globalization in the Modern World," with William Rogers, Drew University history professor and associate dean.
- Dec. 12 – "How We Read: A Writer Looks at Books," with Meredith Sue Willis, author and New York University creative writing professor.
- Dec. 19 - Holiday Party, with entertainment by Jim and Christie Harrington and family.

Recurring Events

- Book Review Group – Nov. 25, "The Hare with Amber Eyes," by Edmund De Waal. ❄ Dec. 23, "Fault in Our Stars," by John

- Green. Both sessions at 7:30 p.m.
- Knitting Workshop – Mondays, Nov. 18 and Dec. 16, at noon, with Nan Samons.
- Creative Writing Workshop, Wednesdays, Nov. 6 and 20, Dec. 4 and 18, at 1 p.m.
- Wednesdays at the Movies. All shows at 1 p.m. Nov. 13, "World War Z." Nov. 27, "The Heat." Dec. 11, "Four Christmases."

Children's Room

- LEGOS / Minecraft - alternating Mondays, 3:45 p.m., starting with Legos on Nov. 4.
- Toddler Tuesdays – through Dec. 10, 11 a.m., ages 2-1/2 and up.
- Books and Babies – newborn to 2-1/2, Wednesdays through Dec. 11, 10 a.m.
- Book Bunch – age 9 and older, Nov. 11, Dec. 11, 4 p.m.
- Live Musical Entertainment, Nov. 14, 21, Dec. 12, 26, at 10 or 11 a.m.
- Seton Stories – Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 10:30, SHU students read to all ages.
- Drop-In Crafts - Nov. 8, 22, Dec. 13, 27, at 4 p.m.

Party for education!

If you like to entertain and believe children in South Orange and Maplewood deserve the best public education, then the Achieve Foundation's 10th annual Night of 100 Dinners is for you. Host a party for your friends or neighbors on Saturday, March 8 to help raise money for schools programs. For more information, call (973) 378-2055 or send e-mail to director@achievefoundation.org. ▲

Your South Orange Expert

Making It Home

Rena Spangler
 For all your real estate needs
 Mobile: 973.876.7913
renaspangler@gmail.com

