



PRESBYTERY OF NORTHEAST NEW JERSEY

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Community Ministry Organizer Report

Flu Vaccine Clinics

In the month of December we partnered with RWJ Barnabas Health and St James Health to offer two Flu Vaccine clinics to the students of the Newark Public schools and the surrounding community. The flu vaccine was offered at no cost. The first clinic was at Memorial West and the second was held at Wolff Memorial Church.







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Partnership W/ Mental Health Association in NJ

“Moving Beyond Grief During the Holidays” virtual Workshop

In December we held a virtual workshop on grieving in partnership with the Mental Health Association in NJ. It was facilitated by Deacon Laverne Williams of the MHANJ.


PEWS
Promoting Emotional Wellness
and Spirituality Programs

"Moving Beyond Grief During the Holidays"

Join the Presbytery of Northeast New Jersey in collaboration with the Mental Health Association in New Jersey for this virtual presentation to learn wellness techniques for grief and sadness.

Whether your grief is due to:

- The Death of a Loved One Divorce End of a Relationship
- Lack of Trust Career Changes Questioning Faith
- Safety Concerns Health Issues

Presented by:
Deacon Laverne S. Williams
Former Director and Founder of the PEWS Program

**When: Tuesday
December 12, 2023**

Time: 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

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On Tuesday, January 23rd we began our first PEWS Certificate Program (PNENJ cohort). The PEWS Program (Promoting Emotional Wellness and Spirituality) educates members of the clergy, lay leaders and houses of worship to better recognize mental illness and how to link members to resources. It was held virtually for four Tuesdays for 90 minutes.

Those that completed the program are now PEWS Certified and also QPR Certified as well. QPR stands for Question, Persuade, and Refer — the 3 simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. Just as people trained in CPR and the Heimlich Maneuver help save thousands of lives each year, people trained in QPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help.

In April, we will be looking to start our second PEWS cohort and the first PEWS cohort in Spanish.

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Mental Health Association in New Jersey, Inc.

PEWS
Promoting Emotional Wellness and Spirituality Programs

Mental Health Association in New Jersey's PEWS Certificate Program

This is a 4-part virtual certificate program. Each session will be 90 minutes beginning (consecutive Tuesdays) January 23rd - February 13th, 2024 at 6 - 7:30 pm. Participants are asked to attend all sessions to receive both the PEWS certificate and the QPR gatekeeper (suicide prevention) certificate.

Who should attend:
Any member of a faith community that is looking to gain tools to strengthen their caring congregation around mental health.

What you will receive:
Education about mental health challenges, effective communication skills,
Myths and Facts, QPR gatekeeper certificate (suicide prevention),
resources, and much more.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact
Laverne Williams at lwilliams@mhanj.org
or Elder Jerome Lane jerome@pnenj.org

Looking forward to seeing you on January 23rd.

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College Fair w/ Rutgers Newark PreCollege Program

On Saturday, February 17th we partnered with Rutgers Newark and their PreCollege Academy to offer a PreCollege Fair! The fair was to highlight all of the programming that the PreCollege Academy offers FREE to students from 6th to 12th grade. There was also an opportunity for the parents to ask questions regarding the SAT, scholarships and the changes made to the FAFSA applications.



PRECOLLEGE FAIR

February 17, 2024
10:00 am-1:00 pm
135 Elmwood Avenue East Orange, NJ

Grades 6-12

Parent Information Sessions ✓
Student Workshops ✓
PreCollege Program Fair ✓

REGISTER NOW

<http://tinyurl.com/3u65hdhv>



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 PreCollege Academy



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PNENJ Movie Matinee

Let's Get Together! On Saturday, March 9th @9:30am the PNENJ is taking over the Cityplex 12 in Newark!!! Join us as we gather to view a screening of the movie "ORIGIN". The tickets are only \$10 and it includes a small popcorn and small drink. The theater has allotted us time for a discussion after the movie's conclusion. There is plenty of free parking, I hope to see you all there.

The poster features a red background with a white banner at the top containing the Presbytery of Northeast New Jersey logo and name. Below the banner, the words "MOVIE MATINEE" are written in large, bold, yellow letters with a red outline. The date and time "SATURDAY MARCH 9TH 10:00 AM" are prominently displayed in white. Below this, the location "Cityplex 12 Newark" and address "360-394 Springfield Ave, Newark, NJ 07103" are listed. The ticket price "Tickets only \$10" is shown in large white text, with a note "(No Advance Sales) (includes small popcorn & small soft drink)". A quote from the film "ORIGIN" is featured: "A FILM THAT REVEALS A NEW LANGUAGE". The movie poster for "ORIGIN" is shown on the right, featuring a woman's face and the text "ORIGIN IS A BRILLIANT CINEMATIC MASTERPIECE". At the bottom, contact information for Elder Jerome Lane is provided: "(973) 873-1181 or Jerome@pnenj.org". The bottom of the poster includes a film reel, a clapperboard, and a bucket of popcorn.

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MOVIE MATINEE

**SATURDAY
MARCH 9TH
10:00 AM**

Doors open at 9:30am
Cityplex 12 Newark
360-394 Springfield Ave,
Newark, NJ 07103

**Tickets only
\$10** (No Advance Sales)
(includes small popcorn & small soft drink)

ARRIVE EARLY TO GET YOUR GOODIES BEFORE THE
MOVIE. MOVIE WILL START PROMPTLY AT 10AM.
Plenty of FREE Parking on site.

ORIGIN

AVA DUVERNAY
AUNANUS ELLIS-TAYLOR
JANUARY

CONTACT FOR ADDITIONAL INFO:
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Partnership w/ Perinatal Health Equity Initiative

We are in the process of planning a forum with the Perinatal Health Equity initiative. The Perinatal Health Equity Initiative is a grassroots community organization dedicated to actively working towards eliminating health care disparities in black infant and maternal health through advocacy, education, community engagement, research, collaboration, and direct clinical support.

More details will be provided as they become available.

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