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MRCC 32ND ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

MRCC's 32nd Annual Golf Outing & Humanitarian Dinner was held Tuesday, September 12, at the New York Country Club.

The event honored Dr. Michael Golz, a Bergen County chiropractor who has been in business for more than 40 years. Dr. Golz is a Certified Chiropractic Sports Physician as well as a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist from the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA). He has been the lead Physical Fitness Training Advisor at the Bergen County Law & Public Safety Intitute.

Dr. Golz chose Tackle Kids Cancer and Tunnel to Towers as our charity partners for this event.

We would like to thank fellow members and local businesses who sponsored, donated and played, enjoying a wonderful day on the links and a delightful dinner, all to show your support for Dr. Golz, Tackle Kids Cancer, Tunnel to Towers and the MRCC.

MRCC's golf outing wouldn't be the great success it is each year without the help of our many volunteers and contributors. We thank you all!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

DIRECTOR SPOTLIGHT



Rena Rothman

MRCC Director Rena Rothman is nearing the end of her term on the board, where she has been a true asset to the MRCC for over a decade. During those years, she has served on the marketing and membership committees, and is now editor of this newsletter. As committee chair for the Taste of the Region and VP for the annual MRCC Directory, she provides excellent leadership for these important projects. She embodies the spirit of public service.

When Rena joined the MRCC in 2002, she owned the Cleaning Authority, a well-respected cleaning company serving business and residential customers. After selling the business, she began to pursue her true passion - music and the piano. She is now a freelance teacher and a member of the North Jersey Concert Band.

After selling her business Rena stayed with the MRCC because she enjoys the many connections and friends she has made over the years. A member of the Saddle River Valley Lions Club, Rena lives in Mahwah with husband. They have one daughter, Melinda.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I hope you are all doing well and enjoying the crisp, cooler weather. The holidays will be here before we know it, and I'd like to take this opportunity recognize everything for which we are grateful. The MRCC is extremely thankful for all our members, volunteer and staff who make what we do for our business community possible.

We are now settled into our new office at Ramapo College. Thank you to everyone who attended our ribbon-cutting ceremony on October 10. If you haven't seen our new headquarters yet, we encourage you to come visit!

Registration is open for our last two signature events of the year – Taste of the Region and the Holiday Luncheon. The holiday luncheon is a can't-miss event, where you can network, indulge in shopping at our fabulous gift gallery and enjoy the sounds of the Mahwah High School's Select Strings.

We hope you will join us, and as always, thank you for your ongoing support and collaboration with the MRCC.



Ben Mills, CPA
MRCC President
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MEMBER NEWS BRIEFS



- Edie Haughney of Ameriprise is proud to have been named a Five Star Wealth Manager for 10 years. "While this is an exciting honor, helping my clients achieve their financial goals is the greatest reward," she said.

Ameriprise has been recognized as #1 among Wealth Managers in Kiplinger Readers' Choice Awards 2023.

- **Pony Power Therapies** recently celebrated their fourth annual A Farm to Stable Affair gala at their fully-accessible farm in Mahwah. The evening honored Shannon Lazare, Senior Vice President and the Northern NJ Regional Manager for M&T Bank, a Pony Power Board member, and former President of the Mahwah Chamber of Commerce. The event provides critical support for the organization's horse-assisted and nature-based programs for people with disabilities or life challenges, including those with physical, intellectual or developmental disabilities, mental health challenges and life-limiting conditions. Farm to Stable guests were invited to visit Pony Power's 22 therapy horses and ponies, explore its half-acre food production garden, and wander the farm before the evening's dinner and program. S'mores and nightcaps around a campfire topped off the evening. To learn more about Pony Power, visit ponypowernj.org



- The **Randy Loyd State Farm** team has a passion for providing the proper insurance coverage to meet their customers needs. However, it is equally important to them to provide support to the communities that they serve.

One of the organizations they support is Family Promise of Bergen County, an organization committed to aiding working homeless families. Each year, State Farm agents donate our time and money to serve dinner to those in need at the Bergen County Shelter in Hackensack, NJ. This year's collaboration took place on September 22, 2023. Working alongside Family Promise of Bergen County helps us realize how many families are in crisis. This organization works tirelessly on a daily basis to provide food for those in need. The families are



extremely grateful and appreciative of the meals they receive.



We feel very fortunate that we are able to lend support to this cause and will continue to do so in the years to come.

- It's with immense pride that we announce **David H. Nachman, Esq.**'s recognition as a Top Lawyer in Bergen County by Bergen Magazine. On September 20th, 2023, following a



meticulous peer-review survey involving more than 3,000 attorneys, Mr. Nachman was placed in the esteemed top 10% of all lawyers in Bergen County. With an illustrious career spanning 35 years

specializing in US Immigration Law, David's exceptional dedication to his clients and his pursuit of legal excellence has earned him this notable honor. Beyond his practice, he is recognized as a Foreign Legal Consultant in Ontario, Canada, and has imparted his vast knowledge as a former professor of Paralegal Studies at both Bergen Community College and Fairleigh Dickinson University. For a detailed insight into David's accomplishments and services, visit www.visaserve.com or reach out at 201-670-0006 (ext. 204).



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INSPIRATIONAL WOMEN LUNCHEON

On August 16, women from the MRCC, BCPWN, and RBWN joined together for our Inspirational Women in Business Luncheon. This year we had the pleasure to have Irene Zervoudis, Co-Founder of Wonder Girls, as our keynote speaker. Irene also brought along some of the Wonder Girls to enlighten us on their experience with Wonder Girls!

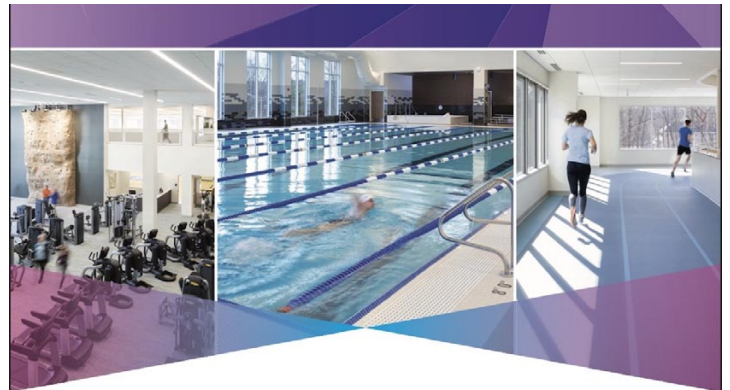


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UPCOMING EVENTS

- NOV** 07 Free Member Benefits Overview; Via Zoom
- 13 Taste of the Region; Hosted by Crowne Plaza Hotel Suffern-Mahwah; Sponsored by Bergen Magazine, Bergen Volunteers, Eastwick College, Envision Video Service, Family Promise, Good Samaritan Hospital, Inserra Supermarkets, Inc., Konica Minolta Business Solutions U.S.A., Inc., Lincoln of Ramsey, M&T Bank, Spectrum for Living, Valley Health System
- 15 Women In Business Initiative (WIBI); Scramble Networking, Sponsored by TD Bank and Valley Health System; Chamber Office
- 16 Luncheon "Unlocking Insights with AI: Presented by Nicholas Raffin; Ho-Ho-Kus Inn & Tavern
- 29 Multi Chamber Business After Hours; Maggiano's Little Italy, Hackensack
- DEC** 05 Young Professionals Networking (YPN) Holiday Networking; Stumpy's Hatchet House of Upper Saddle River; Sponsored by TD Bank and Valley Health System
- 08 Holiday Luncheon; Crowne Plaza Hotel Suffern-Mahwah; Sponsored by Good Samaritan Hospital
- 13 Women In Business Initiative (WIBI) Holiday Breakfast; Crowne Plaza Suffern-Mahwah; Sponsored by TD Bank and Valley Health System
- JAN** Membership Drive & Annual Directory



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Raising a Glass to MRCC!

On September 19, our Young Professionals gathered at the Mahwah Bar & Grill for a fun night of Trivia!



YPN Community Outreach

This year YPN selected Family Promise of Bergen County to be the beneficiary of their 2023 Community Outreach Project. Family Promise of Bergen County transforms the lives of families experiencing homelessness. Many thanks to our sponsors:



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MRCC OPEN HOUSE & RIBBON CUTTING



On October 10, the MRCC had its official Ribbon Cutting for their new office at Ramapo College of New Jersey.

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Women from MRCC and Ridgewood Chambers gathered on September 19 at West Bergen Mental Health for a presentation "Creative Mind" presented Jessica Bush, Tutor Doctor of North Jersey

Join WIBI for networking & fun!

Coming up is Scramble Networking on November 15, and a festive Holiday Breakfast on December 13.



Maureen Huggins, MRCC Executive Director and Joan Groomer, Ridgewood Chamber Executive Director



Chrissie Lijoi, West Bergen Mental Health and Jessica Bush, Tutor Doctor of North Jersey



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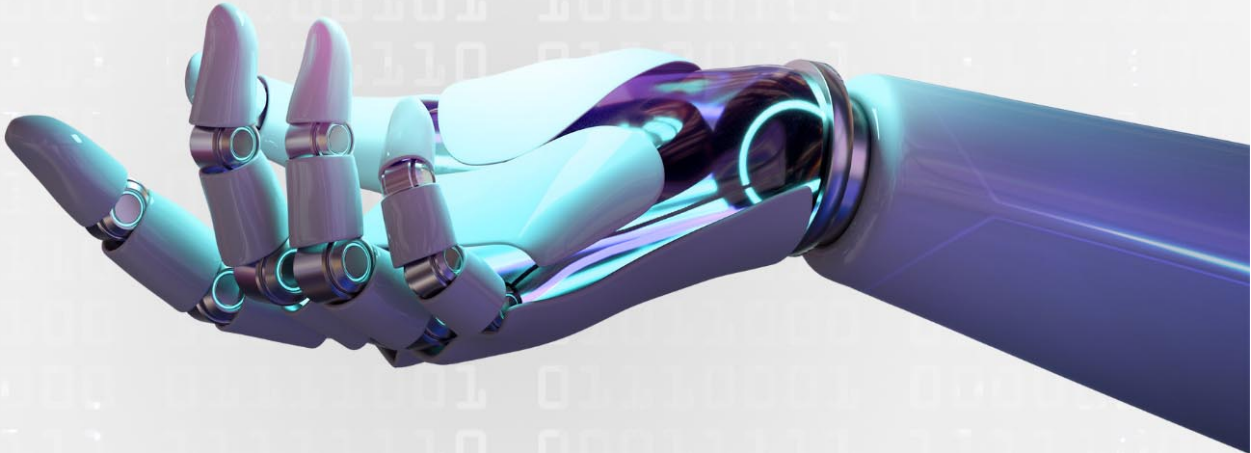
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