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## MRCC GOLF OUTING

Showcase your business at the MRCC's 24th Annual Golf Outing & Humanitarian Dinner, Monday September 21, 2015, being held at our member club The Ramsey Golf and Country Club. Terrie O'Connor, The President and Founder of Terrie O'Connor Realtors, is our 2015 Humanitarian of the Year and will be honored at the evening program.

Golf and Dinner sponsorships are still available. Join fellow members and local businesses who have already committed to a sponsorship: Konica Minolta Business Solutions, U.S.A., Inc.; Sharp Electronics Corporation; Bergen Health & Life; TD Bank; Christopher Brandle Joy of Life Foundation; Crowne Plaza Hotel & Conference Center; Prestige Family of Dealer-

ships; M & T Bank; and HomeBridge Financial Services. Hole-in-One sponsors are all committed for our par 3's including Liberty Hyundai, Hackensack Toyota, Prestige Mini Cooper, and Schumacher Chevrolet; that's four chances to win a car!

In person is a great way to get to know your fellow members and community leaders, so be sure to sign up for golf, a golf clinic, or attend the dinner. We welcome donations of prizes, promotional items for the promo bags including golf balls, and of course you may take advantage of the advertising opportunity in the Commemorative Journal that will be created just for this event. All sponsors will be listed in both the journal and evening program, as well as our membership directory next

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## MRCC DIRECTOR SPOTLIGHT

**Brian Hughes**  
Hughes  
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Engineering  
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Brian Hughes is the Vice President of Hughes Environmental Engineering, a fourth generation family owned business that recently moved to Mahwah after 21 years in Montvale. Originally raised in New Milford and Upper Saddle River, Brian resides in Ridgewood with his wife, Stacy, and their three children. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Ridgewood (NJ) YMCA, where he is primarily responsible for charitable fundraising efforts and assisting with aquatic programs. He also serves on the Y's World Service Committee and traveled to La Boule in Haiti to help build a YMCA in the town.

Brian currently serves as the VP of the Bergen Catholic High School (NJ) Alumni Association and heads efforts to connect young alums with prospective alumni employers along with other mentoring activities. A graduate of Williams College (MA), Brian serves in numerous capacities as an alumnus since graduating in 1990.

In the HVAC industry, he also sits on the employer Advisory Council for numerous HVAC vocational schools, including Bergen County Vo-Tech and both the Union and Mahwah, NJ campuses of Lincoln Technical Institute. Brian also has his LEED-AP qualification and is a Board Director of the national Mechanical Contractors Association of America.

In his first year on the board of the MRCC, Brian became a co-chair to help organize the inaugural 5K race in May. The event was a great success for both the MRCC and the NY/NJ Trail Conference.

## Register today!

### AUGUST 18

#### YPN Young Professionals Network

*Brady's at the Station, Ramsey*  
Sponsored by *Eastwick College*  
Don't miss a beat, bring a prospective member and attend free. Jazz music, great networking, wonderful food and cash bar.

### SEPTEMBER 10

#### County Executive Luncheon

*Hilton Woodcliff Lake*  
Sponsored by *Goldstein, Lieberman & Company, LLC*  
Meet Bergen County Executive Jim Tedesco and hear his views on the future of the greater MRCC region.

## Save the date

### NOVEMBER 2

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## President's Message

Welcome to summer in the northeast. The 3-H's: hazy, hot and humid! But I'm not complaining, mind you. In fact, the hotter it gets outside, the better the air-conditioned networking events get inside!

We've been keeping very busy at the MRCC. We had an incredibly successful 1st annual 5K event in May, a YPN event, a scholarship awards luncheon, a jazzy non-member open house, AND we moved into our new office space at the Crossroads Corporate Center in Mahwah— that's the one with the iconic spire.

Make a date to attend one of our many events. It's never too late to jumpstart your membership. As a matter of fact, it's the perfect time to jump back in. Come on, the water is fine!

I'll see you out there.

Martha Harvey  
MRCC President

Community Relations Director/Human Resources  
SHARP Electronics Corporation

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## MEMBER NEWS BRIEFS



• **Bon Secours Charity Health System (BSCHS)** is pleased to announce a new venture with Westchester Medical Center.

“A joint venture with Westchester Medical Center represents an unparalleled opportunity to enhance the quality of services for the people in the region and will preserve and expand the local health care,” said Mark Nantz, Executive Vice President of Bon Secours Health System. “The challenges of today’s healthcare environment require that healthcare systems explore innovative ways to deliver high-quality care through clinical transformation and population health management. We believe this joint venture will achieve the best for both our organizations.”

“Westchester Medical Center’s historic mission has been to ensure that all the residents of the Hudson Valley have the finest healthcare available as close to home as possible,” said Michael D. Israel, President and CEO of WMC.

“Our vision is to build on Bon Secours’ strong foundation, enhance what is available and foster integration and coordination, which will ensure the long-term viability of these partners and more,” WMC Board Chair Mark Tulis said.

Mary Leahy, M.D., and CEO of Bon Secours Charity Health System said that a joint venture such as this one is “transformative and will allow our organizations to thrive in a climate of change. We share a common vision of clinical and operational excellence and a keen desire to maintain the long-held mission of Bon Secours and the Sisters of Charity.”

• **Microsoft ends support for Windows Server 2003 on July 14th, 2015.** Businesses that are still using Windows Server 2003 are at risk for cybersecurity attacks, non-compliance with PCI security standards, and breaches of HIPAA data policies. **Superior Technology Solutions** has experience performing migrations from Windows Server 2003 to Windows Server 2008 or 2012. For help upgrading your workloads, contact Superior Technology Solutions today at 845-735-3555 or online at [www.superiortechnology.com](http://www.superiortechnology.com).

• **“Konica Minolta Business Solutions, U.S.A., Inc.** is proud to be partnering with the first company bringing state of the art technology, value and opportunity to children allowing them to innovate and develop critical thinking skills,” says Sam Errigo, senior vice president, Business Intelligence Services, Konica Minolta. “In the true spirit of 21st Century learning, STEAMtrax’s problem-based learning approach engages students in relevant learning scenarios that encourage the essential skills needed to solve real world problems and teaches collaborative skills needed



Ramsey-based Konica Minolta recently donated a 3D CubeX printer to the High Mountain Road School in Franklin Lakes. Pictured (l to r) are Kay Fernandez, vice president, strategic business development at Konica Minolta, and Jaclyn Bajzath, High Mountain Road School administrator.

for success in the workplace.” Hands-on kits are used to learn the science behind the solution and build a prototype with engineering hands on materials before testing the design on the 3D printer. Each kit includes science equipment and materials needed for quick classroom set-up to implement the module activities for up to 32 students and are designed to be re-used. Each lesson embeds the engineering design process and is designed to be integrated as a supplement to current science programs or to provide enrichment for after school or summer programs.

• **From Scratch** held a Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Saturday, June 6. Hundreds of family, friends and customers spilled out onto Ridgewood Avenue for this grand celebration. Samples of many of their finest dishes were available for guests to sample. Dave Rounds of Hunter Group CPA LLC and Sharon Rounds, posed with owners Roberto Santagati and Claudia Rovegno, and family members.



## TESTIMONIALS

Members who would like to have a testimonial on the MRCC website, please contact Lovina Schoenmakers 201-934-7570 or email her at [lesmrktng@outlook.com](mailto:lesmrktng@outlook.com) She will do a verbal interview with you by phone, or send her an email on “What benefits I have received for being a member of MRCC.” Please include your name and your company name.

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## GOLF OUTING *continued from page 1*

year. All other company donations will be acknowledged in our evening program.

"Golf is 60% full at this point in time; dinner only and dinner packages are being committed as well. I encourage anyone who wants to be a part of this high impact event to sign up soon as I expect this to be another sold out event", says Deborah A. Richin, CFP®, VP-Golf Outing.

Register online at [Mahwah.com/golf](http://Mahwah.com/golf) or call 201-529-5566.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*PLEASE JOIN US AND INVITE OTHERS!*

- AUG 4** Free Member Benefits Overview, Chamber Office
- 13\* Luncheon "Improve Your Financial Future by Better Planning", presented by Deborah Richin, CFP® of UBS Financial Services, Inc., Restaurant L
- 18 Young Professionals Network; sponsored by Eastwick College, Hosted by Brady's At The Station
- SEPT 10** "County Executive" Luncheon; Sponsored by Goldstein Lieberman & Company LLC, Hilton Woodcliff Lake
- 15 "SBA" Informational Seminar; presented and sponsored by M&T Bank, Mahwah Public Library
- 21\* 24th Annual Golf Outing & Humanitarian Dinner; Honoring Terrie O'Connor, Sponsored by Konica Minolta Business Solutions, U.S.A., Inc., Ramsey Golf & Country Club
- 24 Free Webinar "Networking the Network", presented by Turrisi & Associates
- 30 Free Meet & Greet; Sponsored and hosted by Sheraton Mahwah Hotel
- OCT 7** "Tailgate" Luncheon, Sponsored by Prestige Family of Dealerships and Visions Federal Credit Union, Mason Jar
- 14 Regional Business After Hours with Hasbrouck Heights CoC, Hosted by Envision Video Services
- NOV 2\*** Taste of the Region, Sponsored by Crowne Plaza Hotel & Conference Center, Konica Minolta Business Solutions, U.S.A., Inc., and M&T Bank; Hosted by Crowne Plaza Hotel & Conference Center
- 3 Free Member Benefits Overview, Chamber Office
- 18\* Luncheon "Temporary Talent, Budgets and Flexibility", presented by Ted Kissel, CSP, TSC, CTS, CPC of UNITEMP Temporary Personnel, Ho-Ho-Kus Inn & Tavern
- DEC 11** Holiday Luncheon, Sponsored by Good Samaritan Hospital / Bon Secours, Crowne Plaza Hotel & Conference Center
- 17 Free Meet & Greet / Speed Networking; Hosted by TD Bank, Ramapo College of NJ

*\*Sponsorships still available. Please inquire at the office.*

*All dates and events are subject to change. Please visit [mahwah.com](http://mahwah.com) for up-to-date information and to register for all events.*

## MRCC WEBINARS

Take advantage of the useful information you can find in MRCC's online webinars, another free member benefit. If you miss one or do not have time to join in a scheduled MRCC Webinar, just go to the MRCC Webinar Library on our website and view it at your convenience.

MRCC is always looking for new presenters for the series. If you would like to do a PowerPoint webinar, please let us know. The MRCC office has all the details, and the Chamber's webinar team, led by Dave Felder of Ryan Video, will welcome your ideas.

The next webinar, on September 24, will discuss "Networking the Network," presented by Turrisi & Associates.

*Please visit the MRCC website for more information and to register.*

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## 20th Annual MMB Bergen Bike/Run

**Sunday, Oct 4th, 2015**

Darlington Park, Mahwah, NJ

**Bike** (10, 25, or 50)

**5K** (USATF certified)

**Family Fun**

We have exciting news! The Bergen Bike Tour is now the MMB Bergen Bike/Run!

In addition to our cycling courses we have added a USATF 5K Run or Walk, this allows even more people to participate and support our benefiting charities. Bring the kids for the TD Bank Kids Event where little ones can learn bike safety, work on a volunteer project, play games and have a great time!

Everyone is invited to stay for a picnic lunch, giveaways from our sponsors and awards.



Benefiting



A special event of the Volunteer Center of Bergen County

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## MEET & GREET AT TD BANK

TD Bank hosted MRCC's May 28 Meet & Greet, a free breakfast networking event for local businesses.



## BERGEN BIZ EXPO

MRCC members Visions Federal Credit Union and Agera Energy exhibited at the Bergen County Business Expo in June.



## MRCC WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

(April 9 through July 16, 2015)  
MRCC welcomes these new members, and invites you to visit them on the Chamber website.

- Agera Energy** Mountain Lakes
- Art & Soul 108** Hewitt
- Carl Cox Studios** Pomona
- DXL Enterprises, INC.** Mahwah
- E Quantum Breakthroughs** Midland Park
- JA Media** Suffern
- Key Performance** Piermont
- Kingsbridge Title Agency, LLC** Westwood
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# CHAMBER EVENTS

## MRCC Recognition Luncheon

Ramsey Golf & Country Club • June 23, 2015



Above: MRCC Awards Two 2015 Scholarships. (l to r) Miri Upton, MRCC Scholarship Chair; Cathleen Davey, Ramapo College of New Jersey; Laurie Agnello; Rachel Agnello, 2015 RCNJ Scholarship Recipient; Jose Diaz, 2015 Eastwick College Scholarship Recipient; Rafael Castilla; Lititia Burke, Eastwick College; and Shannon Lazare, MRCC Senior V.P.



Left center: MRCC Recognizes 2015 Volunteer and Member of the Year. Lovina Schoenmakers, MRCC V.P. of Marketing; Neil Frank of Creative Solutions, 2015 Volunteer of the Year; Joe Mikulka, MRCC V.P. of Directory; Shannon Lazare, MRCC Senior V.P.; and Aparna Mulchandani of Two by Two, 2015 Member of the Year.



Left bottom: MRCC Introduces New Members. Wendy Cotes introduces Joseph Gravagna of JA Media; Melinda Rothman, Personal Trainer; and Yola Barbosa of Brain Balance.

To the MRCC,  
I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the Mahwah Regional Chamber of Commerce for the scholarship they have awarded me. It has been a great incentive for me to continue my education and fulfill my dreams. For this, I will always be grateful. MRCC is a great organization. The kindness and attention of all the faculty, staff, and members shows how great this organization is. I hope to keep in touch with all of you for years to come.  
Thank you,  
Jose Diaz  
MRCC 2015 RCNJ Scholarship winner



Right, top to bottom: MRCC June Recognition Luncheon sponsored by: Kay Fernandez of Konica Minolta Business Solutions, U.S.A., Inc.; Maria Mandalakis, Shanti Gold, and Dawn Needleman of Comcast Spotlight



### NETWORKING CRUISE

Members of MRCC, Commerce & Industry Association of New Jersey, Newark Regional Business Partnership and Meadowlands Regional and Hudson County Chambers of Commerce enjoyed a relaxing networking and dinner cruise aboard the Spirit of New Jersey.



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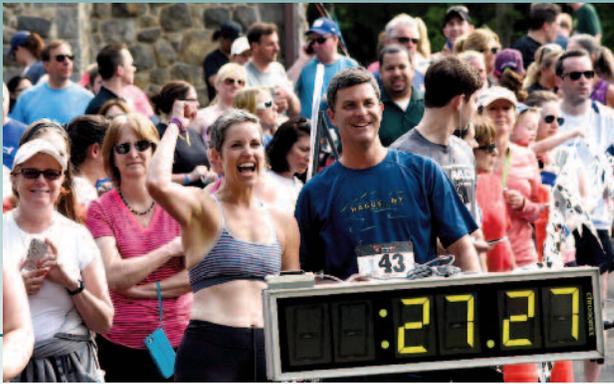
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# CHAMBER EVENTS



## MRCC/Trail Conference 5K Race & 1.5 Mile Walk



### WHAT A DAY AND WHAT A SUCCESS!

Local sponsors and MRCC members and nonmembers attended the first 5K road race and 1.5 mile walk on Sunday, May 17. The race started at the Darlington Schoolhouse, Mahwah, NJ, and continued through the Ramapo Reservation.

Attendees from many nearby communities in New York and New Jersey supported this event and enjoyed the beautiful weather. Adults and children said they had a great time, prizes were presented to the participants and money was raised to donate to the

funding of the new headquarters of the nonprofit New York-New Jersey Trail Conference now located at the Darlington Schoolhouse.

Future details will be in the next MRCC newsletter announcing the final results and listing the names of the many sponsors that helped in raising funds and supporting this wonderful public service event.

MRCC thanks everyone for their time and great results; we look forward to our 2nd 5K road race and walk in 2016.



**SAVE THE DATE**  
May 15, 2016

### YOUNG PROFESSIONALS NETWORK

MRCC Young Professionals from local businesses meet bi-monthly. (l to r) April 16 YPN hosted by the Mason Jar; June 16 YPN hosted by Biggies.



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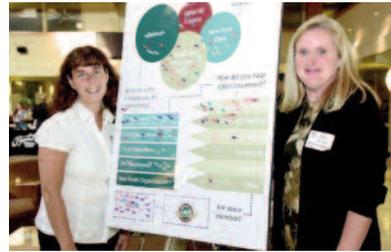


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