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We would like to thank our tour chairperson, Sherrie Natko from Coldwell Banker, who has been the driving force in launching this tour. We would also like to thank our historian, Monica Bergin, who took the time to get to know each home and homeowner. We would also like to thank the many volunteers from Continuo Arts and Coldwell Banker for making this experience possible. And finally to our homeowners, who have so graciously welcomed us into their homes, we are very appreciative and extremely grateful!

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This whole home has pretty much been renovated, while still keeping the historical beauty. The first floor has been completely replaced with new sheet rock, and an extension has been added to the kitchen. Also, the beautiful staircase to the second floor was completely rebuilt.

The McElheny's love that this Victorian home has such a great level of energy due to the way the rooms flow. It is light and airy, but still maintains period structure and wood working. Their favorite features of this home is the spacious front porch, as well as the fantastic location of the home.

Built: 1920s

Style: Victorian

Staging: Suzy Minken, BestInShowing.com

Decorator/Designer: Barbara McElheny

Music: Kate MacPherson, piano

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This Majestic Mountainside Colonial is one of the newer homes on this house tour. Completed in 2008, this beautiful home was built by Primavera Builders, and is the home to Barry and Kate Motz and their two children. The Motz's are the first owners of this home after moving from California in January, 2008.

The six homes on Little Court were developed after builders purchased the land. This property was owned by one family, and only contained one home.

The Motz's have not had to do too much renovation work to this home. Window treatments, provided by Classic Windows in Cranford, NJ, have been added, as well as some playful additions to the backyard for the children.

Built: 2008

Style: Colonial

Decorator: Paula S. Adams Antiques & Interiors LLC

Music: Shannon E. Hunt, soprano

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This home was presented the Shiarella's in great shape, so the only work the Shiarella's have done is painted the exterior of the house and replaced the floors. They enjoy the very open layout of the house, and their favorite room is the family room because of it's relaxing feel and that it is very sunny during the day.

Built: 1930s

Style: Colonial

Stagers: Michelle Rosen and Hilary Hefner from MORE Staging

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Built in 1938, this traditional Wychwood colonial was transformed by current owners Miriam Silver, Joseph Verga, and their four daughters. Being their first home as newlyweds, Miriam and Joseph moved into this home in 1999 as part of an extended family relocation. They are the third residents of the home.

As part of the transformation of this beautiful home, the kitchen was redone in 2001 to update the look, but did not change the footprint. Working with the talented Dave Hagan of KCH Construction, the homeowners undertook a major renovation in 2007-2008. Among the renovations was the addition of a home office and extended footprint to add an art room for the children, after knocking out a side screened in porch. Also, a master suite with a walk in closet and master bath was added to the upstairs. Special care was taken during these renovations to maintain a Wychwood feel for the outside of the home, specifically the addition of supporting beams all throughout the house in order to keep the roof to a historically correct low height so as not to overpower the homes around it.

Miriam and Joseph are true traditionalists with a colonial inspired home, especially when decorated for the holidays.

Built: 1938

Style: Colonial

Decorators: Mimi & Hill Interiors

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Music: Continuo Arts Foundation's Continuos

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