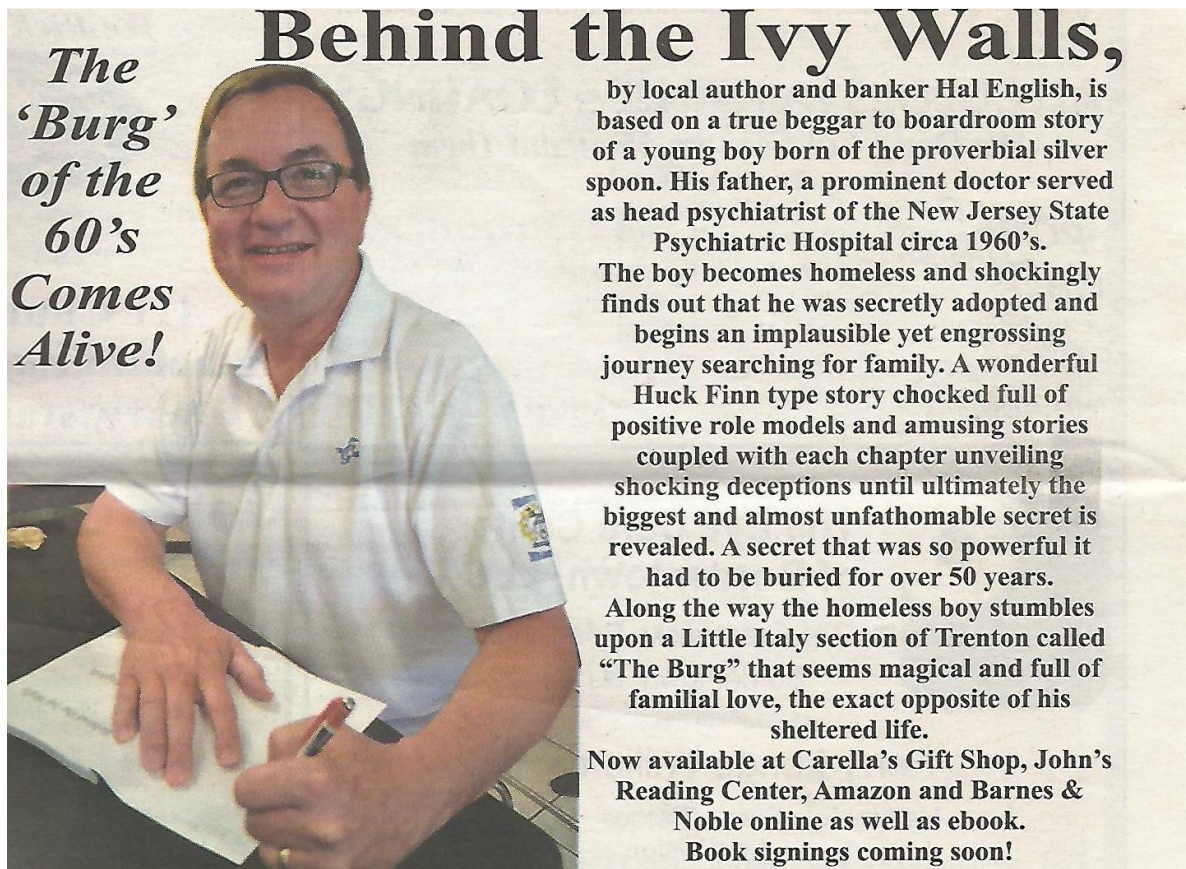


Presentation: Hal English, local author, speaking about his book “Behind the Ivy Walls.”
Wednesday June 15,, 2016 at 7pm in the Enchantment Clubhouse Main Room



Behind the Ivy Walls,
by local author and banker Hal English, is based on a true beggar to boardroom story of a young boy born of the proverbial silver spoon. His father, a prominent doctor served as head psychiatrist of the New Jersey State Psychiatric Hospital circa 1960's. The boy becomes homeless and shockingly finds out that he was secretly adopted and begins an implausible yet engrossing journey searching for family. A wonderful Huck Finn type story chocked full of positive role models and amusing stories coupled with each chapter unveiling shocking deceptions until ultimately the biggest and almost unfathomable secret is revealed. A secret that was so powerful it had to be buried for over 50 years. Along the way the homeless boy stumbles upon a Little Italy section of Trenton called “The Burg” that seems magical and full of familial love, the exact opposite of his sheltered life. Now available at Carella’s Gift Shop, John’s Reading Center, Amazon and Barnes & Noble online as well as ebook. Book signings coming soon!

In our ongoing efforts to find interesting and stimulating topics for our Enchantment presentation series, we are pleased to announce the presence of noted local novelist, Hal English, who will speak to us about his semi-autobiographical novel – “Behind the Ivy Walls” –a brief description of which can be found above. Set largely in the local Trenton community, it will evoke nostalgic memories for those of you who grew up in or near that locale and offer some fascinating and novel insights for those of us who did not.

- Hear Hal give his unique perspective about the life and times in and around the “Burg” of the 60s
- Try to find out from him how much of his book is fiction and how much is fact
- Quiz him on whether the colorful characters who come to life in the pages of his novel are based on real people he encountered in his own life or are just figments of his imagination,
- Listen to what made him write this novel and, perhaps, reveal more about his life than many of us may be comfortable in revealing about our own.

The meeting will be followed by refreshments. Please confirm your attendance by completing the sign-up sheets that are available at the Clubhouse Hospitality Desk

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