

**THIS WEEK IN UNION COUNTY**



**DANCING FEET**

Union seniors take to the dance floor during their annual summer picnic at Costa del Sol.

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**TRIBAL TRADITION**

Lenape food preparation and other Native American traditions were demonstrated recently at Trilside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside.

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**IN THE SPOTLIGHT**

Peter Buck of the Minus 5 performs during the county's annual MusicFest.

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**THREE CHEERS**

Actors kick off a celebration to mark the Cranford Dramatic Club's 90th anniversary.

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## Affordable housing on hold

By Paul Greulich  
Staff Writer

LINDEN — Plans to build affordable housing in Linden have been put on hold after changes in legislation at the state level eliminated a major funding source for such projects.

This source was a state law stipulating that any new commercial development need to give 2.5 percent of the gross development costs to a

special fund for affordable housing in that municipality. However, this law was in effect less than a year before economic conditions prompted State Sen. Raymond Lesniak in June to introduce legislation postponing that fee on said developments, and the city of Linden decided to put further plans for affordable housing on hold.

According to the city's housing consultant,

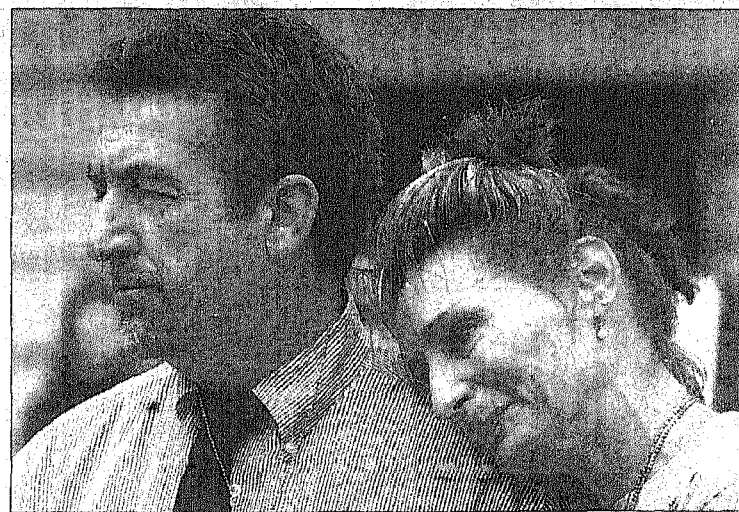
Robin Lospinosa, Linden could not fund its housing plan without this money in place. No specific development proposals have yet been put forth.

"The city has an existing home improvement program they run with funding from the county of Union, but its not enough to meet the complete obligation under the COAH require-

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Photo By Barbara Kokkalis



**HEALING 'HEARTS'**

— A resident, above, looks at the Broken Hearts Memorial at the Rahway Train Station, which honors soldiers killed in the Iraq war and on Sept. 11, 2001. Below, the parents of Lance Cpl. Brian Parriello attend the ceremony for the unveiling of the memorial.

## Officer found guilty

By John O'Reilly  
Staff Writer

SUMMIT — A Summit police sergeant has been suspended for 29 days without pay after he launched a retaliatory and improper investigation into a fellow officer over a ticket-fixing incident.

Sgt. John Rice was found guilty of targeting a subordinate officer involved in a previous incident with Rice's girlfriend, an unnamed officer also on the Summit Police Department.

More than a month after an Aug. 4 hearing, Rice was found guilty on six of the eight charges he faced, including failure to enforce department procedures, neglect of duty and misconduct, and failure to perform his duty impartially.

"(He) allowed his personal relationship...with a subordinate member of the department under his command to cloud his judgement and affect his actions," said hearing officer and Department chief Robert Lucid in his decision. "(Rice) clearly attempted to harass, intimidate and punish another member of the same department through retaliation."

Lucid noted the penalty against Rice was mitigated by the 24-year- See SUMMIT, Page 12

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# Akbar resigns in wake of 'turmoil'

By Paul Greulich  
Staff Writer

RAHWAY — The City Council accepted the resignation of Councilman Bobby Akbar following legal and professional turmoil that drew criticism from residents and political opponents.

Akbar, who was first elected last November, resigned effective Sept. 8 by way of a letter made public through the city clerk's office.

The letter stated Akbar appreciated the opportunity to serve Rahway and will miss serving the residents of the first ward.

"At this time I would like to concentrate more on my professional career and more importantly, my family," Akbar stated in his letter.

The letter makes no mention of either his February assault charges or the more recent allegations of inappropriate behavior involving a student at Rahway Middle School, where he worked as a teacher. Akbar resigned his post at the school last month. The nature of this incident was not made public.

Local Republican Chair Patrick Cassio said the resignation was past due. "Its six months too late," Cassio said. "He should have resigned when he was arrested in February — the next day."

At the Sept. 8 City Council meeting where Akbar's resignation was received, residents of the first ward took to the podium to express disappointment and suspicion with regard to the timing of Akbar's resignation, which they said came only four days too late to allow him to be replaced by a special election held this November.

The Union County Clerk's office confirmed that state statute requires vacant seats on a council to be filled by special election if they fall vacant before Sept. 4.

"Had he resigned last week, there would have been a special election this November to replace him," Cassio said. "Now they'll just appoint somebody."

"The Democrats wait another week so the people in the first ward would be denied a choice."

Council President James Baker declined to respond at length about this issue.

"It's speculation as to when Mr. Akbar could have resigned or should have resigned," Baker said.

Baker said the process to appoint a new council member will commence with the Rahway Democrat Committee submitting the names of three potential appointees to the council. This must be done within 15 days of Akbar's resignation. The council must select a new member within 30 days of receiving the names.

Baker said he believes Akbar would have proven himself a good councilman in the long run, aided by his intelligence and strong ties to the community.

"I regret that this situation has come to the point where he had to resign his seat," Baker said. "I wish him well in his future endeavors."

Paul Greulich can be reached at 908-686-7700 ext. 121.

## 5k Freedom Run planned

A Kenilworth Freedom Run and Walk, hosted by the Kenilworth Historical Society, will take place Sept. 27, rain or shine.

The 5K Freedom Run and 2K Freedom Walk will each start at 10 a.m. from the North 22nd and 21st Street municipal parking lot behind the Kenilworth Seniors' Center. The events are being held in conjunction with the national "America Supports You" program, which recognizes residents' support for U.S. military men and women and communicates such support to members of the Armed Forces at home and abroad.

Children, youths and adults of all ages are invited to participate individually or as part of a group/organization. All participants must register in order to receive a commemorative T-shirt.

Awards for the 5K Freedom Run will be given to the top male and

female finisher in the overall race, and to the top three male and female finishers in each of the designated 10-year age groups, 14 and under to 70 and over.

Registration forms for the Kenilworth Freedom Run and Walk are available on the Kenilworth Historical Society Web site at <http://www.geocities.com/kenilworth567/index.html>; at the Kenilworth Municipal Building, 567 Boulevard; at Kenilworth Public Library, 548 Blvd.; at Especially Yours Florist, 13 North 20th St. and on the CompuScore Web site at <http://www.compuscore.com/>.

Proceeds from the event, after expenses are paid, will benefit the Kenilworth Historical Society's ongoing project to restore the local 19th-century Oswald J. Nitschke House and transform it into a "living history" museum and cultural arts center.

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## Cranford break-ins occurred while residents slept, police say

### Cranford

On Sept. 8, police announced a string of three burglaries to single-family homes where suspects break in while the residents are asleep. All the homes involved were located on the north side of town, authorities said.

Entry is made through unlocked lower-level windows and doors in the late evening hours. Burglars take money from wallets and purses usually left on counters in the kitchen area. Residents are urged to lock all accessible windows and doors before leaving the house or going to sleep. Anyone with information of the burglaries should call detectives Robert Montague or John Swandrak at 908-272-2222.

- Tristan Tevrow, 24, of Elizabeth, was arrested on Sept. 3 at 2:05 a.m. on Centennial Avenue by officer Robert Jordan and was charged with driving while intoxicated and making an illegal turn.

- Emmanuel Alessi, 43, of Clark, was arrested on Sept. 7 at 1:20 a.m. on Centennial Avenue and Raritan Road by officer Brian Lopez and was charged with alleged driving while intoxicated, refusal to submit to breath tests, careless driving and no headlights.

### Clark

- On Aug. 31 at 8:48 a.m., police responded to reports of theft from 111 Valley Road. Reported missing were metal pipes.

- On Sept. 2 at 9:52 p.m., police responded to reports of criminal mischief to a motor vehicle parked on 250 Broadway.

- Maria Guardado, 32, of Rahway, was arrested on Sept. 7 at 8:33 p.m. near Lake Avenue and was charged on a contempt of court warrant.

### Hillside

- Christopher Barnes, 50, of Bloomfield, was arrested on Sept. 5 at 1:15 p.m. after allegedly robbing a CVS Pharmacy on Long and

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Liberty avenues earlier that day.

Barnes and a female passenger were apprehended in a stolen vehicle after police found him driving in the area later that day. Barnes attempted to flee from police before he was grabbed by police. He was charged with shoplifting, receiving stolen property, eluding, resisting arrest and possession of drug paraphernalia.

His female passenger, Quanita Dixon, 27, of Irvington, was also arrested and charged on a separate East Orange warrant.

### Linden

- Mauricio Miranda, 19, of Elizabeth, and Joevany F. Gonzalez, 21, of Newark, were arrested on Sept. 14 at 1:41 a.m. on Allen Street by the Elizabeth border after police saw the two suspects allegedly stripping a white 1991 Honda Civic in the parking lot of St. Hedwig's Church.

The two men allegedly ran from authorities upon seeing the patrol enter the parking lot. Gonzalez was apprehended after injuring his leg while attempting to climb a 6-foot-high fence. Miranda was also quickly apprehended. He was also charged with obstruction and hindering apprehension for giving a false name to police.

### Rahway

- Three teenagers were arrested on Sept. 9 in connection to an armed robbery at the Luk Oil gas station on St. Georges Avenue on Aug. 29.

AlQuan Wells, 18, of Avenel, and two minors, ages 16 and 17, both of Rahway, were charged with alleged robbery, possession of a weapon and possession of a weapon for unlawful purpose.

- On Saturday at 11:30 a.m., police responded to reports of a home invasion at 1170 Broad Street in which the female homeowner was threatened with a knife while two children were in the house.

The suspect entered the home

through an unlocked rear door and allegedly demanded money from the victim while wielding a knife. It was unknown if the suspect took anything from the house. In published reports the suspect was described as black, five-foot-seven-inches tall, wearing a black mask and blue jeans.

### Summit

- On Sept. 3 at 8:17 p.m., police responded to reports of theft from a Kent Place Boulevard residence. Reported stolen were gold chains valued at \$1,800.

- Darren Harding, 22, of Irvington, was arrested on Sept. 3 at 11:01 a.m. on River Road and was charged with driving while suspended.

- Eileen Harris, 41, of Summit, was arrested on Sept. 3 at 9:46 p.m. at Broad and Maple streets and was charged with driving while intoxicated, failure to observe traffic signal and alleged refusal to submit to breath samples.

- On Sept. 4 at 2:50 p.m., police responded to reports of malicious mischief to a vehicle parked in the Summit Community Pool parking lot sometime in the prior three hours. The front windshield was reported cracked.

- Brian Thomas Russell, 35, of Newark, was arrested on Sept. 6 at 4:54 p.m. on Broad and Chestnut streets and was charged with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

- Nihkil James, 21, of Newark, was arrested on Sept. 6 at 11:17 p.m. on the Summit Promenade and was charged with disorderly conduct.

- On Sept. 7 at 10:17 p.m., police responded to reports of malicious mischief to a vehicle parked in a Wade Drive residential driveway. The vehicle was reportedly covered with egg and eggshells.

- Ian Oswald, 23, of Nescopeck, PA, was arrested on Sept. 8 at 12:18 p.m. on Cullis Lot and was charged with simple assault.

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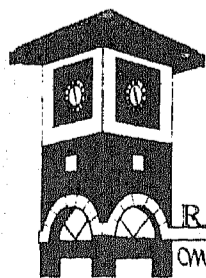
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The Roselle Park Community Center Association Inc. will be sponsoring Oktoberfest 2009 at the Casano Community Center on Oct. 4 from 2 to 6 p.m.

Bernie's Orchestra, an authentic German Oompah Band, along with German dancers, German cuisine and beverages, and a 50/50 will all be part of the afternoon festivities.

Admission tickets must be purchased prior to the event, and are on sale now at the Casano Commu-

nity Center, 314 Chestnut St. Tickets will be on sale until Sept. 30 and will not be available that evening for purchase.

Beer and wine will be sold separately.

For information, call 908-245-0666.

## Monthly trips to AC

The Casano Community Center sponsors a trip to Showboat casino in Atlantic City the first Thursday of every month.

The bus pick-up times are 8:45

a.m. at Michael Mauri Gazebo Park, located on the corner of Grant Avenue and Chestnut Street, and 9 a.m. at the Church of the Assumption on Westfield Avenue.

For information, call 908-245-0666, or visit the center, 314 Chestnut St.

## Rabies clinic offered at First Aid Squad

A rabies clinic will be at Roselle Park First Aid Squad, 535 Laurel Ave., on Oct. 19 from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

## ROSELLE PARK BRIEFS

## Pet of the week



Diamond is a playful 3-month-old girl. She's a husky/labrador mix, and is up-to-date with her shots. For information on this puppy, call Best Friend Animal Shelter at 908-486-0230.

## Rahway man indicted following fatal crash

By John O'Reilly  
Staff Writer

**RAHWAY** — On a Woodbridge highway six months ago, a night of drinking and high-speed racing ended in a multiple car accident leaving an innocent motorist in critical condition.

The victim, Nicholas Phan-Tran, 21, of Edison, succumbed to his injuries and died in on Aug. 21, and on Sept. 10 the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office upgraded their charges against the driver to vehicular homicide and aggravated manslaughter.

The driver, Clifford Cooley, 27, is a resident of Rahway. He was indicted on various other charges, including leaving the scene of a fatal collision, driving with a suspended license, assault by auto, hindering his own apprehension and obstruction.

The accident took place on a northbound stretch of Route 1 in the Avenel section of Woodbridge on Mar. 23. Officials said Cooley, driving a Toyota Scion, was engaged in a street race with a Honda Civic.

As the two cars entered the Avenel Street intersection, the Civic maneuvered around two vehicles driving through, but Cooley allegedly struck both. He clipped one passenger vehicle slowing down to turn right onto Avenel Street and piled

into a Dodge Stratus in the center lane, propelling it into the concrete median. Police say the force made it land on the top of Phan-Tran's car, which was traveling in the southbound lane of Route 1.

The 22-year-old Avenel man driving the Dodge was treated and released for minor injuries at Raritan Bay Medical Center in Perth Amboy.

Middlesex County Prosecutor said investigators believe Cooley was both intoxicated and speeding, and later determined he and two passengers fled the scene. The driver of the Civic has still not been identified.

Cooley's passengers were both Rahway residents and are facing indictment on several counts.

Brandon Bullock, 25, is charged with hindering his own apprehension, obstruction, and four counts of endangering injured victims. David Colvin II, 20, was charged with hindering his own apprehension, perjury and false swearing in front of a Middlesex County grand jury.

Anyone with information is asked to call Patrolman Gennaro DeStefano of the Woodbridge Police Traffic Safety Unit at 732-634-7700, or Sgt. John Dando of the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office Fatal Crash Investigation Unit at 732-745-3300.

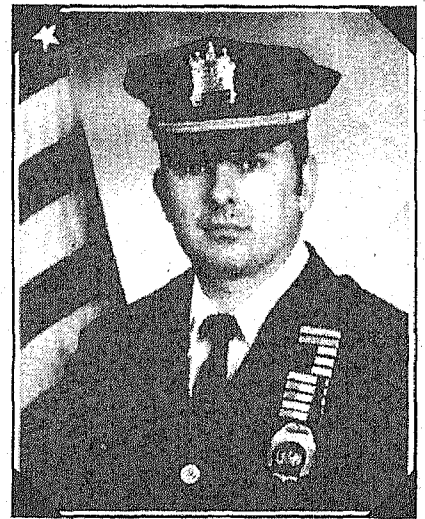
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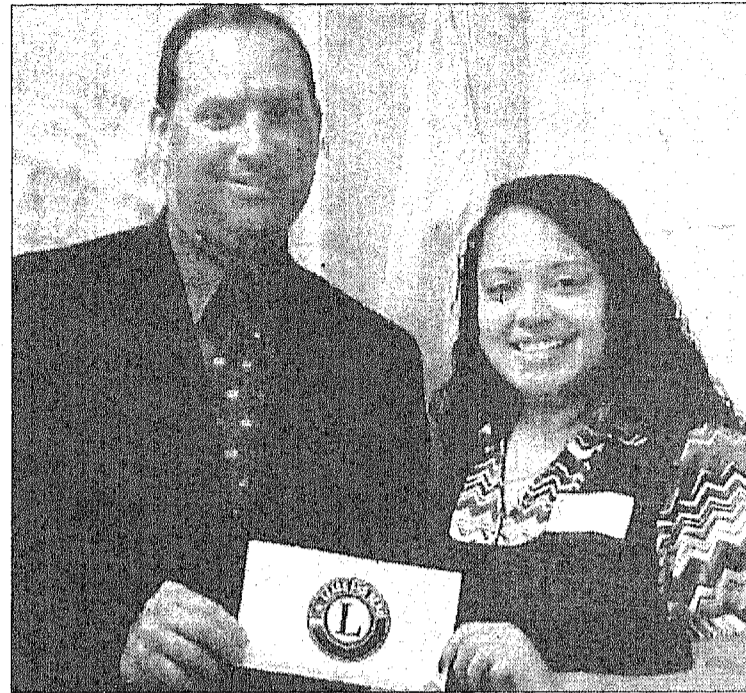
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## Local schools set a solid example

By John O'Reilly  
Staff Writer

CRANFORD — The Cranford School District recently received an \$85,000 grant from Learn & Serve America, which could include \$100,000 more funding in each of the next two school years.

The funding was given because Cranford was recognized as Central Jersey's Service Learning Regional Center, the main resource for service learning throughout seven counties. They're duties include acting as a service-learning mentor, information clearinghouse and provider of professional development for teachers in the area.

Service Learning gives students a community service project to undertake, and teaches them the math or science behind the project.

"Learn & Serve has and continues to help our students do just that," Izzo said. "We thank them for enabling us to help other districts and non-profits in central New Jersey formulate and improve service-learning initiatives."

Learn and Serve America doles

out approximately \$27 million to districts across the nation to promote service learning projects. New Jersey chapter program director Linda Rivera said research proves that student learning becomes more efficient with these type of hands-on learning projects.

Although service learning projects are not a mandated part of the state curriculum, officials said there is legislation currently in Trenton to make that a part of the everyday classroom.

Rivera said her group was pleased to name Cranford as the regional center.

They have been a leader in the subject, having received \$200,000 in service learning grants over the past five years.

"Service learning is very strong in their district," Rivera said. "What the (grant) judges mentioned was the experience Cranford has in service learning and character education. Their ability to obtain resources from the community and aligning themselves with a lot of partnerships made their applications strong."

## CRANFORD BRIEFS

### Library to host college financial aid seminar

The Cranford Public Library will host a free seminar titled "College Financial Aid: How to Qualify for Your Fair Share and Plan for College" on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave. The program is geared toward parents of high school students and will give attendees a clearer understanding of the college financial aid process. Presenter Marie Mayer, a representative of Garretson Financial, will explain the college financial aid application, including facts and myths, show how income affects aid eligibility, identify the assets that are taken into consideration in calculating the Expected Family Contribution and explain the impact of parental and student assets on aid eligibility. Questions will be answered during and after the presentation. For information about the program, call John Malar

at Cranford Public Library at 908-709-7272 or e-mail library@cranfordnj.org.

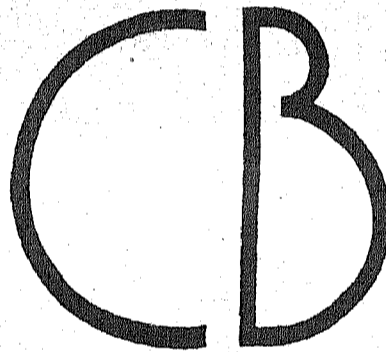
### Calendar available

The Cranford Community Calendar, now on sale, runs from September 2009 to September 2010. The calendar is a valuable tool for cohesive reference and planning, as it lists and coordinates dates for school, community, sports, clubs and church and synagogue events. It also includes a convenient reference of local services and merchants.

This is the 36th edition of the community calendar.

Calendars may be purchased from any of the club members or from the following Cranford Businesses: Maddies Hallmark, 117 N. Union Ave., Perrotti's Quality Meats and Groceries, 23 S. Union Ave., Periwinkle's Fine Gifts, 17 N. Union Ave., and the Cranford Library, 224 Walnut Ave.

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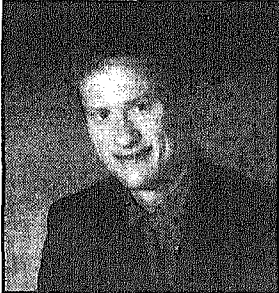
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# Jury indicts man for sexual assault

By John O'Reilly  
Staff Writer

SUMMIT — A 30-year-old man was indicted by a grand jury after allegedly having sex with a 14-year-old Summit girl he met on a social networking Web site.

Jesse Goodman of Annandale, first began talking to the minor via a networking Web site in September of 2008, said Union County Prosecutor Theodore Romankow.

He was previously a registered sex offender and on parole when he was arrested in March. Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office spokesman, Jim O'Neill, said he could not discuss the details of Goodman's previous conviction.

Romankow said Goodman traveled to Union County several times to meet the girl in person and engage in sexual acts. He also drove the victim to his home in Hunterdon County and to his father's business in Sterling to engage in sex acts.

Summit Police and the UCPO began their investigation after the minor told her parents about the

relationship, Romankow said.

Various items, including several computers, were seized by authorities at Goodman's house as part of the investigation.

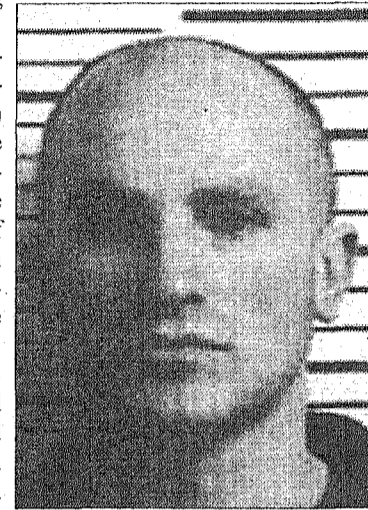
Goodman was indicted on charges of second degree sexual assault, luring, endangering the welfare of a minor, promoting obscene material and fourth degree criminal sexual contact. He is being held at Union County Jail on \$400,000 bail.

If found guilty on all charges, Goodman faces a minimum of 30 years in prison, according to county police.

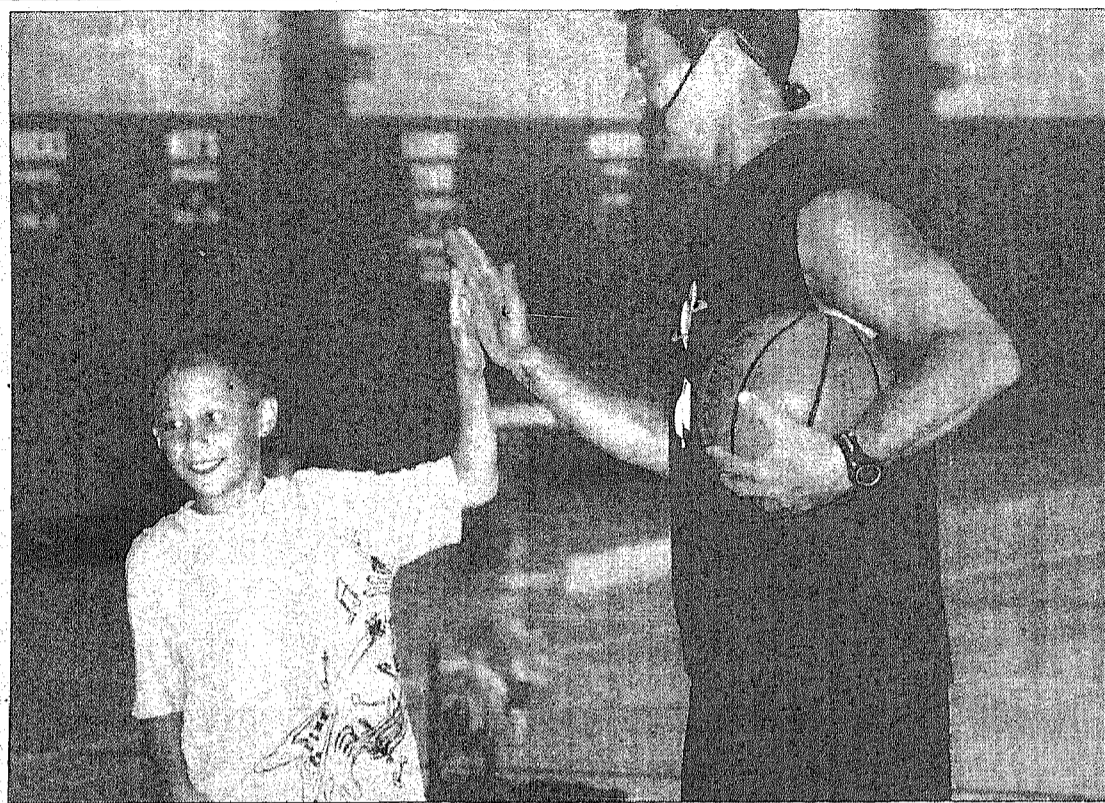
This followed the guilty plea last month of another man who had a sexual relationship with a Summit minor.

Last month, Warren Brown, a 68-year-old former music teacher at Kent Place School, pleaded guilty to having sex with one of his 15-year-old students in 2008. He will serve five years in prison.

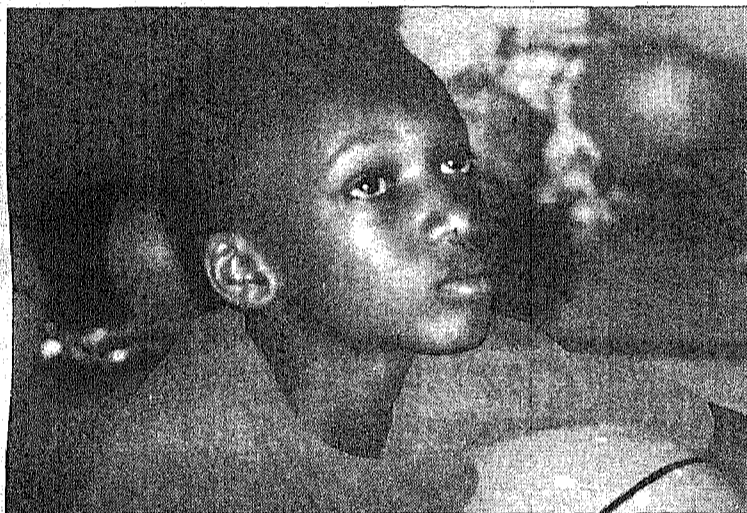
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Goodman



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**LIFE LESSONS —**  
Linden G.R.E.A.T summer camp student Vincent Genna of Linden School 2, above, gets a high-five from the famous 'Hoops Wizard' Jack Ryan. Below, Martin Okoro of McManus Middle School learns how poor choices can affect the rest of your life.

## New Summit ordinance will restrict fertilizer use

Summit has a new ordinance that restricts fertilizer use, with fines up to \$1,000.

Rainwater washes chemicals off lawns and creates polluted drinking water. The NJ Department of Environmental Protection is requiring towns in the Passaic River watershed to regulate fertilizers because the Passaic River is out of compliance with clean water standards. The DEP has found that fertilizers are generally applied in excess of

what is needed for a beautiful, healthy lawn. For example, most soils in New Jersey contain sufficient phosphorus to support adequate growth for established turf.

In addition, fertilizer applied outside the growing season is likely to be carried away by runoff without supporting target vegetation growth.

The new ordinance mandates management of the type, amount and techniques for

fertilizer application as one tool to protect water resources.

Summit's Reeves-Reed Arboretum is partnering with the Summit Environmental Commission to educate residents and commercial landscapers about fertilizer practices that support a beautiful lawn and also comply with the new regulations. The Arboretum has years of experience with zero-phosphate lawn care.

A workshop on the subject will be conducted by Peter Grant, director of horticulture and site preservation at the Reeves-Reed Arboretum. Grant will explain how to make a beautiful lawn that complies with the city's new regulations.

Workshops will be offered Sept. 30 at 7 p.m. and Oct. 3 at 10 a.m. Pre-registration is required and can be done by calling 908-273-8787, ext. 1414.

## UNION BRIEFS

### Annual Italian Feast set for next week

Stuyvesant Avenue will rival Little Italy's Mulberry Street from Friday through Sunday when the annual Italian Feast returns to Union Center.

Sponsored by the Columbia Italian American Club of Union, this year's gala will feature live music, more than 40 exhibits, rides for youths and special opening and closing activities. The feast kicks off Sept. 18 at 5 p.m. with a procession featuring local dignitaries. Closing time on Friday is 10:30 p.m.; Saturday hours are noon to 10:30 p.m. and Sunday hours are noon to 9 p.m.

### League to sponsor program at the library

The League of Women Voters of the Union Area will join Union Public Library in sponsoring a program on "Justice at Stake: Protecting an Independent and Impartial Judiciary" on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the library, 1980 Morris Ave.

The speaker will be Adam Skaggs, who is with the Democracy Program of the Brennan Center for Justice at the New York University School of Law.

The program at the library is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

For information, call 908-851-5452.

### Historians to welcome two guest speakers

Union Township Historical Society will host a talk by Union residents Joanne Rajoppi and Todd Jordan on Gen. George Washington's military mapmaker Robert Erskine and his contributions to the War for Independence on Sept. 20 at 2 p.m. at the Caldwell Parsonage, 909 Caldwell Ave. The event is open to the public and refreshments will be served.

Rajoppi, the Union County clerk, a member of the Union Township Historical Society and Trustee of the Union County Historical Society, and Jordan, a visiting scholar at New York University,

will show reproductions of Erskine's maps of the area from the map collection of The New York Historical Society.

Erskine, an engineer and inventor, received his commission as mapmaker directly from General Washington and was named Geographer and Surveyor-General of the American Army. One hundred and twenty-nine of his maps have survived.

### Irish festival to benefit Make-A-Wish group

The Joseph Nugent Sr. Association of Union County will host its 23rd annual Irish Festival and Picnic to benefit a child with a life

threatening illness through the Make-A-Wish Foundation on Oct. 4 at the Elks Lodge in Union from 1 to 6 p.m., rain or shine.

There will be continuous live Irish-American entertainment featuring the Willie Lynch Band, DJ Joe O'Coletti and the St. Columcille Pipes and Drums.

The Union Elks at Five Points is located at 281 Chestnut St. in Union.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation raises funds to grant these special children their favorite wish.

For information about the benefit picnic call Bob or Linda White at 908-241-7341, Carol Martin at 732-851-5109 or Kevin Dowling at 732-594-1763.

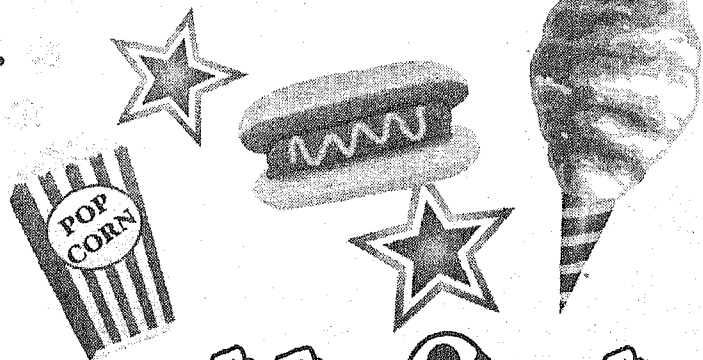


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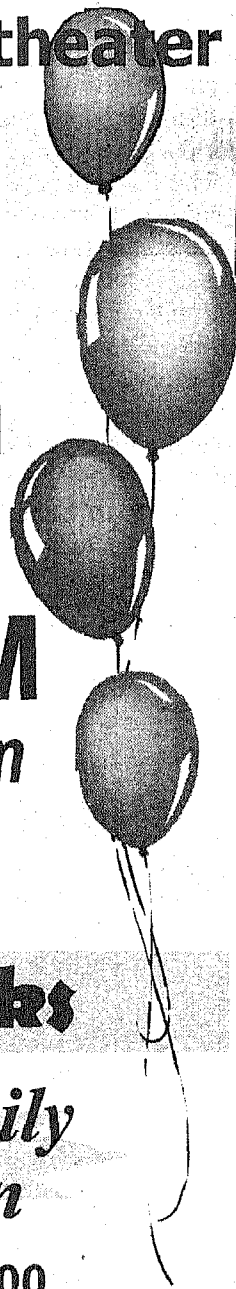
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## OPINION

## EDITORIAL

## Days of Awe

Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, begins Friday at sundown. Rosh Hashanah literally means "head of the year," and has always corresponded with autumn. At this time, crops are ripening, followed by the harvest and agricultural festivals of the season. In correspondence with this "New Year's Day," a shofar, made from a ram's horn, is blown. This is the beginning of the "Days of Awe."

Rosh Hashanah is celebrated for two days, when the mood is festive but serious in anticipation of synagogue services. In addition to regular services, there is an extended repetition of the Amidah prayer. Foods such as apples dipped in honey, which symbolize the new year, are eaten.

In Jewish thought, Rosh Hashanah is the most important judgment day, on which all the inhabitants of the world pass for judgment before God, as sheep pass for examination before the shepherd. According to the Talmud, three books are opened on Rosh Hashanah, where the fate of the wicked, the righteous and the intermediate class are recorded.

The righteous are recorded in the book of life, the middle class are given 10 days until Yom Kippur to repent and become righteous, and the wicked are "blotted out of the book of the living."

Rosh Hashanah is a time for people to get back in touch with God and be amazed at the mysteries he has accomplished. Rosh Hashanah emphasizes the special relationship between God and humanity: our dependence on God as our creator and sustainer, and God's dependence on us as the ones who make his presence known and felt in his world.

The Days of Awe are a time to turn introspectively and atone for the sins and shortcomings of the previous year. During this time, Jewish people seek to "cast off" their sins and put themselves in favor before God's eyes. This is culminated with Yom Kippur, or the "Day of Atonement," when the central theme for Jewish people is atonement and repentance.

This is a special time for everyone who is part of the Jewish faith, as they ask forgiveness for their sins and find themselves drawn closer to God. They set a good example for others to aspire to: be remorseful for your failings while trying to achieve a higher place in life.

In keeping with the three books opened on Rosh Hashanah, we say to everyone, "Leshanah tovah tikateiv veteichateim," which is translated to "May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year."

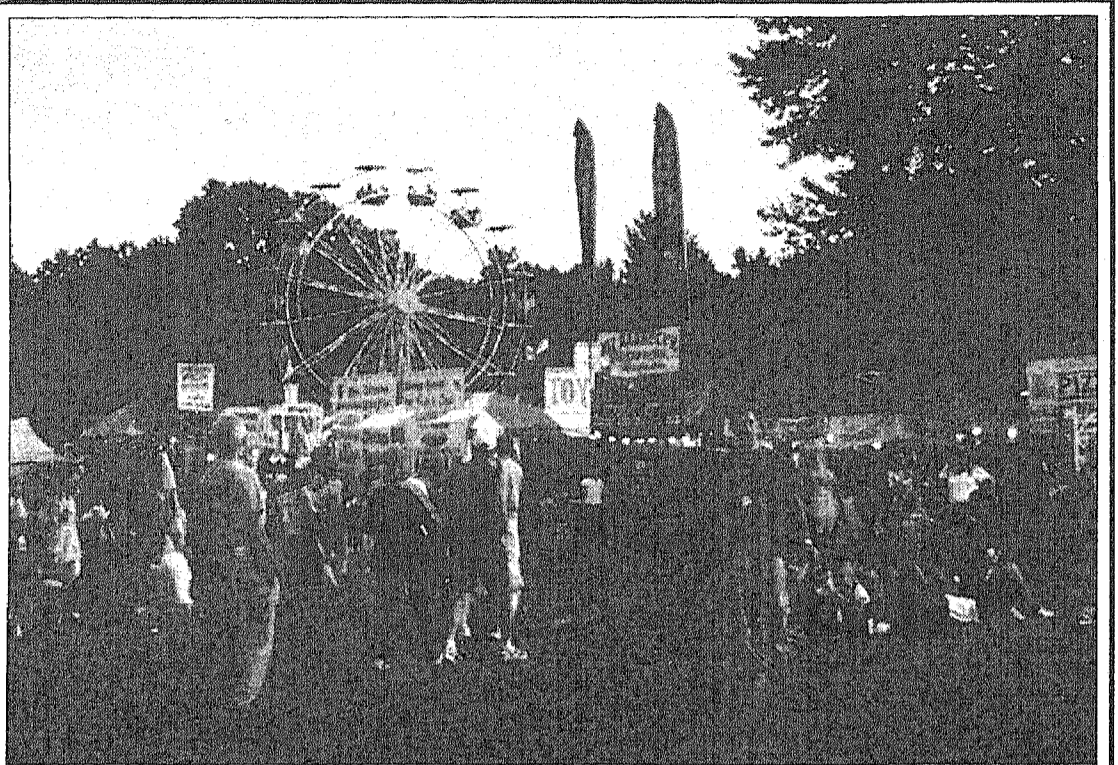


Photo By Ellen McCaffrey

**PARTY ON** — Union County residents enjoy the rides, games and food that were part of the county's annual MusicFest event, which took place last weekend at Oak Ridge Park in Clark.

## Historical perspective for the future

Bob Bunk is something of a Linden historian. A lifelong resident, he can, with detail, speak to the World War II efforts of his city and the growth and changes that have occurred in the past 70 years. From his days on the Linden Police Department to the current role as council president he has quite a perspective on the community he loves.

Over the next few months he will play a major role in the newest proposal a coal-fuel power plant at the Dupont facility in the Tremley Point section of the city. This project could play quite a role in the city's future.

Bunk estimates there have been "hundreds" of proposals promising jobs and tax benefits that have passed by in the 13 years he has been on the City Council. He faces the competing arguments of a city hungry for ratables and jobs, both of which have been lost from the time Linden was an industrial hub serving the region. On the other side, a city which houses a refinery, and chemical plants is justifiably worried for their own health. Bunk played as a kid, patrolled as a police officer and knows well the people in the Tremley Point area.

At a special City Council meeting called by Bunk a few weeks ago, Bunk called on the applicant, SMS Energy LLC from Concord Mass., "We have to know that the citizens of Linden will be very, very safe."

SMS Energy has hired Bradley Campbell, a former Department of Environmental Protection commissioner, and former member of the politically-connected law firm of

### Left Out

By Frank Capece

Wolf and Samson, to represent their Linden interests. Proponents of the project say the carbon sequestering process involving storage of the carbon dioxide, a by product of the combustion process that produces electricity from coal is environmentally safe.

The project has the support of the city's mayor, Richard Gerbounka, who also sees the new technology as safe.

Bunk said he first heard of the project via the "rumor mill" before being briefed on details by the mayor. The long lead time before seeing jobs, the existing questions over exactly what benefits will come in terms of tax ratables and the reality that their will still be more air emissions trouble him.

Local and state environmental groups don't share the applicant's optimism. "The project is a threat to the environment, not only in Linden, but the Jersey Shore as well," said Grace Sica, an outreach coordinator for the New Jersey Sierra Club.

Campbell was quoted, "Any application that we make will be strengthened if we take the time to hear the community's concerns. The groups who are skeptical of the project like the Sierra Club are doing their job in terms of holding our feet to fire."

Campbell knows something

about feet and fire. His role in approving development projects in Bergen County while the DEP commissioner has been strongly criticized as has his representation of Delsea Energy seeking approvals to put more than 100 wind turbines to produce more than 380 megawatts in Delaware Bay.

For Bob Bunk, he questions benefits of a project which won't produce any tangible jobs for at least a five year period. The argument that 90 percent of the carbon dioxide will be sequestered raises question like "how long" and "how safely" by the ex-detective who patrolled the very area where the project is proposed. The benefits for areas in the Midwest and West Virginia if the proposal is approved doesn't hold much allure for Bunk the local guy.

As council president, Bunk will ultimately have to make the decision as to if and when the proposal will go to the City Council for consideration. Playing the jobs aspects, proponents are pushing for a fast decision before any opposition materializes.

City opposition in the past has included a proposal to construct a transfer station for garbage and a medical waste incinerator. Interesting Mary Kostivshko, age 90, is the president of the Tremley Point Alliance opposing the project. The vice president is Michael Puzio, age 23.

Exactly the kind of historical perspective that would appeal to Bob Bunk.

**An attorney, Frank Capece is a resident of Cranford.**

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Take charge, get healthy

To the Editor:

During September, which is deemed "Go Healthy Month" by the American Heart Association, I encourage my fellow school administrators, coaches, parents and community leaders to take charge of the health of our youth.

Nearly one in three children and youth in the United States are overweight or obese according to the American Heart Association. Being overweight increases a child's risk for developing life-threatening health conditions including heart disease and type-2 diabetes.

Childhood obesity is now regarded as the number one health concern among parents in the United States, topping drug abuse and smoking. The American Heart Association has made a commitment to tackling this prevalent health issue, but parents and guardians play a pivotal role as key decision-makers in the health of their children. Each day, you can make simple choices to improve your family's and children's health. Start fighting the obesity epidemic today. Turn off the television. Skip the fast food. Take a walk.

The American Heart Association offers several resources to guide parents in making heart-healthy choices for their children and family. To receive a free brochure, call the American Heart Association at 1-800-AHA-USA1 or visit [Americanheart.org](http://Americanheart.org).

John Fraraccio  
American Heart Associate volunteer

### Action, accountability

To the Editor:

Maybe Assemblyman Bramnick, who created an Assembly Committee on Corruption, should schedule a local government corruption hearing in Cranford. I am sure he won't because how can he investigate his political peers and those who have contributed to the county republican organization. How could such corruption be the case in a nice suburb like Westfield or Cranford?

How could beloved Republican office-holders be part of such a mess?

He should investigate the use of political influence by the Union County Republican Chairman Phil Morin and a Township Commissioner — David Robinson — to try to push through the Woodmont development that would have benefited a major Republican contributor who was also at the time a Republican U.S. Senate candidate.

Mrs. Estabrook gave \$72,000 to the Republican Party in 2008. Phil Morin was the attorney for the project, who, at the same time was on the campaign committee of the owner of the property. Morin transferred several thousand dollars to candidate Robinson's election fund during the time of the Planning Board hearings on the project.

Morin, who was also the chief county Republican fundraiser, professed he had no conflict of interest working on this project despite being involved in appointing most of the members of the Planning Board.

I just want to point out the importance of this matter from the vantage point of average citizens who are concerned about their homes, the quality of their schools and neighborhoods they live in. The Cranford Woodmont development process was failed local government at its best. Residents had legitimate concerns about area flooding and traffic. All development discussions are subject to this type of debate. But no one was listening on Woodmont application because the political fix was in. To make matters worse, after the public opposition and the project was dropped abruptly without any explanation, it was sold to a new developer that now wants to build 400 apartments adjacent to single family area that has significant drainage problems.

There should be accountability for what took place.

Voters can't impeach a political chairman. But they can create accountability for elected officials that did nothing to serve Cranford. I do think there should be a constructive response because I am sure this type of fact pattern is happening elsewhere in other communities. Here are my constructive ideas for consideration by state and local governing boards to try to make sense of this.

1. Litigation against the State of New Jersey joined into by Assemblyman Bramnick that eliminates COAH but maintains the guidelines and emphasis on affordable housing giving tools to local governments to develop affordable housing that meets the needs of their community.

2. All Township Committee, Zoning Board and Planning Board members should be required to certify to the township clerk that they have not received any political contributions or have any business contracts with developers.

3. Require TV35 to do two interview programs with the local Township Committee election candidates in a fair and responsible format so that candidates do not have to raise so much to purchase print ads.

4. All political contributions to local candidates on the state Election Law Enforcement Commission web site be displayed on [Cranford.com](http://Cranford.com) so citizens can make their own judgments on improper political contributions.

5. Township Committee adopt a bylaw that requires all economic redevelopment projects be coordinated through bipartisan task forces which include professional staff.

Dan Aschenbach  
Cranford Township Committee

### 'Sloppy' carnival planning

To the Editor:

At 8 a.m. on Sept. 5, my car was towed at some metered parking space near 210 North Wood Ave., Linden, where I live. It was towed because there was an on-street carnival event happening at that location. However, there was no sign regarding no parking on that day within the few blocks of North Wood Avenue where I parked.

After knowing that my car was towed, I inquired about my car at local police station. The policeman who was on duty at the desk immediately pushed the cause of the towing action on me and being impolite and impatient in responding to my questions regarding my car. I found him not serving the taxpayers of the town of Linden in a proper manner. To that end, I had to speak with other officers who were on duty in the carnival event and learned that the only sign regarding the event was placed at the two ends of Wood Avenue.

However, since I live in the middle part of Wood Avenue, my daily route never passed the location where the sign is placed, I was not aware of the event at all. Moreover, no notification was given to me even though I am a local resident who was directly affected by the event. They could have placed a cover on the street meter where the event would happen.

My car was towed on a Saturday morning and because of the Labor Day weekend, no one was working in the city office from Saturday to Monday and my car was forced to be stored at the impound yard for three days and thus the tow fee included the three days of storage fees. I did not even have a chance to get to speak with anyone to get information until Tuesday.

The sloppy planning of the carnival event has cost my three days weekend (pay), half of my Tuesday, \$198.64 of fees and much inconvenience. Moreover, the unhelpfulness of local office has been giving lots of resistance for my opinion to reach to the city. Is this the kind of service a local resident who pays taxes deserves?

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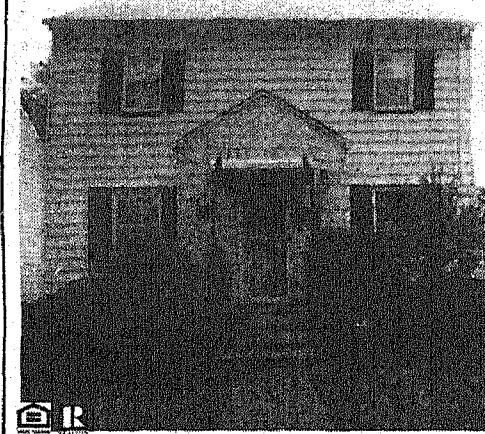
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# Friends support, encourage family

By John O'Reilly  
Staff Writer

SPRINGFIELD — She has helped local students do everything from learn social studies to acing their presidential fitness challenge. But now, Barbara Noonan, a teacher at St. James School for more than 20 years, needs help from the community she has served for so long.

Her 23-year-old son, Kyle, was diagnosed with Leukemia in March. Weeks earlier he had graduated cum laude from Philadelphia University with a degree in finance and marketing. He had been working just four days at Integra of Cedar Knolls, a company he interned at and had offered him a job right out of school.

"Who would ever believe that a healthy, strong, 23-year-old athlete, who had never been sick a day in his life would ever be diagnosed with something like leukemia," said Noonan. "So of course the diagnosis was shocking, but once we had the diagnosis we went into action."

The Noonan family isn't known for taking things sitting down. As a long-time gym teacher at St. James, Noonan could be tough. But her

classes were always a favorite, and past students have given their support.

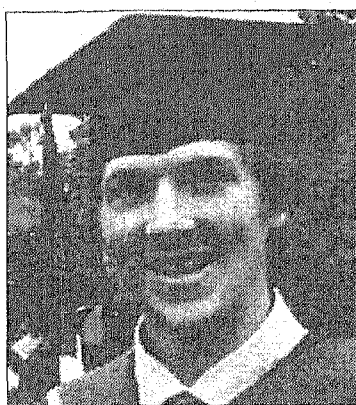
She said Kyle was the same way when he found out he had cancer.

"When we first started this battle he said to me 'I don't feel sorry for myself, I am not afraid and I will do what ever it takes to get better.' He also made it clear that he did not want anyone around him that would look at him with pity because he knows that is not going to help him get better," Noonan said.

Kyle was always a fighter; friends and family — Kyle has a sister, Kate — couldn't remember a time when he wasn't playing and excelling in sports.

Now he is waiting in a hospital bed at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City, where he has been receiving treatment since July 7. As of two weeks ago, Kyle was in remission, but cannot leave for home until his blood counts rise to a safe level, his mother said.

For his mother, the waiting is the worst part. Kyle needs a bone marrow transplant, but there were no matches for him in the national registry. Fellow teachers at St. James



Kyle Noonan

and friends of the family have been quickly organizing a bone marrow drive for this weekend, and pray that a match will come from it. That sense of community at not only the small Springfield school but also in her hometown have been both surprising and inspiring.

"What has occurred with the bone marrow drive is overwhelming. It makes me cry every time I think about it," Noonan said. "There are no words that can express your feelings when so many people from so many places come together to help save the life of someone you love."

The bone marrow donation drive will take place Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Woodland School, 51 Johnston Drive, Morristown.

Potential donors must be between 18 and 55 years old and in good health.

# Legislation changes plans

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ments," Lospinosa said.

Lospinosa said the 2.5 percent fee might be revisited in 2010. In the meantime, the city will continue to commit funds and resources still available to help low-income homeowners. The city's Home Improvement Program provides up to \$25,000 for low or moderate income homeowners to do repair or improvements to their home. The city has been assigned an obligation of more than 400 units.

Mayor Richard Gerbounka said that while the danger of attracting a builder's remedy lawsuit remains,

any attempt to build 400 units in Linden would reveal that the necessary space is lacking. These lawsuits are more common in places with more open land, he said.

City officials have calculated their actual obligation as being closer to 93 units. Linden is one of over 200 municipalities to challenge COAH's methodology in determining these obligations, which relied largely on aerial photography.

Officials indicated the city still plans to provide affordable housing, regardless of the final number agreed upon.

# Summit officer suspended

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veteran's sterling record and commendations.

Rice was accused of not following proper guidelines when he investigated officer Christopher Medina, a four-year veteran, for trying to get rid of a ticket for a friend's car that was parked overnight near the Summit train station around St. Patrick's Day.

Medina testified he simply forgot to put a friend's car on the overnight parking list after they returned home after having a few drinks at the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Hoboken. He added that he thought he was allowed to remove it because it was a good faith mistake, having called for another car earlier that night. Rice, however, the supervisor on duty, refused to let him take it off and took statements from the officers on duty as to what happened. That was later deemed beginning an official investigation, something Rice was not authorized to do.

Medina paid the \$15 ticket the next day, and was disciplined by a supervisor, who showed him how to properly obtain such requests.

In the decision, Medina was also cleared of any wrongdoing.

Rice's attorney, Robert Norton, was on vacation from his Westfield office and could not be reached before press time Tuesday. It is unknown if Rice will appeal the decision.

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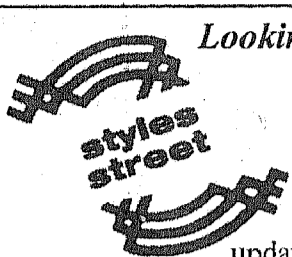
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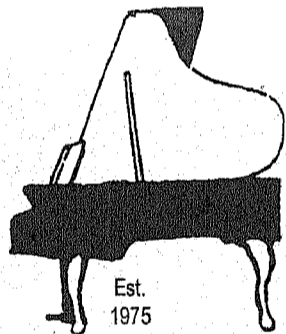
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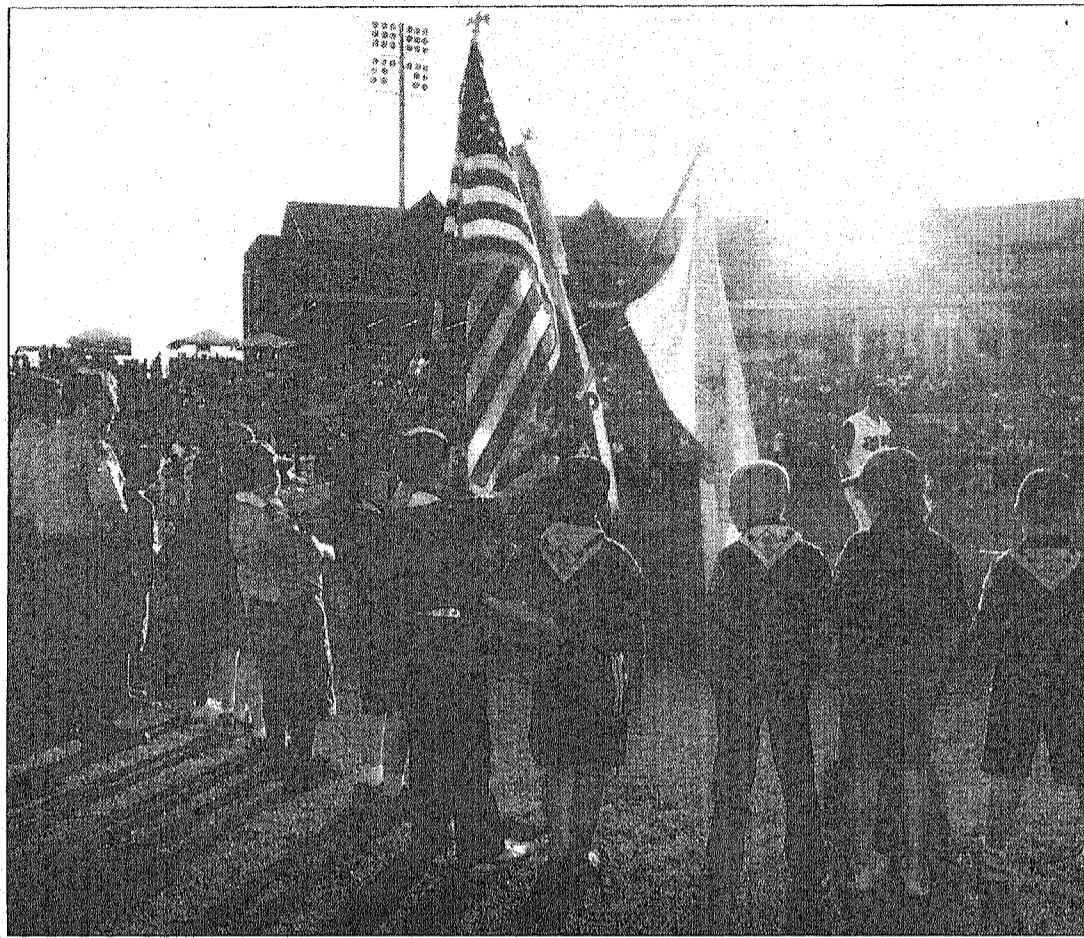


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## Red, white and baseball



Cub scouts from Pack 116 of Roselle Park participate in the flag ceremony during a recent Somerset Patriots minor league baseball game.

## Reward offered for lost photos

The Linden Historical Society is offering a \$200 reward for information leading to the return of an envelope containing a photo album of historic pictures.

A wedding photo is inserted in the cover of the album and the contents include photographs of soldiers from World War II.

A visitor to the Society's Opening Day Ceremony inadvertently left the envelope of photographs on a dining room table, at the Linwood Inn.

"The loss of old family photographs is also the loss of special memories and irreplaceable," said Marybeth Strano, the society's act-

ing president. "I hope whoever found them will return them — no questions will be asked."

If someone wants to return the photographs to the Historical Society anonymously they may deposit them in the mail slot at the society's office, 508 West Elizabeth Ave., Linden.

### CLARK BRIEFS

#### Polish Harvest Festival to take place

The Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark invites all to come celebrate at its annual Polish Harvest Festival "Dozynki" on Sunday at 3 p.m. There will be plenty of Polish ethnic food available, as well as an assortment of Polish beers and spirits at the bar. All are invited to attend this colorful event highlighting 1,000 years of Polish tradition. The Polish American Folk Dance Company of Brooklyn, a group with a 70-year tradition of preserving Polish folk traditions, will lead the Festival Program dressed in colorful, regional costumes, they will entertain in their presentation of the harvest with folk dances and traditional couplets. The Polish Cultural Foundation is located at 177 Broadway in Clark, just off Exit 135 of the Garden State Parkway.

currently accepting registration for its language classes, which begin this week.

Classes in beginner's Polish, part I and part II, and intermediate Polish will meet on Thursday evenings.

All classes meet from 7 to 9 p.m. and run for 12 weeks. Early registration is suggested.

For information, a copy of their fall brochure or to register, call the foundation office at 732-382-7197. The foundation is located at 117 Broadway, Clark.

#### Picnic planned

The Deutscher Club of Clark Inc., 787 Featherbed Lane, will host a Deutscher Tag picnic on Sunday.

Gates will open at 10 a.m. and food stands at 11:30 a.m. Music will be by the German Stadtkapelle Braunlingen, who will play from 1 to 6 p.m. German and American food and beverages will be available from outside facilities.

The event will take place rain or shine. Parking is free. For information, call 732-574-8600 or visit [www.deutscherclub.us](http://www.deutscherclub.us).

#### Access to audiobooks expands for residents

For users or potential users of Clark library's downloadable audiobooks, a new version of Overdrive media console must be downloaded.

This new software will enable users with iPods and Zune to use WMA files instead of only MP3 files. Since the library's collection is primarily WMA files, iPod users now have access to many more titles. You must have a valid Clark Library Card to use this service. For information, call 732-388-5999.

#### Want to play games?

Clark Public Library will have afternoon games for youth Fridays at 3 p.m. Snacks and soda will be available.

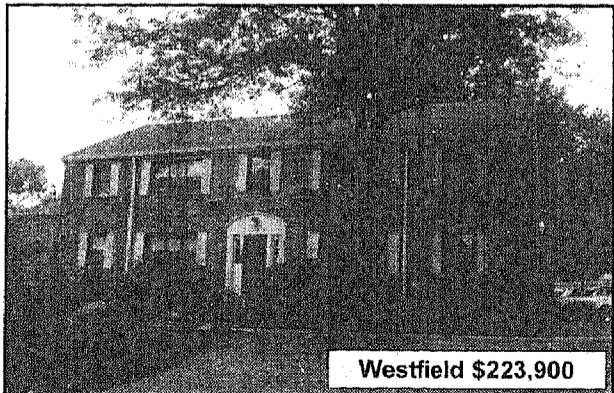


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#### Polish classes offered

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**LIFESTYLE**

**Union's Dragone family welcomes granddaughter**

Vincent Dragone and Helene Wolf-Dragone of Union announce the birth of their granddaughter, Kaylee Ann Mussich was born on Aug. 6 at 6:52 p.m. to parents Gregory and Stacy (nee Wolf) Mussich of Tannersville, Penn.

Kaylee is 20 inches long and weighs 7 pounds, 10 ounces. She also is the granddaughter of Frank and Elaine Mussich of Danville, Pennsylvania.

**Send announcements to LocalSource**

**Down the aisle**

Couples are encouraged to send their engagement and wedding announcements to the lifestyle editor. Forms can be found and submitted online at [www.local-source.com](http://www.local-source.com). Digital photos can also be submitted online. Announcements sent via regular mail should be typed, doubled spaced and no longer than one page. All announcements should have a daytime phone number for

verification or if questions arise.

Information requested for engagements are parents names, date of wedding and information about the bride and groom, including education and occupation. Information for weddings should also include where the wedding took place, who officiated, and where the couple honeymooned and will reside. When sending a picture with the announcement, a check for \$10 is required.

**SENIOR NEWS**

**Financial program available for seniors**

On Sept. 24, the Union County Senior Citizens Council will hold a special financial program at L'Affaire in Mountainside.

The purpose of this financial program is to present and explain options to obtain readily available funding.

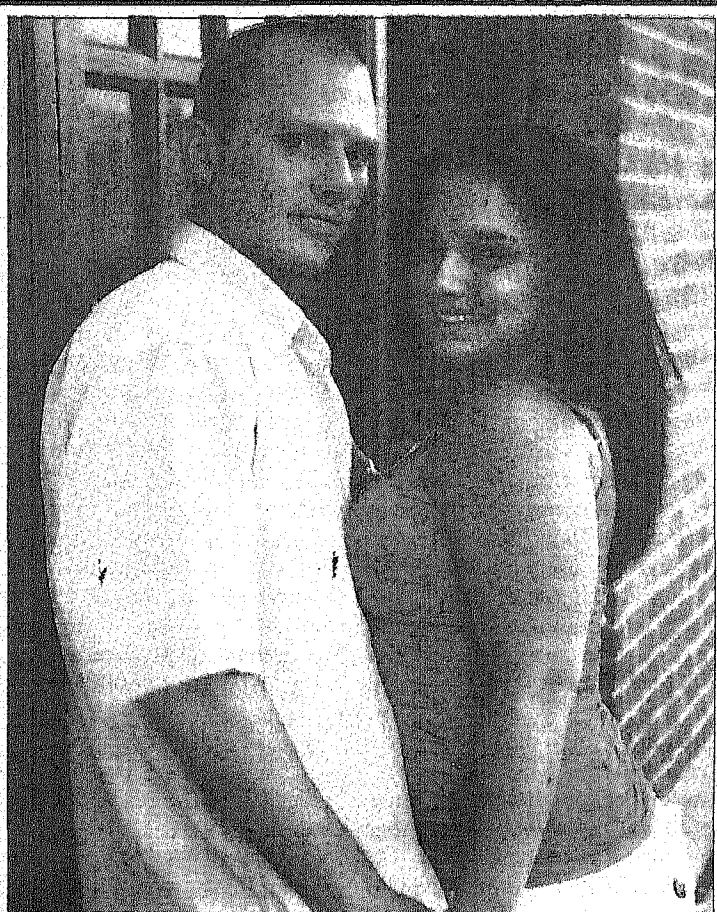
The program will feature speakers from banks and financial service institutions.

Maureen Erwin, from Wells Fargo, will explain the workings of

home equity payout mortgages and when they may make sense to use. Dan Jatovsky, of Primerica Financial Services will discuss annuities and cash value life insurance policies.

For those who are curious about the buying and selling of gold, Milton Ogintz, an appraisal for over 30 years, will discuss what can be expected when selling gold jewelry.

Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. with a continental breakfast. For information call the Union County Senior Citizens Council at 908-964-7555.



Melissa Tortorello and George Brophy will be married in May 2010.

**Tortorello, Brophy to wed**

Salvatore Tortorello and Denise Tortorello of Union announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Tortorello, to George Brophy, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Brophy of Union.

The bride to be is a graduate of Union High School, and is employed by Behavioral Insights of Toms River as a patient care coordinator. The future groom is a graduate of Union High School and is employed by the Union Fire Department as a firefighter.

A May 2010 wedding is planned.

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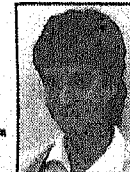
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Today's column has been brought to you as a public service. The best way to ascertain the health of your pets is to observe their behavior. At TLC PET DOCTOR, we advise you on the best ways to maintain your pet's health. If you have questions regarding your pet's well-being or would like information on how you can help keep your pet healthy and happy, come see us at 1326 Stuyvesant ave., Union or call 908-686-7080 today. From surgery to basic nail clipping, we want to help ensure that your furry friend is as happy and healthy as can be. We know how much you care about your pet, because we care about them too. We provide complete companion animal care, including dental care and x-ray services. We will always do our best to keep your pet healthy with the most up to date care.

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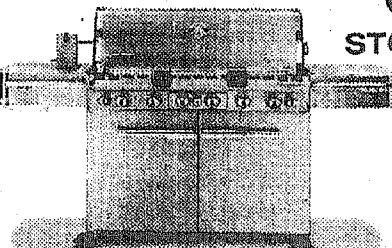


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**MOVIN' AND SHAKIN'** — Union senior citizens, above, take to the dance floor during the annual senior picnic at Costa del Sol restaurant on Vauxhall Road. Below, Marion Perimutter dances with Joe Wojcio during the annual event.

# Injunction filed against Menza

*Mayor banned from making further appointments without council's vote*

By Paul Greulich  
Staff Writer

HILLSIDE — A lawsuit filed by the Township Council against Mayor Joseph Menza has resulted in an injunction against the recently-elected mayor.

On Sept. 4, Superior Court Judge John Malone ordered Menza permanently barred from making further appointments without the consent of the council.

The lawsuit was filed approximately one month ago, spurred by Menza's July appointments of a township attorney, auditor, and acting business administrator, which the council did not approve. Menza contested he has the ultimate authority under the Faulkner Act to make appointments without the consent of the council.

Kulich said he hopes business in town can move forward now that the courts have clarified for Menza the issue of separation of power.

"Through the courts I think we have shown he has to get the advice and consent of council on major items, and if that is understood I think we will move forward very smoothly," he said.

Menza said he does not feel the judge is 100 percent correct in his ruling and claimed it does not necessarily help resolve the problems facing Hillside's government. He said he has not been offered any explanation by the council for the rejection of his appointments.

"My question for the judge is: how many times do I have to put someone up and how many times do they have to reject them before something happens

here?" Menza said.

The township currently has no business administrator and employs multiple attorneys performing a variety of legal roles. Menza said the attorneys, as well as the auditing firm Suplee Clooney & Co. are serving and being paid on a "holdover" basis without a new contract in place.

While it is the mayor's responsibility to draft and sign new professional service contracts, Menza said he is reluctant to do so for professionals that have not been appointed to the roles they are filling.

Menza said he is not sure what will happen next, but hopes an agreement can be reached with the council.

"The only people getting hurt here are the township residents," he said.

Kulich said the council is waiting to receive Menza's new nominations for these positions, and added the council met with the mayor last night to begin work on the township's budget.

"There is now an understanding that both sides need to work together," he said.

Disagreements and miscommunication within local politics have marred Hillside's government through the terms of two previous mayors, as well as a steady rotation of new council members, fuelling speculation of behind-the-scenes political strife and tarnishing Hillside's reputation as a desirable place to live and work.

Paul Greulich can be reached at 908-686-7700 ext. 121, or at [pgreulich@thelocalsource.com](mailto:pgreulich@thelocalsource.com).

## SUMMIT BRIEFS

### Arboretum Cafe Begins this month

Join the Reeves-Reed Arboretum staff for coffee, tea and a short seasonal discussion to help you make the most of your garden.

Arboretum Cafe will be the second Saturday and third Thursday in September, October and November. Sessions will be either in the Wisner House or in the Education Center. Family Fun Days at the Education Center will be Sept. 19, Oct. 24 and Nov. 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Classes available for adults and children

Registration is now open at the Reeves-Reed Arboretum for Woodland Wanderers and Afternoon Adventures, programs for children

ages 2 to 8 years old. Introduce and enhance your child's love of nature through short hikes, stories and activities.

Adults can register for fall programs such as Plant Propagation, Horticultural Techniques and Introduction to Organic Gardening. Information about the adult classes as well as all the children's and family programs can be found online at [www.reeves-reedarboretum.org](http://www.reeves-reedarboretum.org).

### Summit Library sees increase in popularity

"Don't leave home without it." Summit residents have been following the advice of the old TV commercial, but the card that they're carrying isn't a charge card or credit card — it's a library card.

According to Library Director Glenn Devitt, 88 percent of Summit residents over the age of five are registered for a card from Summit Free Public Library. Those library cards aren't sitting untouched in wallets and purses — they're being used more than ever before. June 2009 was the busiest month in the library's history.

Cardholders borrowed a total of 28,090 items. DVDs and Young Adult materials have been especially popular, Devitt reported, but the library is seeing increased circulation in every area including magazines, children's books, adult fiction and nonfiction, large print books, audiobooks, and music compact discs.

Summit Free Public Library is located at 75 Maple St. The tele-

phone number is 908-273-0350. The library's catalog is available online at [www.summitlibrary.org](http://www.summitlibrary.org).

### Spend Saturdays at Y

Family Event Saturdays at Summit Y are open to the community. Y membership is not required.

There is a fee, per family, for non-members. Summit YMCA is located at 67 Maple St. For information, contact Member Services or visit [www.summitareaymca.org](http://www.summitareaymca.org).

### Old Guard meeting

All area 50 plus active men can attend Summit area Old Guard meetings on Tuesdays. Meetings are held at the New Providence Municipal Center, 360 Elkwood Ave. They begin at 9:15 a.m.

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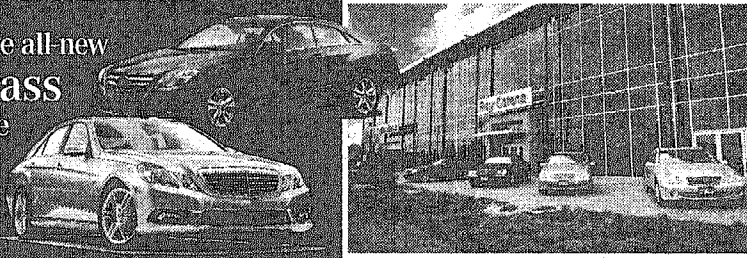


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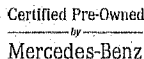
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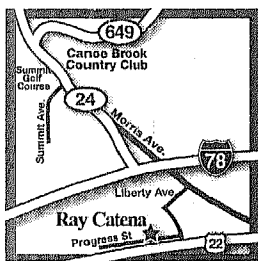
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Congregation Beth Hatikvah, located in Summit but drawing members from nearly 20 surrounding towns, offers a refreshing spiritual experience for the holidays, including alternative discussion groups on Yom Kippur, a community break the fast, and a strong emphasis on musical participation.

Full morning services on both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur begin at 9:30 a.m. Childcare and babysitting programs are available for a nominal fee with advance registration. For families with children up to age nine, an age-appropriate Family Service is offered at 2:30 p.m.; there is no charge for attending the Family Service.

A complete schedule is available at [www.bethhatikvah.org](http://www.bethhatikvah.org) or by calling 908-277-0200.

**Churches hold flea market, garage sale**

The First Presbyterian Church of Rahway, located on the corner of

West Grand Avenue and Church Street, will host its Annual Fall Flea market on Sept. 26 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Items for sale will be inside Davis Hall as well as outside. Furniture, toys, linens, crafts, and jewelry are among the items being sold (no clothing)!

The Church of St. John the Baptist, located at 2018 DeWitt Terrace, Linden will be hosting their Garage Sale on Sept. 26 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Antiques, small furniture, lamps, dishes, silverware, glassware, bric-a-brac, jewelry, purses, etc. for sale. Donations accepted (no clothing please).

**Summit church begins new season**

The United Methodist Church of Summit located at 17 Kent Place Boulevard will begin its new season of Christian ministry on Sept. 20. Worship service is at 10:30; Sunday School for students in grades four through 12 is at 9:30; Sunday School for pre-K through third grade is, during the worship service at 10:30. Child care is provided for infants and toddlers.

For information and directions visit [www.umcsummit.org](http://www.umcsummit.org) or call 908-277-1700.

**Mountaintop to have guest speaker**

The Rev. James Tate will be guest speaker at the Mountaintop Assembly's services on Sept. 27.

Rev. Tate was pastor of Evangel Church, Elizabeth & Scotch Plains, for many years. He also established Calvary Chapel in Elizabeth, which is now Calvary Tabernacle in Cranford. Mountaintop Assembly is currently meeting from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Sundays, on the second floor of the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 36 Valley Road, Clark. For information 732-388-9896.

**Temple to provide busing with YMCA**

Temple Sha'arey Shalom of Springfield has partnered with Springfield YMCA to provide after school transportation for the religious school students attending weekday classes at Temple Sha'arey Shalom and St. James Church.

The Springfield Y will pick children up from Springfield's James Caldwell School and the Thelma L. Sandmeier School at dismissal and bus them back to the Y where they will be supervised by Y staff. At the appropriate time, members of the Y staff will escort the children to their respective classes at both Sha'arey Shalom and St. James.

For information, call Tim Keegan at the Springfield YMCA at 973-467-0838.

**Grief seminar to be held in September**

No one is prepared for grief, yet it is experienced by all at sometime in live. Grieving is a process.

The First Presbyterian Church of Cranford's "Healing the Grieving Heart, A Journey to Wholeness," eight-week seminar, will begin Sunday and run through Nov. 1. The church is located at 11 Springfield Ave. in Cranford.

Patti Williams, R.N., pastoral bereavement counselor, and Dr. Virginia Waters, doctoral psychologist, lead the seminar sessions from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Mettam Lounge of the church. They have been offering this seminar for 10 years and hundreds of people have come and have experienced healing and have found new purpose in their lives.

It doesn't matter if the loss is recent or many years past, healing is here for you today. All are welcome. The seminar is free of charge. To register call the church office, 908-276-8440.

This seminar is dedicated to Patti's late husband, the Rev. Dr. Bruce D. Williams, who had a passion for the seminar and wanted to help others in their time of loss and suffering.

**Church to have rummage sale**

Grace Lutheran Church, 2222 Vauxhall Road, Union, is having a combined Flea Market/Rummage Sale on Sept. 26 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Vendors, offering a variety of items, will be set up outside on the church lawn. Inside Grace's fellowship hall will be a rummage sale,

along with other items and a bake sale. Various food items and drinks will also be available throughout the day. Proceeds will benefit the mission and ministry of Grace. For information, call 908-686-3965 or visit [www.gracelutherannj.org](http://www.gracelutherannj.org).

**Church holding flea market**

St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 1400 St. George Avenue in Rahway, will hold a Flea Market and Craft Show from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 10. For information or to reserve a table, contact: Maryann Laskowski at 908-382-0107, or Barbara Mytrowitz at 732-382-2417. Admission is free.

**Mountainside church collects for needy**

The Community Presbyterian Church of Mountainside is collecting non-perishable food weekly to help feed the hungry in Union County. The community is invited to participate in the collection. Members of the Church will be delivering the food to Rosa Floyd in Elizabeth for distribution to the needy. Items which would be extremely helpful are canned goods, especially soups, vegetables and pasta.

You may bring your donation to 1459 Deer Path between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. and leave them on the counter at the kitchen end of the Assembly Room.

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# Meditation classes, nature walks offered in county

Evening nature walks and gentle yoga workshops for adults, 18 years and older, are now being offered as part of Trailside Nature and Science Center's autumn workshop series.

The classes are offered on Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. on Sept. 22, Oct. 13 and Oct. 27.

Walking and yoga are two ways to use nature's healing powers to help relieve stress and its symptoms. Soothe the senses and calm the soul on an interpretive evening stroll with a Trailside naturalist who will lead the walk and answer questions.

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niques can awaken poise and centered awareness in the midst of everyday life.

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Claire M. Bay, a yoga instructor certified by the Chopra Center in New York

City, is returning to Trailside to teach and guide in this new pathway of meditation. Bring a yoga mat or pillow if possible. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome to enroll in one, two or all three of the sessions.

Pre-registration is preferred as space is limited. Doors open 15 minutes prior to the event.

For information call 908-789-3670 or visit [www.ucnj.org/trailside](http://www.ucnj.org/trailside).

Trailside Nature and Science Center is located at 452 New Providence Road in Mountain-side and is a service of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

# Suicide intervention training program available in UC

CONTACT We Care, the 24-hour caring and crisis hotline will conduct its unique interactive, two-day suicide intervention training for members of the general public on Oct. 3 and 4 at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Clark.

Pre-registration is required.

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nor's Office of Volunteerism in 2008.

For information about registering or to arrange a custom-tailored training session exclusively for your organization, visit [www.contactwecare.org](http://www.contactwecare.org) or call 908-301-1899.

## HILLSIDE BRIEFS

### Create a great resume at Hillside Library

Come to the Hillside Public Library to create a winning resume. On Sept. 30 from 1 to 2 p.m., attend a free one hour web-based seminar at Hillside Public Library taught by resume expert Barbara Safani. She will teach attendees how to create a powerful, effective resume that gets attention and interviews. This video presentation is hosted by [Tutor.com](http://Tutor.com).

A free class in learning how to search for a job using the Internet will be Oct. 8 from 11 a.m. to noon. Learn tips, techniques and tricks to finding a job in this hands-on sem-

inar. Leave the library with a list of great Web sites to jump start your search. Register by calling 973-923-4413. Some experience using the mouse and basic internet experience is preferred.

### Stay busy at library

Children can learn chess every Saturday at a free class at Hillside Public Library. Free chess lessons will be available every Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. for children ages six and up. All necessary equip-

ment will be provided.

Free after school movies will be held Friday at 4 p.m. Movies are suitable for all ages.

Free arts and crafts for ages five and up will be held on Sept. 21 at 6:30 p.m. Make a special back to school craft. A free after school arts and crafts session for all ages will be held on Sept. 22 at 4 p.m.

Come and read to a dog at the very special story time on Sept. 28 at 6:30 p.m. Read and cuddle with our furry friends. For all ages.

### Advisory Council sets 2010 meeting dates

The Hillside Recreation Advisory Council will meet every fourth Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Building meeting room. The following meetings are scheduled for 2010: Jan. 27, Feb. 24, March 24, April 28, May 26 and June 23.

### HPL trustees meeting

The Hillside Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 7

p.m. Wednesday. Meetings are in the Zisman Room at the library.

For information, call 973-923-4413.

### Pageturners to meet

Hillside Public Library's monthly Pageturners Book Club will meet today at 6 p.m.

The book to be discussed is "The Hour I First Believed," by Wally Lamb.

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## HEALTH



The Cerebral Palsy League of Cranford welcomed a brand new school this past week serving students from all over Union County.

## Cranford opens new cerebral palsy school

The Cerebral Palsy League of Cranford celebrated the opening of a new school facility on its Cranford campus last week, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony attended by education and government officials representing a collective commitment to enhanced learning programs for children with disabilities.

The CPL operates the Jardine Academy, a specialized school serving children with multiple disabilities.

The new facility provides students with multiple disabilities from age three to 21 with a continuum of educational services in an enhanced learning environment, including state-of-the-art technology and mobility training programs, modernized classrooms and an expanded therapy suite.

In addition, the new building will help reduce tuition costs by up to 10 percent for 27 school districts in four counties that send students to the CPL through

improved economies of scale and utilization of resources.

The facility – which was built on schedule and on budget – allowed the CPL to combine the operations of its Cranford and Union campuses into one location.

The new facility incorporates modern and practical resources to facilitate and encourage specialized learning.

These resources include centers for assistive technology; performing arts with a fully accessible stage; a fitness center for physically challenged students; a daily living model training apartment; and a school store modeled to support the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Attending the ribbon-cutting ceremony were Sen. Tom Kean; Cranford Mayor David Robinson; Union County Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski; Assemblywoman Nancy Munoz; and Glenn Mortimer, representing the office of U.S. Rep. Leonard Lance.

## Curves to offer free diet plan

More than half of adult women living in the United States are overweight and more than one-third of adult women are obese, according to the American Obesity Association. In fact, obesity plays a major role in the poor health of women, including diabetes and high blood pressure. Such statistics can be alarming, and the increase in obesity is why places, like the local Curves center, have educational programs to address weight loss through focused curricula and classes.

These classes are based on

recent research findings from the Exercise & Sport Nutrition Laboratory at Texas A&M University. They teach Curves' demonstrated method for raising metabolism and losing weight.

In recognition of National Women's Health and Fitness Day on Sept. 30, the Hillside Curves is announcing its no cost, 30-Day Diet Plan program for all Hillside-area women interested in weight-loss results and health improvement. All classes are available at no fee and no membership is required. The classes are adminis-

tered through hands-on activities facilitated by weight management coaches from Curves of Hillside, and DVDs that provide lessons by Curves' Registered Dietitian Nadia Rodman. Participants are encouraged to make a weekly appointment to weigh in with their weight management coaches, who provide ongoing support and accountability.

For information about Curves of Hillside and when the diet classes are offered, contact Lauren Gambino at 908-282-6662 or 9ZS8WY@curvesmail.com.

## Chiropractic care for headaches

This October, during National Chiropractic Month, the American Chiropractic Association is encouraging families to consider chiropractic care as a treatment for several types of headaches.

While many people associate chiropractic care as a treatment for bad backs, there is growing documentation that chiropractic is also effective in the treatment of cervicogenic headaches, migraines and cluster headaches.

"Research shows that spinal manipulation is an effective treatment option for headaches," said Dr. Jay Gilden of the Family Chiropractic Center in Kenilworth, and a member of the ACA. "Not only does drug-free, conservative chiropractic care provide almost immediate relief from pain, but has significantly fewer side effects and longer-

lasting relief than many commonly prescribed medications."

Additionally, doctors of chiropractic are trained to recommend therapeutic and rehabilitative exercises, as well as to provide nutritional dietary and lifestyle counseling—all of which are important components in the management of chronic headache pain.

Those who experience frequent headaches are advised to do the following:

1. Take a break and stretch every 30 minutes to one hour after being in one position for a long period of time.
2. Low-impact exercise may help relieve the pain associated with primary headaches.
3. Drink at least eight 8-ounce glasses of water a day to help avoid dehydration, which can lead to headaches.
4. Avoid slouching.

5. Try a low-fat high-complex carbohydrate diet. A recent study demonstrated that such a diet can dramatically lower the frequency, intensity, and duration of migraine headaches.

6. Reduce stress at home and work by planning ahead and engaging in relaxation breathing exercises.

7. Get plenty of sleep and maintain a regular sleep schedule.

"When it comes to managing headache pain, there's no magic solution that works for everyone, but chiropractic care is certainly an effective treatment option every patient should keep in mind," Gilden said.

For information on Chiropractic care or any of the tips mentioned above, contact Gilden at 908-276-8659 or visit [www.ACAtoday.org](http://www.ACAtoday.org).

## HEALTH CLIPS

### Breast health grants available

Grant funds are now available through the North Jersey Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure for programs providing breast health education, screening and treatment services to the medically underserved and uninsured. Funds will be available to community-based organizations in Union County.

Online information regarding the application process can be obtained by visiting [www.komennorthjersey.org](http://www.komennorthjersey.org) under the heading of "Grants." Grant requests are due no later than 5 p.m. on Nov. 5, and organizations requesting funding are required to attend the Affiliate's mandatory Technical Assistance Training on Oct. 15 from 10 a.m. to noon at the St. John Lutheran Church, 587 Springfield Ave. in Summit. Registration is necessary by Oct. 5 to either: [dborman@komennorthjersey.org](mailto:dborman@komennorthjersey.org) or [mhess@komennorthjersey.org](mailto:mhess@komennorthjersey.org).

Announcement of grant awards will be made mid-March 2010.

### Clark Flu Shot registration to begin

The Township of Clark will be offering seasonal influenza shots on Oct. 2 between 10 a.m. to noon at the Clark Recreation Center cafeteria located at 430

Westfield Ave., Clark.

There is no charge for residents who have Medicare part B as their primary insurance. The Township does not participate with any other insurance plans.

In order to receive a flu shot you must be a Clark resident aged 62 or older or a Clark resident with a chronic medical condition (a doctor's note is required.)

Residents can begin reserving their flu shot beginning tomorrow by calling Nancy Raymond, Health Officer at 732-428-8405.

### Support groups held for caregivers

The Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support groups will meet on the following dates at the listed locations during the month of September: Today at 1 p.m. at Runnells Specialized Hospital, 40 Watchung Way in Berkeley Heights; and Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. at Overlook Hospital, 99 Beauvoir Ave. at Sylvan Rd. in Mountainside.

### Springfield squad in search of volunteers

Attention all Springfield senior citizens. The Springfield Volunteer First Aid Squad's greatest need is people who are interested in helping others.

The squad is seeking new members. No prior experience is needed.

**OBITUARIES**

**Lulu Belle Armstrong**

Lulu Belle Armstrong, 96, of Cranford died on Sept. 2.

Born in Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. Armstrong resided in Cranford. She operated businesses in the Elizabeth area, including the Chicken-Shack during the 1960s, a thrift-store during the 1970s and the once well-known pub called Gasoline Harry's.

Surviving are a son, John Dewayne Armstrong, and three grandchildren.

**Rose Blanks**

Rose Natson Blanks, 82, a lifelong resident of Rahway, died Sept. 1 in JFK Medical Center, Edison.

Surviving are two sons, Merrill L. "Jackie" and Richard A. Blanks; a daughter, Barbara B. Thompson, and seven grandchildren.

The Jones Funeral Home, Rahway, handled the arrangements.

**Navorn Borum Jr.**

Navorn Borum Jr., of Roselle died on Sept. 2.

Surviving are his wife, Phyllis; a daughter, Gabrielle Madison-Borum; his mother, Elizabeth Borum; a sister, Laverne Green; a brother, Azizah Muslim, and his grandmother, Dorothy Reed.

The Cotton Funeral Service, Newark, handled the arrangements.

**Alice Brandis**

Alice M. Brandis, 76, of Roselle Park died Sept. 12 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

The Sullivan Funeral Home, Roselle, handled the arrangements.

**Harry Capko Jr.**

Harry Michael Capko Jr., 75, of Brick, formerly of Union, died Sept. 4 in Community Medical

Center, Toms River.

Born in East Orange, Mr. Capko lived in Newark and in Union before moving to Brick in 2002. He received a bachelor's degree in accounting from St. Peter's College, Jersey City. Mr. Capko was an accountant for more than 40 years. He was last employed by Market Transition Facility of New Jersey, Livingston, and retired in 1999. Mr. Capko was a parishioner of St. Martha's Church, Point Pleasant, and a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 3197 of Hillside.

Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Veronica L.; four sons, Harry M. III, Ronald W., William J. and Robert J.; two daughters, Linda A. Berry and Christine E. Muller; a sister, Anne E. Fogarty, and four grandchildren.

**Mildred Cassiba**

Mildred Cassiba, 93, of Linden died Sept. 10 in Trinitas Regional Medical Center, Elizabeth.

Born in Rahway, Mrs. Cassiba lived in Elizabeth before moving to Linden.

Surviving are two sons, Joseph and Jerome Jr.; two sisters, Bessie LaBrutto and Sarah Vaccaro; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

The Corsentino Home for Funerals, Elizabeth, handled the arrangements.

**Marie Domond**

Marie Therese Domond, 69, of Roselle died Sept. 2 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Born in Haiti, Mrs. Domond emigrated to the United States and Roselle in 1987. She was a package handler for Guess Supplies Packaging, Rahway, for 23 years.

Surviving are her husband of 40 years, Andre P.; two sons, Yves J. and Richardson; a daughter,

Jean R. Domond, and four sisters, Lirais Marceant, Mytha Jean Louis, Louita Jean Louis and Leance Jean Louis.

The Krowicki McCracken Funeral Home, Linden, handled the arrangements.

**Lois Ennesser**

Lois A. Ennesser, 62, of Cranford died Sept. 8 in the Center For Hope Hospice, Scotch Plains.

Born in Englewood, Mrs. Ennesser lived in Cranford since 1972. She was a legal secretary for All State Insurance Co., and retired after 20 years. Mrs. Ennesser spent three years assisting newlyweds and young parents as the deputy registrar in the Cranford Health Department.

Surviving are her husband, George F.; two sons, George N. and Brian P.; her mother, Theresa Scioli, and a sister, Connie Scioli.

The Dooley Funeral Home, Cranford, handled the arrangements.

**Jane Gillies**

Jane "Jean" Gillies, 85, of Clark died Sept. 9 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway.

Born in Fifeshire, Scotland, Mrs. Gillies resided in Brooklyn before moving to Clark 44 years ago.

Surviving are two sons, Neil and Donald James, and two sisters, Isabelle Agnew and Betty McCarthy.

**Brian Jenkins**

Brian C. Jenkins, 53, a lifelong resident of Cranford, died Aug. 31 in Hackensack University Medical Center.

Mr. Jenkins was the president of MagnetMailers LLC in Cranford. He was involved with the Cranford Chamber of Commerce

**OBITUARY LIST**

ARMSTRONG — Lulu Belle, of Cranford; Sept. 2.  
 BENIGNO — Jennie, formerly of Union; Sept. 12.  
 BLANKS — Rose Natson, of Rahway; Sept. 1.  
 BORUM — Navorn Jr., of Roselle; Sept. 2.  
 BRANDIS — Alice M., of Roselle Park; Sept. 12.  
 CAPKO — Harry Michael Jr., formerly of Union; Sept. 4.  
 CASSIBA — Mildred, of Linden; Sept. 10.  
 CUBBERLEY — Margaret, of Union; Sept. 8.  
 DOMOND — Marie Therese, of Roselle; Sept. 2.  
 ENNESSER — Lois A., of Cranford; Sept. 8.  
 FARBANIEC — Edward, of Union; Sept. 7.  
 GILLIES — Jane "Jean," of Clark; Sept. 9.  
 HOFF — Kathleen "Kay," of Linden; Sept. 12.  
 HOSID — Rose, formerly of Union; Sept. 12.  
 JENKINS — Brian C., of Cranford; Aug. 31.  
 KAMINSKI — Anna M., of Hillside; Sept. 4.  
 KUNDLA — Victoria Kusher, of Springfield; Sept. 2.  
 LAWRENCE — Harry A., formerly of Union; Aug. 23.  
 LOVE — Pierre Rene, formerly of Linden; July 29.  
 MARANO — Caroline, of Union; Sept. 8.  
 MILIZIANO — Spina C., of Linden; Sept. 6.  
 MEDWAY — Frank A., of Linden; Sept. 11.  
 MULLER — Louise, of Kenilworth; Sept. 3.  
 NELSON — Gustaf Jr., formerly of Summit; Sept. 1.  
 PALEY — Nancy Z., of Union; Sept. 11.  
 RILLEY — Pauline J., of Springfield; Sept. 8.  
 SABBA — Rosanne M., of Clark; Sept. 3.  
 SAUERBORN — Gerald E., of Union; Sept. 5.  
 SEKULSKI — Doris May, of Clark; Sept. 11.  
 SISBARRO — Jerry C., formerly of Rahway; Sept. 11.  
 SLATER — Jack, of Springfield; Aug. 12.  
 STROZZA — Vincent, of Roselle; Sept. 11.  
 TANKEL — Dorothy, of Clark; Sept. 7.  
 TRINCHIERI — Kathleen, of Union; Sept. 5.  
 WERTZ — Le Roy E., of Union; Sept. 4.  
 WILLIAMS — Amanda L., of Union; Sept. 8.  
 WOLFF — David B., of Springfield; Sept. 6.

*Editor's note: Not all of the names included in this listing will appear as full-length obituaries.*

and the Cranford Jaycees and served the community of Cranford.

Surviving are his wife, Cynthia; two daughters, Amanda and Hannah; his mother, Kathleen Jenkins; two brothers, his twin, Bruce, and Dennis; two sisters, Nancy Connolly and Kathleen Tardif.

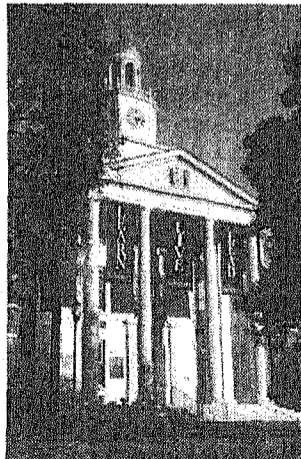
**Anna Kaminski**

Anna M. Kaminski, 87, of Hillside died on Sept. 4.

Mrs. Kaminski was a library assistant at the Hillside Public Library for 40 years before retiring in 2006.

Surviving are a son, James; a daughter, Nancy Czyzyk; five

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sisters, Mamie, Julia, Helen, Sue and Frances; a brother, John; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The Growney Funeral Home, Hillside, handled the arrangements.

### Victoria Kundla

Victoria Kusher Kundla, 89, of Springfield died Sept. 2 at home.

Born in Taylor, Pa., Mrs. Kundla lived in Hamlin, Pa., and Brooklyn, N.Y., before moving to Springfield a year ago. She was a member of St. James Church, Springfield.

Surviving are two sons, Robert J. and Frank J. Kusher; a daughter, Barbara Kusher; a sister, Stella Barry; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

The Jacob A. Holle Funeral Home, Maplewood, handled the arrangements.

### Harry Lawrence

Harry A. Lawrence, 81, of New Haven, Vt., formerly of Union, a lifelong educator, died Aug. 23 in the Meadows, Rutland, Vt.

Born in New Jersey, Mr. Lawrence moved to Townley Avenue, Union, soon after and remained there until 1983, when he moved to Vermont.

He was a student in the Union school system. Mr. Lawrence worked briefly as a science teacher and then entered administration.

As an elementary principal, he led three elementary schools: Battle Hill School, Washington School, and then during the late 1960s, Jefferson School. Mr. Lawrence next was principal of Burnet Junior High School before becoming principal of Union High School in 1973.

He remained there until his first retirement in 1983. While principal of the junior and high schools, Mr. Lawrence also taught graduate courses at Seton Hall University, South Orange.

His first retirement brought him to Apple Green, his home in New Haven. Several years later, he returned to public school administrator as an assistant principal and then principal of Mount Abraham Union High School in Bristol, Vt.

Upon his retirement from public education, he reentered the classroom at Middlebury College, as the leader of the teacher education program until his final retirement.

Surviving are two sons, five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

### Frank Medway

Frank A. Medway, 51, of Linden died Sept. 11 at home.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Med-

way moved to Linden 14 years ago. He was employed by the Elizabeth Board of Education and worked at the Elizabeth High School as a custodian-fireman.

Surviving are his wife, Andrea; a son, Joseph; his father, Joseph; two brothers, Joseph and Steven, and two sisters, Debrah Keller and Kathy Ravaoli.

The Krowicki McCracken Funeral Home, Linden, handled the arrangements.

### Spina Miliziano

Spina C. Miliziano, 89, of Linden died Sept. 6 in Trinitas Regional Medical Center, Elizabeth.

Born in Ribera, Sicily, Italy, Mrs. Miliziano came to the United States as a child and lived in Astoria, Long Island, N.Y., before moving to Linden in 1957.

She was employed by the city of Linden as a secretary to the *Shade Tree Commission* for more than 40 years. Mrs. Miliziano retired in 2007. She started the YES — Youth Employment Service — Program in Linden.

Mrs. Miliziano was vice president of the Polish American Democratic Club. She was secretary to the Fourth Ward Democratic Club and the Linden City Democratic Club.

Mrs. Miliziano was a chairwoman and organizer of Linden Democratic fundraisers for more than 40 years.

Surviving are husband of 61 years, Gerlando; two sons, Peter and Thomas; a daughter, Sandy Schultz, and two grandchildren.

The Leonard-Lee Funeral Home, Linden, handled the arrangements.

### Louise Muller

Louise Muller, 82, of Kenilworth died on Sept. 3.

Surviving are a son, Louis; a brother, Antonio Masullo; two sisters, Anna Catania and Gilda Vacca; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The Opacity Funeral Home, Kenilworth, handled the arrangements.

### Gustaf Nelson Jr.

Gustaf Nelson Jr. of Raleigh, N.C., formerly of Summit, died on Sept. 1.

Mr. Nelson lived most of his life in Summit before moving to North Carolina. He served in the Army as a first lieutenant. Mr. Nelson was a painting contractor in the Summit area for more than 40 years. He was an active member of Faith Lutheran Church, New Providence, for most of his life.

Surviving are his wife, Lyn; a son, Gustaf III; a daughter, Karen

Nelson Kane; a stepson, Chris Jenks, and six grandchildren.

### Rosanne Sabba

Rosanne M. Sabba, 67, of Clark died Sept. 3 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway.

Born in Newark, Ms. Sabba resided in Clark for 42 years. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad.

Mrs. Sabba was employed in the customer service department of the Summit Bank, Clark, for 20 years and retired many years ago.

Surviving are three sons, Joseph M., Vincent J. and Michael J. Sabba; a brother, Henry Williams Jr., and four grandchildren.

The Walter J. Johnson Funeral Home, Clark, handled the arrangements.

### Jerry Sisbarro



Jerry C. Sisbarro, 91, of Basking Ridge, formerly of Rahway, died Sept. 11 in the King James Care Center, Chatham.

Born in Newark, Mr. Sisbarro lived in Irvington and Union, then Rahway before moving to Basking Ridge five years ago. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Army from 1942 to 1945.

Mr. Sisbarro was employed as head custodian with Chatham Township Public Schools before retiring more than 30 years ago.

Surviving are two daughters, Erma Maciolek and Barbara Jones; four sisters, Vivian Craig, Eileen Bonner, Muriel Oggier and Helen Stawiski, and a grandchild.

The Memorial Funeral Home, Fanwood, handled the arrangements.

### Jack Slater

Jack Murray Slater, 82, of Springfield died on Aug. 12.

Born in New York City, Mr. Slater lived in Springfield for 56 years. In 1945, he graduated with honors from Valley Forge Military Academy as a major. In June, 1948, Mr. Slater graduated from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and was an active member of Tau Epsilon Phi. He began his business career at Bamberger's department store as a safety director and in 1952, joined the Triangle Conduit and Cable Co., New Brunswick.

For 25 years, Mr. Slater was the chief financial officer. In 1977, he joined Merrill Lynch as a financial advisor and became a partner with his son, Mitchell, until he retired in 2001.

Mr. Slater became a founding member of Temple Sha'arey

Shalom, Springfield, in 1957. He was a manager of Springfield's Little League baseball. Mr. Slater was an avid golfer at Twin Brooks, Watchung, and was the remaining survivor of of a regular foursome.

Also surviving is his wife of 61 years, Beatrice; a daughter, Diane Bedrin; another son, Jeffrey; a sister, Roslyn Winick; a brother, Robert; six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

The Menorah Chapels at Millburn in Union handled the arrangements.

### Vincent Strozza

Vincent Strozza, 86, of Roselle died Sept. 11 at home.

Born in Gaeta, Italy, Mr. Strozza came to the United States in 1949 and settled in Roselle. He was a self-employed mason for most of his life and retired six years ago.

Surviving are a son, Carl; two daughters, Sandra Oshetsky and Gina Bergen; five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

The Mastapeter Funeral Home, Roselle Park, handled the arrangements.

### Dorothy Tankel

Dorothy Tankel, 87, of Clark died Sept. 7 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Tankel moved to Clark in 1956. She was a member of the Kriegman Family Association. Mrs. Tankel was a former member of Temple Beth Or, Clark.

Surviving are two daughters, Sheila Weinreb and Janice Campbell; a son, Marc; a brother, Melvin Krieger, and four grandchildren.

The Bernheim-Apter-Kreitzman Chapel handled the arrangements.

### Le Roy Wertz



Le Roy E. Wertz, 81, of Union died Sept. 4 in JFK Medical Center, Edison.

Born in Newark, Mr. Wertz lived in Union since 1961. He was a supervisor with Western Electric Co. for 40 years and then worked for the Department of Defense for five years before retiring five years ago. Mr. Wertz was an Army veteran of the Korean War.

Surviving are two sons, David and Edward; a daughter, Barbara Anne Klein, and three grandchildren.

The Galante Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

### David Wolff

David Wolff, 84, of Springfield, a retired businessman, died Sept. 6 in the Daughters

of Israel, West Orange.

Mr. Wolff was an outstanding athlete in his youth and achieved All-State recognition as a pitcher for Weequahic High School, Newark. He was inducted into the Newark Hall of Fame. Mr. Wolff attended Upsala College in 1942, then volunteered for the Army Air Force the same year.

Two years later, he was a first lieutenant and a bombardier on a B-29 plane, serving in the Pacific on the Tinian Island in the Mariannas. Mr. Wolff was the bombardier in one of the first planes to bomb Tokyo.

Back home, he became a recreational pilot in his own plane. In 1949, Mr. Wolff returned to Upsala to finish his studies and pitched for the college.

He also pitched for one year in the North Atlantic professional league before deciding to go into business.

Mr. Wolff became vice president and general manager of Bruno RCA distributors in New York City.

He then served as president of Fedders Distributors in New York from 1978 to 1981. Mr. Wolff retired in 1986.

He was a longtime member of the Shackamaxon Country Club, Scotch Plains.

Mr. Wolff was the brother of the late Dr. Sheldon Wolff, reportedly one of the world's leading authorities on infectious diseases.

Surviving are his wife of 62 years, Sylvia; two daughters, Susan Diamond and Cathy Stoffel; a son, Mitchell, and nine grandchildren.

The Bernheim-Apter-Kreitzman Suburban Funeral Chapel, Livingston, handled the arrangements.



In Memoriam  
Wayne Alan Russo  
September 11, 2001  
World Trade Center

Your compassion, humility, sense of humor, and beautiful spirit have left a mark on this world and on our hearts.

Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.

We will love you and miss you forever.  
Mom, Dad, Lynne,  
Mario, Jordan, Justin,  
Jesse and Jared.

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## UCC receives grant to help male Latino students

By Kate Rogers  
Associate Editor

Union County College is one of 20 schools across the nation chosen to receive a \$50,000 SEMILLAS grant from Excelencia in Education, in order to accelerate the achievements of the fast-growing population of Latino college students. The money will be used to implement a program to increase the retention rate of male Latino students in education and business majors.

The grant was awarded under Excelencia's "Growing What Works" program, supported by Wal-mart. The initiative seeks to increase the success rates of Latino students in two and four-year institutions through replicating educational programs that are proven to advance this group.

More than 200 colleges and universities

across the nation applied for the grant. Recipients were chosen for success in either helping first-generation, low income Latino students gain college entrance; improving retention rates for students enrolled in college; helping Latino students transfer from two to four-year colleges; or increasing college graduation rates for Latinos.

Sara Lacagnino, director of the La Clave: Male Empowerment program at UCC, said the school applied to the program through the platform of improving retention rates for male Latinos.

"We want to provide more resources to the males to not only stay in college and get their associates degrees here," Lacagnino said. "We want them to then transfer to a four-year college to get their degree and achieve their career goals."

Excelencia will implement and monitor the "Growing What Works" program in UCC throughout this school year, and work with the college to ensure success.

With the support of the grant, Lacagnino said UCC will provide the male Latino students with many professional and personal opportunities.

"There will be lectures and conferences, and we will provide them with a comprehensive support system," she said. "We have Latino community mentors, and peer mentors as well."

UCC chose to work with male Latino students studying both business and education, because those majors have very few Latino students, she said. However, the initiative is open to working with all male Latino students in all majors.

Lacagnino, along with representatives from the other 20 winning schools will be attending the Celebracion De Excelencia at the U.S. Capitol Visitors Center in Washington, D.C. on Sept. 30 in honor of the grant recipients. The La Clave initiative will benefit not only this group of students, Lacagnino said, but also the community as a whole.

"By educating our students and providing them with these resources, they will be able to provide mentoring to others," she said. "They will give back to Union County in their chosen career workforce, and will also be able to become mentors to other students who are facing the same situation as they once did."

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## Cookout time



Early American and Lenape food preparation, including roasting a wild turkey, will be demonstrated by Susan McLellan Plaisted at the 28th annual Union County Harvest Festival on Sept. 27, at Trailside Nature & Science Center in Mountainside. Visitors to this year's festival will enjoy a variety of displays and demonstrations of Early American crafts and work skills, plus musical performances from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., rain or shine. For information, call 908-789-3670 or visit [www.ucnj.org](http://www.ucnj.org).

## UC urges residents to 'be prepared'

In observance of National Preparedness Month, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Union County Office of Health Management encourages residents to take steps to become better prepared for emergencies.

NPM is sponsored by FEMA's Ready Campaign in partnership with Citizen Corps and the Advertising Council. Its intent is to encourage Americans to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses, and communities. This year, the Ready Campaign is helping Americans understand preparedness goes beyond fire alarms, smoke detectors, dead-bolt locks and extra food in the pantry. It is important to change perceptions about emergency preparedness and help Americans understand what it truly means to be "ready."

Union County residents can pre-

pare for emergencies by creating an emergency supply kit, a family emergency plan, and becoming informed about different threats to their homes and families. Threats in Union County include fires, floods, crippling weather and a possible widespread outbreak of the flu virus. This fall, prepare your families by reinforcing frequent hand washing with soap and water, or using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer; avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth; covering noses and mouths with a tissue when coughing or sneezing and placing tissues in the trash, avoid contact with people who are sick; stay home if you are sick to avoid spreading the flu to others; and getting a flu shot.

Visit [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) and [www.ucnj.org/lincs](http://www.ucnj.org/lincs) to find out more about how to prepare for emergency preparedness information.

## Sharing memories proves to be healing for this writer

Have you noticed that everyone has a 9/11 story? Almost none of them are interesting, and people are still telling them.

By my calculation, everyone has heard at least seven hundred 9/11 stories.

This number will continue to multiply, dramatically so each September, until the final goal is reached — until there is no one who doesn't know where everyone else was on 9/11. Then, fully and finally linked, we will know for sure what happened, what it meant, and how to move on. This has not happened yet. A large part of us is

### From My Other Notebook

By Paul Greulich

clearly still in the period of shock that follows a disaster, when everyone is scrambling from door-to-door with their viewpoint in their trembling hands, displaying it like a fresh wound, over and over.

So, in doing my part, here is my

9/11 story. It is the first time I have told it, because it is boring, embarrassing, and the truth.

I was asleep in my dorm room. It was the second day of classes. I was hung over. Yet I knew something drastic must have happened because the boys in my dorm were not shouting about slapping hos and lynching gays anymore. Instead I heard them shouting about slapping hos and bombing rag-heads.

I started to get dressed. Now I could hear someone running up and down all the hallways, pounding on doors and shouting, "Yo,

turn your TVs on! Turn your TVs on, yo!"

I had no TV, and I was almost late for class, so I went on my way.

When I got to class, there were only three other kids there. The professor introduced the course with his head bowed over the lectern.

"This is Shakespeare's Tragedies," he murmured.

In the days and weeks that followed, I began to see sheets of white printer paper with bold-faced phrases typed in the center, such as "United we stand!", "We will never forget!", and "America rules!"

Many were affixed to car wind-

shields or pinned up in the hallways of the academic buildings. Many just fluttered loose across campus. Some were slid under doors and taped on the inside of toilet stalls like notices for another keg party.

"Bring on the justice!!!" read one flyer that I stepped on in the basement when I was doing laundry.

I guessed they were probably ads for something, but by the time I found out what was being sold, everyone had already bought it.

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## Weeding out



Eric Schrading, an assistant supervisor with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, sprays herbicide on an outcropping of Japanese Knotweed in Union County's Lenape Park. Not only do invasive species like Japanese Knotweed crowd out native plant species, but the monoculture that results reduces the diversity of wildlife that depend on the variety of other species of plant life to survive. Spraying by the fish and wildlife service has reduced Japanese Knotweed in the targeted area of Lenape Park by nearly 70 percent.

## Car seat program moves to AAA

The Union County Child Safety Seat Inspection Program guarantees that every resident can have their child's car seat inspected by a trained expert, free of charge. At the end of September, the program is moving to a new, more accessible location, the AAA Car Care Center at 135 U.S. Highway 22 East in Springfield.

The Child Safety Seat Inspection Program is one of the county's most popular and widely used services, with more than 40,000 inspections

conducted since the program began in 1999. Statistics kept by the Inspection Program show there is a clear need for the service: on average, eight of every ten child safety seats are not installed correctly.

The Union County Child Safety Seat Inspection Program is credited with saving at least one life, when a toddler survived a vehicle rollover without serious injury. The child was riding in a seat that had recently been inspected.

The inspections are completely free and are conducted by trained personnel with the Union County Police Department. Grants from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety cover the entire cost of the program.

The Child Safety Seat Inspection Program is open from 7 to 10:30 a.m., every Wednesday and Thursday except holidays. No appointment is necessary but an advance call is suggested, at 908-789-6830.

## Local tea parties protest government

By Kate Rogers  
Associate Editor

Members of the Union County tea party were among the nearly 1,200 members of New Jersey Tea Parties United from across the state that journeyed to the nation's capitol this past Saturday, to take part in a rally for limited government, government accountability and limited spending. The non-formal coalition sent more than 20 busloads of protesters to Washington, to stand up, speak out, and, hopefully, be heard.

Union County resident Daniel Silberstein, founder of the New Jersey Citizens for Liberty organization, said local events, such as the recent Morristown Labor Day tea party which drew a crowd of nearly 2,000 people, are part of an age-old fight to uphold American virtues.

"The tea party movement is really a response to what is generally perceived as out-of-control government," Silberstein said. "There is nothing new about what they advocate for, the principles of limited government and individual liberties on which this country was founded."

The recent surge in tea party attendance, he said, is being prompted in response to the actions of the Bush and Obama administrations.

"There is a concern that the prior administration, and certainly the current administration, is not acting consistently with what we believe

are the principles of the American government," Silberstein said.

Silberstein said he had never taken part in a rally or protest before his first-ever tea party attendance this past April. He left feeling inspired to speak out, and went on to form the New Jersey Citizens for Liberty organization, which shares many of the tea party organizations' ideals.

The signing of the stimulus bill last spring was what made Silberstein want to speak out, he said, a sentiment he believes many people share.

"That kind of attention on Congress made people realize there was something desperately wrong down there," he said. "We are used to government, I'm sorry to say, wasting money, being inefficient, granting favors to friends. But this was on an impossibly large scale."

Can this grassroots movement prompt the change they are seeking? Silberstein believes they already are.

"I think the town hall movement is an example of the advocacy and activism that is now coming from a section of the population that has traditionally not been very active," he said. "Its just people standing up for what they believe, it's the inherent beliefs of the American people.

"This is who we are."  
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## COUNTY BRIEFS

### UC to hold medicinal mushroom seminar

Mushrooms are delightful, mystifying and intriguing, and now a raft of new studies is revealing their many health benefits, too. Union County residents can

get the facts at a free seminar, "Focus on Fungi: Mushrooms and Their Health Benefits," scheduled for Sept. 29 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County in Westfield. The event is free but pre-registration is

required by calling 908-654-9854 or e-mailing [dtorres@ucnj.org](mailto:dtorres@ucnj.org). Dr. Karen Enslie, a nutrition expert and head of the County Extension department, will discuss mushroom history and provide basic facts about their nutritional value.

### POW/MIA to be remembered

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will remember and honor our nation's prisoners of war and military personnel missing in

action at the Union County POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony. The event will take place Sept. 18 at 11:15 a.m. in front of the Courthouse at 2 Board Street in Elizabeth.

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# ARTS & LEISURE

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## Eleventh annual MusicFest draws huge crowds

By Paul Greulich  
Staff Writer

People from all over New Jersey and beyond converged on Oak Ridge Park last weekend to attend what county officials say is the biggest and most successful event in MusicFest's 11-year history.

The two-day event offered a wide variety of entertainment in addition to a host of rock music acts. These included carnival rides, bike tricks, and a wide variety of vendors offering food, clothing and artwork.

The increased scope and variety of this year's festival necessitated the use of Oak Ridge Park, a large county park that was only recently converted from a golf course. County officials reported a total of about 50,000 people attended. On Saturday, Freeholder Dan Sullivan took the stage to thank the crowd for attending.

"This is a great event," Sullivan said. "We really feel this brings Union County together. And if you're not from Union County we're glad to have you."

Acts to appear on the two largest stages included They Might Be Giants, Tonic, The Gin



Photo by Ellen McCaffrey

MusicFest this year drew huge crowds to Oak Ridge Park. Above, Peter Buck of the Minus 5 during the band's performance.

Blossoms, and the Minus 5.

Minus 5 drummer Linda Pitmon Wynn, said she enjoyed the opportunity to play in Union County.

"It's a great time," Pitmon said. "It's always a great plus when you can look out and see the bumper cars and the roller coasters going."

Another unique attraction was an arts showcase known as Fusion, which offered interactive live art, custom fashion designs and on site photography.

"The Fusion showcase added a whole new element to MusicFest that no one had seen before," said MusicFest sponsor Lee Frankel, owner of the Crossroads restaurant in Garwood, which also sponsored one of the stages.

Diana and John Junio, a husband and wife who reside in Cranford, said they were glad to see proceeds benefitting the Valerie Fund, as they have a grandson suffering from cancer.

"We were only here a short time, but we enjoyed it," Diana Junio said. "We're older, but we like music."

Jim Habinowski, a Westchester, New York resident who won VIP passes to the event, also enjoyed the musical acts.

"It's a great festival," Habinowski said. "The music's great. They did a really good job on the sound."

Habinowski said Musicfest would have proved worth his while even without the passes.

"We would have come anyway if we'd known the music would be so good," he said.

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## Play connects past with present

By Ruth Ross  
Correspondent

In this age of the Internet, we have grown accustomed to tales of identity theft, but who'd have thought this crime could have been a problem in 1840s London? Well, as evidenced in his historical drama, "Any Other Name," now onstage at Premiere Stages in Union, playwright George Brant does just that, to gripping and engrossing effect.

It seems critic and would-be poet Edward Ballard has tracked his idol, John Clark, known as "The Peasant Poet," in a London madhouse where he has been committed by his wife Rebecca. Clark, who thinks he's William Shakespeare, had some modest success with his first volume of verses, only to be overshadowed by Byron and Shelley. Ballard is convinced there are more poems hidden somewhere. While pretending to be Clark, he hopes to pass off these works as his own and achieve the fame and fortune to impress his American bride. Unfortunately, when he tries to peddle the poetry to Clark's former publisher, the man's suspicions are aroused, and he tells Ballard the public is no longer interested in nature poetry. Now that Clark has

been released from the asylum, poems about insanity would provide an impetus to sales. "It's the poet, not the poems," he says. This presents Ballard with a dilemma — to write the poems himself, or to spring Clark and have him write them?

What ensues is a series of reversals that to some might seem predictable, but the play is performed by such stellar acting that the audience is kept on the edge of its collective seat just to see how the puzzle plays out. As mad John Clark, Paul Molnar is totally convincing, whether he's writing furiously on his mattress or his hand, scratching himself or talking incessant drivel. Because we never hear any of his poetry, it's difficult to tell whether Clark really was lionized in his day, but the obsessive and shallow Ballard, as feverishly played by Fletcher McTaggart, certainly thinks so. High strung and strung out with the very thought of fame, McTaggart turns in a terrifying performance of the things a man may resort to when trying to impress a woman, in this case his wife.

Audra Taliencio's Margaret Ballard starts off slowly and a bit tentatively at first, but gains power in the

second act. As the critic of her husband's poetry, she's spot on and we watch him wilt before her words. Carl Wallnau is splendid as publisher Andrew Maddock, suspicious, sly and a genius with an eye for what will sell. His manner is crisp, businesslike but crafty.

The winner of Premiere Stages Play Festival, "Any Other Name" was selected for production from over 300 submissions, and it is easy to see why. Edward Ballard may not have had the Internet to aid him — with it he might have been "outed" earlier and easier — but he is so self-absorbed and gets so caught up in his own schemes, he fails to take into account his own shortcomings, which trip him up mightily. There's some satisfaction in that.

"Any Other Name" will be performed at the Zella Fry Theatre on the Kean University campus through Sunday. Performances are Thursday through Sundays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 8 p.m. There will be a 3 p.m. performance on September 18. For information and tickets, call the box office at 908-737-SHOW or visit [www.keanstage.com](http://www.keanstage.com).

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## Three cheers for CDC



The cast members of 'The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged),' from left to right, Mike Burdick, Ed Faver, Joel Redmount, kick off a celebration of the theatre's 90th anniversary of presenting plays in Cranford. The show runs Fridays and Saturdays, Oct. 9 through 24 beginning at 8 p.m.

# Jam sessions make 'magic'

By Pete Howard  
Correspondent

Whether it's in front of 100,000 screaming fans or in someone's cramped basement, there's something magical that happens when a group of people get together to play music. It's unexplainable, but so moving for everyone involved. It can bring friends closer together and create lasting relationships between strangers.

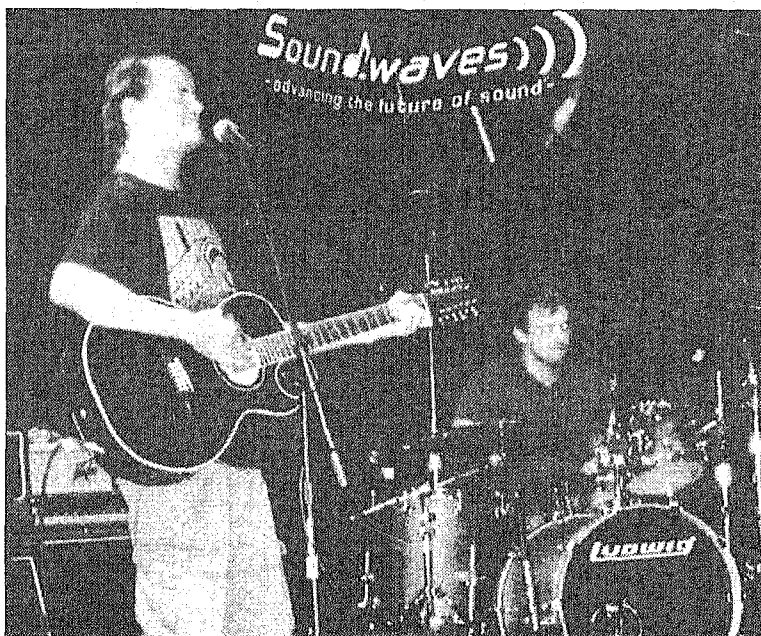
As a long time musician, but relatively new to the New Jersey music scene, I was curious when I heard a new studio in Union, Soundwaves, was hosting jam sessions that were open to the public. So, I went to see what it was all about.

My first impression when I entered the facility was one of amazement. The studio was beautiful, relaxed and filled with top-notch gear — a musician's dream. The professionally-lighted stage sat in one corner of the studio with sleek couches, tables and chairs surrounding it. The room was reminiscent of some of the most hip and beloved venues on the East Coast.

I had brought a pair of drum sticks with me, but I wasn't sure how receptive the other players would be to an outsider. However, to my delight, it wasn't more than a few songs into the night before I was enthusiastically invited on stage with the others.

With nothing more than a slight nod and a quick hello, I nuzzled in behind the drum kit and was soon grooving with the others as if we had been playing together for years. At one point during a song I found myself sharing comedic glances with a guitar player who I hadn't even said a word to yet; but we shared a common bond in the music.

Each song brought forth a musical journey which was a satisfying



Pete Howard on the drums at a recent jam session. Soundwaves Studio will host a grand opening on Oct. 3 and 4.

adventure for not only the musicians on the stage, but also the audience. The room full of strangers suddenly became a group of friends traversing together, arm in arm, singing loud and passionately.

Each jam started in the same spontaneous way. One player would pick a song they wanted to play, shout out a quick key signature and then lead the band into it. Even though some of the band members had never even heard certain songs, let alone played them, the musicians, some who were merely acquaintances or less just minutes earlier, pulled together towards the common goal of creating musical magic.

Calling on anyone and everyone in the crowd who might want to play; the performers would switch instruments, new players would jump up to join and the entertainment never

stopped. Like any art form, music is driven by creativity and freedom, and there's plenty to go around at these jam sessions. Players would take turns expanding on their musical ideas with nothing but the utmost support and enthusiasm from the others. No musical notion or player's creativity was squelched in any way; instead, everyone was equally as important in the experience.

I'm glad to see Soundwaves is helping to recreate this powerful feeling and constructing friendships through music with every jam session they host. It has become a place where musicians of all ages and levels can converge to jam, take lessons, record their music or just chat with other music lovers. Within minutes you'll feel like a regular, so, grab your instrument and come join in the magic.

# SAGE workshop featured on TV

By Ryan O'Reilly  
Correspondent

SUMMIT— Retirement can be boring for some senior citizens after decades of hard work. At SAGE Eldercare, a furniture restoration workshop offers an opportunity to stay active for elderly members of the community.

The workshop does repairs involving hand caning, rushing and splint weaving.

Shop manager and retired dentist Albert Kessler, said volunteers come from many different backgrounds and places to contribute to the workshop.

"The people come from all over," Kessler said. "We have a retired police chief, retired nose and throat surgeon, retired lawyer, retired professor of romance language.

"We also have four women." The workshop has 15 volunteers and does have requirements as to the amount of work mem-

bers put in each week. "We require two mornings a week at minimum so they can start and finish a project. Some come in two mornings, some three and some five," he said.

The volunteers work for free, however, the workshop does charge for repairs, and serves as a way for SAGE to make money.

"We're really a fundraising operation for SAGE. The money goes towards the general fund for SAGE," Kessler said.

Business is booming, according to Kessler, especially after the shop appeared on FOX 5's Good Day New York, on Aug. 14.

"Since that has aired, we've seen a splurge in the amount of materials coming in for repair," Kessler said.

SAGE is a not-for-profit organization concerned with the health, happiness and general welfare of older citizens, according to its Web site.

The workshop provides a

place for older citizens to go and learn a craft, then utilize that education while also helping the community.

When volunteers first arrive, they do not know how to do many of the repairs offered. Kessler said that is where the experience of others comes into play.

"Mainly, these are people who have a certain degree of manual dexterity. Two years we gave a course and the experience we all have is passed on from man-to-man and woman-to-woman," he said.

The workshop has seen a growth in popularity with some free publicity, but the idea behind it remains the same— to give the elderly something to do in the retirement that will benefit not just them, but the entire surrounding community.

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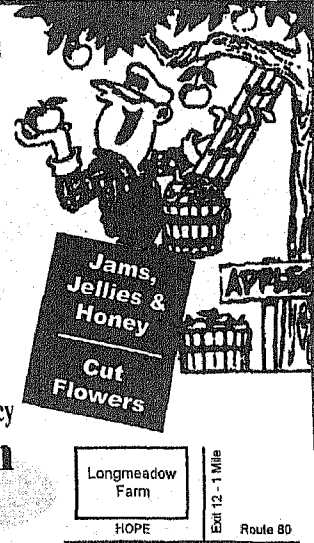
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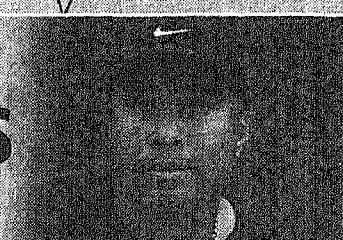


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## CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Invests in little enterprises
- 5. 12th Jewish month
- 9. Hebrew dry measure
- 14. Hunted animals
- 15. Interpret
- 16. Express mirth
- 17. Stalemates
- 18. \_\_\_ten: be shiny
- 19. Made a mistake
- 20. Encourage balloting
- 23. The content of cognition
- 24. 4 quarts (abbr.)
- 25. Countries
- 28. Not exoteric
- 33. = to 100 tetri
- 34. Crust of tiny crystals
- 35. Point midway between E and SE
- 36. Take part in a rebellion
- 38. Not or
- 39. Clear plastic wrap
- 41. School organization
- 42. Sheets of glass
- 44. Blats
- 45. First lights
- 47. Probability
- 49. \_\_\_kosh, B'gosh
- 50. Popular rubber shoe
- 51. Buddleia
- 57. Genus lophophorus
- 58. Jai \_\_\_ sport
- 59. Ramona cooking herb
- 61. Chosen above others
- 62. Actor Sean
- 63. Oaksey Park Airport
- 64. Palm fruits
- 65. Unsheared sheep
- 66. Lay aside

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## CLUES DOWN

- 1. Seaport (abbr.)
- 2. A ship's jail
- 3. Where electrical engineers meet
- 4. Inflammation of the bladder
- 5. Quarrels
- 6. The 4th Greek letter
- 7. Nearly horizontal mine passage
- 8. The 20th Hebrew letter
- 9. Moves to a higher place
- 10. Prisoner's conditional release
- 11. "Body Heat" actor William author
- 12. "A Death in The Family" author
- 13. Hogshead (abbr.)
- 21. A lyric poem
- 22. Conscious identities
- 25. Open handed hits
- 26. SE Estonian city
- 27. One born under "The Ram"
- 28. Sea eagles
- 29. Soapy water
- 30. Showed old movie
- 31. Sir \_\_\_ Newton
- 32. Odorize
- 34. A citizen of Denmark
- 37. Formal missives
- 40. Calculating machines
- 43. USTA stadium
- 46. Revolve
- 47. Weeping
- 48. \_\_\_goblin: folklore creature
- 50. Loud metallic noise
- 51. Cord tie
- 52. An individual group
- 53. Undivided attention
- 54. Take to one's heels
- 55. Epic story
- 56. Popular home channel
- 57. \_\_\_ student, learns healing
- 60. Female sheep

# What's Going On?

## OTHER

### SUNDAY

September 27, 2009

EVENT: Kenilworth Freedom Run (5K) AND WALK (2K).

PLACE: Event starts from N. 21st/N. 22nd Street Parking Lot (behind Kenilworth Seniors' Center). Parking available at David Brearley Middle/High School (401 Monroe Ave.)

TIME: 8:30 a.m. registration; 10 a.m. Freedom Run and Walk start

PRICE: Registration fees: \$23 (5K); \$10 (2K). Discount for registrations

received by September 18.  
**DETAILS:** T-shirts for participants in Run and Walk. Awards for 5K Run top finishers (each age group and overall race). Registration forms/instructions at Kenilworth Library; Borough Clerk's Office; KHS Web site [www.geocities.com/kenilworth567/index.html](http://www.geocities.com/kenilworth567/index.html); CompuScore Web site [www.compuscore.com/](http://www.compuscore.com/). For further information, call 908-709-0434.  
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## HOROSCOPE

### Sept. 20 to 26

**ARIES, March 21 to April 20:** Aries, big things have been happening to you and you may not be ready for all of the changes. There's no turning back this week, so you'd better get used to the idea.

**TAURUS, April 21 to May 21:** Gloating does not become you, Taurus. Share your special news in a way that will make others feel involved and happy for your good fortune. Tuesday is a key day.

**GEMINI, May 22 to June 21:** Gemini, tempers flare and it will be up to you to put out the flames. You just need to find the right approach to the situation. Money matters are of concern later in the week.

**CANCER, June 22 to July 22:** Cancer, you will have to take the reigns when someone who is close to you is unable to fulfill his or her responsibility this week. You'll be

a trooper and get the job done.

**LEO, July 23 to Aug. 23:** Leo, fear of the unknown is causing you to hang out in the shadows. This isn't in your nature, so get out there and show off your stuff. You'll be surprised.

**VIRGO, Aug. 24 to Sept. 22:** Virgo, you wish you were one of those people with too much time on your hands. But as this week proves, it's simply not the case. You'll be running around.

**LIBRA, Sept. 23 to Oct. 23:** You may have bitten off more than you can chew, Libra. Now you will spend the week working hard to complete all of your tasks. Ask Cancer for some help.

**SCORPIO, Oct. 24 to Nov. 22:** Scorpio, feeling overwhelmed is normal for someone in your position this week. However, you have the dedication to muster through and get any job done.

**SAGITTARIUS, Nov. 23 to Dec. 21:** A few changes are in

store for you, Sagittarius. Are you ready? You may want to do a little end-of-season cleaning in your home. Now is the time to sort through old things and trash them.

**CAPRICORN, Dec. 22 to Jan. 20:** Capricorn, surprise news leaves others baffled by your actions. Next time you may want to drop some hints to lessen the blow. Don't expect a warm reception.

**AQUARIUS, Jan. 21 to Feb. 18:** Aquarius, you have a lot on your plate right now, but the best thing to do is to check one item off the "to-do" list each day. This way things won't start backing up.

**PISCES, Feb. 19 to March 20:** Pisces, things don't always work out the way you expect them to. This week is the same, but you'll be surprised at the outcome.

Also born this week: Sophia Loren, Ricki Lake, Scott Baio, Matt Hardy, Nia Vardalos, Heather Locklear and Olivia Newton-John.

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# Stepping Out

## ART SHOWS

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is pleased to announce that the **2009 TEEN ARTS TRAVELING EXHIBIT** will be on display at **EDGE ART GALLERY**, 1577 Irving Street in the Rahway Arts District, through Sept. 25 during regular gallery hours. The exhibit consists of 55 pieces of art selected from more than 600 visual art works shown at the 2009 Union County Teen Arts Festival held in March at Union County College in Cranford. For information about the Teen Arts program contact the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs at 908-558-2550. NJ Relay service users should call 711 or e-mail [culturalinfo@ucnj.org](mailto:culturalinfo@ucnj.org).

**THE ARTS GUILD NEW JERSEY** presents the **TEK-TANIK EXHIBIT** with Evonne Davis as curator. The exhibit will be on display through Oct. 6. Admission is free. The gallery is located at 1670 Irving Street in Rahway. For information, call 732-381-7511, e-mail [Arts-guild1670@verizon.net](mailto:Arts-guild1670@verizon.net) or visit [www.rahwayartsguild.org](http://www.rahwayartsguild.org).

**THE KENT PLACE GALLERY** will present an exhibition of **NEW PAINTINGS BY KEN WEATHERSBY** through Oct. 9. There will be an artist's reception from 6 to 8 p.m. on Sept. 10. In "The Reverse Side Also Has a Reverse Side," Weathersby's paintings present intense, elegant grids of primary color that subtly invert expectations in a number of ways. Artwork in the exhibition is new, mostly dated 2009, and some have been created as installation pieces specifically for this show at Kent Place Gallery. The exhibit and reception are free and open to the public. The Kent Place Gallery, located in Summit on the campus of Kent Place School, is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by appointment with Director Ken Weathersby. For information please call 908-273-0900, or visit [www.kentplace.org](http://www.kentplace.org).

The **LINDEN** Department of Public Property and Community Services is **SEEKING LOCAL ARTISTS** who are willing to display their artwork to the public on Fridays during the summer at the Raymond Wood Bauer Promenade, 400 N. Wood Ave. in Linden. Those who are interested may call the Department of Public Property and Community Services at 908-474-8600 and ask for Gary Luciano or Rosemary Cherego. On the First Thursday of each month, the city of Rahway will host an **ARTS DISTRICT OPEN HOUSE** in the downtown area between The Arts Guild on Irving Street and Seminary Avenue, and Elm Street at Irving Street from 6 to 9 p.m. These First Thursday events include visual arts exhibits; live music, crafts, play readings, free

dance lessons and other arts activities at several locations in the area.

## AUDITIONS

**NEW JERSEY DANCE THEATRE ENSEMBLE** will hold **AUDITIONS** for its upcoming season this Sunday in the dance studios at the Simon Forum & Athletic Center at Drew University, 36 Madison Avenue, Madison. NJDTE is a nonprofit, pre-professional company for serious dancers ages nine to 18 that offers superior training in classical and contemporary ballet and modern dance with a world-renowned faculty. For information and required audition appointment e-mail [info@njdte.org](mailto:info@njdte.org) or call 908-232-0114. Visit the Web site at [www.njdte.org](http://www.njdte.org).

On Sept. 26 and 27, 1 p.m., the **CDC THEATRE**, 78 Winans Avenue in Cranford, will hold auditions for theatre for a **YOUNG AUDIENCES PRESENTATION** of "ALICE IN WONDERLAND." The show will run Dec. 4 through 6. It is directed by Alexandra Lopez and choreographed by Christina Rak-Samson. All roles are available. Casting is looking for characters from high school to adults. Also needed are six dancers, middle school to high school aged, with some gymnastics skills a plus. For information, call 908-276-7611 or visit [www.cdctheatre.org](http://www.cdctheatre.org).

## BOOKS

Today at 10 a.m., **SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY** will hold its adult **GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP**. The group will discuss "Thoughts for the Times" by Sigmund Freud. The event is free and open to the public. For information, visit [www.sfplnj.org](http://www.sfplnj.org).

**HILLSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY'S** monthly **PAGETURNERS BOOK CLUB** will meet at 6 p.m. tonight. The book to be discussed is "The Hour I First Believed" by Wally Lamb. The Book Club is free and open to all. The next Book Lovers Luncheon will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday. Hear about new books and share old favorites over lunch. A \$5 donation will be collected the date of the luncheon to help cover the cost of lunch. RSVP to the library at 973-923-4413.

**THE READERS' FORUM**, the book discussion group of **CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY**, will begin its seventeenth year with a discussion of "The Patron Saint of Liars" by Ann Patchett on Monday. New members are welcome at any time. Sessions start at 7 p.m. and are held in the library's Fridlington Room. For information, call 908-709-7272, or e-mail the library at [library@cranfordnj.org](mailto:library@cranfordnj.org).

The **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** of **KENILWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY** will meet at 7:15 p.m. on Sept. 29, to discuss "THE STORY OF A MARRIAGE," by Andrew

Sean Greer. Participation in the book discussion group is free and open to all adult members of the general public. Previous experience in a book discussion group is not required and new members are always welcome. Because space is limited, pre-registration is requested and can be done in person at the library or by calling 908-276-2451 during regular library hours. Copies of "The Story of a Marriage" are available for checkout at the library's circulation desk. Kenilworth Public Library is located at 548 Boulevard. For information about the library and the services it offers, visit [www.kenilworthlibrary.org](http://www.kenilworthlibrary.org).

The "**BROWN BAG BOOK CLUB**" FOR SENIORS at the **SUMMIT FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY** resumes on Oct. 16 at 12:30 p.m. The book to be discussed is Willa Cather's classic, "My Antonia." Participants are invited to bring a bag lunch; beverages will be provided. The library is located at 75 Maple Street in Summit. For information call 908-273-0350 or visit [www.summitlibrary.org](http://www.summitlibrary.org).

The **UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** has selected a new slate of titles for future discussions through the end of 2009. The schedule is as follows: Oct. 21 "Unaccustomed Earth" by Jhumpa Lahiri; Nov. 18 "The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Society" by Mary Ann Shaffer. All meetings begin at 7 p.m., and refreshments will be served. Anyone who has read the book is invited. For help in obtaining copies of the books or for information, call 908-851-5452.

## CONCERTS

**BOB MALONE** will perform Saturday at 7:30 p.m. as part of the **COFFEE WITH CONSCIENCE** series in Westfield. The performance will be held at The First United Methodist Church of Westfield, One East Broad Street, on the corner of East Broad and North Avenues. Proceeds of the show will benefit **CONTACT We Care!** Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and the concert starts at 8 p.m. For tickets or information, visit [www.coffeewithconscience.org](http://www.coffeewithconscience.org).

**RICHIE HAVENS** is back at it again with his 30th album release, "Nobody Left to Crown." He will perform on Sunday at 6 p.m. at **CROSSROADS**, 78 North Avenue in Garwood. For information call 908-232-5666 or visit [www.xxroads.com](http://www.xxroads.com).

A **COUNTRY JAMBOREE FUND RAISER** will be held on Sunday, from 3 to 7 p.m., at the **HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 301 Tucker Avenue in Union. The Host Band will be Movin' On with Dotty Williams.

On Wednesday, dramatic tenor **SALVATORE CHIARELLI** will be singing at **YM-YWHA OF UNION** at noon as part of the annual Welcome

Back luncheon show. Joining him for this performance will be soprano Elga Jonannes. This is a rare opportunity to see this award-winning performer and international recording artist in an intimate setting. Join in for a delicious full-course chicken dinner with all the trimmings prior to the concert. The concert will include Italian songs, musical theater, movie sound and popular songs, as well as some operatic pieces. Call Susan for reservations at 908-289-8112.

**THE SALEM ROADHOUSE CAFE** at Townley Presbyterian Church, 829 Salem Road, Union, will feature a **LIVE MUSIC SHOW AND ART GALLERY DISPLAY** on Saturday, with **SLIGHT IMPERFECTION**, a local duet group from Millburn, at 7:30 p.m. Slight Imperfection plays Celtic & American rock and folk; with folk harp, guitar and vocals. Local artist Rosalia Verdun will be displaying her oil paintings and portraits at the Roadhouse Gallery, and will be on hand for patrons to meet and discuss her work. The Roadhouse Cafe may be contacted by calling 908-686-1028, or by e-mail at [Salem-roadhouse@gmail.com](mailto:Salem-roadhouse@gmail.com). The Web site is [www.roadhousecafe.org](http://www.roadhousecafe.org).

**THE ROSELLE PARK VETERANS MEMORIAL LIBRARY**, 404 Chestnut Street, Roselle Park, will be presenting a **THURSDAY EVENING CONCERT SERIES** at 7 p.m. The performances are as follows: Oct. 1- Tenor Salvatore Chiarelli performs Italian/Neapolitan songs, love ballads, musical theater pieces, opera and more. Nov. 12- Rosewood and Rhythm, a Jazz quartet featuring the music of Jeff Ausfahl with spanish guitar, voice, cello and percussion. Dec. 10- Merynda Adams will return for a beautiful night of Harp music. All concerts are free. For information call 908-245-2456.

**CROSSROADS IN GARWOOD** will feature: every Monday, Open Mic Night, every Tuesday, Jazz Jam, every Wednesday, karaoke night. Crossroads is located at 78 North Ave., Garwood. For information, call Lee at 908-232-5666, or visit [www.xxroads.com](http://www.xxroads.com).

## DANCE

**Y-SQUARES**, a local square dance club, meets Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Frank K. Hehny School, Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 908-298-1851, 732-381-2535 or 908-241-9492.

**LUNA LOUNGE** hosts "Tasty Thursdays" with DJ Richie, who spins reggae and hip-hop. Patrons must be 21 or older to enter. Dress is casual but trendy. Parking is available. Luna Lounge is located at 1906 E. Georges Ave., Linden. Call 908-925-4120 for details.

## HOBBIES

Mayor Joseph Delorio and Roselle Park Borough Council will host the

2009 season of the **ROSELLE PARK "CRUISIN' NIGHT" CAR SHOWS AND SWAP MEETS**. The next event will be Saturday from 4 to 7 p.m., with the rain date being the following day. The car shows and swap meets will take place at the Michael J. Mauri Gazebo Park, on the corner of Chestnut Street and Grant Avenue. Everyone is invited to bring old or new cars, trucks, and motorcycles. There will be trophies, a 50/50 raffle, oldies music by DJ Papa Joe Colletti and more. Anyone interested in sponsoring a trophy, being a vendor, or obtaining information on the show can call 908-245-0666.

Summit Department of Community Programs will sponsor **CHESS CLUB** for chess players from beginner to the most experienced players. Classes are available on Monday evenings for youth ages 7 to 17, from 6 to 7 p.m. and adults from 6 to 7 p.m. Classes are at the Field House at 5 Myrtle Ave. For online registration and credit card payment go to <https://register.community-pass.net/summit>.

**THE NORTH JERSEY CAR CLUB** meets at Anthony Amalfe Community Center, 1268 Sheaffer Ave., Roselle, on the first Saturday of each month. Meetings start at 9:30 a.m. Free refreshments are served to members and guests before the meeting. For information, call Jim at 908-245-4744.

## MOVIES

**MOUNTAINSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY** will host the "**BROWN BAG MOVIES**" series for adults on Mondays at noon. Bring your lunch and enjoy a classic movie and a cartoon short. The library will provide drinks and dessert. "Wednesday Night at the Movies" continues through the fall, with feature films beginning at 6:30 p.m. Visit [www.mountainsidelibrary.org](http://www.mountainsidelibrary.org) or call 233-0115 for a list of what's being shown.

**SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY** will hold its **LUNCHTIME FILM SERIES** throughout the month of September. The schedule is as follows: Tuesday at noon- "Literature Into Film." Bring a brown bag lunch.

**THE FILM MOVEMENT SERIES** continues at **SUMMIT FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY** with monthly screenings of recent foreign and independent motion pictures from film festivals around the world. On Sept. 25 at 12:30 p.m., the Argentinean film "The Window" will be shown. The Fall session of the International Film Festival begins on Oct. 19 with showings at 2 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. (title TBA). The library is located at 75 Maple Street in Summit. For information call 908-273-0350 or visit [www.summitlibrary.org](http://www.summitlibrary.org).

**UNION COUNTY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER** presents "**BEST OF THE GARDEN STATE FILM FESTIVAL**," featuring award-winning feature length documentary "Johnny Cash At Folsom Prison" and award-winning short film, "The Drummer," on Oct. 3 at 8 p.m. To purchase tickets, call 732-499-8226 or visit [www.UCPAC.org](http://www.UCPAC.org). Tickets may also be purchased in person at the UCPAC Box Office located at 1601 Irving Street, Rahway.

## THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By JR Parachini  
Sports Editor

Summit made a big statement in its opener, dominating Hillside 42-0 Saturday at home and playing extremely well in all phases of the game.

Governor Livingston on Friday night, Westfield Saturday afternoon and Scotch Plains Saturday night all came back from halftime deficits to start the season 1-0.

Nobody picked Brearley to beat New Providence for the second year in a row.

For the second year in a row the Bears proved everyone wrong by beating the Pioneers in the first season-opener between the two schools in 10 years.

GL was down 27-7 at the half at Johnson Friday night, committing five turnovers in the first two quarters. The Highlanders came back to win 34-33.

In the season-opener for both last year in Berkeley Heights, Johnson came back to win a 15-14 contest on a very hot and humid Saturday afternoon.

"The kids showed a lot of character by the way they were able to come back," GL sixth-year head coach Terry Hanratty said.

Leading the way offensively were senior quarterback Max Machado and running backs Mike Uhouse, Richie Murillo and Andrew Romeo.

Scotch Plains defeated Cranford 26-24 in a wacky game that saw the lights go out with 5:44 left in the fourth quarter.

The visiting Raiders trailed 18-14 at the half.

Cranford was stopped on a two-point play after pulling within 26-24 with less than four minutes left.

Then Scotch Plains' senior Gary Binkiewicz made a key tackle at the end to prevent the Cougars from scoring a go-ahead touchdown with a 1:30 to go.

Westfield came back to beat Elizabeth 14-6 after trailing the visiting Minutemen 6-0 at the half. It was the second time in three years that Westfield defeated Elizabeth after not beating the Minutemen for a long time.

Dayton also had a nice opening victory, winning at Roselle Park 34-6 Friday night.

The Bulldogs, who were 5-5 last year, defeated the Panthers for the second straight season.

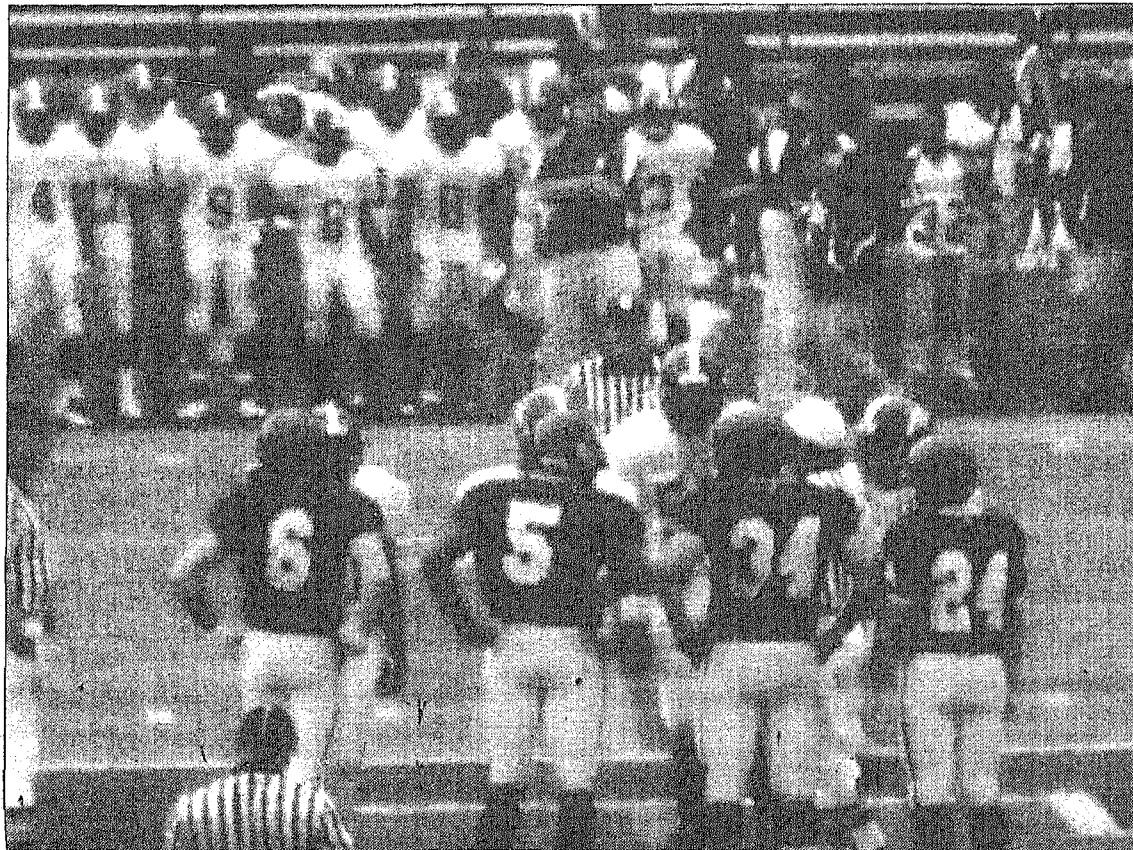


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Summit is sparked this season by captains, from left, Joe Jaskolski (No. 6), Dwaine Dabney (No. 5), Kevin McNany (No. 34) and Matt Rea (No. 24).

## Summit football makes statement with first win Hilltoppers excel in all phases of game

By JR Parachini  
Sports Editor

**SUMMIT** — Just nine months ago Hillside and Summit both came within one score of playing against each other in what would have been an unpredictable North 2, Group 2 championship game matchup at Giants Stadium.

Summit came close to beating Governor Livingston before falling 32-28 in Berkeley Heights in a N2, G2 semifinal. In the other semi at Union's Cooke Memorial Field, Hillside lost to eventual champion Caldwell 28-21 on one of the coldest nights ever for football.

Now both members of the Mountain Division of the newly-formed Mid-State 39 Conference, the two clashed Saturday afternoon at Tatlock Field in the season-opener for both.

Visiting Hillside, which finished 8-3 last season for its first winning campaign in five years, entered as the underdog after getting hit much harder by graduation than Summit.

The home team Hilltoppers, returning a fine senior class that includes quarterback Joe Jaskolski, running backs Dwaine Dabney and Matt Rea and linebacker Kevin McNany, went 5-6 last year and are seeking their first winning season since 2003.

More importantly, Summit is out to win its first state championship since last capturing N2, G2 in 1994.

Saturday was the first step and it came against a Hillside team that had a new quarterback in senior Davonte Ginyard and a talented senior linebacker in Eric Oleka. The Comets gave up the fewest points of any Union County team last year, yielding just 85 in 11 games, but that was 2008.

Now it's 2009 and Hillside made a big statement right from the opening kickoff.

Summit played well in all phases of the game en route to a dominating 42-0 triumph over Hillside.

It took only two plays for Summit to score after a game-opening 45-yard kickoff return by Rea.

Dabney ran 13 yards to his left from the Hillside 40 for a first down and then Jaskolski rolled right and hit a wide open Marcel Godino right before the end zone for a 27-yard touchdown pass.

"It couldn't have worked out better," Jaskolski said. "To score on the second play in the first game is just unreal. It's just a total momentum breaker and a real boost."

"Our goal was to score right off the bat," Godino said.

Jaskolski hit Godino, a senior wide receiver, again for a 39-yard touchdown pass on the right sideline on fourth-and-seven. Jaskolski threw up a nice, high ball that Godino came down with against single coverage draped over him.

"I audibled into that because I knew there was a lot of space to the side," Jaskolski said. "I knew that Marcel (6-0, 165) was the fastest guy on the field, so I just tried to loft it up and get it to the outside so he could pick it up and catch it. He's definitely my No. 1 receiver and I'm going to be looking for him a lot."

"I probably just ran like 10 yards quick and then I turned around and saw it outside my shoulder and the guy was all over me," Godino said. "I took my hands out, caught it, saw the flag go up and just ran right in."

A third touchdown pass in the quarter was thrown to senior wide receiver Shawn Hillas, completing a drive that covered 87 yards.

### THIS WEEKEND'S UNION COUNTY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

(according to  
www.highschoolsports.net)  
**Thursday, Sept. 17 (7 games)**  
Roselle Park at Belvidere, 6 p.m.  
Elizabeth at Hillsborough, 7 p.m.  
Plainfield at Hunterdon Central, 7 p.m.  
Westfield at Watchung Hills, 7 p.m.  
Hillside at Cranford, 7 p.m.  
Pingry at Brearley, 7 p.m.  
South Hunterdon vs. Dayton at Union, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Sept. 18 (2 games)**  
Scotch Plains at Linden, 2:30 p.m.  
Summit at Bernards, 3 p.m.  
**Saturday, Sept. 19 (2 games)**  
Union at Franklin, 1 p.m.  
Manville at Roselle, 1 p.m.  
**Sunday, Sept. 20 (1 game)**  
North Plainfield at New Providence, 2 p.m.  
**OFF (3 teams)**  
GL, Rahway, Johnson

### LAST WEEKEND'S UNION COUNTY RESULTS

**Friday, Sept. 11 (6 games)**  
Union 21, Bridgewater-Raritan 0  
Linden 21, Rahway 12  
Montgomery 24, Plainfield 13  
Dayton 34, Roselle Park 6  
Brearley 12, New Providence 0  
Gov. Livingston 34, Johnson 33  
**Saturday, Sept. 12 (4 games)**  
Westfield 14, Elizabeth 6  
Summit 42, Hillside 0  
Somerville 22, Roselle 19  
Scotch Plains 26, Cranford 24

### JR'S PICKS THIS WEEK (12)

Belvidere over Roselle Park  
Elizabeth over Hillsborough  
Hunterdon Central over Plainfield  
Westfield over Watchung Hills  
Cranford over Hillside  
Brearley over Pingry  
Dayton over South Hunterdon  
Linden over Scotch Plains  
Summit over Bernards  
Union over Franklin  
Roselle over Manville  
New Providence over N. Plainfield  
**Best bet:** Summit over Bernards  
**Upset special:** Dayton over SH  
**Last week:** 4-6  
**This year:** 4-6 (.400)  
**Best bets:** 1-0. **Upset specials:** 0-1

### JR'S FIRST UNION COUNTY TOP 10 RANKING FOR 2009

1-Union (1-0)  
2-Westfield (1-0)  
3-Summit (1-0)  
4-Linden (1-0)  
5-Scotch Plains (1-0)  
6-Governor Livingston (1-0)  
7-Brearley (1-0)  
8-Elizabeth (0-1)  
9-Rahway (0-1)  
10-Johnson (0-1)  
**Others:** Cranford (0-1), New Providence (0-1), Dayton (1-0), Roselle (0-1), Plainfield (0-1), Hillside (0-1), Roselle Park (0-1).



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# Hillside seeks to bounce back today vs. Cranford

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Jaskolski completed 5-of-7 passes for 127 yards and three touchdowns in the first quarter.

Dabney scored his first touchdown of the season in the second quarter on a five-yard run after a fumble recovery by teammate Matt Mulholland from his defensive line position.

Dabney led all Summit rushers with 50 yards on six carries in the first half, with Jaskolski gaining 26 on two, Rea 20 on three and Sal Liberato six on two.

Jaskolski completed 7-of-10 passes for 154 yards and three touchdowns. He finished 8-of-11 for 175 yards and his three TD passes after completing one pass of 21 yards to Dabney in the third quarter. That was his only pass in the second half before giving way to Summit reserve quarterbacks.

"After playing last year, that was the first time we got that offense," Jaskolski said, referring to the Wing-T and Shot Gun formations. "Now that we're used to it we can add more stuff and then work on the little things that can really improve our offense and perfect it."

"We're having me do a lot of audibles this time that will put us in better situations and will help us a lot."

Hillside senior running back Markindy Saint-Cyr led all rushers in the first half with 56 yards on 11 carries. Ginyard completed 2-of-4 passes for 13 yards.

Summit had nine first downs and Hillside eight. Summit gained 102 yards rushing on 14 carries and 154 passing for 256 yards. Hillside gained 96 yards rushing on 24 attempts and 13 passing for 109 yards.

Hilltopper backup quarterback Pat Huck, also a senior, completed a six-yard touchdown pass to Rea in the third quarter and then later in the period Dabney recovered his own fumble and scampered 60 yards for his second score.

Dabney led all rushers with 132 yards on eight carries, playing only the first three quarters.

McNany, along with senior lineman Mike Watts at left tackle and junior lineman Ryan O'Malley at right end, made their presence felt on defense by coming up with numerous tackles.

Summit allowed 228 points in 11 games last year, with its only shutout a 26-0 win at Dover.

"This was great," McNany said. "Last night we had a meeting and I told everyone to go into every play with heart and desire. It was clearly demonstrated today."

"We've been working so hard and in the weight room all pre-season, hot weather, and it was shown today that we've been working hard. We've now got keep getting better."

Blanking a playoff opponent from a year ago was exactly what the Summit defense had in mind when it stepped out on Tatlock Field Saturday.

"Last year we gave up too many points in a lot of games, even though our offense was producing," McNany said. "Now we've got to keep the score low on the opponents' side."

The was a dominating opening kind of performance that made you wonder what if this Summit team had one more year to play in the Hills Division of the Iron Hills Conference?

"We had a sense of the Iron Hills Conference and knew what to expect," McNany said. "This year it's a challenge for us and I think it's good for us because we're pursuing new talent and we don't know what to expect."

"We're just going to work hard and we're not going to make any promises to anyone. We're going to work hard and win."

Summit third-year head coach John Liberato realizes this was only the first step toward what could be a special season. However, he couldn't have been more pleased with the way his Hilltoppers played on offense, defense and special teams.

In addition to an offense that scored the first four times it had the ball and a defense that made the plays when it really had to in order to prevent Hillside from scoring at all, senior placekicker Alex Melendez was a perfect 6-for-6 on his extra point attempts.

"Offense did a great job, defense did a great job and it was a total team effort," Liberato said. "Like I said in pre-season, we like to use a lot of kids and our kids were fresh."

In Jaskolski, Liberato has a quarterback that is experienced, shows great poise, and can make a big play in a variety of ways.

"Not only Joe, but all of our offensive players understand our offense and, hopefully, we'll continue to improve and make it fool-proof."

Defensively, Summit was run on somewhat in the first half, but came up big with several key stops, including a fumble recovery by senior lineman Matt Mulholland.

"I give a lot of credit to (Hillside head coach) John Power," Liberato said. "What he did was, he put some schemes together to take advantage of what we were doing."

"We're very happy with the way we hung in there and didn't let them cross the goal line. They did get a couple of nice plays and that's a credit to their offense and to coach Power."

**NOTES:** Summit will go out of the Mountain Division to play at conference opponent Bernards tomorrow at 3 p.m. Hillside will play at fellow Mountain Division rival Cranford tonight at 7 at Memorial Field.

<b>HILLSIDE (0-1)</b>	0	0	0	0 - 0
<b>SUMMIT (1-0)</b>	21	7	14	0 - 42

## FIRST QUARTER:

**SUMMIT** - Marcel Godino 27 pass from Joe Jaskolski, Alex Melendez kick (S 7-0)

2 plays, 40 yards, :27 used

**SUMMIT** - Marcel Godino 39 pass from Joe Jaskolski, Alex Melendez kick (S 14-0)

4 plays, 42 yards, 1:22 used

**SUMMIT** - Shawn Hillas 40 pass from Joe Jaskolski, Alex Melendez kick (S 21-0)

7 plays, 83 yards, 2:28 used

## SECOND QUARTER:

**SUMMIT** - Dwaine Dabney 5 run, Alex Melendez kick, (S 28-0)

3 plays, 15 yards, :40 used - Summit capitalized on a fumble recovery

## THIRD QUARTER:

**SUMMIT** - Matt Rea 6 pass from Pat Huck, Alex Melendez kick, (S 35-0)

9 plays, 81 yards, 3:46 used

**SUMMIT** - Dwaine Dabney 60 run, Alex Melendez kick (S 42-0) - 3 plays, 63 yards, 1:41 used

# Summit volleyball gives strong effort

By JR Parachini  
 Sports Editor

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Summit girls' volleyball team welcomed a new schedule as the result of a new Union County Conference by playing at defending Union County Tournament champion Union Catholic in its season-opener last Friday afternoon.

Despite the home team Vikings returning most of their star players, Summit was very competitive in games that were won by Union Catholic by the scorers of 25-14 and 25-12.

Union Catholic finished No. 15 in the state last year after posting a 22-6 record that included the Vikings reaching the Non-Public state championship match.

Summit went 8-13 last year and lost standout senior captains Abby Mell and Liz Honold to graduation. Mell was the team's MVP last year and Honold was honored with Most Improved status. Mell was Third Team All-County and Second Team All-Conference, while Honold was an Honorable Mention All-Conference selection.

In the first game, Summit took a 4-3 lead with sophomore Nicole Johnson serving. The Hilltoppers scored three straight points with junior Allie Wernsing serving to make it 23-12.

In both games, Summit did not make it easy for Union Catholic at all. Head coach Tony Martins' squad played very hard right until the very end in both contests.

Summit won its first game Monday by beating old Iron Hills Conference-Hills Division foe Hanover Park 25-21, 25-15 Monday in East Hanover.

The Hilltoppers were scheduled to play at Kent Place Tuesday.

Today, the Hilltoppers will host defending Group 2 champion Cranford at 4 p.m.

Union Catholic defeated Cranford in three games at home in last year's UCT championship match.

## 2009 SUMMIT HILLTOPPERS:

- 7-Kelli Houck, junior defensive specialist
- 15-Allie Wernsing, junior outside hitter
- 10-Nicole Johnson, sophomore middle blocker
- 8-Megan Trindell, junior setter
- 2-Megan Jiang, senior defensive specialist
- 4-Jenelle Augustin, junior middle blocker
- 11-Sophie Abbott, junior libero

**Captain:** Megan Trindell

**Head coach:** Tony Martins

**2008:** (8-13)

## SUMMIT HILLTOPPERS

### 2009 SCHEDULE:

- Sept. 11 at Union Catholic, defeated 25-14, 25-12
- Sept. 12 Manchester Tournament
- Sept. 14 at Hanover Park, won 25-21, 25-15
- Sept. 15 at Kent Place
- Sept. 17 Cranford, 4 p.m.
- Sept. 21 at Millburn, 4 p.m.
- Sept. 25 Roselle, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 2 at Roselle Catholic, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 6 Benedictine Academy, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 7 Kent Place, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 9 at Linden, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 15 Rahway, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 16 Oak Knoll, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 20 Johnson, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 21 Millburn, 4:30 p.m.
- Oct. 22 at St. Patrick, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 27 at Union, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 29 Hanover Park, 4 p.m.

# Johnson field hockey captures opener

The Johnson field hockey team got off to a good start last Friday by blanking Kent Place 3-0 in its season-opener in Summit.

Johnson is coming off one of its best seasons ever as the Crusaders captured their first-ever sectional championship last season.

Johnson defeated Summit 3-1 in the sectional final on its own home FieldTurf facility, Nolan Field in Clark.

In the victory against Kent Place, which also has a solid program, Jess Rusin netted two goals, while teammate Steph Lewis assisted on all three goals.

Goalie Becky Brattole played well and earned a shutout.

Johnson will once again try to beat out Oak Knoll this year - among other teams - to win the Union County Tournament championship for the first time.

# RP girls' tennis has experience

## Vera leads at first singles

By JR Parachini  
Sports Editor

With all three singles players back, the Roselle Park girls' tennis team is seeking to use a challenging conference schedule to toughen it up for the upcoming Central Jersey, Group 2 playoffs.

Roselle Park went 10-9 and reached the CJ, G1 semifinals last year.

Back at singles are senior Rebecca Vera for her third year at first, senior Monica Soliz for her second season at second and junior Emilie LaForge for her second year at third.

"We do have pretty good experience at our singles positions and also at first doubles," said head coach Nancy Sturcke, who has been at the helm since 1977 and earned National Coach of the Year honors in 1997.

Playing at first doubles are junior Kathlene Bator and senior Kristen Olson. Up from the junior varsity and now at second doubles are junior Emma McDonough and senior Kelly Gugger and also sophomore Ali Baranowski.

Other players in the program include sophomore Alana Butler and juniors Melissa Kolani, Christine Szoc, Michelle Restrepo, McKenzie Bowen, Nicole Anouge, Valerie Goerke and Daniella Mironski.

Roselle Park is one of six teams situated in the Valley Division of the newly-formed Union County Conference. The others are Dayton, New Providence, Oak Knoll, Kent Place and St. Mary's of Elizabeth.

The other divisions are the Mountain — the bigger schools from the former Mountain Valley Conference — and the Watchung — the former Watchung Conference schools.

"Our conference is strong," Sturcke said. "Oak Knoll and Kent Place are tough."

Roselle Park fell at home to Oak Knoll 3-2 Monday to fall to 2-2. The Panthers began their season with a 3-2 loss at Johnson Sept. 8 before rebounding with home wins over New Providence 3-2 on Sept. 9 and vs. Dayton 5-0 on Sept. 10.

The state playoff cutoff date is Sept. 25.

"We want to qualify for the states," Sturcke said. "We play in a tough conference, so we think we can make some noise."

**FIRST SINGLES - Rebecca Vera, senior:** She began 3-1 after losing to Oak Knoll senior Andrea Chu Monday. "Rebecca is playing well and has improved her game a little," Sturcke said. "She's a bit steadier, still moves nicely and her top spin is serving her well. She has a lot of experience at the position, so we're hopeful that she'll have a fine season." Vera was 12-10 in her second season at first singles last year.

**SECOND SINGLES - Monica Soliz, senior:** In her second season at second singles, Soliz was also 12-10 last year and got off to a 4-0 start after earning a win against Oak Knoll. "She's hitting the ball sharply or more accurately than in the past," Sturcke said. "She has shown improvement in her footwork. She's an interesting player to watch because of her shot selection. We're expecting a very nice season from her because of her work."

**THIRD SINGLES - Emilie LaForge, junior:** In her debut at third singles last year, LaForge produced a 9-11 mark. "She worked on her game in the winter, took lessons and has really worked hard," Sturcke said. "I can see that she is a much stronger player this year and has lifted her game a notch."

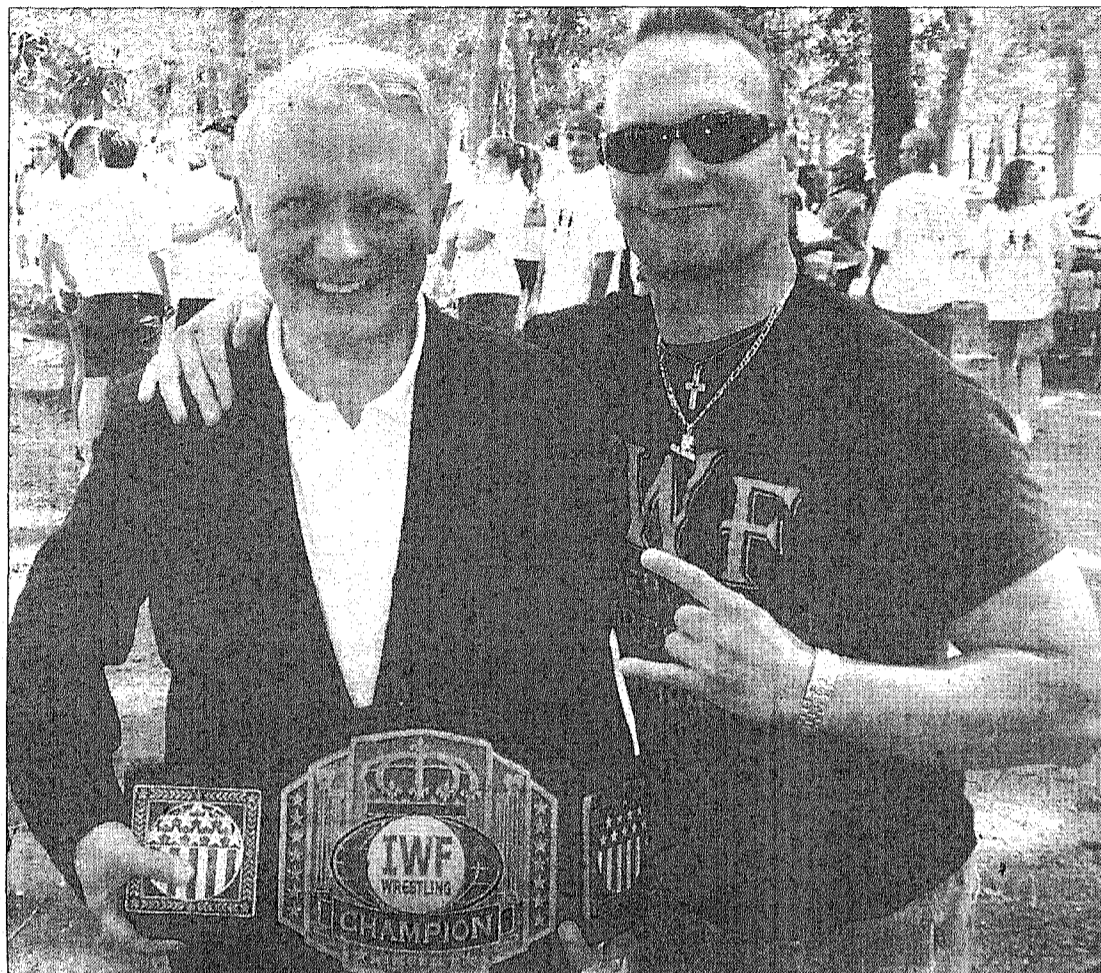
**FIRST DOUBLES - Kathlene Bator, junior and Kristen Olson, senior:** Bator was 7-11 at second doubles last year and Olson 8-11 at first doubles. "They have some experience playing doubles," Sturcke said. "They are a good combination together. They will be challenged more than our second doubles team because there are many teams that have a good, strong first doubles combination. They bring experience into the position, so we're hopeful that they will get on the winning track." They got off to a 1-3 start.

**SECOND DOUBLES - Emma McDonough, junior and Kelly Gugger, senior:** McDonough and Gugger were JV players last year. Baranowski teamed with Gugger to post a win over Dayton. "For all of them, this is new," Sturcke said. "It will take some adjusting."

### SCHEDULE

Sept. 8 (A) Johnson 3, Roselle Park 2  
Sept. 9 (H) Roselle Park 3, New Providence 2  
Sept. 10 (H) Roselle Park 5, Dayton 0  
Sept. 11 at Cranford, 4 p.m. — rained out  
Sept. 14 (H) Oak Knoll 3, Roselle Park 2  
Sept. 15 at Kent Place / Sept. 16 Union  
Sept. 17 Roselle Catholic, 4 p.m. / Sept. 22 St. Mary's, 4 p.m.  
Sept. 24-25 UCT at Plainfield, 9 a.m. / Sept. 30 Union Catholic, 4 p.m.  
Oct. 1 at Dayton, 4 p.m. / Oct. 2 Kent Place, 4 p.m.  
Oct. 5 Glen Ridge, 4 p.m. / Oct. 6 at New Providence, 4 p.m.  
Oct. 8 at Oak Knoll, 4 p.m. / Oct. 9 Governor Livingston, 4 p.m.  
Oct. 20 at Summit, 4 p.m. / Oct. 22 St. Mary's, 4 p.m.

## Local wrestler lends hand



Congressman Leonard Lance, left, and IWF Pro Wrestler Mad Dawg Mike Jenkins of Springfield, right, appeared at Sunday's Pediatric Hydrocephalus Foundation Walkathon at Roosevelt Park in Edison. Mad Dawg signed autographs and posed for photos with children. For more information, visit WrestlingIWF.com.

## Big games for RC teams on upcoming schedules

By JR Parachini  
Sports Editor

There are big games upcoming for Roselle Catholic fall sports teams, including an interesting matchup Sunday at Roselle Catholic.

At 1 p.m., the boys' soccer team is scheduled to host Essex County perennial power Seton Hall Prep.

Coached by Columbia High graduate Marty Berman, the Pirates went 22-1 and captured the Non-Public A state championship in 2007.

The girls' soccer team is scheduled to host Johnson Tuesday at 4 p.m. and then play at Brearley Thursday at 4.

The girls' volleyball team has a big home match with defending Group 2 state champion Cranford Wednesday night at 7 after playing at St. Patrick's the day before at 4. Cranford opened at home last Friday with a 2-0 setback to Bergen County power Pascack Hills.

### Clark youth basketball open to boys and girls

The Clark Recreation Basketball League is open to all boys and girls in grades 1-8 that attend public school or reside in the township of Clark.

The season will start in November or December and end in March.

The league will have teams in boys' and girls' divisions based on the number of players from each grade that register.

Registration for the 2009-2010 season will be held at the Brewer Recreation Center Tuesday and Wednesday nights from 6-8:30.

The cost for children in grades 3-8 is \$50 per child. Additional children from the same family is \$25. For the Instructional Division, grades 1-2, the cost is \$25, with additional children from the same family \$10.

Clark Recreation Basketball is a volunteer-run league. It needs assistance from parents and responsible high school students.

Children that plan to play on school or travel basketball teams, or plan to participate in other sports or activities, are expected to make and keep their commitment to their recreation basketball teams.

The league also seeks coaches, assistant coaches, referees, building monitors and web site help. More information about those positions may be obtained by calling Matt Casey at 732-388-9020 or by e-mailing him at [MPCA@aol.com](mailto:MPCA@aol.com) or by calling the Clark Recreation Department at 732-388-3600, ext. 3009.

### Cranford girls' soccer excels in tie game

It was reported at the Cranford football game Saturday night that the Cranford girls' soccer team did well to tie state-ranked Montclair 0-0 Saturday. The game was played at Montclair.

Cranford goalie Lauren Grandel made four saves for a shutout. The Cougars are scheduled to host Westfield today at 4 p.m.

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UNION NOTICE

The Township Committee of the Township of Union has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004385 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1451508 County: Union Plaintiff: DEUTSCHE BANK AS TRUSTEE FOR BCAPB LLC TRUST 2007-AB1 VS Defendant: MARIA VIDAL, HIS HEIRS Sale Date: 09/23/2009 Writ of Execution: 07/15/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

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amounts due. Plaintiff has received a letter of resolution regarding Bank of America mortgage in the amount of \$100,000, recorded 11/02/2006. Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money. The Sheriff or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any.

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004575 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1932008 County: Union Plaintiff: COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. VS Defendant: HILDA MELENDEZ N/K/A HILDA CERON; MR. MELENDEZ, HUSBAND OF HILDA MELENDEZ N/K/A HILDA CERON; AND MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. Sale Date: 10/07/2009 Writ of Execution: 06/15/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

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UNION NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS Docket No.: F-15912-09 Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County (L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: ANTHONY WHITE, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC, ESQS., plaintiffs' attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite 301, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a civil action, in which HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Wells Fargo Home Equity Trust 2005-1 is plaintiff, and ANTHONY WHITE et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-15912-09 within thirty-five (35) days after 09/17/2009 exclusive of such date, or if published after 09/17/2009, (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date.

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assessments. The amount due can be obtained from the local taxing authority. Pursuant to N.J.A. 46:8B-21 the sale may also be subject to the limited priority of any Condominium/Homeowner Association liens which may exist. Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money. The Sheriff or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$303,452.19 \*\*\*Three Hundred Three Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Two and 19/100\*\*\*

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004590 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1866908 County: Union Plaintiff: COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. VS Defendant: FERNANDO CEPEDA; VICKY CEPEDA, HIS WIFE; AND MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE BANK, FSB Sale Date: 10/07/2009 Writ of Execution: 06/15/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

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SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004456 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1512007 County: Union Plaintiff: HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR NOMURA HOME EQUITY LOAN, INC. ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-FM2 VS Defendant: DAWN BARNETTE; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR FGC COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE FINANCE, D/B/A FREMONT MORTGAGE Sale Date: 09/30/2009 Writ of Execution: 07/22/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

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SERVICING AGREEMENT DATED AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2006 SECURITIZED ASSET BACKED RECEIVABLES, LLC TRUST 2006-FR1 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-FR1 VS Defendant: JOSEPH IDOWU; PHYLLIS WYATT; TENANT; MARCIA WYATT; TENANT, UM CAPITAL, LLC; SUN TRUST MORTGAGE, INC.; FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB; Sale Date: 09/30/2009 Writ of Execution: 07/27/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004445 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F2607808 County: Union Plaintiff: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE UNDER POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT DATED AS OF JANUARY 1, 2007 SECURITIZED ASSET BACKED RECEIVABLES LLC TRUST 2007-HE1 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-HE1 VS Defendant: ADEMIR ARAUJO AND POLYANNA ARAUJO, HIS WIFE; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR EAST COAST MORTGAGE CORPORATION; SIRLEM MATOS Sale Date: 09/30/2009 Writ of Execution: 07/24/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004539 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F2281708 County: Union Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE UNDER POOLING AND

PUBLIC NOTICE

Eight Hundred Seventeen and 38/100... September 3, 10, 17, 24, 2009 U244455 UNL (\$154.84)

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004731 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F4200408 County: Union Plaintiff: THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS CWMBs, INC. CHL MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH TRUST 2006-OAS MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-OA5 VS Defendant: GEORGE BARROQUEIRO AND VALERIE BARROQUEIRO, H/W Sale Date: 10/14/2009

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004655 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F574908 County: Union Plaintiff: LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES I LLC, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-HE10 VS Defendant: LUISA BARRERA Sale Date: 10/14/2009

PUBLIC NOTICE

SEWER OPEN + PENALTY \$96.00 TOTAL AS OF August 13, 2009: \$2,910.67 Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money.

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004660 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3375308 County: Union Plaintiff: INDYMAC FEDERAL BANK FSB VS Defendant: EDITH SUAREZ MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B. A FEDERAL-LY CHARTERED SAVINGS BANK

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004609 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F2893808 County: Union Plaintiff: INDYMAC BANK FSB VS Defendant: ALINE COELHO AND LUIZ COELHO, HUSBAND OF ALINE COELHO; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. (F/K/A FLEET NATIONAL BANK)

PUBLIC NOTICE

available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales. PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS LOCATED IN: Township of Hillside, County of Union, in the State of New Jersey PREMISES COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1100 Vorhees Street, Hillside, NJ 07205

TAX BLOCK AND LOT: 27 BLOCK # 1209 LOT: 27 DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 100' x 45' NEAREST CROSS STREET: 97' from South Long Avenue (aka Loang Avenue) SUPERIOR INTERESTS (if any): NONE

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004583 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1772007 County: Union Plaintiff: MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR EAST COAST MTG CORP. VS Defendant: ROSA CHILQUILLO, MERS, AS NOMINEE FOR LITTON LOAN SERVICING LP

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004621 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F276908 County: Union

PUBLIC NOTICE

Plaintiff: RESIDENTIAL FUNDING COMPANY, LLC VS Defendant: ROGER OJEDA Sale Date: 10/07/2009 Writ of Execution: 02/27/2009

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004538 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1734308 County: Union Plaintiff: EVERHOME MORTGAGE COMPANY VS Defendant: JUSCELINO FERREIRA AND LENI FERREIRA; FARMERS MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE; FLAG-STAR BANK, FSB

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

PUBLIC NOTICE

LINDEN

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Docket No. : F-17844-09 Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Joanna Farjaszewska Carlos A. Merino, and each of their heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC, ESQS, plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite 301, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a civil action, in which Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation is plaintiff, and Joanna Farjaszewska, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-17844-09 within thirty-five (35) days after 09/17/2009 exclusive of such date, or if published after 09/17/2009, (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated 08/17/2005 made by Joanna Farjaszewska, a married person, and Carlos A. Merino, her husband as mortgagors, to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. recorded on 08/23/2005 in Book 11310 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 0357-Instrument #370170 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, by Assignment of Mortgage dated 04/02/2009; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 1820 CAROLINE AVENUE CITY OF LINDEN, NJ 07036, also being Lot 4 in Block 23.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey Bar Association by calling 732-249-5000. You may also contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County of venue by calling 908-353-4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services office of the County of venue by calling 908-354-4340.

YOU, JOANNA FARJASZEWSKA, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you executed Plaintiff's obligation and mortgage and may be liable for any deficiency, and are a record owner of the subject property and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

LINDEN

PUBLIC NOTICE CHANGE IN MEETING DATE is hereby given to all persons that the Linden Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting schedule for October 12th, 2009 has been rescheduled to Monday, October 5th, 2009 at 7:00 PM Planning room, 3rd floor City Hall.

Brian C. Fritzsche Secretary of the Board U245497 PRO Sept. 17, 2009 (\$6.37)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004292 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1164808 County: Union Plaintiff: AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC VS Defendant: WILLIAM ARCELA; BENEFICIAL NEW JERSEY, INC. T/A BENCHARGE

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

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BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day...

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F817908
County: Union
Plaintiff: FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB

AS OF 2/5/2009 TAXES ARE PAID THROUGH 4TH QUARTER 2008. 2ND QUARTER 2009 TAXES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,107.58 WAS DUE ON 5/1/2009...

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1073208
County: Union
Plaintiff: WACHOVIA BANK, N.A.

PUBLIC NOTICE

UNITED STATES, VS
Defendant: CALEB OGLESBY
DECEASED, HIS HEIRS, DEVISEES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING CARINE WEST-MILLER, AND HIS HER, THEIR OR ANY OF THEIR SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST...

1. MUNICIPALITY & COUNTY: Elizabeth City Union County
2. STREET ADDRESS: 1062 Bond Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey
3. TAX BLOCK & LOT NO: Block 12, Lot 174, Tax Map
4. APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 25 feet x 117 feet

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F2963308
County: Union
Plaintiff: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY IN TRUST FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF ARGENT SECURITIES INC. ASSET BACKED PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2005-W1

PUBLIC NOTICE

RAHWAY
SHERIFF'S SALE
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F2015008
County: Union
Plaintiff: COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.

Defendant: RALPH RODRIGUEZ AND KEVIN RYAN, TENANT
Sale Date: 10/14/2009
Writ of Execution: 06/19/2009
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day...

AS OF 12/30/2008 TAXES ARE PAID THROUGH 4TH QUARTER 2008. 1ST AND 2ND QUARTER 2009 TAXES WAS NOT AVAILABLE AT THAT TIME. TOTAL AMOUNT DUE AS OF 2/23/2009 FOR UNPAID WATER/SEWER CHARGES IS THE AGGREGATE SUM OF \$284.45. SUBJECT TO NUMEROUS PRIOR JUDGMENTS AGAINST RALPH RODRIGUEZ DOCKETED PRIOR TO THE DATE OF POLICY WHICH CAN BE FURTHER PROVIDED, AWAITING POSSIBLE INDEMNIFICATION FROM TITLE COMPANY REGARDING SAID JUDGMENTS...

ELIZABETH
SHERIFF'S SALE
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F3109607
County: Union
Plaintiff: WACHOVIA BANK, N.A.

Defendant: RALPH BURGOS AND MARY BURGOS
Sale Date: 09/23/2009
Writ of Execution: 07/16/2009
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day...

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sheriff or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$214,789.44
Two Hundred Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Nine and 44/100...

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1401208
County: Union
Plaintiff: COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.

AS OF 10/29/2008 TAXES ARE PAID THROUGH 3RD QUARTER 2008. 4TH QUARTER 2008 TAXES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,546.08 WAS DUE ON 11/10/2008. TOTAL AMOUNT DUE AS OF 12/22/2008 FOR UNPAID WATER/SEWER CHARGES IS THE AGGREGATE SUM OF \$193.04. THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION...

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F196306A
County: Union
Plaintiff: WACHOVIA BANK, N.A.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Bergen Ave., Linden.
Tax Lot #: 2 in Block #: 48
Dimensions of Lot (Approximately): Nearest Cross Street: The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further publication.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$81,759.08
Eighty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Nine and 08/100...

ELIZABETH

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
UNION COUNTY
Docket No. F- 41273-09

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, to: MARTIN RODRIGUEZ AND CHRISTOPHER LOVATO

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon Pluessa Becker, & Saltzman, LLC, whose address is 20000 Horizon Way, Suite 900, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054. An Answer to the Complaint, filed in a civil action in which Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of July 1, 2006 Securitised Asset-Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2006-FR3 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-FR3, is Plaintiff and Alberto Rodriguez, et al, are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, bearing Docket No. F-41273-09, within thirty-five days (35), after September 17, 2009 exclusive of such date...

By written assignment dated July 29, 2009, the said Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. as nominee for FGC Commercial Mortgage Finance, d/b/a Fremont Mortgage recorded in the Union County Clerk's Office, on March 8, 2006 Book MI 15:98, at Page 0770, to recover possession of and concerning real estate located at 408 Cherry Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey, 07208, and being also known as Lot 76, and Block 13 in the tax map of the City of Elizabeth, County of Union and State of New Jersey...

You, Martin Ramirez, are the holder of a docketed Judgment in the Superior Court of New Jersey. Your lien is subordinate to that of Plaintiff.

You, Christopher Lovato, are the holder of a docketed Judgment in the Superior Court of New Jersey. Your lien is subordinate to that of Plaintiff.

You may contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County in which this action is pending by calling 908-353-4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County in which this action is pending by calling 908-354-4340.
File 64550
DATED: September 11, 2009
JENNIFER M. PEREZ, CLERK
Superior Court of New Jersey
U245453 PRO Sept. 17, 2009 (\$46.55)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1743906
County: Union
Plaintiff: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE

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PUBLIC NOTICE

County: Union Plaintiff: DEUTSCHE BANK NAT'L TRUST CO. AS TRUSTEE FOR LONG BEACH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-WL2 VS Defendant: MARIA E. AGUIRRE Sale Date: 10/07/2009 Writ of Execution: 07/15/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money.

ELIZABETH

Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004658 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F2762408 County: Union Plaintiff: THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR EQUITY ONE, INC. MORTGAGE/PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATE SERIES #2002-1 VS Defendant: JAMES BENJAMIN AND WILLIAM HODGE Sale Date: 10/14/2009 Writ of Execution: 07/30/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004820 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F2212808 County: Union Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, NA VS Defendant: ROBERTO AYALA, HIS HEIRS, DEVEISES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, AND HIS, THEIR OR ANY OF THEIR SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST; Sale Date: 10/07/2009 Writ of Execution: 06/08/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money.

ROSELLE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004569 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F796808 County: Union Plaintiff: AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC VS Defendant: TRESA BERDEN, IRISA LEVERETTE Sale Date: 10/07/2009 Writ of Execution: 07/07/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

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Four Hundred Thirty-Three and 21/100\*\*\* Attorney: POWERS KIRN - COUNSELORS 728 MARNE HIGHWAY P.O. BOX 848 - SUITE 200 MOORESTOWN, NJ 08057 (856)802-1000 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$352,729.24 \*\*\*Three Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Nine and 24/100\*\*\* September 10, 17, 24, October 1, 2009 U244846 PRO (\$143.08)

ELIZABETH

Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004584 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F2351908 County: Union Plaintiff: COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. VS Defendant: WILLIAM POLO; ALBA POLO, HIS WIFE AND PNC BANK Sale Date: 10/07/2009 Writ of Execution: 06/11/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money.

ELIZABETH

Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004739 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3583708 County: Union Plaintiff: THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2007-8CB MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-8CB VS Defendant: JAMES F. DELGADO; CRYSTAL RAMIREZ, TENANT; STATE OF NEW JERSEY Sale Date: 10/14/2009 Writ of Execution: 08/12/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Court, Hughes Justice Complex, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure. This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a mortgage dated May 18, 2007 made by LEONARDO RODRIGUEZ as mortgagor to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST INTERSTATE FINANCIAL CORP. recorded on June 4, 2007, in Book 12180 of Mortgages for UNION County, Page 202, et seq., which mortgage was duly assigned to the Plaintiff named above, who is the present holder of said Mortgage and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 333 EAST JERSEY STREET, ELIZABETH, NJ 07206, Block 3, Lot 210.

YOU, KAREN MULDROW are made party defendant to this foreclosure action because you hold a judgment which may be against the owner/mortgagors and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

ELIZABETH

Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004739 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3583708 County: Union Plaintiff: THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2007-8CB MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-8CB VS Defendant: JAMES F. DELGADO; CRYSTAL RAMIREZ, TENANT; STATE OF NEW JERSEY Sale Date: 10/14/2009 Writ of Execution: 08/12/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money.

YOU, CARL HALTER, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you hold a judgment/lien/mortgage which may be against the owner/mortgagor(s) and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

ROSELLE

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS Docket No.: F-31983-09 Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County

PUBLIC NOTICE

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Mario Cruz Gladys Cruz Pamela Halter Carl Halter, and each of their heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest Continental Insurance Company Anesthesia Associates of Morristown

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC, ESQS., plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite 301, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a civil action, in which Wells Fargo Bank, NA is plaintiff, and Mario Cruz, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-31983-09 within thirty-five (35) days after 09/17/2009 exclusive of such date, or if published after 09/17/2009, (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated 04/12/2001 made by Mario Cruz and Gladys Cruz as mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Gateway Funding Diversified Mortgage Services, L.P. recorded on 04/20/2001 in Book 8158 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 0031 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, NA, by Assignment of Mortgage dated 06/16/2009; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 1268 Wheatshaf Road, Rosefield, NJ 07023, also being Lot 13.01 and 13.02 (a/k/a 13.1 and 13.2) (fka Lot 13) in Block 4504.

YOU, MARIO CRUZ, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you executed Plaintiff's obligation and mortgage and may be liable for any deficiency, and are a record owner of the subject property and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

YOU, GLADYS CRUZ, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you executed Plaintiff's obligation and mortgage and may be liable for any deficiency, and are a record owner of the subject property and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

YOU, CARL HALTER, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you hold a judgment/lien/mortgage which may be against the owner/mortgagor(s) and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

YOU, ANESTHESIA ASSOCIATES OF MORRISTOWN, are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you hold a judgment/lien/mortgage which may be against the owner/mortgagor(s) and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

the southwesterly line of Magie Avenue and from said point of BEGINNING, thence running; THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004383 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F2662108 County: Union

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004545 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3548608 County: Union

PUBLIC NOTICE

execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004427 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3159407 County: Union

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ELIZABETH SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004450 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3012008 County: Union

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004540 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3962708 County: Union

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728 MARNE HIGHWAY P.O. BOX 848 - SUITE 200 MOORESTOWN, NJ 08057 (856)802-1000

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SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004461 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F395108 County: Union

SUMMIT

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 2 of this ordinance is hereby authorized as a general improvement to be made or acquired by the City of Summit, New Jersey.

SUMMIT

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004427 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3159407 County: Union

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CITY OF SUMMIT PENDING ORDINANCE #09-2868 ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF TECHNOLOGICAL AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT FOR USE BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF SUMMIT, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUMMIT, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 2 of this ordinance is hereby authorized as a general improvement to be made or acquired by the City of Summit, New Jersey.

Section 2. The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for which said appropriation is made is the acquisition, by purchase, of technological and communication equipment for use by the Police Department of the City.

Section 3. The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the City is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect after publication after final adoption, as provided by law.

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE The Ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Summit, in the County of Union, New Jersey held on Wednesday evening, September 9, 2009.

SUMMIT

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey, will hold a hearing on October 5, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey.

THE APPLICATIONS AFFECTING THIS PROPERTY AND THE REASON FOR THE APPLICATION BEING HEARD ARE AS FOLLOWS: the proposed addition requires variances for sideyard setback, total side yard combined percentage and building coverage.

SARAH BIRD AND ROBERT RORISTON Applicant U245482 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$17.64)

SUMMIT

CITY OF SUMMIT PENDING ORDINANCE #09-2869 REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,380,000 REFUNDING BONDS (AND NOTES IN ANTICIPATION THEREOF) OF THE CITY OF SUMMIT, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY.

David L. Hughes, City Clerk U245480 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$13.72)

SUMMIT

David L. Hughes, City Clerk U245480 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$13.72)



**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**JERSEY. (Tax Liability Payments)**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUMMIT, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY** (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. For the purposes stated in Section 2 of this refunding bond ordinance, negotiable bonds of The City of Summit, New Jersey (the "City"), each to be known as "Refunding Bond" (with such other words incorporated in the title as may hereafter be determined), are hereby authorized to be issued in one or more series in the aggregate principal amount of \$1,380,000 pursuant to Section 40A:2-51 et seq. of the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey (the "Local Bond Law"). In anticipation of the issuance of said refunding bonds, negotiable notes of the City in a principal amount not exceeding \$1,380,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 2. The purposes for which said obligations are authorized are as follows:

(a) Funding an emergency appropriation made by the governing body of the City on September 9, 2009 for purposes of paying losses incurred by the City as a result of theft by a third-party payroll service provider and the payment of costs associated therewith.  
(b) Paying the costs of issuance of such refunding bonds and notes, including printing, advertising, accounting, financial (including, if applicable, underwriters' discount, original issue discount, bond insurance premium, escrow agent, verification agent and rating agency expenses) and legal expenses, not exceeding approximately \$10,000 (any excess thereof after application to such costs to be applied either to payment of the amounts referred to in section 2(a) hereof or to the payment of debt service on any bonds or notes issued pursuant to this refunding bond ordinance).

Section 3. The following matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) A certified copy of this refunding bond ordinance was filed before final passage hereof with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, together with a complete statement required by Section 40A:2-55 of the Local Bond Law in form prescribed by said Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

(b) Further provisions as to the refunding bonds or notes authorized by this refunding bond ordinance shall be determined by subsequent resolution of the governing body of the City, or the determination thereof shall be delegated by such resolution to the Chief Financial Officer or other official of the City.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the City Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that, while the net debt of the City as provided for in said Local Bond Law is not increased by this bond ordinance, the gross debt of the City as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this refunding bond ordinance by \$1,380,000, and the said obligations authorized by this refunding bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. Said bonds and notes shall recite that they are issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A, Municipalities and Counties, of the New Jersey Statutes.

Section 5. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this refunding bond ordinance after the same shall become effective in the office of the said Director referred to in paragraph (a) of Section 3 hereof.

Section 6. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this refunding bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8.

The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the dates of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body of the City at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this refunding bond ordinance is made.

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Such report must include the principal amount, interest rate and maturities of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 7. The full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this refunding bond ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the City, and the City shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the City for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 8. This refunding bond ordinance shall take effect when there is endorsed upon a certified copy hereof the consent referred to in Section 40A:2-55 of Local Bond Law, but not sooner than twenty (20) days after the first publication hereof after final passage.

**NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE**

The Ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Summit, in the County of Union, New Jersey held on Wednesday evening, September 9, 2009. It will be further considered for final passage after public hearing thereon, at a regular meeting of said Common Council in the Council Chamber at 512 Springfield Avenue in said City on Tuesday evening, October 6, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. During the weeks prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's Office in said City Hall to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

David L. Hughes, City Clerk  
Dated: 9/9/09  
September 17, 2009  
U245477 OBS (\$101.43)

**SUMMIT**

**BID NOTICE**  
**CITY OF SUMMIT**

**PROJECT: 2009 DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

**DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Department of the City of Summit, Union County, New Jersey at 11:00 A.M. prevailing time, Tuesday, September 29, 2009 in the Council Chamber, First Floor, City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey for:

**2009 DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

in accordance with the specifications and proposal forms for same which may be obtained at the office of the Department of Community Services, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, N.J. during regular business hours, 7:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday - Friday for a refundable fee of \$75. Fee will only be refunded to bidders who submit a bid but are not awarded the contract. The plans and specifications must be returned within ten (10) days of bid opening to receive the refund. All bids shall be addressed to **DAVID L. HUGHES, PURCHASING DEPARTMENT SECRETARY, 512 SPRINGFIELD AVENUE, SUMMIT, NJ 07901**. Bids, along with bid securities, must be enclosed in a properly SEALED envelope bearing on the outside the name of the bidder and the **NATURE OF THE BID CONTAINED THEREIN**. A Bid Security is required in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid, but not more than \$20,000, in the form of a bid bond, certified check or cashier's check, made payable to the City of Summit.

Bidders, when appropriate shall comply with the provisions of the following laws of New Jersey: N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq. (Prevailing Wage Act); N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (Corporation and/or Partnership Owner Information); and any subsequent amendments thereto. Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Affirmative Action) and N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 (Business Registration).

The Common Council reserves the right to reject all bids or proposals, waive any minor defects, and in the case of a tie, award on the basis of reasonable grounds, or accept the bid that in its judgment will be for the best interests of the City of Summit, and consider bids for sixty (60) days after their receipt.

No charge shall be made or recovery had for publishing any official advertising unaccompanied by such statement of price.

This project must be completed by January 31, 2010. The project includes a BASE BID and five (5) ALTERNATE BIDS. The major items of construction include:

Mobilization	Lump Sum
Complete B-Inlet Installations	10 Units

**DAVID L. HUGHES**  
City Clerk

Dated: 9-9-09  
U245462 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$44.10)

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**SUMMIT**

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004653  
Division: CHANCERY  
Docket Number: F3508607  
County: Union  
Plaintiff: CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC VS  
Defendant: JORGE BUITRAGO; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC. AS NOMINEE FOR NJ LENDERS CORP.  
Sale Date: 10/14/2009  
Writ of Execution: 07/30/2009

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the **UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWNSHIP PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J.**, on **WEDNESDAY**, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales. The property to be sold is located in the CITY OF SUMMIT, County of UNION and State of New Jersey. Commonly known as: 36 **AUBREY ST, SUMMIT, NJ 07901**.

Tax Lot No. 51, in Block No. 402  
Dimension of Lot Approximately: 65 X 95  
Nearest Cross Street: **HARRIS AVENUE**  
**BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTHERLY SIDE OF AUBREY STREET DISTANT 731 FEET FROM THE NORTHEASTERLY SIDE OF HARRIS AVENUE, AND RUNNING THENCE**  
**"THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION."**  
PRIOR LIENS/ENCUMBRANCES  
SEWER OPEN + PENALTY \$163.00  
**TOTAL AS OF August 13, 2009: \$163.00**

Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money. The Sheriff or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any.  
**JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$409,757.75\*\*\***  
**Four Hundred Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Seven and 75/100\*\*\***  
Attorney:  
**FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, PC**  
7 CENTURY DRIVE  
SUITE 201  
PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054  
(973)538-4700

Sheriff: **Ralph Froehlich**  
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office  
Total Upset: \$453,534.92  
\*\*\*Four Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Four and 92/100\*\*\*  
September 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8, 2009  
U245373 OBS (\$162.58)

**SPRINGFIELD**

**RESOLUTION FOR AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO DOX DATA SOLUTIONS, LLC FOR HOURLY COMPUTER CONSULTING SERVICES BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield, is in need of contracting for computer consulting services, to be billed on an hourly basis, for the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., requires a resolution authorizing the award of the contract for professional services without competitive bids and that the contract itself must be available for inspection, and the award of this contract is not subject to N.J.S.A. 18:4A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, a certificate of available funding has been presented (funds to be encumbered: Current Budget for \$12,000.00 - Finance Dept. 01-201-20-140-2-299);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and the Clerk of the Township of Springfield are hereby authorized, respectively, to execute and attest to an agreement with **Dox Data Solutions, L.L.C.**, at an hourly rate of \$100.00, at a total fee not to exceed \$12,000.00. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional services contract" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) (I) of the Local Public Contracts Law.

TAKE NOTICE the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a Regular meeting by the Township Committee, of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, on September 8, 2009.  
U245402 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$25.97)

**SUMMIT**

**NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

The Common Council of the City of Summit has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service (or extraordinary,

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unspecifiable service) pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to: **Hatch Mott MacDonald**

For the Period: Completion of the Scope of Services

Services: **Waldron Avenue Topographic Survey of Sanitary and Storm Sewers**

Cost: \$3,400.00  
David L. Hughes, City Clerk  
Dated: 9-9-09  
U245479 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$13.23)

**MOUNTAINSIDE**

**NOTICE OF BID**

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Mountainside for: **"CONTRACT 2009-4 - RESURFACING OF GLEN ROAD"**

Plans will be available on September 17, 2009.

Bids will be opened and read in public at the Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, N.J. on October 1, 2009 at 3:00 P.M. prevailing time.

Bids shall be in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the Borough Engineer. Proposal blanks, Specifications and Instructions to Bidders may be obtained at the office of the Borough Clerk at the Mountainside Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, 1st Floor, Mountainside, N.J.

Bidders will be furnished with a copy of the Plans and Specifications by the Engineer, upon proper notice and payment of a check for twenty-five dollars (\$25.) payable to the Borough of Mountainside, said cost being the reproduction price of the documents and is not returnable.

Bids must be made on the Borough's form of bid and must be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Borough Clerk, Borough of Mountainside, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, N.J. and hand delivered or sent via certified mail at the place and hour named. Bids shall be endorsed on the outside of the envelope with the name and address "BID PROPOSAL FOR CONTRACT 2009-4 - RESURFACING OF GLEN ROAD".

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check or a bid bond equal to ten percent (10%) of the full amount of the bid, not to exceed \$20,000.00 and made payable to the Borough of Mountainside as a Proposal Guaranty. Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 C. 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27).

The Borough of Mountainside hereby reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to award the contract to any bidder whose proposal, in the Borough's judgement, best serves its interest.

This project is funded by the New Jersey Department of Transportation as a Municipal Aid Project under the 1984 New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund. All work is subject to NJDOT Commissioner's approval. The project award is subject to approval by NJDOT for "RESURFACING OF GLEN ROAD"

**Martha Lopez, Borough Clerk**  
September 17, 2009  
U245488 OBS (\$36.75)

**SUMMIT**

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey, will hold a hearing on October 5, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey, to consider an application affecting the property whose street address is known as 36 Badeau Avenue, Block 2004, Lot 29.

The conditions affecting this property and the reason for the application being heard are as follows: one-story addition requires a variance for maximum building height. The existing building height exceeds the maximum allowed.

Applicant requests any other waivers or variances as may be required by the Board or its professionals at the time of the hearing.

The application forms and supporting documents are on file in the Department of Community Services, 512 Springfield Avenue, and may be inspected on any workday during business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Any interested party may appear at the hearing and participate therein, subject to the rules of the Board.

**Scott Hamner**  
Applicant  
U245481 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$17.64)

**MOUNTAINSIDE**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that decisions were made at a public meeting by the Mountainside Planning Board on July 9, 2009 at the Mountainside Municipal Building 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, NJ 07092.

Union Mates, 1111 Route 22, Block 23.C, Lot 17 - Addition to an existing office building and site improvements,

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with variances.

APPROVED

**Pontoriero, Pasquale and Isabelle**, 381 Forest Hill Way, Block 3.K, Lot 50 - Two-story addition to a single-family dwelling, with variances  
APPROVED

**David White**, 1121 Bristol Road, Block 7.D, Lot 17 - Installation of solar panel on a commercial building, with variances.  
APPROVED

**Ruth M. Rees**  
Secretary  
U245411 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$15.19)

**SPRINGFIELD**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH DIMENSION DATA FOR COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND INSTALLATION WITHOUT PUBLIC BIDDING BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield has previously contracted for purchase of communication equipment and now is in need of contracting for installation of such equipment, for the Township of Springfield; and

WHEREAS, such agreement may be entered into without public bid, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq., as the contract was bid and approved through the WSCA cooperative purchasing program of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, a certificate of available funding has been presented (funds to be encumbered: Capital Budget for \$39,468.00. Acct. #04-215-55-972-9050515 for \$11,365.99; Acct. #04-215-55-975-2-9000008 for \$9,450.00; Acct. #04-215-44-038-2-9000049 for \$10,000.00 and Acct. #04-215-55-967-2-9030307 for \$8,652.01).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and the Clerk of the Township of Springfield are hereby authorized, respectively, to execute and attest to an agreement with **Dimension Data North America** for installation of communication equipment, pursuant to WSCA specifications, at a total cost of \$39,468.00.

TAKE NOTICE the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a Regular meeting by the Township Committee, of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, on September 8, 2009.  
U245405 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$25.48)

**SUMMIT**

**NOTICE OF CHANGE ORDER**

The Common Council, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-4 et seq., has authorized a change order for the project named below.

The authorizing resolution is available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk.

Project: **2008 Sanitary Sewer TV Inspection and Cleaning, Northwest Quadrant**

Contractor: **All County Sewer and Drain Service, Inc.**

Additional Work and its Necessity: Decrease in Labor

Original Price: \$23,517.30

Total of Change Order #1: (\$9,010.94)

Total of Previous Change Orders: \$0.00

Total Contract to Date: \$14,506.36

David L. Hughes, City Clerk  
Dated: 9-9-09  
U245476 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$17.15)

**SUMMIT**

**CITY OF SUMMIT**  
**FINAL PASSAGE**  
**ORDINANCE #09-2867**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE CHAPTER XXV - SEWAGE AND WASTEWATERS SECTION 25-1, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SANITARY SEWERS, SUBSECTION 25-1.11, New Construction (Previous building credit)**

Dated: September 9, 2009  
Approved: September 9, 2009

**Jordan Glatt, Mayor**

I, **David L. Hughes**, City Clerk of Summit, do hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was duly passed by the Common Council of said City at a regular meeting held on Wednesday evening, September 9, 2009.

David L. Hughes, City Clerk

Dated: September 9, 2009  
U245461 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$14.70)

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**NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

The Common Council of the City of Summit has awarded a contract with-

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out competitive bidding as a professional service (or extraordinary, unspecifiable service) pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to: Deer Management Systems, Inc. For the Period: November 2009 to March 31, 2010 Services: Deer control services Cost: Not to Exceed \$10,000.00

David L. Hughes City Clerk

Dated: 9-9-09 U245478 OBS Sept. 17, 2009 (\$12.25)

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CLARK

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004459 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1591508 County: Union Plaintiff: COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. VS Defendant: BERNICE MCMANUS; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE BANK FSB AND MARLEENE BARROS, TENANT Sale Date: 09/30/2009

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

CLARK

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004537 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3086707 County: Union Plaintiff: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE UNDER POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT DATED AS OF JUNE 1, 2007 SECURITIZED ASSET BACKED RECEIVABLES LLC TRUST 2007-BRS

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MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-BRS VS Defendant: ANNA MARIE CHIRICO; AMERICAN EXPRESS CENTURION BANK, A UTAH BANKING INSTITUTION

Sale Date: 09/30/2009 Writ of Execution: 07/30/2009 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

CLARK

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004602 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3389308 County: Union Plaintiff: EMC MORTGAGE CORPORATION VS Defendant: ALBERTO BAPTISTA, MAGDA I. BAPTISTA Sale Date: 10/07/2009

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

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claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money. The Sheriff or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$118,430.82

\*\*\*One Hundred Eighteen Thousand Four Hundred Thirty and 82/100\*\*\* Attorney: PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC 400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD SUITE 100 MT. LAUREL, NJ 08054

CRANFORD

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004606 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F4486008 County: Union Plaintiff: GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC VS Defendant: LILI WANG; JOHN GIAN-NAKAKIS Sale Date: 10/07/2009

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

CRANFORD

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004674 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F129708 County: Union Plaintiff: CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC VS Defendant: WILLIAM J. MCCARTHY III, MAUREEN E. MCCARTHY Sale Date: 10/14/2009

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expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The property to be sold is located in the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey. Premises commonly known as: 205 DIETZ ST. CRANFORD NJ 07016 BEING KNOWN AS LOT 7, BLOCK 570, on the official Tax Map of the Twp of Cranford

CRANFORD

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-09004543 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3011408 County: Union Plaintiff: MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS INC. VS Defendant: EMANUEL HALLAX, CATHERINE HALLAX, CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES Sale Date: 09/30/2009

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expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

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Table with columns: Calendar #, Name of Applicant & Premises Affected, Variances Requested, Decision of the Board of Adjustment. Row 1: Cal. # 3155, Eden Union, LLC, Construction of a two story Walgreen's Pharmacy w/ drive-thru window parking & signage, Carried for Continued Hearing on 9/16/09

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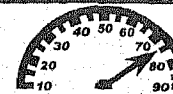
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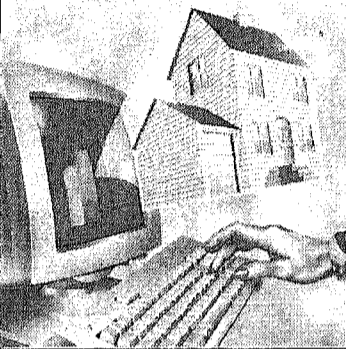
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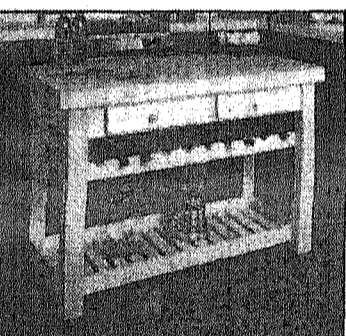
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## Rahway downtown welcomes gourmet tea cafe

During the month of October the city of Rahway will welcome Kataluma Chai, a gourmet tea café, to its downtown business community. The café, located at 1470 Main Street, will offer flavored chai teas, coffee, bagels, breakfast pastries, desserts, and ice cream. The space will also feature free Wi-Fi, study areas and be available for parties and special events. The grand opening weekend is open to the community and scheduled for Oct. 16, 17, and 18.

Patrons who visit the café during opening weekend will be treated to their choice of one free cup of chai latte or a free scoop of ice cream. The ribbon cutting is

scheduled for Oct. 14, and will be attended by representatives from the Rahway Center Partnership and the city council.

The café specializes in serving chai tea, a black Darjeeling tea from India, with exotic spices in a creamy milk base like a latte. Kataluma Chai will offer more than 20 flavors with its most popular being Bourbon Vanilla, Chocolate Comfort, Hugs N Kisses, Irish Cream, Green Tea, and Raspberry Blush. There is also a non-dairy version of the tea, called "Naturals", which is just as delicious as the milk based chai but great for people who are allergic to milk or are lactose intoler-

ant. The teas are also available in decaf or no sugar added varieties and can be enjoyed hot, iced, and blended.

Rahway residents and Kataluma Chai co-owners Aisha Thomas-Petit and Danielle Etienne decided to open the café after taking a winter vacation to Denver, Colorado. Thomas-Petit recalled, "on our way to one of Colorado's local malls we saw this quaint, little tea shop and could not resist stopping. After drinking the tea we fell in love with it. Throughout our trip we kept talking about how good the tea was and how we needed something like this back in New Jersey.

After we came home we decided we should open a cafe and bring some 'comfort in a cup' to the east coast." She then added, "We had many options as to where we could have opened our store but chose Rahway because we wholeheartedly believe in the revitalization of the downtown and are now excited to be a part of it. We look forward to partnering with other local businesses and working to give back to the community."

Many residents and city officials are optimistic about the opening of another business, as Rahway tries to revamp its downtown despite a global recession. While the city has welcomed new

mixed-use projects such as Skyview at Carriage City Plaza and Park Square to the community, the recession has caused many of the businesses that once lined East Cherry, Irving, and Main Streets to close. The opening of Kataluma Chai will provide residents with another option over mega chains Starbucks and Dunkin Donuts and provide the city with more tax revenue and downtown foot traffic.

The Rahway café is the first Kataluma Chai location on the east coast with additional locations in Lakewood, CO and Silverdale, WA. For information about Kataluma Chai call 732-499-8500 or visit [www.katalumachai.com](http://www.katalumachai.com).

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By purchasing a scratch-off ticket for \$1 at their local Stop & Shop, residents of Union made a valuable contribution for area children battling the disease. Tickets for the 2009 program flew out of stores in just two months, a record breaker, at a time when charitable giving is on the decline, down 2 percent in 2008, according to the Giving USA Foundation.


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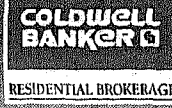



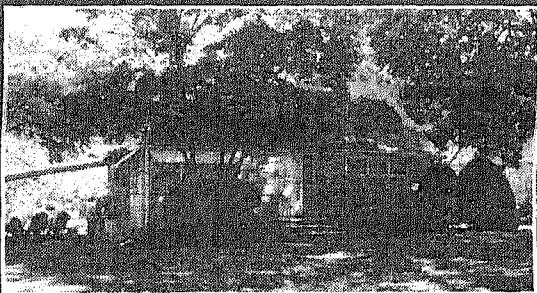
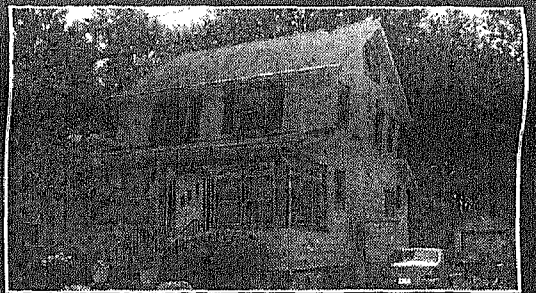
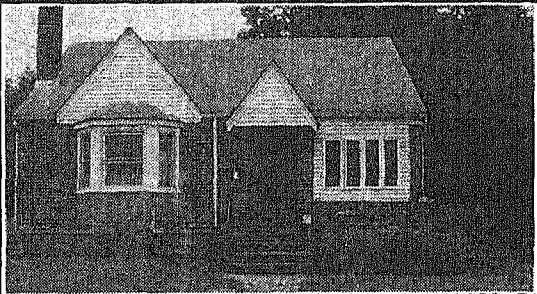
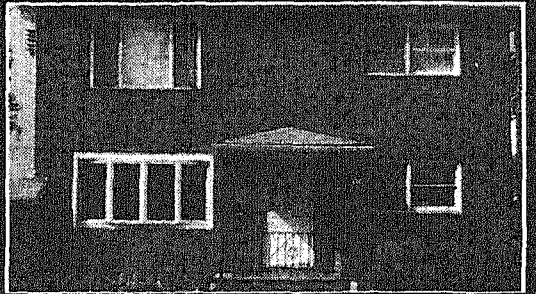
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**Oratory Prep to host two open houses**

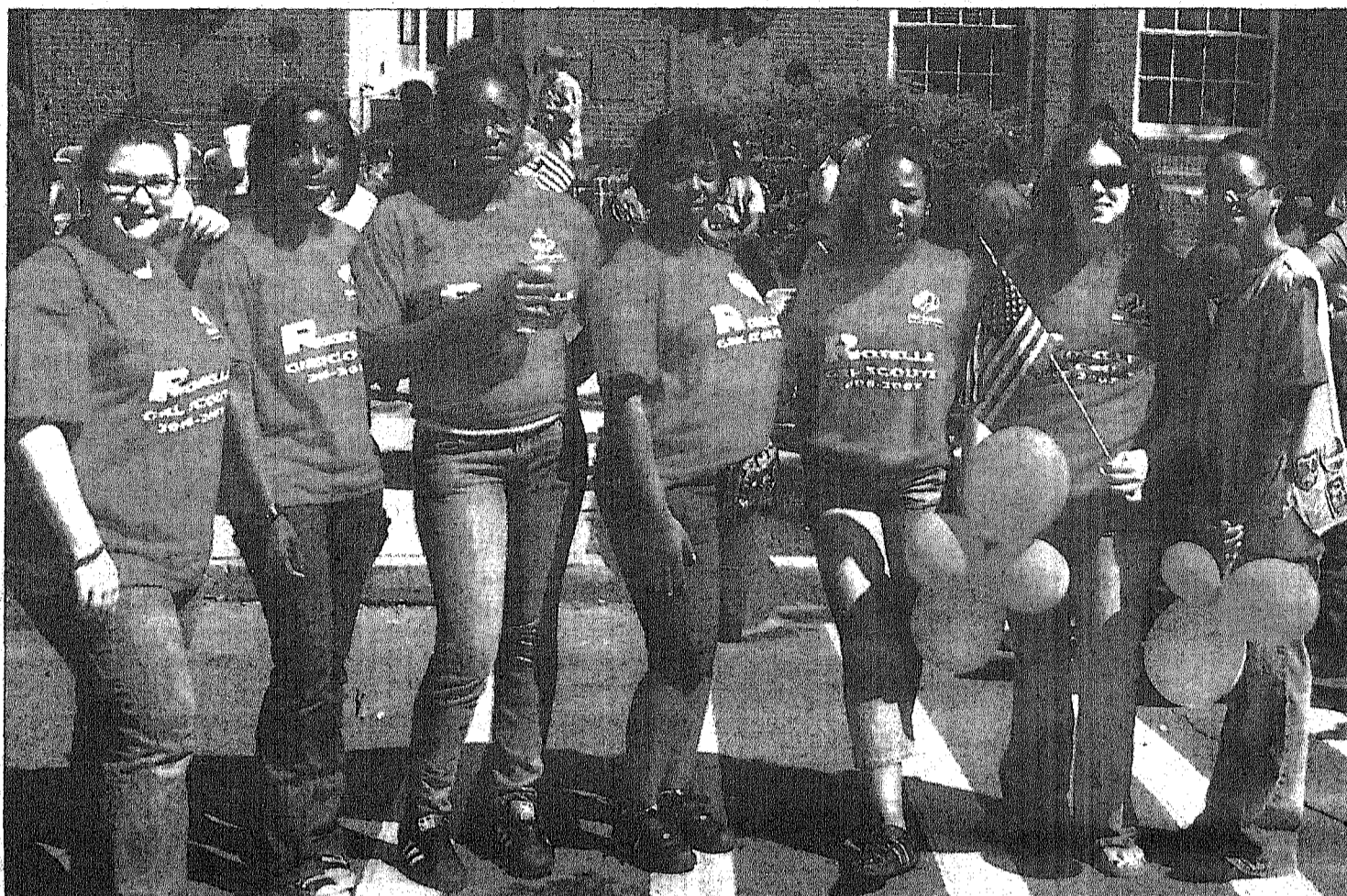
Oratory Prep School has announced the season's Open Houses for Sept. 27 from 1 to 3 p.m. and Oct. 21 from 7 to 9 p.m. The Roman Catholic, all-boys day school is located at One Beverly Road and Morris Avenue in Summit.

Director of Admissions Kevin Donnelly has issued an invitation to prospective boys in grades 7 through 12 and their families.

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## Goethals Bridge Replacement Offers Bridge to Somewhere

By Rod Hirsch

In 1928 a drive across the new Goethals Bridge to Staten Island was an adventure. Shiny new Model A Fords with rumble seats shared the road with strollers, horseback riders and light-duty trucks making local deliveries.

Crossing the Goethals Bridge today is still an adventure – one rife with hazards and uncertainty. The horses are gone, replaced by 18-wheelers and an ever-increasing volume of truck traffic on its way to and from the busy terminals at Port Newark, Port Elizabeth and the New York Container Terminal in Staten Island.

At best, the 81-year-old bridge has another 7-10 years left, according to the U.S. Coast Guard, the lead federal agency considering

a plan submitted by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ) to replace the aging, deteriorating structure with a new bridge.

The plan calls for wider lanes, a pedestrian and bikeway right-of-way and potentially a mass transit corridor. The new bridge would be built in the footprint of the existing structure, with three 12-foot wide lanes on both the east- and west-bound sides and a 12-foot wide outer shoulder for disabled and emergency vehicles. One lane on each side would be dedicated for buses and high-occupancy vehicles during rush hours.

The project is in Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) review. A final decision is due by mid-2010. If the EIS is approved, construction could begin as early as 2011 and completion is expected to take between 56 and 70 months. The project will create 400-500 construction jobs annually, according to

Port Authority, which owns and manages the bridge.

Business leaders on both sides of the Arthur Kill support the plan for a new bridge. A new span will improve safety, ease congestion, reduce airborne pollutants and improve the economic vitality of the region, proponents say.

Linda Baran, president of the Staten Island Chamber of Commerce, characterizes the Goethals Bridge as the "poster child" for a beleaguered transportation network that is critical to the future economic growth of the borough, New Jersey and the region.

"The Goethals is crumbling," Baran said. "It definitely needs to be replaced. It's inadequate for the amount of truck traffic that goes over there now."

James Coyle, president of the Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce based in Elizabeth, agrees.

"The Goethals is extremely narrow, outdated and in very poor repair," Coyle said. "It is well over its capacity. There are times when there is a hole in the deck and you can see the water below. It is a safety hazard."

That does not stop an estimated 75,000 vehicles from using the bridge each day.

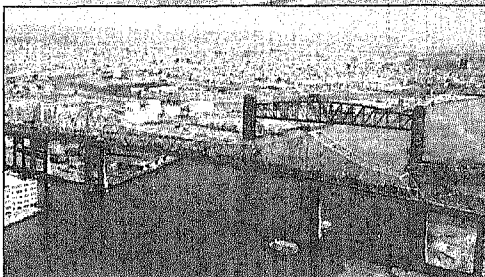
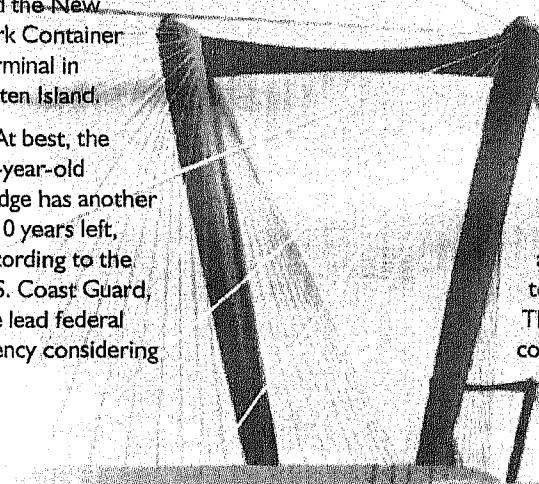
Motorists pay a round-trip toll of \$8 – truckers in excess of \$20 – for passage through a white-knuckle gauntlet of stress, congestion, boorish and indecisive drivers and oversized trucks, all squeezed into narrow 10-foot lanes on a road surface that has more pot holes and patches than a minor league hockey rink.

Overused and undersized by today's standards, the bridge has failed to keep pace with progress despite efforts over the years to maintain its structural integrity and road surfaces. An ongoing \$252-million road repair project is nearing completion.

"Since its opening in 1928 as one of the Port Authority's first projects, the Goethals Bridge has been a vital thoroughfare for commerce to and from the cities of Elizabeth and Newark, as well as the surrounding region," said Susan Bass Levin, deputy executive director of the Port Authority.

"More than 28 million cars and trucks traversed the bridge in both directions in 2008, a testament to the Goethals' enduring

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More than 81 years of heavy traffic and expanding commercial use have left the Goethals Bridge (inset) in desperate need of replacement (architect's rendition above).

## Entrepreneurial Spirit Does Not Recede Despite Recession

By Karen Miller

The clouds of recession are not stopping many entrepreneurs from following their star, the dream of owning their own business.

While conventional wisdom and common sense would seem to counsel that starting a new business during an economic downturn makes little sense, for many would-be entrepreneurs now is the perfect time to reach for that dream.

In fact, the recession actually may be spurring would-be entrepreneurs to finally

start the new businesses, according to media reports and local experts. With unemployment at 9.7 percent in July, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, many people who have been laid off see starting their own business as the best way to bring in a paycheck.

Minnie Titus-Glover is one New Jersey entrepreneur who found the recession a spur to striking out on her own. She lost her job

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## Mastering the Sales Sandwich – Take a Bite

By Andy Gole

Unfortunately, many salespeople wait and “save themselves” for the “good” leads; they fail in the waiting.

The best salespeople create their own good leads, mastering the three-part “sales sandwich”:

1. Developing the opportunity
2. Consulting
3. Managing and closing the opportunity

Most experienced salespeople effectively consult – the “meat” of the sales sandwich – when the prospect is ready to buy. If the prospect calls and asks “can I buy from you today,” most experienced salespeople can take them through a consultative process. The problem is prospects don’t call us often enough – the line of buyers in front of our business has diminished in recent years.

We might well ask where have all the good buyers – the good leads – gone? Market fundamentals are always changing; what worked as recently as a year ago probably no longer works. We need to go out, create, manage and close opportunity.

Dieters notwithstanding, substantially more attention is needed on the bookends, the bread of the sales sandwich:

- Developing the opportunity
- Managing and closing the opportunity

I began my sales consulting practice with a focus on the second slice – increasing closing ratios by managing and closing opportunity, the “at bat” in baseball terms. This requires a strong standard sales call, a step-by-step procedure that:

1. Marries our unique material difference to the prospect’s urgent needs;
2. Proves to the skeptic; and
3. Is supported by a battle plan for the longer-term, multi-step complex sale

Over time, I learned that in many companies there is an even greater need for the first slice of sales sandwich: developing the opportunity.

There are only two ways to develop opportunity with new clients:

1. Introductions and referrals
2. Outreach to colder opportunities (through marketing and phone calling)

By far, getting introductions and referrals is the easiest method for developing opportunity. Regrettably, most salespeople avoid this easier method, because they trip over their social values. They don’t feel comfortable asking satisfied clients and close colleagues for introductions.

They confuse friendship and social values with business values, falling miserably at networking. My teaching experience shows it can take up to three months of weekly seminars to help salespeople reset their value system in this arena.

Further, for many businesses the issue is not closing but opening and activating new referral sources. This is particularly true for many professional businesses that rely on referrals from accountants, lawyers, bankers, etc. – they need to activate new referral sources.

The techniques for activating new referral sources draw heavily on the standard sales call and battle plan, including:

- Focusing on material differences
- Proving, the proper use of moxie and in-kind payments – what we ask the prospect to do
- Staying in touch with the potential referral sources for the duration of the “activation” campaign

Most companies provide some marketing to generate leads. However, salespeople need to take responsibility for developing opportunity, to complement or supplant company efforts.

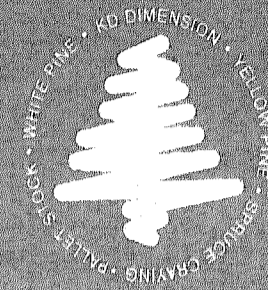
When building their business, even successful networkers need to supplement their networking by reaching out and calling new prospects. Without adequate referrals, or company-furnished leads, the salesperson building, or rebuilding, her business will need to budget up to 100 dials per day to new prospects. This is a lot of challenging work. It’s much easier to network.

For those salespeople needing to call new prospects, they must develop a powerful script, loaded with material difference and moxie.

In the end, to succeed at sales you must build a powerful sales sandwich, and “take a bite.” Enjoy!

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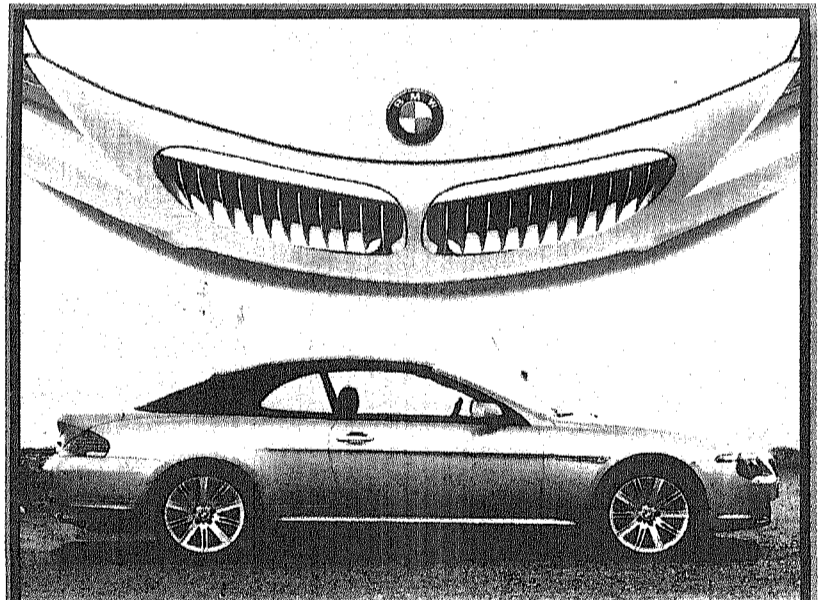
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in January 2008 and in July of that year opened her business, K&A Solutions of Parsippany, a strategic planning and training company.

"I'd been thinking of going out on my own for years," she said.

Losing her job was the impetus she needed.

While starting a business during a recession offers challenges, the weak economy has been only one factor in making it difficult for Titus-Glover.

"I'm not where I'd thought I'd be, but there does seem to be hope out there," she said.

"I probably fell short in my market research, and I've learned you have to build relationships before your business can take off. Coming from corporate America I thought all I had to do was just call people and the business would come rolling in. I found it's a lot harder than that."

Reg Rufus, who owns two Liberty Tax Service franchises, in Linden and East Orange, found that the recession has not hurt his business. In fact, he opened the East Orange office just this year, despite the down economy.

"My biggest business challenge is always getting good staff and keeping them trained," he said. "But that was actually easier this tax season because I had a bigger pool of talented people to pick from."

Adam Farrah, vice president of the UCEDC (formerly the Union County Economic Development Corporation), says inquiries to the non-profit economic development entity have increased about 100 percent in the last year, with about a third of those coming from new start-ups.

UCEDC offers micro-financing for the Small Business Administration and training and other services for small businesses. The UCEDC makes loans as small as a few thousand dollars, "something that is often very difficult for a small business to obtain because many institutions do not want to do the paperwork for loans of that size," Farrah said.

Of the about 400 inquiries the UCEDC received in the first half of 2009, only 25 have completed the loan process, which is about average for any given year.

"Some people who inquire find that we are not their best source of funding," Farrah said. "Others are just on a fact-finding mission to see what is available out there. And, of course, some just don't follow through."

Those entrepreneurs who do follow through find there is plenty of help waiting.

"We go a step further when we make a loan," Farrah said. "We get to know the business, find out the practicality of the plan, the competition, what makes it unique and what obstacles the business owner can expect."

In addition, UCEDC also provides entrepreneurial training through which prospective business owners get assistance in developing a detailed business plan, then present it before a panel of experts. The UCEDC also receives funding from the Department of Defense to help business owners learn about procuring government contracts.

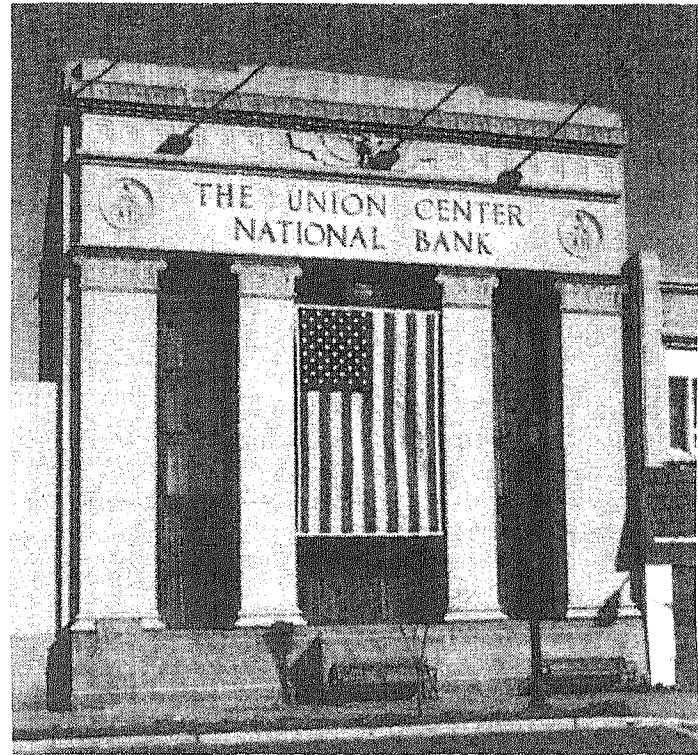
The Women's Business Center for the New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners also is experiencing an increase in requests for help from entrepreneurs.

"Our phones haven't stopped ringing with calls from people who have lost their job for the second or third time and have decided they just don't want to go that way anymore," says Penni Nafus, director of the center. The organization offers training in business basics for both women and men.

"Many of the people we work with come out of corporate life and don't understand the business of doing business," Nafus said. "Without learning how to keep their books and records, how to network, how to market, any business, no matter the economic climate, has little chance of success."

More than a few are trying, nonetheless. It seems the time is right.

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importance as a critical link between New Jersey and New York. The economic vitality of Elizabeth, Newark and the region – including the port district – is tied to this important crossing.”

Both Baran and Coyle have concerns beyond the bridge itself – how local and connector roads will handle the traffic that currently clogs local roadways on both sides of the bridge, for example.

“Once you come off the bridge, you are on local roads,” Coyle said. “To get to Routes 1 and 9 and the New Jersey Turnpike, you have to go through local roads. Not only is the bridge necessary but new connectors to get the trucks off the local roads and onto the highways is very, very important.”

Safety also is a concern, with access to emergency vehicles limited by the bridge’s narrow lanes, according to Coyle.

“If there is an accident the entire bridge has to be shut,” he said. “You can only reach the accident by driving down from the opposite side.”

There are similar concerns on Staten Island.

“Modernizing and expanding the bridge is a wonderful thing but what we need to address is what happens when you come off the bridge,” Baran said. “Staten Island gets tied up in a knot if a truck overturns or jackknifes on the bridge. There’s nowhere else to go, no service roads (and) there’s no direct route other than the Staten Island Expressway, so traffic comes off on local streets.”

Two study areas have been defined for analysis of potential traffic impacts in the Environmental Impact Statement now being compiled. One regional traffic study includes the major roadways in a 28-county area in New Jersey, New York and Connecticut. The other is a more specific corridor surrounding the bridge that includes communities like Elizabeth, Union, Woodbridge, Perth Amboy and Jersey City, as well as Staten Island, Brooklyn and Manhattan. Potential impacts to local traffic are being studied in detail.

Most importantly, perhaps, a new Goethals Bridge will help ensure the economic vitality of the region and its ability to compete for commerce, according to Coyle.

“If you don’t have a good transportation network where goods and people can move efficiently, economic activity moves elsewhere,” he said. “A perfect example is Brooklyn. In the thirties and forties the bulk of the port activity was in Brooklyn, but they decided they didn’t want to modernize the port so everything moved to Jersey. That whole portion of New York City still suffers.

“If you don’t keep this port area and transportation connections up-to-date, activity will move elsewhere, whether that’s Halifax, Norfolk or Baltimore. Ships do have choices. You need to keep this the port of choice.”

Port Elizabeth, Port Newark and the New York Container Terminal combine as the busiest container seaport on the East Coast, with thousands of trucks heavily dependent on an aging, outdated and overly congested transportation infrastructure, according to Coyle. The New York Container Terminal continues to expand its operations, having recently acquired the 124-acre tract adjacent to its site formerly occupied by Proctor & Gamble.

Coyle also is concerned about the price tag of the new bridge, projected at \$1 billion, and how Port Authority will pay for the project. If EIS approval is granted, Port Authority will begin advertising for bids and seek financing for the project, according to Steve Coleman, agency spokesman.

Coyle cited creative privatization and federal stimulus money as possibilities.

“Financing is a big issue because the PA has several major projects under way, the tunnel under the Hudson River and the rebuilding of the World Trade Center, plus the normal modernization of facilities,” he said.

“Their revenue is down because of decreases in economic activity. But financing this project is critical. I certainly hope that this does not become a limiting factor. This project is too important to say ‘no we can’t afford it right now.’”

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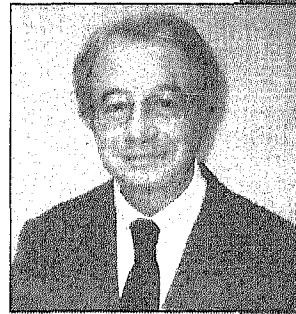
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**James Lape**, senior vice president, behavioral health & psychiatry and long-term care, at **Trinitas Regional Medical Center**, has been named president of the board of directors of The Arc of Union County. The Arc is a community-based organization devoted to promoting and improving supports and services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Lape is a founding member of the New Jersey Mental Health Institute.

Trinitas recently was visited by New York Knick forward Al Harrington, a native of Roselle who works extensively with underprivileged children. Harrington visited the medical center's New Point Residential Treatment Center and spoke with the young people like Vianca (right), encouraging them to realize their potential.

**Marcy Sasso**, director of operations at **Ambulatory Surgical Center of Union County**, has been recognized by Becker's *Ambulatory Surgical (ASC) Review* as one of the outstanding surgery center administrators in the United States. Sasso is one of only 45 administrators featured in the ASC Review. There are approximately 4,000 surgery centers in the United States and 250 in New Jersey.



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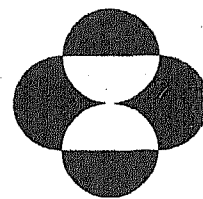
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### Watchdogs are Supposed to Make Noise

In 1928 9-year-old Walter Collins disappeared from his home in Los Angeles. The Los Angeles Police, under community pressure, launched a nationwide search, and eventually found "Walter" in Illinois. Only when he was reunited with his mother, Christine Collins, "Walter" turned out not to be Walter Collins.

Mrs. Collins complained to the police, but she was told to take the boy home and she was sure to realize she was mistaken. A couple weeks later she returned to the police with dental records, and instead of admitting their error, Christine Collins was committed to a mental institution. Only massive public outrage led to her release.

This story was made into a movie, *The Changeling*, which I watched recently with my wife. It was a very disturbing movie about the abuse of power. Afterward, my wife, who like me had been horrified by the events portrayed, commented that "thank goodness abuses like that can no longer happen."

Unfortunately abuses like this do occur with great regularity. It is only the public outcry that seems to have diminished.

Union County is blessed with an organization named the Union County Watchdog Association. Led by Tina Renna, the group works tirelessly to keep Union County government honest. They attend all the Board of Chosen Freeholders meetings. They demand explanations of nepotistic hirings. They track expenses of county government offices and employees and point out abuses. They expose cover-ups and double dealing. They do all the things that good government requires.

And how are Ms. Renna and her group of watchers repaid? With ridicule, abuse, character assassination and sanction. It is incredible and disheartening to witness the treatment these people receive. They are taxpaying, voting citizens who are exercising their constitutional rights to question their elected officials and hold them accountable for their actions. Rather than be treated with courtesy and respect they are vilified and demeaned. Often, like Christine Collins, their sanity is called into question.

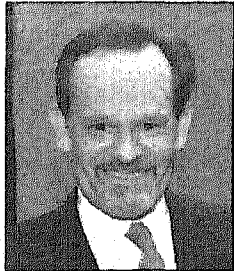
Recently a particularly ignoble piece of literature has appeared called the Kruger Report. It is sent out anonymously, but given that it is unflinching in its support of the freeholders, one can guess its origin. One can also only guess at the intent of its name. Is it named for Freddie Kruger, because it certainly has a slasher feel to it. The intent of the Kruger Report is to slander Ms. Renna, to undermine her credibility and to have us think she is insane (shades of Christine Collins).

In spite of all this, Ms. Renna and her watchdogs continue the watch. With the Open Public Records Act (OPRA) they are able to get information that government would rather hide. The Watchdog Association had to take Union County to court to get this access. They take what they find to freeholder meetings and ask for clarification or justification or simply shine the light where the powers that be would rather it not be shown.

Recently, the American Civil Liberties Union intervened on behalf of the Watchdog Association when the freeholder board denied them the ability to ask questions regarding relatives on the county payroll. Under threat of another unwinnable lawsuit, the freeholders apologized and now allow the questioning.

Because of the internet, the Watchdog Association is able to make public its findings. Their website, [www.countywatchers.com](http://www.countywatchers.com), provides a wealth of information on what is happening in the county, information that is rarely available in any other place, especially since the demise of the county section of the *Star Ledger*. It is a site that I visit daily.

What really differentiates Tina Renna from Christine Collins is the lack of public outrage. When Collins was attacked, the citizens of Los Angeles rose up and demanded her release in public demonstration. Perhaps if more county residents were to read [www.countywatchers.com](http://www.countywatchers.com) they would realize that this is just as important.



Jim Coyle

## Where the Chamber Stands...

### Not All ARCs Float – or Stick

In a pinch marketing and advertising professionals often resort to the creative approach of "throwing ideas against the wall to see what sticks." That's fine when ideas come cheaply and those that don't "stick" are metaphorically swept away into the dumpster.

This is not such a good approach for designing government programs intended to help the nation recover from the recession. With government programs, the shotgun, hit-or-miss approach can be costly. Buckshot is not free and taxpayers foot the bill.

The federal America's Recover Capital, or ARC Loan Program, is an example of an idea that does not seem to be sticking, warranting revisions of design and/or implementation. ARC is a well-meaning program administered by the Small Business Association (SBA) intended to help struggling small businesses "ride out the current uncertain economic times and return to profitability."

The program facilitates interest-free, deferred payment loans of up to \$35,000 to struggling small businesses from participating banks, with the loans being 100 percent guaranteed by the SBA and the lenders receiving monthly interest payments from the agency.

This sounds like a win-win program, an idea that certainly should have stuck.

So why hasn't it?

When the SBA launched the ARC program in June it announced a goal of 10,000 loans by the program's scheduled termination on September 30, 2010, according to CNNMoney.com. As of today, more than 1,800 loans have been made – a pace that is slightly off-mark of the goal but apparently healthy.

Yet the program has been coolly embraced, if not outright shunned, by most of the lending community. Fewer than 500 lending institutions out of the nation's 8,200 FDIC-backed banks are taking part, according to CNNMoney. A review of the SBA's lender activity report shows that two states, Wisconsin and Minnesota, account for 25 percent of the loans. In New Jersey, only four banks have made just six loans.

While the ARC loans sound like a great idea at first blush, there are fundamental design flaws in the program. First are the eligibility requirements. To qualify for a loan a borrower "must be experiencing immediate financial hardship," according to the SBA. At the same time the company must be "an established business, have financial statements demonstrating it was profitable in one of the past two years, and be able to project sufficient cash flow to meet current and future loan payments over a two-year period."

This seems a bit like searching for hobos who have enough income to pay for their train pass next month.

Then there is the banks' side. While the ARC loans are fully guaranteed, the SBA is forecasting a 56 percent default rate, according to CNNMoney. National and local experts also point out that as much time and energy goes into making the ARC loans, many for far less than the \$35,000 cap, as for a \$1 million loan that offers a much greater return for the lender.

This foot-dragging is not dissimilar to the apparent reluctance banks have shown to participate in the federal Making Home Affordable Program intended to help homeowners avoid foreclosure. Like ARC, the program is voluntary and the target loan recipients are borrowers that carry the greatest risk – making them the least attractive to the banks.

In short, the banks have slower, fatter rabbits to hunt.

Not all government programs designed to help turn around the economy have failed to stick. The Car Allowance Rebate System, or Cash for Clunkers, was a huge success at spurring consumer purchasing (albeit there remain debates about the wisdom of some of those purchases and the delay in getting cash to dealers). *The New York Times* recently reported that the federal government so far has made a \$4 billion profit on its Troubled Asset Relief Program, or TARP, as banks have repaid their bailout loans.

Locally, the Urban Transit Hub Tax Credit program within the New Jersey Economic Stimulus Act has been warmly received by the real estate sector, with developers expecting the program to jumpstart projects that might have sat dormant for several years, as reported in *NJBIZ*. That means work and jobs.

Clearly, some ideas stick, some don't. Unfortunately, in the world of taxpayer-funded government programs, those that don't stick cost money – and leave struggling homeowners and businesses still in need of help.

The SBA needs to revisit the ARC Loan Program and implement changes to make the program more effective. Because this first toss against the wall is sliding toward the floor.

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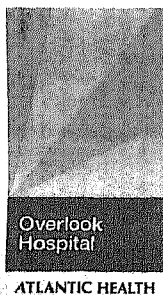


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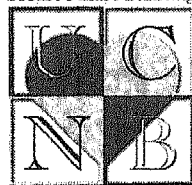
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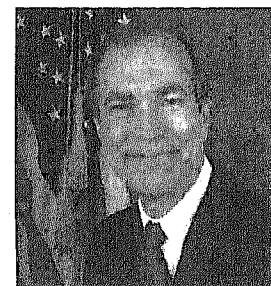


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**U.S. Rep. Scott Garrett** (R-5) Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government-Sponsored Enterprises for the House Financial Services Committee



## Stimulate Small Business Growth While Stabilizing the Economy

In the 2009 edition of the State Business Tax Climate Index, the non-partisan Tax Foundation ranked New Jersey as the least-business-friendly state in the country for the second year in a row. In the report, Tax Foundation economist Joshua Barro writes, "New Jersey, which ranks 50th out of 50 states, has a tax code that reads like a 'What Not To Do' for legislators."

This designation should not come as a surprise to anyone who has ever owned or operated a business in New Jersey. Business owners in the state face the seventh-highest corporate tax rate, the ninth-highest sales tax, and the highest per-capita property tax in the country. This is all on top of the highest-in-the-nation state and local aggregate tax burden – a combined marginal income tax rate of almost 11 percent.

These heavy-handed taxes, compounded by federal personal income and corporate tax rates, place a great burden on businesses in our state and make New Jersey less competitive in the national and global marketplace. Most of all, this punitive tax structure makes it harder for individuals to build and sustain small businesses that, in turn, create jobs in our communities.

When I was Chairman of the Commerce and Economic Development Committee in the New Jersey General Assembly, I worked hard to make New Jersey a more welcoming place for small business and corporations. Now, as a member of the United State Congress, I believe it is imperative that the federal government ceases their interference in the private sector and allows small business to do what they do best: create jobs.

Over the last decade, small businesses have been responsible for as much as 80 percent of private job creation, and now employ over half of the country's private work force. It is vital to our economic recovery that we remove (and not create) burdens from the backs of small business owners in order to stimulate job creation and economic growth.

Earlier this year, I introduced legislation that would, among other things, allow small businesses to immediately expense capital assets, extend the "carryback period" for net operating losses, and reduce the marginal corporate tax rate by 10 percent. Unfortunately, the President and Congressional Democrats instead wagered a \$787 billion bet that top-down government spending – not private entrepreneurship and small business – can stimulate and stabilize our economy. Seven months into the so-called stimulus plan, we've seen very few jobs created and far more businesses forced to close their doors. In fact, not only have very few jobs been created, unemployment has steadily risen to highs not seen in over 26 years.

This is a time, both here in New Jersey and across the country, where we should be looking for ways to make it easier to actualize the American Dream of owning your own business, not putting existing business owners out of business.

It makes no sense why New Jersey has become so inhospitable to business and industry, especially when nearby states are doing far better at creating and retaining jobs. New Jersey has all of the natural resources a manufacturer or company could ever ask for: multiple deep water ports, commercial access to major metropolitan areas, a diverse topography, relatively low fuel prices and an educated work force. Yet still, long before the economic recession, New Jersey was losing jobs and companies at an alarming rate, a trend only exacerbated by the financial crisis.

I strongly believe that a reduction in taxes on small businesses and an easing of accounting rules to encourage capital investment is the surest and most stable road to financial recovery – both in Washington and in Trenton. There is no reason to believe we can't stimulate small business growth while stabilizing the economy; in fact, it is the only proven way.

## Insight No Starring Role for the Media in Campaign '09

By Richard A. Lee

In the aftermath of tough political campaigns such as this year's race for governor in New Jersey, considerable time and energy is devoted to analyzing the numbers to determine what factors were responsible for one candidate's victory and the other's defeat.

The role of the press often is high on that list, but things may be different in the Garden State this year. The media landscape in New Jersey has changed dramatically since voters last elected a governor in 2005, and the media's influence on the outcome of this year's election is likely to be far less than it has been in the past.

For starters, layoffs, buyouts and mergers have significantly reduced the number of journalists who are covering this year's race for the State House.

*The Star-Ledger*, New Jersey's largest paper, has been forced to decrease its newsroom staff by 40 percent in order to survive. *The New York Times* closed its New Jersey State House bureau and now rarely covers politics in the Garden State. Gannett, which owns six of New Jersey's daily newspapers, has had extensive layoffs. And *The Star-Ledger* and *The Record* – two longtime competing newspapers – have merged their State House bureaus to reduce costs.

All this has negative implications on the quality of news and the media's ability to impact public policy. News organizations can cover fewer stories. What they can cover is covered in less depth – often with less of the questioning and skepticism that good journalism requires.

Newsroom staffs generally are much younger, meaning there is less institutional memory and less knowledge of the community, of how to gather news and the history of individual beats. There also are fewer editors to catch mistakes and mentor young reporters.

While news staffs have been shrinking, opportunities to obtain information about the candidates and the campaigns are more readily accessible than ever. When Jon Corzine and Doug Forrester squared off against each other in the 2005 gubernatorial campaign, YouTube was in its infancy, the only people on Facebook were students and Twitter didn't even exist. This year, all three are

essential tools being utilized by the candidates for governor.

Because the Internet and social networking sites offer campaigns the ability to bypass the press and communicate directly to voters by posting press releases, photos and videos online and in emails, the net result is a lesser role for traditional media outlets.

A third factor diminishing the role of the Fourth Estate is voters' decreasing confidence in those who report the news. According to the Pew Project for Excellence in Journalism's 2009 State of the Media report, "The public retained a deep skepticism about what they see, hear and read in the media. No major news outlet – broadcast or cable, print or online – stood out as particularly credible. There was no indication that Americans altered their fundamental judgment that the news media are politically biased, that stories are often inaccurate and that journalists do not care about the people they report on."

Regardless of whether one shares these perceptions, the report's conclusions provide another sign that the influence of the press is declining.

So what does all this mean for New Jersey and this year's campaign for governor?

It means more responsibility for all of us. To make intelligent, informed decisions when we go to the polls, we need to become intelligent, informed media consumers. We need to obtain as much information as possible – from as many different and divergent sources as possible – and we need to sort it out before making up our minds on a candidate.

Think about it. We all go through a process like this when we buy a house, a car or a computer. Surely, we should do the same when it comes time to select our next governor.

*Richard Lee is communications director of the Hall Institute of Public Policy-New Jersey. A former journalist and deputy communications director for Gov. Corzine, he teaches courses in media and government at Rutgers University.*

# Did You Know...

## If Twitter is Right for Your Business?

By Denise McVey

Twitter has quickly gone from a confusing buzzword many felt they could ignore to something most businesses are at least considering exploring – but are still confused about. Is Twitter right for your business? There's a good chance it is.

Twitter is a 140-character, text-based "microblog" that is currently free of both advertising and usage fees. Started in 2006, Twitter has grown at an incredible rate and boasts one of the top web presences worldwide.

Taking a step back from the technology side, "twitter" is a word used to describe short bursts of communication, such as birds chirping. (Hence the Twitter "bird" logo mascot.) In other words, chatter. Chatter between you and your "followers;" between you and those you "follow;" and chatter among the enormous global audience that Twitter provides.

What does this mean to your business? Twitter presents an opportunity to reach out frequently with "bursts" of information to those interested in your product or service, your personnel, your brand and/or your company in general. It allows you to get information out there quickly – actually, immediately – with a very specific focus on that particular "Tweet." (Now the bird thing is making much more sense, isn't it?)

It removes the layers between "them" and "you," granting followers instantaneous – and public – access to you. Marketers have talked for a long time about the desire to "create a dialog" with their customers, and Twitter makes that possible like never before.

One more important bit of information to keep in mind: since Twitter is a blog, unlike Facebook and some other social networking sites, Tweets are searchable by Google, Yahoo, Bing, etc. That means whatever you put out via Twitter is relatively easy for your customers and competitors to stumble across. So before you enter the Twitterverse, be sure your customer service skills are sharper than a Ginsu.

Twitter may be right for your company if:

- You would benefit from (and enjoy) frequent interactions
- You are willing to let down the veil and share information in a way that is not currently available via other outreach efforts
- You can allot the time to tend to your Twitter garden every day
- You are willing to try creative strategies and spontaneous approaches
- In other words: you will be social

Twitter is probably not right for your company if:

- You see this as a one-sided chance to bombard followers with self-serving news of your products/services and very little else
- The thought of letting people peek behind the curtain is scarier than the economy
- You think "Tweeing" once a month is sufficient
- Your legal department will be dictating all that you Tweet, and approving each move you make before you make it
- In other words: your social media activity will do more to turn off people than to facilitate increased connectivity, consideration and loyalty

Thinking of Twitter like a virtual social gathering – such as a cocktail party – can help put you in the right mindset. Nobody likes the salesperson at the party who treats each conversation as a potential sale, hands out business cards and follows up relentlessly. People avoid this "social downer" and may avoid future events from this host for fear of a repeat encounter. That's the opposite of how you want people to feel about your company on Twitter.

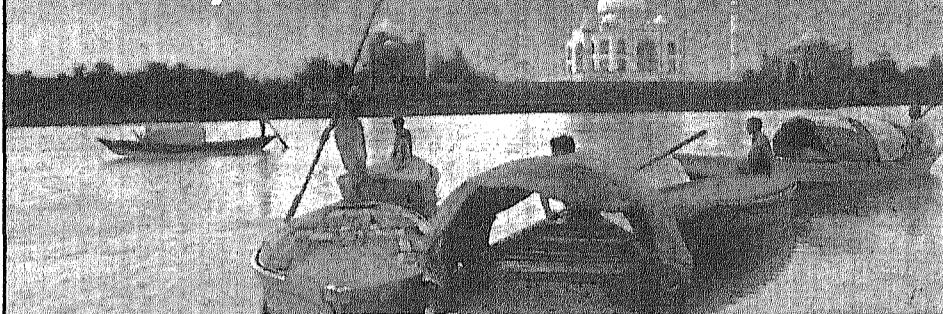
We enjoy interacting with people who offer something of value: interesting information, intriguing trivia, solutions to our problems, or even just a sparkling personality with witty banter that makes us smile. That's what you see in a popular party guest – and that's what draws quality Twitter followers and interactions. Twitter gives you the chance to expand your brand personality while remaining true to your core.

Still wondering if Twitter is right for your business? Let's close with a real-life example, Eight O'Clock Coffee. This iconic 150-year-old brand starting Tweeting in March. Just four months later, they announced a deal with the award-winning show "Mad Men" that included sponsoring online viral/social applications such as the popular "MADMEN YOURSELF" avatar creation program that gained millions of users in the first two days. At the root of this partnership: Twitter.

Eight O'Clock's "groundbreaking" Twitter presence gained the attention of followers, the media and AMC. The connection was made. And the rest is Twistory.

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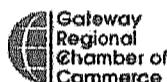
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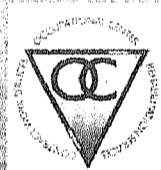


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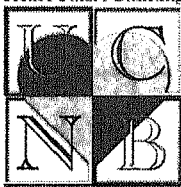
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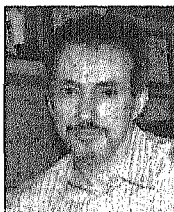
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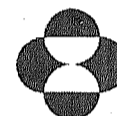
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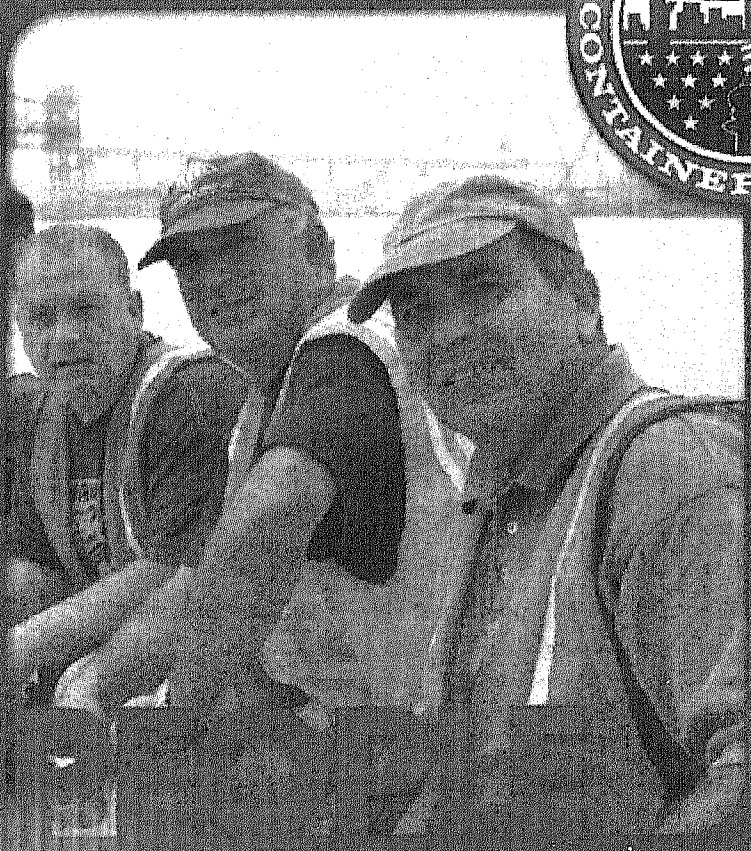
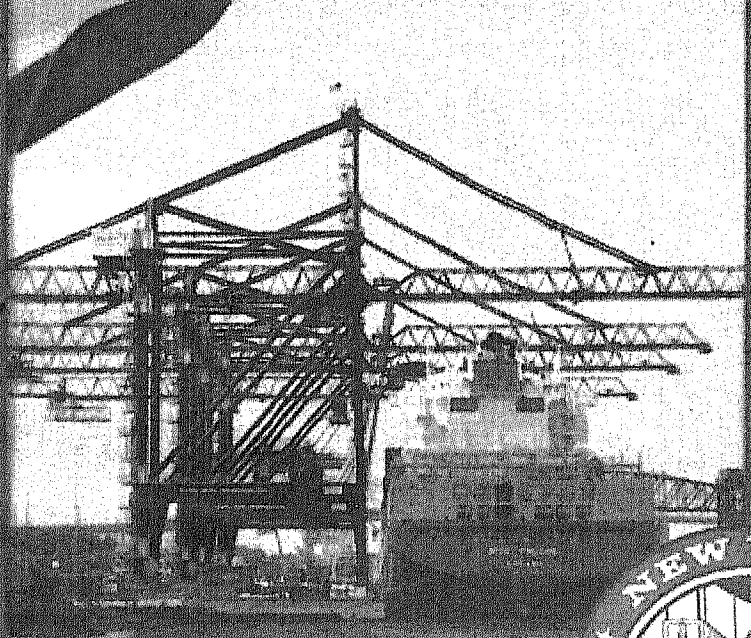
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