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ENCORE!

Last weekend, the Dance Theatre of Harlem Ensemble performed at Kean University, and at least this reviewer is hoping for an encore.

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Farahi who? Never heard of him

Letters from schools show no record of Kean president's publication claims

By Cheryl Hehl
Staff Writer

Kean University President Darwood Farahi is being investigated by the university's board of trustees amid allegations that he falsified his academic credentials.

A copy of a letter dated Dec. 16 obtained by *LocalSource* from Kean Board of Trustees Chair Ada Morell to Kean Federation of Teachers President James Castiglione backed up that the board was reviewing information the union provided at the end of November.

"The letters raise serious issues and have been referred to the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees for handling," Morell said in her letter to Castiglione, stressing that "at the conclusion of the executive committee's review, the board will determine what action, if any, is appropriate."

Morell's response to Castiglione occurred after the union president had to send a follow-up letter Dec. 13 urging the board to respond to the "serious allegations of potential academic fraud" leveled Nov. 29 by the union about Farahi.

In that letter Castiglione called on the board to order a "complete investigation" of their own into Farahi's



File Photo

Signs clearly mark parking spaces reserved for staff of the embroiled president's office at Kean University after multiple allegations about falsified credentials have surfaced through the teachers' union.

academic credentials.

"Given the seriousness of the allegations and the potential damage to the university, it is incumbent on

the board to have an independent academic investigation and address these claims without delay," the union president said.

LocalSource broke this story online Dec. 9 and in print Dec. 15, noting that the teachers union supplied the Kean Board of Trustees with considerable information supporting their claim that Farahi had falsified his academic credentials.

Among the allegedly bogus claims investigated by the Kean Federation of Teachers included Farahi's claims on his resume that he published over 50 technical articles in major publications. However, after extensive searches of scholarly databases in and out of state, the faculty union found no evidence to support the university president's claims.

Also, many of the claims have been refuted by editors of these journals.

Monday *LocalSource* obtained copies of three letters the faculty teachers union received from editors who were asked to substantiate Farahi's publication claims.

Among those responding was the managing editor of the *Administrative Science Quarterly*, at Cornell University, a publication Farahi said previously published two of his papers, "Patterns of Administrative Efficiency" and "Fiscal Control and Budget Policy." The editor, though, See ALLEGATIONS, Page 4

Mail call

Union County LocalSource recently obtained copies of three letters sent from colleges and universities in response to the Kean Federation of Teachers' inquiry into the school president's credentials.

In all cases, the letter sent from the teachers union asked the institution if they "published, or at any time accepted for publication but not published" papers by Kean University President Dawood Farahi.

'I have been in the Managing Editor position here at ASQ since December 1980. ASQ has never published an article by Dawood Farahi, nor have we ever accepted an article by Dawood Farahi that has not yet been published.'

— Linda Johanson
Managing Editor
The Administrative Science Quarterly
Cornell University

'Management Science publishes everything we accept. I have been told that we have no papers in that stage which we accepted more than a year ago.'

— Gerard Cachon
Editor in Chief
Management Science
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'We did not find anything.'

— James L. Perry
Editor-in-Chief
Public Administration Review
Yonsei University

BOE removes teacher after anti-gay remarks

Board begins lengthy process of firing a tenured teacher in New Jersey

By Cheryl Hehl
Staff Writer

UNION — After spending several months investigating special education teacher Vicki Knox, the Union school board decided she should not be teaching at the high school. Knox ignited a firestorm of worldwide attention in October when she posted anti-gay remarks on her public Facebook page.

The board made the decision Dec. 20, officially approving a resolution to "certify" tenure charges against Knox.

In a statement provided exclusively to *LocalSource* late Friday, the school district noted the board had already made the "appropriate," or required, filing to the New Jersey Commissioner of Education, Christopher Cerf. This begins the

official process required by state law when charges are brought against any tenured teacher for dismissal by a school district.

The school board does not have the authority to fire Knox because she is a tenured employee with more than 20 years in the Union school district. However, while state law does protect tenured teachers, there also is a process in

place to remove a teacher when charges are brought against them by a school board.

This process begins with an investigation by a school district and then certification by the school board on charges against a tenured teacher. The certification is then filed with the state commissioner of education, where a review and See SCHOOL, Page 9



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State DEP halts Union County work in Cranford

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

A county operation to remove fallen trees from the Rahway River in Cranford was halted by the Department of Environmental Protection Wednesday after it was determined the proper permits had not been obtained.

The work was being done on county-owned land in the Rahway River Parkway near Mendell Avenue, for the purpose of removing two or three very large trees from the portion of the river that abuts Sperry Park.

According to DEP spokesperson Larry Hajna, a land use inspector was dispatched to the site to investigate after state authorities were notified of the activity by a local resident who called the DEP hotline.

Crane Parkway resident Catherine Alexander said she noticed large trucks pulling up near the river just before 8 a.m. She spoke to several people on the site, including Deputy Director of Parks and Community Renewal Ron Zuber, who she said insisted he had the appropriate paperwork needed to perform the work.

However, the DEP reported no permits on file and requested the county cease their activities, which they did.

Hajna said the DEP is still gathering information at this time and has not determined if the county's actions constitute a violation of DEP regulations.

"The purpose of obtaining a permit is to make sure they are following the DEP requirements and to make sure the DEP is aware of the activity that is taking place," Hajna said.

County Spokesperson Sebastian D'Elia said the county informed the DEP of their intentions at the site and was advised they could proceed if they did not hear from the DEP by Dec. 26. The county waited until Jan. 4 before proceeding.

D'Elia said the county does not anticipate being fined. He said once all the necessary paper work was filed and approved, the permits could take an additional 4-6 weeks to obtain.

Alexander, an environmental professional who worked for the county's Parks and Recreation Department from 2001 until 2007,

said she noticed markers near the river in November, designating it a work site of some kind.

Alexander said she has many concerns about encroachment on flood plains along the river, both by county and local governments. She quickly became concerned that the county may not follow the proper procedures.

"From my experience they do as they please," she said. "They cause a lot of damage and then they beg for forgiveness. It's their MO."

D'Elia said the county's methodology in removing trees from the river areas has always been in compliance with statutory requirements. This work is essential to help reduce flooding, as debris in the river can restrict flow and cause stormwater to back up and overrun the riverbanks.

However, deploying heavy equipment in a floodplain can compact the ground and compromise the floodplain's ability to absorb water, which can also have serious consequences in a flood-prone area like Cranford.

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Photos Courtesy of Catherine Alexander

Above, nearby homes that had to battle the flooding of Tropical Storm Irene can be seen through the trees as utility vehicles trudge through the wooded area in Cranford near the Rahway River. The Department of Environmental Protection halted the work after a concerned resident called their hotline.



Above left, police and utility vehicles are out on Crane Parkway in Cranford last week. Left, Catherine Alexander uses her foot as a measure of scale to show the size a tree stump cut down to make way for the utility vehicles.

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LocalSource obtained letters from various institutions corroborating the faculty union's suspicion that Kean President Dawood Farahi may have falsified his credentials when being appointed to his position in 2003. He currently earns a salary of \$293,000 a year from the state institution.

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Allegations against Farahi corroborated by letters

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had no record of his publication with them.

"ASQ has never published an article by Dawood Farahi, nor have we ever accepted an article by Dawood Farahi that has not yet been published. Your search of the bibliographic records for this journal were correct," Linda Johnson, managing editor of the Science Quarterly said in a letter dated Dec. 12, 2011.

Likewise, Management Science, a publication by the University of Pennsylvania, also had no record that they ever published anything by Farahi. More importantly, Editor in Chief Gerard P. Cachon noted that the title of the paper, "Patterns of Administrative Efficiency" would not have appeared in their publication because "we never accept a paper that we know appears in another journal."

Farahi listed this particular paper "Patterns of Administrative Efficiency" as being published in multiple publications, including Management Science.

James L. Perry, Editor in Chief of Public Administration Review, a publication produced by Yonsei University, Bloomington, Indiana, also responded that they "did not find anything" published in their review by Farahi, despite claims by the Kean president that this review published a paper entitled "Determining your MIS needs."

The faculty union also alleges that Farahi claimed on his resume

in 2003 that he served as acting academic dean from 1976 to 1983 at Avila College, Kansas City, Missouri, but that also could not be substantiated.

Farahi, who earns \$293,000 annually, has been embroiled in a series of issues since he was hired in 2003 that have plagued his presidency. One of the issues is that the state university debt soared from \$48 million to \$357 million under his leadership.

Last week in a *Wall Street Journal* article, Farahi denied the allegations saying they were fueled by "hate, prejudice and greed."

"This is another in a long line of personal attacks that they have leveled," the statement in the *Wall Street Journal* from Farahi read, "all because I have asked them to come to work, do their jobs and earn their paychecks."

In 2010, Moody's, the credit rating agency, gave the university a stable outlook, but stressed that they were concerned about Kean's rapidly rising debt service requirements.

The Kean University Federation of Teachers, which number 480 professors, professional staff and librarians, also have charged the Afghanistan native, whom sources have alleged has strong connections to Democrat Senator Ray Lesniak, of risking the university's accreditation.

In June 2011 Kean was warned that they could lose their accreditation for failing to measure student

progress or their own institution's effectiveness.

The Middle States Commission on higher Education, the group that accredits colleges and universities in New Jersey and other mid-atlantic states, cited Kean for not having adequate systems to assess whether students are meeting goals.

At the time Castiglione said that the faculty union had been warning for years that the administration was not being transparent and accreditation may be in jeopardy.

In Castiglione's letter to Kean board trustees Nov. 29, the faculty union president touched on this particular issue once again.

"Given President Farahi's dismal record on accreditation issues—the warning from Middle States—and other cresting scandals such as the NCAA investigation, the University cannot afford another scandal undermining institutional integrity," Castiglione said.

The 156-year-old school has 16,000 students. Between 2006 and 2010 the student body grew 46 percent, according to records obtained by *LocalSource*.

However, when compared with other state universities, including The College of New Jersey, Montclair State University, Rowan University, Ramapo College, and New Jersey City University, the student to fulltime faculty ratio is considerably greater.

While the above state universities average anywhere from 20 to 35 to 1, Kean's average is 49 to 1.

Elected 20-year-old brings 'youth' and 'energy' to council

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

ROSELLE PARK — Swearing in ceremonies in municipalities around Union County have brought many new faces onto local governing bodies, including the youngest face to sit on a dais in New Jersey this year — 20-year-old Roselle Park Councilman Andrew Casais.

Casais, a Republican, was sworn in at the borough's reorganization meeting Jan. 5, becoming the youngest council member elected in the borough's 110-year history. He defeated incumbent Eugene Meola for the 1st ward council seat. Meola was appointed earlier in the year to take the place of Larry Dinardo, who resigned.

Casais's fellow council members share the consensus that their new member is probably the youngest elected official in the state of New Jersey. However, he appears to be off to a strong start, serving on several boards, committees and volunteer groups the last three years, including the Library Board of Trustees.

"Even as a young kid I always enjoyed keeping up with current events and learning about what was happening in the world and in government," said Casais.

He began attending council meeting in 2008.

"I thought this was the best step to take next," Casais said.

He campaigned on the platform that he will work to be a very visible and vocal representative for the



Andrew Casais

citizens in his ward, many of whom he said felt under-represented.

While his age came up in the course of the campaign, Casais said it was not a big issue.

"I think when people saw my record they got past my age and saw the good I could do for the community," Casais said.

One of his goals in the coming year is to set up a social media site to help give as much outreach to local residents as possible.

"I'm eager to hear public input on the issues we face," Casais said. "Times are tough but nothing is impossible as long as we maintain a willingness to work together."

Councilman Michael Yakubov, also a Republican, said he can relate to Casais's position as the junior member of the governing body.

"I'm only 28 so I kind of look at him and see a little of myself when I was first getting on the council," Yakubov said.

Yakubov said anyone's first year on the council is usually an eye-opening experience, and a long learning process is required, but Casais has poise and energy on his side.

"For him, I think it's a great opportunity, and I think it's great to have youth and energy on the council," Yakubov said.

Mayor Joe Accardi said Casais is a "great addition" to the governing body. Accardi said despite Casais's youth, he is already well known for his involvement in Roselle Park.

"He's someone who has already showed his dedication to the community," Accardi said. "This is just one more step in expanding his dedication to the community."

Casais attended Roselle Catholic High School and graduated in 2009. He now attends Seton Hall University, studying Political Science. He belongs to several academic organizations including the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, the Golden Key International Honor Society, and the Pi Sigma Alpha National Political Science Honor Society.

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Foreign affairs



The Superintendent of Schools in Linden, Rocco Tomazic, was invited to visit China on Dec. 25 to attend the 30th anniversary of the Xiamen Foreign Language School in Xiamen, China. The Xiamen Foreign Language School is a partner school with Linden High School. Together, Xiamen and Linden are joint Confucius Classrooms under the Confucius Institute at Rutgers University.



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County reorganizes with Mirabella at helm

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

Union County held their annual reorganization last weekend in Elizabeth. The meeting saw the swearing in of Freeholder Alexander Mirabella as chairman.

In his address to the residents of the county, Mirabella expressed hope for the new year while acknowledging the lingering challenges affecting Union County as well as the country as a whole.

"For even among the shadow of a persistent economic hardship, and a decade of war that has transformed America, there is a new sun rising today, bringing rays of hope and renewal," Mirabella said. "Yet this sense of new hope is tempered by the reality that we still have a long way to go during these difficult times. We must continue to put the people of Union County first in all we do."

The county announced a series of new initiatives for 2012 entitled "putting people first." Prominent among the people being "put first" are veterans and those with special needs.

Additional programs for disabled children will be offered at Watchung Reservation and Union County Performing Arts Center. The county will re-introduce the "Horticulture for Special Needs" program in partnership with the Rutgers Cooperative Master Gardeners program.



Photo Courtesy of Jim Lowney/County of Union

Union County Freeholder Alexander Mirabella is sworn in as the Chairman of the board by Sen. Raymond Lesniak during Union County's annual reorganization on Sunday in Elizabeth. Holding the Bible are Mirabella's wife Phyllis and their children Micayla and Alexander.

As a new measure to help local veterans returning from combat overseas, the county will organize a veterans appreciation concert in the parks system during the summer. Active service members can obtain a card allowing free use of certain

county parks facilities. Economy and the environment also factored heavily in the new initiative. To help "jumpstart economic growth" the county is planning a series of networking breakfasts for business and government represen-

tatives. The county is also anticipating the completion of the Union County Competitiveness Study, a plan to keep the local economy healthy and competitive, performed by the Rutgers Heldrich Center.

The county will continue to

encourage green practices such as the installation of energy-efficient lighting, air conditioning, thermostats and other systems in government buildings. Funds from a federal grant will be used to begin solar panel projects at several locations. LEED, or Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, standards will continue to be applied to the county's construction and renovation projects.

Mirabella could not be reached for further comment by press time.

The county also made a variety of appointments and authorized agreements with organizations. Among these was an agreement with the Union County Alliance for comprehensive business and communications services. The county has allotted \$232,125 to the Alliance for this purpose, down from \$322,125 last year.

Also contracting with the county in 2012 is Winning Strategies Washington/Hoboken Strategy Group. Based in Washington D.C., this organization will be paid \$150,000 to lobby the federal government on behalf of Union County.

This is Mirabella's fourth turn as Chairman. Freeholder Vernell Wright was sworn in to her first term and Freeholder Linda Carter was appointed Vice Chairman of the Freeholder Board.

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CLARK BRIEF

Open house at Mother Seton High School

Mother Seton Regional High School, Valley Road, Clark, will hold an informal open house on Jan. 24 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. for all fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grade girls and their parents.

The program will be informational for girls

who are planning to enter high school in the near future. Eighth graders can call 732-382-1952 for application information or visit the Mother Seton website at www.motherseton.org. Registration for the 2012-2013 school year will be held on Feb. 4 at 9 a.m. It was announced that any eighth grade girl, who wishes to be considered for admission, should send her elementary school records to Mother Seton im-

mmediately. In the Archdiocese of Newark, acceptance letters are mailed on Jan. 19.

The open house is designed primarily for parents and for students who are interested in attending Mother Seton Regional High School or in exploring some of the high school options available to them. Parents and students will have an opportunity to tour the school, meet with the administration, par-

ents, guidance and faculty members, examine the curricular and co-curricular programs and investigate transportation. Parents or students are invited to come alone if the evening is not convenient for both.

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RVSA hopes to recoup some of lost legal money

By Cheryl Hehl
Staff Writer

It's costing close to a half million dollars a year for Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority to go down a legal road that might recoup a portion of \$40 million it lost when the cogeneration plant failed to work as planned. But the executive director has a plan that could benefit rate payers in the end.

The day after Christmas, RVSA published a legal advertisement alerting the public to multiple contracts awarded to various professional vendors. Among those awarded was one for \$474,875 to legal mogul Weiner Lesniak, the firm co-owned by Democrat Senator Ray Lesniak.

Lesniak, whose firm has been legal council for RVSA for years, will continue to rake in a half million dollars for handling the legal entanglements for the cogeneration plant built but never able to operate as designed.

In 2010 *LocalSource* discovered Cipolla and Co., a certified public forensic accounting firm, was hired to examine what went wrong with the cogen plant. Cipolla reported that RVSA could have built a smaller plant for \$2 million instead of the one that would never operate and was only worth scrap metal.

Holding the bag for this white elephant are the 11 member towns that use the RVSA sewerage treatment plant located in Rahway. They include Clark, Cranford, Garwood, Kenilworth, Mountain-side, Rahway, Roselle Park, Springfield and Westfield. In the meantime, RVSA officials put the blame on the outside planners who designed the cogen plant and said it would save ratepayers millions.

Flash forward to 2012 and RVSA is now embroiled in more than 15 lawsuits because of the fatal planning and design of the cogen plant. They are also being sued by multiple companies involved in the planning, design or building of the plant. In other words, RVSA will have to spend millions in order to recoup any of the \$40 million it lost as a result of the failed design.

Lesniak's firm has been handling the legal red tape involved with these lawsuits, to the tune of a half million dollars in bills to RVSA. This is in addition to his firm's charge as RVSA's general council, which usually adds up to anywhere from \$20,000 to \$30,000 a month in additional charges.

A little over a year ago RVSA hired a new executive director, Jim Meehan, 49, to replace interim co-directors Robert Materna and Robert Valent. Meehan, who began his career cleaning out tanks at the Ocean County Utilities Authority, carefully and quietly began tightening the spending at RVSA, cutting more than \$1 million from the budget the first year.

The new executive directive kept his promise to look at how things operate before making any hasty decisions. He also said that very often the answers to streamlining a plant's financial picture lay buried in the middle.

A year after assuming control, and with no end in sight to the legal battle with those who designed the

cogen plant, the executive director has come up with a way to possibly recoup some of the millions lost with the cogen plant.

"We actually put out a request for letters of interest in trade papers and on our website for power companies interested in a public-private partnership," Meehan explained.

"We know the plant doesn't

operate as designed, but we want someone to try and harness energy from a part of it, whether that is the sludge dryer or the cogen plant" the executive director explained.

Meehan said, for example, a power company could harness energy from the cogen plant to back up their "grid," which would help keep power on during a blackout.

Meehan's theory is that if the cogen plant is not going to operate as designed, "why not get whatever you can out of it."

"If you can't get \$40 million, why not get whatever you can and deduct that from the lawsuit," he added.

Although he is cautiously optimistic, See RVSA, Page 8

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SUMMIT BRIEFS

Stony Hill Players hold auditions

Auditions for Stony Hill Players' production of "Cosi Fan Tutte" will take place at the Oakes Center, 120 Morris Ave., Summit on Friday at 7 p.m. and Saturday 14 at 2 p.m. Performances are in May. Music Director is Jason Tramm and Stage Director, Jodie Doktor. For information call 908-656-1726.

MLK day of service, Jan. 16

Summit's 14th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service will be held on Jan. 16 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Service projects, celebrations

and commemorative speeches will be held in various locations in Summit. Advance donations of items to be sorted the week before the Day of Service are needed to make the most of the service hour time given by youth and adults motivated by the spirit of King's ideals to help one's neighbors who are in need of economic and social justice as well as a feeling of warm connection to community. It was announced that youth and adults of all ages are welcome to join hand-in-hand to become more familiar with one another and to "Live the Dream" that Martin Luther King Jr. articulated for everyone.

Visit <http://www.shapingsummittogether.org/content/martin-luther-king-jr-day-service> for the MLK Day 2012 flyer at the beginning of January.

Bouras Gallery offers watercolorist's works

Watercolorist Arturo Morales of East Brunswick will exhibit at Bouras Galleries from Jan. 4 through February. The galleries are open to the public. For more information, call Linda Cole at 908-277-6054.

Morales studied fine art, graphic design and illustration at the School of Visual Arts in New York City. He worked as a graphic designer, art director and illustrator for 35 years and received graphic design and marketing awards.

RVSA renews contract with Lesniak lawfirm

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mistic about the sludge dryer being a money maker for RVSA, he candidly admits the cogen plant is "a wild card." But whatever turns up financially as a result, it's more than they would have made with the sludge dryer and cogen plant standing idle.

As the legal wrangling goes on, Meehan is hesitant about projecting when it all could end in arbitration.

"I'd like to get this wrapped up in a year, but it has been a tedious process," the executive director said.

Meanwhile, the legal tab at Weiner Lesniak keeps adding up.

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The Board of Education for the Union School District moved ahead with the lengthy process of firing a tenured teacher. Vicky Knox created a loud backlash after publicly posting comments on Facebook against the school's observation of Lesbian, Gay, Bi, Transgender month.

School district moves to fire tenured Knox from high school

(Continued from Page 1) hearing takes place. After that, it is up to the commissioner of education to decide if the charges warrant being heard by an administrative law judge who is charged with rendering a final decision. This entire process, though, can take as long as year.

Knox was put on administrative paid leave immediately after her public Facebook posts were discovered by the school district in early October. The special education teacher came under fire after

posting disparaging remarks about a bulletin board on display at the high school recognizing gay, bisexual and transgender history month.

According to a transcript of Knox's Facebook page, she strongly objected to the bulletin board posters, commenting that "homosexuality is a perverted spirit that has existed from the beginning of creation."

"This display should not be in the high school. UHS is not the setting to promote, encourage, support and foster homosexuality,"

Knox said, among many other pages of remarks, in her postings on Facebook.

However, while Knox continued to receive her normal salary as a teacher during this leave, as of Dec. 20 when the school board certified tenure charges against her, her pay stopped. It will remain suspended for 90 days, according to law, and then resume until a decision is made either way by the commissioner of education or an administrative law judge.

SPRINGFIELD BRIEFS

Amish author set to discuss Amish life

On Feb. 23 at 1 p.m., Saloma Miller Furlong will be at Springfield Free Public Library, where she will talk about growing up in one of the most intriguing and misunderstood cultures in North America. This is contained in her compelling story as put forth in her book, "Why I Left the Amish." The insights she has gleaned from overcoming adversity, will be considered a message of hope that should be shared. The Springfield library is located at 66 Mountain Ave. For additional information, call 973-376-4930.

Book club meets

The Springfield Free Public

Library's Book Discussion Group will meet on Feb. 2 at 7 p.m. to discuss "Let the Great World Spin" by Colum McCann. The book is about a late-summer morning in 1974, when a crowd gathers in lower Manhattan, watching a tightrope walker run, dance, and leap between the Twin Towers, a quarter mile above the ground. In the streets below, ordinary lives become extraordinary in McCann's intricate portrait of a city and its people.

Discussions take place at 7 p.m. in the Palmer Museum. Refreshments will be served.

New members are welcome, it was announced. To reserve a copy of the book call 973-376-4930 x229 or send an e-mail: questions@sfplnj.org.

An Elizabeth Taylor Retrospective

Springfield Free Public Library will begin a new six-film lunchtime series, "An Elizabeth Taylor Retrospective." The series will continue every other Monday through March 19. For specific titles and more information about the individual films, see the library's website, www.sfplnj.org, or call them at 973-376-4930.

Admission is free. Patrons can bring a brown bag lunch to the program — coffee, tea and cookies will be served at 12:30 p.m. Assistive listening devices are available upon request for those who need them.

The library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield.

Watchdogs have their day in court

Group claims Union County Alliance should be subject to Open Public Records Act

By Cheryl Hehl
Staff Writer

It will be another week or more before a superior court judge in Elizabeth decides whether the Union County Alliance has to open their books to a local watchdog association.

On Friday Superior Court Judge Regina Caufield heard oral arguments from attorneys on both sides of the issue, following a civil lawsuit filed by Union County Watchdog Association late this summer.

UCWA President Tina Renna, founder of the association, brought the suit after the UCA refused to honor the Open Public Records Act and supply documents she requested.

Renna said that according to a Union County press release, former Union County Manager Ann Baran founded the UCA in 1994. Renna argued that the UCA should be covered under OPRA laws because it functions as a public entity and primarily relies on county funding.

Luers explained Monday the critical issue is whether the county created the UCA or "caused it to be created." Also important in the decision making, he added, will be whether the county controls the UCA.

"I think control is evident because they fund it," Luers said. As for whether the county created the UCA, or caused it to be created, the attorney had little doubt how that came about.

"It's kind of silly to think Ann Baran was doing it out of the kindness of her heart," the attorney said, adding that there is evidence this was a county project.

Initially, the UCA was a bipartisan organization founded to promote local economic development.

The UCA has argued that they are classified as a 501-C4 independent nonprofit organization, which allows engaging in political activity, but still exempt from the OPRA law. However, public records seem to indicate otherwise.

For instance, since 1994 the Union County Freeholders have earmarked specific funds to the UCA at the annual reorganization meeting in January. In 2011 the freeholders allocated \$322,125 "for the purpose of providing comprehensive business and communications services."

In 2010 the county paid more than \$480,000 to the alliance, specifically adding on to the amount for publishing purposes.

After a series of articles by *LocalSource* this past summer that questioned exactly where the UCA spent millions in taxpayer dollars since 1994, for 2012 that number was slashed by \$90,000.

This year, according to the freeholder reorganization agenda from Jan. 8, the UCA will receive \$232,125, compared to the \$322,125 it received in 2011. This cut, however, was more than expected.

In August, immediately following the two *LocalSource* investigative articles that included UCA tax returns showing more than \$103,315 out of \$492,416 in expenditures went for conferences, conventions and meetings, newly appointed Union County Manager Al Faella recommended the freeholder board slash \$70,000 from the UCA budget.

These investigative articles also showed that while the UCA is classified as a nonprofit organization, it acts as a vendor for the county, and is contracted to perform certain functions for the taxpayer dollars it receives. However, there were many inconsistencies in where this money is exactly spent.

The UCA does produce two newspapers a year under the Union County Directions masthead. One is published in spring prior to the political primary, the other in September at a total cost of \$108,000. These publications, direct mailed to 200,000 county residents, focus primarily on Union County freeholder activities and accomplishments countywide.

Also noteworthy and supportive of Renna's case against the UCA is the fact that in addition to the two publications a year, this non-profit is tasked with performing non-specific economic development and long-range planning for the county. What exactly that entails, though, remains clouded despite repeated efforts to discover specific ongoing projects.

Renna said it is clear from even this limited, incomplete description of the work done by the UCA that the organization is not only working closely with public agencies and public officials, but it is performing critical public functions that would otherwise be performed by public agencies.

"It's like they are a nonprofit independent wing of the government," Luers said.

The attorney said that Caufield noted she would reserve judgment on the case until she reviewed all the evidence submitted.

OPINION PAGE

EDITORIAL



OATH OF OFFICE — Above, Vernell Wright, Union County's newest Freeholder, is sworn into office on Sunday in front of friends and family. Below, Linda Carter is sworn in as the new vice chairman of the board.



We did our job, please do yours

There appears to be a very popular trend among the chosen representatives of Union County, both elected and not. When something goes wrong, or has unintended negative consequences on the people's perception of their "responsible" leaders, they choose to ignore the problem, and hope it goes away. It never does.

And well, that must mean *LocalSource* is one of their biggest problems, because we haven't had a call returned in months.

When the need for providing the Union County Alliance with millions of dollars over more than a decade was questioned, we heard no response. When the Union County MusicFest was being investigated, we received nothing more than a very bland, non-specific press release issued by the county. When voters were heading to the polls, hearing from an incumbent candidate was next to impossible. But without asking, this newspaper must have received 100 pictures of them delivering oversized checks to various non-profits in the months just prior to the election. But ask them to address a reasonable concern, and you would be lucky to even find an answering machine to take a message.

When the stuff hits the fan, the representatives of Union County now have a long track record of burying their heads in the sand, and only emerging when the smoke clears, never answering for their ineptitude, lack of responsibility and complete devotion to their holier-than-the-voter Union County Democratic party. If it's good for the party, consider it done, consequences be damned.

Doesn't anyone out there have any guts? Doesn't anyone have any self-respect?

But no. Instead the plot thickens.

On Dec. 15, we reported that the Kean Federation of Teachers has found the university president, Dawood Farahi, falsified his records when being hired. We have continued to hammer this point home. And we continue to call for accountability.

And so, how have your elected officials, and the Kean University Board of Trustees responded? We wouldn't know. They won't talk to us. How has Farahi responded to these serious allegations? Last week he announced

a branch of Kean opening in China. That's how.

We were, however, encouraged over the weekend when *The Wall Street Journal* reported on the allegations against Farahi, albeit nearly a month later. In the article, the Kean Federation of Teachers said the trustees reached out to them and launched their own investigation. And according to *The Wall Street Journal*, Farahi called the accusations false. But we nonetheless question the slow and dismal response to what are obvious and undoubtedly serious problems. Problems that in part were created by a Board of Trustees that has approved numerous bonuses to Farahi, reportedly including two in 2009 of \$160,000 and \$200,000, just a year before many faculty members were taking five unpaid furlough days a year. We view these as huge and undeserving bonuses for an official already making a salary of more than \$290,000 a year, especially when he helped create nearly \$400 million in debt for the school and diminish the number of tenured teachers through attrition. Was that money well spent?

And so, to the penniless voters who continue to add to the ranks of the unemployed as the economy continues its downward spiral and who walk into the ballot box every year dressed in rags with their soup bowls extended, know that we have some self-respect, and we will not be discouraged from continuing to provide the residents of Union County with sound, impartial, and newsworthy information. The voting masses tend to be uninformed about local politics, and we consider it our job to educate them.

To the out-of-touch politicians and county employees across all party lines who continue to serve up nothing more than hot steam, while inflating their wallets with bloated and many times double-dipped salaries, we consider it our job to hold you accountable.

And finally, in this new year, readers should expect more of the same hard-hitting news that needs to be told. Our New Year's resolution is and will continue to be to give our readers responsible journalism, consequences be damned.

New year, same old politicians

Reporter's Notebook

By Cheryl Hehl

So here we are with a fresh new year ahead of us. And I suppose its naive to think the political power-mongers and their groupies are taking stock of 2011 and resolving to turn over a new leaf in 2012. Yeah, I'm not holding my breath on that one.

Let's face it, old habits die hard, especially when control and power are at stake.

I guess if nothing is going to change and things continue on the same path, then I have one ques-

tion: Why is it that the politically powerful — along with those who hang on so tightly to their coat tails — feel they don't have to defend what they do?

I mean, seriously, isn't it human

nature to want to defend one's honor? To right any misconceptions or facts that may have become skewed? At the very least, you would think a powerful, elected or public, official would be courteous enough to return phone calls to the media. Especially when an investigative article focuses on how they are spending taxpayer dollars.

And yet, no surprise here, we have had zero response from any of the politically connected who have

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OP ED PAGE

Here's hoping for accountability

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been at the center of investigative articles we did in the last year.

Now, to be fair, there are many elected officials who promptly return phone calls. This column is about those who even after repeated efforts, fail to respond.

It's not like they don't care. Oh, I'm certain they do. I have heard though the grapevine these folks are fuming at some of the investigative articles that hit the front page. And, I'm sure they are coming up with even more ideas than last year to put the pressure on me and the owners of my newspaper.

If they are so displeased, even irate, why hide in the shadows? Why not step up to the plate and present your side?

I gave up a long time ago waiting for the phone to ring and to have Democrat State Senator Ray Lesniak on the other end telling me I have things all wrong. Strangely, though, he seems to be responsive enough to the media when it comes to that gambling bill he is so hot to see become law.

I won't even get into Kean University President Dawood Farahi. It appears he has gone into the witness protection program. I guess when the heat is on, even university presidents "go to the mattresses."

Can't say I blame him. There were some pretty serious accusations levied by the Kean University teachers union prior to Christmas that made front page news in *LocalSource*.

I mean, really. A man making close to \$300,000 a year for heading a taxpayer-funded state university should be more available to the media, right? Or at the very least, his media relations people should be responding to inquiries

because that is what they get paid to do, right?

Looks like there are some pretty cushy jobs over there at Kean. Must be nice to be in the media relations department and only have to write press releases about nice things like Kean opening up a satellite campus in China. Yeah, why focus on explaining how the debt service at Kean has gone from \$40 million to close to \$380 million. Ignore it. Maybe it will just go away. Don't bet on it.

Over the weekend, *The Wall Street Journal* reported on the story, so at least one major news outlet isn't skiddish when it comes to reporting on powerful political players.

In addition, thanks to a staggering number of people who really thought our Kean University series was critical, these articles went viral, at least in Union County. Technology is amazing, isn't it? It can make or break someone in a matter of hours.

It's obvious to everyone, except the politically powerful and those connected to them, that this little weekly newspaper has not backed down one bit but continued to have the guts to print the truth. What remains a deep, dark secret is why anyone whose name ends up connected to an investigative article thinks they can hide out until the heat dies down.

It leaves any reporter, or reader, convinced these powerful politicians and their lackies think they are invincible, untouchable, and protected. Protected from whom, the public? That is arrogance at its best. But not very smart.

Unfortunately, when we left 2011 behind there were way too many unanswered questions floating aimlessly out there in space. I would think taxpayers would be

so concerned by the actions of those elected or appointed to protect their interests that they would be absolutely livid. And trust me, many are.

Many have expressed that outrage to me in emails and calls. Some have even sent *LocalSource*' investigative articles to Trenton, radio stations and legislators. And yet the silence is deafening.

Certainly as a reporter I have no intention of giving up and neither does my newspaper. This is a new year, with 12 long months before us to change the status quo.

So, I'm issuing a challenge to all the politically powerful. Pick up the phone and call me at 908-686-7700, ext. 124. Open up a dialog, even if you are madder than hell and smoke is coming out of your ears. You owe your citizens that much and more. If not to clear your name, then to express your outrage at what is going on among your peers.

So how about it Sen. Lesniak, Assemblyman Joe Cryan, Farahi, Kean University Board of Trustees and the Union County freeholders? Are you going to hide behind your communications people or step into the light and be accountable to your constituents? Or, are you going to remain under that ugly cloud that smacks of political manipulation, nepotism and outright deceit?

No matter how politically connected anyone is, being afraid to stand behind your actions is cowardly. Or, as they said when I was a kid, chicken.

My phone line is open. I'm ready and willing to listen to what you have to say. Good journalism is about both sides of the story, not one. It's time to speak up and give the public some answers.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'What did she know, and when did she know it?'

To the Editor:

To begin this letter I will have to paraphrase an old quote from the Watergate era. "What did Mrs. Kielwasser know and when did she know it?"

To those of us old enough remember the remark from Senator Baker it went like this, "What did the president know and when did he know it?"

Allow me to elaborate. Nearly a year ago this newspaper was courageous enough to reveal that the former Animal Control Officer/Dog Warden, James Jay Kielwasser of Bridgewater, son of Mrs. Kielwasser, was in fact a convicted drug felon. Yet, he was still hired by the Township of Union. First at the DPW and later on as the ACO/Dog Warden. While Kielwasser is now in his late 30's, at the time of his drug involvement he was much younger. Therefore, simple logic would dictate that someone other than himself paid all those legal fees and fines and what have you.

It is easy to conclude that the "someone" would be Mrs. Kielwasser. So, to answer the original question

she knew of this drug situation involving her son and she knew it from the very beginning. Therefore, when Kielwasser applied to the township it was a known body of knowledge by her, and others, of his drug conviction. Supposedly, the township forbids such hirings. But, as this situation showed us all it doesn't apply if you are part of the "in" crowd.

Of course, Mrs. Kielwasser knew all of this and in her position as Assistant Town Clerk she has, first and foremost, a fiduciary duty to the folks who pay her salary, benefits and pension. That's us, the taxpayers of Union. Insofar as I am concerned, Mrs. Kielwasser has blighted her office, this township, and the whole idea of public service.

If any of the elected public officials had one iota of decency or courage or statesmanship, they would ask for her resignation. Because I know none of them do, I will ask for her resignation. If she pushed along a bad-seed who is to say what else she overlooked. I hope that our town officials remember this is Union Township and not Joe Cryan's Kingdom.

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Thus, it is important to see the dermatologist at the first sign of symptoms.

At our practice, we treat a variety of skin problems and educate our patients about proper long term care. For more information about rosacea and its treatment options call 908-925-8877. We provide evening and Saturday appointments. Our office is conveniently located at 822 North Wood Ave., Linden. New patients are gladly accepted.

P.S. According to the National Rosacea Society, more than three-quarters of rosacea patients say that their condition lowers their confidence and self-esteem, which makes it all the more necessary to get early diagnosis and treatment.

It's always a good time for tea



Photo Courtesy of Elizabeth Graner Jotz

Rahway High School Vice Principal Mark Cantagallo, center, and guidance secretary Danielle Marsh, third from right, join members of the Class of 2011 and current seniors for the annual Senior/Alumni Tea. Among the topics discussed were expectations from professors, how to handle the newfound freedom that accompanies taking college classes and time management skills.

Coalition's B-ball classic to be Jan. 28

The 18th Annual Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless Basketball Classic will be held on Jan. 28 at the Dunn Sports Center, 600 Pearl St., Elizabeth, as some of the high school boys' basketball teams in New Jersey battle for ranking and take the offense against homelessness.

The Classic is a major fundraising event for the Coalition, Union County's frontline organization, responding to the growing numbers of homeless families and individuals in the community, working families, families on unemployment, children and those retired or disabled. It was reported that the tournament is especially significant this year as the number of homeless people has spiked dramatically given the high unemployment rates and current economic crises.

This year's lineup will be host to match ups between local rivals, St. Mary's High School, Elizabeth versus Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, and Elizabeth High School versus Franklin High School. The finale will feature St. Patrick's High School and Roselle Catholic High School. This event has evolved to become one of the premier dates on the New Jersey High School Boys Basketball calendar.

Event Schedule:

- 5 p.m., St. Mary's High School, Elizabeth, versus Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.
- 6:45 p.m., Elizabeth High School versus Franklin High School.
- 8:15 p.m. - St. Patrick's High School versus Roselle Catholic High School.

Tickets can be purchased on the Elizabeth Coalition's website www.theelizabethcoalition.org and at B.B. Miller, 283 North Broad St., Elizabeth. For ticket information, call 908-352-7300. Tickets also will be available at the door of the Dunn Sports Center on the day of the game.

Proceeds from the tripleheader will benefit the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless, one of the first agencies to work with homeless people in the state of New Jersey.

Since its inception in 1981, The Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless has been in the forefront of responding to the needs of thousands of homeless families and individuals in Union County. The Basketball Classic, the major fundraiser for the coalition, brings together corporate sponsors, local businesses, and individual fans of high school basketball as well as top ranked teams in New Jersey to raise the consciousness of the homeless issue and to assist those in need of shelter and food.

For more information on the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless, visit the website: www.theelizabethcoalition.org.

LINDEN BRIEFS

'Drive Sober' nabs 15 DUI's

The Linden Police Department took part in the year-end "drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" drunk driving crackdown and arrested 15 drivers for driving while intoxicated. The Linden police took part in the nationwide crackdown which began on Dec. 5 and ran until Jan. 2.

"Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" is a nationwide campaign operated by the Division of Highway Traffic Safety. The campaign focuses on increased police patrols during the busiest travel and holiday seasons.

During the almost month long crackdown, the Linden Police Department increased roving patrols to focus on impaired driving. In addition to the 15 arrests for driving while intoxicated, the Linden police also made 11 felony arrests, 11 drug arrests and issued more than 450 motor vehicle summonses.

In 2011, members of the Linden Police Department arrested 114 motorists for driving while intoxicated. "I'm very proud of our officers," said Linden Traffic Bureau Michael Babulski. "Hundreds of people lose their lives and get injured in alcohol related crashes every year, and hopefully the dedicated efforts of the officers of our department saved a few lives and stopped a few crashes this holiday season."

Superintendent visits China

The Superintendent of Schools in Linden, Rocco Tomazic, was invited to visit China on Dec. 25 to attend the 30th anniversary of the

Xiamen Foreign Language School in Xiamen, China. The Xiamen Foreign Language School is a partner school with Linden High School. Together, Xiamen and Linden are joint Confucius Classrooms under the Confucius Institute at Rutgers University.

During the visit in Xiamen, in addition to attending the day long anniversary ceremonies, Tomazic also made a presentation at a Middle School Principal Forum for middle school principals from around Fujian Province. He discussed the topic of managing American schools and the means to select school textbooks. During the stay in Xiamen, he also made a presentation at the Confucius Institute at Xiamen University. He spoke of managing the American classroom to Chinese college students preparing to teach Chinese in the United States, drawing comparisons between Chinese and American classroom practices. There were many questions by students, and the presentation was videotaped for wider use in China.

Following the visit in Xiamen, Tomazic took the train north to Fuzhou to visit Fuzhou High School No. 3. This trip traced the route for the upcoming visit by Linden High School students this March and April. While at Fuzhou High School No. 3, Tomazic gave a presentation to the students on applying to American universities, emphasizing those qualities desired beyond academic proficiency, including community involvement, athletics and school leadership. A separate session was held with Fuzhou High School No. 3 students who will visit Linden High School

later this month during Chinese New Year.

Designated as a model district for the Great Wall Chinese language program, after returning to Beijing, Tomazic met with Song Jihua of Great Wall Chinese Center and Liu Bing, the deputy director of the Division of Teaching Materials, Office of Chinese Language Council International, Hanban, to discuss the continuing implementation of the Chinese program in Linden and the activities of the Confucius classroom. Tomazic also gave a lecture at Beijing Normal University to aspiring teachers on how to conduct a Chinese language program in America, emphasizing the integration of language and culture.

The Linden Public School District is in its fifth year of teaching Chinese, providing instructions at all levels from grades one to 12, including the high school International Baccalaureate Program. Twenty-five percent of the students in grades one through 12 are studying Chinese.

Easter ceramics, March 8

The Department of Public Property and Community Services has announced Children's One Day Easter Ceramic Classes for students in kindergarten through eighth grades on March 8 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St., Linden.

The deadline for registration is March 7. Registration hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Payment can be by cash, check or money order, made payable to Linden Recreation Department. Classes will be limited to 35 students.

Registration will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

This is a one day, make and take project. All supplies are included. Each participant will paint and decorate a project to take home.

For more information, call the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center at 908-474-8627, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or visit the website at www.linden-nj.org.

Knitting for a good cause

The Department of Public Property and Community Services has formed a "Knitting for a Cause" group and has invited all ages, young adult through senior citizens, to join.

Meetings are held Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to noon at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St. Projects are distributed to charitable causes.

For more information, call 908-474-8627 or visit the website at www.linden-nj.org.

Look for upcoming exhibit

The Linden Business and Industry Hall, 222 North Wood Ave., managed by the Museum Division of the Linden Historical Society will soon open and have exhibits of the city's past and present business and industries that will chronicle Linden's growth from a colonial farming community to a great industrial city.

Visitors can view the exhibits and photo gallery. Handouts include informational leaflets, newspapers, and postcards will be available for visitors.

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ROSELLE BRIEFS

Christmas dinner benefitted community

The Roselle Knights of Columbus was host to friends from the Roselle community at its second annual Christmas Day dinner. Dinner included turkey, ham, potatoes, stuffing, cranberry sauce, desserts, coffee, tea and juice.

In addition, all in attendance went home with stocking stuffers and some even went home with donated turkeys, roast beefs, gift cards, bikes, scooters and other assorted gifts.

Money Skills Abraham Clark High School

Abraham Clark High School has announced that it has scheduled Making It Count's free program, "Ultimate Money Skills: College Funding" for parents of high school students for today at the cafeteria from 7 to 8 p.m.

The one-hour presentation is designed to help parents gain an understanding of how the college financing process works, including options available to develop a college funding strategy, how to plan for and manage all college costs and different types of financial aid available. Parents will learn how to send their child to college without risking their financial future.

"A student's entry into higher education after high school is a key transitional period for both students and parents alike," said JR Cifani, vice president and general manager of

Making It Count. "Our goal with Ultimate Money Skills: College Funding, is to assist the parents by providing sound financial options and solutions for the major investment that a college education demands."

Making It Count, an educational service provider for parents and students and a business unit of Monster Worldwide Inc., has teamed up with Bank of America, one of the world's largest financial institutions, to make the program possible.

Last year more than 500 high schools across the country were host to Making It Count's college financing seminar. On average, parents rated the value of the ideas presented in the program a 9.3 on a 10-point scale.

More information about the presentation can be found online at www.MakingItCount.com.

Contact Shade Tree Division for info

The Roselle Shade Tree Division is responsible for oversight of the care, maintenance and removal of borough trees throughout the year.

Should you have any concerns with borough trees, contact the Roselle Shade Tree Division.

In addition to improving the quality of life in Roselle and mitigating pollution, street trees also reduce energy costs and add significantly to the value of homes, municipal properties and commercial properties. Trees add significantly to the quality of life in Roselle.

Kid clinics teach of horseback riding

Children from the ages of three to eight are invited to Watchung Stable in Mountainside this winter for specialized non-riding mini-clinics to expand their knowledge of horses.

Sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Union County Department of Parks and Community Renewal, the clinics will be held on three Saturdays: Jan. 14, Feb. 4 and Feb. 18.

"We are glad to sponsor programs that are focused on different equestrian topics for young children," said Freeholder Chairman Deborah Scanlon. "There's no riding involved in these clinics, but the children enjoy learning about horses and actually grooming the horses."

Children, ages three to eight, can experience a hands-on grooming session with Watchung Stable's resident horses. "Just the Two of Us" grooming sessions are included so a parent and child can participate together. Each session will last one hour. The clinics will be held in the barn or the lecture area of the stable and are designed to include parents and children who have never ridden before.

The Kiddie Clinics about horses

will be offered as follows:

- Jan. 14: 9 to 10 a.m. Mini-Grooming: for children ages 6-8;
- Jan. 14: 10 to 11 a.m. Colorful World of Horses: children ages 6-8 learn about different breeds;
- Jan. 14: 11 a.m. to noon, Just the Two of Us: mini-grooming for children, ages 3 to 5, with a parent.
- Feb. 4: 9 to 10 a.m., Mini-Grooming: for children, ages 6-8;
- Feb. 4: 10 to 11 a.m., Colorful World of Horses: children, 6 to 8, learn about different breeds;
- Feb. 4: 11 a.m. to noon, Just the Two of Us: mini-grooming for children, ages 3 to 5, with a parent.
- Feb. 18: 9 to 10 a.m., Mini-Grooming: for children, ages 6 to 8;
- Feb. 18: 10 to 11 a.m., Colorful World of Horses: children, 6 to 8, learn about different breeds;
- Feb. 18: 11 to noon, Just the Two of Us: mini-grooming for children, ages 3 to 5, with a parent.

Space is limited and in-person pre-registration is required at Watchung Stable, located at 1160 Summit Lane in Mountainside. For more information, call Watchung Stable at 908-789-3665, or email questions to stablequestions@ucnj.org.

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Police catch two copper thieves in the act

On Jan. 2, burglary arrests were made when Linden detectives were on a surveillance detail.

At 11:33 p.m., they observed an individual later identified as Marvin L. Ratchford, 51, of Linden, pry open a rear door to the former C Town Supermarket, 1601 W. Edgar Road, according to police.

The officers watched as Ratchford made his way to the roof and began dropping copper pipes to the ground. They then observed a silver pickup truck back up to the rear of the store, and Ratchford and Reginald C. Ingram, 39, of North Brunswick begin to load the copper pipes into the bed of the truck, police said.

Detectives then moved in and arrested the duo along with a female passenger of the pickup, Brenda R. Peoples, 44, of Roselle Park. All three persons were charged with burglary, theft and possession of burglary tools. Ratchford was additionally charged with criminal mischief. Ratchford is being held on \$16,500 bail, and Ingram and Peoples are being held on \$11,500 bail. The trio is being held pending transfer to the Union County Jail with a court date set for Jan. 11. The values of the pipes taken is approximately \$500.

Union

• Dec. 30: Union police made a motor vehicle stop arrest at 1637 Vauxhall Road of Hassan Fofana for drug paraphernalia and hindering.

• Dec. 30: A motor vehicle stop arrest at 347 Tower St. was made of William Christmas, Khi Horton, Kyle Simonson and a 17-year-old male juvenile for possession with intent and related drug charges.

• Dec. 30: A criminal mischief was investigated in Kawameeh Park by Union police. A small brush fire damaged bleachers and garbage cans. There was no suspect information. Union police cooperated with the Union County Police Department.

• Dec. 31: Police made an arrest and a motor vehicle stop at 1650 Route 22 E/B of James Watson for hindering and various warrants.

• Jan. 1: A brief pursuit was made by Union police on Route 22 east-bound of a reckless driver operating NJ/A22BRB '06 BMW M5 four-door white, which was terminated at "S" curves.

• Jan. 2: Police responded to a DVA assault on Manor Drive. A male struck a female and attempted to take a child from an apartment. He fled on foot.

• Jan. 2: An arrest was made at 900 Springfield Road of Kendal Briscole and one male juvenile for shoplifting and hindering.

• Jan. 3: Union police arrested Davon Blutcher at 1400 Stuyvesant Ave. for possession of CDS paraphernalia during a motor vehicle arrest.

• Jan. 3: Ricardo Villacreses was arrested at 1767 Walker Ave. for possession of marijuana during

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a motor vehicle stop.

• Jan. 3: Police arrested Joseph Romano and two juveniles on Salem Road for possession of hypodermic needles and CDS paraphernalia.

• Jan. 4: An arrest was made on Long Terrace of Bobby Freeman for a warrant during a motor vehicle stop.

• Jan. 4: Djuan Cirino and Raymond Mungroo were arrested by Union police at 688 Newark Way, Maplewood, for possession of CDS during a motor vehicle stop.

• Jan. 5: Police arrested Miles McCloud on Village Road for a warrant during a suspicious acts call.

• Jan. 5: During a motor vehicle stop on 1901 Morris Ave., an arrest was made of Daniel Exantus, Chen-erl Sainte and Parris Jones for warrants.

Rahway

• Jan. 3: Rahway Police Officer Jeffrey Urban investigated a theft on Madison Avenue.

• Jan. 4: A theft was reported on Madison Avenue. Christopher O'Brien was the investigating officer.

• Jan. 4: An investigation of a burglary was made at Ross Street by Officer Gary Roman.

• Jan. 6: Officer Robert Zarzycki responded to a theft on St. George Avenue.

• Jan. 7: A theft was reported at Winman Avenue. Officer Scott Durkin responded.

• Jan. 7: A suspicious event was reported at Irving Street. Officer Andrew Webb investigated the theft.

• Jan. 9: Robert Dedics was the investigating officer at a reported theft on Hamilton Street.

Linden

• Jan. 4: Linden police officers responded to the Walgreens, 22 E. St. George Ave., at 10:35 p.m. on a report of a man passing a fraudulent prescription. A pharmacist, male, age, 36, told police that a man gave a prescription for promethazine with codeine and requested that it be filled. The pharmacist contacted the issuing physician and was told that the script was fraudulent. When officers arrived, and the man was pointed out, he attempted to walk out of the store, but was detained by Officer Javier Perez. The officer then informed Severe of Brooklyn, N.Y., that he was under arrest when Severe attempted to run out of the store causing Officer Perez to tackle him on the floor to subdue him. The officer suffered an injury to his groin area and was taken to Overlook Hospital, Summit, for medical treatment. Severe was charged with forgery and resisting arrest and was transported to the Union County Jail in lieu of \$4,000 bail with a court date set for Jan. 11.

Cranford

• Dec. 30: Sean Ousterman, 20, of Cranford was arrested at 7:17 a.m.

on Washington Avenue at South Union Avenue by Detective Ryan Greco for contempt of court. Greco was investigating a suspicious vehicle in the area of South Union Avenue and Washington Avenue, when he discovered that the occupant of that vehicle, Ousterman, had a no bail warrant out of the Union County Sheriff's Office. Ousterman was transported to a Union County Jail pending Superior Court proceedings.

• Dec. 30: Patrolman John Rattigan arrested Juan D. Muniz, 46, of Colonia at 7:15 p.m. on Walnut Avenue at Blake Avenue. He was arrested for contempt of court. Officer Rattigan stopped a 1996 Nissan for a motor vehicle violation and after a brief investigation on the scene, arrested Muniz on outstanding warrants out of Elizabeth, Woodbridge and Colonia. Muniz posted bail and has pending court dates.

• Dec. 30: Cranford Patrolman Spencer Durkin arrested Ian Okeeffe, 23, of Clark and Jason Pszkowski, 23, of Cranford at 11:11 p.m. on Centennial Avenue at McClellan Street. The police officer stopped a 2001 Toyota in the area of Centennial Avenue when he observed occupants of that vehicle not wearing their seatbelts. After a roadside investigation, Officer Durkin arrested and charged O'Keefe with possession of under 50g of marijuana, possession of CDS paraphernalia and failure to wear a seatbelt. Pszkowski was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine and possession of CDS paraphernalia. Both were released with Jan. 4 court dates.

• Dec. 30: Jack Rodriguez, 20, of Elizabeth was arrested on North Avenue near Springfield Avenue by Patrolman Steven D'Ambola. Officer D'Ambola stopped a 1998 Mercedes Benz when he observed the driver throw an item out of the window in the area of North Avenue and the Garden State Parkway. After a brief investigation on the scene, Officer D'Ambola arrested and charged the driver Rodriguez, with underage driving while intoxicated and throwing debris from a motor vehicle. Rodriguez was released with a Cranford Municipal Court date of Jan. 4.

• Dec. 31: Forty-seven juveniles were arrested by Cranford police at 10 p.m. on Garden Street. The Cranford police officers responded to a Garden Street address on a report of a fight in that area. Upon arrival, the officers discovered a large number of juveniles on the scene. After a brief investigation, it was determined that an underage party was being held with alcohol on the premise. Forty-seven juveniles were processed on the scene, charged with Cranford Township Ordinance 58-16 underage possession/consumption of alcohol on private property. All the juveniles were released to adults at the scene with Juvenile Court proceedings pending.

• Dec. 31: On North Avenue at

Carpenter Place, at 2:24 a.m., Patrolman Robert Jordan arrested Kelly J. Baldwin, 26, of Freeport, N.Y. The police officer observed a 2002 Toyota, Solara traveling on North Avenue in the area of Carpenter Place in which the driver was not wearing her seatbelt. The vehicle

was stopped, and after a brief investigation on the scene, the front seat passenger, Baldwin, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana, under 50g, possession of crack cocaine and possession of CDS paraphernalia. She was arrested with a Superior Court date of Jan. 4.

IN MEMORIAM

- AUDIGE — Marlene C., of Springfield; Dec. 27.
 BOESGAARD — Ludwig C., of Kenilworth; Jan. 4.
 BROWN — Lucille A. Nelson, of Springfield; Jan. 6.
 BURROUGHS — Charles E., of Springfield; Jan. 3.
 CIRASELLA — Joseph M., of Clark; Jan. 4.
 CONKLIN — Marianne Colletti, of Union; Jan. 6.
 DONNELLY — Anthony "Tony" J., of Hillside; Jan. 1.
 DONNELLY — Joseph J., of Cranford; Jan. 4.
 DWYER — John M. Sr., of Cranford; Jan. 7.
 GOROS — Spiros, of Cranford; Jan. 2.
 GUARIGLIA — Margaret, formerly of Kenilworth; Jan. 7.
 GUENTHER — Adele L., formerly of Linden; Jan. 2.
 GUNTHER — Michael John, of Union; Dec. 29.
 HALL — Sandra "Sandy," formerly of Union; Jan. 5.
 HAND — Mary E., of Kenilworth; Jan. 7.
 HARTMANN — Alyce A. Hurler, of Linden; Jan. 7.
 HIRSCH — Joseph A., of Cranford; Dec. 31.
 JUNIO — Mary, of Linden; Jan. 8.
 MARKMANN — Anna Maria, formerly of Union; Jan. 4.
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 PETERSON — Donna M., of Kenilworth; Jan. 6.
 PIERCE — Patricia D., of Clark; Jan. 1.
 RISKIO — Stella, of Rahway; Jan. 7.
 RUBINO — Barbara Anne, of Union; Jan. 5.
 ROBERTS — Fitzgerald "Sonny," of Roselle; Dec. 31.
 SARNI — Rosemary C., of Union; Jan. 7.
 SCHMIDT — Robert A., formerly of Summit; Jan. 5.
 SPAGNOLA — Carmela, of Union; Jan. 5.
 SHORTLIDGE — William James, formerly of Mountainside; Jan. 8.
 SWENSON — Arne, of Summit; Dec. 21, 2011.
 THEBODEAU — Gisele L., of Linden; Jan. 3.
 TIGGETT — Carole, of Union; Dec. 31.
 WERNES — Andrew N., of Linden; Jan. 3.
 WHITEFIELD — Veronica, of Roselle; Jan. 5.
 WYCKO — Vincent Charles, of Union; Jan. 3.
 ZIPERSTEIN — Lillian, formerly of Union; Jan. 4.

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OBITUARIES

Anna M. Markmann

Anna Maria Markmann of Easton, Pa., formally of Union, N.J., passed away on January 4, 2012 at the Manor Care Nursing Home in Easton, Pa.

She was 103 years old. Anna was born on September 13, 1908 in Stuttgart, Germany. She was the daughter of Max and Pauline Niederbacher and immigrated to the United States in 1929. Anna had four older brothers.

Anna lived in Union, NJ for over fifty years and moved to the Alexandria Manor Assisted Living Home in Bethlehem, Pa., in 2008. She was a homemaker and worked as a waitress for many years in the cafeteria at the Bulova Watch Company and the exclusive Essex Club

in Newark, NJ. She served such notables as Dwight D. Eisenhower, General Omar Bradley and several New Jersey Governors.

Anna's husband, Hans Markmann, passed away in 1995. They were married for 62 years. She is survived by her son, Donald, of Hackettstown, NJ and his wife, Barbara; grandchildren Heidi Healy and her husband, Thomas and Donald John Markmann; and Great-grandchildren Ryan, Timothy and Sarah Healy.

Funeral Services were at the Connell Funeral Home, Bethlehem, Pa., on January 7, 2012. Viewing was from 6-8pm.

Interment was at the Hollywood Mausoleum Cemetery in Union, NJ on January 9, 2012.

UNION BRIEFS

Find stress relief at the public library on Jan. 25

Emily Adams, a licensed esthetician, trained in skincare and relaxation massage, will discuss and demonstrate the effects of stress on the body and the benefits of stress management at Union Public Library on Jan. 25 at 7 p.m. This is a rescheduled program. Adams is a Kean University graduate with a BA in psychology. She is currently working on a Master's degree in psychology with a specialization in health and wellness at the University of the Rockies.

The presentation will include relaxation techniques featuring diaphragmatic breathing, simple relaxation, guided meditation, and visualization. Call the library at 908-851-5452 for more information.

Mass Transit plays Saturday at Salem Roadhouse Cafe

On Jan. 14, at 8 p.m., residents can enjoy the group Mass Transit and experience their incredible music in a warm, comfortable, place, with a low-priced admission that includes hot and cold snacks, beverages, gourmet coffees and teas, and desserts, plus

art work on the Roadhouse Gallery Of Fine Art walls.

The Salem Roadhouse Cafe is located at Townley Church, 829 Salem Road, just two blocks from Morris Avenue and four blocks from Kean University and the New Union Train Station.

Holy Hour of Life

The Holy Spirit Respect for Life Ministry will hold its monthly "Holy Hour for Life" in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament on Feb. 1 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Holy Spirit Roman Catholic Church, Suburban Road, Union.

Viewers choice at the library

Union Public Library will host a "Viewer's Choice Film Series" with five selections which began Jan. 3 and continuing through Feb. 7. The films will be screened on Tuesdays at 2 p.m. Admission to the screenings is free.

The following feature films comprise the series: "Places In The Heart," "No Sad Songs For Me," "House of Strangers," "Gabriel Over the White House," and "Angels and Demons."

The Union library is located at 1980 Morris Avenue in Union. For more information

and a schedule of film titles, call the reference department at 908-851-5452.

Red-light cameras are up and running

Red-Light Safety Cameras were activated in Union on Saturday, ushering in a new level of protection for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists at three intersections. A public-education and 30-day warning phase will accompany the start of the program, giving drivers an opportunity to become familiar with the system. Fines will not be issued during the warning period, but photographs will be taken, and warning notices will be mailed to the vehicles' registered owners.

Union is one of nearly 40 localities in New Jersey saying "yes" to the camera program. Over the past decade, on average, red-light runners have caused 885 fatalities and 165,000 injuries annually in the United States. Two-thirds of the time, the person who dies is someone other than the red-light runner. National and international research shows cameras reduce red-light violations and the life-threatening T-bone collisions that can result when vehicles collide in the middle

of an intersection. This year, an Insurance Institute for Highway Safety study found Red-Light Safety Cameras saved more than 150 lives in 14 of the country's largest cities.

UNICO chapter is looking for new members

The Union UNICO Chapter of UNICO National announced a membership drive. Those who are interested can contact Philip Geron, membership chairman, at 908-687-0056.

UNICO is reportedly the largest Italian-American service organization in the United States. The Union Chapter is reaching out to neighbors and friends in the Union area and asking that serious consideration be given to becoming a member.

By joining the UNICO movement, chapters and their members become a part of a national effort to promote Italian American heritage. The Union chapter has monthly dinner meetings at local restaurants. The chapter works toward community improvement and welfare and also raises funds which are donated to the needy and the helpless. Signature donations are made to help those with mental illness.

WORSHIP CALENDAR

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Sunday Schedule:

Morning Worship - 8:45am & 11:00am
Morning Worship (Berkeley campus) - 11:00am

Berkeley Sunday School 10:00am

*All Sunday morning services include childcare and Kidz Church for ages 2-10!
Sunday School for All Ages - 10:00am

Evening Service - 6:30pm

Weekday Schedule:

Ladies Bible Study - Wed. @ 10:00am

Family Night - Wed. @ 7:30pm

(includes Adult Bible Study, Boys & Girls programs)

Youth Night - Fri @ 7:30pm

College & Career - Fri @ 7:30pm

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2208 Stanley Terrace, Union (908) 686-8171

Rev. Walter Cebula, Pastor

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(Ukrainian & Spanish translation available)

Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM

Sunday Evening: 6:30 PM

Food Pantry (Wednesday) 5-6:45 PM

Wednesday Family Night: 7:00 PM

Spanish Service (Saturday): 7 PM

BAPTIST

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH, 640 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield. Rev. Clarence Alston, Pastor. Church phone (973) 379-1465. SUNDAY: 9:30 A.M. Family Bible School; 11:00 A.M. Worship Service. WEDNESDAY: 7:30 P.M. Mid-Week Service. Holy Communion every First Sunday. Nursery Care available every Sunday. If transportation is needed call the church office. Everyone is Welcome at Antioch.

JEWISH-TRADITIONAL CONSERVATIVE

CONGREGATION B'NAI AHAVATH SHALOM, 2035 Vauxhall Road (corner of

Plane Street), Union. Tel: (908) 686-6773. Dr. Leon J. Yagod, Rabbi Emeritus; Oscar Newman, Cantor; David Gelband, President. Congregation B'Nai Ahavath Shalom is a traditional conservative congregation with a full range of programs. DAILY SERVICES: Sun: 8:30am; Mon-Fri.: 7:30am; Friday evening: 8pm; SATURDAY: 9:00am. Torah class half hour before each service. Hebrew School: Sundays 9:30am.

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Sunday - Church School 9 AM
Worship Service 10:AM
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301 Chestnut St.,
Roselle Park, NJ 07204
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www.roselleparkumc.org
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10:30 AM Sunday School
Childcare Available

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF UNION. Berwyn Street at Overlook Terrace, Union. Rev. James G. Ryoo, Pastor. Jonathan Schneider, Music Director. Church Office 687-8077. Parsonage 686-2412. Worship Service 11:00 A.M., Sunday worship includes a children's sermon, followed by Sunday School, and communion on the first Sunday of each month. All welcome. United Methodist Men's, Women's and Youth groups. Home Bible Studies 3rd Saturday each month.

MORAVIAN

BATTLE HILL COMMUNITY MORAVIAN CHURCH, 77 Liberty Ave., Union, 908-686-LAMB. Rev. Percival Gordon, Pastor. Sunday Worship 10:30 am. Sunday School 9:15 am. Women's Group meets first Wednesday of every month 1:30 pm. Men's Group meets every other Wednesday 9:00 am. Wednesday, Bible study and Prayer Group 7:00 pm.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

JESUS THE ROCK FELLOWSHIP THE CHURCH OF ALL NATIONS www.JTRF.org (You can hear services) 2 Denman Ave., Clark. Gerry Gregoire, Senior Pastor. Church: 908-358-6089; Pastor: 908-419-5640 Sun. Services 3:00 PM, Tues. Prayer 7:00 PM, Sat. 6:00 PM 1st Bible Study; 6:00PM 2nd Men/Women's Fellowship/6:00PM; 3rd Healing Service 4th Outreach TBA.

KENILWORTH GOSPEL CHAPEL Newark and 23rd Street, Kenilworth, 908-272-6131, Pastor Donald Dunkerton. Sunday

9:15 am Communion, 11:00 am Family Bible Hour and Sunday School for all ages, Wednesday 7:00 pm Prayer and Bible Study, (childcare provided), Friday 7:00 pm Youth Activities for Grade School age, Jr. High and Sr. High. kenilworthgospel.org

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For more info, please call 908-232-3456
or mountainsidechapel@comcast.net

PRESBYTERIAN

COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 1459 Deer Path, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092. You are invited to join us in Worship Services on Sundays at 10:30 am. This is a place for you to enjoy uplifting music and relevant messages that will energize and inspire you. We offer a warm and friendly environment with Bible study, Sunday school and active adult and youth groups. For further information, please contact Dr. Christopher Belden, Pastor at 908-232-9490.

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TOWNLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 829 Salem Road, Union. Worship and Church School Sundays at 10:00 A.M. Nursery Care during all services. Holy Communion the first Sunday of each month. We offer opportunities for personal growth and development for children, youth, and adults. We have two children's choirs and an adult Chancel Choir. We also have a youth fellowship, regular adult Bible Study, a Book Club and Summer Vacation Bible School. Come and worship with friends and neighbors this Sunday. Townley Church is a growing congregation of caring people. Church Office 686-1028. Rev. Christopher Taylor, Pastor.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SPRINGFIELD 210 Morris Ave. at Church Mall, Springfield, NJ 07081, 973-379-4320. Rev. Victoria Ney, Pastor. Sunday Worship

begins at 10:15am followed by Fellowship Hour. Church time nursery and Sunday School for infant to second grade avail. Sunday School for grades 3-12 begins at 9:00am in the Parish House @ 37 Church Mall. For more information about Church groups and community activities or to contact Pastor Ney, please call the Church Office at 973-379-4320, or e-mail FirstPCOffice@verizon.net.

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St. JAMES THE APOSTLE PARISH COMMUNITY, 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081.973-376-3044. www.saintjamesparish.org. SUNDAY MASS: Saturday 5:00pm (anticipated), Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30am and 12:00 noon. WEEKDAY MASS: Monday-Friday 7:30am, Saturday 8:00am. RECONCILIATION: Saturday 11:00am (any time by appointment).

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Sixteen exceptionally talented performers, all in their 20s, all in a frenzy of dance positions, represented the Dance Theatre of Harlem Ensemble when the group performed at Kean University last weekend. The ensemble received a standing ovation at the conclusion of their Saturday performance, and some would like to see an encore performance.

Harlem school brings unique show to Kean

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

A unique presentation of the world of dance, in combination with ballet and jazz, intrigued a fascinated audience Saturday evening in Wilkins Theater at Kean University.

Sixteen exceptionally talented performers, all in their 20s, all possessing near perfect bodies, and all, in a frenzy of dance positions, represented the Dance Theatre of Harlem Ensemble.

This marvelous group, which tours internationally, is part of a training school in a classical ballet company of African-American and other artists. The versatile dancers Saturday evening, all of whom began their careers as professional dancers, as children, hail from such sites as Tennessee, Maryland, Maine, Texas, California, Louisiana, New York, Utah, Washington, Brazil, West Indies, Cuba and Japan.

Keith Saunders, director and ballet mas-

ter, is to be congratulated for offering such a diversified program that combines ballet with other types of unusual, provocative musical dances. It has such a stunning affect on true followers of ballet.

For example, take the "Glinka Pas de Trois," choreographed by George Balanchine, with music by Mikhail Glinka. The dance stimulated the nearly completely filled theater audience, whose roar of approval became an atmosphere of frenzy.

The intimate presentation of three dancers, Samuel Wilson, Lourdes Rodriguez and David Kim, clad in tight-fitting, flesh-colored costumes, offering "Adagietto #5," simply mesmerized the members of the audience. The three displayed bodies of true form and perfection, twisting and turning as if they were made of clay, opening a whole new world of entertainment to the music of Gustav Hahler and choreography of Royston Maldoom. The costumes were

created by Cecilia Doidge.

Actually, the opening number, "Six Piano Pieces, (Harlem Style)," introduced a promising atmosphere of the type of dance and ballet to be staged. It offered a variety of dance numbers, by eight performers, endorsed by ballet and toe movements, which were choreographed by David Fernandez to music by Moritz Moszkowski, and piano accompanist, Melody Fader.

An appreciative audience, including tiny children, who never made a sound during the entire program, gloried in such presentations as "Episode," choreographed by Peter Pucci and danced by Alexandra Jacob Wilson and Samuel Wilson to the music of Nana Simopoulos; "Return," with a large cast, choreographed by Robert Garland, with music by James Brown, Alfred Ellis, Aretha Franklin and Carolyn Franklin. It included such numbers as "Baby, Baby, Baby," "I Got the Feelin'," "Call Me" and "Superbad."

The rich background of the Dance Theatre of Harlem boasts of its prize-winning artistic director, Virginia Johnson, a founding member and principal ballerina for more than 30 years, who performed demanding roles throughout its repertoire both nationally and internationally, and Arthur Mitchell, co-founder and artistic director emeritus.

Another prize-winner, he was the first African-American male to become a permanent member of the New York City Ballet. His multi-cultural dance company and school, the Dance Theatre of Harlem, has provided ballet and dance instruction to thousands of professional dancers and students around the world.

The audience on Saturday evening, which offered a standing tribute to the ensemble made known its acceptance of a fine piece of theater — and its demand and necessity for an encore performance at Kean University in Union.

Florilegia soothe the soul of the avid gardner

I love garden books so much that my bookshelves are listing under the weight of my collection. Reference volumes have always been in the minority on my shelves because I favor books that go beyond the how of gardening, to the why of gardening.

I can do an Internet search and find 5,000 articles on how to plant a tomato, but I find it infinitely more enlightening to turn to a book like "The Sixty-Four Dollar Tomato" to get a highly personal view on the glories and frustrations of growing tomatoes in the home gar-

The Gardener's Apprentice

By Elisabeth Ginsburg

den. With time and motivation at a premium, garden literature gives me the inspiration I need to go out and do less-than-inspiring jobs like turning the compost and clipping the privet.

On gift-giving occasions, my family and friends enable my literary habit by presenting me with horticulture-related books. This holiday season, I received an especially winning volume, "Mr. Marshal's Flower Book," by Alexander Marshal. The detailed and beautiful flowers that live within its pages have stimulated my mind and soothed my soul.

Alexander Marshal, the 17th-century author of the "Flower Book," undoubtedly referred to his magnum opus as a "florilegium," a Latin word used to describe a com-

pendium of plant and flower information and illustrations. The tradition of florilegia goes back to at least the 15th century and continues to the present day. Notable examples include "Hortus Eystettensis" by Basilius Besler, another early 17th-century work that depicts flowers in the botanical garden developed by the Prince Bishop of Eichstatt in Germany; and the contemporary florilegium commissioned by England's Prince Charles to celebrate the plants in his garden at Highgrove.

Marshal's work, devoted to

illustrations of flowering species, is the only surviving example of a 17th-century English florilegium. It was republished in 2008, in a hard-cover edition that includes a short biographical chapter and notes about the plants portrayed on the pages.

Biographical information about Marshal is limited, but he was probably born about 1620 and died about 1682. He was a man of wealth and refinement, though it appears that he was a self-taught artist. His friends included many of

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Rehearsing for 'Rehearsal'



Photo Courtesy of Westfield Community Players

Performers are on stage rehearsing for 'Rehearsal for Murder,' which is being directed by Brian Remo and produced by Steve Lemenille and presented by Westfield Community Players. The show runs Jan. 14, 15, 20 and 21. See their website for details for times and ticket information: www.westfieldcommunityplayers.org.

Student of the month



Iriana Pierre was named the student of the month at Roselle's Washington Elementary School. Pictured are, from left, Erick Cedano, Roselle Board of Education; Larry Body, Roselle Steering Committee Co-Chair; Pierre and family; Charley Flint, Roselle Steering Committee Co-Chair; and Superintendent of Schools Dr. Kevin West.

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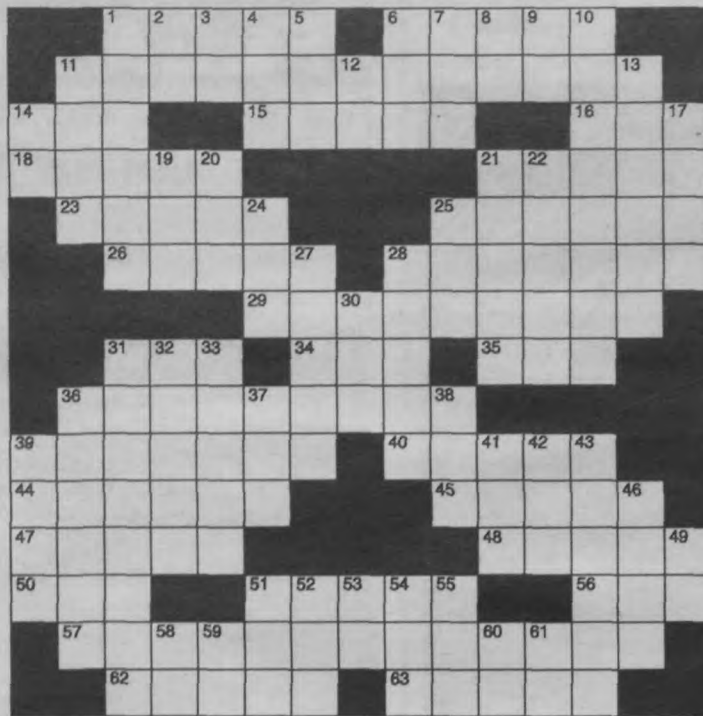
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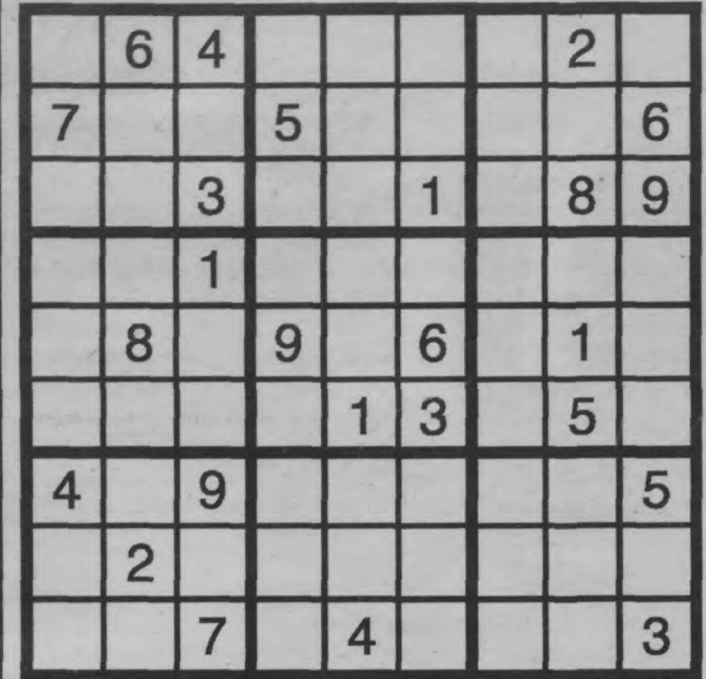
- 1. Winter capital of Kashmir
- 6. So. African Music Awards
- 11. The Bay State
- 14. A disorderly crowd
- 15. Actress Greta
- 16. Expression of surprise
- 18. Storybook elephant
- 21. John Jacob ___, capitalist
- 23. Mulled wine
- 25. Membrane around the lungs
- 26. Shows how something works
- 28. Cannonized
- 29. Layers bonded together
- 31. A vessel or duct
- 34. The fire had been ___
- 35. Female sibling
- 36. Israeli capital
- 39. Blocked in fencing
- 40. 98942 WA
- 44. Gasoline hydrocarbon rating
- 45. Light snacks with drinks
- 47. Supplementing with difficulty
- 48. Am. composer & diarist Ned
- 50. A waterproof raincoat
- 51. Accumulate a large quantity
- 56 Am. Newspaper Assoc.
- 57. Butterfly collector
- 62. ___ and Venzetti
- 63. Female servants

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Poked at
- 2. Equally
- 3. Manuscript (abbr.)
- 4. Periodical (slang)
- 5. Fiddler crabs
- 6. Hero sandwich
- 7. Volcanic mountain in Japan
- 8. Of I
- 9. Indicates position
- 10. Legislative acts
- 11. Low sustained cry
- 12. 60 minutes (abbr.)
- 13. Supported by a prop
- 14. Megabyte
- 17. 9/11 Memorial designer Michael
- 19. The years someone has existed
- 20. Distilled from fermented molasses
- 21. a.k.a.
- 22. Estonian kroon = 100
- 24. The sun
- 25. Wide metal cooking vessel
- 27. Caesar or cobb
- 28. Building lots
- 30. 1/1000 inch
- 31. Apexes
- 32. Firth of Clyde's largest island
- 33. Bringing suit
- 36. Forsyth novel "The Day of the ___"
- 37. Perceive with the eyes
- 38. Was introduced to
- 39. Lines of verse
- 41. Household god (Roman)
- 42. Military mailbox
- 43. Challenge aggressively
- 46. Posted
- 49. One thousandth of an ampere
- 51. General's assistant, abbr.
- 52. Bovine sound
- 53. Associated press
- 54. Opposite of LTM
- 55. A very large body of water
- 58. Ma's partner
- 59. Integrated circuit
- 60. Rhode Island
- 61. Potato state

ANSWERS APPEAR IN OUR CLASSIFIED SECTION

SUDOKU



Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

ANSWERS APPEAR IN OUR CLASSIFIED SECTION

One day workshops at AGNJ

Registration is now open for one-day Winter workshops for adults at Arts Guild New Jersey. The Arts Guild, located in Rahway, will be offering two new workshop options taught by Julian Tejera: Alla Prima Painting Technique and Dynamic Figure Drawing and Anatomy.

Francesca Azzara's popular Encaustic Painting workshop will once again be offered. All workshops will take place on Saturdays in their newly renovated studio classroom space on the corner of Esterbrook and Milton Avenues in Rahway.

For more information about these workshops, as well as their regular 8-week art classes, access the online course catalog at www.agnj.org or call 732-381-7511 to request a printed flyer.

Registration is accepted online, as well as in-person or by mail. To register in person, visit the office at 1670 Irving St., Rahway, on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday, from 9

a.m. to 12 noon or from 1 to 4 p.m. Cash and check payments are accepted in person or by mail; credit card payments are accepted online only.

Encaustic Painting will be held on Feb. 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Encaustic, or wax painting, is a technique that dates back to ancient Greece and Egypt, where it was used to decorate naturalistic portraits and tomb paintings. The process involves working with molten beeswax and colored pigments as a paint, and applying it with brushes to a rigid surface or a wood panel. This workshop will be an in-depth session exploring encaustic processes including collage, stenciling, painting, and a variety of other uses for the wax medium. Basic techniques will be reviewed and several original pieces can be completed in this session. A material list will be provided at registration. This workshop is limited to 6 students. The workshop fee is \$70, plus \$25 for materials.

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All class space is limited, so early registration is encouraged to ensure enrollment.

Call 732-381-7511, email arts-guild1670@verizon.net, or visit www.agnj.org for more information.



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Ingredients

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- 1 cup chopped bell peppers
- 1 cup cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1 English cucumber, quartered and chopped
- ¼ cup slivered sun-dried tomatoes
- 1 bag baby greens, arugula or baby spinach
- ½ cup chopped Italian parsley
- Balsamic vinegar
- Extra virgin olive oil
- Salt and pepper
- Grated cheese

Method

Cook the pasta and toss with olive oil until coated. Place in a large serving bowl. Cube the bread and toss with olive oil, salt, pepper and grated cheese. Toast in the oven until lightly browned. Layer all the ingredients over the pasta, finishing with the bread cubes. Season with salt and pepper, and drizzle oil and balsamic vinegar to taste. Let the salad sit for a half hour at room temperature before serving. Serves 8 to 10

Ellie Espo, a self-taught chef, has been practicing her craft for 30 years, currently at Tom the Greengrocer, in Scotch Plains. Her online cooking show, "Cooking On The Block, with Chef Ellie Espo," is found at www.chefellieespo.com, where you can also print out her recipes. A cookbook is in the works. She may be contacted at chefellieespo@gmail.com, or you may view her recent videos by visiting www.youtube.com/user/chefellieespo.

Playwrights invited to submit work for Kean theater company

Both aspiring and established authors welcome

Aspiring and established playwrights are invited to submit new plays to Premiere Stages, the professional theater company in residence at Kean University, Union. Liberty Live is the new program of Premiere Stages Play

Festival, which will commission a one-act script from a New Jersey playwright. The commissioned writer will be awarded \$1,000, and the script will be developed and produced in November at Kean University's Liberty Hall Museum. Local audiences, school groups and the public will be invited to attend.

Liberty Live will dramatize the history that shaped the state of New Jersey, while fulfilling Premiere Stages' mission: to cultivate talented writers, support the development of new plays and bring high-quality, professional productions to diverse audiences.

"We are extremely pleased to expand our new play development programs to include Liberty Live," said John Wooten, producing artistic director of Premiere Stages. "The project empowers local dramatists to create compelling plays about how New Jersey has evolved. And Liberty Hall Museum

is the perfect partner to help bring these stories to life."

For 2012, the focus of Liberty Live will be on the town of Westfield. A partnership with the Westfield Historical Society adds a family and educational component. Workshops and staged readings will culminate in public performances at Liberty Hall Museum in November. Question and answer sessions with noted historians and guided tours of the museum will be offered as part of the event.

More than 25 plays have been developed through Premiere Stages Play Festival. The most recent works include the 2011 successful play, "Follow Me to Nellie's," by Dominique Morisseau, James Christy's "Egyptian Song," a 2011 runner-up, and a current National New Play Network nominee, and 2010 winner, "The Good Counselor," by Kathryn Grant, which was named as the runner up for the prestigious 2011 American Theater Critics Harold and Mimi Steinberg/ATCA New Play Award.

All entries are evaluated by a panel of theater professionals and historians in consultation with Wooten and resident dramaturg,

Clare Drobot.

Interested New Jersey based writers are encouraged to submit by the deadline of March 15. There is no entry fee. Email premiere@kean.edu for guidelines or visit www.kean.edu/premierestages.

The Westfield Foundation has funded the 2012 pilot program of Liberty Live.

Premiere Stages receives additional funding from The New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, The Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, Northfield Bank, The New Jersey Theater Alliance and support from individual patrons.

Premiere Stages has announced that it offers affordable prices, air-conditioned facilities, free parking and discounted tickets to patrons with disabilities.

All Premiere States facilities are fully accessible spaces. Call for a list of sign-interpreted, audio-described or open-captioned performances. Assistive listening devices and large print programs are available at all times.

Publications are available with advanced notice in alternate formats.

The Gardener's Apprentice

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the intellectual and scientific luminaries of his day, most notably the celebrated John Tradescant, the Younger, whose family museum of curiosities was the foundation of Oxford's modern day Ashmolean Museum.

In the 17th century, the gardens of wealthy Englishmen became home to an increasing number of newly introduced plants from various parts of the world touched by the British, either by exploration, colonization or diplomacy. Marshal included scores of these new plants, along with some English natives, among the 284 plant species in his book. There are tulips and lilacs, originally from the Middle East, for example, and sunflowers from America. In keeping with the traditional organization of florilegia, the illustrations are arranged seasonally.

The most amazing thing about the illustrations is the vibrant colors, for which Marshal was celebrated in his own time. Red and yellow flamed tulips pop off the pages and the delicate variations in shades of ornamental sweet peas are carefully depicted. Some pictures, like those of the mourning iris and common sunflower, also feature insects or small mammals, portrayed in the same highly detailed fashion.

Marshal painted leaves, flowers and fruit as they were, complete with blemishes and imperfections. One painting of strawberries, stems and leaves depicts a single berry afflicted with the gray mold or botrytis that still causes headaches for home gardeners.

"Mr. Marshal's Flower Book" was intended to be instructional as well as celebratory. The illustrations allowed his contemporaries — and following generations — to study all the details of the various plants, including the structures of both new and familiar flowers, leaves and fruits. When I study this florilegium, I long to see my own plants in flower again.

To dive into the pages of "Mr. Marshal's Flower Book" in January and February is to defeat winter — at least for awhile.

Elisabeth Ginsburg, a resident of Glen Ridge, is a frequent contributor to Worrall Community Newspapers. The writer archives past columns at <http://www.gardenersapprentice.com>.

B-I-N-G-O!



Photo By Dave VanDeventer

One of the best kept secrets in Linden may be the National Bingo Factory, located just a few blocks off of St. Georges Avenue on North Stiles Street. The popular supplier of bags and bingo products also boasts what could very well be the world's largest bingo board painted on their garage door.

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Rahway boys' basketball is guided by team effort Leads Mountain Division with 5-0 mark

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

RAHWAY — Every time the Rahway boys' basketball team thought it was on its way to a double digit victory, Scotch Plains kept coming back.

That's typical of the competitiveness of the Union County Conference's Mountain Division, with eight teams that are not that far apart at all.

Sparked by a 17-point performance from senior guard Hakeem Kornegay and 16 from fellow senior Ja'Quan Matthews, Rahway remained on top of the Mountain Division by holding on for a hard-fought 62-56 triumph last Friday night at Earl H. Walter Gymnasium.

Rahway — the only undefeated boys' basketball team in Union County — improved to 8-0 overall and leads the Mountain Division at 5-0. Scotch Plains, which last year was the last team to lose a Mountain Division game, had a three-game winning streak snapped and fell to 5-4 overall and 3-2 in the Mountain.

Rahway, which began the week leading the Mountain Division by two games over Scotch Plains, Union Catholic, Gov. Livingston and St. Mary's of Elizabeth, will next play tonight at 7 at home against defending Watchung Division champion St. Patrick.

Rahway will then face present Valley Division leader Roselle Saturday at 5 p.m. at the Rahway Recreation Center.

Roselle shared last year's Valley Division crown with Group 1 finalist Dayton and New Providence.

Although Rahway played from in front the entire second half after the first half included five Indian leads, three Scotch Plains advantages and four ties, the visiting Raiders managed to pull to within one point with 47 seconds left in the third quarter. Scotch Plains went on a 14-5 run to come back from a 32-22 deficit earlier in the period after Rahway produced a 12-2 surge that began in the second quarter.

Then the Raiders cut Rahway's lead to five at 61-56 and had the ball with 17 seconds left after junior center Thomas Bonacum blocked a Kornegay shot.

Kornegay then stole the ball back and was fouled. He made one of two free throws for the final 62-56 score.

Scotch Plains also came back from being down by 12 at 56-44 with less than three minutes to go.

However, it seemed that whenever the Raiders were on their way back, the speedy and elusive Kornegay took the ball to the hole for Rahway and made an important layup to stem the tide.

Kornegay made three big layups in the third quarter, with the biggest one coming right after Scotch Plains got to within 37-36.

"We were lazy sometimes in the first half and eased up a bit," said Kornegay, who also dished out five assists, came up with four steals and did all of his scoring inside.

"Hakeem is our guy," Rahway head coach Kevin Conroy said.

"He has no fear. He plays at a different level.

"I actually thought Scotch Plains did a good job on him, considering they took away his outside shot."

Rahway ended the second quarter with a 4-0 run to take a 24-20 lead at intermission.

"We weren't satisfied with the way we played in the first half," Kornegay said. "We were not out-hustling them."

Rahway was a bit more efficient on both ends of the court in the final 32 minutes, but still had to contend with a Scotch Plains team that fought until the very end.

"We stepped up and made plays in the second half," Kornegay said. "The team looks to me to step up and the team helped me out a lot."

It was a total team effort that kept Rahway undefeated — as many as eight players produced points — although the Indians did not finish the contest as strongly as they would have liked.

"We held the lead, but I was not happy with the way we closed the game," Conroy said. "We're a defensive team and so far that has been the biggest reason for our success."

Grabbing numerous big rebounds for Rahway were starters Jevon Allen and Aaron Peters and reserve Matt Gregory.

Keeping up with those bodies was Bonacum, who grabbed a game-high 17 rebounds, blocked two shots and also led all scorers with a 25-point effort that even included a three-pointer for his team's final points.

"I didn't think he had it in him," Conroy said. "We didn't have anybody that could stop him."

Bonacum scored the last five Scotch Plains points and poured in 20 of his 25 in the final 16 minutes.

"He's become our go-to guy," Scotch Plains head coach Dan Doherty said. "It's happening quicker. He's a very tough player to take off the court."

Scotch Plains also received a fine performance from fellow junior Xavier Noel-Brooks, who finished with 15 points, five rebounds and three steals.

Rahway jumped out to a 7-1 advantage and then Scotch Plains came right back with a 12-5 run to take its first lead at 13-12 following a Bonacum layup.

The final Scotch Plains lead was 19-18 after Noel-Brooks scored inside off a pass from Bonacum. Rahway took the lead for good at 21-20 on a free throw by senior Anthony Beam, who finished with five points.

UCC-MOUNTAIN DIVISION BOYS' BASKETBALL

| | | | | |
|----------------------|----|----|----|---------|
| S. Plains (5-4, 3-2) | 9 | 11 | 16 | 20 - 56 |
| Rahway (8-0, 5-0) | 12 | 12 | 16 | 22 - 62 |

SCOTCH PLAINS RAIDERS (56):

- 23-Thomas Bonacum, junior, 10-1-2-25
- 14-Xavier Noel-Brooks, junior, 6-0-3-15
- 5-Dominic Gonzalez, senior, 2-0-3-7
- 10-Anthony Byers, senior, 2-0-2-6
- 3-Ian Johnston, senior, 1-0-1-3

Starters: Bonacum, Johnston, Gonzalez, Byers, Noel-Brooks
Totals: 21-1-11-56

RAHWAY INDIANS (62):

- 15-Hakeem Kornegay, senior, 8-0-1-17
- 3-Anthony Beam, senior, 1-0-3-5
- 4-Jamill Babrow, senior, 2-0-3-7
- 11-Ja'Quan Matthews, senior, 4-2-2-16
- 23-Aaron Peters, senior, 2-0-2-6
- 21-Chad Gayle, senior, 2-0-0-4
- 55-Matt Gregory, junior, 1-0-3-5
- 25-Jevon Allen, junior, 1-0-0-2

Starters: Kornegay, Peters, Allen, Matthews, Babrow
Totals: 21-2-14-62

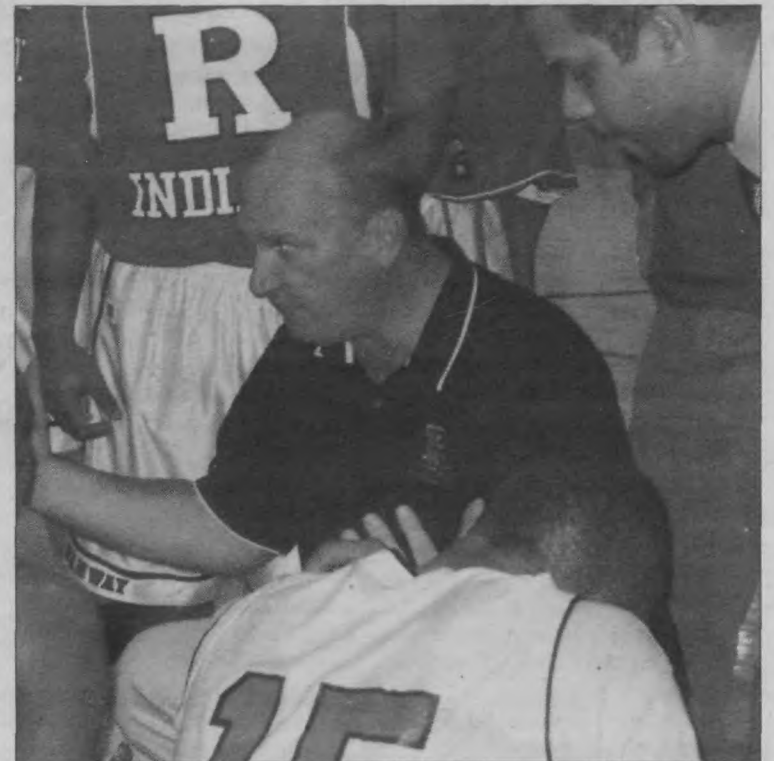


Photo by JR Parachini

Rahway head coach Kevin Conroy talks to his team during a timeout in last Friday night's division home game vs. Scotch Plains. Rahway won 62-56.

Roselle to face Indians Saturday at Rec Center

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Two of the three Union County Conference boys' basketball division leaders are Rahway in the Mountain and Roselle in the Valley. The two rivals will clash Saturday at 5 p.m. at the Rahway Recreation Center.

It's part of a doubleheader honoring Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. The Roselle girls' will tangle with Rahway at 3 p.m.

The Rahway boys' are 8-0 overall and the last undefeated team remaining in Union County.

Leaders of the Mountain Division with a 5-0 record, the Indians are scheduled to host defending Watchung Division champion St. Patrick tonight at 7.

Roselle began the week 7-1 overall, on a three-game winning streak and leading the Valley Division at 4-0. The Rams were scheduled to play at Valley Division rival Brearley Tuesday afternoon.

Roselle wrapped last week's schedule with a convincing 70-46 home division win over Roselle Park Friday.

The Rams were sparked offensively by senior Alex Cabrera and junior William Nelson, who poured in 13 points each, and by junior Jamar Redmond, who finished with 10. Daniel Hairston, also a junior, added seven.

Roselle began the week with Valley Division wins over Oratory Prep, Dayton, New Providence and Roselle Park. Last year, Roselle shared the Valley Division title with Group 1 finalist Dayton and New Providence.

Union captures Union County girls' indoor track relays for the first time since 1990

Not only did the Union girls' track team capture its first indoor relays title since 1990, but the Farmers established four meet records along the way.

When Union last won the crown 22 years ago it was shared with Plainfield. Last Friday night at the Jersey City Armory the Farmers won the title outright.

Led by the stellar performances of athletes Haisha Bisiolu, Ennica Jacob and Jen Edobi, Union set meet records in the 4x200 in 1:47.92, the shuttle hurdles in 32.59, the sprint medley in 4:22.29 and the 4x400 in 4:10.58.

Behind the outstanding efforts of junior Rashaunda Beasley, Union also captured the shot put with a combined 97-81/4. Beasley had a meet-best toss of 35-53/4.

Union won the team title with 56 points, while Cranford was second at 42 and defending champion Summit third at 37.

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Brearley wrestlers to host RP Tuesday

Panthers last beat Bears in 2005

By JR Parachini
 Sports Editor

Brearley, the defending Group 2 wrestling state champion for the first time, will host Roselle Park Tuesday night at 7, seeking a seventh straight regular season victory over the Panthers, who are defending Central Jersey, Group 1 champs.

The annual Union County Conference matchup is scheduled four days before the 37th Union County Tournament will be contested at Union on Jan. 21. Brearley has won the last six UCT championships, which is all six county crowns the Bears have garnered.

Brearley has an overall eight-match winning streak over Roselle Park, including sectional final victories in 2006 and 2007.

Roselle Park came close to beating Brearley the last two years, falling both times by five points in matches that took place at Roselle Park.

The two will wrestle in Kenilworth Tuesday night for the first time in three years.

Brearley wrestled Union at Union on Dec. 21 and came away with a convincing 65-12 victory. Winning by pin for the Bears were Frank Chessa at 106, Nick DeMarco at 113, Matt Samansky at 126, Mike Disko at 132, Jeff Velez at 182 and Anthony Tancs at 195.

Mike Christian defeated Kristian Lewis 4-2 in the heavyweight bout. In Roselle Park's 32-24 win over Montville last Saturday, Matt Swain won by pin for the Panthers at 126.

Winning by decision for Roselle Park were Zak Fahoury at 152, Steve Loevsky at 170, Vincent Picarelli at 220 and Avsar Patel at heavyweight.

Here's a look at Brearley's eight-match winning streak over Roselle Park and Roselle Park's last two wins over Brearley:

BREARLEY 8-0 THE LAST 6 YEARS VS. ROSELLE PARK:

Jan. 13, 2011: Brearley 36, Roselle Park 31 - at Roselle Park Regular season

Jan. 13, 2010: Brearley 30, Roselle Park 25 - at Roselle Park Regular season

Jan. 14, 2009: Brearley 61, Roselle Park 9 - at Brearley Regular season

Jan. 23, 2008: Brearley 40, Roselle Park 18 - at Roselle Park Regular season

Feb. 8, 2007: Brearley 46, Roselle Park 10 - at Brearley Central Jersey, Group 1 final

Jan. 31, 2007: Brearley 36, Roselle Park 23 - at Brearley Regular season

Feb. 16, 2006: Brearley 39, Roselle Park 20 - at Brearley Central Jersey, Group 1 final

Jan. 11, 2006: Brearley 34, Roselle Park 24 - at Roselle Park Regular season

LAST 2 ROSELLE PARK WINS OVER BREARLEY:

Jan. 12, 2005: Roselle Park 39, Brearley 27 - at Brearley Regular season

Jan. 9, 2004: Roselle Park 55, Brearley 16 - at Roselle Park Regular season

Dayton girls' basketball has same recipe for win

Bulldogs hang on to top Cranford again

By JR Parachini
 Sports Editor

When Dayton upset Cranford in last year's Union County Tournament quarterfinals at Rahway, the Bulldogs made seven 3-pointers, including six in the first half. Dayton held on for a 43-42 triumph.

When Dayton defeated Cranford last Friday night in Springfield in Union County Conference-Mountain Division play, the Bulldogs used the same formula to down the undefeated Cougars.

Once again, Dayton made seven 3-pointers, including six in the first half, and then held on for a 46-43 victory. When 12th-seeded Dayton defeated fourth-seeded Cranford in the UCT last year, Cranford was 18-4 and on a six-game winning streak. When Dayton defeated Cranford Friday night, Cranford was 6-0 and 4-0 in the Mountain Division.

Dayton improved to 5-2 overall and 2-2 in the Mountain Division. The teams will clash again in Mountain Division play Feb. 2 in Cranford.

"We got out to a fast start by hitting our shots," Dayton head coach Dave Rennie said. "We were up by 15 at halftime and made them chase us."

Cranford pulled to within one point twice in the waning moments. The first time was at 42-41 before Dayton senior guard Anna Lies made two free throws. The second was at 44-43 before Dayton's Lea Ginefra made two free throws for the game's final points.

Dayton was sparked by a 14-point performance from senior swing player Jen Kuczynski.

"We played tough defense and worked for good shots on offense, which is what we typically try to do," Rennie said. "Although we struggled to score in the second half we did have some good possessions."

Cranford was paced offensively by senior guard Morgan Miller, who poured in 13 points. She made four 3-pointers in the first half. Junior guard Jenna Goeller produced 11 points.

"We worked well by keying on players," Rennie said. "We did a better job on Miller in the second half, but then Goeller got going and (Jessica) McCoy a little bit. Cranford is a very aggressive, athletic team. We expected them to come hard at us in the second half."

McCoy scored 20 and Miller 17 in last year's UCT setback. Emily MacDonnell scored 13, Lies 11 and Kuczynski 10 in that Bulldog tournament triumph.

Dayton was able to switch with Hillside and move up to the Mountain Division this season one year ahead of schedule.

Rennie thought his squad, sparked by four-year starters Kuczynski, Lies and MacDonnell, would benefit from a more challenging schedule.

Hillside is off to a fine start as well. The Comets began the week 5-1 overall and were leading the Valley Division at 4-0.

The Mountain Division standings as of Monday were Governor Livingston in the lead at 4-0, Cranford next at 4-1 and then Dayton, Oak Knoll and defending champion New Providence at 2-2. Johnson and Union Catholic were 2-3 and Elizabeth 0-5.

Dayton lost at GL 46-34 Jan. 3. Also in division play, the Bulldogs won at Union Catholic 46-40 and lost at Johnson 44-34.

"GL is very well balanced," Rennie said. GL, like Cranford and Dayton, returned all five starters.

"With GL, you can't key on one player. They have a lot of weapons," Rennie said. "Their players fill their roles very well."

"It's very difficult to defend them and they also play very good defense."

GL began the week at 7-0 and was the only undefeated team remaining in Union County.

Dayton's schedule this week included St. Anthony at home Monday, at Oak Knoll Tuesday and Roselle Catholic at home tomorrow night at 7.

WRESTLING SCHEDULES

UNION FARMERS

- Jan. 14 Madison and Verona, 10 a.m.
- Jan. 18 at Cranford, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 25 Johnson, 4 p.m.
- Jan. 28 Summit, Linden, Scotch Plains, 10 a.m.
- Feb. 1 Rahway, 4 p.m.
- Feb. 3 at Barringer, 6 p.m.
- Feb. 4 at Newark Academy, 10 a.m.
- Feb. 5 at Kearny, 5 p.m.
- Feb. 10 Millburn, 4 p.m.

ROSELLE PARK PANTHERS

- Jan. 14 Mountain Lakes, 10 a.m.
- Jan. 17 at Brearley, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 18 Elizabeth, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 25 Cranford, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 28 Warren Hills, Ocean, 9 a.m.
- Jan. 31 at Scotch Plains, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 1 at New Providence, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 2 Irvington, 7 p.m.

BREARLEY BEARS

- Jan. 17 Roselle Park, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 18 Westfield, 4 p.m.
- Jan. 22 at Rutgers, TBA
- Jan. 25 at New Providence, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 27 at Cranford, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 28 Quad, TBA
- Feb. 1 St. Peter's Prep, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 3 at Rahway, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 4 vs. Tri opponent

GOV. LIVINGSTON HIGHLANDERS

- Jan. 13 Linden and Kearny, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 18 New Providence, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 25 at Elizabeth, 5 p.m.
- Feb. 3 Cranford, 4 p.m.
- Feb. 11 at Madison, 9 a.m.

SUMMIT HILLTOPPERS

- Jan. 12 Madison, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 14 New Providence Tournament, 9 a.m.
- Jan. 25 Torah Academy, 6:30 p.m.
- Jan. 28 at Union and also Linden, Scotch Plains, 10 a.m.
- Feb. 1 Irvington, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 3 at Peddie, 5 p.m.
- Feb. 4 at Millburn, 6 p.m.
- Feb. 6 J.P. Stevens, 6 p.m.
- Feb. 8 at Dover, 6 p.m.
- Feb. 9 Holmdel, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 11 Orange, Chatham, Pingry, noon

ELIZABETH MINUTEMEN

- Jan. 12 Wall, 5 p.m.
- Jan. 13 Newark Central, 5 p.m.
- Jan. 18 at Roselle Park, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 25 Gov. Livingston, 5 p.m.
- Jan. 27 at Westfield, 5 p.m.
- Jan. 28 Rahway, 10 a.m.
- Feb. 1 Cranford, 5 p.m.
- Feb. 3 at Plainfield, 4 p.m.
- Feb. 11 at Asbury Park, 10 a.m.

LINDEN TIGERS

- Jan. 13 at Gov. Livingston and also Kearny, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 17 Irvington, 6 p.m.
- Jan. 18 at Plainfield, 4 p.m.
- Jan. 25 at Rahway, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 27 at Bernards, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 28 at Union, 10 a.m.
- Jan. 31 North Brunswick, 7 p.m.

RAHWAY INDIANS

- Jan. 13 at Cranford, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 18 Scotch Plains, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 25 Linden, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 27 at Johnson, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 28 at Elizabeth, 10 a.m.

CRANFORD COUGARS

- Jan. 13 Rahway, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 14 Paul Finn Tournament, 10 a.m.
- Jan. 18 Union, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 25 at Roselle Park, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 27 Brearley, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 28 Bridgewater-Raritan, 9:30 a.m.
- Jan. 31 at Wall, 6:30 p.m.

JOHNSON CRUSADERS

- Jan. 13 New Providence, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 14 Kinnelon Colt Classic, 8:45 a.m.
- Jan. 18 Metuchen, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 25 at Union, 4 p.m.
- Jan. 27 Rahway, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 1 Plainfield, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 3 Edison, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 7 Carteret, 6 p.m.



Roselle Catholic girls' basketball players that assisted others during the past holiday season include, back row from left, Tori Poszonyi, Kate Tobie, Ashley Skrec and Marcia Senatus. Middle row, from left, are Allieyah Cabbage, Tyffani McQueen, Edlyne Darius, Danielle Franklin and Renee Oliver. Front row, from left, are Danielle Hunter, Niavanni Grant and Tyis Mullen.

Athletes make holiday merrier

The Roselle Catholic High School girls' basketball team helped make Christmas a little merrier in Roselle by assisting with the Roselle Knights of Columbus' 2nd Annual Christmas Day Dinner.

Thirteen players from the program - more than two-thirds of all RC girls' basketball players this winter - helped set up and decorate the banquet hall following a morning practice on Dec. 23 for the Christmas dinner.

Dinner included turkey, ham, potatoes, stuffing, cranberry sauce, desserts, coffee, tea and juice.

In addition, all in attendance went home with stocking stuffers and some even went home with donated turkeys, roast beefs, gift cards, bikes and scooters.

Roselle Catholic's varsity team began the week at 6-2 and tomorrow night will play at Dayton at 7.

RC JUNIOR VARSITY TEAM WINS ITS OWN TOURNAMENT

The Roselle Catholic junior varsity girls' basketball team captured the 2011 RC Holiday Tournament championship.

RC defeated Johnson on Dec. 27 and then Morris Catholic in the championship game on Dec. 29 to improve to 5-0. The team is coached by Dennis Quigley and Craig Vecchione.



The RC Holiday Tournament champion Roselle Catholic junior varsity girls' basketball team includes, standing from left, head coach Dennis Quigley, Jodi Daniel, Allieyah Cabbage, Adia Ledbetter, Amanda Zimmerman, Dani Vellucci, Christina Truncala and assistant coach Craig Vecchione. Front row, from left, are Ashley Skrec, Dolapo Balogun, Tyis Mullen, who is holding the championship plaque, and Zhane Irby.

McCaffery, Shriner to earn HOF honor At the Hot Stove Dinner

The Union County Baseball Association will induct four new members into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame during award ceremonies on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 12. The four inductees will be honored for their outstanding contributions to our national pastime on the baseball diamonds of Union County, New Jersey.

Dennis McCaffery of Cranford, Ed Murzinski of Linden, Bob Riesener of Linden, and Jamie Shriner of Roselle Park will be honored with induction into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame at the 76th Annual Hot Stove League Baseball Dinner on Feb. 12, which begins at 1 p.m. at the L'Affaire Banquet Center, 1099 Route 22 East, Mountainside. The dinner is sponsored by the Union County Baseball Association, in cooperation with the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Union County Department of Parks and Community Renewal.

"We're delighted to welcome four extremely deserving new members into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame," said Freeholder Chairman Deborah Scanlon. "We hope that family members and friends of all the honorees will enjoy the Sunday afternoon ceremonies and support youth baseball in Union County."

In addition to the new Hall of Fame inductees, the Hot Stove League Baseball Dinner also will honor young athletes from local baseball leagues for their achievements in 2011.

Tickets for the dinner are \$40, with proceeds going to help fund the Union County Summer Youth Baseball League for youngsters 8 to 15 years and the Fall Teen League.

Since 1937, the Hot Stove League Dinner has been the primary fundraising effort for the Union County Baseball Association's summer and fall programs. Over the years, the awards dinner has honored many local and national baseball luminaries - including Phil Rizzuto of Hillside, Don Newcombe of Elizabeth, Joe Collins of Union, Jeff Torborg of Mountainside, Willie Wilson of Summit, Jake Wood of Elizabeth, and Elliott Maddox of Union.

Tickets for the 76th Annual Union County Baseball Association Hot Stove League Dinner on Feb. 12th are available by mail for \$40 from the Union County Baseball Association, PO Box 176, Fanwood, New Jersey 07023.

Roselle's Bianca Partlow impressing as a basketball standout for UCC women's squad

Bianca Partlow of Roselle, a 2011 Abraham Clark graduate, is off to a fine freshman season as a member of the Union County College women's basketball team.

Partlow is nationally ranked in two categories. She is No. 2 among junior colleges in steals with an average of 4.9 and is No. 24 in assists with an average of 4.9.

The Lady Owls are ranked No. 5 in the nation in points allowed per game at 48.

Last Thursday, UCC came back to beat Harcum College 80-69 to improve to 12-1. UCC was down 31-28 at the half.

Partlow produced a fine game, scoring a team-high 19 points, grabbing six rebounds and dishing out four assists.

Brittany Baker scored 18 points, grabbed 14 rebounds and dished out four assists. Baker graduated from Roselle Catholic in 2011 after helping lead the Lions to a third consecutive Union County Tournament championship. She transferred to RC for her senior year after playing at Mother Seton Regional in Clark.

Adirah Banner had 12 points and seven rebounds and Quianna Trawick had 12 points and six rebounds.

UNION BOWLING RESULTS

Jan. 6: Brick Tournament

Patrick Costa 166-168-169: 503
Mike Mabeza 134-148-114: 396
Ed Rodriguez 137-157-182: 476
Brandon Burwell 201-220-195: 616
John Stigall 186-203-220: 609
824-896-880: 2,600

Jan. 5: Roselle Catholic 2, Union 1

Patrick Costa 137-110-157: 403
Mike Mabeza 145-109-155: 409
Ed Rodriguez 147-147-156: 451
Brandon Burwell 234-217-201: 652
John Stigall 182-254-201: 637
845-837-870: 2,552

UNION BOWLING RESULTS

Jan. 4: Scotch Plains 2, Union 1

Patrick Costa 174-165-188: 527
Mike Mabeza 114-123-100: 337
Ed Rodriguez 158-147-147: 452
Brandon Burwell 183-248-185: 616
John Stigall 209-224-258: 691
838-907-878: 2623

Dec. 21: Westfield 3, Union 0

Ed Rodriguez 117-113-117: 347
Nnamdi Ike 106-X-109: 215
Patrick Costa 103-X-X: 103
Mike Mabeza 104-131-88: 323
Brandon Burwell 213-201-238: 652
John Stigall 150-214-147: 511



These Johnson students make up the Crusader Athletic Leadership Council.

Crusader Athletic Council assists student-athletes

The Crusader Athletic Leadership Council is an organization that has been founded to help educate Johnson High School student-athletes on some of the expectations that Johnson has as they compete interscholastically in a variety of athletics. Johnson hopes that by informing this council of some of its expectations, it will be able to foster an open and healthy relationship among the student-athletes, the school culture and the community of Clark.

The Crusader Athletic Leadership Council met Dec. 20 at Johnson, where numerous members of Crusader Alumni discussed a variety of topics with the council. The Crusader Alumni Panel consists of:

Oliver Haney: Class of 2007. First Team All State Football. School Record for the Shot-put. Three sport athlete in high school. Syracuse Football Scholar-Athlete for week of September 19, 2011.

Matt Klimchak: Class of 2009. All State & All American in Lacrosse as a senior. Was 4th in scoring for the Rutgers Lacrosse team last season as a sophomore.

Cassandra Martin: Class of 2009. Won 2011 DIII National Championship in Field Hockey for CNJ.

Victoria Martin: Class of 2011. Won 2011 DIII National Championship in Field Hockey for CNJ. First Team All County & All State Field Hockey. Rookie of the year her freshman season for CNJ.

Brian Megill: Class of 2009. All County in Football as a senior. All State & All American in Lacrosse as a senior. Three sport athlete in high school. Starter for the Syracuse Lacrosse Team as a freshman. Named 2nd Team All Big East. Named Captain of the Syracuse Lacrosse Team for this upcoming season as a junior. Named pre-season 2nd Team All American.

Alec Ochocki: Class of 2008. Three time Fencing State Champion in high school. Three sport athlete in high school. NCAA Team & Individual National Champion as a freshman at Penn State.

Matt Poskay: Class of 2002. First Team All State in Football. All State & All American in Lacrosse as a senior. Three sports athlete in high school. National High School Record Holder for most goals. Four year starter UVA (2 National Championships). 2010 MLL MVP. Won 2011 MLL Championship with the Boston Cannons. Recently named Head Coach for Wagner Lacrosse.

Jessica Rusin: Class of 2009. First Team All County & All State Field Hockey. Three sport athlete in high school. Was 2nd in scoring for Quinnipiac University Field Hockey this past season as a sophomore.

Shannon Syciarz: Class of 2008. First Team All County & All State Field Hockey. Three sport athlete in high school. Four year starter who started every game of her collegiate career. Won 2011 DIII National Championship in Field Hockey for CNJ. Named 2011 MVP in the National Championship Tournament.

Rob Smorol: Class of 2009. First Team All County Baseball. Pitched as a true freshman for RU, making 27 relief appearances. Last year started 14 games for RU and had 66 strikeouts.

Below are the members of the 2011-2012 Crusader Athletic Leadership Council:

Nicole Beyer, Karen Blacklock, Becky Brattole, Bianca Briscese, Nicole Brougham, Nick Buccarelli, John Caliguire, Nick Campione, Michael Cieslak, Joana Couto, Alexa Cupo, Jonathan Darpino, Sal Demarzo, Ali Dugan, Kevin Eipel, Tyler Faede, John Ferrentino, Taylor Foster, Jenna Fraser, Dan Hogan, Nicole Imbriaco, Samorri Johnson, Rich Krumphold, Taylor McSorley, Alison Meagher, Alexandra Melvin, John Messina, Kyle Mogensen, Brian Moran, Dan Mullin, Nick Mullery, Sean Myers, Lance Pecina, Sarah Panetta, Tara Roach, Samantha Rodrigues, Amanda Rusin, Jeff Siessel, Michele Smorol, John Stauffer, Michael Viera, Amanda Wnorowski, Adam Zalewski, Andrew Zub.



The Crusader Athletic Alumni Panel is, from left, Rob Smorol, Cassandra Martin, Victoria Martin, Matt Klimchak, Alec Ochocki, Shannon Syciarz, Jessica Rusin, Matt Poskay, Brian Megill and Oliver Haney.

Linden girls' defeat same squad again And in overtime once more

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

For the second straight season – and on the same Saturday in the basketball campaign – the Linden girls' basketball team downed an undefeated Somerville squad in overtime.

Last Saturday, Linden defeated 7-0 Somerville 60-59 in overtime in Somerville. Linden won its second straight to improve to 6-3 after winning the fourth quarter 11-9 and overtime 6-5.

Last year, Linden defeated a 7-0 Somerville squad 53-50 in overtime at home on Saturday, Jan. 8. Linden won its fifth straight to improve to 6-1 after winning the fourth quarter 16-7 and overtime 7-4.

Deja vu? Perhaps.

That makes second-year Linden head coach Paul Gorski 2-0 vs. Somerville head coach Corey Floyd, who played at Linden in the late 1980s.

"To beat an undefeated team on the road anytime is pretty good," Gorski said. "We might have to schedule them again for next year."

Linden junior Jada Lewis provided the winning basket for the Tigers Saturday, with Gorski explaining that she scored on a left-handed layup.

"There were two people on (senior) Shannon Wheeler," Gorski said. "Jada caught the ball and put it in with 1.6 seconds to go."

Wheeler paced Linden with 24 points, while Lewis netted 18.

Linden followed up a big 51-45 Union County Conference-Watchung Division home win over Summit last Thursday. That victory came after a disappointing 50-34 division setback at Union Jan. 3.

"On the road the girls played really well and it was a great win to follow up our victory over Summit," Gorski said. "The girls were disappointed after the Union game, but then we had a great practice the next day."

Gorski said that Linden had a chance to win Saturday's game in the fourth quarter, but it didn't work out.

"Then they took the lead in overtime, but we didn't panic," Gorski said. "We took the lead on a basket by Shannon and then they took the lead again on free throws. Then we came back with Jada's basket."

"We came together as a team to get a big victory on the road."

In last year's win against Somerville, Wheeler poured in a game-high 22 points, including five in overtime. Lewis grabbed eight rebounds.

GL is 7-0 and leads the Mountain Division at 4-0: The only undefeated team remaining in Union County is Gov. Livingston. The Highlanders are 7-0 and lead the Mountain Division with a 4-0 mark.

GL will host Watchung Division opponent Union tonight at 7 and then Mountain Division rival New Providence Saturday at 11:45 a.m.

**UNION COUNTY CONFERENCE
2011-2012 BOYS' BASKETBALL
STANDINGS THROUGH
GAMES PLAYED JAN. 8:**

WATCHUNG DIVISION:

Plainfield (3-0)
St. Patrick (2-0)
Elizabeth (2-1)
Roselle Catholic (1-1)
Linden (1-2)
Westfield (0-2)
Union (0-3)

MOUNTAIN DIVISION:

Rahway (5-0)
Union Catholic (3-2)
Scotch Plains (3-2)
Gov. Livingston (3-2)
St. Mary's, Elizabeth (3-2)
Hillside (2-3)
Cranford (1-4)
Summit (0-5)

VALLEY DIVISION:

Roselle (4-0)
Johnson (2-1)
Oratory Prep (2-1)
Roselle Park (2-2)
New Providence (2-3)
Dayton (1-2)
Brearley (0-4)

**UNION COUNTY CONFERENCE
2011-2012 GIRLS' BASKETBALL
STANDINGS THROUGH
GAMES PLAYED JAN. 8:**

WATCHUNG DIVISION:

Roselle Catholic (4-0)
Scotch Plains (3-0)
Linden (3-2)
Union (2-2)
Summit (1-2)
Plainfield (1-2)
Westfield (0-3)
Roselle (0-3)

MOUNTAIN DIVISION:

Gov. Livingston (4-0)
Cranford (4-1)
Dayton (2-2)
Oak Knoll (2-2)
New Providence (2-2)
Johnson (2-3)
Union Catholic (2-3)
Elizabeth (0-5)

VALLEY DIVISION:

Hillside (4-0)
Brearley (3-1)
Kent Place (2-1)
Benedictine Academy (2-1)
Rahway (2-3)
St. Patrick (1-2)
Roselle Park (1-3)
St. Mary's, Elizabeth (0-4)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NORTH PLAINFIELD

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY CHANCERY DIVISION UNION COUNTY DOCKET NO. F-10638-11

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: JORGE A. GOMEZ

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 7 Century Drive, Suite 201, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054, a telephone number (973) 538-9300, an answer to the Complaint and Amended Complaint, if any, filed in a civil action, in which DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE SECURITIES INC. ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-R1 is Plaintiff and CARMEN GOMEZ, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, UNION County, and bearing Docket No. F-10638-11 within thirty-five (35) days after 01/12/2012 exclusive of such date, or if published after 01/12/2012, thirty-five (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, Judgment by Default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior 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 December 15, 2005 made by CARMEN GOMEZ and JORGE A. GOMEZ as mortgagors to AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE COMPANY recorded on January 13, 2006, in Book 5850 of Mortgages for UNION County, Page 2813, 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 724 GREENBROOK ROAD, NORTH PLAINFIELD, NJ 07060, Block 195, Lot 27.

You are made a defendant because you are a mortgagor and your lien or encumbrance on the mortgaged premises is subject to plaintiff's mortgage.

If you cannot afford or are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of venue by calling: UNION COUNTY LAWYER REFERRAL: (908)353-4715 UNION COUNTY LEGAL SERVICES: (908)354-4340

YOU, JORGE A. GOMEZ are made party defendant(s) to this foreclosure action because you are one of the mortgagors and may be liable for any deficiency and for any lien, claim, or interest you may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises by reason of the Mortgage made by you, CARMEN GOMEZ and JORGE A. GOMEZ, as set forth above.

Upon request, a copy of the Complaint and Amended Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particularity. File FAH1659 Dated: January 6, 2012

JENNIFER M. PEREZ Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey U288544 WCN Jan. 12, 2012 (\$45.57)

UNION COUNTY

PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, the Union County Planning Board has established the following meeting dates for 2012:

(All meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of each month except for January due to re-organization)

- January 25
February 8
March 14
April 11
May 9
June 13
July 11
September 12
October 10
November 14
December 12

All meetings will be held at 7:00 PM in the Freeholder Conference Room, 6th floor of the Administration Building, Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey U288583 WCN Jan. 12, 2012 (\$16.66)

UNION COUNTY

Note in complying with N.J.S.A. 39:10A-8 at set, application has been made to the "NJ MVC", Trenton, NJ, 08666 to get title papers allowing the sale of a 2007 Nissan Altima 4dr, vin# 1N4AL21E77C163387. Any objections, are to be made writing to the "NJ MVC", Special Titles, POB 017, Trenton, NJ 08666. January 5, 2012 U288206 WCN (\$12.74)

PUBLIC NOTICE

UNION/ROSELLE PARK

PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE the County of Union of the State of New Jersey has received notification from the Division of Archives and Records Management of the Department of State of the State of New Jersey that a review and evaluation of the image processing system currently in use for Agendas, Minutes, Ordinances & Resolutions records maintained in the office(s) of the Borough of Roselle Park and for Agendas, Minutes, Ordinances & Resolutions records maintained in the office(s) of the Township of Union, has been completed and an application for certification of said image processing system for the keeping of public records has been submitted, per P.L.1994, c.140 and N.J.A.C. 15-3-4 and 5, for approval by the State Records Committee as established under N.J.S.A. 47-3-20.

Per N.J.A.C. 15-3-5.4, stakeholders and other members of the public have 23 working days to register written comments with the State Records Committee before consideration of the aforementioned application at the next regularly scheduled public meeting of the Committee to be held at the Library for the Blind and Handicapped and State Records Storage Center, 2300 Stuyvesant Avenue, Ewing Township, Trenton, New Jersey on Thursday, the 16th of February, 2012, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Copies of the completed application are available for viewing and examination by the public at the offices of the County of Union, located at the Union County Administration Building, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, NJ, during regular business hours, Monday through Friday (excluding State holidays) between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Written comments should be mailed to Karl Niederer, Chair, State Records Committee, P.O. Box 307, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0307 or delivered to the same at the State Records Storage Center, 2300 Stuyvesant Avenue, Ewing Township, Trenton, New Jersey 08618. U288265 WCN Jan. 12, 2012 (\$28.91)

PUBLIC NOTICE

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-11006042 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F4614610 County: Union Plaintiff: FLAGSTAR BANK, F.S.B. VS

Defendant: SALOMON GALIMIDI, VICTORIA GALIMIDI AND CYNTHIA GALIMIDI Sale Date: 01/18/2012 Writ of Execution: 09/06/2011

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 ELIZABETHTOWN 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.

Concise Property Description The property to be sold is located in the Township of Hillside, in the County of Union and the State of New Jersey.

Premises commonly known as: 73 King Street Block 1712, Lot 22 Dimensions of Lot (approximately): 50' X 117' Nearest Cross Street: Elmer Place Subject to: \$0.00

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.

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: \$415,276.85 Four Hundred Fifteen Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Six and 85/100** Attorney: MCCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, P.C.

216 HADDON AVE SUITE 303 WESTMONT NJ 08108 (856)858-7080 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich

A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$426,365.29***Four Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Five and 29/100** Dec. 22, 29, 2011, Jan. 5, 12, 2012 U287655 UNL (\$145.04)

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to: Law Offices of John G. Hudak, Esq. LLC 812 North Wood Ave., Suite 304 Linden, N.J. 07036

Services: Bond Counsel

Costs: According to fee schedule

Duration: January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012 U288585 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$15.68)

HILLSIDE

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE PUBLIC NOTICE

At the meeting of the Township Council held on January 3, 2012 the following appointments were made in accordance with the Fair and Open Process pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20-5 effective January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2012:

Robert Renaud Esq., of Palumbo & Renaud as Special Tax Appeal attorney at the rate of \$125 per hour, not to exceed \$50,000 per annum.

Steve Rogut Esq., of Rogut and McCarthy as Bond Attorney for Redevelopment not to exceed \$10,000 per annum.

Steve Rogut Esq., of Rogut and McCarthy as Bond Attorney not to exceed \$15,000 per annum.

Robert Varady, Esq., LaCorte Bundy Varady & Kinsella as ABC Attorney at the rate of \$150 per hour, not to exceed \$15,000 per annum.

Suplee Clooney & Company, as Auditors not to exceed \$78,325.

Timothy Hoffman, Timothy Hoffman Inc., for Appraisals not to exceed \$20,000 per annum.

Daniel McCarthy, Esq., Rogut and McCarthy as Special Attorney for Redevelopment at the rate of \$125 per hour, not to exceed \$50,000 per annum.

Harbor Consultants as Engineers for Redevelopment at the rate of \$115 per hour not to exceed \$90,000 per annum.

Harbor Consultants as Township Engineers at the rate of \$115 per hour, not to exceed \$120,000 per annum.

Richard Bauch, Esq., of Bauch, Zucker, Hatfield as Personnel Attorney at the rate of \$135 per hour, not to exceed \$85,000 per annum.

Kologi & Simitz as Special Township Attorney at the rate of \$125 per hour, not to exceed \$50,000 per annum.

First Byte Corp., for Computer Software Service in the amount of \$125 per hour, not to exceed \$10,000 per annum.

Brown & Brown for professional insurance consultant and brokerage service for health benefits, not to exceed \$60,000.

Samuel Manigault as Public Defender for Municipal Court, not to exceed \$25,000.

Continental/Marmorstein & Malone as broker of record for general liability, automobile liability and property package insurance not to exceed \$562,000.

Hub International as broker of record for self insured workmen's compensation, excess workers compensation and surety bonds not to exceed \$110,134.

The resolutions authorizing the above are available in the Township Clerk's Office.

Janet S. Vlaisavljevic, Township Clerk U288485 UNL Jan. 5, 2012 (\$46.06)

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

NOTICE OF AWARD

1. CONTRACTOR: Harvey Fruchter, Esquire

2. NATURE OF SERVICES: Public Defender

3. COMPENSATION: Not to exceed \$10,000.00; no other costs will be reimbursed.

4. DURATION OF SERVICES: January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2012 or until his successor is appointed

A copy of the resolution authorizing the appointment is on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk in the Borough of Roselle Park.

Dated: January 5, 2012

Doreen Cali, Borough Clerk U288579 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$14.70)

PUBLIC NOTICE

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-11006044 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1152108B County: Union Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR TRUST, ONE MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-4 ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-4 VS

Defendant: RAUL SILVA Sale Date: 01/18/2012 Writ of Execution: 08/18/2011 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 ELIZABETHTOWN 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 TWP of HILLSIDE, County of UNION and State of New Jersey. Commonly known as: 1432 FRANKLIN ST., HILLSIDE, NJ 07205. Tax Lot No. 14 in Block No. 312 Dimension of Lot Approximately: 34 X 98

Nearest Cross Street: HILLSIDE AVENUE BEGINNING in the northwesterly line of Franklin Street (formerly Minnehaha Avenue) at a point therein distant 382.93 feet northeasterly from the northeasterly line of Hillside Avenue, as said streets are laid out on a map entitled "Weequahic Park Circle," filed in the Union County Register's Office February 15, 1917 as number 61-A; thence running

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION. PRIOR LIENS/ENCUMBRANCES SEWER OPEN PLUS PENALTY

TOTAL AS OF AUGUST 24, 2011 \$110.00

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: \$240,154.60** Two Hundred Forty Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Four and 60/100** Attorney: FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, PC 7 CENTURY DRIVE SUITE 201 PARSIPPANY NJ 07054 (973)644-3287 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich

A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$265,448.35*** Two Hundred Eighty-five Thousand Four Hundred Forty-eight and 35/100** Dec. 22, 29, 2011, Jan. 5, 12, 2012 U287654 UNL (\$174.44)

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK NOTICE OF AWARD

1. CONTRACTOR: Samuel Klein & Company Newark, New Jersey

2. NATURE: Auditing services and other financial services

3. DURATION: One (1) year

4. AMOUNT: \$35,000.00 for Audit of Current Fund, Trust Fund, General Capital Fund and Library. \$6,000.00 for the Audit of Sewer Utility. \$5,000.00 for the Review and Preparation of the 2012 Annual Financial Statement. \$750.00 for Preparation of Annual Debt Statement. \$350.00 for the Preparation of Supplemental Debt Statement, per Statement. \$1,150.00 for Review of Deferred Compensation Plan. \$6,000.00 for 2012 Budget Review Preparation and Services to include providing and maintaining a comprehensive and automated Budget Development Tool Consistent with the Annual Formats and Rules and Regulations of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, as consistent with the Union County Financial Information System and Compatible/Convertible to all Current Microsoft Office 2000 Standards Providing a Redundant Verification and Review of the Budget as Adopted and Approved by DCA/DLGS. \$150.00 for Secondary Market Disclosure in accordance with the requirements of Local Bond Law 40A:2-42. \$1,050.00 for Review of LOSAP Report.

Dated: January 5, 2012

Doreen Cali, Borough Clerk U288573 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$27.44)

PUBLIC NOTICE

HILLSIDE

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE PUBLIC NOTICE

The following capital ordinance published herewith has been passed by the Township Council at a meeting held at the Municipal Building, Liberty and Hillside Avenues, on December 27, 2011 and approved by the Mayor January 3, 2012.

BO-11-018

CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$93,000 AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE TOWNSHIP.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Hillside, in the County of Union, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Township of Hillside, in the County of Union, New Jersey (the "Township") is hereby authorized to undertake the following public improvements in, by and for the Township: (A) repairs to the Sewerage Pumping Station; (B) boiler repairs at the Hillside Avenue Fire House; and (C) window replacement at the Public Library. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$93,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvements authorized and described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be raised from the Capital Improvement Fund of the Township. The sum of \$93,000 is hereby appropriated from the Capital Improvement Fund of the Township to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 3. Said improvements are lawful capital improvements of the Township having a period of usefulness of at least five (5) years. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements, no part of the cost of which shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 4. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this capital ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner provided by law.

Angela R. Garretson Council President

Approved by Mayor Joseph Menza January 3, 2012 Attest: Janet Vlaisavljevic RMC Township Clerk U288461 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$42.14)

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

NOTICE OF AWARD

1. CONTRACTOR: Gibbons P.C. Newark, New Jersey

2. NATURE OF SERVICES: Bond Counsel for the Borough of Roselle Park

3. DURATION OF SERVICES: January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2012 or until his successor is appointed

4. AMOUNT: \$3,500 plus \$1.00 per thousand dollars of bonds issued plus out-of-pocket disbursements. \$450 for each single purpose ordinance and \$550 for each multiple purpose ordinance, plus out-of-pocket disbursements for preparation or review of each ordinance and compiling of a certified record of proceedings in connection therewith. Temporary financing including tax anticipation notes involving a private placement shall be \$1,000 plus \$50 per thousand dollars of notes issued, plus out-of-pocket expenses. Services beyond the scope of those specified above will be billed at the hourly rate of \$95 per hour for legal assistants and a flat rate of \$125 to \$195 per hour for attorneys.

A copy of the resolution authorizing the appointment is on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk in the Borough of Roselle Park.

Dated: January 5, 2012

Doreen Cali, RMC/CMC, Borough Clerk U288571 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$24.50)

UNION

NOTICE

The Township Committee of the Township of Union has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to

PUBLIC NOTICE

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.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to: Appruzzese, Mc Dermott Mastro & Murphy 25 Independence Blvd. P.O. Box 112 Liberty Corner, NJ 07938

Services: Labor Counsel

Costs: \$185.00 per hour, not to exceed \$125,000.00

Duration: January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012 U288588 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$16.66)

UNION

THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Governing Body of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, on January 10, 2012. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Township Municipal Building, Municipal Building, 1976 Morris Avenue Union, NJ 07083, in said County, on January 24, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for the members of the general public who shall request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

Title: BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5024 ADOPTED JULY 26, 2011 ENTITLED: "ORDINANCE PROVIDING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FROM THE CAPITAL SURPLUS FUND FOR THE REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR OF THE RETAINING WALL FOR LIGHTNING BROOK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$529,524 FOR SAID PROJECT TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION, NEW JERSEY" TO CANCEL THE APPROPRIATION FROM THE CAPITAL SURPLUS FUND AND TO APPROPRIATE \$529,524 FOR SAID PROJECT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF \$503,024 OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP, AND TO MAKE SUCH OTHER CHANGES AS NECESSARY FOR THE PROJECTS AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP Purpose(s): Repair and replacement of Existing retaining walls for Lightning Brook and all of its tributaries, including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto. Appropriation: \$529,524 Bond/Notes Authorized: \$503,024 Section 20 Costs: \$110,000 Useful Life: 15 years

EILEEN BIRCH, Township Clerk Township of Union County of Union, New Jersey U288604 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$33.81)

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.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to: Robert Varady, Esq., 989 Bonnel Court, Union, N.J. 07083 Edward J. Kologi, Esq., 923 North Wood Ave., Linden, NJ 07036 Palumbo and Renaud, 190 North Avenue, E., Cranford, NJ 07016 Rogut McCarthy, 37 Alden St., Cranford, NJ 07016 Fishman & McIntyre, 120 Eagle Rock Ave., East Hanover, NJ 07936 Arleo Donohue & Biancamano, LLC, 622 Eagle Rock Ave., West Orange, NJ 07052 Florio & Kenny, L.L.P., 100 Hudson St., Hoboken, NJ 07030

Services: To represent the Township in general litigation matters. Duration: January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012 U288595 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$20.58)

UNION

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

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). This contract

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and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE EILEEN BIRCH, TOWNSHIP CLERK

Date: January 1, 2012

AWARDED TO: Mauti Medical and Sports Medicine Associates, LLC 406 Milltown Road Springfield, NJ 07081

SERVICES: Providing health care services for the Township

TIME PERIOD: January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012

COST: Not to exceed \$20,000.00 U288589 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$16.17)

UNION

THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY

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Title: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE HALL STADIUM AND OTHER PARK IMPROVEMENTS, APPROPRIATING \$2000,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$95,000 OF BONDS AND/OR NOTES TO FINANCING PART OF THE COST FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY Purpose(s): (i) Hall Stadium Improvements including but not limited to Sports Lights installation on the Little League Field on Lehigh Ave., (ii) installation of MUSCO control light box at Biertuempfel Park Softball Fields, (iii) Twenty (20) picnic tables for various parks, and (iv) converting the softball field to soccer field at the Department of Public Works, all of the foregoing to include all improvements, costs, equipment and appurtenances related thereto and/or necessary therefor. Appropriation: \$200,000 Bond/Notes Authorized: \$95,000 Section 20 Costs: \$40,000 Useful Life: 15 years

EILEEN BIRCH, Township Clerk Township of Union County of Union, New Jersey U288606 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$32.34)

UNION

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

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.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to: Union Township Community Action Organization, Inc. 2410 Springfield Ave Vauxhall, N.J. 07088

Services: To provide technical advice and assistance and staffing for the Section 8 Housing Assistance Program.

Costs: not to exceed \$170,000.00

Duration: January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012 U288590 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$17.15)

UNION

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

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BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to:

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Union Township Community Action Organization, Inc. 2410 Springfield Ave Vauxhall, N.J. 07088

Services: Day Care Program for Children 2½ - 5 Year olds

Costs: not to exceed \$75,408.00

Duration: January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012 U288591 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$16.17)

HILLSIDE

PUBLIC NOTICE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE NOTICE OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Regular meeting of the Township Council to be held in the Municipal Building Court Room. The regular meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

- January 17, 2012
January 31, 2012
February 28, 2012
March 13, 2012
March 27, 2012
April 10, 2012
April 24, 2012
May 8, 2012
May 22, 2012
June 12, 2012
July 17, 2012
August 7, 2012
September 4, 2012
September 18, 2012
October 2, 2012
October 16, 2012
October 30, 2012
November 20, 2012
December 4, 2012
December 18, 2012

The Township Council reserves the right to go into executive and closed session during these meetings.

The Caucus Meeting of the Township Council to be held in the Municipal Building Court Room at 6:30 p.m.

- January 17, 2012 at (6:00 p.m.)
January 30, 2012
February 27, 2012
March 12, 2012
March 26, 2012
April 9, 2012
April 23, 2012
May 7, 2012
May 21, 2012
June 11, 2012
July 16, 2012
August 6, 2012
September 4, 2012 (6:00 p.m.)
September 17, 2012
October 1, 2012
October 15, 2012
October 29, 2012
November 19, 2012
December 3, 2012
December 17, 2012

The Township Council reserves the right to go into executive and closed session during these meetings.

U288463 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$31.85)

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

NOTICE OF AWARD

- 1. CONTRACTOR: Philip J. Morin, Esquire of the firm Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt & Fader, LLC
2. NATURE OF SERVICE: To represent the Borough of Roselle Park in Tax Appeals
3. DURATION OF SERVICES: Until December 31, 2012 or until his successor is appointed
4. AMOUNT: \$120.00 per hour or a maximum of \$10,000.00; no other costs will be reimbursed.

A copy of the resolution authorizing the appointment is on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk in the Borough of Roselle Park.

Dated: January 5, 2012

Doreen Cali, RMC/CMC, Borough Clerk U288576 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$16.66)

UNION

NOTICE

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BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to: Rogut McCarthy Troy, LLC 37 Alden Street Cranford, New Jersey 07016

Services: General Litigation - Planning Board

Cost: \$150.00/hr.

Duration: January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012 U288594 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$16.17)

PUBLIC NOTICE

UNION

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

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BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to: ADMIT COMPUTER SYSTEM 500 BI-COUNTY ROAD, SUITE 122 FARMINGDALE, N.Y. 11735

Services: Maintenance of a proprietary computer system in the Township of Union

Costs: not to exceed \$61,000.00

Duration: Until completion U288592 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$16.66)

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.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to: Business & Governmental Insurance Agency, Inc. 900 Route 9 North Suite 503 Woodbridge, New Jersey

Services: Risk Management consultant for all Insurance Policies for the Township of Union

Costs: No compensation

Duration: January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012 U288586 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$16.66)

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.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to: T&M Associates Eleven Tindall Road Middletown, New Jersey

Services: To provide Professional Engineering & Land Surveying and Planning Services for the Township of Union

Costs: Not to exceed \$240,914.00

Duration: January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012 U288587 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$16.17)

UNION

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED

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.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: December 27, 2011

Awarded to: T&M Associates 11 Tindall Road Middletown, N.J. 07748

Services: Professional Land Surveying Services Documentation and Survey Assessment

Time Period: December 28, 2011 to March 28, 2012

Costs: Not to exceed \$10,000.00 U288613 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$15.68)

ROSELLE PARK

MEETINGS OF MAYOR & COUNCIL FOR 2012 BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

- January 5
February 2
March 1
April 5
May 3
January 19
February 16
March 15
April 19
May 17

PUBLIC NOTICE

- June 7
June 21
July 19
August 16
September 20
October 4
October 18
November 1
November 15
December 6
December 20

Meetings of the Governing Body will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Borough Hall, 110 East Westfield Avenue, Roselle Park on Thursday evenings (unless indicated otherwise).

Doreen Cali, RMC/CMC Borough Clerk U288564 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$13.72)

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.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to: LaGuardia & Associates 271 Grove Ave., Building E Verona, NJ 07044

Services: Entertainment - Summer Concert Series

Costs: Not to exceed \$16,950.00

Duration: January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012 U288600 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$15.68)

UNION

NOTICE

The Township Committee of the Township of Union has awarded a contract pursuant to the Fair and Open Process of the Pay-to-Play Law (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20a, et seq.) This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to: Suplee, Clooney & Company 308 East Broad Street Westfield, New Jersey 07090

Services: To provide Auditing Services for the Township of Union

Costs: not to exceed \$127,850.00

Duration: until completion U288584 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$15.68)

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

NOTICE OF AWARD

- 1. CONTRACTOR: Richard Huxford, Esquire of the firm Triarsi, Betancourt, Walsh & Wukovits
2. NATURE OF SERVICES: Borough Attorney services consistent with the 2012 advertised Request for Proposal

3. DURATION OF SERVICES: January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2012 or until his successor is appointed

4. AMOUNT: \$50,000

A copy of the resolution authorizing the appointment is on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk in the Borough of Roselle Park.

Dated: January 5, 2012

Doreen Cali, Borough Clerk U288566 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$15.19)

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.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: January 1, 2012

Awarded to: Robert Pansulla, Esq. 36 Cattano Ave., Suite 500 Morristown, N.J. 07960

Services: General Litigation - Board of Adjustment

Duration: January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012 U288597 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$14.70)

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ROSELLE PARK
BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK
NOTICE OF AWARD
1. NAME: Matthew J. Giacobbe, Esquire, of the firm Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs, LLC
2. NATURE: To supervise and coordinate management labor relations of the Borough
3. DURATION: For a term not to surpass December 31, 2012.
4. AMOUNT: \$120.00 per hour, not to exceed the amount of \$20,000.00; no other costs will be reimbursed.
Dated: January 5, 2012
Doreen Cali, RMC/CMC, Borough Clerk
U288546 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$14.21)

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK
NOTICE OF AWARD
1. CONTRACTOR: Richard Huxford, Esquire
2. NATURE OF SERVICES: Municipal Court Prosecutor
3. DURATION OF SERVICES: January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2012 or until his successor is appointed
4. AMOUNT: Included in Borough Attorney fee
A copy of the resolution authorizing the appointment is on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk in the Borough of Roselle Park.
Dated: January 5, 2012
Doreen Cali, Borough Clerk
U288548 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$14.21)

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.
BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
Eileen Birch, Township Clerk
Dated: January 1, 2012
Awarded to: Mark Hendricks of Hendricks Appraisal Company, LLC
Services: To represent the Township as real estate tax appraisers.
Costs: \$150.00/hr.
Duration: 1/1/12-12/31/12
U288601 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$14.21)

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.
BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
Eileen Birch, Township Clerk
Dated: January 1, 2012
Awarded to: Robert Renaud, Esq. 190 North Ave. E. Cranford, NJ 07016
Services: To represent the Township in special tax matters.
Duration: January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012
U288599 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$14.21)

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ordinance, title of which is set forth below, was finally passed and approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park at a public meeting held in the Borough of Roselle Park, 110 East Westfield Avenue, Roselle Park, New Jersey on December 29, 2011.
PASSED
ORDINANCE NO. 2345
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING LAND USE CHAPTER XL, ARTICLE XXIV, SECTION 40-2402, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK REGARDING PERMITTED USES, FITNESS & RECREATIONAL SPORTS CENTERS
Doreen Cali, Borough Clerk
U288274 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$13.72)

PUBLIC NOTICE

UNION
NOTICE
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BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
Eileen Birch, Township Clerk
Dated: January 1, 2012
Awarded to: JFS Services 28 Prest's Mill Rd. Old Bridge, N.J. 08857
Services: C-4 Licensed Operator
Duration: January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012
U288593 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$13.72)

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK
NOTICE OF AWARD
1. NAME: Willis Group Holdings Limited Cranford, New Jersey
2. NATURE: Broker of Record for Borough in connection with health and medical insurance
3. DURATION: For a one year term ending December 31, 2012, or less, if determined by the Governing Body.
4. AMOUNT: Commission to be paid by individual insurance companies.
Dated: January 5, 2012
Doreen Cali, RMC/CMC, Borough Clerk
U288536 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$12.74)

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK
NOTICE OF AWARD
1. NAME: Amalgamated General Agencies Westfield, New Jersey
2. NATURE: Broker of Record for Borough in connection with all insurance, except health and medical
3. DURATION: January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012
4. AMOUNT: Not to exceed 3% of the annual assessment paid directly by the NJIF.
Dated: January 5, 2012
Doreen Cali, RMC/CMC, Borough Clerk
U288531 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$12.74)

UNION

2012
PLANNING BOARD MEETING DATES
CONFERENCE SESSION - 6:30 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING - 7:00 P.M.
4TH THURSDAY OF MONTH
EXCEPT WHERE NOTED
January 5, 2012 - Reorganization Meeting
January 26, 2012
February 23, 2012
March 22, 2012
April 26, 2012
May 24, 2012
June 28, 2012
July 26, 2012
August 23, 2012
September 27, 2012
October 25, 2012
November 19, 2012 (3rd Monday)
December 17, 2012 (3rd Monday)
U288570 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$11.76)

UNION

Resolution No. 2012-3
Twp. Mtg. 1/1/12
RESOLUTION
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee holds a Conference Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on the Monday immediately preceding the first Regular Committee meeting of each month, except as noted in the following schedule due to holidays.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Committee holds an additional Conference Meeting on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m., except for the second Tuesday in August and on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m., and as noted in the following schedule due to holidays.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all such conference meetings shall be held in the Conference Room adjacent to the Meeting Room at the Municipal Building, Friberger Park, Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey.
The schedule of Conference Meetings to be as follows:
2012
January 9, 10 February 24
February 14 March 27
March 12, 13 April 9, 10
April 9, 10 May 7, 8
May 7, 8 June 11, 12
June 11, 12

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July 9, 10 August 28
September 10, 11 September 25
October 9 October 23
November 13 November 27
December 3, 4 December 18
BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be posted in at least one public place where ordinances scheduled for consideration by the Township Committee are usually posted and that a copy of this Resolution be likewise forwarded to the Local Source for publication therein.
I, EILEEN BIRCH, Township Clerk of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of RESOLUTION NO. 2012-3, passed at a SPECIAL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE meeting of said Township, held on the 1st day of January, 2012.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the Township of Union, this 1st day of January, 2012.
EILEEN BIRCH
Township Clerk
Resolution No. 2012-4
Twp. Mtg. 1/1/12

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Regular Meetings of the Township Committee of the Township of Union in the County of Union, shall be held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month; except on the second Tuesday in August, and as noted in the following schedule due to holidays; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all such regular meetings, except as herein after stated or as hereafter may be changed, shall be held in the Meeting Room at the Municipal Building, Friberger Park, Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey at 7:30 p.m.
The schedule of Regular Meetings to be as follows:
2012
January 10 February 24
February 14 March 27
March 13 April 9, 10
April 10 May 8
May 8 June 26
June 12 July 24
July 10 August 28
September 11 September 25
October 9 October 23
November 13 November 27
December 4 December 18

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be posted in at least one public place where ordinances scheduled for consideration by the Township Committee are usually posted and that a copy of this Resolution be likewise forwarded to the Local Source for publication therein.
I, EILEEN BIRCH, Township Clerk of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of RESOLUTION NO. 2012-4, passed at a SPECIAL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE meeting of said Township, held on the 1st day of January, 2012.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the Township of Union, this 1st day of January, 2012.
EILEEN BIRCH
Township Clerk
Resolution No. 2012-8
Twp. Mtg. 1/1/12

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township-Owned Property Committee shall meet in conjunction with the Conference Meeting of the Township Committee held on the fourth Tuesday of each month; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all such meetings of said Township-Owned Property Committee shall be held in the Conference Room adjacent to the Meeting Room at the Municipal Building, Friberger Park, Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey at 6:00 p.m.
The schedule of the Township-Owned Property Committee Meetings to be as follows:
2012
January 24 February 28
February 28 March 27
March 27 April 24
April 24 May 22
May 22 June 26
June 26 July 24
July 24 August 28
August 28 September 25
September 25 October 23
October 23 November 27
November 27 December 18
BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be posted in at least one public place where ordinances scheduled for consideration by the Township Committee are usually posted and that a copy of this Resolution be likewise forwarded to the Local Source for publication therein.
I, EILEEN BIRCH, Township Clerk of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of RESOLUTION NO. 2012-8, passed at a SPECIAL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE meeting of said Township, held on the 1st day of January, 2012.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the

PUBLIC NOTICE

Township of Union, this 1st day of January, 2012.
EILEEN BIRCH
Township Clerk
U288609 UNL Jan. 12, 2012 (\$94.57)

PUBLIC NOTICE

LINDEN
PUBLIC NOTICE
This notice is being given to inform the public that as part of the construction of a natural gas pipeline transecting several properties by Texas Eastern Transmission, LP. (Texas Eastern), in the City of Linden, Union County, a proposal has been submitted to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department) to discharge to ground water in accordance with a permit issued pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Water Pollution Control Act, N.J.S.A. 58:10A-1 et seq., its implementing regulations the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, N.J.A.C. 7:14A, the Ground Water Quality Standards, N.J.A.C. 7:9C, and the Technical Requirements for Site Remediation, N.J.A.C. 7:26E. The Department's Site Remediation Program is reviewing the proposal to discharge to ground water for the purpose of constructing a natural gas pipeline.
The discharge will consist of the groundwater generated from trench dewatering during pipeline construction. The construction project will transect several properties, some of which are known contaminated sites. Texas Eastern has collected pre-characterization data along the proposed route and reviewed files for known contaminated sites that will be traversed. The discharge will be directly onto the ground surface within 200 feet of the point from which the water is generated. The treatment will include sediment filtration, and where warranted by the pre-characterization and file review data, oil/water separation and reduction of volatile organic compound (VOC) concentrations using granular activated carbon (GAC). A copy of this public notice has been sent to the Municipal Clerk and designated local health official for the City of Linden, Union County.
A copy of the DGW proposal is available from George A. McLachlan, Environmental Manager, Spectra Energy, 150 Warren Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302, the person responsible for conducting the remediation, or as part of the administrative record which is on file at the offices of the Department, Site Remediation Program, located at 401 East State Street, Trenton, Mercer County, New Jersey. The file may be reviewed under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act ("OPRA"), N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq. Information regarding the OPRA procedures is available at http://www.state.nj.us/dep/opra/oprainfo.html.
Interested persons may submit written comments regarding the DGW proposal to the Department at the address listed below and to the owner or operator of the facility to George A. McLachlan, Environmental Manager, Spectra Energy, 150 Warren Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302. All comments shall be submitted within 30 calendar days of the date of this public notice. All persons who believe that the DGW proposal is inappropriate, must raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit in writing to the Department all reasonably available arguments and factual grounds supporting their position, including all supporting material, by the close of the public comment period. All comments submitted by interested persons that relate to the DGW proposal will be considered by the Department, provided that the Department receives the comments by the close of the public comment period. After the close of the public comment period, the Department will render a decision regarding the proposed discharge. The Department will respond to all significant and timely comments with its decision regarding the DGW proposal. Each person who has submitted written comments will receive notice of the Department's decision.
Any interested person may request in writing that the Department hold a non-adversarial public hearing on the DGW proposal. This request shall state the nature of the issues to be raised in the proposed hearing and shall be submitted within 30 calendar days of the date of this public notice to the address cited below. A public hearing will be conducted whenever the Department determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the discharge to ground water decision. If a public hearing is held, the public comment period in this notice shall automatically be extended to the close of the public hearing.
Comments and written requests for a non-adversarial public hearing shall be sent to:
ATTN: DGW proposal
Site Remediation Program
Mary Anne Kuserk, Bureau Chief
Bureau of Ground Water Pollution Abatement
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
401 E. State Street, 4th Floor
Trenton, New Jersey 08625
U288465 PRO Jan. 12, 2012 (\$65.66)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH
SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-11006286
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F2178909
County: Union
Plaintiff: TRUCAP GRANTOR TRUST 2010-1 VS
Defendant: NELSON GOMEZ; LUCIANA GOMEZ; MONMOUTH COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CITIZEN SERVICES; DIVISION OF WELFARE; HERMEL REATIVA
Sale Date: 02/01/2012
Writ of Execution: 11/23/2011
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.
PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS LOCATED IN: City of Elizabeth, County of Union, in the State of New Jersey.
PREMISES COMMONLY KNOWN AS: R 821-R 835 Jersey Ave 2D Elizabeth, NJ 07202
Mailing Address: 821 Jersey Avenue 2D Elizabeth, NJ 07202
TAX LOT # 1108 C-2d BLOCK # 10
APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: Condominium
NEAREST CROSS STREET: Acme Street
Taxes:
Current through 4th Quarter of 2011*
Subject to any lien in favor of a condominium association which is granted priority pursuant to N.J.S.A. 46:8B-21(b)(1), if any.
*Plus interest on these figures through date of payoff and any and all subsequent taxes, water and sewer amounts.
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.
THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.
A FULL LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PREMISES CAN BE FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF OF UNION COUNTY.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$267,371.05
Two Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-One and 05/100***
PARKER MCCAY - ATTORNEYS
9000 MIDLANTIC DRIVE
SUITE 300 - P.O. BOX 5054
MT. LAUREL NJ 08054-1539
(856)596-8900
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$273,718.14***Two Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighteen and 14/100***
January 5, 12, 19, 26, 2012
U288243 PRO (180.32)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-11006163
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F05599710
County: Union
Plaintiff: VALLEY NATIONAL BANK VS
Defendant: ACTIVE HOLDINGS, LLC
Sale Date: 01/18/2012
Writ of Execution: 11/14/2011
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.
CONCISE PROPERTY DESCRIPTION
The property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth
In the County of Union and the State of New Jersey
Premises commonly known as 448-450 Broadway (vacant lot)
Tax Lot No. 21, Block No. 3
Dimensions of Lot: 50 X 100
Nearest Cross Street: Fifth Street
The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$117,917.57
One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Nine Hundred Seventeen and 57/100
KENNETH LOWELL ROSE - ATTORNEY
161 PROSPECT STREET
PASSAIC, NJ 07055
(973) 779-2964
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$121,699.02***One Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Nine and 02/100***
Dec. 22, 29, 2011 January 5, 12, 2012
U287673 PRO (\$103.88)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-11006070
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F814410
County: Union
Plaintiff: TRUCAP GRANTOR TRUST 2010-1 VS

Defendant: RITA L MARIANO TIGNINI; STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Sale Date: 01/18/2012
Writ of Execution: 11/10/2011

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.

PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS LOCATED IN: City of Elizabeth, County of Union, in the State of New Jersey. PREMISES COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 440-442 Walnut Street Elizabeth, NJ 07203

TAX LOT # 1294 BLOCK # 12 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 53' x 220' NEAREST CROSS STREET: Mary Street

Taxes: Current through 4th Quarter of 2011. *Plus interest on these figures through date of payoff and any and all subsequent taxes, water and sewer amounts.

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.

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION. A FULL LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PREMISES CAN BE FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF OF UNION COUNTY.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$440,927.16 ***Four Hundred Forty Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Seven and 16/100***

Attorney: PARKER MCCAY - ATTORNEYS 9000 MIDLANTIC DRIVE SUITE 300 - P.O. BOX 5054 MT. LAUREL NJ 08054-1539 (856)596-8900 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office. Total Upset: \$450,234.63***Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Four and 63/100*** Dec. 22, 29, 2011 January 5, 12, 2012 U287667 PRO (\$162.68)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000035
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F607108
County: Union
Plaintiff: GULFSTREAM CAPITAL CORPORATION, A DELAWARE CORPORATION AS ASSIGNEE FROM FIRST BANKAMERICANO VS

Defendant: CESAR MARINO, MERCEDES MARINO AND LA SORPRESA SUPERMARKET
Sale Date: 02/08/2012
Writ of Execution: 05/06/2010

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.

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT PROPERTY

1. The property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union, and State of New Jersey. Premises are commonly known as: 407 Elizabeth Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07206

Tax Lot No. 272 in Block No. 5 Nearest Cross Street: Fourth Street 2. DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 2,500 sq. feet

Regular Lot. The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$326,364.16 ***Three Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Four and 16/100***

Attorney: ALBERTO ULLOA, P.C. 1435 MORRIS AVE THIRD FLOOR UNION, NJ 07083 (908)687-8080 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office. Total Upset: \$350,156.52 ***Three Hundred Fifty Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Six and 52/100*** January 12, 19, 26, Feb. 2, 2012 U288532 PRO (\$121.52)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000053
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F05902910
County: Union
Plaintiff: CROWN BANK, N.A. N/K/A CROWN BANK VS

Defendant: PAULO J. SILVA, ANTONIO O MENESES, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Sale Date: 02/08/2012
Writ of Execution: 09/19/2011

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.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION All that certain land and premises situated in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union, State of New Jersey, being more particularly described as follows: Lot: 115-N; Block: 1

on the Tax Map of the City of Elizabeth

Nearest Cross Street: Port Avenue Approximate Dimensions: 110.00ft x 31.10ft x 110.00 ft x 31.10ft

Being more commonly known as: 247 First Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07201 Pursuant to a municipal tax search dated November 9, 2011, Subject to: 4th quarter 2011 taxes \$5,007.92

Water: \$246.59 open + penalty 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.

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$389,189.46 ***Three Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Nine and 46/100***

Attorney: HILL WALLACK LLP 202 CARNegie CTR CN 5226 PRINCETON NJ 08543-5226 (609)924-0808 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office. Total Upset: \$400,455.43 Four Hundred Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Five and 43/100*** January 12, 19, 26, Feb. 2, 2012 U288521 PRO (\$160.72)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-11006068
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F3998609
County: Union
Plaintiff: LYNX ASSET SERVICES LLC VS

Defendant: ALIX Y NARANJO-REYES; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC AS NOMINEE FOR HOMECOMINGS FINANCIAL, LLC (F/K/A HOMECOMINGS FINANCIAL NETWORK, INC)
Sale Date: 01/18/2012
Writ of Execution: 11/21/2011

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.

PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS LOCATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF ELIZABETH, COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

PREMISES ARE COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 41 Grove Street, Elizabeth NJ 07202

LOT NO.: 550 BLOCK NO.: 13 DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 30 x 125 NEAREST CROSS STREET: Vine Street

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND IN THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Tax information: Current JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$555,724.31 ***Five Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Four and 31/100***

Attorney: MICHAEL A. ALFIERI - LAW OFFICE 30 FRENEAU AVE MATAWAN, NJ 07747 (732) 360-9266 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office. Total Upset: \$567,435.52***Five Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Five and 52/100*** Dec. 22, 29, 2011 January 5, 12, 2012 U287675 PRO (\$127.40)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000040
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F4441109
County: Union
Plaintiff: FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION VS

Defendant: SANDRA GUADALUPE, MR. GUADALUPE, HUSBAND OF SANDRA GUADALUPE, EDGAR VILLAVICENCIO, MRS. VILLAVICENCIO, WIFE OF EDGAR VILLAVICENCIO, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST MAGNUS FINANCIAL CORPORATION
Sale Date: 02/08/2012
Writ of Execution: 01/14/2011

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.

CONCISE STATEMENT OF DESCRIPTION OF REAL PROPERTY TO BE SOLD

MUNICIPALITY: Elizabeth COUNTY: UNION STATE OF N.J. STREET & STREET NO: 217 Loomis Street

TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 874 LOT: 5 DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 100.00' x 37.50'

NEAREST CROSS STREET: 198.66' from Second Avenue SUPERIOR INTERESTS (if any): NONE

The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication. 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: \$269,206.13 ***Two Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Six and 13/100***

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: \$291,863.60***Two Hundred Ninety-One Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Three and 60/100*** January 12, 19, 26, Feb. 2, 2012 U288519 PRO (\$160.72)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-11006287
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: DJ14142409
County: Union
Plaintiff: VELOCITY INVESTMENTS LLC VS

Defendant: THEOTONIO SOARES
Sale Date: 02/01/2012
Writ of Execution: 05/18/2011

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.

DESCRIPTION NAME OF SALE: VELOCITY INVESTMENTS LLC vs. THEOTONIO SOARES SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY UNION COUNTY LAW DIVISION Docket No. DJ-141423-09 DC24415-05

STREET AND STREET NUMBER: 1300 Winans Ave., Linden, NJ 07036

TAX LOT AND BLOCK NUMBER: Block 554, Lot 3 on the Tax Map of the Linden NJ 07036

NUMBER OF FEET TO NEAREST CROSS STREET: 100' to Twelfth Street

DIMENSIONS: 100' x 72.50' FULL DESCRIPTION: Deed Book 4184 Page 249

PRIOR LIENS: None known JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$15,073.97 Fifteen Thousand Seventy-Three and 97/100***

Attorney: RAGAN & RAGAN - COUNSELORS AT LAW BRINLEY PLAZA BUILDING ONE 3100 ROUTE 138 WEST WALL, NJ 07719 (732)280-4100 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office. Total Upset: \$15,894.64***Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Four and 64/100*** January 5, 12, 19, 26, 2012 U288244 PRO (\$117.60)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ROSELLE

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-11006069
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F00246211
County: Union
Plaintiff: AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC VS

Defendant: ARLENE HARRIS, TERRANCE HARRIS, PARAMOUNT PROPERTIES 121 WATCHUNG, LLC
Sale Date: 01/18/2012
Writ of Execution: 11/04/2011

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.

MUNICIPALITY: Roselle Borough COUNTY: UNION STATE OF N.J. STREET & STREET NO: 396 East 9th Avenue

TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 2301 LOT: 15.02 DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 100' x 50'

NEAREST CROSS STREET: 215.26' from Rivington Street SUPERIOR INTERESTS (if any): NONE

The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication. 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: \$383,665.81 Three Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Five and 81/100***

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: \$393,218.02***Three Hundred Ninety-Three Thousand Two Hundred Eighteen and 02/100*** Dec. 22, 29, 2011 January 5, 12, 2012 U287663 PRO (\$143.08)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000048
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F04526010
County: Union
Plaintiff: FLAGSTAR BANK, F.S.B. VS

Defendant: WILSON ARIAS
Sale Date: 02/08/2012
Writ of Execution: 12/19/2011

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.

CONCISE PROPERTY DESCRIPTION The property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth.

In the County of Union and the State of New Jersey. Premises commonly known as: 870 Kilsyth Road

Block 11, Lot 543 Dimensions of Lot (approximately): 40' x 122' Nearest Cross Street: Durant Street Subject to: \$0.00

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.

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: \$460,641.38*** Four Hundred Sixty Thousand Six Hundred Forty-One and 38/100***

Attorney: MCCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, P.C. 216 HADDON AVE SUITE 303 WESTMONT NJ 08108 (856)858-7080 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office. Total Upset: \$469,185.63***Four Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Five and 63/100*** January 12, 19, 26, Feb. 2, 2012 U288520 PRO (\$141.12)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-11006282
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F00377211
County: Union
Plaintiff: AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC VS

Defendant: JACEK KACZYNSKI, MARIA KACZYNSKA AKA MARIA KACZYNSKI
Sale Date: 02/01/2012
Writ of Execution: 11/29/2011

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.

MUNICIPALITY: Elizabeth COUNTY: UNION STATE OF N.J. STREET & STREET NO: 908 Pennington Street

TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 10 LOT: 1747 DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 140' x 40'

NEAREST CROSS STREET: Standish Street SUPERIOR INTERESTS (if any): NONE

The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication. 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: \$318,071.81 Three Hundred Eighteen Thousand Seventy-One and 81/100***

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: \$326,498.87***Three Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Eight and 87/100*** January 5, 12, 19, 26, 2012 U288242 PRO (\$141.56)

ROSELLE

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-11006046
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1062710
County: Union
Plaintiff: FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION VS

Defendant: MARCOS TRINDADE, MARIA ANDREA YU
Sale Date: 01/18/2012
Writ of Execution: 11/18/2011

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.

MUNICIPALITY: Roselle Borough COUNTY: UNION STATE OF N.J. STREET & STREET NO: 147 West Avenue

TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 4301 LOT: 7 DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 55' x 194.37'

NEAREST CROSS STREET: 162.40' from Wheatsheaf Road SUPERIOR INTERESTS (if any): NONE

The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication. 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: \$335,453.81 Three Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Three and 81/100***

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: \$343,691.27***Three Hundred Forty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-One and 27/100*** Dec. 22, 29, 2011 January 5, 12, 2012 U287666 PRO (\$141.12)

PUBLIC NOTICE

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-11006165
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F05239110
County: Union
Plaintiff: ROCCO MONICA VS
Defendant: PATRICK DOWNEY
Sale Date: 01/18/2012
Writ of Execution: 12/06/2011
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.
CONCISE DESCRIPTION FOR ADVERTISING

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, with buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the City of Linden, County of Union and State of New Jersey: Street: 209 Madison Street Linden, New Jersey 07036
Nearest Cross Street: Tremont Avenue
Tax Lot and Block No.: Block 576, Lot 14
Dimensions (approx.): 65 x 100
Amount Due for Taxes: As of December 7, 2011, 4th Quarter real estate taxes in the amount of \$136.43 plus interest is due and owing. Water charges are unknown. Sewer charges totaling \$96.00 plus interest for 2011 are due and owing.
As the above description does not constitute a full legal description, said full legal description is annexed to the certain mortgage recorded in the Union County Clerk's Office on October 16, 2008, in Mortgage Book M12580, Page 304, et seq., and the Writ of Execution of file with the Sheriff of Union County. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$292,567.74
Two Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Seven and 74/100
Attorney:
POFF & WEBER LLC
1600 ROUTE 208 NORTH
HAWTHORNE, NJ 07506
(973) 636-9770
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$413,956.40***Four Hundred Thirteen Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Six and 40/100***
Dec. 22, 29, 2011 January 5, 12, 2012
U287669 PRO (\$137.20)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000037
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F4246709
County: Union
Plaintiff: LYNX ASSET SERVICES LLC VS
Defendant: ALFREDO JOVEL; MARIA JOVEL; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS AS NOMINEE FOR ACCREDITED HOME LENDERS, INC. A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS
Sale Date: 02/08/2012
Writ of Execution: 12/21/2011
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.
PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS LOCATED IN THE CITY OF ELIZABETH, COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.
PREMISES ARE COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 569 Adams Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ 07201
LOT NO.: 27
BLOCK NO.: 8
DIMENSIONS OF LOT: Approximately 27x143
NEAREST CROSS STREET: Julia Street
THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND IN THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.
Tax information:
Current
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$295,672.47
Two Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Two and 47/100
Attorney:
MICHAEL A. ALFIERI - LAW OFFICE
30 FRENEAU AVE
MATAWAN NJ 07747
(732)360-9266
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$308,907.21 ***Three Hundred Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Seven and 21/100***
January 12, 19, 26, Feb. 2, 2012
U288534 PRO (\$133.28)

LINDEN

City of Linden

RESOLUTION FIXING THE REGULAR MEETING DATES OF THE SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2012

PUBLIC NOTICE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF LINDEN, that the Regular Meetings of the Linden Special Improvement District will be held in the Council Conference Room, on the 2nd floor of City Hall, Linden, New Jersey. All meetings shall be held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the Board assembles.

- Wednesday, January 18th
Wednesday, February 15th
Wednesday, March 21st
Wednesday, April 18th
Wednesday, May 16th
Wednesday, June 20th
Wednesday, July 18th
Wednesday, August 15th
Wednesday, September 19th
Wednesday, October 17th
Wednesday, November 21st
Wednesday, December 19th

Kimmy Bachman
Secretary SID Committee
U288518 PRO Jan. 12, 2012 (\$18.13)

LINDEN

A RESOLUTION FIXING THE REGULAR MEETING DATES OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH AND PRESCRIBING THE RULES GOVERNING THE PROCEDURE AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH FOR 2012.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE CITY OF LINDEN: THAT, the Regular Meetings of the Board of Health will be held in the Board of Health Office, City Hall, North Wood Avenue, Linden, New Jersey. All meetings shall be held on the dates listed below and convened at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the Board of Health assembles:

- January 17, 2012 (Organization & Regular Meeting)
February 21, 2012
March 20, 2012
April 18, 2012 (Wednesday)
May 15, 2012
June 19, 2012
September 18, 2012
October 16, 2012
November 27, 2012

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the procedure of all meetings for the year 2012 shall be governed by the Robert's Rules of Order and the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

PASSED: December 27, 2011
APPROVED: December 27, 2011

Karen Lukenda
President

ATTEST:
Sandra K. Darrar
Secretary
U288545 PRO Jan. 12, 2012 (\$23.03)

LINDEN

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF LINDEN, NEW JERSEY
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED

The City of Linden, New Jersey has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as an "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Service" in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. The contract was awarded pursuant to a "Fair and Open Process" as per N.J.S.A. 19:44a-20.4 et seq. This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

AWARDED TO: Brown and Brown Metro
30A Vreeland Road
P.O. Box 678
Florham Park, NJ

SERVICE: Insurance coverage for the City of Linden

TIME PERIOD: For a period of one year, commencing January 1, 2012 and terminating December 31, 2012.

COST: At a cost of \$373,644.40

DATED: December 30, 2011

Joseph C. Bodek
Municipal Clerk
U288476 PRO Jan. 12, 2012 (\$19.60)

ROSELLE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION
BOROUGH OF ROSELLE
ORDINANCE NUMBER 2416-11

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARY INCREASES FOR AFFILIATED PERSONNEL (OPEIU LOCAL 32 AND FMBA LOCAL 455 JULY 1, 2009 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013)

NOTICE is hereby given that Ordinance Number 2416-11 was passed and adopted on second and final reading at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council on December 21, 2011.

Rhona C. Bluestein, M.B.A., R.M.C., C.M.C.
Municipal Clerk
U288467 PRO Jan. 12, 2012 (\$10.78)

LINDEN

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF LINDEN, NEW JERSEY
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Linden, New Jersey has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as an "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Service" in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. The contract was awarded pursuant to a "Fair and Open Process" as per N.J.S.A. 19:44a-20.4 et seq. This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

AWARDED TO: NW Financial Group Inc.
3000 Atrium Way
Suite 240
Mount Laurel, NJ
08054

SERVICE: To retain the services of Financial and Investment Advisors to the City of Linden

TIME PERIOD: For the year 2012.

COST: Not to exceed \$ 24,000.00.

DATED: January 4, 2012

Joseph C. Bodek
Municipal Clerk
U288484 PRO Jan. 12, 2012 (\$19.60)

LINDEN

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF LINDEN, NEW JERSEY
NOTICE OF A CONTRACT AWARD

The City of Linden, New Jersey has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a Professional Service, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. The contract was awarded pursuant to a "Fair and Open Process" as per N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

AWARDED: Gibbons P.C.
One River Front Plaza
Newark, NJ 07102

SERVICE: To retain services of specialized legal bond counsel in connection with the authorization, issuance and sale of bonds or notes of the City of Linden.

TIME PERIOD: For the year 2012.

COST: At a fee not to exceed \$24,000.00

DATED: January 4, 2012

Joseph C. Bodek
City Clerk
U288487 PRO Jan. 12, 2012 (\$19.11)

LINDEN

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF LINDEN, NEW JERSEY
NOTICE OF A CONTRACT AWARD

The City of Linden, New Jersey has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a Professional Service, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. The contract was awarded pursuant to a "Fair and Open Process" as per N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

AWARDED: Suplee, Clooney & Company
308 East Broad Street
Westfield, NJ 07090

SERVICE: To retain services of a Municipal Auditor.

TIME PERIOD: For the year 2012.

COST: At a fee not to exceed \$72,500.00

DATED: January 4, 2012

Joseph C. Bodek
City Clerk
U288486 PRO Jan. 12, 2012 (\$17.64)

ROSELLE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION
BOROUGH OF ROSELLE
ORDINANCE NUMBER 2415-11

AMENDMENT TO BOROUGH OF ROSELLE CODE: PART II: GENERAL LEGISLATION; ARTICLE IV-SCHEDULES, SECTION 113-67-"SCHEDULE XXII: BUS STOPS"

NOTICE is hereby given that Ordinance Number 2415-11 was passed and adopted on second and final reading at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council on December 21, 2011.

Rhona C. Bluestein, M.B.A., R.M.C., C.M.C.
Municipal Clerk
U288466 PRO Jan. 12, 2012 (\$10.78)

PUBLIC NOTICE

SUMMIT

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey, will hold a hearing on January 23, 2012 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 275 Ashland Road, Block 5204, Lot 10.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The conditions affecting this property and the reason for the application being heard are as follows: Applicant intends to demolish the existing structure and build a replacement single-family dwelling; applicant requires a variance from the steep slope requirements set forth in zoning code Section 35-9-7 and Section 35-52-15E4.

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.

220 15th Avenue, LLC, Applicant
U288547 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$19.11)

SUMMIT

BID NOTICE

CITY OF SUMMIT

PROJECT: LIGHTNING DETECTION SYSTEM
DEPARTMENT: Department of Community Programs

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, February 7, 2012 in the Council Chamber, First Floor, City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey for:

LIGHTNING DETECTION SYSTEM

in accordance with the specifications and proposal forms for same which may be obtained at the office of the Summit Community Programs, 100 Morris Avenue, Summit, N.J. during regular business hours, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Monday - Friday.

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, not to exceed \$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.

David L. Hughes, City Clerk
Dated: 12/06/2011
U287911 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$36.75)

SUMMIT

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey, will hold a hearing on January 23, 2012 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 34 Madison Avenue, Block 701, Lot 6.02.

The conditions affecting this property and the reason for the application being heard are as follows: The narrow rear yard does not allow for a pool & patio within the 15' setback. Overall lot size does not allow for a moderate size pool & patio within the 40% maximum lot coverage. Looking for 2 bulk variances: 1) Building Lot Coverage 35-4.2-B9. 2.) Accessory Use Setbacks 35-4.2-3G.

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.

Joe Beauchamp, Applicant
U288572 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$20.09)

PUBLIC NOTICE

MOUNTAINSIDE

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY

NOTICE is hereby given that the following professional services resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, State of New Jersey at the Reorganization Meeting held on January 3, 2012.

Martha Lopez, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 13-2012

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer is required to perform services for the Borough beyond the scope of the services upon which his salary is based; and

WHEREAS, such services constitute professional services within the meaning of N.J.S.A.40A:11-2; and

WHEREAS, the nature of such Engineering services will not reasonably permit the drawing of specifications or the receipt of competitive bids;

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside desires to appoint the Borough Engineer as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and 20.5; and

WHEREAS, the appropriate Borough official has determined that the value of these services may or will exceed \$17,500, over the life of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of the contract is one year; and

WHEREAS, Michael Disko, Jr. (a member of the firm of M. Disko Associates) has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that it has not made any reportable contributions to a political candidate or candidate committee in the Borough of Mountainside in the previous year, and acknowledging that the contract will prohibit it from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside that Michael Disko Jr., Borough Engineer, be and he hereby is appointed to perform such engineering services as may be required by the Governing Body and which are beyond the scope of the services upon which the Borough Engineer's salary is based; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be published in an appropriate newspaper within ten days hereof.
U288470 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$33.81)

MOUNTAINSIDE

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY

NOTICE is hereby given that the following professional services resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, State of New Jersey at the Reorganization Meeting held on January 3, 2012.

Martha Lopez, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 10-2012

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney is required to perform services for the Borough beyond the scope of the services upon which his salary is based; and

WHEREAS, such services constitute professional services within the meaning of N.J.S.A.40A:11-2; and

WHEREAS, the nature of such legal services will not reasonably permit the drawing of specifications or the receipt of competitive bids;

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside desires to appoint the Borough Attorney as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and 20.5; and

WHEREAS, the appropriate Borough official has determined that the value of these services may or will exceed \$17,500, but not to exceed \$225,000 over the life of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of the contract is one year; and

WHEREAS, John N. Post, Esq. (a member of the firm of Post, Polak, Goodsell, McNeill & Strauchler) will complete and submit a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that it has not made any reportable contributions to a political candidate or candidate committee in the Borough of Mountainside in the previous year, and acknowledging that the contract will prohibit it from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside that John N. Post, Esq., the Borough Attorney, be and he hereby is appointed to perform such legal services as may be required by the Governing Body and which are beyond the scope of the services upon which the Borough Attorney's salary is based; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be published in an appropriate newspaper within ten days hereof.
U288468 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$33.81)

SPRINGFIELD

Explanation: Award of Professional Services Contract for Bond Counsel to Steven Rogut, Esq., of Rogut McCarthy, LLC.

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
RESOLUTION NO. 2012-07

WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is in need of retaining legal services of bond counsel, in connection with the authorization, issuance and sale of bonds or notes for the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey including the review of such procedures and the rendering of approving legal opinions acceptable to the financial committee; and

WHEREAS, Rogut McCarthy LLC is a law firm which can provide such specialized legal services as bond counsel; 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

WHEREAS, the award of this contract is pursuant to a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.

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 Township Clerk of the Township of Springfield are hereby authorized, respectively, to execute and attest to an agreement with Steven L. Rogut, Esq., Rogut McCarthy LLC, for purposes of providing specialized legal services as bond counsel for the Township of Springfield, for the year 2012, at a total fee not to exceed \$40,000.00 (fee schedule attached). 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 that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Re-Organization Meeting by the Township Committee, of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

Linda M. Donnelly, RMC
Township Clerk
U288491 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$32.34)

MOUNTAINSIDE

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY

NOTICE is hereby given that the following professional services resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, State of New Jersey at the Reorganization Meeting held on January 3, 2012.

Martha Lopez, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 11-2012

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside is required by the terms of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-1 et seq to engage a Registered Municipal Accountant to be the Official Borough Auditor and Financial Advisor; and

WHEREAS, such services constitute professional services of such a qualitative nature as will not reasonably permit the drawing of specifications or the receipt of competitive bids;

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside desires to appoint the Borough Auditor and Financial Advisor as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and 20.5; and

WHEREAS, the appropriate Borough official has determined that the value of these services may or will exceed \$17,500, but not to exceed \$60,000 over the life of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of the contract is one year; and

WHEREAS, Robert B. Cagnassola (a member of the firm of Suplee, Clooney & Co.) has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that it has not made any reportable contributions to a political candidate or candidate committee in the Borough of Mountainside in the previous year, and acknowledging that the contract will prohibit it from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside that the accounting firm Robert B. Cagnassola of the firm Suplee, Clooney and Company be and he hereby is appointed to be the official Borough Auditor and Financial Advisor for the term of one year commencing January 1, 2012;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be published in an appropriate newspaper within ten days hereof.

U288469 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$33.32)

SPRINGFIELD

Explanation: Award of a Professional Services Contract for Labor Counsel to Matthew Giacobbe Alferi Jacobs LLC.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
RESOLUTION
2012-15

WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is desirous of contracting for the services of attorneys to advise and represent the Township of Springfield concerning labor matters; 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

WHEREAS, the award of this contract is pursuant to a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.

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 Township Clerk of the Township of Springfield are hereby authorized, respectively, to execute and attest to an agreement with Matthew Giacobbe, Esq., of the firm of Cleary Giacobbe Alferi Jacobs LLC, for the services of their firm to the Township of Springfield by and for advice and representation in all labor matters, at an hourly fee not to exceed \$150.00, not to exceed \$100,000.00.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that 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, and a copy of same shall be published according to law.

TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Re-Organization Meeting by the Township Committee, of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

Linda M. Donnelly, RMC
Township Clerk
U288488 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$29.40)

MOUNTAINSIDE

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
NOTICE OF BID

TAKE NOTICE that sealed bids will be received by the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Mountainside for:

ONE (1), 1500 GPM CUSTOM
FIRE PUMPER

Bids will be opened and read in public at the Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, New Jersey on January 31, 2012 at 2:00 PM, prevailing time.

All bids shall be in accordance with the following plans and specifications prepared by Peters Associates, Fire Apparatus Consulting Services. Proposal blanks, specifications and instructions to bidders may be obtained at the office of the Borough Clerk, Mountainside Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, 1st floor, Mountainside, New Jersey.

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, New Jersey 07092 and mailed or hand delivered at the place and hour named. Bids shall be endorsed on the outside of the envelope with the name and address of bidder and:

One (1), 1500 GPM Fire Pumper
Borough of Mountainside
Municipal Building
1385 Route 22

Each proposal must be accompanied by certified check, cashier's check or bid bond equal to ten percent (10%) of the full amount 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 (NJAC 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 judgment, best serves its interest.

By order of the Mayor and Council,
Martha Lopez, Borough Clerk
U288509 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$31.36)

SUMMIT

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey, will hold a hearing on January 23, 2012 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 22 Oak Ridge Avenue, Block 4501, Lot 31.

The conditions affecting this property and the reason for the application being heard are as follows: erection of a new detached garage to replace an existing detached garage requires Variances for: number of garages; height; side yard setback to an accessory structure; and steep slope disturbance. Existing structure is unsound.

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.

Greg and Mary Hybl
Applicants
U288507 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$18.62)

SPRINGFIELD

Explanation: Award of a Professional Services Contract for Township Attorney Services to DiFrancesco, Bateman, Coley, Yospin, Kunzman, Davis & Lehrer, P.C.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
RESOLUTION 2012-20

WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is desirous of contracting for legal services; 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, must be advertised; and

WHEREAS, the award of this contract is pursuant to a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the firm of DiFrancesco, Bateman, Coley, Yospin, Kunzman, Davis & Lehrer, P.C. be appointed at a flat annual fee of \$60,000.00 pertaining to the drafting of resolutions, routine ordinances and communication with Township Committee Members, Administration and Township Clerk. All other services will be billed at the rate of \$145.00 per hour for partner and at the rate of \$140.00 per hour for associates. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the Local Contract Law as bids are not required under N.J.S.A. 40A:5-11; and

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be published according to law.

TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Re-Organization Meeting by the Township Committee, of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

Linda M. Donnelly, RMC
Township Clerk
U288511 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$28.42)

SPRINGFIELD

Explanation: Award of Professional Services Contract for Township Engineer Services to Todd Hay, PE.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
RESOLUTION NO. 2012-17

WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is in need of contracting for the services of a Township Engineer, to perform services 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

WHEREAS, the award of this contract is pursuant to a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor or the Clerk of the Township of Springfield are hereby authorized, to execute an agreement, effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012, with Todd Hay, P.E., as Township Engineer for the Township of Springfield, at a monthly fee of \$2,000.00 and for additional work at an hourly fee of \$125.00 or as specified by fee structure, at a total fee not to exceed \$24,000.00. 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 that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Re-Organization Meeting by the Township Committee, of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

Linda M. Donnelly, RMC
Township Clerk
U288489 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$27.93)

SPRINGFIELD

Explanation: Award of Professional Services Contract for Township Auditor to Robert B. Cagnassola of Suplee, Clooney & Company.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
RESOLUTION 2012-01

WHEREAS, an annual audit is required by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4; and

WHEREAS, funds are or will be available for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Local Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40 A:11 et seq.) requires a resolution authorizing the awarding of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, must be advertised; and

WHEREAS, the award of this contract is pursuant to a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield that Robert B. Cagnassola of the firm of Suplee, Clooney & Company be appointed Township Auditor, at an annual fee not to exceed \$67, 000.00

PUBLIC NOTICE

for all services. This contract be awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the Local Contract Law as bids are not required under N.J.S.A. 40A:5-11, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be published according to law.

TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Re-Organization Meeting by the Township Committee, of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

Linda M. Donnelly, RMC
Township Clerk
U288490 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$24.50)

SPRINGFIELD

Explanation: Award of a Professional Services Contract for Township Engineering Services to Pennoni Associates Inc.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
RESOLUTION 2012-21

WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is desirous of contracting for engineering services; 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, must be advertised; and

WHEREAS, the award of this contract is pursuant to a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the firm of Pennoni Associates Inc., be appointed for engineering services as specified in the attached fee structure at a total not to exceed \$50,000.00. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the Local Contract Law as bids are not required under N.J.S.A. 40A:5-11; and

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be published according to law.

TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Re-Organization Meeting by the Township Committee, of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

Linda M. Donnelly, RMC
Township Clerk
U288512 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$24.50)

SPRINGFIELD

Explanation: Award of a Professional Services Contract for Township Attorney to Jeffrey B. Lehrer, Esq.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
RESOLUTION 2012-14

WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield is desirous of contracting for the services of Township attorney; 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, must be advertised; and

WHEREAS, the award of this contract is pursuant to a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.

PUBLIC NOTICE

WINFIELD

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD
COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
SCHEDULE OF MEETING NIGHTS FOR THE YEAR 2012

The following schedule of Meeting Nights was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield, County of Union, at the Reorganization Meeting held on January 3, 2012.

Regular Meetings of the Township Committee shall be held on the **FIRST MONDAY** of each month at 7:00 PM. The Regular Meeting of the Board of Health shall be held on the **THIRD MONDAY** of each month at 7:00 PM; with the regular meeting commencing immediately upon completion. All such meetings, except as hereinafter stated or as hereinafter may be changed, shall be held in the meeting room at the Municipal Building, 12 Gulfstream Avenue, Winfield, New Jersey.

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| January | 6 | 17 (Tuesday) * |
| February | 6 | 21 (Tuesday) * |
| March | 5 | 19 |
| April | 2 | 16 |
| May | 7 | 21 |
| June | 4 | 18 |
| July | No Meeting ** | 16*** |
| August | No Meeting ** | 20*** |
| September | 4 (Tuesday) * | 17 |
| October | 1 | 15 |
| November | 5 | 19 |
| December | 3 | 17 |

* Monday Holidays ** Summer Schedule *** No Bd. of Health Mtg

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| First Meeting of the month: | Executive Session | 6:30 PM |
| Second Meeting of the Month: | Executive Session Board of Health | 6:30 PM 7:00 PM |

Municipal Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm
Summer Hours: July 4th - Labor Day: Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:00pm

A copy of this schedule shall be posted in at least one public place where Ordinances scheduled for consideration by the Township Committee are usually posted and a copy of this schedule will likewise be forwarded to the Spectator Leader in Union, New Jersey and the Home News Tribune, East Brunswick, New Jersey.

Laura Reinertsen, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk
U288471 WCN January 12, 2012 (\$50.96)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that Jeffrey B. Lehrer, Esq. of the firm DiFrancesco, Bateman, Coley, Yospin, Kunzman, Davis & Lehrer, P.C. be appointed Township Attorney, at an annual fee not to exceed \$6,500.00. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the Local Contract Law as bids are not required under N.J.S.A. 40A:5-11; and

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be published according to law.

TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the Re-Organization Meeting by the Township Committee, of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

Linda M. Donnelly, RMC
Township Clerk
U288510 OBS Jan. 12, 2012 (\$24.50)

PUBLIC NOTICE

CLARK

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 12-15
January 3, 2012

WHEREAS NJSA 54:4-67 permits the Governing Body of each municipality to fix the rate of interest to be charged for non-payment of taxes as provided by law; and

WHEREAS NJSA 54:4-67 has been amended to permit the fixing of said rate of 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and 18% per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00 and allows an additional penalty of 6% be collected against a delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 on properties that fail to pay the delinquency prior to the end of the calendar year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Tax collector is hereby authorized and directed to charge 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of taxes becoming delinquent after due date and 18% per annum on any amount of taxes in excess of \$1,500.00 be delinquent after due date and if a delinquency is in excess of \$10,000.00 and remains in arrears beyond December 31st, an additional penalty of 6% shall be charged against the delinquency subject to any abatement or discount for the late payment of taxes as provided by law.

2. Authorize Tax Collector to sell prior years delinquent taxes.

3. Effective January 3, 2012, there will be a ten (10) day grace period of quarterly tax payments made by cash, check or money order.

4. Any payments not made in accordance with paragraph two of this resolution shall be charged interest from the due date as set forth in paragraph one of this resolution.

5. This resolution shall be published in its entirety once in an official newspaper of the Township of Clark.

6. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Township Clerk to the Tax Collector, Township Attorney, and Township Auditor for the Township of Clark.

Edith L. Merkel, RMC
Township Clerk
U288513 EAG Jan. 12, 2012 (\$30.87)

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Orientation held at UCC on Saturday

Union County College, Cranford, will be host to an orientation session on Jan. 14 for students who are going to be starting classes at the college this spring. The session will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a Campus Fair in the Richel Student Commons on the Cranford campus located at 1033 Springfield Ave. At 9:30 a.m., the information session will begin in the Roy Smith Theater.

The Campus Fair will provide students and their parents with an opportunity to meet with representatives of academic departments, student organizations and administrative departments and to learn more about Union County College. The orientation session will provide new students with an opportunity to meet their future classmates, to learn about student activities, to tour the campus, to learn about the counseling and tutoring services available at the college, and a chance to begin to explore career paths.

To attend the orientation, RSVP to orientation@ucc.edu or call 908-709-7518. All orientation sessions

are free; however, RSVPs are recommended.

Offering more than 75 credit programs, Union County College is focused on ensuring that its programs and facilities are equipped to prepare students for the intellectual and technological demands of today, it was announced.

For those who plan to pursue a bachelor's degree, the economics of spending the first two years at Union County College, coupled with the many dual admissions and transfer/articulation agreements that the college has in place, can ease the road to junior year status at a long list of colleges and universities throughout the United States.

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MLK Day celebrated with speech reading

For the third year in a row, The Unitarian Church in Summit will present a reading of a speech by Dr. Martin Luther King in observance of MLK Day 2012. The program begins at 11 a.m. on Jan. 16 at the church, 4 Waldron Ave.

This year's reading features the speech "Paul's Letter to American Christians," first given in 1956 during the Montgomery Bus Boycott. After the reading, Rev. Ronald Allen, pastor of Pilgrim Baptist Church in Summit, will present remarks, and Elijah Griffin, a member of Pilgrim Baptist's choir, will sing a solo.

The public is invited to the reading, sponsored by the church's Racial Justice Task Force, with Arthur Perkins, chair. Carol Royal will moderate a discussion to follow. Light refreshments will be served in the church lobby beginning at 10:30 a.m. and again after the program.

The community is also invited to join the congregation in filling Ed Huberman's Box with non-perishable groceries, an ongoing drive to help combat hunger. Anyone interested is asked to bring

canned goods, pasta, rice and other non-perishables to the church lobby between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. The food will be donated to the Helping Hands and Ears Food Pantry in East Orange.

The Unitarian programs are part of Summit's 14th annual MLK Day of Service, sponsored by Shaping Summit Together.

King first preached the sermon "Paul's Letter to American Christians," on Nov. 4, 1956, at the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, where he was pastor. The year-long bus boycott began on Dec. 1, 1955, after Rosa Parks refused to give up her bus seat, and lasted until Dec. 21, 1956, when a federal ruling declared segregated buses to be unconstitutional.

Members and friends of the Summit congregation have volunteered to read the speech. They are Alex Rothfelder, Melvyn Polatchek, Tom Howard, Julia Currie-Miller, Bill Foley and Ajorie Henry.

For more information, contact the church at 908-273-3245 or visit www.ucsummit.org.

UCC presents exhibit through Saturday

From now through Jan. 14, a solo exhibition by Hoboken artist Laura Alexander will be on display in the Tomasulo Gallery at Union County College's Cranford campus. The exhibition, "Laura Alexander," consists of oil on canvas paintings of different people in everyday situations.

According to the artist, her works are a petition against "sameness." Alexander uses color to display emotion in her pieces, and in her artist statement discusses that as a society we have a need for conformity. However, she questions "why?" and "whose set of standards are we compelled to copy?"

She has stated, "Can the search for homogeneity ever teach us tolerance? Howard Johnson's was the first franchised business to open in America. With its core value being 'sameness,' this concept of franchising has permeated every aspect of our society, most destructively throughout the educational system. Most disturbing is the practice within this standardized environment of labeling individuals who are different from the selected standard as somehow psychologically 'lacking.' Are they lacking or in actuality, 'in full possession of?'"

Alexander has a degree from the Maine College of Art in Portland, Maine, and has studied at the Vermont Studio Center in Johnson, Vt.,

and the Arts Students League of New York. She was the 2006 recipient of the NJ State Council on the Arts Fellowship in painting.

The Tomasulo Gallery, on the first floor of MacKay Library on the UCC's Cranford campus, is located at 1033 Springfield Ave. Gallery hours are from 1 to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. Evening hours are from 6 to 9 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday.

For more information, call 908-709-7155 or visit the college's website at www.ucc.edu/go/TomArt.

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