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Learning to share

Local politicians weigh the merits, downfalls of proposed 'shared services' bill gaining steam

By Cheryl Hehl
Staff Writer

Local officials had mixed feelings about a bill making its way through the legislature that would take away a portion of state aid from towns who do not share services with neighboring towns.

The proposed bill would take away state aid to towns equivalent to what could have been saved by sharing services such as police, fire and other municipal services. However, the bill that has been well received by the state legislature, has some hitches.

According to the bill, a panel would study and determine whether towns should share services. Then they would decide if towns should consolidate or share services and have the state treasurer to certify the figure that could be saved.

Towns would have the option of adopting the recommendation by the state or putting it up for a referendum to be voted on by residents. If voters rejected the proposal, their municipality would lose state aid equivalent to what the state estimated they would have saved.

The only problem with this bill, according to one state official, is that towns would be losing money that is actually their own revenue.

The general municipal property tax relief program known as "state aid" actually is revenue towns once received from public utilities through an energy tax, or gross receipts tax.

This was a tax on regulated public utilities, assessed and collected at the municipal level. That is, until the 1980s when the state intervened.

According to the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, which represents all 566 municipalities at the state level, in the early 1980s, the state took over collect-

ing this tax at the request of these utility companies.

The law supporting this move included a stipulation that the money collected would be distributed back to local towns. However, according to the league, the state "never honored that commitment." Instead, they began diverting large portions of the proceeds to its own general fund.

Most local officials were unaware of the gross receipts tax, or energy tax history, or the fact that the aid doled out by the state is actually their own local revenue.

Bill Dressel, executive director of the league, said "It punishes towns that refuse to share services."

"Voters should hold elected officials accountable, not the other way around," he said in a letter sent to mayors throughout the state Feb. 27.

Dressel added that on one hand this bill allows voters to express their will, but on the other informs those same voters that they will be punished if their will does not agree with the state.

Local mayors and municipal officials went from one end of the spectrum to the other on the merits of the proposed bill.

In Clark, administrator John Laezza said sharing services "is not a new creation." He also felt strongly that certain legislators may be pushing for what they believe will save municipalities money, but may not.

"Shared services does not mean better services," he said, adding he thought those pushing this bill were "a bunch of frauds."

Clark Mayor Sal Bonaccorso was adamant about this topic, stressing that state legislators should focus on waste and fraud, and "reward towns that have been

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Student appreciation



Photo By Cheryl Hehl

Students at Kean University gathered outside Kean Hall on Monday evening just prior to and during the regular Board of Trustees meeting. The brouhaha over President Dawood Farahi's falsifying his academic records has continued despite the board voting in favor of keeping him. See story, Page 7.

Scanlon to step down at year's end

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

Freeholder Deborah P. Scanlon announced this week that she will retire at the end of the year, ending her fifth term in office.

"It has been a privilege serving the people of Union County for 15 years and providing a voice for the public in County government," Scanlon said.

Sources have said prominent attorney Bruce Bergen may be chosen to run to fill Scanlon's seat. Scanlon declined to comment on the possibility of Bergen's candidacy.

"He'd certainly make a good

freeholder though," she said.

Freeholder Chairman Alexander Mirabella declined to comment on who may be running for Scanlon's seat but noted the party would be making an announcement "very shortly."

Scanlon, a resident of Union, said she retired because she wants to spend more time with her family. She is a mother of three with nine grandchildren and a tenth expected in April or May.

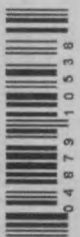
A release from the county described Scanlon as a steady advocate for women, children, and families in need. A two-time sur-

vivor of cancer, she has served as a liaison to Runnells Hospital and championed cancer-prevention programs including mammography awareness for young and underprivileged women.

Union County Democratic Committee Chairman Charlotte DeFilippo said Scanlon was a champion for those who most needed a voice in county government.

"She grew into a leadership position on the Board, and successfully helped guide County government through some tough transitional periods post 9-11 and the

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Illustrating a Cranford family's story

Son's story gives father a chance to revisit his youth, and the golden age of comic books

By Chuck O'Donnell
Correspondent

Chris Notarile tried to look excited when his dad, also named Chris, pushed a shirt box in front of him at his birthday party last year.

A dress shirt? Another hoodie? Instead, what he found inside was the greatest gift he'd ever received.

Chris was speechless as he delicately removed the six pages of comic book illustrations his dad had feverishly penciled over the proceeding six days and held them in front of him so his eyes could behold every line in every panel.

Chris' dad, who has been a professional artist for some 40 years, had taken a movie script his son had written a few years earlier and decided to render a scene that ends with the reveal of the main character.

After a few minutes, the son regained his breath and turned to his dad.

"I went 'OK, now where is the rest of it? Do you think you're just going to draw this and get away with it? Hell no. This is amazing. You're going to have to finish the book,'" Notarile said.

The Cranford father and son have recently unveiled the first 27-page, full-color issue of "The Protector" through Long Island-based publisher Hound Comics.

The Romitas and The Kuberts



Photos Courtesy of Chuck O'Donnell

Chris Notarile, left, and his dad, also named Chris. Dad grew up reading comics and had a brief stint as an artist for Marvel. Working on 'The Protector' with his son has been his first comic book work in some 40 years for this Cranford resident. Below, the cover to the first issue of 'The Protector' and an inside page.

have long been the royal families of comics, but The Notariles are believed to be the only father and son duo currently collaborating on a comic at a major publisher.

More than a year in the making, the first issue of this ongoing series introduces us to Allen Adams, a mild-mannered insurance investigator who changes into The Protec-

tor at the first rat-tat-tat of tommy gun fire at Republic City National Bank. The city is abuzz about this new hero who swoops in and grabs the bad guys by the scruff of their

zoot suits.

Since Alan Moore's 12-issue "Watchmen" series first appeared in 1986, it has become vogue to deconstruct the superhero myths. It opened the door for comic creators such as Kurt Busiek ("Astro City") and Mark Waid ("Irre-deemable" and "Incorruptible") to play with these archetypes as if they were so many action figures in the hands of a third grader.

But Notarile's script does it with reverence, drawing inspiration from everything from Lee Falk's creation of "The Phantom" comic strips in the 1930s to Max Fleischer's Superman cartoons to the 1940s and to Bruce Timm's work on the animated Batman shows of the 1990s.

Notarile says the "The Protector" may be cut from the same bullet-proof cloth as Moore's Hugo Award-winning story, "but it's not depressing." In other words, The Protector, The Avenger and the caped supermen who will be living in Notarile's world fight for truth, justice and the American way — so don't expect them to use a flamethrower on the citizens as The Comedian did in "Watchmen."

"My goal is that every time you see The Protector or you see The Avenger or any other hero, you don't go 'OK, why are they complaining. OK, when are they going to stop bitching,'" said the 29-year old Notarile. "No, it's like, 'I can't wait for them to kick the next ass.' They love being a super hero."

His dad's pencils bring the cinematic aesthetic to the comic with a pulpy style and daring character designs. For instance, The Protector isn't lean like "Superman Returns" actor Brandon Routh and his body-by-Pilates. Rather, it seems The Protector has been sneaking an extra potato with dinner.

As a kid, Chris' dad dreamed of continuing Brooklyn's bloodline of great comic creators going back to Joe Kubert (Sgt. Rock), Will Eisner (The Spirit) and Harvey Kurtzman (Mad Magazine). A prodigy with a pencil, his ability to accurately render the human body — even in a fight scene with, say, aliens or monsters — earned him an interview at Marvel when he was 14.

He was told to come back when he was 18, so he did, and began working on a Frankenstein comic for Marvel. But when it was canceled, he focused on art school, turned to finished illustration and left comics behind.

Chris and Barbara Notarile laid roots in the suburbs, bought a house in Cranford in 1980, and had two kids, Chris and Andrew, a professional dancer.

Notarile's career soon took off.

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Local officials have mixed feelings about proposed bill

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fiscally responsible.”

“What about treats of extra aid for towns that have been fiscally responsible?” he said, adding that he was “tired of the grandstanding about what we have to do.”

Summit Mayor Ellen Dixon, whose city is well on the way to sharing major services with other municipalities, felt the bill was not a bad idea.

“I think the township should work it out because it does save taxpayers money,” she said, but mentioned that it was important to investigate just how much money can be saved by sharing these services with another municipalities.

Although Summit found that sharing fire dispatch service with Millburn was cost effective and are investigating having a regional dispatch service with Berkeley, New Providence and Millburn was cost effective, that wasn't the case when it came to sharing court services with Berkeley Heights and New Providence.

“We did a study and found out we would have to build a larger building and that just was not cost effective,” the mayor said.

Dixon also questioned why the

state was not looking into something she felt could save municipalities millions.

“Why isn't the state looking into getting rid of county government?” she asked. “That is a huge waste of money and it's repetitive.”

Union Administrator Ron Manzella said the township shares services with the board of education and county but because they are a larger community, sharing services with other municipalities is difficult.

“The problem of our being a large town and surrounding towns being smaller makes it counterproductive to try and share services,” he said. However the township does share health officer services with Kenilworth.

“It has to be a benefit for both municipalities,” Manzella added.

Roselle Park Mayor Joseph Acardi said the borough shares services and it has worked out well. For instance, Woodbridge handles the boroughs animal control, Westfield their health department and Cranford oversees their construction department.

“We have been very proactive in this area,” the mayor said, but added that whenever elected offi-

cial in his town hear about state aid being taken away, “we get upset.”

“It could be problematic,” Acardi said.

Linden Mayor Rich Gerbounka felt that sharing services was the only option towns have without going bankrupt.

“We have to do something to reduce our costs and yet when it comes to sharing services municipalities are hesitant,” the mayor said, adding “I'm supportive of the bill, but towns have to get over home rule and realize times have changed.”

Linden saves considerable money by sharing a variety of services, including bundling their electricity with the Linden-Roselle Sewerage Authority.

“We saved \$140,000 by doing that,” the mayor said. The city also provides animal control for Rahway, Clark, Roselle and Winfield Park. But Gerbounka believes the one thing that needs to be done will hit a stumbling block.

“If you really want to make an impact, there should be county police and fire,” the mayor said, adding that the cost of one fire truck can run as high as a \$1 million.

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Congressman Payne dies of colon cancer

By Philip Sean Curran and Patrick Bober

Congressman Donald M. Payne, a Democrat, who represented South Orange and Maplewood as part of the recently redrawn 10th congressional district, as well as parts of Union County, including parts of Elizabeth, Hillside, part of Linden, Rahway, Roselle and part of Union died Tuesday after battling colon cancer.

Politicians, including President Barack Obama and Gov. Chris Christie, have been paying tribute. He was 77.

Mayor Joseph Florio of Union expressed his condolences in an email on Tuesday afternoon.

“On behalf of the Township Committee I would like to express our deepest and sincerest sense of loss with the passing away of Congressman Donald Payne,” the statement said. “As the Mayor of our township and committeeman for the past 16 years, I have personally seen the hard work and dedication Congressman Payne has given to the citizens he represents.”

Payne died at St. Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston, according to a release posted on his congressional website.

Payne revealed he was battling the disease last month; last week news reports surfaced that he was gravely ill, and that he would continue his treatment in New Jersey.

“Congressman Payne was not only a pioneer in New Jersey politics, he was a thoroughly decent man and public servant,” said Rep. Tom Kean through an email release.

Payne climbed the political ladder, from Newark city councilman, to an Essex County freeholder and, eventually, to U.S. congressman. In 1988, Payne became the first black congressman elected from New Jersey.

Private conversation causes public outcry

By Cheryl Hehl Staff Writer

CRANFORD — A video and recording of a conversation between Police Chief Eric Mason and his son eight years ago surfaced last week, raising concerns about who on the force had access to the tape.

In the recording, Mason receives a call from his son Christopher who asks how his first week on the job as police chief is going. Mason jokingly responds back that things were going well because he “didn't have to kill any white people yet.”

Although this incident happened eight years ago and at the time the Township Committee did not have a problem with it, noting that it was a private conversation with his son, when the recording surfaced it ended up on YouTube, radio and on cable News 12 Tuesday.

Mason, who is out of the country until next week, was unavailable for comment and governing body members have indicated that they were notified of the release of the video and were more concerned at this point with who in the police department made a copy of the recording. Whether an investigation will take place is still up in the air. Committee members did stress that they were pleased with Mason's eight years as police chief and the decision to move him into the administrator's position after his retiring as chief as of May 31 was a unanimous decision.

Mayor David Robinson did have serious concerns about who confiscated the tape and made it public on CranfordTalk, a local website where community members post comments about township issues.

Former mayor Dan Aschenbach, who was on the governing body when Mason was appointed chief, remembered the incident and said Mason apologized to the committee for the offhanded remark.

“It was a private conversation with his son over being the township's first black police chief,” Aschenbach stressed, agreeing it was a crude reference but he believed people will understand and not take it out of context.

Bonding approved for turf field in Springfield

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

SPRINGFIELD — A controversial bond ordinance was approved last week, allowing the township to borrow \$3.4 million for a turf field project at Jonathon Dayton High School.

Local student athletes, coaches and parents were out in force at the Feb. 28 meeting to support the ordinance, which they said was the first step to securing a safer, more serviceable facility where local athletes and their families could congregate as a community.

Other residents and members of the Environmental Commission opposed to using the site for a turf field, noting its location within a flood zone and it being directly adjacent to Van Winkles Brook, said it could worsen the town's already serious flooding problems. There are also concerns associated with the turf's impervious surface and artificial materials.

Former head of the local soccer club Rich Citrin stressed that the new field is intended to be used not just for children and not just for football.

"This is for the entire town," he said. "It's for the entire community."

Alex Golden, a co-captain of the high school's varsity tennis team, said the lack of useable tennis courts means the team cannot effectively practice together.

"We were playing games before we could even practice as a team, which unfortunately had a real impact on our performance," Golden said.

Local officials acknowledged the concerns of the opposing voices, but said they felt the risks could be mitigated by design elements such as the inclusion of an underground retention area below the field to capture stormwater.

Some residents questioned the governing body about the potential presence in the field of specific harmful chemicals such as lead, zinc and mercury.

Mayor Ziad Shehady said these are details that will not be addressed until the bid specifications are available.

"We are going to consider all the health and safety issues involved," Shehady said. "We won't do anything that jeopardizes the safety of our children."

Environmental Commission Chair Denise Devone could not be reached for comment.

Councilman David Amlin, who opposed the ordi-

nance on first reading, voted yes on second reading, explaining he had researched the issue further.

"At the last vote I was the Grinch who stole Christmas," Amlin said at the meeting. "But with a lot more information I feel a lot more positive about this tonight."

Amlin said he read many different studies on the subject of the health risks and benefits associated with artificial turf fields.

The financial impact of the bonding and the project were also recurring themes. Repaying the bond will burden the average assessed home by about \$39 a year over the course of the bond's 15-year life, beginning next year.

However, there are also costs associated with not moving forward with the turf field. School officials have stated the Springfield school district would have to pay Union \$25,000 to use their field for four to five football games.

District Superintendent Michael Davino could not be reached for comment by press time.

Some speakers were not convinced the bonding would prove wise in the difficult economic environment.

"No money is free," one resident said. "If it looks so good there's something wrong. There's always strings attached."

Township Administrator Anthony Cancro indicated construction could take place this summer.

"It could start in the Spring and be complete by the Fall sometime," Cancro said.

In the next two to three months, several more steps must occur in order for the project to proceed.

An agreement must be worked out between the Board of Education and the township delineating responsibilities for the project.

The bid specifications will be prepared by Pennoni Associates Inc., based in Edison.

The town must hear back from the State Department of Environmental Protection on the application the town submitted.

"We will do everything possible to fast-track it," Cancro said. "Now that the Township Committee has acted and the BOE is supportive, we're going to move ahead."

RAHWAY BRIEFS

A cappella chorus to perform on March 26

The Rahway Public Library will be host to a performance of the Rahway Valley Jerseyaires, a male a cappella chorus in Rahway, on March 26 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Featured will be barbershop, bebop, doo-wop and other music, and how one can learn to join this male a cappella chorus.

Cafe music through June at the library

The Rahway Public Library will offer a Cafe Music Series from March through June. It will feature Jeff and Karen on March 24 from 2 to 4 p.m., who will do their Retro Rewind Show featuring music from the 1960s and the 1970s.

The duo will pay tribute to Sonny and Cher, Ian and Sylvia, John Denver, The Mamas and the Papas, Cat Stevens and others. The set also will include originals by

Jeff. Jeff and Karen are members of the New Jersey Folk Project.

Other performers in the series will include Nancy Gable and Steve Hefler, who will play the autoharp. Their performances will be followed by a lecture about the instrument and end with a sing-a-long. Karickter will follow with a performance featuring a jazz duo of female vocals and guitar with Karen and Rick Pasek.

Later in the spring, Circle Around the Sun will be featured, with Jay Wilensky, guitar and vocals; Marie Trontel, vocals, and Chris Bukata, lead guitar, who will play a mixture of folk songs with a special emphasis on duets and sensuous harmonies.

Roia Raiefeyan will follow with a performance featuring the keyboard as well as the guitar with vocals. This year's series will end with Mindy Schmitt, whose music has an indie folk rock and bluegrass flavor.

For further information, call 732-340-1551 Ext. 212.


Fishing flea market to celebrate 16th year

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Problems over Kean's president still linger

By Cheryl Hehl
Staff Writer

Serious irregularities have been found in the way the Kean Board of Trustees handled the vote to retain President Dawood Farahi several weeks ago.

Although it has been several weeks since the board gave their vote of confidence to Farahi in a 7 to 5 vote, students and the faculty union have not given up efforts to see the university president removed.

In the last few weeks, the KFT discovered board trustee Linda Lewis, who voted for Farahi to stay on as president, has been employed by Kean University as an adjunct professor since 2005. They maintain that this is a serious ethical problem that must be addressed by the board.

Based on this information faculty members notified the New Jersey State Ethics Commission in late February to report this and other issues. Upon hearing the charges, an immediate investigation was launched by the commission into whether Lewis had a conflict of interest in voting to keep Farahi as president of the university, according to a commission spokesperson.

Records obtained by *Local-Source* show Lewis has taught a "Transition to Kean," course, a class formerly known as "Freshman Seminar" almost every year since 2005. The KFT had very strong feelings about this and voiced them in a letter dated Feb. 28 to Kean Board of Trustees Chair President Ada Morrell.

"This means that she was voting on the employment status of the



The ongoing controversy at Kean University surrounded the school presidents fraudulent resumes is just that, ongoing. Students, faculty and teachers once again swarmed the board's meeting on Monday evening.

very person, President Farahi, who determines her own employment status at Kean University," said KFT President James Castiglione.

"Her vote to retain the president is wholly de-legitimized by this blatant and egregious conflict of interest," Castiglione continued, adding that "certainly she should have, at the very least, recused herself from the vote."

The KFT president pointed out to Morell that Lewis's "disregard of proper conduct calls into question as to the legitimacy of the entire vote itself."

Castiglione also noted in his letter that because two board trustees were not in attendance at the meeting, and only one was linked into the proceedings via telephone, the other board member, David Halpern, should have been afforded an opportunity to vote.

Also brought to light by the KFT president in his letter was the fact that Democrat State Senator Ray Lesniak "was on campus the night of the board meeting and was briefly present during the board's executive session."

"This raises concerns that the

senator may have exerted undue political influence over the board's deliberations on the fate of President Farahi," he stressed in the letter to Morell.

Late Monday afternoon the Kean Board of Trustees met for its regular meeting, but prior to the meeting students rallied outside Kean Hall handing out fliers and wearing bright yellow T-shirts emblazoned with the words "Got Integrity?"

Kean Hall was jammed with faculty, students and alumni, but all had differing opinions on whether

Farahi should be kept on as the university's president. Some spoke during the public session, passionately imploring the board to listen to their side of the issue that has deeply divided Kean.

Rob Bush, Chief Executive Officer of his own manufacturing company in Cranford, noted that he had been involved with the university alumni for 20 years and also served as member of the Kean Foundation.

"When Dr. Farahi took over eight years ago I noticed the curriculum was expanding, the quality and quantity of students changed," he said, adding that he knew about leadership and much had been accomplished by Farahi in the last eight years than the prior 12 years.

Kathleen Mary Henderson, President of the Kean University Adjunct Faculty Federation, Local 6024 did not mince words when she spoke about how she felt regarding the negative light that has been focused on Kean.

"I'm almost ashamed to say I'm from Kean," she admitted to the board, adding that "it's hard to say you come from a place where the president lied about his academic credentials."

"Your decision," Henderson told the board, "has just enraged the adjunct professors at Kean."

But it was a Kean student Gisette Cruz who stilled the room with her three minutes of time allotted by the board.

"Dr. Farahi is a thief of minds because he, along with the board of trustees, robbed Kean of its integrity," she said, adding that what the

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A crusader for his cause

By Cheryl Hehl
Staff Writer

Peter Runfola walks slower now than he did a decade ago, but like all crusaders, he soldiers on. Focusing all his time and energy on his mission of ensuring senior citizens get what they are entitled to under the law, this 83-year-old Hillside resident refuses to admit defeat.

Like most crusaders, Runfola easily recalled how he first became involved with the plight of seniors in Union County and beyond. The moment is forever imprinted in his mind, he said, because it was then that life as he knew it changed forever.

"I was retired and one day back some 10 or 11 years ago I was sitting around with some of my friends and the subject of senior centers came up. I listened to what they had to say about the lack of centers or even programs for seniors and wondered what the heck was going on," he explained.

Days later, Runfola realized the plight of senior citizens was weigh-

ing so heavily on him, he was thinking of nothing else. So he decided to look into things and see what developed.

"Boy was I surprised to find out what I did," he said with a slightly devious chuckle.

It wasn't hard to find out, he added, that the Union County Freeholder Board actually had allocated some three million dollars for senior citizen center improvements in 2001. In fact, each municipality received anywhere from \$150,000 to \$200,000 for these improvements.

Runfola then began to look into whether the 21 towns in the county actually put this windfall from the county toward its intended purpose. What he found, though, turned out to be disappointing, to say the least.

To say this Hillside resident has dedicated time, energy and passion to this mission would be an understatement. One only has to see the stacks of neatly organized Open Public Records Act requests he sent to each of the 21 towns, along with

the responses to understand his research was flawless. Compiling, documenting and keeping track of each town's response took many months, if not years.

In the end, what Runfola found was that while each of the towns in Union County did indeed receive their fair share of the grant money and filled out a form indicating how the money would be spent on senior citizens, few actually followed through.

For starters, the senior citizen said, when pressed for details about where the money was spent, some towns either stonewalled him or merely said the money was put toward "senior activities and improvements."

By this time Runfola was more than invested in his quest. He decided the only logical thing to do would be to pay a visit to these towns to see for himself if the money had gone toward senior centers, equipment or programs. In most cases, it had not, he said. Perplexed, but not deterred, he labored



Peter Runfola

on. As all crusaders do.

When all was said and done, Runfola found only four towns used the money they received from the county. He managed to figure this out from all the OPRA responses he received from each municipality. The remainder, he said, indicated they "purchased equipment and built buildings."

"They did, but what they spent the money on was for the rest of the community. Not one cent went to

enhance the lives of seniors," Runfola insists.

"We are talking about \$150,000 to \$200,000 for each town. That is a lot of money and there should be proof of how it was spent, but the towns did not do what they said they would. It's that simple," Runfola said.

"How can it be that the county just handed over all that money to each town and never followed up?

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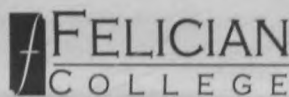
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university president did was "cowardly."

She also noted that now Farahi walks around the university with a bodyguard. Cruz also left the board with one last thought.

"We're not asking you to figure out what killed the dinosaurs, we simply want your resignation," said the 28-year-old student who is also the mother of two small children.

The Kean Federation of Teachers initially called on the board in November to launch an investigation after their own probe produced strong evidence that Farahi falsified his academic credentials. In December the board announced they would be using an outside legal firm to investigate these claims, subsequently receiving a 20-page report, which was released this week.

Castiglione said Monday that the report released Monday evening by the board "did not cover everything the KFT brought out."

"The scope of what they investigated was limited. It covered 60 to 70 percent of the resume issues, but none of the other things," the KFT president said.

He said that the "conclusion" page of the report was redacted or blacked out, which he felt was quite revealing.

"The conclusion that the faculty members arrived at about this is that the board of trustees ignored



Dawood Farahi

their own attorneys and that is why it is blacked out," he suggested.

Farahi, who has been the university president since 2003 and earns \$293,000 annually, was handpicked by Lesniak, according to the KFT. Farahi's tenure has been marked by strong criticism from the federation of teachers because of the president's "unholy alliance with Lesniak," reliable sources reported.

The KFT also alleged last fall that in return for appointing trustees to the board that were favorable to the university president and his goals, Farahi put Lesniak's relatives in high paying jobs.

UNION BRIEFS

AARP to meet today; upcoming events planned

President Rose Partesi has announced that Union AARP Chapter 4026 will meet today at the Union Senior Center, 968 Bonnell Court at 12:30 p.m. Meetings are on the second Thursday of each month. Salvatore Terrezza, who is the administrator of local TV Channel 34, will entertain. Cake and coffee will be served.

The group will hold its next trip to Showboat in Atlantic City on March 20. The bus leaves at 9 a.m. For more information, call Shirley at 908-289-6770. On April 26, there will be an all day trip to Mt. Haven, Pa. The trip includes an all you can eat breakfast, buffet, four hours of open bar, a dinner buffet, live entertainment, plus bingo, movies, mini golf, a live DJ, dancing, games and trivia. For more information, call Bea at 908-687-3394.

Pet behavior modification taught at library

Pia Silvani, vice president of Training and Behavior at St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center in Madison, will lecture on "Pet Behavior Modification" at Union Public Library on March 14 at 7 p.m. The public is invited to this admission-free program.

Silvani has developed various courses focusing on positive, reward-based techniques, which are effective in the enhancement of the bond and relationship of the dog and her human companion. Silvani also developed a canine coach program where volunteers and apprentice trainers work with shelter dogs on a daily basis to help the dogs become more adoptable by achieving and maintaining good manners, as well as offering behavioral wellness. Silvani lectures internationally, has had stories in magazines, appeared on television and is the author of "Raising Puppies and Kids Together - A Guide for Parents."

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Two catholic schools in county slated to close

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

Two Catholic Schools located in Union County are in line to close at the end of the school year as a result of low enrollment and related financial difficulties.

Of the archdiocese's 112 schools, eight will close, including two in Union County — St. Patrick's in Elizabeth and Hillside Catholic Academy in Hillside.

"The financial issues are really the dove-tail from the enrollment figures," spokesman Jim Goodness said. "When fewer students come into a school that you budget for, you have to charge more money to maintain a quality program."

In 2006 Hillside Catholic Academy had 256 students. It now has 153. Saint Patrick's High School has seen a total enrollment decrease of almost 46 percent since 2007. The high school had 262 students in 2007 and now has 151. St. Patrick's middle school program contained 71 students in 2007 but now has 30, 18 of which will graduate this year. The schools were notified in the middle of February that they would be closing.

"This is not a decision anybody was eager

to make," Goodness said. "At this point our priority is to make sure the children affected get into another Catholic school in the area if that's where their parents want them to be."

Hillside Catholic Academy, located at 397 Columbia Avenue, has been in operation for eight years, serving students from all around Union County.

"People are upset, naturally," Principal Michael Butchko said.

However, he said the bad news has not been allowed to negatively impact education.

"The staff at the school is the utmost professional," Butchko said. "They will continue to work as professionals, and students will continue to get quality education as long as this school is open."

Butchko said he has great respect for the school's staff, describing them as the "finest group of people he's ever worked with."

The news of the closure came as a surprise to many of the students and parents, according to Home and School Association member Ametra Burton. Burton said the archdiocese offered no assistance to parents in transferring their children to new schools.

"There was no guidance," said Burton,

who has one child in the second grade at Hillside Catholic Academy. "We were shocked and dumfounded. For us it came out of nowhere."

They were informed of the closure Feb. 16. On March 2, the association filed an appeal with Monsenior Hambury, Superintendent of Schools for the Archdiocese. Included with the appeal was a development plan calling for measures such as greater fundraising and marketing, a tuition increase, and the hiring of a grant writer to bring money into the school.

"It opens the school up to get more visibility, which will bring in more students," Burton said.

Goodness said he is aware of several other schools that have also appealed the decision. He said there are several reasons for the decreases in enrollment.

"Some if it is clearly economic," Goodness said. "It costs more money than it did ten years ago to attend a Catholic school."

Hillside Public School Superintendent Frank Deo said he was disappointed to learn of the closing, having worked and communicated with Butchko routinely in the past. He

estimated about 130 of the school's students are Hillside residents, some of whom may opt to switch to the public school system.

"We are prepared to welcome their Hillside students back into our schools should they so choose," Deo said.

He indicated the closure of the private school would probably only increase the district's enrollment by one or two students per class.

"We're not expecting them to have a major impact on class size, really," Deo said.

Burton said the closing would put parents in a difficult position as they seek to relocate their children.

"For many of our students, public schools and charter schools are not an option," Burton said.

However, many private schools are already close to capacity and those that are significantly below capacity may be at risk of closing next year or the year after, resulting in students being uprooted yet again. Burton said other Catholic schools have been in similarly difficult situations but were able to rebound. "I am hopeful they will consider that and give us the same opportunity," she said.

February's 'principal'



Alivia Peterson, a second-grade student at Franklin Elementary School in Rahway, was recently elected to be Principal for the Day for the month of February. Alivia's duties included checking emails and making rounds throughout the building. She proudly wore her shirt which read, 'Today the Principal — Tomorrow the President.'

College fair on Monday

On Monday, March 12, the Union County School Counselors Association will be hosting a College Fair at Union County College's Cranford campus. More than 60 colleges and universities from throughout the tri-state area will be in attendance. All members of the local community, particularly high school students and their parents, are encouraged to attend.

The College Fair will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the gymnasium, cafeteria, and Richel Student Commons. There is no cost for the College Fair. Union County College's Cranford campus is located at 1033 Springfield Ave. Visit www.ucc.edu for more information.

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At you, not with you

Last week, we reported on state officials visiting Tina Renna of the Union County Watchdog Association asking for her paperwork proving she filed for non-profit status. And way down at the end of the article was a small detail that to some may have gone unnoticed. But to us, it was a laughable detail, highlighting the calculated efforts of a Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders trying to hide from what is so obviously their own poor management of your tax dollars.

According to Renna, the Union County Watchdog Association has filed dozens of Open Public Records Act, or OPRA, requests. To date, Renna says she has lost count, but about a dozen have resulted in lawsuits when the county refused to comply with what is clearly the law. And to date, the Watchdogs have lost one case, and are considering an appeal.

And while Renna maintains the group is just trying to help facilitate an open and honest government, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders believes she is causing an unnecessary burden on the county and its budget.

At the bottom of our article was a small and final paragraph. It said, "One source, who preferred their name not be used said the lawsuits have tallied in excess of \$140,000 and \$150,000 in manpower hours." In fact, the article also says the county has had to hire an attorney who worked specifically on Renna's legal complaints, and that "County officials have countered that Renna is costing taxpayers money by bringing her lawsuits." Well, perhaps the county should spend more money on a better attorney, because the county keeps losing.

But the real question is if the county keeps losing these lawsuits, at a significant cost to taxpayers, why are they putting up such a big fight in the first place? The Open Public Records Act is designed to create an open and honest government. When public information is requested, it is the law to provide it. Why does Union County government continue to think they are above the law? At what cost will the county learn their lesson and abide by the same laws to which its residents adhere?

Saying that Renna is costing the county money with her lawsuits is an entertaining farce, but at least the county is providing some very expensive comic relief with their absurd response. We hope everyone who votes, pays their taxes, and just simply cares is laughing, because its probably the only comfort you're going to receive from a freeholder board that continues to defy the law in defense of a closed, secretive and dishonest government.

And well, if you don't agree, you could always trust your elected officials implicitly, no matter what, because everyone knows no one with power ever abused it. You're either laughing at them, or you're laughing with them.

Leap ahead



Guido Cortez and Magaly Cortez-Lopez of Elizabeth, shown with Perla Domínguez, RN, of the Maternal-Child Care unit at Trinitas Regional Medical Center, welcomed eight-pound, six-ounce daughter Bethany who joined a six-year-old brother on leap day, Feb. 29. Four other couples from Union County celebrated the arrivals of Leap Year babies, another two girls and two boys. The five babies joined the approximately 12,300 babies born in the United States on Leap Year Day 2012.

The rules of engagement

There are signs that primary season might be off to an early start. So, before everyone goes off the deep end, there are a few rules of engagement I believe will help keep things on an even keel ... hopefully. But I'm not betting on it.

Some politicians seem to have their own rules of engagement. I am suggesting that serious thought is given to how campaigns are run and how candidates, both newcomers and incumbents, conduct themselves.

So, fair warning, the woodshed awaits all those who think a campaign is based on how much dirt they can dig up on their opponents. The fact that mud slinging often takes center stage in campaigns while the issues fade into the background has become a defense mechanism of some political opponents because incumbents often provide so much fodder. But the issues should never get buried.

Staying sane during any campaign seems almost impossible for some candidates. Note, I did say "some." I suppose that is directly related to how badly a candidate or political party needs to win a particular seat.

I'm talking about those do or die candidates who will stoop to any level to win. That's where a

Reporter's Notebook

By Cheryl Hehl

reporter has to draw a line in the sand. Not that reporters don't like juicy stories. We do. But when campaigns focus only on negative issues, voters lose. They either give up in disgust and decide not to vote at all or they believe all the hype and make a decision on less than factual information.

Here is another warning — *LocalSource* is not on the side of any particular candidate or political party. We are interested in bringing out the truth so voters have a clear picture of the candidates seeking elected seats. Period.

If it appears that one political party is getting more attention in a news story, that is the fault of the opposing party, who probably refused to respond to inquires, calls, emails or any other means of contact used.

And, yes, there are many excellent candidates out there who keep their campaigns above board. Not that it's easy for them by any

means. In fact, with all the dirt that gets thrown around by their opponents, I'm surprised any candidate who is vying for a political seat manages to win an election.

But they do because voters, for the most part, get a gut feeling about candidates who want to serve for the right reasons. Then there are the other people. The party politicians who, along with party backing, want a win at any cost. And they will stop at nothing to ensure they get it. This when integrity usually gets thrown to the wayside.

Let's face it, these political bottom feeders are going to come up with anything they can to discredit their opponents. That includes focusing on their opponents weaknesses. One example is not having previous experience. Frankly, a lack of experience can be more of an asset these days than an incumbent with a long track record.

Party politics often is the downfall of most tenured incumbents because they have to follow what their political party wants. And that, folks, is where things get dicey. What you end up with then is heavy public relations spin and little substance.

A good example of that occurred last year during the Union County

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OP ED PAGE

'I don't believe in fairy tales'

(Continued from previous page) Freeholder debate. I never heard so many sugar-coated tactics and responses skirting the issues at a debate. Both the the Democratic incumbents and the lone Democratic newcomer were very well rehearsed in all the positive things the freeholder board had accomplished. I will give them this — it was well scripted.

The county freeholder board is an excellent example of how a political stronghold manages to maintain control even though many voters understood that things work better if there is a balance of both parties. Without it, the controlling party can do whatever they want with your tax dollars. And they have.

So, voters beware. What you see may not be what you are getting. On either side.

Now the primary election battle lines are more than likely being drawn as I write this column. Although I would like to think the best man or woman will win in the end, I don't believe in fairy tales. Neither should voters. Most of the time if something sounds too good to be true, it probably is just campaign hype.

Which leads me back to "The Rules of Engagement."

1. Do not try to lead me down the merry path of believing I'm naive to the game of politics. I'm not. I have covered politics since 1989 and seen it all. I know who is trying to con me and who isn't. Candidates who try to con me lose credibility very quickly. So, while it may seem like a story to you, *LocalSource* has the final word on whether we roll with it. Not candidates, nor their party backers.

2. Political parties may think their job is to find dirt on the opposing party, but if you think that is how the game is played then you are wasting my time and the voter's time. Try focusing on what the issues are for a change. Most candidates have no clue what major issues a municipality has or will be

facing. Go to the library and request back issues of your local newspaper and read about the past year. It could help you win an election.

3. If you have uncovered something that an incumbent has done while in office and it breaks a law, wastes taxpayer dollar or gives the appearance of being ethically wrong, then you have the right as an opponent to bring that information to light. But, be prepared to provide tangible proof of your accusation or, again, you will lose credibility.

4. Be nice. Be polite. Be respectful. Do not rant, rave, yell, curse or threaten either me or those working at my newspaper. Warning bells go off when a candidate loses their cool and resorts to using threats to get their way. Serving on any governing body is no picnic. It is a taxing job that involves much more than voters realize. Especially at the local level. Candidates who have a short fuse waste everyone's time with their drama tactics. They also keep important issues from being addressed.

5. We all want to ensure voters get a fair picture of what goes on during campaigns, right? That means hearing from the other side. For instance, when I call Mayor Chris Bollwage of Elizabeth, freeholder board incumbents or newcomers, I fully expect they will have the decency to call me back so I can report fairly on issues that appear to be heating up. Candidates who believe they don't have to return calls to the media during a campaign give the appearance of being arrogant, overly confident or, more simply, afraid of what will end up in the newspaper. Let's call a cease fire on all that and concentrate on the job at hand. In the end it will benefit everyone far better. Especially voters.

6. Finally, because there are so many candidates in every town, as well as at the county level, and it is impossible to interview each one,

as we have attempted to do in previous years. So bear with us while we try to provide the best coverage we are capable of during this primary season.

For the record, I am a reporter, not a Democrat, Republican or Independent. My job is to accurately report what is going down on both sides of the political fence. Both sides. Not one. Anything less is not fair to voters.

All candidates should bear in mind that regardless what animosity they may harbor towards the media, voters deserve both sides of the story. So, lets set aside the past and consider cooperation instead.

Keep this in mind. It just so happens that the Democrats have, for more than a decade, had complete control of Union county government. Therefore, they are the responsible party when things go wrong. If one party wants to maintain control then I would hope they would be completely prepared to answer for what they have done in the past. There is no choice here. Voters deserve no less than candidates who are open.

Finally, voters need to understand that just because candidates say they are going to do something does not mean they can or will. They are just one person elected to a governing body. One person does not add up to anything unless they have the support of their fellow elected officials in a controlling vote. Pie in the sky promises are just that and nothing more. For instance, if you live in a community like Cranford and do not want to see a certain development go through, it is unlikely that any candidate will be able to promise it won't happen. Why? Because some things are decided in a court of law, not by a governing body. All the good faith promises in the world will not override the law.

So there you go, the rules of engagement have been set. Let the campaigning commence and may the best candidates win the primary.

CRANFORD BRIEFS

Register for spring programs

The Cranford Recreation and Parks Department has announced that registration for spring programs, Session 3, began on March 12 at the Community Center. In-person and online registration are occurring simultaneously unless otherwise indicated in the Fall/Winter/Spring 2011-2012 brochure.

This brochure can be found online at www.cranford.com/rec. For more information, call 709-7283. These programs are for Cranford residents only.

'Mystery' Book talk on March 28

Historian Alexander Shipley will talk about his book, "The Case of the Unknown Woman: The Story of One of the Most Intriguing Murder Mysteries of the Nineteenth Century," on March 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the

Cranford Community Center. The Community Center at 220 Walnut Ave. "The Case of the Unknown Woman" is about a young woman, whose frozen corpse was found by four brothers on Central Avenue in Rahway on March 26, 1887. Her throat was slashed, and her body was covered with bruises. The most bizarre element of this murder is that no one was ever able to give a positive identification of the victim. News of the case spread far and wide, and as many as 10,000 people filed past the victim's coffin in hopes of identifying her as a missing relative or friend. To this day, her identity is unknown and the case is unsolved. Copies of "The Unknown Woman" will be available for purchase and for signing. Admission is free, and all are welcome.

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LINDEN DRIEFS

School musical is 'Barnum'

This year's spring musical, "Barnum," will be presented March 15, 16 and 17 at 8 p.m. in the Linden High School auditorium, 121 W. St. George Ave.

There will be a special Senior Night on March 14 at 7 p.m., and there is no charge for seniors on this night only. Tickets can be purchased in advanced or at the door. For more information, contact Rachelle Jenkins at 908-486-5432.

Fitness Exercise Program begins on March 27

A complete Fitness Exercise Program, featuring a whole body workout using kick boxing, high and low aerobics, cardio and body toning for adults 18 years of age and older, will be held at the Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St. The 10-week program is scheduled Tuesday and Thursday from

6:30 to 7:30 p.m., March 27 to June 5. Pre-registration is required. The class size is limited, and registration deadline is March 26. Water, towels and exercise mat are required. There is a fee.

Register at: The Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St. Community Center Building, 605 S. Wood Ave., or the Linden Multi-Purpose Center, 1025 John St., or on line at www.linden-nj.org and click onto Community Pass. For more information, call 908-474-8627.

Yoga, Tai Chi and Qi Gong offered starting March 29

Yoga is the oldest system of personal and healthful development that embraces one's mind, body and spirit. Tai Chi is an ancient discipline of non-contact martial arts, and Qi Gong is moving meditative practice, of which Tai is a part. The program is for adults

18 years of age and older. It will be held Thursday, 7:30 to 9 p.m., March 29 to June 7. Pre-registration is required. The registration deadline is March 28. There will be a fee. A yoga mat is required.

Register at the Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St. The Community Center Building, 605 S. Wood Ave., the Linden Multi-Purpose Center, 1025 John St. or on line at www.linden-nj.org and click onto Community Pass. For more information, call 908-474-8627.

Teen dating abuse course offered by the local YWCA

Teen Dating Abuse 101 Program is a program is designed to enhance awareness of abuse in dating relationships. This course is both for prevention and for teens that may already be in an abusive relationship. About one in five high school students are involved

in an abusive relationship.

Lynn Kelly, a Linden resident, developed and implemented the teen dating violence program within Union County several years ago, while working for the YWCA-EUC. Her goal is to make sure that teens are knowledgeable about dating violence, its warning signs and what to do if he or she believes they are in an abusive relationship. Kelly has a master's degree in counseling from Kean University and is the mother of two adult daughters.

Admission is free, on a first come basis. To register, email catharinealba@aol.com or text 908-838-5661 or call Cathy Alba at 908-925-9067 or RCL 908-486-3714.

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'Oh, the humanity' in Union County

From the Page of History

By B. E. Bernzott

On May 6, 1937 residents and workers along the Arthur Kill in Elizabeth, Linden and Rahway watched the majestic Graf Zeppelin, the Hindenburg, flying overhead. What the onlookers didn't realize at the time was they were seeing the last flight of the Hindenburg.

When the Hindenburg reached the naval air station at Lakehurst, N.J. a fiery explosion destroyed the famed airship. Thirty five passengers and crew were killed with another 64 horribly burned. In the prior ten years the passenger-carrying German dirigibles were accident free.

In 1968 a stone tablet was erected at the hangar which had housed the Hindenburg and it was declared a national historic landmark.

What's in a name?

One would assume West Airport would be located in Westfield Township, but it is not. The airport property straddled Clark Township and the Colonia section of Woodbridge Township.

It acquired its "Westfield Airport" name because it was built in 1928 by a group of men from Westfield. Later it became known as Gordon Airways because it was acquired by Harry Gordon.

Northeastern Air Transport Inc. was formed and its flying school trained student pilots and airline pilots at the airport. After World War II, 300 GI's graduated from the flying school.

Herbert F. Saier was one of the founders. In 1955, protests of the residents living in the new housing developments concerning the noise

and hazards of the flights caused the airport to be closed.

Airport puts Linden on the map

For Decades the officials of the City of Linden had unsuccessfully tried to have recognition on the map of New Jersey, just a little dot and the name Linden.

During World War II, General Motors formed the Eastern Aircraft Division and started building Wildcat Fighter 5 planes for the U.S. Navy and Great Britain.

An airfield was needed to test the planes and Linden Airport was built on a field across the highway from the plant.

As a dividend for this war effort Linden earned a spot on the map of New Jersey.

Incidentally, production of Wildcats exceeded projections and earned Eastern Aircraft employees an E for Excellence Award from the US Navy.

In 1928, a committee appointed by President Herbert Hoover reported Newark would be best to handle air traffic from west and south, Newark's Meadowlands was to be the site.

The airport opened Oct. 12, 1928, flights began in 1929.

Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker set a speed record by flying from Los Angeles, California to Newark in

13 hours and three minutes. His record was broken by Howard Hughes in 1936 when he flew the same route in seven hours and 29 seconds.

The government took over the airport in January 1942 shipping men and supplies and fighter and bomber planes to the warzones. On March 22, 1948 the Port of New York Authority took control.

Traffic increased and so did the complaints from Hillside and Elizabeth residents.

The crashes in Elizabeth

An airplane crash occurred close to Hillside on Dec. 1, 1951 when a C-46 crashed into the Elizabeth River. The second was on Jan. 22, 1952 when an American Airlines plane crashed near Battin High School. Twenty passengers, three crew members and six people in houses near the school died.

The Third crash was on Feb. 11, 1952 behind Janet Memorial Home. Twenty-five passengers and four persons in a Salem Avenue apartment died. Thirty-four passengers and a stewardess survived.

The Hillside Aircraft Hazard Committee was successful in getting the Port of New York Authority to have planes taking off from the airport to fly over Newark Bay.

Interested readers may contact the writer to receive one of a limited number of complimentary postcards featuring the last flight of the Hindenburg.

B. E. Bernzott, is the founding president of the Linden Historical Society Inc. She can be reached at 908-523-0003.

The Skypes the limit



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Second grade students from St. John the Apostle School in Clark put their technology skills to use by using Skype to communicate over the internet with a second grade class from Blessed Pope John Paul School in West Orange.

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Cranford Police Department asks for vigilance

Due to a rash of criminal mischief town wide, the Cranford Police Department is asking for cooperation and vigilance from all residents.

Over the last two weeks, police officials say more than a dozen vehicles have had windows smashed, and it appears that the unknown actors may be utilizing a BB gun.

These incidents have taken place in the late evening and early morning hours. If anyone has any information in connection with these crimes, contact Detective John Swandrak of the Cranford Police Department at 908-709-7345.

The following incidents were reported to police departments

POLICE BLOTTER

throughout Union County, to which officers responded.

Cranford

Cranford Patrolman Nelson Hearn arrested Bryan A. Turner, 22, of Lake Mary, Fla., at 1:19 a.m. on North Avenue at the Garden State Parkway, 137 exchange, for possession of under 50g of marijuana, possession of CDS paraphernalia, possession of CDS in a motor vehicle and speeding. Officer Hearn stopped a 2005 Toyota Corolla for speeding in the area of North Avenue and the Garden State Parkway, 137 exchange. Following a brief investigation on scene, Officer Hearn arrested and charged

Bryan A. Turner for possession of under 50g of marijuana, possession of CDS paraphernalia, possession of CDS in a motor vehicle and speeding. Turner was released with a Cranford Municipal Court proceedings pending.

Union

• Feb. 24: The Union police responded to a report of a burglary on Caldwell Avenue. A rear unlocked window was opened. Entry was not gained.

• Feb. 24: Police responded to a burglary on Stuyvesant Avenue. Entry was gained through an unlocked front door. Jewelry and cash were taken.

• Feb. 25: Police responded to a report of a motor vehicle burglary on Valley Street. Entry was gained through an unlocked door. Registration and insurance cards were taken.

• Feb. 26: An arrest of Fuquan Wertz on warrants was made by Union police at a motor vehicle stop at Gregory and Oakland Avenues.

• Feb. 26: Police arrested Tera Savage for possession with intent and various related drug charges at a motor vehicle stop.

• Feb. 26: Igor Xavier was arrested for possession of CDS by Union police at a motor vehicle stop on Vauxhall Road.

• Feb. 27: Union police arrested five juveniles and Karsene Irman on Valley Street for criminal trespass and possession of CDS.

• Feb. 27: An arrest was made at a motor vehicle stop by police of Robert Coleman on Oakwood Parkway for possession of CDS.

• Feb. 28: Police arrested Ceferino Sanchez during a motor vehicle stop on 1721 Morris Ave. for possession of CDS.

• Feb. 29: Union police arrested Joseph Romano during a motor vehicle stop on Galloping Hill Road for possession of CDS paraphernalia.

• Feb. 29: Police responded to a robbery at 995 Morris Ave. A bank was robbed by a heavyset black male, who wore a black hoodie and

blue jeans. No weapon was shown. He was later observed on surveillance video entering a vehicle and fleeing. The suspect's gloves were found nearby.

• March 1: Kevin Horne was arrested by Union police at 1055 Hudson St. for shoplifting, criminal mischief and obstruction.

Roselle Park

• Feb. 21: Patrolman Nicholas Vaughan arrested Damien Cippon, 23, of Lakewood, unemployed laborer, for possession of synthetic marijuana during a traffic stop. Cippon was processed at RPPD and released pending an appearance in Union County Superior Court.

• Feb. 21: Patrolman Joshua Medrano arrested Jonathan Andrade, 25, for possession of suspected marijuana during a traffic stop on Galloping Hill Road. Andrade, a pizza delivery person, was found to possess a baggie of suspected marijuana and drug paraphernalia during the stop. He was processed at RPPD and released pending an appearance in Roselle Park Municipal Court.

• Feb. 26: Patrolman Mitchell White arrested Rasheed Cooper and Ella Bryant for possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia near Gordon Street. Police Officer White stopped a 1999 Chrysler driver by Cooper for traffic violations and found him to have a suspended driver's license. A subsequent investigation revealed that Cooper, a 32-year-old forklift operator from Jersey City, and Bryant, also 32, of Jersey City, both possessed suspected marijuana and drug paraphernalia in the vehicle. Both were processed at Roselle Park Police Department pending a Roselle Park Municipal Court appearance.

• Feb. 26: Patrolman Kevin Florczak arrested Walter Cruz, 42, trade school student of Elizabeth, and James Pantini, 46, of Roselle Park, for possession of heroin and possession of syringes following a traffic stop on Locust Street. A subsequent investigation revealed that both men possessed several

syringes containing suspected heroin along with several packets containing suspected heroin in the 200 Mitsubishi that Cruz was operating. Pantini also was found to have active warrants from Newark Municipal Court. Both were processed at RPPD and later released pending a Union County Superior Court appearance.

• Feb. 26: Patrolman Gregory Polakoski arrested Wagiah Moore, 28, a nurse, of Chestnut Street, Roselle Park, for possessing marijuana in her apartment. Police were called to the apartment building for a report of a suspicious odor in the hallway. The subsequent investigation revealed that Moore had been smoking suspected marijuana in her apartment. She was arrested and processed at RPPD, then released pending an appearance in Roselle Park Municipal Court.

• Feb. 26: A resident of Warren Avenue reported that the tires of his vehicle were slashed sometime Sunday afternoon. The vehicle had been parked on the 200 block of Filbert Street.

• Feb. 27: A resident of Columbus Place reported that she received an unsolicited phone call from an individual identifying himself as an employee of Public Service Electric and Gas Co. She reported that the man demanded an immediate payment in order to avoid a cancellation of service. The resident was directed by the caller to buy a "Moneypak" cash card and provide him with the access code. The resident followed the directions provided by the caller and gave him the code for the \$200 cash card she purchased for the payment. A subsequent call to PSEG by the resident revealed that the caller was not an employee or an authorized representative. The matter is now being investigated by Det. Richard Cooca.

• Feb. 27: a resident of Willow Avenue reported the theft of construction equipment. The victim, a building contractor, reported that he left a portable cement mixer and a tile cutter at a job site on the 500 block of West Webster Avenue for the past few weeks. The equipment was stored in the fenced rear yard when he last saw them. The value of the stolen equipment is listed at \$1,800.

Rahway

• Feb. 27: A theft reported at Woodbridge Road was investigated by Rahway primary officers, Misael Curebelo and Daniel Dalbero.

• Feb. 27: Primary Officer Richard Pannone responded to a report of a suspicious event of a theft on Pinewood Street.

• Feb. 27: A report was made of a theft on Campbell Street. Officer Marcus Giammetta investigated.

• Feb. 27: Rahway Police Officer Joseph Bost responded to a report of a theft at St. George Avenue.

IN MEMORIAM

- APPOLITO — Peter Jr., formerly of Springfield; Feb. 29.
 BEIDLEMAN — Michael D., formerly of Linden; Feb. 8.
 BILANIN — Joseph Jr., formerly of Linden; Feb. 27.
 BOWLBY — Betty Jeanette Rodler, formerly of Mountainside; Feb. 29.
 BRIDGEFORD — Otis L., of Hillside; Feb. 26.
 BRYANT — Frances, of Rahway; Feb. 25.
 BUSSICULO — Harriet R., formerly of Hillside, Roselle; March 2.
 CALVIN — Edwin F., formerly of Clark; Feb. 25.
 CAPORASO — Anthony W., formerly of Summit; Feb. 28.
 CONDE — Jose, of Hillside; Feb. 28.
 COSTA — Elizabeth A., of Linden; Feb. 29.
 COVIELLO — Joseph Rocco, formerly of Summit; Feb. 28.
 DAWID — Bruno "Barney," of Rahway; Feb. 26.
 DeSENA — Phillip A., of Union; Feb. 29.
 DiRUGGIERO — Elise Marie, of Summit; Feb. 8.
 DISANO — Jennie, of Roselle Park; Feb. 26.
 DURNER — Anthony "Tony," of Linden; Feb. 27.
 GELBARD — Maria, of Mountainside; Feb. 29.
 GENTEMPO — Frank J., of Union; March 4.
 HALPERN — Eva, of Springfield; March 1.
 HOLENCZAK — Mary L., of Linden; March 3.
 JOHNSON — Eleanor Grace, formerly of Union; Feb. 22.
 KOCH — Dolores Ann, of Linden; March 1.
 KOLODENY — Helen, of Roselle Park; March 1.
 KOZELL — Mary, of Rahway; Feb. 26.
 LARKIN — Jean Paul Sr., formerly of Summit; Feb. 27.
 LUTAK — Barbara A., of Roselle Park; March 3.
 MARINO — Carolyn Tuohy, formerly of Linden; Feb. 7.
 MARTORELLI — Mildred M., of Summit; Feb. 29.
 PASCALE — Viola, of Rahway; March 6.
 RADICE — Lottie, of Union; March 3.
 RAWLS — Lillie, of Hillside; Feb. 23.
 RICE — Norma Joyce, formerly of Clark; Feb. 13.
 RIDENTE — Lynn S., of Cranford; Feb. 27.
 RILEY — Rosemary "May," formerly of Roselle Park; Feb. 28.
 RIVERA-VEGA — Carlos, of Union; Feb. 26.
 SCATURO — Frances, of Cranford; Feb. 28.
 SEKAC — John M. Jr., of Roselle; Feb. 27.
 SMALL — Josie, of Springfield; Feb. 29.
 TOMICH — Stella (Sozin), of Union; Feb. 28.
 VALDIVIA — Daniel M., of Linden; Feb. 26.
 VARGA — Concetta "Connie," of Mountainside; Feb. 28.
 WALANO — Anthony C. Jr., of Union; March 2.
 WALKER — William Fox, of Roselle; Feb. 28.
 WILLIAMS — Howard J., of Roselle; Feb. 28.

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OBITUARIES

Lottie Radice

Lottie Radice died peacefully on March 3, 2012, at Fellowship Village in Basking Ridge, N.J. She was 100.

Born in New York, NY, she lived in Newark and East Orange and then Union NJ for 50 years. She moved to Basking Ridge in 2008.

She was a Homemaker. Her family will remember her as a loving wife, mother and grandmother.

She was predeceased by her husband of almost 70 years, Charles M. and her sisters Helen Vackner and Stephanie Maneri.

Survivors include her son Charles Radice, Jr. and his wife Teresa of Bernardsville, four granddaughters Donna Smith of Aliso Viejo, CA,

Laura Young of Hampstead, NC, Gina Panas of Montville, NJ and Linda Sweeney of Chesterfield, VA. She is also survived by her 8 great grandchildren Nathan, Hanah, Skylar, Sienna, Ryan, Kyle, Briana and Leah.

Visiting Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at the Bailey Funeral Home, 8 Hilltop Rd., Mendham, N.J. Funeral Mass was Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at Joseph Church, Mendham. Interment Graceland Memorial Park, Kenilworth, N.J. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, NJ Chapter, 14 Commerce Dr., Suite 301, Cranford, NJ, 07016, in her memory, would be appreciated. www.baileyfuneralhomes.com.

Hearts and soles



Girls Scout Troop 40366 hosted a World Thinking Day Event on Feb. 24 which focused on water conservation and preservation and shoes for less fortunate girls around the globe. The troop held a Soul4Souls shoe drive in Livingston Elementary School and collected over 250 pairs of shoes.

Linden police to send a message

In an effort to make Linden's streets safer for pedestrians the Linden Police Department says they will begin an aggressive enforcement education campaign.

Beginning last week Linden Police Department has been randomly but aggressively enforcing traffic laws related to pedestrian safety.

This program consists of several officers, some possibly in plain clothes acting as decoys. They will cross the streets in areas where there have been a rash of auto-pedestrian crashes.

Since October 2011 there have been six crashes involving pedestrians that were struck by vehicles in the area surrounding the Linden train station. Two resulted in fatalities. "The Linden Police Department has seen too many auto-ped crashes recently. We plan on engaging in a campaign to end this trend immediately. The public will most definitely see a large police presence in the area of Wood Ave., specifically around the Linden train station," a police official said.

Beginning on April 1, 2010 the

law in New Jersey changed for motorists who come upon a pedestrian in a crosswalk.

Motorists must stop for a pedestrian in a marked cross walk. The prior version required only the vehicle to yield. The penalties for violating this statute will be two points and a \$200 fine. Insurance surcharges and/or community service can also be levied upon violators.

Pedestrians are also warned to follow the law. All pedestrians must use crosswalks and obey pedestrian signals at signalized intersections or face a \$54 fine.

In addition to issuing summonses the Linden Police Department will also be handing out fliers in an effort to educate the pedestrians and motorists of these laws and how they are designed to make the streets more safe for everyone involved.

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THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A FLOOD HAZARD AREA HARDSHIP EXCEPTION

Regarding NJDEP Division of Land Use Regulation Permit Application for a Flood Hazard Area Hardship Exception for property within the PSE&G West Orange-Metuchen Right-of-Way for a project known as the North Central Reliability Project traversing the following municipalities:

West Orange Township, Livingston Township, Roseland Borough, Florham Park Borough, Chatham Borough, Chatham Township, New Providence Borough, Berkeley Heights Township, Watchung Borough, Scotch Plains Township, Fanwood Borough, Clark Township, Edison Township, and Metuchen Borough

SPECIFIC NOTICE REGARDING THE FLOOD HAZARD AREA HARDSHIP EXCEPTION

This letter is to notify you that an application for a flood hazard area hardship exception will be submitted to the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department). The Department regulates construction within flood hazard areas and riparian zones adjacent to certain waters. A flood hazard area permit is required for this project because some or all of the work is proposed in a flood hazard area or in a riparian zone.

The applicant's contact information is:

Public Service Electric and Gas Company
Delivery Projects and Construction
4000 Hadley Road, Mail Code 430
South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080
Attention: Raymond A. Tripodi, P.E., P.P. – Manager, Transmission Permitting
Telephone: 908-412-7699

Due to the unique size, linear nature and scope of the proposed transmission line upgrade project, hardship exceptions under N.J.A.C. 7:13-9.8 are also being requested for the following:

- Regulated activities not in compliance with the Permit-by-rule at N.J.A.C. 7:13-7.2(c)1. The proposed limit of disturbance associated with the replacement of several towers will be located within 25 feet of the top of bank or edge of water in contravention to N.J.A.C. 7:13-7.2(c)1i regarding the placement of utility poles or towers relative to such features.
- Regulated activities in riparian zones pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:13-10.2. The total area of riparian zone disturbance exceeds the allowable limits associated with some of the temporary access road stream crossings, as per the regulations.
- Regulated activities within floodways, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:13-10.3(b)1. A limited number of above ground structures must unavoidably be located within the floodway to maintain the transmission line alignment that was established based on a rigorous route selection process.
- Regulated activities in the flood fringe, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:13-10.4 as a limited number of proposed structures are unavoidably located in the flood fringe to maintain the transmission line alignment that was established based on a rigorous route selection process.
- Compensation for proposed flood fringe and floodway towers where the zero percent net fill cannot be achieved, because no other tower placement option is feasible and no adverse impacts will result on adjacent environmentally sensitive properties.
- Definition of "temporary" as it applies to the projected duration of the proposed temporary construction access roads and stream crossings; as portions of the proposed project cannot be completed within the six month limit for temporary projects that is defined in N.J.A.C. 7:13-1.2 based on the project's overall size and scope.

If you have any comments or questions regarding this application, please write to the Department at the following address:

Attn: Engineering Supervisors for Essex, Middlesex, Morris, Somerset and Union Counties
State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Land Use Regulation
Mail Code 501-02A
Division of Land Use Regulation
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
P.O. Box 420
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0420

Your comments must be sent within 15 calendar days this notice's publication to ensure that the Department will be able to consider your concerns during its review of this application. You can submit comments after this date but the Department may not be able to address your concerns. You can also contact the Department by telephone at (609) 292-0060 and can obtain general information about the flood hazard area program at the following website: www.nj.gov/dep/landuse.

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A senior moment: Keeping the fight alive

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They dropped the ball on this and they know it," he added.

"I put my heart and soul into this," Runfola said softly, his clear blue eyes reflecting the frustration that has mounted over the years.

While saddened by what he learned, this senior quickly recovers the feisty streak that still fuels his mission that extends beyond the boundaries of the county and even state. He questions where billions of dollars allocated for senior citizens throughout the country have gone.

"I went to all the politicians, told them what I found and not one said this is good, let me help you," he added.

But although this frustration continued to build as he attempted to get someone to listen to him, it has only served to spur him on more.

"I have contacted six politicians asking for help to enhance the lives of the seniors throughout the state. The seniors have been waiting since 1965 to get mandated county senior centers. The funding for these senior

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— Peter Runfola

centers started in 1965 and continued through 2011. Where did the \$48 billion dollars of funding for county seniors go?" he asked.

The Hillside resident points out that baby boomers, born between 1946 and 1964, are approaching retirement age. When that trend peaks in 2030, he said, the number of people over the age of 65 will soar to 7.5 million, or one in every five Americans. This is twice the number in 2000, according to Maturing America: Getting Communities on Track for an Aging Population, which was published by the National Association of Area Agencies.

Runfola said he alerted the county to the influx of baby boomers and the need for

multi-purpose senior centers for the present senior population, but was rebuffed.

"In their infinite wisdom back in 2001 and 2004 they found the present seniors did not need a multi-purpose center and that baby boomers would move out of the United States when they retire," he said, admitting he thought this was "just ridiculous."

Runfola is no stranger to hard work. He started the first chapter of the Make a Wish Foundation Elizabeth, retiring after nine years with this organization. An admitted rebel who refused to take no for an answer, Runfola strongly believes the county needs to form a Senior Advisory Committee "to see what they are doing for us."

So far, though, he hit another one of those brick walls that has plagued his mission from the start. Yet this former Korean War veteran who has lived in Hillside since 1967 and is 100 percent disabled, fully intends to push forward. Regardless how many doors close in his face.

"As the founder and president of the Retirement Clubs of New Jersey, I have spent the last four years alerting our public

officials of the wants and needs of our senior population. My letters have been courteous, informative and truthful. Our research of facts is relatively straightforward. Each public official was offered an opportunity to display compassion for our social, recreational, physical and intellectual health. They refused to help," Runfola said.

Just this week, Runfola said he is working to establish a Coalition for Senior Citizens to represent their interests in the county and state level.

"We would elect representatives who would then go to the county and state level to ensure seniors get what they are entitled to receive," he said.

Anyone interested in joining or helping the coalition may contact Runfola at peteyrun@aol.com.

Asked if he thinks the coalition will come to pass, Runfola gives a broad smile, blue eyes twinkling with mischief.

"What do you think?" he asked. And then he added, "As long as I'm still breathing, I'll be working as hard as I can, God willing."

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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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Please address changes to:

Connie Sloan
1291 Stuyvesant Ave. P.O. Box 1596
Union, N.J. 07083

New initiative aimed at active-duty personnel

Last week, Freeholder Chairman Alexander Mirabella announced the launch of his initiative to honor Union County's active duty military personnel. The new Complimentary Parks Program provides service members and their immediate family members with the opportunity to register for a card providing a number of complimentary passes to the County's recreation programs and facilities.

All those eligible for the program can begin sign up at County facilities in Elizabeth and Westfield.

"This is a way of offering our heartfelt appreciation for the sacrifices that these Union County residents have made, and continue to make, in order to protect and defend us all," said Mirabella in a release.

The program is part of Mirabella's initiatives for 2012, entitled "Putting People First." Additionally for veterans, Mirabella announced the county would do a summer concert appreciation night.

"While we continue to mark national holidays set aside for remembrance, we also felt that it was important to show our appreciation in ways that weave into the fabric of life in Union County, and the popularity of our recreation

programs gives us the opportunity to do that," said Mirabella.

The Complimentary Parks Program provides active-duty service members and their families with a limited number of complimentary passes to eight recreation programs: admission to Wheeler Pool or Ulrich swimming pool, ice skating at Warinanco Skating Center, horseback riding at Watchung Stables, Pitch and Putt at Ash Brook Golf Course, Hay Ride and Campfire event at Trailside Nature and Science Center, Wednesday matinee at Trailside Nature and Science Center, a large bucket of balls at the driving range at Galloping Hill, and a safety class at the archery range at Oak Ridge Park.

Participants are provided with a punch card that enables them to keep track of their use of the program. A DOD card or CAC card is required for registration.

To register for the program and obtain a punchcard, active-duty military personnel or a family member can visit the Union County Administration Building, Department of Parks and Community Renewal, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza in Elizabeth or call 908-527-4900; or in Westfield, visit Union County Public Safety Complex, Parks Reservation Desk, 300 North Ave. or call 908-654-9805.



Mark Kluczyk of Union was honored with the Civilian Valor Award on Feb. 28 at a township committee meeting for removing a resident from her burning home on Meister Avenue in Union. Using a ladder he found in the back yard, Kluczyk was able to rescue the woman from a rear window of the home.



Man honored for heroic deed

On Feb. 28, Mark Kluczyk of Union was honored with the Civilian Valor Award during the Township Committee meeting for his heroic act removing the resident, Nicole Corto of 2763 Meister Ave., Union, by ladder from her burning home.

On Jan. 31 at 9:20 a.m., the Union Fire Department responded to multiple 9-1-1 calls about a house fire at the Meister Avenue address. After arriving, firefighters and police officers found a home well engulfed in fire and smoke. The two-alarm fire caused heavy fire damage to the entire house before being brought under control at 10:09 a.m.

"If it wasn't for the heroic actions and quick thinking by Mr. Kluczyk, the victim would have sustained much greater injuries or death," said Mayor Joseph Florio. "The Township of Union is very grateful for his selfless act."

Kluczyk found a 20-foot ladder in the victim's yard. He placed the ladder up against the

back of the house, went up the ladder, pulled the victim from the burning house and helped her safely back down to the ground.

"I commend Mr. Kluczyk for his unselfish action and personal courage that was beyond the expectation of any citizen," said Fire Commissioner Suzette Cavadas. "His quick actions and disregard for his own safety saved his neighbor's life and I commend him for his heroic actions."

The sole occupant of the home, Corto, was on the second floor when the fire started. She was unable to make it down the stairs due to the heat and smoke conditions; she found a bedroom window, opened it and screamed for help.

"I wasn't supposed to be at home, I had to be at work at the time," said Kluczyk. "I wasn't thinking. I was shocked that no one heard her screaming since she was on the other side of the block. I'm just glad I was there."

Corto was admitted to St. Barnabas Hospital for smoke inhalation and has since recovered.

Union's 'Woman of Excellence' honored

Union resident Helen Genova, Ph.D. research scientist at Kessler Foundation, received a Women of Excellence Award in Health Sciences from the Union County Commission on the Status of Women.

In the Foundation's Neuropsychology and Neuroscience Laboratory, she investigates the effects of multiple sclerosis and traumatic brain injury on cognitive function.

"It feels wonderful to win the award," said Genova. "Professional women have so many roles to play. They have to balance motherhood, careers, home life, etc., so I'm excited to be a recipient of an award that celebrates women and values what they do."

With her first research grant from the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Genova is studying cognitive fatigue in individuals with MS. With cognitive fatigue, individuals tire easily when performing tasks that involve thinking and learning, which can adversely affect their ability to work and perform the usual activities of daily life. A second grant funds a pilot study using diffuser tensor imaging to identify whether damage to the brain's white matter correlates with cognitive decline in individuals



Helen Genova

with MS. Genova's aim is to develop more effective strategies for maintaining cognition and quality of life.

Genova and her husband, a family practitioner, reside in Union, with their two young children. Together, they organize the annual Health and Wellness Fair at their son's school. They teach about healthy lifestyles as well as tolerance and awareness of people with disabilities.

Cranford father and son team up

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He's done everything from creating sets of collectible Marilyn Monroe and Elvis Presley plates for the Bradford Exchange to illustrating covers for TV Guide. Recently, he co-founded Outlines Inc., a company that creates storyboards and animated webisodes for advertising companies.

Looking back, he's thankful that his son pestered him into coming back to his first love: comics.

"Working on 'The Protector' brought me back to being a kid again when I would draw for fun," said Notarile, 58. "It has brought back everything that I ever wanted to do and aspired to as a child. It's all come full-circle."

His son's first love is film making. Notarile bought a camera, enlisted the help of his many actors/friends and started Blinky Productions. Known as Chris .R. Notarile by his cult following, he has written, directed, produced, edited and sometimes acted in about 200 movies of various lengths and genres.

He's made dozens of fan films about every character from Catwoman to Freddy Krueger. He's also done original films, such as "The Protector," an 18-minute film shot in 2006.

The younger Notarile had gotten so used to creating movies by himself that collaborating with someone else — even if it's your dad — was difficult at first. He soon discovered that the more creative leeway he gave his dad to interpret the script, the better "The Protector" got.

For instance, his dad insisted



Photo Courtesy of Chuck O'Donnell

For his birthday, Chris Notarile's father decided to use his comic book experience and talents to illustrate his son's screenplay. And after more hard work, they now have a published comic book together.

that they add a scene where The Protector picks up a car with the getaway driver inside, shakes him out and delivers him to the police.

"He wanted to add this sequence because there needed to be a more superhero aspect to the character,"

Notarile said. "All we saw was him stop a few bullets. We need to see his strength, see him fly, see him be bad-ass. It was a great idea."

For more information about "The Protector," log on to hound-comics.com.

Scanlon plans her retirement

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recent global recession," said DeFilippo, herself a former Union County Freeholder.

Mirabella, who was originally elected to the board with Scanlon in 1997, said he would miss his long-time running-mate.

"I was truly blessed to have someone as honorable and decent as Debbie to run for public office with," said Mirabella. "She has really distinguished herself as someone who cares a great deal about Union County. She is an honest public servant who always did her best. Beyond being colleagues and running mates we are friends, and that is what means the most to me."

Scanlon said serving on the board was a "fantastic experience" and said she would greatly miss the county employees and department heads she has worked with. She thanked her colleagues on the Board and DeFilippo for their support.

Scanlon was born and raised in Summit and moved to Union in 1983. Scanlon is a former member

of the Union Township Board of Education. She is married to Patrick Scanlon, a former member of the Union Township Committee.

Scanlon served as Chairman of the Board of Freeholders in 2003 and again in 2011. In 2003, she led the creation of the Committee on Homeland Security, a comprehensive County wide program that prioritized the safety of Union County families.

In 2011, Scanlon initiated the production of a free educational DVD on cyber safety and cyberbullying in partnership with the Prosecutor's office.

While many memorable things have happened during her 15 years in office, Scanlon said her favorite achievement may be her involvement in the Open Space Trust Fund, which preserves green space and historic sites and builds playgrounds.

"The open space program is something I'm particularly proud of," she said, recalling how the creation of the fund was put to the public as a ballot question the same year she was running for her sec-

ond term.

"The positive response to the question on the ballot was overwhelming," Scanlon said.

Scanlon served as chair of the fund several times and said she is proud to have saved land that would have been used to build housing and strip malls.

Looking back, Scanlon said there was nothing she would have done differently. She said the county government has been "really on top of things."

"All in all, I think we were relatively successful," she said. "Certainly no regrets."

Scanlon said she did not put in enough years and is not old enough to be eligible for a pension.

Scanlon said following her retirement she hopes to remain active in county government in some capacity, perhaps on a non-paid advisory board.

She is looking forward to having time off and hopes to do some travelling, though she has no specific destinations in mind yet.

"Anywhere that a cruise ship goes," she said.

PROJECT CHILD FIND

The Hillside Public School District is seeking to locate, identify and evaluate resident children who are in need of special education and related services, including pre-school children (3-5) with disabilities, children attending public or non-public schools and highly mobile students, such as migrant workers' children and homeless children, regardless of the severity of their disabilities. Parents with concerns should contact Dr. Sandy Mercedes, Interim Supervisor of Special Services (908) 352-7664 X8448 before May 11, 2012.

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Summit Playhouse gives Miller all it's got

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

When a theater — whether it be on Broadway or as part of a community, such as the Summit Playhouse — is determined to present an Arthur Miller play, it must invariably surround itself with top quality performers. Otherwise, it can be a lost cause, since any and every Miller drama instinctively requires the creme de la creme of actors — and directors.

And the Summit Playhouse, in its 94th season's 302nd stage production, "All My Sons," has come through with flying colors.

In addition to taking the responsibility of selecting such a difficult play, in which the characters practically turn themselves inside out emotionally, the entire playhouse has further honored itself. And with great success, may we remind the public, thanks to producers Justine Bailey and Julia Frieri, and director Sherrie Ahlin.

On Friday evening, patrons crowded the theater in a torrential rain to participate in a fund-raising evening for Pathways, which provides support, education and wellness programs for women with cancer and breast cancer survivors.

The story in "All My Sons" concerns two partners, Joe Keller and Steve Deever, who owned a machine shop, which made airplane parts during World War II, and which allowed defective parts to be shipped to the Air Force, which eventually caused the deaths of



Photo Courtesy of Chase Newhart Photography

Characters from the Summit Playhouses production of Arthur Miller's 'All My Sons' discuss the serious tragedy of defective airplanes and who might be at fault. 'All My Sons' will continue its run through Friday and Saturday.

young airmen. One of the partners, Steve Deever, was imprisoned, while the other, Joe Keller, became a wealthy businessman; he denied giving his partner permission to send out the defective airplane parts.

The play begins in the late 1940s in the backyard of the Keller home in a small town. Keller and

his wife, Kate, appear to be hopeful that one of their two sons, a pilot, is still alive after years of his disappearance.

Their other son, Chris, now a business partner with his father, happens to be in love with his brother's fiancée, Ann Deever — and she, with him. She has come to the Keller home for a visit, much to

the discomfort of the Kellers. And it isn't long before Ann's furiously angry brother, George, following a visit to his father in prison, where he learned the tragic truth, arrives at the Kellers, to bring his sister home, and away from all the misery caused by Joe Keller.

Leave it to playwright Miller to exact every bare emotion from his

characters in so powerful a drama. And the actors at the Summit Playhouse indeed do him justice; particularly, Hank Barre, whose extraordinary performance as Joe Keller, as difficult as it may seem, reaches deep into the heart of the audience.

The others in the cast are truly exceptional. FJ DeRobertis portrays Chris Keller with fierce misgivings. Donne Petito, as Joe's wife, Kate, gives a strong performance as a faithful wife and a sorrowful mother. Alicia Harabin is convincing as Ann Deever, who swallows her pride by actually showing up. Peter Curley as Ann's brother, George, a confused and accusing, angry young man, is truly frightening.

And the excellent supporting cast, neighbors of the Kellers, include David Hoffman, Claire McKenney-Mulhern, Robert Barwick, Eve Cannon and Troy Droustis.

Ahlin is to be complimented for a difficult, but more than competent job, of holding "All My Sons" together — for Miller's powerfully emotional plays and even more complicated characters can be distressing to a director. But Ahlin had the courage to hold on to the reins and present one of the best of Miller's works, intact.

"All My Sons" will continue its exciting run through March 9 and 10. And a theatergoer need not be a Miller fan to attend so important a drama; as long as one does not miss so memorable an experience.

Around the garden in 80 days, with a hedge trimmer

In 1883, author Jules Verne wrote "Around the World in Eighty Days," sending the fictional Phileas Fogg off to circumnavigate the globe in just under three months. That feat, though daring at the time, was small compared to the one I must pull off in my garden in the 80 days before an upcoming garden tour.

Fogg had trains, ships and elephants at his disposal, not to mention his invaluable servant Passepartout. I have two hands and a basketful of garden tools. Fogg stood to win 20,000 pounds if he got back to England in the allotted time. I will win the satisfaction of knowing that I didn't make a fool of myself in front of friends and neighbors.

The difference between Fogg and me is that he was willing to do almost anything for a large reward.

The Gardener's Apprentice

By Elisabeth Ginsburg

I am willing to do almost anything for nothing.

We had a mild fall and winter which meant that plants with rapacious tendencies kept on growing until very late fall, and started growing once again in January. The old French rose, Gloire de Dijon, that resides on the south side of the lot, has invaded nearby spaces in a way that would have made Napoleon proud. Under normal circumstances, the canes can grow to 16 feet long. Some of mine

are clearly overachievers.

When I installed the rose, I thought those canes would look lovely trained on a sturdy metal obelisk. I knew they would eventually get to the top of the obelisk, at which time they would cascade down and creep artistically along the ground. I forgot to mention that vision to Gloire de Dijon, which overwhelmed the obelisk, took off in all directions and was about to launch a take-no-prisoners attack on the neighbors' driveway.

I thwarted that nefarious plan with my clippers, but I may never get all the prickles out of my fingers. I need to replace my shredded garden gloves and invest in a large, metal arch so that the rose can fulfill its unlimited-growth potential without danger to nearby cars or people.

Just out of Gloire de Dijon's

reach are four rose of Sharon shrubs that I installed to mark the boundary of the property. They are beautiful in mid-to-late summer, but are almost as thuggish as Gloire de Dijon. As a general rule, when the soil is good and the gardener is lazy, plants will take advantage of the situation.

This happened with the roses of Sharon, which went untrimmed last year. Now they are quite woody at the bases and gangly at the tops. I am in the process of taming them so that when they leaf out later this spring they will be full and thick instead of tall and sparse. The work with the loppers and pruning saw has only just begun, but already I have enough bundles of branches to start a good-sized bonfire — if such a thing were legal and I was so inclined. It is a pity that I don't have the skills to use some of those

branches to build an arch for Gloire de Dijon.

Just across the path from the rampant rose and the overblown roses of Sharon, is a sweet autumn clematis, another plant fully deserving of a place in some horticultural rogue's gallery. At the moment, the sweet autumn clematis is disguised as an innocent tangle of delicate dried stems. You have to look very closely to see that last year it insinuated itself onto the lower branches of the neighboring 20-foot holly tree, and climbed all the way to the top without even breaking a sweat.

Right now, the tangle of clematis stems, collected from ground level and yanked out of the holly, looks like a tumbleweed. It is going to the compost pile, but I am positive that when the plant resumes

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'Esteem Engine' moves full speed ahead

Ron Johnson of Maplewood has written more than a colorfully illustrated children's book. It is an inspirational piece of work that can enhance the hopes and dreams of youngsters of all ages while being an entertaining page turner. In the meantime, there is an important lesson to be taught and to be learned, within these pages. Simply, but emphatically.

The book is called "The Esteem Engine," and its subtitle is "I Can Be Who I Am." It has attractive illustrations by Kenny Velez of a variety of children and adults, with personal problems, but especially of a piece of junk train that is aided and assisted to become streamlined.

Johnson, who began writing the book back in 2005, while he was working full time in New York as a ratings analyst of bonds, said, during a recent visit, he was "inspired by my wife, Pat, and my daughter, Sage. The words, 'esteem' and 'engine,' popped into my mind, which made me think of a train and the people around me. The people in the book are all based on people I actually know. And they all have significant roles in this book. Actually," he added, "a children's book came to mind, and instead of me telling a story, the story was telling me."

Johnson first introduces his interesting characters, the train's conductor, Spanish Senor Rivera, who daydreams about the early days of the once rusty and forgotten train; the Jewish Mr. B, who helped create and turn it into a beautiful train, called "The Esteem Engine," and the four children, who originally mistreated the "creepy" train by slapping on cruel graffiti. The trouble-making children are "busybody" Enta2tah, "artistic eyed" Mood Ring, the "shy" Hoi Tsing,

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By Bea Smith



and the "musically rhythmic" Benny Bebop.

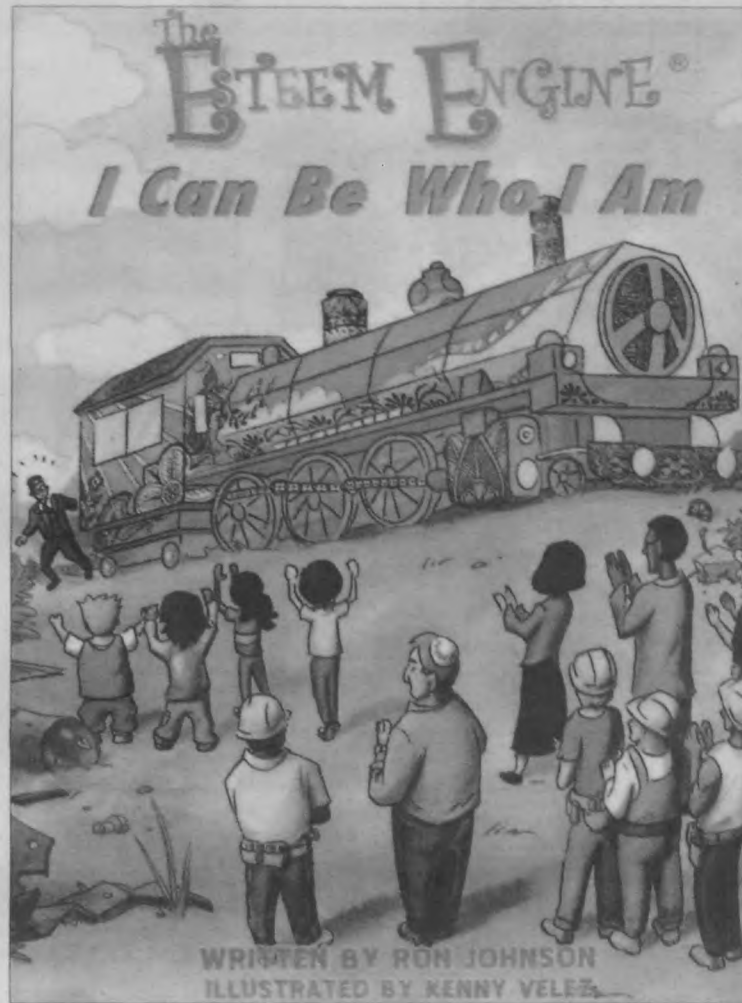
The other characters in the book, who are helpful in creating a smooth-running, computer train from a piece of iron junk, are friends of Senor Rivera, Dr. Okele and Ms. Connie, plus a computer scientist, Professor Etcetera.

Although only Senor Rivera can have a conversation with the Esteem Engine, in the long run, Professor Etcetera produces a brain helmet that can arrange for all the characters in the book to "talk" to the train.

Interestingly, all of the characters in the book learn to have self esteem and to live life on the right track.

Youngsters have much to learn about the importance of self esteem in Johnson's text throughout this splendid book while enjoying the drawings and the bright colorful illustrations, particularly of the attractive train.

As for the illustrations, Johnson explained that "I did an internet search for an illustrator, and I came across people who had graduated from the New York School of Visual Arts. That's the top school for illustrators and artists. I fell in love with Kenny Velez's work, and before long, we were working together. In fact, he illustrated four other books that I had written and that have the same characters as this book."



The new book from local author Ron Johnson

Johnson, who was born in Macon, Ga., has a degree in accounting and a master's degree in business administration from Morehouse College in Atlanta. He spent more than a year in the Peace Corps, serving in Paraguay before coming to New Jersey in 2003.

"I wanted to see the world," he recalled. "And I love the Spanish language. I worked in business development with farm cooperatives."

Right now, as proprietor of a business called The Right Track and author of "The Esteem Engine," Johnson mentioned that "I am in the process of developing a television series called 'Right Track Village.' It is similar to 'Sesame Street.' Passengers get on a train to tell stories on how they have overcome some tragedies in their lives through having a healthier self-esteem and the characteristic values and life skills to over-

come that adversity. It will be set in Newark, but the name of the city will be Right Track Village, actually shown on the cover of my book."

He said that this was so important to him that "I submitted a proposal to the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Producing Commission to attract people to New Jersey to do the work of making a television series, films — Hollywood wants people there, well New Jersey wants people here."

Johnson beamed. "They loved the idea because of the purpose and the vision and the mission of my company, 'The Esteem Engine Inc.' The vision is to put an end to poor academic performance, poverty and crime. A child at a time. And we want to do that by nurturing children, their values, life skills, self-esteem in pre-school and elementary school-age children living in low income, urban communities. We want to generate a new generation of adults who are positive and productive. And it all comes to the children's books, the television series, entertaining games and other activities that children would enjoy. Actually," Johnson admitted, "it started with my young daughter, Sage, who had taken an interest in developing into a good human being, good self-esteem. And my company, Steam Engine Inc., which is a non-profit organization, is going to produce a show on parenting called 'Parent Avenue.'"

And as far as the handsome young author's recent book is concerned, "The Esteem Engine's" swiftly moving wheels can climb its way up this reviewer's bookcase for children and happily park itself on the shelf among the other illustrated volumes.

Charlie Daniels at UCPAC

Some may know him as that guy playing the fiddle in the Geico commercial, but to country music fans worldwide he's the one and only Charlie Daniels, Country's ultimate fiddler.

The Grammy Award-winning Daniels will bring his brand of southern rock and country to the Union County Performing Arts Center stage for the first time on March 23.

Born in Wilmington, North Carolina, Daniels was raised on a musical diet that included gospel, bluegrass, rhythm and blues, and country music. He discovered his life's passion at age 15, when Daniels bought his first guitar.

He taught himself to play by listening to early Elvis Presley songs. At age 17, he heard the riotous bluegrass of Bill Monroe and it led Daniels to try the fiddle.

One of Daniel's central themes is a Southern rock favorite — pride



Charlie Daniels

in home and country. Songs such as "In America", "The South's Gonna Do It" and "The Devil Went Down to Georgia," pay homage to the strength and courage of country folk.

Throughout his career, Daniels has resisted labels and rebelled

against everything ordinary and middle-of-the-road.

His unusual blend of styles from bluegrass to boogie found its way where country never trod before — into big-city arenas in every part of the nation.

In 2005, Daniels made a cameo appearance along with Larry the Cable Guy, Kid Rock, and Hank Williams Jr. in Gretchen Wilson's music video for the song "All Jacked Up." In 2008, Daniels fulfilled a life-long dream by being asked to become a member of the Ole Opry. Opening for The Charlie Daniels Band will be local favorite, Corey Wagar.

Don't miss The Charlie Daniels Band, presented by Rrazz Entertainment, at UCPAC located at 1601 Irving St., Rahway, March 23. Showtime is 8 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.ucpac.org or by phone at 732-499-8226.

Gardener's Apprentice

(Continued from previous page) growing in a few weeks, it will begin its skyward journey once more.

Reading the description of all of this rampant growth, you might think the south side of my garden is the size of Rhode Island. In fact, it is only about 20 percent of the total garden area. After I finish the lopping, pruning, sawing and hacking necessary to get the roses of Sharon, Gloire de Dijon and the sweet autumn clematis under control, I still have to give a dramatic haircut to the ever-vigorous privet that bounds the front garden on three sides. The butterfly bushes need to be cut back so that, by summer, they will attract butterflies, not disgusted looks from the neighbors. There are other roses that need pruning, just as soon as I get my new gloves.

It's a good thing that I became a

power-tool convert last year and bought an electric hedge trimmer. It might be the only tool that will get me around the overgrown shrubbery in less than 80 days.

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

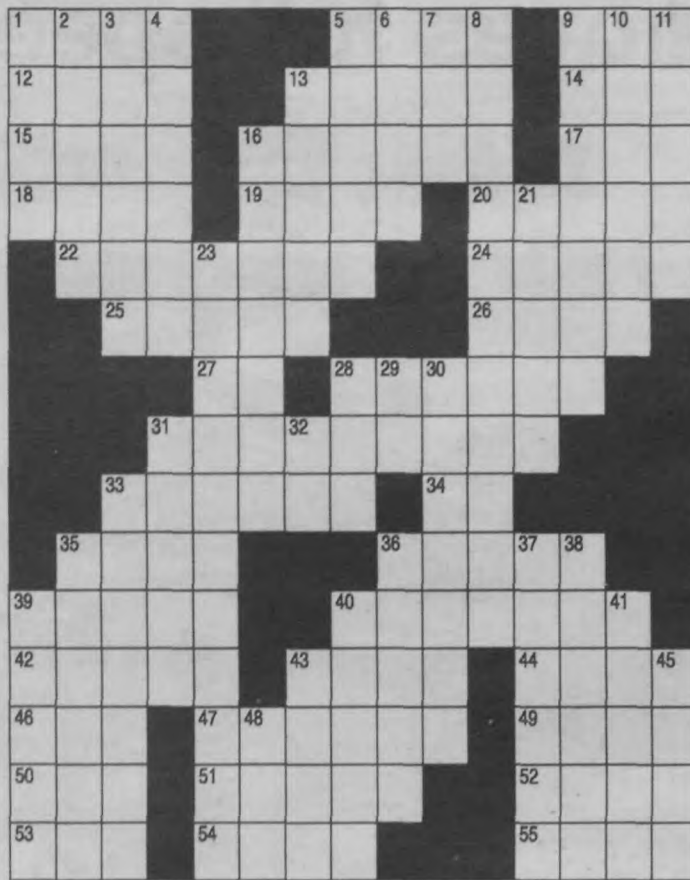
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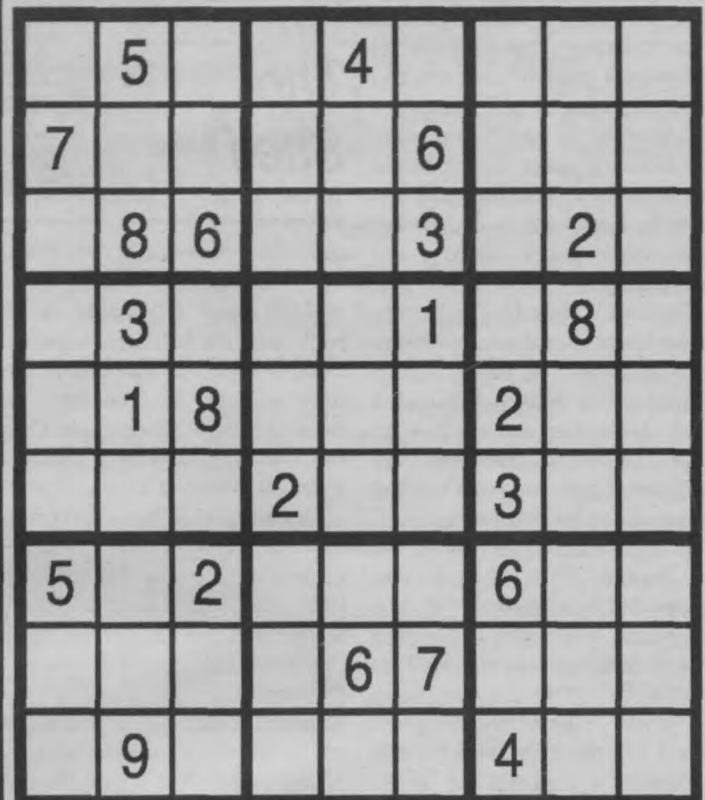
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5. Pull apart by force
9. Ancient Egyptian King
12. Missing soldiers
13. Capital of Japan
14. Diamond month (abbr.)
15. Spheres
16. Surpassing good
17. British thermal unit
18. Philippine island & seaport
19. Legally argued
20. Belonging to singer Fitzgerald
22. Bowler hats
24. Has a strong odor
25. Doyens
26. London Gallery
27. Rural delivery
28. Rods
31. Stonehenge plain
33. Withdraw from membership
34. Execute or perform
35. Central or Yellowstone
36. Municipality in Norway
39. Bay of NW Rep. of Ireland
40. Skin designs
42. Son of Jephunneh
43. Baseball's Ruth
44. Clare Booth __, Am. writer
46. Black tropical American cuckoo
47. Filled with fear or apprehension
49. 6th Jewish month
50. Wide metal vessel used in cooking
51. Make by pouring into a cast
52. Colombian city
53. Heat unit
54. Carpenter, red and army
55. Adam and Eve's garden

CLUES DOWN

1. Big man on campus
2. Made public by radio or television
3. Labelled
4. Inform positively
5. Drinks habitually
6. Supplemented with difficulty
7. SW Scottish river & port
8. American poet 1874-1963
9. Pads
10. Ingestion or intake
11. Tie up a bird before cooking
13. Bulrushes of the genus Scirpus
16. Turned rod on a spinning wheel
21. Having or covered with leaves
23. The 44th U.S. President
28. Midway between S and SE
29. Tuberculosis (abbr.)
30. Inspected accounting procedures
31. A twilled woolen fabric
32. Potato state
33. The work of a sailor
35. Involving 2 dimensions
36. Fanatical or overzealous
37. Consolation
38. Wild sheep of northern Africa
39. Erect leafless flower-bearing stalk
40. Afrikaans
41. Weighing device
43. Very dry champagne
45. Emerald Isle
48. A resident of Benin

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HOROSCOPE

March 11 to 17

ARIES, March 21 to April 20: Aries, communication is a big deal for you this week. Every time you open your mouth, you have a grand audience just waiting on what you have to say.

TAURUS, April 21 to May 21: Taurus, attempt a more lighthearted approach to a difficult situation. If you don't let it bother you, there may be an easy solution that comes to mind much faster.

GEMINI, May 22 to June 21: Gemini, don't worry if the spark seems to have sizzled out of your relationship. While there may be a bump in the road, this is by no means the end of the whole thing.

CANCER, June 22 to July 22: Cancer, have some fun at work. Just because it is a means to making money doesn't mean it has to be serious and boring every day. Be creative in your methods.

LEO, July 23 to Aug. 23: You are at the top of your game this

week, Leo. Expect to sail through projects at the speed of light. Also anticipate others turning to you for advice because of the vibe you give.

VIRGO, Aug. 24 to Sept. 22: Don't expect others to be mind readers, Virgo. If you have something to say, simply say it. It is better than going through the guessing game of your feelings.

LIBRA, Sept. 23 to Oct. 23: Libra, the simple act of expressing yourself will ease any personal issues you are keeping inside. Talking about things can help you feel more secure, as well.

SCORPIO, Oct. 24 to Nov. 22: Scorpio, focus on keeping yourself in great shape. Feeling under the weather can be taxing on the body and the spirit. Eat healthy and get more exercise.

SAGITTARIUS, Nov. 23 to Dec. 21: Sagittarius, taking time to notice your feelings can go a long way toward mitigating stress and bringing peace of mind. It also cre-

ates other opportunities to relax. **CAPRICORN**, Dec. 22 to Jan. 20: Capricorn, focus on fitness as the warm weather is once again right around the corner. You'll want to look and feel your best when it comes time to enjoy the great outdoors.

AQUARIUS, Jan. 21 to Feb. 18: Aquarius, don't fret too much over a situation that's been troubling you. Realizing the situation is a great first step. Now seek the help of others to determine a solution.

PISCES, Feb. 19 to March 20: You may notice changes to your home life, Pisces, and it may be causing anxiety. The celestial plane is creating the turmoil.

Famous folks' birthdays

March 11, Thora Birch, actress, 30. March 12, Frank Catalano, saxophonist, 34. March 13, William H. Macy, actor, 62. March 14, Zac Hanson, singer, 29. March 15, Eva Longoria, actress, 37. March 16, Flavor Flav, rapper, 53. March 17, Gary Sinise, actor, 57.



Hearty Casserole

This wonderful casserole goes well with chops or chicken.

POTATO PIE

Ingredients

- 8 Idaho potatoes peeled, boiled and mashed
- 1/2 stick plus 2 tbsp. butter
- 1 cup milk
- 1 cup diced, cooked ham, such as deli ham
- 1 ball fresh mozzarella, cubed
- 1/2 cup Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese
- 1/2 cup chopped Italian parsley
- 1/4 cup seasoned breadcrumbs

Method

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- Mash the potatoes with the milk and 1/2 stick of butter.
- Season with salt and pepper.
- Add the ham, cheeses and parsley, mixing together well.
- Place the mixture in a greased casserole dish, dot the top with the remaining 2 tbsp. butter and sprinkle with the breadcrumbs.
- Bake 20 to 25 minutes until the top is bubbly.

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.

Dayton, Summit impress Hoop teams reach finals

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Reaching a sectional championship game in basketball is not easy at all. Teams, no matter how good they are, have to win three games to get there.

Give the Dayton boys' and Summit girls' credit for reaching sectional championship games once more.

Dayton almost repeated as champions in North 2, Group 1, falling at home to Newark University 71-64 in overtime Monday night in Springfield.

Dayton beat University 51-50 at home in last year's title contest en route to reaching the Group 1 final at Rutgers.

The Bulldogs, who began 3-5, bounced back to finish 19-8 on the season. Their only other losses after eight games included a two-point setback to St. Mary's of Elizabeth in a Union County Tournament preliminary round game at Rahway and a one-point home loss to Hoboken in the week before the states began.

Dayton fashioned a 12-game winning streak in the middle of the season. The Bulldogs also finished second in the Valley Division of the Union County Conference behind champion Roselle. Dayton handed Roselle its only division loss, beating the Rams 62-57 in Roselle on Feb. 10.

Summit reached the Central Jersey, Group 2 final for the second time in three years, falling at home to Point Pleasant Boro 81-50 Monday night.

Summit lost at Shabazz in the 2010 final to finish 23-4.

This year's squad had an outstanding year, finishing 23-6. Summit began 2-3 after losing its first game in January.

Summit produced a seven-game winning streak before falling to Roselle Catholic a second time in UCC-Watchung Division play. The Hilltoppers then won nine in a row, including a UCT quarterfinal round victory over Roselle Catholic at Rahway. That was the first time Summit defeated RC in six tries since the formation of the UCC two years ago.

• NJSIAA Tournament wrestling coverage on Pages 24 and 25.



Photo by JR Parachini

The Cranford girls' basketball team, lifted by the play of junior Mairead McKeary who is at the free throw line here, had a stellar season, finishing 24-5.

Cranford girls' have stellar season Basketball squad is edged in sectional semifinals

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

LONG VALLEY — Although we're talking amateur sports here, when the money was on the line, West Morris senior Shayna Ericksen came through big-time for the host Wolfpack.

In the final 33 seconds the Manhattan-bound standout blocked a shot, scored the go-ahead basket after missing a shot and grabbing her own rebound and then blocked another shot right before the buzzer to lift second-seeded West Morris to a thrilling, come-from-behind 34-32 win over third-seeded Cranford in last Friday night's North 2, Group 3 girls' basketball semifinal at West Morris.

As a result, the defending champion Wolfpack were to play at top-seeded Chatham Tuesday in the final. Chatham held on to oust 12th-seeded Warren Hills 52-48 at home in Friday night's other semifinal.

West Morris won the section for the first time last year, defeating defending champion Cranford 53-42 at home in the final. Two years ago the Wolfpack lost at home as the top seed to Somerville 59-46 in the semifinals. Chatham was the top seed last year as well, falling at home to Cranford 52-49 in double overtime in the semifinals.

Cranford is 12-5 in the state playoffs the last five seasons, with a 5-2 record on the road. Both road losses have come at West Morris.

West Morris (24-4) and Chatham (26-3) had not faced each other this season.

With Friday's semifinal tied — for the seventh and final time — at 32-32, Cranford had the ball at half court with 33.5 seconds left. Instead of working the clock, junior forward Jessica McCoy immediately drove the right side of the lane for a layup that was cleanly blocked by Erickson, who finished with six blocks and a game-high 14 points.

"I was really surprised, I thought they were going to run down the clock until they had about 10 seconds and then go," Ericksen said. "I was really nervous that they had the ball with such little time left. I'm so thankful that I got a block and didn't get a foul. It was a rough game because they (the refs) were calling a lot. I'm very grateful they didn't call it."

"In games like this you're going to win by attacking the basket and I think our girls did a really great job of doing so," Cranford head coach Jackie Dyer said.

"Some went in and some didn't."

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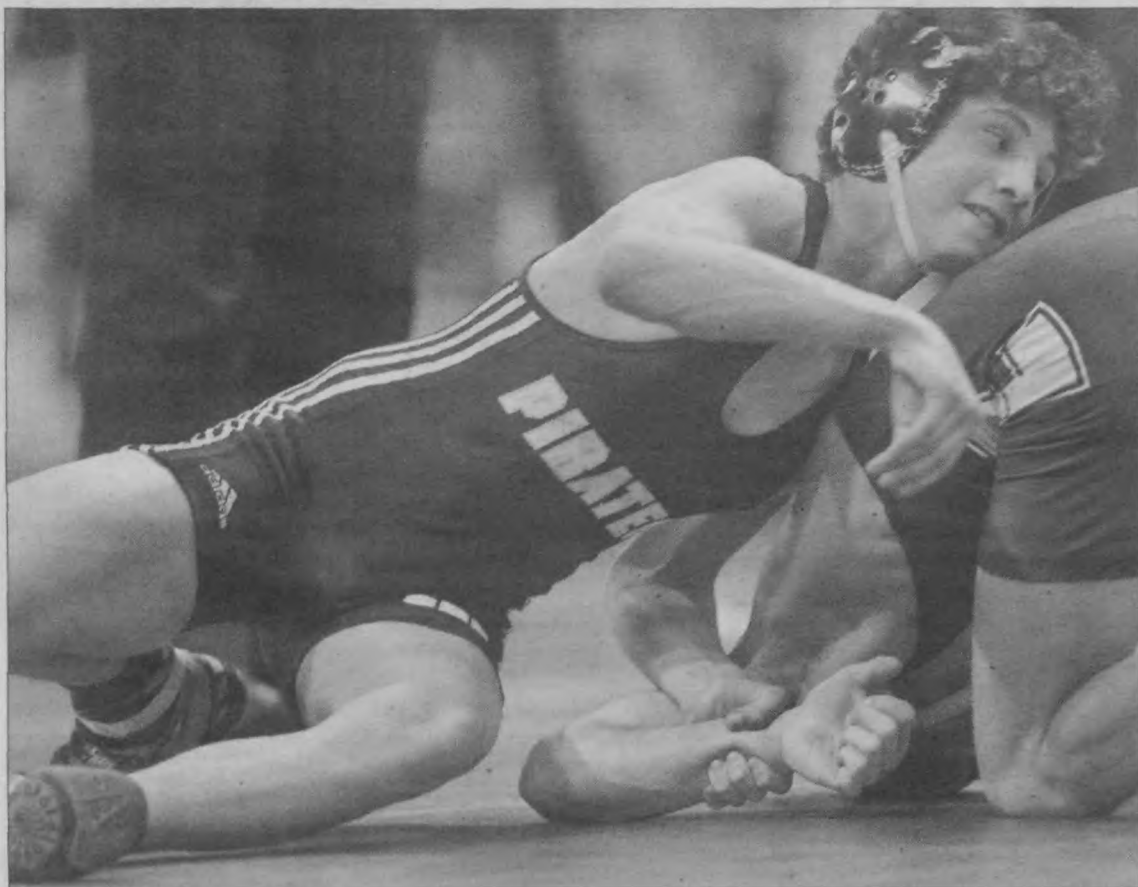


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Seton Hall Prep junior Brenden Calas of Clark captured the NJSIAA Tournament's 113-pound championship Sunday at Atlantic City's Boardwalk Hall. Calas, who was last year's state champion at 103, also captured Essex County Tournament and District 10 championships this season.

Clark resident Calas wins second straight state title

Standout wrestler the best at 113 pounds

By Steve Tober

It could be said that Seton Hall Prep's Brenden Calas is very workmanlike in his approach on the wrestling mats; however, if the formula is productive, why change a thing?

The Pirate junior, a Clark resident, displayed a real tenacity under pressure in addition to an uncanny ability to adapt to his opponents' different styles along with an undeniable will to succeed while capturing his second straight NJSIAA championship with a 3-0 decision over David McFadden of DePaul in Sunday's state tournament 113-pound final at Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City.

"The kid is just a winner!," said Jack Decker, SHP's second-year head coach. "He's a smart wrestler who can simply figure out a way to get the job done, and he did just that."

Calas, who was a runner-up in Region 3, had to win five matches over this past weekend to earn a state title. And, after missing a month earlier this season due to an elbow injury he was stronger than ever when it mattered most.

"Winning a second straight state title is a great feeling, and I definitely had to work harder this time, coming back from the injury and then having to win five matches instead of four," he said. "I also know I can continue to get better and I'll work on getting even stronger in the off season."

What was certain in achieving state title No. 2 was the fact the SHP standout was peaking at the right time.

"I thought by the time Brenden got to Atlantic City he was wrestling at the highest level he had been at all season," said Decker. "Perhaps you could say the injury was a blessing in disguise because he simply did a great job of remaining in top physical condition as he let the elbow heal, and then he just took off over the final month of the season."

Calas (21-3) utilized a Gable tilt for a 2-0 second period lead on DePaul's freshman McFadden (37-3), and then picked up an escape point in the third period while basically never getting in trouble against a young grappler who hadn't lost since December in the Beast of the East showcase in Delaware.

"Brenden doesn't have to score a lot to succeed, and he did what he had to do to beat McFadden, who is a very good, young wrestler," said Decker. "I thought our most concern coming into the state tournament weekend was facing (North Bergen's Luis) Gonzalez, who was considered a beast on the mats with the way he had been wrestling of late.

"But, Brenden showed his perseverance the way he battled back to earn the victory against Gonzalez in the semifinals (4-2 in overtime), and then we felt pretty good about our chances heading into Sunday's final."

Calas had defeated Gonzalez, 4-2, in the 2011 state final at 103, and both young men had kept progressing this season with the former overcoming his elbow injury to peak at the right time down the stretch, and the latter copping Outstanding Wrestler honors in Region 4 at West Orange.

Although he had dropped his second match in three weeks to Delbarton's Christian Innaella in the Region 3 finals at Union, Calas simply used his runner-up status as an inspiration to wrestle stronger each time out on state tournament weekend beginning with his two victories on Friday night. He earned a 1-0 decision over Matt Russo of Jackson Liberty in the preliminary round and then won, 6-0, over Matt Murphy of Northern Highlands in the pre-quarters.

"It actually helped me a great deal in getting ready for Saturday with the two tough matches on Friday," he said. "I was excited to get back out there for the quarterfinals in the morning."

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Pozsonyi excels at state tourney

Goes 4-1 for 3rd at 182

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

While every wrestler who makes it to the states dreams of walking away with a state championship, Roselle Park senior Vic Pozsonyi can be more than proud of the way he handled himself last weekend.

Pozsonyi won four of five bouts, with the lone setback a 3-2 decision to Piscatway senior Tevin Shaw in Saturday's 182 pound semifinals. It took the ultimate tie breaker - in triple overtime - for Shaw to edge Pozsonyi.

After winning a semifinal wrestleback match Saturday, Pozsonyi defeated Bryan Loughlin of Becton 7-4 in Sunday's third-place bout.

With the 79th annual NJSIAA Tournament wrapping up Sunday at Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City, Pozsonyi managed to place in his weight class a second straight season.

Headed to Hofstra to wrestle in college, Pozsonyi was seventh in the state at 171 last year. He began wrestling varsity as a sophomore at 171.

He went 38-2 this year, including a second Union County Tournament title, a third District 10 crown and a second Region 3 championship.

"I was looking for first and then after I lost I knew I had to finish up strong," Pozsonyi said.

Pozsonyi's father Vic placed fourth in the state at 171 as a Roselle Park senior in 1983. The NJSIAA Tournament was held back then at Princeton University's Jadwin Gym.

"I came back and ended my high school career on a good note," Pozsonyi said.

Pozsonyi finished with over 100 career wins. His only two losses were to Shaw, including the first one by decision in the Roselle Park Invitational 182 final. Shaw lost to Jackson senior Dallas Winston 4-3 in the final.

The entire season had Winston ranked No. 1, Shaw No. 2 and Pozsonyi - a three-year varsity grappler - No. 3 in the state at 182.

"I'm proud of what I accomplished," Pozsonyi said. "I'll miss wrestling at Roselle Park and will always remember how the coaches were always there for me."

VIC POZSONYI'S NJSIAA TOURNAMENT MATCHES

Friday, March 2:

Pre-quarterfinals: defeated Paul Lowry of Waldwick, 5-2.

Quarterfinals: defeated Thomas Forline of Moorestown, 8-1.

Saturday, March 3:

Semifinals: lost to Tevin Shaw of Piscataway, 3-2 (3OT).

Semifinal wrestlebacks: pinned Rory Bonner, West Deptford, 2:40.

Sunday, March 4:

Consolations, for 3rd place: defeated Bryan Loughlin, Becton, 7-4.



Roselle Park senior Vic Pozsonyi completed an outstanding season by placing third in the state at 182. He went 38-2, including a second UCT title, a third District 10 crown and a second Region 3 championship.

Photo by JR Parachini

A look at how wrestlers competed in states

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Although Brenden Calas did not win a Region 3 title at Union last weekend - he finished second - the Seton Hall Prep standout junior wrestler made up for that in a big way this weekend.

The Clark resident went 5-0, including a 3-0 win over David McFadden of DePaul in the 113 pound final Sunday as the 79th annual NJSIAA Tournament at Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City came to a conclusion.

Calas repeated as a state champion and finished 21-3. He captured the 103 title as a sophomore last season.

Calas won two matches Friday - preliminary and pre-quarterfinal rounds - and then his next two Saturday - quarterfinals and semifinals. Calas won three of his matches by shutout and gave up only five points in five winning bouts.

Five wrestlers from Union County schools finished among the top eight in their weight classes.

Roselle Park senior Vic Pozsonyi performed well to finish third at 182. He finished 38-2 this year, with over 100 career wins and will continue wrestling in college at Hofstra.

There wasn't a great deal separating the top grapplers at 182. In Saturday's semifinals, eventual winner Dallas Winston of Jackson defeated Bryan Loughlin of Becton 1-0 and Tevin Shaw of Piscataway defeated Pozsonyi 3-2 in triple overtime.

In the final, Winston edged Shaw 4-3. Both seniors, Winston finished 33-3 and Shaw 33-1.

Pozsonyi then defeated Loughlin 7-4 in the third-place consolation bout. Pozsonyi's only two losses came to Shaw, who will play football at Kansas.

Linden senior Sumir Burns, third in Region 3, wrestled his way back to finish sixth at heavyweight.

Brearley senior Nick Lospinoso wrestled back to place seventh at 145. Juniors John Balboni of Brearley at 160 and Anthony Tufaro of Scotch Plains at heavyweight placed eighth in their weight classes.

Pozsonyi, Lospinoso, Balboni and Tufaro were all Region 3 champions.

Here's a look at complete agate regarding Union County wrestlers from this weekend's NJSIAA Tournament:

2012 NJSIAA TOURNAMENT AT ATLANTIC CITY'S BOARDWALK HALL

UNION COUNTY SCHOOL WRESTLERS

FRIDAY, MARCH 2 PRELIMINARY ROUND

106: Nick DeMarco, Brearley, dec. Joe Rocks, Egg Harbor, 3-1.

106: John Devito, Roselle Park, dec. John Gentile, Paulsboro, 6-2.

113: Jon Mele, Gov. Livingston, dec. Devon LaFranco, Roxbury, 5-1.

138: Rhys Weinberger, Hillsborough, dec. Ellis Opoku, Westfield, 5-2.

152: Beau Vrancken, North Hunterdon, dec. Colin Barber, Westfield, 6-5.

160: Travis Foster, Linden, dec. Brandon Keena, Nutley, 10-7.

182: Liam Korbul, North Hunterdon, dec. Zach Heissler, Gov. Livingston, 8-4.

195: A.J. Iarussi, Summit, dec. Matt Schofield, Barnegat, 3-2.

HWT: Sumir Burns, Linden, dec. Forrest Wooden, Delaware Valley, 7-5.

PRE-QUARTERFINALS

106: Carl Buttitta, Iselin Kennedy, maj. dec. Nick DeMarco, Brearley, 13-4.

106: A.J. Vindici, Randolph, tech. fall John Devito, Roselle Park, 5:09 (18-3).

113: Luis Gonzalez, North Bergen, pin Jon Mele, Gov. Livingston, 2:39.

145: Nick Lospinoso, Brearley, dec. Mike Paskas, Rutherford, 7-2.

152: Clark Moynihan, Kittatinny, dec. Brian Merkel, Roselle Park, 3-1.

160: John Balboni, Brearley, dec. Brandon Simon, Iselin Kennedy, 6-4.

160: Vincent Favia, CBA, maj. dec. Travis Foster, Linden, 10-1.

170: Robert Shade, Timber Creek, dec. Joey Balboni, Brearley, 3-2.

182: Vic Pozsonyi, Roselle Park, dec. Paul Lowry, Waldwick, 5-2.

195: Carson Stack, Haddonfield, maj. dec. A.J. Iarussi, Summit, 9-0.

195: Evan Ramos, Hawthorne, dec. Anthony Tancs, Brearley, 8-3.

220: Morris Lawson, Belvidere, pin. Andrew Jacobs, Scotch Plains, 3:15.

HWT: Tom Rementer, Clayton, pin. Sumir Burns, Linden, 2:40.

HWT: Anthony Tufaro, Scotch Plains, dec. Brandon Russo, Colts Neck, 5-0.

SATURDAY, MARCH 3 QUARTERFINALS

145: Ken Theobald, Toms River South, pin. Nick Lospinoso, Brearley, 4:50.

160: James Dugan, Becton, dec. John Balboni, Brearley, 4-0.

182: Vic Pozsonyi, Roselle Park, dec. Thomas Forline, Moorestown, 8-1.

HWT: Jermaine Eluemunor, M. Knolls, dec. Anthony Tufaro, S. Plains, 2-1 (3OT).

SEMIFINALS

182: Tevin Shaw, Piscataway dec. Vic Pozsonyi, Roselle Park, 3-2 (3OT).

FIRST ROUND WRESTLEBACKS

106: Michael Russo, St. Peter's Prep, dec. Nick DeMarco, Brearley, 3-1.

106: Maxwell Nauta, Warren Hills, pin John Devito, Roselle Park, 3:50.

113: Christian Innarella, Delbarton, dec. Jon Mele, Gov. Livingston, 4-2.

152: Pelal Deeb, Passaic Tech, pin Brian Merkel, Roselle Park, 4:23.

160: Kieran Gerrity, Kittatinny, maj. dec. Travis Foster, Linden, 15-7.

170: Joey Balboni, Brearley, maj. dec. Ali Yildiz, South Brunswick, 18-10.

195: Nicholas Gaeta, Nutley, dec. A.J. Iarussi, Summit, 3-1.

195: Matt Moore, Brick Memorial, dec. Anthony Tancs, Brearley, 7-2.

220: Ryan Thompson, Haddon Heights, dec. Andrew Jacobs, Scotch Plains, 9-6.

HWT: Sumir Burns, Linden, dec. Donovan Morris, Lawrence, 5-1.

SECOND ROUND WRESTLEBACKS

145: Nick Lospinoso, Brearley, dec. Antonio Mancella, Oakcrest, 6-3.

160: John Balboni, Brearley, dec. Kieran Gerrity, Kittatinny, 12-5.

170: Nicholas Zak, Jackson Liberty, dec. Joey Balboni, Brearley, 3-2.

HWT: Sumir Burns, Linden, dec. Anthony Pare, Phillipsburg, 4-3.

HWT: Anthony Tufaro, Scotch Plains, dec. Juwan Proctor, Middlesex, 5-1.

QUARTERFINAL WRESTLEBACKS

145: Curt Delia, Delsea, pin Nick Lospinoso, Brearley, 1:07.

160: Keith Lemengello, Pequannock, dec. John Balboni, Brearley, 6-1.

HWT: Sumir Burns, Linden, dec. Anthony Tufaro, Scotch Plains, 3-2.

SEMIFINAL WRESTLEBACKS

182: Vic Pozsonyi, Roselle Park, pin Rory Bonner, West Deptford, 2:40.

HWT: Mike Spencer, Pequannock, pin Sumir Burns, Linden, 0:51.

SUNDAY, MARCH 4 CONSOLATIONS

FOR 3RD PLACE

182: Vic Pozsonyi, Roselle Park, dec. Bryan Loughlin, Becton, 7-4.

FOR 5TH PLACE

HWT: Tom Rementer, Clayton, pin Sumir Burns, Linden, 3:41.

FOR 7TH PLACE

145: Nick Lospinoso, Brearley, maj. dec. Michael Paskas, Rutherford, 12-4.

160: Jadaen Bernstein, Voorhees, dec. John Balboni, Brearley, 7-2.

HWT: John Appice, Manalapan, dec. Anthony Tufaro, Scotch Plains, 3-0.

BRENDEN CALAS OF CLARK, Seton Hall Prep junior 113-pounder. 2011 state champion at 103.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2 PRELIMINARY ROUND

113: Brenden Calas, SHP, dec. Matt Russo, Jackson Liberty, 1-0.

PRE-QUARTERFINALS

113: Brenden Calas, SHP, dec. Matt Murphy, Northern Highlands, 6-0.

SATURDAY, MARCH 3 QUARTERFINALS

113: Brenden Calas, SHP, dec. Ryan Pomrinca, North Hunterdon, 4-3 (2OT).

SEMIFINALS

113: Brenden Calas, SHP, dec. Luis Gonzalez, North Bergen, 4-2 (OT).

SUNDAY, MARCH 4 FINALS

113: Brenden Calas, SHP, dec. David McFadden, DePaul, 3-0.

WRESTLERS WHO ADVANCED OUT OF REGION 3 AT UNION

FIRST (8):

145: Brearley senior Nick Lospinoso

152: Roselle Park senior Brian Merkel

160: Brearley junior John Balboni

170: Brearley sophomore Joey Balboni

182: Roselle Park senior Vic Pozsonyi

195: Brearley senior Anthony Tancs

220: Scotch Plains senior Andrew Jacobs.

HWT: Scotch Plains junior Anthony Tufaro

SECOND (3):

170: Cranford junior J.P. Christiano

(is out with mononucleosis)

195: Summit junior A.J. Iarussi

106: Brearley sophomore Nick DeMarco

THIRD (7):

106: Roselle Park junior John Devito

113: Gov. Livingston junior Jon Mele

138: Westfield senior Ellis Opoku

152: Westfield junior Colin Barber

160: Linden senior Travis Foster

182: Gov. Livingston senior Zach Heissler

HWT: Linden senior Sumir Burns

NOTES: The No. 1 team in the state this year, perennial Middlesex County power South Plainfield, had two undefeated state champions in Anthony Ashnault at 126 and Scott DelVecchio at 132. Both finished fine seasons at 44-0.

Cougars have much to be proud of this season

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After getting the ball to half court, West Morris called a timeout with 14.9 seconds left. There was no mystery as to who was going to get the ball.

"When we got the ball back on defense we just wanted to slow it down and get that one last shot," said Ericksen, who earlier this season became only the fifth girl from Morris County to reach and pass 2,000 career points.

Erickson drove to the left side of the basket and missed her first shot. However, after grabbing her 16th rebound - which was the most important offensive rebound of the game - she put the ball back in off the glass from the left side with 6.8 seconds to go.

Ericksen's sixth field goal proved to be the game-winning basket, giving West Morris the lead for the fourth time and for good at 34-32.

"I drove and I missed and I said, 'oh my goodness,'" Ericksen said. "Then I tried to kind of box out and get my body on it and I'm so thankful I got it (the offensive rebound) and I got it in."

Unfortunately for Cranford, junior forward Kaitlin McGovern - who did a superb job of covering Ericksen - fouled out with 33.9 seconds remaining and was not in the game when Ericksen was able to grab the all-important offensive rebound.

McGovern blocked five shots in the first half and finished with nine rebounds.

"She's (McGovern) a great player," Ericksen said. "She definitely pushed me around and she knew how to work me and get me out of my position because she's very good."

"She's a very good defensive player."

Following Ericksen's put back, Cranford immediately came back down with the ball, with junior Jenna Goeller driving for a layup that would have tied the game. However, Ericksen was there again to block the shot cleanly right before the buzzer sounded.

One of Cranford's best seasons came to a stellar conclusion end at 24-5.

"I thought she was going to pull up," Ericksen said. "Then she drove and I wasn't quite ready for that. I knew I better go straight up (to block the shot) and that's what I had to do."

A layup by McCoy, who finished with nine points, gave Cranford its sixth and final lead at 32-31 with 57 seconds to go.

A free throw by Ericksen tied the game at 32-32. Ericksen then missed her second free throw attempt, with Cranford getting the ball back following a West Morris lane violation.

"We wanted to go to the championship (game) so badly and I didn't want my team to lose by two," Ericksen said.

Cranford was paced offensively by Morgan Miller's 10 points. She is the only player the Cougars will lose to graduation.

"Morgan's been a leader since she started on our team," Dyer said.

"I remember when Morgan was in 7th grade and she came to open gyms and played with the high school girls."

Cranford girls' hoops under Coach Dyer

The following is Jackie Dyer's record as head coach of the Cranford girls' basketball team.

- 2011-2012: (24-5)
- 2010-2011: (22-6)
- 2009-2010: (21-8)
- 2008-2009: (18-11)
- 2007-2008: (15-8)
- Total: 100-38 (.725)

Dyer led Cranford to the 2010 North 2, Group 3 title.

"She lives, breathes and dies for basketball. She's going to be missed. We're going to honor her and celebrate her right now."

"It was tough," Miller said. "We had a lead and then I don't know if we were frazzled at all, but a couple of possessions we turned the ball over, including myself."

"We were proud of the awesome job Kaitlin did on Ericksen, holding her to less than 20 points," Miller said. "They scored 34 points and Ericksen could have scored 34 all by herself."

After West Morris went ahead 7-2, Cranford went on a 9-0 run to take its first lead.

"They're not going to back off, that's Cranford girls' basketball and we fight until the end," Dyer said.

Cranford also had the game's biggest advantage of six points at 26-20. However, immediately after producing that cushion, McCoy had to sit down after picking up her fourth foul.

West Morris took advantage of McCoy on the bench by ending the third quarter on a 6-0 run to tie the game at 22-22 heading into the fourth quarter.

"It was tough because if you keep her in and then she gets her fifth foul she can't play the rest of the game," Dyer said. "Or if you sit her a little bit and see what everyone else is doing, then you try to get her back in."

McCoy came back in the game at the start of the fourth quarter and did not foul out.

NOTES: Cranford's record the past five seasons is 100-38 (.725), all under Dyer. Her 100th win was last week's sectional quarterfinal triumph at home over Nutley by a score of 51-36.

Cranford defeated Millburn 44-22 at home in the first round.

NORTH 2, GROUP 3 SEMIFINAL AT WEST MORRIS

3-Cranford (24-5)	13	4	5	10 - 32
2-West Morris (24-4)	11	4	7	12 - 34

CRANFORD COUGARS (32):

- 4-Jenna Goeller, junior, 4-0-0-8
- 20-Jessica McCoy, junior, 4-0-1-9
- 22-Kaitlin McGovern, junior, 2-0-0-4
- 3-Morgan Miller, senior, 2-2-0-10
- 13-Mairead McKeary, sophomore, 0-0-1-1
- 15-Carly Maucione, sophomore, 0-0-0-0

Starters: Miller, Goeller, McCoy, McGovern, McKeary
Totals: 12-2-2-32

WEST MORRIS WOLFPACK (34):

- 00-Shayna Ericksen, senior, 6-0-2-14
- 3-Carly Smolensky, junior, 1-0-2-4
- 24-Sara Singer, freshman, 1-0-0-2
- 5-Courney Chase, junior, 1-0-2-4
- 25-Brielle Kelly, sophomore, 3-0-2-8
- 42-Paige Burton, sophomore, 0-0-1-1
- 13-Sydney Sapir, sophomore, 0-0-0-0

Starters: Burton, Chase, Sapir, Ericksen, Kelly
Totals: 12-0-9-34

CRANFORD GIRLS' BASKETBALL IN THE STATE PLAYOFFS UNDER JACKIE DYER:

- 2011-2012: (2-1) Reached North 2, Group 3 semifinals
- 2010-2011: (3-1) Reached North 2, Group 3 final
- 2009-2010: (4-1) Won North 2, Group 3 championship and then reached the Group 3 semifinals
- 2008-2009: (3-1) Reached Central Jersey, Group 2 final
- 2007-2008: (0-1) Reached North 2, Group 3 first round

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Grid standouts chosen for game

Cranford's Klimek among

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Union County will be well-represented at the 34th annual North-South All-Star Football Classic at Kean University's Alumni Stadium in Union.

Ten players from Union County schools - five on offense and five on defense - have been selected to the North squad.

The game will take place at Kean on June 25, with a 7 p.m. kickoff.

A Media Day for the game is set for March 18 at Piscataway High School.

Those Union County players selected include - on offense - guard Nazir Barnett of Union, center Anthony Manganiello of Gov. Livingston, tackle Dion Dawkins of Rahway, running back Anthony Byers of Scotch Plains and wide receiver Elijah Hughes of Elizabeth and - on defense - ends Chadjno Lewis of Plainfield and Gordy Dufresne of Hillside, tackle Scott Wiggins of Roselle and linebackers Michael Klimek and Dave Barletta of New Providence.

Klimek's play at linebacker helped Cranford win its first sectional championship in football as the Cougars captured the North 2, Group 3 crown. Cranford's best season in program history concluded with a 10-1 record after the Cougars blanked Parsippany Hills at Kean University.

Hughes, Wiggins and Barletta also helped lead their teams to state playoff appearances.

Wiggins was in the playoffs as a junior and senior, Hughes reached a title game as a senior and Barletta won a state championship as a junior.

The South leads the series 16-14-2, with no game being played in 2002 because of inclement weather. The North has never led in the series.

The fourth winningest coach in state history, Frank Bottone of New Providence, is the North's Honorary Head Coach. Bottone guided the Pioneers to the North 2, Group 1 championship his final season at the helm in 2010.

Other coaches from Union County on the North staff include Summit assistant Kevin Kostibos, Roselle head coach Lou Grasso, Jr., and New Providence assistant Pat Bottone.

NORTH OFFENSE from Union County

- G: Nazir Barnett, (6-3, 250), Union
- C: Anthony Manganiello, (6-3, 270), Gov. Livingston
- T: Dion Dawkins, (6-3, 275), Rahway
- RB: Anthony Byers (6-0, 180), Scotch Plains
- WR: Elijah Hughes (5-9, 178), Elizabeth

NORTH DEFENSE from Union County

- DE: Chadjno Lewis, (6-5, 230), Plainfield
- DE: Gordy Dufresne, (6-3, 210), Hillside
- DT: Scott Wiggins, (6-3, 220), Roselle
- LB: Michael Klimek, (6-1, 215), Cranford
- LB: Dave Barletta, (6-5, 205), New Providence

GL girls' basketball one of best at 26-2

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

BERKELEY HEIGHTS – When a basketball team receives an all-star performance from its top player, it has a pretty good chance of succeeding.

When a team produces outstanding, clutch efforts from all five starters, it appears unbeatable.

That is how Point Pleasant Boro was perceived last Saturday night at Governor Livingston.

The Panthers took the lead for good just two minutes in and received double-digit scoring from four of their five starters, with the exception being a girl with nine points.

Also sparked by an effective full court press and the ability to make 25 free throws and connect on nine three-pointers, fourth-seeded Point Pleasant Boro was quite dominant in ousting top-seeded GL 74-57 in a Central Jersey, Group 2 semifinal.

"They shot us right out of the gym," GL head coach Andy Silvagni said.

Boro (21-8) was to next play at third-seeded Summit (23-5) in Monday night's final. The Hilltop-

pers came back in the fourth quarter to eliminate second-seeded Hillside 56-50 in Saturday night's other semifinal in Hillside.

Summit also reached the final two years ago when it was defeated at top-seeded Shabazz 64-37. The Hilltoppers finished that season 23-4.

Shabazz defeated Rumson-Fair Haven 65-43 in last year's final. This year the NJSIAA moved Shabazz over to North 2, Group 2.

GL, which had a nine-game winning streak snapped, concluded one of its best seasons in program history with a 26-2 mark.

The Highlanders turned the ball over five times in the first eight minutes to fall behind 14-9 going into the second period. Boro was sparked in the first quarter by standout 5-11 junior guard Kelly Hughes, who poured in nine of her team-high 22 points.

The second quarter is when Boro started to put the game away, outscoring GL 15-6 to take a commanding 29-15 halftime lead. Hughes scored six points, while GL received field goals from seniors Alyssa Polimeni and Rebecca Johnson and junior Mallory George.

The Highlanders scored the first six points of the third quarter and extended the run to 8-2 to pull to within eight points at 31-23. However, a huge three-point basket by junior Kerry Malleck immediately put Boro back up by 11 at 34-23.

The Panthers led by double-digits the rest of the way.

All five Boro starters provided the Panther scoring, with Malleck finishing with 13, freshman Lindsey Havens with 18, junior Lauren Hughes (Kelly's twin sister) with 10 and junior Jess Macchi with nine.

Macchi was the only Boro player that did not have a three-pointer. Kelly and Lauren Hughes both drilled two, Malleck one and Havens connected on a team-high four.

"We were surprised at how well their other players (besides Kelly Hughes) performed," Silvagni said. "We knew they would press us. We also had a hard time getting the ball inside and when we did we didn't finish."

All of GL's scoring was also provided by its starters, with Polimeni leading all players with a gutsy, 25-point performance in her

final high school game. Polimeni will be taking her talents to either the state of Maryland – Salisbury State – or Pennsylvania – Ursinus.

"Alyssa has meant everything to our program," Silvagni said. "She was like having another coach on the floor. She didn't want to come out. She wanted to keep on playing."

GL's other two senior starters also scored in double digits, with shooting guard Sam Dowling knocking down a team-high four three-pointers and finishing with 14 points and forward Rebecca Johnson adding 11, including her final points on a traditional three-point play.

GL has a lot to be proud about this season. First, the Highlanders went to Roselle Catholic and defeated a 4-0 RC team – leading from start to finish – 42-25 to capture the RC Holiday Tournament championship. Its two wins before that came against two pretty good Morris County teams – West Morris at home and then - in comeback fashion - Morris Catholic in overtime in the first round of the RC Tournament.

When the Highlanders were 17-

0 they were the only undefeated basketball team – boys' and girls' – remaining in Union County.

GL then captured the Union County Conference's Mountain Division championship with a 13-1 record. The Highlanders won a division-title for the first time since the 1980s.

Then GL got back to the Union County Tournament championship game and this time won it for the first time, in addition to snapping Cranford's 13-game winning streak.

Boro was the only team GL played this year that it did not defeat. Boro was also – by far – the best team GL played this season.

"This was one of the best years in school history," Silvagni said.

"This will hurt for awhile, but we have a lot of success to look back on."

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Note, in complying with N.J.S.A. 39:4-56.6, shall expose for sale on March 19, 2012 at 10:AM, at public auction IN AS is condition a 2007 Toyota Camry vin# 4T1BE46K57U680423 and a 2005 Lexus ES 350 vin# JTHBA30G055074385 at 305 Rt 22 East, Springfield, NJ 07081. These vehicles came into the possession of 21ST Auto Group Inc., through abandonment or failure of owners to reclaim. The vehicle may be examined 1 hr. prior to auction. The minimum bid will be announced at time of auction. March 1, 8, 2012 U290625 WCN (\$17.64)

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Note in complying with N.J.S.A. 39:10A-8 et seq., 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. March 8, 15, 2012 U290840 WCN (\$12.74)

ELIZABETH/ROSELLE PARK

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000898
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F2280207
County: Union
Plaintiff: GULFSTREAM CAPITAL CORPORATION A DELAWARE CORPORATION AS ASSIGNEE FROM FIRST BANKAMERICANO VS
Defendant: JUAN A. RISSO, ARACELY RISSO, WAXTEL, INC., BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., PNC BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AND BNB BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Sale Date: 04/04/2012
Writ of Execution: 01/17/2012
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.

1. DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT PROPERTY

A. 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: 460 Division Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07206
Tax Lot No. 737 in Block No. 8
Nearest Cross Street: Flora Street
B. DIMENSIONS OF LOT: Approximately 22,000 sq. feet
Irregular Lot.
The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication.

2. DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT

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PROPERTY

A. The property to be sold is located in the City of Roselle Park, County of Union, and State of New Jersey. Premises are commonly known as: 617 Sheridan Avenue, Roselle Park, New Jersey 07204
Tax Lot No. 4 in Block No. 1003
Nearest Cross Street: Lincoln Avenue East
B. DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 4,800 sq. feet
Regular Lot.
The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$442,403.05
Four Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Three and 05/100
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: \$455,486.59 ***Four Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Six and 59/100***
March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2012 U290624 WCN (\$158.76)

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ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following proposed ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, in the County of Union, New Jersey, at a public meeting held on March 1, 2012 and that said ordinance will be taken up for passage, and public hearing on March 15, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. prevailing time, or as soon thereafter as said matter can be reached, at the regular meeting of said Mayor and Council to be held at the Borough Hall in said Borough of Roselle Park, and that all persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

By order of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park.

INTRODUCED
ORDINANCE NO. 2351
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2186 FIXING THE SALARY OF ASSISTANT TREASURER

Doreen Cali
Borough Clerk
U290901 UNL March 8, 2012 (\$17.64)

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UNION NOTICE

The Township of Union Board of Education has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5a(1).
This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Business Office.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION BOARD OF EDUCATION
JAMES J. DAMATO,
BOARD SECRETARY

Dated: February 14, 2012

ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Awarded to: Omega Environmental Services, Inc., 280 Huyler Street, South Hackensack, New Jersey 07606

Services: To provide emergency asbestos delineation and sub-chapter 8 ASCM monitoring services related to accidental asbestos lightweight concrete material disturbance at Livingston Elementary School

Costs: Fee not to exceed \$19,389
U290848 UNL March 8, 2012 (\$16.66)

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 March 1, 2012.

PASSED
ORDINANCE NO. 2350

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7, SECTION 7-10(b) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

Doreen Cali
Borough Clerk
U290902 UNL March 8, 2012 (\$12.25)

UNION TOWNSHIP OF UNION PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Notice of Child Find Activity Pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and New Jersey Administrative Code, Title 6A:14, Special Education

The Township of Union Public School District has a responsibility to locate, identify and evaluate all resident students with disabilities who are in need of special education and related services, including students with disabilities attending nonpublic schools, and

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highly mobile pupils such as migrant workers' children and homeless children regardless of the severity of their disabilities. The school district locates, identifies and evaluates, where appropriate, the following: children below school-entry age (3-5); school age children; children entering school for the first time; children enrolled in public and private schools; transfer pupils and school age children who are eligible to attend school but who are not attending school and who are residents of the Township of Union School District. Upon written request, the district will conduct an initial identification meeting for any resident child to determine whether a referral for special education and related services is appropriate. Such a request may be made by contacting Kim Conti, Director of Special Services, Township of Union Public Schools at 908.851.6478 or by writing her at 2155 Morris Avenue, Union, NJ 07083. The school district provides special education and related services for children ages 3 to 21. Information for children with potential disabilities or those with disabilities from birth to three is available through Project Child Find, (a service established by the NJ Department of Education through IDEA, Part B funds from the U.S. Department of Education) at 1.800.322.8174.

Dr. Patrick Martin,
Superintendent of Schools

El Distrito Escolar de Union Township tiene la responsabilidad de localizar, identificar, y evaluar a todos los estudiantes residentes de Union con discapacidades que tienen necesidad de educación especial y servicios relacionados. Esto incluye a estudiantes con discapacidades que asisten a escuelas no públicas, y estudiantes que se mudan a menudo, como hijos de trabajadores migrantes y niños sin hogar, sin tener en cuenta la gravedad de la discapacidad. El distrito localiza, identifica, y evalúa cuando sea apropiado lo siguiente: niños de edad preescolar (3-5); niños de edad escolar; alumnos de edad escolar; niños asistiendo a la escuela por primera vez, estudiantes asistiendo escuelas públicas y privadas; alumnos trasladados de otra escuela; y niños de edad escolar que son elegibles para asistir a la escuela pero no están asistiendo a la escuela y son residentes del Distrito Escolar de Union Township. Al recibir la solicitud por escrito, el distrito llevará a cabo una reunión inicial para cualquier niño residente para determinar si un referido para educación especial y servicios relacionados son necesarios. Dicha petición puede ser dirigida a Kim Conti, Directora de Servicios Especiales, Township of Union Public Schools al numero: (908) 851-6478 o escribirle a la dirección 2155 Morris Avenue, Union, NJ 07083. El distrito escolar provee educación especial y servicios relativos a los estudiantes entre las edades de 3-21. Información para niños con dificultades potenciales, dificultades de aprendizaje, o si están desarrollando

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en forma diferente desde su nacimiento hasta los 3 años esta disponible por medio de Project Child Find, (un servicio establecido por el Departamento de Educación de New Jersey/fundado por I.D.E.A., Parte B, fundado por el Departamento de Educación de los Estados Unidos) al numero: 1-800-322-8174.

Dr. Patrick Martin,
Superintendent of Schools
U290995 UNL March 8, 2012 (\$54.88)

UNION NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that action will be taken on certain fiscal and personnel matters and any other matters which may come before the board at the **Worksession Meeting** of the Township Board of Education scheduled on **Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 7 p.m.** at the James Caulfield Administration Building, 2369 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083.
The Board may go into non-public (executive) session for the reasons permitted under N.J.S.A. 10:4-13. Action will be taken.

JAMES J. DAMATO
BOARD SECRETARY
U290994 UNL March 8, 2012 (\$10.78)

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000897
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F2425408
County: Union
Plaintiff: BROWN BARK, III, L.P., VS
Defendant: LUCA REALTY, LLC AND KELVIN ROBINSON
Sale Date: 04/04/2012
Writ of Execution: 01/05/2012
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

The property to be sold is located in Township of Hillside in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, commonly known as 1553-1555 Summit Avenue, Hillside, New Jersey.
Tax Lot No. 2 in Block No. 408
Dimensions of Lot: (Approximately) 40' x 100.66'
Nearest Cross Street: Winans Avenue
Additionally, the sum of \$53,540.00 is the amount represented to Plaintiff, by the Tax Collector's Office for the Township of Hillside and/or Tax Certificate Holders, as being outstanding on account of taxes and/or other liens due and owing through February 15, 2012. This sale is also subject to any

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and all other unpaid taxes, water, sewer, municipal liens or any other charges which may be due and owing whether set forth herein or not. ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE TO CONDUCT AND RELY UPON THEIR OWN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER OR NOT ANY OUTSTANDING LIENS OR ENCUMBRANCES REMAIN OF RECORD AND/OR HAVE PRIORITY OVER THE LIEN BEING FORECLOSED HEREBY AND IF SO, TO ASCERTAIN THE CURRENT AMOUNT DUE THEREON.

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: \$487,217.39
Four Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventeen and 39/100***

Attorney:
DEMBO & SALDUTTI LLP
1300 ROUTE 73
SUITE 205
MOUNT LAUREL NJ 08054
(856)354-8866

Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$506,016.47 Five Hundred Six Thousand Sixteen and 47/100***
March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2012
U290928 UNL (\$182.28)

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000497
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1346110
County: Union
Plaintiff: EVERBANK VS

Defendant: ALEXANDER BENKHEN, BRUCHA BENKHEN, HIS WIFE, BRIS AVROHOM CENTER
Sale Date: 03/14/2012
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.

The property to be sold is located in the TWP OF HILLSIDE, County of UNION and State of New Jersey. Commonly known as: 1025 SALEM AVE, HILLSIDE, NJ 07205.

Tax Lot No. 28 in Block No. 1712
Dimension of Lot Approximately: 33 X 99
Nearest Cross Street: MADING TERRACE

BEGINNING at a point in the southeasterly sideline of Salem Avenue said point being distant 67.00 feet measured southwesterly along said southeasterly sideline of Salem Avenue from the intersection with the southwesterly sideline of Mading Terrace, running thence

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION
PRIOR LIENS/ENCUMBRANCES
2012 1ST QTR TAXES OPEN

TOTAL AS OF JANUARY 24, 2012
\$1,413.23

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: \$250,266.34
Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Six and 34/100

Attorney:
FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, PC
7 CENTURY DR
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: \$261,650.62 ***Two Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Six Hundred Fifty and 62/100***
February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2012
U289836 UNL (\$164.64)

HILLSIDE

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Committee of the Township of Hillside in the Council Chambers - Municipal Building, Hillside, New Jersey on March 28, 2012 AT 10:00 AM prevailing

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time, at which time they shall be opened and publicly read for the Reconstruction of Ivy Street and Wainwright Street from Winans Avenue to Newark City Line.

The major items of work include:

- 3900 SY Milling Pavement
- 585 TONS HMA Surface Course
- 50 LF Concrete Curb
- 150 SY Concrete Walk
- 24 UNITS Street Trees

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE FEDERAL FUNDS THROUGH TITLE 1 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974 ARE BEING UTILIZED ON THIS PROJECT. FEDERAL LABOR PROVISIONS SHALL APPLY TO THIS PROJECT.

A copy of the Contract Drawings, Specifications, other Contract Documents and all related matters are on file at the Office of the Township Clerk, at the above address. The Contract Drawings, Specifications and related matters may be examined between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday by any member of the public or those specifically wishing to bid, but not desiring to purchase the said bid documents.

Contract Drawings, Specifications, and related matters may be obtained at the Office of the Township Clerk during regular business hours, upon receipt of a check for a non-refundable fee made payable to the Township of Hillside in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for one (1) set of Contract Drawings, Specifications.

Bids must be submitted on the Proposal form furnished to the bidder and must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name and address of the bidder and the Project Name. The bid must be accompanied by a Certificate of Surety from a Surety Company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey guaranteeing to furnish a Performance Bond for 100% of the contract in event of award, a statement setting forth the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation or partnership who owns ten percent or more of its stock of any class or of all individual partners on the partnership who owns ten percent or greater interest therein, and a Certified Check or Bid Bond for not less than ten percent of the total bid, but not exceeding \$20,000.00.

Each bidder must submit with his bid the documents on the Bid Document Submission Checklist on Page B-1 of the Specifications.

Bidders are required to comply with the Affirmative Action requirements of P.L. 1975 c. 127 (NJAC 17:27), the Disclosure Statement requirements of P.L. 1977, 1 c. 33, and all the latest amendments to same.

Bidders are required to comply with P.L. 2004, c. 57 (Chapter 57) which amends N.J.S.A. 52:32-44.

Bidders are required to comply with N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 Administering EEO in Public Contracts.

Bidders are required to comply to the provisions of the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1963, effective 1, 1964, the Contract Work Hours and Safety standards Act, the Copeland Act and the Davis-Bacon Act, and all the latest amendments to same.

No bids shall be received after the time and date specified, and no bids will be received by mail. After receipt of bid, no bid shall be withdrawn except as expressly authorized herein. The Township of Hillside shall award the Contract or reject all bids within 60 days of the bid opening, except that the bids of any bidders who consent thereto may, at the request of the City, be held for consideration for such longer period as may be agreed.

The Township of Hillside reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities in the bidding. The Township of Hillside reserves the right to sever and make awards of all or part of any bids to one or more bidders. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the Township of Hillside.

Janet S. Vlaisavljevic
Township Clerk
U290854 UNL March 8, 2012 (\$62.23)

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LINDEN

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Docket No. : F-002475-12
Superior Court of New Jersey
Chancery Division
Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:
OSCAR VALENCIA, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

JOANA VALENCIA, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCKER GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC, ESQS, plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite 101, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a civil action, in which Wells

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Fargo Bank, N.A. is plaintiff, and OSCAR VALENCIA, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-002475-12 within thirty-five (35) days after 03/08/2012 exclusive of such date, or if published after 03/08/2012, (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 of New Jersey, 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 05/09/2007 made by OSCAR VALENCIA and JOANA VALENCIA, husband and wife as mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Residential Home Mortgage Corporation recorded on 05/16/2007 in Book 12161 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 0051 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., by Assignment of Mortgage dated 09/01/2011; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 1700 Essex Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036, also being Lot 1 in Block 32.

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

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

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

JENNIFER M. PEREZ, CLERK
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
U290867 PRO March 8, 2012 (\$54.39)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-10007026
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F18209
County: Union
Plaintiff: NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANK SUCCESSOR BY MERGER WITH SYNERGY BANK VS

Defendant: GLICK REALTY CORP-DUANE POTTS, OCCUPANT ONE; ADDIE BROWN, OCCUPANT TWO; FRED WASHINGTON, OCCUPANT THREE; GILLIAN, OCCUPANT FOUR; TIRONDA LANIER, OCCUPANT FIVE; NEWELL FUNDING LLC
Sale Date: 04/04/2012
Writ of Execution: 10/22/2010

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.

Property to be sold is located in the City of ELIZABETH, in the County of UNION and the State of New Jersey. Commonly known as: 945-947 EAST GRAND STREET, ELIZABETH, NJ 07208

Tax Lot No. 483, in Block No. 8
Dimension of Lot (Approximately) 49 feet wide by 90 feet long
Nearest Cross Street: REID STREET

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

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$170,960.10
One Hundred Seventy Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty and 10/100***

Attorney:
FRANK J. MARTONE, P.C.
1455 BROAD ST.
BLOOMFIELD, NJ 07003
(973)473-3000
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich

A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$209,742.53***
Two Hundred Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Two and 53/100***
March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2012
U290917 PRO (\$119.56)

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ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000902
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1426008B
County: Union
Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR ABFC 2006-OPT2 TRUST, ABFC ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-OPT2 VS

Defendant: JOSE VIDAL, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Sale Date: 04/04/2012
Writ of Execution: 02/03/2012
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.

The property to be sold is located in the CITY OF ELIZABETH, County of UNION and State of New Jersey. Commonly known as: 519 FULTON STREET, ELIZABETH, NJ 07206.
Tax Lot No. 514 in Block No. 3
Dimension of Lot Approximately: 25x100
Nearest Cross Street: 5th Street

BEGINNING at a point on the north-easterly sideline of Fulton Street (50.00 foot right-of-way), said point being distant 225.00 feet northwesterly from the intersection of the north-easterly sideline of Fulton Street and the northwesterly sideline of Fifth Street (60.00 foot right-of-way), from said beginning point; thence

THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION
PRIOR LIENS/ENCUMBRANCES
WATER TO 2/2/12 OPEN \$401.92
TOTAL AS OF February 21, 2012: \$401.92

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: \$461,374.96***
Four Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Four and 96/100***

Attorney:
FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, PC
7 CENTURY DR
SUITE 201
PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054
(973)538-4700

Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$542,472.12***
Five Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Two and 12/100***
March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2012
U290906 PRO (\$172.48)

LINDEN

NOTICE FOR REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFQ/RFP) CITY OF LINDEN UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Responses to Request For Qualifications and Request For Proposals (RFQ/RFP) will be received by the Purchasing Agent of the City of Linden, at the City Hall, 301 N. Wood Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036 Planning Board Room #215, May 9, 2012 at 10:00 am prevailing time for the following described proposal:

SOUTH WOOD AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT AREA

The RFQ/RFP is on file at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Room #202, City Hall, 301 N. Wood Avenue, Linden, NJ.

A fee of \$10.00 will be charged for each RFQ/RFP picked up, plus postage if mailing is requested.

A Pre-submission conference shall take place on March 28, 2012 at 11:00 am in the Planning Board Room #215 - attendance by all who submit responses is encouraged, but not mandatory.

RFQ/RFP'S must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS/ REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS, and bearing the name and address of the proposer on outside; addressed to the Purchasing Agent, Ann Marie Whelan, City of Linden, City Hall, 301 N. Wood Ave., Linden, NJ 07036.

All proposers shall conform to the intention and provisions of affirmative action in Public Contracts Laws of the State of New Jersey, R.S. 10:2-1 of 7/23/75, Assembly Bill No. 2227.

Bidders are required to comply with requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et. seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

Council reserves the right to reject any and all proposals should it be in the interest of the City to do so and to waive any informalities in the proposals.

BY: ANN MARIE E. WHELAN
PURCHASING AGENT
U291015 PRO March 8, 2012 (\$28.91)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ROSELLE

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000592
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1239210
County: Union
Plaintiff: AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC VS

Defendant: MARCELO SOSA, MRS. SOSA, WIFE OF MARCELO SOSA, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST MAGNUS FINANCIAL CORPORATION
Sale Date: 03/14/2012
Writ of Execution: 01/05/2012

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
COUNTY: UNION STATE OF N.J.
STREET & STREET NO: 119 Independence Drive

TAX BLOCK AND LOT:
BLOCK: 5902 LOT: 11
DIMENSION OF LOT: 55' X 101.69'
NEAREST CROSS STREET: Colonial 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: \$255,848.86
Two Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Eight and 86/100

Attorney:
POWERS KIRN - COUNSELORS
728 MARNE HWY
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: \$267,139.37***Two Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Nine and 37/100***
February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2012
U289837 PRO (\$148.96)

LINDEN

NOTICE TO BIDDERS CITY OF LINDEN UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Agent, City of Linden, County of Union at the City Hall, 301 N. Wood Avenue, Planning Room #215, Linden, New Jersey on March 21, 2012 at 10:00 AM prevailing time or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached for:

ITEM #1 - Purchase of Foam Concentrate

Specifications are on file at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 3rd Floor, Room 202, 301 N. Wood Avenue, Linden, New Jersey 07036.

A fee of \$10.00 FOR ITEM #1, ITEM #2, etc. will be charged for each set of specifications picked up, plus postage if requested for specifications to be mailed. Copies of the above described Contract Documents may be examined at no expense at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 3rd floor, Room 202, 301 N. Wood Avenue, Linden, New Jersey 07036.

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked BID ON ITEM #1, ITEM #2, etc., and bearing the name and address of the bidder on the outside; addressed to Purchasing Agent Doreen Fritzsche, City of Linden, City Hall, 301 N. Wood Ave., 2nd floor, Room 103, Linden, New Jersey 07036, and be accompanied by a BID BOND OR CERTIFIED CHECK made payable to the City of Linden, without condition, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid, but not to exceed \$20,000.00. In addition, a Consent of Surety in the amount of the entire bid shall be provided at the time of the submission of the bid.

ALL BIDDERS shall conform to the intention and provisions of affirmative action in Public Contracts Laws of State of New Jersey R.S. 10:2-1 of 7/35/75, Assembly Bill No. 2227.

BIDDERS are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c127. (N.J.A.C. 17:27).

Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids should it be in the interest of the City to do so and to waive any informality in the bid.

by: Doreen Fritzsche
Purchasing Agent

COUNCIL
CITY OF LINDEN
U290866 PRO March 8, 2012 (\$33.32)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000773
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F00327611
County: Union
Plaintiff: FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB
VS
Defendant: PORFIRIO GUTIERREZ AND MRS. PORFIRIO GUTIERREZ
Sale Date: 03/21/2012
Writ of Execution: 01/31/2012
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. The property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth. Premises commonly known as: 613 Grier Avenue Block 4, Lot 753 Dimensions of Lot (approximately): 25' x 110.58 Nearest Cross Street: Summer Avenue 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: \$378,367.15 Three Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Seven and 15/100** Attorney: MC CABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, P.C. 216 HADDON AVENUE 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: \$381,471.19 Three Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-One and 19/100** February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 2012 U290278 PRO (\$145.04)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000591
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F05268510
County: Union
Plaintiff: AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC
VS
Defendant: MARIA G. DE LA CRUZ, AMANDO CASTELLANO
Sale Date: 03/14/2012
Writ of Execution: 12/28/2011
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: 34 Cedar Avenue TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 6 LOT: 136 DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 100.00' x 25.00' NEAREST CROSS STREET: 125.00' from South Elmora 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: \$279,461.15 ***Two Hundred Seventy-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-One and 15/100** Attorney: POWERS KIRN - COUNSELORS 728 MARNE HWY 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: \$288,038.95 ***Two Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand Thirty-Eight and 95/100** February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2012 U289948 PRO (\$143.08)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-10006814
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1916708
County: Union
Plaintiff: UNION COUNTY SAVINGS BANK, A CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY
VS
Defendant: FRANCISCO RODRIGUES; REBECA RODRIGUES F/L/A REBECA MENENDEZ; NELSON C. MONTEIRO ESQ. CLOVE LAKES DEVELOPMENT OF NEW JERSEY, L.L.C., A NEW JERSEY LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY; CONTINENTAL TRADING & HARDWARE, INC., AND LARRY SCHWARTZ
Sale Date: 04/04/2012
Writ of Execution: 09/23/2010
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. The Property being sold is located in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union and State of New Jersey. The premises are commonly known as 1037-1041 Grove Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey. Tax Lot No. 508.E Tax Block No. 6 Dimensions of Lot: Approximately 42 by 150 feet Number of feet to nearest cross street: Located on the Northeastly side of Grove Street, distant 42 feet Southeastly from its intersection with the Southeastly side of Boxwood Court. The above advertisement does not constitute a full legal description of the real estate. The full legal description may be found at the Office of the Sheriff during regular business hours. The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$206,548.18 Two Hundred Six Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Eight and 18/100** Attorney: FENSTEMAKER & FENSTEMAKER - ATTYS 1322 NORTH AVENUE ELIZABETH, NJ 07208 (908)355-6155 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$244,428.34 Two Hundred Forty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Eight and 34/100** March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2012 U290926 PRO (\$143.08)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000588
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F05208210
County: Union
Plaintiff: AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC
VS
Defendant: JOSE MARTINEZ, ANITA GARGES
Sale Date: 03/14/2012
Writ of Execution: 01/06/2012
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: 11 Stewart Place TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 6 LOT: 1385 DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 115' x 15.31' NEAREST CROSS STREET: 200' from Rosehill Place 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: \$352,756.16 ***Three Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Six and 16/100** Attorney: POWERS KIRN - COUNSELORS 728 MARNE HWY 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: \$360,079.54 ***Three Hundred Sixty Thousand Seventy-Nine and 54/100** February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2012 U289949 PRO (\$141.12)

PUBLIC NOTICE

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000784
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F05261710B
County: Union
Plaintiff: TD BANK, N.A.
VS
Defendant: LUIS RODRIGUEZ AND ANA M. RODRIGUEZ TERRAMAR REALTY, L.L.C. TERRAMAR PROVISIONS, L.L.C. d/b/a TERRAMAR BAR RESTAURANT, SOVEREIGN BANK, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, NANCY L. MUELLER, MD, PA, ATLANTIC CREDIT AND FINANCE.
Sale Date: 03/21/2012
Writ of Execution: 01/31/2012
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. The premises to be foreclosed are commonly known as 515 East Elizabeth Avenue, City of Linden, County of Union, State of New Jersey. Said premises are also known as: Block 176 Lot 20 Approximate dimensions of premises: 35 feet X 120 feet Located approximately 140 feet from the intersection of Elizabeth Avenue and Maple Avenue. A more complete legal description of said premises can be found in Deed Book 5457 at Page 633. Sale is subject to numerous Judgments against persons by the name of LUIS RODRIGUEZ and/or ANA RODRIGUEZ which may or may not be against the mortgagor; subject to outstanding real estate taxes due, including tax sale certificated, of approximately \$22,365.00 as of February 8, 2012. The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$141,510.29 One Hundred Forty-One Thousand Five Hundred Ten and 29/100** Attorney: OSTROWITZ & OSTROWITZ 225 GORDONS CORNER RD MANALAPAN NJ 07726 (732)446-2800 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$145,089.50 One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Eighty-Nine and 50/100** February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 2012 U290285 PRO (\$141.12)

LINDEN/ROSELLE

LINDEN ROSELLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

The Linden Roselle Sewerage Authority has awarded the following contract(s) as fair and open professional services contract(s) pursuant to Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(A) and N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. at a meeting held on February 22, 2012. The contract and resolution authorizing same are available for public inspection in the offices of the Linden Roselle Sewerage Authority, and the Clerks of the City of Linden and the Borough of Roselle.

- CONTRACT AWARDED TO: Weiner Lesniak LLP SERVICE: Annual Legal Services Contract CONTRACT PERIOD: 1 year AMOUNT: Not to exceed \$85,000
CONTRACT AWARDED TO: Weiner Lesniak LLP SERVICE: Special Litigation Services CONTRACT PERIOD: 1 year AMOUNT: Not to exceed \$50,000
CONTRACT AWARDED TO: CDM Smith Inc. SERVICE: Annual Engineering Services CONTRACT PERIOD: 1 year AMOUNT: Not to exceed \$106,137
CONTRACT AWARDED TO: Charles A. Manganaro Consulting Engineers SERVICE: Safety Consultant Services CONTRACT PERIOD: 1 year AMOUNT: Not to exceed \$14,700
CONTRACT AWARDED TO: McEnerney Brady & Co. SERVICE: Audit Services for 2012 fiscal year CONTRACT PERIOD: 1 year AMOUNT: Not to exceed \$29,500
CONTRACT AWARDED TO: Michael C. Hill SERVICE: Insurance Consultant CONTRACT PERIOD: 1 year AMOUNT: Not to exceed \$9,600
CONTRACT AWARDED TO: Multi-Care Health Center SERVICE: Medical Services CONTRACT PERIOD: 1 year AMOUNT: Not to exceed \$3,500 U290841 PRO March 8, 2012 (\$33.32)
ROSELLE SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12000754 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F4908809 County: Union

PUBLIC NOTICE

Plaintiff: VALLEY NATIONAL BANK VS Defendant: JOSEPH M. OYATTA AND PRISCILLAR W. OYATTA, h/w Sale Date: 03/21/2012 Writ of Execution: 01/13/2012 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. The property to be sold is located in the Borough of Roselle in the County of Union and the State of New Jersey. Premises commonly known as: 451 West Second Avenue, Roselle, NJ Tax Lot #: 1 in Block #: 5402 Dimensions of Lot (Approximately): 60 x 100 x 60 x 100 Nearest Cross Street: Located on West Second Avenue on the Corner of West Second and Clover. *THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.* JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$302,667.52 Three Hundred Two Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Seven and 52/100** Attorney: SCHILLER & PITTINGER, P.C. - ATTORNEYS 1771 FRONT STREET SUITE D SCOTCH PLAINS, NJ 07076 (908) 490-0444 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$314,955.77 Three Hundred Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Five and 77/100** February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 2012 U290267 PRO (\$113.68)

PUBLIC NOTICE

SPRINGFIELD

Explanation: This resolution authorizes Cit-e-Net, LLC to provide electronic check and credit/debit card payments services for municipal property taxes, fees and other types of monetary obligations owed by individuals and business.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD RESOLUTION 2012-55

Whereas, the Township of Springfield seeks to find ways to make payments of fees, taxes and other payment obligations more convenient for taxpayers, residents, individuals and business of Springfield; and

Whereas, under N.J.A.C. 5:30-9.3 local governments are permitted to utilize electronic receipts as an alternative to the acceptance of cash and checks as a receipt for local unit obligation; and

Whereas, the Township will establish electronic check and credit/debit card payment services for the payment of municipal property taxes and other type of monetary obligation by individuals and businesses to the Township of Springfield; and

Whereas, Cit-e-Net, LLC has provided such services to a number of municipalities throughout the State of New Jersey and is capable of providing these services to Springfield; and

Whereas, Cit-e-Net, LLC will charge an annual charge of \$2000.00 per year and a one-time set up service fee of \$2500.00 and NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee and Mayor of Springfield that the Mayor is hereby authorized to purchase services from Cit-e-Net, LLC for electronic check and credit/debit card payments services for municipal property taxes, fees and other types of monetary obligations owed by taxpayers, individuals and business to the Township of Springfield.

TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a Regular Meeting by the Township Committee, of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, on Tuesday, February 28, 2012. Linda M. Donnelly, RMC Township Clerk U290859 OBS March 8, 2012 (\$30.38)

SUMMIT

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Zoning Board held a meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2012 and memorialized the following resolution(s):

220 15th Avenue, LLC 275 Ashland Road Block 5204 Lot 10 ZB-11-1567 - (c) variance for steep slope disturbance and driveway slope to construct a new home

Dennis M. Galvin, Secretary Zoning Board of Adjustment U290990 OBS March 8, 2012 (\$9.31)

SPRINGFIELD

Explanation: This Ordinance amends Chapter XXVII of the Revised General Ordinances entitled, "Parks, Pool and Recreational Areas" by repealing a portion of Section 27-2 entitled, "Use of Alcoholic Beverages and Games" that is pre-empted by State law.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD

PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE 2012-05

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 26:2b-26 prohibits a municipality from enacting any ordinance that has the force of law of rendering public intoxication to be a civil or criminal offense; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield adopted an ordinance that is contained in Section 27-2 of the Township's Revised General Ordinances entitled, "Use of Alcoholic Beverages and Games" which prohibits public intoxication in a public park. Therefore, this portion of the Township ordinance is pre-empted by State law; and

WHEREAS, it is therefore necessary that Section 27-2 be renamed and that a portion of subsection 27-2.1 entitled, "Use in Parks Prohibited" that prohibits public intoxication in a public park must be repealed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union and State of New Jersey that Section 27-2 entitled, "Use of Alcoholic Beverages and Games" Parks Hours" is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION I Section 27-2 is hereby renamed, "Games" and that subsection 27-2.1 entitled, "Use in Parks Prohibited" is hereby amended by deleting subsection 27-2.1 (a) in its entirety since it is pre-empted by N.J.S.A. 26:2B-26. The remaining paragraphs shall be renumbered. The entry shall read as follows:

27-2 [USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND] GAMES

27-2.1 Use in Parks Prohibited. No person shall [a.] [Drink, take, use have in his possession or be under the influence of any intoxicating beverage while in any municipal public park, are or playground in the Township.] [b.] a. Take part in or abet the playing of any games involving throwing or otherwise propelling objects such as balls, stones, arrows, javelins, horseshoes, quoits or model airplanes before 9:00am.

[c.] b. For any leagues or organizations, take part in or abet the playing of any games involving thrown or otherwise propelled objects such as balls, stones, arrows, javelins, horseshoes, quoits or model airplanes without a permit issued by the Recreation Department.

[d.] c. Bring a dog, cat or other pet, whether leashed or running free, onto any public park or playground or any portion thereof at any time, excluding Green Acres Park on Morris Avenue.

SECTION II All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to said inconsistencies and conflicts.

SECTION III If any section, part of any section, or clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Ordinance, and each section and subsection thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more of the subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION IV This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

Linda M. Donnelly, RMC Township Clerk U290862 OBS March 8, 2012 (\$60.27)

MOUNTAINSIDE

PUBLIC NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Mountain-side Board of Education originally scheduled for Tuesday, March 20, 2012, has been rescheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at the Beechwood School Susan O. Collier Media Center located at 1497 Woodacres Drive, Mountainside, NJ 07092.

Also, the regular meeting of the Mountainside Board of Education originally scheduled for Tuesday April 10, 2012 has been cancelled. U290903 OBS March 8, 2012 (\$8.82)

SPRINGFIELD

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION

TAKE NOTICE that the Regular Township Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 13, 2012, at 7 p.m., in the Municipal Building, has been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 13, 2012, at 2 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Linda M. Donnelly Township Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

U290860 OBS March 8, 2012 (\$7.84)

PUBLIC NOTICE

CLARK

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK NOTICE OF INTENTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey on Monday, March 5, 2012 and that said ordinance will be taken up for further consideration and final passage at a Regular Meeting at 315 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey on Monday, March 19, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. prevailing time, at which time and place all persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same.

AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS the Governing Body of the Township of Clark in the County of Union finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2012 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS the Governing Body hereby determines that a 1.0% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$152,122.69 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

WHEREAS the Governing Body hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, in the County of Union, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that in the CY 2012 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Clark shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$532,429.42 and that the CY 2012 municipal budget for the Township of Clark be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Edith L. Merkel, RMC Township Clerk

U290991 EAG March 8, 2012 (\$50.96)

CLARK

Township of Clark Public Notice

Take notice that pursuant to Resolution No. 12-42 adopted by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark on March 5, 2012, that the undersigned will expose for sale by sealed bid, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 17:27-36 at the time and location specified below, the following motor vehicles and public works equipment.

All the vehicles on the following list are offered in strictly "as is" condition, with no representation as to condition or fitness for any particular purpose. Minimum bid for each vehicle is as listed. Purchase must be made by cash or certified check made payable to the Township of Clark. A 10% deposit must be given at time of bid. Balance must be paid and vehicle removed by Monday, March 19, 2012 at 3:00 p.m.

Bids will be open and read in public on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in room 30 of the Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave., Clark, New Jersey in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey pertaining thereto.

The following vehicles may be examined at the Public Works Garage, 315 Westfield Ave., Clark, New Jersey on Wednesday, March 14, 2012 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.

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2) 1999 Ford Crown Vic - 2FAFP71W6XX162945 - Min Bid \$500.00 RUNS
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5) 1996 Ford Crown Vic - 2FALP71W6TX119073 - Min. Bid \$500.00 RUNS
6) 1992 Jeep Cherokee - 1J4FJ28S2NL252809 - Min. Bid \$500.00 RUNS

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Edith L. Merkel, RMC Township Clerk

U291013 EAG March 8, 2012 (\$44.10)

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LINDEN

LINDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT AUCTION NOTICE

The undersigned shall expose for sale in accordance with RS 39:10A-1 et seq. at public auction on March 8th, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at Gabe's Towing Company, 228 South Stiles Street, Linden, New Jersey the following motor vehicles which came into possession of the Linden Police Department through abandonment or failure of owners to claim same. These motor vehicles may be examined at the aforementioned location at 9:00 a.m. on March 7th, 2012. All sales are "as is". Vehicles must be removed by a wrecker within two working days.

Linden Police Department Salvatore Bivona, Chief of Police

The following vehicles will be sold with an application for title from the N.J. Division of Motor Vehicles. The Linden Police Department does not guarantee title, only the application. It is the responsibility of the public to inspect vehicles before sale.

Table with columns: MAKE, YEAR, SERIAL#, MIN. BID. Includes ACURA 1997, MERCURY 2002, VOLKSWAGEN 2002.

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SPRINGFIELD

EXPLANATION: An Ordinance adopting a Uniform Fee Schedule as required by the Department of Community Affairs for the Shared Services of a Construction Official between the Borough of Kenilworth and the Township of Springfield.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD ORDINANCE 2012-06

The municipalities of Springfield and Kenilworth seek to jointly establish and enforce building codes and fees uniformly and equally so as to protect the health and safety of their residents. The use of national codes consistent with those set forth by the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Codes and Standards are hereby incorporated by reference for definitions and minimal requirements that shall be complied with for all construction.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey that the following Uniform Fee Schedule is hereby adopted, as required by the Department of Community Affairs for the shared services of a Construction Code Official between the Borough of Kenilworth and the Township of Springfield.

I. SECTION I. Chapter XII entitled, "Building, Housing and Hotels" is hereby amended by repealing and replacing Construction code fees contained in Section 12-1.14 of the Township Code. The amendment shall read as follows:

Table with columns: Description, Fee. Includes sections for NEW CONSTRUCTION AND ADDITIONS, REHABILITATION, and various use groups with associated fees.

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SPRINGFIELD

Explanation: This resolution adopts the 2012 Budget for the Springfield Community Partnership.

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD RESOLUTION NO. 2012-57

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 2012-34, adopted on January 24, 2012, the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield did approve on first reading the proposed 2012 Budget of the Springfield Community Partnership for the period January 1 through December 31, 2012, and did schedule a public hearing on the said budget for this date; and

WHEREAS, on this date the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield did hold such public hearing and did allow objections to the said budget to be presented by any interested party;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that they do hereby adopt the proposed 2012 Budget of the Springfield Community Partnership for the period January 1 through December 31, 2012, without amendment. TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a Regular Meeting by the Township Committee, of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, on Tuesday, February 28, 2012.

Linda M. Donnelly, RMC Township Clerk

Springfield Community Partnership 2012 Budget

Table with columns: Revenue, Expenses, Office Operations, Visual Improvement, Promotion/Marketing, Interest Expense, Contingency Funds, Total Expenditures. Includes sub-items like BID Assessments, Grants/Sponsorship, Administrative Services, etc.

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Table with columns: Description, Fee. Includes sections for C.A-1.2.3.4.F-1.S-1.2, Roofing, Siding, Retaining Wall, ASBESTOS ABATEMENT, LEAD HAZARD ABATEMENT, RADON REMEDIATION, DEMOLITION, TANK REMOVAL, SOLAR PANELS, PLAN REVIEW: ALTERNATIVE SYSTEMS AND NON-DEPLETABLE ENERGY SOURCE PROVISIONS OF ENERGY SUBCODE.

SECTION II. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to said inconsistencies and conflicts. Specifically, the fees set forth in this Ordinance shall supersede the fees currently set forth in the Township Code.

SECTION III. If any section, part of any section, or clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Ordinance, and each section and subsection thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more of the subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION IV. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

Linda M. Donnelly, does hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced for first reading at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Springfield, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, held on Tuesday, February 28, 2012, and that said Ordinance shall be submitted for consideration and final passage at a regular meeting of said Township Committee to be held on March 27, 2012, Springfield Municipal Building at 7 p.m., at which time and place any person or persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance. Copy is posted on the bulletin board in the office of the Township Clerk.

Linda M. Donnelly, RMC Township Clerk

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