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The bucks never stop for public employees

Despite a continued economic recession plaguing towns, many public workers receive huge payouts when they retire

By Cheryl Hehl Staff Writer

With the economy still struggling to get on its feet, and with local municipal budgets depleted and many Union County taxpayers either losing their homes or fearful they will, retiring public employees continue to receive hefty payouts for unused sick, vacation and compensatory time. Some have even been handed checks that topped the \$200,000

Since 1998 the New Jersey Commission of Investigation issued several reports examining how this little known practice runs rampant in local municipalities. But despite opening up the books on a number of municipalities, none of which were in Union County, little has been done at the state level to reign in this cash cow.

Although the commission suggested that the state should get involved and enact legislation to stop or contain this financially draining perk, not enough has been done to bring about broad change throughout the state.

According to the Commission, the practice of paying public employees for sick and vacation days they failed to use during their tenure with a municipality runs rampant in local towns throughout the state, including Union County.

In a 2009 report titled "The Beat Goes On," which delved into waste and abuse in local government employee compensation and benefits, the Commission again attempted to shed light on the financial windfall received by municipal employees, calling it "wasteful and excessive public employee benefit practices.'

"It simply is unacceptable and intolerable for taxpayers to continue to be burdened by these sorts of gold-plated, sky's the limit payout packages for active and retiring public workers, especially when the cost of such arrangements can seriously erode budgets, drive up property taxes and actually

coincide with the layoffs of essential personnel, including police officers and firefighters," the commission noted in its final recommendations.

One example of an exorbitant payout in Union County is former Union employee Andrew Giordano, who received \$112,228 for unused sick days and \$146,175 for unused vacation days, a total of \$258,403 of taxpayers dollars.

Ironically, the state, which enacted a \$15,000 retirement payout cap in the early 1980's for its own employees, has issued multiple warnings about the dangers of unlimited benefits, but has offered no other tangible effort to control

Clark is an example of how one municipality decided to try and put an end to this golden parachute on their own, by placing caps on the amount retiring employees could receive.

When Mayor Sal Bonaccorso was elected in 2001, he

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Father stands guard over son, Rahway cop in coma

Shira Kipnees Correspondent

RAHWAY - Sometimes in life, even the greatest of heroes can become the victims.

John Donofrio Jr. is a man who did his best to protect all those in-need. However, this local hero, a police officer in Rahway, became a victim on June 28 after a serious motorcycle accident left him severely injured, broken, and in a coma.

On his way to work June 28, a woman made an illegal left turn in the Avenel section of Woodbridge on the border of Rahway that was caught on surveillance tape, and crashed into Donofrio Jr. Donofrio Jr.'s injuries included five broken ribs and brain trauma. The woman involved in this accident, however, is fighting the tickets associated with this incident, much to the shock of John Donofrio Jr.'s father, John Donofrio Sr. of Cranford.

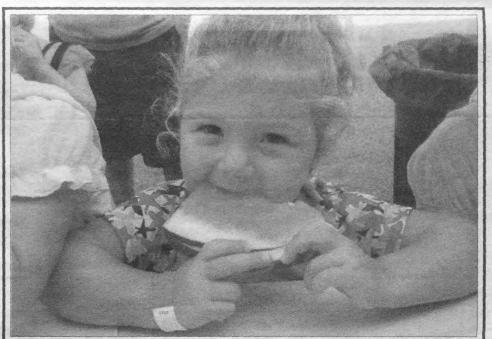
This accident is a result of someone who

didn't care about life." Donofrio Sr. noted. "This woman is refusing to even pay the tickets even though she was in the wrong."

Donofrio Jr. was aided by a Woodbridge officer who happened to see this accident and noticed the victim was wearing a police officer uniform. Donofrio Jr. remains in a coma in the trauma unit in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick under the constant surveillance of his loving father, who described his son's condition as "broken from head to toe." Donofrio Jr. has undergone six surgeries so far, with a possibility of more to come.

"I sleep here," said Donofrio Sr. "I only leave here to go home once a day to shower and change my clothes." Donofrio Sr. also prays every day to both his wife, Barbara Ann, who died suddenly in 2000, and God, to let his son live.

Today marks the sixth week that See OFFICER, Page 4



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A conflict of interest to the public good

Lawyers suing the mayor represent mayor, township, councilmen, but claim no conflict of interest

By Paul Greulich Staff Writer

HILLSIDE — While area residents may be numb to news of yet another lawsuit involving their public officials, the most recent lawsuit unfolding in Hillside offers a telling illustration of the political undercurrents that have buffeted the litigious community for many years.

Mayor Joseph Menza is being sued by two attorneys retained by the township over unpaid legal bills that Menza said are still under review by his office.

Plaintiffs Edward Kologi of Kologi Simitz and Richard Bauch of Bauch Zucker Hatfield filed jointly in state superior court last month. They claim Menza is withholding the money as part of a political ploy.

Menza said in the past, the township's legal expenses have exceeded the maximum allowed by contract by tens of thousands of dollars, which he is trying to avoid this year.

"We're only midway through the year and I know they're above the 50 percent line," Menza said. "They want to get paid but I want to make sure we're getting what we paid for."

However both plaintiffs made it clear their principal goal in suing Menza is not to recover the money owed to them but to block the mayor from taking such action again in the future.

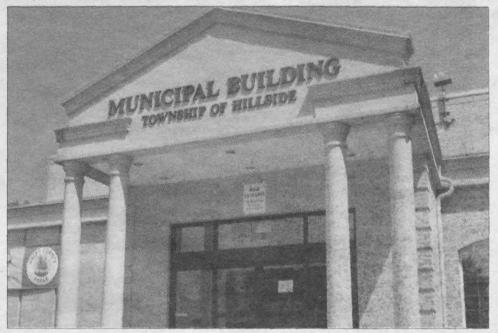
Menza said his actions have been essential to overseeing and managing taxpayer dollars, which he considers his job as mayor.

"The only way to stop me from doing my job is to kill me," Menza said.

Menza, an independent who squeaked into office by a handful of votes in 2009, is the township's third consecutive mayor to find himself at odds with the Democrat-controlled Township Council as well as attorneys and department heads. However he has won the support of many residents, and this year he was even named Mayor of the Year by the Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Bauch has worked for the township of Hillside almost continually since 1989. According to the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission, Bauch has also donated tens of thousands of dollars to the Union County Democratic Committee, which is headquartered in Hillside under the control of Charlotte DeFilippo.

Kologi is also a donor to the Hillside Democratic Party, and he provided his legal services to County Manager Al Faella last year after Faella was arrested on drunk driving charges while using a county owned vehicle.



Two lawyers representing Hillside will meet Mayor Joseph Menza in court on Friday. They are suing Menza, saying he is withholding pay for political reasons, but Menza counters saying his office has been reviewing the bills for repeatedly going over contractual agreements.

Neither firm contacted Menza prior to filing regarding the possibility of avoiding litigation through fee arbitration.

"There is no requirement to go to arbitration before filing," Kologi said.

Carol Jeney, who serves as Secretary of the District 12 Fee Arbitration Committee, which covers Union County, said there is a rule regarding fee arbitration when an attorney intends to sue their client.

"There is a court rule that an attorney must send a pre-action notice to the client telling the client they have 30 days with which to apply for fee arbitration," Jeney said.

Kologi said the township currently owes his firm \$14,000. Bauch is owed \$35,000. Kologi said the payments are late by approximately five months and stem from a variety of legal expenses.

"We are currently handling at least four separate matters in Hillside," Kologi said.

These cases include a lawsuit by the council against the mayor and a lawsuit by the police chief against the mayor and council. Bauch said most of the litigation occurring in Hillside stems from Menza's actions as mayor, a claim Menza disputes.

"If that's the case, why in 2008 did he receive \$127,000 when he had a contract for

\$60,000?" Menza said. "Before I was mayor he was doing the same damn thing."

Menza said enforcing contractual limits is essential to controlling professional expenses and keeping the township below the state's two percent budget cap. He said this has historically not been done in Hillside.

"It's not only the attorneys. It's most of the professional services," Menza said. "Most of the contracts exceed. It is habitual and it is persistent."

This is something he aims to change.

"All attorneys that work for the township have their bills under review at this point, including my own," Menza said.

While Bauch and Kologi said Menza is welcome to "ask questions" about professional expenses, both indicated the town council is clearly in charge of town's finances, not the mayor.

"If the mayor has legitimate concerns we'd be the first to defend his right to raise it," Kologi said. "But that is not what is happening here"

Bauch said he and the mayor have worked well in the past, and Menza never questioned his bills before.

Kologi said he suspects Menza perceives certain professionals to be aligned with certain council members, and by not paying those professionals, he hopes the professionals will exert pressure on the council members, who will try to come to terms with the mayor on separate issues such as appointments.

"The vendors should not be pawns in a political dispute between the mayor and governing body," Kologi said.

An even more heated dispute surrounds the lawyers' plans to continue to represent Hillside, even as they sue its top elected representative. Kologi said he has an "ethical" obligation to continue his legal work for the township, but Menza said he will not authorize either firm to do work for the township henceforth.

"They cannot represent the township in any manner while they sue us," he said. "It's a clear conflict of interest."

Kologi and Bauch contend no conflict of interest exists.

"We are not suing our client. We are suing an individual who is interfering with our relationship with our client," Kologi said.

Menza is the township's head elected representative and negotiates and signs the attorneys' contracts, but Kologi said his client is the township of Hillside, not Menza.

Menza said reviewing the bills has already resulted in some interesting adjustments. Menza said that upon announcing his plan to review the legal bills, the bills submitted by Kologi were suddenly adjusted downward by \$1,000.

"When he found out the bills were going for review, somebody quickly adjusted the bills downward. I want someone to explain that to me," Menza said.

Kologi said he does not believe an actual review is even underway.

"I don't know what a review means," Kologi said. "Someone could review our bills in ten or twenty minutes, not two months."

Menza said his efforts to control spending threatens not only the professionals who prefer to overbill, but the larger establishment in Union County. Menza said Bauch and other professionals commonly engage in the practice of deliberately overbilling the township and give a percentage of the excess to the Democrat party.

"To me, that's stealing," Menza said.

The suit is scheduled to be heard Friday before Judge Lisa Chrystal.

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Officer in coma kept company by watchful dad

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Donofrio Jr. has been in a coma.

"I will stay here by my son's side no matter what," Donofrio Sr. explained. "When I was raising my children, I taught them that family was the most important thing in the world, and I know that if the tables were turned, my son would be doing the exact same thing for me."

Donofrio Jr. was raised in Cranford, the oldest of four children. His father proudly explained his son was very involved in judo wrestling and regular wrestling all his life. He would frequently use his strength and skills to protect those who could not protect themselves

"My wife pushed her kids to do sports and encouraged them to never be quitters or to ever give up," the father tearfully said.

"Once when my son was in high school, he saw another kid getting picked on," Donofrio Sr. proudly recalled, adding that his son stepped up and refused to let the bul-

Donofrio Jr. also spent his time wrestling with the Cranford Police Athletic League and training in judo at Cranford Judo with Olympic dreams. Donofrio Jr. even spent time in Japan training in judo, a sport where he earned a black belt, training for the Olympics.

However, Donofrio Jr.'s time in Japan came to a sudden end when his mother died in 2000 after catching a cold that turned into a staph infection. Donofrio Jr. was brought back home by his father to help take care of his younger siblings. Donofrio Jr., his father said, always took care of those inneed, and promised his mother he would become a police officer.

"He's a good man, a good friend, and a good officer," said Rahway Police Captain



John Donofrio Jr., a police officer in Rahway, has been in a coma since June when he was in a traumatic car accident. His father has not left his side.

John Grahill of Donofrio Jr. "It's very sad to see something like this happen to a guy like him."

Donofrio Sr. agreed, saying, "he may be rough around the edges, but he has a good

Donofrio Sr. spoke proudly of his son's heroics before his accident, including a time during Tropical Storm Irene when Rahway experienced devastating flooding.

father explained that his son rescued a fellow police officer trapped in a car who would have otherwise drowned.

Donofrio Sr. believes his son will be able to survive due to his fighter mentality, but remains unsure if his son will ever be able to walk or talk again.

"It's a long road, a long road trip, but he'll be taking small steps with his family by his side," said the father who maintains a watch-

Yet, Donofrio Sr. admitted, what he wants more than anything else is to have his son back.

"This has taken a big toll on my family and on me. They say 'God only gives you what you can handle' but can you take some off my shoulders," confessed Donofrio Sr.

Donofrio Sr. knows it will be a few months until any major breakthroughs could happen with his son's condition, but he already received a good sign.

After talking to his son about the family and his son's friends, Donofrio Sr. asked for a sign, which he got shortly after in the form of his son raising his right hand and giving a thumbs up.

This father faces medical bills for his son that could hit \$2 million by the end of the year. Some have even predicted by the time everything is said and done it could reach \$6 million. This father, however, is not thinking about that right now.

"Whatever insurance doesn't pay, I will. I would even take out a mortgage or sell my home to pay my son's bills if I had to," Donofrio Sr. said.

He is getting some help to pay these bills from a number of sources.

Many people far and wide have donated money to help pay the hospital bills, including the Paterson Police Department, where Donofrio Jr. was an officer until he was laid off last year, and the Rahway Police Department. Both are selling tickets for a night at Chris Michael's Steakhouse and Lounge in Woodbridge on Aug. 19. Tickets are \$50 and include food, a drink, and entertainment. All proceeds from this event and ticket sales will go to the Donofrio family.

For additional information, contact Chris Daniele at 732-397-4447 or at 201-522-7443.

Union County Alliance sits idle with budget of \$232,125

By Cheryl Hehl **Staff Writer**

After more than six months without anyone at the helm, the Union County Alliance now has a former county employee heading up this non-profit, and produced a summer edition of its bi-annual paper, Union County Directions.

Union County Communications Director Sebastian D'Elia confirmed last week that retired county employee Denise LaSpata assumed the role of manager for the UCA, but no current president was yet in place. He also stressed that the UCA, designated a 501-C4 non-profit, was not an agency of the county, merely funded by them.

The UCA, which maintains a rented office on Westfield Avenue in Rahway, previously published two 20- to 24-page tabsized newspapers and was tasked with performing non-specific economic development and long-range planning for the

county. Efforts to reach LaSpata this week at the Rahway office were not successful. In addition, calls made to the new manager were not returned.

Prior to this latest development, D'Elia denied rumors in recent weeks that Union County Department of Human Services Director Frank Guzzo would be retiring and assuming the position of president of the UCA. Last week, however, he did not deny that this could actually be in the works, or might occur in the near future. However, these rumors have persisted and grown stronger in recent weeks.

LaSpata began working for the county in 1982, later moving into the position of secretary to the county manager. She later moved up to manager of personal at a salary of \$105,918, retiring from that position in 2010.

The latest edition of Union County Directions has a July date, but other than

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Summit eager to share dispatch services with New Providence

By Paul Greulich Staff Writer

SUMMIT - Local officials are eager to move forward with a shared services project involving a new dispatch center that will be used by police, fire and EMS services in several nearby communities.

A centralized regional emergency communications center is designed to allow for greater efficiency as well as shared costs. The center is also expected to benefit public safety by freeing up police officers who had previously been busy with dispatch duty.

The proposed agreement will include Summit, New Providence and Millburn. Millburn will only be committing its Fire Department to participation in the agreement, not its police force.

Initially Berkeley Heights was also among the municipalities interested but they later dropped out. The topic of a shared dispatch center has been discussed and studied for about five years.

While the agreement will not encompass as many municipalities as initially hoped for, officials in Summit and New Providence are convinced it is still a worthwhile endeavor.

Summit City Administrator Chris Cotter said local officials are "excited about implementing it as soon as we can."

"We believe this will provide an improved level of service at an ultimately reduced cost because there will be shared costs for the improved technology," Cotter explained. "It is the right kind of project for today and we believe it is the right kind of project for these two communities that have a long history of working together.'

At the July 31 City Council meeting, Summit officials were joined by New Providence Business Administrator Doug Marvin for discussion on the project. Madden noted Marvin graduated from Summit High School.

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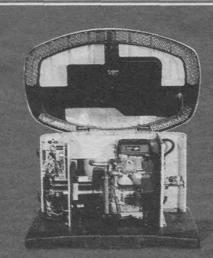




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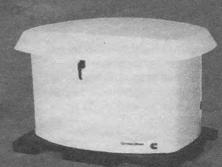


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Mayor invited to breakfast with the governor

Gov. Christie invites Gerbounka and 35 guests of his choosing to breakfast meeting at governor's mansion in Trenton

By Cheryl Hehl Staff Writer

LINDEN — Mayor Rich Gerbounka received a very special invitation last month for himself and 40 other movers and shakers in the community. But while this busy mayor gets invitations of all kinds, receiving one from the governor was indeed special and it came with a bonus that was not expected.

The mayor makes no bones about the fact he is a supporter of Gov. Chris Christie, or that he has developed a good relationship with this Republican leader who speaks his mind and lets the chips fall where they may. In fact, Gerbounka is the first to admit Christie speaks his language.

"I'm extremely supportive of him," Gerbounka said, confessing he is periodically in touch with the governor. Although he preferred not going into the issues they have discussed in the past, suffice it to say the governor is aware of the problems facing Linden.

Still, it was surprising, the mayor said, when he received a call from the governor's office inviting him to breakfast at Drumthwacket, the official residence of the the governor.

"The call came out of the blue, inviting me to pick a broad spectrum of 35 to 40 people in the community to have breakfast and listen to the direction the governor would like to see the state take," Gerbounka said, adding that he was honored to be invited.

"I was honored that Gov. Christie took the time to listen to Linden's issues," he added.

Although Christie does not live with his family at the Princeton mansion built in 1834, he often entertains there, as was the case when he asked Gerbounka and 40 people from Linden to join him for breakfast.

So, in the early morning hours of the day in question, the mayor, along with the contingent of people he asked to join him on this venture, took off in a bus headed for Princeton.

Gerbounka said the time spent with the governor was "relaxed and enjoyable," with Christie being "very much the way he usually is on television."

"He is a down to earth guy," the mayor said, mentioning that while he is supportive of the governor, he does not always agree with everything he says.

Basically, the mayor explained, Christie "just wanted to know how he could be of help to our community." Although there



Linden Mayor Rich Gerbounka recently got a phone call from Gov. Chris Christie's office, inviting him to the governor's mansion for breakfast, and to bring 35 to 40 guests with him for a meet and greet with the governor. The meeting, to Gerbounka's delight, helped result in roadway improvements to the I-278 ramps on Routes 1 and 9 between Linden and Elizabeth. The work should improve traffic flow and safety in the area.

were many issues facing the city, Gerbounka knew there was one issue desperately in need of attention.

The Interstate 278 access on Route 1 and 9 has been called the "missing link" because improvements to this ill conceived juncture have been on the drawing boards for years.

Gerbounka explained that as motorists come into Linden from Elizabeth, I-287 exits onto the fast lane of Routes 1 and 9 southbound, which is extremely dangerous.

"Five people were killed at that location," the mayor said, adding that prior to this the city had been asking for improvements to that interchange for close to 20 years.

Complicating things even more is the fact that there is no entrance to I-278 from Routes 1 and 9 southbound. The only entrance is from Routes 1 and 9 northbound and there is no exit onto Routes 1 and 9 northbound from the interstate.

Gerbounka said improvements to this deadly interchange have been needed for a

long, long time and thanks to the governor, changes are coming.

Christie immediately began to work on the problem, sending a letter to the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, requesting that they undertake the I-278 ramp project.

"This project will support critical corridor access improvements near the New Jersey side of the Goethals bridge. In light of the coming Goethals Bridge Modernization Program, this project takes on an additional sense of urgency," Christie noted in his letter of July 31.

Just days after the governor sent this letter, Gerbounka confessed it was a long awaited solution to a problem that burdened the city.

"I'm very excited about the project. It's a major improvement," the mayor said last week. However, he is also aware that these improvements will take time. According to Steven Coleman, Port Authority media deputy director, it will take until 2018 to complete the interchange improvements

and cost \$100 million.

Last week the Port Authority authorized another \$5.4 million for planning and engineering design. The Port Authority's director also has been authorized to award contracts for professional, technical and advisory services associated with the planning and design work.

The project not only will improve the I-278 interchange but also improve traffic safety, local road congestion and highway vehicle traffic flow. In addition, the interchange update would improve traffic moving from Bayway Avenue in Elizabeth to and from the Goethals Bridge and New Jersey Turnpike, according to the authority's resolution.

Gerbounka said the changes will improve Linden's transportation grid and have a major impact on traffic safety along the Routes 1 and 9 corridor.

"It's a pleasure to have Gov. Christie listen to the needs of the residents of the City of Linden and make things happen," the mayor said.

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Michael Mastro, a dispatcher for the Summit fire department, sits at his desk in Summit. But Summit officials expect the job to move to New Providence, in a proposed shared dispatch services deal.

Shared service in Summit

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"We have a good working relationship with him," Council President Richard Madden said.

While the facility will see only modest dollar savings for both communities in its first year of operation, there is hope additional communities will sign on to the agreement, which would further moderate costs.

Mayor Ellen Dickson said if the project is successful it could attract more towns to join and could potentially become a profit center.

Madden said the project will afford a great opportunity to Summit as well as other cities.

"I think the project is very worthwhile and once it gets up the possibility exists of bringing on other cities that may be a little reluctant to get in from the start," Madden said.

Summit Deputy Fire Chief Michael Evens said the plan should increase efficiency.

"Having one central dispatch site will reduce some redundancy," Evens said.

Evens is unsure what will become of the department's existing dispatch center if the plan goes through.

"We may maintain some dispatch capacities as a backup center but we're not sure yet," Evens said.

The new, combined dispatch center will most likely be located in New Providence, in a space that was vacated when the rescue squad moved into a new facility.

"It will not be a new building," Madden said. "It will be a renovated portion of the New Providence City Hall building."

The center will be built with seven dispatch work stations, allowing adequate space for additional personnel to work there if more communities decide to participate.

The project will be kick-started with help from a \$1.6 million grant received by Summit through Congressman Leonard Lance's office. This grant must be put into use by the end of the year.

Mayor Ellen Dickson voiced her support for the project, especially in light of the funding opportunity.

"I think we need to take advantage of this grant," Dickson said. "I don't know when we're going to see this kind of money again."

Marvin indicated elected officials in New Providence are seeking some additional information on cost estimates before any decision regarding the combined dispatch center will be made.

"They want to be able to consider the costs associated with each of their options," Marvin said.

Officials indicated the official agreement between Summit and Berkeley Heights to form a shared dispatch facility could be presented to both governing bodies as soon as next month.

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The reward for not being sick: huge sums of money

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capped police at \$30,000 and public works and dispatch workers, along with all other white collar jobs, at \$7,500. Unfortunately, due to previous contractual obligations, each year the township is obligated to hand over large checks to several retiring employees.

For instance, when former Clark Police Chief Anton Danco retired in 2007, he was making \$133,136 a year, but he walked away with a check for \$207,706 for unused sick time. Likewise, just last year when Police Chief Denis Connell retired making \$137,829, he received \$128,388 for unused sick time and \$18,327 for vacation time he failed to use. More than his annu-

al salary the year he retired.

But over the years there has been some attempt by legislators to try and do something to stop the practice that provides financial windfalls to public employees. In 2002 Republican Sen. Tom Kean introduced a bill to cap all accumulated sick leave payments to local public employees. Kean's bill, like previous attempts, went nowhere.

According to media reports at the time and state public records, employee unions quickly lashed out against the bill and it died before gaining any strength.

Republican Sen. Leonard Lance also made an effort to cap the payouts, but this also failed before getting off the ground.

The Commission urged in its 2009 report that "meaningful and balanced reform by state leadership and guidance" was necessary "to get the job done," but local towns have had little recourse but to hand over checks to retiring employees after union contracts locked in this practice decades ago.

In Union, where 71 employees retired in the last five years, all but four received significant final checks for unused sick and vacation days. Many were issued checks in excess of \$100,000, with several even surpassing the \$200,000 mark.

In addition to former employees like Giordano receiving more than \$250,000 taxpayers dollars upon retirement, another employee, Thomas Kraemer, received the next highest amount in the last five years: \$212,972. The township also had to cut a check for \$70,000 for unused vacation to former township administrator Frank Bradley, who spent the last year of his tenure on sick leave due to a stroke.

In fact, over the last five years, Union paid eight additional employees each over \$100,000 for unused sick and vacation time and countless others close to that amount. Others managed to take home sizable checks of \$20,000 up to \$100,000.

While almost every public employee in Union County receives these payouts, uniformed personnel, such as police and fire, have continued to maintain a hold in this area, ensuring members receive full compensation for unused sick and vacation days upon retirement. Non-union employees also frequently reap the same benefits in many local towns.

This perk has been guarded by public employee unions who argue that private sector perks such as annual bonuses and stock options are not available to municipal government employees. Municipalities also have little legal power when attempting to eliminate this perk because the issue usually ends up as an issue in arbitration.

Because arbitrators generally look at what other unionized workers throughout the state are receiving as a basis for how to settle differences, most towns have carried little weight in their efforts to eliminate these payouts.

The practice actually dates back to the 1930s, when during the Depression the legislature passed civil service laws guaranteeing government workers 15 paid sick days. Over the years, the idea that these days could be converted to cash was adopted by tradition. In fact, several court decisions in the 1970s found there was nothing in the law to stop these payouts.

From there, payouts for unused vacations and sick days, at the same rate of pay employees earned at the time of retirement, became part of union contracts. Although for many years payouts for unused time was relatively low and went largely unnoticed, that changed when public salaries increased in the 1980s and payouts ballooned.

Although several towns, including Cranford, Rahway, Roselle Park and Hillside either denied Open Public Record Requests from LocalSource or did not respond, others, including Union, Linden, Clark, Roselle and Summit provided a full accounting of the money handed over to retiring employ-

Towns that denied LocalSource's OPRA requests fell back on a part of the OPRA law that does not require a municipality to create a record if one does not already exist. But, according to state regulation, these towns are required to have the requested record and should not have to create a new one.

The New Jersey Division of Local Government Services regulation, enacted in 2002, requires that local municipalities annually disclose the value of sick and vacation days banked by employees. Additionally, any cash payout to a non-union employee must be disclosed by passing an ordinance.

According to Tammori Petty, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Office of Communications, the local finance board established this as a part of local budget standards and the information should be part of a town's municipal budget each year. Each municipality is required to list the financial impact of employees banking unused vacation and sick days. Which means towns, like Cranford, are required to have a record of the information requested through OPRA. Unless, of course, they are deliberately disobeying a state-mandated regulation.

The 2009 state commission report also indicated that in coming years taxpayers will shell out close to \$1.5 billion in New Jersey to compensate local municipal retiring employees for unused vacation and sick time. However, many towns have been successful at capping or stopping the practice entirely.

Although years ago Linden capped the amount retiring employees could receive for unused sick days at \$19,000, there is no similar cap on the amount they can cash in for unused vacation, compensatory, holiday and personal days.

According to information obtained by LocalSource, of the 108 employees retiring in the last five years, the majority were entitled to receive at least the payout of \$19,000 because their unused sick time exceeded that amount. But, in addition, close to 95 percent of these employees also received considerable checks for unused vacation, compensatory and holidays.

For example, last year retiring Firefighter Mark Clinebell received \$19,000 in compensation for the 123.75 sick days he did not use during his career, plus an additional \$17,427.73 for unused vacation, personal days and holidays he was entitled to receive as part of the FMBA Local 34 contract. Another firefighter, Louis Grazzo, retired with only six sick days remaining, or a \$858.57 payout, but was handed \$17,940.16 for unused vacation days and \$12,159.58 in compensatory time the city owed him.

Employees in Linden requesting vacation and personal days must have them approved and signed for by a supervisor, according to township officials.

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Residents clamor at officials for answer to park problems

By Paul Greulich Staff Writer

SPRINGFIELD — Same old complaints, new location. Local officials are receiving reports of unruly crowds of out-of-towners causing trouble at Laurel Park, the last recreation facility featuring a full-court basketball setup.

At their Aug. 6 meeting, the Township Committee voted unanimously to direct the public affairs subcommittee, township administrator and police to evaluate the situation at Laurel Park and provide a recommendation by Aug. 28.

Police Spokesman Detective Lt. Judd Levenson said police have received reports of noisy conduct, littering and one case of public urination at Laurel Park. However, the problem does not appear to be as severe as in other locations.

"We've haven't had the same frequency of reports we had with Smithfield," Levenson said.

No arrests or drug activity has been reported, he said.

The complaints coming in from residents living near Laurel Park echo similar reports that plagued Cohn Park, Henshaw Park and Smithfield Park earlier in the year.

In those cases, officials ordered the removal of basketball rings, reducing the basketball courts to half-courts and diminishing their appeal to the rowdy visitors. Township officials now suspect the same individuals have simply migrated to Laurel Park, the last recreation facility in the township equipped with a full-court basketball setup.

Residents clamored for a permanent solution to the problem.

"Forget the vulgarity, forget the

garbage. I don't need my kids to see people urinating in the park," Resident Michael Aaron said.

Aaron thanked Mayor Ziad Shehady for coming out to inspect the situation for himself.

"This was a neighborhood park. A cute park where you could go with your kids. But it's not like that anymore," Aaron said.

Resident Allison Melar said most of the people causing the disturbance appear to be in their mid to late 20s, and are so loud she can hear them from her porch.

"The cursing that was going on was unbelievable," Melar said.

Officials and residents were divided as to how to come up with a permanent solution to this problem. Some urged the removal of the ring from the Laurel Park court, stating it is the quickest way to head off any potential safety threats related to the problem.

However, others said this will also deprive local children of a recreation resource. Shehady said he is concerned about citizens who want to have the benefit of a full court.

"I'm getting complaints from parents who want their kids to be able to play full-court games," Shehady said.

Some citizens urged the committee to look into the possibility of restricting use of certain parks to Springfield residents, while others suggested the parks be completely privatized.

Others theorized the problem may be a response to a lack of full-court facilities in other communities. The recreation department of Mountainside confirmed they do not have any public parks with full-court basketball setups.



Photo By Paul Greulich

Residents living near Laurel Park in Springfield have been complaining about problems new to them, but familiar to Springfield. Loud, rowdy basketball games, with shouting and vulgarity, have made many residents uneasy about using their local parks, and now they want a permanent solution.





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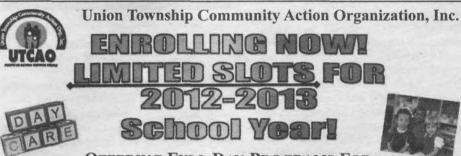
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Conflict in Hillside? Of course there is

In Hillside, attorneys and chronic donors to the county and local Democrat parties, Richard Bauch and Edward Kologi, are taking Mayor Joseph Menza to court concern-

EDITORIAL

ing unpaid legal bills Menza said are being reviewed by his office. And despite suing the township's mayor, the pair believe they have an "ethical" obligation to represent Hillside in legal matters. They also maintain there is no conflict of interest when suing the mayor of the town they are paid to represent. But in reality, this is not only a conflict of interest, the more one looks into the background of these longtime Hillside attorneys, their entire position in Hillside could be seen as a conflict of interest.

Consider this: Between these two attorneys they are representing the council in a lawsuit against the mayor; themselves in a lawsuit against the mayor; and the township in a lawsuit filed by the police chief. How can these attorneys represent both sides of the issue? How can they simultaneously sue the mayor and represent him, while claiming they are not in a conflict of interest?

Experienced professionals who are employed by a municipality should know elected officials fighting to control spending have a responsibility to scrutinize all expenses that impact taxpayer dollars, even if this means delays in their pay schedules.

Attorneys Bauch and Kologi fail to grasp this. In the case now unfolding, both plaintiffs have made it clear they are suing Menza for the specific purpose of preventing him from exercising this responsibility in the future. They claim they are suing the man, and not the town, resulting in no conflict of interest. Another point they fail to grasp is that when the mayor performs functions on behalf of the taxpayers that elected him, he is representing the interests of the residents, and, henceforth, of Hillside. When performing said functions, the two cannot be logically separated. And under the Faulkner Act, the township has a weak council, and a strong mayor. He is elected as the chief representative of the town. In this instance, Menza is Hillside, and Hillside is Menza. It's common sense.

But in their zeal to return Hillside to the ruin it was under the township's last two mayors, Bauch and Kologi manage to overlook the obvious conflict of interest of suing the man who negoI tiates and signs their contracts.

And of course, they also want to keep their jobs with the township, and keep getting paid. But that shouldn't be a concern,

seeing as they both have a track record of donating money to the County Democratic Party and to the Hillside Democratic Party, another clear conflict of interest. In fact, we find it hard to believe any work performed by these attorneys for anyone in Union County government is not a conflict of interest. Especially since Bauch has donated tens of thousands of dollars to Democrats in Union County, who have been in overwhelming control since the mid '90s.

Bauch and Kologi's distinguished case records notwithstanding, their stance in this manner reveals the mentality of political appointees who have been too comfortable for too long and don't like it when people start asking questions. Menza is simply doing the job he was elected to do, and as obvious monetary supporters of the political process, we would expect that to be something these attorney's would understand. Menza seems to understand, stating that the pair will not represent Hillside as long as they continue to sue Hillside.

We support Menza's efforts at financial oversight. Menza's work during his brief tenure as mayor has earned him the attention and esteem of taxpayers and public figures not only in Hill-side but throughout Union County, as evidenced by his receiving the title of Mayor of the Year for 2012 by the Gateway Chamber of Commerce. Menza alone is not a panacea for all of Hillside's woes, but it is becoming clear he is slowly, and steadfastly, attempting to get the town moving in the right direction. A few months ago, when Hillside passed its budget, Menza handed the council a 2012 tab with no tax increase. The council increased it slightly, giving Hillside a small tax raise for the year. But Menza, an independent who has been in a constant battle with the established parties since stepping into the role of mayor, went one step further, stating he hopes and plans to actually decrease taxes in Hillside next year.

We not only think taking any and all steps to reign in spending during an economic depression is a good idea, we also think it's an idea more council members should support.

Examining a free appropriate public education

Today, the Senate Education Committee will meet in Trenton to study the process for serving the 200,000 children in our schools defined as having disabilities. It means balancing the heart wrenching experiences of kids and parents who deal 24-hours-a-day with special needs on one side. On the other side are school districts financially hard pressed, who have to assume growing costs and cope with a difficult scope of legislation and rules in the area of special education.

The numbers are startling. The Center for Disease Control places 1 out of every 49 children in the state as having an "autism spectrum disorder."

Elizabeth Board of Education member Francisco Gonzalez has been deeply involved in the issue.

"Special education costs in our district run \$20 million a year," he said last year. "They are not exempt from any cap and instead have to be absorbed as part of our budget. It is commonly accepted that New Jersey has some of the most aggressive education requirements in the country. LEFT OUT

BY FRANK CAPECE

The result is that we must constantly balance our compassion, cost and our legal requirements in providing services."

The advocates for special education have successfully fought to keep the issue front and center. Since 2008, the State Office of Administrative Law has been hit with a jump in the number of cases to determine if school districts are meeting their responsibilities. Unlike the Federal Government, in New Jersey the burden rests on the district to prove they are providing an appropriate educational experience for the student.

While cost is not to be considered, the reality is that school districts must foot a bill that can hit six figures for just one student. The dollars are not exempt from the state cap finance laws.

Districts can sometimes be their own worst enemies. LocalSource recently

detailed a two year battle over special education in Summit. The inane, insulting remarks quoted of the School Board Attorney that there is "nothing unique or remarkable about this case" is mind numbing.

Chairman of the Senate Education Committee, Teresa Ruiz was quoted last week on the subject of parental rights, "I hear directly from families, where they feel like they need to become attorneys for their children."

Gonzalez has studied the reports of those looking to find out why there is a growth of special needs kids. He points to one study by the National Institute of Health which found that obesity during pregnancy may increase the chances for children being born with autism. The jump in incidents of the disorder among Hispanic and black children has also been significant

The hearing today will undoubtedly bring out emotional testimony, the right of all to an appropriate public education and the nagging subject of cost. But just having the discussion is a valuable activity.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'Staggering' pay for cops shouldn't come as surprise

To the Editor:

I want to thank and offer much praise to your reporter, Cheryl Hehl, and to your publisher, the Worralls, for printing the lead article last week titled "The Very High Price of Public Safety."

As a resident of Union I appreciated the table of names and towns and salaries that included Ricky Landolfi and Scott Breslow. When one totals both their salaries it comes to a staggering \$286,336. Not including perks and benefits. When I checked further I found that neither one lives in Union. They choose to live in one of "the better towns." Their kids do not go to school here and they do not have to tolerate crime that the residents of Union deal with.

This is but one reason why the towns in eastern Union County are suffering many quality of life issues. All the generously paid folks who work in these towns take their big salaries and live elsewhere. So, the "better towns" benefit from the largess of the taxpayers in the east as all that money flows to the west.

If Harry and Harriet Homeowner here in Union couldn't afford their taxes would take a 5 percent cut in pay and benefits? I will always give in to the unions because they want to be the nice guys.

All those contracts come up again this year, guess who is going to get plowed under?

Anthony Nardiello

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Alliance sits idle with over 200K in tax dollars

(Continued from Page 4) being available online, it is unknown if 200,000 copies of the newspaper were mailed to county residents as in the past.

The newspaper contains information about old and new county programs, a new warehouse facility being built in Elizabeth, a message from Union County Freeholder Chairman Alexander Mirabella and articles explaining how the county is improving facilities, such as emergency dispatch services.

Ever since former president Michael Murray quit in January, the UCA appeared to flounder and lose direction. Reports that 91-year-old UCA board member Mauro Checchio would be taking over the reigns temporarily, though, failed to materialize.

Other than the fact Checchio allowed his name to be used as acting president, there was no indication the UCA was in operation for the last six months, or for that matter using the \$232,125 the Union County Freeholder Board handed over in early January at their annual reorganization meeting.

Not only was there no pre-primary election edition of *Union County Directions* printed, the UCA website, which previously was not up to date, disappeared.

In September, County Manager Al Faella recommended that \$70,000 be slashed from the UCA contract after the non-profit came under fire by *LocalSource* for spending millions of taxpayer dollars without any accountability.

It has been a year since LocalSource revealed neither Murray nor the county,



The Union County Alliance is headquartered on Westfield Avenue in Rahway. The UCA has received over \$200,000 in funding for 2012, but so far has very little to show for it. The group has been without a leader since Michael Murray quit in January, and no replacement has yet been found by the board of trustees, who have not met in several years.

could substantiate or produce any records to support how the \$322,125 in taxpayer dollars was spent. That number was reduced this year. Murray previously worked as the county communications director

They also could not explain why the UCA website had not been updated since 1994, despite Murray receiving \$115,000 a year in salary, plus health benefits to do this job.

Also unanswered were questions involving the UCA's 2009 tax return showing expenditures amounting to \$481,181, including one for conferences, conventions and meetings that totaled \$103,315. When the UCA could not provide an explanation or documentation for expending this kind of money, Murray amended the 2009 tax return, reducing this amount to \$11,599. He did not, however, provide documentation attesting to where this money was spent.

Former Union County manager Ann Baran created the UCA in 1993, seeing that the county matched a \$25,000 grant received by the UCA from the New Jersey Department of Higher Education.

In 1994 the UCA was charged with revi-

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talizing and strengthening "the economy and quality of life in Union County," and this mission was fully embraced by the board of directors. The board, made up of political and business dignitaries on both sides of the political fence, though, has not met in years even though they are responsible for making financial decisions for the UCA when no president is in place.

The county and the UCA continue to provide no proof the money is being used to support "economic development" in Union County in recent years. And with no one at the helm, and nothing to show for the first seven months of the year, how \$232,125 in taxpayers' money is being spent is still a mystery.

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Celebration Singers holds auditions. Aug. 21

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The Adult Choir will welcome singers, ages 18 years and older, of all experience levels and of all vocal ranges to audition. The ability to read music is a plus but not a requirement as is prior choral experience. Male part voices are especially encouraged. Rehearsals are held on Tuesday from 8 to 10 p.m.

The Celebration Singers perform musical genres from classical to Broadway, from pop and jazz to gospel. Started in 1938 as the ESSO Choristers, The Celebration Singers have had a busy 74 year journey. Highlights included singing at the World's Fair in 1962, at Chicago Symphony Hall, at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., and three times at Carnegie Hall. The Singers toured Austria, Germany and Prague during the summer of 2008, and England and Scotland during the summer of 2011. Currently there are members representing eight different counties throughout New Jersey, and also members travelling from New York to sing with the group.

For more information, visit *celebration-singers.org*, or email the group at celebrationsingers@hotmail.com or leave a telephone message at 908-241-8200.

CHS Class of 1952 reunion planned for Oct. 13

A 60th reunion of the Cranford High School Class of 1952 will be held on the evening of Oct. 13, followed by a buffet lunch on the afternoon of Oct. 14 at the Holiday Inn, formerly the Crown Plaza, in Clark — Exit 135 on the Garden State Parkway. Those who know names and addresses of any classmates, or for further questions, reservations and names, can contact Pat: LPTwill @aol.com or Jean, jean-grice 68 @Verizon.net, or Kay at 908-372-4183.

Register for Polish language classes

The Studies Program of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark is currently accepting registration for its language classes, which will begin the week of Sept. 13. Classes in Beginner's Polish I and II and Intermediate Polish meet on Thursdays from 7 to 9 p.m. and will run for 12 weeks. Early registration is suggested.

For additional information, a copy of the fall brochure or to register, call the foundation office at 732-382-7197 or visit www.pcfnj.org — Studies Program. The Polish Cultural Foundation is located at 177 Broadway, Clark, off Exit 135 of the Garden State Parkway.

Registration dates announced for fall sports

The Cranford Recreation and Parks Department has announced dates registration for the Fall and Winter Boys and Girls Basketball League and registration for the Cranford High School Basketball League, began on Aug. 1 and ends on Oct. 1. The programs will run from November to March and are open to Cranford residents only. There will be a fee for each program. Registration must be made in person at the Community Center, located at 220 Walnut Ave. For more information, contact the Community Center at 908-709-7283.

Skyscraper Museum passes now available

Cranford Public Library recently added passes to the Skyscraper Museum to its lending collection. Located at Battery Place in New York City, the world's first and foremost vertical metropolis, the Skyscraper Museum celebrates New York's rich architectural heritage and examines the historical forces and individuals that have shaped its successive skylines. Through exhibitions, programs and publications, the museum explores tall buildings as objects of design, products of technology, sites of construction, investments in real estate, and places of work and residence. The library has two passes to the museum, each of which admits a family of five. The library also lends passes to the Frick Collection, Grounds for Sculpture, the Intrepid Air & Space Museum, the Morris Museum and the Montclair Art Museum.

Purchased for the library by the Friends of the Cranford Public Library, the passes can be borrowed by adult Cranford library card holders and adult members of the Friends of the Cranford Public Library with MURAL borrowing privileges. Passes are available on a first come, first served basis. They cannot be reserved, nor can they be renewed. To see if a pass is available, search the library catalog at http://catalog.cranfordlibrary.org/polaris using the name of the museum in which one is interested.

More information about the library pass program and about each museum can be found at http://cranford.com/library/friends/museumpass.asp. For questions about the program, call the library at 908-709-7272 or email the library at library@cranfordnj.org.

Senior Club meets on Wednesdays

The Cranford Wednesday Senior Club meets every week at 1 p.m. at the Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave. The group consists of active, fun-loving seniors with social and cultural interests. New members are welcome.

An Atlantic City trip is scheduled for Feb. 13.

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LINDEN NEWS

Eagles tribute band to play, Aug. 14

The Department of Public Property and Community Services is in its seventh season of concerts at The Raymond Wood Bauer Promenade, 400 N. Wood Ave., Linden, next to the Post Office.

Appearing Aug. 14, The Desert Highway Band will be at the Promenade. The concert will start at 7:30 p.m. Rain site will be Linden High School, 121 W. St. Georges Ave., Linden.

Desert Highway is a premiere Eagles tribute band. For more information call 908-474-8600.

Blood drive at library, Aug. 28

Linden Public Library will host a blood drive on Aug. 28 from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Columbia Bank Room. The library is located at 31 E. Henry St.

For questions about eligibility, call 800-NJBLOOD.

Police hold food drive to support local pantries

The Linden Police Department is holding a food drive to help the food pantries in Linden. The department is collecting non-perishable foods, such as pudding mix, cereal, oatmeal, pasta, pasta sauce, canned fruit, canned vegetables, baby food, baby formula and rice. These pantries help the residents of Linden who "have fallen on hard times."

The food pantries in the city of Linden are linked to the Linden Housing Authorization, the LPC Mission Project, St. Andrew's/ABC Group Home, Sisters & Brothers Outreach and St. John's the Apostle Church; also, First Baptist Church, Thanksgiving only. If you know of any other pantries in Linden contact Laura Daniels at 908-474-8524 between the hours of 3 and 4 p.m. Monday through Fridays so they can be added to the list.

Tennis camp set for August

Linden Recreation and Tennis Dynamics will offer a Summer Tennis Camp at Wilson Park, Aug. 20 to Aug. 24 from 9 a.m. to noon; three hours a day, for ages seven to 17. Contests, prizes, drills and games. There will be a cost. Call 908-486-0952 or 908-474-8600 for more information.

BOE to meet over summer

The regular meeting of the Linden Board of Education will be held on Aug. 29 at 6 p.m. in the Administration

Building Conference Room, 2 East Gibbons St., Linden. Action shall be taken. There will be no work session meetings for July and August.

Free lunch for seniors; donations suggested

The John T. Gregorio Recreation Center is a Union County nutrition site, where lunches are served daily, Monday through Friday, at noon for anyone 60 years of age or older. A donation is suggested.

If you are under 60 years of age and would like to join the site for lunch, there is a fee, and reservations must be made at least 24 hours in advance. Call Nate between 9 and 11 a.m. the day before at 908-474-8629.

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

Linden residents, 50 years of age or older, can register for a Senior Citizen Identification Card, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St., Linden.

WORSHIP CALENDAR

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Senior Pastor. Church: 908-358-6089; Pastor: 908-419-5640 Sun. Services 3:00 PM, Tues. Prayer 7:00 PM, Sat. 6:00 PM 1st Bible Study; 6:00PM 2nd Men/Women's Fellowship/6:00PM; 3rd Healing Service 4th Outreach TBA.

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Police throughout Union County respond to many incidents

Union

· July 26: Union police responded to a report of a robbery on High and Kirkman. The victim was punched in the face and a laptop was stolen. The suspects were known to the victim.

· July 27: An arrest was made by police at a motor vehicle stop on Vauxhall Road and Marion Street. Arrested was Kyle Crowley for possession of CDS, possession with intent and related charges.

· July 27: Police investigated a report of a robbery at Home Depot, 2445 Springfield Ave., and arrested Jose Quinones for robbery after he assaulted a member of store security during a shoplifting.

· July 27: An arrest was made at TD Bank on 570 Chestnut St. of Akbar Falbru for forgery and related charges after he attempted to open a bank account with a

· July 30: A shoplifting investigation was made at Wal-Mart. The suspect fled by driving east on Route 22 in a blue Durango. Marques/Dallesan Dro stopped the vehicle at Burger King. Hubert Parker

POLICE BLOTTER

was arrested for shoplifting.

· July 30: Police responded to a theft report at Biertuempfel Park. A cell phone was taken while the victim was playing basketball.

· July 31: Police responded to a report of a shoplifting at Target on Springfield Avenue. A non-indictable male with an identification was checked negative by police officers.

· Aug. 1: An investigation of a burglary on Portsmouth Way was made by police. A short, white male cat burglar entered a residence by forcing a bathroom window open. He fled through the rear door when confronted by an elderly female victim. There was no further information.

Clark

· July 24: Clark police took a report of a theft of a cell phone at 1184 Raritan Road. The incident is under investigation. Police Officer Sergio Henriques was the investigating officer.

· July 27: In the vicinity of Springfield Avenue in Cranford, Clark Police Detective George Marmarou arrested Edward Domkos, 35, of Edison for burglary and theft. Bail was set at \$20,000.

· July 29: In the vicinity of Raritan Road, police arrested Victor Anderson, 55, of Roselle, for DWI. He was subsequently released pending a court date. Policeman Chris Lott was the arresting officer.

· July 30: Clark police took a report of criminal mischief to a motor vehicle, which was parked at 68 Washington St. The incident is under investigation. Police Officer Steven Francisco was the investigating officer.

Roselle Park

· Aug. 1: At 3:55 p.m., Roselle Park Patrolman James Kompany investigated a traffic complaint near Chestnut Street at Westfield Avenue. He located the vehicle's owner, Yanira Rivera-Lopez, 29, of Elizabeth inside a local business. Rivera-Lopez was found to have an active warrant from Kenilworth Municipal Court. She was arrested and transported to headquarters, where she was released after posting bail.

· Aug. 1: Roselle Park Police and the Roselle Park Fire Department responded to a report of a smoke condition behind the former Sullivan Chevrolet building at 7:48 p.m. They located an individual, Martin Luna, 30, of Roselle, in a wooded area behind the former auto dealership maintaining a composite with a firepit. He told the responding officers he lighted the fire earlier in the day to keep warm. The fire was extinguished by the Roselle Park Fire Department. Luna was arrested and transported to the Roselle Park Police Department. He was charged with trespassing on Conrail/Railroad property and later released to a family member.

Union County

· Aug. 1: Authorities recently charged a Belleville man with third degree criminal impersonation following his role in placing at least one illegal clothing donation bin in Berkeley Heights, said Prosecutor Theodore J. Romankow.

Michael Arpaio of 34 Brighton Ave., Belleville, whose birthday is Oct. 24, 1953, was served a summons on July 25 while in Federal Prison at Fort Dix on a separate

An investigation was launched by the Union County Prosecutor's Office earlier this year after complaints were received questioning the validity of clothing bins around the county. Detectives were able to identify Arpaio as a person responsible for placing bins at locations in the county. In his dealing with landowners, who agreed to house the bins, Arpaio represented himself as a retired law enforcement officer, said Romankow. A search later revealed that Arpaio has no previous law enforcement experience or employment. During the investigation, it was revealed that in certain instances charitable clothing bins places in various municipalities around Union County were being used for personal financial gain. Currently, nine of the county's 21 municipalities have an appropriate ordinance that details the parameters relating to the placement and pedigree of charitable clothing bins. The fraudulent bin promoted by Arpaio was located in a church parking

"It is troubling that certain individuals would seek to undermine the good and generous acts of others,"said Romankow. "When donating to a bin, we urge people to carefully read the signage and make sure they are comfortable with where their donated items will eventually wind up."

The investigation is continuing into additional fraudulent bins in Union County said Romankow. Anyone with information is urged to call 908-572-4500. These criminal charges are mere accusations. The defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court or law.

IN MEMORIAM

AFFLECK - Edwin B., of Clark; July 29. BENDER - Norma, of Rahway; July 29. BISCIOTTI - Louis Jr., formerly of Kenilworth; July 13. CAGGIANO - Josephine M., of Rahway; Aug. 2. COSTA - Frank "Ciccio," of Kenilworth; Aug. 3. CRISAFULLI - Jean S., formerly of Clark; Aug. 5. CRISAFULLI - Philip, formerly of Clark; Aug. 3. BONDAR - Elaine, of Rahway; Aug. 1. DAHMER - Herbert H., formerly of Union; Aug. 1. EBERLING - Charles Lippincott, formerly of Cranford; Aug. 1. FRYER-GREEN - Monica R., of Hillside; July 28. GERON - Michael G., formerly of Union; Aug. 3. GRILLO - Robert W., of Summit; July 29. HENRICH - Margaret L., of Cranford; Aug. 1. HOJNOSKI - Joseph S., of Roselle Park; July 30. ITTLESON - Robert S., of Union; July 31. KANUCHOK - Joseph, formerly of Roselle Park; Aug. 3. KNIGHT - Mary E., of Mountainside; July 27. KUNDOKAS - Joseph A., of Union; Aug. 2. LYNNIK - Antonina, of Union; Aug. 2. MARCHEV - Alfred Joseph, formerly of Summit; has died. McCUE - Edward, of Kenilworth; July 31. McEWEN - Margaret S. "Peg," of Linden; Aug. 5. MUELLER - Heinz A., of Rahway; July 29. ROBERTSON - Evelyn Marie, of Union; Aug. 2. ROSENBAUER - Helen Ann, of Mountainside; Aug. 2. RUIZ - Carmen, of Springfield; Aug. 1. RYBKIEWICZ - Mary, formerly of Springfield; July 29. SALVESEN - Robert H., formerly of Clark; July 30. SCHAFFER - Mary A., of Clark; Aug. 1. SCHWEDT - Eugene, of Union; Aug. 1. SCHNEIDER - Lois, of Summit; Aug. 4. TALUBA - George J., of Roselle Park; July 28. TERRACE - Geraldine C., of Roselle; July 27.

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VERGURA - Joan F., of Kenilworth; July 28. YOUNGMAN - Donald, formerly of Union; July 27.



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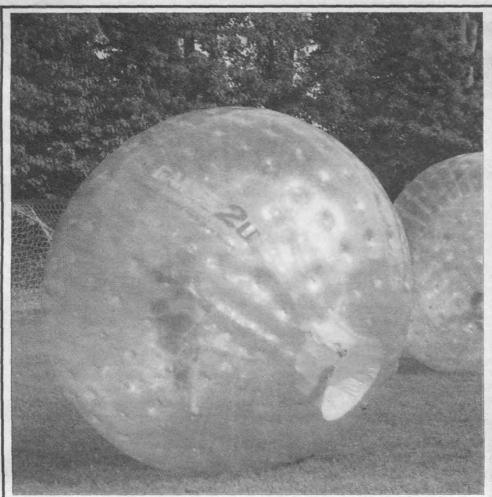
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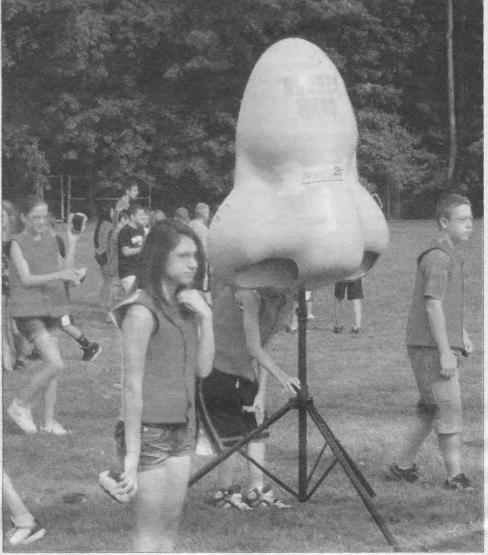
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CAMP CONFIDENTIAL — The Clark Recreation Department's summer camp, attended by over 650 young participants, is winding down as the summer draws to a close, but there has not been any shortage of fun. Above, kids ride around inside of giant inflatable balls, and right, kids play a 'gross' game with oversized noses.



UNION NEWS

Post 2433 announces upcoming social plans

Leo Graf and Netty Urban, commander and president of the Michael A. Kelly Post 2433 VFW and its Auxiliary, respectively, have announced the post's social and community activity plans formulated by the Program Committee.

Heading the list of socials will be the Auxiliary Birthday Party in September. This will be its 80th, and was formally recognized with the post's 80th in May. Other parties include, but are not limited to, an Oktoberfest, a Christmas party and a Pre-New Year's Eve Cocktail celebration.

Joining with the Union Veterans' Alliance, the post will participate in Veteran's Day, Pearl Harbor Day and Memorial Day ceremonies, and other patriotic events in Union, such as Kawameeh's "Proud to Be an American Day." Loyalty Day, which recognizes local people for their contributions to the community or their demonstrations of patriotism, will again be held in the spring of 2013.

The committee also urged the post to continue its efforts on behalf of hospitalized vets, to continue the student essay contests, to continue giving certificates to local children when they learn the Pledge of Allegiance, and to continue placing flags on veterans' graves for Memorial Day.

Graf and Urban appealed to their members to wholeheartedly support all of these programs and also invited eligible veterans and their families to consider joining the post. Call the post at 908 687 2775 for more information.

OMG! Tea Party, Aug 19

On Aug. 19 at 2 p.m. girls, ages five to 13, will come together at the fourth annual OMG! Tea Party, The Ultimate Tea Party for Girls, at the historic Liberty Hall Mansion and Museum, home to the first governor of New Jersey, at 1003 Morris Ave., Union, to learn etiquette, build self esteem and have fun at an afternoon tea party.

During the tea party, guests will be treated with an afternoon tea served by a costumed wait staff, face painting, take home crafts, and an etiquette lesson presented by The Image & Etiquette Institute of New Jersey, the only certified image and etiquette agency in New Jersey. There also will be entertainment, games, prizes, photo stations, and a VIP gift lounge.

The OMG! Tea Party is a basic event for a mother and daughter. Girls also can come with their grandmother, relative, family friend, friends, and even with their father. Adults sit at the table with their children during the entire program.

Bereavement group to meet Sept. 13

The Holy Spirit Bereavement Ministry has announced that the church is preparing another session of its Bereavement Group, "Christ Centered Support Group," scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 12 and for seven consecutive Wednesdays thereafter. The sessions are for those who are coping during the loss of a loved one and mechanism to cope with the grieving process. For more information, call 908-687-3327

Big payouts when public workers retire

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Just as there is no state law or regulation in New Jersey that prohibits these exorbitant payouts and perks for local public employees, there is no law or regulation that authorizes and shields excessive benefits. Which means towns have to take action on their own to stop the payouts and subsequent drain of taxpayer dollars.

Summit is a municipality that put their foot down on this perk, despite having to go head to head with uniformed personnel at the bargaining table to negotiate union contracts.

Even though this city saw 25 employees retire in the last five years, all were required to use any remaining allowance of vacation days in the year they retired or lose them. Likewise, any unused sick days had to be used or forfeited at retirement.

The state commission of investigation 2009 report noted that they wanted to provide a rational basis for effective legislative, administrative and regulatory remedies so public employees are treated fairly, prudently and uniformly "without sacrificing the vital interests of taxpayers who foot the bill." So far their efforts have gone unheard.

Consequently, startling amounts of taxpayer dollars continue to be handed out across the state "without regard for the common good."



In what has become an annual tradition at the last meeting each July, the Clark Board of Education honored Advanced Placement Scholars at their Showcase of Success on July 31. Advanced Placement Honorees Timothy Riddlestorffer, Nicole Imbriaco, David Roglieri, and Loretta Vill and the Clark Board of Education President at the conclusion of the Showcase of Success ceremony honoring these students.

CLARK NEWS

Biergarten planned for Aug. 24 by Deutscher Club

An authentic German biergarten is planned on Aug. 24 from 5:30 to 10 p.m. by the Deutscher Club of Clark, 787 Featherbed Lane, near the Garden State Parkway, Exit 135. Featured will be a Volkswagen Car Show. It will be open to the public, rain or shine, with an admission price. There will be live music by Werner Goebel, der Huttenmusikant. German and American food and beverages will be available. It was announced that no outside food or beverages will be permitted. There will be Deutscher Club shirts, hats, pins and beer mugs available for purchase. No bicycles, skates, skateboards, scooters or glass containers will be permitted, and no pets allowed at any time

For additional information, call 732-574-8600 or visit www.deutscherclub.usa.

Electronics recycling every Saturday

A computer and electronics recycling collection will be held every Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The drop off location is 151 Westfield Ave., Unit D, Clark.

The Principia Green Team will be host to free computer recycling. Residents of Clark and surrounding communities are welcome to bring their unwanted computers, monitors, keyboards, printers, DVDs, AC adapters, stereo equipment, and computer components. Proceeds from the recycling will help fund the Green Science and Green Citizen scholarships for college-bound high school students. For additional information visit www.principianp.com or call 908-400-1363.

SUMMIT NEWS

NYC comes alive at library, through Sept. 29

Summit Free Public Library and the Visual Arts Center of New Jersey announce "New York City Alive!!!", an exhibition of paintings by Janis McCracken in The Gallery at the Summit Free Public Library, through Sept. 29.

McCracken began her art career in the late 1970s when she took courses in hand-built pottery at Summit Art Center. In the early 1980s, she returned to college to complete her degree. She received a bachelor of arts degree in interior design from Kean University, Union, where she graduated Summa Cum Laude. From 1984 until 2002 she was president of Interplan Design Group, specializing in corporate and professional interior design. During this period, she developed her artistic pursuits in diverse areas including jewelry making, fabric arts, photography and flower arranging. In the early 1990s, McCracken and her husband lived in Paris where she was influenced by the great masters, especially the Impressionists. She also traveled extensively with her husband including several trips to Asia to appreciate Asian art and culture.

Since retiring from the business world in 2002, McCracken has been pursuing the creation of fine arts. She has studied in various mediums including pastel, collage and painting with acrylics and watercolor, including East Asian brush painting. In 2009, she attended a workshop with Wolfe Kahn, and she has studied privately with Jean Carbonetti, Anne Kullaf and Pat Butynski. She lives in Warren.

McCracken says of her work: "The theme of this exhibi-

tion is New York City. With these images I've tried to capture the movement, the spirit, the moods, and the excitement of 'the city that never sleeps.' These images were inspired by photographs that I take each time I visit New York. I hope they express my love of the urban landscape – and especially New York City, where I reside part time. Some of the smaller works are studies done prior to producing a larger work of the same image. I'm sharing these pieces with you to show the 'process' I use when creating my work."

The exhibit is open to the public during regular library hours. The Gallery is a public-private partnership. The library is located at 75 Maple St., Summit and is open Monday to Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Thursday to Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and closed on Sundays. For more information, visit www.summitlibrary.org.

Old Guard to hear history of AIG

Michael Buthe, formerly chief investment officer of American Life Insurance Co., an AIG subsidiary, will track the history of AIG as it grew in to a major industry leader to its current position as a recovering ward of the government. The Aug. 14 presentation will be at the New Providence Municipal Center. Buthe was with RJR Nabisco in a variety of international positions. He was chief investment officer American Life Insurance, an AIG subsidiary. He currently is a managing director and chief investment officer of the Ace Group, a start up company.

All area 50-plus active men are invited to attend meetings of the Summit Area Old Guard on Tuesday mornings

at the New Providence Municipal Center at 360 Elkwood Ave. A coffee hour will start at 9:15, followed by a 10 o'clock brief business meeting. Old Guard members participate in sports, bridge, hikes, trips, plays, concerts and cultural events. Call Ralph Ortega at 908-244-4384 for more information or visit www.summitoldguard.homestead.com.

Two community programs open to 3-year-olds and up in Summit

The Summit Department of Community Programs has two camp programs for area children from three years of age and older. These programs are open to residents and non-residents. The programs are held outside of the Summit Community Center. These two programs have have been brought back annually by popular demand.

Multi Sports and Sports Squirts Programs are funded by US Sports Institute. These two programs are dedicated to the true sports enthusiast. Each week, a child will be introduced to more than 15 different sports that have originated from all parts of the world. All camps will be held behind the Community Center. Full and half day programs are available now through Aug. 23. Multi Sports Full and Half Day camps are available for school age children through teens. Sports Squirts is the same type of curriculum but scaled to meet the particular needs of children from ages three to five.

Pony Share is for children who show an interest in learning to ride a horse or just to learn how to care for them. Programs are available the week of August 13 to 16. These programs will introduce children, ages three 11 to the world of

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KENILWORTH NEWS

'Cardenio' to be performed Aug. 16

The final performance of Kenilworth Public Library's 2012 "The Bard on the Boulevard" outdoor Shakes-peare series, will be a presentation under the stars of the rarely performed "Cardenio," at 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 16 at the David Brearley field, located at 14th Street and the Boulevard. First performed in 1631 and now reportedly lost, the authorship of "Cardenio" was attributed to both William Shakespeare and John Fletcher and was likely based on an episode of Miguel de Cervantes' literary masterpiece, "Don Quixote."

This program is free and open to all members of the general public, and preregistration is not required. People planning to attend should bring their own lawn chairs or other outdoor seating as sitting in the bleachers is not recommended. In the event of rain or extreme heat, the performance will be moved indoor to Kenilworth

Public Library, located at 548 Boulevard.

For more information, call 908 276-2451 during regular library hours or visit www.kenilworthlibrary.org or www.facebook.com/kenilworth.public.library. More information about Hudson Shakespeare Company can be found at www.hudsonshakespeare.org.

Book Club holds anniversary party

All past, present and future members of the Kenilworth Public Library book discussion group are invited to attend the 10th anniversary of the book group's founding with a celebration that is scheduled to begin at 6:15 p.m. on Aug. 21 in the library's activity room. All attendees are requested to bring a food or beverage item to be shared with others for a pot luck dinner on the evening of the celebration. Rather than discussing a particular book, attendees at this event will be encouraged

to share their memories of the group, including answers to such questions as favorite and least favorite book group books and favorite book group memory.

According to Library Director Dale Spindel, the library's book group met for the first time on Aug. 5, 2002 with six people in attendance to discuss "Tell Me a Riddle," by Tillie Olsen. When the group met for a second time on Oct. 22 to discuss "Tulip Fever," by Deborah Moggach, 24 people showed up. Since then, the group has averaged between 12 and 15 attendees for each meeting, but with larger crowds coming for such special events as the visit from Jonathan Safran Foer, the author of "Everything Is Illuminated and Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close," in November 2006. Spindel anticipates another milestone celebration when the group meets to discuss its 100th book in December of 2013. Also according to Spindel, at least three people who attended the group's first meeting are still participating on a regular basis although she stressed that she also is delighted to see new faces. Because space is limited, preregistration is required for this event, either in person at the library or by calling 908-276-2451.

during regular library hours. The Kenilworth library is located at 548 Boulevard. More information about the library can be found at www.kenilworthlibrary.org and www.facebook.com/kenilworth.public.lib

The book group of the Kenilworth Public Library will meet to discuss "Fifth Business," by Robertson Davies at 7:15 p.m. on Aug. 14. The novel consists of six parts, taking readers into the life of Dunstan Ramsay, a decorated World War I veteran, from southern Ontario. Major themes of the novel include the relationship between

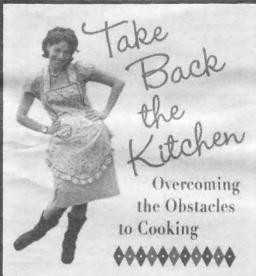
religion and morality and the fluidity that exists between history and myth; the author's strong interest in the tenets of Jungian psychology also are apparent throughout his writing. Although Davies is not especially well known outside of his native Canada, "Fifth Business" was ranked number 40 in the American Modern Library's "reader's list" of the 100 best novels of the 20th century.

The discussion will be preceded by an informal brown bag dinner, beginning at 6:15, with the library providing dessert, coffee and tea. Participation is free and open to all members of the general public; no previous experience with a book group is required, and new members are welcome, including people who reside in communities other than Kenilworth. Copies of "Fifth Business" are available for checkout at the library's circulation desk and out-oftown residents should inquire regarding ways they may be eligible for borrowing privileges at the Kenilworth Public Library. Because space is limited, preregistration is requested and can be done at the library or by calling 908 276-2451 during regular library hours.

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Peach Salsa with Jalapeno

Summer is peach season, and many of us buy loads with the intention of healthy snacking. Unfortunately, peaches don't last long, and many go to waste. Store them on the counter until ripe, then place in the fridge, where they should last up to five days. Soft peaches may be pitted, sliced and frozen in a zip-close freezer bag for later use in pies and smoothies. Alternatively, make this easy peach salsa.

Ingredients

3 large peaches, pitted and cut into 1/2-inch cubes

3 Tbs. sushi rice vinegar or 1 Tbs. sugar mixed with 3 Tbs. rice vinegar 1/2 jalapeno pepper, minced. Including the seeds increases the spiciness 3/4 cup cooked black beans

1 cup corn kernels, frozen or fresh 1/8 tsp. salt, or more to taste **Method**

Combine all ingredients, adjust seasonings to taste and chill in the fridge. Serve as a side dish for fish, poultry or vegetables, or as a salsa dip for pita or corn chips.

Alma Schneider, licensed clinical social worker and self-trained chef, provides individual sessions and group workshops helping individuals overcome their practical and psychological obstacles to cooking. Alma has been featured in Family Circle Magazine for her Community Work in N.J. Her nonprofit, Give Back the Kitchen, offers assistance to at-risk populations to help overcome the obstacles to healthy cooking. A cookbook is in the works! For more information, contact her at alma@takebackthekitchen.com or visit her website at www.takebackthekitchen.com.

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The French have a certain 'zest' appeal to their ballets

By Bea Smith Staff Writer

For some reason, there seems to be a little more zest and a touch of ooh la la in a French ballet than one can find in the serious, tragic, melodramatic and comic ballets composed and performed by English and Russian companies. It's a diversion that only the French can accomplish.

Still, in excellence, it rates as top quality entertainment for ballet afficionados. Take, for example, "La Bayadere," a classical ballet, filmed live and presented in all of its glory by the Paris Opera Ballet at the ultra modern Opera Bastille, known in French as the Opera National de Paris. The audience at the Digiplex Cranford Theater absorbed every moment of it on the giant screen with special delight Sunday afternoon.

The extravagant production, which, actually had been staged full length by the Bolshoi Ballet, the Royal Ballet and the American Ballet throughout its history from 1877 to 2012, is an extraordinary piece of work, notably choreographed and staged by Rudolf Nurevev and created by the renown choreographer, Marius Petipa. The exceptional music by Ludwig Minkus, with magnificent sets by Ezio Frigerio and rich and colorful costumes by Franca Squaciapino, enhanced the beauty of ballet dance by both women and men.

Set in the exotic, ancient Middle East, "La Bayadere," which means temple dancer, the story unfolds of the beautiful Bayadere, Nikiya, who is desperately in love with a warrior, Solor. Despite the fact that they have sworn an eternal fidelity to each other, there is conflict, as the High Brahmin, also in love with Nikiya, unleashes the relationship to the Rajah. It appears

that the Rajah has selected Solor to be the fiance of his daughter, Gamzatti. At an elaborate engagement party, with Nikiya, who has agreed to dance for the guests, the High Brahmin attempts to have Solor killed, but in reversal, the Rajah has Nikiya destroyed.

The fabulous "Kingdom of the Shades" scene is absolutely outstanding. And just to watch the the lovely ballerinas, who entertained at the betrothal party, exhibit their beauty and talent in some of the most difficult ballet segments in the theater, was breathtaking. And in this, "La Bayadere," the men dancers, were equally splendid. An avid ballet fan is not often treated to such a fabulous array of male ballet dancers, particularly when many of them are bare chested and simply adorned by loin cloths. Amazing!

Then, of course, there's the extraordinary scene of Nikiya and Solor, in a pas de duo, in the center of a dance scene — and on both sides, a couple of pas de tois dancers, accompanying them. They were truly incredible.

Ludmila Pagliero as Gamzatti is incomparable. This beautiful ballerina, incidentally, was honored at this version of "La Bayadere," by her contemporaries. They explained that she was called to the role at the last minute, when the original ballerina was unable to perform. During the curtain call, the French audience in the enormous Opera Bastille Theater in Paris, embraced Pagliero with a standing ovation, unending applause and cheers. She received one of the highest ballet awards, appeared astonished by the honor, and caused an uproar in the audience. Even the Cranford audience was astounded.

"La Bayadere?" C'est Magnifique!



The Linden Department of Public Property and Community Services sponsored the fifth annual George W. 'Butchie' Scoles Fishing Derby held at the Pond in Wilson Park. George Scoles was a maintenance worker for the Linden Department of Public Property who died in June of 2008.

The nasturtium is a pleaser of the palate

Ever since my visit to the inspiring "Monet's Garden" exhibit at the New York Botanical Garden, I have been kicking myself about nasturtiums. The plants, members of the Tropaeolaceae family, grew at Giverney in Monet's time and grow there still, lining paths with spots of red, orange and yellow. Needless to say, the artist included them in some of his paintings.

My problem with nasturtiums, put quite simply, is that I don't have any. It wasn't always that way. Up until four or five years ago they were fixtures in my garden, along with white-flowered cosmos. Then, somehow, they fell off the radar, probably displaced by some of the myriad plant infatuations that take hold of my imagination every year. Now I miss the bright flowers.

Annual-garden nasturtiums, sometimes called "Indian cress," have green or blue-green, rounded leaves that remind me of miniature water lily pads. Perhaps this is part of the reason that Monet, a great water lily lover, was so drawn to these decidedly terrestrial plants.

Nasturtiums are completely unrelated to water lilies, but the resemblance remains, at least in the leaves. The flowers are something else again, with five, unequal petals apiece. Often the two on top are smaller than the three on the bottom. Their bright colors attract pollinators—including butterflies and hummingbirds—as well as artists and poets. In the early 20th century, poet John Russel Hayes, for example, described "quaint nasturtium's many-colored fires" in his poem "The Old Fashioned Garden."

Though they arrived on our shores early, nasturtiums are descended from plants that originated in South America. They were part of Thomas Jefferson's celebrated garden at Monticello, and grew so popular over the course of the 19th century that they were used in mass plantings at the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago.

Poet and gardener Celia Thaxter grew climbing nasturtiums at her summer house on Appledore Island, off the New Hampshire coast. Her friend and frequent houseguest, the American-impressionist painter Childe Hassam, depicted Thaxter's climbers in his 1992 work, "The Garden In its Glory," now the property of the Smithsonian Museum.

If you have bought any of the edibleflower mixes available in many grocery stores, you have probably seen nasturtium blossoms among the flowers. Both blooms and leaves are edible and have a peppery flavor, which probably gave rise to the "Indian cress" nickname. If you choose to eat your nasturtiums, rather than just enjoying their beauty, be sure

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BY ELISABETH GINSBURG

that they have not been sprayed with pesticides, and rinse them thoroughly before including them in salads or other dishes.

One of the great virtues of nasturtiums is that they thrive in lean soil. Fertilizing prompts the plants to produce lots of leaves, but relatively few flowers. Once established in a sunny spot, they are somewhat tolerant of drought as well. The mounding varieties, like the dark-red Black Velvet and golden-yellow Golden Queen are best placed at the front of beds and borders. They are also lovely and very appropriate as edgers for vegetable or herb gardens. Trailing types, like Variegated Queen can be grown wherever their long stems can cascade freely, including hanging baskets, raised rock and tall containers.

The flower's name has the same Latinderived root as the word "nasal," and literally means tweaking or tormenting the nose. Various sources suggest that this name is another reference to the peppery flavor of the leaves. "Tropaeolum" is from "tropaeum," a tall pole upon which the Romans displayed the blood-spattered armor and helmets of vanquished enemies. Linneaus, fond of this kind of dramatic imagery, bestowed the evocative name on both the family and genus.

You can generally find a limited selection of young nasturtium plants in garden centers in the spring. For a better selection of forms and colors, grow them from seed. The seeds are relatively large and easy to sow directly in the ground or in containers. If you do this in early spring, your nasturtiums will be up and blooming by midsummer. The show goes on until frost.

Among my favorite nasturtiums are two, pale cultivars, the butter-yellow Moonlight and ivory-petaled Milkmaid. These and similar varieties are wonderful for people who like the nasturtium flower form, but prefer pastel colors in their planting beds. If you like just a touch of color, try Vanilla Berry, which has cream petals with red centers.

Nasturtium seeds are available in mixed-color packets, like the well known Whirly Bird Mix and single, variety packs. For a good selection try Select Seeds, 180 Stickney Hill Road, Union, CT 06076, www.selectseeds.com.

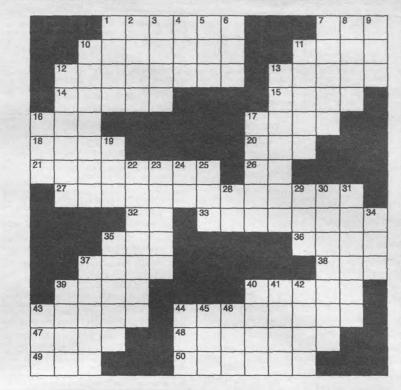
Elisabeth Ginsburg, a resident of Essex County, is a frequent contributor to Worrall Community Newspapers. The writer archives past columns at http://www.gardenersapprentice.com.

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- 1. Disco light
- 7. London radio station
- 10. Aerospace Co. Morton
- 11. Capital of Puglia, Italy
- 12. A phantom or apparition
- 13. Packed wine
- 14. The ocean below 6000 meters
- 15. 1st dynasty: AKA Xia
- 16. Every
- 17. Six (Spanish)
- 18. His ark
- 20. Segment or a circle
- 21. Pres. Johnson or Obama
- 26. 12th Greek letter
- 27. The First Lady
- 32. A blood group
- 33. Takes to task
- 35. Prints money (abbr.) 36. Airbus manufacturer
- 37. A instance of selling
- 38. 12th month (abbr.)
- 39. Baseball's Ruth
- 40. 1959 Nobel biochemist Severo
- 43. Weights deducted to obtain net
- 44. To lie scattered over
- 47. 6th Jewish month
- Physical maltreators
- 49. Founder Franklin
- 50. Published

ANSWERS APPEAR IN OUR CLASSIFIED SECTION



CLUES DOWN

- 1. Fish of the genus Alosa
- Rock singer Turner
- 3. Muslim weight from 1 to 5 pounds
- Turkish unit of weight
- 5. Bovine genus6. Popular shade tree
- 7. The principal foundation of
- 8. La Tar Pits
- 9. Spanish hero soldier
- 10. Brains egg-shaped grey matter
- 11. Fundamental
- 12 Bast
- 13. Small angels
- 16. Not or
- S Pacific island group
- 19. Ad ___: impromptu
- 22. Gen. DeGaulle 23. Hasidic spiritual leader

- 24. Aluminum
- 25. Considerate and solicitous care
- 28. Popular Canadian phrase
- 29. Consumed food
- 30. Hayfields
- 31. About Andes
- 34. Secondary School Certificate 35. Pen maker Castell
- 37. Brand of clear wrap
- 39. Past tense of bid
- 40. Resort city on Lake Biwa
- 41. Big Bear was chief
- 42. A group of cattle
- 43. The bill in a restaurant 44. People of the Dali region of Yunnan
- 45. One point S of due E
- 46. Pig genus

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ARIES, March 21 to April 20.

Some change is in order, Aries. You have realized it for some time now, but this week it must come to fruition. Think about the way you want to approach this.

TAURUS, April 21 to May 21.

Taurus, you are on an emotional roller coaster and don't know how you will feel from one second to the next. Figure out your goal for each day and then go along for the ride.

GEMINI, May 22 to June 21.

Gemini, you feel like staying in a dream world surrounded by a fence of your own making. But the reality of work and family life has to set in at some point.

CANCER, June 22 to July 22.

There is something in the stars this week pushing you to make a change, Cancer. The change may be as simple as wearing your hair a new way or as significant as changing careers.

LEO, July 23 to Aug. 23.

Things are off to a rough start this week, but better days are right around the corner. Keep thinking about the good times ahead. They will be here before you know it.

VIRGO, Aug. 24 to Sept. 22.

Virgo, it's time to reconsider a difficult situation. If you still hold to a particular belief, you could be limiting your possibilities. Adopt a new point of view to gain a different perspective.

LIBRA, Sept. 23 to Oct. 23.

This is the week to shop for something new, Libra. It may be a new wardrobe, some new furnishings, or even a new car. Your purchasing power is high right now.

SCORPIO, Oct. 24 to Nov. 22.

Your academic history and workload don't leave much room for creativity. But if you want to go out and do something, then simply do it. You will find a work-around.

SAGITTARIUS, Nov. 23 to Dec. 21.

Sagittarius, something important has passed but you are still reaping the benefits. Bask in the afterglow as much as you can because it can't last forever.

CAPRICORN, Dec. 22 to Jan. 20.

Capricorn, you may find you're struggling a little to define your identity, but things will fall into place soon. You're an eclectic mix of attributes, anyway.

AQUARIUS, Jan. 21 to Feb. 18.

Aquarius, maintain a positive attitude this week and you'll benefit greatly from having done so. Once you get it right, everything will click.

PISCES, Feb. 19 to March 20.

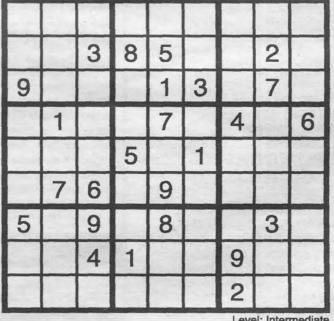
Pisces, for one reason or another, some issues will go unresolved this week. They can wait, so don't worry.

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BETWEEN 9.00 AM AND 4.00 PM.

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

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.

17:27 Administering EEO in Public Contracts.

Bidders are required to comply to the provisions of the New Jersey Prevailing Ways 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

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.

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 subjected to the opening of bids without the consent of the Township of Hillside.

Janet S. Vlaisavljevic Township Clerk U297268 UNL Aug. 9, 2012 (\$53.90)

UNION

NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE there will be a special meeting of the Township of Union Board of Education on FRIDAY, AUGUST 10, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. at the James Caulfield Administration Building, 2369 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss fiscal, personnel and operations items and any other matters that may properly come before the board. Action will be taken.

PUBLIC NOTICE

JAMES J. DAMATO BOARD SECRETARY/ GENERAL COUNSEL U297424 UNL Aug. 9, 2012 (\$10.29)

UNION

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED

The Township Committee of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a Professional Service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the Resolution authorizing it is available for public 5(1)(a). This contract and the Resolu-tion authorizing it is available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: July 25, 2012

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

Services: 2012 Microsurfacing Road Improvement Contract Administration and Inspection Services

Time Period: July 25, 2012 to October 25, 2012

Cost: Not to exceed \$30,500.00 U297326 UNL Aug. 9 2012 (\$16.17)

UNION

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED

The Township Committee of the Township of Union has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a).

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

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: July 24, 2012

Awarded to: BLM Consultants, LLC 355 Stiles Street Vauxhall, NJ 07088

Services: Community Development Director of the Community Development Office.

Cost: not to exceed \$202,924.00

Duration: August 1, 2012 - July 31, 2013 U297328 UNL Aug. 9 2012 (\$15.68)

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NOTICE

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

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Eileen Birch, Township Clerk

Dated: July 24, 2012

Awarded to: Ed Donnelly Plumbing Co., Inc. 941 Capstan Drive Forked River, NJ 08731

Services: Emergency Repairs to Fire Headquarters Plumbing

Cost: not to exceed \$3,713.88

Duration: Completed U297327 UNL Aug. 9 2012 (\$15.19)

UNION

NOTICE OF PLACE TO PLACE TRANSFER

Take notice that an application has been made to the Union Township Clerk to transfer Plenary Retail Consumption license 2019-33-049-007 herestofore issued to Whole Foods Market Group, Inc., for the premises located at 2245 Springfield Ave., Union, NJ 07083 to expand the premises.

Objections, if any, should be made immediately in writing to:

Eileen Birch, Township Clerk, Union Township

Whole Foods Market Group, Inc. Applicants P.O. Box 684786 Austin, TX 78768

August 2, 9, 2012 U297066 UNL (\$49.30)

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003274
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F00803111
County: Union
Plaintiff: FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB

VS
Defendant: JUNE THOMAS; JERLINE
THOMAS
Sale Date: 09/05/2012
Writ of Execution: 06/12/2012
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 ELIZABETHTOWN
PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNES-

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DAY, 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 sales.

Property to be sold is located in the TOWNSHIP of HILLSIDE, County of UNION, State of New Jersey

Premises commonly known as: 66

MERTZ AVENUE, HILLSIDE, NJ 07205-

UNION, State of New Jersey Premises commonly known as: 66 MERTZ AVENUE, HILLSIDE, NJ 07205-1622
BEING KNOWN as LOT 7, BLOCK 1408 on the official Tax Map of the TOWNSHIP of HILLSIDE
Dimensions: 50.00FT. X 150.00FT. X 50.00FT. X 50.00FT. X 150.00FT. X 50.00FT. X 150.00FT. Nearest Cross Street: MUNN AVENUE
The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice by publication. "Subject to any unpaid taxes, municipal liens or other charges, and any such taxes, charges, liens, insurance premiums or other advances made by plaintiff prior to this sale. All interested parties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not any outstanding interest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being foreclosed and, if so the current amount due thereon. "If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgage's attorney. ""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: \$295,233.40***Two Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Three and 40/100***
Attorney: PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC 400 FELLOWSHIP RD

Attorney:
PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC
400 FELLOWSHIP RD
SUITE 100
MT. LAUREL NJ 08054
(856)813-5500
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at
the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$350,076.15***Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Seventy-Six and
15/100***
August 9, 16, 23, 30, 2012

August 9, 16, 23, 30, 2012 U297299 UNL (\$180.32)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003273
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F05050910
County: Union
Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.

Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. VS
Defendant: VICTORIA WILSON, MR. WILSON, HUSBAND OF VICTORIA WILSON, JANE WILSON, MR. WILSON, JANE WILSON, WILSON, HUSBAND OF JANE WILSON Sale Date: 09/05/2012
Writ of Execution: 06/15/2012
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 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.
Property to be sold is located in the Township of Hillside, County of UNION, State of New Jersey Premises commonly known as: 276

Property to be sold is located in the Township of Hillside, County of UNION, State of New Jersey Premises commonly known as: 276 DORER AVENUE, HILLSIDE, NJ 07205-1545
BEING KNOWN as LOT 7, BLOCK 406 on the official Tax Map of the Township of Hillside.
Dimensions: 120.00FT X 39.95FT X 120.02FT X 42.18FT Nearest Cross Street: HIGHLAND AVENUE
The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice by publication.

Subject to any unpaid taxes, municipal liens or other charges, and any such taxes, charges, ilens, insurance premiums or other advances made by plaintiff prior to this sale. All interested parties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not any outstanding interest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being foreclosed and, if so the current amount due thereon.

"If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee's attorney.

"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

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the surplus, if any.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$449,180.75***
Four Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand
One Hundred Eighty and 75/100*** One Hundred Eighty and 75/100**
Attorney:
PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC
400 FELLOWSHIP RD
SUITE 100
MT. LAUREL NJ 08054
(856)813-5500
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$558,307.20***Five Hundred Fifty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Seven and 20/100***
August 9, 16, 23, 30, 2012
U297301 PRO (\$184.24)

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003117
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F0315410
County: Union
Plaintiff: ONEWEST BANK, FSB

Plantini UNEWEST BANK, FSB VS
Defendant: LEROY CALNICK AND SIMONE CALNICK, HUSBAND AND WIFE: ARROW FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC; CAPITAL ONE BANK Sale Date: 08/29/2012
Writ of Execution: 06/26/2012
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 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

or certified check at the cales.
PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS LOCATED IN: Township of Hillside, County of Union, in the State of New Jersey PREMISES COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 41 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, NJ 07205 TAX LOT # 16 BLOCK # 1407 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 50' x 475'

NEAREST CROSS STREET: North Broad Street

Broad Street
Taxes:
Current through 2nd Quarter of 2012*
"Plus interest on these figures through
date of payoff and any and all subsequent taxes, water and sewer amounts.
Surplus Money: If after the sale and
satisfaction of the mortgage debt,
including costs and expenses, there
remains any surplus money, the money
will be deposited into the Superior
Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof,
may file a motion pursuant to Court
Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the
nature and extent of that person's claim
and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money. The Sheriff
or other person conducting the sale will
have information regarding the surplus,
if any.
THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES

have information regarding the surplus, if any.
THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION A FULL LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PREMISES CAN BE FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF OF UNION COUNTY

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$284,917.07
***Two Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Seventeen and
07/100***

O7/100***
Attorney:
PARKER MC CAY - ATTORNEYS
P.O. BOX 5054
9000 MIDLANTIC DRIVE
SUITE 300
MT. LAREL NJ 08054
(856)596-8900
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$299,412.02 ***Two Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Twelve and 02/100***
August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2012
U297000 UNL (\$164.64)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH

POWERS KIRN, LLC 728 Marne Highway, Suite 200 Moorestown, NJ 08057 (856) 802-1000 Attorneys for Plaintiff (2011-1320)

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County Docket No.F-013868-12

STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Gina B. Castillo, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest and Fernando Castillo, his heirs, devisees, and per-

PUBLIC NOTICE

sonal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon the Attorneys for Plaintiff, Powers Kirn, LLC, 728 Marne Highway, Moorestown, NJ 08057, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a Civil Action in which Wells Fargo Bank, NA. is Plaintiff and Gina B. Castillo and Fernando Castillo, et al., are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, within thirty-five (35) days after August 9, 2012, 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 at the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, CN 971, 6th Floor, North Wing, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625, in accordance with the rules governing the courts. A \$135.00 filling fee payable to the Clerk of the Superior Court and a completed Case Information Statement must accompany your answer or motion.

The action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing a mortgage dated February 6, 2004, recorded on February 18, 2004, in Book 10550 at Page 989&c made by Gina B. Castillo and Fernando Castillo to World Savings Bank, FSB, and concerns real estate located at 134 Washington Avenue, Elizabeth City, NJ 07202, Block 6 Lot 1483. YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and

Bank, FSB, and concerns real estate located at 134 Washington Avenue, Elizabeth City, NJ 07202, Block 6 Lot 1483.

YOU, Gina B. Castillo, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest and Fernando Castillo, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a defendant because you are the maker of the bond/note and mortgage and/or an owner thereof and Plaintiff is unable to determine the whereabouts of the defendant, and therefore, does not know whether he/she is living or dead, and therefore, names as defendants Gina B. Castillo, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest and Fernando Castillo, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest.

You are further advised that an individual who is unable to obtain an attorney may communicate with the New Jersey State Bar Association by calling toll free 800-792-8315 (within New Jersey) or 609-394-1101 (from out of state). You may also communicate with a Lawyer Referral Service, or if you cannot afford to pay an attorney you may call the Legal Services Office.

The phone numbers for the county in which this action is pending are: Legal Services (908) 353-4715.

File 2011-1320

Jennifer M. Perez, Acting Clerk of the Superior Court U297320 PRO Aug. 9, 2012 (\$50.96)

LINDEN

Storage Post, Inc., will sell at Public Auction under New Jersey Lien laws for cash only on August 29, 2012 at 11:00AM and on such succeeding days and times as may be necessary at 401 S. Park Ave., Linden, NJ 07036 the property described herein as belonging

roperty described nerein as belonging to:

Shakirah N. Bobien #2055: bins, bike, air conditioner; Dianivett Coral #2142: guitar, lamps, furniture; Dianivett Coral #1016: table, chairs, file cabinets; Victor F. Arcila #2269: cartons, mattress, furniture; Brenard M. Colclough #3012: cartons, bags, bins; Janet Costello #3252: TV. cartons; Maria Santana #3345: cartons, TV, headboard; Christopher B. Robinson #4028: telescope, cartons, PCs; Ashley J. Smith #7014: table, chairs, couch; Angelique M. Harris #7047: TV, cartons; Carnell Baskerville #3172: totes, tools, table saw.

Donald Bader & Patrick Williams, Auctioneers as Agents. Storage Post reserves the right to refuse any bid or cancel the auction for any reason. August 2, 9, 2012 U297131 PRO (\$31.36)

ELIZABETH

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Docket No.: F-012565-12 Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: JOSEPH S. SIKILE, his heirs, devisees,

PUBLIC NOTICE

and personal representatives, and his, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCK-ER, 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 Flagstar Bank, FSB is plaintiff, and JOSEPH S. SIK-LE, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-012565-12 within thirty-five (35) days after 8/9/2012 exclusive of such date, or if published after 8/9/2012, (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 08825, in accordance with trules of civil practice and procedure. This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated 07/01/2008 made by JOSEPH S. SIKILE as mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB recorded on 7/16/2008 in Book 12533 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 318 and/or Instrument #475854 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, Flagstar Bank, FSB, by Assignment of Mortgage dated 05/14/2012; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 39 Kerlyn Court, Elizabeth, NJ 07202, also being Lot 542. In 9000 are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the

monly known as 39 Kerlyn Court, Elizabeth, NJ 07202, also being Lot 542.C in Block 6.

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

File FFZ165799

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.

"The Fair Housing Act prohibits "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make such preference, limitation or discrimination" in connection with any aspect of a residential real estate transaction. Zucker, Goldberg and Ackerman, LLC, encourages and supports the equal housing practices of the Fair Housing Act in the conduct of its business."

U297321 PRO Aug. 9, 2012 (\$51.94)

LINDEN/ROSELLE

LINDEN ROSELLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD-CORRECTION

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 July 25, 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: Special Litigation Services
Contract Amendment
CONTRACT PERIOD: 7/25/12- 2/22/13
AMOUNT: Contract amendment of
\$75,000 for a total not to exceed contract amount of \$125,000.
U297288 PRO Aug. 9, 2012 (\$14.70)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ELIZABETH

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Docket No.: F-014818-12 Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Janaina Possamai, and each of their heirs, devisees, and personal repre-sentatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and

sentatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCK-ER, 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 filled in a civil action, in which Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. is plaintiff, and Sanders Gomes, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-014818 -12 within thirty-five (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date, or if published after 8/9/2012, (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 10/28/2009 made by Sanders Gomes, a single person as mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Franklin American Mortgage Company recorded on 01/13/2010 in Book 12848 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 722 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., by Assignment of Mortgage dated 03/10/2011; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 1037 Magnolia Avenue, Elizabeth, N.J. 07201, also being Lot 1248.B in Block 8.

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 Coun

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U297290 PRO Aug. 9, 2012 (\$53.90)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003270 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F3830009 County: Union Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. VS
Defendant: ROBERT ROCK; BERNADETTE ROCK
Sale Date: 09/05/2012
Writ of Execution: 06/22/2012
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,

PUBLIC NOTICE

1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNES-DAY, 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 LINDEN, County of UN. N. State of New Jersey Premises commonly known as: 28 FURBER AVENUE, LINDEN, NJ 07036-State of New Jersey
Premises commonly known as: 28
FURBER AVENUE, LINDEN, NJ 070363663
BEING KNOWN as LOT 10, BLOCK
224 on the official Tax Map of the CITY
of LINDEN
Dimensions: 50.00FT X 68.86FT X
31.27FT X 6.87FT X 27.70FT X
100.81FT
Nearest Cross Street: RARITAN ROAD
The Sheriff hereby reserves the right
to adjourn this sale without furfier
notice by publication.
"Subject to any unpaid taxes, municipal liens or other charges, and any
such taxes, charges, liens, insurance
premiums or other advances made by
plaintiff prior to this sale. All interested parties are to conduct and rely
upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not
any outstanding interest remain of
record and/or have priority over the
lien being foreclosed and, if so the
current amount due thereon.
"If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall
be entitled only a return of the
deposit paid. The Purchaser shall
have no further recourse against the
Mortgage's attorney.
""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 claim. Ing
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: \$181,790.28***
One Hundred Eighty-One Thousand
Seven Hundred Ninety and 28/100***
Attorney:
PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG
400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD

Seven Hundred Ninety and 28/100*** Attorney: PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG 400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD MT. LAUREL NJ 08054 (856)813-5500 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$228,642.69***Two Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Troty-Two and 69/100*** August 9, 16, 23, 30, 2012 U297313 PRO (\$180.32) LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003137²² Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F00120412

County: Union
Plaintiff: POLICE AND FIREMEN'S
RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD OF
TRUSTEES BY ITS ADMINISTRATIVE
AGENT NEW JERSEY HOUSING AND
MORTGAGE FINANCE AGENCY
VS
Defendant

MORTGAGE FINANCE AGENCY
VS
Defendant: DANIEL T. STANLEY,
DONNA B. STANLEY
Sale Date: 08/29/2012
Writ of Execution: 07/12/2012
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 ELIZABETHTOWN
PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of
said day. All successful bidders must
have 20% of their bid available in cash
or certified check at the conclusion of
the sales.

or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.
MUNICIPALITY: Linden City
COUNTY: UNION
STATE OF N.J.
STREET & STREET NO: 917 Maple
Avenue
TAX BLOCK: AND LOT:
BLOCK: 180 LOT: 8
DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 100.00' x 50.00'
NEAREST CROSS STREET: Curtis
Street

NEAREST CROSS STREET: Curtis Street
SUPERIOR INTERESTS (if any): NONE The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice through publication.
Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court

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BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

COUNTY OF UNION

RESOLUTION TO AMEND BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Local Municipal Budget for the Year 2012 was approved on the 15th day of March, 2012, and WHEREAS, the public hearing on said Budget has been held as advertised, and WEREAS, it is desired to amend said approved Budget, now THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, County of Union that the following amendments to the approved Budget of 2012 be made:

	{	Abstained		
Recorded Vote Ayes	{ Nays }	About		
	}	Absent (From	To
General Revenues 3. Decellaneous Revenues:				
Section F: Special Items of Prior Written Consent of Dir	ector of Local Government	nent Services -		
Public and Private Revenue Drunk Driving Enforcement	t Fund - Unappropriate	d etions:	\$ 3.3%	\$16,346.86 16,859.48
Clean Communities Progra Alcohol Education Rehabil	itation Fund		16,859.48 6,907.27 60,000.00	
Safe and Secure Communi Click It or Ticket Total Section F: Special Ite			4,000.00	
Prior Written Consent of Dir	ector of Local Government	31,438.00	135,551.61	
Summary of Revenues: 3. Miscellaneous Revenues: Total Section F: Special Ite Prior Written Consent of Dir Services - Public and Privat				
Total Section F: Special Ite Prior Written Consent of Dir	ector of Local Government	24 420 00	405 554 04	
Total Miscellaneous Revenu 5. Sub-Total General Revenue	es (Items 1 2 3 and 4	31,438.00 1,982,217.26 3,742,217.26	135,551.61 2,086,330.87 3,846,330.87	
 Amount to be Raised by Ta Local Tax for Municipal P 	ixes for Support of Mur			
Total Amount to be Raised by		10,903,447.35 11,289,688.18	11,033,605.35 11,419,846.18	
7. Total General Revenues 8. General Appropriations (A) Operations within "CAF			\$15,031,905,44	\$15,266,177.05
Mayor and Council:	-5	97640		
Salaries and Wages			\$67,650.00	\$67,750.00
Salaries and Wages Other Expenses Financial Administration:			231,082.00 72,700.00	233,282.00 85,575.00
Salaries and Wages			96,315.00	169,300.00
Group Insurance Plan for			1,648,000.00	1,686,200.00
Revenue Administration: Salaries and Wages 8 General Appropriations			53,120.00	69,100.00
Salaries and Wages 8. General Appropriations (A) Operations within "CAP General Government Assessment of Taxes: Salaries and Wages	S":			
Calalles allu Wayes			\$12,972.00	\$13,105.00
Legal Services and Costs: Other Expenses:			25 000 00	20,000,00
Other Expenses: Tax Appeals Municipal Court: Salaries and Wages			25,000.00 198,100.00	30,000.00
Human Resources: Other Expenses			30,000.00	40,000.00
Municipal Land Use Board	d:			
Salaries and Wages Public Safety Uniform Fire Safety (P.L. 19 Fire Official:	102 Ch 2021:		2,165.00	2,185.00
Fire Official: Salaries and Wages	103, CH. 303).		12,005.00	12,125.00
Salaries and Wages			37,615.00	38,000.00
Police: Salaries and Wages			2,995,000.00	2,993,500.00
Other Expenses Traffic Control Schools:			297,850.00	302,850.00
Salaries and Wages Emergency Management: Salaries and Wages			232,775.00 7,685.00	235,100.00 7,765.00
Public Works Road Repair and Maintenan	ce:		1,000.00	7,700.00
Salaries and Wages Sanitation:			590,175.00	649,000.00
Garbage and Trash Remov Disposal - Tipping Fees	/al:		342,000.00 355,000.00	330,000.00
Collection Recycling: Salaries and Wages			3,590.00	340,000.00 3,625.00
Other Expenses Maintenance of Vehicles:			219,800.00	214,800.00
Other Expenses Health and Welfare (Board of Health - Local He	-110 A		104,500.00	117,000.00
Board of Health:	aith Agency):		4,580.00	4.450.00
Salaries and Wages Recreation and Education Paus and Playgrounds: Salaries and Wages			4,560.00	4,450.00
Salaries and Wages Community Center:			2,165.00	2,185.00
Salaries and Wages			33,050.00	33,620.00
Youth Center: Other Expenses Union County S.L.A.P. Progr	ram:		72,000.00 45,560.00	78,800.00
Other Expenses Farmer's Market: Salaries and Wages			3,335.00	18,983.00 3,370.00
Salaries and Wages Salary Adjustment Account Compensated Absences			45,626.00	30,000.00
Uniform Construction Code Dedicated Revenues (N.J.A.	 Appropriations Offset C. 5:23-4.17): 	by		
Code Enforcement State Uniform Construction Salaries and Wages Unclassified:	Code Official:		127 625 00	129 040 00
Unclassified: Water			127,635.00 16,000.00	128,910.00
Street Lighting Fire Hydrant Services			211,000.00 116,000.00	224,000.00 111,000.00
Gasoline			140,000.00	128,000.00
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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

if any. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$304,052.41*** Three Hundred Four Thousand Fifty-Two and 41/100***

Two and 41/100***
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: \$313,806.26***Three Hundred Thirteen Thousand Eight Hundred
Six and 26/100***
August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2012
U297055 PRO (\$148.96)

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NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY UNION COUNTY Docket No. F- 007520-12

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, to: WANDA

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon Pluese, Becker, & Saltzman, LLC, whose address is 20000 Horizon Way, Suite 900, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054, An Answer to the Complaint filed in a civil action in which Federal National Mortgage Association, is Plaintiff and Sharon Badger, et al, are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, bearing Docket No. F-007520-12, within thirty-five days (35) after August 9, 2012 exclusive of such date, or if published after August 9, 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 relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and Proof of Service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, P.O. Box 971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure, A filing fee payable to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey and a completed Case Information Statement (available from the deputy clerk of the Superior Court) must accompany your answer when it is filed.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing the mortgage dated March 27, 2006, and made by JP Morgan Chase Bank, N. A., to Henry S. Badger, Sharon Badger, and Linda Henderson recorded in the Union County Clerk's Office, on April 5, 2006 Book MI 1635, at Page 0440; to recover possession of and concerning real estate located at 1880 Turner Street, Rahway, NJ 07065, and being also known as Lot 15, and Block 366 on the tax map of the City of Rahway, County of Union and State of New Jersey.

By written assignment dated November 16, 2010, the said JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. assigned its mortgage and bond/note to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Federal National Mortgage Association, which assignment was recorded on February 28, 2012 in Book 1395 Page 0635.

You way contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County in which this action is pending b

DATED: July 30, 2012 JENNIFER M. PEREZ, CLERK Superior Court of New Jersey U297317 PRO Aug. 9, 2012 (\$49.49)

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FLIZARETH

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Docket No.: F-8969-12 Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Jamar Jackson, and each of their heirs, devisees, and personal representa-tives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

tives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCK-ER, 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 Fargo Bank, N.A. is plaintiff, and Jamar Jackson, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-8969-12 within thirty-five (35) days after 8/9/2012 exclusive of such date or if published after 8/9/2012, (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 0/21/9/2010 made by Jamar Jackson as mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for MLD Mortgage Inc. recorded on 03/08/2010 in Book 12874 of Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., by Assignment of Mortgage dated 01/07/2011; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 909 Olive Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07201, also being Lot 1445 in Block 8.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey Bar Association by calling

abeth, NJ 07201, also being Lot 1445 in Block 8.

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, JAMAR JACKSON, and each of their 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.

FIRNIEER M. PEREZ CLERK

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.

"The Fair Housing Act prohibits "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make such preference, limitation or discrimination" in connection with any aspect of a residential real estate transaction. Zucker, Goldberg and Ackerman, LLC, encourages and supports the equal housing practices of the Fair Housing Act in the conduct of its business."

U297289 PRO Aug. 9, 2012 (\$52.43)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003119
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F1688210
County: Union
Plaintiff: WATERFALL VICTORIA MASTER FUND, LTD.
VS

VS
Defendant: KABOOKI GROUP, INC.
Sale Date: 08/29/2012
Writ of Execution: 06/20/2012
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 ELIZABETHTOWN

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PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNES-DAY, 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 sales.

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

Municipality: City of Elizabeth County and State: Union County, New

Street and Street Number: 1111-1115 East Jersey Street, Elizabeth, New Jer-

Tax Lot and Block Number: Block 9, Lot 400A Lot 400A Dimensions (Size of Property): Nearest Cross Street: Madison Avenue Metes and Bounds Description: See

Attached.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$1,102,431.00
***One Million One Hundred Two
Thousand Four Hundred ThirtyOne/100***

One/100***
Attorney:
Attorney:
SILLS CUMMIS & GROSS P.C.
ONE RIVERFRONT PLAZA
NEWARK NJ 07102
973-643-7000
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$1,152,816.53***One Million One Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Sixteen and 53/100***
August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2012
U297069 PRO (\$127.40)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003263
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F05209310
County: Union
Plaintiff: EVERBANK

Docket Number: F05209310
County: Union
Plaintiff: EVERBANK
VS
Defendant: JEAN LARRY; BENEFICIAL
NEW JERSEY INC. D/B/A BENEFICIAL
MORTGAGE CO.
Sale Date: 09/05/2012
Writ of Execution: 04/18/2011
By virtue of the above-stated writ of
execution to me directed I shall expose
for sale by public venue, at the UNION
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,
1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN
PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of
said day. All successful bidders must
have 20% of their bid available in cash
or certified check at the conclusion of
the sales.
Municipality: City of Elizabeth
Street Address: 439 43 Magie Avenue,
Elizabeth, N.J 07208
Tax Lot: 787
Tax Block: 13
Approximate dimensions: 134' x 62'
Nearest cross street: Stiles Street
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: \$283,258.71***
Two Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand
Two Hundred Fifty-Eight and
71/100***
Attorney:
Attorney:
BECKER & SALTZMAN, LLC
20000 HORIZON WAY
SUITE 900
MT. LAUREL NJ 08054-4318
(856)813-1700
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at
the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$319,880.54***Three Hundred
Eighty and 54/100***
August 9, 16, 23, 30, 2012
U297312 PRO (\$133.28)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003120
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F5354109
County: Union
Plaintiff: WATERFALL VICTORIA MASTER FUND, LTD. Defendant: MARIA I. CASTILLO; COM-MUNITY HOSPITAL GROUP INC: MKM

PUBLIC NOTICE

ACQUISITIONS LLC: AMERICAN TRADING CO., AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Sale Date: 08/29/2012
Writ of Execution: 05/24/2012
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 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNES-DAY, 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.
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNES-DAY, 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: City of Elizabeth County and State: Union County, New Jersey
Street and Street Number: 313-315 East Jersey Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey

sey
Tax Lot and Block Number: Lot 203W03, Block 3
Dimensions (Size of Property):
Nearest Cross Street: Third Street
Metes and Bounds Description: See

Metes and Bounds Description: See Attached.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$809,011.53***
Eight Hundred Nine Thousand Eleven and 53/100***
Attorney:
SILLS CUMMIS & GROSS P.C.
ONE RIVERFRONT PLAZA
NEWARK NJ 07102
973-643-7000
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$853,755.58***Eight Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Five and 58/100***
August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2012
U297061 PRO (\$131.32)

ROSELLE

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003105
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F00866411
County: Union
Plaintiff: GREEN TREE SERVICING, VS
Defendant: MARTHA CANON; CARMEN FLORES, TENANT
Sale Date: 08/29/2012
Writ of Execution: 04/18/2012
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 FLOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J. on WEDNES-DAY, 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.

said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales. Municipality: Borough of Roselle Street Address: 548 West 5th Avenue, Roselle, NJ 07203
Tax Lot: 10
Tax Block: 7005
Approximate dimensions: 60' x 100' Nearest cross street: Hory Street 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: \$249,315.81***
Two Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Fifteen and 81/100***
Attorney:

Three Hundred Fifteen and 81/100***
Attorney:
PLUESE, BECKER & SALTZMAN, LLC
20000 HORIZON WAY
SUITE 900
MT. LAUREL NJ 08054-4318
(856)813-1700
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at
the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$256,871.22***Two Hundred Fifty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred
Seventy-One and 22/100***
August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2012
U297001 PRO (\$131.32)

To place a classified ad, 908-686-7850

PUBLIC NOTICE

RAHWAY

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Docket No.: F-014108-12 Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Denise Moore, 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 ZUCK-ER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC, ESQS., plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street. Suite 101, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-23-8500, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a civil action, in which Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. is plaintiff, and Wayne Hodges, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-014108- 12 within thirty-five (35) days after 8/9/2012, (35) days after 8/9/2012, (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date, or if published after 8/9/2012, (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

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U297276 UNL August 9, 2012 (\$314.58)

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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 05/20/2009 made by Wayne Hodges, a married man and Marcigagors, to Wels Fargo Bank, N.A. recorded on 06/19/2009 in Book 12721 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 0234 and/or Instrument #493064; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 2070 Prospect Street, Rahway, NJ 07065-4311, also being Lot 12 (fka Lot 19) in Block 239 (fka Block 260). 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, DENISE MOORE, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you hold a judgment/lien/mortgage which may be against the owner/mortgagor(s) and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject prop-

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erty. Upon request, a copy of the Com-plaint and Amended Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particularity.

File XFZ157625

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.

"The Fair Housing Act prohibits "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make such preference, limitation or discrimination" in connection with any aspect of a residential real estate transaction. Zucker, Goldberg and Ackerman, LLC, excourages and supports the equal housing practices of the Fair Housing Act in the conduct of its business."

U297224 PRO Aug. 9, 2012 (\$51.45)

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SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003269 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F0742510 County: Union

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK

COUNTY OF UNION RESOLUTION TO AMEND BUDGET

8. General Appropriations	Light	100
(A) Operations within "CAPS"	640 404 000 00	010 000 100 00
Total Operations (Item 8(A)) Within "CAPS" Total Operations Including Contingent - Within "CAPS"	\$10,161,390.00 10,163,390.00	\$10,333,120.00 10,335,120.00
Detail:		
Salaries and Wages	4,711,014.00	4,866,572.00
Other Expenses (Including Contingent) (E) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal	5,452,376.00	5,468,548.00
Within "CAPS"		
(2) Statutory Expenditures:		
Contribution to: Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	198,000.00	211,000.00
DCRP	3,400.00	4,400.00
Total Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal Within "CAPS"	1,214,869.00	1,228,869.00
(H-1) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes	1,214,869.00	1,220,009.00
Within "CAPS"	11,378,259.00	11,563,989.00
8. General Appropriations (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS":		
Police 911 Command and Dispatch Center:		
Other Expenses	34,601.00	36,060.00
Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) Total Other Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	86,250.00 629,551.00	63,250,00 608,010,00
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:	020,001.00	
Clean Communities Program		16,859.48
Safe and Secure Program Safe and Secure Program - Match		60,000.00 211,518.00
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Grant		6,907.27
Click It or Ticket Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund		4,000.00
Local Match for Grants	216,200.00	16,346.86
Total Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues	255,498.00	354,929.91
Total Operations - Excluded from "CAPS" Detail:	885,049.00	962,939.61
Other Expenses	885,049.00	962,939.61
(H-2) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Excluded from "CAPS"		
(O) Total General Appropriations - Evoluded from "CAPS"	2,601,497.44	2,679,388.05 2,679,388.05
(O) Total General Appropriations - Excluded from "CAPS" (L) Sub-Total General Appropriations (Items (H-1) and (O))	2,601,497,44 13,979,756.44 1,052,149.00	14,243,377.05
(M) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	1,052,149.00	1,022,800.00
S. Total General Appropriations General Appropriations	\$15,031,905,44	\$15,266,177.05
Summary of Appropriations		
Summary of Appropriations (H-1) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes	644 278 250 00	644 563 080 00
Within "CAPS" (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	\$11,378,259.00	\$11,563,989.00
Other Operations	629,551.00	608,010.00
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues	255,498.00 885,049.00	354,929.61
Total Operations - Excluded from "CAPS" (M) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	1,052,149.00	962,939.61 1,022,800.00
Total General Appropriations	\$15,031,905.44	\$15,266,177.05
10. <u>Dedicated Revenues from Sewer Utility</u> Sewer User Charges	\$1,640,007.00	\$1,432,687.00
Total Sewer Utility Revenues	\$1,740,007.00	\$1,532,687.00
11. Appropriations for Sewer Utility		
Operating: Salaries and Wages	398,550.00	245,730.00
Other Expenses	170,500.00	126,500.00
Statutory Expenditures:		
Contribution to: Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	30,500.00	20,000.00
Total Sewer Utility Appropriations	\$1,740,007,00	\$1,532,687.00
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two contified conice of this resolut	in he filed in the Office of	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be filed in the Office of the Director of the Div sion of Local Government Services for his certification of the 2012 Local Municipal Budget so amended.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this complete amendment, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.40A:4-9, be published in the Union County Local Source in the issue of August 9, 2012, and that said publication contain notice of public hearing on said amendment to be held at the Municipal Building on August 16, 2012 at 7:00 o'clock P.M.

It is hereby certified that this is a true copy of resolution amending the Budget, adopted by th Governing Body on the 19th day of July, 2012

Doreen Cali, Municipal Clerk

It is hereby certified that all changes are in proof and the budget remains in balance.

Marvin Lustbader, CPA, RMA, PSA

Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Defendant: JOSE R. PAIZ; MARINA L. PAIZ

PAIZ
Sale Date: 09/05/2012
Writ of Execution: 06/21/2012
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose execution to me directed I shall expose execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION CDUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING. 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

the sales.

Property to be sold is located in the CITY of LINDEN, County of UNION, State of New Jersey

Premises commonly known as: 513

MAPLE AVENUE, LINDEN, NJ 07036-

BEING KNOWN as LOT 6, BLOCK 194 on the official Tax Map of the CITY of LINDEN

BEING KNOWN as LOT 6, BLOCK 194 on the official Tax Map of the CITY of LINDEN
Dimensions: 100.00FT X 40.00FT X X

15/100***
Attorney:
PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG
400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD
MT. LAUREL NJ 08054
(856)813-5500
Sheriff: Raiph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at
the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$430,375.01***Four Hungred Thirty Thousand Three Hundred
Seventy-Five and 01/100***
August 9. 16, 23, 30, 2012
U297314 PRO (\$178.36)

ROSELLE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003102 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1223009 County: Union Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, NA

VS
Defendant: ELISABETH SANCHEZ
Sale Date: 08/29/2012
Writ of Execution: 04/11/2012
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 ELIZABETHTOWN
PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of
said day. All successful bidders must
Type 20% of their bid available in cash
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The property to be sold is located in:
The Borough of Roselle, County of
Union, State of New Jersey.
Commonly known as: 732-734 EAST
2ND AVENUE, ROSELLE, NJ 07203
Tax Lot No.: 4 in Block: 302
Dimensions of Lot: (Approximately) 50
x 100
Nearest Cross Stanting

Nearest Cross Street: Hawthorne

Nearest Cross Street: Hawthorne Street
Subject to any open taxes, water/
sewer, municipal or tax liens that may be due.
Subject to Tax and prior lien info:
At the time of publication taxes/sewer/
water information was not yet available - you must check with the tax collector for exact amounts due.
Block 302 Lot 4
The total amount due for past due taxes is \$0

PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject to Prior Mortgages and Judgments (if any):
The plaintiff has obtained a letter of indemnification which will insure the successful bidder at sale in respect

successful bidder at sale in respect to:

Judgment #DJ-058093-1990
Judgment #PD-278211-2004
Judgment #PD-278211-2004
Judgment #PD-278877-2002
Judgment #PD-278877-2002
Judgment #PD-087100-2008
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 surplus, if any.

"The Fair Housing Act prohibits "any"

or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any.

"The Fair Housing Act prohibits "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make such preference, limitation or discrimination" in connection with any aspect of a residential real estate transaction. Zucker, Goldberg, and Ackerman, LLC encourages and supports the equal housing practices of the Fair Housing Act in the conduct of its business."

Note: The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale for any length of time without further advertisement.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$598,318.50***

Five Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Eighteen and 50/100***

Attorney:

Attorney: ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN,

LLC
200 SHEFFIELD ST
SUITE 301
MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092
(908)233-8500
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at
the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$619,834.41*** Six Hundred Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred
Thirty-Four and 41/100**
August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2012

August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2012 U297002 PRO (\$205.80)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003135 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: f0102110 County: Union Plaintiff: ONE WEST BANK, FSB

Plaintiff: ONE WEST BANK, FSB VS
Defendant: RENSO M. SARDON AND MARIBEL GUERRA
Sale Date: 08/29/2012
Writ of Execution: 05/22/2012
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 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

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The property to be sold is located in the

the sales.
The property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth In the County of Union and the State of New Jersey.
Premises commonly known as: 1029-1031 Madison Avenue
Block 12 Lot 841
Dimension of Lot (approximately): 40' x 150'

Dimension of Lot (approximately): 40' x 150'
Nearest Cross Street: Alina Street
Subject to: TSC 11-00472 \$500.00
approx. 6/4/12
"THE SHERIFF HERBY 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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$580,253.46*** Five Hundred Eighty Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Three and 46/100*** Attorney: MCCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, P.C 216 HADDON AVE

216 HADDON AVE
SUITE 303
WESTMONT NJ 08108
(856)858-7080
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at
the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$595,741.29***Five Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-One and 29/100***
August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2012
U297060 PRO (\$164.64)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-12003136 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F04307610 County: Union Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.

Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
VS
Defendant: JOSE ROSENDO; INDALECIA ROSENDO
Sale Date: 08/29/2012
Writ of Execution: 06/13/2012
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 ELIZABETHTOWN
PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of
said day. All successful bidders must
have 20% of their bid available in cash
or certified check at the conclusion of
the sales.
By virtue of the above-stated writ of
execution to me directed I shall expose
for sale by public venue, at the UNION
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,
1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN
PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of
said day. All successful bidders must
have 20% of their bid available in cash
or certified check at the conclusion of
the sales.
Property to be sold is located in the

Property to be sold is located in the City of Linden, County of UNION, State of New Jersey Premises commonly known as: 2008 ALBERT AVENUE, LINDEN, NJ 07036-

BEING KNOWN as LOT 2, BLOCK 10 on the official Tax Map of the City of Linden

BEING KNOWN as LOT 2, BLOCK 10 on the official Tax Map of the City of Linden
Dimensions: 52.28FT. X 100FT. X
43.50FT. X 100.38FT.
Nearest Cross Street: PARK AVENUE
The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice by publication.

Subject to any unpaid taxes, municipal liens or other charges, and any such taxes, charges, liens, insurance premiums or other advances made by plaintiff prior to this sale. All interested parties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not any outstanding interest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being foreclosed and, if so the current amount due thereon.

"If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgager, the Mortgage or the Mortgage's attorney.

"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: \$286,696.90***
Two Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand the surplus, if any.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$286,696.90***
Two Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand
Six Hundred Ninety-Six and 90/100***

Six Hundred Ninety-Six and 90/100**
Attorney:
PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC
400 FELLOWSHIP RD
SUITE 100
MT LAUREL NJ 08054
(856)813-5500
Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich
A full legal description can be found at
the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$302,132.16***Three Hundred Two Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Two and 16/100***
August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2012
U297058 PRO (\$201.88)

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SPRINGFIELD

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD ZONING BOARD

PUBLIC NOTICE

Take Notice on the 21st day of August, 2012, at 7:30 p.m., a hearing will be held before the Township of Springfield Zoning Board at the Municipal Building, 100 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey, on Application No. 8-2012-S, on behalf of 21st Century Auto Group, Inc., for a variance to modify an existing pylon sign to have a digital electronic message center. There will be no expansion of the size of the sign, in terms of the height and dimensions. The applicant also seeks clarification and/or modification of the earlier Resolution of November 15, 2010 of the Board of Adjustment of the Township of Springfield as to washing of vehicles at the rear of the premises. Also, the applicant will seek any other variances that may be necessary as evidenced by the plans now on file or as may be modified at the request of the Zoning Board.

This application is made for premises located at 305 Route 22 East, Springfield, New Jersey and designated as Block 302, Lot 1 on the Springfield Tax Map, H-C Zoning District.

The Application, Plans and Survey are on file in the Annex Building, 20 North Trivett Street and available for inspection 8:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Any interested party may appear at said hearing and participate therein in accordance with the Rules of the Zoning Board.

Bruce M. Pitman, Esq.

Bruce M. Pitman , Esq. Attorney for Applicant U297380 OBS Aug. 9, 2012 (\$26.46)

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This application is made for premises located at 305 Route 22 East, Springfield, New Jersey and designated as Block 3902, Lot 1 on the Springfield Tax Map, H-C Zoning District.

The Application, Plans and Survey are on file in the Annex Building, 20 North Trivett Street and available for inspection 8:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Any interested party may appear at said hearing and participate therein in accordance with the Rules of the Zoning Board.

Bruce M. Pitman, Esq. Attorney for Applicant U297380 OBS Aug. 9, 2012 (\$24.01)

SUMMIT NOTICE

July 27, 2012

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Summit Planning Board CRBD Subcommittee Meeting is scheduled to meet on August 14, 2012 at 8:30 am in the Large Conference Room in City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey.

No formal action is planned.

Bambi Dawn Fiorito Planning Board Secretary U297291 OBS Aug. 9, 2012 (\$9.31)

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BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

TAKE NOTICE THAT ON THE 21ST DAY OF AUGUST AT 7:30 PM, A HEARING WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 100 MOUNTAIN AVE, SPRINGFIELD NJ ON APPLICATION #2012-15 ON BEHALF OF NOZER & SANDRA GANDHI FOR VARIANCES OF SECTION #35-14 REQUIREMENTS OF THE SCHEDULE OF LIMITATIONS OF THE SCHEDULE OF LIMITATIONS OF THE SCHEDULE OF LIMITATIONS OF THE LAND USE ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD ALSO AND OTHER VARIANCES THAT MAY BE NECESSARY AS EVIDENCED BY THE PLANS NOW ON FILE OR AS MAY BE MODIFIED AT THE REQUEST OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. NATURE OF THE MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED AND THE EXTENT OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. NATURE OF THE MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED AND THE EXTENT OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. THE APPLICATION PLANS AND SURVEY ARE ON FILE IN THE ANNEX BUILDING, 20 NORTH TRIVETIT AVENUE AND ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION. ANY INTERESTED PARTY MAY APPEAR EITHER IN PERSON, BY AGENT OR ATTORNEY AND MAY PRESENT ANY OBJECTIONS IN GRANTING OF THIS APPLICATION. U297295 OBS AUG. 9, 2012 (\$22.05)

SUMMIT

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED

The Common Council of the City of Summit has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service (or extraordinary, unspecifiable service) pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to: M and Auction Co. Max Spann Real Estate

For the Period: Upon Completion of Scope of Services

Services: Real Estate Auctioneer for the sale of Two Walnut Street

Cost: 10% of the sale price of the Property. If property not sold, \$6,000.00
David L. Hughes, City Clerk Dated: 7/31/12
U297323 OBS Aug. 9, 2012 (\$14.70)

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Awarded to: Burgiss Associates, Inc.

For the Period: July 1, 2012 to June 30 2013

Services: Professional Planning Ser-

Cost: Not to exceed \$72,000.00

David L. Hughes, City Clerk Dated: 7/31/12 U297322 OBS Aug. 9, 2012 (\$13.72)

SUMMIT NOTICE

July 27, 2012

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Summit Planning Board Light Industrial Subcommittee Meeting is scheduled to meet on August 21st, 2012 at 8:30 am in the Large Conference Room in City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey. New Jersey.

No formal action is planned.

Bambi Dawn Fiorito Planning Board Secretary U297292 OBS Aug. 9, 2012 (\$9.31)

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SPORTS

Springfield's Scott stars in Olympics Throws shot put for Jamaica

By JR Parachini Sports Editor

You can tell that Jessica Scott of Springfield is very proud of her brother's accomplishments.

Jessica let us know that her brother Dorian Scott, born and raised in Springfield, is competing in not his first Olympics, but his second.

The former Seton Hall Prep and Florida State standout made history this week in London, England.

On Saturday it was reported that Scott's historic 10th-place finish in the shot put enabled him to become the first Jamaica thrower to make the final at an Olympic Games.

Scott's throw of 20.31m/66-73/4 in the final just missed cracking the top eight by a mere eight centimetres.

Scott bounced back rather nicely after missing the IAAF World Championships in Daegu, South Korea. This was his fourth competition this year.

"This is just a dream," Scott told NBC Olympics reporter Joe Battaglia. "In Beijing (2008 Olympics), I had visions of winning so I kind of secluded myself and went into hermit mode. This year I said, 'Let me enjoy every minute of it."

Scott, who spent most of the season coaching at the American College level, had qualified for the final after placing 11th in the morning's preliminaries with 20.31m.

It was also reported that Scott suffered a near-career-ending Achilles injury in 2010 and withdrew from Jamaica's World Championships team in 2011 to begin focusing on his coaching career at San Diego State and life after throwing.

Scott also won the shot put event at the 2000 Penn Relays.

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Game 5: Hamilton 31 10, South Orange o (Out)

Game 6: Mt Laurel 11, Hackettstown 3 (Out)

Game 7: Brooklawn 72, 11 Haddon Hts 7

Game 8: Union Catholic 9, Pequannock 3

MONDAY, JULY 30

Game 9: Mt Laurel 9, Hamilton 31 7 (Out)

TUESDAY, JULY 31

Game 10: Haddon Hts 9, Pequannock 4 (Out)

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 1

Game 11: Haddon Hts 149 8, Mt Laurel 5 (Out)
Game 12: Brooklawn 72 15, Union Catholic 4

Brooklawn 72 wins district and advances to states.

THURSDAY, AUG. 2

Game 13: Haddon Hts 149 2, Union Catholic o (Out) Haddon Hts is runner up and advances to states.

NOTES: The Union Catholic Vikings did well to win two games and come within a three-run homer of advancing to the states, which commenced last Saturday at Westville Park Ave Field.

Ike Igbinosun of Rahway is trying to make the roster of the Pittsburgh Steelers as a defensive lineman.

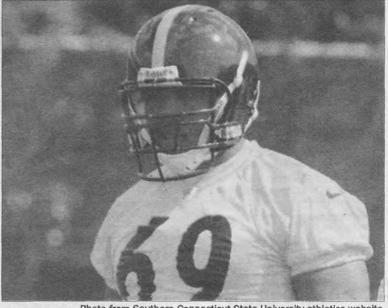


Photo from Southern Connecticut State University athletics website

Rahway's Ike Igbinosun out to make Pittsburgh Steelers Former Southern Connecticut star impresses

By JR Parachini Sports Editor

There was no running against Ike Igbinosun five years ago.

With the length of his arms, the Rahway standout defensive lineman was soon going to wrap them around opposing running backs or quarterbacks who dared to run out of the pocket.

Igbinosun then took his game to the Division 2 level at Southern Connecticut State, where he earned numerous post-season individual honors for his outstanding play.

While he also attracted the attention of many pro scouts, Igbinosun found his way onto an NFL roster immediately after the draft, via free agency.

At one time proving to be the dominant player for the Indians at Veterans Field, Igbinosun is presently in a battle to make the record six-time Super Bowl champion Pittsburgh Steelers at either defensive end or tackle.

So far, all reports have been very positive concerning Igbinosun's first impressions. He is donning No. 69 and getting ready for Pittsburgh's first preseason game, which is tonight at 7:30 at the Philadelphia Eagles.

Already referred to by his teammates as "Ike," Igbinosun (6-4, 288) is trying to make a spot for himself on Dick LeBeau's highly-regarded Steeler defense, one that is out to make a comeback after getting bounced from the playoffs last year by Tim Tebow.

While he continues to impress on the field, local media are more inclined to practice spelling his name correctly.

"We've also heard that his chances of making the team are really good," said Rahway head coach Gary Mobley, who Igbinosun played for.

As a matter of fact, Ike is one of four Igbinosun's to play for Mobley, who took over as head coach in 2004. There was 2005 grad Ogi first, who continued playing at Marist and then there was 2006 graduate Amen, who went on to compete at Fordham.

Osa, a 2011 graduate, followed Ike and is now playing at Ball State after one year at Fork Union Military Academy in Virginia.

Mobley had a player in Ike that could cover a lot of ground.

"He was a two-year starter for us and one of our top athletes," Mobley said.

"We liked the things the Steelers like about him, starting with the length of his arms."

After being one of the leading tacklers in the Mountain Valley Conference his junior and senior seasons of 2006 and 2007, Igbinosun - after playing in the 2008 Snapple Bowl at East Brunswick - produced some pretty impressive statistics at Southern Connecticut.

Igbinosun was one of the top defensive players in the Northeast-10 Conference last season. He earned all-conference, all-region and all-ECAC honors last season and took part in the NAIA Senior Bowl.

Igbinosun SCSU linemen both with 58 tackles and seven sacks last season.

"He really put up some good numbers on the Division 2 level and I attribute that to his overall work ethic," Mobley said.

Igbinosun followed a stellar senior season at SCSU with an amazing pro-day workout. He posted some impressive numbers, including a 4.94 40-yard dash at his weight of 288 pounds.

Now we'll wait and see if he can play his way onto the roster of one of the NFL's top defenses.

NOTES: Igbinosun is one of three players from Union County out to make NFL rosters as rookies this summer

The other two are Jerron McMillian of Green Bay, a fourth round draft choice out of Maine; and Chad Faulcon of Atlanta, signed as a free agent out of Montclair State.

McMillian played in the 2007 Snapple Bowl at Kean University and Faulcon alongside Igbinosun in the 2008 Snapple Bowl.

Union County grid schedules here for upcoming season

By JR Parachini Sports Editor

Here are the Union County football schedules as of July 29 according to www.highschoolsports.net, www.gridironnewjer- Oct. 5 at Belvidere, 7 p.m. sey.com. and www.unioncountyconference.org.

All of the schedules have different dates, sites and starting times. Nov. 3 Manville, 1 p.m.

For example, on unioncountyconference.org, GL is scheduled to Head coach: Steve Trivino, open at Scotch Plains Sept. 7 at 7 while highschoolsports.net there is no GL HIGHLANDERS 2012 information for GL's game that gridironnewjersey.com GL is scheduled to play at Scotch Plains Sept. 29 at Rahway, 1 p.m. on Sept. 8. GL's Nov. 3 home game Oct. 6 Hillside, 2 p.m. vs. Bernards is a 2 p.m. start on Oct. 13 Johnson, 1 p.m. highschoolsport.net and a 2:30 p.m. start on unioncountyconfer-

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Sept. 7 Bridgewater-Raritan, 7 p.m. Sept. 14 at Elizabeth, 7 p.m. Sept. 28 at Phillipsburg, 7 p.m. Oct. 5 Westfield, 7 p.m. Oct. 12 Hillsborough, 7 p.m. Oct. 20 Franklin, 7 p.m. Oct. 26 Plainfield, 7 p.m. Nov. 2 at Hunterdon Central, 7 p.m. Nov. 22 Linden, 10:30 a.m. Head coach: Brian Sheridan, sixth season

R. PARK PANTHERS 2012

Sept. 8 at Pingry, 1 p.m. Sept. 14 at Manville, 7 p.m. Sept. 21 at South Hunterdon, 7 p.m. Sept. 28 Bound Brook, 7 p.m. Oct. 5 at Brearley, 7 p.m. Oct. 12 at Bernards, 7 p.m. Oct. 26 Dayton, 7 p.m. Nov. 3 at New Providence, 1 p.m. Nov. 22 Roselle, 10:30 a.m. Head coach: Terry Hanratty, first season

BREARLEY BEARS 2012

Sept. 7 New Providence, 7 p.m. Sept. 14 Bernards, 7 p.m. Sept. 21 Belvidere, 7 p.m. Sept. 29 vs. Dayton at Union, 1 p.m. Oct. 5 Roselle Park, 7 p.m. Oct. 12 at South Hunterdon, 7 p.m. Oct. 20 at Pingry, 1 p.m. Oct. 26 Manville, 7 p.m. Nov. 2 Bound Brook, 7 p.m. Head coach: Scott Miller, 11th season Brearley captured the North 2, Group 1 title in 2006 after reach-

ing the CJ, G1 final in 2005.

DAYTON BULLDOGS 2012

Sept. 7 at Bernards, 7 p.m. Sept. 14 at Bound Brook, 7 p.m. Sept. 21 New Providence, 7 p.m. Sept. 29 Brearley, 1 p.m. Oct. 13 Pingry, 7 p.m. Oct. 19 at South Hunterdon, 7 p.m. Oct. 26 at Roselle Park, 7 p.m. All home games at Union. first season

Sept. 8 at Scotch Plains, 1 p.m. Sept. 14 Voorhees, 7 p.m. Sept. 21 at Warren Hills, 7 p.m. Oct. 26 at North Plainfield, 7 p.m. Nov. 3 Bernards, 2:30 p.m. Nov. 22 at New Providence, 11 a.m. Call the school to find out the Head coach: Gary Lubisco, first season

SUMMIT HILLTOPPERS 2012

Sept. 8 Somerville, 1 p.m. Sept. 15 Johnson, 1 p.m. Sept. 21 at Cranford, 7 p.m. Sept. 28 at North Plainfield, 7 p.m. Oct. 5 Rahway, 7 p.m. Oct. 13 at Roselle, 1 p.m. Oct. 20 Warren Hills, 1 p.m. Oct. 26 at Delaware Valley, 7 p.m. Nov. 3 Hillside, 1 p.m. Head coach: John Liberato, sixth season

ELIZ. MINUTEMEN 2012

Sept. 7 Westfield, 7 p.m. Sept. 14 Union, 7 p.m. Sept. 21 at Hunterdon Central, 7 p.m. Sept. 28 Hillsborough, 7 p.m. Oct. 5 Franklin, 7 p.m. Oct. 12 at Bridgewater-Raritan, 7 p.m. Oct. 19 at Linden, 7 p.m. Oct. 26 Phillipsburg, 7 p.m. Nov. 3 at Plainfield, 1 p.m. Head coach: John Quinn, third season

HILLSIDE COMETS 2012

Sept. 8 at Rahway, 1 p.m. Sept. 15 Scotch Plains, 1 p.m. Sept. 21 at Johnson, 7 p.m. Sept. 29 Warren Hills, 1 p.m. Oct. 6 at Gov. Livingston, 2 p.m. Oct. 13 Voorhees, 1 p.m. Oct. 20 Roselle, 1 p.m. Oct. 26 at Pingry, 7 p.m. Nov. 3 at Summit, 1 p.m. Head coach: Kendall Ashford first season Hillside won the North 2, Group 2 championship in 1985 after reach-

ing the final in 1983.

LINDEN TIGERS 2012

Sept. 7 at North Hunterdon, 7 p.m. Sept. 15 at Plainfield, 1 p.m. Sept. 21 Ridge, 7 p.m. Sept. 28 Montgomery, 7 p.m. Oct. 5 at Immaculata, 7 p.m. Oct. 19 Elizabeth 7 p.m. Oct. 26 at Watchung Hills, 7 p.m. Nov. 2 Bridgewater-Raritan, 7 p.m. Nov. 22 at Union, 10:30 a.m. Head coach: Deon Candia, fifth season

RAHWAY INDIANS 2012

Sept. 8 Hillside, 1 p.m. Sept. 14 at Delaware Valley, 7 p.m. Sept. 22 Scotch Plains, 1 p.m. Sept. 29 Gov. Livingston, 1 p.m. Oct. 5 at Summit, 7 p.m. Oct. 12 at Warren Hills, 7 p.m. Oct. 26 at Voorhees, 7 p.m. Nov. 3 Roselle, 1 p.m. Nov. 22 at Johnson, 10:30 a.m. Head coach: Gary Mobley, ninth season

ROSELLE RAMS 2012

Sept. 7 at Delaware Valley, 7 p.m. Sept. 15 North Plainfield, 1 p.m. Sept. 29 Cranford, 1 p.m. Oct. 5 at Johnson, 7 p.m. Oct. 13 Summit, 1 p.m. Oct. 20 at Hillside, 1 p.m. Oct. 27 Somerville, 1 p.m. Nov. 3 at Rahway, 1 p.m. Nov. 22 at Roselle Park, 10:30 a.m. Head coach: Lou Grasso, Jr., third season

JOHNSON CRUSADERS 2012

Sept. 7 at North Plainfield, 7 p.m. Sept. 15 at Summit, 1 p.m. Sept. 21 Hillside, 7 p.m. Oct. 5 Roselle, 7 p.m. Oct. 13 at Gov. Livingston, 1 p.m. Oct. 19 at Somerville, 7 p.m. Oct. 26 Cranford, 7 p.m. Nov. 2 at Delaware Valley, 7 p.m. Nov. 22 Rahway, 10:30 a.m. Head coach: Mike Mancino, second season

CRANFORD COUGARS 2012

Sept. 7 Watchung Hills, 7 p.m. Sept. 14 at Somerville, 7 p.m. Sept. 21 Summit, 7 p.m. Sept. 29 at Roselle, 1 p.m. Oct. 5 at Delaware Valley, 7 p.m. Oct. 12 Scotch Plains, 7 p.m. Oct. 19 Ridge, 7 p.m. Oct. 26 at Johnson, 7 p.m. Nov. 2 North Plainfield, 7 p.m. Head coach: Erik Rosenmeier, eighth season Cranford captured its first-ever playoff title last season, winning North 2, Group 3 with a schoolbest record of 10-1.

WEST. BLUE DEVILS 2012

Sept. 7 at Elizabeth, 7 p.m. Sept. 14 at Hillsborough, 7 p.m. Sept. 22 Phillipsburg, 2 p.m. Sept. 29 Hunterdon Central, 2 p.m. Oct. 5 at Union, 7 p.m. Oct. 13 Franklin, 2 p.m. Oct. 27 Bridgewater-Raritan, 2 p.m. Nov. 3 at Scotch Plains, 2 p.m. Nov. 22 at Plainfield, 11 a.m. Head coach: Jim DeSarno seventh season

PLAIN. CARDINALS 2012

Sept. 7 at Immaculata, 7 p.m. Sept. 15 Linden, 1 p.m. Sept. 21 at Montgomery, 7 p.m. Sept. 28 at North Hunterdon, 7 p.m. Oct. 6 Watchung Hills, 1 p.m. Oct. 13 Ridge, 1 p.m. Oct. 26 at Union, 7 p.m. Nov. 3 Elizabeth, 1 p.m. Nov. 22 Westfield, 11 a.m. Head coach: Clinton Jones, first season (second stint)

S. PLAINS RAIDERS 2012

Sept. 8 Gov. Livingston, 1 p.m. Sept. 15 at Hillside, 1 p.m. Sept. 22 at Rahway, 1 p.m. Sept. 29 Voorhees, 1 p.m. Oct. 6 North Plainfield, 1 p.m. Oct. 12 at Cranford, 7 p.m. Oct. 19 at Watchung Hills, 7 p.m. Oct. 27 Warren Hills, 7 p.m. Nov. 3 Westfield, 2 p.m. Head coach: John Stack, first season

NEW PROV. PIONEERS 2012

Sept. 7 at Brearley, 7 p.m. Sept. 14 Belvidere, 7 p.m. Sept. 21 vs. Dayton at Union, 7 p.m. Sept. 28 Pingry, 7 p.m. Oct. 5 at Bernards, 7 p.m. Oct. 13 Bound Brook, 1 p.m. Oct. 19 at Manville, 7 p.m. Nov. 3 Roselle Park, 1 p.m. Nov. 22 Gov. Livingston, 11 a.m. Head coach: Joe Carollo, first season

NOTES: All 17 Union County teams open during the first weekend of the season.

A big Mid State 38-Delaware Division game on Sept. 7 includes Westfield at Elizabeth.

Last year, Westfield lost at Elizabeth 28-13 after a 3-0 start. The teams almost met again in the North 2, Group 4 semifinals, but Westfield was defeated by Bayonne 13-7 at home in the quarterfinals.

Piscataway defeated Elizabeth 41-34 in the final, repeating as champions.

HEAD COACHES IN **UNION COUNTY FOR 2012**

Union: Brian Sheridan, sixth season

Roselle Park: Terry Hanratty, first season

Brearley: Scott Miller, 11th season

Dayton: Steve Trivino. first season

Gov. Livingston: Gary Lubisco, first season

Summit: John Liberato. sixth season

Elizabeth: John Ouinn. third season

Hillside: Kendall Ashford, first season

Linden: Deon Candia. fifth season

Rahway: Gary Mobley, ninth season

Roselle: Lou Grasso, Jr., third season

Johnson: Mike Mancino, second season

Cranford: Erik Rosenmeier, eighth season

Westfield: Jim DeSarno, seventh season

Plainfield: Clinton Jones, first season (second stint)

Scotch Plains: John Stack, first season

New Providence: Joe Carollo, first season

· A record seven new head coaches are in fold this season in Union County, including at Roselle Park, Dayton, Governor Livingston, Hillside, Plainfield, Scotch Plains and New Providence.

As a result, Brearley head coach Scott Miller is the longest tenured coach in the county now, with this being his 11th season at the helm of the Group 1 Bears.

Miller has guided Brearley to eight playoff seasons, two title games and one state championship.

SPORTS

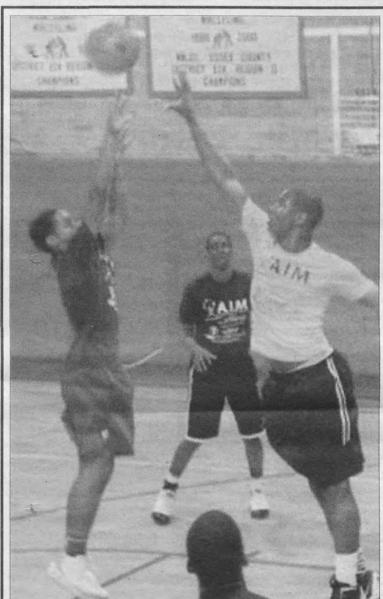


Photo by Delmon Cannon

SUMMER HOOPS - Duniel Coke of Union High School takes a shot against an opponent at last month's annual AIM - ACADEMICS IN MOTION - Camp, this summer held at Bloomfield High School.

Fall season is now just 4 weeks away

Before you know it another fall sports season will commence, the 2012 one now just four weeks away.

As of Monday, the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association had still not disclosed this year's general and football classifications.

There will be a change in the football classifications, with a Group 5 being added.



Top Union County seniors named in annual grid report Dayton's Cioffi heads an impressive list

By JR Parachini **Sports Editor**

With the high school football season now just four weeks away and game-scrimmages only three weeks from now, experts are compiling their lists of what players to keep an eye on.

The following is the annual North Arlington-based Dennis McCarthy report, with the selection of his Top 12 seniors from Union County who project to the next level.

Here's who he ranks and what he has to say about

1-Anthony Cioffi, (6-o, 18o), CB, Dayton

- verbal to Rutgers

at a faster sped than everyone else on the field. Gets from o to 60 MPH in a hurry with his outstanding acceleration. Has run as fast as a 10.5/100 in track.

"Strikes fear into a defense with his ability to take the ball to the house at any time. Is super-elusive in the open field and consistently makes defenders miss.

"At corner he has great reactions, loose hips and ball skills you can't teach. Had five interceptions and 51 tackles last season. Has a 33" vertical."

His 40-dash time is 4.4.

2-P.J. Walker, (6-0, 200), QB, Elizabeth - verbal to Temple

"Will be a four-year star at QB for a large school. Passed for almost 2,000 yards and 20 TDs and led Elizabeth to the North 2, Group 4 final.

"Throws with a quick, natural stroke and gets good RPMs on the ball. He's a very accurate passer who places the ball perfectly so the receiver can do something with it after the catch.

"He sees the whole field and has great awareness. Can also hurt a defense with his legs and will use his mobility and the ability to reach the second level 4.6 speed to keep the chains moving, averaging over effectively." seven yards per carry last season."

3-A.J. Iarussi, (6-0, 220), RB, Summit verbal to Colgate, confirmed by head coach John Liberato

"Can play for any school in the country. No doubt

NFL potential. As good as any running back in New Jersey. The other great running backs in the state have already committed to 1-A schools."

Iarussi was also the District 10 wrestling champion last season at 195 pounds.

4-Reggie Green, (6-3, 205), S, Cranford

"Had a phenomenal year in 2011, totaling 2,300 yards of offense and leading his team to its first playoff appearance since 2004 and first-ever playoff championship game and championship.

"Ran the spread offense to perfection, rushing for 1,500 yards and passing for over 800. He accounted for 24 touchdowns. His 40-dash time is 4.6

"He's a remarkable athlete and can do it all on the football field. Covers a lot of ground quickly with his long strides. Has played safety and corner the past two years. Despite his fine size he can match up in man-toman coverage. Has good reactions and can turn and run."

"Has the impressive, physical attributes to play either safety position on the college level.'

5-Mike Badgley, (5-10, 180), Athlete-K, Summit

The best year I can remember for kickers. He's one "Quick as a jackrabbit and appears to play the game of four potential major college kickers, the others being Jim Cooper of Mainland, Younghoe Koo of Ridgewood and Chris Gulla of Toms River North.

> "He's a better football player than the other kids are. As a player he's a scholarship player. As a kicker he could kick for any school in the country.

6-Ed Olenick, (6-3, 245), DL, Johnson

'Very fast. Has been timed in the 40 at 4.85. Intense player and hard-nosed. Good against the run and the pass."

7-Chris Folinusz, (6-2, 225), DL, Cranford

Very similar along the lines of Olenick. Moves well. Very good pass rusher. Very quick off the ball."

8-Ryan Baron, (6-5, 270), OL, Johnson

"Brilliant student wants to be a doctor, but he may have a lengthy career on the football field first. Ryan has a terrific upside with a great frame and should be able to grow to 300-plus pounds.

Plays with a good burst off the line. Flashes

9-Doug Carter, (6-0, 205), QB, Union

"Real good athlete and a darn-good quarterback. Can project to being a running back or a strong safety or a linebacker. He runs well. He's a physical kid.'

10-Kyle Ward, (5-10, 170), DB, Elizabeth

'Swift receiver. Plays safety and some corner. Because of his size I think of him as a cover corner."

11-Darius Stapleton, (6-3, 245), DL, Union "I think his size projects him more on the defensive line. Well coached. Uses his hands well on defense.'

12-Jeremy Stathum, (6-1, 185), Athlete, Linden "Good high school quarterback. Probably projects at another position in college."