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Cranford Planning Board OKs Mount Laurel plan

By Chuck O'Donnell
Staff Writer

CRANFORD — The township may have brought its long struggle to meet its third-round Mount Laurel housing obligations to a close when the Planning Board voted to accept a plan that would zone for 105 affordable housing units.

The plan calls for the creation of 85 units the township calculated as part of its "realistic development potential," or RDP, for the third round under the so-called "Mount Laurel" doctrine established by the New Jersey Supreme Court. The plan also addresses the 20-unit shortfall from the second round, created when the size of the Birchwood development near the Kenilworth border was reduced from 360 units to 225.

The township had been facing a Dec. 31 deadline to address its Mount Laurel housing obligations before its immunity from "builder's remedy" lawsuits expired, although Judge Camille M. Kenny recently extended the deadline to March.

Attorney Jeff Surenian, who is representing the township before Kenny, told board members and the 30 or so residents in the audience at the special meeting on Dec. 12 that the next step is to submit the plan to the court.

"What will happen next is I think there will be a negotiation," Surenian said. "And that negotiation will either result in, 'This plan is dandy' or that negotiation will result in further changes in which case we might come back and say we need to amend the plan if we want to settle it or we might come back and say, we can settle it, we're going to defend this plan and address any conditions the court might have."

Surenian and planner Mike Mistretta of Harbor Consultants presented the board with a detailed review of the plan, which includes a proposed development of a section



File photo

A Mount Laurel housing plan adopted by Cranford's Township Committee includes several pieces of downtown property along North Avenue that was part of a proposed redevelopment plan earlier this year.

of North Avenue that includes two to six contiguous pieces of land. The 1.42-acre parcel of land includes an abandoned building and a parking lot owned by the township as well as four pieces of privately owned property.

Mistretta referenced the backlash from residents when a

redevelopment plan for the area was discussed earlier this year; the parking lot adjacent to the firehouse serves as a meeting place for various municipal events.

"I know very clearly the feeling from the community,"
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Kobitz disqualified from Hillside Board of Education seat

By Liv Meier
Staff Writer

HILLSIDE — Board of Education member-elect Dennis Kobitz has been disqualified from his three-year term after a background check revealed an unspecified criminal offense.

Department of Education spokesman Michael Yaple, who confirmed Kobitz's disqualification, said that when a town's board of education is notified of the ineligibility, they aren't given many details.

"The department only tells the district that there is a disqualifying offense and the person cannot work or serve as board member in the district," Yaple said in an email on Dec. 13. "But the department does not divulge the nature of the offense."

State law requires that all new school employees and school board members to

undergo a criminal history background check within 30 days of election or appointment. Disqualifying offenses include: a conviction for a first- or second-degree crime, crimes involving force or the threat of force against a person or property and anything involving the manufacture, transportation, sale, possession, distribution or habitual use of drugs.

When contacted by LocalSource, Kobitz had no comment about the disqualifying offense and said he wasn't certain whether he would challenge the disqualification.

"I'm consulting with an attorney and we haven't decided what we're going to do yet," he said in a phone interview on Dec. 14. "It's under review."

Kobitz can appeal the disqualification within 14 days of receiving written notice. Yaple said the notice was sent Nov. 30 via

the U.S. Postal Service's next-day delivery service. The appeal would have to challenge the accuracy of the criminal history record

information, according to state laws.

Aside from an appeal, a person with a
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Worrall Newspapers will be closed for seven days during the upcoming holidays. During the Christmas break, our offices will be closed from Monday, Dec. 24, through Tuesday, Jan. 1. We will return to normal business hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Wednesday, Jan. 2. During the closure we will be available on a limited schedule by phone at 908-686-7700.

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Essex County man sentenced to 55 years for killing of Rahway woman

An Essex County man who murdered a woman inside her Rahway home three years ago has been sentenced to 55 years in state prison, the Union County Prosecutor's Office announced.

Roberto Grillo, 39, of Bloomfield must serve a minimum of more than 51 years in state prison before becoming eligible for parole under the terms set down Dec. 7 by state Superior Court Judge Robert Kirsch.

Grillo was charged approximately one week after police were called a home on Beacon Street in Rahway in the early morning hours of Dec. 7, 2015 and found 35-year-old Yolanda Vega strangled to death, according to Union County Assistant Prosecutor Melissa Spagnoli, who prosecuted the case.

An joint investigation involving the Union County Homicide Task Force, the Prosecutor's Office, the Rahway and Linden police departments, and the Union County Sheriff's Office Identification Unit resulted in Grillo, who was known to Vega and her family, being identified as a suspect in the case. He was charged while in custody at Union County Jail, having been arrested by Linden police for trespassing at the Phillips 66 Bayway Refinery in Linden on the evening of Sunday, Dec. 6, 2015, approximately 90 minutes after Vega was killed and less than a half mile from her home.

Immediately following the murder charge being filed, a Union County grand jury handed down a 10-count indictment against Grillo in May 2016. In it, he was accused of first-degree murder, first-degree felony murder, second-degree burglary, six related weapons offenses, and fourth-degree criminal trespassing; he was convicted of all 10 counts following a monthlong trial that ended in October.

The victim's sister and the father of Vega's two children read statements into the record during Friday's sentencing, when the Judge Kirsch described how Vega had been "nothing but kind and gracious" to Grillo in the time they knew each other, repeatedly inviting him into her home and offering meals. The investigation had revealed that Grillo's original target that night was a relative of Vega, but instead he broke into her home, strangled her, left her body in the basement and fled,

discarding bloodied clothing in the process.

The victim's blood was also later recovered from Grillo's shoe following his arrest.

"This was a cold-blooded, brutal murder," Kirsch said. "If it doesn't constitute depravity, I don't know what does ... the public at large has to know that it's intolerable, and Mr. Grillo needs to be removed from society ... for a substantial period of time."

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Union shooting range owner recognizes challenges

By Liv Meier
Staff Writer

UNION — It's the only one of its kind in a 15-mile radius, and RTSP co-owner and chief executive officer Rick Friedman recognizes the challenges that come with operating his shooting range in a state with some of the strictest gun laws in the nation.

"I would love to have the freedoms that everyone else enjoys, but I'll always be a Jersey boy" Friedman, who co-owns the RTSP gun range, told LocalSource on Dec. 13. "I want to change my home and I want my home to recognize the rights of other states instead of running away. If I leave, they win."

RTSP opened Dec. 8 on U.S. Route 22 East in Union in a former pet-supply store. Friedman and his two business partners, Peter Miscia and Brad Tremaroli, signed a lease for the Union location more than three years ago, and since then have pleaded their case with the Township Committee and various government entities, saying RTSP will help create jobs in town and promote firearm safety.

"People do own guns and if you don't give them a place where they can learn about things like safety, gun ownership, proper storage and handling, they could end up being irresponsible owners," he said. "Training is the key to safe gun ownership."

Gun ranges are regulated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the state police and the municipalities in which they are located, as well as the Environmental Protection Agency and OSHA.

"There's nothing that goes on in this business that isn't looked at and tracked," Friedman said. "It's the most regulated business I've ever seen."

The range, located at 2438 U.S. Route 22 East between Springfield Road and North Michigan Avenue, is the second for Friedman's company. The Union location includes an extensive retail area and two



Photo by Liv Meier

The recently opened RTSP shooting range on U.S. Route 22 in Union is the only one of its kind in a 15-mile radius and includes 9,000 square feet of retail space in addition to 40 shooting ports over two ranges.

ranges. Their Randolph location features a training center and is "more of a gun club," Friedman said.

The Union location includes 9,000 square feet of retail space and two indoor ranges of 25 yards and 50 yards in length, with electric target retrieval systems and 40 shooting ports.

Friedman admits that conversations often get political in his line of work.

"New Jersey isn't the most gun-friendly place, and one of the reasons we opened in

Randolph is because we're here to defend the (Second Amendment). We want people to get more comfortable with it," he said. "We looked at it as a first step on education in a state that tries its best to restrict the rights of gun owners."

There are more than 50,000 registered guns in New Jersey, according to 2017 statistics from U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Those who don't own guns can also participate in the fun. RTSP allows single

shooters to rent firearms only if they have a state-issued firearms identification card. But gun renters in groups of two or more can come to RTSP and rent firearms with only valid picture identification. Before going to the range and meeting with a safety officer, renters watch an eight-minute safety video to ensure everyone's protection.

"It's almost like test driving a car," Friedman said. "You want people to be comfortable, because it's so hard to get a gun permit in the state that if you didn't try it out, to get another is next to impossible."

The process of obtaining a permit, from applying for a firearms identification card to purchasing a firearm, includes three background and mental health checks.

Since New Jersey law prohibits owners without a carry permit from transporting a firearm from any place other than their home to the range, RTSP has teamed up with Black Rifle Coffee, a military veteran-owned company, and created the Freedom Cafe, where customers can gather to wait for a shooting port to open.

"The state's gun laws don't allow you to just hop in your car with your gun in the trunk and go to McDonald's if you have to wait," Friedman explained. "We wanted to offer something different."

Friedman and his partners opened their Randolph location in 2011 because they were traveling more than 70 miles to get to the nearest shooting range.

"We were just traveling too far," Friedman said. "The state needed another place and that's how we came up with the idea for Randolph."

He thinks Union's diverse community and RTSP's prime location will help make it a success.

"When we were first searching for a second location, I was driving down Route 22 and saw this big, empty building and thought it would be the perfect location," Friedman stated.



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Hillside attorney facing termination in dispute with mayor

By Chuck O'Donnell
Staff Writer

HILLSIDE — A dispute between the township attorney and the mayor, and purportedly her assistant, has the attorney on the brink of termination unless one councilman is allowed to change his vote.

Councilman Donald DeAugustine asked at the end of the Dec. 11 caucus meeting if he could change his earlier vote from "abstain" to one in support of attorney Rhea Moore.

In a letter dated Dec. 2 obtained by LocalSource from Moore, Mayor Dahlia Vertreese informed Moore that it was her "intention to remove (her) as the Township Attorney."

It was unclear if DeAugustine could ask to change his vote or call for a new vote because it wasn't known if his abstention constituted a vote for the prevailing side.

At the Dec. 11 meeting one township employee cited "Robert's Rules for Dummies, Second Edition" — a reference source based on the guide of municipal parliamentary procedure originally published in 1876, which states that only a member from the prevailing side could call for a revote.

Initially, four council members voted to support Moore, with only council President Andrea Hyatt voting against the motion that would have kept Moore in her job. DeAugustine and Craig Epps abstained. The motion was declared passed until Hyatt asked if a superior majority was required. A 15-minute recess was taken as Terence Wall, the new township clerk, checked the statute. When the meeting was reconvened, Wall confirmed that five votes were needed for Moore to keep her position.

When DeAugustine asked if he could change his vote, Wall hesitated to make a ruling. Since Moore was the only lawyer present and was conflicted on the issue, it was decided that the matter would be taken up with special labor counsel Daniel Antonelli.

Antonelli, who was not present at the hearing, said in a Dec. 14 text message that he is reviewing the matter and would not comment further.

According to statements Moore made at the meeting, the mayor's attempt to remove her is retaliation for a letter Moore wrote to police Chief Vincent Ricciardi on Nov. 29, informing him of an incident in which mayoral assistant Steeve Augustin called the Hillside Police Department to have a parking ticket voided.

According to the letter, which Moore provided to LocalSource, Moore said "that this incident is not only improper, but also violative of" a local government ethics law. Moore said at the hearing that the matter has been turned over to the Union County Prosecutor's Office.

Moore also alleged that Vertreese has given Augustin authority he should not have because his position is "equivalent to



Hillside township attorney Rhea Moore, center, listens to the discussion of Mayor Dahlia Vertreese's attempt to dismiss her, which included a debate about parliamentary procedure.

a secretary," adding that the mayor has allowed Augustin to sit in on discussions involving "private, confidential" township matters. Moore said he should not be privy to such matters because the former attorney was disbarred in 2011.

State Superior Court documents show that Augustin was "recklessly negligent" when he used a client's trust account to obtain "markers" at the Borgata casino in Atlantic City. Between Aug. 8, 2006 and March 23, 2007, he used the trust account as collateral for his 146 markers. Markers are essentially short-term, no-interest loans or lines of credit.

According to the documents, the total credit extended to Augustin during that time period was \$467,250, "all of which was secured by the trust account."

Moore addressed the council at the caucus meeting, saying that township is facing a more than \$4,000 bill from Lowe's that was charged to a business account with Augustin's name attached to it. Moore said she had confirmed this with an employee at Lowe's and added that business administrator Hope Smith has refused to authorize payment on it "because it is improper for Mr. Augustin to be personally listed on that account."

"Mr. Augustin is not a confidential employee and he holds himself out to be the mayor's confidential aide," Moore said. "I've witnessed Mr. Augustin provide legal advice to the mayor. I've witnessed him sign contracts (with Comcast and Windstream) on behalf of the township, participate in legal and personnel discussions and, moreover, his status as a disbarred

attorney precludes him from being involved in those discussions and from conducting himself as a quasi-lawyer. He has usurped a position that does not exist. I ask why do we allow him to engage in this conduct.

"I have advised the mayor on numerous occasions and she does not want to accept it. Instead I have already been retaliated against. I was told yesterday morning by Ms. Smith that I would have to be moved from my office because Steeve does not feel comfortable with me there. I was also advised by council President Hyatt, as well as other directors, that all legal matters are now referred to the business administrator and the directors were contacted and told

not to have any contact with me."

Vertreese began the hearing portion of the meeting by reading from a prepared statement listing several reasons for wanting to dismiss Moore; she criticized Moore for allegedly not following a directive to draft an employee handbook, refusing to clock in like other employees, and being lax in overseeing outside counsel's handling of ongoing litigation in the township.

"Should the council decide to keep Ms. Moore, we are reverting back to a time when the township attorney failed to protect the entity and the members of this township, which is just another formula for lawsuits going forward," Vertreese said. "I understand Ms. Moore believes that my actions in this matter are to allegedly protect another employee from scrutiny. It is my hope that the evidence presented to you this evening says otherwise.

"There are two options in this regard: A township attorney we cannot trust to protect our interests and the interest of the town or a township attorney who is unqualified to perform as needed for the job. Neither option is acceptable."

According to Augustin the Lowe's account was used to buy garbage cans for the township and the parking ticket in question had been issued to a senior citizen during a Thanksgiving event. The office who issued the ticket, Augustin said, told him it had been done in error and instructed Augustin to call to have it dismissed.

Moore pointed out that the township "has not received any legal litigation that's of any significance this year" and that any ongoing cases are being handled by attorneys appointed by the township's insurance company.

"In the past, the cases were not referred to the insurance companies so that could take place and the township has suffered a lot of fees because of that," Moore said. "I have done due diligence and made sure all those cases that come across my desk go to the insurance company as they are rightfully supposed to go."

Investigators are seeking help locating Thanksgiving pedestrian hit-and-run death

Authorities investigating a hit-and-run that killed pedestrian in Elizabeth on Thanksgiving have identified the type of vehicle involved and are asking the public for help.

The Union County Prosecutor's Office said in a Dec. 11 release that several damaged pieces from a 2003-2005 Nissan Murano SUV were recovered from the vehicle that struck and killed 62-year-old Candace Raymond of Elizabeth.

At approximately 9:45 p.m. on Nov. 22, Elizabeth police found Raymond suffering from multiple injuries at Cherry and Murray streets near Elizabeth's downtown. According to investigators, the vehicle involved immediately left the area in the direction of West Jersey Street. Raymond was transported to a local hospital, where she was pronounced dead a short while later.

Police are asking anyone who was in the area that night, or who may have spotted a vehicle fitting the description in the days that followed, to contact Elizabeth Police Department Traffic Division Detective Rich Hernandez at 908-603-9679. The vehicle likely would have had noticeable damage to the front bumper and fog lights, according to police.

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Window paintings on storefronts, like those above and left, were only one facet of the inaugural AddamsFest in Westfield this past fall, which was held to celebrate native son Charles Addams, creator of the fictional macabre and quirky cartoon family which bears his name and has been made into television series and movies.

AddamsFest to return for second year in 2019

By Liv Meier
Staff Writer

WESTFIELD — The creepy, kooky and altogether ooky family will be returning to Westfield next October after this year's ode to native son Charles Addams made the town a Halloween destination.

Mayor Shelley Brindle stated at the Dec. 11 council meeting that the celebration was "always intended to be more than a Halloween party and envisioned as an annual event."

Addams, who was born in Westfield in 1912 and remained until he went off to college in 1930, first created the cartoon in 1935, and this year's celebration came 30 years after his death.

This year's budget included a \$25,000 appropriation for AddamsFest, but only \$4,000 was needed to put on the Halloween event, which attracted more than 12,000 people.

It generated a net profit of more than \$20,000, according to a profit-and-loss statement posted on the town's website, exceeding the mayor's expectations.

"It's highly unusual for any event to deliver such positive financials in its first year," Brindle added.

The most-attended event was the Trunk or Treat and Halloween Parade, building off the success of the past downtown Halloween celebrations, according to a summary and statistics report on the town's website.

"AddamsFest was created specifically with long-term benefit in mind, which was to increase community

engagement, to showcase Westfield by promoting our unique history and to improve the business climate in town," Brindle said.

She added that she wanted to discuss its success at the meeting because there was significant discussion surrounding the cost of AddamsFest back when the council approved the event's budget 7-2.

More than 100 vendors participated in the various the events and 20 sponsors joined in promoting the project, which generated \$57,830, according to the reports on the town's website.

AddamsFest also received more than \$28,000 in donations.

Even though 2019 is still a few weeks away, Westfield is already working on plans for the next festival, according to Councilwoman Dawn Mackey, who chairs AddamsFest.

"The event was just an extraordinary success," Mackey said in a phone interview on Dec. 13. "It exceeded everyone's wildest wishes and expectations."

All ticketed events were sold out, with 77 percent of tickets sold to Westfield residents and 23 percent of sold to residents in 84 other towns, according to the reports.

Mackey mentioned that she had encountered people who drove from Buffalo to attend one of the event's lectures.

"We had people literally come from near and far," she said. "We certainly didn't expect to get this kind of reach."

While planning for next year's event is still in the early stages, Mackey said she believes it will be an exciting year for the Addams family.

MGM is expected to release an animated movie version of the fictional quirky family next October, just in time for Halloween and AddamsFest.

Addams' original, single-panel comic has previously been made into TV series and feature-length films.

The new movie will feature Charlize Theron as Morticia, Allison Janney as Margaux Needler, Bette Midler as Grandmama, Chloe Grace Moretz as Wednesday, Finn Wolfhard as Pugsley and Nick Kroll as Uncle Fester.

"People are going to hear a lot of buzz about our famous family next year," Mackey added. "The new movie will just add to the excitement."

One of her favorite aspects of the event was the fact that it was inclusive for all ages.

"We really liked that we had this reach to a multitude of generations and people with varying interests," Mackey said. "It was always our goal, but it was better than expected."

This year, the festival featured a closed-caption screening and a sensory-sensitive adaptation of the 1991 feature-length film "The Addams Family," and Mackey hopes to be even more inclusive to all members of the community next year.

"People really appreciated that we had options for everyone," she said. "One of our goals is to be more inclusive and sensitive."

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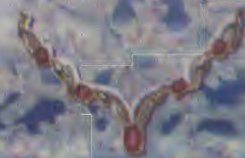
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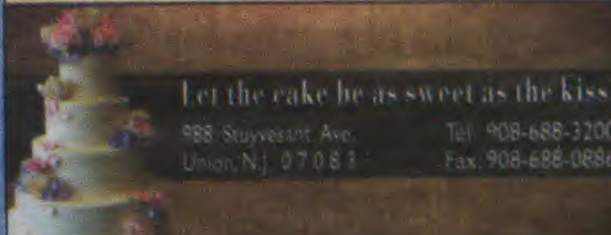
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County clerk summoned to grand jury in Dem chairman election probe

By Chuck O'Donnell
Staff Writer

ELIZABETH — The Union County clerk has been ordered to appear before a grand jury after she was subpoenaed in connection with filling five Township of Union Democratic Committee seats during a February election for the county Democratic chairman.

Joanne Rajoppi was to appear before a grand jury Dec. 20, according to a subpoena dated Dec. 6, and signed by Superior Court Judge Mary C. Jacobson.

The subpoena also orders Rajoppi to produce all documents related to the committee's special convention and the election of the Union County Democratic chairman Feb. 21.

The subpoena also was signed by state Deputy Attorney General Eric Cohen, who is assigned to the corruption and fraud unit of the state Attorney General's Office.

A message left for Rajoppi at the Union County Courthouse in Elizabeth on Friday, Dec. 14 was not returned.

Edward Kologi, a Linden-based attorney for state Sen. Nicholas Scutari, who represents the 22nd Legislative District, claimed in a February letter to Rajoppi that the seats were never vacated.

"Scutari's campaign had received information prior to the chairmanship election that there may have been some issues with regard to committee people in the township of Union," Kologi said in a phone interview Dec. 17. "We put together a letter with docu-

mentation and sent it to the county clerk advising her of the problems. My recollection is that she did not feel it was within her purview to address them."

The letter from Kologi was accompanied by affidavits from Ricardo and Versie McNeil, Rafael and Lucia Prisco, and Tamese Cohen "verifying that they in fact never resigned."

Scutari's complaint was also accompanied by letters of resignation from the committee people, signed by State Sen. Joseph Cryan, who represents the 20th Legislative District

and is Union's Democratic municipal chairman, with notes stating that their signatures were not available, according to the letter from Kologi.

Attorney Tim Donohue, who represents Cryan, declined to comment when reached by phone Dec. 14.

The special election for county chairman was called after former state Assemblyman Jerry Green resigned in January for health reasons; he later died in office in April.

Scutari won the county chairman race over Colleen Mahr, the Fanwood mayor who

was backed by Cryan. All 93 votes from Union went to Mahr.

Rajoppi, a Union resident, lists her professional milestones on her Facebook page. Elected Springfield's first woman mayor in 1977, she was then elected to the Union County Board of Freeholders in 1978 and became its first woman chairman in 1980. Gov. Brendan Byrne appointed her to serve as assistant secretary of state in 1981. Rajoppi became the first female Union County clerk in 1995, and was re-elected in 2000, 2005 and 2010.

Officials identify victim in fatal Cranford house fire

By Chuck O'Donnell
Staff Writer

CRANFORD — The body of the man killed in the house fire on Hillcrest Avenue has been identified as Philip Anter. The 60-year-old resident was the owner and sole occupant of the single-family home at 155 Hillcrest Ave.

Local Fire and Police departments responded to the blaze at about 6:45 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 9, according to a press release from the Cranford Fire Department. Anter's body was found on the first floor.

According to the press release, the cause of the fire is undetermined and an investigation into the origin and cause of the fire continues, but it is not deemed suspicious.

Cranford firefighters believe that the fire started on the first floor of the home and Cranford fire Lt. Matthew Lubin stated in the release that the condition of the home's interior was a factor.

"The department confirms that there was a significant degree of storage in the house, which can make firefighting difficult and can result in intense fire conditions," according to the press release. "It is unknown, due to damage, whether the home had working smoke detectors."

Lubin said the house was razed because it was structurally unsafe and there were



Photo by Brian Trusdell

The Cranford home destroyed in a Dec. 9 fire has been razed.

concerns it could collapse and damage a neighboring home.

Firefighters encountered "heavy fire conditions" that initially prevented them from entering the house. Once they were able to enter, they discovered Anter's body on the first floor. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Not only does storage inside a house hamper firefighters, but it can make it difficult to escape a building, Lubin said.

According to a 2009 article on NJ.com, a group of Anter's neighbors had presented

a petition to the Cranford Township Committee seeking a limit on the number of garage sales one resident can hold in a year, and requiring a permit for such sales. The neighbors' objections rose from the fact that Anter's house was often kept in a "state of perpetual garage sale," with the front lawn covered with items for sales listed in online classifieds.

Former Cranford health officer Warren Hehl had issued a summons for a violation of the property maintenance code, according to the article.



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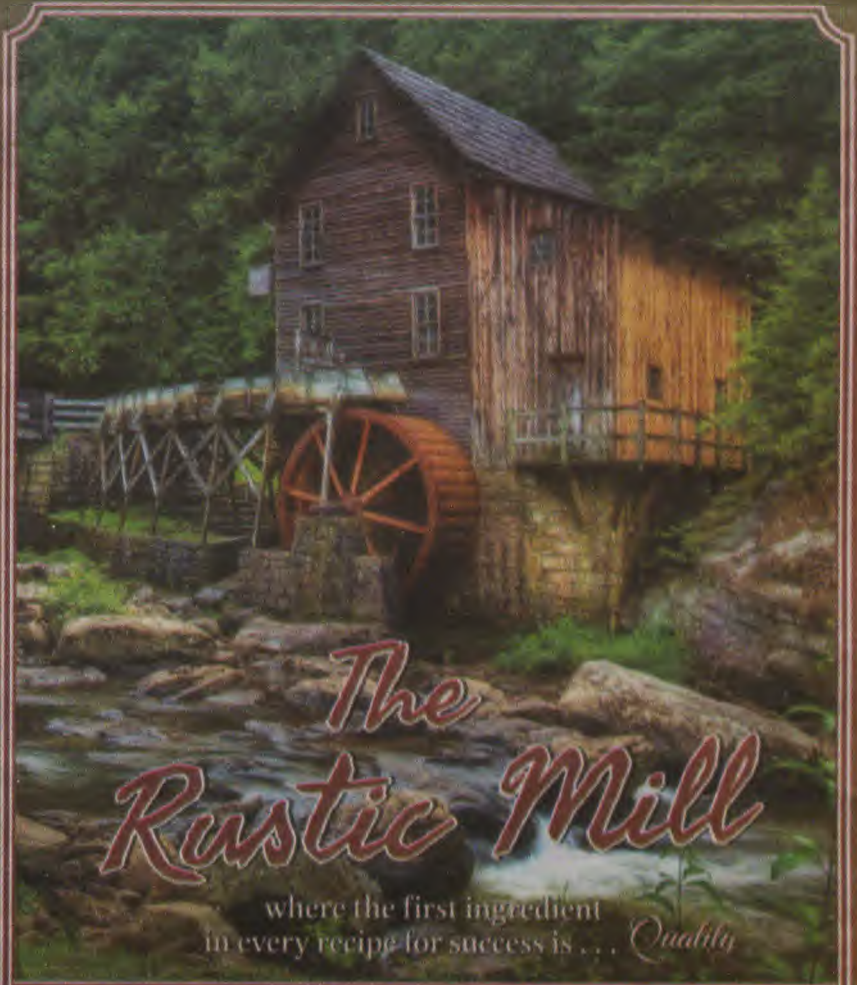
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OPINION

Have yourself a merry little Christmas

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas. Oh, perhaps there's no snow on the ground yet, but the radio stations and malls have been playing all the favorite yuletide tunes: "Silent Night," "Blue Christmas," "Frosty the Snowman," "Jingle Bells," "Little Drummer Boy," "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" and the most popular of them all, "White Christmas." As for the weather, although we had a surprise snowfall in November, unless you live in Jackson Hole, Wy., or Winthrop, Wash., where it snows every Dec. 25, most New Jerseyans won't be having their own white Christmas. But that's alright; Christmas is about your holiday spirit, as much as it is about snowfall.

Christmas, a shortened form of Christ's Mass, has changed a lot in the past 2,000 years. When Christians first decided to celebrate the birth of Jesus to Mary and Joseph, they had no idea when it occurred. The only evidence of its occurrence is in the canonical gospels of Luke and Matthew, where it's described how the couple journeyed from Nazareth to Bethlehem for the census, only to find no room at an inn where they stopped.

Forced to spend the night in a manger, Jesus was born under a star, which led the Three Magi to greet him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The first recorded celebration of Christmas was in Rome in 336, with the accompanying feast developing in later centuries. Regarding the date, Dec. 25 was the winter solstice on the Roman calendar, linking Jesus to the sun, a very important symbol at the time. With the conception of Jesus attributed to the spring solstice of March 25, his birth nine months later also made sense.

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Romans then celebrated the feast of Sol Invictus on the same date, making it both easier to accept the early Christian practice and to disguise it from persecutors. Even the celebration of Saturnalia in Italy, to honor the ancient Roman god Saturn, was attached to Advent, which preceded Christmas.

As Christianity grew in acceptance and practice, customs from other cultures were absorbed into holiday celebrations, including Christmas. The Moravians in Bethlehem, Pa., had the first Christmas trees and Nativity scenes in America, the former first made popular by German Lutherans in the 16th century, the latter popularized by St. Francis of Assisi in 1223. Ivy, holly, evergreens and gift-giving all trace their roots to Middle Age practices in England. Poinsettias were made popular in Mexico, where they are a native plant. Bells, candles, stockings, candy canes, wreaths and angels, as well as houses and streets festooned with lights and banners, only make this holiday all the more festive.

That's what Christmas is about: the celebration of the birth of Jesus. For Christians, the belief that God came into the world to atone for the sins of man is the primary purpose for celebrating Christmas. While the customs of Santa Claus, gift-giving or singing carols are essential aspects of the love, hope and joy of this holiday, in the end, this is a celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. So, as you deck the halls and sing about joy to the world, remember that birth two millennia ago that helps unite us all in friendship and peace.

We wish everyone a merry Christmas.

Resolution to traffic flow

LEFT OUT

BY FRANK CAPECE

The new year is coming and we need to show resolve to our officials to get results. Let's focus on the traffic mess we face daily.

Bottlenecks.

The one lane concrete bottleneck in Cranford on North Avenue starting at Alden Street is a major nuisance. It may have been built for the convenience of NJ Transit, but the continuing negative impact on drivers demands a change. The queuing of traffic leaves drivers thinking they are on Madison Avenue in New York. Sometimes the backlog reaches to Roselle Park.

Local officials say they are onto the trouble. But that's not good enough for those who have suffered with the clogged traffic for over three years. We need some results.

And while we are on the subject, the queuing of traffic in the westbound lane and the clowns stopping traffic while making left-hand turns into the Starbucks have made that portion of North Avenue a mess.

All because some \$9.99-per-hour clerk is taking his time to make a specialized latte. It's time for the Cranford cops to use the expression of their predecessors in the 1940s and tell the drivers "move along."

Darting on Morris Avenue.

From the Springfield border to Union Center the darting vehicles are comparable to the road obstacles on TV shows in the 1970s.

The ability to make a left-hand turn stops a chunk of traffic. For those who then attempt to squeeze into the right hand lane to keep going, it can be treacherous.

The left-hand turn from the eastern direction on Morris Avenue to Commerce is especially daunting. Making a left-hand turn from Liberty onto Morris requires the daring of a rogue.

It turns out the reality is in line with the perception.

A year ago NJBiz wrote: "In any direction you drive, New Jersey's roads are too congested." And continued, "Fixing it won't be easy, but we need to make sure we have the proper funding in place.

"What New Jersey truly needs to fix its roads and remain competitive is new express lanes, new highways, new bridges, and various road-widening projects and expanding the capacity and the role of New Jersey Transit, just to name a few."

One Seat-Ride to New York.

Periodically, the advocates for the one-seat ride service to New York make another public push.

With the opposition of President Trump to the Gateway tunnel project, their efforts may be futile. As super coach John Wooden cautioned: Never confuse activity with results.

Still, the push to get cars off the road deserves the effort.

Learn to enjoy the before and after

I always like having something to look forward to — the anticipation of an event, the excitement of a vacation, the suspense of movie. They don't have to be life-changing happenings, just something that is fun for me and my family. Drifting off to sleep at night thinking about the fun things that lie ahead always leads to a peaceful night's sleep.

The day before Thanksgiving is always fun for me. The kids have a half day at school, the table is set and the guests don't arrive for about 30 hours. Plenty of time to prep everything, watch

PAUSE & REFLECT

BY LAURA BAKER

the parade and bake some goodies. Granted, I have just described the calm before the storm, but usually the storm ends up being pretty entertaining.

Now snowstorms are a hassle for everyone. Except for the possibility of a snow day, there is not much upside to 12 inches of snow. That being said, there is something about when the snow just starts to fall. Quiet and genteel, it looks

so lovely. When it sticks to the branches of the trees, it has the appearance of being inside a snow globe. Fast forward to shoveling and snow plows, but once again it's the calm before the storm that I love.

I enjoy going to the movies. I wish I went more often. But in addition to the actual movie, there are the movie trailers. These days they show so many trailers that you can't remember them all. But they are exciting to see. I always say to the person I went with, "Oh, we should definitely go see that!"

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Out of Africa to gardens worldwide

THE GARDENER'S APPRENTICE

BY ELISABETH GINSBURG

The sunniest spot on my dining room window seat is currently occupied by a geranium - *Pelargonium x hortorum* - that is struggling to come to terms with the winter light. By the time it truly acclimates, it will probably be March - almost time to take it outdoors to soak up the direct sunshine it craves. In the meantime, it has sprouted one brave bloom, a tribute to the tenacity of a hybrid plant whose specie's ancestors emigrated from far-off South Africa.

Those geranium forebears were not alone. South Africa is a cradle of botanical diversity, without which we ornamental gardeners would be considerably poorer. If you have ever grown, arranged, or admired gerbera daisies, gladioli, black-eyed Susan vine, bird-of-paradise, or agapanthus, you have experienced a plant that literally traces its roots back to South Africa. Some sources estimate that about 10 percent of the world's flowering plant species are native to that country.

One southern South African area in particular has been recognized for its unique natural value. Since 2004, the Cape Floral Region has been one of the United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization's World Heritage Sites. According to UNESCO, the area was awarded this design-

nation because it is "one of the richest areas for plants when compared to any similar sized area in the world. It represents less than 0.5 percent of the area of Africa but is home to nearly 20 percent of the continent's flora. The outstanding diversity, density and endemism of the flora are among the highest worldwide."

Many of the best-known South African plants are part of the enormous daisy, or Compositae, family. Because of this geographic and family connection, a number of them go by the nickname "African daisy," and it can be hard to sort them out. Among the most popular is the colorful gerbera, or Transvaal, daisy, a florists' favorite and stalwart of perennial gardens in warm winter climates. Treated elsewhere as annuals, modern hybrid gerberas come in an array of bright colors, with large single daisies born atop tall stems.

Another tender perennial, hybrid arctotis, features somewhat narrower petals than gerbera, but sports an equally cheerful color range, often highlighted by dramatic black or blue-black centers. Its relative,

gazania, sometimes called the Namaqua daisy, after its native Namaqualand region of South Africa and Namibia, appears often in modern gardens. Treated as a bedding plant in cold-winter areas, gazania is even shorter than arctotis, topping out at about 12 inches. Though gazania is available in a range of colors, I like the variety with gold petals highlighted by brown-maroon central stripes.

While not a true daisy, *delosperma*, or ice plant, is a low-growing South African succulent with daisy-like flowers in bright colors. Never rising above 6 inches, the plants will form a ground-covering mat, given generous amounts of direct sun and very well-drained soil. *Delosperma* can allegedly survive in climates up to and including USDA plant hardiness Zone 6, where average annual extreme winter temperatures might go as low as zero. I would not bet money on this survival, but for a really beautiful ice plant, I might risk planting it in a protected spot with lots of winter mulch.

But what if you are sick of winter's grayness and can't yet think about a vivid summer garden full of South African daisies? Take heart, because with a few computer keystrokes or a trip to the nearest decent garden center, you can lay hands on a *clivia*

in short order. This South African amaryllid relative sprouts the same tall stems and long, strap-like leaves as other amaryllids, but instead of extremely large individual trumpets, it produces clusters of somewhat smaller blooms. The most common flower color is bright orange, but yellows are also available for slightly more money. *Clivia* is a winter bloomer, and given a modicum of thoughtful care, it will rebloom, year after year. I invested in a yellow-flowered *clivia* at last year's Philadelphia Flower Show. I am hoping that it will bloom after the holidays to keep my lonely geranium company.

Someday, if the stars align themselves properly, I would love to go to the Cape Floral Region and see all those gorgeous flowering plants.

In the meantime, I am thinking of my personal floral region and making plans to add a few more arctotis and *delosperma* to next summer's garden. A small helping of South Africa's floral diversity will go a long way toward satisfying my appetite for garden color.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Union County ICE arrests

To the Editor:

The LocalSource encourages readers to respond to articles or other information published regarding issues in Union County. I don't recall articles in the past regarding ICE arrests in Union County until the article Dec. 13 story "ICE arrests 10 in Union County in statewide operation."

Ten of the 105 arrested who are in the country illegally were residents of Union County. Eighty percent of arrests had prior criminal or pending criminal charges. Four had Interpol warrants based on crimes committed in their home countries. Our N.J. elected representatives to Congress of both parties are ignoring the danger to our residents by failing to support more border security by funding for the border wall with Mexico. Obviously, the great majority

of illegal immigrants are honest family members looking for work to provide a better life for their families. But the few who are criminals, or have a tendency to be criminals, place our citizens at risk of their crimes. Some of the crimes of those arrested included sexual assaults on minors, distribution of illegal drugs, aggravating assault, insurance fraud, credit card theft, promoting prostitution and other serious illegal offenses. The U.S. admits 1 million immigrants annually who are seeking a better life.

We provide support for them and families to get assistance and employment. We provide free education to their children in their native language, if necessary. But,

immigration must be controlled to reduce the possibility of criminals entering and illegal drugs. The wall will never stop the illegal activity 100 percent, but will definitely provide greater security to our citizens. The wall may be 3,000 miles away but it is evident that many of our N.J. illegals indicted or convicted of crimes have entered from the broader states with Mexico. Our N.J. elected representatives, regardless of party, should support the border wall for the protection of our state and county residents.

Bob Barrett
Clark

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style will be maintained, certain changes may be made in the interest of clarity. Knowing that letters are very important and a well-read section of the newspaper, we always try to verify the accuracy of the content.

Pause & Reflect

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And what about the Super Bowl? TV coverage begins at noon with "The Road to the Super Bowl," followed by the pregame show at 1 p.m. The game starts at 6 p.m., with kickoff set for 6:30 p.m. — by the way, what is the difference between the game starting and kickoff? But for me, the fun starts at noon. A nice family walk and then the food prep and eating begins!

Even the simplest thing, like ordering dinner in, are fun. Get the takeout menu, call it in, then someone goes to get it. When we hear the garage door opening, someone yells, "They're home!" Why are we so excited? We knew they were coming home.

Vacations are the best. Lugging that suitcase up from the basement can only lead to something fun! Now I dislike flying as much as anyone, but planning out what to bring — which shoes, which hat, what should I wear out to dinner each night — is worth the cramped seating and stale pretzels. Vacations are full of the new and unknown. New experiences and different people.

There is also enjoyment to be had after the above-mentioned events. Sharing and comparing all the gossip after everyone has

gone home, sledding and hot chocolate due to school being closed, more previews when you go to see that movie that you saw the preview for the last time you went to the movies, all the leftover food from the Super Bowl party, and no dishes to wash after not making dinner. And vacations? Well those memories last a lifetime.

Now the list I made doesn't even cover birthdays, anniversaries, winter recess, three-day weekends, spring break and all those Hallmark holidays. Life is full of little spurts of happiness strung together. As a parent and wife, when my family experiences joy it is contagious. We share it like the common cold. We all learn at an early age that it is nice to share. And of all things to share — next to chocolate chip cookies — happiness is at the top of the list, no matter where you find it.

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The Orozcos have returned to their home in Cranford where their son Louis was born with the assistance of five-year veteran Cranford police officer Daniel Donnerstag in the early morning hours of Dec. 10 at the couple's house. Both Ruth Orozco, standing with Louis, and the baby were transported to Overlook Medical Center in Summit after the delivery.

Cranford cop helps deliver baby in middle of night

A Cranford patrolman who is a qualified emergency medical technician is credited with assisting in an early morning delivery of a baby boy last week.

Daniel Donnerstag was on patrol with fellow officer Nicholas Cook at 3:46 a.m. on Dec. 10, when they received a call about a pregnant woman in labor, Cranford police said in a release.

Ruth Orozco had gone into labor in her Cranford home. Contractions were only a minute apart and the baby's head had begun crowning by the time the officers arrived.

Donnerstag, a five-year veteran of the force, arrived at the scene and assessed the situation, determining that their time was limited and the delivery would need to occur inside the home. He calmly assisted with the delivery of the baby boy, and Cook and two additional responding officers took part in comforting the newborn and his parents until the Cranford First Aid Squad arrived.

The baby and mother were transported to Overlook Hospital in Summit for evaluation. The parents stated that baby Louis is healthy and they have expressed their gratitude to the responding officers.

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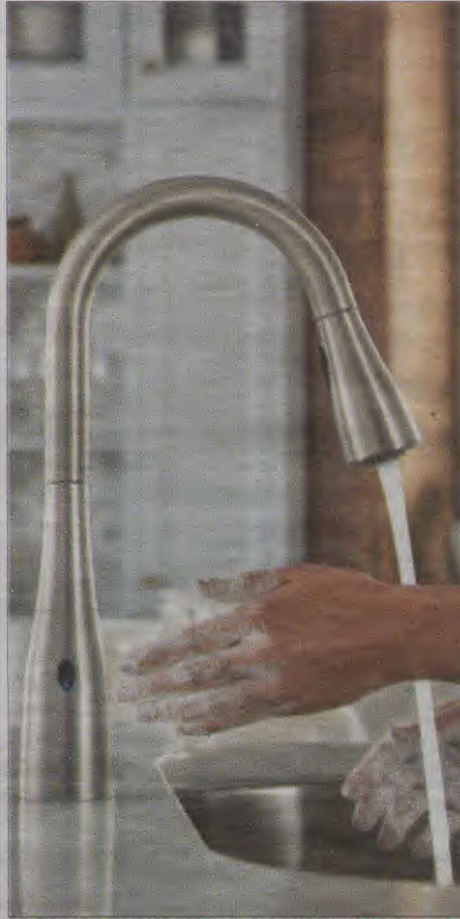
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A new pet is a wonderful present but be prepared

The holiday season - and the lead-up to it - is a popular time to bring home a new puppy or kitten.

Consider these tips from the pet experts at PetSmart Charities to help make your new pet's adjustment to its forever home merry and bright.

Know that pet parenting is a lifetime commitment. That oh-so-sweet puppy or kitten stage only lasts so long, so be sure that you're prepared to give a lifetime of loving care. Nurturing the bond, you create during the early months can create a foundation for lifelong companionship.

Consider adoption first. There are literally thousands of animals of all breeds and ages looking for loving homes. Consider adopting a pet that needs a home from a local shelter or adoption event.

"When you consider an option like adoption, you can make sure one less dog or cat is spending the holiday season in a shelter while also providing the gift of unconditional love to a furry friend in need," said David Haworth, DVM, Ph.D., president of PetSmart Charities, which helps find forever homes and families for more than 500,000 shelter pets each year. "As a way to make adoption more accessible, we work with local adoption partners to host regular adoption events at the Every Day Adoption Centers in nearly every PetSmart store nationwide."

Select an appropriate pet. Integrating a



Be prepared if you are planning to bring a dog, cat or any other pet into your home this holiday season. For starters, don't surprise a youngster with a new puppy. Both the child and the animal might become overexcited.

pet into your household, especially for a first-time pet owner, can take some work. It's important to consider factors like how often you travel, whether your work sched-

ule will allow a visit home during the day for a potty-training puppy and if you're willing to provide necessary care, such as daily brushing for a long-haired animal.

Also consider whether you truly want a puppy or a kitten; an adult pet offers numerous benefits, such as potentially being house-trained already and more resilient for play with small kids.

Be realistic about the big reveal. Picturesque as it may be, the classic image of a puppy or kitten making a surprise leap from a box under the tree isn't always as simple as it may appear, especially if kids are involved. Start by setting expectations with children so they don't startle their new pet with a burst of excitement that can be scary for a small animal. Rather than putting the pet in a box, for an easier solution consider bringing the pet home before the excitement of the big day, and instead wrapping up supplies like a leash and feeding bowl to place under the tree and putting a festive collar on the new pet.

Prepare for pet parenting. The sweet kisses and cuddles are fun, but a new pet requires some preparation. Stock up on items like age-appropriate food and toys. Look into training classes and find a veterinarian you trust for regular checkups. Also take time to pet-proof your home, removing items that may pose a health threat or create temptations for undesirable behaviors.

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Fill your home with cheer

Creating festive cheer at home for the holidays is easy and fun. Here are some great ways to transform your space into a winter wonderland.

- **Get cozy:** During the chilly holiday season, decorate with comfort in mind. Light the fireplace. Add throw pillows to sofas. Turn off overhead lamps and use soft lighting instead. Consider how texture and warmth can contribute to your holiday decorating scheme.

- **Screen festive flicks:** From "It's a Wonderful Life" to "Home Alone," keep your favorite holiday films playing all the time to create a festive holiday atmosphere, or host a special movie night and select a few classics. With the right projector, you can turn any room of the house into a home theater experience. Select a portable projector for the holiday season that will sense ambient light in the room and automatically adjust the projection accordingly, so you won't need to blow out candles or unplug holiday lights. Those from Casio's SLIM Series are lightweight and portable, combining a laser and LED light source to create a high-brightness mercury-free projector that uses half the amount of power per unit than its traditional lamp-based counterparts.

- **Fire up the oven:** There's no better time of year to roll up your sleeves and knead out some dough. One of the best ways to create a holiday atmosphere is with scent, and the aroma of baking cookies, cakes and other holiday desserts will do the trick. If you're worried about having all

those extra sweet treats around the house just before kicking off your New Year's resolutions, consider volunteering to bring dessert to potluck and parties you attend this season or donating the product of your labors to a holiday bake sale raising money for a charitable cause.

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- **Add some flora:** Holly, poinsettias, mistletoe - decking the halls with traditional holiday plants adds color and vitality to side tables, mantels, dining areas and staircases and more. Those with pets and small children should take heed, as certain plant species are toxic - so avoid these plants or be sure they are displayed well out of reach of curious children and animals.

Preparing your home for the holiday season takes a little thought and energy, but the end result is a cheerful and warm atmosphere to make memories while spending time with loved ones.

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- **CARMICHAEL** – Grace Ellen, of Springfield; Dec. 6. Great-great-aunt, 97.
- **CONDE** – Anthony V., of Union; Dec. 5. Was 82.
- **CRAMER** – Sofia G., of Union; Dec. 10. Wife and grandmother.
- **FENNELL** – Diane E., of Roselle, formerly of Irvington; Dec. 8. Grandmother.
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- **GIANSANTI** – Raymond "Bob," of Rahway; Dec. 11. Sports fan, brother, uncle.
- **GRAY** – David B., of Garwood; Dec. 1. Was 82.
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- **KONICKI** – Genevieve V., formerly of Union; Dec. 12. Grandmother, 92.
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Elizabeth man convicted of killing man over dented car door

An Elizabeth man has been convicted of striking and killing another man with his car over a "dinged car door" in the the parking lot of a local strip mall last year and then driving off with his 16-month-old son in the back seat, the Union County Prosecutor's Office said in a Nov. 23 release.

Emmanuel John, 33, was convicted of aggravated manslaughter, endangering the welfare of a child and leaving the scene of a fatal accident for the June 2017 death of 45-year-old Imran Masood of Woodbridge.

The Union County jury returned the verdict after a monthlong trial and two days of jury deliberations before state

Superior Court Judge William A. Daniel.

John was arrested days after Elizabeth police responded to the strip mall on U.S. Routes 1&9 North near Woodruff Lane at about 4 p.m. on June 15, 2017, to find Masood unconscious and suffering from a severe head injury, said Union County Assistant Prosecutor Armando Suarez, who prosecuted the case.

Masood was transported to University Hospital in Newark for emergency treatment, but never regained consciousness, Suarez said. He was pronounced dead at approximately 7:15 p.m. on Aug. 3, 2017.

A police investigation revealed that an argument between John and Masood over

a dinged car door quickly escalated, the release said. John struck Masood numerous times through his livery cab's open driver-side car door window, attempting to pull him out of the car and strike him with the vehicle's door.

After being hit, Masood exited his vehicle and went to take a photo of John's rear license plate with his cell phone camera. John, with his 16-month-old son in the car, placed his two-door coupe in reverse, striking Masood and throwing him to the ground.

John then left the scene without checking on Masood or calling for medical assistance, two points he admitted when he took

the stand during the trial. Evidence presented at trial included multiple video replays of the incident caught on surveillance camera footage.

Sentencing has been scheduled for Jan. 11 before Daniel.

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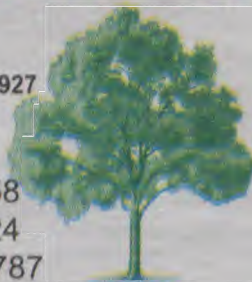
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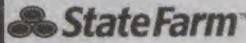


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You should also raise your attention level if you experienced three or more blistering sunburns before age 20 or worked outdoors during summers as a teenager. Lastly, receiving increased media attention and research data, is that indoor tanning increases the risk of melanoma by 75%! Not surprisingly, the largest increase in the incidence of melanoma has been in women age 16-30 years old.

Remember it is very important to examine your skin on a regular basis for any new or growing lesions. Be sure to mention any unusual changes and concerns to your dermatologist. For additional information about melanoma screening and prevention call 908-925-8877.

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Rahway man sentenced to 58 years for killing taxi driver

A Rahway man who murdered a local taxi driver during the course of a botched armed robbery in 2015 and caused a motor vehicle collision that cost a young woman her lower leg, has been sentenced to 58 years in state prison, the Union County Prosecutor's Office said.

Nathaniel Young Jr., 23, who was convicted in the shooting death of Imad Alasmar, 57, of Edison, must serve at least 85 percent of that sentence before becoming eligible for parole under the terms set down by state Superior Court Judge Lisa Miralles Walsh.

Police found Alasmar after being called to 1400 block of Bedford Street in Rahway shortly before 11 p.m. on Aug. 25, 2015, according to Union County First Assistant Prosecutor Albert Cernadas Jr., who prosecuted the case.

After being shot, Alasmar was was

still in his taxi, which had traveled a short distance down the street and collided with a parked car, resulting in serious injuries to a couple who had been seated inside it.

The woman's injuries, which included numerous bone fractures, necessitated 15 surgeries and the eventual amputation of her lower leg.

A joint investigation involving the Union County Homicide Task Force, Rahway police, Union County Sheriff's Office Crime Scene Unit and Union County Police Department Ballistics Unit revealed that Young had shot Alasmar twice during the course of the robbery, including one round to the head that killed him.

Investigators recovered the .45-caliber handgun used in the killing from the taxi's deployed and deflated airbag, then

found Young's DNA and fingerprint on the weapon's body and trigger, the Prosecutor's Office said in a Dec. 7 release.

Cell phone records showed that Young had traveled from Newark to Rahway that night, calling Alasmar's taxi company 10 minutes before the shooting, then left the area immediately afterward.

Victim statements from several of Alasmar's 10 children, his widow, his brother and others were read into the record during sentencing, when the injured woman also spoke and described a long and painful recovery.

Cernadas then described how Young had eluded police in Essex and Somerset counties on two separate occasions in the days immediately following the murder, including one in which his vehicle struck a 79-year-old pedestrian who was

out walking her dog, sending her into a coma.

"This defendant is a human tornado," Cernadas said. "He leaves in the wake of his path nothing but death and destruction."

In October, Young was convicted of first-degree murder, first-degree felony murder, first-degree robbery, a second-degree weapons offense and second-degree aggravated assault following a seven-week trial before and several hours of jury deliberation spread over two days.

Walsh ordered that Young serve his murder and aggravated assault sentences consecutively and his other sentences concurrently.

"This was a completely senseless act of violence," she said, "and an absolutely horrific crime."

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Motor vehicle theft, drugs, warrants handled by local police

Union County police departments have released the following reports of incidents to which officers recently responded:

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• Dec. 5: At 11:08 p.m., police arrested Myer Armstrong, 21, and Marc Greene, 18, both of Bayonne; Christopher Grullon, 20, of Hillside; and Pathani Cosmeus, 21, of Linden on South Avenue East for shoplifting, possession of under 50 grams of marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia. All processed and provided with court appearance dates.

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• Dec. 6: At 2:09 p.m., during a motor vehicle stop on North Avenue East, police arrested Matthew Dippold, 35, of Hoboken, and Jacquelin Remo, 35, of Old Bridge, for distribution of a controlled dangerous substance, possession of a controlled dangerous substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia. Two vehicles were stopped for a suspected drug transaction witnessed between drivers of the vehicles. Remo was arrested for possession of suspected oxycodone and possession of drug paraphernalia. Both were processed and provided with court appearance dates. In addition, \$2,436 was seized from Dippold.

• Dec. 8: At 1:42 a.m., during a motor vehicle stop on North Avenue East and Alden Street, police arrested Jeffery Locklear, 26, of Accomac, Va., for driving while intoxicated. He was processed and provided with a court appearance date. In addition, he was issued motor vehicle summonses for careless driving, an improper lane change, unclear plates, no valid registration card in his possession and no valid insurance card in his possession.

• Dec. 10: At 11:35 p.m., during a motor vehicle stop on the Garden State Parkway, police arrested Jose Castellanos-Gonzales, 23, of Dover for possession of drug paraphernalia. He was processed and provided with a court appearance date.

Summit

• Nov. 13: Police arrested Anthony Abenante, 62, of Jersey City for theft of services, hindering prosecution, disorderly conduct, and contempt of court warrants from Millburn Township, Hoboken and Newark. Abenante was processed and he was remanded to the custody of the Millburn Police Department.

• Nov. 28: Police arrested Albert Israel, 53, of Irvington for a contempt of court warrant out of Newark. Israel was processed and transported to the Essex County Jail.

• Nov. 30: At 4:56 p.m., police took a report of theft of a computer monitor from a River Road business. The victim reported the incident occurred sometime between Nov. 28 and Nov. 30. The monitor was val-



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ued at approximately \$250.

• Nov. 30: At 11:11 p.m., police took a report of a stolen dark gray iPad mini from an office on Woodland Avenue. The victim valued the iPad at approximately \$600.

• Dec. 1: Police arrested Cristian Ramirez, 24, of Plainfield, for possession of a controlled dangerous substance and a contempt of court warrant out of North Plainfield. After being processed he was released with a pending court date.

• Dec. 1: Police arrested Keith R. Kosar, 47, of Hillside on contempt of court warrants out of Hillside and Elizabeth. He was processed and subsequently transported and transferred to Hillside Police Department custody.

• Dec. 2: Police arrested Laquan J. Wright, 26, of Newark for a contempt of court out warrant of East Orange. Wright was processed and released with a new court date.

• Dec. 4: At 6:44 a.m., police took a report of an attempted theft from unsecured motor vehicles parked in the driveway to a Mt. Vernon Avenue residence. Upon inspection of the vehicles, it was determined no items had been taken at the time of the report.

• Dec. 4: At 7:50 a.m., police took a report of multiple vehicles being entered while parked in the driveway of a Portland Road residence. It was determined at the time of the report that nothing of value had been removed from any of the cars.

• Dec. 4: At 9:05 a.m., police took a report of theft from an unsecured motor vehicle parked in the driveway of a Mt. Vernon Avenue residence. Taken from the unsecured vehicle was one black cell phone windshield mount holder. The value of the stolen item was approximately \$15.

• Dec. 4: At 3:18 p.m., police took a report of theft from an unsecured motor vehicle parked in the driveway of a Sunset Drive residence. Taken from the unsecured

vehicle were one navy blue leather tote bag, four pairs of mittens, one French Christmas candle, and one State of New Jersey motor vehicle registration card. Total value of the items taken at the time of the report was approximately \$305.

• Dec. 4: At 4:29 p.m., police took a report of theft from an unsecured motor vehicle parked in the driveway to a Pembroke Road residence. The victim reported multiple personal items removed from the vehicle. Taken was one New Jersey driver's license, one Chase credit card, one medical insurance card, one key fob and one black leather Hermes handbag. Total value of the stolen items was approximately \$4,400.

• Dec. 5: Police arrested Darrell L. Holland, 46, of Linden, for a contempt of court warrant out for Perth Amboy. He was processed and custody was subsequently transferred to Perth Amboy police.

• Dec. 5: At 7:47 p.m., police took a report of theft from a Springfield Avenue business. The victim reported a black male with a beard, wearing a black beanie hat, dark colored sweatshirt, jeans, black shoes and carrying a red backpack was seen entering the business. Removed from the property were one Google Chromebook laptop and four TI-84 graphing calculators. Total value of the stolen items was approximately \$710.

• Dec. 6: At 7:35 a.m., police took a report of theft of a motor vehicle from a John Street residence. Taken from the residence was a 2014 white Dodge Durango. The victim advised the vehicle had been left unsecured with the keys inside.

• Dec. 7: Police arrested Aniya Wright, 18, of Summit, for possession of paraphernalia. She was processed and released with a pending court date.

• Dec. 7: At 5:49 p.m., police took a report of theft of a package from a Huntley Road residence. The victim reported the package was delivered earlier in the day,

however, the package was unable to be located. The package contained a "Baby Alive Doll" which was valued at approximately \$26.

• Dec. 8: At 9:40 p.m., police took a report of theft of packages from a Beauvoir Avenue residence. When the victim returned home only six of the 10 packages had been delivered. The victim reported to have been missing four pairs of Adidas Yeezy 500 sneakers valued at \$220 each. The total amount stolen is approximately \$880.

• Dec. 10: At 12:42 p.m., police took a report of theft from an unsecured motor vehicle from an Oak Ridge Avenue residence. Taken from the unsecured vehicle was a State of New Jersey motor vehicle registration card and the vehicle's insurance card.

• Dec. 11: Police arrested Kliment Pavlovski, 22, of Passaic for possession of marijuana. He was processed and released with a pending court date.

• Dec. 11: Police arrested Jarry A. Gonzalez, 28, of New York, for possession of marijuana. Upon completion of being processed, Gonzalez was subsequently transferred to the custody of the Livingston Police Department in connection with a separate investigation.

• Dec. 11: Police arrested Cristian Mendoza, 32, of New York, for possession of marijuana. Upon completion of being processed, Gonzalez was subsequently transferred to the custody of the Livingston Police Department in connection with a separate investigation.

• Dec. 12: At 9:38 a.m., police took a report of theft of a motor vehicle from an Edison Drive residence. The victim reported that the vehicle had been left unsecured with a spare key inside of the vehicle.

Clark

• Dec. 4: At 10:08 a.m., police took a report of a theft of a wallet from a patron of the Home Goods Store on Raritan Road. The incident is under investigation.

• Dec. 6: At 12:48 p.m., police arrested Patrick Hingos, 40, of Edison, for theft. He was subsequently released on his own recognizance pending a court date.

• Dec. 6: At 5:19 p.m., police took a report of a burglary to a motor vehicle that was parked on Mildred Terrace. The incident is under investigation.

• Dec. 9: At 12:39 a.m., police arrested Teresa Ortiz, 18, of Newark, on Brant Avenue for possession of a controlled dangerous substance. She was subsequently released on her own recognizance pending a court date.

This information is provided by the Union County police departments in accordance with the Open Public Records Act. All persons charged are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



healthy living

Stay active following the holidays to maintain your health

While many people often wish maintaining good health was as easy as following an equation, health doesn't have a start or end date. Once the allure of the new year wears off, it can be easy to let those resolutions go by the wayside.

When you focus on making small, positive changes, you can move your health goals forward throughout the year, no matter where you are on your health journey. To help stay on track, consider these easy-to-implement ideas from registered dietitian Annessa Chumbley:

Write it down. Using a nutrition journal and keeping a record of everything you eat and drink can help track progress and reveal small changes that need to be made. Alternatively, downloading a fitness tracking app can help keep you accountable digitally. With a variety of options available for most operating systems, there is almost certain to be one to meet your needs, whether you're looking for a companion app to track progress or something more in-depth to help guide you through workouts and meal planning.

Start your day with protein. A high-quality protein source can set the stage for sustained energy levels throughout the day. Having an on-the-go source of protein on-hand, such as Premier Protein's ready-to-drink chocolate and vanilla shakes featuring 30 grams of protein and 160 calories and 1 gram of sugar, can help ensure you're starting the day with a proper foundation for success.

Hydrate all day. Hydration is a foundation of good health. Before bed each night, put a 16-ounce bottle of water in the bathroom then drink it first thing in the morning for a daily energy boost.

For an easy and healthy way to add flavor to your water during the day, consider putting an herbal tea bag of your choice in it. For example, Chumbley recommends ginger as a digestion-helper, mint as a caffeine-free way to awaken and chamomile to calm.

Make healthy swaps. Looking for alternatives is an easy way to eat healthy. Consider swapping out heavier carbs for vegetables such as grilled Portobello mushrooms as pizza crust or zucchini noodles instead of pasta. Swap mayo for avocado when eating egg, chicken or tuna salad. You can also use the sweetness of ripe bananas to decrease the need for added sugar in recipes like cookies, muffins and pancakes. For an additional nutrition boost, consider adding a scoop of gluten-free protein powder like Premier Protein's line of 100 percent Whey Powders, which are available in chocolate or vanilla milkshake flavors and feature 30 grams of protein and 3-4 grams of sugar per scoop, plus no artificial flavors, colors or sweeteners.

Get moving. Commit to stepping outside and taking a daily walk. Whether it's 1 mile or a walk around the block, you can burn calories and receive the added benefits of mental clarity, increased energy and improved digestion.

"Use these tips as one small thing that can make a powerful positive impact on your day," Chumbley said. "Choose one of these and do it every day. Keep the strategy simple so you'll be more likely to stick with it. When implementing these health tips, think 'progress' not 'perfection.' If you are progressing, you are successful."

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Former county elections administrator barred from school board seat

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 disqualifying offense would only be able to serve if the offense were expunged from their record, according to Yaple. Should the disqualification be valid, the vacancy will be filled by Daryl Palmieri, the interim county superintendent, according to state law.

"Vacancies in the membership of the board shall be filled as follows: by the county superintendent, if the vacancy is caused by the absence of candidates for election to the school board or by the removal of a member because of lack of qualifications, or is not filled within 65 days following its occurrence," the statute reads.

Current board member Joi Stanley confirmed in a Dec. 17 phone interview that the board received a letter from Palmieri disqualifying Kobitz.

"There's not much else I can comment on," Stanley said.

She also said that before the county superintendent chooses the new board member here will be an interview process and that a new member would be appointed before the second board meeting of 2019. There will be a posting regarding the open seat and interested candidates will need to apply before they are interviewed.

"It's not a seat that will be voted by the board," Stanley said. "It will come directly from the appointment of the county superintendent once the process is completed."

Hillside Superintendent Antoine Gayles had no comment when contacted by LocalSource, and messages left for school board President Hawaiian Thompson-Epps and board attorney Derlys Gutierrez were not returned.

Kobitz ran as a part of the "Children First Team" with Kim Cook, Pinchas Shapiro, Laquana Best and current board member Joel Chapman. That team was endorsed by the Hillside Democratic Committee.

"Mr. Kobitz was a major contributor to



Dennis Kobitz, left, in a 2011 photo with then Union County Freeholder Chairwoman Union County Deborah Scanlon being presented with a proclamation on his becoming the president of the New Jersey Association of Election Officials.

the vision and overwhelming victory for our endorsed school board candidates last month. Although unfortunate as the situation is, Mr. Kobitz has asked for privacy while he simultaneously seeks legal advice to weigh his options for a possible appeal.

"We will respect his wish for privacy at this time," Hillside Democratic Chairman Anthony Salters said in an email on Dec. 14.

Children First won all five open seats in November's election, with Kobitz receiving

2,706 votes. He, Chapman and Kim were elected for three-year terms and Pinchas and Laquana were elected to one-year terms.

Kobitz is a former school board member, Union County Board of Elections administrator and Legislative Committee member with the New Jersey School Boards Association. He is chairman of the Hillside Zoning Board.

"Respecting Mr. Kobitz's privacy and as he contemplates his next steps, at this time I will not be commenting on his situation," Chapman said in an email on Dec. 17.

Linden High School receives a second bomb threat

Students were evacuated from Linden High School on Dec. 13, after the second bomb threat in two weeks was called in to the school.

No danger was found and all students were allowed to return to school, Linden police said in a press release.

The school received the call at about 8 a.m. Police were notified immediately, and school officials evacuated students to the LHS Academy of Science and Technology across the street.

A search of the building was conducted, and the building was declared safe at about 9:45 a.m. Students returned to the building and resumed their regular class schedule.

The threat followed a lower-grade alert a week earlier on Dec. 7, in which a report of a bomb outside the school resulted in a "shelter in place" order; the building was sealed but students went about their regular class schedule.

Detectives do not believe the threats are related, the release said.



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Cranford board OKs Mount Laurel plan, seeks court approval

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last time I was here talking about this redevelopment area, but yet we have this need," Mistretta said. "Remember, we have to get to this RDP number and we have to create these units. So, what are our options? We have designated this area as a potential redevelopment area and these lots and blocks would be included, either all of them, some of them, as part of the redevelopment project that again would include an inclusionary affordable housing project. I'm going to capture eight units there on that property."

Mistretta said a lot of planning would have to occur before development in the area around the firehouse could take place, considering there are four privately owned properties included in it.

Mistretta also said that PSE&G wrote a letter to the township in March stating its desire to purchase 10 to 12 acres of the 30.5-acre triangular tract at 750 Walnut Ave, which is owned by Hartz Mountain Industries. One expert witness for Hartz Mountain described the site as a "jigsaw puzzle" of office space. Hartz Mountain has applied for an application to change the zoning on the site from commercial to residential in order to build a 905-unit apartment complex.

Mistretta said the housing plan anticipates Hartz Mountain building on 20.5 acres at a density of 10 units per acre.

"We recognize it," Mistretta said. "We're not trying to hide it. It's right here in our plan. If that changes, if PSE&G doesn't want the land, then you apply the density to the overall 30.5 acres. Or if it's somewhere in between, if it's 4 acres or 5 acres, we recognize that. We will adjust the RDP accordingly. So that's an ongoing issue.

"As a planner I can't receive letters like that and hear testimony and ignore it also. I'm kind of in the middle here and I just want to call attention to it because I'm trying to manage it the best way I know how."

Mistretta said the housing plan also addresses the township's "unmet need,"

the figure arrived at when subtracting the 105 "affordable" units calculated by the township's RDP from the number units previously suggested by the courts. He said those suggested Mount Laurel housing numbers were 440 in one case and 994 in another. Mistretta said the larger figure could be reduced by 30 percent through negotiation with the Cherry Hill-based Fair Share Housing Center, the main litigant in most Mount Laurel cases against municipalities.

Mistretta said the plan calls for a series of "overlay areas" in the downtown district that will relax the restrictions or, in some cases, delete building regulations in those areas. For instance, he said the 5,000-square-foot requirement for building in that area of the township would be relaxed. And Surenian said the overlay areas would act as an incentive for developers to build in those areas. And when they do, a certain percentage of the residential units will be earmarked for affordable housing.

Deputy Mayor Ann Dooley said Mistretta had done an excellent job of creating a plan that works in concert with the master plan's intention to keep higher-density development toward the downtown area, taking into account construction in neighboring municipalities.

"Most of us know what our situation is in Garwood, Roselle Park, Clark, the incredible density that is occurring in our microregion," Dooley said. "By developing the plan in this way, I think, it gives us the best opportunity or a solid opportunity to integrate all that density along our east-west corridor. All of it is coming there and/or in Clark with mass transit, a better traffic plan. I think it's the only way to go to integrate this. In Clark, 177 units are coming on Walnut Avenue; 550 are coming in Garwood on North and South avenues; another 300 to 400 in Roselle Park on Westfield Avenue and North Avenue. We have to have a plan that allows us to integrate not just our own affordable housing requirement but to comprehend and

accommodate what is coming on our borders.

"I have to say none of us are going to love it, but I think you did a really good job with what we are confronted with and I thank you for that."

The New Jersey Fair Housing Act of 1985 required that the quotas — which the Supreme Court said every town is required to provide for in its zoning laws — be assessed periodically.

The township has a March deadline for immunity from builder's remedy lawsuits while the court considers Cranford's proposal. Such lawsuits, which allow developers to have control of the zoning and building process if a town is declared deficient in affordable housing, were created by the Supreme Court to induce towns into meeting what it declared a constitutional requirement.



JAMMIN' JENN — Clark Preschool welcomed Jammin' Jenn for her series of half-hour music therapy sessions Tuesday, Nov. 20. Music therapy helps develop nonmusical skills by promoting specific cognitive, motor, perceptual, communicative and behavioral goals.

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HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-18003857

Division: CHANCERY

Docket Number: F00435917

County: Union

Plaintiff: BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.

VS.

Defendant: JEAN-CLAUDE CHARLES; LUCIFIE CHARLES; GEORGE FILS AIME; ROSEMARY NARCISSE; O.I.M. RADIOLOGICAL GROUP; PALISADES COLLECTION LLC; STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Sale Date: 01/09/2019

Writ of Execution: 08/31/2018

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

PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS LOCATED IN: Township of Hillside, County of Union, in the State of New Jersey

PREMISES COMMONLY KNOWN AS:

1415 Boa Place

Hillside, NJ 07205

TAX LOT #: 51 BLOCK #: 1106

APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 35 X 112 IRR

NEAREST CROSS STREET: Hillside Avenue

*Also subject to subsequent taxes, water and sewer plus interest through date of payoff.

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

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

For sale information, please visit Auction.com at www.Auction.com or call (800) 280-2832

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$320,741.15*Three Hundred Twenty Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-One and 15/100*****

Attorney: PARKER MCCAY - ATTORNEYS

9000 MIDLANTIC DRIVE SUITE 300

P.O. BOX 5054

MT. LAUREL NJ 08054

(856)596-8900

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Sheriff: Peter Corvelli

A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office

Total Upset: \$330,778.01***Three Hundred Thirty Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Eight and 01/100***

December 13, 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 2019

U73897 UNL (\$145.04)

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff File Number: CH-18003948

Division: CHANCERY

County: Union

Docket Number: 02819117

Plaintiff: FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY VS.

Defendant: PAMELA M. EXUM; MR. EXUM, HUSBAND OF PAMELA M. EXUM

Sale Date: 01/16/2019

Writ of Execution: 09/28/2018

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

Property to be sold is located in the TOWNSHIP

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of HILLSIDE, County of UNION, State of New Jersey

Premises commonly known as: 62 MERTZ AVENUE, HILLSIDE, NJ 07205-1622

BEING KNOWN as LOT 8, BLOCK 1408 on the official Tax Map of the TOWNSHIP of HILLSIDE

Dimensions: 50.00FTX150.00FTX50.00FTX150.00FT

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 premlums 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 to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or 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

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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.

For sale information, please visit Auction.com at www.auction.com or call (800) 280-2832. Website is not affiliated with Sheriff's office

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$302,791.67*Three Hundred Two Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-One and 67/100*****

Attorney: PHELAN HALLINAN DIAMOND & JONES, PC

400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD

SUITE 100

MT. LAUREL NJ 08054

856-813-5500

Sheriff: Peter Corvelli

A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office

Total Upset: \$314,988.12***Three Hundred Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Eight and 12/100***

December 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 10, 2019

U74390 UNL (\$170.52)

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HILLSIDE

Superior Court of New Jersey
Chancery Division
Union County
Docket No.: F-023070-18

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:

LETICIA GONZALEZ

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon Friedman Vartolo LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 85 Broad Street, Suite 501, New York, New York 10004, an answer to the Complaint in Foreclosure, Amended Complaint and Amendment(s) and Order(s), if any, filed in a Civil Action, in which PLANET HOME LENDING, LLC is Plaintiff and EDWIN MENDEZ, et al., are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, under Docket Number: F-023070-18, within thirty-five (35) days after December 20, 2018, exclusive of the date of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint, amended complaint, amendment(s), order(s), if any. You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex, 25 West Market Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure.

This action has been commenced and is pending to foreclose a mortgage and recover possession of certain lands and premises, as follows: The mortgage being foreclosed is dated March 22, 2012, and made by Edwin Mendez, as Mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee for Kwik Mortgage Corporation, which mortgage was recorded on April 12, 2012 in Union County, in Book 13306 of Mortgages for said County on Page 0379 et seq. The lands and premises affected by this action and for which possession is sought are commonly known as 379 Rutgers Avenue, Hillside, NJ 07205, and also known as Lot 36 in Block 705.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey State Bar Association by calling (732) 249-5000. You may also contact the lawyer referral services of the County of Venue by calling (856) 482-0618. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of Venue by calling (856) 964-2010.

You, LETICIA GONZALEZ, are hereby made a party defendant to the foreclosure action because you have or may claim to have some right, title, lien or other interest affecting the real estate being foreclosed, by virtue of ownership, inheritance, descent, intestacy, devise, dower, curtesy, mortgage, deed, or conveyance, enter of judgment or other legal or lawful right. The nature of which and the reason that you and each of you are joined as defendants is set forth with particularity in the Complaint, Amended Complaint, Amendment(s), Order(s), if any, a copy of which will be furnished to you on request addressed to the attorneys for the plaintiff at the above mentioned address.

File 181033
MICHELLE M. SMITH
Clerk of the Superior Court
U75055 UNL December 20, 2018 (\$38.71)

KENILWORTH

PUBLIC NOTICE

BOROUGH OF KENILWORTH
567 BOULEVARD
KENILWORTH, NEW JERSEY 07033

The 2019 Reorganization Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Kenilworth will be held on Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at 2PM in the Courtroom at Borough Hall, 567 Boulevard, Kenilworth, NJ 07033

U75222 UNL December 20, 2018 (\$6.86)

UNION

TOWNSHIP OF UNION

COUNTY OF UNION

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that an ordinance, the title of which is hereinbelow set forth, was finally passed and approved by the Township Committee of the Township of Union in the County of Union at a public meeting held at the Municipal Building, Friberger Park, Union, New Jersey, on December 18, 2018.

EILEEN BIRCH,
Township Clerk

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION, COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR A LONG TERM TAX EXEMPTION AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT WITH CLERMONT 1 AND 2, URBAN RENEWAL, LLC
U74902 UNL December 20, 2018 (\$12.25)

UNION

Township of Union
County of Union
Notice
Alcoholic Beverage Control

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that application has

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been made to the Township Committee of the Township of Union for a place to place transfer to 454 CHESTNUT ST, Union, New Jersey of the Plenary Retail Distribution License Number 201944013007, for the premises located at 260 CHESTNUT ST, Union, New Jersey, heretofore issued to Wine Depot of Union, Inc., 360 Chestnut Street, Union, NJ 07083.

The person (s) who will hold an interest in this license is/are: LATCHMAN RAGHUNANDAN
Objections, if any should be made within seven (7) days, in writing to Eileen Birch, Municipal Clerk, 1976 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey December 20, 28, 2018
U75030 UNL (\$23.52)

UNION

TOWNSHIP OF UNION
COUNTY OF UNION

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 505 ENTITLED "TOWING" SECTION 5505-11 F (2) "STORAGE AND GARAGE FACILITIES" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION
U74901 UNL December 20, 2018 (\$10.29)

PRO-LEGALS

ELIZABETH

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANT

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
CHANCERY DIVISION
UNION COUNTY
DOCKET NO. F-022632-18

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Brand New Day, Inc.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon KML Law Group, P.C., A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION, INCORPORATED IN PENNSYLVANIA, plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is Suite 406, 216 Haddon Avenue, Westmont, NJ 08108, phone # (609) 250-0700, an answer to the Complaint, filed in a civil action, in which Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company also known as M&T Bank successor by merger to Hudson City Savings Bank, FSB is plaintiff, and Tammy J. Troche Maldonado AKA Tammy Maldonado Troche and Mr. or Mrs. Troche Maldonado, husband and wife of Tammy J. Troche Maldonado AKA Tammy Maldonado Troche, the spouse, domestic partner, or civil union partner of Tammy J. Troche Maldonado AKA Tammy Maldonado Troche, et al are the defendant(s), pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket No. F-022632-18 within thirty-five (35) days after December 20, 2018 exclusive of such date or if published after December 20, 2018 (35) days after the actual dated 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 governing the courts.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a mortgage dated January 29, 2010, made by Tammy J. Troche Maldonado AKA Tammy Maldonado Troche as mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Jersey Mortgage Company recorded on June 10, 2010, for Union County in Book 12917, Page 828 of Mortgages for said County, which mortgage was assigned to the plaintiff, Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company also known as M&T Bank successor by merger to Hudson City Savings Bank, FSB, by Assignment dated November 27, 2017; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 144-152 First Street Unit D, Elizabeth, NJ 07206-0000. Lot: 367 Qua: C-D Block: 2.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey State Bar Association by calling 1-732-249-5000. You may also contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County of venue by calling 1-(908) 353-4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services offices of the County of venue by calling 1-(908) 354-4340.

YOU, Brand New Day, Inc., are hereby made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because of a Mortgage executed by you given by Tammy J. Troche Maldonado AKA Tammy Maldonado Troche dated January 29, 2010 and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Union County on June 10, 2010 in Book M12917, Page 824 to secure the sum of \$6,500.00 to secure a debt in an amount of that varies from date to date, and for any lien, claim or interest you may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises. File NJ48619FC

Michelle M. Smith
Michelle M. Smith, Clerk
Superior Court of New Jersey

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U75043 PRO December 20, 2018 (\$43.61)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-18003858
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F782118
County: Union
Plaintiff: JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

VS
Defendant: CARMELEAU DORMILUS; MRS. DORMILUS WIFE OF CARMELEAU DORMILUS

Sale Date: 01/09/2019
Writ of Execution: 08/29/2018

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

The property to be sold is located in ELIZABETH CITY, County of Union and State of New Jersey.

Commonly known as: 1020 BOUDINOT PLACE, ELIZABETH, NJ 07201 WITH A MAILING ADDRESS OF 1022 BOUDINOT PLACE, ELIZABETH, NJ 07201.

Tax Lot No. 41 in Block No. 9
Dimension of Lot Approximately: 27.17 X 99.35
Nearest Cross Street: CATHERINE STREET
BEGINNING at a point in the southerly side of Boudinot Place (formerly Elizabeth Street) distant therein 229.83 feet easterly from the intersection of said side of Boudinot Place with the easterly side of Catherine Street, and thence running

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

PRIOR LIENS/ENCUMBRANCES
2013, 2014 3RD PARTY TAX, WATER LIEN
SOLD ON 6/8/15 CERT# 14-00328 \$29,263.80
2017 3RD PARTY TAX, WATER, SEWER LIEN
SOLD ON 6/4/18 CERT# 17-00155

Water Open with Penalty \$6,264.24
REQUIRED to serve upon KML Law Group, P.C., A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION, INCORPORATED IN PENNSYLVANIA, plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is Suite 406, 216 Haddon Avenue, Westmont, NJ 08108, phone # (609) 250-0700, an answer to the Complaint, filed in a civil action, in which Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company also known as M&T Bank successor by merger to Hudson City Savings Bank, FSB is plaintiff, and Tammy J. Troche Maldonado AKA Tammy Maldonado Troche and Mr. or Mrs. Troche Maldonado, husband and wife of Tammy J. Troche Maldonado AKA Tammy Maldonado Troche, the spouse, domestic partner, or civil union partner of Tammy J. Troche Maldonado AKA Tammy Maldonado Troche, et al are the defendant(s), pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket No. F-022632-18 within thirty-five (35) days after December 20, 2018 exclusive of such date or if published after December 20, 2018 (35) days after the actual dated 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 governing the courts.

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Michelle M. Smith
Michelle M. Smith, Clerk
Superior Court of New Jersey

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-18003866
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F00966518
County: Union
Plaintiff: LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC

VS
Defendant: ROMAN A. ZIELONKA AND FV-1, INC. IN TRUST FOR MORGAN STANLEY MORTGAGE CAPITAL HOLDINGS LLC

Sale Date: 01/09/2019
Writ of Execution: 09/27/2018

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

In the County of Union and the State of New Jersey.

Premises commonly known as: 351 South Broad Street Apt. 406 a/k/a 349-353 S. Broad Street.
Block 6, Lot 1271 Qual C-46
Dimensions of Lot (approximately): CONDO
Nearest Cross Street: Grove Street

For interested parties regarding Sheriff's Sale, please contact Auction.com at (800) 793-6107 or at www.auction.com

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

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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.

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. The amount due can be obtained from the local taxing authority. Pursuant to NJSA 46:8B-21 the sale may also be subject to the limited lien priority of any Condominium/Homeowners Association liens which may exist.

**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.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$218,245.73***Two Hundred Eighteen Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Five and 73/100***

Attorney: MCCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, P.C.
216 HADDON AVE
SUITE 201
WESTMONT NJ 08108
(856)858-7080

Sheriff: Peter Corvelli
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office

Total Upset: \$223,951.36***Two Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-One and 36/100***

December 13, 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 2019
U73904 PRO (\$164.64)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-18003859
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F00245213
County: Union
Plaintiff: HUDSON CITY SAVINGS BANK

VS
Defendant: JACOB CHEEKS
Sale Date: 01/09/2019
Writ of Execution: 06/30/2015

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

PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS LOCATED IN: City of Elizabeth, County of Union, in the State of New Jersey.

PREMISES COMMONLY KNOWN AS:
135 1/2 Fulton Street
Elizabeth, NJ 07206

TAX LOT 496.A, BLOCK 2
APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 16 x 100
NEAREST CROSS STREET: Second Street

*Taxes - at time of inquiry taxes paid through 3rd quarter 2018; 4th quarter open in the base amount of \$1,094.12 and due on 11/1/18

*Sewer/water - Private account; verification of same prohibited without authorization of record property owner

*Also subject to subsequent taxes, water, sewer and trash plus interest through date of payoff.

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

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

A FULL LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PREMISES CAN BE FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF OF UNION COUNTY

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$192,524.67***One Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Four and 67/100***

Attorney: ROMANO GARUBO & ARGENTIERI COUNSELLORS AT LAW LLC
52 NEWTON AVENUE
P.O. BOX 456
WOODBURY NJ 08096
856-384-1515

Sheriff: Peter Corvelli
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office

Total Upset: \$216,311.49***Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Eleven and 49/100***

December 13, 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 2019
U73906 PRO (\$145.04)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff File Number: CH-18003905
Division: CHANCERY
County: Union
Docket Number: F00949917

Plaintiff: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ASSET SECURITIZATION TRUST SERIES 2006-A13 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATE SERIES 2006-M

VS
Defendant: CHARLENE DOLLARD, SUNRISE MANOR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
Sale Date: 01/16/2019
Writ of Execution: 07/20/2018

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

MUNICIPALITY: Elizabeth
COUNTY AND STATE: County of Union, State of New Jersey
STREET AND STREET NUMBER: 668 North Broad Street, Unit A7 A/K/A 660-672 North Broad Street, Unit A7
TAX LOT AND BLOCK NUMBERS: Lot: 1081

Continued on next page

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VS
Defendant: CESAR A. CISNEROS; MRS. CISNEROS, SPOUSE OF CESAR A. CISNEROS; DITECH FINANCIAL LLC F/K/A GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC DEUTSCHE BANK FOR DB INDY CONVERSION TRUST SERIES BY ASSIGNEE; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR INDMAC BANK, F.S.B., A FEDERALLY CHARTERED SAVINGS BANK
Sale Date: 01/16/2019
Writ of Execution: 10/16/2017

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

The property to be sold is located in the municipality of ELIZABETH in the County of UNION and State of New Jersey

Commonly known as 564 CHERRY ST APT 566 ELIZABETH, NJ 07208

Tax Lot 98 Block 13
Dimensions of Lot: UNIT 6, SITUATED IN CAMPUS ESTATES, A CONDOMINIUM, TOGETHER WITH AN UNDIVIDED 12.50 PERCENTAGE INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS

Nearest Cross Street: MORRIS AVENUE
THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH 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.

2018 Qtr 4 Due: 11/01/2018 \$3,289.49 OPEN
2019 Qtr 1 Due: 02/01/2019 TO BE DETERMINED
2019 Qtr 2 Due: 05/01/2019 TO BE DETERMINED

Water: Acct: 550134271 To: 12/15/2006
\$11.54 OPEN PLUS PENALTY
Water: Acct: 5503142340 To: 09/20/2018
\$527.69 OPEN, \$1,166.23 OPEN PLUS PENALTY

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

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$353,278.95***Three Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Eight and 95/100***

Attorney: RAS CITRON LAW OFFICES
130 CLINTON ROAD
SUITE 202
FAIRFIELD NJ 07004
(973) 575-0707

Sheriff: Peter Corvelli
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office

Total Upset: \$371,814.99***Three Hundred Seventy-One Thousand Eight Hundred Fourteen and 99/100***

December 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 10, 2019
U74396 PRO (\$205.80)

ELIZABETH

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff File Number: CH-18004012
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F02199917
County: Union
Plaintiff: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES I TRUST 2007-AQ1 ASSET BACKED-CERTIFICATES SERIES 2007-AQ1

VS
Defendant: CHARLENE DOLLARD, SUNRISE MANOR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
Sale Date: 01/16/2019
Writ of Execution: 07/20/2018

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

MUNICIPALITY: Elizabeth
COUNTY AND STATE: County of Union, State of New Jersey
STREET AND STREET NUMBER: 668 North Broad Street, Unit A7 A/K/A 660-672 North Broad Street, Unit A7
TAX LOT AND BLOCK NUMBERS: Lot: 1081

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(C-A07) Block: 11
DIMENSIONS: N/A
NEAREST CROSS STREET: N/A
Being known and designated as Unit 7 in Sunrise Manor, a Condominium, together with an undivided 1.666% interest in the Common Elements and more as set forth in the Master Deed in the Union County Clerk/Register Office at Deed Book 3545, Page 192, et seq., as may have been or may be lawfully amended.
Pursuant to a tax search of 8/22/2018; 2018 qtr. 4 due date; 11/1/2018; \$1,608.99 open, 2019 qtr. 1 due date; 2/1/2019; amount due to be determined. 2019 qtr. 2 due date; 5/1/2019; amount due to be determined. Water Account: Common Meter - Individual units may be subject to existing liens held against their respective associations. Vacant Lot Charge: Contact Prochamps for additional billing, payment and renewal details (if applicable). Sewer Account: Included in water account(s).
(This concise description does not constitute a legal description. A copy of the full legal description can be found at the Office of the Sheriff.)

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THE SHERIFF RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$250,511.50*Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Eleven and 50/100*****

Attorney: FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON, LLP
80 MAIN ST
SUITE 460
WEST ORANGE NJ 07052
(973)325-8800
Sheriff: Peter Corvelli
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$259,149.98***Two Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Forty-Nine and 98/100***
December 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 10, 2019
U74388 PRO (\$188.16)

LINDEN / ROSELLE

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LINDEN ROSELLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

A modification to an Industrial Discharge Permit has been proposed for the following:

BLUE APRON
901 WEST LINDEN AVENUE
Linden, NJ 07036

The Linden Roselle Sewerage Authority will consider the approval and granting of this permit modification at its regular meeting on February 27, 2019. The meeting will be held at the Franklin Hudson Building at the Authority's Facilities at 5005 South Wood Avenue, Linden, New Jersey.

Comments from the public pertaining to this action will be received until 3:30PM on January 18, 2019 and considered by the Authority before taking final action.

Comments may be forwarded to the Authority by personal delivery or by mailing to: The Linden Roselle Sewerage Authority, P.O. Box 4118, 5005 South Wood Avenue, Linden, New Jersey 07036-4118.

This permit application will be available for public inspection at the Authority's facilities between 9:00AM and 3:30PM Monday through Friday.

David G. Brown
Executive Director

DATED: December 20, 2018
U74909 PRO December 20, 2018 (\$18.13)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-18001601
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F01532117
County: Union
Plaintiff: CHRISTIANA TRUST, A DIVISION OF WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE FOR NORMANDY MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2013-19
VS
Defendant: JUAN CARLOS BASMADJIAN AND MARIA BASMADJIAN, HUSBAND AND WIFE; SLOMINS, INC.; CENTER FOR VASCULAR DISORDERS
Sale Date: 01/09/2019
Writ of Execution: 03/13/2018

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

PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LINDEN, COUNTY OF UNION AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 512 WEST HENRY ST., LINDEN, NJ 07036
TAX LOT #: 10 IN BLOCK # 312
DIMENSIONS (APPROX.): 40 X 100

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NEAREST CROSS STREET: LAFAYETTE STREET
DATED: March 28, 2018
BY: MICHEL LEE, ESQ.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$536,996.23*Five Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Six and 23/100*****
Attorney: KNUCKLES, KOMOSINSKI & MANFRO, LLP
565 TAXTER ROAD
SUITE 590
ELMSFORD, NY 10523-2300
914-345-3020
Sheriff: Peter Corvelli
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$570,831.34***Five Hundred Seventy Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-One and 34/100***
December 13, 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 2019
U73898 PRO (\$107.80)

LINDEN

Public Notice is hereby given, that beginning on the date, as enumerated below and continuing from day to day, until all items are sold, Storage Post Self Storage will sell at public sale, to the highest bidder for cash, goods for which a lien on the same is claimed. The following goods, household items, electronics, wares, merchandise, furniture, tools, and misc. items for storage and other charges for which a lien on the same is claimed, to wit:

Date of Sale: 1/4/2019
Time of Sale: 9:00am
Location: www.StorageAuctions.com

Location (Facility Address): 401 South Park Ave Linden NJ 07036

#1018 - Vigdor, Kimberly A - couch, clothing, boxes, lamps, mattress; #1147 - Venable, Natasha - china cabinet, couch, chairs, boxes, bags; #2006 - Simmons, Kurstien Inez - couches, bed frame; #2082 - Montiel, Rosa M - mattresses, bags, totes, toys, rug; #2181 - Jimenez, Jose R - totes, bags, bikes, toys, chairs; #3002 - Shumate, Emanuel - mattresses, chairs, lamp, totes; #3006 - Cromartie, Carlton L - tv, couches, clothes bags; #3198 - Dealmeida Frizzo, Sabyno L - bike, mattress, car seats, totes; #3236 - Brown, Kallah M - box spring, dressers, bed frame; #3252 - Gordon, Zakira T - totes, luggage, kids bike, bags; #3311 - Maye, Sharonetta D - bags, totes, boxes; #3312 - Webb, Nyree C - bags; #4034 - Julajaj, Hektor/Mid-Atlantic Van Line - mattress, boxes, trunks, paintings, couch, headboard; #9214 - Crockett, Patricia E - bags, couch, clothing.

A \$100 per unit cleaning deposit will be collected at the time of sale and returned when the unit is left broom clean. All sales are with reserve and are subject to prior cancellation. Sale rules and regulations are available at the time of sale.

December 13, 20, 2018
U74908 PRO (\$48.02)

LINDEN

Board of Adjustment

RESOLUTION FIXING THE REGULAR MEETING DATES OF THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF LINDEN, that the Regular Meetings of the Linden Board of Adjustment will be held in the Planning Room, on the third floor of City Hall, Linden, New Jersey. All meetings shall be held on the second Monday of each month, (*) with the exception of October and November, convening at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the Board assembles.

- Monday, January 14, 2019
- Monday, February 11, 2019
- Monday, March 11, 2019
- Monday, April 08, 2019
- Monday, May 13, 2019
- Monday, June 10, 2019
- Monday, July 08, 2019
- Monday, August 12, 2019
- Monday, September 09, 2019
- Monday, October 21, 2019 (*)
- Monday, November 18, 2019 (*)
- Monday, December 09, 2019

PUBLIC HEARINGS BEGIN AT 7:00 P.M.

Be it further resolved, that the procedure at all meetings for the year 2019 shall be governed by Robert's Rule of the Order and are subject to the Open Public Meeting Act and conducted accordingly.

Brian C. Fritzsche
Secretary of the Board
Linden Zoning Board of Adjustment
U75042 PRO December 20, 2018 (\$22.05)

LINDEN

City of Linden Notice of Intent

Notice of Intent to Award Contract under a National Cooperative Purchasing Agreement Contract for Sanitation Equipment Corp.
The City of Linden in the County of Union, New Jersey (the City) intends to participate in Sourcewell formerly National Joint Powers Alliance for the acquisition of an automated sanitation/recycling truck.
Information regarding the contract may be found at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, City

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of Linden. Purchasing Department, 301 N. Wood Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036 during regular business hours.
The City of Linden is an authorized member of Sourcewell formerly NJPA National Joint Powers Alliance program in a resolution adopted on August 18, 2015.
It is the intent of the City of Linden to purchase an automated sanitation/recycling truck from Sanitation Trucks Corp., 80 Furler Street, Totowa, NJ 07512, the authorized distributor, from Labrie Enviroquip contract #1120214-LEG. The contract price for the automated sanitation/recycling truck was established by Sourcewell formerly the National Joint Powers Alliance pursuant to its receipt of bids for such in the amount of \$310,859.00.
The City of Linden is permitted to join the national cooperative purchasing agreement under the authority of N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2(b)(3). The comment period ends for the Notice of Award on January 3, 2019.

Ann Marie Whelan
Purchasing Agent
U75223 PRO December 20, 2018 (\$19.60)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-18003871
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F02258916
County: Union
Plaintiff: MTGLQ INVESTORS, L.P.
VS

Defendant: DOMINGO Y. PUENTE, HIS HEIRS, DEVISEES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND HIS/HER, THEIR OR ANY OF THEIR SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FIA CARD SERVICES NA AND BANK OF AMERICA, NA
Sale Date: 01/09/2019
Writ of Execution: 09/11/2018
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH-TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales. The property to be sold is located in the City of Linden, In the County of Union and the State of New Jersey.

Premises commonly known as: 1417 Sherwood Road
Block: 415, Lot: 15
Dimensions of Lot (approximately): 60' x 99.17'
Nearest Cross Street: Georgian Drive
Subject to: Sewer due 10/1/2018 Iao \$53.40
Sale subject to subsequent taxes, utilities, liens and interest since 09/18/218
TSC# 17-000274 Approx. Iao \$450.33 plus daily interest.

Contact Tax Office for current redemption figures/information.
THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.

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

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$534,551.18*Five Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-One and 18/100*****
Attorney: MCCABE, WEISBERG & CONWAY, P.C.
216 HADDON AVE
SUITE 201
WESTMONT NJ 08108
(856)858-7080
Sheriff: Peter Corvelli
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$549,249.98***Five Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Nine and 98/100***
December 13, 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 2019
U73903 PRO (\$150.92)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff File Number: CH-18003949
Division: CHANCERY
County: Union
Docket Number: F00015317
Plaintiff: OCWEN LOAN SERVICING LLC
VS

Defendant: ANNA VILLANI, AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Sale Date: 01/16/2019
Writ of Execution: 10/16/2017
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH-TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.
All that certain land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of Linden, County of Union,

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and State of New Jersey:
Street: 2314 Orchard Terrace City of Linden, NJ 07036
Nearest Cross Street: Fernwood Terrace
Tax Lot and Block No: Lot: 15 Additional Lots 199, 803-807 Block: 228
Dimensions (approx.): 103 x 111 x 100 x 100
Prior Mortgage/Liens Not Extinguished By The Sale Are: 1. Delinquent taxes and/or tax liens
As the above description does not constitute a full legal description, said full legal description is annexed to that certain deed recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Union County in Deed Book 5531, Page 83, et seq., New Jersey, and the Writ of Execution on file with the Sheriff of Union County.

THE SALE IS SUBJECT TO UNPAID TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, TAX, WATER, AND SEWER LIENS, AND OTHER MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENTS, IF ANY. THE AMOUNT DUE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE LOCAL TAXING AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 48:8B-21 THIS SALE MAY BE ALSO SUBJECT TO LIMITED LIEN PRIORITY OF ANY CONDOMINIUM/HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION LIENS WHICH MAY EXIST ANY SET OF FACT WHICH AN ACCURATE SURVEY WOULD DISCLOSE. ANY RESTRICTIONS OR COVENANTS ON RECORD WHICH RUN WITH THE LAND, RIGHTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IF ANY, ANY OCCUPANTS OR PERSONS IN POSSESSION OF THE PROPERTY, IF ANY, ADDITIONAL MUNICIPAL CHARGES, LIENS, TAXES OR TAX SALE CERTIFICATES AND INSURANCE, IF ANY.
****A DEPOSIT OF 20% OF THE BID PRICE IN CERTIFIED FUNDS IS REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF SALE. THE SHERIFF HAS THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE BY 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 THE 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: \$301,429.09*Three Hundred One Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Nine and 09/100*****
Attorney: MATTLEMAN, WEINROTH & MILLER, P.C.
401 ROUTE 70 EAST
SUITE 100
CHERRY HILL NJ 08034
(856) 429-5507
Sheriff: Peter Corvelli
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$317,571.01***Three Hundred Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-One and 01/100***
December 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 10, 2019
U74392 PRO (\$197.96)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff File Number: CH-18004010
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F00821417
County: Union
Plaintiff: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR MERRILL LYNCH FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-1, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-1
VS
Defendant: MARC EXCELLENT, MARIE EXCELLENT A/K/A MARIE N. EXCELLENT, H/W; NEWARK BETH ISRAEL MED CTR
Sale Date: 01/16/2019
Writ of Execution: 08/20/2018

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

The property to be sold is located in City of Linden, County of Union, and State of New Jersey
Commonly known as: 133-135 West Gibbons Street, Linden, NJ 07036;
Tax Lot No. 24 Block 277
Dimensions of Lot: (Approximately) 52.07 feet by 156.28 feet
Nearest Cross Street: Summit Street
THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION
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will have information regarding the surplus, if any.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$667,577.83*Six Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Seven and 83/100*****
Attorney: KML LAW GROUP, P.C.
216 HADDON AVENUE
STE. 406
WESTMONT NJ 08108
(215)627-1322
Sheriff: Peter Corvelli
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$684,209.01***Six Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Nine and 01/100***
December 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 10, 2019
U74387 PRO (\$145.04)

RAHWAY

Public Notice

Take notice that, as part of the remediation of Former Purolator Products Facility at 970 New Brunswick Avenue, Block: 282 Lot: 1, in Rahway, Union County, a proposal has been submitted to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department) to discharge to ground water in accordance with a permit issued pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Water Pollution Control Act, N.J.S.A. 58:10A-1 et seq., its implementing regulations the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, N.J.A.C. 7:14A; the Ground Water Quality Standards, N.J.A.C. 7:9C; and the Technical Requirements for Site Remediation, N.J.A.C. 7:26E. The Department's Site Remediation Program is reviewing the proposal to discharge to ground water for the purpose of remediating an impacted site with the program interest # 008885.

Former Purolator Products Facility has been used for industrial purposes since the 1900's. Purolator utilized the site for the fabrication and assembly of oil, fuel and air filters for the automobile industry until 1984. The facility was sold by Purolator in 1985. UPS SCS assumed liability for environmental issues related to the site in 2005, with the acquisition of Menlo Worldwide Forwarding Company. The current site owner is Rahway Industrial Sites, and the site is being used as a multi-tenant warehouse facility. UPS SCS never operated at this facility or owned this property, but acquired responsibility for possible on-site source material through its acquisition of Menlo. Chemical constituents associated with historic manufacturing operations includes Trichloroethylene (TCE) and related volatile organic compounds (VOCs) (collectively referred to as constituents of concern (COCs)) were initially detected in groundwater in 1987. Since this time, additional investigation has confirmed that COCs have been detected in groundwater in the Site vicinity. Actions that have been performed to address these impacts include monitoring well installation, soil and groundwater sampling, delineation of the impacts and injection of molasses. Coincident with the groundwater remedial investigations a vapor intrusion study has been conducted at the Site. The proposed discharge is in-situ chemical oxidation with sodium persulfate injections via a horizontal injection well that will be conducted offsite along East Hazelwood Avenue between New Brunswick Avenue and Fulton Street, at a depth of approximately 17 feet below ground surface targeting the Rahway Till upper post-glacial deposits. A copy of this public notice has been sent to the Municipal Clerk and designated local health official for Rahway, Union County.

A copy of the discharge to ground water proposal is available from the person responsible for conducting the remediation - Moniqua Williams, Corporate Plant Engineering - 55 Glenlake Parkway, NE, Atlanta, GA 30328; or as part of the administrative record which is on file at the offices of the Department, Site Remediation Program, located at 401 East State Street, Trenton, Mercer County, New Jersey. The file may be reviewed under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act ("OPRA"), N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq. Information regarding the OPRA procedures is available at www.state.nj.us/dep/opra/oprainfo.html

Interested persons may submit written comments regarding the discharge to ground water proposal to the Department at the address listed below and to the consultant representing the person responsible for conducting the remediation at Moniqua Williams, Corporate Plant Engineering, 55 Glenlake Parkway, NE, Atlanta, GA 30328. All comments shall be submitted within 30 calendar days after the date of this public notice, or the end of any public hearing that the Department may schedule that occurs after that date. All persons who believe that the discharge to ground water proposal is inappropriate, must raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit in writing to the Department all reasonably available arguments and factual grounds supporting their position, including all supporting material, by the close of the public comment period. The Department will consider all public comments that relate to the discharge to ground water proposal, provided that the Department receives the comments by the close of the public comment period. After the close of the public comment period, the Department will render a decision regarding the proposed discharge to ground water.

The Department will respond to all significant and timely comments with its decision regarding the discharge to ground water proposal. Each person who has submitted written comments will receive notice of the Department's decision.

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Any person may request in writing that the Department hold a non-adversarial public hearing on the discharge to ground water proposal. This request shall state the nature of the issues to be raised in the proposed hearing and shall be submitted within 30 calendar days of the date of this public notice to the address cited below. A public hearing will be conducted whenever the Department determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the discharge to ground water decision. If a public hearing is held, the public comment period in this notice shall automatically be extended to the close of the public hearing.

Comments and written requests for a non-adversarial public hearing shall be sent to:

ATTN: DGW proposal
Site Remediation Program
NJ Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau Case Assignment and Initial Notice Mail
Code 401-05H
401 East State Street
P.O. Box 420
Trenton, NJ 08625-0420
U75179 PRO December 20, 2018 (\$67.82)

RAHWAY

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY
ORDINANCE O-22-18**

**BOND ORDINANCE STATEMENTS
AND SUMMARY**

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the City Council of the City of Rahway, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey on December 10, 2018 and the twenty (20) day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for members of the general public who request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

Title: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR MONROE STREET ROAD IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE CITY OF RAHWAY, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "CITY"); APPROPRIATING \$500,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$476,190 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

Purposes(s): Improvements to Monroe Street, All in Accordance With The Plans Thereof On File In The Office Of The City Clerk And Available For Public Inspection

Appropriation: \$500,000

Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$476,190

Grants: None

Section 20 Costs: \$100,000

Useful Life: 20 years
Rayna E. Harris, City Clerk
U75197 PRO December 20, 2018 (\$26.95)

RAHWAY

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY
ORDINANCE O-23-18**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY ESTABLISHING AN ELECTRIC AND/OR NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION PROGRAM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that this Ordinance was called for second reading, public hearing, and finally adopted by the Municipal Council of the City of Rahway, County of Union, State of New Jersey, at a duly convened meeting held on December 10, 2018. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage, mayoral approval, and proper publication at the time and in the manner provided by law. Copies of said Ordinance are available in the Office of the City Clerk during regular business hours to the members of the general public who shall request same as required by law.

Rayna E. Harris, City Clerk
U75198 PRO December 20, 2018 (\$14.70)

ROSELLE

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff File Number: CH-18004009
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F02913615
County: Union
Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, NA VS
Defendant: TYRONE GADSDEN; MRS. TYRONE GADSDEN, HIS WIFE; STEPHANIE GADSDEN; MR. GADSDEN, HUSBAND OF STEPHANIE GADSDEN; STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Sale Date: 01/16/2019

PUBLIC NOTICE

Writ of Execution: 04/21/2016
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH-TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

Property to be sold is located in the BOROUGH of ROSELLE, County of UNION, State of New Jersey
Premises commonly known as: **366 WEST THIRD AVENUE, ROSELLE, NJ 07203-1123 BEING KNOWN as LOT 33, BLOCK 5404** on the official Tax Map of the BOROUGH of ROSELLE
Dimensions: **35.00FTX170.00FTX35.00FTX170.00FT**
Nearest Cross Street: **Clover Street**
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 to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or 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 the surplus, if any.
JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$256,912.56*Two Hundred Fifty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Twelve and 56/100*****
Attorney: PHELAN HALLINAN DIAMOND & JONES, PC
400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD SUITE 100
MT. LAUREL NJ 08054
856-813-5500
Sheriff: Peter Corvelli
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$281,828.92***Two Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Eight and 92/100***
December 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 10, 2019
U74391 PRO (\$168.56)

OBS-LEGALS

MOUNTAINSIDE

**MOUNTAINSIDE
Public Notice**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Borough of MountainSide's 2019 Assessor's Field Book will be available for inspection during normal business hours on the second floor of the Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, MountainSide, NJ on December 27, 2018.

Michael Frangella, C.T.A.
Borough Tax Assessor
U75195 OBS December 20, 2018 (\$7.35)

SPRINGFIELD

Crown Castle is proposing to extend the height of the existing monopole telecommunications tower from 150 feet to 155 feet and expand the lease area 10 feet by 4 feet at the following site: 200 Mountain Road, Springfield, Union County, New Jersey 07081 (40.42 20.94 N / 74.19 1.99 W). The installation does not include lighting. Crown Castle invites comments from any interested party on the impact of the proposed action on any districts, sites, buildings, structures or

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objects significant in American history, archaeology, engineering or culture that are listed or determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places and/or specific reason the proposed action may have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Specific information regarding the project is available by contacting Monica Gambino at 724-416-2516 during normal business hours. Comments must be received at 1500 Corporate Drive, Canonsburg, PA 15317, ATTN: Monica Gambino or via telephone at 724-416-2516 within 30 days of the date of this notice.
U75178 OBS December 20, 2018 (\$13.23)

SUMMIT

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF
THE CITY OF SUMMIT
UNION COUNTY, N.J.**

Take notice that the Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit will conduct a public hearing at the Summit City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, N.J. at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be called on January 7, 2019, which hearing may be continued as required, on such dates thereafter as may be necessary in the judgment of the Board of Adjustment to complete the hearings and deliberations on an application for development by Todd and Elissa Glasband regarding permission to improve the property known as 42 Fernwood Road, Lot 24, Block 2201 on the Tax Map of the City of Summit in the R-25 District. The applicants seek approval for the construction of a new single family home, together with landscaping and other associated outdoor improvements.

The applicant requests variance relief from the strict application of the Development Regulations Ordinance standards regulating disturbance of regulated steep slopes and average front yard setback together with all other relief in the form of variances, waivers, interpretations, appeals, or exceptions in the strict application of the provisions of the Development Regulations Ordinance, and other relief, which may arise during the course of the hearings in this application, necessary to realize the development as set forth more specifically in the application for development on file and as may be amended from time to time including during the course of the hearings and available for inspection in connection herewith.

All maps and documents for which approval is sought are available for public inspection at the Department of Community Services at City Hall, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, NJ during the business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

This notice is being given pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-12 and Article 3.16 of the Development Regulations Ordinance of the City of Summit.

DEMPSEY, DEMPSEY & SHEEHAN
Attorneys for Applicant

By: Samantha T. Alfonso, Esq.

Dated: December 20, 2018
U75028 OBS December 20, 2018 (\$28.91)

SUMMIT

SHERIFF'S SALE

Sheriff's File Number: CH-18003892
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F00152517
County: Union
Plaintiff: NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A CHAMPION MORTGAGE COMPANY VS
Defendant: BERNICE GETHERS AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Sale Date: 01/09/2019
Writ of Execution: 09/25/2018

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH-TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.
Commonly known as address: 159 Broad Street, Summit, NJ 07901
Municipality: City of Summit
Lot and Block: Lot 26 (fka Lot 10), Block 4005 (fka Block 21)
Approximately dimensions: 48 x 47 x 47 x 44 (IRREGULAR)
Nearest cross street: Orchard Street

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Subject to: Delinquent Sewer, in the amount of \$1,053.50 as of 10/2/2018
**Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money. The Sheriff or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any.
**THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUBLICATION.

**To the best of this firm's knowledge, the property is not an affordable unit subject to the Fair Housing Act.

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$291,867.27*Two Hundred Ninety-One Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Seven and 27/100*****

Attorney: McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC (Formerly BUCKLEY MADOLE, P.C.)
99 WOOD AVENUE SOUTH SUITE 803
ISELIN NJ 08830
732-902-5399

Sheriff: Peter Corvelli
A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office
Total Upset: \$300,580.41***Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighty and 41/100***
December 13, 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 2019
U73911 OBS (\$133.28)

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ROSELLE

**NORTH CAROLINA
JONES COUNTY**

IN THE MATTER OF,

**Z. EANES
DOB: 09/08/2008,**

MINOR CHILD

TO: TALIB MUHAMMAD

Take notice that the above-captioned action has been filed. The nature of relief being sought is as follows: A juvenile court matter involving the minor child Z. Eanes, born September 8, 2008.

You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than January 29, 2019. Upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for relief sought.

This the 11th day of December 2018.

GREENE & WILSON, P.A.

/s/ Jaimee A. Y. Bullock
Jaimee A. Bullock
Attorney for Petitioner
Jones County Department of Social Services
PO Box 1676
New Bern, NC 28563
(252)634-9400
(252)634-3464 (Fax)
jbullock@greenewilson.com

U75041 PRO December 20, 28, 2018, January 4, 2019 (\$99.96)

SPRINGFIELD

**TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
COUNTY OF UNION, N.J.**

TAKE NOTICE, the Municipal Offices of the Township of Springfield will be closed for the following holidays in 2019. These holidays are in accordance with the Municipal Employees' Contract.

Holiday	Day	Month	Date
New Year's Day	Tuesday	January	1st
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Labor Day	Monday	September	2nd
Columbus Day	Monday	October	14th
Election Day	Tuesday	November	5th
Veteran's Day	Monday	November	11th
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	November	28th
Day after Thanksgiving	Friday	November	29th
Christmas	Wednesday	December	25th

LINDA M. DONNELLY, RMC
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U75182 OBS December 20, 2018 (\$37.24)

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24 Yorktown Dr \$310,000 12/6/2018

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242 Dorer Ave \$162,000 12/10/2018

LINDEN

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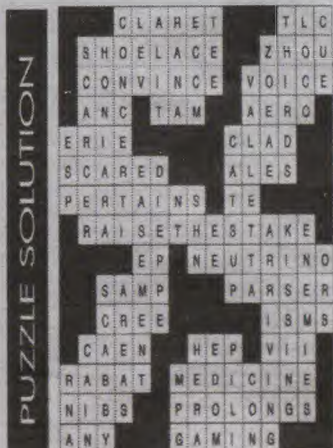
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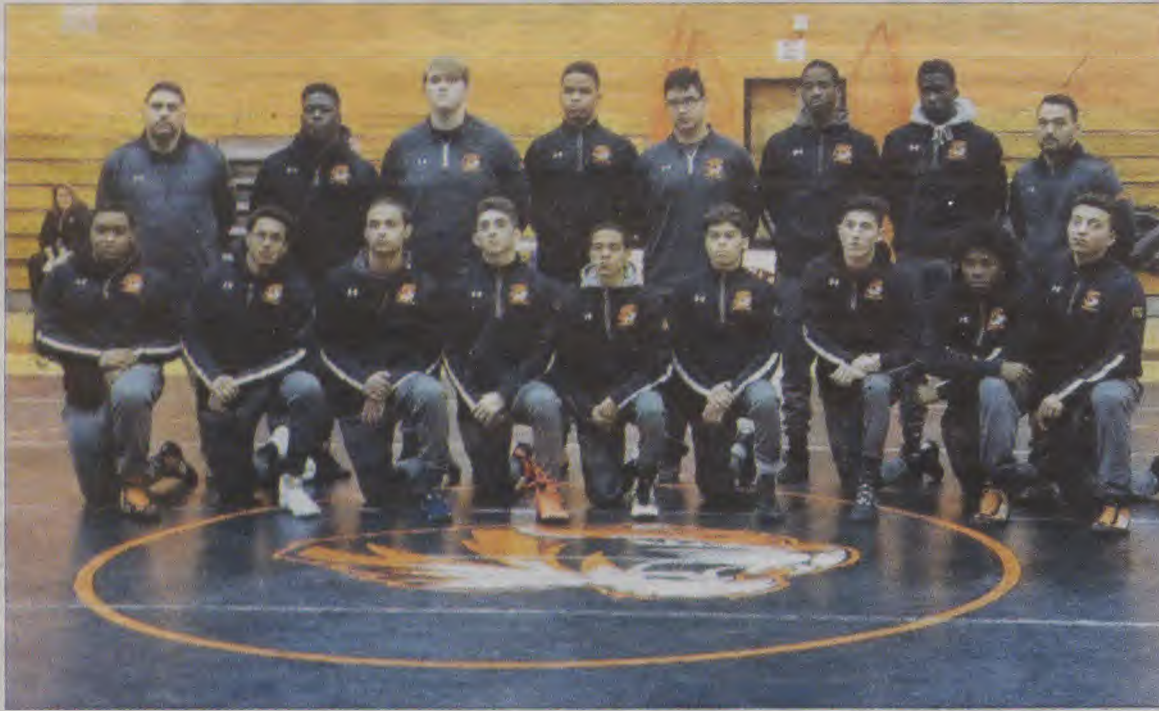


Photo courtesy of Alvaro Fernandez

Linden not only opened its 2018-2019 season with a victory, but it came at home over perennial power Roselle Park. It is believed to be Linden's first-ever win over the Panthers.

Linden wrestlers grab hold of and don't let go of Panthers *Opening win is lifted by 7 straight victories*

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Linden wrestling goes back a bit more than 50 years.

Roselle Park wrestling goes back even further — the mid-1930s — with the Panthers being one of only four programs in the country (and just two in New Jersey, Paulsboro being the other) to accumulate 1,000 wins.

Roselle Park has been the gold standard in Union County for some time now — with Cranford the past several years enjoying similar success.

It is believed that Linden never, ever beat Roselle Park on the mat heading into this season.

The Union County Conference schools began their dual match campaign against each other with last Friday night's crossover competition at Linden's gym.

After Roselle Park won the first two bouts, Linden managed to reel off seven straight victories — the last five by fall.

All of a sudden the Tigers led by 27 points with five matches to go. Was a first, historic win over Roselle Park about to take place?

Among the strategy of maneuvering wrestlers based on matchups, making weight, etc., Linden took forfeits at 106 and 113, which allowed Roselle Park to score the next 12 points.

The visiting Panthers then produced a win by decision at 120 to pull to within 12 points with just two bouts remaining. Roselle Park still had the opportunity to tie the match and avoid a first-ever loss to Linden.

So in the second-to-last bout of the match at 126 it was Roselle Park sophomore Eddie Hummel going up against Linden senior Jacob Diana.

All Diana had to do was avoid getting pinned and Linden would make history.

Hummel was scoring points, building up a lead and was — pretty much — in control.

"We knew Hummel was good," fourth-year Linden head coach Alvaro Fernandez said. "We told Jacob that he could be a hero for us here."

Despite all the points going against him, Diana kept fighting and doing whatever it took not to get pinned.

"Hummel put several moves on him and had him on his back, but Jacob did an amazing job of fighting off," Fernandez said.

When the lead passed 15 points — at 19-2 — Hummel had a five-point victory by technical fall one second shy of the final six-minute mark.

All of a sudden — with still one more bout to go — Linden clinched what is believed to be its first-ever victory over Roselle Park.

"It was an incredible effort by Jacob," Fernandez said.

An amazing victory in Linden sports history actually came on the heels of a Tiger individual defeat in a wrestling match.

Linden junior Jose Gonzalez defeated Roselle Park's Julian Colon 9-7 at 132 to give Linden the victory by a final score of 39-29.

"We knew, more or less, that they graduated a lot of wrestlers in the upper weights and that we were returning a lot of our upper weight wrestlers," Fernandez said. "Getting the five pins in a row there was a best-case scenario, but also we knew that we had to do it in order to have a chance to win the match."

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UNION COUNTY CONFERENCE BOYS' BASKETBALL STANDINGS AS OF MONDAY, DEC. 17

WATCHUNG DIVISION (4 schools):

- 1-Linden (0-0)
- Patrick School (0-0)
- Roselle Catholic (0-0)
- St. Mary's, Elizabeth (0-0)

MOUNTAIN DIVISION (4 schools):

- 1-Union (1-0)
- 2-Elizabeth (0-0)
- Union Catholic (0-0)
- 4-Plainfield (0-1)

VALLEY DIVISION (4 schools):

- 1-Rahway (1-0)
- 2-Summit (0-0)
- Scotch Plains (0-0)
- 4-Westfield (0-1)

SKY DIVISION (5 schools):

- 1-Cranford (0-0)
- Gov. Livingston (0-0)
- Johnson (0-0)
- New Providence (0-0)
- Roselle (0-0)

RIVER DIVISION (5 schools):

- 1-Dayton (0-0)
- Brearley (0-0)
- Hillside (0-0)
- Oratory Prep (0-0)
- Roselle Park (0-0)

UNION COUNTY CONFERENCE GIRLS' BASKETBALL STANDINGS AS OF MONDAY, DEC. 17

WATCHUNG DIVISION (5 schools):

- 1-Cranford (0-0)
- Oak Knoll (0-0)
- Patrick School (0-0)
- Roselle Catholic (0-0)
- Westfield (0-0)

MOUNTAIN DIVISION (6 schools):

- 1-Johnson (0-0)
- New Providence (0-0)
- Scotch Plains (0-0)
- Summit (0-0)
- Union (0-0)
- Union Catholic (0-0)

VALLEY DIVISION (6 schools):

- 1-Plainfield (1-0)
- 2-Dayton (0-0)
- Elizabeth (0-0)
- Gov. Livingston (0-0)
- Kent Place (0-0)
- 6-Linden (0-1)

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- 1-Benedictine (0-0)
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SPORTS

Tigers tally 5 consecutive pins in rare victory over Roselle Park

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Roselle Park senior Mark Montgomery, one of the top wrestlers in the state, began the match with a victory by fall at 138. Winning by decision at 145 was teammate Drew Graves to give the Panthers a 9-0 lead.

Montgomery entered District 15 at 34-0 last year and then won the 126 title at Westfield for this third district crown. He won at 113 his freshman year in District 10 at Millburn and again at 113 his sophomore campaign in District 15 at Westfield - the first year the district groupings and sites were changed.

Roselle Park went 24-2 last year, captured North 2, Group 1 for the first time since 2014 and also won the UCC's Watchung Division championship, including a win over Cranford after narrowly placing second behind the Cougars in last year's Union County Tournament at Union.

Roselle Park's Ryan Rooney was the 2018 District 15 Coach of the Year.

"It was a great match for the first day of the season," said Fernandez, who also wrestled at Linden for head coach Ted Thompson before graduating in 2003. He was also Anthony Reinoso's assistant coach before taking over as the head coach for the 2015-2016 season. Reinoso continues to be Fernandez's assistant.

Linden went 13-9 last year.

Linden's first win Friday night came at 152 when senior Kenneth Rosenbaum defeated Sebastian Rodriguez 5-3.

Linden senior Alex Dorce followed up with a 6-2 overtime triumph over Roselle Park's Elvin Guerrero. In last year's Region 4 competition at Union, Guerrero ended Dorce's season by beating the Linden wrestler to advance.

"Alex lost to him in a close match last year," Fernandez said. "This one was also close, with Alex taking it."

"So Alex went from losing his final match of the season to Guerrero last year to beating Guerrero in his first match of the season this year."

Linden's five consecutive pins - which will go down as one of the best stretches ever in Linden wrestling - were produced by sophomore Liam Burgos (170), senior Michael Afolabi (182), junior Ibn Hall (195), junior Darrin Williams (220) and junior Daniel Valente (HWT). Williams had the quickest fall, in just 37 seconds.

Linden went 1-1 in matches at South Brunswick last Saturday, beating Hillsborough and falling to South Brunswick.

The Tigers were to next wrestle at Brearley last night in their first UCC-Mountain Division matchup.

Linden will then close the December portion of its schedule by competing in a quad at Bayonne this Saturday and then on Dec. 29 the Tigers will be included in the Rumble at the Pines Tournament at Lakewood Prep.



Photo courtesy of Alvaro Fernandez

Linden heavyweight wrestler Daniel Valente, at left, defeated David Torres of Roselle Park by fall in 3:07. Valente's win increased Linden's lead to a match-high 27 points at 36-9.

FRIDAY NIGHT, DEC. 14, 2018
LINDEN 39, ROSELLE PARK 29 - AT LINDEN

138: Mark Montgomery, RP, pin Michael Shorter, Linden, 1:15.

Roselle Park 6-0.

145: Drew Graves, RP, dec. Aldo Angeles, Linden, 10-4.

Roselle Park 9-0.

152: Kenneth Rosenbaum, Linden, dec. Sebastian Rodriguez, RP, 5-3.

Roselle Park 9-3.

160: Alex Dorce, Linden, dec. Elvin Guerrero, RP, 6-2 (OT).

Roselle Park 9-6.

170: Liam Burgos, Linden, pin Jonathan Estivene, RP, 3:16.

Linden 12-9.

182: Michael Afolabi, Linden, pin Patrick Gergich, RP, 4:59.

Linden 18-9.

195: Ibn Hall, Linden, pin. Gonzalo Meza, RP, 1:42.

Linden 24-9.

220: Darrin Williams, Linden, pin Igor Maciel, RP, :37.

Linden 30-9.

HWT: Daniel Valente, Linden, pin David Torres, RP, 3:07.

Linden 36-9.

106: Justin Lizo, Roselle Park, won by forfeit.

Linden 36-15.

113: Danny Luc, Roselle Park, won by forfeit.

Linden 36-21.

120: Gabriel Leo, RP, dec. John Ojeda, Linden, 9-3.

Linden 36-24.

126: Eddie Hummel, RP, tech. fall Jacob Diana, Linden, 19-2 (5:59).

Linden 36-29. Tigers clinch match.

132: Jose Gonzalez, Linden, dec. Julian Colon, RP, 9-7.

Linden 39-29 final.

Team records: Linden (1-0), Roselle Park (0-1).

Linden competed at South Brunswick last Saturday, beating Hillsborough 46-28 and falling to South Brunswick 48-34.

The Tigers were scheduled to wrestle at Brearley last night in their first Union County Conference-Mountain Division matchup.

Linden is next scheduled to wrestle this Saturday in a quad at Bayonne and Dec. 29 are part of the Rumble in the Pines Tournament, which will be held at Lakewood Prep.

SPORTS



USA Football's Heart of a Giant Award was presented by Hospital for Special Surgery and NY Giants to Hillside High School senior Shadon Willis. It was presented by Dr. Samuel Taylor, Sports Medicine Surgeon for the Hospital for Special Surgery D. Samuel Taylor, at right, and by New York Giants offensive lineman Nate Solder. At left is Hillside head coach Barris Grant.

Hillside senior Willis honored by his favorite pro FB team

2018 USA Football Heart of a Giant winner

New York Giants' Nate Solder visited with students, staff and faculty at Hillside High School for a surprise presentation announcing and honoring senior Shadon Willis as the 2018 USA Football Heart of a Giant award winner.

The presentation took place last Tuesday, Dec. 11.

Willis received an additional \$3,500 equipment grant for his football program (in addition to the \$1,500 he earned for his school as a finalist), and was recognized on-field at Sunday's Giants game against the Tennessee Titans at MetLife Stadium.

The USA Football Heart of a Giant award, presented by Hospital for Special Surgery and the New York Giants, recognizes and rewards Tri-State area (NY, NJ, CT) high school football players who demonstrate unparalleled work ethic and passion for the game.

Students were nominated by their coaches, voted as finalists by the general public and then a panel from HSS, the NY Giants and USA Football selected the winner.

Willis is one of four siblings that was abandoned by his parents due to their inability to handle the "day to day struggles" that come with the job.

At the age of four he found refuge with his aunt and uncle and considers his cousins as siblings.

Because of his lack of resources Willis made some questionable decisions that ended with him being benched his freshman year.

He used this experience as motivation to change his life and now recognizes how the game of football has helped him overcome various hardships.

A key wide receiver on offense and cornerback on defense, Willis helped Hillside win back-to-back Central Jersey, Group 2 state championships last year and this season.

He scored on offense - catching a touchdown pass - and on defense - returning an interception for a TD - in Hillside's state championship win at home over Manasquan last month.

His favorite pro football team is the Giants.

Union boys' hoops bounces Plainfield

In 4th Annual St. Jude Classic

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

UNION — From struggling early on to sustain any kind of rhythm offensively, to fixing that problem and taking a double-digit lead, to having to come back to forge ahead once again, the host Farmers were driven in many different directions on Opening Night.

Making sure this time Union would begin the season with a victory, the game's leading scorer came through in the clutch to provide the Farmers with the advantage for good.

Immediately after visiting Plainfield scored late in the game to knot things up for the first time since midway through the first quarter, returning Union senior guard Ezra Glover took over.

Glover, whose first field goal was a resounding one-hand dunk, took the ball and drove to the hoop, filling it up to give Union the lead for good with 1:38 remaining.

Glover, who led all scorers with 15 points, then assisted teammate Ahmirr Robinson on the game's final basket with just under a minute to play.

Unlike last year when Union fell in overtime to Elizabeth in its opener, the Farmers came back and then held on for a hard-fought 53-49 Union County Conference-Mountain Division boys' basketball triumph over Plainfield in the first game of last Friday's 4th Annual St. Jude Classic at Louis J. Rettino Gymnasium.

With 3.1 seconds remaining, Union senior guard Val Julien was fouled attempting a layup from the left side. Julien hit the floor hard and remained on his back from some 30 minutes before he was removed with a stretcher.

Julien had full movement in his entire body, but was complaining of considerable neck pain.

The refs ruled that the foul was intentional and Union was awarded two technical free throws, which Union missed both. Union then took the ball out and ran off the final 3.1 seconds.

Union trailed after the first quarter by two and then went on an 11-0 run in the second quarter that helped give the Farmers a 29-20 lead at intermission. Union's biggest lead reached 14 at 35-21 on the second of two straight 3-pointers drilled by junior guard Andrew Sanborn.

See **GLOVER** on next page



Photo by JR Parachini

Union's Russ Ayala, at right, tries to gain an advantage on Plainfield defender DaeKuan Mullings during last Friday's 4th Annual St. Jude Classic contest at Union's Louis J. Rettino Gymnasium.

SPORTS

Val Julien (No. 4) and Jakin Edmond (No. 23) both scored two points in Union's 53-49 season-opening triumph over Plainfield in last Friday's 4th Annual St. Jude Classic at Union's Louis J. Rettino Gymnasium. Linden defeated Piscataway 53-45 in the second game and then Rahway downed Westfield 62-51 in the nightcap.



Photo by JR Parachini

Glover leads Farmers with 15 points in opening victory

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Sanborn, who nailed three 3s coming in off the bench, finished with 11 points.

Both teams made seven 3s.

Plainfield was led offensively by freshman Jamarques Lawrence, who scored 13 points, including a team-high three 3s.

Also scoring in double-digits for Union was senior guard Russ Ayala, who netted 12 points, including three 3s — all of them coming in the second quarter.

Glover, whose first four points came from the free throw line, electrified the crowd when he stole the ball and went down and slammed it home to give Union a 20-16 lead early in the second quarter.

"We had to play defense and wake up a little," said Glover, who played sparingly on the varsity last season.

Union had six leads, Plainfield two and the three ties were 5-5, 6-6 and 49-49.

Tying the game at 49-49 for Plainfield was senior Jalil Lee on a layup with 2:39 to go. Lee finished with 11 points.

Robinson, who dons No. 15, finished with seven points and a game-leading 15 rebounds. He came down with some clutch boards in the fourth quarter, including his final one after Plainfield's last miss.

"We were shaky in the first quarter and then began to play like a team more," Glover said. "We worked harder."

The difference according to Union eighth-year head coach Kevin Feeley: "Robinson's rebounding and the fact that we just made enough plays at the end.

"We did not play a great second half. Plainfield outplayed us. We gave up only three offensive rebounds in the first half and then 16 in the second. That's way too many second and even third chances."

Feeley also said that, "when the game was slipping away from us we managed to come up with a big play."

He cited the Glover basket and Glover assist to Robinson at the end and valuable rebounds that Julien came down with.

Feeley on the foul on Julien at game's end: "I didn't think it was dirty at all. I talked to (Plainfield) Coach (Mike) Gordon afterwards about it.

"It wasn't like he cut his legs out from under him. It was an unfortunate accident. Hopefully Val recovers soon."

NOTES: Union lost to Elizabeth 67-63 in overtime in last year's opening St. Jude Classic contest.

"This was a similar game," Feeley said.

Union rebounded to win seven of its next 11 games and ultimately finished 16-11, which was its third straight season above .500.

If Union is to approach that kind of record in 2018-2019, the Farmers are going to have to play much better defensively.

"We will attack, but we have to be better on defense," Feeley said. "We gave up only 49 points, but it was not a good 49."

Ayala played his first three years at Columbia. He gave the Union crowd reason to cheer with his three long-range baskets before halftime.

"He made some good plays, but there is plenty of room to grow," Feeley said.

4TH ANNUAL ST. JUDE CLASSIC AT UNION HIGH

UCC-MOUNTAIN DIVISION BOYS' BASKETBALL

Plainfield (0-1, 0-1)	14	06	13	16 - 49
Union (1-0, 1-0)	12	17	13	11 - 53

PLAINFIELD CARDINALS (49):

- 13-Daron Montgomery, sophomore, 1-2-0-8
 - 00-Jalier Burns, junior, 1-0-0-2
 - 4-Jalil Lee, senior, 4-0-3-11
 - 10-Jamarques Lawrence, freshman, 2-3-0-13
 - 2-Tyejuan Taylor, sophomore, 2-1-2-9
 - 3-Daekuan Mullings, senior, 0-1-1-4
 - 23-Jeremiah Whitfield, junior, 1-0-0-2
- Totals:** 11-7-6-49.

UNION FARMERS (53):

- 0-Ezra Glover, senior, 3-1-6-15
 - 2-Russ Ayala, senior, 2-3-1-14
 - 4-Val Julien, senior, 1-0-0-2
 - 15-Ahmirr Robinson, junior, 3-0-1-7
 - 11-Andrew Sanborn, junior, 1-3-0-11
 - 12-Aaron Myrick, junior, 1-0-0-2
 - 23-Jakin Edmond, sophomore, 1-0-0-2
- Totals:** 12-7-8-53.

Piscataway (0-1)	05	07	24	09 - 45
Linden (1-0)	10	17	13	13 - 53

PISCATAWAY CHIEFS (45):

- 23-Antonio Chandler, senior, 5-4-0-22
 - 1-Tyree Barber-Bey, senior, 2-1-1-8
 - 5-Mark Davis, senior, 2-0-3-7
 - 15-Daryl DeCohen, senior, 1-0-0-2
 - 10-Andre Emden, senior, 0-1-0-3
 - 2-Khristian Hernandez, junior, 1-0-0-2
 - 21-Nadir Holman, senior, 0-0-1-1
- Totals:** 11-6-5-45.

LINDEN TIGERS (53):

- 2-Nashawn Holmes, junior, 0-2-4-10
 - 13-Amir Williams, junior, 4-0-1-9
 - 3-Gerby Janvier, senior, 5-1-0-13
 - 1-Dremar Hopkinson, junior, 2-1-4-11
 - 32-Yasin Willock, junior, 2-0-0-4
 - 15-Ryan Sampson, junior, 2-0-0-4
 - 4-Zair Desire, junior, 1-0-0-2
- Totals:** 16-4-9-53.

UCC-VALLEY DIVISION BOYS' BASKETBALL

Rahway (1-0, 1-0)	17	13	15	22 - 62
Westfield (0-1, 0-1)	12	15	07	17 - 51

RAHWAY INDIANS (62):

- 11-Tahlee Bailey, junior, 4-0-4-12
 - 25-Jamauri Ellis, senior, 0-2-0-6
 - 1-Zion Pendleton, senior, 5-3-2-21
 - 31-Amari Thompson, senior, 1-2-1-9
 - 32-Jordan Bell, junior, 0-0-2-2
 - 5-Dashon Moore, senior, 1-0-1-3
 - 4-Jarid Vertil, junior, 2-0-3-7
- 33-Caleb Wilson, senior, 1-0-0-2 / **Totals:** 14-7-13-62.

WESTFIELD BLUE DEVILS (51):

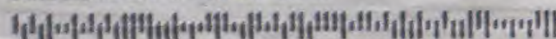
- 11-Matt Crowley, senior, 5-2-0-16
 - 3-Sebastian Ferrero, senior, 1-2-3-11
 - 5-Griff Rooney, junior, 5-0-3-13
 - 23-Colin Freer, junior, 4-0-0-8
- 14-Michael Kane, senior, 1-0-1-3 / **Totals:** 16-4-7-51.



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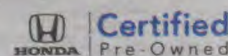
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