

Corzine Taps Richard Leone As Transition Team Chair

NEW BRUNSWICK—Governor-elect Jon Corzine has tapped former State Treasurer and Port Authority Chairman Richard Leone to chair his transition team.

Mr. Leone, reprising a similar role he served under former Governor Brendan Byrne, will assist Mr. Corzine in establishing an operational infrastructure for his administration and will advise Mr. Corzine on candidates for cabinet-level positions.

Additionally, Mr. Leone and his staff will counsel to Mr. Corzine on a variety of policy issues, including converting strategic policy vision into a cohesive tactical agenda for implementing his "Affordability Agenda."

"I believe that Governor-elect Corzine means what he says when he talks about setting a new direction in New Jersey and I'd like to help," Mr. Leone said. "I am honored that he asked me to lead this effort and I look forward to helping him build a strong administration that makes positive changes in government and in the lives of New Jersey families."

"Throughout this campaign I have laid out an ambitious policy agenda and have outlined an aggressive framework for re-engineering government," Mr. Corzine said.

"To achieve that goal, I need a strong team and infrastructure in place and Dick Leone is the right person to lead that effort. Not only is Dick Leone one of the brightest minds and ablest managers in our great state, he is also a public servant of the highest integrity. I am honored that he accepted the offer to lead my transition team."

Mr. Leone was commissioner and chairman of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey from 1988 to 1994. His previous government experience included service as New

Jersey's State Treasurer (Chief Financial Officer), executive director of the White House Task Force on the Cities, administrative assistant to Governor Richard Hughes and executive assistant to U.S. Senator George McGovern.

Mr. Leone is president of the Century Foundation, formerly the Twentieth Century Fund, a public-policy research foundation. His analytical and opinion pieces have appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *Foreign Affairs* and *The Nation*.

Mr. Leone was also president of the New York Mercantile Exchange and a managing director at Dillon Read and Co. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the National Academy of Social Insurance.

Mr. Leone was a member of the Princeton University faculty. He is married with two children.

Letters to the Editor

Remember Other Soldiers Also

Let's not forget Fanwood Public Works employee Jeff Peterson, who is in Iraq. Please remember him in your thoughts not only on Veterans Day but every day (especially with the holidays approaching).

Clint Dickson
Dir. Fanwood Dept. of Public Works
Forrester Thanks Supporters for Gov.

Thank you for supporting my campaign. I was so blessed by the outpouring of support we experienced throughout the state. I think of the many people, young and old, who took their precious time to volunteer with us across the state. Thank you all.

It has been an honor for me to serve as the standard bearer for my party in the great political debate of our state. I am extremely proud of my campaign and the alternatives we presented to the people of New Jersey. It was a privilege to be associated with so many fine citizens.

[On election night] I congratulated Sen. Corzine on his victory and today I want to reiterate my best wishes to him as he moves forward to implement his vision for the next chapter in our state's history.

No amount of campaign conflict should discourage us from seeking common ground for New Jersey's benefit.

I'm proud of what we stood for in this campaign and of what we accomplished. We stood for real change, change that would make a real difference in the life of New Jersey families and seniors.

We worked hard, and we fought hard. I will not forget the wonderful people who put their hopes in our hands, who invested in us and worked with us until the end. Thank you to all of you for the privilege it has been to serve as your nominee.

Doug Forrester
West Winsor

Letters to the Editor

Former Holy Trinity Parishioner Saddened by Proposed Changes

I read with some sadness, last week's letter from Mr. Eelman, regarding the plan to alter the appearance of Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

My family and I were members of the parish from 1949 until the early 1980's. Besides the four baptisms, first communions and confirmations that were held in that wonderful old building, my father's funeral and two of my brothers' weddings were also held there.

Like many families from that period and those who are members today, important chapters in our lives intersect with Holy Trinity, the community of parishio-

ners and the building itself. Two years ago I took my daughter on a tour of Westfield, which included a stop at Holy Trinity. I was overwhelmed with a warm feeling while sitting in the church looking at its beautiful stained-glass windows and remembering the life events which center on that structure.

It seems that there should be a way to move forward with the plan to add a community center and preserve the integrity of the wonderful old church that serves as the tabernacle of so many memories.

Thomas Ramsberger,
Scottsdale, AZ

WHS Socializing — Does Everyone Prefer 'Nothing to Do'?

As a junior at Westfield High School, I am very concerned about the lack of school spirit for many Student Council activities. Throughout the years, I had always looked forward to the time that we would be old enough to enjoy going to events such as school dances. However, it seems that it has become progressively more difficult to "entice" students to come to certain functions.

Last year I went to the Valentine's Day dance, and there were approximately 15-20 students in attendance. This year, in order to attract a good number of students, the Student Council advertised that an iPod would be offered as first prize at the Hip Hoptober. There were perhaps 35

students there, not even enough to break even with the cost of the dance. This fall, the Student Council soccer tournament had to be canceled because not a single team had signed up.

Over and over I hear students say there is "nothing to do" in town. Does everyone prefer doing nothing? Do students think they have to pretend they have better things to do? Our friends are our classmates, and I can think of nothing better than spending an occasional evening at school simply having a good time with them. Somehow I can't see how that would translate into being a social loser.

Amy Behr
Westfield

The Spirit of Thanksgiving Shows In the Community Giving

As the Interim Executive Director for the American Red Cross, Westfield/Mountainside Chapter, I have the opportunity to witness the strength of the human spirit each day. As we prepare to celebrate the Thanksgiving season, the American Red Cross would like to say "thank you" to everyone whose contributions of time, money or blood has helped us to help others in their time of need.

I see the spirit in the actions of the numerous volunteers who work alongside the American Red Cross employees when we need their help the most. I see it in the faces of the volunteers who put in countless hours when a disaster strikes. I see it in the faces of the victims of disasters when Red Cross workers help them. I see it in the Health and Safety instructors when teaching infant/child CPR to new parents. I hear it in the voices of concerned donors who give their generous gifts of money or come to donate life saving blood.

These vital services would not be possible without the valuable contributions of our friends and neighbors. Together, our volunteers and donors are the heart and soul of the American Red Cross. You turn America's caring and concern for the victims of disaster into immediate action.

Whether the disaster is a single-family fire or a highly publicized hurricane, flood

or act of terrorism, we thank our volunteers and donors who stand ready to provide vital relief services to our community. It is your continuous commitment to providing much needed support to other members of our community for which we at the Westfield/Mountainside Chapter are so thankful.

Have a safe and healthy Thanksgiving season and know that you have truly made a positive difference this year.

Maureen Kaufmann
Interim Exec. Dir.
Red Cross, Westfield/Mountainside

Red Cross to Hold Water Safety Course

COUNTY — The American Red Cross Tri-County Chapter, which serves Fanwood, Scotch Plains and Garwood, will offer a Water Safety Instructor course at 332 West Front Street in Plainfield.

The course, running November 28 and 29, December 1, 4, 5, 6 and 8, will help develop skills needed to instruct swimming lessons. Participants must be at least 16 years old and all classes must be attended. To register, please call (908) 756-6414, extension no. 27.

Princeton U. Prof. Nord Will Talk at WF Adult School

WESTFIELD—Princeton University History Professor Philip Nord will discuss French Impressionist painters and their involvement with French politics generally and the Dreyfus Affair in the next history series program of the Westfield Adult School.



Philip Nord

The presentation will take place Monday, November 21, 7:30 p.m. at Westfield High School. Enrollment in the Adult School is possible that evening.

Professor Nord will use visual aids to discuss how Impressionist painters worked and socialized together from the movement's inception in the 1860s for two decades, but just over a century ago ruptures and political differences developed.

He will include subsequent impacts on France through both World Wars ad down to the present. The talk is adapted from his courses and books regarding modern French and European history and culture.

Professor Nord earned bachelor,

master and doctorate degrees from Columbia and another from Oxford University. Prior to joining the

Princeton faculty in 1981 he taught at Columbia and Rutgers universities. His published articles and books deal with the Paris Commune, the French welfare state before World War I, the Third Republic, struggles for Democracy in 19th century France and the Dreyfus Affair.

A grant from the Westfield Rotary Club has helped with

Professor Nord's participation in the Westfield Adult School curriculum.

SPBPA Reminder

SCOTCH PLAINS — Network Night, Thursday, November 17 At Little Shop of Comics, 356 Park Ave., Scotch Plains from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Food and beverages will be served. Free to Scotch Plains Business and Professional Association members or \$5 for non-members. RSVP to Lena Olsen at 908-322-9402; info@visitscotchplains.com.

WF's Condemn Stolen Political Lawn Signs

On Tuesday November 8, Westfield participated in a basic expression of citizen rights—the right to cast a vote. This right to vote, as well as the rights concerning free speech and property, is among the fundamental concepts upon which this nation was built. It was therefore very disturbing to us that on the day before the election to find that political signs that we had placed on our private property were stolen.

We can only hope that our newly elected officials condemn such behavior and that all Westfield citizens will in the future uphold in words and in actions a neighbor's right to voice any political opinion. We hope all will recall the Revolutionary-era quote, "I disapproved of what you say but will defend to the death your right to say it."

Carolyn Campen, Carl Sparrow
Yohko Ballan, Shuji Oshio
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Westfield

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