

BARBERS WIN KEY BOUTS, MARKOVITCH NIPS OPOKU, MURRAY PINS, CHRISTIANO WINS**Blue Devil Wrestlers Step Up, Cage Cougars, 45-18**By **DAVID B. CORBIN***Specialty Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times*

Fresh off a decisive victory over Roselle Park, the Westfield High School wrestling team stepped up another rung on the ladder of Union County powerhouses with a convincing, 45-18 victory over the Cranford Cougars in Cranford on January 6.

The 3-0 Blue Devils dropped the last four dual meets with Cougars – 2011 (38-24), 2010 (44-22), 2008 (42-33), 2007 (48-24). Their last win came in 2006 when they eked out a 31-29 thriller that boiled down to the final bout where Mark Boyd earned a 5-2 decision over Eric Whitney at 171-lbs.

In last Friday's showdown, the Blue Devils were ready for action and demonstrated it in the first bout of the evening when Kieran Cline took Cougar Nick Diaz to the mat and turned him to his back with a wrist-and-half nelson maneuver to record a fall in 1:46 at 182-lbs. The next bout, 195-lbs, was a rock-and-tumble thriller where Cougar Rob Kessler squeaked a 9-8 decision over Ozan Oral.

Although the score was low, the tension was high in the 220-lb bout between Blue Devil Nick Knepper and Jeff Weiss. Weiss recorded an escape in the second period, but Knepper created a modified heel switch in the third period to win, 2-1. Heavy-weight Kyle Kania gave Westfield a 15-3 lead when he pinned Jon El-Khoury in 4:32 using a half

nelson and body press. Earlier, Kania attempted three short arm drags but came up short on all three.

At 106-lbs, Blue Devil John Fuller recorded a takedown then

pinned Kevin Quigley with a wrist, half-nelson move in 1:24. After Nick Kalimtzis received a forfeit at 113-lbs, Westfield had a comfortable 27-3 lead.

Cougar freshman Gavin Murray,

tilt with an arm bar, half nelson in the first period, then he pinned Anthony Aldana in 3:30 using a double arm bar stack at 120-lbs.

Facing Mike Helmstetter at 126-lbs, Blue Devil Mike Kalimtzis

second period, Kalimtzis pinned Helmstetter in 2:29 using an arm bar stack.

"Mike is a kid who is preparing for Atlantic City. He's doing everything right. He was under control the whole way," Blue Devil Head Coach Glen Kurz said.

"I knew I could do it. The past two years was a mix up. I was ready mentally. I wanted to get the job done. I wanted to put an end to that mental lapse," Kalimtzis said.

At 132-lbs, Cougar Ian Henry and Nick Valez had another wild bout filled with reversals and takedowns. In the end, Henry's three takedowns and three reversals were good enough for a 13-7 decision that made the team score, 33-12.

All eyes were focused on the 138-lb bout when Cougar Corey Birch and Matt Barber faced off at center mat. After a scoreless first period, Barber took the bottom position. After receiving a penalty point for locking hands, Barber came out the back door for a reversal, but Birch answered with a reversal. In the third pe-

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PUTTING HIM IN DOUBLE TROUBLE... Cougar Gavin Murray, top, prepares to pin Blue Devil Anthony Aldana with a double arm bar stack in his 120-lb bout. Murray pinned Aldana in 3:30.

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winner of his weight class at the Garden State Classic Holiday Tournament, recorded a back-door takedown and a two-point

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was on a mission to avenge two previous losses (2011, 2010) and did so in style. Kalimtzis began with a dump takedown and added a wrist, half-nelson two-point tilt in the first period. Early in the



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riod, Barber was awarded another penalty point, and Birch added an escape. Time ran out and Barber picked up a 4-3 deci-

sion. I was glad that happened. Against strong people my height really doesn't go well with strength, so it was like his weakness. I just

point. I wanted revenge. I took him down with a high-crotch dump and turned him to his back in the beginning. He was pretty strong, but I knew I could take it to him," Barber said.

"He did a great job on his feet, and he did a great job on top. He [Dwyer] was fighting off his belly. He really opened it up today," Coach Kurz said.

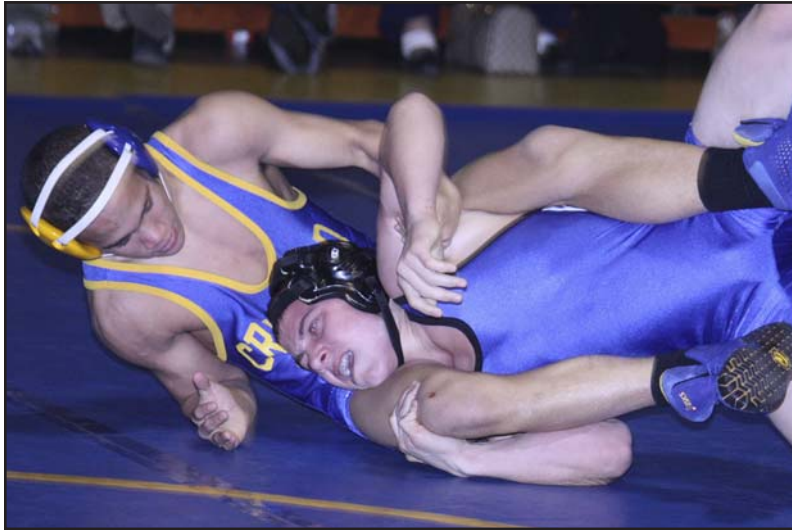
In the final bout of the evening, Cougar JP Christiano, an NJSIAA qualifier last year, recorded an escape and followed with a slip-

behind and lift takedown in the second period and added a takedown in the third period to grab a 5-0 decision over Brian Bulger at 170-lbs.

"We were expecting a battle. My kids prepared for a battle. They were prepared to go. They wanted this. Cranford has taken it to us the last couple of years. Kalimtzis lost to Helmstetter the last two years. Dwyer beat Colin Barber last year. These guys had pride, and that took over tonight," Coach Kurz said.

WEIGHT SEQUENCE:

- 182: — Cline (W) p Diaz, 1:46
- 195: — Kessler (C) d Oral, 9-8
- 220: — Knepper (W) d Weiss, 2-1
- Hwt: — Kania (W) p ElKhoury, 4:32
- 106: — Fuller (W) p Quigley, 1:24
- 113: — N. Kalimtzis (W) won forfeit
- 120: — Murray (C) p Aldana, 3:30
- 126: — Kalimtzis (W) p Helmstetter, 2:29
- 132: — Henry (C) d Valez, 13-7
- 138: — Barber (W) d Birch, 4-3
- 145: — Rotondo (W) p Frediani, 2:10
- 152: — Markovitch (C) d Opoku, 6-4
- 160: — Barber (W) d Dwyer, 6-0
- 170: — Christiano (C) d Bulger, 5-0



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IN A TOUGH BOUT...Cougar Corey Birch, left, Blue Devil Matt Barber are engaged in a tough bout at 138-lbs. Barber pulled out a 4-3 victory

tion. "He is all heart and guts. He's into it now. He doesn't like to lose. We are going to be able to do so much with him," Coach Kurz said.

Blue Devil Nick Rotondo bounced up to 145-lbs and did some bouncing of his own at Nick Frediani's expense. Rotondo tallied a single-leg, front-trip takedown in the first period then took only 10 seconds in the second period to pin Ferdiani with a reverse cradle.

The first of two straight crucial showdowns arrived in the 152-lb bout between undefeated Ellis Opoku and Cougar Corey Markovitch. Opoku attempted a high crotch takedown, but Markovitch used his height to walk over Opoku and take him to his back for a four-point move.

"I wasn't really expecting that.

wrestled him the way I wanted to wrestle," Markovitch said.

Opoku recorded a reversal in the second period. Markovitch escaped early in the third period, and Opoku added a takedown to make the score, 5-4. Opoku let Markovitch escape in an effort to tie the score with another takedown, but Markovitch held on to record the 6-4 decision.

"He is very conditioned and strong. He kept fighting. I did the same. I fought a little bit harder," Markovitch said.

The second major showdown was at 160-lbs between Blue Devil Colin Barber and Jim Dwyer, who had defeated him by a point last year. In the first period, Barber converted a barrel roll takedown into a two-point tilt to take a 4-0 lead. Barber added a reversal to earn a 6-0 decision.

"Last year, he beat me by a



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TRYING TO KEEP CONTROL...Cougar JP Christiano, top, tries to maintain control of Blue Devil Brian Bulger in his 170-lb bout. Christiano scored an escape and a pair of takedowns to win, 5-0.

McCOY 12 RBS, 11 PTS, 5 ASSTS; McGOVERN 8 PTS, 7 RBS; MILLER 10 PTS; GOELLER 9 PTS

Cougar Lady Cagers Muzzle Metuchen Bulldogs, 43-29

By **DAVID B. CORBIN**

Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

Two teams with 6-1 records faced off at center court, but the home team clearly dominated as the Cranford High School basketball Lady Cougars pounced on the Metuchen Bulldogs, seizing a 32-5, halftime lead to cruise to a 43-29 victory in Cranford on January 9.

The 7-1 Cougars controlled the boards and sank the needed shots, with the help of a multitude of assists in the first half, which enabled them to play all their bench players in the second half.

"It gives them an opportunity to get some playing time that they would not necessarily get in other game situations, but they came out and they did a very good job. They continued where the starters left off," Cougar Head Coach Jackie Dyer said.

Nearly all of the Cougars' points came as a result of fine assists. Junior guard Jessica McCoy scored all 11 of her points in the first half and also led the team with 12 rebounds and five assists. She also had a pair of blocks and a steal. Junior forward Kaitlin McGovern grabbed six of her seven rebounds in the first quarter and finished the game with eight points, an assist and three blocked shots.

"We had a lot of assists. Jess had about 12 rebounds. Kaitlin played very, very well today. We were going for the ball. We were looking to help each other out," Coach Dyer said.

Senior forward Morgan Miller bucketed eight points, including a pair of 3-pointers, pulled four

rebounds, snatched two steals and dished out three assists. Junior point guard Jenna Goeller totaled nine points with three from 3-point range. She also

buy a bucket in the first quarter and managed to get only a lay-up from Cassie Smith, who went on to lead her team with 10 points. In the meantime all 17 of

Goeller began the second quarter with a pair of 3-pointers, and McCoy added five points, while McGovern and Kerry Wischusen (3 assists, 2 rebounds, steal),

"They are a good team. They missed a lot of their shots. Their shots were going in and out. That benefited us. We came out and we shot very well. Defensively, we played much better. We had a little bit of a hard time on Friday [January 6 - a 46-43 loss to Dayton]. We came out a little slow against Dayton, but we bounced back from that," Coach Dyer said.

Miller and Goeller each sank a 3-pointer then Miller added a lay-up in the third quarter, which Cranford won, 8-7, making the score 40-12 to set up a more relaxed fourth quarter.

Cougar sophomore Hannah DeMars, who scored two points in the final quarter, became a chief thief with four steals, while adding two assists and a rebound. Megan Pringle had two rebounds and a blocked shot, and Erin Meixner sank a free throw.

"Hannah is aggressive. Sometimes I wish she would be a little less unselfish and take the ball a little bit more to the basket. She will get there," Coach Dyer said.

Metuchen	2	3	7	17	29
Cranford	17	15	8	3	43



GOING IN FOR THE LAY-UP...Cougar Jess McCoy, No. 20, goes in for a lay-up against the Metuchen Lady Bulldogs. McCoy finished with 11 points, 12 rebounds and five assists in the 43-29 victory.

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added four assists, two rebounds and a steal. Sophomore guard Mairead McKeary added two points and a rebound.

The Lady Bulldogs could not

the Cougars' points came with assists. McGovern and McCoy each sank six points, Miller banged her first 3-pointer and McKeary sank a two-pointer.

who came off the bench, each added two points. The Bulldogs were, once again, ice cold and managed to sink just three free throws.

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Blue Devil Boys Get 2nd, Cougar Girls 3rd at UC Relays

The Westfield High School boys indoor track team placed third with a total of 37 behind Union Catholic at 62 and Rahway at 42 in the Union County Relays held at the Jersey City Armory on January 6. Cranford tied Elizabeth for sixth with 10 points, and Scotch Plains-Fanwood placed 10 with 6 points.

The Cranford Lady Cougars, who placed in all eight events, finished second in their meet with a total of 42 behind Union at 56. Scotch Plains-Fanwood finished fourth with a total of 24. The Lady Blue Devils placed ninth with 9 points.

Blue Devils Dan Luzzi, Tom

Edwards, Sam Eliades and John Kirna crossed first in the 4x800 meters with a time of 8:30.57, followed by Cougars Mike Zanfardino, George El-Khoury, Chris Witwick and Carl Lieberman at 8:42.6. Blue Devils Mike DePaolo and Declan Fitzmaurice won the team high jump with a height of 11-10.

The Westfield boys also finished second in the distance medley relay (DMR) with a time of 10:58.33. The Blue Devils crossed fourth in the sprint medley relay (SMR) at 3:42.03, fifth in the 4x200 at 1:37.45 and sixth in the 4x400 at 3:39.85. The Raider boys placed third in the

shot put with a distance of 122-5.75, and Cougars TJ Nichols, JD Foye and Greg Miller took fifth with a distance of 115-10.25.

"I am very pleased with our teams and how hard they are working. Our boys team was very competitive also given that we took a hit to the annual Model UN trip that some of our boys attended," Cougar Head Coach Peter Kane said.

Lady Cougars Bryanna Grant and Regine Hunter took top honors in the high jump with a height of 9-8. Megan Schetelich, Erin Wheatley, Keara Reilly and Megan Byrnes finished third in the 4x800 with a time of 11:03.05. Blue

Devils Kaitlyn Johnson, Amanda Marcotullio, Gabrielle Stravach and Lily Burtness crossed second at 10:24.86.

Cougars Rebecca Shimonov, Devon Cacchione, Megan Schetelich and Grant finished second in the shuttle hurdles at 33.47 and qualified for the New Balance National Meet. The Raiders finished fifth at 33.5. Cougars Kristen VanBenschoten, Aaryn Wichlens and Alex Krowicki took third in the team shot put with a distance of 89-5.25, followed by the Raiders at 87-5.

Grant, Gillian Burke, Ashley McGuire and Hunter placed third in the 4x200 at 1:53.01 followed

by the Raiders at 1:54.53. The Raiders finished second in the SMR at 4:24.74, and the Cougars finished fifth at 4:43.3. The Raiders also placed second in the DMR at 12:33.11, and the Cougars crossed fifth at 13:00.44. Cranford took fifth in the 4x400 at 4:25.08, followed by Blue Devils Johnson, Marcotullio, Sophia Goldschmidt and Sophia Devita at 4:27.7.

"Many people thought that our girls team was finished with the graduation of Natalie Englese, but we are a very strong and proud team that is looking to leave our mark on 2012," Coach Kane said.



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COUGAR ATHLETES OF THE WEEK... Bryanna Grant, a junior on the winter track team, scored in three events at the Union County Relays this past weekend to help lead the girls team to a second place finish. Theo Ballas, a senior goalie on the varsity ice hockey team, had two shut outs against Vernon Township and Jonathan Dayton last week.

Cougar Matmen Top Clifton, Hackettstown, Fall to N. Bergen

The Cranford High School wrestling team defeated Hackettstown, 45-36, and Clifton, 37-30, and lost to North Bergen, 39-36, in a quad match on January 7. Gavin Murray, Corey Markovitch and JP Christiano won all three of their bouts.

NORTH BERGEN 39, CRANFORD 36
 106: Devin Garrido (N) p Kevin Quigley, 0:48
 120: Gavin Murray (C) p Rick Gonzalez, 3:21
 126: Luis Gonzalez (N) p Mike Helmstetter, 2:28
 132: Anthony Giraldo (N) p Ian Henry, 1:57
 138: Tom Maldonado (N) d Corey Birch, 10-5
 145: Anthony Dabal (N) d Nick Frediani, 10-5
 152: Corey Markovitch (C) p Chris Glaser, 3:30
 160: James Dwyer (C) p Anthony Diaz, 2:33
 170: JP Christiano (C) p Matt Calle, 2:28
 182: Nick Diaz (C) p Bryant Villatoro, 2:15
 195: Rob Kessler (C) p Hector Rosero, 3:09
 220: Jeff Weiss (C) d Eric McMullen, 10-7
 285: Nick Garcia (N) p Jon ElKhoury, 2:29

CRANFORD 45, HACKETTSTOWN 36
 106: Tony Figueroy (H) p Quigley, 0:27
 120: Helmstetter (C) p Ben Wylie, 1:53
 126: Murray (C) p Khilian Bernard, 2:27
 132: Henry (C) p Igor Bykov, :45
 138: Tyler Kozimor (H) p Birch, 1:06
 145: Brandon Rothman (H) p Frediani, 5:17
 152: Markovitch (C) p Freddie Gomez, 5:02
 160: Dwyer (C) p Scott Anderson, 1:43
 170: Christiano (C) won forfeit
 182: Jacob Deleasa (H) p Diaz, 3:05
 195: Kessler (C) d Joe Clarke, 7-5
 220: Weiss (C) p Bruce Gurnowski, 2:38
 285: Ismail Saleh (H) p ElKhoury, 0:42

CRANFORD 37, CLIFTON 30
 106: Quigley (Cr) p Sean Canfield, 0:59
 113: Clifton won forfeit
 120: Murray (Cr) d Jean DuBois, 6-5
 126: Anthony DePasque (Cl) p Helmstetter, 4:34
 132: Henry (Cr) p Rich Naut, 3:45
 138: Birch (Cr) d Eynar Ledezma, 10-4
 145: Aaron Millan (Cl) d Frediani, 11-6
 152: Markovitch (Cr) md Steve Naideck, 13-2
 160: James Sonzogni (Cl) d Dwyer, 9-4
 170: Christiano (Cr) p Ibrahim Saliba, 2:22
 182: Jeremy Soto (Cl) p Kessler, 2:56
 195: Diaz (Cr) p Dave Kowalczyk, 3:56
 220: Edgar Ordonez (Cl) p Weiss, 2:31
 285: ElKhoury (Cr) d Steve Vidal, 8-6

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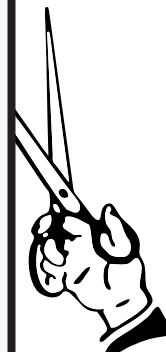
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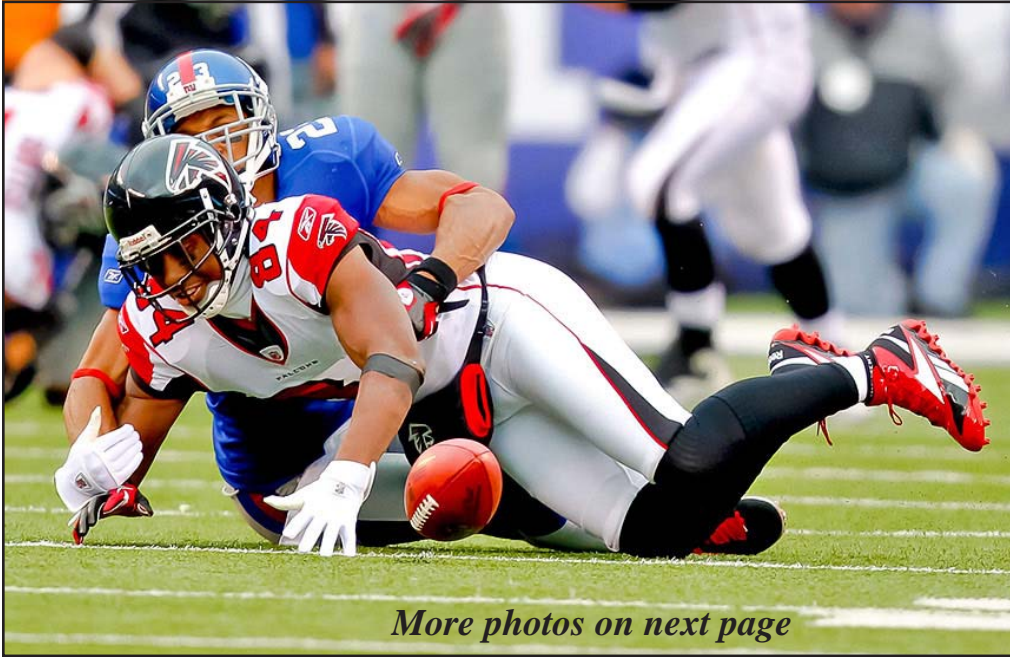
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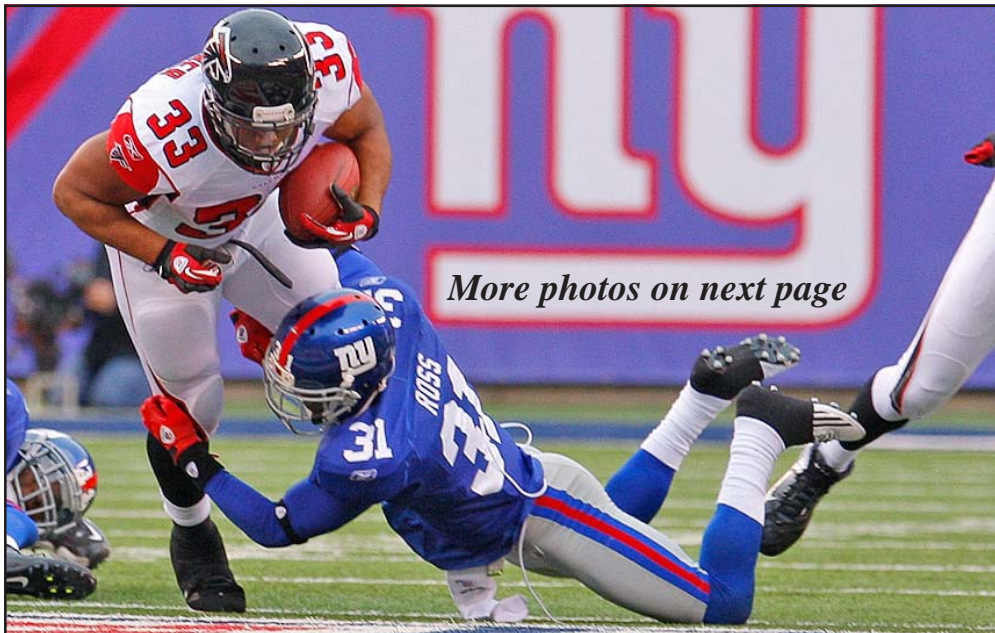
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Garwood Introduces Amended Longevity Benefits Ordinance

By **CHRISTINA M. HINKE**
Specially Written for *The Westfield Leader*

GARWOOD – The borough council on Tuesday introduced two ordinances to revise the longevity benefits to non-union employees after Mayor Patricia Quattrocchi vetoed the council vote to approve freezing longevity benefits at the end of last year.

The first ordinance, known as 12-02, is the same by definition the mayor vetoed in December, and was introduced by a tally of 5-1 Tuesday, with Councilman Victor DeFilippo dissenting.

Board Attorney Joseph Triarsi

have it to continue to receive longevity. That ordinance was introduced Tuesday by a vote of 5-1 with Council President Keith Sluka dissenting.

Councilman James Mathieu said Mr. Triarsi's office neglected to place an ordinance on longevity on the agenda for the October 25, 2011 meeting after the council's Laws and Licenses committee requested it. "There is subterfuge behind this," Mr. Mathieu said.

"I resent what you are incurring," the mayor said after Mr. Mathieu spoke.

Later, Mayor Quattrocchi said in

I would be more interested in seeing an ordinance passed that grandfathered those employees who are in current employ of the borough and those hired after January of this year would not get longevity," Mr. Peterson said.

"It lets politicians dodge the bullet and sticks taxpayers for a couple decades," Councilman Jim Mathieu said. "We got rid of longevity in the DPW in 1993. Five of the seven people do not have it."

"I really wish 12-03 was introduced last year," Councilwoman Sara Todisco said.

"I am supporting the introduction to both out of respect for both ideas and everyone's hard work, however my position on longevity is the same," Ms. Todisco added. She voted against the ordinance to freeze longevity last year.

During the workshop meeting, Councilwoman Todisco said she would like to see non-union employees evaluated. She handed out what she called a "broad outline" to the mayor, council and attorney for a new resolution for employee evaluations that would spell out a chain of command, semi-annual evaluations, a new procedure for raises where the borough council would determine the pool of money set aside for raises based on the budget as well as the percent raise increase.

In the future, Ms. Todisco said she would like to see union employees be evaluated as well.

On the council's consent agenda, the council approved to renew a one-year contract with QSA for preventative maintenance to the HVAC units at a cost of \$6,945, which includes quarterly maintenance and labor for service calls. Borough Clerk Christina Ariemma said the units are old and are repaired often.

Two new police vehicles were also approved. Chief of Police

Bruce Underhill told *The Westfield Leader* that the police department will acquire a two-year lease, at \$26,000 each, for two 4x2 Chevrolet Tahoe pursuit-rated SUVs and will be the replacement patrol vehicle going forward. Ford discontinued the Crown Victoria pursuit vehicle in 2011. The Tahoe price is \$1,000 less than the low-

est priced pursuit vehicle, which is the Charger. Chief Underhill said the residual value is three times higher than the previous sedans.

The council met for an executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss issues with some bidders for the athletic field complex.



Christina M. Hinke for *The Westfield Leader*

ANOTHER TERM...Garwood Councilman Louis Petruzzelli is sworn in by Mayor Patricia Quattrocchi at the reorganization meeting Sunday afternoon while his son, Anthony, holds the Bible.

said the second ordinance, known as 12-03, would prohibit new employees from receiving longevity and allow those who presently

response to resident Bruce Paterson's inquiry on her opinion on longevity, "I'm not favorable to 02; 02 is the older ordinance.



Christina M. Hinke for *The Westfield Leader*

SWEARING IN...Garwood Councilwoman Sara Todisco is sworn in by Mayor Patricia Quattrocchi at the reorganization meeting Sunday afternoon, while her brother, Brandon Clark, looks on.

Calvary Nursery Set To Begin Registration

CRANFORD – Calvary Nursery School and Child Care (CNSCC), located at 108 Eastman Street in Cranford, will hold registration for the 2012-2013 school year. All new school families are eligible to register beginning at the annual open house on Saturday, January 21, from 10 a.m. to noon. Private tours also can be arranged in advance by calling the school office at (908) 272-3962.

The preschool offers a morning Nursery School program, full-day Child Care Program and a Kindergarten Wrap-Around Afternoon Program for all Cranford public-school students. On-site enrichment opportunities also are available, as well as extended-day options for morning-only students. CNSCC is licensed by the State of New Jersey and serves children ages 2½ to 6.

Citing Conflicts, Cranford Dem Calls for Twp. Attorney to Resign

By FRED T. ROSSI

Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

CRANFORD — The year's first partisan flare-up occurred on Tuesday when, at the township committee's first formal meeting of 2012, Democratic Commissioner Ed O'Malley called for the resignation of newly-named township attorney Phil Morin for what Mr. O'Malley said was a conflict of interest related to the appointment.

"We've been compromised," Mr. O'Malley said near the end of the committee's meeting, pointing out that Deputy Mayor Andis Kalnins, a Republican elected last November, had voted last week to approve Mr. Morin's appointment even though Mr. Kalnins' wife had worked for the Union County Republican Committee, which is headed by Mr. Morin. Mr. O'Malley said the move "undermines trust" between residents and the municipal government and called for an "uncompromised" person to be named as township attorney.

Mr. Kalnins said there was no conflict because while his wife had worked at the county party office as a part-time secretary, she had left that position just prior to last November's election. He noted that Mr. Morin had been selected through the appropriate processes. "I voted [for Mr. Morin's appointment] because of his contacts in the state," Mr. Kalnins said.

While not echoing his colleague's call for Mr. Morin's resignation, Democratic Commissioner Kevin Campbell called the situation "awkward" and said it had been handled "poorly," adding that the public was entitled to an "adequate explanation."

In other business, Mr. Morin said he would be at the municipal building on Friday afternoon between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. to confer with any residents wishing to provide input into the township's filings with regard to the motion to reconsider a judge's December decision to allow the Birchwood Avenue development to go for-

ward. Mr. Morin also sounded optimistic that the state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) would be compelled to hold a public hearing on a permit application filed by the Birchwood Avenue developer so that township residents can voice their opposition to the proposed development of 360 housing units.

Near the end of the hour-long meeting, Mayor David Robinson

announced what he called "startling news," that the township's 2012 fee to be paid to the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority will increase by more than 20 percent. While that increase falls outside of the state-imposed 2 percent property tax cap, the mayor said the increase "is still money coming out of residents' pockets."

Earlier, Mr. Kalnins said the

township budget process for 2012 was under way, and that the township committee was beginning to review the budget submissions of various municipal departments with an eye toward cutting expenses while maintaining services.

The committee introduced two ordinances that will be voted on next month. One is a bond ordinance to borrow money to pay off tax appeals that were settled dur-

ing 2011 while the other sets salaries for certain municipal employees.

At the start of the meeting, in which Boy Scout Troop 75 led the flag salute, Mayor Robinson appointed Kathy Lewis and Frank Klapinski to the township's environmental commission. He also issued a proclamation designating today, January 12, as Martin Luther King Jr. Day in Cranford.

CF Makes Appointments for 2012; Morin Named Atny.

CRANFORD — The Cranford Township Committee held its annual reorganization meeting on January 2 at which time the following appointments were made:

Mayor for 2012, David Robinson, and Deputy Mayor, Andis Kalnins.

Mayoral Appointments of Township Commissioners: Commissioner of Finance, Andis Kalnins; Commissioner of Public Safety, Lisa Aduvato Nesi; Commissioner Public Works/Engineering, Kevin Campbell; Commissioner of Public Affairs, Edward O'Malley.

Mayoral Appointments to the Planning Board: Peter Taylor as a Class IV member for a four-year term; Timothy Brown as an alternate for a two-year term; Robert Bovasso as a member of the zoning board of adjustment for four-year term and John Mallon as an alternate for a two-year term.

Mayoral Appointments to Library Board: Marge Shackell and Patricia Pavlak as members for five-year terms and Andrea Van Bergen as an associate member for a one-year term with Commissioner O'Malley as commissioner/ liaison.

Mayoral Appointments to the Environmental Commission: Maria Harris and Ann Darby as members for three-year terms; Linda MacMenamie as a member to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2011; David DesRochers as an alternate no. 1 member for a two-year term; Carol Berns, Ronald Margulis, Barbara Murphy, Ana Pinto, and Mary Reilly and

Mary Sudiak as associate members for one-year terms; Nelson Dittmar as chairman for 2012, and Commissioner O'Malley as commission Liaison.

Mayoral Appointment to Emergency Management Council for 2012: Interim Township Administrator/Police Chief Eric Mason, coordinator; Police Captain Joseph Van Bergen, and Fire Chief Leonard R. Dolan, 3rd, deputy coordinators, Mayor Robinson, Public Safety Commissioner Lisa Aduvato Nesi, Sanitarian Monika Koscova, Superintendent of Schools Gayle Carrick, Township Engineer Richard Marsden, Public Works Coordinator Steven Wardell, CENCOM Coordinator Gareth Williams, consultant Robert D'Ambola, Construction Code Official Richard Belluscio, TV35 representative Edward Davenport; citizen representative Margaret (Peg) Pipchick, and support team members Paul Josewitch, Michael Plick, and Michael Beams.

Board of Education Liaison for 2012: Commissioner Andis Kalnins.

Official appointments are as follows: Municipal Judge, Mark Cassidy, for a three-year term; Township Attorney, Philip J. Morin, 3rd, for one-year term; Bond Counsel, Steven Rogut of Rogut McCarthy LLC; Auditors, Suplee Clooney & Company of Westfield; Public Defender, John DeMassi of Schiller and Pittenger; municipal prosecutor, Richard Brightman; alternate prosecutor, Robert

Donovan (all officials were appointed to one-year terms).

Appointments to the Citizen Finance Strategy Team: Ann Darby, Richard Feder, Edward Force, William Garbarini, Thomas Hannen, Luccio Ricci, Gary Surmay and Andis Kalnins as deputy mayor/liaison.

Downtown District Management Corporation appointments are as follows: Martha Garcia, resident member for a three-year term ending December 31, 2014; Gary Goodman as an owner member for a three-year term ending December 31, 2014; Barry O'Donovan as an owner member to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2013; Stefanie Lalor as a proprietor member to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2012; Martha Garcia as chairperson for a one-year term; and Lisa Aduvato Nesi as commissioner/liaison for a one-year term.

Appointments to Flood Control Advisory Committee for the year 2012: Commissioner/Liaison Kevin Campbell; Township Engineer Richard Marsden; Engineering Consultant Gregory Sgroi, Daniel Aschenbach, Cynthia Ballis, Jo Ann Boyle, Richard Buontempo, Robert Colonna, John DeCotiis, Cindy Gallagher, Walter Gallagher, Thomas Hannen, Ellen Hunt, Louis Lambe, Ronald Margulis, James Masterson, Nicholas Melchiorre, Emil Metz, Elaine Meyer, Joseph Musillo, Michael Pender, Judy Pender, Robert Puhak, Jonathan Schrier, Christian Siano, Jeremy

Tomlinson, Ed Trush, Joan Varanelli, Ben Wiseman, and Dr. Saul Zucker,

Appointments to the Grievance Committee: Daniel Aschenbach, Ed Force and Scott Mease as members and Barbara Bilger, Ann Darby, Henry Dreyer, George Jorn and Michael Plick as alternate members.

Larry Fuhrro was appointed as township historian for the year.

Appointments to Morses Creek Flood Control Commission: Commissioner/Liaison Kevin Campbell and Richard Marsden, township engineer;

Other appointments are: Commissioner Kalnins, township Representative to planning board, Class III, for 2012; Commissioner Campbell as commissioner/liaison to the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority for 2012; Raritan Valley Rail Coalition, William Wright as liaison and Hugh Welsh as alternate liaison.

Appointments to Union County District Solid Waste Advisory Council: Commissioner Kevin Campbell as representative, Deputy Mayor Andis Kalnins as alternate representative, Township Engineer Richard Marsden, and sanitarian Monika Koscova; Union County League of Municipalities: Mayor Robinson as representative and Deputy Mayor Andis Kalnins as alternate representative; Union County Transportation Advisory Board: Hugh Welsh as township delegate and Ronald Zuber as alternate.