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Local Letters to the Editor

Councilwoman Todisco Stepped Up To Help Provide Me With The Direction

Todisco, both have a commitment to serving Garwood that is extremely admirable. Where they differ in this mayoral primary race is the type of leader each of them represents. Mayor Lombardo, especially prior to the announcement that there would be a primary race, was a leader who would place complete faith in each councilperson to complete any and every task. While I certainly appreciate the autonomy, I found myself at the start of my term struggling to figure out exactly how to fulfill my campaign promises to the people of Garwood. It was Councilwoman Todisco who stepped up to help provide me with the direction and connections to let me feel more capable to be successful. One such example was the beautification idea to spruce up Garwood. It was Councilwoman Todisco who expertly guided Council President Blumenstock and me to create a Green Team that allowed not only the Mayor and council members to get involved, but encouraged and tapped into the volunteer spirit of this town. This vision then morphed into creating the volunteer cards for discounts at local businesses.

Councilwoman Todisco is not someone who waits for ideas to materialize; she taps into the potential of the people she works with and provides the tools and clear vision to make government function more effectively. On top of that, today's mayor requires someone who can actively communicate with the public about safety concerns, meetings, and other important issues. Councilwoman Todisco is persistent in fully disclosing information whether it be through her tenacious reports during council meetings, Facebook posts, videos, fliers, and coordinating and advocating for town hall meetings. She has the boundless energy this town needs in its Mayor as we embark on the next four years.

For these reasons, I encourage all Democratic primary voters to consider what kind of leader do you want running your town? I hope you will join me in pledging your support to the Todisco-Ince-Benoit Team on Column D on Tuesday, June 5.

**Garwood Councilman
Marc Lazarow (D)**

Campaign Letters

Campaign letters concerning the Tuesday, June 5 Primary Election will be accepted up until the last edition prior to the election, Thursday, May 31. Only those letters addressing issues will be published. Letters containing accusations and personal attacks will be rejected by the editors.

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This Time And Space I Talk About My Passion For Doing The Right Thing

To my fellow Garwood residents: I am running for the Borough Council, because being of service to those around me is in my blood. Both literally, in the case of my parents, and figuratively with my desire to do what's right. My late father was a police officer, known in his day for doing things the right way and passing this knowledge down to new officers coming onto the job. Most people around Garwood know my mother, who has been a tireless advocate for many things in her life, for the businesses in town, but most of all for me. These personal examples have guided me throughout my life, providing the inspiration for me to be who I am today. I now can do what my father did by working with new officers to help teach the next generation how to wear a shield with integrity and pride.

I am first and foremost a father and a husband. There is no bigger role to fill than parenthood, and I hope to guide and inspire my own sons the way my father did for me. My wife Veronica is truly my best friend, my rock and my support system. Without Veronica standing alongside me, nothing else I do would be possible.

After family comes my profession. I am passionate about what I do, and what I have done over my years of service in law enforcement. Instead of listing off various things I have done in my career, I invite everyone to visit our campaign team's website at www.garwoodforward.com, where my resume may be found. I would rather take this time and space to talk about my passion for doing the right thing, which led me to be a police officer and continues to drive me over two decades later to keep doing the right thing on my job.

This passion carries over into anything else I do, from helping friends to family events and of course including my first run for public office. One of my favorite things about working in law enforcement is all the wonderful people I have been able to meet and help over the years. This is something I also see happening now as I walk door to door in our neighborhoods and meet people around town with my running mates. There are many more people to help and much good left to do.

I will bring my knowledge, experience and ideas to our Council. I will also bring the same passion I have in all other aspects of my life to the concept of moving "Garwood Forward." I am willing and able to make difficult decisions while taking ownership of both my ideas and my mistakes. I will be an honest advocate for our residents, even if that means occasionally telling someone something they don't want to hear.

I will work to restore civility and have greater transparency on the Council, while ensuring Garwood's continued success as an excellent place to live and raise a family through my commitment to fiscal responsibility.

I am excited, honored and humbled for the opportunity to join with Mayor Charles Lombardo and Jennyfer Guerrero. We are your real Garwood Democrats, with the right priorities and the perfect mixture of passion, commitment and experience to bring this town into the next phase of its existence. I ask my fellow Democrats to join our team, and vote for Column B on June 5.

**Vincent Kearney
Regular Democratic Candidate for
Garwood Council**



Recent Home Sales

Cranford: 02/28/18

Joseph and Marion Catena to Loft Homes LLC., 21 Chippewa Way, \$460,000.

Suzanne LaPlace to Great Properties Holding LLC., 29 Rutgers Road, \$317,500.

Lynn Suga-Rafanelli to 208 North Ave West LLC., 208 North Avenue West, \$670,000.

Philomena Cohen to John and Gloria Rossi, 38 Balmiere Parkway, \$630,000.

Donna J. Vizian to Bruce Klein and Ellen Walsh, 30 Springfield Avenue, \$549,900.

Roxanne Alvarado to Michael and Jenny L. Irwin, 27 Wade Avenue, \$518,000.

47 Johnson Avenue LLC. to P L P Luxury Painting LLC., 37 Johnson Avenue, \$180,000.

Bank of New York Mellon to Kevin C. Ho and Betty Yee, 56 Johnson Avenue, \$379,900.

Christine Bannon-Izzo to Alexander Jaeger and Christopher Webb, 5 Besler Avenue, \$425,700.

Christopher H. Pye to Matt Y. Liu and Sarah Y. Jiang, 39 Union Avenue South, \$450,000.

Wagner Living Trust to Argia DiMarco and Bryan Gale, 316 Lincoln Avenue East, \$370,000.

Eleanor Tola to Kevin and Lorena Thomas, 707 Lincoln Avenue East, \$500,000.

Rosemarie Piacantini to Elyse Piacentini, 217 Centennial Avenue, \$145,000.

Cranford Realty, LLC. to 1005-09 Forest Avenue Realty LLC., 1 McKinley Street, \$3,375,000.

Langdon Properties, LLC. to Charlene Lewis and Darren Jones, 617 Raritan Road. \$358,000.