

Killer of Union Woman Gets 30 Years, No Parole

UNION—The man who earlier this year admitted to the brutal 2010 murder of Union Township woman Diane Zaleski has been sentenced to 30 years in state prison without parole...

Arnell Yearwood, 28, was sentenced Friday morning before state Superior Court Judge Joseph P. Donohue, who summarized the long term as necessary "to (voice) society's outrage" about the crime.

Union County Assistant Prosecutor Caroline Lawlor, who prosecuted the case, described in court how Zaleski's elderly parents discovered the body of the 54-year-old victim at the bottom of a staircase leading to the basement of her Laurana Road home on November 18, 2010.

The Union County Homicide Task Force immediately launched a prolonged investigation. Authorities conducted more than 100 interviews, yet few legitimate leads emerged during the months following Zaleski's death.

Shortly thereafter, a person who lives out of the state encountered a news article about Zaleski online, with some of the details in the article matching details previously relayed to the person by Yearwood during an online conversation hosted via

Facebook. The person contacted authorities in New Jersey, leading to Yearwood's arrest on Vauxhall Road in Union on April 7, 2012. The investigation ultimately determined that Yearwood killed Zaleski following a brief argument, then took efforts to conceal the crime.

Bramnick on Observing Tax Day, April 15

TRENTON — Assembly Minority Jon Bramnick (R-21st, Westfield) says the best way to observe April 15 is to lower taxes. Tuesday was the final day for filing federal and state income taxes.

"It is no secret that New Jersey's income tax structure is among the highest in the country," Asm. Bramnick said. "The Legislature must act quickly to reduce this burden."

Bills sponsored by Assembly Republicans that would reduce the tax burden shouldered by New Jerseyans include the following: New Jersey Direct Property Tax Relief Plan (A-157), phase out New Jersey's estate tax over a five-year period (A-329), and decrease the sales and use tax rate from 7 percent to 6 percent (A-137).

Lance: Tax Code Is A 'Bloated Mess'

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Rep. Leonard Lance (R-7th) released the following statement regarding Tax Day, after a roundtable discussion with the Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce:

"Our nation's tax code is a bloated mess that today gets larger — and more complicated — thanks to the start of ObamaCare's individual mandate tax. Millions of hard-working middle class men and women who already must navigate an outdated tax code now face new penalties imposed on them by the President's health care law."

Ms. Dentley expresses her desire to work with everyone, Republicans, Independents and Democrats alike, and urges anyone interested in fostering strong communities to get in touch and join the effort.

April 30 is Deadline To Appeal FEMA Aid Rejection for Sandy

STATE — New Jersey Sandy survivors who applied to FEMA for individual assistance and were denied have until Wednesday, April 30 to file an appeal.

money and not pay for expensive health plans that include services and coverage they don't need.

"This morning I met with small business leaders and employers in Hunterdon County where we discussed my belief that our tax code stifles economic growth and works against job creation. It's time to make the tax code simpler, fairer and more conducive to economic growth by closing loopholes, lowering corporate rates to compete globally, lowering individual rates and protecting the middle class from ObamaCare tax penalties."

Yolanda Dentley Running for Congress

IRVINGTON — Saying she is running on a platform of Community, Education and Safety, current Vice Principle at Union Avenue Middle School, Yolanda Dentley, has been confirmed as a candidate for New Jersey's 10th Congressional District.

"I'm ready to serve in Congress and be part of the bright future for our communities."

Probitas Verus Honos



HELPING HAND...Westfield High School sophomore Olivia Zito teamed up with Kate Rogers of That's Adornable to raise money for The Hance Family Foundation.

WHS Student Raises Money For Hance Foundation

WESTFIELD - Westfield High School sophomore Olivia Zito teamed up with Kate Rogers of That's Adornable to raise money for The Hance Family Foundation.

of the Foundation is to honor the memories of these extraordinary girls in positive ways.

Healthy, happy, and safe children are the highest priority for the Hance Family Foundation.

The Hance Family Foundation was founded to honor the memories of Emma, Alyson, and Katie Hance, who died in a car accident on July 26, 2009 at ages 8, 7, and 5.

Olivia has been working with the foundation over the past several years through their Annual Toy Drive and Family Fun Day. On April 10, she held a charity shopping party at the home of Kate Rogers' featuring unique gifts and clothing provided by That's Adornable.

The funds raised for this Foundation are used to support an innovative self-esteem educational program for girls, "Beautiful Me...The EAK Project," as well as local education and charitable giving programs for children. The intention

For more information on the Hance Family Foundation visit www.hancefamilyfoundation.org.

PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF EDUCATION SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD, NEW JERSEY

In accordance with the New Jersey Statutes relating hereto, Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of the school district of the Township of Scotch Plains and the borough of Fanwood has prepared a tentative budget for the school year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015, which is on file and open to inspections at the Secretary's office in the Administration Offices, Cedar Street and Evergreen Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey.

It should be observed that expenditures are shown under a GAAP format (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) approved by the New Jersey Department of Education. This format shows the School District's tentative budget by general program rather than in the line item structure, thus providing the reader with a better understanding of how the district plans to utilize community resources.

The tentative budget will be on file and open for examination from the date of this Notice until April 24, 2014 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. prevailing time, on regular school days, in the Office of the Secretary, Administration Offices, Cedar Street and Evergreen Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey.

The school district has proposed programs and services in addition to the core curriculum content standards adopted by the State Board of Education. Information on this budget and the programs and services it provides is available from your local school district.

Deborah S. Saridiki, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET STATEMENT FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2014-2015

Table with columns: ENROLLMENT CATEGORIES, October 15, 2012, October 15, 2013, October 15, 2014. Rows include Pupils On Roll Regular Full-Time, Shared-Time, Special Full-Time, etc.

Table with columns: UNION - SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD REG ADVERTISED REVENUES, Budget Category, Account, 2012-13 Actual, 2013-14 Revised, 2014-15 Anticipated. Rows include Operating Budget, Revenues from Local Sources, State Sources, Federal Sources.

Table with columns: UNION - SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD REG ADVERTISED RECAPITULATION OF BALANCES, Budget Category, Audited Balance 6/30/2012, Audited Balance 6/30/2013, Estimated Balance 6/30/2014, Estimated Balance 6/30/2015. Rows include Unrestricted, Restricted for Specific Purposes, etc.

Table with columns: UNION - SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD REG ADVERTISED PER PUPIL COST CALCULATIONS, Per Pupil Cost Calculations, 2011-12 Actual Costs, 2012-13 Actual Costs, 2013-14 Original Budget, 2013-14 Revised Budget, 2014-15 Proposed Budget. Rows include Total Budgetary Comparative Per Pupil Cost, Total Classroom Instruction, etc.

Table with columns: UNION - SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD REG ADVERTISED APPROPRIATIONS, Budget Category, Account, 2012-13 Actual, 2013-14 Revised, 2014-15 Anticipated. Rows include General Current Expense, Instruction, Regular Programs, etc.