



COUNTY WELL WISHERS...Most politicians in the area spoke at the Union County reorganization ceremony on January 5 in Elizabeth. Pictured, left to right, are: Rep. Leonard Lance, Asm. Jerry Green, state Sen. Ray Lesniak, State Sen. Nick Scutari, Asw. Linda Stender, Asm. Jon Bramnick and Asm. Joe Cryan.

Union County Lists Warming Centers During Cold Emergency

UNION COUNTY — Due to the cold temperatures on January 7, many municipalities throughout Union County have opened warming stations for those in need.

When visiting a warming station, bring any medications and/or specialty items that you may need. Residents and visitors are urged to limit exposure outside.

Check on your elderly neighbors, and get them to these facilities or to local police if they lack heat.

The following is a list of warming centers throughout the county:

- Elizabeth; Sampson Center, 800 Anna Street is open 24 hours.
- Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Avenue, open until 10 p.m.
- Fanwood; The Chelsea Living Center, 295 South Avenue.

- Linden Public Library – 31 East Henry Street; Operating hours: Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Linden; Gregorio Recreation Center – 330 Helen Street, operating hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and extended hours, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Linden Multi-Purpose Center – 1025 John Street, operating hours, Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- Rahway Recreation Center, 275 East Milton Avenue, open until 7 p.m.
- Rahway Senior Center, 1306 Esterbrook Avenue, 4:30 p.m.
- Roselle Park; Casano Community Center, 314 Chestnut Street, 9 to 8 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday.

Dark Ages With Obama, Be Brave And Fix the Outrageous Destruction

Since a large body of American voters decided to leave reality out of their choices in hopes of living in *La-La-Land*, they decided to succumb to the siren's song of Obama twice: first at his initial election and again after proving his incompetence, dishonesty, and disregard for our Constitution and the Rule of Law, re-electing him a second time.

The hard reality of the world's premier economy being saddled with immeasurable debt and the loss of our position as previously the leader in the Counsel of Nations is taking place. He is in so far over his head that in the real world of business, he would be fired.

Hopefully, the forthcoming elections will put a balance representing the best interest of the American people in our Congress and Senate and we can restore faith in our system by making those responsible pay the price and electing leadership that represents what our founding fathers and generations of brave soldiers have fought to preserve.

It is not just the uncountable, unthinkable book of lies like Benghazi, IRS abuses, healthcare oblivion, and many others too numerous to detail herewith, but it is an administration of lawlessness that feels it can walk on water and get away with it, and now finally the bill is coming due for you to pay the price for these aberrations.

Momentarily for those who have survived the endless frustration of trying to work the labyrinth of the "Rube Goldberg" healthcare fixation only to give up in exhaustion or find out how you have bought far less for far more money. The defective thinking of changing a proven insurance model to a politically advantageous process is on track to destroy the quality of the healthcare you could have had.

I'm yet to understand how a family of lifelong American citizens who have worked and paid taxes through their lifetime are having their quality healthcare hijacked so that some convulsion of illegal immigrants (who will be given voting power for Obama's constituents) can happen as we sit as passive observers. It is not just Republican, or Tea Party, or Democrat, or Libertarian, or any other vested citizen who wins, we all lose

when the unethical behavior of the political gang in charge work for their party's benefit and short-change you.

Underline the results we had and looking at the obvious first steps for a solution is term limits. We must overcome the endless resistance of those in power to extend their power base sometimes for decades by controlling, taxing, ordering the functions of government that serve their power and their power base. If left to our President, Senate, and Congress, you will see nothing significant done in your lifetime.

Let's start one "small step for mankind" as we did on the moon, and propose a two-term maximum Senate limit and a four term Congressional limit. The same philosophy has to be applied at state, county, and town and township level. There is an endless supply of highly-qualified, motivated, replacement candidates that will bring a renewed source of creativity and energy to those positions and give us a chance to break the endless strangle-hold on our federal government, our state government, and one sided "Good ol' Boys" cities like Chicago and many others.

Again, watch what happens when you find your expected income constantly shrink, your taxes escalate, and your personal liberty and freedoms that were so hard fought for being deluded just because your attitude is "what can I do?" Never forget the power of an idea and the power of one can change the world. Be brave enough to empower yourself and join with your like-minded Americans to fix the outrageous destruction that Obama and his fellow criminals have brought upon you and your family.

Aside from his "It's all about me" attitude and disregard for our Constitution and Rules of Law, he has done an enormous disservice to people of his own race by trampling on his clear and meritorious predecessors like Martin Luther King Jr.'s accomplishments and others of their stature by showing that he won't take the high road, but he'll take the low road to get what he wants at your expense.

Warren Victor Westfield

Letters to the Editor

NJPA Opposes Drones That Hide Public Information

The New Jersey Press Association (NJPA) has issued to the full Assembly an updated position paper strongly opposing amendments made to A4073/S2702.

Amendments made December 16 to the original bill have expanded the bill's scope. The amendments would permit the state Office of Emergency Management and county and local Offices of Emergency Management to use drones to survey or monitor the extent of an emergency, as defined in the bill, including but not limited to a hurricane, flood or terrorist act, but would make the information obtained from the drone inaccessible to the public.

While the NJPA certainly does not oppose the use of drones in emergency situations, NJPA objects to the language providing that information or records of verbal or video communications derived from the use of drones in such emergency situations

shall not be made available or disclosed to the public.

The amended bill is on this [last] Monday's Assembly board list along with the Senate version also amended to be identical with the Assembly version. If approved by the Assembly on Monday, the bill moves to the Governor for his signature.

George H. White
NJPA Executive Director

Lost Keys in Westfield

We visited my son over the holidays in Westfield. We lost a set of keys for our Subaru Forester on a key chain with YMCA tag. Has something popped up in your classifieds by any chance?

If they were found, please contact me. Thank you. e-mail ColetteDorais@carolina.rr.com

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Rep. Holt to Hold Town Meetings This Saturday in Scotch Plains

On Saturday, January 11, U.S. Rep. Rush Holt (NJ-12) will host town hall meetings in Bound Brook and Scotch Plains. Residents are invited to share their views and hear updates on health care, job creation, college affordability, and more.

For more information, email thomas.seay@mail.house.gov.

When: Saturday, January 11, 2014
In Bound Brook: 10:00 a.m., Bound Brook High School Auditorium, 111 West Union Avenue, Bound Brook, New Jersey

In Scotch Plains: 1:00 p.m., Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Auditorium, 667 Westfield Road, Scotch Plains, New Jersey.

Two River Bank Announces Scholarship Program For 2014

TINTON FALLS – William Moss, president and CEO of Two River Community Bank, is pleased to announce the Two River Community Bank Scholarship Program. The program was established with the intention of assisting high school students with financing their higher education. The schools are selected based on the communities we serve, and will be determined each year by the Two River Community Bank Scholarship Committee.

A yearly award in the amount of \$500 (up to four awards per year, totaling \$2,000) will be presented to a graduating high school senior who has been accepted to a two- or four-year institution of higher education. The \$500 award will be payable to the college or university where the recipient has chosen to attend. There will be four awards in 2014.

"We launched our internship program in 2008, and it has been tremendously successful," stated Mr. Moss. "Developing a scholarship program was a natural progression, and we are thrilled to be able to offer this to students in our communities."

For more information on the Scholarship Program, please contact Nicole Nielsen, vice-president, human resources manager, at (732) 292-8058 or nnielsen@tworiverbank.com. Two River Community Bank is

headquartered in Tinton Falls, and operates 14 branch locations and five Regional Lending Offices located in Monmouth, Middlesex and Union Counties. Two River is a full-service bank that provides commercial and retail banking services to businesses, professionals, and individuals. For more information about Two River Community Bank, visit www.tworiverbank.com.

UCEDC Offers Free Business Workshop

CRANFORD — The Union County Economic Development Corp. (UCEDC) invites the public to a workshop, "Starting a Business in NJ: The Steps You Need to Take." It will be held Thursday, January 30, from 6 to 8 p.m. at UCEDC, 75 Chestnut Street in Cranford.

This free workshop will guide you through the mechanics of starting your business. It will cover:

- The pros and cons of business structures. How to name and register your business. What taxes apply and how to file them. What is required if you have employees. The insurance required in New Jersey.

Give your business the best chance to succeed. To register, see www.ucedc.com or e-mail info@ucedc.com.

The Westfield Memorial Library presents "Woody Allen and The Art of Infidelity" Saturday, January 18 at 2:00 pm



No modern writer and director is more prolific or iconic. Drawing equal inspiration from Groucho Marx and Ingmar Bergman, the films of Woody Allen can be hilarious or tragic, but are always filled with his signature style and a fascination for affairs of the heart. Come explore as we study scenes from "Manhattan," "Hannah and Her Sisters," "Crimes and Misdemeanors," and "Match Point." Chris Messineo, Director of the New Jersey Film Institute, is a thoroughly entertaining and knowledgeable speaker. Sign up now!

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Sunday, January 12 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the JCC



Community is at our Center



- Join now for priority registration for Preschool and Kindergarten and Camp Yachad!
 - Membership options for new camp families!
- Join on January 12, "Work It Off" in our Fitness Center and/or Pool for the next 90 days and earn a FREE month of membership.

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