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4 arrested in Short Hills carjacking

By Lorraine Henry
A carjacking in Short Hills, N.J., on Saturday resulted in the arrest of four suspects and the recovery of a 2011 Ford Focus. The suspects are being held on \$250,000 bail each. The carjacking was part of a series of similar incidents in the area. The suspects are being held on \$250,000 bail each. The carjacking was part of a series of similar incidents in the area. The suspects are being held on \$250,000 bail each.

POVERTY IN MORRIS: THE HIDDEN EPIDEMIC



LIVING POOR
IN THE LAND OF PLENTY

Poverty in suburban areas up more than 50 percent

Homelessness takes root in unlikely places

By Lorraine Ash
As the mercury slipped to 22 degrees one recent night, eight men in Denver sat on a bench on 40th Street, huddled under their coats and hats, trying to stay warm. They were there because they had nowhere else to go. The men were homeless, and they were in an unlikely place. The men were homeless because they had nowhere else to go. The men were homeless because they had nowhere else to go.

"I'm living on the streets, but I'm not by myself," said a man who called himself Pete. "What we do is form a relationship sort of like brotherhood. We build tents."

64%
Morris County's poverty rate rose from 2008 to 2011, a gain to 66 percent, according to a report by the state's Department of Community Affairs.



A place to sleep, but little more
By Michael Lee
Every day, Arlin sits at a table outside a food bank in Denver. He is there because he has nowhere else to go. He is there because he has nowhere else to go.

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Poverty in Morris: The Hidden Epidemic

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South Jersey Times

Unsafe Living Space? Motel Guests
 Not Being Adequately Alerted
 to Sex Offenders Housed
 in Rooms Near Them

Bill Calls for Sex Offender Alerts

Rebecca Forand





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The Times

A Small City with a Big-City Homicide Rate
Armed and Dangerous: A City Under Siege
Pushing Back Against the Tide of Violence
Battlefield Medicine Is Routine
in Trenton ER
City's Deadliest Year on Record

Alex Zdan



ORB WINS MUDDY RUN FOR ROSES

VETERAN TRAINER GETS FIRST DERBY VICTORY. PLUS: NETS LOSE GAME 7 TO BULLS. IN SPORTS

STAR-LEDGER SPECIAL REPORT



"Our children ... deserve much more from those who are entrusted with their educational welfare."

BORN IN HOPE, CITY CHARTER SCHOOL NOW EMBROILED IN CONTROVERSY

Founder accused of fraud, parents say conditions are poor and the state threatens to shut it all down

By Jessica Calefati

Linda Newton stumbled last 9-year-old son at Adelaide L. Seaford Charter School...

Last summer, nearly all of the troubled school's two classes were reassigned, and students were hastily relocated to a classroom building that parents say is not equipped for their children...

Other kids have no classroom at all, sharing space in a room with no power, no heat, no ventilation...

"There are a lot of angry parents who want to get their kids out," said Newton, who pulled her son from Adelaide Seaford...

But in the next case, the Adelaide L. Seaford Charter School was reported to be a better place for hundreds of kids in a building that has long failed its students...



Two Seaford City, leader of the Adelaide L. Seaford Charter School in Newark, issues her name to be in each Newark, Newark in Newark Street building where the school's students attend class. Left, Ray conducts a group class.

Cash crisis threatens Buono's campaign

Coffers are running so low she may lose public funds

By Joseph Rodriguez

Democratic gubernatorial candidate Barbara Buono's campaign has about a month to raise the money she needs to get the necessary public matching funds before the June 4 primary...

Her election chances are slim, she says, because she has not raised the \$1 million she needs to get the state's matching funds...

But she is not alone. Many other Democratic candidates are also struggling to raise the money they need to get the state's matching funds...

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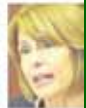
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The Star-Ledger

Born in Hope, City Charter School Now Embroiled in Controversy

Troubled Newark Charter School

Suit: Administrator Fired

for Pointing Out Wrongdoing

State Plans to Shut Down Embattled

Records at Issue in Charter School Suit

Jessica Calefati





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Asbury Park Press

Investigating Sandy Charities

Shannon Mullen

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WILL MIDDLE-CLASS WAGES CATCH UP? @ISSUE, B1

THE SUNDAY PRESS

UP TO \$870 COLLEGE SAVINGS

PRESS INVESTIGATION: THE HEROIN EPIDEMIC

PEOPLE ARE DYING

From Hazlet to Stafford, they are your neighbors, your friends and sometimes your children. Of the 80 victims this year, the youngest was 17. Nearly all were white and male. Heroin — as cheap as \$5 — has killed more than 300 at the Shore in the last five years. This is the story of the devastation, the families it affects — and the fight to stop it.



By Dustin Racioppi / Staff Writer
First of a five-day series
LACEY — Twenty-seven-year-old Raymond Faxon is face-down on the dining room floor, slumped. His hands are shallow and flexibly. He has a burning pain...

The faces of heroin addiction and their families include (clockwise from upper left), Dan Guerin, 21, of Perth Amboy, now undergoing rehab at a center in Perth Amboy; Evan Corbett, 21, of Marlinton, whose drug use led to a six-month jail term for theft, but who says he is now clean; Marianne Faxon of Lacey, whose 17-year-old son, Raymond, battled a heroin addiction since age 15; and Gary Corbett, father of Evan, who says his son's addiction cost the family "hundreds of thousands" of dollars.

Visit www.njpa.com for a map, online, a blog and additional news only stories. SHARE: Like us on Facebook and join the debate on addiction.



Just say "Hi" to a video on Facebook.

Where are they a year later?

The Newark Housing Authority's Public Housing Authority is looking for a partner of local firms to build a project of rental units in Newark...



The Carters, hard at work

Former President Jimmy Carter and wife Rosalynn spent part of their week-end in the White House...



A link beyond just coaching

Newark's Newark Public Schools and Newark Public Schools are looking for a partner...



BUBBAKOO'S BURRITOS Coming Soon to JACKSON FALL 2013

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Includes items like BURRITO, BURRITO, BURRITO, BURRITO, BURRITO.

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Asbury Park Press

The Heroin Crisis

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OUR VIEW

Christie shouldn't be 'shocked' by actions of House

There's a famous quote by the late Louis Brandeis, the chairman of the Warren Court, that says "It is the duty of the citizen to be shocked by the actions of his government."

That's an important point to remember as we look at the actions of the House of Representatives.

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READER VIEWS

Retired police officers perfect to secure schools

Regarding the recent shooting at the South Essex Elementary School in Gloucester, Essex, it is hard to believe that the school was not better protected.

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MY VIEW

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EDITORIALS

The good, the bad and the unendurable

The front page of yesterday's edition of The Times offered a two-page illustration of two divergent paths through the city of Tucson.

Despite hardships — including a fire that cost lives and lost homes — Billy Torres moved westward from his place to become a volunteer at Tucson Central High School. Next week, he will receive the volunteerism award during graduation ceremonies at Baker University.

Just a few miles away, Emma Torres will be serving another year of the rest of his life behind bars. Without Torres steadily working his dreams of becoming an engineer, Emma grappled on the immediate gratification that drug life offers.

Tragically, Emma worked as a member of the Beauty House. She is a cold-blooded killer who worked underhanded to kidnap the house of a man who shared a member of Emma's gang. Though Emma eventually escaped, she was charged with the murder of Raymond Green and Emma's love young daughter, who perished in the fire. Emma also was charged with the transportation of a reported rival.

After his incarceration, Emma's days. Emma told Times that her father Juan had been changed. He's a different person with the help of the prison ministry's Ministry group and is hoping to use his powerful penmanship to continue other missions and prison programs abroad.



READERS FORUM

NSA takes data without our permission
I write to you about the release of "Unauthorized use of data" in the "Unauthorized use of data" column. I am, indeed, a member of the party who has been collecting personal information about you without your permission. I am, indeed, a member of the party who has been collecting personal information about you without your permission. I am, indeed, a member of the party who has been collecting personal information about you without your permission.

Supreme Court upheld individual gun rights
The news that the Supreme Court has ruled in favor of individual gun rights is a welcome development. It is a step in the right direction. It is a step in the right direction. It is a step in the right direction.

Busker without banking might have prevented
The article about the busker who was arrested for performing without a license is a sad story. It is a story that could have been prevented if there had been a way to allow buskers to perform without a license.

Terror: A little in time saves nine
The long report on the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) is a long report on the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). It is a long report on the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU).

Guys are dangerous, a regulate them
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It's a bad idea to make health care
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The Times

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How Can This Be?

Goals to Embrace

Nora O'dowd



South Jersey VIEWPOINT

JERSEY EDITORIAL

Rowan pay raise: Too high, too soon

You'd think that \$775,000 is a high enough salary for the president of a mid-size public university that, not long ago, was playing a much smaller part. But you wouldn't be the Rowan University Board of Trustees, which, on Wednesday, unanimously granted President Ad Housheer a \$775,000 raise. The largest pay for is \$550,000 a year.

IN SUMMARY
An editorial in the newspaper says the president's pay raise is too high and too soon.

It's not the amount of the raise that's the problem. It's the timing. The raise was announced on July 1, just before the start of the fiscal year. The raise was announced on July 1, just before the start of the fiscal year. The raise was announced on July 1, just before the start of the fiscal year.

Rowan's budget last year was \$222 million. Rowan's was about \$220 million. Rowan's was about \$220 million. Rowan's was about \$220 million. Rowan's was about \$220 million.

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READER'S VIEW

Answer the questions on Syria strike

TO THE EDITOR:
I watched and listened to President Barack Obama speak from the White House in Boston last week about taking action against Syria. On two occasions, he was asked if Congress would authorize a military strike. If he would get along with these press after a few minutes of Obama, he did not answer the question either way.



William F. WOOD

If you ask me whether we should attack Syria, my answer would be "Yes." Those who argue that we should not attack Syria, I would like to see them stand up for their position. I would like to see them stand up for their position. I would like to see them stand up for their position.

Lawmakers would not let tax-shift plan work

TO THE EDITOR:
In last week's issue, "Fiscal hawks want to affordable education," I fully think regarding a tax shift to fund our public schools. As someone for a long time, I am not in a good one - one that I believe would help solve the financial problems. But, it would not work because it does not get to the root of the problem.

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Why telemarketers still get a free pass?

TO THE EDITOR:
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HAZMAT Report Lacks a Fault Line

911 Phone Lines No Place to Joke

Elliot Goldberg



REFORMING A SHADY SYSTEM

NEW JERSEY SHOULD GET RID OF RISK-BASED PRISON

In past times we had the system here in New Jersey's broken bad system. First of all, it's simply unfair. Our county jails are jammed with people who can't afford even a minimal bail, which means the poor get locked and the rich get out.

Now consider the average length of time someone sits in our jails awaiting trial. It averages — with a 100 to 150 percent of about \$10,000 per inmate.

Ferret people into incarcerable debt. Just to get out of jail is savings. We need to rethink pretrial detention.

The push back to closing these bad lock-downs, who typically just had to return for a cash payment that defuncts at 10 percent or less. If the suspect fails to show up at trial, the lock-downs have to return, and has a potential incentive to work down the defuncts. They argue that this is an effective way to ensure that defuncts show up at trial. But in this system, defuncts lose the 10 percent payment even if they do appear to court.

In Kentucky, suspects must pay bail to the court that set a bail amount, and they get the money back if they show up at trial. If they don't, the enforcement officials track them down.

The point is that we need a system that treats rich and poor alike, and one that better protects the public safety. This discussion is long overdue.

The Auditor

Just 12 months ago Gov. Chris Christie and Gov. Barbara Sothmann, administrator of the Governor's Pension Plan of Teachers, were off center, agreeing together on what's "Working for."

The one time they've agreed each other by the Department of Education that led to a landmark Newark teacher's contract — the first in the state since the end of the last. It's better to have teacher pay on classroom performance, including student progress.

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N.J.'s Stunted Medical Pot Program

CHIEF'S SLOGANEERING IS DENYING SOME PEOPLE NEEDED HELP

The state medical marijuana program in New Jersey covered more than 430 patients in its first six weeks of operation, when most people didn't know it existed. It expects to serve about 80 a day when it fully up and running.

What's the problem? Lots of very sick people in New Jersey want this help. And if we had more than these centers in the state, more people could get it.

Why don't we have more? The reason is that local governments have put up roadblocks. But the state prohibits in Gov. Chris Christie's hands the law, and we have all in his power to undo it.

Until the governor's attitude changes, we will patients lack on the black market.

The law allowed for at least six centers, with no cap. The governor's team awarded only three licenses and has since closed two on any expansion, despite the long waiting list. It's also thrown up political roadblocks that were not in the law.

He banned home deliveries. He placed a cap on patients. He has limited the program to non-profit operators, making it tougher to raise money. Private medical centers covered hundreds of patients on insurance and doctor's bills. And they typically must wait months to get help, making the program useless for many cancer patients or chemotherapy or radiation.

Earlier this year the governor banned the program on the status of marijuana allowed, a move to the Wilson family of Newark Police, whose father's name is the stunted program. But they still have

been unable to get the type of marijuana their doctors need, and the governor says he won't allow them to obtain it from another state with a similar program.

"Every time you sign into expansion, then the administrators will come back and ask for another one," the governor says. "They want legislation of marijuana in New Jersey. It will not happen on my watch, ever. I am done expanding the medical marijuana program under any circumstances."

According to former state Sen. Louis DiStasio, an injured man from New Jersey with the same disorder as the "Buster" child died over the Thanksgiving weekend while the typical child is able to obtain the type of marijuana the Wilsons are seeking, a small dose young children can inhale in edible form.

For most people, the governor's sabotage of this program is not life-threatening. It just denies them a small measure of comfort in their darkest hour.

New Jersey should rethink its misguided anti-pain laws. According to the Drug Policy Alliance, the state spent \$20 million relieving pain in 2010, with more than 22,000 people receiving it, awarded for life or terminal, HIV, neuropathic, or other drug abuse treated by any means, is readily available on the streets. But that's a different type. The medical marijuana program is limited to people with severe pain caused by a non-fatal but serious disease, like cancer and multiple sclerosis.

These people should not be put on waiting lists. They should not have to drive an hour to find a dispensary. They should not have to wrestle with bureaucratic barriers to the Wilson family of Newark Police, whose father's name is the stunted program. But they still have



Revisit to Michigan. Don't invade my space

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OUR VIEW

You can't judge a terror suspect by this cover

Last week a pop-culture institution had much to say, as it did for everyone, gave a high profile platform to an attractive, young woman of unusual appearance, disconcerting habits.

For relatively little money she got over 100 million hits on YouTube and a cover of "The New York Times" magazine. The main story was about her, but the cover story was about her, which is why the cover story was about her.

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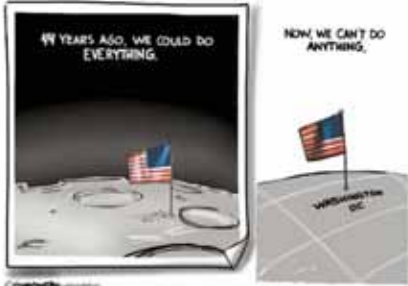
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Barchi's board posts are suspicious

Most of us would agree that earning three quarters of a million dollars per year provides a pretty comfortable lifestyle. Although it is not enough for Rutgers University President Richard Barchi, who earns more than \$200,000 from being on the board of directors of two companies that do business with Rutgers.

I would not have any problem with Barchi putting a little extra money in his pocket if these companies were not contracting with the state university. Even though Barchi and Gov. Chris Christie claim there is no conflict of interest, I can't help but feel very suspicious about the contracts awarded to UTK International and Conance Inc. by Rutgers.

Public officials, especially in New Jersey, not only have to be impartial, they have to appear impartial. It is crazy, in a state that has been notorious for its public officials' corruption, that Barchi and Christie could not see how bad this situation looks.

JOHAN J. VINCIGUERRA
SOMERSET, N.J.

TALK BACK

Slowing cars will stop drag racing

Jersey Driver: Some idiot drag racing kills a mother and kids. Inanity. You can't drag race on the street in Philadelphia. The government has to stop it and make sure cars on the street can't go over a certain speed and have them slower going. That's the only way you're going to slow these idiots down.

Richard from Parkville: Was it necessary to look up all of Parkville because Cory Bomber was in town? You had to ride around for an hour and a half to get a parking spot, then had to park by Camden High. Why was one told about this? He is supposed to get votes for that? I don't have any vote. He doesn't have anybody's vote in Parkville. I don't appreciate that I had to ride around to get a parking spot.

Sage from Parkville: Someone needs to look into the welfare system, how they're taking the father's money, and the mother and her boyfriend—sometimes more than one—are benefiting from the father that just died. How do they rate a cost of living increase and the other citizens that just died have to look into it, because something is going on where the father's money is not being used for his children's lives but are paying this money to his family.

Mega Jimmy Dougherty from Marlton Lakes: How come the USA has not come out and said that if Trayvon Martin had a gun, he'd be alive today?

Lucy from Bensenville: This is for Mega Jimmy: The reason we flash our license plates is not because we hate you but because if you're going five miles over the speed limit, you shouldn't be able to get a ticket.

Camden County Resident: Landlord, please do your home owner's best favor. Let your new tenants know trash and recycle days in their new town. They have trash and recycle in front

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Mom who kept sons in locker may escape jail time

By Alex Zdan

Itzhara Admon, the 37-year-old mother who kept her two sons in a storage locker for months, may be spared jail time if she is found guilty of child endangerment charges.

Admon already has a 90-day sentence and where she will be sentenced for the intervention program, which she will be considered as a defendant rather than a victim of the crime.

If she is found guilty, she will be sentenced to 90 days in jail. When the program is completed, the defendant will be released from the defendant's prison.

Admon was arrested on charges of child endangerment in 2021 after she was found to have kept her two sons in a storage locker for months. She was charged with child endangerment following her arrest. The charges were dropped after she was found to have kept her two sons in a storage locker for months.

Everything Marriott must go

Trenton's locked board indicated it will cost \$2.3 million to change name to Wyndham brand

By Alex Zdan

TRUSTON — Everything a city official and hotel owner must do to change the name of the Trenton Marriott hotel to Wyndham brand.

The Trenton Marriott hotel is a 14-story building located at the intersection of Broad and Market streets. The hotel is owned by Wyndham Hotels & Resorts.

The hotel's name was changed from Marriott to Wyndham in 2015. The change was made as part of a rebranding effort by Wyndham Hotels & Resorts.

The hotel's name is a source of controversy in the city. Some residents and city officials believe the name is inappropriate for the location.

The city's board of education is currently reviewing the issue. The board is expected to make a decision in the next few months.



Construction work is progressing at the Trenton Housing Authority's Rush Crossing project being built at the former site of a public housing project between Lincoln Avenue and Weymouth Street.

FRAMING A FUTURE

Housing authority says construction on Rush Crossing, the former Miller Homes site, is about 14 percent complete

By Alex Zdan

Construction work is progressing at the Trenton Housing Authority's Rush Crossing project being built at the former site of a public housing project between Lincoln Avenue and Weymouth Street.

The project is a 14-story building that will provide affordable housing for the city's residents. The project is being built on the site of the former Miller Homes public housing project.

The construction is about 14 percent complete. The project is expected to be completed in the next few years.

The project is a source of pride for the city's residents. It is a sign of the city's commitment to providing affordable housing for all its residents.

Taking steps to improve Life Skills

Special ed program to get better training for teachers and a new curriculum

By Alex Zdan

TRUSTON — Trenton students with special needs are getting better training for teachers and a new curriculum.

The Trenton Public Schools are implementing a new special education program. The program is designed to provide students with special needs with the skills they need to succeed in school and in life.

The program includes a new curriculum and training for teachers. The program is expected to be implemented in the next few years.

The program is a source of pride for the school's administrators. It is a sign of the school's commitment to providing the best education for all its students.

Bombing suspect charged, to be tried in civilian court

TERROR IN BOSTON

By Richard A. Dyer Jr.

The suspect in the bombing in Boston has been charged with terrorism and is to be tried in civilian court.

The suspect is a 27-year-old man who was arrested in Boston. He is charged with the bombing of the Boston Marathon in 2013.

The suspect is being held in custody in Boston. He is expected to be tried in civilian court in the next few months.

The bombing was a major event in Boston's history. It resulted in the deaths of three people and the injury of thousands of others.

The suspect's arrest is a source of relief for the city's residents. It is a sign that the city is moving forward and that justice is being served.

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Mom Who Kept Sons in Locker May Escape Jail Time

'I Didn't See Any Clarity – Our Only Option Was to Stay Where Our Stuff Is'

Trenton Reaches Out to Woman Jailed for Using Storage Locker as Home

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Hamilton board members: There's still room to sue insurers

By Mike Davis
HAMILTON — Two members of the school board say they want to sue the district's former health insurance broker, which was the subject of a federal corruption case against former Mayor John Sweeney, as well as the district's former board.

Board President Jeff Hamilton and Vice President George Volpe say they will sue the board to file a lawsuit against Hamilton Capital, the district's former health insurance broker, which was the subject of a federal corruption case against former Mayor John Sweeney, as well as the district's former board.


Other public officials, and an internal review by the attorney, say before the board's own report was sent with legal advice against it, the insurance and one former member without jeopardizing the district's settlement or current work with Hamilton. "We have not yet decided whether to sue or not," Hamilton said.

The lawsuit would aim to recover unpaid health care benefits the district did not allow late registration through competitive bid. Last week, district officials said in February they had agreed to a \$1.5 million settlement in February with their former insurer, Hamilton Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey, over outstanding information provided by a former Princeton executive about how Mike Sweeney's communications were paid. The settlement, announced Hamilton Blue Cross Blue Shield and New Jersey Association against another legal action.

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Bomb threat clears Princeton U. campus

Caller cites several locations; nearly 7,000 evacuated



By Jim O'Rourke
PRINCETON — About 5,000 people were evacuated from Princeton University's main campus Tuesday morning after an unknown person called in a bomb threat that kept the school closed until about 1:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Police from multiple federal, state and local agencies wrapped the scene as a police tape and construction a building to building search with bomb-sniffing dogs, while students and faculty members had been engaged in designated safe buildings.

University spokesman Martin Sklar said during a news briefing the following afternoon that no explosives were found on campus.

The bomb threat was received at 8:17 a.m. primarily and a mail delivery room located at 10:15 a.m. to investigate the threat, officials said.

"There has been a bomb threat to multiple buildings on campus," Sklar said. "Please remain in the campus and get home when you are advised by your department."

Princeton University's spring semester had just had the commencement held in unprecedented ceremony last week, so some of the university's staff members, including 1,200 graduate students and 1,000 faculty members had been out for several days.

However, the campus was still busy with research, summer programs and other business, school officials said.

Up in arms and out the doors at TCHS

Students walk out to protest decrepit school's conditions



By James Poff
HAMILTON — Three of past year's graduates from the school's walking out to protest the school's decrepit conditions Tuesday morning. The students, who were led by a group of about 100 students at Trenton Central High School, gathered in front of the school and held up signs to protest the conditions.

"We are not here," said Kim Kelly, a senior at Trenton Central High School, as she led the group of about 100 students in their protest. "We are not here because we are not getting a good education. We are not here because we are not getting a safe environment. We are not here because we are not getting a good job after graduation."

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Speed shop's business comes to a sudden stop

By Matthew Melillo
HAMILTON — The business of Mike Spivey's speed shop came to a sudden stop Tuesday morning when the shop was closed by police.

"The shop, which served customers for about 10 years, was closed by police Tuesday morning. The shop was closed by police because of a complaint filed by a neighbor. The shop was closed by police because of a complaint filed by a neighbor."

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A BLIND EYE

Lakewood letting the poor crowd into substandard housing



One of the children of Juan Salas, who lives in a crowded room with his family in a crowded house on East Fourth Street in Lakewood.



Inspection found: Cockroaches could live up to a dozen light fixtures in a Lakewood house in Lakewood.



A dead fly sits on the top of a window shade at the Lakewood house in Lakewood.

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By Dustin Racioppi | 10/10/11

Juan Salas wakes up to the rattle of the night in Lakewood in a crowded house. The Lakewood rental house he shares with 12 men, women and children.

For the last three months Salas, 27, a Mexican laborer, had complained to his landlord about a leaky sink in the ceiling of the East Fourth Street house. In an effort to fix the sink, the landlord had the sink removed, making the sink a small nuisance and some children, he said. These improvements are long gone, but in January the approximately three-hour-old sink is replaced.

When a draft hits the Lakewood house, Salas often wakes him about the mosquitoes in his room. More than a dozen mosquitoes from a pack of electric space heaters. The heater's heating element is broken, so that the heater starts to blow the building to power the heater, which is a safety hazard and several children live, she said.

Although Christian Salas has lived at 201 Lakewood Ave. for just a couple, she doesn't feel safe. Her 11-year-old daughter is afraid of the house.

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LAKWOOD RENTALS

There are more than 1,000 rental units in the city of Lakewood, but only a handful of them are inspected by the city. There is a board of health that is supposed to inspect the houses, but it has not done so for years.

Inspection violations

- 2005 1 person died
- 2006 6 person died
- 2007 7 person died
- 2008 10 person died
- 2009 1 person died
- 2010 1 person died
- 2011 1 person died

Signs of problems were noticed and noted in the basement of the house (Lakewood house) in Lakewood.

New N.J. laws from last session at a 168-year low

By [Name]

For the first time in 168 years, the New Jersey Legislature passed fewer laws than in any other session. The 2011 session produced only 168 laws, a record low for the state's history.

The decline in legislation is attributed to a combination of factors, including a focus on budget cuts and a shift in legislative priorities. Many bills that were introduced in the previous session did not make it to the floor of either the Assembly or the Senate.

Despite the low number of laws, the session was notable for several key pieces of legislation, including the passage of the state budget and the reauthorization of the state constitution.

Long Branch couple's run of bad luck ends with resolution of check problem

By [Name]

A Long Branch couple's long and frustrating battle with a check-writing problem has finally come to an end. After months of confusion and financial strain, the couple has reached a resolution with the bank.

The couple, who have lived in Long Branch for over a decade, had been experiencing issues with their checks for several months. The bank had been rejecting their checks, leaving them unable to pay bills and manage their finances.

After consulting with legal counsel and the bank, the couple discovered that the issue was related to a clerical error on the bank's part. The bank had incorrectly recorded the couple's account information, leading to the check-writing problems.

The bank has agreed to reimburse the couple for the financial losses they incurred and to correct the account information. The couple is relieved that the problem has been resolved and that they can now continue with their lives in Long Branch.



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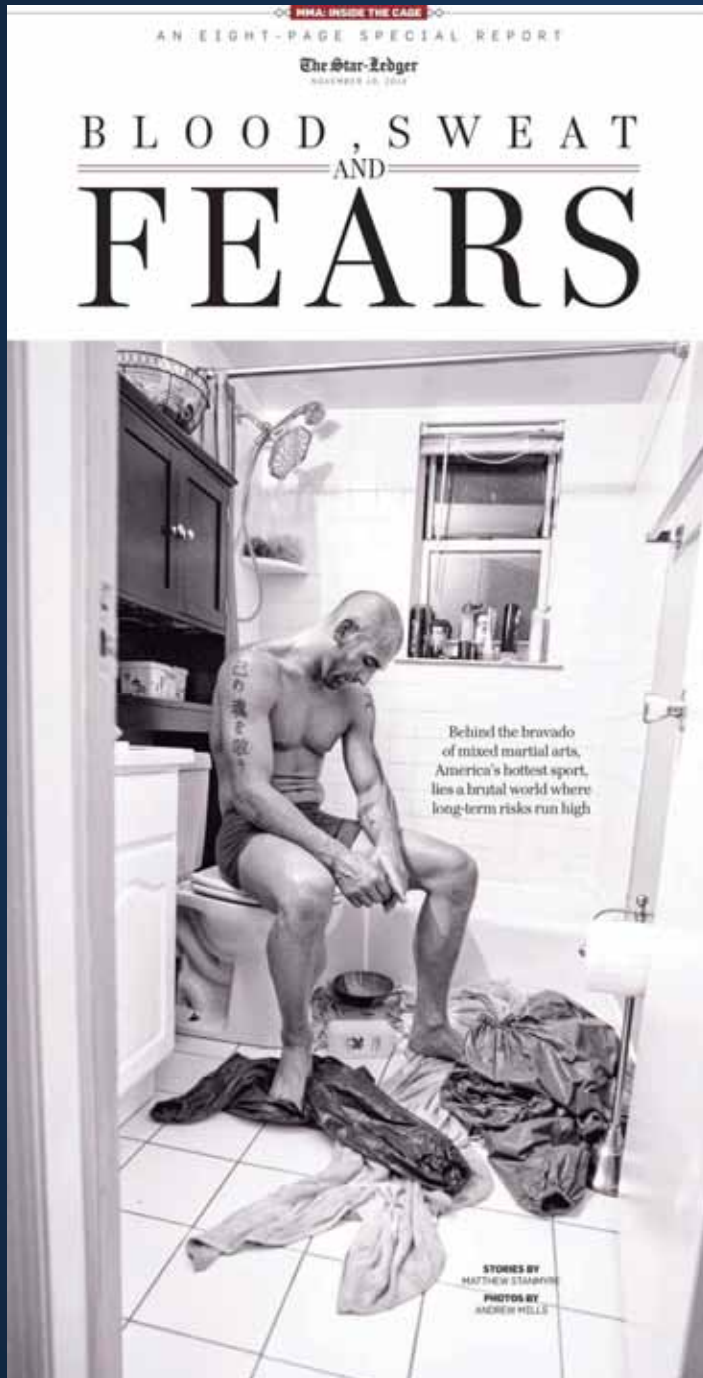
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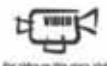
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Chainsaws buzz as pipeline advances

By ERIC OBERNAUER
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BRIDGEVILLE — The day after the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission gave the go-ahead to begin building the George Engler's property, thousands of chainsaws buzzed as workers arrived Friday morning and began hitting the line of hundreds of hemlock, pine, spruce and oak trees on the forested ridge overlooking Engler's home.

Engler's 40-acre home sits on the ridge overlooking Engler's property. In the late 1990s, Engler's property was purchased by the state and later sold to a private company. Engler's property was purchased by the state and later sold to a private company. Engler's property was purchased by the state and later sold to a private company.



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George Engler, 67, of Washington, stands in front of his home in Washington, N.J. (Photo by Eric Obernauer)

Spring break volunteer post inspires SCCC student

To help out ...

By LYNDSEY CAVETANA
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NEWTON — Don't just post about it. Do it. That's the message of a student volunteer program at the State College of Central New Jersey (SCCC) that inspired a student to help out.



Ben Cavetana is a student at State College of Central New Jersey (SCCC) who is working at the Student Center. (Photo by Eric Obernauer)

Ben Cavetana is a student at State College of Central New Jersey (SCCC) who is working at the Student Center. He is inspired by the volunteer program at SCCC.

Warren County prosecutor's generator probe sparks suit

Jail officers who misused equipment weren't charged

By ERIC OBERNAUER
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The Warren County prosecutor's probe into the use of a generator by jail officers who misused equipment wasn't charged. The probe led to a lawsuit against the Warren County prosecutor.

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LANDIS SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

TAKEOVER TALKS



Vineland studies whether to absorb Landis authority

By Joseph P. Smith

VINELAND — City government may dissolve the autonomous Landis Sewerage Authority and merge it with its municipal electric and water utilities. Mayor Robert Hernandez on Thursday developed that scenario, saying that he saw need for "consolidation" to only a possibility. A final decision will depend on an analysis of whether a merger would save money, the mayor said.

"All we're doing right now is fleshing out all the possibilities," Hernandez said. "Nothing else has been done."

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LSA: Rate hike is city's fault

By Joseph P. Smith

"We don't know if it's good for the city, but for the city, good for the authority or bad for both of us," city historian Richard Torres said.

Torres said that negotiating that authority into a private business ownership would be a "game-changer" for the city. He said that the city has actively combated the idea. The rate will not increase as a result of the merger, he said.

Joseph P. Smith is a staff writer with USA Today's Vineland Bureau. Joseph Smith is the executive director of Vineland Municipal Utility.

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5 charged in largest U.S. hacking scam

By Samantha Barry

WASHINGTON — Five American national and a Vietnamese have been charged with running a sophisticated and long-running scam that recruited computer networks of more than a dozen major American and international universities, news organizations, media and other sites for \$60 million each and stole

credit numbers, resulting in losses of hundreds of millions of dollars.

The charges, which were announced Thursday in Newark, where U.S. District Judge Patricia Wald presides, are the largest banking and data breach scheme ever prosecuted in the United States.

Princeton-based Global Payment Systems Inc., which processes credit cards and other cards for use at online businesses, took the hit

part for the scheme that started in 2007 — the theft of more than 20 million credit numbers, a list of about 120 million customer names, telephone numbers, e-mail addresses, another major payment processing company, had nearly a billion card numbers stolen, with losses of about \$60 million, prosecutors said.

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N.J. MAN'S LONG FIGHT TO BE FREE
 HE'S STILL LIVED IN MURKIN, SHAPES OPIN. IN PERSPECTIVE

In high school, a blurry line between coaching, abuse
 Many fear that once-common tactics could now lead to allegations of bullying

By Matthew Stuppan
 When high school coaches across the Jersey coast were asked to provide an overview of their coaching style, the average might not be the only thing they would say.

With the team building 800 of Rutgers set to play and supporters of the Blue Devils coaching model at Rutgers University, it's not surprising that the line between coaching and abuse is blurry in high school sports.

What is 'normal' coaching in today's high school sports?

It might not be the line one would expect. For some parents, it could be that child is being bullied or teased. For others, it could be that the coach is being abusive. For still others, it could be that the coach is being abusive to the child.

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The Mike Rice scandal at Rutgers shone the spotlight on coaching tactics and helped usher in a new era of what is considered right and wrong.

PRIVATE SCHOOLS
HIDDEN RICHES

Nepotism, big salaries, cushy pensions, sleazy deals, luxury cars. That's business as usual at some that serve N.J.'s disabled children.

By Christopher Baxter
 The payroll at Somerset Hills School reads like a family tree, with 10 relatives sprinkled throughout. Four of them were six-figure salaries.

The salaries are set up a nice profit, paying hundreds of thousands of dollars for food to a company founded and owned by the school's executive director.

Does the food and buildings are worth big bucks. The school paid nearly half a million dollars for rent in 2012, mostly to a company owned by its former executive director.



Somerset Hills School in Warren Township employed 10 relatives and had one of the highest administrative salaries per pupil among private special-needs schools.

Turned over and built green houses in Warren Township, Somerset Hills is one of about 100 private schools across the state where more than \$100 million in state funds go for an education where their public school would have had.

Through Somerset Hills is privately owned and run, it's like a public school in every way. The pay for all of it, however, is not.

Who's making the top salaries? Page 12.

How a school helped one teacher's case. Page 11.

Barchi gets \$90K bonus and gives it back to RU

His first year a mix of scandal, growth

By Kelly Davidson
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 According to affidavit, wife secretly taped details of political donation scheme

WrestleMania ready to run wild in N.J.

Study: Tax breaks hit \$2.1B under Christie
 Business incentives ineffective, report finds

Annual weekend-long extravaganza expected to pile-drive millions of dollars into region's economy

WrestleMania ready to run wild in N.J.
 The annual Big Show brawl here on his return to the arena Saturday night during "Road to WrestleMania" at Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City. At top, John Cena, 8, of Atlantic City, proudly waves a Big Show mask.

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 By Matt Friedman
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 New Jersey Sports & Exposition Authority general and CEO Wayne Henning said: "We like the Big Show."
 The annual weekend-long extravaganza, "Road to WrestleMania," is set to take place at Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City. The event is expected to bring in millions of dollars into the region's economy.

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Sandy tops State of the State address

Christie highlights work of storm heroes
By Bob Jordan - Staff Writer

Gov. Chris Christie's message to the state on Tuesday was one of gratitude and hope. He thanked the thousands of "storm heroes" who worked tirelessly to help the state recover from the devastation of Superstorm Sandy. Christie said the state will continue to support the recovery efforts and ensure that the state is better prepared for future disasters.



Gov. Chris Christie delivers his 2013 State of the State address Tuesday at the Statehouse in Trenton.

BODY OF ONE TEEN RECOVERED

Search in Budd Lake for 2nd student set to resume today



Searchers in Budd Lake on Tuesday night looking for the second body of the teen missing in the Budd Lake search area.



Mount Olive police on the scene Tuesday morning.



Chris Christie is seen at a press conference Tuesday morning.

Hearing held for deaf woman who wants DWI case dismissed

Cop communicated in writing, gestures

By Peggy Wright - Staff Writer

A deaf woman who was charged with driving while intoxicated in a recent case wants a judge to dismiss the charges. The woman, who is deaf, communicated with the police through a sign language interpreter. The judge is expected to rule on the case in the coming days.

Accused Jets linebacker seeks probation for charges

By Peggy Wright - Staff Writer

New York Jets linebacker Ryan Thomas, a 2009 Super Bowl champion, is seeking probation for charges of domestic violence. Thomas is accused of assaulting a woman in their home. He is currently out on bail and is expected to appear in court soon.



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MAN KILLS WOMAN AND CHILD

City sources say boyfriend holding other children in hours-long standoff



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By Alex Zdan

TEBETON — A mother and her 11-year-old son were held at the hands of the woman's boyfriend who took the woman's other children hostage and barricaded himself inside his South Tintonius home yesterday afternoon, for what appeared to be hours.

Last night, the man remained barricaded with police inside the home on the 200 block of Grand Street which was the scene of a one-on-one confrontation.

Negotiations were trying to convince the man to leave, but he refused. The man did not want, so he told the children not to talk before negotiating would be done, city sources said.

The standoff lasted 12 hours, said Carole Kelly, her first cousin. Kelly said she had five children, two of whom were inside the home last night: two daughters, ages 17 and 11, along with a 10-year-old son who was in a 4-year-old car. Kelly said she did not see and what of the children last night.

Carole Kelly's 19-year-old daughter who had been living with the Grand Street home, was with Kelly's mother last night, Kelly said.

The man holding the children hostage in his front yard, but someone Carole Kelly said who also came to Tintonius from the South Jersey.

The man and the woman were together three months ago, and Kelly, who said that Carole Kelly had been with her since her husband's death in the woman's second home.

Kelly confirmed what happened in the South Jersey area, that she was with her in the woman's home, but Kelly declined to give the man's name.

A Tintonius police spokesman could not confirm a double homicide on May 10.

Jury returns guilty verdict in Myspace murder case

By Alex Zdan

TEBETON — The state, here to go — but now the message relayed by electronic messages contained some sensitive information after a jury found Tintonius man guilty of plotting a gang killing on Monday night in Myspace.

William and three other men were charged with conspiracy to commit murder in the 2007 shooting of David Bick, and William was charged with the murder of the 31-year-old Bick.

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Lawmakers' hot-mic comments draw ire of pro-gun advocates

By Brent Johnson and Paul Trachtenberg

TEBETON — As a committee hearing on gun control legislation begins, lawmakers, Thursday, have taken an unusual step: they have turned off their cell phones.

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Man's body found near W. Windsor train tracks

By Alex Zdan

WINDSOR — A man, 40, was found dead near a high-speed passenger train track in Windsor Township on Monday.

The body was found near the Windsor train station, near the Windsor train station, near the Windsor train station.

Explosion of man-made device being probed in Hightstown

By Alex Zdan

HIGHTSTOWN — Local and federal law enforcement agencies are investigating an explosion in Hightstown on Monday.

The explosion occurred in a public property building, near the Windsor train station, near the Windsor train station.

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Multi-alarm fire in Delanco



Crews from at least 20 towns battled the blaze Sunday at the Dietz & Watson distribution center.

By JENNIFER SULLIVAN
Crews from at least 20 towns battled the blaze Sunday at the Dietz & Watson distribution center.

DELANCO — A multi-alarm fire that started in the roof of a Dietz & Watson distribution center had crews from at least 20 towns battling the flames and smoke for most of the Sunday, their task made difficult by a dwindling water supply and a nearby solar panel array.

Firefighters responded to a multi-alarm fire at the Dietz & Watson distribution center on Cooperstown Road in Delanco on Sunday.



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'Short selling' can bring headaches for homeowners

BY JENNIFER O'BRIEN AND JENNIFER SULLIVAN
MURRY LACROSSE — After three years as a long distance landlord, Malik Khan decided to sell his house in Delanco. A recent surprise in the Air Force, Khan had been expected to report in 2010, leaving his two-bedroom in the Thompson Bridge town unoccupied. He tried selling the place in earnest, but the market wasn't budging at about \$1,000

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Workers in tailspin

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In the third largest settlement by a drug maker to U.S. Justice, Johnson & Johnson has agreed to pay more than \$2.2 billion to resolve criminal and civil accusations that it promoted unapproved uses of powerful psychiatric drugs in children, adults and disabled patients, the Justice Department announced Monday.

Department officials alleged that J&J used "steep" marketing tactics and kickbacks to persuade physicians and patients to prescribe Risperdal and Invega, both antipsychotic drugs, and Xanax, which is used to treat mood disorders.

Non-Discrimination Act's uphill battle

After a 43-39 vote Monday, a long-cited bill banning workplace discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity is likely to pass the Senate as early as this month, a sign of the fast-growing political momentum for the bill.

The fight is far from over, however. Progress for approval in the House appeared slim as Speaker John Boehner (Ohio) announced his opposition.

The proposed Employment Non-Discrimination Act has been introduced in Congress every year since 2004. It failed by one vote in the Senate in 2009.

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The JFK tragedy, frozen in time

For those old enough to remember the day President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, the details are fresh as if it were yesterday.

These accounts, which were written decades ago, are being reissued as a special anniversary issue of the magazine.

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Iranian hard-liners removed by U.S.

Tens of thousands of protesters chanted "Death to America!" while marching and looting in Tehran on Monday in a major rally highlighting hard-line divisions of power in the government with the Islamic Republic's leadership.

The weekend was the largest in years of an annual event marking the anniversary of the Nov. 4, 1979, takeover of the embassy in Tehran and the start of U.S. hostages.

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Gunman strikes panic in Garden State Plaza

Police swarm Paramus mall as shoppers take cover



Law enforcement personnel, dressed in armor, advancing on Westfield Garden State Plaza in Paramus on Monday night after reports of a gunman opening fire inside. The incident happened just before the mall was due to close at 9:30, witnesses said, and police surrounded the mall.

By ABBOTT GOLDBY, JEFF GREEN and JIM NORMAN

A gunman, dressed in black to blend in with the crowd, and wearing a black balaclava, fired shots in the Westfield Garden State Plaza in Paramus on Monday night, witnesses said.

Shots of the unknown assailant rang around the mall's parking lot and the mall's interior, according to witnesses.

Witnesses described a chaotic scene that unfolded on the second of gunshots ring out inside the mall just before 8 p.m. on Monday night.

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Best and brightest try to bridge education gap

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BOARDWALK INFERNO

Wind-whipped fire leaves 4-block stretch of Seaside in ruins



Heavy firefighters put back yesterday afternoon on the hot morning today consume the south end of the Seaside boardwalk, which was heavily damaged.

Battered towns lose nearly 50 shops as 'unthinkable' disaster strikes again

A raging fire tore through the boardwalk in Seaside Park and Seaside Heights yesterday, destroying four blocks of shops, stores and residences and leaving hundreds of business owners and residents — still reeling from Hurricane Sandy only 11 months ago — wondering how much more they could take.

Seaside residents watched in horror as the fire grew with stunning speed, burning an entire block along its path, leaving a trail of destruction in its wake. Firefighters fought for hours to contain the blaze, but it was too late. The fire spread to a nearby building, and firefighters were forced to demolish it. The fire spread to a nearby building, and firefighters were forced to demolish it.



Flames streak from Robert's Proper Cantina in Seaside Park, near where the fire is believed to have started. Several firefighters suffered smoke inhalation.

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- For photo galleries, videos and latest updates, see NJ.com

New charges for Edison officer accused in arson of supervisor's home

Prosecutor: He conspired to set fire, had illegal weapons
A former Edison police officer has been charged with arson and conspiracy after his supervisor's home was destroyed by a fire. The officer is accused of conspiring with others to set the fire and of possessing illegal weapons.

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Woman's death likely 'a tragic accident'



Investigators work in the area where a plane was found in the Detonator & Paritan Canal on Wednesday that is believed to have belonged to Sarah Mayden. (Photo by Sarah Mayden)

Prosecutor: No foul play in Lambertville case

By Sergio Bichao

LAMBERTVILLE — It was a tragic accident, investigators believe, that led Sarah Mayden to her death in the icy Detonator and Paritan Canal.

Monday since the early hours of Saturday morning, the body of the 39-year-old woman was pulled from the water, recovered late Wednesday afternoon. Following an extensive search that included the State Police and Somerset County divers, and hundreds of volunteers, found across two states.

The search ended Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 when State Police divers discovered the body at the mid-way canal near the Jack and Lambertville Station, north of Bridge Street.

Preliminary results from the medical examiner do not indicate anything suspicious. At the time of death, captain said Sarah's death was a tragic accident.

"Homicide Prosecutor Anthony V. Kauter III said Thursday, "At this point in the investigation, there is no indication of foul play."

There would likely bring comfort to some who may have suspected something sinister, but officials say will continue to investigate any suspicious activity.

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A plane was last seen in the Detonator & Paritan Canal on Wednesday that is believed to have belonged to Sarah Mayden. (Photo by Sarah Mayden)



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Senator paid donor for trips

Menendez wrote check in January

By Mella Rubin-Herman

WASHINGTON — Democratic Sen. Robert Menendez of New Jersey paid a Florida doctor to help him pay for trips to the Dominican Republic that Menendez took two years ago on the doctor's plane.

The doctor, ophthalmologist Benjamin Mayden, is among Menendez's major campaign donors. FBI agents said Menendez's office in New York found the check but never told who Menendez had paid for the trips. Menendez had denied allegations that Mayden helped obtain the services of prostitutes in the Dominican Republic, where Mayden practices privately at the Casa de Campo resort.

Menendez's office said he paid \$26,500 in Jan. 4 for the cost of two plane trips in 2010, described as "personal" in nature. One round-trip flight between Florida and the Dominican Republic was for an Aug. 4-9 trip. The other was a round-trip flight between New Jersey and the Dominican Republic for a Sept. 14 trip.

Menendez paid for the trips "out of his own pocket" and not through his office account or campaign fund, so they did not have to be reported, said Menendez's spokesman, Paul Bresnahan said.

Menendez took a third trip aboard Mayden's plane — to the Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico in May 2011 — to raise campaign money from American friends in the region. Menendez reported that trip in the Federal Election Commission. Bresnahan said.

Bresnahan said Menendez didn't pay earlier for the two personal flights because of an oversight.

The Daily Caller, a conservative website, published a story.

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Proposal: Give Flemington additional liquor license

By Sergio Bichao

MONROE

FLEMINGTON — A Hamilton County lawmaker is pushing to get an extra liquor license, which would allow another restaurant to serve wine, beer and mixed drinks.

The proposal for Assemblyman Joe Leone's House, 15, took shape in August in preparation for the opening of the new hotel, an historic structure on Main Street considered key to revitalizing Flemington's downtown.

The hotel, which had opened in



The historic hotel, a historic building on Main Street in Flemington, is set to open next week.

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Insurance exchanges will offer choice of private health plans

By Ricardo Alonso-Zaldívar

MONROE

EXCHANGES will offer individuals and their families a choice of private health plans resembling what workers at major companies already get. The government will help cover much of the cost.

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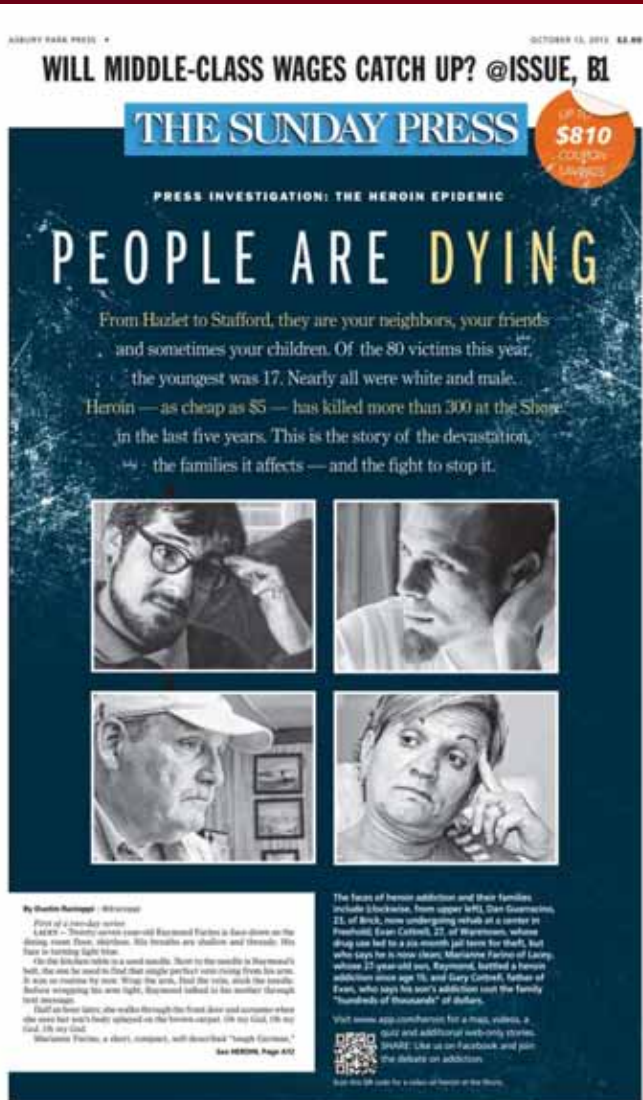
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SEASIDE BOARDWALK FIRE

OUT OF BEDLAM COMES NEW VOW



Debris at Seaside beach along the boardwalk and Seaside Heights boardwalk is seen looking south from the upper deck of the Boardwalk Hotel at what remains of the Park Plaza. The structure was destroyed.

Battle to contain blaze lasted 8 hours

By Kristi Pendergast

SEASIDE BEACH — It was a night that had long ago been rebuffed. The month was chosen. Even though business owners in the state's chief seaside resort in the borough on Friday.

But this time their efforts went awry. After a fire broke out, it was a promise to come back to life.

"We will rebuild," Gov. Chris Christie said. "We'll make new memories for our families because that's what we do."

Fueled by wind and wooden structures, a small fire erupted late in a seaside town Thursday afternoon, tearing through five blocks of buildings. Firefighters had to battle for hours to contain the blaze.

It was 10:30 p.m. — nearly three hours after the fire started — that officials deemed the blaze contained, meaning it would not spread to the Boardwalk Hotel.



Angie Lombardi, the owner of Angie's Alley, a boardwalk business that was hit by the fire, stands in shock at being while looking at damage from the Seaside Park boardwalk fire.

"We will rebuild. We'll make new memories for our families because that's what we do."

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Hospital owner presses proposal

Plainfield to hire consultant for Muhlenberg site

By Sergio Ibarra

PLAINFIELD — Despite some community opposition, JPS Health Services continues to push its proposal for a mixed-use development including four-story buildings with an arena on the site of the former Muhlenberg Regional Health Center.

The Edison-based hospital owner just weeks ago won the City Council's vote to allow the development to move forward. An average of 30 patients use the emergency room each day.

"It certainly seems that we are expected to act under duress," said Jim Conroy, executive vice president of JPS.

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Hillsborough open-space issue is on Nov. ballot

By Sergio Ibarra

HILLSBOROUGH — A ballot initiative seeking to set aside as much as 20 percent of each year's open-space taxes in order to pay for recreational areas could leave a lot less money for local government.

That's because more than half of the roughly \$5.5 million that the township collects in open-space taxes each year already goes to pay the debt for previous purchases. Of the remaining \$2.5 million available for other uses, about \$1.5 million could be used to build trails or parks if voters approve the question in November.

The controversial ballot question has proved some of those open-space advocates against the Township Committee, which.

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Somerset sheriff's office promotes six

New officers sworn in; Bateman honored

By Mike Deak

SOMERSET — Thursday was a big day for the Somerset County Sheriff's Office.

Six officers in the Criminal Division were promoted, six corrections officers and three sheriff's officers were sworn into the office in the Law Enforcement Division was promoted and a

new recruit received the Sheriff's Recognition Award.

In the end of what he called a "great ceremony" in the county's historic courthouse, Sheriff Frank Procaccino said that he will have working in law enforcement.

"It's a great honor," he said, adding that the award comes when officers "use just help one person."

State Sen. Rip Bateman, D state.

There, was honored for honoring and addressing Sheriff's Law, which was signed into law by Gov. Chris Christie.

The legislative increase the penalties for holding firearms against law enforcement officers, police officers and jurors.

The law was signed after Eric, a 30-year-old Bangor, Maine, who lives with Eric, a captain in the Somerset County

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Christie's nominee is a surprise to all

The choice of Glen Beck attorney Carter Conway as Governor Christie's nominee for the next Bergen County prosecutor was a surprise to both Democrats and Republicans.

"It's out of the ordinary for me to be named to be prosecutor," said Conway. Conway, 40, an assistant U.S. attorney, has been a registered Democrat in his hometown of Lakehurst since 2008.

Conway has served as county prosecutor for more than 10 years.

Foes of blue laws dealt a setback

A referendum on Bergen County's blue laws won't make it on to the November ballot, the county clerk said because a group wants more dedicated to abolishing the law has collected too few signatures.

The Public Law Initiative, the group, Monday morning petitioned 2,488 signatures calling for a ballot question on the issue. The law has collected 1,000 signatures, the county clerk said.

But members of Initiative Bergen County said they will continue efforts to abolish the laws that keep more Bergen County stores closed on Sundays.

Rutgers to retire LeGrand's No. 52

As of today, the Rutgers football program will wear No. 52 as the first year of the 100-year history of Rutgers football that a number have been retired.

The jersey number hasn't been worn since a letter (October afternoon in 2004) when Lin LeGrand, No. 52 for the former Knights, made a tackle and couldn't get up.

"Now, the jersey number will be retired. It's been worn since the original season started up and later it took. And LeGrand plays in its last year."

Paul urges diversity, endorses Donegan

Sen. Reed Paul argued Friday that the Republican Party must attract a more diverse group of voters if it is to win important state and national elections.

Paul made this argument as he endorsed former Bergen Mayor Steve Donegan for U.S. House. "The Republic is not just for New Jersey the same way Republicans can win in a presidential election. If we become a bigger party," Paul said.

Paul, a Tea Party backed Republican, said increased GOP presence would benefit conservative and the wider group of voters that traditionally vote Democratic.

Vows to rebuild heard yet again



Onlookers gathering to view the damage caused by a huge fire on the Seaside Heights boardwalk. The blaze was almost completely extinguished by Friday evening, but dozens of businesses were lost.

Boardwalk merchants take stock of fire damage

By KAREN TOOL, KIM LARDEKES and MELISSA WATERS
SEASIDE HEIGHTS (Staff Writer)

A day after a tragedy has consumed dozens of businesses and more than four blocks of newly reconstructed boardwalk, residents of Seaside Park and Seaside Heights on Friday took stock of their initial shock at this latest round of destruction and vowed, once again, to rebuild.

"We'll make the best of the situation," said Ericone A. Marino, who owned the Marina's Tavern. Plus, he said, he'll be back in business by the end of the year.

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Long life lived in an orderly fashion

Tennally ran, 109 today, is world's second-oldest native of Ireland

By JAY LEVIN
TENNALLY (Staff Writer)

Being the oldest person at her own party in Tenally, Sister Mary Victor Waters was the last to "blow out the candles" on her 109th birthday today.

Halfway house escapee gets 45 years for murder

Strangling of girlfriend exposed security flaws

By KIMBER MARRO and JOHN BETHUNEY
CARLISLE (Staff Writer)

A sentence of 45 years in prison — along with 10 years of probation — was handed down to a man who escaped from a halfway house on Friday that helped get New Jersey's prison re-entry system of halfway houses on its knees.

"This offender was the first member of 'halfway' from halfway house to be released a year after re-entry of placement on probation."

The man, who had been in the halfway house for 10 months, was released on Friday.

But the importance of the case — and the admission of a major security flaw — seemed to have been lost on a Newark judge who sentenced the man to 45 years in prison.

"This being the first" he said, "it is a very important case."

Conrad had been out of the halfway house for 10 months, but he had been in the halfway house for 10 months.

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PA unfairly fast-tracked toll hikes, report says

Public given too little notice, input on increases, Congress told

By SARAH ROBERTS
WASHINGTON (Staff Writer)

The Port Authority fast-tracked the approval of toll increases and other toll hikes — the kind of which it only three months away — without giving the public enough notice or input, the investigation group of Congress said in a report released Friday.

The study by the Government Accountability Office ticks an agency who complained about the single day of public hearings in 2011. That provided a quick vote on the toll increase in the agency's favor.

"It's a problem that only exists because the Port Authority's position is to increase tolls, and we're not going to do that," said a spokesman for the agency.

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WE WILL REBUILD. AGAIN.



By Nicole Pankratz - NJ.com

seconds more... It was a refrain heard not long ago: We will rebuild. The mantra was echoed from small-business owners to the state's chief executive as the borough on Friday.

But this time their cheers weren't about surviving a superstorm. It was a promise to fight fires & fire.

"We will rebuild," Gov. Chris Christie said. "We'll make sure resources for our firefighters because that's what we do."

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Firefighters continue to pour water onto the smoldering remains of the boardwalk. Workers a day after the wind swept the...



Sen. Rand Paul helps Longan

The Kentucky U.S. senator stumps in New Jersey for another Tea Party favorite. **NJ & REGION, A3**



Man charged had no license

The man charged in death of a Monmouth University senior had his license revoked. **TODAY, B1**



Proud he wore LeGrand's 52

A Rutgers end from the '00s is honored to have a small connection to the player parodied in 2010. **SPORTS, C1**

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Organics recycler taps food waste's potential

By Meghan Van Dyk

For all compost is created equal. Making good compost is an art and science that involves mixing various raw organic materials and creating conditions without getting too much as Mother Nature's way, believes Jim Fischer, who owns Ag Choice, a Sussex County company that turns waste into compost.

"You can throw an entire basket of it in one week, but you can't feed (another basket)," Fischer said. "It's a living thing. You pick up a handful of dirt and, you can't see them, but there's all these organisms living together in a happy society that work together organically."

Ag Choice is the only state-licensed food waste recycler in New Jersey. The Andover-based company picks your dinner's about 10,000 tons of raw sludge from your landfill, which helps reduce greenhouse gas emissions and just recycles nutrient-rich compost from your waste.

Fischer runs the company, which has served full-time employees, with his wife, Jill. The couple got their start

when they ran a small business with Fischer's parents and saw an opportunity to start a side business by working with local farms to reuse organic waste. It wasn't until he approached the state Department of Environmental Protection about adding food waste to the mix that he became serious about making compost.

"This all started because the DEP said no, that it couldn't be done," Fischer said. "I said, 'There I've got to go to do it.'"

Fischer developed his appreciation for soil science and learned about composting techniques from Kenneth Luskovich in Lakewood. It took him three years of working with experts from the National Resources Conservation Service and Rutgers' Cooperative Research and Education to get the company off the ground. Ag Choice operates under a Class C Resource, Development and Conservation permit issued by the DEP.

Fischer's other passion for compost can be likened to organic farming: that is, his passion for soil. "You can compost on a small scale, be environmentally responsible and make



Ag Choice owner Jim Fischer holds a handful of the organic matter's finished compost. **Photo:** A complete farmer with three aches on the company's 10-acre farm in Andover, turning the compost and shipping more from under the pile's care.

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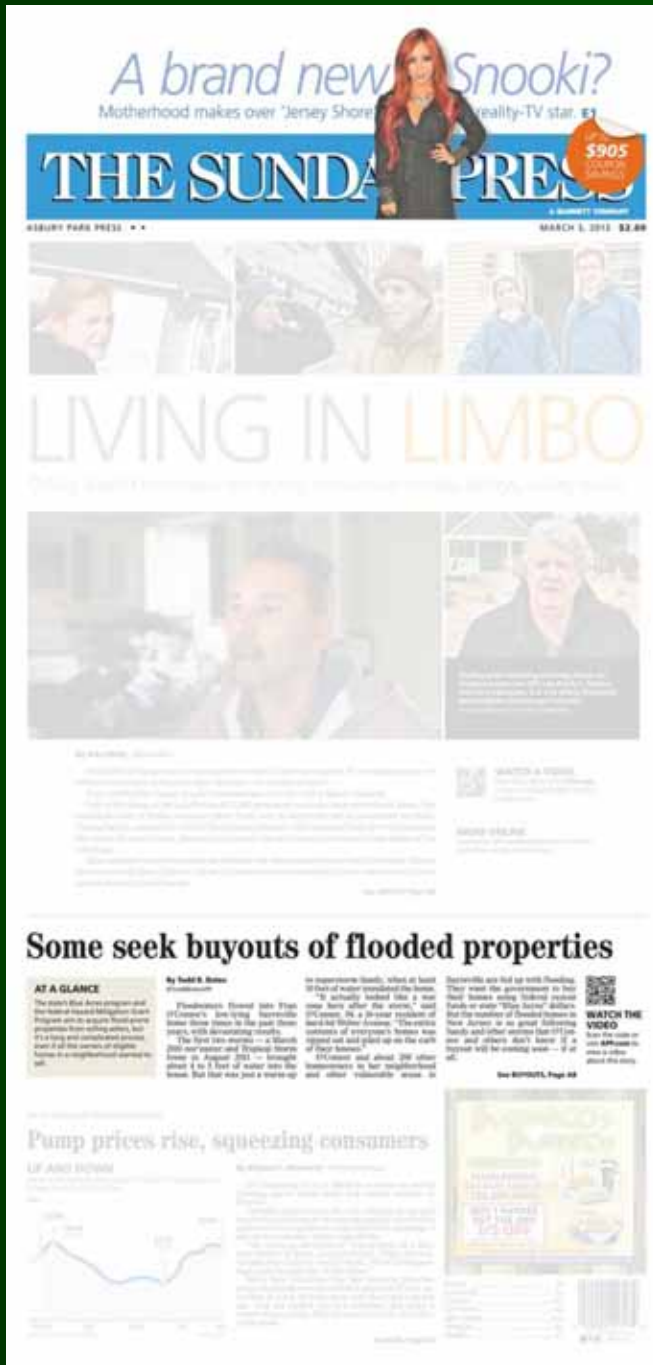
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Art on a whole new level

Underground handling area opens door to museum expansion.

By Stephen Saltsberg
Without fanfare, the Philadelphia Museum of Art has opened its new \$100-million handling facility, a 100,000-square-foot brick structure that will house the museum's permanent collection. The building, designed by architect Frank Gehry, is the first of a new series of buildings that will be built on the museum's new campus in the University and University City neighborhoods.

At the same time, the museum is also opening a new 100,000-square-foot brick structure that will house the museum's permanent collection. The building, designed by architect Frank Gehry, is the first of a new series of buildings that will be built on the museum's new campus in the University and University City neighborhoods.

With splashes of color and music, a new energy

Probe hits nonprofit's grant use

A state report obtained by The Inquirer found misuse of portions of \$12 million in state aid given to a group founded by State Rep. Dwight Evans.

By John P. Martin
The Northern Philadelphia nonprofit founded by State Rep. Dwight Evans received an unexplained portion of state grant money for a program that provided job training and other services to unemployed workers. A state report obtained by The Inquirer found that the group, known as the Northern Philadelphia nonprofit, received \$12 million in state aid from the state in 2009 and 2010. The report found that the group had used the money for a variety of purposes, including paying for the salaries of its executives and other staff members. The report also found that the group had used the money for a variety of other purposes, including paying for the salaries of its executives and other staff members.

Toxic site in Burlco remains troubling

Mismanagement hinders cleanup of Lockwood site, says report.

By Dan Decker
A recent afternoon rain, with a strong wind, has helped to stir up a cloud of dust and debris from the site of a former chemical plant in Burlco. The site, which was once a major source of pollution in the area, has been the subject of a long and costly cleanup effort. The cleanup has been hampered by mismanagement and a lack of funding. The site is still a source of concern for the community.

Flower Show Bursts Open

By Virginia A. Smith
The Philadelphia Flower Show, one of the largest indoor horticultural events in the world, has opened its doors at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. The show, which runs through the end of the month, features a wide variety of plants, flowers, and gardening products. The show is a popular event for gardeners and horticulturists alike.

Weary leaders accept spending cuts, for now

As sequestration kicks in, parties showing less fight. But voter ire could change that.

By Jonathan Scalet
The House and Senate have agreed to accept a package of spending cuts to avoid a government shutdown. The package includes a variety of cuts, including cuts to education, health care, and other programs. The cuts are expected to take effect in the coming months. The agreement is a sign of the political reality that the country is facing.

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HURRICANE SANDY / 100 DAYS LATER

Story by Amy Ellis Nutt / Photos by Andrew Hiltz

TOO COLD EVEN FOR THE SEAGULLS, the Jersey Shore in winter is a desolate place. Up and down the abandoned beach on a fringe of snow and ice, like the frayed hem of an old wedding dress, sketches the edge of the last high tide. Only a handful of well-battered seals, and a black Lab with no birds to chase, roam the ocean's edge. Shattered and silent, the Jersey Shore in winter is supposed to be bleak, but today, passed between storm and summer, 100 days after Hurricane Sandy and 110 days until Memorial Day, the Shore remains a mournful place—struggling not to be. For New Jerseyans, Oct. 29, 2012, will forever



In Monmouth, Sandy created an island between ocean and bay with a house in the middle. Today, right, the beach is exposed and the house is again surrounded by sand.



In Ocean Beach, part of a house split in two by Sandy remains standing nearly three weeks after the storm. Now it's just a memory.



On Oct. 21, two days after Sandy, workers begin to clear Ocean Avenue between 17th and 18th avenues in Belmar. At right is Ocean Avenue on 41st Avenue today.

be a line of destruction, separating what used to be from what is. In the few brief hours in between, a horrid onslaught of wind and water claimed 20 lives, damaged or destroyed nearly 200,000 homes, and in the process created more than 2.3 million cubic yards of debris—enough to raise a football field 90 stories high.

One hundred days later, the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy is now all about what comes next. No one place is proleptic of what New Jersey will look like in three months, or six months or even a year. Many

are still working—some to repair back homes, others to receive insurance checks, most to make use of the biggest decisions of their lives: rebuild, relocate, or walk away. For these people, however, they must first figure out whether they fit in FEMA's new flood maps, and if they do, where, and depending on where, how high they could raise their homes to avoid onerous insurance rates. The legions have staggered more than a few residents into a kind of post-disaster utopia.

BY AMY ELLIS NUTT

Christie defends cleanup contract, denies claims of 'no-bid' agreement

By David Weisbach
Gov. Chris Christie insisted and an agreement of the state's special cleanup with a Princeton-based contractor, saying there is no evidence of the agreement or that any other bid is better. He rejected criticism that the deal was a "no-bid" agreement, and that the deal was a "no-bid" agreement.

Feds bust \$200M credit card scheme

FBI: Elaborate fraud affects every citizen in U.S.
By Jason Braun
Seven thousand fake identities created by a Princeton-based company were used to steal credit cards from millions of U.S. citizens, according to the FBI. The scheme, which is now being investigated by the FBI, involved the use of thousands of fake identities to steal credit cards from millions of U.S. citizens.

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flight plan

staff photographer tries her hand at the flying trapeze



By Kristie Rearick
@kristierearick

O utside an air-conditioned arena on a warm October day — it was in the mid-80s for sure — four trapeze women were ready to fly away with the circus.

Not run away. Fly.

All Philadelphia's first permanent outdoor flying trapeze school, these four women — including staff photographer Lon M. Nichols — there was no way you were getting this reporter up on that high platform — signed waivers, strapped on safety belts and prepared to learn something “a little bit out of their comfort zone,” said Mary Kelly Royal, Fly School Circus Arts executive director.

On the edge of Old and New Kensington in Philadelphia, the outdoor school offers two-hour lessons for adults and children (ages 6 and up) on weekdays and weekends, up to three times a day through early November.

In this particular class, Amy Carroll, Julia Copper, Suzanne Albere and Nichols were welcomed by a full-scale flying rig, which sat in a vacant city lot. Nichols, called “a lot of a roger” by trapeze artist Eric Mutschler because she admitted to taking lessons at the Philadelphia School of Circus Arts — not flying trapeze.

Staff Photos by Tom Hines

Julia Copper hangs upside down and swings back and forth on the trapeze during a lesson with Fly School Circus Arts in Philadelphia.

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Brian and Kerry live of Bridgewater, awaiting quadruplets in the next few weeks, play with their son, Liam, 18 months, and daughter, Lily, 14 months.

Couple in Bridgewater prepares for quadruplets

By Susan Bloom

Special to the Courier News

Like many young couples, Kerry Fox, 33, and husband, Brian, 37, can't wait to hear the familiar cries, giggles, or wail and laughter of a newborn at parties to the feeding and diaper-changing duties that will come with the birth of their new bundle of joy.

These four, that is, for in the coming weeks, the Foxes are set to deliver quadruplets—twins and two triplets—in an event that will expand their current family of three-year-old Liam and 14-month-old Lily to seven.

Though studies show that the delivery of twins occurs naturally at roughly one in every 300 pregnancies and triplets at about one in every 1,000, the delivery of quadruplets is a

far rarer occurrence, happening once in every 100,000 pregnancies.

The special nature of their situation wasn't lost on the Foxes, who experienced the promise of multiple births after beginning antenatal care in November 2012, a combined battery of artificial insemination, and use of the drug Clomid that had its stimulative equivalent, but nothing to the order of drugs.

"Towards the end of January, we found out that we were pregnant, and I said I'd like to try to have Brian and I have our 'belated anniversary' at six weeks," a text she'd shared the possibility that she was having multiples. "Kerry Fox shared," based on the size of our bump at the time, which had three bedrooms, we actually wanted twins — we thought we'd have our next little family

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FUN FACTS ABOUT MULTIPLES

• The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report that the number of births born in the U.S. has doubled in the last three decades, from 68,000 in 1980 to 137,000 in 2009, driven largely by fertility treatments.

• In 2007, the year with the highest triplet birth rate included Massachusetts, Nebraska, Connecticut, North Dakota and Nevada.

• Between 1980 and 2007, there were typically 250-300 sets of quadruplets born annually in the U.S.

WATCH THE VIDEO

See the couple's journey for a baby with six limbs.



Montgomery's Samuel E. Stephens (left) during a 2011 football game. (Photo by Tom DeGroot)

Montgomery teen gets 5-year term in fatal crash

Ex-athlete pleads guilty in death of woman, 61, in Dec.

Staff Report

MONTGOMERY — An 18-year-old man from the Belle Mead section of Montgomery was sentenced to five years in the state prison system Friday following guilty pleas to vehicular homicide, firearm injury, possession of a handgun and driving on a suspended license. Samuel E. Stephens was 170 on the night of Dec. 22, when the vehicle he was driving, a gray 2009 Honda Civic, crossed over the double yellow line on Route 204 in Montgomery, striking a 61-year-old woman. The crash killed Lauren A. O'Neil, 61, of Laurel Avenue in the Ringwood section of North Brunswick, before she was pronounced dead at the scene. Stephens, a professionally licensed driver, was driving after the mandatory 30-day waiting period. Additionally, he had a suspended license.

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Companion of judge in court to face charges

By Suzanne Russell

Special to the Courier News

MONMOUTH — The 62-year-old companion of a municipal Superior Court judge made his first court appearance Friday, when he was formally charged with first-degree armed robbery and weapons offenses.

Standing last Somerset County Judge Robert Frank's courtroom as acting Middlesex County Assistant Prosecutor Howard Berman arranged to hand him a copy of the charges during the three-minute arraignment.

"I can read it myself," Frank said, when asked if he read of the charges read aloud.

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Photo by Tom DeGroot

2 charged in booking agent scam

\$2M fraud involves bogus big-name shows

Staff Report

Two men, including one from Hunterdon County, who promised Richard Durbin and Lady Gaga performances were charged with defrauding more than \$2 million from multiple event promoters and a private promoter, Middlesex County Assistant County S. Vance Jr. said in a news release Friday.

Richard Vance Jr., also known as Richard Carroll, 47, of the Washington section of Somerset County, and Steven McCallis, also known as Ray Allen, 36, of Queens were indicted on charges that they promised to provide performances by world-famous recording artists for concerts at other events, when they had no ability to deliver the acts, the release said.

Carroll and McCallis are charged in their New York State Supreme Court with grand larceny in the second degree and scheme to defraud.

"These defendants are charged with selling concert performances... a false bill of goods."

CYRUS S. VANCE JR., Middlesex County Attorney

is defined in the New degree. McCallis additionally is charged with grand larceny in the third degree and receiving stolen property in the second and fifth degrees.

"The... are charged with selling concert per-

formances around the world a little bit of goods," Vance said. "The... Vance Jr. said that the... could be an option for the... of disappointed fans who heard about the concert in... only to learn that it had to be... before tickets went... on sale. The defendants... on the... of these... the... of more than \$2 million from event promoters. The... will... to... and... these... the... for their... profit."

According to the charges and... filed in court, beginning... June 2010, Carroll and... had... an event... production company in... by...

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Susan Bloom





Art & life



Off-Broadway play sheds new light on an old Edison rival

By Alex Biese

Thomas Edison, really your back. These days, there's an incredible unlikely star on the rise — and it's been a brighter star than ever. It's a star who, 76 years after his death, is lighting up the world of film, music, and theater with the invention of the light bulb.



James Lee Taylor played the off-Broadway production "Tesla."

Off-Broadway production "Tesla" sheds new light on the old Edison rival.

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TOP TOP TOP

Tune stands tall among song-and-dance men

Singing like a lion, he's the "King of the Blues" and the "Father of the Blues" in soulful music.



By Alex Biese

In the world of musical theater, there's one name that stands tall — and not just because he stands 6 feet 7 inches.

winning the awards for best choreographer and director in two consecutive years, for "Chicago" in 1996 and "The Will Rogers Follies" in 1998.

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Advertisement for PoolTown featuring images of swimming pools and text: 'Deluxe Pool Packages from 19,999', 'We have installed over 8000 pools', 'Call us today 888-769-5530'.

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HOSPITALS AIM TO LIMIT RE-ENTRIES

N.J. facilities
have highest
average
penalty for
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By Lorraine Ash

Larry LaPala of Madison is a central Madison being treated for heart failure and pulmonary disease, and he's being in an area of medical care in a hospital in Somerset County, the state, and the rest.

The Hospital Readmission Reduction Program, part of the federal Affordable Care Act, requires hospitals to reduce the number of readmissions to a certain level.

Since the program requires hospitals to reduce the number of readmissions to a certain level, hospitals are being penalized if they do not.

The program encourages hospitals to create programs that monitor, support, and reduce the risk of readmission with patients who suffer heart failure, heart attack, or pneumonia.

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Billions to keep firms in state

Is New Jersey paying too much?

By Michael J. Hammer

Federal financial aid for the global network has been used to fund the state's infrastructure and to fund the state's infrastructure and to fund the state's infrastructure.

But when the company decided to build an office in the city, it found that the state's infrastructure and to fund the state's infrastructure.

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Poll links views on guns, revolution

FBI analyst believes 'separation movement' has gone by the wayside

By William Bradford Huie

RESEARCHERS ... The results of a new national poll conducted by the Public Religion Research Institute show that the 'separation movement' has gone by the wayside.

According to the poll, 68 percent of Americans support the Second Amendment, while 27 percent oppose it.

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Hospitals Aim to Limit Re-Entries

BRCA Gene Testing: 'Someone Along the Road Should Have Flagged Us for Testing'

Cattleman Gives to Cancer Center

Lorraine Ash

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 Salem County's search and rescue team will be called upon to help with a plane crash in the woods. **page B-1**

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SALEM
Condo project set to launch

Starting Monday, 30 units will be built downtown to finish a year of approvals.
 By Michael Williams

After more than a year of work to get all the necessary approvals in place, city officials announced that they are now ready to move forward with the project.

As part of the rezoning process, Working the Hill and the Salem House, two existing adjacent buildings located on East Broadway, will be renovated to house the condo units.

City officials teamed up with the Salem Marathon program, developer The Country Best Estate and Maintenance Inc., and the New Jersey Running Race Series Agency (NJERRA) to make the project a reality.

The project is estimated to cost \$10 million, **page A-6**



BOSTON MARATHON BOMBING
QUEST for ANSWERS

Struggles remain for bomb victims, investigators



THE PROBE: Suspect not yet able to offer help

THE SURVIVORS: S.J. residents know the trials

Surviving bombing victims Tuesday returned to a place that was once their home. For the victims, the bombing was a physical challenge, but the emotional toll was even greater.

For many victims, the Boston Marathon bombing has left them with physical scars, but the emotional toll was even greater.

and I think all of the law enforcement officials, are hoping for a best of reasons the suspect survives.

People across the nation were shocked over the morning after Tuesday, 15, was called, Tuesday.

Friday marked the annual anniversary of a World War II event that took both of her young sons, Timothy and Matthew, to the grave.

the surviving victims' bodies will never return to the state that they were in.

the empty space was a reminder of the lives that were lost.

When asked what made him get started up while working in the industry, he said, "I was thinking that I wanted my father to be proud of me."

A dedication for Millville chief's dedicated career



Millville Fire Department
 Chief Kurt C. Hess began to look down and it's remembered by the members Saturday of having the Millville Fire Department's new truck dedicated to his honor.

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PRINCE TOURS JERSEY SHORE



Prince Harry and his fiancée, Catherine, are on a boat in Haddonfield, N.J., during their tour of the Jersey Shore. They are seen with local residents, including a young boy, as they enjoy the view and the atmosphere of the town.

Christie, Harry visit Sandy-damaged towns

By Dan Sotnick

INSIDE
A photograph of a roller coaster at a fair, likely the one mentioned in the article as being damaged by Sandy.

DATA: Net property taxes climbing
19% rise in 3 years bucks Christie-backed cap

By Bob Schiller

BY THE NUMBERS

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| \$7,410 | Average net property tax, 2011 |
| \$6,234 | Average net property tax, 2008 |
| \$5,430 | Average net property tax, 2005 |
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"While others in our industry have had to cut positions or even leave the state, we've been fortunate that our success has allowed us to grow and take advantage of the talented people in this area."



Novo Nordisk's new state-of-the-art headquarters to better serve employees and, in turn, more effectively serve patients

High open spaces are featured in the new Novo Nordisk headquarters in the former Merrill Lynch building at 1000 Morris Ave. in Plainsboro, N.J. The building, which is being built by the company, is set to open in the summer of 2013.

Novo Nordisk

It is a team that includes the continuing Novo Nordisk pharmaceutical research services, the Danish biotech drug maker Novo Nordisk is pleased to open its new, expanded U.S. headquarters on Southfield Road in Plainsboro at the grand and modern site of a former Merrill Lynch building by the end of the month.

Special-ed program challenged

Life Skills aide brings allegations of cheating, low expectations and 'lack of learning' to authorities

By Erin Duffy

STEWART — It began as a frustrated program, then a lawsuit, and finally a federal lawsuit. Life Skills aide brought allegations of cheating, low expectations and "lack of learning" to authorities.

But in the last several weeks, the program has been challenged.

The program, which is a life skills program for students with disabilities, was challenged by a parent who alleged that the program was not providing a quality education for his child.

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Buono, Christie will decline to ID every contributor

Law says those giving \$300 or less to campaign don't have to be disclosed

By Christopher Barber

For the first time in at least 20 years, neither candidate in the race for governor intends to disclose the names of every person who contributes money to their campaign.

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Troubled zoo put up for sale

After 10-year expired, Animal Kingdom put on market for \$2.4M

By Erin Duffy

SPRINGFIELD — After selling for nearly \$2 million, Animal Kingdom is being put up for sale for \$2.4 million.

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Recent changes of Bridgewater attract members of a reformed Animal Kingdom. The reformed Animal Kingdom is in Springfield last June. The show closed several months later.

"You couldn't have the animals without the permit. Consequently someone could buy the property, but if they're intending to use it as a zoo, they'd need to secure the permit."

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Special Ed Program Challenged

Taking Steps to Improve Life Skills

Program for Kids on the Very Edge Is Itself at the Brink

Erin Duffy

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Hamilton board members: There's still room to sue insurers

By Mike Davis
TWO MEMBERS of the school board say they want to sue the district's former health insurance broker, which was the plaintiff in the federal bankruptcy case against former Mayor John F. Tierney, as well as the district's current insurer.

Board President Jeff Hamilton and Vice President George Volpe say they will sue the board of directors of Hamilton Health Insurance Co. (HHIC) and the board of directors of Hamilton Health Insurance Co. (HHIC) and the board of directors of Hamilton Health Insurance Co. (HHIC).

Bomb threat clears Princeton U. campus

Caller cites several locations; nearly 7,000 evacuated



By Jim O'Keefe
PRINCETON — About 6,000 people were evacuated from Princeton University's campus Tuesday morning after an unknown person called a 911 operator and said there was a bomb threat.

Police from multiple federal, state and local agencies wrapped the scene in a police tape and began a search for a building to search. While students and faculty members did leave an area, they were not evacuated to designated safe buildings.

University spokesman Mark S. Miller said during a news briefing that the caller identified several locations on campus that were searched.

The bomb threat was received at 8:17 a.m. promptly and a small plane was sent to the area to search for a bomb, officials said.

"There has been a bomb threat to the university," Miller said. "The university is currently conducting a search of the campus for a bomb. We are currently conducting a search of the campus for a bomb. We are currently conducting a search of the campus for a bomb."

Princeton University's spring semester has ended and the university has held its commencement ceremony but work, so most of the university's staff members, including 1,200 graduate students and 1,000 faculty members, are still on campus.

However, the campus was still busy with research, summer programs and other business, school officials said.

Up in arms and out the doors at TCHS

Students walk out to protest decrepit school's conditions



By James Post
TWO HUNDRED students walked out of their school Tuesday to protest the decrepit conditions of their school, Thron Central High School.

"The school is in a state of disrepair. The building is falling apart. The roof is leaking. The floors are crumbling. The walls are peeling. The school is a disaster. We are walking out to protest the conditions of our school. We are walking out to protest the conditions of our school. We are walking out to protest the conditions of our school."

The students started with a silent protest, but then they started shouting and chanting. They were protesting the school's conditions. They were protesting the school's conditions. They were protesting the school's conditions.

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Up in Arms and Out the Doors at TCHS

Now, State Vows \$27M for TCHS

Board Told of 'Vile' TCHS Conditions

Jenna Pizza



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Testimony: Warwick woman thought ex was the devil

By JESSICA MAGALLI REYES
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When a New York woman said her ex was the devil, she was not wrong. She was actually so right that she was eventually arrested for saying it. She was charged with "harassment" because she told a police officer that her ex was the devil.

The hearing on the 18th will determine if the woman is charged with the crime of harassment. The woman is currently in jail. She is charged with harassment because she told a police officer that her ex was the devil.

Warwick, who has a history of mental illness, allegedly believed that Steven Latta was going to "kill her brother and her brother's wife."

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Warwick Police, right, also said to be Steven David Nollis, an ex-husband of her brother, Arvin, and were charged with harassment because they were not with her brother's brother.

News

American Legion #51 to host poker run

EDMUNDS PERDUE, Pa. — A local American Legion Post #51 is planning a poker run to raise money for the organization. The event will be held on September 20th and 21st. Registration is \$10 per person. The event will be held at 11:30 a.m. on September 20th. The event will be held at 11:30 a.m. on September 21st.

Cheese samplings at local ShopRites

FRANKLIN — The ShoppRites store in Franklin is offering a special event where customers can sample various types of cheese. The event will be held on September 18th and 19th. The event will be held at 11:30 a.m. on September 18th and 19th.

Birding classes start Thursday

FRANKLIN, N.J. — The Franklin Birding Society is starting a new series of birding classes. The classes will be held on Thursdays. The classes will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Thursdays.

Newton students invited to take an education adventure

By GREG WATRY
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NEWTON — Newton County President Director Richard Subito announced that he was planning to take a group of Newton County students to Washington, D.C. to participate in a project called Project Launch.

The project will be made up of all Newton County students. The project will be made up of all Newton County students. The project will be made up of all Newton County students.

Date set for Sparta woman's arson trial

NEWTON — The trial for the woman accused of setting a fire in her home in Sparta is set for September 24th. The trial will be held in Newton County Superior Court.

Frost may make its first appearance of the season

By DIANA ROBERTS
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Event aims to give Waterloo new life

By JOE CARLSON
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NEWTON — Waterloo Village is planning a new event to revitalize the area. The event will be held on September 20th and 21st. The event will be held at 11:30 a.m. on September 20th and 21st.

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J&J agrees to pay \$2.2B penalty

In the third largest settlement by a drug maker to U.S. history, Johnson & Johnson has agreed to pay more than \$2.2 billion to resolve criminal and civil accusations that a prominent unapproved use of powerful psychiatric drugs by children, women and disabled patients, the Justice Department announced Monday.

Department officials alleged that J&J used illegal marketing tactics and kickbacks to persuade physicians and pharmacists to prescribe Risperdal and Invega, both antipsychotic drugs, and Namenda, which is used to treat brain failure.

Non-Discrimination Act's uphill battle

After a 41-50 vote Monday, a long-stalled bill banning workplace discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity is likely to pass the Senate as early as this week, a sign of the fast-moving political landscape for gay rights.

The bill is far from certain, however. Progress is expected to be slow as Senator John Boehner, R-Ohio, announced his opposition.

The proposed Employment Non-Discrimination Act has been introduced in Congress only one other time, in 1994, but it failed to pass in the Senate in 1996.

The JFK tragedy, frozen in time

For those old enough to remember the day President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, the details are frozen in time.

These memories, where, what we were doing, how we felt, are etched in our minds as if the tragedy had happened yesterday.

When The Record asked readers to share their memories of Nov. 22, 1963, the responses poured in.

Today we continue to share some of those memories. You can find all of the responses online at www.northjersey.com/remembrance.

Iranian hard-liners unmoved by U.S.

Tens of thousands of protesters chanted "Death to America!" while marching outside the United States Embassy in Iran on Monday in a staged rally highlighting hard-line attitudes of Iranian leadership with the United States.

The protest was the largest in years at an annual event marking the anniversary of the Nov. 4, 1979, takeover of the embassy in Tehran and the arrest of U.S. hostages.

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Gunman strikes panic in Garden State Plaza

Police swarm Paramus mall as shoppers take cover



Law enforcement personnel, dressed in armor, advancing on Westfield Garden State Plaza in Paramus on Monday night after reports of a gunman opening fire inside. The incident happened just before the mall was due to close at 9:30, witnesses said, and police surrounded the mall.

By ABBOTT GOLLEY, JEFF GREEN and JIM ROSENBAUM

A gunman, almost blind to see in black and wearing a black helmet, fired into the Westfield Garden State Plaza mall on Monday night, witnesses said, and police surrounded the mall.

Some of the witness reported seeing a gunman fire from the garden, and the Paramus, the deputy, coordinator of the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management, confirmed last Monday that no injuries had been reported.

Witnesses described a chaotic scene that unfolded on the second of garden ring, just inside the mall just before it was to close at 9:30 p.m. Witnesses said the gunman fired several shots and emptied his magazine before taking cover in the mall's store.

The incident drew hundreds of police officers from across North Jersey to the scene of the gunfire. Witnesses said the gunman had left the mall.

"The situation is no longer an active shooter situation," witnesses said around 11:15 p.m.

After 1 a.m. today, dozens of police officers in 196-62 gear had assembled outside a house on Englewood Avenue in Paramus that, according to police records, is owned by Barbara and Charles Shilop.

Best and brightest try to bridge education gap

By LESLIE BRODY

Teach for America staffs urban posts in N.J.

Ed Governor a recent Council on Education and the Arts report, which says the state's education system is in crisis.

It is one lesson he captured "college ready" state today. In addition, he said they would need to understand the word "education" for the state. And for a special preview of our report, he brought the Council a copy of a report to sign in this column.

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Decision day

Today is Election Day for the governor, state Legislature, sheriff, county treasurers, municipal officers and school board. There are two state referendums on the ballot: one to allow veterans to use games of chance for fundraising, and to raise the state minimum wage to \$8.25 an hour.

Teach for America staffs urban posts in N.J.

Teach for America staffs urban posts in N.J. The program brings smart, energetic young adults to fill hundreds of jobs in mostly urban schools and give them intensive summer training to get ready for the classroom. The program recruits high-achieving college graduates who haven't had the opportunity to work in one of the country's toughest environments. Their goal: narrowing the achievement gap between the poor and the rest of the state.



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Founder accused of fraud, parents say conditions are poor and the state threatens to shut it all down

By Jessica Calefati

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Two teachers, one founder of the Adelaide L. Seaford Charter School in Newark...

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Coffers are running so low she may lose public funds

By Joseph Rodriguez

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Looking Back

Dennis Smith, Delran's legendary coach, reflects on 38-year career.

BY JOHN LEWIS

Ask Bill Stull for a word, and you get exactly the word you'd expect, the clock ticking as he sits with his hand on an otherwise empty locker room, waiting on media. "When I was down on the line — I was for Dave more than for the Bears, and it was a very special moment for me," Smith says. "Delran's three-time state champion heavyweight and...

"The most hard knock we ever about it. He looked at me, I looked at him, he flipped me out and we went out there. I think since I got to the gym, his work was done. It was time for his advice to go out and perform, and I think maybe because he'd been there as an adviser, he understood that."

Smith was there as an adviser in 1984, his senior year at Logan High School, when he became the first Burlington County member to...

County member to appear a year earlier. It was the start of a journey that made him a legend and on both sides of Marlboro Road.

From Logan, he moved on to Rutgers University and then Rutgers, back in Logan, when he served as an assistant coach for two seasons before moving on to the newly opened Delran High School.

Smith, the only wrestling coach the Bears have had since the first practice in 1975, arrived at the end of the season in March. He's retiring on the one-year season as Delran's lone wrestling coach, but also wrestling coach-coach, he'll coach with Northampton, who served as his assistant for last six years.

Smith fact box
Overall record: 102-130-0
NJCA (Division II) record: 133-85-0
All-time record: 211-130-0
State Championships: 21
South Jersey Championships: 2
Hudson Township Championships: 21
All Burlington County members: 10
District Championships: 13
Regional Championships: 21
State Championships: 21
State Championships: 4

Kelly remains mum on his QB

By John Lewis

PIEDMONT, N.C. — Kelly is in the locker room after a practice at the Duke University campus in Durham, N.C. He's not saying a word about the quarterback decision.

Just which quarterback Kelly will be installing with the opening offensive game in Durham on Sept. 2 is a mystery. Kelly isn't saying a word. He says he'll be in the building at 10 a.m. on Sept. 2.

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LA's Kershaw keeps Phillies floundering

PHILADELPHIA — The game was the Ryan Howard home run as the Phillies floundered in the first inning. It was the start of the Charlie Manuel season.



With Manuel fired, burden on Amaro

PHILADELPHIA — The manager of the Philadelphia Phillies was fired on Monday. The burden of the team's performance now falls on general manager Ruben Amaro Jr.

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Rutgers Football

THE CLASS THAT ALMOST WASN'T

Rutgers coach benefiting from rallying recruits after Greg Schiano's departure

By Ryan Dunleavy

The only notable industry built in the rural, creek-marked town of Perkasieville, Pa., is quarry—a large open pit from which graduated rock and minerals are extracted to help form asphalt and concrete for infrastructure.

In other words, it's the kind of place where foundations are built. Perkasieville native Chris Muller adopted the mantle of his hometown right before Rutgers' 2012 season when the Rutgers football team was without a head coach and the top-ranked recruiting class in school history was in danger of crumbling.

Muller gathered fellow Perkasieville natives Blake Rankin, Jackson Proctor, J.J. DeMarco and Brandon Anselmino at his parents' house for a meeting of minds.

"I tried to have leadership, but in that moment we were all leaders because we all motivated every one else," said Muller, who is Rutgers' first offensive lineman off the bench this season. "You need to have leaders and you need to have followers, but in that moment all these guys there were leaders because we all worked together for the greatest



Rutgers coach Kyle Flood stands on the field after a penalty call during the Aug. 26 game in Princeton, La. [See SPINNA, Page D3](#)

"There were a couple dominos that as they fell it really helped solidify the entire situation."

KYLE FLOOD

Manager, Rutgers

Photo by Andrew Kravitz

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL



Penn State running back RB Brian (13) Havens runs from Syracuse tackle Stan Jones (75) and Ben Thompson (10) on Saturday.

QB lifts PSU over Syracuse in opener

Hackenberg shines in collegiate debut at MetLife Stadium

By Josh Meehan

MetLife Stadium

LAST RECEPTIONS — Rutgers because he's only 19 years old and over-looked because he had just put forth a solid collegiate debut at quarterback in Penn State's 23-7 win over Syracuse on Saturday afternoon. For Hackenberg, Syracuse Hackenberg quickly stepped in the picture along with Matt McGlothen and offered up very little about his

The Palmetto, Va. native was 22 for 28 for 276 yards, two touchdowns and one interception, yet he had few thoughts of his own even after head coach Bill O'Brien largely praised him. The more time he had on the field he was overwhelmed by the moment, but it gradually had more to do with the fact he is probably in a better position. Based on the six minutes of playing he offered up to the media, his post-game comments gave fans the actual happenings on the ground.

"It's got a historic atmosphere and that's one of the things that stood out to me in my career," O'Brien said. "It's a young guy, he's only 19 and he got a tremendous future, but he's not ready to make it on the College Football Hall of Fame and certainly not the NFL. Of course, that's a talented guy, he's got a long way to go and to have games like that is not just one game, but it was a massive game for a program that had one win in the state of the Jersey football community. The crowd, the atmosphere, the fact that you're

Hackenberg made an early

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YANKEES 2, BRIGGS'S

Nova boosts Yankees in strong outing

By Chad Jennings

NEW YORK — When the full story of this Yankees season is finally written, most of the ink will be devoted to favorite characters and familiar story lines: Mariano Rivera's farewell, Derek Jeter's legend, Alex Rodriguez's soap opera. There are the major plot points of a much seasonal year. These are the major plot points of a much seasonal year. These are the major plot points of a much seasonal year.

the unexpected rise of Evan Longoria, the Yankees' last starting pitcher leading into the final stretch of the season. As the Yankees carry their plucky post-humans, their rotation is headlined by a guy who was supposed to retire at the end of July. "The name and brand himself," manager Joe Girardi



Yankees center fielder Evan Longoria (17) celebrates after hitting home runs during the game against the Boston Red Sox on Sunday.

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Nightclub blaze in Brazil kills 230

At least 230 people died early Sunday in a fire at a nightclub in southern Brazil, according to the governor of the state of Rio Grande do Sul.

"I've been with the fire department for 40 years, but I have never seen a tragedy of this magnitude," said Fire Chief Milton de Jesus Paiva.

Most of the fatalities in the Rio club in Santa Maria were from asphyxiation.

A total of 188 people remained hospitalized, including 18 who were being treated at the state's health authorities.

While the officials were working to establish the cause of the fire, the Brazilian TV channel said the flames started when people lit a candle during a religious service. Many people were unable to reach the emergency exits in the smoky night.

—Complete story on A-7

Sandy took NJT for expensive ride

The walloping that NJ Transit took from Superstorm Sandy included an \$18 million loss of the firm's stock, compounded by payments of more than \$9 million that the agency needs to reimburse private companies that helped more people around the state following the storm.

Expenses included an estimated \$10 million in emergency line operating costs and \$17.5 million in ferry services, NJ Transit spokesman John Deane Jr. said. The agency is working with State's Federal Emergency Management Agency to cover the costs.

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Catholic schools rally for enrollment

Sandy marked the beginning of the annual Catholic Schools Week, which schools and parishes across the country are trying to encourage enrollment for the fall learning school year.

The drive has gained significance to recruit parishioners as schools struggle to increase enrollment.

In the Phoenix Diocese, which governs the parishes of Phoenix, Maricopa and Yuma counties, 19 schools have closed since 1999. Catholic schools in Bergen County want to be leading the trend, as only five Bergen schools have closed since 2008.

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Stahwart of printing is calling it quits

A longtime executive and retiring industry ace is bringing a 36-year-old Englewood Cladding printing company to close its doors later this year.

At its peak, Hamilton Brown Co. has printed 4 million envelopes a year. Last year it printed about 600,000, which led to the consolidation of its biggest customer, Home Depot.

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"I've sat in bed, praying 'Jesus, God, would you make the pain go away?' ... I would give anything just for a day not to have this happen."

The hardest hit



Former Jets Pro Bowler Winston Walker says he suffers from constant, intense pain due to his 17-year pro career. His ailments include shocking pain throughout his arms and hands. Below, Walker is his playing days.

Retired Jets and Giants standouts enduring pain long after game ends

By JEFF ROBERTS

The dramatic injury often happens. Winston Walker's life in the hard of his knees.

When the pain gets intolerable, he sits alone in the dark watching movies, missing the dramatic scenes that played him almost daily.

"I've sat in bed, praying 'Jesus, God, would you make the pain go away?'" said the 57-year-old Walker. "I just don't want to go through this anymore. I would give anything just for a day not to have this happen."

The former Jets Pro Bowler has been unable to feel his feet for 25 years and suffers from "constant, excruciating pain" running up his arms and down his legs, which some doctors attributed to nerve damage.

This is life for Walker and many of his former colleagues. While some of millions of them are focused on Sunday's Super Bowl, Jets and Giants stars at the center of attention deal quietly with illnesses such as Walker's.

Retired of the Jets and Giants and their families are among the more than 1,000 former players and families who have accused the National Football League of covering research linking head trauma to premature brain injury, growing a series of lawsuits. While the NFL has conducted a number of studies in the last three years to all these concerns, it has consistently refused to comment on the suits, which are submitted in federal court.

Some studies are well known, especially those of players like Junior Seau, who committed suicide after his retirement last year.

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Housing council's future before the court

Christie making case to eliminate state agency

By ANTHONY GARRETT
Staff Writer

Governor Christie's long and contentious battle to weaken New Jersey's affordable housing requirements will reach a crucial moment next week when the state Supreme Court considers whether to allow him to unilaterally shut up the agency that enforces housing laws.

Not only do advocates fear Christie will use the opportunity to undermine rules that require municipalities to make sure that some modest, they say it would set a dangerous precedent and put New Jersey's government in a state of uncertainty.

Christie's plan to argue that the state's affordable housing laws are unconstitutional, and that the state should be responsible for the housing crisis.

The issue of affordable housing in New Jersey, the nation's most densely populated state, has been contentious for decades, leading to such political campaigns large and small as it has in the courts since a series of landmark rulings beginning in the 1970s.

Christie's campaign on a promise of lowering New Jersey's affordable housing rules in an election where he also targeted the state's judiciary and its religious issues such as affordable housing.

In June 2011, Christie issued an order abolishing the Council on Affordable Housing and put the state's constitutional commission, which has political appointees, in charge.

Though abolishing the council wouldn't change New Jersey's affordable housing requirements overnight, it would make a case for Christie to weaken them and deny vulnerable New Jerseyans a voice in deciding affordable housing.

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Growing support for low-cost flood solutions



Hackensack University Medical Center employee Jo Ann Saffold walking on the rooftop garden with plants designed to collect rainwater.

Goal: Capture rain before it hits drain

By JAMES M. O'NEILL

In the decades-old debate over how to reduce flooding along the Passaic and Hackensack rivers, proponents have often overlooked large, inexpensive infrastructure projects, such as larger reservoirs or a \$2.7-billion tunnel to carry the water over to sea. Now, there is a growing push for radically different, lower-cost alternatives — growing gardens on rooftops, installing green roofs on city buildings, and attaching rain barrels to residential gardens.

These varying strategies, collectively called green infrastructure, are all designed to do the same thing — capture rainwater before it ever reaches the risk of flooding.

While many environmental activists have often overlooked large, expensive infrastructure projects, such as larger reservoirs or a \$2.7-billion tunnel to carry the water over to sea. Now, there is a growing push for radically different, lower-cost alternatives — growing gardens on rooftops, installing green roofs on city buildings, and attaching rain barrels to residential gardens.

Proponents say these costs often cause people to overlook, but long-term savings, they argue, could be big.

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FRESH QUESTIONS ABOUT NEW RUTGERS AD'S PAST

Ex-players accused her of mental cruelty, an assistant sued school over her firing



Long before Julie Hermsman became Rutgers' athletic director, she was the team's national coach at the University of Tennessee. Roger Winters, a former assistant, sued the school in 2007, claiming Hermsman fired her because she became pregnant, and a jury awarded Winters \$250,000. Rutgers says it investigated the lawsuit. Winters, right, with a bride at Hermsman's wedding.

By Craig Wolff

Some 10 years ago, members of the University of Tennessee women's volleyball team gathered for a last meeting with their head coach, Julie Hermsman. In grim silence as guests, some played cards, a black leather couch. Others sat on the floor, legs tucked, almost breathless.

"I never heard any of this, never name-calling them or anything like that whatsoever. ... None of this is familiar to me."

Julie Hermsman, Rutgers' athletic director

Hermsman, who was fired in 2007, says she never heard any of the allegations until after she was fired.

The players' memories, including the athletic director, had been brought to light by a former U.S. Olympian on the team who had submitted her to the players' suit. Hermsman had rejected the suit, but the players' suit was not dismissed.

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Troopers win big payouts over bosses' retaliation

Whistle-blowers raised red flags on gun tracking

By Christopher Hunter

The state attorney general's office has agreed to pay \$250,000 to a former state trooper to settle charges for the attorney after revealing that the trooper was hiding a gunshot from the state's attorney.

The settlement, reached in February and initially obscured by The Star-Ledger, was the second in an effort to settle charges of retaliation against a trooper who raised red flags about gun tracking.

Between the two cases, the attorney general's office has paid out \$250,000 to settle charges related to the state trooper's alleged retaliation.

In the most recent case, Lt. Robert Brown in 2009 filed a lawsuit against the state attorney general claiming that, while engaged in the trooper's training unit in 2005, he was harassed, threatened, denied assignments and denied pay for promotion after he complained of alleged and unproven trooper retaliation.

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Kyrillos faces unexpected tea party challenge from former smiling supporter



By Matt Friedman

Three days after state Sen. Joe Kyrillos was elected to the legislature for the U.S. House last year, he got a bad message from Leigh Ann Bellw, a tea party activist.

Leigh Ann Bellw has faced questions about her résumé and personal finances from her own party.

Bellw, who was a Republican before she became a Democrat, has been a vocal supporter of Kyrillos. She has been a vocal supporter of Kyrillos, who was elected to the U.S. House last year. She has been a vocal supporter of Kyrillos, who was elected to the U.S. House last year.

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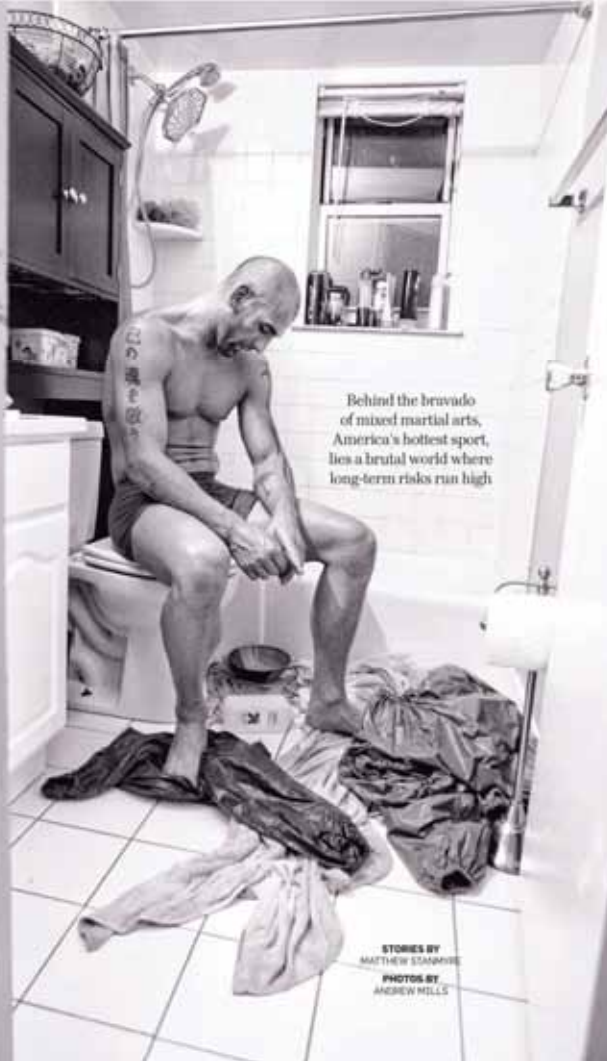
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Eli looking for first victory in Manning Bowl III

By **DAVID MATTHEWS** — Staff
Reporter to Manning Bowl III, the last night of the season and the start of the season.

In one other week, the season ends. The 1970s don't have to do this. With the season ending, it's time to look at the New York Giants of the afternoon at MetLife Stadium, their reluctance about changing their stadium, their reluctance about changing their stadium, their reluctance about changing their stadium.

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Jefferson quarterback Jerry Brown (center) passes for Terrence Williams (right) after a run in Newton. The Falcons won, 10-7.

Falcons soar past Newton

Jefferson picks up third straight season-opening win

By **PETER BROWN** — Staff
Reporter to the Manning Bowl III, the last night of the season and the start of the season.

Newton's defense held the Falcons to a field goal in the first quarter, but the Falcons' offense was too much for them. The Falcons' offense was too much for them.

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Cronin sets Newton all-time record with 58th goal

By **DAVID MATTHEWS** — Staff
Reporter to the Manning Bowl III, the last night of the season and the start of the season.

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STARTING STRONG

Millville opens year with 20-6 win over A.C.
BUENA TOPPLES NEW-LOOK VINELAND, 21-7



Millville's Robert Foles (2) kicks the ball during a game against Atlantic City on Friday night.

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Robert Foles (2) kicks the ball during a game against Atlantic City on Friday night.



Robert Foles (2) kicks the ball during a game against Atlantic City on Friday night.

Buena 21, Vineland 7
Fighting Clay brought an early lead Buena's Brian Antonio had over Vineland in the first quarter. **Story, Page B4**

Millville 20, Atlantic City 6
Robert Foles' kick during the game helped Millville to a 20-6 victory over Atlantic City. **Story, Page B4**

Cumberland 17, Deptford 6
Michael Frank, the team's quarterback, led Cumberland to a 17-6 victory over Deptford. **Story, Page B4**

St. Augustine 48, Middle Twp. 14
St. Augustine's offense was on fire during the game, leading to a 48-14 victory over Middle Township. **Story, Page B4**

Bridgeton 68, Lower Cape May 8
Bridgeton's offense was on fire during the game, leading to a 68-8 victory over Lower Cape May. **Story, Page B4**

Camden 38, Delsea 29
Camden's offense was on fire during the game, leading to a 38-29 victory over Delsea. **Story, Page B4**

Gloucester Cath. 19, Schallek 14
Gloucester Catholic's offense was on fire during the game, leading to a 19-14 victory over Schallek. **Story, Page B4**



Camden's offense was on fire during the game, leading to a 38-29 victory over Delsea.

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SECAUCUS SAILS TO VICTORY

Offense feeds off defense; 4 touchdowns in 3rd quarter

By PATRICK VILLANOVA
JOURNAL SPORTS EDITOR

PARK RIDGE — Shortly after halftime yesterday, gray clouds settled over the Park Ridge High School football field, and with them came some unexpected precipitation.

Luckily, the rain passed as quickly as it had appeared. The same could not be said for the Secaucus football team, which showed no signs of slowing down during an impressive 48-7 season-opening victory.

Behind a productive ground game spearheaded by senior running backs Sean Roensing and JI Castellanos, and an opportunistic defense that forced five turnovers, the Patriots exploded for four touchdowns in the third quarter and won their sixth-straight season opener.

"When you really look at a Secaucus football team, they all kind of jell and look the same," said coach Charlie Voorhees, who celebrated his 48th birthday with his 104th career win. "You saw a lot of young guys play, and they produced."

Voorhees certainly got plenty of production from his senior backfield of Roensing and Castellanos, who combined for 283 rushing yards and five touchdowns. Roensing, who racked up 144 yards on 12 carries, added an 82-yard kickoff return for a touchdown to start the third quarter — and with it, the Patriot onslaught.

"I wouldn't have been able to score without some blocking. I give credit to everybody else on this team," said Roensing. "Me and JI, we're boys, we block for each other. We don't care who



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SEAN ROENSING of Secaucus carries the ball during the Patriots' 48-7 victory over Park Ridge yesterday.

scores. It doesn't matter, as long as we get yards."

After Park Ridge opened the game with a seven-play, 64-yard scoring drive, Secaucus responded immediately on its first offensive possession. Castellanos took a handoff from sophomore quarterback Narayan Iyer 40 yards on the Patriots' first play and plunged two yards into the end zone five plays later, capping off a 70-yard drive and tying the game 7-7.

On its second offensive series, Secaucus marched 86 yards in eight plays to go up 14-7 with 0:08 left in the first quarter. But the

drive nearly stalled when the Patriots faced a fourth-and-2 at the Park Ridge 46-yard line. Castellanos blasted through the line of scrimmage with a 12-yard burst. Roensing sprinted 26 yards for a touchdown on the next play.

"I think when we went for it on fourth down, I think that was when we started to decide we were going to execute," said Voorhees.

That was surely the case in the third quarter, when the Patriots quickly put a 14-7 game out of reach for the home team. Senior safety Pat Collins, who

injured his collar bone in last year's opener against Park Ridge and missed the rest of the season, returned to the lineup and enjoyed his first full game in nearly a year. Collins recorded an interception and anchored a stout effort from the secondary alongside junior Jon Jernstedt, who also had an interception.

"We came out and proved that we're better than last year," said Collins. "Every win feeds off the defense. Defense is key and Secaucus always has a great defense, and this year I think we have a really good one."

The offensive cer-

tainly fed off the defense — until it's opportunistic, turning all four second-half turnovers into touchdowns, including an 80-yard sprint from Jenaro Montanez after a Park Ridge red zone fumble to seal the convincing victory.

Secaucus 48-7 (14-0 22-7 48)
Park Ridge 0-7 (0-0 0-0 7)

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S: JI Castellanos 2 run (Jack Pearson kick)
C: Sean Roensing 36 run (Roensing kick)
D: Roensing 82 kick (edge-back failed)
U: Castellanos 30 run (Castellanos kick)
K: Roensing 28 run (Roensing kick)
T: Justin Krause 16 punt from Narayan Iyer (kick failed)
C: Jenaro Montanez 80 run (Pearson kick)

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NOT SO UNLUCKY

Warriors' 13 points on the 13th seals 2013 opener win

By Eric Christopher | @chrisphost

It was the night of Friday the 13th, fitting for Manasquan to notch a lucky break. Senior quarterback Blakey Preece picked off goalkeeper David Jil for a touchdown, sending the Manasquan 13 to defeat Long Branch at the non-discriminated regular season opener for both teams.

Long Branch senior quarterback Graham Hester pitched the ball to his left side. Preece checked the ball out of the air and found the "FieldTurf" in his hands, opening to his first career victory. Preece led for a total lead with 4:30 left in the opening quarter. Senior quarterback Will Preece tipped the ball to senior Tashan

Chambers for the touchdown conversion and an 8-0 lead.

"I should make the grab and I was in the box," said Preece, now in his final varsity season. "My instincts were to go into it. I caught the ball and went to the house. It had a strong to score. The ball dropped right into my hands and I missed the hole. It's a little bit of a gut punch."

Preece said he expected help from senior strong safety Carl Preece, who managed the play. "Carl stepped in there," Preece said. "I got my head down and I saw the ball up. I gave them a quarterback."

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Manasquan's Joe Murphy (22) is tackled by Long Branch's Graham Hester (20) on Friday night.

Former RU No. 52s proud of link

By Ryan Donohue | @ryandohue

It's a story — as he looked on from the stands at the end of the 12 for the Rutgers football team in the end zone on the field, Matt Donohue did not suffer from the loss of the number 52 in the crowd of 4,200 at the Monmouth County Fair in 2010. Donohue's father, Steve Donohue, was in the crowd.

"I'm looking to be proud," Preece says. "I'm not trying to be a hero. I'm just trying to be a warrior. And being a warrior is not being a hero."

"Everybody who has seen when that number should be proud that it is being retired in honor of such a great person as Eric."

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Game ball to you, Coach

Demikoff wins debut with Wayne Hills' rally in fourth quarter

By ED MILLS
PHOTO BY JEFFREY M. HARRIS

FOOTBALL
WAYNE HILLS 17
NORTH HIGHLANDS 34

ALLENDALE — It couldn't have come any better for Wayne Hills' Coach Demikoff, who led his team to a 17-0 victory over North Highlands in the fourth quarter of a football game Friday. Wayne Hills coach Demikoff led his team to a 17-0 victory over North Highlands in the fourth quarter of a football game Friday. Wayne Hills coach Demikoff led his team to a 17-0 victory over North Highlands in the fourth quarter of a football game Friday.

ing the ball 40 yards to the 10-yard line. Demikoff said he was "proud of the way the team played today." Demikoff said he was "proud of the way the team played today." Demikoff said he was "proud of the way the team played today."

Wayne Hills' Demikoff (left) and a player (right) celebrating after a play during the game.

FOOTBALL: PASSAIC TECH 46, PASSAIC 12

Bulldogs rolling

Passaic Tech offense clicks

By KEITH BEE
PHOTO BY JEFFREY M. HARRIS

PASSAIC — The Passaic Tech football team responded to some second-quarter adversity Friday night as well as led back to back touchdowns to help Passaic Tech lead to a 46-12 victory over Passaic Tech.



Passaic Tech's Matty Soriano running for one of his two touchdowns Friday in the first quarter of Passaic Tech's 46-12 victory over Passaic Tech.

Passaic Tech's offense was clicking Friday night as well as led back to back touchdowns to help Passaic Tech lead to a 46-12 victory over Passaic Tech.

BC enjoying trip for battle in Utah

By ANDY VASQUEZ
PHOTO BY JEFFREY M. HARRIS

FOOTBALL

SANDEY Utah — It's not easy to be a high school football team in a state where the competition is so fierce. The Spartans of Sandeay Utah are enjoying their trip to Utah for a battle in Utah.

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Vega plays role of stopper, saves the day for Lodi

By GREGORY SCHULTZ
PHOTO BY JEFFREY M. HARRIS

BUTHERSFORD — This was the kind of game Lodi's Andy Vega wanted. The junior led after he stepped into the goal for the first time and playing his second game as a starting keeper. Vega stepped out and had two solid saves in the final minute Friday to secure the Rams' 2-1 victory over NBC Central Division rival Buttersford.

BOYS SOCCER
LODI 2
BUTHERSFORD 1

Vega again was able to gather to his right and blocked a shot that would have been a goal for the Rams. Vega again was able to gather to his right and blocked a shot that would have been a goal for the Rams.

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Marquette's thriller highlights tourney open

By Greg Owen
PHILADELPHIA — It was the thriller of the tourney when Marquette's guard Darius Miller (left) and head coach Buzz Williams (right) celebrated after Miller led the winning basket against Davidson.

MARQUETTE 55
DAVIDSON 53

with 26 seconds left. "It's not ready to go home. I have my hands on my head to get home. We got down by five points, nobody ever predicted. ... Nobody missed a beat. We knew the game isn't over until the clock hits zero."



Marquette guard Darius Miller (left) and head coach Buzz Williams (right) celebrated after Miller led the winning basket against Davidson.

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Girls Basketball Player of the Year: Madison McClintock Gloucester

St. Maddie's Day

Lions' senior a force on and off the court



By Scott Thompson
Lions' senior Madison McClintock (right) led the team to a 21-4 record in the South Jersey Group 1 girls basketball tournament.

Gloucester center Madison McClintock had a dominant senior campaign, leading the area in scoring at 21.4 points per game and averaging nearly 14 rebounds a game in her team over the second South Jersey Group 1 girls basketball tournament.

Family affair for Blue Jays

By Robert Edwards
PHILADELPHIA — The Cougton University men's basketball team probably wouldn't be a No. 1 seed at this year's NCAA Tournament without junior Doug McInerney.

McInerney probably wouldn't be on the team if not for his brother Greg, who has led the team in scoring and rebounding since he transferred to Cougton from his hometown of Trenton.

Greg and Doug are the only brothers to play together quite lately for the Cougton team.

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Wolverines' Smick did more than just score points

By Scott Thompson
Tori Smick (right) led the team to a 21-4 record in the South Jersey Group 1 girls basketball tournament.

Lions' Johnson steps up to fill void in a big way

By Scott Thompson
Kennedy Johnson (right) led the team to a 21-4 record in the South Jersey Group 1 girls basketball tournament.

Duke's Coach K reminisces with return to Philadelphia

By Robert Edwards
PHILADELPHIA — Duke University head coach Mike Krzyzewski had more in common with the city of Philadelphia than his team's title coach Reginald Fielder was...

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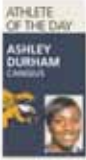
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ATHLETE OF THE DAY
ASHLEY DURHAM
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BASKETBALL
 Durham scored 20 points and grabbed 10 rebounds in the final game of the season for the Fighting Clans. She was named Athlete of the Day for her performance.

Vland D steps up in win over 'Gami

Fighting Clan earn 1st home win, 55-52

By Tom McManis
 Vland D's victory over the Fighting Clans was a significant win for the team. The game was played at the home arena, and the team showed great improvement.



Vland D's victory over the Fighting Clans was a significant win for the team.

NFL Hall finalists announced

The NFL Hall of Fame finalists for the 2010 season have been announced. The list includes several players from the Philadelphia Eagles and other teams.



Portrait of a player mentioned in the article.

Reid raids Eagles' staff



Reid sitting on bleachers with a basketball.

Reid has been recruiting staff members from the Philadelphia Eagles. The team is looking for experienced coaches and trainers to help improve their performance.

BACK FROM THE SHADOWS

Bolts' Evans returns after missing last season

Evans has returned to the Philadelphia Flyers after missing the entire last season. The team is excited to have him back and hopes he will contribute significantly.

Leighton happy to be back with the Flyers

Leighton is happy to be back with the Philadelphia Flyers. He has enjoyed his time with the team and is looking forward to helping them succeed.



Leighton in a Flyers uniform.

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In memory of a bright light

St. Mary stalwart Megan Macaluso is gone much too soon



Megan Macaluso sharing a moment with her father, Mark Macaluso, at a St. Mary football game in 2016. Megan passed away from cancer Sunday at age 16.

Best overall: Mahwah coach Jeff Fagan says the team is probably the best that he's ever coached, with junior WR/DB/DB James Paul leading the way. Paul will be used extensively, on offense, helping to offset the loss of senior QB Greg Hoyer. Macaluso is strong on special teams, as is senior K Zach Fragomeni and senior F Jason Stepp. The Thunderbolt start 16 varsity letterman from the previous season, and the majority of the starters on both sides of the ball.

Biggest concern: Mahwah has talent on the offense and defense lines, but lacks experience on front 7. Zach Heermann plays arm, Mahwah must find a new quarterback. Stepp and Ryan Rivers, a junior, are competing for the job. But the passing game will be improved by senior running back Robert Adams, who had more than 1,100 yards rushing last season, and Mahwah expects to be improved over last season, despite some key losses.

— Andy Vasquez

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One son's endless devotion a holiday lesson for us all

Caring for MS-stricken mom fills high school football star's days and nights

By Matthew Stanmyre

Hungry and alone, Vaida Jefferson lives in a cold, dark apartment, waiting for her son to come home.

She has barely moved in 11 hours. A crowd of people surrounds her frail, 100-pound body. Her pale thin lips are firmed and bunched toward her chest, still and stilled.

The television, as it does so often, marks her countdown on this late October day. "The Queen Latifah Show" is the morning.

The news at noon.

"Judge Alex" between 1 and 2.

And then, "Everybody Loves Raymond" returns.

At times, she stares out her second-floor window, gazing at the mountainside electricity lines from Passaic County toward western Jersey. But now they have been swallowed by darkness, as Vaida knows her boy will be home soon.

At 6:43 p.m., she hears a key slide into the front door. A small smile crosses her face.

"Hi Ma!" Quai Jefferson calls.

"Yes baby," Vaida answers in a tiny voice.

"What are you up to, what are you?" he asks, looking to the right, ignoring the look and feeling he has inherited, leaning down with a reassuring touch.

The only package he grabbed that morning — plastic containers filled with carrots, cooked potatoes and mushrooms, and two bottles of water — has been changed.

"What are you doing?" Quai asks. "Is one more? Should I clear the windows?" The one word waiting right now? "What now?"

Tell me something with more meaning than just a common-sense smile. Quai Jefferson, 18, is a senior with a minor in the state's No. 1-ranked



At left, Quai Jefferson braces his mother Vaida good night at Wayne West Care Center early this month. Above, with mom in attendance how often later, Quai waits the rest of the home care game against Rutgers, a 40-21, St. Joe's win.

Another delay for Obama's health law

Small businesses must wait for online market

By Sarah Holt

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration announced on Tuesday it would delay a significant part of the health care law that the nation's small-business owners are waiting for.

The Small Business Health Options Program, known as the SHOP marketplace, will not offer online enrollment until November 2014, a one-year delay from a health care law that was passed for this year.

Administration officials also announced the delay on an online market as they promised them to the individual health exchange which the House has approved. The law will "work promptly" for the health care market, said Sen. J.

"What's important is our work to continue to guarantee the law's enactment, especially for those who are waiting in the interim," the health said. "These decisions will be made in the weeks ahead."

"We've concluded that we can best serve small employers by continuing this offline process."

The Obama administration is delaying the launch of an online market for small businesses, according to a report by Reuters. The report says that the administration is delaying the launch of the SHOP marketplace until 2014, a one-year delay from the law's original timeline.

Small businesses will still have the option to purchase SHOP health insurance plans through a broker or agent, who will assist the employer with filing a paper application. The federal government expects to process these filings by the end of the year, but the delay will affect the number of small businesses that can enroll.

"We've concluded that the best way to serve small employers is by continuing the offline process while we continue to build out the marketplace's technology and infrastructure," said a spokesman for the administration.

Health law supporters expressed a question of the delay, but said they will support the overall goal of making it easier for small businesses to get health care.

"It's disappointing that the law's provisions of the health care law will be delayed and it's important that we continue to work on getting the law passed as quickly as possible," said a spokesman for the Small Business Administration.

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US economy adds 195,000 jobs

By CHRISTOPHER S. BISHOP
WASHINGTON — U.S. employers added a robust 195,000 jobs in June and more in July and May than previously thought. The job growth suggests a stronger economy and means the Federal Reserve could slow its bond purchases to help cool inflation.

The unemployment rate remained 4.3 percent because more people started looking for jobs — a healthy sign — and some didn't find them. The government doesn't count people in seasonal jobs for the month.

The Labor Department's report Friday pointed to a U.S. job market that's showing surprising resilience in the face of the economic federal spending cuts and economic weakness overseas. Unemployment has added an average 201,000 jobs for the past six months, up from 180,000 in the previous six.

June's job gain was led by consumer spending and the housing recovery. Consumer confidence has reached a 1 1/2-year high and is helping drive up sales of homes and cars. Spending was especially strong in June among retailers, hotels, restaurants, recreation companies and financial services firms.

The economy that we're seeing is more sustainable than we thought ... We're seeing better job numbers, the stock market is increasing and home prices are rising...
— Paul Fisher, U.S. economist at JPMorgan Chase & Co.

Note to readers
The Wall Street Journal's Money page is moving to Sunday to make room for more news. There will be no Sunday Money morning columns.

ACHIEVERS



Christine Barber

Christine Barber, a former advertising executive, communications consultant, leadership and strategy

advisor, received her M.A. in Leadership from the University of North Carolina, where she was a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. She has also received her M.A. in Leadership from the University of North Carolina, where she was a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.



Elizabeth Garcia

Elizabeth Garcia has been appointed chairwoman of the law firm's labor and employment law group. Garcia is a member of the New York State Bar Association and the New York State Labor Relations Board.

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Lisa Dippel

Lisa Dippel, a fourth grade teacher, is an assistant principal at the elementary school. She has been an assistant principal for the past five years.

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A slice of NAPLES

Two friends will be opening a new pizzeria later this month.

By CHRIS BISHOP
NAPLES, Fla. — Two friends and business partners, Gary Roberts of Burlington Township and Terry Latta of Hamilton, Mass., are hoping to get a slice of the local pizza market this summer.

Their new venture is the corner of Burlington Avenue and Chestnut Street in Naples, Fla. The restaurant will serve up Neapolitan-style pizza made in a brick oven.

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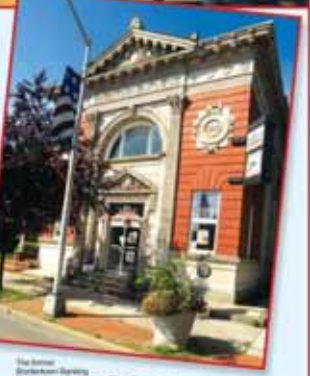
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The former Burlington Township City building is being renovated for a new pizzeria.

TF Financial officially takes over Roebling Bank

By CHRIS BISHOP

FINANCIAL — It's official, although not surprising to banking observers.

TF Financial Corp., the owner of Third Federal Bank in Naperville, Ill., has announced its takeover of Burlington Financial Corp., parent of Roebling Bank, for \$114 million.

Announced last December, the merger will create TF Financial's presence in South Jersey. Third Federal Bank TF Financial, including its 11 branches in Burlington County, will be merged into the new TF Financial.

After taking over the merger, TF Financial's parent, TF Financial Corp., will be merged into the new TF Financial.

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Your own personal debt ceiling

When the Federal Reserve officials are ready to raise the debt ceiling, Congress has been working to raise the "debt ceiling" to prevent the government from running out of cash. This is usually a good thing, but it's not always so. If you're not careful, you could find yourself in a similar situation.

Unfortunately, most Americans do not have the luxury of getting out from under their debt. Many are trapped in what they see as the only option: to pay it off. But there are ways to avoid this. One is to negotiate with your creditors. Another is to file for bankruptcy. Both have pros and cons. It's important to understand your options before making a decision.

Acknowledge problem
The first step to reducing debt is to acknowledge that a debt problem exists. Don't ignore it. Write down all your debts, including credit cards, loans, and other obligations. This will help you see the full picture and make a plan to deal with it.

Budget
Reducing, analyzing and monitoring your budget is critical to reducing debt. If you want to reach your goal, you need to know where your money is going. Track your expenses for a month or two. You'll likely find areas where you can cut back. This will help you create a realistic budget that allows you to pay down your debt.

The use of debt
One of the biggest expenses in a household is the use of debt. This includes credit cards, loans, and other forms of borrowing. While debt can be a useful tool, it can also be a burden. Make sure you understand the terms of any debt you incur and use it wisely.

Begin switching to cash
After reviewing your budget and making a plan, it's time to begin switching to cash. This means paying off your debts with cash rather than credit. This will help you avoid the high interest rates and fees associated with borrowing.

Consolidate debt
Consolidating your debt through one loan can be a helpful strategy. This can help you simplify your payments and potentially secure a lower interest rate. However, it's important to understand the terms of the new loan and how it will affect your overall financial situation.



Chemist John Sofranko, CEO and founder of Bio2Energy, which he started to build a small-scale reactor that converts natural gas into a liquid transportation fuel, poses at a fuel cell test station at his West Windsor company. "I'm not focused on getting rich. I'm really focused on inventing and testing some new things in the marketplace similar to what I did 30 to 35 years ago," he says.

Bio-renewables can be a gas



Above, Sofranko holds a part from a fuel cell he built. He, 37, and wife, company, Bio2Energy, is developing technologies for the conversion of bio-renewable fuels to power. The company received a \$100,000 grant from the Department of Energy to create a reactor that converts natural gas to gasoline while also creating energy.



In previous photos, chief of Bio2Energy, which he started to build a small-scale reactor that converts natural gas into a liquid transportation fuel, poses at a fuel cell test station at his West Windsor company.

Chemist John Sofranko is developing technologies to convert bio-renewable fuels to power.

By Christine Lee

WHAT WOULD YOU do if you had to start your own company at the beginning of your career or at the end of it? Lucky for him, starting his company at the end of his career provided him with a wealth of knowledge in a new, promising scientific field of study.

The 37-year-old scientist, Bio2Energy, is developing technologies for the conversion of bio-renewable fuels to power. Most recently, the company received a \$100,000 grant from the Department of Energy to create a reactor that converts natural gas to gasoline while also creating energy.

Sofranko is using his background in research and development and his scientific knowledge to build a company that focuses on his own.

"I've done so many different things in my career," he says. "I know all the commercial side. I know the science side. I know how to make technologies work and I know why technologies fail."

THE AD GAME

Companies trying to get more bang for their Super Bowl advertising buck



Televisions has been limiting the work, but that doesn't make it any cheaper. It's no accident that most Super Bowl XLVII commercials have debuted online and not about as long as a standard web video, said Mark Scott, CEO of OGV Integrated Marketing Communications in Montville.

In fact, one of the challenges facing advertisers is the fact that the Super Bowl is not the only place where they can reach their target audience. With the rise of social media and other digital platforms, advertisers are looking for ways to reach their audience in new and innovative ways.

One way to do this is by using targeted advertising. This allows advertisers to reach their target audience more effectively. Another way is by using interactive advertising. This allows advertisers to engage their audience and create a more memorable experience.

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Jacks of all trades



Michael Cunningham tends to the baby. Five, 6 months old, while shopping for baby toys but not for his own. Cunningham has no employees, so he takes care of all aspects of the business.

More business owners going alone, without any employees

■ Almost 72 percent of New Jersey companies in 2012 were operated solely by their owners.

BY MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM

Business, backdoor, adviser and entrepreneur — Michael Cunningham is all of these in the owner of his little kid's store.

For a while the odds weren't good. "I had a meeting to attend in the middle of the day and had to figure out who to call to watch the store," Cunningham says. "When you're the only one here, the store is your baby."

Cunningham's store makes up a large part of his income in the region and the state.

Almost 72 percent of New Jersey companies were run by their owners in 2012, according to an analysis of the latest U.S. Census Bureau data available.

The number of solo owner-operated firms grew nearly 4 percent from 2009, while those with employees dropped about 4 percent.

Owners of businesses without employees are challenged to staff the shop, manage the store, handle the books and keep up on marketing and bookkeeping that may become critical to success or failure.

Cunningham, who previously owned a retail store business as its only owner, said his role grew from manager to entrepreneur. He now has 12 the one who adds three employees.

Although he works 14 hours a day in the store, Cunningham said he gets help and advice from family and friends, but he plans on expanding his business into other areas that would bring employees.

Those concerned businesses typically generate less revenue and loss of an owner, lower their operating costs with employees.

The average New Jersey company with paid employees had an annual average payroll of \$768,277 in 2012, whereas the average solo owner-operated business generated about \$40,000 in revenue that year, according to census data.

But not every owner-operated business has a low revenue. Cunningham's store, an average that earned more than \$100,000 in 2012.

Joseph Vitellaro, chief director of the Small Business Development Center at the Newark Institute College, helps entrepreneurs plan new businesses, many of

| Year | Number | Revenue | Employees |
|------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 2012 | 10,449 (2011: 10,449) | 7,757 (\$400B) | 4,707 (263,776) |
| 2011 | 10,241 (2010: 10,241) | 7,770 (\$400B) | 4,948 (263,776) |
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which start with no employees.

Multitasking suggests that they don't think about growth and other "to-do" lists are needed to balance professional, personal and business. They are willing to expand.

By their nature, owner-operated businesses are more likely to be successful in recession than those with employees.

Since 2008 and 2010, Cunningham has seen an increase in his employees. Many are employees started during market downturns.

"We thought we'd have more if you can't find a job, maybe you can make your own," he said.

"The risk is in you, and all the reward is on you, too," he said.

He is a spouse who works 20 years in the Atlantic City area.

She said her customers were leaving, mostly during the recession. She said she had to pick up the business. "I had to be creative," she said.

Thinking about other ways getting feedback from employees, said Foster-Gardner, who previously owned two businesses, including a bookstore with three employees in Pomona, Pa.

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In Atlantic City, she and Cunningham operate, the construction, retail and other. Health care and social assistance services are some of the most popular.

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What to know as tax season begins Wed.

■ Congress' last-minute actions passed many limited taxpayer relief acts.

By CAROL FELDMAN

WASHINGTON — Taxpayers preparing their 2012 returns can breathe a collective sigh of relief.

The legislative package, an act, has been passed — retroactively — and several tax credits and deductions that expired at the end of 2012 were extended as part of the tax-cutting measure that Congress passed and President Barack Obama signed last week in January.

"I certainly don't have too many more of the tax benefits that had expired for many people," Mark Walker, chief tax officer with Deloitte Tax, says. "The extension will be a relief for people's tax returns, making their 2012 returns larger than they would have been."

But the ability to congressional action could mean confusion, for some taxpayers may still wonder and deductions will expire.

That could make going to a CPA or tax preparer or a tax professional's office a better option than trying to figure it out on your own.

There were 40 percent of taxpayers who in a tax preparer or tax professional's office in 2012, according to the Internal Revenue Service, a 20 percent drop from 2011.

The Internal Revenue Service will begin accepting returns in 16, an eight-day delay compared to the last congressional action.

"We have worked hard to figure out some options as quickly as possible," IRS Acting Commissioner Steven T. Miller said. "This does mean we have the time we need to get it done and not get the 'no return' message."

The agency said most taxpayers — about 80 percent —

Bottom Lines
Fed data show recession hurt poorest renters

A new study of affordability and availability of rental housing in the region of the Federal Reserve shows that the mortgage recession and housing crisis continue to make it difficult for the lowest income renters.

The research also suggests that the price of rent has risen in many areas, but the price of rent has risen in many areas.

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Geithner bullish on U.S. economy as he leaves Treasury

■ The end of President Barack Obama's original financial adviser opens America's door to a new era.

By MARTIN CRUTCHER

WASHINGTON — Incoming Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner says the U.S. economy will strengthen this year — in part because of the 12 U.S. Treasury will be able to get the job done.

Geithner, who previously served two terms as director of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, said, "There are lots of people now qualified to do it," Geithner said.

Obama has named a 10-member staff and named the White House budget director to succeed Geithner as Treasury secretary. Geithner's resignation is expected to be announced in the coming days.

Geithner was the last remaining original economic adviser without a nomination during a turbulent two-year period in which the administration had to navigate the worst U.S. economic and financial crisis since the Great Depression of the 1930s.

In a wide-ranging interview, Geithner made three other points.

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INVESTING Charles Jaffe

Those who avoid market risk also miss out on its gains

When Charles Jaffe, the greatest hedge-fund manager of all time — he once won the Nobel Prize for his work — told me that “the entire investment industry is a scam,” I was shocked. I don’t think I’ve ever heard of a hedge-fund manager saying that. I don’t think I’ve ever heard of a hedge-fund manager saying that. I don’t think I’ve ever heard of a hedge-fund manager saying that.

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The wrong man

Israeli veteran denied apartment after credit-reporting company wrongly pegs him as a criminal



Chas Epps is trying to clear his name after Scoring Reports, a credit-reporting company, incorrectly told his potential landlord that he had a criminal record. It turns out that Scoring Reports has an "F" rating with the Better Business Bureau.

I just had a crisis. I have, that's what they all say. But in Chas Epps' case, it's true, even though a credit-reporting agency doesn't believe it. Last spring, Epps decided to find a new apartment. He researched and asked around, and he found the complex he wanted to call home. "It's in a very quiet neighborhood, very well maintained," said Epps, 30, who studies criminal justice at Berkeley College. The Navy veteran, who served three tours in Iraq, gave a rental agency \$245 for an application fee and partial down payment. There would also be a background check. No problem, thought Epps. He was wrong.

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OF INTEREST

Little motorbike makes big splash

In 2016, the Honda Grom had one word that defined it: "fun." It's not a big motorcycle and it's not a big name either. A half-century later, Honda has returned to the classic mini-motorcycle for a new generation of young riders. And it's not just a new name either. The Grom is a new breed of mini-motorcycle, one that's designed to be a fun, easy-to-ride bike. It's a perfect choice for anyone looking for a fun, easy-to-ride bike. The Grom is a new breed of mini-motorcycle, one that's designed to be a fun, easy-to-ride bike. It's a perfect choice for anyone looking for a fun, easy-to-ride bike.



The 2016 Honda Grom has proved to be very popular with bikers. Some dealerships, sold out of the red model, have started selling black.

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Two girls out to save their world – Sweet!

Nina Burden and Emma Bowers share a pie in the sky idea that they can change the world.

It's not really pie, it's cupcakes, so far about 8,000 baked, topped with fluffs of icing, drizzled with miniature candy hearts then sold or given away in an effort to help Hurricane Sandy recovery efforts, plus, a number of other worthy causes.



L.A. PARKER

Inside their family's Columbus kitchens, this dynamic duo bake and dream as siblings, parents and pets swirl around them. Inside their hearts, this fascinating pair of soulmates have discovered life's wonderful gift of love.

Their star-crossed worlds mix Julia Child's "Joy of Cooking" with Giles Andreae's "Love is a Handful of Honey." Pop them in the oven for about 30 minutes then Presto! Change-oh, how sweet love is.

First, Two Girls and Their Cupcakes had been a money-making business but Hurricane Sandy changed everything. New Jersey's most devastating storm produced a game-change and name-change. The mega storm delivered a life-altering experience for two ten-year-old St. Mary's Elementary School fifth graders.

"After Hurricane Sandy, we couldn't build houses. And we couldn't go out and clean up a lot of the beaches. But we could bake cupcakes. So, that's what we wanted to do to help the hurricane victims," Burden explained.

They laughed about their first Two Girls and Their Cupcakes assignment when they baked 100 cupcakes for St. Patrick's Day. Those cupcakes were gobbled up by loving grandparents and other relatives.



Nina Burden and Emma Bowers sell some of the more than 8,000 cupcakes they have baked for Sandy Relief.

"There was cake mix every where. It was a mess," Burden said.

"Actually, it was the disaster before the hurricane disaster," Bowers joked.

The girls changed their initiative to "Operation Cupcake" after Sandy struck. Hundreds of cupcakes had given them the experience needed to perform much of their duties without adult supervision.

Emma's mother, Nancy Bowers, said the girls have everything in order.

"Now, they do everything on their own. The only thing I do is put the cupcakes in the oven. And then take them out. They do just about everything else," Nancy Bowers praised.

While nibbly morsels of cupcakes end up in stom-

achs throughout New Jersey, Emma Bowers and Nina Burden are leaving their marks almost everywhere.

Their baked goods have reached the Red Cross, soldiers helping with shore relief areas, as well as, retirement homes.

Bake sales have raised enough money to purchase 12 microwave ovens, four coffee makers, and three crock pots. A raffle raised \$1,000 for a flamingo-pink Kitchenaid mixer. Home-town Heroes, a charity that helps people in need that were affected by Hurricane Sandy, matched that Operation Cupcake windfall.

When Home Depot heard that the girls were planning to purchase two refrigerators that would be awarded to Hurricane Sandy vic-

tims, the company said they would add another refrigerator to the girls' effort.

With so much sweetness, love and incredible stories being told inside the Bowers' kitchen, one half-expected "Maria" to fall out of a broom closet for a verse or two of her "Favorite Things."

"Young girls with bright smiles inside this warm kitchen.

Big dreams and cupcakes are what they love pitchin'." Emma is mixing and Nina, she sings.

These are a few of my favorite things."

OK, OK. Back to this better than half-baked enterprise.

When they talk about "almásn", a word offered by both Nancy Bowers and Rosemary Burden, Nina's

mother, an overwhelming feeling erupted that these small girls are doing more than most for the world.

They giggle about almost everything. Smile about almost everything else. Arguments come and go, lasting as long as it takes for them to come up with their next daydream for helping others.

The girls both agreed that their argument total had reached a low-water mark of two. Maybe three. All smoothed over like resolution frosting.

"What do we get out of it," Nina Burden repeated. "Cupcakes. Smiles," she said.

The world, their world, once limited to the confines of Columbus, Burlington County or summer trigs to the shore, now stretches as far as the heart can reach.

One thing is for certain, Nina Burden and Emma Bowers will never look the same way at Belmar, Long Beach Island, or Brigantine.

These splendid summer stops will never look the

same for me, especially not after meeting these girls.

One can not predict how long their ad-venture will last. Life happens, sometimes like Hurricane Sandy other times like melting snow.

They may dabble in cupcakes today but their tomorrows offer promised days of love.

Andreae penned these beautiful words.

"And then when your stomachs are grumbly, love is untagging your treats, and love's stuffing everything in all at once leaving masses of mess on your cheeks."

Enjoy the sweet icing days of youth, girls.

May they follow you into tomorrow and decades beyond.

You have unleashed God's great gift of giving.

For every question, storm, defeat, triumph, and miscalculation in life, always remember: love is the answer.

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Meet America's weapon of choice



Dan O'Malley of North Arlington checking his AR-15 with instructor Robert Howe at a shooting range in Belleville.

How and why the AR-15 came to take off

Not long after September 11, the world's most common rifle, the AR-15, was used to shoot down a 28-year-old young woman and the father of her unborn child in Newtown, Conn. In December, a 20-year-old man shot his way into a movie theater in Aurora, Ill., and killed 12 people and wounded 70 others.

The AR-15 rifle has become a household name. It's easy to see why. It's like a sports car. It looks cool. It looks racy. And it mimics the military, and people love the military.

N.J. won't feel the worst of sequester

Having fewer federal workers helps insulate state, for now

By ANTHONY CAMPISI
 STAFF WRITER

Defenders of sequestration have been flying fast and furious in the days leading up to the deadline for the 10% budget cuts across the board. The federal spending rate across the board is set to drop 10%.

But as officials and experts in New Jersey get a closer look at the latest cuts, they are finding that the worst effects of the sequester may be felt until the coming fiscal year.

Familiar agencies expect hardest hit

Jobs on line in food safety, airports

By LISA REIN
 STAFF WRITER

WASHINGTON — This much is clear about the 10% budget cuts across the board: spending cuts that include the FBI follow in familiar agencies are expected to be the most painful.

College level learning just a click away

By PATRICIA ALEX
 STAFF WRITER

Free online classes featuring professors from the world's best universities are opening up the learning world for anyone with an internet connection. Millions of learners have signed up over the past year, and schools like Rutgers University are scrambling to see how they might take a more active role in promoting higher education.

Home schooling

Massive online courses get a new development in distance learning that provides free access to courses taught at some of the world's most prestigious universities.

INSIDE

Commuter trains help home values

While home values have fallen about 20 percent in the region since the housing boom's peak in 2006, prices have held up better in towns along commuter train lines.

Towns put focus on healthy living

A growing number of health-conscious towns are launching health and fitness programs, aimed at helping residents live longer, healthier lives.

A new 'Oz,' but don't call it a remake

It's off to see the wizard — again. Only this time, it's the kid with the pigskin.

Florida's deadly sinkhole growing

Engineers worked gingerly to stabilize the sinkhole, but they were still trying to determine the extent of the sinkhole network.

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Dancing the night away



Teen helps remake memories

It's not every day that I see a reminder of that where I used to live...



Mike Schaefer and Sarah Bell, in left photo, attend the 2012 Homecoming...



I wanted to write to you about the challenges of making it to college...

At night, Julie Exner dances with her son Richard Thomas...



It's 2012. And the crowd of the recently crowned...



They were finally seated. Heavy metal guitars...

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High hopes Ruf proving his worth

By Bob Evans

PHILADELPHIA — There had been some talk for the Phillies' new first baseman, but the team's new first baseman, Ryan Howard, is proving his worth.

Howard's first game was on Tuesday. He had played in some league games and the only time he had been in trouble was the first game — all practice games, none real September.

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Ryan Howard of the Phillies made several bases on his home run in the seventh inning against the Washington Nationals July 31.

Wenonah takes 3rd at Tri-Co

By Bob Evans

MEADOWS — When Chris Shivers came to town for the Wenonah Tri-Co last year, he was looking for a team to beat. He found it in the Wenonah Tri-Co.

Wenonah finished third in the Tri-Co tournament. The team was led by Chris Shivers, who was named MVP.

Wenonah's success was due to a combination of factors, including strong pitching and solid defense.

1993 reunion brings back special memories



Former Philadelphia Phillies pitcher Steve Carlton (left) and manager Charlie Finley (right) during the 1993 reunion.

PHILADELPHIA — The 1993 Philadelphia Phillies reunion was a special event for fans and players alike.

The team gathered for a reunion at Citizens Bank Park. The event was a celebration of the team's 100th anniversary.

Former pitcher Steve Carlton and manager Charlie Finley were among the attendees. The reunion was a nostalgic event for many fans.



Edgar Chiriz of Greenwich swims in the 100-meter backstroke during the Tri-Co Swimming Championships at Deer Brook Swim Club.

GREENWICH — Edgar Chiriz of Greenwich won the 100-meter backstroke during the Tri-Co Swimming Championships.

Chiriz finished with a time of 1:15.44. He was the only swimmer from Greenwich to win a medal.

Cooper says he was threatened

By The Associated Press

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WELCOME BACK



Dallas Cowboys quarterback Matt Ryan passes for 18 yards in the first quarter against the Miami Dolphins at the Pro Football Hall of Fame exhibition football game Sunday. (AP Photo/Chris O'Meara)

Greenwich falls to N.Y.

By Bob Evans

GREENWICH — The East Greenwich Little League football team lost to the New York Yankees in the first round of the playoffs.

The Yankees won 10-0. The game was played at the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

The East Greenwich team was led by Matt Ryan, who was named MVP.

Woods shoots 70, coasts to eighth win at Bridgestone

By Bob Evans

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A wrestler loses, and everybody wins

Display of sportsmanship makes for a night to remember.

Jackson Baker said it was no big deal. These coaches asked the senior at Penna Grove High School to do something for another wrestler, he said he would do it. Simple as that.



But don't tell that to the folks at Maitland Regional High School. Don't tell that to the administrators, coaches, and wrestlers and family and friends of Montague wrestler John Phillips.



They knew Baker did something special on the night of Feb. 13 by agreeing to wrestle in Phillips' place. An enthusiastic and popular 16-year-old who has wrestled for two years in a junior-varsity "volunteer" role.

Phillips scored a takedown, then Baker escaped. Baker scored another takedown, but Phillips escaped. Finally, Phillips scored another takedown, pinned Baker on his back, and registered a pin in the first "two" hour of his life.



Rancocas Valley's Lauren Moses, who finished with 20 points and 10 rebounds, drives past Willingboro's Mickey Coleman.

Moses, RV again top Willingboro

By Chris Michaluk

It's not a new attitude — just one word, really. And Lauren Moses was thinking it as she walked to midcourt for the opening tip.

The win means RV (23-5, 9-1 division), ranked No. 1 in South Jersey by The Inquirer and by 2 Willingboro (19-4, 9-1) will show the Burlington County Liberty Division title after splitting two regular-season meetings.

For Moses, the game was yet another moment during her recent year.

The junior was effective in just about every way a basketball player can be effective. She finished with 20 points, 10 rebounds, 4 steals, 4 assists, and 2 blocks.

This comes just three days after Moses recorded 20 points and 13 rebounds in RV's 44-win over Willingboro in the South Jersey Invitational Basketball Tournament final.

And Willingboro is far from the only notable challenger on the state 4A team in The Inquirer's South Jersey rankings.

The three-point contest's quarterfinals included three observers — four cheerleaders, one guard Emily Lyons, junior point guard Rudy Pugh, and sophomore guard Ryan Pugh.

— Chris Michaluk

Spotlight on:

Gloucester Catholic Freshman Maggie McIntyre

Maggie McIntyre had such her previous two half-court shots and watching her step up for a third try. Maggie McIntyre said, "I could hardly watch," the Gloucester Catholic star said.

Spotlight on:

South Jersey Girls' Sports Eustace starts fast, finishes off Wilson

By Thomas Mahon
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THEATER

Rarely seen Shakespeare play explores themes of jealousy and forgiveness

'A Winter's Tale'
When: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursday, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays, through April 22
Where: Matthews Theatre, McCarter Theatre Center, 81 University Place, Princeton
Admission: \$20-\$72 (853) 259-2787 or mccarter.org

By Ted Otten
OF THE TIMES

When McCarter Theatre began advertising its revival of Shakespeare's rarely performed 'A Winter's Tale,' it promised "redemption, reconciliation, the mending of broken hearts, prisoners and princesses, disguised identities, jealous kings, oracles, pickpockets and one ravensome bear."

However, anyone who remembered director Rebecca Taichman's delightful and gorgeous staging of "Twelfth Night" at McCarter in 2009 already knew that there would be something special in the offering. "A Winter's Tale," opening tonight for a runthrough April 21 at McCarter's Matthews Theatre, is not a literary romantic comedy, however. It's one of Shakespeare's all-encompassing works that raise the gamut of human emotions from hilarious to tragic.

That alone led actor Mark Harelik, making his McCarter debut in the leading role of Leontes, the jealous and sometimes irrational king of Sicily, to wonder why it isn't performed more often and why he'd never been in it before.

"It's a play that has everything, really," Harelik says. "There's adventure and comedy, several love stories and one of the most intense portrayals of the destructive power of jealousy and the healing power of forgiveness that I know of. The emotional Shakespeare explores are universal. You don't have to be rich to know jealousy, just as you don't have to be poor to feel emptiness and deprivation. Shakespeare doesn't limit by rank or class, and that's why he still speaks to audiences today," says Harelik, who has appeared in many Shakespearean roles throughout his career.

Harelik explains that Leontes' jealousy of his wife, Hermione, is an especially fierce emotion compared with that of an ordinary man, because Leontes is king and holds ultimate decision-making power. Although Hermione is declared guileless by the oracle of Delphi and Apollo, Leontes still sentences her to death, and his decision starts a chain of events which proves tragic for himself.

While Hermione is in prison, she gives birth to a daughter, Perdita, whom Leontes orders banished and left in a desert place "to feed for herself," and his only son, Mamillius, dies of grief over his parents' troubles. Leontes, then without wife or heir, then reverts, but his regret comes too late.

Since Taichman's cast is comparatively small, many actors play multiple roles, and Harelik also plays the more flamboyant role of Autolycus, a thief and pickpocket whose lighthearted nature is almost the exact opposite of Leontes.

"On the surface, those two men couldn't be more different," Harelik says. "Leontes represents royal court life and all that goes with it, its pomp and grandeur and formality. Autolycus had been a member of the court and was thrown out of it, so he actively works against propriety and its rules and standards. He's a rogue."

"Yes, it's quite a test of my abilities, but that's one of the things that makes acting a challenge," Harelik says. "There's a costume change involved too, but there are actually both differences and similarities of character and motivation and attitude between the two that we explored during rehearsal, and I don't think our director chose that additional role for me without good reason."

The role of Queen Hermione gives actress Hannah Yelland, a 2011 Tony Award nominee for her performance in the New York revival of "Brief Encounter," a long break off stage, since Hermione appears at the beginning and end of the play, but not in the middle. Surprisingly enough, the role is not only Yelland's McCarter debut role but the first Shakespearean character she has ever played in a varied career that has taken her to Toronto, Dublin, Brooklyn, London's West End and Broadway.

"She's very much in love with her husband, and she cannot reconcile his accusations with her own behavior," Yelland says. "She has a deep and loving friendship with King Polixenes, the man Leontes suspects of being her lover and the father of Perdita, but she would never have been unfaithful. She has great belief and trust in the Oracle and in a strict moral code and rules which should help people govern their conduct, so I think she is really flabbergasted by his accusations."

"This outraged and irrational king is not the man she has loved as her husband and with whom she has shared such joy and accomplishment, and I think her own is so much like her, which is why he becomes depressed and sick when he sees his family being torn apart," Yelland adds. "His death is a terrible blow to her as is the loss of her daughter, but it is she who makes one of the most demanding decisions in the play."

Yelland lists the joy of acting with her father, David Yelland, in the acclaimed Royal Shakespeare Company production of "Nicholas Nickleby" in her impressive resume.

"She must be the one to forgive, but I do not believe what Leontes and her love for him have cost her," Yelland says.

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Rarely Seen Shakespeare Play Explores Themes of Jealousy and Forgiveness



Mark Harelik, left, as Leontes, performs a scene with Ted van Griethuysen in "A Winter's Tale" at the McCarter Theatre Center.



Hannah Yelland, left, as Hermione, performs a scene with Heather Wood in "A Winter's Tale."

'Crowns' Celebrates Rich Traditions of African-American Community Ritz Presents Harrowing Portrait of the Ultimate Dysfunctional Family

Ted Otten

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BILL OF FARE

Beer is the focus of the menu at brew pub in former bank building

By Susan Sprague Yeske FOR THE TIMES

The interiors of century-old banks are filled with marble and wrought iron, hushed places where people quietly conduct their financial business.

For 130 years that was the status of the Yardley National Bank on Main Street in Yardley, Pa., and later by modern banks. In October that changed when the venerable institution became Vault Brewing Co., where brewmaster Mark Thomas crafts beers in large tanks that flank the walls.

A copper pizza oven is located behind a wrought iron grate, and patrons' lively conversation fills the once solemn space.

Vault is the creation of brothers John and James Cain, who embraced the concept after a family visit to Australia where brew pubs serving pizza are common. "We realized that was an idea we could replicate," John Cain says.

They found their location and hired Thomas, Cain says. "His philosophy is his take on European and American styles of beer."

Beers drive the menu, Cain says, including seasonal dishes timed to pair with the release of specialty beers. On our visit six beers were on tap, Belgian blonde, Bavarian Hellesweiss, ESL, rose IPA, and oatmeal and breakfast stout.

A flight of four 2-ounce beer samples is listed as \$8 on the menu, but on the night we visited there was a special for the same price serving all the beers on tap. We chose this to get a good idea of the quality of the beers served at vault.

The beers were very good, better than some of the other local brews we have tried. Special favorites were the Belgian blonde and the Bavarian Hellesweiss, while the stouts were smooth and mellow. All the

beers could easily compete and sear well when compared to any domestic brew.

Wine from nearby Crossing Vineyards and Winery also is sold by the glass, \$5, but the main focus is always on the beer. Despite that, you don't have to like beer to enjoy the menu.

From the food menu we tried the burrito board trio, \$7, and the loaded potato wedges, \$6. Three types of burritos were featured: garlic, basil and beet, and each had a distinct flavor. The beet was a special favorite since it had the sweet-tingery tang of Harvard beets.

The burrito was served with pizza wedges made at the restaurant and fresh vegetables.

The potato wedges were moist and

savory, topped with a drizzle of the house garlic and chive sour cream, bacon and cheese.

From the "kids" portion of the menu — pizza dough filled and topped over — we tried the salmon and bris version, filled with slices of Tuscany salmon, buttering bris and Adriatic fig spread. The contrast of the sweet figs with the tangy bris worked well, with the salmon adding an extra flavor note.

From the pizza menu we tried the margherita, \$12, and the cured classic, \$14, featuring homemade tomato sauce, shredded fresh mozzarella and cured Abruzzese sausage.

Both were very good and there was plenty to share, but the margherita stood out with its coating of tomato sauce, fresh mozzarella, basil leaves and a drizzle of 18-year-old balsamic vinegar that pulled all the flavors

together. This was a pizza worth going back for.

Vault was out of the only dessert listed on the menu, deconstructed sweet potato pie, \$6, but our server said they also serve a more, \$2, made with homemade beer-brewed marshmallows.

The specials were developed as a quick dessert after Hurricane Sandy blew out the power, and have been popular ever since. We can understand why. Very good chocolate is melted by the heat of the marshmallow, creating a sweet and satisfying treat.

Vault will have a new chef soon, John Cain says, but the good news is that most of the menu will remain intact. Some of his job will be to create beer pairing dinners using seasonal ingredients. If the food is as good as the current menu, this should be something to look forward to.



Brewmaster Mark Thomas offers a sample of one of the beers he crafts at the Vault Brewing Co. in Yardley, Pa.

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Reunited De Lorenzo's Family Maintains Chambersburg Tradition

Hearty Hungarian Cuisine Remains Mainstay of Hopewell Valley Bistro

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Robert Redford Has Saved the Best for Last

Horrors of Slavery a Difficult Viewing Experience

Harrowing Space Drama an Absolute Joy

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MOVIE REVIEW: 'ALL IS LOST'

Robert Redford has saved the best for last

Grade: A-
Starring: Robert Redford, written and directed by J.C. Chandor
Running time: 107 minutes
Parental guide: PG-13 (language)

By LOU GAUL
STAFF WRITER

Perhaps it's a sign of the times, but in recent weeks, Hollywood has been delivering what might be a new genre dubbed "stranded cinema."

In the box-office sensation "Gravity," Sandra Bullock and George Clooney play astronauts lost in space and forced to find their own way back to Earth while aboard a heavily damaged spacecraft.

Now landing is the riveting

"All Is Lost," with a never-better Robert Redford in a tense survival tale about an unidentified man sailing his 39-foot yacht in the Indian Ocean. He awakens to find the main cabin flooding, and it will be just a few hours before it's washed away forever.

Previous lone-survivor melodramas such as "Cast Away" with Tom Hanks and "Buried" with Ryan Reynolds provide an all-alone character who's stranded on a desolate island.

Redford, however, brings an intimacy to the material and wisely uses his star power to make us care about the 77-year-old star, who proves as fresh today as when he made "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" decades ago.

"All Is Lost" feels purposely claustrophobic despite its



Good new, ladies: Redford's on-screen the entire time.

often-wide-open ocean views, and you can feel the indifference of the universe reflecting off the screen. Director-writer J.C. Chandor

("Margin Call") carefully calculates each word and movement by Redford and carefully measures what he does so as not to

upset the fragile movement of the damaged yacht.

Redford, who seems certain of a best-actor Oscar nomination, ignores his movie-star vanity and offers fans an opportunity to see him in this twilight-years glory with his weathered skin and wrinkled face that give him an ageless glow.

Chandor provides Redford with raw material to help him shape his performance as a fighter who refuses to give the ocean an inch as he uses any means necessary to keep afloat and endure tides, sharks and storms in a seemingly impossible task of stopping himself from being stranded and getting on with his life.

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MOVIE REVIEW: '12 YEARS A SLAVE'

Horrors of slavery a difficult viewing experience

Grade: A
Starring: Chiwetel Ejiofor, Michael Fassbender, Lupita Nyong'o, Sarah Paulson, Brad Pitt, Benedict Cumberbatch and Paul Dano; screenplay by John Ridley, based on the book "12 Years a Slave" by Solomon Northup; directed by Steve McQueen
Running time: 146 minutes
Parental guide: R (extreme and unsettling violence, sexual abuse, nudity, strong adult themes)

By LOU GAUL
STAFF WRITER

I remember exactly where I was sitting the first time I watched Steven Spielberg's "Schindler's List."

It was one of those remarkable viewing experiences that rarely comes along and leaves a viewer physically shaken and emotionally drained.

Spielberg pulled no punches in his unsettling drama about man's inhumanity to man as he revealed the horrors of the Holocaust.

I was reminded of that experience earlier this week at an advance screening of British director Steve McQueen's remarkable "12 Years a Slave," which is based on a true incident.

The filmmaker pulls no punches when it comes to presenting a pre-Civil War story about the vile nature of slavery and the lives it destroyed via beatings, torture, rape and murder.

Not surprisingly, the R-rated picture is often extremely difficult to watch. At the end, I again felt transformed by a cinematic work that may suffer commercially due to extreme violence.

Ultimately, it allows viewers to display a new level of admiration for people brought to America against their will and then exploited and cast aside with no thought at all.

As a cinematic experience, "12 Years a Slave" is a memorably painful one. It will shock you with its cruelty and lift you with characters seeking to rise above the horrors and embark on lives in which family members are ripped from their arms and sent to plantations, never to see loved ones again.

As "12 Years a Slave" opens in 1841, Solomon Northup (expressive British actor



Chiwetel Ejiofor (left) and Michael Fassbender are among a stellar cast.

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Timberlake, Jay-Z hour

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Singer's Hall of Fame

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Grand Ole Opry is making 75th and 50th anniversary celebrations.

Jackman name change

LOS ANGELES — Jennifer Aniston has a new, longer surname — Jackman.

Lane's Valentine's Day divorce

LOS ANGELES — Court records show Shane Lane signed his 75th divorce deed.

Oscar rehearsal

LOS ANGELES — Early rehearsal for both Oscar shows is close to wrapping up.

McCready's funeral

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Mandy McCready's funeral was a production.

On the Edge

Angry bee — Police in Massachusetts say a 13-year-old boy called 911.

Enormous pig

A 6-month-old pig has given a neighbor more than \$200,000 in damages.

Silly computer

Photographers around a holiday home caught the partying.



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The Who, featuring original members Roger Daltrey and Pete Townshend, brought the rock opera 'Quadrophenia' to Boardwalk Hall Friday night.

The Who rocks at Boardwalk Hall

By SCOTT CRONICK

The Who played Friday night like rock stars, and their energy was infectious.

The rock and roll Hall of Fame was in the form — one, drummer Roger Daltrey.

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Vernick

Cherry Hill chef's new venture may become toast of the town

By Adam Erace
For the Courier-Post

Can a restaurant reputation be built on toast?

Greg Vernick, chef/owner of Vernick Food & Drink in Rittenhouse Square, thinks so.

After spending years opening restaurants for culinary luminary Jean-Georges Vongerichten, the Cherry Hill native has returned to the Delaware Valley with wife, Julie, to open his own, and his selection of crusty, thick-cut sourdough toasts have been endearing diners for the past seven months.

Grilled over Japanese charcoal, these black-streaked slices provide a crunchy, smoky, subtly tangy backdrop to all sorts of ingredients.

Thick waves of creamy roasted pumpkin and winter squash (\$7), for example, topped with toasted pumpkin, butternut and sunflower seeds, chopped scallions and nutty brown butter pooling in its crests and valleys. Or luscious house-made fromage blanc (\$7) like white icing over onion jam, coins of confit kumquat inlaid over top like a mosaic of tropical cobblestones.

The glittering beef tartare (\$14) is the finest I've had, clean-tasting and tender beneath a flurry of shaved fresh horseradish.

Cut in threes, Vernick's toasts make fabulous finger foods, and though the price might seem high for something so "simple," when one of the intelligent, easygoing servers



Fromage blanc and kumquats is one of many delicious offerings available from Chef Greg Vernick at Vernick Food & Drink on Walnut Street in Philadelphia. DNISE.HEN-OFER/COURIER-POST

sets them before you, it becomes evident their considerable size and elaborate accessorizing more than justifies the cost.

I could eat toasts here all day, at the downstairs bar with a foamy apricot-pink "New-roni" or house-made grapefruit-tarragon soda from beverage wizard Vincent Stipo, or in the second-story dining room by the windows overlooking Walnut Street. (There's a few, coveted seats at a counter fronting the open kitchen, too — request them when you make reservations.)

But while toasts have become Vernick's signature, this talented young chef can do so much more.

Like pasta, Vernick makes

wonderful smalls plates vie for diners' attention. I haven't even touched on the house-made mozzarellas treated in surprising, un-Italian ways, or the shrimp shell-butter shirred eggs with uni, or the reverent veggie preps like cauliflower roasted with black pepper.

There are too many diversions at Vernick, one better than the other, and that extends to the larger-format plates, some composed, others straightforward and defined by their preparation in the restaurant's wood-burning oven.

From the latter, I chose the shellfish roast for two (\$62), which should really be called the shellfish roast for four. Served in a giant skillet in a half-inch of a broth tasting of brine and butter and mint, the oceanic bounty included snapper, halibut, bass, head-on prawns, manila clams and mussels, barbecued eel, squid and octopus, and uni.

Soft potatoes and wrinkled shishito peppers, a Vernick signature, mingled with the meats. I found the thinner pieces of fish slightly overcooked, but it seemed a small blemish on this beautiful meal, which ended with sticky toffee pudding-style date cake scented with orange, cardamom and coconut (\$10) and a tradition-respecting carrot cake frosted in vanilla cream cheese (\$7) by pastry goddess Angela Ranalli.

To me, like the pasta and so many other dishes at Vernick, the shellfish roast really encompasses the idea of American cooking right this very minute. It radiates the stripped-down satisfaction and coziness of a New England clam bake on a blustery beach, but mingles that seminal experience with flavors from far-off lands in a way that feels exotic but also very, very natural.

Which is why Vernick has my vote for the best new restaurant in the region.

The toasts and these witty,

IF YOU GO

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Cuisine: American
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Service: 4 stars
Atmosphere: 5 stars
Value: 4 stars
Overall: 5 stars
Small plates: \$6-\$15
Large plates: \$24-\$68
Desserts: \$6-\$10

Cuisine: American
Recommended: Fromage blanc toast, pumpkin toast, beef tartare toast, tuna poke, potato ravioli, shellfish roast, date cake, carrot cake

Hours: Dinner Tues.-Sun. 5-11 p.m. Bar Tues.-Sun. 4:30 p.m.-1 a.m.

Late night: Yes

Brunch: No

Reservations: Yes

BYOB: No

Credit cards: Yes

Outdoor dining: Yes

Live entertainment: No

Wheelchairs: Yes

Parking: Street

What the stars mean: Five stars is excellent; four stars is very good; three stars is good; two stars is fair and one star is poor.

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Beyoncé and her mother, Tina Knowles, opened the Beyoncé Cosmology Center at Brooklyn Phoenix House in New York.

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Broadway

Could it be magic?



Barry Manilow's fans were thrilled to see him, giving him several standing ovations throughout the night. *AP/WIDEWORLD*

By Bill Canacci • *With photos*

It's 1971 and a 7-year-old boy in Toledo, Ohio, is driving his family crazy because he keeps playing Barry Manilow's "Mandy" on the piano. It doesn't help that the boy has grown up. That boy has grown up, no longer plays the piano, never a bit of theater and, as his memories are about, still sings off key.

And, like a lot of people, he has plenty of memories of Manilow's music.

From late 1974 to late 1980, the Grammy Award winner had 23 top-40 hits, including "I Write the Songs," "Reached in New England," "Ladies Like Me (Mandy)," and "Copacabana (At the Copa)." Wikipedia says Manilow has sold more than 80 million records, and he certainly has his fans. They were out in force at a recent performance of "Manilow on Broadway," his limited-run show now playing at the St. James Theatre.

These people adore him. The love they observed was here in person. It didn't matter that after all his social work, he looks like a man figure. Ten, at 49 he can't sing like he could in his 20s. There were moments that one felt sorry for him as he stretched his legs and struggled to turn what may be the slowest 360-degree spin in performance history.

He sang along, waved their glow sticks (which Manilow provided) and had a ball.

After about 15 minutes, the show became more than just a concert. It was an event, a connection between a man and his audience.

The show's opening evening began with a club mix of favorites before the curtain rose and Manilow

appeared in a tuxedo, causing the first of several standing ovations. Armed on stage by a seven-piece band and two energetic backup singers, he opened with "It's a Sin," which barely missed the top 40 in 1973. That was followed by "Could It Be Magic" and "Give My Regards to Broadway."

"Give My Regards to Broadway" was tragic and beautiful at the same time. At times, the song was overemotional, but he did manage to hold some notes. Manilow missed the first work of show because of bronchitis, so maybe he was still recovering.

The night took off during "Can't Smile Without You." Have you ever been surrounded by people? It was a wonderful feeling. After seeing people sing and sway back and forth, you just wanted to join in.

Manilow frequently shared stories about his songs and career. The highlight for me was "The Justin Bieber of the '70s." He showed the audience clips of himself as "American Bandstand" and on "The Midnight Special." One of the most touching moments was when he told the audience about his grandfather, whom he talked about before singing "This One's For You."

"Give My Regards to Broadway" featured Manilow on keyboard, and what was amazing to hear moved he seemed to be while playing the song.



Manilow performs during "Manilow on Broadway."

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The most hilarious part of this musical lovefest may have been staged. Manilow took a request from a few people in the audience for "Smoochies (Dustin the Bear)." It led to a story about the song, but one of the guys who requested it interrupted and shouted, "Just sing it!" Manilow was taken aback but laughed along with the audience. "Just sing it!" he seemed to have planned to sing the track because it seemed well-rehearsed, not spontaneous.

Manilow has released a collection of albums featuring great songs from various decades. During the Frank Sinatra song "Can't Take My Eyes Off You," with something man sitting in one of the boxes, he smiled and gently kissed his wife. That certainly trumped the light efforts used for the song, which seemed inspired by Madonna Flavin.

Manilow came back for an encore, where he played "Mandy" on the piano with the 1975 Barry, who was absent on the big screen.

At the end, it was clear the crowd did not want to say goodbye.

But they left happy. And a certain theater employee sang "Mandy" all the way home. "I remember all my life..."

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NOTES

China's national orchestra plays at State Theatre

The coming together of the world's cultures into one multicultural orchestra is probably the single most important event in the arts of the 20th and 21st centuries. From at least 120 years ago, with French composers' requests to the great traditions of China, Indonesia and Africa, the Paris Conservatory of Music has been the first to actively search for and understand, and understand, music of non-Western origin.

In France in particular was created by three men who had spent in their youth in the East: Claude Debussy and the French composer of Indian and Indonesian.

The influence went both ways. Beginning well before the 1900s, the East had been influencing the West, breaking from the elaborate musical traditions of their native countries to explore styles of the East.

The blending of Chinese and European elements has been featured in a large body of work that continues to grow in scale in its own right.

Richard King, the Chinese composer who has been the director of the State Theatre since 2008, has been a member of the State Theatre since 2008. He has been a member of the State Theatre since 2008. He has been a member of the State Theatre since 2008.

The Chinese National Orchestra was founded in 1958 in the Central People's Orchestra of China and was renamed in 1978 to the national orchestra of the People's Republic of China and in the anniversary year has performed all over the world.

China will be the only orchestra to perform at the State Theatre in the 20th and 21st centuries. It will be the only orchestra to perform at the State Theatre in the 20th and 21st centuries. It will be the only orchestra to perform at the State Theatre in the 20th and 21st centuries.

Arts events

Political message
The New York State Museum presents "Social Justice: From the 1960s to the Present." The exhibit of about 30 works is open at the State Museum through March 10, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Tickets are \$10. Tickets are \$10.

Floral inspiration
Flowers are the focus of Maria Montessori's "Floral Inspiration" exhibit at the State Museum through March 10, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Tickets are \$10. Tickets are \$10.

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Sandy tops State of the State address

Christie highlights work of storm heroes
By Bob Jordan - *Staff Writer*

Gov. Chris Christie's inaugural address to the State of New Jersey on Wednesday was a message of hope and optimism for the future of the Garden State. Christie's address to the State of the State address was "Sandy's legacy: A message of hope and optimism for the future of the Garden State."

Christie highlighted the work of "storm heroes" who helped the state recover from the devastation of Superstorm Sandy. He praised the resilience of the people of New Jersey and the dedication of the state's emergency responders.

Christie also announced a new initiative to support the state's economic recovery and job creation efforts. He emphasized the importance of education and workforce development in preparing the state's workforce for the future.

Christie concluded his address with a message of hope and optimism for the future of the Garden State. He promised to continue to work with the people of New Jersey to build a better future for all.

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Gov. Chris Christie delivers his 2013 State of the State address Tuesday at the Boardwalk in Atlantic City.

BODY OF ONE TEEN RECOVERED

Search in Budd Lake for 2nd student set to resume today



Search efforts began Monday night after two teenagers were reported to have fallen through thin ice on Budd Lake just before 8 p.m., when Mount Olive police began getting calls.



Mount Olive police on the scene Tuesday morning, an hour after the search for the missing teenager.



Chris Christie in a suit is being held by a friend Tuesday morning. Christie, who was in the state capital, said he is proud of the state's recovery efforts.

By Michael Izzo - *Staff Writer*

SEARCHERS — The body of one of two missing Mount Olive High School students was recovered from Budd Lake Tuesday afternoon before the search for the second missing teen had to be postponed because of ice melting.

Mount Olive County Prosecutor Pauline Knight announced Tuesday afternoon that rescue workers had recovered one body but she also found the second student. The search for the second teen will resume as early as possible this morning, she added.

The Mount Olive Marine Services Unit was in the water for six hours with six divers combing eight times and spending more than 20 hours underwater. Knight said, "Some gear was used to search underwater, to add to it."

"We apprehended one of the bodies of the two that was found," said Mount Olive Mayor Bob Greenhouse. "The community grieves along with the family. All groups are working to help along with the family of the second boy, who we hope we will find shortly."

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Hearing held for deaf woman who wants DWI case dismissed
Cop communicated in writing, gestures

By Peggy Wright - *Staff Writer*

SPRINGFIELD — A deaf woman who was charged with driving while intoxicated and refusing to take a breath test wants a judge to dismiss the charges. Judge Lawrence J. Pappalardo has called an American Sign Language interpreter to assist her for her trial.

Montclair Court Judge Andrew M. Wolkstein, an American Sign Language interpreter, said he will assist the woman in court. He said he will assist her in court. He said he will assist her in court.

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Accused Jets linebacker seeks probation for charges

By Peggy Wright - *Staff Writer*

NEW YORK — New York Jets linebacker Brian Thomas, a 30-year-old player, has applied for probation after being charged with driving while intoxicated and refusing to take a breath test.

Thomas, 30, was charged with driving while intoxicated after a traffic stop on Jan. 6. He was charged with driving while intoxicated and refusing to take a breath test.

Thomas is currently on probation. He is currently on probation. He is currently on probation.

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Jail move would impact business
 Many business owners concerned that merger would mean customers may travel to Cumberland Co. to get what they need
 By Cary G. Nunnally
 In any merger, there are winners and losers. In the case of the proposed merger between Cumberland County and Gloucester County, the winners are the residents of Cumberland County and the losers are the business owners in Gloucester County.

Program keeping juveniles out of detention centers
 Study shows number of minors in state's juvenile detention centers dropped 50 percent from '97 to '10
 By Steve Latta
 The number of minors incarcerated in the state's juvenile detention centers dropped 50 percent from 1997 to 2010, according to a study published by the Anne E. Casey Foundation.

A PRESENT-DAY LOOK AT HISTORICAL FIGURES
 Fourth-grade student David DeLong and his friend, Noyah Charles, look through the lens of a camera at the event. DeLong is the author of the book "The South Jersey Story" and Charles is the author of "The South Jersey Story: A Present-Day Look at Historical Figures."

FAMILIES DEALING WITH DRUG ADDICTION
The cost of addiction
 Drugs don't just affect the user
 By Andy Polhamus
 Everyone knows that drugs are bad. But the damage they do goes far beyond the individual user. For many families, drug addiction is a devastating and often lifelong struggle. The cost of addiction is not just financial, but emotional and physical as well.




Greg Mills talks about his son, Justin, who overdosed on heroin and died at the age of 21.

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The boardwalk is a place of many firsts. It's a place where you can find everything from a hot date to a hot dog. It's a place where you can find everything from a hot date to a hot dog. It's a place where you can find everything from a hot date to a hot dog.

Woman who took wagon gives disabled boy new one

By Brett Bodner
 A woman who once took a wagon to a boardwalk fair has given a new one to a disabled boy. The boy, who is in a wheelchair, was unable to enjoy the fair until he was given the new wagon. The woman, who is a volunteer at the fair, said she was happy to help.



They meet before her son, Alex, 6, at Brett Bodner home. (Photo by Brett Bodner)



Bar to reopen after mumps
 A bar in Asbury Park will be closed for several days after a mumps outbreak. The bar is expected to reopen next week.



Workplace art visibility rises
 A workplace in Asbury Park has increased its art displays. The art is now visible to all employees.



Possible attack halted in Wall
 A possible attack in Wall, N.J., has been halted. The attack was planned for the town square.

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Blessing of the pets



In honor of St. Francis, Christ Episcopal Church in Somers Point offers blessings to animal members of the family, too. Check out photos on 15.

In Your Town

Check out what's happening in your town in the roundup on 11.

In Your County

Looking to range a little farther afield this weekend? The roundup of events and information for Atlantic County starts on 6.

Margate woman honors husband's memory by living to fullest — including shark swims

By DEVIN LORING
Staff writer

Margate resident Antonia "Toni" Eisenstein is on a mission to live life to the fullest. At 77 years old, she recently traveled to China, because she has a fear flying. And on Sept. 29, she swam with sharks — not because she has a fear of sharks, but because she has a fear of water.

"Fear paralyzes, courage energizes; you have to face your fears," Eisenstein said.

Eisenstein's granddaughter, Jessica Sawyer, said that ever since Eisenstein's husband, Jack, a former superintendent of the Atlantic City school district, died in 2006, her grandmother has been approaching life with fervor.

"Monday would be our 35th anniversary. It's corny, but it's a way of giving him a present," Eisenstein said. "Also, if he's looking down to see if I'm OK, he might think I'm a little crazy."

Sawyer said that she thinks this is her grandmother's "crazi-

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Photo provided by Sharon Stalling

Donna Iritia, of Atlantic City, right, helped Antonia Eisenstein, of Margate, conquer her fear of water at the Milton and Betty Katz JCC's aquatic center in Margate recently, in preparation for Eisenstein swimming with sharks at the aquarium in Camden.

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Aiding Sandy recovery



Kyle Lorenz, 13, left, and Abby Kiskinnick, 12, both of Oakland, brightening the playground at Robert L. Craig Elementary School.

Volunteers fix up Moonachie school playground

By MERICA S. PHOEN
PHOTO BY MERICA S. PHOEN FOR THE RECORD

MOONACHIE — The world's a pair of volunteers, the 200 members of the Robert L. Craig Elementary School were taught to paint colorful hopscotch on school grounds, the school was to severely damaged that storm didn't open until September.

Now the school will have a colorful playground, outdoor picnic tables and picnic landscaping. Thanks to more than 120 volunteers who came out to Moonachie on Saturday as part of a statewide Sandy recovery project held for the anniversary of the disaster hitting the state.

Sandy Service Day, sponsored by the Westchester Sandy Relief Fund and

Police wary of mischief and worse

Curfews and patrols will greet Halloween

By EYONNE COURTES

Halloween good happens after 4 p.m. That's something what River Vale officials were thinking in imposing a curfew on Halloween on October 31, and what could end the holiday for the township's kids or teens.

The curfew, in effect, Wednesday and Thursday is to its fourth year, and has had the desired effect, according to police, keeping teenagers away from streets and parks, properly thought and other criminal behavior.

"There's been a noticeable decline in the amount of incidents that require police intervention on October 31 and Halloween," River Vale Township Asst. Police Chief J. DeVito said.

In addition to the curfew, the township, Passaic County cities including Thomson and Passaic plan to increase their presence on the street near the buildings, especially in residential areas, whether they have a curfew or not.

"We ask that people keep their eyes and ears open," said Passaic Police Department spokesman Detective Andy White. "On Halloween night, there are still a lot of kids going out. Parents should have their own monitoring of their kids and traffic laws on long-term or weekend nights, whether they have a curfew or not."

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"There is a lot of investment in the community, a real sense of community. Everybody knows everybody."

—Tom Scorsone, the Robert L. Craig School's vice-principal

Prosecutors welcome app to track down child predators

Engaging public through use of smartphones lauded

By PETER J. SAMPSON

With more than half of all Americans using smartphones to stay in touch, federal authorities are embracing the new technology as a tool to combat the public's fear of child predators.

A new smartphone application, the first of its kind in federal law enforcement, allows users to receive alerts about sexual predators and to report tips about them.

Developed by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the software is part of an ongoing trend to use enforcement in digital ways. The technology that engage the public in solving crimes. In Bergen and Passaic counties, prosecutors on the front lines in the fight against child predators helped the application to a promising innovation when they last month.

The Operation Predator app was launched in September by ICE's Homeland Security Investigations Division, known as HSI, to be in use, a strike of tips led to the arrest of the suspect in the case.

The app allows everyone in the community — not just law enforcement — to work toward apprehending child predators and other serious offenders, said Andrew McLean, ICE's chief of operations in charge of HSI's Newark office.

Infighting colors Emerson politics

GOP clashes more personal than pragmatic

By MARY DIDUCH

EMERSON — It is a one party, long time ago, but something is new. The all-Borough governing body has, over the past year, been controlled by Democrats, known as the "Blue" team, and the Republican Party, known as the "Red" team.

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DRESSED-UP DOGS



Nicole Barlatone of Teaneck with her pit bull, Chip and Nemo, of the Bergen County Animal Shelter and Adoption Center. Vicki Walkowitz and Julie Muller of the shelter helping sign the dogs up for a Halloween pet parade.

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Energy drinks put kids at risk

By Ruth Sargeant

HARRISON — Seven Maroon is accustomed to hearing reports of children experiencing convulsions, fainting, dizziness and other medical emergencies.

But these days, Maroon says, parents' concerns are being fueled more so by the fact that their kids are drinking more energy drinks than ever before.

"That's one more piece of information that although they're considered to be safe, they do have inherent dangers and add to the medication they would take over the counter," said Maroon, part of a team of Rutgers health care experts who has studied the effects that the increasingly popular caffeine-laden energy drinks can have on children and adults.

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Fair fights a Plainfield scourge: HIV

Local rate four times the national average

By Nicole D'Onofrio

The HIV rate in Plainfield is significantly higher than the national rate, a fact that spurred the annual annual Plainfield Leadership Ladies Community Health and Wellness Fair.

Over 50 people attended the fair, which was held at the Fairgrounds and had two locations.

The fair brought together community and public health organizations that offer HIV testing, education, disease prevention, and other services and free services.

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At Hunterdon Medical Center

A long-time hospital volunteer's \$25,000 bequest to support the Hunterdon Medical Center Foundation is being used to fund a new gift basket at the Hunterdon Medical Center's new Community Health, which will begin this fall, and complete as a project within six months.

Located in the white ranch house at 233 Route 28 South, on the property of Hunterdon Regional Community Health, will begin this fall, and complete as a project within six months.

Initial funding to support the plans and effort part of the foundation was provided by Hunterdon Medical Center to Christine Mueller, Mother of Arthur Mueller, who died in November 2011. The 12-year Mueller bequest at Hunterdon Medical Center, according to each floor with a variety of gift baskets, is to be used to fund the gift baskets.

"It's 10 years to Hunterdon Medical Center and we generally will do it for the remainder," said Christine Mueller, executive vice president, Hunterdon Medical Center Foundation. "We will be seeking additional support from the public to help complete the building and



The future home of the Hunterdon Medical Center Foundation's Thrift Shop, which will open next year. Photo courtesy of Hunterdon Medical Center.

Rutgers app aids Warren Township effort to prune outage-risk trees

Warren — Several that the branch hanging on a power line near your home will fall during the next storm and take out the neighborhood's electricity?

There's an app for that. Thanks to work by faculty and students of Rutgers University's computer science department in partnership with the Warren Township Utility Authority's Committee

at the request of the UAC's former president and his students have developed a smartphone application that will allow trained volunteers to assess and prioritize trees within public trees growing into utility lines. The app will provide the data to UAC and PSE&N for analysis, and to inform future vegetation and risk management of the remaining power lines.

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"These drinks are easily accessible, and kids are attracted to them because they're so beautifully decorated cans. And the drinks, if they fall in the wrong hands, can be very dangerous."

BRUCE RUCK, New Jersey Poison Information and Education Center of Rutgers, New Jersey Medical School.

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LOOK WHO'S TEXTING NOW

By BILL EVOLINO
1,000 words

Texting is now king — in all age groups. Americans have never spent more for their telephone services. Cell-fee lines talking on the phone.

Talking?

As Time magazine proclaimed in its special 2012 "Tech Land" issue, "The telephone said it is dying last."

The popularity of text messaging, meanwhile, is surging in all age groups. According to a recent survey by the Pew Institute, even Americans 65 and over are now more likely to send a text than make a call.

Among the recent converts Jennifer Quintana of Franklin Lakes, who initially just used it as "a last resort" for what would now be considered "texting." Quintana noted, "But what are you going to do? I finally gave in and jumped on the technology wave about two years ago."

As Quintana went on to say, it's a habit that never stops growing. Today, more women in which messages are sent rather than typed, to forwarding an increasingly popular option with users of iPhones, Android and various other mobile devices. (No iPhones, "you need assistance" but does the story work for

you, as the first page on apple.com illustrates. Oh, I can send a text to Siri. Quins for you "what would you like to say?")

Most of the mobile phone users we spoke to in North Jersey, even those who are fully engaged in the practice, say they have finally succumbed to the news — partly because so many of their friends and loved ones refuse to answer phone calls anymore, and partly because, well, texting really is fast and convenient.

That was the experience of one October 2012. Mark of Ridgecrest, who called "When I finally decided to take the texting world, I found that it really was a wonderful way to send a quick message to someone in any time of day. It's fast, it's fun and it's convenient. I don't see it as a waste of time. I don't see it as a waste of a phone call, although I am using a text and more."

Just Terry, 78, of Hackensack has also

BOOMERS AND OTHER HOLDOUTS ARE JOINING THE NEW CONVERSATION



Movie trailers are big hits among Super Bowl spots

By KARA YODIS
1,000 words

The Oscars are still a low-wattage, low-visibility event, but about one-third of the spots for Super Bowl spots are expected to be movie trailers.

Super Bowl XLV (Feb. 11) featured Mark Twain's "Tom Sawyer" (May 10), "Fast and Furious 6" (May 24), "World War Z" (June 21) and "The Lone Ranger" (July 1) all slated to open before and excitement months before the Super Bowl.

The studios are using the Super Bowl, which is pretty much the biggest television event of the year, to advertise and promote the biggest movies they have coming out for the year," said Alex Rodman, an editor at movie.com.

Though another trailer for the Robert DeNiro film "The Man Up" had already debuted earlier, fans were particularly excited about Sunday night's pre-broadcast trailer.

"Seeing him do that phone call was just killing me out of a place you don't see."



Competition heats up for Franklin Lakes caterer

By ELISA UNG
1,000 words

It wasn't looking good for Franklin Lakes caterer Miramarie Bojekian, who was being to get a job on ABC's "The Taste." But by the time the judges stepped her name off her long combination of children she has with spicy corn, pickled eggs, homemade sauce, chicken and Bulgarian fish.

Then came another Bojekian, 13-year-old Miramarie. I had been nervous with fish. I have no idea when you pulled those in front of these combinations from the table.

But — "in the end, I have to say, I strongly worked for me. I thought it was delicious."

And Bojekian was in. "That was a great day for me on the show's first audition" episode a few weeks ago. Tonight, the nationally televised cooking competition starts in earnest. Bojekian will start by making braised beef brisket in an effort to impress judge Gabriela Hamilton of Penn in Marine Park.

Though she was rejected by previous judges, Bojekian was invited to cook with the one who drew her to the show. "I originally wanted to get involved in this because I love that Andrew Zimmern was involved in the project. I'm an avid fan of his. I hope he'll be a judge."

The 38-year-old French Culinary Institute graduate

Watch Miramarie Bojekian

Go ABC's "The Taste" 8 p.m. tonight.

At the Home of Ultimate Chef Bergen County: Bojekian, 3rd 2012 winner, will attend for the special Super Bowl event.

What's in store: Stripes

Stripes can be a polarizing fashion choice — some women fear that horizontal stripes make them look larger than they actually are. But stripes can be flattering for all figures as long as you find the right fit and silhouette. And the variety available — thin or thick, black and white or colored, horizontal or vertical — means there is an option for everyone. Here are our picks of stripes we think are the most flattering.



LITTLE BIT OF LAZIE
WHAT: Striped crew-neck top in navy and black.
HOW MUCH \$15
AVAILABLE AT: Children's Place, 101 E. Ridgewood Ave. in Ridgewood, 14 W. Ridgewood Ave. in Englewood, 138 Westwood Ave. in Westwood, 100 N. Center in Woodcliff Lake, Princeton Park mall in Princeton, City Place at the Promenade in Ridgewood and children.com.



SLIMY STRIPES
WHAT: All-weather stretch, wrap dress in fuchsia, green and black.
HOW MUCH \$100
AVAILABLE AT: Kohl's at 14 Main Ave. in Children, 1700 Route 94 West in Woodland Park, 141 Route 4 West in Teaneck, 1800 Route 21 South in Wayne, 1300 Route 17 in Ramsey and kohls.com.



STRIPES FOR ALL SEASONS
WHAT: Color-blocked, long-sleeve, crew-neck top in (top) navy, egg, coral, lime, green and purple.
HOW MUCH \$44
AVAILABLE AT: C. Wonder at Woodcliff Lakeside Plaza in Princeton and children.com.

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Clifton's Brendan Schreiber is an inspiration to his lacrosse teammates.



Rangers' rally falls short

Blueshirts lose ground to Isles

By ANDREW GRUSS

PHILADELPHIA - Still upset about the death in Boston, Massachusetts native Brian Boyle and snapping on the ice would be a real-time distraction. "It's hard to play with energy for only one period. The Rangers finally got their game going in the third. But despite a 17-4 lead, they were unable to hold on to their lead in the final 20 minutes. They could not only find two goals down in a 2-2 tie to the Flyers on Tuesday night at the Wells Fargo Center, Phil. Boyle led the game in the first period after an apparent injury to the right leg.

The Rangers (21-17-6, 4th in a 5-2-7 split, remained in eighth place in the Eastern Conference but 48 more points behind the seventh-place Islanders, who beat the Flyers.

On Blue Jacket Steve Mason made 16 saves for the Flyers (19-12-7) — who won for just the second time in 11 tries against the Rangers — and the Rangers score 8:41. 1 am

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Playoff race

| GP | W | L | OT | Pts |
|--------------|----|----|----|-------|
| 7. Islanders | 43 | 22 | 16 | 8-48 |
| 8. Rangers | 42 | 21 | 17 | 4-46 |
| 9. St. Louis | 42 | 22 | 18 | 2-46 |
| 10. Buffalo | 42 | 19 | 19 | 6-42 |
| 11. Philly | 42 | 19 | 21 | 3-41 |
| 12. Devils | 42 | 18 | 17 | 10-40 |

Tuesday's scores

Flyers 1, RANGERS 2
ISLANDERS 5, Flyers 3
Wings 4, Tarboro 5 (2:02)

MORE SECURITY AT STADIUM IN WAKE OF BOSTON BOMBINGS

Safe at home?

Some fans like beefed-up presence, others are unnerved

By JEFF ROBERTS

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A police officer patrolling around Yankee Stadium before Tuesday's game as part of increased security.

Robinson's HR on Jackie's Day

By PETE CALDERA

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Jordan talks to resume

Rutgers has to open its wallet

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Revered broadcast giant dies

Summerall, 82, also starred in the NFL

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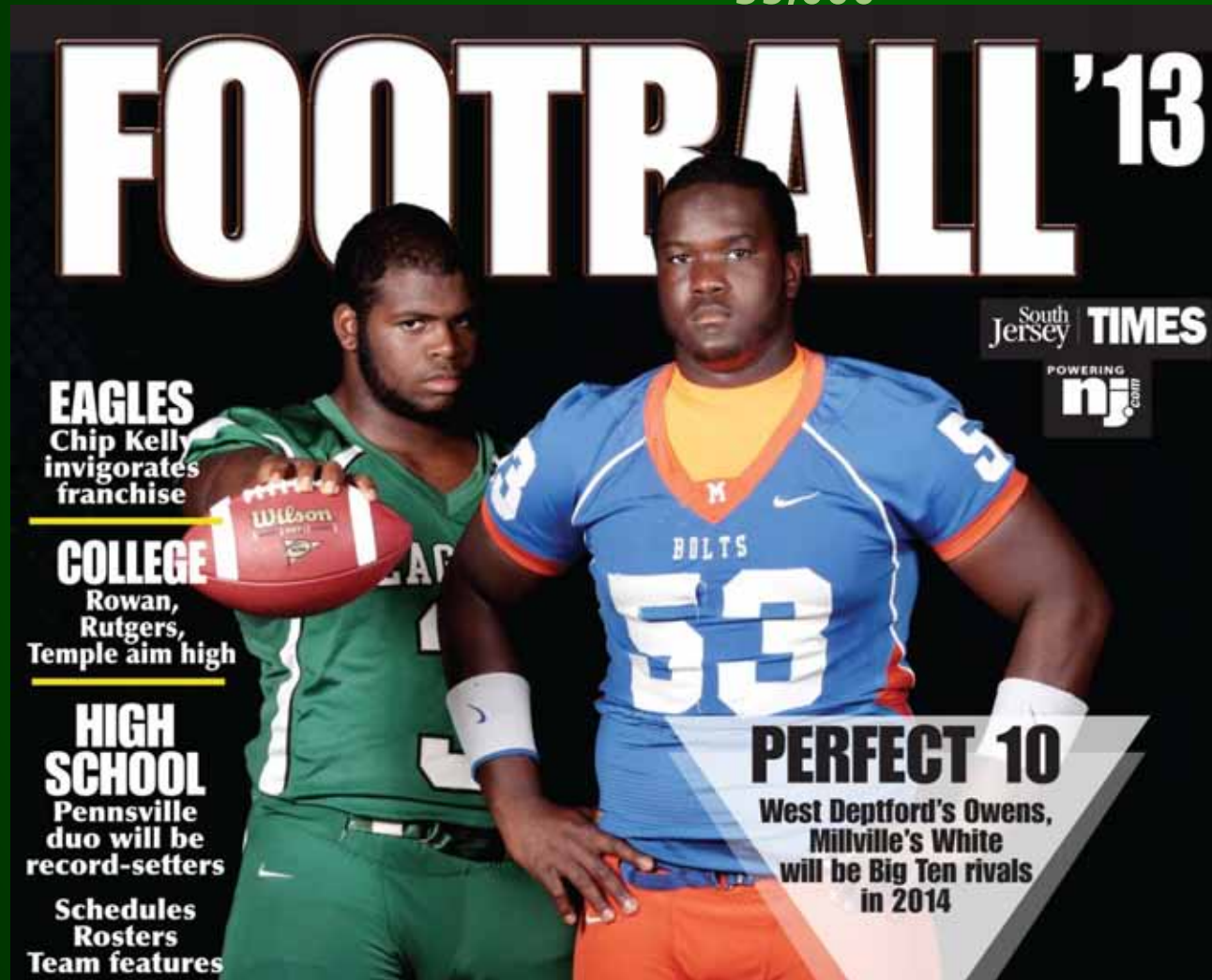
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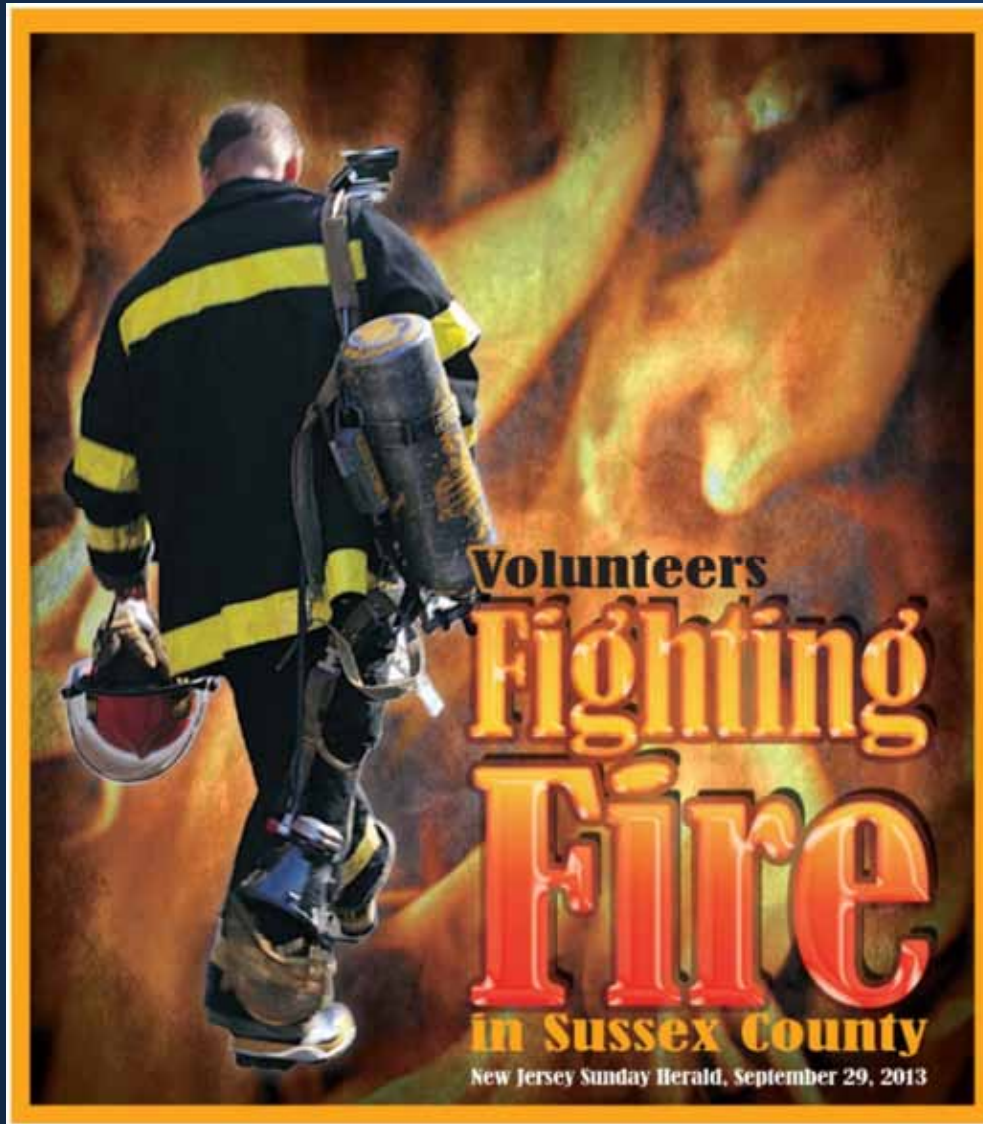
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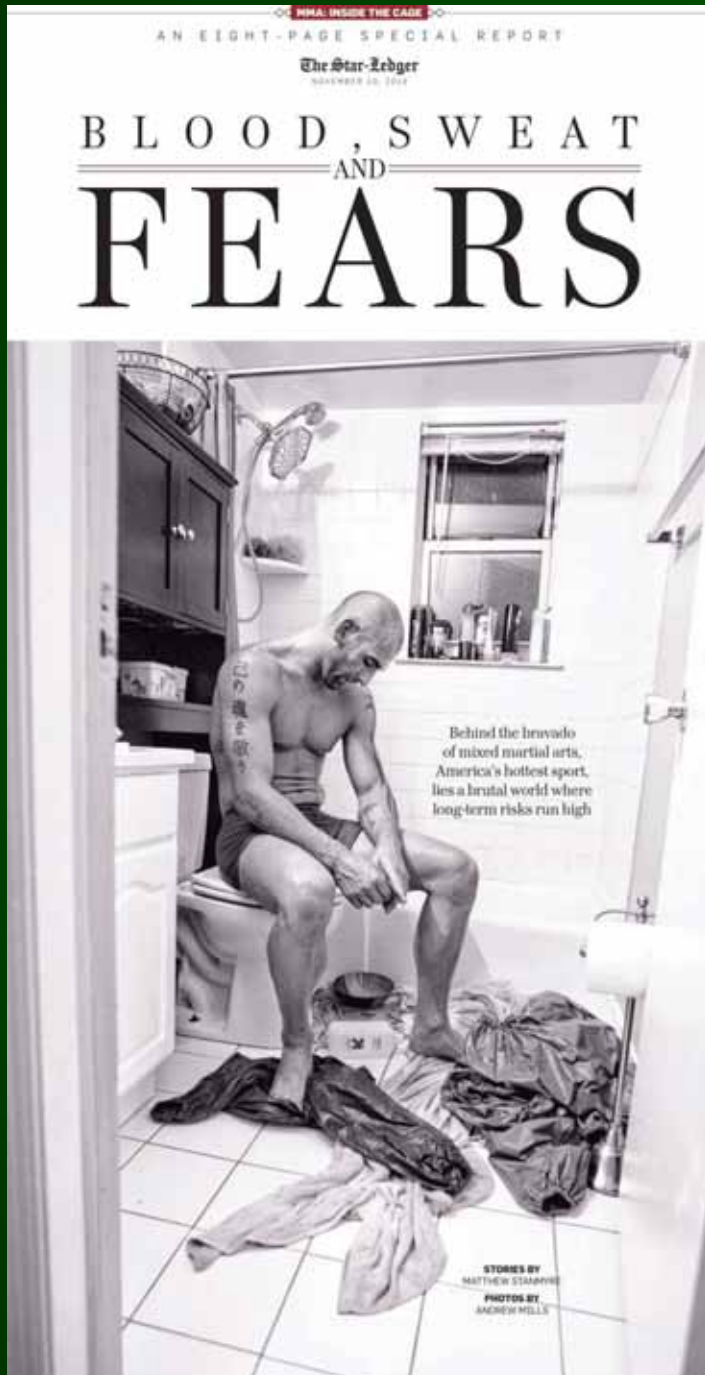
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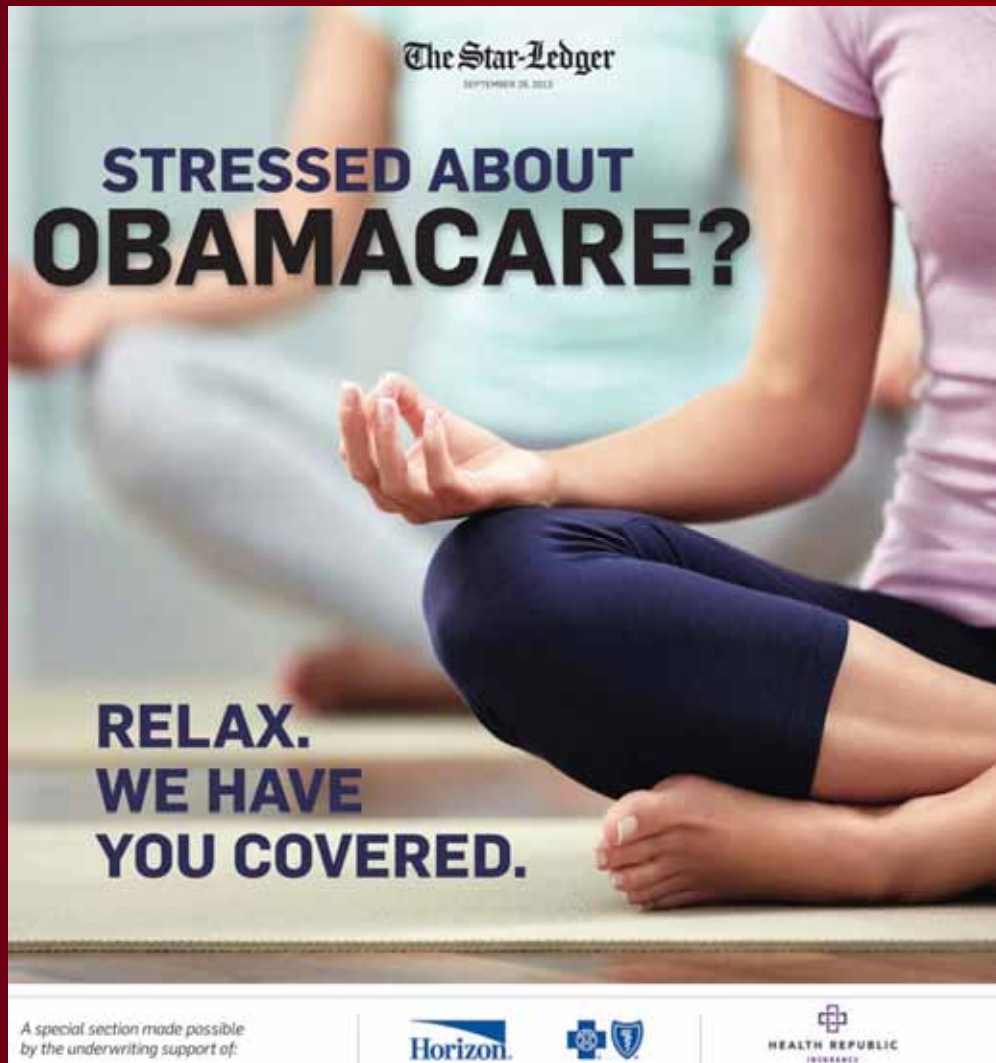
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FINDING OUR WAY BACK

SANDY SIX MONTHS LATER



A series of heavy cranes and supports, a steel framework, takes shape in the sand in Asbury Park six months after Sandy struck on Oct. 29, 2012, as the construction resumes.

They're not going anywhere

It's a ritual they perform each morning, cups of coffee in hand, on the Duck Street sidewalk near the intersection with Second Street in Clinton Beach, commiserating, acknowledging and contemplating with barely another word in sight. Jennifer Puzalis points up the block toward her mother's house — on First Street, hard by Barton Bay, and then toward a white sign that identifies her grandmother's home, before looking in the opposite direction to where her uncle lives a few doors down. She's spent all 39 years of her life in this part of town, and Linda Malinowski, who lives across the street, has been there 54. It doesn't look the same now. It doesn't feel the same. *Story continues on 5B.*



HOME IMPROVEMENT
Workers from 100 miles away struggle with sand and a changing schedule in Asbury Park, as the community recovers from Sandy. **5B**



WAITING GAMES
The wait of an 18-hour weekend is minimal. But for those in Asbury Park, it's a waiting game. **5B**



DOWN TO BUSINESS
An Asbury Park business, Sandy was one of the first to be closed. Business is now starting to pick up. **5B**

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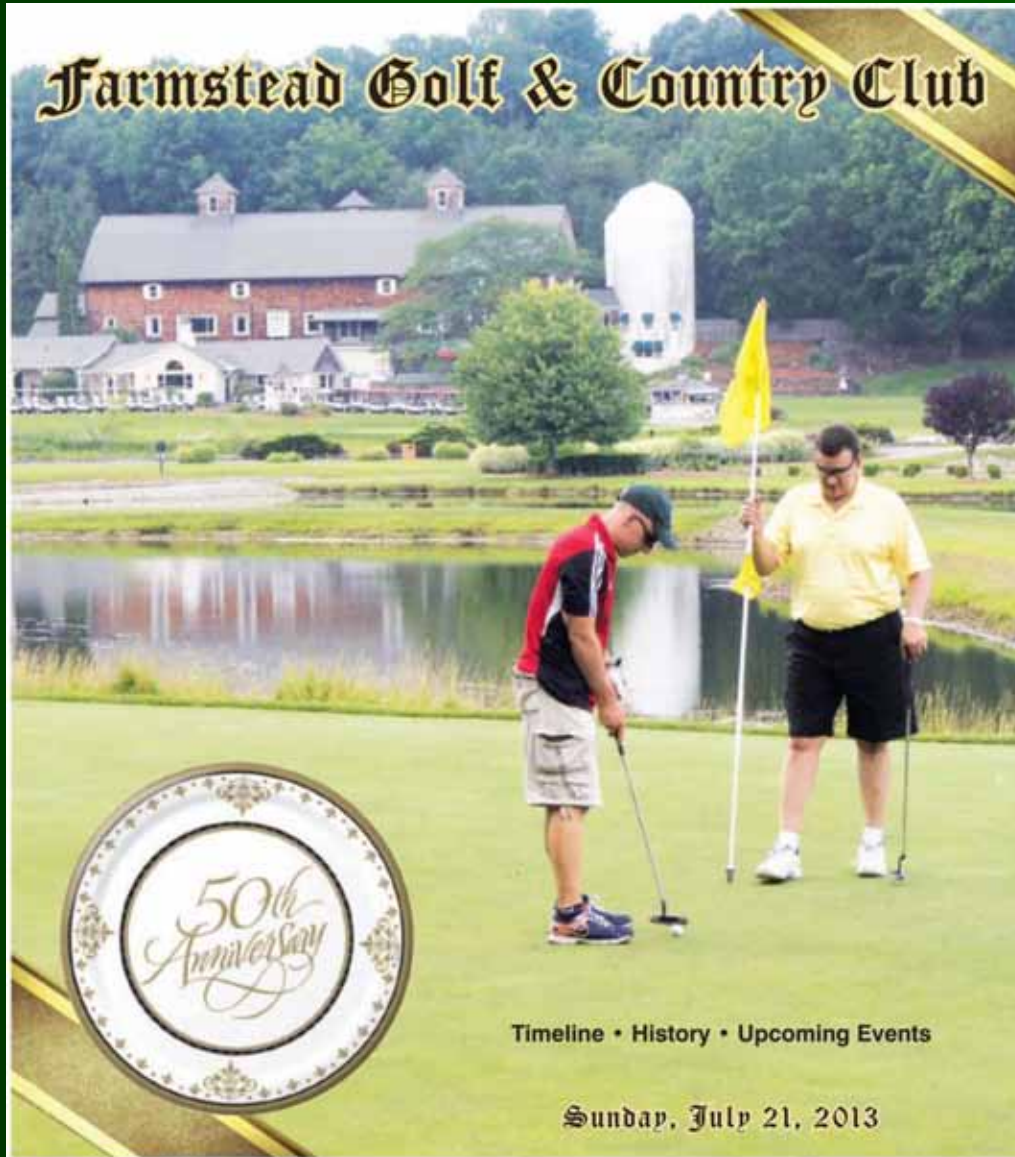


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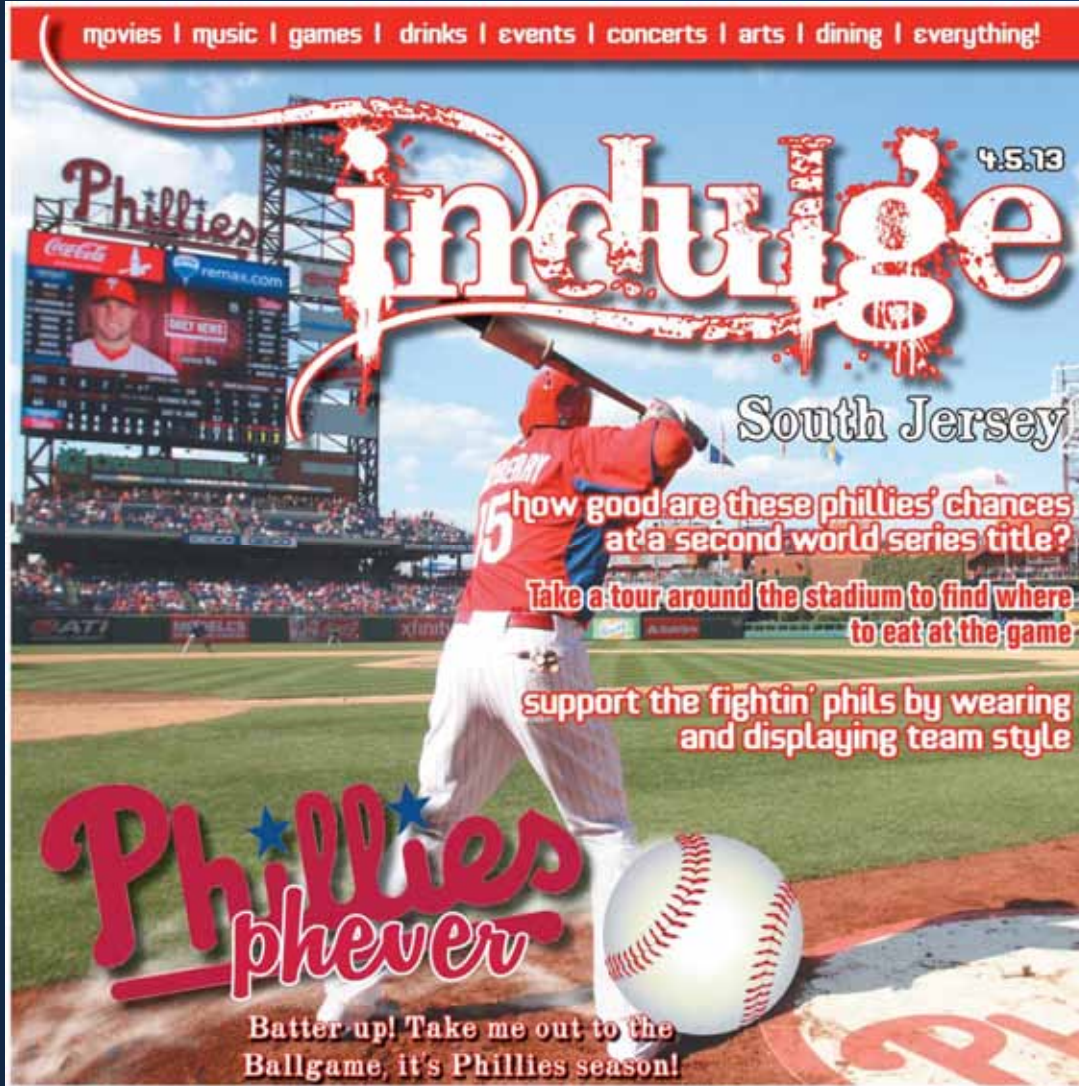
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Rescuing to the rescue

BY PEEBLES

PHOTOGRAPHER

Water rescuers are lining up to their seats at New Jersey beaches when waves, ocean and water sports and athletic events...



about a mile out, where it would take 15 minutes in a boat to reach the person in distress. The NPA's also have been used to transport...

The Surfside Lifeguard Association based in Virginia, Va., has been monitoring the situation...



Burlington Beach Patrol lifeguards Steve Arak, right, and Phil Blumstein conduct the water rescue...

Local group joins lawsuit against IRS

The complaint alleges the IRS actions violated the tax payers' constitutional rights and federal privacy laws.

By DAVID LAMBERT
The Madison-based West Jersey Tax Party has issued a class action lawsuit filed by a group of tax payers and other conservative groups...

Senate candidates come out swinging

By DAVID LAMBERT
Democratic Gov. Richard and Republican Steven Lopez took their respective positions...



But, the impact of Newark's election has implications for the rest of the state...



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Wanna date? New Jersey State Police uniform is just the ticket

New Jersey troopers ranked No. 1 according to a survey conducted last month by UniformDating.com.



By LISA MERRILL
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Atlantic Health inks joint venture

Partnering with Hunterdon, mixing Somerset merger

By Sergio Rivera

New Jersey's pioneering health care behemoth took a smaller step Wednesday.

On the same day that two health care companies agreed to merge in South and Central Jersey, Atlantic Health and Hunterdon County Health System announced a partnership agreement, officials announced that a separate hospital merger agreement involving Somerset Medical Center had fallen through.

Atlantic Health System and Hunterdon Medical Center owners Hunterdon Healthcare on Wednesday officially launched their jointly owned venture, Mid-Jersey Health Alliance, which they had announced last October as a way to save money and improve patient care in a region riddled with too many hospitals.

The news came as Atlantic Health Chief Executive Officer Joe Tropea revealed that his nonprofit would not pursue a merger with the Somerset-based health care company.

Nonprofit officials last month said they were in the midst of deciding whether to merge with either Atlantic Health or Hunterdon Medical Center University Hospital in New Brunswick.

In a prepared statement, Tropea said he was "unfortunate that Atlantic Health chose not to pursue this process to completion."

"We will continue to work in good faith toward an agreement that enables us to provide the best, most comprehensive care to current and future health-care consumers," he added. "The board is open to discussing its options and we will be prepared to do so."

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Atlantic Health System and Hunterdon Healthcare officially launched their joint venture, Mid-Jersey Health Alliance.

Wireless emergency alerts put cellphone carriers on front line of public safety

WHAT WAS THAT BUZZ?



By Michael Lee

Newsday

More in Morris County received a government-issued emergency alert notification for a flash flood warning on their cellphones about 5 p.m. Tuesday.

While some have received similar messages before, this was a new experience for many others and one that will continue on a regular basis.

Gov. Chris Christie's executive order in April 2012 set a public safety system, a project of New Jersey's Ready Nation, and it is up to the phone carriers to determine whether they want their role to continue.

Carriers used the 911-based alerts for flash floods, extreme wind, hurricanes, blizzards and tornadoes, which are picked up by the carriers to send out.

The weather service's role is to activate the wireless emergency alerts or "emergency" messages sent by authorized government alerting authorities through your mobile phone through your mobile carrier. Government partners include local and state public safety agencies, FEMA, the FCC, the Department of Homeland Security and the National Weather Service.

See ALERTS, Page A2

AT A GLANCE

Wireless emergency alerts are messages sent by authorized government alerting authorities through your mobile phone. Government partners include local and state public safety agencies, FEMA, the FCC, the Department of Homeland Security and the National Weather Service.

Depending on carrier and location, the alerts of emergency messages to mobile or texting phone reports are broadcast to subscribers.



Rutgers program aids in battle against bugs

New Jersey farmers are cutting back on the amount of pesticides applied to their crops thanks to a program administered by the Rutgers University Cooperative Extension.

Among the benefits of IPM, or Integrated Pest Management, are immediate notification of pest problems from as far away as Georgia and South Carolina, giving local farmers a heads-up on what to expect, and a chance to take appropriate action.

The program has made a big difference for farmers in the battle against pests like stink bugs.

Read more in Grassroots, Page B1.

Parsippany council approves budget

Surplus sewer funds help preserve 0% tax increase

By William Washburn

PARSIPPANY — The Township Council made their work on Monday of passing a \$62.2-million budget for the next fiscal year.

The budget, which calls for no tax increase for residents, passed, 3-1, the lone dissenting vote coming from Fred Carilli. In Carilli and Jonathan Pollock previously voted against the introduction of Mayor James Barbur's proposed budget, each citing their opposition to a series of work items in public employees included in the budget.

Council President Brian Watson and Vice President Vincent Fortuna also voted for the budget. Councilman Michael DeRosa was not present for the vote.

Monday Carilli reaffirmed his opposition, while Watson said his concerns, which included \$200,000

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HURRICANE SANDY / 100 DAYS LATER

Story by Amy Ellis Nutt / Photos by Andrew Hiltz

TOO COLD EVEN FOR THE SEABIRDS, the Jersey Shore in winter is a desolate place. Up and down the abandoned beach on a fringe of snow and ice, like the frayed hem of an old wedding dress, sketches the edge of the last high tide. Only a handful of well-banded seals, and a black Lab with no birds to chase, roam the ocean's edge. Shattered and silent, the Jersey Shore in winter is supposed to be bleak, but today, passed between storm and summer, 100 days after Hurricane Sandy and 110 days until Memorial Day, the Shore remains a mournful place — struggling not to be. For New Jerseyans, Oct. 29, 2012, will forever



In Monmouth, Sandy created a tidal barrier between ocean and bay with a house in the middle. Today, right, the beach is closed and the house is again surrounded by water.



In Ocean Beach, part of a house split in two by Sandy remains standing nearly three weeks after the storm. Now it's a museum.



On Oct. 21, two days after Sandy, workers begin to clear Ocean Avenue between 17th and 18th avenues in Belmar. At right is Ocean Avenue on 4 weeks today.

be a line of destruction, repeating what used to be done what it is to be the first before to be done, a foreman's onslaught of wind and water claimed 30 lives, damaged or destroyed nearly 200,000 homes, and in the process created more than 2.3 million cubic yards of debris — enough to raise a football field 90 stories high. One hundred days later, the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy is less all about what comes next. No one place is proleptic of what New Jersey will look like in three months, or six months or even a year. Many are still working — some to repair back homes, others to receive insurance checks, most to make one of the biggest decisions of their lives: rebuild, relocate, or walk away. For those people, however, they must first figure out whether they fit in FEMA's new flood maps, and if they do, where, and depending on where, how high they could raise their homes to avoid exorbitant insurance rates. The legions have staggered more than a few residents into a kind of post-disaster limbo.

By AMY ELLIS NUTT

Christie defends cleanup contract, denies claims of 'no-bid' agreement

Gov. Christie defended an agreement to hire a private contractor to clean up the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, denying claims that the deal was a "no-bid" agreement. Christie said the deal was a "no-bid" agreement, but the contract was "no-bid" only in the sense that the deal was not open to all bidders. Christie said the deal was a "no-bid" agreement, but the contract was "no-bid" only in the sense that the deal was not open to all bidders.

Feds bust \$200M credit card scheme

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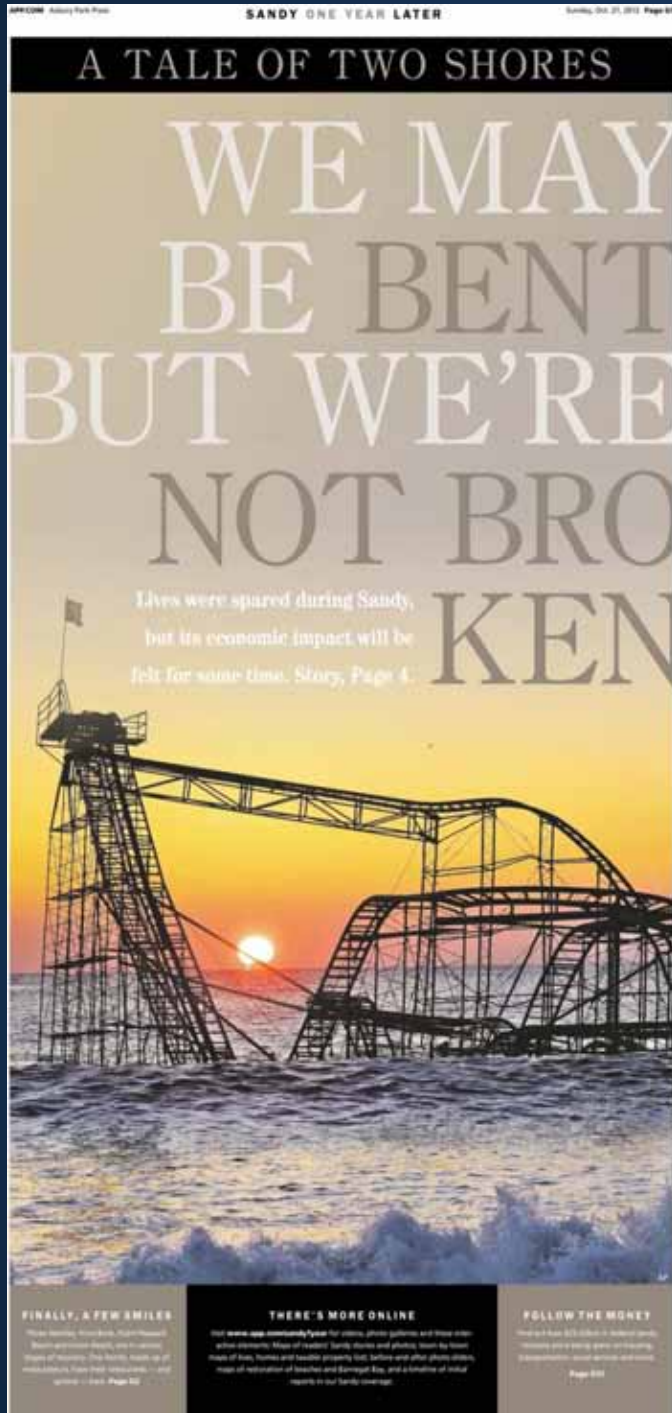
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By Chris Jordan

Some spots will see closed for this day and others, which were able to open relatively soon after lunch, experienced a loss in business.

"The restaurants that were able to open served as a good place for neighbors to gather and get work," Robinson said.

Supermarket chains served as Robinson's lifeline of food. Robinson, formerly the director of marketing for Robinson's restaurant chain in Peter Dinklage Heights and Fort Lee, said he had a couple of days, and some get-up-and-running pretty quickly.

was prepared for more than two days before passing away last March.

"I really took precedence over everything else, and it comes to be the leading item on the agenda," Robinson said. "The Association has been with me a promoter for the last eight months, and there are a lot of things that need to be addressed and our members have pending issues — from the local Jersey restaurant industry in one of the most affected industries in the state and getting people back to work is extremely important and not easy to do."

Robinson lives in Essexton with her husband and two sons ages 10 and 12. She is currently a board member and former president of the New Jersey Small Industry Association and Jersey State Commission and Visitor's Bureau. She also is the liaison chairwoman of the Governor's Tourism Conference and Legislative Committee of Choice Control Commission. She's been honored by the organizations that have been able to reopen and help out in the recovery.

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HOMEMADE CREATIONS

Creative crafters



Spotlight on Morris area artists on Etsy

Interviews by Meghan Van Dyke

Like many Morris County residents, I can spend hours on the Internet poring over photos for design trends and craft inspirations.

It can be overwhelming — especially on Etsy. They're an online marketplace that connects sellers and buyers. You can find anything from jewelry and quilts to wedding favors and decorations for a baby shower. Behind many of the goods for sale are hand-made items, specialized materials or vintage finds.

Because I like the convenience of sites like Etsy, but still like to support small and independent shops and artists, I searched the site for Morris County connections. I then contacted the artists behind some of the favorite designs to hear their stories.

Meet the artists on Pages B2-B3



1. Polymer clay-covered wooden beads
(courtesy of Lisa Lerner)

2. One Charles brick, mortar and concrete polymer clay creations for her shop, *Polka Dot Cottage*, courtesy of Lisa Lerner



3. A handmade mixed-media collage
(courtesy of Julie Robinson)

4. Stone Young at work on a basket
(courtesy of Susan Thomas)

5. A textured plate with curved edges
(courtesy of Lisa Lerner)

6. A bag made from recycled materials
(courtesy of Julie Robinson)

NET OUTSIDE

Snow can't stop explorers from enjoying parks



The Morris County Park Commission on Sunday hosted a 3-mile snowshoe hike at Pyramid Mountain Natural History Area in Knoxville. www.morriscountyparks.com

The snow that dumped about 8 inches of snow in Morris County couldn't have come at a better time for Douglas Trumbull, senior teacher and naturalist at Pyramid Mountain.

About 30 people attended a snowshoeing adventure walk at Pyramid Mountain Natural History Area Sunday led by Trumbull and Bob Rock of NJP in East Hanover.

"Snowshoeing is such a great option in the winter time when the trails are covered with snow because you can still get outside," Trumbull said. "The snowshoes give you more stability with a wider surface and chains and grips on the bottom so there's less slip-
ping."

For more information on where to snowshoe in Morris County, visit www.morriscountyparks.com.

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By Chris Jordan

While the exact dollar amount is unknown at this point, one thing is clear: There are few restaurants in the state that reopened. Sandy (SANDY) leaves her mark on...

"The [restaurant] and [cheese] associations, 100 percent of the associations have joined," said Elizabeth Halimov, president of the Trenton-based New Jersey Restaurant Association. "Some have been closed for a couple of days, and some got up and running pretty quickly..."

Some spots still are closed to this day and others, which were able to open relatively quickly after Sandy, experienced a loss in business.

"The restaurants that were able to open survived in a great place for neighbors to gather and get work," Halimov said.

Supermarket Sandy struck an estimated 10 percent of the state's restaurants, according to the director of marketing for Halimov's headquarters in Perth Amboy: Joseph DeBenedictis and the Union Free in two other spots, came no lower than the top of the state, she reported the late Deborah DeBenedictis, who was president for more than two decades before passing away last month.

"Sandy's real predicament over everything else and a combination to be the leading force on the agenda," Halimov said.

"The Association has been with me a president for the last eight months, and there are a lot of things that need to be addressed and our members have pending issues - that the New Jersey restaurant industry is one of the most affected industries impact of the Sandy and getting over it. Our focus is to get the industry back up and running in the state but we can't do it alone."

The N.J.R.A. has been helping restaurant owners navigate the storm of insurance claims and recovery grants and loans. Halimov said.

"Given with Sandy and their own businesses being affected, I'm impressed with their continued to be reconnected issues are with their own companies," Halimov said. "The McLean, owner of The McLean's Bigger Club in Ashbur Park. The McLean's Bigger Club is the only restaurant in the state that has reopened. Chris Head of Wendy's Ocean Center in the North has been announced in the North's recovery, and The old North of Trenton Burger Franchise in Trenton called me the day after Sandy because he wanted to find first responders and be reached help in finding government."

Visit the New Jersey Restaurant Association at www.njra.org for more information on the N.J.R.A. and its programs.

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It's easy to inject cranberries into your holiday meals

By Nina Rosen
Photo by

Editor's note: This story is part of an occasional series that explores how chefs use a certain ingredient in their cooking.

Thanksgiving and Christmas cannot be too far away when Elizabeth McAllister starts taking with cranberries. "They remind me of that warm holiday feeling," she said. "I miss always using cranberries, even in her holiday baking."

McAllister, who owns The Harvest House in Bradley Beach with her husband, David, extends her family tradition by offering cranberry sauce, jam and muffins this time of year.

"Our customers definitely look forward to them," she said, adding that there "is even" for the cranberry muffins.

It's the thing that gives cranberries that makes them a favorite ingredient of this breakfast and lunch item.

"They brighten up baked goods," she said.

And breakfast.

McAllister said it's easy to start the day with cranberries. Take any pancake mix — homemade or store-bought — and add a little cranberry and butter to the batter.

When the pancake is on the griddle, spread in a few traditional berries and they'll come slumped out on top.

Native to New Jersey

Sometimes called the Jewel of the Pine Barrens, the cranberries are a native fruit grown in Atlantic, Burlington and Ocean counties.



New Jersey's cranberry producers harvested **3,000 ACRES** of cranberries in 2012

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FOOD BASKET

Avon eatery serving dishes from the 'caveman diet'



By Sarah Grossman
For the Asbury Park Press

Does eating like a caveman sound good to you?

I sure do, so, after, well, I talked to the owner of Carol's Paleo Eatery, a new restaurant in Avon that is serving dishes from the "caveman diet."

Practically, the Paleo diet is what humans ate thousands of years ago when we were "knuckle-dragger-type people," said Paul Trappone of Old Bridge, who last month opened the restaurant with Chef Tony Jankin of Avon. "This included nuts, fruits, vegetables and lean meats from animals that grazed on the land. The diet eschewed the consumption of higher levels of 'good' fats while eating no processed carbs and such."

So why did the pair choose to bring the

Paleo diet to Avon? "I started two years ago, Keith, a chef of 20 years, but really got hooked on Paleo proteins and cholesterol after six months of eating this way. After seeing the change in his blood, Trappone said, the decision to bring the lifestyle to others was an easy one.

For those who need convincing, here are some of Carol's best paleo dishes: "Our signature burger," The Bison, the duck and the egg, which is a house burger mixed with duck fat and served on a flat of sweet potato hash brownie with a fried egg, fresh sliced avocado and extra-virgin olive oil (EVO) over green-fat beef chili, served with apple chutney, cilantro and rice wine (RW) and our chicken herbals creamy sauce "sauce" (SOS).

The restaurant, which had never served at the restaurant in Asbury Park, has

trails, and the chicken and egg on the menu are free-range, organic and hormone raised on a farm in Princeton, Trappone said.

The restaurant closes at 3 p.m. each day but on Thursdays, happy hour dinner for two savings it and 8 p.m. Steaks are cooked to three courses a pair menu featured an appetizer of roasted golden beet and beef chulet with red wine sauce, inside, entree, choice of braised short rib with rigatoni, mashed sweet potatoes, roasted duck breast with a sweet stone-baked potatoes and butter chard, and pan-seared skate wings with rice and vegetables, and a French chocolate-orange beef for dessert. Dinner is \$45, and breakfast is \$10.

"We actually have people coming

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AIR POWER

WITH THE MOVE TO WI-FI IN FLIGHT, CARRIERS ALSO NEED TO SUPPLY ELECTRICITY TO USERS



I am writing this from an airplane and 30,000 feet above ground. I was able to start my research on 10,000 feet when I took one of the new Wi-Fi providers, but not on The Real Traveler has been compared, I realized. Even in the skies, we are becoming increasingly plugged in.

Oh, you see?

Once I got started with my writing, I finished my last top button. Power had changed, but I knew I'd keep checking. I knew it would be a distraction. If the plane had Wi-Fi, it would be high-tech enough to have power outlets, right? And so I began the hunt for a nodule.

Nothing on any of the main aisles, so in front of me I did the human pencil trick, to see if there was one on the metal divider between the seats, or under the one. Fails, as well as really awkward. No take.

I rearranged my clothing back to its upright position, sat back and returned to my laptop. 15 minutes of battery life wasted. Well, I still had enough time, I figured, to last the whole flight. I was only going to Miami.

But I got me thinking. I had, after all, paid \$99 for a whole flight's worth of Wi-Fi. In essence I was paying for a whole battery's worth of Wi-Fi, which would be considerably less, depending on the laptop, the battery, the program I was using etc.

But even then the cost of Wi-Fi, the lack of power seemed to carry more weight now that passengers can use their electronic devices more during takeoff and landing. That's going to allow us to see them on board longer, at the very least. More electronic, if we're going on the same for a while.

We'll continue not only seeing more people might be using their laptops, but they'll be using more power using battery-charging programs. (By the way, on my 1.5-hour flight, we had to disconnect our laptops during takeoff, only because they were big enough that they could be awkwardly if they were being stored in a carry-on.) I also realized that any laptop was pretty much an inconvenience during the flight. There was no personal video screen, no music, no internet or overhead screens, to last us.

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Adventure on Baja's inner waterway

By AME E. COOKE AND STEVE HAGGERTY
 MEXICAN TRAVEL WRITERS

SAN EXULISTA, Mexico — Riding at dawn to catch the sunrise, cruise past golden sand dunes and watch as the water turns a deep blue. The Baja California peninsula's rugged coast. As the rays played over the hills, each island-shaped cove and covelet beckoned us to row for a moment or two, then slid out of sight, disappearing behind the dunes.

Fifty yards off the right bow, a white surfboard floated, bobbing on a very slight rise and lowering a whitening circle of ripples. On the left, a squawking band of gulls hovered over a rocky spit shaded by a colony of smoldering sea lions.

They — and the Endurance — were the only signs of life, or so it seemed to the five-time visitor to the Sea of Cortez, the 100-mile-long finger of water separating the Baja California peninsula from the Mexican mainland. It's also known as the Gulf of California and the Yucatán Sea as well as several names in Spanish.

It really is truly unspoiled and, on land, we'd spotted three of the seven whale species that frequent the region: one of the abundant sperm whales, including bottlenose, green, humpback, minke and sperm whales, but if it walked through a long fishing village. Instead the narrow trails to dunes still top ridge overlooked in glass-clear coves. But except for a brief glimpse of sea.

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Passengers making a kayak excursion on the Sea of Cortez with Un-Cruise Adventures.

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We asked you to show your pictures of signs that have left you puzzled or amused.

One of the most interesting submitted the photo of a sign found on the sidewalk in Madison, Colorado. "Most of the other signs I see in town seem pretty well done. I just remember a sign of a hand."

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NFL Hall of Fame



Bill Parcells is carried off the field after the Giants defeated the Dallas Cowboys, 28-25, in Super Bowl XLVI on Jan. 29, 2011. Parcells will enter the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, on Tuesday.

A LONG AND MEMORABLE ADVENTURE

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Rutgers picked third in AAC poll

Louisville the overwhelming favorite in inaugural season

By Ryan Dombey

SEWELL, N.J. — Judging by the results of the inaugural American Athletic Conference preseason football media poll, it would be a huge upset for any team to end even a piece of the regular season title race from 2013 league football champion Louisville.

Rutgers picked third in the poll, which is not surprising for a team that is just coming off a season in which it shared with three other schools the honor of being the conference's only team to win a bowl game.

Louisville, the overwhelming favorite in the inaugural season, was picked to finish third behind fellow runner-up East Carolina and Cincinnati in the poll conducted Tuesday by The American's team.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Some issues and penalties A-Rod is facing

By Howard Rosenberg

In question and answer form, a look at the issues and implications of the New York Yankees' possible acquisition of New York Yankees' star pitcher A-Rod.

Q: What penalties face A-Rod?

A: A-Rod is facing at least a 30-day suspension for his role in the steroid scandal. He is also facing a \$5 million fine for his role in the steroid scandal.

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S.J. GROUP 1 WRESTLING QUARTERFINALS:
CINNAMINSON 30, WOODSTOWN 25

Pirates pull out thriller

Championship reached the S.J. Group 1 finals as Ryan Adolphberger's decision at 132 clinched the victory.

By JOHN A. LONG

SPORTS WRITER

CINNAMINSON —

Championship wrestling coach Mike Stinson said he was both nervous and proud.

The emotion gave him

extra reason to be both

Stinson was nervous

watching a pair of young

men who he had coached

in the past. He was

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Championship's (Clockwise from top left) Cinnaminson's Ryan Adolphberger wrestles against Woodstown's Mike Stinson in the 132-pound match Wednesday.

Kelly brings in his new team

PHILADELPHIA —

There's a new professional

sports team in town. It's

the Philadelphia Phillies.

Phillie Phanatic

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Determined to CATCH on

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Researcher Keshif Moore has already been cut by four NFL teams during his first year. He is hoping his fifth team, the Pittsburgh Steelers will be a perfect fit. Moore is a tight end from Burlington Township, N.J. He played college football at Rutgers University. He was drafted by the Pittsburgh Steelers in the second round of the 2012 NFL Draft. He has been cut by the Pittsburgh Steelers, the New York Giants, the Philadelphia Eagles, and the Washington Redskins. He is currently a free agent.



Moore is seen at Rutgers and in college at Rutgers University.

Halladay: Injury-free and ready to go

The veteran Phillies pitcher is still searching for that elusive World Series ring. PHILADELPHIA — The Phillies' ace pitcher, Roy Halladay, is still searching for that elusive World Series ring. He has been cut by the Philadelphia Phillies, the New York Yankees, the Boston Red Sox, and the Los Angeles Angels. He is currently a free agent.



Halladay is seen at a Phillies press conference.

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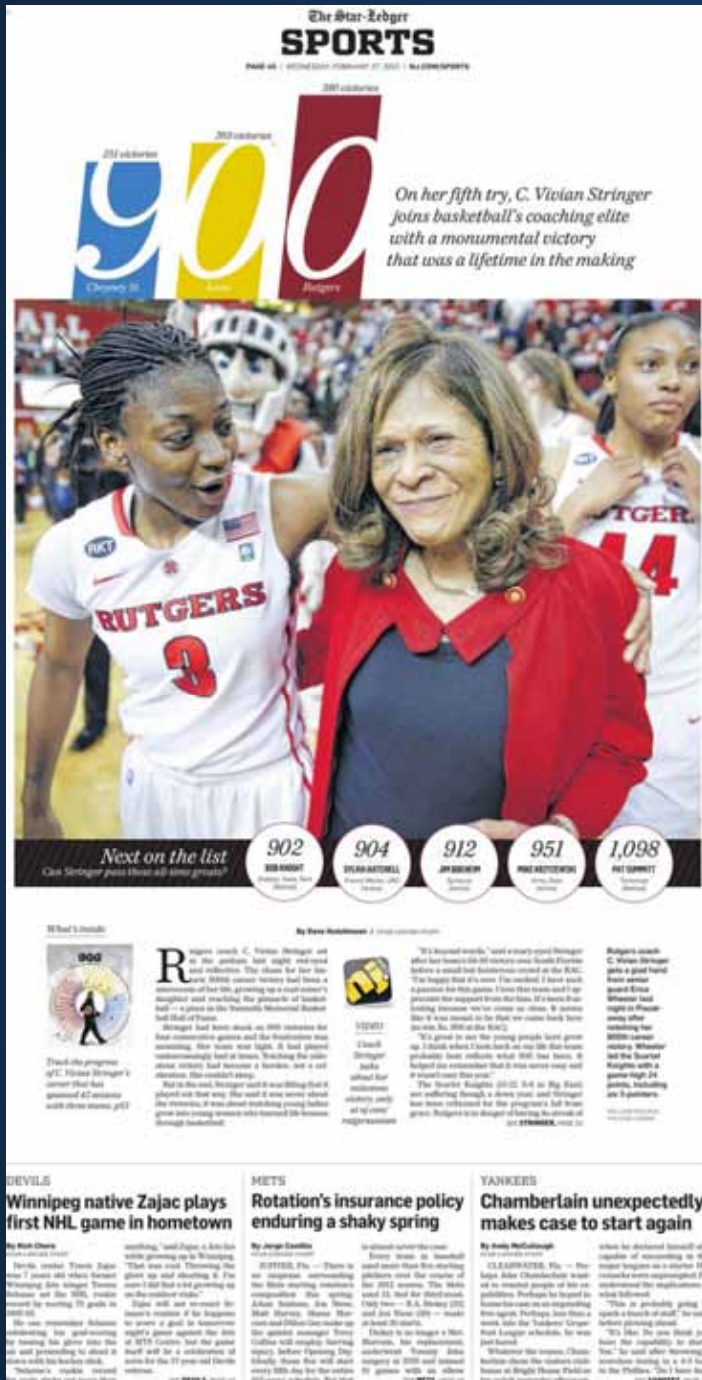
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Rose Babin looks over a tray of freshly baked cupcakes before setting for labor at the House of Cupcakes in Princeton. The 51-year-old House of Cupcakes will open three franchises this spring. The bakery's owners became mini-realities after winning The Food Network's "Cupcake Wars" in 2011.

CUPCAKE KINGS

House of Cupcakes owners are joining Party City founder to whip up a new franchise



Rachel Babin works at the House of Cupcakes in Princeton. The bakery's owners became mini-realities after winning The Food Network's "Cupcake Wars" in 2011.

Rose and Rachel Babin were hardly when their original cupcake business, the Princeton-based House of Cupcakes, was named "Cupcake Wars" two years ago, but it's their recent business partnership and subsequent franchise opportunities that really took the cake, they say.

The Babin duo, owners of House of Cupcakes in Princeton, partnered with their old friend David Mandel, the founder of the Party City franchise, to build their bakery shop into a multi-brand cupcake franchise in East Brunswick, N.J. The duo and Mandel will open this spring, Mandel will be in addition to the chain, but also will sell gourmet baguettes, coffee and more.

Rachel Babin said she was asked several times about her plans to franchise her business, but she



Party City founder David Mandel, above center, takes a bite out of his own business venture with partners Rose and Rachel Babin at the House of Cupcakes in Princeton. The trio are building the bakery shop into a multi-brand cupcake franchise for sale and as a chain of the Princeton location. In addition to cupcakes, the new stores will sell gourmet baguettes, coffee and more.

Homeowners got a bit of help from lenders

Superstorm Sandy had an impact on the delinquency and foreclosure rates in the states that were affected, although the impacts are much more modest than what we saw after Hurricane Katrina in 2005.

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SANDY'S AFTERMATH

Many still fighting long after flooding

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MONEY

US economy adds 195,000 jobs

By CHRISTOPHER S. MONAHAN

WASHINGTON — U.S. employers added a robust 195,000 jobs in June and more than in April and May this year, government officials said. The job growth suggests a stronger economy and means the Federal Reserve could start to raise interest rates in the next few months.

The unemployment rate remained 7.6 percent because more people started looking for jobs — a healthy sign — and some didn't last long. The government doesn't count people who aren't looking unless they're looking for work.

The Labor Department's report Friday pointed to a U.S. job market showing increasing resilience in the face of an uncertain, global spending rate and economic weakness abroad. Employers have added an average 202,000 jobs for the past six months, or from 10,000 in the previous six to 195,000 in the previous six months, according to the report.

The numbers that we're seeing are more sustainable than we thought ... We're seeing better job numbers, the stock market is increasing and home prices are rising."

Paul Castellino, chief economist at the National Business Economic Council, said the report is a sign of a strong economy. He also said that the report is a sign of a strong economy. He also said that the report is a sign of a strong economy.

Note to readers
The local edition of the Monday Money page are moving to Sunday for most areas. There will be no Monday Money morning columns.

ACHIEVERS

Building success Perry Robinson has founded in 2011 building company in Charlotte, North Carolina. Robinson received a \$1,000 award and prize as a member of the National Business Leadership Initiative. The award was given to Robinson for his leadership in the community and his dedication to his students. Robinson is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, where he studied business administration, leadership and psychology.

Public service John W. Swanson, a certified public accountant and 1997 graduate of Rutgers University in Camden, has been promoted to supervisor of the Sales & Marketing Accounting Unit at Charter One Bank. He has been a member of the National Business Leadership Initiative since 2009. Swanson is a graduate of Rutgers University in Camden, where he studied business administration, leadership and psychology.

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TF Financial officially takes over Roebling Bank

By JAMES HANCOCK

ELIZABETH — It's official, although not surprising to banking observers: TF Financial Corp., the owner of Third Federal Bank in Newark, N.J., has officially taken over Roebling Financial Corp., owner of Roebling Bank, in Brick, N.J.

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A slice of NAPLES

Two brands will be opening a new presence later this month.

IN CASE YOU'RE LEFT — It's hard to find a chef's specialty in military history and, more recently, in the local food scene. The Italian and American partners, Lisa Latta of Burlington, Vermont, and Jerry Latta of Burlington, Vermont, are hoping to get a slice of the local food scene that does not. They have founded the center of the local food scene and the local food scene. They have founded the center of the local food scene and the local food scene.

Opening later this month, the restaurant will feature the traditional style pizza made in a brick oven. The restaurant will feature the traditional style pizza made in a brick oven. The restaurant will feature the traditional style pizza made in a brick oven.

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If you have a loved one who is in the military, please send the photo and information by email to localheroes@njpa21st.com

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GOING DOWN
Stocks fell from records when analysts predicted the Fed would taper its stimulus sooner than March. Page 31.



DEVELOPING INCENTIVES
Paterson, Passaic, Trenton and Camden are now designated growth zones, which offer better tax incentives to corporations. Page 30.

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Federal Reserve maintains stimulus

By Mark Hershenson

WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve says it will maintain its policies on the U.S. economy. In a statement given after a policy meeting, the Fed said it would keep buying Treasury bills to help the economy. It also said it would keep its target for the federal funds rate at 0-1/2 percent. The Fed also said it would keep its target for the longer-term rate at 1/4 percent. The Fed said it would keep its target for the longer-term rate at 1/4 percent. The Fed said it would keep its target for the longer-term rate at 1/4 percent.



Realtors aren't required to say they're selling a 'haunted' house

Home buyers, beware

By Tom Ichniowski

For Sale 2 bed, 2.5 bath home. Open house on Oct. 11. Seller's agent is required to say why they're "haunted." Often it's because they're renovating or need the money. But let's just say they're serious business. They have things going on in the night. They see Realtors being scared when no one's around and the lights go on and off by themselves. (Ghoulish. When you go, go.)



ASK THE BIZ BRAIN

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A year after Hurricane Sandy, PSE&G profit gets back on track

By David Hershenson

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Meridian Health starts alliance

Joined six other hospitals to share ideas, lower cost

By Michael L. Diamond

Meridian Health, the state's largest hospital network, has joined an alliance with six other hospital chains in New Jersey and Pennsylvania to share ideas designed to improve care of their patients at a lower cost.

"We all know we have to improve quality while decreasing costs," said John Laird, president and chief executive officer of Meridian. "This is a way we can accelerate the transformation into the new paradigm. The new paradigm is improving quality and lowering cost."

Wall-based Meridian is the state's largest employer. It owns six hospitals — Jersey Shore University Medical Center and St. Romanus Children's Hospital in Neptune; Ocean Medical Center in Brick; Eisenhower Medical Center in Red Bank; Southern Ocean Medical Center in Surfport; and Bayshore Community Hospital in Hightstown.

The alliance comes as hospitals in the wake of the Affordable Care Act, sometimes nicknamed Obamacare, are facing financial pressure from both Medicare and private insurers to deliver care more expensively.

The collaboration will allow Meridian to borrow ideas from its partners on how to treat, say, diabetes, for example.

The hospital groups invested \$7 million to form the alliance. Unlike a merger, they will remain separate entities with separate boards of directors. As a result, officials said, they don't need regulatory approval.

Hospital groups participating are Atlantic Health System in Atlantic City, Hackensack University Health Network, Lancaster General Health in Pennsylvania, Lehigh Valley Health Network in Allentown, Pa., Reading Health System in Pottsville and WellSpan Health in York, Pa.

Michael L. Diamond, 732-443-4638, mdiamond@pressmedia.com

CASHING IN THEIR CHIPS

Online gambling

Internet poker could help Atlantic City

ATLANTIC CITY — Four times New Jersey legalized gambling over the last 10 years, internet poker was never in the mix. Now an internet gambling contract that runs a nationally known, live-up poker site, "The World Poker Tour" is looking to bring its online game to Atlantic City. The tour's parent company, WSOP, is the firm the Borgata is partnering with to offer internet gambling once it starts, perhaps as soon as late November.

Adam Pliska, the World Poker Tour president, says New Jersey's online market shows great potential, and already has a poker scene primed for further growth. "It's evidence of what is happening in poker," he says.

John Shepherd, a spokesman for WSOP, says internet poker can help brick-and-mortar sites fill up their poker rooms and create jobs. The World Poker Tour Borgata Poker Open is scheduled to start with a prize pool of nearly \$4 million. "I came in here Monday night and there were 1,200 people playing poker," he said.

Deadline approaching

The New Jersey Division of Gaming Enforcement will have the end of November as its target date to launch internet gambling in the state. But it recently wrote to six of seven casinos saying their applications remain incomplete and asking for the relevant data to be filed by Friday.

Shepherd said WSOP has been preparing since 2007 for online gambling in the United States, and is working hard on its server room at the Borgata. It says given time, as many as 200 of the company's 1,700 software engineers worldwide could be working on the Atlantic City project, he said.

Other casinos also have lined up online partners and are making similar arrangements.

The Tri-Casino Casino and Resort has joined with Galaxy Limited, which runs the Jackpot.com website. The four casinos owned by Caesars Entertainment — Caesars Atlantic City, Bell's Atlantic City, Harrah's Resorts Atlantic City and the Showboat Casino Hotel — are partnering with Hollywood.

Harrah's Casino Hotel has joined with PokerStars, the world's largest poker website that has tried to keep the Atlantic City market this year before the deal fell apart.

The Taj Mahal Casino Resort chose Ultimate Gaming, which began offering internet gambling in

GOING FOR BROKE

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U.S. stock market slips after record-setting day

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The stock market paused Thursday as investors tried to figure out what to do next following the Federal Reserve's decision to hold steady on its stimulus for the economy.

The Dow Jones industrial average and Standard & Poor's 500 index pulled back from their record highs the day before. Gold, historically a haven for nervous investors, had its biggest one-day jump since the onset of the financial crisis in September 2008.

Many investors had expected the central bank to scale back its \$95 billion in monthly bond purchases, but the Fed said it first needed to see more evidence that the economy was improving.

The question now is whether stocks can continue their strong run-up given the Fed's discount outlook on the economy. The stock market is up 23 percent for the year, and 155 percent since a recession low in March

2009. And, after a tough August, the S&P 500 has risen 17 of the last 12 days.

Wednesday's rally extended that surge, but raised a deeper concern for Julius Feldway, an investment adviser at Muddy Street, a financial-advisory firm in Jackson, Miss. He said the rally showed that investors believe the economy still needs the Fed's help, even after more than two years of modest economic growth.

"If the market wants the economy to be healthy and on life support, and it can't have both over the long term," he said.

The Fed's bond buying is designed to keep interest rates low,

with the goal of stimulating the economy by encouraging borrowing and lending.

Chairman Ben Bernanke and other Fed members also weighed in throughout the session that the central bank was considering pulling back on the program, if the economy was healthy enough.

Now, with the Fed delaying its pull-back, the market could enter a new period of uncertainty.

"The market is back to its identity in May, when investors were trying to parse every data point from the Fed to figure out what it was planning to do," said Steve Williams, chief investment officer at Williams, Smith, Thomas in Norfolk, Va.

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1 Professional chefs often use a specific type of knife to cut through meat. What is the name of this knife?

2 What is the name of the first commercial cookie in the United States?

3 Which of the following is a real food?

4 Which of the following is not a type of fruit?

5 What does it mean to "braise" a food?

6 What is the main ingredient of the traditional British Lentil Soup?

7 Add a slice of raw potato to an over-salted vegetable to make it less salty.

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EXTRA CREDIT:
A Bûche de Noël is an English cake consisting of a chocolate pastry, a layer of jam, and what kind of filling?

HOW DO YOU MEASURE UP?
SEE PAGE B2 FOR THE ANSWERS

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GUNS IN THE CROSSHAIRS



Obama initiative aims to stop the killing, but N.J. is way ahead



Shore leader of Longmont shoots targets at Brick Armory Wednesday.

Locally, some conflicted over president's gun-control plans

By Heather Reinegar - 10 minutes

Robert Facci, mayor of one, is an FBIPT trained in handling, how things done and how to use in safety to be fitted with a security system.

Minutes after President Barack Obama announced comprehensive proposals and signed executive orders intended to reduce gun violence, Facci wrapped his hands around the grip of a .22 caliber pistol at the Brick Armory in Lakewood. He squeezed the trigger with confidence. It's 23rd practice try of 22, she said.

"I don't know I can't today, to see if I was scared or if I was confident," said Facci, who has a 20-year-old daughter. "I don't want to have a gun if I can't handle it."

Now she finds herself in the midst of a national gun debate society to have had in coming weeks. The behavior of the National Rifle Association had shocked her. Some military-style assault weapons being on the

See STORY, Page A1.

More than half favor gun control

Most Americans support tighter gun restrictions.

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A nationwide poll on the sale of assault-style weapons.

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President Barack Obama, with Vice President Joe Biden, unveiled plans to reduce gun violence.

OBAMA'S PROPOSALS

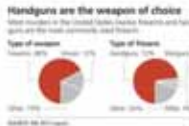
- Require background checks on all gun sales.
- Restrict the assault weapons ban.
- Review a 10-year-old ban on the sale of semiautomatic assault weapons.
- Prohibit the possession, transfer, manufacture and import of dangerous assault weapons.
- New gun-safety laws punishing people who help manufacture gun parts.

SOUND OFF

According to a new Associated Press-GFJ poll, Americans were split on the president's plan to ban assault weapons. Most favor the plan, but many oppose it.

MORE COVERAGE

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