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NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

Congratulations to Monmouth County Library Commission Chair Renee B. Swartz, who has been named *Community Champion of the Arts* by the Monmouth County Arts Council. Mrs. Swartz was given this honor in recognition of her support of the teen artists of the Monmouth Teen Arts Festival.

OBITUARIES

Deepest sympathies are extended to the families and friends of the following elected officials of Monmouth County who recently passed away.

1/24 – Holmes A. Adams, Mayor – **Neptune City**

1/26 – Edward A. Schauer, M.D., Mayor –

Farmingdale

1/29 – Robert B. Wade, Councilman – **Interlaken**

1/30 – Harry Franco, Mayor – **Deal**

2/1 – Gertrude Berman, Assemblywoman and Councilwoman – **Long Branch**

2/13 – Wilma Greenspan, Mayor – **Aberdeen**

3/20 – Joseph Krimko, Mayor – **Neptune**

3/30 – Stephen Patrick (Pat) Antonacci, Mayor – **Keansburg**

MONMOUTH COUNTY IN THE NEWS

Congratulations to **Eatontown** Mayor Gerald J. Tarantolo who was elected 2nd Vice President of the New Jersey League of Municipalities. Best wishes, Mayor Tarantolo!

Duran, Kyra Z. "Hard Hit Towns Rally to Help Storm Victims". 90 *New Jersey Municipalities* (January 2013): 12 (7). Read some of the stories about the courageous efforts that were made by local government teams to assist their residents following Superstorm Sandy. **Manasquan, Sea Girt, Belmar, Union Beach, and Lake Como** are mentioned in this article.

Kostinas, Melissa. "Mayors Are Making Wellness a Priority." 90 *New Jersey Municipalities* (March 2013): 34 (3). **Red Bank's** "Kick Start Walk" is discussed as one of the wellness events that took place in the Fall of 2012.

Johnson, Ed. "Sharing a Commitment to Economic Growth and Our Citizens." 90 *New Jersey Municipalities* (February 2013): 18 (5). This article discusses **Asbury Park's** experience as a Sister City to the city of Casalgrande, Italy. The author is the mayor of **Asbury Park**.

Doherty, Matthew. "What I Learned in Mississippi." 90 *New Jersey Municipalities* (March 2013): 8 (2). The author, who is the mayor of **Belmar**, discusses a relationship that began when **Belmar** adopted Pass Christian, Mississippi. Their bond continues as they partner to energize **Belmar's** recovery from Superstorm Sandy.

Hornik, Jon and Barbara Rosenbaum Singer. "Introducing the 'Shop **Marlboro**' Property Tax Reward Program." 89 *New Jersey Municipalities* (November 2012): 20 (3). This article describes an incentive program whereby residents receive a credit against property taxes when purchasing goods or services from participating businesses in **Marlboro**. The author is the township's mayor.

ANIMALS

Bouvier, Jaimie. "Urban Micro-Livestock Ordinances: Regulating Backyard Animal Husbandry". 30 *Zoning Practice* (April 2013):1 (7). A growing number of communities are revisiting their animal control and zoning regulations in response to a renewed interest in chickens, bees, and goats among backyard hobbyists and urban agriculture practitioners.

WEB WATCHERS

The Social Security Administration is now offering new, personalized online services. To sign up for a free account which provides access to your records, go to: www.socialsecurity.gov.

The New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs and the State Motor Vehicle Commission have collaborated on a new database containing information about vehicles that have been issued salvage or flood titles after Sandy. Search for these vehicles at the Consumer Affairs website: www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/floodcars.

VETERAN AFFAIRS

Scott, Dylan. "Back from War and on Their Own". 26 *Governing* (March 2013): 30(6). Returning veterans often find it challenging to find the help they need and deserve, especially from the federal government. This article discusses how some states and localities are stepping in to assist them.

SMALL BUSINESSES

Reale, Vaughan M. "Purchasing Cost-Effective Health Insurance." 58 *New Jersey Business* (December 2012): 60 (1). This short article offers advice to small business owners looking to purchase health insurance for their employees.

CLIMATE CHANGE

Solomon, Randall. "Preparing Municipalities for Climate Change and Flooding". 90 *New Jersey Municipalities* (January 2013): 24 (2). This article discusses long-term planning practices to help communities stay resilient and strong when faced with extreme weather patterns.

Dolesh, Richard J. "Climate Change: Now Can We Talk?" 47 *Parks & Recreation* (December 2012): 29 (2). This author explains why he believes that parks and public conservation areas are an essential element in addressing climate change.

RECYCLING

Dorn, Betsy. "Picking Up Foodservice Packaging". XXXII *Resource Recycling* (March 2013):31 (5). The author reports on the progress of the Foodservice Packaging Institute's (FPI) packaging recovering initiative.

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SENIOR LIVING

Walters, Jonathan. "Can you Imagine Being 85 and Homeless?" 26 *Governing* (January 2013): 52 (5). Poverty among aging Americans is getting harder to ignore. For an interactive map reflecting county data on aging boomers, visit this website: www.governing.com/babyboommap.

SUPERBOWL XLVIII

Schlossberg, Dan. "Super Bowl Preparations." 59 *New Jersey Business* (February 2013): 50 (4). Anyone counting the days until the next Superbowl will enjoy this article detailing how New Jersey is getting ready for the big game which will be played at the Meadowlands.

FRAUD

Cobert, Mitchell H. "Avoid Becoming a Victim of Securities Fraud". 280 *New Jersey Lawyer* (February 2013): 70 (6). This article will help you understand how security fraud is perpetrated and how to prevent yourself and others from becoming the next victims.

PLANNING

The Monmouth County Division of Planning recently published *The Monmouth County 2012 Profile*. This report serves as an annual portrait of Monmouth County and showcases its current economic performance and growth prospects. Visit: www.visitmonmouth.com to download a copy or call 732-431-7460.



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