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NEWARK COUNCILMAN JOE McCALLUM CHARGED WITH SCHEMING TO OBTAIN BRIBES AND KICKBACKS



Co-Schemer Admits Wire Fraud Conspiracy

NEWARK - A member of the Newark Municipal Council and Board of Directors of the Newark Community Economic Development Corporation (NCEDC) was charged Oct. 20 with scheming to obtain bribes and kickbacks, U.S. Attorney Craig Carpenito announced.

Joseph A. McCallum Jr., 65, of Newark, is charged by complaint with one count of wire fraud for allegedly devising a scheme, using interstate wire communications, to defraud Newark and the NCEDC of the right to McCallum's honest services. McCallum is scheduled to appear on a date that will be determined by the court.

Malik Frederick, 60, of Newark, a participant in the
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NEWARK BETH ISRAEL HOSPITAL'S \$100 MILLION EXPANSION



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By Dhiren Shah

NEWARK - October 20th, 2020 will be a day to remember in Newark's history. For the past few months, Newark Beth Israel Hospital has been reaching new heights. After Newark Beth Israel was recognized as one of the best hospitals

in the world according to Newsweek, they have now organized, with social distancing rules, a groundbreaking of their \$100 million renovation project, marking the largest expansion of the hospital since 1967.

A key component of the project
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Editorial
 Dhiren Shah
 Editor-In-Chief

Hello Readers,

Newark's own Stephen N. Adubato Sr. aka "Big Steve" died on October 16, 2020. He lived a great life as a teacher and politician. He worked behind the scenes and had the courage to support Kenneth A. Gibson, an African American in 1969. In those days, Caucasians were the majority in Newark. With the support of Adubato Sr., Gibson became Newark's first African American mayor in 1970 and served four terms as mayor of Newark.

Big Steve had a voice in the political arena of Newark, Essex County and New Jersey as well.

Joseph DiVincenzo became county executive with the support of Stephen Adubato Sr. Not only he was a powerhouse in politics, but he was successful in managing and running one of the top education institutes in the world. That's the reason he was given charge to run a public-private partnership school in Newark NJ.

He was a visionary. He knew how to play chess in real life. I remember when Adubato Sr. called me and asked me to join him to tour his institutes. He gave me a tour of all his schools and the North Ward Center, and I saw how much the children loved him. He joked with the children and I felt that he had a connection with them. Local Talk's staff and I pray for his soul and give our condolences to his family.

Another huge bit of news is Newark Councilman Joe McCul-

lum, who was charged with bribery and kickbacks. He was on the board of the Newark CEDC which is now called Invest Newark!. As with any case, the accused is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

Power makes people do wrong in their jobs. It was all about money. Mayor Baraka and his appointees were controlling the organization. I heard that Baraka is calling meetings with city employees and all of the other non-profit corporations, as if they were city employees. I have been asked by our readers: "Does Baraka know about the ongoing bribery and kickbacks, and if he does, is he overlooking it?"

Biden vs Trump or Trump vs Biden, whatever you call it, will be a very interesting election this year. The second and final debate will be on Thursday October 22, 2020. Trump was going

overboard in interrupting Biden and Biden interrupted when Trump was speaking. So, this time they will cut off the microphone during one man's speaking time, and only afterwards can they speak when time is allotted to them. This is like how you handle elementary or kindergarten children. Everyone is waiting for the debate. The wrong things are being done by both parties. I hope there will not be any violence or civil war after the election, as no one will accept the results.

Biden is leading in the polls, but many persons are not talking and may vote for Trump as I've heard in our community.

Have a wonderful week.

I'll talk to you next week.

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WEATHER FOR THE WEEK

<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>
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STEPHEN N. ADUBATO, SR. "A WINNER NEVER QUILTS, A QUITTER NEVER WINS"

By *Walter Elliott*

In 2008, "Local Talk" had the honor of interviewing Mr. Adubato. During that interview, he mentioned something his father told him: "A Winner Never Quits, A Quitter Never Wins." Wise words from a wise man.

NEWARK - Simple purple and black mourning banners, with one exception, started going up on the North Ward Center's buildings along Mt. Prospect Avenue Oct. 19 in the wake of founder Stephen N. Adubato's Oct. 16 death.

The one exception was at its headquarters here at 346 Mt. Prospect Ave. While the gates to the former Victorian era mansion were closed, a photo banner was strung along its avenue-side gates.

The photo banner of Adubato with his beloved wife Fran, family and North Ward Center children, was superimposed with "Forever Big Steve."

Adubato, 87, who died in the presence of his family Friday, was the founder of the North Ward Center, the Robert Treat Academy charter school and three related non-profits dating back to 1970-71. The groups include child and adult day care centers and a center to help autistic children.

Looking back at 346 Mt. Prospect, where "Big Steve" kept his office through 2010, was also the seat of North Ward-based political power. Candidates who were endorsed by Adubato and had his political machine support are found in elective offices from the Newark Public Schools Board of Education to the U.S. Senate.

Adubato, who never disguised his power brokering, insisted that his political clout was a means to help the poor and disadvantaged in the North Ward and in Newark.

"Nice guys are those who sit back and do nothing," said Adubato in several 1980s-2000s interviews. "I much rather be feared."

The North Ward Center, who announced Adubato's passing, did not say whether he had died in a house near the mansion here or at his vacation beach house in Lavallette.

The announcement did not state Adubato's cause of death. Son Stephen N. Adubato, Jr. in an Oct. 20 interview with WBGO-FM News Director Doug Doyle, said that his father has "struggled with cognitive issues the last 10 years."

Adubato, who was born here into a family of seven Dec. 24, 1932, had made several life-changing decisions - starting while he was in Seton Hall University.

The North Ward native and Barringer



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By **Michele Lowe,
East Orange, NJ**

Another day of life, living, and being grateful. It's not just the big things that count; even the little

can amount up just enough. Love and peace are what the world is missing today, but instead there is jealousy, envy, and hate. This is what we all can't make the world out to be.

Every day is a new start. What was done yesterday is already done. That past cannot be rebuilt or be re-brought. Make every day, starting today, the best. Life

comes and goes, and time doesn't wait. It keeps going. Sometimes you may have to make decisions and changes. It may seem or be hard, but it's for the best.

Me, myself, and I consider of what I call distance, isolation, regaining and organizing thoughts. You have to be able to identify, and detect, good or bad. I made the choices, and some people may not like it, but I did what was best for me, my future, my career.

People should stop stabbing each other in the back. Love one another, because even if it hurts, doing the right thing is always the best thing.

Hopefully, this makes a change for someone. Love life. Never forget to vote. I wish everyone a better life.

Advertorial

High School Class of 1949 graduate was into his first year when his father, who ran a service station here in the 1930s, had suddenly died. His mother persuaded him to stay in SHU.

Adubato graduated SHU with a BA in political science in 1954. After serving in the US Army, and marrying Frances Calvello, he studied at Rutgers Law School before returning to SHU for a master's degree in education in 1960.

"There was a time where I was deciding whether to become a lawyer or a priest," recalled Adubato in the 1990s. "I met and married Fran, so that took care of the priesthood. I became a Newark school teacher until I went out on my own in 1970."

Stephen and Fran moved into Stephen Crane Village 1954-56 and began raising Steve, Jr., Michelle and Theresa. Steve, who

was hired by NPS as a history and government teacher, became a political liaison in the Newark Teachers Union.

The lifelong Democrat won a contested North Ward legislative district seat in 1962 and became North Ward Democratic Chairman in 1969 - several months before the epic mayoral race between incumbent High Adonizio and challenger Kenneth A. Gibson.

Adubato joined Newark Fire Chief and West Ward Chairman John Caufield in backing Gibson against the established Addonizio. Gibson, upon his election, gave Adubato seed money to start the North Ward Center.

When Adubato backed Gibson for his 1974 re-election, his political process became a program. Residents can remember North Ward center buses taking residents to

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE SUES GOOGLE

On Oct. 20, the Department of Justice - along with eleven state Attorneys General - filed a civil antitrust lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia to stop Google from unlawfully maintaining monopolies through anticompetitive and exclusionary practices in the search and search advertising markets and to remedy the competitive harms. The participating state Attorneys General offices represent Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, South Carolina, and Texas.

“Today, millions of Americans rely on the Internet and online platforms for their daily lives. Competition in this industry is vitally important, which is why today’s challenge against Google - the gatekeeper of the Internet - for violating antitrust laws is a monumental case both for the Department of Justice

and for the American people,” said Attorney General William Barr. “Since my confirmation, I have prioritized the Department’s review of online market-leading platforms to ensure that our technology industries remain competitive. This lawsuit strikes at the heart of Google’s grip over the internet for millions of American consumers, advertisers, small businesses and entrepreneurs beholden to an unlawful monopolist.”

As one of the wealthiest companies on the planet with a market value of \$1 trillion, Google is the monopoly gatekeeper to the internet for billions of users and countless advertisers worldwide. For years, Google has accounted for almost 90 percent of all search queries in the United States and has used anticompetitive tactics to maintain and extend its monopolies in search and search advertising.

As alleged in the Complaint,

Google has entered into a series of exclusionary agreements that collectively lock up the primary avenues through which users access search engines, and thus the internet, by requiring that Google be set as the preset default general search engine on billions of mobile devices and computers worldwide and, in many cases, prohibiting preinstallation of a competitor.

In particular, the Complaint alleges that Google has unlawfully maintained monopolies in search and search advertising by:

- Entering into exclusivity agreements that forbid preinstallation of any competing search service.
- Entering into tying and other arrangements that force preinstallation of its search applications in prime locations on mobile devices and make them undeletable, regardless of consumer preference.

- Entering into long-term agreements with Apple that require Google to be the default – and de facto exclusive – general search engine on Apple’s popular Safari browser and other Apple search tools.
- Generally using monopoly profits to buy preferential treatment for its search engine on devices, web browsers, and other search access points, creating a continuous and self-reinforcing cycle of monopolization.

These and other anticompetitive practices harm competition and consumers, reducing the ability of innovative new companies to develop, compete, and discipline Google’s behavior.

The antitrust laws protect our free market economy and forbid monopolists from engaging in anticompetitive practices. They

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BETH ISRAEL EXPANSION
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will be the hospital's new main lobby, an estimated 17,000-square-foot, glass-enclosed space, that will move the hospital's front entrance back onto Lyons Avenue. The project will also include expanded adult and pediatric emergency departments, new hybrid operating rooms, a dedicated center for all cardiac services and a brand new renovated maternity unit.

Newark Beth Israel Hospital has been a key health institute for the community since almost 100 years. Beth Israel President Darrell K. Terry, Sr. welcomed everyone and briefed the audi-

Payne Jr., and many more elected officials, as well as some physicians, nurses and staff members, congratulated the organization via pre-recorded messages on screen.

This transformation will include:

- A new glass enclosed lobby with modern seating areas, an expanded registration area and community meeting spaces.
- * The new lobby will transform the hospital from an enclosed brick structure with an obscure, entrance, into a light-filled welcoming space with a prominent entrance on Lyons Avenue.



ence about the hospital. He thanked the community and city officials, including Mayor Ras Baraka.

Baraka said that as a young kid he always passed by the hospital almost every day. He congratulated President and CEO of RWJ Barnabas Health Organization Mr. Terry for his commendable achievement and thanked the community for their support. U.S. Senator Cory Booker, NJ State Senator Teresa Ruiz, U.S. Congressman Donald

- An expanded Emergency Department
- * The ED will increase by approximately 4,000 square feet, including nine new treatment areas in the adult ED, three new pediatric treatment areas and one new fast-track treatment area. The ED will also boast new exterior signage as well as a separate waiting area for families who come to the



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The Orange Board of Education has in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 and 10:4-13, has scheduled a Special Virtual closed Meeting for Wednesday, October 28, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. There will be short Public virtual Comment Period followed by a Closed Session to discuss policies. The Public Session will then be reopened and adjourned. No Action Will be Taken.

- Policy Review



- pediatric emergency department for care.
- Renovated Intensive Care Units
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- Cardiac Care:

* Newark Beth Israel is home to one of the nation's top 10 heart transplant centers, New Jersey's only Advanced Lung Disease and Transplant Program; and a Valve Center that performs complex cardiac valve procedures, including (TAVRs). The renovation project places all of these services under one roof in a center that is easily accessible to patients and will include new patient consult rooms, exam

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TOWN WATCH

DISCLAIMER: The following items are primarily drawn from first responders. Responders' accounts may not be their full activity range. Grand juries hand down indictments when evidence presented them warrant a trial. Named suspects/defendants are innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

NEWARK - Authorities are still searing as of press time for the driver and shooters who left a city man dead in a hail of bullets here at a West Ward intersection Oct. 10.

Acting Essex County Prosecutor Theodore "Ted" Stephens II and Newark Public Safety Director Anthony Ambrose said, on Oct. 13, that Naeen A. Keaney, 24, had died from bullet wounds while at Eastern Parkway and Mount Vernon Place that Friday.

Newark Police officers scrambled to that intersection after several residents' 911 calls. They said that several armed masked men had repeatedly fired shots at a group of people, including Keaney, before fleeing in a grey SUV.

NPD officers, who were soon joined by the ECPO Homicide and Major Crimes Task Force, roped off the intersection for their on-scene investigation. All traffic, including buses on NJTransit's No. 1 and 37 routes, were detoured.

A detachment of officers found the abandoned SUV at Eastern Parkway and Putnam Street. On-site investigators recovered several shell casings, among other evidence.

Keaney's funeral was held here at the Cotton Funeral Home, 1025 Bergen St., Oct. 21. A description of the suspects has not been released as of press time.

IRVINGTON - The Township Council has scheduled a public hearing and a possible final vote here Oct. 26 on a resolution that would enhance literally local wireless communication around

Irvington.

The legislation, first passed on its Oct. 28 introduction, is entitled "Telecommunications in the public right of way." The measure, pending approval, will amend Irvington's zoning code to allow telecommunication companies to attach "small cell wireless facilities" on the likes of existing utility poles.

Those small scale devices are cellular receivers and transmitters who use three-to-four-foot tall antennas with a 100-foot radius range. One can think of them as children to the up to 100-foot-tall "macro" antennas and transceiver sites that began to be installed in the early 1980s.

The telecommunication companies want to install these small transceivers for two reasons. First, the companies want to improve reception in high density areas like public squares, parks, office buildings and stadiums. Second, the companies want to provide 5G quality service.

The companies, who will be regulated like utilities, want to affix the small devices on existing poles for they will be along the public right-of-way and close to electrical power and fiber optical cables.

Irvington Township would have their public channels enhanced - and receive annual rent like they any hosting site would for the big transceiver towers. Although telecommunication companies pay their big tower hosts around \$20,000 a year as far back as the 1990s, it is not immediately known what the township will get in small device rent.

EAST ORANGE - The East Orange Campus High School community has been left in mourning since the midday killing of one of its students within half a mile of the school Oct. 6.

Acting Prosecutor Stephens and City Public Safety Director Domingos Saldida had identified the dead student as Antoine Sanga-Niangara, 16, by 4:30 p.m. that Tuesday.

Sanga-Niangara, who was a month into his junior year, was an EOCHS football Jaguar last year. The 5' 9", 175 lb. star played as a safety and a wide receiver for the 2019 squad.

The Jaguars varsity team all wore Sanga-Niangara's number,

22, on their jerseys while visiting Montclair High School Oct. 10. Head Coach Rae Oliver's squad blanked the Mounties, 13-0.

EOPD officers, directed by residents' incoming 911 calls, arrived at the intersection of Park and Lincoln avenues at 1:30 p.m. They found Sanga-Niangara, "unconscious and unresponsive" at a corner; he would be declared dead at the scene 1:50 p.m. Traffic, including NJTransit's No. 41 buses, were detoured during the field investigation.

The Park and Lincoln intersection is about three blocks south of EOCHS but some 100 yards west of Paul Robeson Stadium, where Sanga-Niangara had played. It is within two blocks of the East Orange School District's three junior high schools' mega building.

Neither Sanga-Niangara's public funeral details, nor a description of his killer or killers, have been released as of press time.

ORANGE - The Rahway computer consultant who was indicted for offering bribes to a high city official in exchange for steering a \$350,000 installation contract in 2015 has pleaded guilty Oct. 14 - and has named that official.

Jeanmarie Zahore, 56, said U.S. Attorney Craig Carpenito that Wednesday, had pleaded guilty to one count of making corrupt payments to "an agent of a local government receiving federal funds." Zahore said that official was "Acting" City Business Administrator Willis Edwards III.

Zahore said that he had approached Edwards prior to the City Council's Sept. 15, 2015 meeting, as early as Aug. 31, about attaining a contract to upgrade the computer networking system at the Freddie Polhill Law and Justice Complex.

Edwards, at that Sept. 15 meeting, introduced an "emergency" no-bid contract on JZ Nettech's behalf. The then-acting or "Deputy BA" had arrived at the Polhill complex the day before to advise high Orange police and municipal court officials that their network needed an upgrade. The council, after several questions, approved the "walked-on" contract, 4-3.

Edwards, according to the federal grand jury indictments, gave Zahore a \$115,000 advance Sept. 18 so the latter could buy materials to start work. Both the work and the city's payments were conducted and made Sept. 20-Nov. 1.

Zahore, on Nov. 20 and 23, gave Edwards two \$10,000 cash payments in return for the former getting him the networking contract.

Zahore is now facing up to 10 years in federal prison upon his scheduled March 3 sentencing. He is also facing either a fine of up to \$250,000 "or twice the pecuniary gain to the defendant or loss to the victims."

WEST ORANGE - Classes here at the Washington School will have resumed after its 14 day quarantine Oct. 21 and the school district's transportation department will be up and running again Oct. 23.

West Orange Superintendent of Schools Dr. J. Scott Cascone, in separate moves, closed the Tory Corner elementary school and the district bus service after two students and two staff members had tested positive for the COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus Oct. 8 and 12.

The two Washington students, said Cascone, had contracted the virus out of school. The two Transportation Department drivers, however, had exposed themselves to their colleagues, aides, office staff and leadership - shutting down the 22-member unit.

Council Candidate Loses Endorsements

Essex Rising and Our Revolution-Essex County Chapter, as of Oct. 8, have dropped their endorsement of Township Council candidate Brent Scott.

The Essex Rising steering committee and local Our Revolution chapter said they were rescinding their support of Scott after a state-level activist posted on her Facebook page what she said were screenshots of Scott making "inappropriate comments."

Both organizations stressed that they would continue to endorse candidates Monica Perkowski and Bill Rutherford.

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They and Scott are among the seven candidates vying for three of the nonpartisan Township Council seats in the Nov. 3 General Election.

Scott, an outgoing West Orange Board of Education member, has not responded to the charge on his candidacy Facebook page. He still retains the endorsement from the Sierra Club Gateway Chapter of Essex County.

SOUTH ORANGE / MAPLEWOOD - South Orange-Maplewood School District Superintendent Dr. Ronald Taylor is planning to hold a pair of virtual town halls Oct. 26-27 on how he envisions the in-person reopening of the two-town district.

Taylor is to focus on the Pre-Kindergarten-Eighth Grade reopening on Oct. 26 on WebEx. Viewers are to use this link: <https://bit.ly/2FAi7eR>.

Reopening Columbia High School is to follow on Oct. 27. Its WebEx link is bit.ly/3ITLMir.

Taylor is looking to reopen all schools for in-person learning Nov. 12 - as he had intended to outline before the SOMSD Board of Education at their Oct. 22 virtual meeting.

Both Taylor and the Maplewood Department of Health have meanwhile warned against students attending house parties while unmasked. It is believed that three CHS students had developed COVID symptoms while at such events.

One student's contraction prompted the tennis team to suspend practice for two weeks. The two others are on the Ultimate Frisbee intramural team which is separate from CHS athletics.

MONTCLAIR - The identity of the man who shot another man near the Bloomfield Ave-
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also empower the Department of Justice to bring cases like this one to remedy violations and restore competition, as it has done for over a century in notable cases involving monopolists over other critical industries undergirding the American economy like Standard Oil and the AT&T telephone monopoly.

Decades ago, the Department's case against Microsoft recognized that the antitrust laws forbid anticompetitive agreements by high-technology monopolists to require pre-installed default status, to shut off distribution channels to rivals, and to make software undeletable. The Complaint alleges that Google is using similar agreements itself to maintain and extend its own dominance.

The Complaint alleges that Google's anticompetitive practices have had harmful effects on competition and consumers. Google has foreclosed any meaningful search competitor from gaining vital distribution and scale, eliminating competition for a majority of search queries in the United States. By

restricting competition in search, Google's conduct has harmed consumers by reducing the quality of search (including on dimensions such as privacy, data protection, and use of consumer data), lessening choice in search, and impeding innovation.

By suppressing competition in advertising, Google has the power to charge advertisers more than it could in a competitive market and to reduce the quality of the services it provides them. Through filing the lawsuit, the Department seeks to stop Google's anticompetitive conduct and restore competition for American consumers, advertisers, and all companies now reliant on the internet economy.

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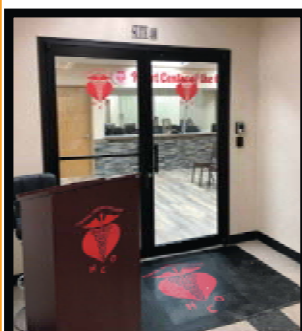
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OP-ED BY DR. ROBERT KENNEDY

The Resistance Of Evil

It is quite interesting that during this time when there is an expression of so much corruption and degradation in the socio-political, moral, and spiritual spheres, so many individuals are being co-opted in the train of evil that they are unwilling to offer any resistance.

I cannot say that it was different in Germany when the Fuhrer was peddling his nazification ideas, that there were many resisters. But thank God, there were a few resisters. I think of Corrie Ten Boone with her hiding place room in her house, Deitrich Bonhoeffer with his underground church, and Karl Barth of the Reform Church movement and a few others, but most of the population were mesmerized by the charisma of Hitler and his ideas. If there were not a few resisters, many more than six million Jews would have vanished in the holocaust.

What is most tragic for me is that a majority of religious people and churches got caught up with Hitler. As he came to power, they felt that his dissembling dedication to religion, abstinence from tea, coffee, alcohol, meats, and a few other things, concurred with their faith practices,

and made him a savior figure. Thus, when Hitler began to sow the seeds of hatred and strife, many individuals went headlong in offering their loyalty, without any questions.

In referencing what happened in Germany, I am asking where are we going in the United States at the moment? Are there any parallels from which we might learn? Are we just willing to go with what is happening around us without pausing to reflect and resist? Are we prepared to stay on the train that is heading off the cliff without doing anything about it? The call for resistance is not to practice any evil but to be what the late Representative John Lewis called "Getting into good trouble," or what Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. offered as "Non-violent resistance."

I concur with the many who are reading the times that "we are in a seminal moment." We only have a little time to resist the path of evil, seeking to divert us from what is just and good. If we do not change the river's course, we will all be caught in the rapids and tossed down the cliff. In effect, we need people who are committed to standing in the gap.

For some of you who are questioning what you might be able to do, I offer that voting is one way of resisting. I also offer that we need to pray for wisdom in the choices we make in voting. Think clearly of the long term effects of the issues that confront us, think of the generations to come, and do what is right.

Do not just follow the crowd. Do not engage in "group think." As the lines of one poem says, "Stand on a footing of your own and cultivate a sound backbone." For the young, I say, do not get caught up in peer pressure. Be careful in what you seek to do, politically, morally, relationally, and spiritually. Learn how to swim against the current - Resist. Learn how to fly - Resist gravity. Many people are settling for anything and everything, negative. But you need to stand out from the crowd and make it clear that the crowd will not be you.

Whenever you see such things as the following - oppression, children being caged, mothers separated from their children, prejudice and racism, disenfranchisement - it would be helpful if you learn that the only way to change things is to resist. Learn that people are failing to resist because they are:

1. Accepting superficiality - That is just looking at the surface of things and not asking any questions about what is going on.
2. Conforming to the social norms or abnormalities, as most persons in societies do.
3. Denying - Stark realities are staring them in the face but deciding to be dishonest and pretend that what they are seeing is not what they see.
4. Foolishly loyal - So loyal to those about them who are peddling falsehoods, but they lack the courage to resist?
5. Following the path of curiosity - They are so fascinated

by the hype of the moment and want to satisfy their curiosity so much that they follow the path to the tragic end.

6. Ignorance - They lack wisdom and discernment and are unwilling to find out what is right from what is wrong.
7. Careless - the unwillingness to take responsibility.
8. Lack of courage to fight back.

Let me be biblical by using the words of the apostle James that have been coming to mind for the last few weeks, "Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." James 4:7 emphasis mine).

Although some of you might say that Jesus did not engage in the political resistance of his time, I remind you that Jesus was the greatest resister this world has ever known. He demonstrated such in his concern for the children, how he treated widows, in the ways he engaged with the poor and the sick. He criticized the legalistic systems that disenfranchised the downtrodden. His prayer for the coming of the kingdom was a prayer of resistance.

When he said, "Render to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what belongs to God" (cf. Matthew 22:21), He was offering a model of resistance. Yes, Jesus resisted all self-aggrandizing efforts of the devil. That is why Jesus was who He was - the Perfect Person.

While we can't be Jesus, we are called to be like Jesus in resisting the evil order.

ADUBATO (1932-2020)

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the election day polls. Large billboards and a poster-plastered sound truck would appear in the ward beforehand.

Adubato continued to serve the North Ward while its demographics shifted from being a primarily Italian enclave to mostly Latino. That makeup can be found both among the North Ward Center's workforce of 200 (in the 1990s) and in his endorsement of candidates.

Some observers believe that Cory A. Booker's going to Adubato to support his 2006

mayoral campaign was a key to his successful election. Booker left City Hall to become U.S. Senator in 2014.

Brother Michael, who died in 1993, was a nine-term New Jersey State Assemblyman in the 1970s-80s. Son Steve became the youngest New Jersey General Assemblyman in the 1980s. Wife Fran was an appointed Essex County official into 2016.

Adubato started the Robert Treat Academy, one of the first charter schools here, in 1997.

Those within the ward and across the city may remember Adubato-backed "For Our Kids" NPS Board of Education candidates being annually vying for

election against the "Children First" slate, whose backers include educator/South Ward Councilman Ras Baraka. (Newark's school board elections, like all others statewide, were ostensibly nonpartisan.)

The For Our Kids-Children First jousting ended after Baraka was elected mayor in 2014. He agreed to accept North Ward Center-based candidates on a "Newark Forward" fusion ticket in exchange for Gov. Christopher Christie granting Newark Public Schools its long-sought autonomy.

Adubato's presence at the mansion, by then, became less frequent over time. He first

turned over daily and CEO operations to daughter Michelle.

His Chevrolet Cruze was mustered into school transport service. The annual pre-Christmas party for local media and officials ended. His portrait all but faded away from NWC and RTA billboards.

Adubato's official obituary and funeral arrangements, as of 5 p.m. Oct. 21, have not been released.

It is not known whether a tombstone in "Big Steve's" mansion office will be his official marker. That marker's epitaph reads: "He was not a nice guy."

TOWN WATCH (Continued from page 7)

nue Business District here Oct. 20, and perhaps a second suspect, may have been revealed by authorities when you read this.

Montclair police Chief Todd Conforti said that some of his officers and a Montclair Ambulance Squad crew were dispatched to the area of 50 Greenwood Ave. at 1:58 p.m. Tuesday. They were prompted by a 911 caller who said someone had fired fire gunshot rounds the minute before at another man and had fled the scene.

First responders told MPD detectives and Essex County Sheriff's Officers that they found a 30-year-old Montclair man lying in the street with several gunshot wounds. The victim, who was stabilized and rushed to Newark' University Hospital by MAS, remains listed in critical condition as of press time.

Officers promptly closed Greenwood between Claremont and Glenridge avenues, including the latter entry to the USPS main Montclair Post Office. Parts of Forest Avenue, Greenwood Place, North willow Street and Walnut Streets were also closed to traffic.

The first suspect, said Conforti, was arrested minutes in the area. The Montclair resident had matched the description and direction a shooting witness gave to arriving police.

Conforti said that the suspect and the victim knew each other but, other than that the shooting was "an isolated incident," refrained from further details.

A second man, also of Montclair, was later taken into custody for questioning. A search of sewer and storm drains, assisted by a sheriff's K-9 unit, yielded two guns. The investigation has since been turned over to the ECPO Major Crimes Task Force.

BLOOMFIELD - Those who want to attend the next Bloomfield High School football game, against the squad brought in to replace Barringer High School, may want to contact BHS athletic director Steve Jenkins before leaving home.

Local high school sports maven Mike Lamberti Tweeted Oct. 18 that "Bloomfield's game with Barringer, scheduled for Oct. 23, has been cancelled. (The) Bengals will host Northern Valley/Demarest High."

"Local Talk," as of press time, has been unable to find out why BHS's game against the Barringer High School Blue Bears, set for 7 p.m. Oct. 23 at Newark's Schools Stadium, was called off. It is not known whether the game has been postponed or scratched from the calendar. Ticket refunds have not been addressed.

A call was made to reach Barringer Athletic Director Terrance Brogdon Oct. 20.

Lamberti further Tweeted that BHS's match against the Northern Valley Regional High School Norsemen "on Saturday, Oct. 24, at 1 p.m., in a rare day game, at Foley Field."

The problem "Local Talk" found, however, is that NVRHS's own website has the game being held at their Norsemen Stadium in Demarest 4 p.m. Oct. 26 - a Monday. Maxpreps.com and another high school athletics website maintains 1 p.m. Oct. 24 at Foley Field.

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GLEN RIDGE - If you are planning to go door-to-door to receive treats this Halloween, you better skip this borough.

Mayor Stuart Patrick and the Borough Council, on advice from the Glen Ridge Board of Health posted an Oct. 29-Nov. 1 ban door-to-door trick-or-treating where treats are handed out, here on Oct. 18.

"The (Federal) Centers for Disease Control has determined that it's a high-risk activity," said Stuart, "to participate in traditional trick-or-treating, where treats are handed to and received by children who go door-to-door."

The borough's announcement also cited that "a homeowner can give out more than 1,000 pieces of candy causing some streets

to become extremely crowded."

Glen Ridge follows Plainfield and Bound Brook in banning their Halloween traditions as a COVID-curbing social-distancing precaution.

Plainfield Mayor Adrian Mapp had cancelled its annual "Trunk or Teat," where candy is taken from car trunks. (Mapp is also Orange's Finance Director.) Bound Brook also added "haunted houses, hayrides, mazes and Halloween parties that exceed indoor or outdoor crowd limitations."

"Local Talk" advises trick or treaters and/or their parents to check with local authorities to see which Oct. 31 activities are still on and/or socially adjusted.

BELLEVILLE - The Township Council's first meeting allowing members of the public into the council chamber gallery Oct. 13 yielded several residents and a plating company owner being irked over

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The Doctor Is In



Dr. Adil Manzoor OP/ED

Trump Vs. Biden: Healthcare



The 2020 general election is now underway in some parts of America, as we look forward to the November 3 climax. The two biggest candidates are the United States of America's current president, Donald Trump, from the Republican Party, and of course, Joe Biden, of the Democratic Party.

As should be expected, the two have gone back and forth over the last few months on a long list of important issues about what they plan on offering the country, with healthcare rising to the top of the list. That should come as no surprise when you consider how key healthcare is in deciding who voters eventually vote for. And that makes sense because our healthcare system is a mess. I'm tired of saying this. A huge mess. But that's a story for another day.

For now, we will focus on the stance of both Trump and Biden on crucial healthcare is-

ues. And I can promise you, this will not be a political article. Trust me; it won't. I should also add that I'm going to add the coronavirus as part of a healthcare issue, because it is. Some like to politicize it, but it's a healthcare issue. Simple as.

To start with, the coronavirus. Well, according to the CDC, the coronavirus has killed close to 219,000 people in the United States of America, corresponding to over 20% of the total deaths in the world. That's just sad. I can't say I'm surprised given how we, as a nation, have acted all through these rough eight months or so. But, again, that's a story for another day.

Trump's coronavirus response has been one clearly not in strong favor of mask-wearing.

He has been seen countless times in public gatherings, not wearing a mask. He even mocked Biden, some weeks ago, for wearing a mask, and that should tell you all you need to know about what he feels about masks. Biden, on the other hand, has been a staunch supporter of mask-wearing. And he plans on mandating mask-wearing when, or more appropriately, if he gets into power.

What can I say? As a medical practitioner, I am begging you to wear masks. Masks have been recommended by the WHO, CDC, and basically every other standard health organization in the world. Masks help limit the spread of the virus. It really should be a no-brainer.

Another aspect of the coronavirus response they, Trump and Biden, disagree on is the United States' withdrawal from the WHO. Trump infamously pulled the US out of the WHO some months back because he felt the organization is compro-

mised. Biden plans on reversing the withdrawal if he is appointed into office. To be perfectly clear, he plans on reversing the decision on his first day of office.

It's not all disagreements, though. They both agree on quite a few issues, like reopening schools, hastening the development of a safe and effective vaccine, and expanding testing. These all seem fine if they can be done safely, but therein lies the issue. Hastening the development of a vaccine doesn't really go well with safety and efficacy. Vaccines naturally take years to develop, and we are talking about developing one in a few months. I understand that these are precarious times, but we still cannot throw caution to the wind. We cannot afford to.

About a week ago, Johnson and Johnson paused their vaccine trial due to 'unexplained illnesses.' Some other studies have also paused their vaccine trial. These just emphasize that we need to be patient. We cannot afford to compromise the effectiveness and safety of the vaccine, further putting more people at risk just for the sake of it. The vaccine trials should go at a relatively fast pace. I agree with that bit, but also at a healthy pace. There are risks we shouldn't be taking at this point, and this has to be the chief of them.

Now to other healthcare issues. Let's start with the Affordable Care Act. President Trump does not support this Act and has been very vocal about it. His administration has been trying to overturn the law put in place a decade ago by his predecessor, Barack Obama. Biden, meanwhile, supports this law. No one can act surprised here because Biden was Vice President when the law was put in place. Biden has also promised to build on the 2010 law, allowing more people to choose a public insurance plan instead of Medicare-for-all, a single-payer system. Trump, of course, doesn't support this.

To be honest, I'm not a fan of what insurance companies are doing to our healthcare system. So, I just hope whoever wins can develop a sure-fire plan to put us out of this misery. It starts by

reducing the power these insurance companies have because the big companies are merging and monopolizing healthcare insurance. Something needs to be done, and fast too.

Trump and Biden also have differing views of enabling undocumented immigrants to have access to Medicaid or any other government-funded insurance program, for that matter. Trump doesn't agree to this, while Biden feels no one should be denied healthcare.

I will not say who is in the wrong or right because many of these issues are down to opinions and policies. My primary allegiance is to saving human lives, which is why I support mask-wearing and any policy that will see our healthcare get better. One better than what we have had for years now. Stay safe.

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ESSEX COUNTY COVID-19 CASE TALLY

Weekly Statistics from Oct. 14 - Oct. 21, 2020

Municipality	10-14-2020	Deaths	10-21-2020	Deaths
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Bloomfield	1285	69	1336	69
Caldwell	141	11	147	11
Cedar Grove	506	113	518	114
East Orange	2158	231	2202	232
Essex Fells	36	2	39	2
Fairfield	192	17	206	17
Glen Ridge	54	9	55	9
Irvington	1628	163	1680	162
Livingston	583	70	605	71
Maplewood	379	27	386	27
Millburn	188	6	191	6
Montclair	546	52	567	52
Newark	9110	670	9511	670
North Caldwell	73	4	82	4
Nutley	609	36	631	36
Orange	1128	92	1162	92
Roseland	107	14	111	14
South Orange	141	5	147	5
Verona	175	14	188	14
West Caldwell	318	48	326	49
West Orange	1432	186	1493	186
Total	22000	1906	22856	1909

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NJ: 223,223 cases / 14,456 deaths (Plus 1,789 probable)

United States (approx.): 8.312 Million / 221,700 deaths

Worldwide (approx.): 41.05 Million / 1.13 Million deaths

NJ Gov. Phil Murphy is in self-quarantine after coming in close proximity to someone who tested positive for COVID-19.

BETH ISRAEL EXPANSION

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Marc E. Berson, Chair, RWJBH, Francis J. Giantomasi, Chair, NBIMC and CHoNJ, Newark City Councilman John Sharpe James, Reverend Dr. Marilyn Harris, VP of Community Relations, NBIMC and CHoNJ, R. Julie Cabaleiro, MD, President of the Medical Staff, NBIMC and CHoNJ were on hand to witness the historic moment of the hospital.

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SPORTS WRAP



By William Hathaway

Local high school is still going strong so far, with no major COVID-19 complications. In this week's action, the West Orange Mountaineers stunned the Montclair Mounties at Woodman Field 35-6. The Mountaineers' defense set the tone by forcing six turnovers, making the team 2-1 on the season.

At the far end of Essex County, Nutley defended its home turf in a close 21-20 win over Orange. The Tornadoes were led by Montez Boswell with 15 carries for 101 yards and a key 27 yard touchdown late in the game. That gave Orange a 20-14 lead, but Nutley answered with a game winning TD from Matthew Harbison. This game was marred by many questionable calls from the officiating crew.

In other action, the East Orange Jaguars are now 3-0 on the season, thanks to a 35-0 road win over Paterson Kennedy. Leading the Jags was Damian Philips with 189 yards and 2 touchdowns. Also, the West Side Roughriders hammered Millburn 55-7 in another blowout victory, while Weequahic won a high scoring game over Cedar Grove 44-34. Pope John shut out Irvington 24-0, and the Bloomfield Bengals slipped by Passaic 28-26.

After a whole without visiting the win column, the New York Giants finally got their first win under coach Joe Judge. This

came in a 20-19 home victory over Washington, thanks to the Giants stopping a 2-point conversion attempt. Devonte Freeman ran the ball 18 times for 61 yards, but NY was led in rushing by quarterback Daniel Jones, who had 74 yards on seven carries, including a 49 yard run in the 2nd quarter.

The Giants are now 1-5 on the season, and still in the division race thanks to the NFC East being awful. Big Blue will play the Eagles on Thursday Night Football. Also getting their first win on Sunday was the Atlanta Falcons, who are now coached by Newark native Raheem Morris after Dan Quinn was fired. Morris previously coached the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Meanwhile, the New York Jets remain winless and uncompetitive, with a nasty loss at the Miami Dolphins 24-0. Former Jets QB Ryan Fitzpatrick picked apart his old team, and running back Myles Gaskin led the dolphins with 18 carries for 91 yards.

In college football, Clemson took the #1 ranking in the nation with a huge 73-7 win over Georgia Tech. Also, Alabama defeated Georgia 41-24 after a COVID-19 scare from coach Nick Saban.

Finally, the World Series is set, as the Tampa Bay Rays fought off a comeback from the disgraced Houston Astros to face the Los Angeles Dodgers, who beat the Atlanta Braves in seven games.

Legally Speaking



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Co-Parenting or Parallel Parenting?

You know what I think? I think for the sake of the children, the courts should stop requiring parties who share children to get along with each other!

It seems obvious to me that when parties divorce, it is for a reason. Usually, that reason is one of them has grown weary of the other whom they view as narcissistic, controlling and a bully. One of them is tired of the other's vindictiveness; tired of participating in the competition that the other turns every interaction into.

It's the same when it comes to unmarried couples who share children. The reason they never married is all too often that they see (in advance) qualities in the other that militate against the idea of marriage. Parties can love their children without loving each other.

In New Jersey, public policy dictates that parties share "joint legal custody" even though the time spent with the children is unequal. The problem with co-parenting is that is that co-parenting requires the parents to agree on parenting issues. The fact of the matter is that if they

could agree, they would likely either still be married or still be in a relationship.

In the co-parenting relationship, you have to agree. Mom says, "I want Amir to attend a charter school. It's very near my house and I've met the teachers and the school seems great!" Dad says, "I want Amir to attend a Catholic school. Everyone knows that catholic school education is better, schools are safer and there are fewer discipline problems."

You know who breaks that tie? The court! It is precisely because the court has to break the tie over and over again as parents who do not get along return again and again that court dockets remain full. The court decides which activities the child will attend, which colleges they will attend whether they will get braces, or other non-emergency treatment. This is not what courts should do or can do effectively while the poor children are caught in the conflict.

Parallel parenting does not affect who has residential custody, but dictates that each parent does what he/she wants with the children without having to consult or agree with the other parent other than on those matters that require an economic contribution from the other parent or infringes on the other parent's parenting time. There are several huge advantages to parallel parenting.

1. Parallel parenting reduces stress by allowing parents to disengage from each other and make separate decisions without the requirement of getting the agreement of the other parent. In a parallel parenting agreement, maybe you alternate years when Dad and Mom get to decide on the children's activities. In even years, Mom decides that they play baseball. In odd years, they go to computer camp.

2. Parallel parenting reduces conflict by reducing the amount of interactions and the reasons the parents need to interact. The most high-stress, high-conflict part of coparenting occurs at the exchange. With parallel parenting maybe Mom drops off in the AM; Dad picks-up in the PM at school. When the children are not in school, another neutral site is selected.
3. Parallel parenting allows parents to live their lives as they choose without constantly having to answer to the other parent. Parents are not required to communicate to the other everything about the child's activities. Both parents have unlimited access to the children's coaches, teachers, doctors, and school web portals. If either parent wants information about the children, he or she can get it without the intervention or consent of the other parent.
4. Parallel Parenting allows children to love and be with each parent without having to report to the other parent because the parents are no longer competing. Each parent can have "rules of the house" without regard of the other parent's "rules of the house."

Most importantly:

5. Parallel parenting is healthier for children. Children don't have to worry about losing a parent or displeasing a parent. They don't have to be the ball in the tennis match. They don't have to be in the middle. They can be loved and comforted by both parents.
6. Parallel parenting is healthier for the parents because it breaks the co-dependency cycle. The screamer no longer has anyone to scream at. The controller no longer

has anyone to control. Parents can break their anger addiction and their addiction to wanting to invalidate the other parent.

While co-parenting sounds like a good idea, all too often it is not. It sounds like a good idea to have parents get along, but courts are not set up to manage personalities and behaviors. When the court forces a co-parent to co-parent with one who is controlling, or competitive, or vindictive, or narcissistic it can actually be unhealthy and undesirable, if not harmful.

So, what I think is that as you go back to court, or deal with court-ordered parent mediators, you need to demand the use of the parallel parenting model rather than a co-parenting model. You should present to the court:

- A. The benefits for your children when they get to maintain equal relationships with both parents, and the benefits of the children when they do not having to worry about the parents agreeing or getting along.
- B. That parallel parenting will allow the parents to let go of the anger and attempts to control each other.
- C. Advise the court that it is better for the parents, the children and the courts if parents are allowed to disengage rather than become "frequent flyers" who repeatedly return to court crowding the docket problems the court is not designed to solve.
- D. That the requirement for parents to consent and agree should be limited to those things that require contribution from the other parent. Courts should reduce the need for parents to engage each other. Each parent should be allowed his/her parenting style.

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scheme, pleaded guilty by videoconference before U.S. District Judge William J. Martini to Count 1 of a four-count information, charging conspiracy to commit honest services wire fraud, and Count 3, charging him

with subscribing to a false personal federal tax return for 2017 for intentionally not reporting over \$100,000 in income.

According to documents filed in these cases and statements made in court: As a member of the Newark city council, representing the West Ward, and

of the NCEDC (now known as Invest Newark!), from 2017 through February 2020, McCallum schemed to receive concealed bribes and kickbacks from Frederick, funded by developers, contracting companies, and other businesses seeking contracts and approvals princi-

pally related to development, construction, and real estate projects and deals in Newark.

These developers and others were solicited by Frederick to hire his consulting company for "access," and were introduced to McCallum as the councilman
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behind the particular project or deal of interest to them. McCallum then received and planned to receive concealed bribes and kickbacks derived from the fees that Frederick obtained from those who retained his company.

In exchange, McCallum used his official positions to provide assistance to those who retained Frederick's company. For those who refused or hesitated to pay, McCallum and Frederick intended to prevent them from obtaining contracts and work from the NCEDC and the City of Newark. McCallum and Frederick used interstate emails and phone calls to further this scheme and took significant steps to conceal these bribes and kickbacks.

The bribes and kickbacks received and sought by McCallum through Frederick included the following:

- A \$16,000 bribe funded by a payment from a contracting company
- A \$25,000 bribe and kickback funded by a payment from a developer's company
- \$500 in cash to cover travel expenses for an out-of-country trip and an attempt to receive part of a \$50,000 payment from a second developer
- An attempt to obtain payments from a seller of property in the West Ward and a developer who was seeking to buy and develop the property.

Frederick also sought to have a modular home company that was in negotiations with the NCEDC on a development project in Newark retain Frederick's company and obtain a \$40,000 payment from the company. Frederick intended to share the \$40,000 payment with an NCEDC official (Co-Conspirator 2) who referred Frederick to the modular home company and expected a portion of whatever Frederick would be paid. After the modular home company refused to retain Frederick's

company, it did not receive a contract from the NCEDC.

The honest services wire fraud charge alleged in the criminal complaint against McCallum and the wire fraud conspiracy charged in Count 1 of the information to which Frederick pleaded guilty carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison and a fine of \$250,000, or twice the pecuniary gain to the defendant or loss to the victims, whichever is greater. The false tax return charge to which Frederick pleaded guilty carries a maximum potential penalty of three years in prison and a maximum \$250,000 fine, or twice the pecuniary gain to the defendant or loss to the victim, whichever is greater. Sentencing for Frederick is scheduled for March 2, 2021.

When "Local Talk" asked Councilman McCallum for a comment, he replied, "I'm not letting anything interrupt the continued progress we have planned in the West Ward."

U.S. Attorney Carpenito credited special agents of the FBI's Newark Field Office, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge in Newark George M. Crouch Jr. in Newark; special agents of IRS-Criminal Investigation, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Michael Montanez, and special agents of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Inspector General, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Christina Scaringi, with the investigation leading to the charges against McCallum and guilty plea by Frederick.

The government is represented by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Jihee G. Suh, Jeffrey Manis, and Elaine K. Lou of the U.S. Attorney's Office's Special Prosecutions Division.

The charge and allegations contained in the complaint against McCallum are merely accusations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

nor the township government have meanwhile kept up with increasing its water rates to keep pace with Newark's charges those six years.

"While the Township has run a loss for six years, meaning we pay Newark more than we collect in water bills," said Melham, "we've also been out of contract for many years. We currently owe and have already begun to pay back Newark \$1.6 million in back water payments."

The water payment deficit to Newark, in the mayor's view, is the latest of "some of the long term problems that have plagued Belleville." Melham, since taking office July 1, 2018, credits "hiring a full-time CFO and a full-time, outside professional Township manager" as part of a "professional team 'watching the store.' "

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their recently hiked water bills.

The Belleville Water Department's new billing, since Oct. 1, has rates going up to 200 percent more from what they were paying the last quarter. This predominantly affects all Belleville water users - except those who are directly served and billed by the Newark Water Department.

Mayor Michael Melham, in his Oct. 15 explanatory press release, said that the Township Council "recently voted to increase water fees" to pay Newark \$1.6 million "in back water payments."

Belleville buys all of its water from Newark even though it owns and maintains most of its own supply lines. Melham explained that its contract with NWD had expired in 2015. Neither BWD

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Breast Cancer Signs, Symptoms & Facts

The most common symptoms for breast cancer include:

- A new lump or mass
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- Breast or nipple pain
- Nipple retraction (turning inward)
- Redness, scaliness or thickening of the nipple or breast skin
- Nipple discharge (other than breast milk)

In 2020 in the United States, it is estimated that there will be

276,480 NEW CASES OF FEMALE BREAST CANCER

and an estimated 42,170 women will die of this disease.

Breast cancer is the **most common cancer** in **American women**, except for skin cancers.



Although it is less common in males, this year an estimated **2,620 men** will be diagnosed with breast cancer and approximately 520 will die.



1 in 8 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime.

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*Statistical Source: breastcancer.org/symptoms/understand_bc/statistics

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