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*Assemblywoman Britnee Timberlake and several others sponsored legislation in both the State Assembly and Senate*

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## HISTORY OF RUTGERS STUDENTS OPPOSING THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

By Lev D. Zilbermints

Part One

In the last two issues of Local Talk, dated July 22 and 29, respectively, our readers were introduced to how the Rutgers Board of Governors are allegedly violating the Open Public Meetings Act.

Time limits were cut to the minimum, from three minutes to two; the practice of ceding time to another speaker was declared illegal; sign-up for speaking was made 24 hours before the meeting; and the agenda was released to the public 48 hours before the meeting. Speaking was allowed only on agenda items.

Yet, this was not always so. In this issue, we will look at how the students of decades past fought against the Board of Governors for their rights and freedoms.

### 1960s - 1971

During the turbulent 1960s, Mason W. Gross was President of Rutgers University. Students pro-

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## LOCAL AREA DODGES MAJOR TORNADO THREAT



*A tornado takes down a tree in Verona, not long after twisting through West Orange*

By Walter Elliott

ESSEX - The 'Local Talk' area, while dodging one of five tornadoes during July 29's thunderstorms, found themselves up to waist-deep in the afternoon and evening run-off in some areas.

The National Weather Service said that a tornado packing 65 mph winds had touched down on the West Orange side of the Montclair Country Club at 5:53 p.m. that Thursday. It would be

among five tornadoes recorded statewide that night.

The up-to-50-foot-wide twister then went due north into Verona before breaking up at the Verona Park bike path at 5:57 p.m. - three minutes and .35 mile later.

Verona first responders counted three felled trees and 10 to 20 major tree limbs falling onto its lawns and streets. One tree fell on a Sylvan Road home,

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**Editorial**

Dhiren Shah  
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*Hello Readers,*

COVID-19 has not left us behind. The new Delta Variant is spreading fast, especially in the hard hit state of Texas. On July 31, there were about 20,000 cases new cases there, and the next day, there were about 50,000 cases.

On Aug. 3, the U.S. crossed 104,000 cases in a day, while India crossed 42,000 cases, a far cry from when it was in the hundreds of thousands a day. Senator Lindsey Graham got COVID-19, even after vaccination. However, he said that he has mild symptoms, and is grateful that he got the vaccine.

The White house mentioned, and CNN reported, that 70% of US residents already have had at

least one dose of a vaccine, and CNN praised President Biden, even after the target date of July 4th was missed. Until the second dose is administered, the protection is not enough. Even after the second dose, it is said to be good for 6 months, so chances are we'll need another booster shot. I took my second shot in March 2021. Six months can pass by so quickly, and after September, I may need a booster shot. The scientists are not giving us a clear picture. Johnson and Johnson's effectiveness is still doubtful, but people are still taking their shots. Meanwhile, Pfizer, Moderna and J&J are minting money on behalf of the taxpayers.

According to Guard World: "Authorities in Israel have delayed the entry of vaccinated individual tourists until at least Aug. 1 due to concerns regarding the spread of COVID-19 variants. Authorities had previously planned to permit vaccinated individual tourists to enter the country from July 1. Currently, only limited groups of

vaccinated foreign tourists are permitted to enter Israel as part of organized tours."

Some groups do not believe in vaccination. However, we should listen to their argument or opinion and think about it. The words of politicians, the CDC and health industry bring doubt to many persons. I don't say that they are wrong. The scientists must have taken in consideration the positive and negative points. However, after taking vaccination, it is not guaranteed that the person will not spread the coronavirus.

In the beginning of the pandemic, the scientists were searching for all the possibilities and any information from all sides. However, due to the will of the politicians and the money power, they are seemingly trying to force vaccination upon everyone. So, the scientists are looking in one direction, rather than how effective vaccination really is. I think they are becoming biased and less neutral, as the money is pouring in bundles for looking in one direction.

New York Mayor Bill de Blasio said that everyone must show vaccination ID for indoor dining, gyms and theatres. He said for New York City, "This is a miraculous place literally full of wonders." He also added, "If you're vaccinated, all that's going to open up to you. But if you're unvaccinated, unfortunately you will not be able to participate in many things."

Due to increase in Covid cases and deaths, in many parts of the world, restrictions have been brought back in place, and leaders are pushing very hard for everyone to be vaccinated. There have already placed travel restrictions in the US in many states and cities. Some of them are requiring quarantine if someone enters a certain city or state. Also, more than 20 countries have placed restrictions on who can enter their country.

*Have a wonderful week.*

*I'll talk to you next week.*

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## COVID-19, Kid-Related Activities, and Risk Tolerance

We have not beaten the coronavirus. Not yet, at least. In fact, it is starting to seem that we started celebrating too early. I'm talking in light of the emergence of the new covid variant, which is even worse than the first strain. When I say worse, I am not even considering the fact that

### Interpreting this guide and navigating risk...

In general, activities in **green** are "low risk" and should be acceptable for people who have a low risk tolerance.

Risk levels in **yellow** ("moderate risk") or **red** ("high risk") may not be appropriate for people with a low risk tolerance or for high-risk populations.

Parents should consider the impact of community-level vaccination rates, as well as current levels of transmission when assessing these relative risks. Risk is reduced across all activities if:  
 1) Community vaccination rate is above 60%;  
 2) Community transmission is low (<10 daily cases per 100,000 people)

it is more transmissible than the parent virus. I am talking in the sense of it seemingly finding ways to evade the vaccines we have available. It's amazing, really.

This is not a good time to be unvaccinated. I mean, even vac-

## Navigating kid-related activities by COVID-19 risk tolerance level

June 11, 2021

Everyone's risk tolerance is different. This tool provides general guidance for families of unvaccinated children.

	Transportation	Airports & Flying	Summer Camp	Extracurricular Activities	Participating in Sports
Low	Bike riding, walking, jogging, hiking	Eating at least 3 feet away from other occupied tables in the terminal	Playground and/or outside playtime and recreation	Farmers market, pool, beach, playground, or playdate (outdoor with space to move around freely)	Outdoor, low contact sports (baseball, running, swimming, golf, frisbee)
Low	Uber/Lyft/Taxi with masked driver	Touching surfaces (fomite transmission is rare)	Vast majority of staff and counselors vaccinated	Outdoor sporting events, concerts (stationary with minimal distance between groups)	Indoor, low contact sports (volleyball, dance recitals, cheerleading/gymnastics)
Low	Carpooling with another consistent household (windows down, with masks or vaccinated)	Flights where mask use is enforced	Outdoor activities in crowded spaces (communal pool time, relay races)	Small sleepover, playdate (indoor, private with one other household)	Outdoor, close contact sports (football, soccer, water polo, lacrosse, field hockey)
Med	Flying	Children (<2 years old) traveling without masks	Attending indoor program with less than 60% of students masked and/or vaccinated	Sleepovers with multiple households, indoor birthday parties	Indoor, close contact sports (wrestling, basketball, judo, MMA, karate)
Med	Carpooling with multiple households (windows down and/or with masks)	Waiting in highly crowded areas, like baggage claim and the gate	Indoor activities (crafts, lunchtime, reading circles) without masks	Movie theaters (stationary, indoors)	Indoor, high activity areas (trampoline parks, dance recital spectator, and celebrations and religious observances)
Med	Uncrowded mass transit (allowing for some physical distance) and inconsistent mask use by others	Long flight (>5 hours) in which full meals needed (and masks removed)	High contact activities (even outdoors)	High	Pre- or post-game locker room huddles
High	Crowded mass transit with inconsistent mask use by others	High	High	High	High

We put our scientific and mom brains together to create these data-driven, evidence-based risk tolerance algorithms. This guide was created by Katelyn Jettolina, MPH PhD (epidemiologist, mom, and founder of The Local Epidemiologist), Jess Steier, DrPH (public health scientist, mom, and co-founder of Unleashed Parents), Andrea Love, PhD (immunologist and co-founder of Unleashed Parents), with the assistance of Alison Barnstein, PhD (neurobiologist, mom, and co-founder of Unleashed Parents), Rebecca J. Heck, PhD (epidemiologist, mom, and author of the Family Neighborhood Epidemiologist), Malia Jones, MPH PhD (immunologist, mom, and co-founder of Dear Pediatrics), Eve Bloomgarden, MD (infectious disease, mom, and co-founder of APACT), Lu Martin, PhD (immunologist, mom, and founder of ScienceMama), and Maria Clayman, MPH PhD (communication, mom)

inated people are falling prey to the delta variant of the coronavirus. And when we talk about the unvaccinated populace, children spring to mind. It was not until some weeks ago that children were approved to receive emergency covid doses after all

the tests and studies indicated that they could safely take the vaccine.

Notwithstanding, the vast majority of children are unvaccinated. This doesn't sit right

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# LEGISLATORS ACT AS EVICTIONS MORATORIUM EXPIRES

**TRENTON** - In an effort to address the looming evictions crisis, legislation sponsored by Assemblywoman Britnee Timberlake, State Senators Ronald Rice M. Teresa Ruiz, which phases out the eviction moratorium, provides significant tenant protections and allocates \$750 million in rental assistance and utility payment assistance was signed into law Aug. 3 by Governor Phil Murphy.

“The bill provides comprehensive housing eviction prevention and utility assistance for renters who have been financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The legislation (S-3691) appropriates an additional \$500 million for the COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program (CVERAP) and \$250 million for utility assistance, both programs administered by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA),” said Assemblywoman Britnee Timberlake, who co-sponsored legislation in the State Assembly.

“The bill also mandates new

eviction and foreclosure moratorium deadlines and special eviction protections for tenants who were directly impacted by the pandemic. This legislation will ensure that New Jersey’s eviction moratorium continues through August for all state residents with household incomes below 120% Area Medium Income (AMI) and through the end of the year for certain households with incomes below 80% AMI.”

“This provides a lifeline to people who need it most at a time of real crisis. It will help prevent renters from losing the safety and security of their homes and allow landlords to continue to maintain their properties in a safe and secure way. It’s real eviction prevention because it backs up housing protections with finances so tenants aren’t burdened with debt and landlords aren’t forced into bankruptcy,” said Senate President Steve Sweeney (D-Gloucester/Salem/Cumberland).

“Housing and utilities are essential needs that should be

protected as we continue to work to emerge from the most challenging crisis of our lifetime. I want to praise Senator Stack, Senator Ruiz, Senator Rice and Senator Singleton for their productive work with advocates and other public officials to develop this plan. It is a wise use of federal funds to address two of the most serious threats caused by the pandemic.”

“As a long-time Newark resident, I understand the struggles most families are going through and have dealt with long before the pandemic. Large majorities of Newark residents are renters, and a significant portion of that group was rent-burdened even before the pandemic started. And yet, they are a portion of all New Jersey renters who owe about \$2 billion in back-rent and utilities,” said Senator Rice (D-Essex).

“There are countless numbers of other cities and towns across the state that also have struggling renters. Simultaneously, I recognize many landlords are at risk of foreclosure or bankruptcy due to uncollected

rent. Any loss of residential properties would be catastrophic to both tenants and the municipalities. This is why we introduced this bill we want to be decisive and prevent both evictions and foreclosures.”

“Residents here in Newark and around the state were hit hard during the COVID-19 pandemic, resulting in unemployment and a loss of income for many. Tenants have been unable to make rent and will face eviction when the moratorium is lifted if there is not a plan in place,” said Senator Ruiz (D-Essex).

“Many are struggling to figure out how to make up for past rent payments as the state begins to re-open over a year after the declaration of the state of emergency. Individuals should not have to worry about being displaced as the state, itself, is working to get back on its feet. This program, coupled with my court navigation legislation, will divert residents away from eviction court while providing them

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## SHOCKING REPORT RELEASED ON CUOMO ALLEGATIONS

### UNITED STATES

On Aug. 3, independent investigators appointed by New York Attorney General Letitia James - led by Joon H. Kim and Anne L. Clark - released their report into the multiple allegations of sexual harassment by New York Governor Andrew Cuomo.

After nearly five months, the investigators concluded that Governor Cuomo did sexually harass multiple women - including former and current state employees - by engaging in unwanted groping, kissing, and hugging, and making inappropriate comments. Further, the governor and his senior staff took actions to retaliate against at least one former employee for coming forward with her story.

Finally, the Executive Chamber fostered a "toxic" workplace that enabled "harassment to occur and created a hostile work environment." The investigators find that Governor Cuomo's actions and those of the Executive Chamber violated multiple state and federal laws, as well as the Executive Chamber's own written policies.

The investigation was conducted after, on March 1, 2021, the Executive Chamber made a referral, pursuant to New York Executive Law Section 63(8), for Attorney General James to select independent lawyers to investigate "allegations of and circumstances surrounding sexual harassment claims made against the governor." Kim and Clark were chosen to lead the investigation on March 8, 2021.

"This is a sad day for New York because independent investigators have concluded that Governor Cuomo sexually harassed multiple women and, in doing so, broke the law," said Attorney General James. "I am grateful to all the women who

came forward to tell their stories in painstaking detail, enabling investigators to get to the truth. No man - no matter how powerful - can be allowed to harass women or violate our human rights laws, period."

Starting in December 2020, multiple women came forward with allegations that Governor Cuomo sexually harassed them. Over the course of the investigation, the investigators interviewed 179 individuals. Those interviewed included complainants, current and former members of the Executive Chamber, State Troopers, additional state employees, and others who interacted regularly with the governor. More than 74,000 documents, emails, texts, and pictures were also reviewed as evidence during the investigation.

Backed up by corroborating evidence and credible witnesses, the investigators detail multiple current or former New York state employees or women outside state service who were the targets of harassing conduct on the part of the governor.

As part of the investigation, Governor Cuomo also sat with the interviewers and answered questions under oath. While the governor denied the most serious allegations, the investigators found that he did so by offering "blanket denials" or that he had a "lack of recollection as to specific incidents." The investigators also found that the governor's recollection "stood in stark contrast to the strength, specificity, and corroboration of the complainants' recollections, as well as the reports of many other individuals who offered observations and experiences of the governor's conduct."

Additionally, the investigators found that the Executive Chamber was "rife with fear and intimidation" that not only "enabled the above-described instances of harassment to occur," but also "created a hostile work environment overall." Further, Governor Cuomo, himself, and the Executive Chamber engaged in "retaliatory" behavior by "intend(ing) to discredit and disparage" a former employee that came forward with her story of harassment.

The investigation found that

Governor Cuomo's sexual harassment of multiple women and his and the Executive Chamber's retaliation against a former employee for coming forward with her claims of sexual harassment violated multiple state and federal laws, including Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the New York State Human Rights Law, and 42 U.S. Code § 1983, in addition to the Executive Chamber's own equal employment policies.

Jennifer Kennedy Park, Abena Mainoo, and Rahul Mukhi from the law firm Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP were all deputized - in addition to Joon H. Kim - as Special Deputies to the First Deputy Attorney General to conduct the investigation and issue this report. Yannick Grant from the law firm Vladeck, Raskin & Clark, P.C. was deputized - in addition to Anne L. Clark - as a Special Deputy to the First Deputy Attorney General to conduct the investigation and issue this report. A number of other attorneys from both Cleary Gottlieb and Vladeck were appointed as Special Assistants to the First Deputy Attorney General to assist with the investigation.

In response to the report, Governor Cuomo denied the allegations, saying in a press conference, "the facts are much different than what has been portrayed." Meanwhile, several prominent officials have called on Cuomo to resign from office, including President Biden.

### **U.S. RECOVERS**

#### OLYMPICS

While many were concerned with how the U.S. would perform in gymnastics after Simone Biles pulled out of several events, her teammates more than picked up the slack. Sunisa Lee won gold in the all-around competition, while Jade Carey took gold in the floor exercise. MyKayla Skinner, who shares a Dec. 9 birthday with former star McKayla Maroney, replaced Biles in the vault competition and won silver.

Fortunately, Biles did compete in the balance beam, and if it is her final Olympics event,

she has a bronze medal to add to her collection of seven career medals.

The big breakthrough for the U.S. came in the pool, where Caeleb Dressel dominated, taking gold in five events, including sharing one with his teammates in the 4x100 relay. On the women's side, Katie Ledecky recovered for more gold after figuring out how to get by Australian Ariarne Titmus. If this is her final Olympiad, she finishes with a ladies' record six gold and 10 overall medals. Whatever the future holds, Ledecky and Dressel powered the U.S. to 11 golds in the 2020 Olympics. (Although it is 2021, the event is still considered the "2020 Olympics.")

There was a shocker on the soccer pitch, as the U.S. women's team lost to Canada in the semifinals. To this day, no country has held both the previous World Cup and Olympics gold at the same time. Meanwhile, the men's basketball team did advance to the semifinals with a 95-81 over Spain.

Finally, two New Jersey won gold on the track. First, Trenton's own Athing Mu broke a U.S. record in winning gold in the women's 800m track competition. Then, Sydney McLaughlin, who is native to a few NJ towns, broke her own world record in the 400m hurdles. Meanwhile, Newark (Delaware) native Valarie Altman won gold in discus, and Tamyra Mensah-Stock won gold in the women's freestyle wrestling (68 kg).

Although America did well to lead in the overall medal count, as of this posting, China leads all nations in gold.

### **HACKING DONE RIGHT**

#### EUROPE

In a first for the Ministry of Defence, 26 ethical hackers have taken part in a Bug Bounty program in collaboration with US based organization HackerOne. The 30-day challenge aimed to identify and fix vulnerabilities in cyber systems to strengthen Defence's security and to ensure better resilience.

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# Finance At Your Fingertips



Moses Ayiku, Jr. MBA OP/ED

## Starting A Business: Part 4

In terms of setting up a business, one of the most common tools available is that of writing a business plan. A business plan is a well-researched and structured report that provides information about a particular business opportunity. Information that one can find in a business plan includes the cost of setting up the business, the core products, and services to be offered, pricing information, market research and analysis, operational factors, financial analysis including the overall profitability or otherwise of the project amongst other pieces of information.

A business plan assists the owner of a business to not only assess the intended investment but provides basic guidelines for establishing the entity. In the formal financial sector, a business plan is a standard requirement when one is trying to tap into various sources of funding.

Before one invests sizable amounts into any investment, it is advisable to write a business plan. The length and intensity of the business plan can vary. It depends on many factors including the cost of the investment, the existence of competitors, the maturity of that industry and other factors.

Depending on the strategic partners one may have for the business, a business plan is definitely the way to let outside parties know the seriousness of the entrepreneur. It shows that the prospective business owner is serious and has quality infor-

mation about the business they intend to invest in.

When it comes to writing the business plan, there are several options available to a prospective business owner. One could hire someone or a company to write the business plan. Such an arrangement would increase the chances of obtaining a professional business plan with quality findings based on good research and analysis. The other side is that it would cost a sizeable amount to pay for a quality business plan. However, if one can afford it, it could prove to be a worthwhile investment.

Another way to write the business plan, is for the prospective business owner to research and write the business plan themselves. These days tremendous resources abound on business planning. Online resources can be googled to obtain information about writing a business plan. The upside to writing a business plan for your own business is that through the research and writing process you will gain a lot of invaluable information, some of which may not end up in the business plan. Yet such information could prove invaluable when you actually start the business.

The other side of it is that the process of researching and writing a business plan can be time consuming. There are costs involved in obtaining all the information for a business plan. Some information, for example market data, may be purchased and this goes to increase the cost of writing a business plan.

Once you are planning to take a risk with your money, it is wise to give yourself the best chance to succeed. One way to do that is to research the proposed industry that your business is in, learn about the industry as a whole and its peculiarities. Such information can act as a valuable resource when one does take the plunge and start a new business.

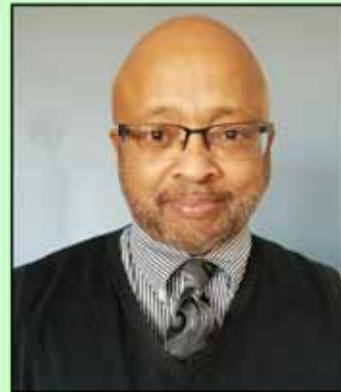
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Caldwell	626	16	629	16
Cedar Grove	1579	121	1588	121
East Orange	7259	315	7320	315
Essex Fells	193	2	193	2
Fairfield	890	31	896	31
Glen Ridge	407	13	411	13
Irvington	4832	233	4882	233
Livingston	1871	88	1895	88
Maplewood	1360	36	1373	37
Millburn	834	10	840	10
Montclair	2335	72	2351	72
Newark	37408	1013	<b>37649</b>	<b>1015</b>
North Caldwell	500	6	504	6
Nutley	3083	66	3102	66
Orange	3604	137	3626	137
Roseland	480	16	481	16
South Orange	897	16	910	16
Verona	1000	18	1012	18
West Caldwell	1069	53	1072	54
West Orange	4627	232	4655	232
<b>Total</b>	<b>85977</b>	<b>2735</b>	<b>86573</b>	<b>2738</b>

**OTHER COVID-19 TALLIES (As of August 4, 2021)**  
**NJ: 911,287 cases / 23,906 deaths (Plus 2,719 probable)**  
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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** - Last rites were held at West Orange's St. Joseph's Church and East Hanover's Gate of Heaven Cemetery July 21 for former Councilwoman Marie L. Juliano-Villani, 100.

Villani, whose appointment to succeed her ailing husband Ralph Villani turned into 20 years as at-large councilwoman, died in Caldwell's Claridge House July 13. She had turned 100 on July 4.

Newark native Marie Sicolfi first married RCA Records executive C. Robert Juliano and moved to West Orange's Gregory section to raise sons Allen and Robert, Jr. Robert Juliano suddenly died, prompting Marie to start her own House of Juliano clothing, jewelry and interior design business in South Orange.

Marie Juliano supported several Newark area charitable organizations, which led to her meeting former Newark Mayor Ralph Villani. Villani who was mayor under the city commission form of government 1949-55, was an at-large councilman 1962-73. He took ill, forcing him to resign in May 1973, prompting the City Council to ask Marie to fill in until the term expired June 30, 1974. (He died of a heart seizure Feb. 28, 1974.)

Marie Villani, however, announced her run as at-large councilwoman in early 1974. She, with the help of the majority of participating voters, went from becoming the third woman Municipal Council member to the first to win an at-large seat and be re-elected four more times.

Villani often cast the decisive vote in many city council decisions, including the support of the controversial and never-

built 1970's Kawaida Towers. She resigned in 1993 after pleading guilty to a federal charge of misusing city funds.

Son Robert, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren are among her survivors. Son/legislative aide Allen, both husbands, sisters Lucy and Jo and brother John predeceased her.

**IRVINGTON** - Prospective residents who move into 722 Chancellor Ave. or neighbors with long memories should not be surprised if movie scenes, the aroma of baking pizza and/or a local comic's routine come to mind on or by November 2022.

NRP Group, of Cleveland, Adenah Bayoh, of Irvington, and their contractors have been building 722 Chancellor - a five-story, 56-unit structure of affordable housing - from the southwest corner of Chancellor and Union avenues since its July 1 groundbreaking.

722 Chancellor is rising from a lot that had been vacant since the 1980s. The 20,712.46-square-foot space, however, had been the home for the Chancellor Theatre and its storefront tenants for six decades.

The Chancellor opened as a single screen, 1,250-seat theatre for motion pictures and live performances as either the Roxie or Roxy Theatre Sept. 25, 1928. It became the Rex Theatre in 1930 after another theater owner, Sam "Roxy" Rothafel sued over the first name. Eddie Steinberg replaced "Rex" with "Chancellor" after buying the house from RKO in the early 1950s.

It was during the Rex era when Joseph Levitech became an increasing presence in the theater and the neighborhood in the 1930s-40s. Levitech, who began visiting relatives around the corner at 396 Union Ave., was one of its ushers and was a comedic performer in the late 1930s.

Levitech used 396 Union as an address to enroll at Irvington High School after he was expelled from Newark's Weequahic High School in 1942. He dropped out of IHS in 1943 and changed his name to Jerry Lewis. He would use "Jerry" instead of "Joe" to avoid confusion with boxer Joe Louis. "Jerry Lewis" would go on to become an acclaimed entertainer, and is most

known for teaming up with Hollywood legend Dean Martin.

Those with more recent memories remember Falcone's Pizza, which operated along the Union Avenue side of the Chancellor building in the 1970s. The Chancellor's patronage declined that decade and the entire was demolished in the 1980s.

**EAST ORANGE** - The new owners of the former Western Beef/Victory Chrysler-Plymouth building here at 1A Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd have summed up their intended use in a single word: Expansion.

That is the summation from the comptroller of both 1 MLK, LLC and FM Construction Group from 100 Dr. MLK Blvd. Aug. 3. FM and affiliated vehicles and equipment have spent the past month emptying the 48-year-old, 30,000-square foot building. All of the KLM Laundromat's washing machines and dryers, which had occupied 2,000 ft. of the structure, were seen lined up at a corner of the 2.34-acre lot.

While FM has been in residential and commercial construction since 1986, 1 MLK, LLC is less than three months old. The latter entity bought the property from Western Beef's real estate arm June 22 for \$3.4 million.

Western Beef, of Queens, N.Y, abruptly closed the supermarket by 5:30 p.m. Set. 8, 2019, ending a 34-year run here. It had moved into the vacant Victory/Metro Chrysler dealership in 1985.

The sale to 1 MLK LLC is so fresh that the ink is still wet on its deed transfer document at the Essex County Hall of Records Registrar's office in Newark. Nor has the new owner indicated whether it would need to file a site plan application with the East Orange Zoning and/or Planning boards.

By "Expansion," FM would be extending its operations from the Fantin Supply complex at 100 King Blvd. The building may be refitted for material and/or vehicle storage. Vehicular and equipment maintenance here remains an open question as of press time; the structure had opened as a car dealership with a parts and service area.

The downside of 1 MLK's purchase and FM's renovation is

that a new supermarket here will have to wait until The Crossings at Brick Church starts its Shop-Rite replacement or if a prospective new grocer approached the planning board.

**ORANGE** - City police plus the ECPO Homicide/Major Crimes Task Force visited the Seven Oaks neighborhood twice in late June on separate murder and missing person calls.

OPD and county detectives were joined by the Essex County Sheriff's Office, a Bergen County Prosecutor's Office member and a Bergen County Sheriff's officer when they converged at 164 Elmwynd Dr. June 25. Their early evening search, which also taped off Elmwynd Drive, extended across South Center Street into the pond of nearby Monte Irvin Orange Park.

On-sire authorities told RLS Media that they were looking for "the body of a missing Hispanic male from Newark who reportedly had ties to Orange."

164 Elmwynd Dr., built in 1930, is a two-story, four-bedroom, 3.5-bathroom house sited on 1.31 acres. Although the house is listed as "off-market," its overgrown shrubbery and several boarded-up windows suggest it is vacant. The current owner has owned the property since 2003.

City and Essex County authorities had visited a house along Elmwynd's 300 block June 21 - which resulted in the recovery of a man's body. Responding OPD officers, who arrived on a suspicious activity call, said they found William T. Harris, 79, having been felled by a blunt force trauma head injury.

Harris' obituary has not been posted as of press time.

Seven Oaks, in Orange's South Ward, are mostly composed of houses built in the early 20th Century.

**WEST ORANGE / MAPLEWOOD / MONTCLAIR** - The protests and criticism within and outside of the US Olympic Fencing Team over the presence of one of its alternate members may linger long after their part of the Tokyo Summer Olympic Games was completed on Aug. 1.

West Orange resident and Montclair High School graduate Alen Hazdic, as the alternate,

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# ESSEX COUNTY COLLEGE'S NEW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT READY TO WORK

Nkuah Asare, Essex County College's newly elected Alumni Association President, is quick to point out how his classes at ECC prepared him for when he transferred to NJIT. "I quickly realized, especially in math class, how my time at Essex made my adjustment to a four year university that much easier," said Nkuah. He graduated from Essex in 2015 with an Associate degree in Environmental Science.



Now a Geotechnical Engineer at Frank H. Lehr Associates, in East Orange, the Newark resident figures he is in a good position to give back to his first collegiate alma mater. Nkuah earned a Civil Engineering degree from NJIT and this Fall will pursue a Master's degree there in Civil Engineering with a concentration in Geotechnical Engineering.

Although his two year term has just started, Nkuah is already formulating an Alumni Association agenda with other members of the Executive Board.

"It's important that we showcase the College to prospective students as an affordable option. Students take the same courses in their first two years of college and they can save money by starting at Essex. Then they can transfer to a four-year school with junior status," he said.

"My plan is for everyone who ran for a seat on the Executive Board to bring many other alums into the Association. That will increase our membership exponentially. I would also like everyone who voted in the election to become active and then we can go from there. We are a team," he stated.

Upcoming Alumni Association meetings will be on Zoom and eventually in person. The next meeting is scheduled for August 19. "We should also have a platform to provide graduates information on the importance of giving back. "If one day, which I don't want to hap-

pen, Essex County College is no longer functioning, our degrees will not look as good as they do now. Support your alma mater and your degree is that much more valuable," said Nkuah.

For now, Nkuah wants the Alumni Association to raise money for scholarships at various events. "We will be building for Essex County College," he said.

Other Alumni Association Executive Officers are Stephanie Carter, Vice President; Patrick Saint Fort, Treasurer; Allison James-Frison, Corresponding Secretary; Nesseline Belceus, Recording Secretary; and Maria Andrade, Serena Barnes, and Corneille Adanou.

"I'm pleased that the Alumni Association had its election with such outstanding candidates. I have confidence in Mr. Asare's leadership as President and the rest of the Association's Executive Officers. The College is well on its way toward building a strong and vibrant Alumni Association," said Interim President Dr. Augustine A. Boakye.

"The College administration is looking forward to giving Mr. Asare, his leadership team and the entire Alumni Association our full support. We are in the process of creating a Welcoming Packet that will be available at our Welcome Center for all alumni," said Alfred Bundy, Executive Director for Institutional Advancement. He said the packet will provide information on the College's various services available to alumni.

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# SPORTS WRAP

By William Hathaway, Jr.

This past weekend produced the first major boxing event in Newark since the Covid-19 pandemic. Premier boxing returned to the Prudential Center, and some local area boxers showcased their talent in a boxing exhibition.

There were several undercard fights. One of those bouts featured a crowd favorite to local area boxing fans in the welterweight division: Vito Micnicki, Jr. The young up and comer took on Noha Kidd, and dominated from the start. Micnicki took out Kidd with a 2nd Round TKO with 2:32 left in the round. Micnicki is now 9-1 overall in his career.

Other fights that had some local favor included Newark native Michael Anderson, who beat Damarcus Rogers via 1st Round TKO. In the super welterweight

division, James Martin lost to James Spencer in an 8 round match. In other divisions, Naim Nelson beat Nelson Rivera by 4th round TKO, while Andre Dirrell beat Christopher Booker and Nicky Vetrone defeated Jordan Rosario.

In the main event of the night, Michael Coffie came into the heavyweight championship bout undefeated at 12-0. However, he suffered a stunning upset to Johnnie Rice, who was 13-6 coming in. Rice took the bout in five rounds over Coffie, capping off a great night of boxing.

In other sports news, the Yankees are down two starters, after pitchers Gerrit Cole and Jordan Montgomery tested positive for COVID-19. Also, the Knicks have signed guard Kemba Walker, while Stephen Curry has agreed to a record setting 4-yr., \$215 million extension with the Golden State Warriors.





## From The Pastor's Heart

OP-ED BY DR. ROBERT KENNEDY

### We Need To Discriminate

A few days ago, I chatted with a friend and must have wearied him with my responses. We had an extended text debate when he argued that as far as making faith distinctions, he does not "discriminate." In response, I stated that "I do discriminate."

As he continued to insist that he does not "discriminate," I kept up my insistence that "I do discriminate." Finally, I offered that we were using the word with two different connotations. On his part, the word "discriminate" is totally negative. It has to do with making an unjust or prejudicial distinction in treating different categories of people, especially on the grounds of race, sex, age, disability, or what have you.

In essence, it is to treat people unfairly. On my part, to discriminate means to recognize a distinction or differentiation between right and wrong. It has to do with rationally evaluating something or someone's behavior and deciding whether it is good or bad. It is to mark or perceive the distinguishing or peculiar features of the character of something or someone and making

clear when to adopt the pattern or stay away from it.

I know that my positive use of "discrimination" does not straightforwardly fit within the frame of our contemporary culture in which we "tolerate" everything - any and every kind of (im)morality, behavior and attitude - and call them generosity. But I offer that our unwillingness to "discriminate" in the positive direction is what has gotten us into the kind of brokenness that we are facing in our souls and social order.

Let me use the case of Andrew Cuomo, Governor Cuomo of New York State and what is happening to him as an example of what I mean. After five months of investigation, the conclusion is that the allegations of sexual harassment by 11 women are verifiable. And after state Attorney General Letitia James unveiled the probe's conclusions, President Joe Biden and other prominent Democrats called on the party's one-time star to resign.

The Governor has said his accusers have misinterpreted his words, gestures and demeanor, insisting his behavior was always intended to convey warmth to the women. I do not want to deny his words, but the accusations and the findings have given me pause to think that someone has not been able to discriminate or differentiate.

Whatever the truth or falsehood, it is profoundly pathetic that the investigation marked the

swift fall for a governor who became a popular national figure in the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic by presenting himself as an authoritative presence in daily news conferences. We do not know how history will remember him, whether as a three-term governor who did some very positive things for New York or that he was a "sexual harasser" who is being forced to resign.

Here is another example, that of Harvey Weinstein. After The New York Times published an explosive report in October 2017 detailing decades of sexual harassment allegations against Harvey Weinstein, dozens of women came forward with their own accusations against the Hollywood mogul. Weinstein was fired from his company and expelled from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences within a week.

Since Weinstein, many prominent men from Hollywood, television broadcasters, news commentators, company executives, doctors, sports characters, judges, academy award winning artists, and politicians have been named. For whatever reason, some have survived the accusations while others have "fallen from grace," as is said.

While I have used the examples of the men who seem not to have been discriminating, I wish to turn back the discussion to you who might be reading this reflection and ask how careful you are in your use of words, touching others and in your social graces.

Are you discriminating? Are you careful in what you are doing to maintain high morality and integrity?

Here is what I am trying to state, namely that the Bible is clear in instructing us to "discriminate" regarding what is right and what is wrong, between truth and falsehood, sexual purity and infidelity, things pure and the impure, the holy and the unholy, the wisdom that comes from above and human wisdom, the service that is of God and mere human service, the worship of God and the worship of idols, love and lust, and justice and injustice, etc.

Yes, the Bible is clear. If you ever put your hand on a Bible, just go to the book of Proverbs and notice the two figurative women - the woman of Folly and the woman of Wisdom as they give instruction. The woman of Folly has nice words, but the end is destruction. The woman of Wisdom cries out, telling passersby to seek wisdom, knowledge and understanding, to follow her instructions to find life instead of death.

I hope that I have said enough to cause you to be willing to "discriminate" between what is right and what is wrong and that you do not just leave yourself open to any and everything that might lead to your destruction.

There is a better way. Seek the Lord. Discriminate.

### FINANCE (Continued from page 7)

than those started without basic business planning.

Once the plan has confirmed the visibility of the business as well as provided guidelines on how to succeed in establishing the business, it is time to move to the financing stage. One must identify investment sources and put together the financing plan for the business. Without a clear plan to raise capital for the business, it would only be a mirage. Simply put, if there is no capital, then there is no business.

The first place to seek financing for a business should be one's own savings and finances. If you can raise the full amount of capital for setting up the business from your own pocket, it gives you the ability to actual-

ly start the business. One has control of the process in this situation of 100 % self - financing of the business. If one cannot raise the full amount for the setting up of the business, then there would be the need to look for outside sources of investment capital. This would include people within your network such as friends and family.

In other cases, some can raise money for their new businesses from financial institutions. This is an area that requires research and good documentation. One must research whether the financial institution does provide some forms of credit that could assist the business. One must find out the requirements for obtaining financing from any financial institution.

At this stage your success of raising money from the financial institutions would

depend on the business plan, the overall profitability of the business, the risk factors, and the cost of setting up the business, amongst others. Friends and family have proven to be a major source of funding for new businesses. A study by Bank of America in 2020 indicated that 83% of business owners obtain various forms of support including financial from their own network of family and friends.

In the next part we will continue with information about starting a new business.

Please feel free to share with me your questions and experiences on starting a new business. I will do my best to respond, and, in some cases, I will write on some of these questions.

Your questions and comments can be sent to [localtalknews@gmail.com](mailto:localtalknews@gmail.com).



**TORNADO THREAT**

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causing roof damage. A second tree that was uprooted by a street, caused borough officials to call Public Service Electric & Gas over to check for any gas main leaks.

The NWS placed the West Orange-Verona tornado at zero on the Enhanced Fujita wind scale. It would have rated an EF-1 score had its winds had blown to at least 77 mph.

This and four other tornadoes were parts of two thunderstorm bands that raked through New Jersey 2-9 p.m. Heavy thunderstorms doused a "Local Talk" delivery crew while they were going through Newark's Forest Hill and Lower Broadway sections 2-3 p.m.

"Local Talk" was also among riders whose weather emergency alarms went off on their cell phones while on a northbound New Jersey Transit No. 13 bus at 5:50 p.m.

The NWS had issued a Tornado-Severe Thunderstorm Warning for the Caldwells, Upper Montclair, Glen Ridge and Bloomfield's Brookdale section through 6 p.m. Although the storm cell was heading east towards Nutley, Belleville and North Newark, the service called for listeners to take shelter.

"Flying debris will be dangerous to those caught without shelter," said the warning. "Mobile homes will be damaged or destroyed. Damage to roofs, windows and vehicles will occur. Tree damage is likely."

A 6:30 NWS emergency alert called for

listeners/readers to "take shelter now in a basement or an interior room on the lowest floor of a sturdy building. If you're outdoors, in a mobile home or in a vehicle, move to the closest substantial shelter. Check media."

Although the tornado alerts were focused on the northern third of Essex County, the alerts were issued throughout all 22 county towns.

One Maplewood resident who got the 5:50 p.m. alert "went downstairs anyway" and "called Maplewood police and they knew nothing about it. "The Maplewoodian stayed down until 6:30 p.m. but TV weather was saying it was south of here."

Media weathercasters may have been referring to the four other EF-1 and -2 tornadoes in Hunterdon, Burlington and - twice - in Ocean counties. Up to 35 homes were damaged by twisters that packed up to 120 mph wind.

The NWS Mount Holly office ranked July 29 as the second greatest number of tornado outbreaks in a day - tied with March 10, 1964.

There had been a record nine in a 24-hour period Nov. 16, 1989. That outbreak, including one striking North Caldwell, left two people dead among seven counties.

The NWS had meanwhile issued flash flood warnings "for low-lying areas" into 7:35 p.m. and, even after the storm fronts have passed, kept the flash flood warning up until 8:45 p.m.

That warning was merited because of where and how fast the rain fell.

NWS's rainfall recordings ranged from

2.32 inches in Essex Fells and 1.48 in Caldwell to .6 in Maplewood and .57 at Newark Liberty International Airport.

Portions of the Second and Third rivers overflowed their banks in Montclair, Bloomfield and Nutley. Flooded areas included Nutley's Booth Park, Montclair's Rand Park by North Fullerton Avenue and Bloomfield's Watsessing Park. (Watsessing - where Toney's and Wigwam brooks converge with the Second River - once held a man-made lake in the Victorian Era.)

The floodwater's current was greater than carrying away soccer balls and tree branches. Nutley's Kingsland Park pedestrian bridge had been stripped of its deck and railing.

Flooding also concentrated under NJTransit's Montclair-Boonton Line railroad bridges in Montclair. One car, with water up to its wheel wells, remained stalled under the Watchung Plaza trestle.

Flooding on Route 3 at Nutley-Clifton's Bloomfield Avenue left several cars stranded on the state highway in both directions. It and the resulting detours affected NJTransit's 13 and 190-series buses.

The bad weather prompted the Belleville Recreation Department to reschedule its Jersey Sounds Summer Concert at Belleville High School to Sept. 2. It had also forced the Newark Department of Public Safety to reschedule its 10 a.m.-6 p.m. "Fun in the Sun" day at Mercer and Broome streets to Aug. 5.

Newark's PSD, at 2:30 p.m., had posted a list of 37 streets and intersections for people to avoid for citywide flooding except for the North Ward.

**TOWN WATCH** *(Continued from page 10)*

stood with teammates Jake Hoyle, Curtis McDowald and Yeisser Ramirez before the men's epee team faceoff against Japan July 30 - and did a double-take.

Ramirez, McDowald and Hoyle were wearing pink face masks in protest of Hazdic's presence while being accused of sexual misconduct 2013-15 and 2019. Although Hazdic's suspension was lifted so he could attend the games, USA Fencing has kept him in a hotel away from the rest of the team.

"I asked them if they had an extra (pink) one and they said, 'Oh, no.'" said Hazdic. "I told Hoyle that I was frankly embarrassed to be his teammate. They never asked me for my side of the story, for evidence or how I felt."

It was not long after the men's epee team lost to Japan, 45-39, Friday morning in the round of 16 before two present and recent Maplewood-based teammates took notice.

"I hope that we don't get too caught up in the warm and fuzzies of symbolic gestures that we forget to ask the questions," said women's foil team member Jacqueline Dubrovich on Instagram. "Performative activism doesn't address the issue. The people/systems who enabled and protected a violent

predator aren't being held accountable."

Dubrovich, who was born in Paterson and was raised in Pompton Plains, had moved in here with coach/fiancé Brian Kaneshige. Kaneshige, Columbia High School Class of 2012, is on the men's foil team.

"Team USA men's epee fencing team wore pink masks in their opening match at the Olympics as a show of support for sexual assault victims," posted 2016 women's team saber bronze medalist Ibtihaj Muhammad along with a team photo on Instagram. "Kudos for the team for taking a stand."

**SOUTH ORANGE** - The first in-person joint public information meeting in 18 months on the impending consolidated fire department revealed more than the new entity's name here at SOPAC July 26.

The first joint in-person Village Trustees -Maplewood Township Committee held since the COVID pandemic outbreak has the two-town firefighters working under the name of "South Orange & Maplewood Fire Services upon the merger's completion.

The consolidation update, led by Village President Sheena Collum and Maplewood Mayor Frank McGehee, repeated that the combined force would have 71 members. That roster breaks down to eight to 10 fire-

fighters in South Orange's stations (instead of the current six to eight) and 14 to 17 firefighters in Maplewood stations.

The combined bravest will be led, however, by one less fire chief and four less deputy chiefs. Those five positions will be lost by attrition; none of the other firefighters or officers will be laid off.

SOFD Deputy Chief Michael Commons, in the public comments segment, called the merged departments "a solution in search of a problem," and compared the plan to Montclair's 1991-92 absorption of the Glen Ridge Fire Department.

(It is not immediately known whether Commons is being retained or let go in the merged roster.)

"The population, construction and socio-economics are very similar; they have 92 firefighters and don't provide EMS," said Commons. "You want to do this with 71 in these two towns. I don't see how you can support that."

"What we've consistently said there (are) grave concerns with 71 and that this isn't safe - and not with the merger itself," said NJFMBA President Ed Donnelley. "Never once we ever said, 'Don't do this,' 'Stop,' or 'Enough.'"

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**THE DOCTOR IS IN**

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with many parents across the country who are worried about the potential dangers their kids may be exposed to with new variants flying around. It doesn't sit right with me too.

While we need to ensure that high and medium-risk people are vaccinated first, we also cannot afford to neglect children. Naturally, children aren't at as much risk from the virus as adults. This explains why the CDC placed priorities on vaccinations for adults. Not only are the chances of transmitting the virus lower, but the mortality rate is also significantly lower when you compare children to adults. However, this is something a new variant can solve.

I hate to say it, but the chances are that a new variant of the virus may develop that will be more dangerous to children than what we already have. Then, it will become a huge bother considering how many unvaccinated children we have in the country. The point of everything I have written up to this point is - we need to find how to vaccinate our kids. And soon too.

Pending that time, though, parents still need to keep their kids safe, particularly the high-risk ones. People that fall into this category are primarily asthmatic and obese kids. But anyone with any medical complication is more vulnerable to the virus than others. As a result, there are certain activities that these kids should shy away from. The included image out-

lines various activities and the level of risk they pose.

As you can see, the sections have different color codes. If your kid is high-risk, then you should be careful about the red and yellow activities. Generally, indoor activities in cramped or overcrowded areas are usually worse than outdoor ones regarding coronavirus transmission.

Knowing the kid-related activities to abstain from is essential to protecting your kids. However, you must not let this steal your kids' childhood. Their mental health is just as important as their physical health. Seeing their peers doing activities they cannot participate in may take a toll on their mental health sooner or later. You just need to know when to apply discretion and always provide the right safety measures.

Stay safe. Wear a mask.

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a means of rent assistance and ensuring property owners are able to recuperate the money lost due to missed payments."

The new law, formerly S-3691, will protect low, moderate and middle-income households from residential evictions based upon nonpayment or consistently late rent payments accrued between March 1, 2020, and August 31, 2021. Additionally, eviction cases will move from the Landlord/Tenant Court to a

small claims civil court to prevent evictions and turn back-rent into civil debt to pay-off over time.

The law will also establish the "Eviction Prevention Program" to supplement the COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program Phase II started in March by the Department of Community Affairs. The program is funded by \$750 million in federal assistance, with \$500 million dedicated to rental assistance and up to \$250 million for utility assistance. Eviction pro-

tections will continue until August 31, 2021, for those making over 80 percent of the area median income. The eviction moratorium will be in place until December 31 2021 for those with very low, low and moderate incomes.

According to Moody's Analytics and the Urban Institute, an estimated 9.4 million U.S. renter households owed an average of \$5,586 in back-rent, utilities and other bills as of January 2021. In total, the countrywide back-rent debt is around \$52.6 billion. Ac-

ording to the New Jersey Apartment Association, tenants across the state alone owe around an estimated \$2 billion in back-rent.

There are currently tens of thousands of eviction cases pending statewide and another 194,000 filings expected by 2022. Separately, according to the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel, close to 500,000 residential utility customers in debt is on the cusp of being disconnected from both their electricity and gas services.

**RUTGERS**

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tested against the Vietnam War, racism, inequality, the fact that there were not enough Black professors and courses at Rutgers, and more.

Things came to a head when students took over Conklin Hall in February 1969. Despite pressure from the Governor of New Jersey, other politicians and more, President Gross decided not to use the National Guard to regain control of the building. Instead, negotiations ensued between the student protesters and university administration. The result of these negotiations was that more Black professors were hired, courses on Black history were added, and Rutgers became more diverse.

In 1969, the University Council was by a vote of the

Board of Governors transformed into the University Senate. It was given more powers and became an important decision-maker in Rutgers University affairs. The president could make no decision without the advice and consent of the University Senate.

After 12 years as President. Mason W. Gross resigned in 1971. He was succeeded by Edward J. Bloustein, a lawyer.

**1971 - 1989**

Rutgers expanded during the presidency of Edward J. Bloustein. New buildings were built, the university became known for its research, and new faculty were hired. As a lawyer, Bloustein was very aware of the rights of the students. In 1974, a new student code was passed. It defined what constituted disruptive activities at the school, and

included demonstrations such as those of the 1960s, in it.

The early Seventies saw protests against the Vietnam War and Watergate, among others.

According to the 1977 ENCORE yearbook, President Bloustein was speaking to students when an aide told him he was twenty minutes late to his next meeting. Bloustein apologized, grabbed his medicine bottle, and ran out the door. This episode shows how approachable President Bloustein was.

In 1981, students protested against centralization. This meant that Rutgers became more centralized than before, with some schools being merged and new positions created. The centralization went through despite student opposition.

The mid-to-late 1980s saw protest against apartheid in South Africa. Sources say that President Bloustein participated

in a student protest. He even got himself arrested in order to make a statement against apartheid. The Rutgers Board of Governors agreed to divest from South Africa because of apartheid.

Around 1988, CARE (Campaign for an Affordable Rutgers Education), the most radical student group at Rutgers, was formed. According to Daily Targum archives, the group was formed from a coalition of several other groups. This group fought for voting representation on the Board of Governors for students, a cap on tuition, and more.

President Edward J. Bloustein died of a heart attack in the Bahamas in December 1989. With him gone, the Rutgers presidency went to the controversial Francis L. Lawrence.

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**WORLD NEWS**

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vide safe environments for experts to identify areas where security can be improved. The identification of real vulnerabilities by ethical hackers is rewarded and Defence cyber teams are working with the ethical hacking community whose expertise has been extremely valuable in finding and remediating vulnerabilities - ensuring better security across Defence's networks and 750,000 devices.

In the Integrated Review published earlier this year, the government committed to a

more robust position on security and resilience, ensuring that lives and livelihoods are protected from those who may wish to do us harm. This challenge is part of wider plans to ensure transparency and collaborate with partners to improve national security.

MOD will continue to make use of the Bug Bounty expertise, in addition to other capabilities available to ensure cyber security and resilience. MOD cyber security efforts reinforce the UK Government strategy for cross-department resilience and security, lessons learned by Defence are shared with partners.

Minister for the Armed Forces James

Heapey said: "Bug bounty is an exciting new capability for the Ministry of Defence. Our cyber teams are collaborating with the ethical hacking community to identify and fix vulnerabilities in our systems, ensuring we're more resilient and better protected. This work will contribute to better cyber and information security for the UK."

Participants praised Defence for its openness and willingness to embrace new tools and capabilities to secure cyber systems. Programs like this are industry best practice and used by governments and organizations across the world to defend against possible cyber-attacks.

**TOWN WATCH**

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**BLOOMFIELD** - Township police officers are seeking the two men who made a June 23 tag team armed robbery of North Center restaurant patrons and the car they fled in.

Two patrons of the Town Pub at Broad and Pitt streets told responding BPD officers that they were at an outdoor sidewalk table when a man approached them. The man drew a silver handgun at them and demanded their possessions.

The victims said they surrendered their wallets, keys and cell phones. The suspect then entered a late model silver Chevrolet Malibu - which sped west on Pitt into Glen Ridge.

Bloomfield police have posted a photo of the gun toter and the silver Malibu. Both the gunman and the driver were described as "African American men."

"Thank you for the Bloomfield Police that arrived in seconds, got the description of the car and are working on catching them," said Town Pub management. "(We've) never seen or heard of such an incident in our area or the Town Pub since our establishment."

"We've detectives on it in a task force approach," said Bloomfield Public Safety Director Samuel de Maio. "We've also added patrols in the North Center Area. This was an isolated incident in town (but) the same suspects did commit similar crimes in surrounding towns."

**BELLEVILLE** - A few seconds' destruction - as two downtown store owners and the driver of a car that had crashed into their storefronts have learned here early July 28 - can take days, weeks or longer to recover from.

"Yes, We're Open" is the sign Belleville Pizza Adrian Ciiku or one of his employees had spray painted onto a plywood board Aug. 2 that is temporarily replacing a storefront glass pane Aug. 3. An employee said that 145 Washington Ave. had been closed since a car speared through them at about 3:20 a.m. that Wednesday.

The T-Mobile store at 143 Washing-

ton, however, remains closed as of 5 p.m. Aug. 3. Assorted debris, including ceiling tiles and the remains of a display, are piled in a corner.

"I rushed over here and it's like, 'what the heck's going on?'" said T-Mobile manager Saad Ahmad 8 a.m. July 28. "It's horrible, as you can see."

Belleville Police Chief Mark Minichini said that a four-door car, driven by a 24-year-old woman, had lost control at Washington and Belleville avenues at 3:20 a.m. The southbound car diagonally speared through the pizzeria and halfway into the cell phone store, entrapping the driver.

Minichini said that the driver, after being treated for injuries, was charged with possessing stolen property and eluding police before being remanded to Newark's Essex County Correctional Facility. While the chief said that the car, reported as being stolen from Newark at 3 a.m., was pursued. That pursuit was broken off seconds before the crash.

The T-Mobile store was the older of the two affected establishments, having been present longer than Belleville Pizza. The restaurant replaced "World Class Martial Arts in 2015. They are part of a single-story, five-store strip center.

**NUTLEY / CLIFTON** - The difference of opinion on what mixed-use entities should go on the ON3/ Hoffman LaRoche site between Nutley and Clifton became apparent in three decisions made in court and in public hearings July 21-28.

State Superior Court-Newark Judge Keith E. Lynott, in a partial ruling July 21, found Nutley's ordinance barring through traffic on ON3's Metro Boulevard unenforceable. Nutley's township commissioners, concerned that the boulevard between Route 3 and Kingsland Road would be used as a throughway or a bypass, passed a "local traffic only" ordinance and put up temporary barriers in 2019.

Lynott's ruling came the same day the Clifton Planning Board had approved Prism's site plan application to build a Marriott AC/Element Hotel on the city's

side of the property. The 266-room, seven-story hotel would rise from the southeast corner of Route 3 and Metro Boulevard.

Prism, the redeveloper approved by both Nutley and Clifton, has submitted plans to the Clifton board July 28 for a supermarket to go up on the southwest corner of Route 3 and Metro Boulevard. The 37,000-square foot grocery store will fall between the smaller Aldi or Lidl stores and the 40,000-plus sq. ft. supermarkets desired by the likes of Shop-Rite and Stop and Shop.

Nutley and Clifton initially agreed that Prism would repurpose ex-Roche buildings or build new structures for medical, research, educational and/or office use on their 116-acre shared site in 2016. It is the single largest redevelopment project in New Jersey.

Prism has attracted Hackensack Meridian Health School of Medicine, Quest Diagnostics and Ralph Lauren to the remodeled or new buildings. The developer recently said that its 1.45 million sq. ft. of existing space will be filled by 5,500 daily commuters by year's end.

Nutley's elders and lawyers have argued that plans newly approved by Clifton would earn tax revenue for them while the township would shoulder the traffic volume. The township, which received 200-foot radius notices for the Marriott and would for the supermarket, also has the option of appealing to State Appellate Court.



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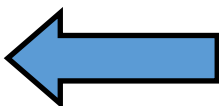
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