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PREVENTING THE NEXT RUNAWAY CASE

By Walter Elliott

EAST ORANGE - Revelations on what led Jashyah Moore, 14, to leave home were still rippling through here and the Metropolitan New York City region when Mayor Theodore "Ted" Green and allied officials began putting preventative measures in place here Nov. 16.

Green and Health and Human Services Director Dr. Monique Griffith, on Noon that Tuesday, announced plans to have a 24-hour hotline for children in crisis to call.

That hotline, to be set up "in the next few weeks," will be the gateway to resources for said children to tap so they would not need to run away. Those resources, which most currently exist, will be coordinated and simplified for better access.

"We got to be about it - and the City of East Orange will be about it," said Green of the coming change. "It really taught all of us that, in any type of situation, especially in our community, we can come together as one and do what we have to do

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The East Orange Campus High School Jaguars & Head Coach Rae Oliver. Photo By Keith Munford

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Editorial

Dhiren Shah
Editor-In-Chief

Hello Readers,

Thanksgiving will be on this Thursday. The meaning of Thanksgiving is very good, the expression of gratitude, especially to God. Peace and harmony, bringing families together, understanding each other, bringing joy within the family and friends. But is it the same way people celebrate Thanksgiving nowadays? Thanksgiving has become a commercial holiday. Many of us still bring families together but are you trying to forgive the past if the family members have done something wrong? The best part of Thanksgiving in my opinion is to forgive the bitterness with someone close to you. In the old days, before they departed for the winter months, people collected some memories from each other and thought with goodness, rather than bitter expe-

riences. I wish all our readers a happy and peaceful Thanksgiving with fond memories.

When I talk about bitterness, it goes beyond the family. You must have heard about Wisconsin Parade incident. So horrible...5 people dead (four women and one man) and over 40 injured, including about a dozen of children. They all were there to enjoy the Waukesha Christmas Parade. But one person, Darrell Brooks, 39, was fleeing a domestic incident when the SUV he was driving plowed into the parade. It was recommended that Brooks be charged with 5 counts of homicide. I think that's not enough. The politicians make the investigation committees and most of the time, the committees are with political connections. The committees should be totally neutral, with no racial or political bias.

In the Ahmaud Arbery case, the closing arguments were done on Nov. 22 and the 12 jurors (11 white and one black) went for deliberation. Even if we did accept the argument of the defense that Arbery was stealing something, that does not give any right to three people to chase

him, and for one of them to shoot Arbery.

According to the local Channel 4, "Father and son Greg and Travis McMichael grabbed guns and pursued Arbery in a pickup truck after spotting him running through their subdivision on Feb. 23, 2020. A neighbor, William 'Roddie' Bryan, joined the chase and recorded the video of Travis McMichael opening fire as Arbery threw punches and grabbed for McMichael's shotgun."

If it is true, what would anyone have done in the place of Arbery? Three big men with weapons attacking and one lone person throwing the punches does not give them the right to shoot someone. It is a clear case of racial discrimination in my opinion, as I have read and heard it in different news media.

The gas prices are up, and the oil rich countries are taking advantage of a little shortage of oil. OPEC cut down oil production. The prices are going higher and higher every day. Also, there are problems with import transportation. So, the prices of our everyday routine products like milk, fruits, vegetables and many household needs are going up

about 60%. The Pandemic has already hurt our economy, and the oil prices will hurt it further. Initially, a request to the Biden Administration to produce more oil had been ignored. So, Biden has taken the bold step and announced that he will release 600 million barrels of oil from the U.S. reserves, which is good for one month to fully support the United States. Also, imports will also help to sustain lower price until summer.

Biden's bold step immediately impacted the oil prices and reduced them 7% to under \$80 a barrel. In a couple of days, hopefully the prices will go down at the pump. This will look like a victory for Biden, but prices were set to go down anyway due to people driving less in the winter. Is that why he waited to take this step, so that he could falsely claim credit? Too much politics are overrunning our lives.

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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Dr. Adil Manzoor OP/ED

Be Patient With Your Pediatrician And Pharmacy

It is now stale news that the CDC has approved the vaccine use in children between 5 and 11. In the wake of the announcement, many parents rushed to their pediatricians and physicians on the

next step regarding administering the vaccine to their kids.

I get that many want their kids protected from the coronavirus as soon as possible, especially now that we are approaching the holiday season, and rightfully so. However, parents still have to be patient with their pharmacy and pediatrician.

The authorization has only been a few weeks, and we are already hearing cases of pharmacies wrongly administering the vaccine to children. One pharmacy at Loudoun County, Virginia, gave around 100 children the wrong dosage of the COVID-19 vaccine. I know it sounds like a grave mistake, but it's not as bad as you'd imagine.

The vaccine approved for children is formulated differently from the adult version. The caps are also different for good measure, with the children's version having an orange cap against the purple cap of the adult version. While it is essential to differentiate between the different vac-

cines, it is worth noting that the two contain the same active ingredient.

What the Loudoun County Pharmacy did was to administer lower doses of the adult dose to children, rather than the recommended children dose. This is hugely irresponsible; there's no excusing that, but as I said, it isn't as grave as you may imagine.

The county's health department had to send letters to parents of the affected children, advising them to go see their physicians. The solution can be getting fresh 2-dose children vaccine shots or getting a second dose two weeks after the vaccine was first administered.

Since then, the pharmacy that made the flaw has been removed from Virginia's vaccine program, and rightly so.

What I want to bring out from all of this is that pharmacies and physicians are humans too and they can make mistakes. Admittedly, these are professions where you cannot afford to make mistakes, but they are still humans. Parents need to exercise patience.

I suspect the reason the pharmacy administered the adult vaccine was overwhelming pressure from parents wanting to get their children vaccinated. Pfizer estimated 11 million vaccines going out in the first ten days after approval. This should let you know that vaccine doses will be abundant for children.

I always urge parents to get vaccinated and also vaccinate their kids because that is the right thing to do in this period. But, in doing so, parents have to exercise patience with their physicians and pharmacy, both of whom have been through so much.

Take an understanding tone when told to wait and come back. Don't argue with them or force their hands into administering the vaccine. We are all in a war against the vaccine, but healthcare providers are on the

frontline. Respect and patience with them are the least we deserve.

Now that I have established that, you should take the vaccine issue as a pressing one. Don't be lax or carefree about it. Many parents play down the importance of the vaccine because of the narrative that children don't get sick from the coronavirus. That's just false. Not only can children get very sick, but they can also die from the virus.

This is why the FDA voted in favor of the vaccine for children, as the benefits far outweigh any risks of taking the vaccine.



In summary, treat vaccination as urgently as possible, but treat pediatricians and pharmacists as respectfully as possible, affording them patience and understanding the decisions they make. Both are not mutually exclusive. Stay safe.

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SPORTS WRAP

Photos By Keith Munford



By William Hathaway, Jr.

The New Jersey Sectional Finals were held this past weekend, and one anticipated game took place in East Orange at a packed Paul Roberson Stadium. Under Head Coach Rae Oliver, the East Orange Campus High School Jaguars ran the table to claim their first divisional title in over a decade. Facing a tough

Of course, East Orange wasn't the only team in Essex County to hoist a trophy. The Irvington Blue Knights had never claimed a sectional title in football, but that streak is over. Irvington, the top seed in the Group 4 state playoffs, won their first ever sectional title in football. Leading the Knights was senior Saquan Gordon who connected on a 57 touchdown pass



Passaic County Tech team, The Jags dominated from the start, getting 205 yards on the ground and 3 touchdowns from Damon Phillips.

The East Orange defense was up to the task, with contributions from BJ Covington and Kyle Louis. A 35-7 victory gave East Orange the North 1 Group 5 title, and the Jaguars will now head to SHI Stadium on December 5th to compete for the regional championship. Until then, the 11-0 EO squad will play their thanksgiving game at Barringer.

to Nasir Addison.

Irvington came back from a 10-7 deficit before halftime and never looked back. Justin Evans-Jenkins led the defense to help his teams secure a 28-13 win over Middletown South and the North 2 Group 4 crown. The 10-2 Knights now await their opponent for the regional title at SHI Stadium on December 4th.

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PREVENTING THE NEXT

RUNAWAY CASE (

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and not just for Jashyah but (for any young person."

Green was referring to the 29 days of community mobilization, law enforcement coordination and news distribution while Ms. Moore disappeared into New York City. The publicity helped a good Samaritan to find Moore on a Harlem street corner, waiting for an acquaintance, Nov. 11.

Local Talk's media watcher noticed a change within an hour of Moore's finding. Several NYC-based news outlets stopped using her first name and began blurring her face on later broadcasts.

Although one or two channels featured Moore's three-year-old brother talking early in the Oct. 14-Nov. 11 search press conferences, his name was never aired.

At least two television stations began running articles on other missing people.

The mayor also mentioned the East Orange School District Peer Counseling Certification Program, with collaboration with

Seton Hall University. Green added East Orange Recreation and EO Safe Haven PAL programs.

Green and Griffith meanwhile listed the following resources for distressed children or youth:

- New Jersey Child Abuse Hotline. 1(877) NJ-ABUSE (652-2873). (24/7)
- 2nd Floor Youth Hotline. 1 (888) 222-2228. www.2ndfloor.org. (24/7)
- Essex County LGBT Rain Foundation. 168 North Park St., East Orange. (973) 675-6780. www.essexlgbthousing.org.
- Isaiah House. 238 North Munn St., East Orange. (973) 678-5882. www.isaiahhouse.org.
- NJ-211.
- Crisis Textline. Text HOME to 741741 "for support at your fingertips."
- Crisistextline.org.

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DRIVER PLOWS THROUGH CHRISTMAS PARADE

UNITED STATES

On Nov. 21, people were left running in terror after a man drove through their gathering at high speed.

Hours after, authorities arrested 39-year-old Darrell Brooks, Jr. for the crime. In all, five people died, while dozens more were wounded, including children. According to Waukesha Police Chief Dan Thompson, Brooks could be facing "five counts of first-degree intentional homicide, with additional charges based on the investigation."

The incident occurred in the town of Waukesha, Wisconsin, along the parade route of West Main Street in the afternoon. It is said that Brooks was driving on the parade route in order to flee a previous crime. Many had fears that the run-down was domestic terrorism linked to the Kyle Rittenhouse case.

The crime was so heinous that it got the attention of President Biden, who made these remarks:

"Last night the people of Waukesha were gathered to celebrate the start of a season of hope and togetherness and Thanksgiving. This morning Jill and I and the entire Biden family, and I'm sure all of us pray that that same spirit is going to embrace and lift up all the victims of this tragedy, bringing comfort to those recovering from their injuries and wrapping the families of those who died in support of their community.

"We're all grateful to the extraordinary work of first responders from law enforcement to the emergency room doctors, who are working around the clock to deal with the terrible consequence of what happened last night. My administration is monitoring the situation very closely."

RITTENHOUSE FOUND NOT GUILTY

UNITED STATES

One of the most polarizing court cases in the nation has reached its conclusion - and while some people are thrilled, others are incensed.

In the case of the State of Wisconsin vs. Kyle H. Rittenhouse, a jury found the 18-year-old not guilty on counts of 1st Degree Intentional Homicide, 1st Degree Reckless Homicide, 1st Degree Reckless Endangerment of Safety, and Attempted 1st Degree Intentional Homicide. Judge Bruce Schroeder dismissed charges of Use of a Dangerous Weapon by a Person Under 18 and Failure to Comply with an Emergency Order from State or Local Government.

The case stems from protests in Kenosha after the police shooting of Jacob Blake. On Aug. 25, 2020, Rittenhouse was in the city to defend a car dealership and provide aid to wounded people, as per his story. Rittenhouse, who was 17 at the time, came from Antioch, Illinois, with an AR-15 for "self-defense."

Right before midnight, Rittenhouse was approached by Joseph Rosenbaum. A struggle for the rifle occurred, with Rittenhouse shooting Rosenbaum four times, resulting in his death. Anthony Huber then made his own attempt to take the AR-15, but was shot once, fatally. Finally, Gaige Grosskreutz approached Rittenhouse with a Glock, but was shot in the biceps, and survived his injuries.

The trial grabbed the intrigue of the nation for a slew of questions leading up to and during it. First, why would someone looking to provide aid travel from another state with an AR-15? Secondly, why did the judge seemingly do everything in his power to aid the defense? Last but not least, how did the jury not find him guilty on at least one count?

As for public reaction, people who are pro-gun applauded the jury's decision, while those on the opposite end were none too pleased. Meanwhile, Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers announced that 500 national guard troops were activated in

case there is any unrest concerning the verdict.

DEATHS OF PROTESTORS CONDEMNED

AFRICA

At least 39 people have been killed by security forces in Sudan since the 25 October military coup, 15 of whom were reportedly shot dead on Nov. 17, according to the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights.

On Nov. 18, Michelle Bachelet condemned the killings, saying it is "utterly shameful" that live ammunition keeps being used against protesters.

"Shooting into large crowds of unarmed demonstrators, leaving dozens dead and many more injured, is deplorable, clearly aimed at stifling the expression of public dissent, and amounts to gross violations of international human rights law," she said.

According to reliable medical sources, more than 100 people were wounded during protests on Wednesday in Khartoum, Khartoum-Bahri and Omdurman. Of the injured, 80 sustained gunshot injuries to their upper bodies and heads. Tear gas was also used heavily.

Arrests were reported to have been made before, during and after the demonstrations. Police issued a statement saying that 89 police officers had also been injured.

From around noon local time yesterday, the military imposed a total shutdown of phone and mobile communications across the country, in addition to the continued shutdown of internet services, effectively cutting off Sudan from the world. Only satellite links continued to function.

Mrs. Bachelet explained that people are "unable to call for ambulances to treat injured protesters, families are unable to check on the safety of their loved ones, and hospitals are unable to reach doctors as emergency rooms filled up, to name just a few very real and serious consequences."

For the High Commissioner, "blanket internet and telecommunications shutdowns violate core principles of necessity and proportionality and contravene international law."

Since the military coup, journalists, particularly those perceived to be critical of the authorities, have been targeted.

Journalists have been arbitrarily arrested, attacked while reporting, and had their homes and offices raided by security forces. There have also been disturbing reports of their attempted abduction by armed assailants in plain clothes.

"With the internet shutdowns, the role of journalists in getting essential information out on the current situation is particularly crucial, but I fear the increasingly hostile environment against them may lead to self-censorship, and further threaten media pluralism and independence," the High Commissioner said.

STEPS TAKEN TO REACH NET ZERO

EUROPE

A new guide to decarbonizing public sector buildings and creating a net zero public estate has been launched by the Cabinet Office.

The Net Zero Estate Playbook will ensure consistent approaches, such as using solar panels, LED lighting and greener building materials, are applied across public buildings as they help decarbonize Britain's largest property portfolio.

The UK was the first major country to legislate for net zero, and as the host of COP26 which concluded earlier this month has been leading the way in securing global action to tackle climate change. The guidance will make national infrastructure greener by giving departments, the public sector, and government property professionals clear guidance on the design, implementation, and monitoring of Net Zero strategies and delivery programs.

Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster Steve Barclay said, "The public estate generates 2% of the UK's total emissions. So decarbonizing public buildings is absolutely crucial if we're going to meet our environmental targets. Property Professionals should use the Playbook to turn best-practice into standard-practice. It will put the public estate in a stronger position to

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JUDGE ISSUES DISCOVERY ORDER IN RUTGERS BOARD OF GOVERNORS CASE

By Lev D. Zilbermintz

Judge Alberto Rivas, of the Middlesex County Superior Court has issued a discovery order to the Rutgers Board of Governors demanding minutes and video for BOG meetings held in February, April and June 2021.

According to court papers, Hon. Alberto Rivas ordered on November 10, 2021 that both the defendant (Rutgers Board of Governors) and plaintiffs (Charles Kratovil and Troy Shinbrot) are to provide the court with materials relevant to the case. Defendants are to provide the court with minutes taken during the Board of Governors meetings for February 23, 2021, April 14, 2021, and June 22, 2021. Plaintiffs are to provide the court with complete tapes of the February 23, 2021 and April 14, 2021 Board of Governors meetings.

“Local Talk” was able to find video recordings of the February and April 2021 Board of Governors meetings on YouTube. These were uploaded on the New Brunswick Today video channel on YouTube.

Charles Kratovil, editor-in-chief of New Brunswick Today, and Troy Shinbrot, a Rutgers - New Brunswick professor and former University Senate representative to the BOG, filed a lawsuit on August 6, alleging violation of Open Public Meetings Act. As was previously reported by “Local Talk” in its July 22 and July 29, 2021 issues, the controversy began when Board Chair Mark Angelson muzzled Kratovil for asking questions. Angelson also banned Dr. Shinbrot from the meeting for standing up for Kratovil and asking questions.

Kratovil and Shinbrot’s Legal Arguments

In court papers filed November 5, 2021, plaintiffs Kratovil and Shinbrot make six key arguments. First, plaintiffs argue that the defendants (Board of Governors) seek to dismiss without

having filed a proper motion. Second, defendants’ vague allegations are based on facts that are in dispute. Third, defendants have repeatedly attempted to enforce a non-existent rule against Plaintiffs that prevents the asking of questions, a recognized form of oratory. Fourth, defendants inappropriately silenced one of their own board members who was supposed to have “full voice” in these meetings and removed him. Fifth, defendants violated their own rules by refusing to explain their decisions. Sixth, defendants’ conduct constitutes viewpoint discrimination against plaintiffs.

Going into more detail, Kratovil and Shinbrot submitted videos of February 23 and April 14 Board meetings. In the February 23 video, Board of Governors Chair Mark Angelson is heard saying “read the rules, Charlie.” This happened when Kratovil was asking questions about what companies are involved in a \$300 million financial arrangement by vote of the BOG. Kratovil, in and Shinbrot, per court papers, were cut off when they asked for open discussion of important financial and policy matters being adopted.

In the April 14, 2021 video, Kratovil is heard inquiring who is being appointed to the Rutgers Camden Board by vote of the Board of Governors. According to the video, Kratovil inquires whether it is William Tambussi who is being appointed. BOG Chair Angelson again cuts Kratovil off, and refuses to confirm or deny that the person being appointed is William Tambussi.

During the June 22, 2021 meeting, Kratovil asked questions as to what changes are made to the Rutgers Health Group bylaws by vote of the Board of Governors. It was at the infamous June 22, 2021 meeting that Kratovil was muzzled and Shinbrot was permanently removed from the meeting.

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East Orange	8296	337	8341	338
Essex Fells	218	2	220	2
Fairfield	1052	33	1074	33
Glen Ridge	475	14	479	14
Irvington	5502	244	5552	244
Livingston	2194	89	2232	90
Maplewood	1612	42	1631	42
Millburn	1050	11	1062	11
Montclair	2729	76	2748	76
Newark	41560	1064	41812	1065
North Caldwell	590	8	599	8
Nutley	3574	68	3605	68
Orange	3961	144	3988	143
Roseland	559	17	568	17
South Orange	1178	18	1199	18
Verona	1206	18	1213	18
West Caldwell	1203	54	1216	54
West Orange	5277	236	5334	237
Total	97167	2859	97942	2863

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TOWN WATCH

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NEWARK - Nov. 16, 2021 - with two boys dead and six males injured in four separate shootings - may rank among the worst nights here in terms of gun violence. Funeral plans, for example, have not been announced for either Al-Timar Mayweather or Yashawn A. Hansen, both 17, as of press time.

Mayweather, an outstanding forward and point guard for the Weequahic High School, and another male were found shot by the NHA Oscar Miles Village, Court and Lincoln streets 6:25 p.m. He was declared dead at University Hospital 3:39 p.m. Nov. 17.

Hansen was declared dead 4:07 p.m. Nov. 19. He and a 15-year-old boy were found shot in a car parked along Quitman Street, by Montgomery Street 8:10 p.m. The car they were in was reported as stolen.

A shooting at Maybaum and Tremont avenues 8:40 p.m. sent a man and a 15-year-old boy to the hospital. Both were admitted in stable condition.

The night's last shooting with injuries was reported from 17th and Hunterdon avenues 10:10 p.m. NPD officers had brought a man to University Hospital when the second arrived in a separate vehicle.

The four shootings came after the arrest of a man who fired a gun that night on the 100 block of Teleford Street and of four other men for shootings dating back to Oct. 23. There were another 11 gun arrests and 696 illegal guns confiscated in the week leading up to Nov. 16.

"We're shocked and disgusted by this outrageous level of senseless violence and it will not

be tolerated," said Mayor Ras Baraka and Public Safety Director Brian O'Hara in a joint Nov. 17 statement. "We continue to work intensively with our law enforcement partners. We need the entire judicial system to help us as many of these persons involved were released into the community despite having pending criminal cases and previous weapons offenses."

IRVINGTON - A township man and a Newark man were arrested by Newark police officers Nov. 17 "without incident" pertaining to an early morning Oct. 23 Weequahic shooting that involved a New Jersey Transit bus.

Quashawn Davis, 21, of Irvington, and Hakir Hodges, 25, of Newark, are accused of firing shots from their car into another by 347 Lyons Ave. at about 4:40 a.m. that Sunday.

Newark and Hillside police officers, responding shots fired calls, found two cars and a westbound NJTransit bus by the corner of Lyons and Dewey Street. One car was found "blood scattered and bullet-riddled" and the second had run into NJTransit NABI bus No. 6376.

Witnesses and the NJTransit driver said that the two cars were driving on the wrong side of Lyons while trading shots. The driver pulled over to the curb and tried to move around the dueling cars.

An overall 17 people were taken to nearby RWJBarnabas Health Beth Israel Medical Center's emergency ward. The 15 bus passengers were walked over by EMS technicians for observation. The other two people were NPD escorted for admission with non-life-threatening gunshot wounds.

Authorities have not said who Davis and Hodges were specifically involved in the shootout.

EAST ORANGE - A retired 30-year East Orange police sergeant and former PAL youth football director remain under house arrest after a Union County grand jury indicted him on Nov. 16 on 16 child sexual assault and related charges.

Edward Giles, 61, now faces two first-degree counts each aggravated sexual assault of a child

and assault thereof where the defendant had supervisory or disciplinary power; five counts of various second-degree sexual offenses against a child, four second-degree of endangering the welfare of a child by photographing or videotaping child in a prohibited sexual act and three third-degree counts of invasion of privacy.

Giles has been under house arrest in Roselle since Oct. 13, 2019. A Superior Court-Elizabeth judge has had him wear an ankle bracelet and have no contact with minors.

Union County Prosecutor William A. Daniel said the grand jury handed down their indictment based on their charges filed against Giles Oct. 11, 2019. Their seven-month investigation - with the assistance of its Special Victims Unit, the Essex County Prosecutor's Office and the Roselle Police Department - was based on the testimony of four boys.

The first victim, an East Orange Wildcats youth player, initially came to ECPO in Newark. He said that Giles, who was a team coach at the time, was assaulted while he was 11-13-years-old 1998-2000. The second victim, also a youth football player, said Giles had assaulted him while he was 12 and 13-years-old 2002-03.

Daniel said that UCO detectives who executed an Oct. 11, 2019 search warrant on Giles' house "recovered recorded materials resulting in the addition of several charges. The recordings, made April 2018-October 2019 depicted victims 13-15 years old."

Giles had been living on his EOPD pension when he was arrested. Anyone with additional information is to reach UCPO Lt. Sofia Santos at (908) 577-4256.

ORANGE - The latest major personnel move within Mayor Dwayne D. Warren's administration was withdrawn during the City Council's Nov. 15 meeting.

Resolution 58-2021, which was sponsored by Councilmen Clifford Ross and Wheldon M. "Monty" Montague III, was withdrawn during that Monday night's meeting. That measure would have abolished the civilian Fire Director post.

The withdrawal leaves Fire Chief Gerard Long as POFD's top firefighter. Long was promoted to fire chief and has represented the department since the council's Sept. 7 meeting.

Kenneth M. Douglas was Orange's latest or last fire director. The retired Newark firefighter was at the post six years before resigning to direct the Trenton Fire Department Sept. 1.

Long is usually slotted alongside Orange Police Chief Vincent Vitiello on the city council agenda list of department heads since their Oct. 19 meeting.

Vitiello, a 30-year Orange Police Department member was sworn in as Chief of Police Oct. 14 by Mayor Warren and Police Director Todd Warren. Although Todd Warren has been a director since 2016, he has frequently had Captain/Commanding Officer/Police Chief Vitiello represent him at council meetings.

Two of Mayor Warren's department head changes happened in late 2020. He had hired, with council confirmation, Nile Clements as CFO. The Mayor kept Marty Mayes as DPW Director but spun off his longtime planning director functions to Laquanna Best.

WEST ORANGE - Those former Ron Jolyn apartment tenants who have been staying in three motels here have been told that the township will not be paying those bills after Dec. 4.

Many of the 30 families and 45 people who were evacuated from 275 Northfield Ave. 10 p.m.-1 a.m. Oct. 11-12 received a letter from Mayor Robert Parisi Nov. 9 that the "Township, having limited resources, cannot continue providing the current hotel assistance beyond Dec. 4, 2021."

Parisi, in his letter, acknowledged the frustrations that the displaced residents have had in finding permanent housing and dealing with various public and private agencies while trying to maintain as normal an interim life as possible.

"We understand this' a bitter-sweet announcement," said the Mayor, "providing certainty for the near future, on one hand, and the township's financial limitations on the other."

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QUANTAVIA HILBERT GIVES AWAY TURKEYS AND WATER TO COMMUNITY



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ered the June 22 meeting in its July 22 and July 29, 2021 editions.

In court papers, plaintiffs Kratovil and Shinbrot state, “Defendants {BOG} claim, without any substantiating evidence or any specific dates, times or details, that “at meetings prior to June 22, 2021 both Shinbrot and Kratovil had been advised that their conduct was inappropriate.” Further, they allege that Shinbrot “was advised multiple times at each of these meetings that his conduct was out of order,” again without enumerating which meetings they are referring to. ... However, because Defendants provide no specifics or evidence, we can only surmise that they are referring to the prior interactions between Plaintiffs and Defendants... The videos of those interactions, as referenced in the complaint, shows that the Plaintiffs were behaving in accordance with the Board’s rules, and that it was the Defendants, and in particular the Chair of the Board, who were improper in preventing open discussion of important matters at hand.”

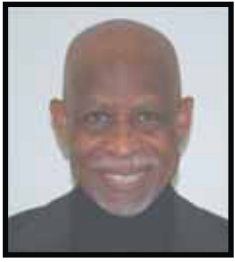
Kratovil and Shinbrot point out that the Board of Governors refused to make audio or video recordings of their meetings. Under the Roberts Rules of Order, which are even used in the United States Congress, a record of what was decided at the meeting must be made. Kratovil and Shinbrot point out that since Rutgers is a public university

receiving public funds, the minutes of the Board of Governors must be publicly available.

“Because the Defendants have voluntarily chosen not to make audio or video recordings of their meetings (despite the fact that it is rather easy to record meetings conducted on Zoom software platform), the only recordings available to our knowledge are the ones Plaintiff Kratovil has made in his capacity as a reporter. Links to the relevant portions of these video recordings have already been shared with the Court, “state court papers.

Kratovil and Shinbrot argue that there is nothing wrong with asking questions at Board of Governors meetings. “It is a widely recognized oratorical strategy to launch questions to someone who can answer them, either to demonstrate their silence or to prompt an answer. This type of commentary is practiced at nearly every public governing body in the State of New Jersey, and indeed it has been successfully used for decades by members of the public when addressing the Rutgers BoG. This recognized method of oratory is not prohibited in any current policy in any part of the University governance structure, but instead it has only been prohibited in recent months and years at the whim of the current Chairman of the Board, who chooses to bully his critics rather than engage in dialogue ...

Responding to the Board’s claim that Shinbrot could re-
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From The Pastor's Heart

OP-ED BY DR. ROBERT KENNEDY

Please And Thank You

I have not forgotten the little gem I learned in early elementary school, which says, "Always **say please** when you ask for anything and **thank you** when you get it" (Emphasis mine). Our parents always insisted that we should say please when we asked for anything and say thanks when we received it. What has happened to us as we become adults is quite strange. It seems like we forget these simple courtesies sometimes.

Do I always practice them? To be honest, sometimes, I have not. At times my wife reminds me that in my rush or frustration, I take a request for granted, thus forgetting these simple courtesies of saying "please" and "thank you," when I should. In fact, when I wash dishes, and especially when I wash the pots, and my wife says, "thank you," I sometimes ask, "why did you say that? Then assert, "It is my duty." It is not that I am uncouth. I am this transparent to make the point that often enough, there is a tendency for most human beings to neglect common courtesies that can make life so pleasant and enhance the love experience.

Let me express the above another way, that thankfulness compliments love. Thankfulness is an act of love. Thankfulness is

a way to show love to someone else. Especially should we make sure to say thanks to those with whom we have the most intimate relationship. Don't take these individuals for granted. Let them know that you are grateful that they are present in your life and for the things that they do for you.

Someone asks, "How should I say thank you to someone I love? You do not have to always use words, but here are a few suggestions:

1. "You are special."
2. "You are the best."
3. "You knocked me off my feet."
4. "I really appreciate what you have done."
5. "This dinner was delectable."
6. "Darling, you are so thoughtful."
7. "You touched me deeply."
8. "In you, God really gave me a gift."
9. "I truly appreciate your kindness."
10. "You really create a melody in my heart."

In all of the research that I have read on marriage counseling practices, one of the things that has been much emphasized is that when marital couples learn to say thanks to their partners, they get their partners to be more cheerful, pleasant, and responsive. Yes, they even get them to do things about the home that they would usually resist.

I cannot recall now the title of Gary Chapman's book in which I read the following story. But he tells of a woman with whom he was counseling. She wanted her husband to paint a

particular room in the house. For a long time, she kept "telling" him to do it, and he did not. At times she criticized her husband, and that led him to become very distant and unresponsive. She became so frustrated that she went to Dr. Chapman, on the prospect of a broken marriage.

After telling her story to Dr. Chapman, he advised her to go home and try fixing some delicious meals for her husband and then commend (saying thanks to) him for any little thing that he might do about the house. She accepted that she would take the challenge for a few weeks. In two weeks, she came back with a smile to Dr. Chapman, telling him that her husband seemed like a different man. She said that her husband even painted the room without her having to ask again.

The case above parallels stories we have heard in our Legacy of Love seminars. And often enough, we have seen couples transformed just adding the simple courtesies of "please" and "thanks" to their loved ones. Some people say, "Sometimes it's *hard* to say thanks when you feel hurt." And it is true. But saying harsh words in place of "please" and "thank you" will not help to build any relationship.

Forgetting these simple courtesies will only break down relationships. In saying this, we are not just encouraging politeness, but the genuine responses of appreciation from the heart. "Out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks (Matthew 12:34). In which case, we need to practice saying the kind words that are in our hearts and see how much more healthy our re-

lationships will become. Scripture gives these admonitions:

"But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful." Colossians 3:3:14, 15 NKJV.

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NKJV.

Know that the LORD,
He is God;
It is He who has made us,
and not we ourselves;
We are His people and the
sheep of His pasture.
Enter into His gates with
thanksgiving,
And into His courts with
praise.
Be thankful to Him, *and* bless
His name.
For the LORD *is* good;
His mercy *is* everlasting,
And His truth *endures* to all
generations. - Psalm 100:3-5
NKJV.

The salient point is that when we lack love, we stop paying attention to the little courtesies on which we build our relationships. I have heard it said, "Thankful hearts and kind looks are more valuable than wealth and luxury, and contentment with simple things will make home happy if love is there."

Yes, let us love and not forget the little gem we learned in elementary, "Always say please when you ask for anything and thank you when you get it."

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enter the meeting, plaintiffs write, in court papers, "According to the University Senate Handbook, the members who jointly serve on the Senate and BoG are supposed to serve "with full voice but without vote" on the BoG. However, Defendants admit to repeatedly silencing Plaintiff Shinbrot during the June 22, 2021 meeting of the BoG, and then cutting off his access to the meeting by "shutting off" the precise link that they sent him to participate in the meeting. Plaintiff Shinbrot

tried to use the link again but was informed that his access to the meeting had been terminated and that he could not re-enter the meeting, and he was thus unable to witness the remainder of the meeting."

Kratovil and Shinbrot argue that the Board of Governors violated its own rules by refusing to explain their decisions. In court papers, plaintiffs cite the Handbook of Members of the Governing Boards, published by Rutgers University. According to the Handbook, "Where action is the subject of concern or dispute, the Chair or the President shall

explain the basis of such action". According to court papers, "to date, defendants [Board of Governors] have not explained why they have repeatedly ruled Plaintiff Kratovil out of order for asking questions about items he had properly signed up to speak on. The Chair of the Board has been asked many times to explain himself, and has not identified any legal basis for his actions. Instead, he tells Plaintiffs to "read the rules," something that he has not apparently done himself."

Lastly, Kratovil and Shinbrot allege that the Board engages in

viewpoint discrimination against the plaintiffs. According to court papers, "Because the decisions to silence both Plaintiffs were made in direct response to commentary that should have been allowed under the rules in place, and because Defendants have exercised their power to silence the Plaintiffs and stifle public discussion, and because they took the extreme action of removing one of the Plaintiffs from the June 22, 2021 meeting, the Defendants are clearly engaging in unconstitutional viewpoint-based discrimination rather

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than enforcing any legitimate rule or law.

For the foregoing reasons, the motionless request for dismissal with prejudice should be denied, and the relief sought should be granted.”

Board of Governors’ Legal Arguments

In court papers filed October 29, 2021, attorneys for Rutgers University argued that the Board of Governors did not violate of Open Public Meetings Act on June 22, 2021. According to court documents, “members of the public have no right to participate in the Board’s public meetings. Additionally, Shinbrot attended the meeting as a faculty representative to the Board: he was not at the meeting as a member of the public. And after he was removed from the Board table, he apparently made no effort to rejoin the meeting as a member of the public. Thus the Board’s actions as described in the complaint do not violate any law...”

The Board of Governors argued in court papers that it began to conduct remote meetings because of the COVID-19 pandemic. According to court papers, “the meetings are structured like online webinars where Board members, non-voting University Senate representatives, and administrators who sit on the Board table when in person, receive individualized links that are unique to each participant and each person has speaking ability - much like a remote webinar presenter would. Members of the public, on the other hand, attend the meeting through a general web link that is provided on the Board of Governors’ website. Members of the public are not able to speak through the remote system unless expressly granted speaking permission by the person running the virtual platform (usually Zoom).”

Background at Board Meetings from February 23 to June 22, 2021

In court papers, the Board of Governors (BOG) argued that “at meetings prior to June 22,

2021, both Shinbrot and Kratovil had been advised that their conduct was inappropriate.” These would be the February 23 and April 14, 2021 Board of Governors meetings.

The BOG alleges that Shinbrot was being disruptive at the June 22 meeting by speaking out of turn. “As a result of these disruptions, Shinbrot’s microphone was muted. He repeatedly unmuted himself, continuing to speak out of turn and disrupt the meetings.”

The Board’s argument is that neither Shinbrot nor Kratovil understand the rules by which Board of Governors meetings are held. This, says the Board is true even for Shinbrot, who is a tenured professor.

“Upon Kratovil’s microphone being muted [at the June 22 meeting], Shinbrot again unmuted himself and continued the line of questions and accusations begun by Kratovil with respect to Board transparency, and he appears to claim that, as a faculty representative to the Board, he had a right to speak and when he pleased.

Because he had already dis-

rupted the meeting multiple times and was again disrupting the meeting by continuing the inquiry started by Kratovil, Shinbrot was removed from the virtual Board table by way of shutting off his connection link. Shinbrot did not contact the Office of the Secretary with a request to be readmitted to the Board table. Nor did he rejoin the meeting through the public access readily available on the Office of the Secretary’s webpage, although he could have done so on his own, “court papers state.

In court papers, the Board of Governors argues that it did not violate the Open Public Meetings Act. “Because the Board has no legal obligation to permit public comment, and because plaintiff Kratovil, a member of the public, does not have a legal right to participate in Board meetings, his inability to speak for a full two minutes did not violate OPMA. The Board’s decision to go above and beyond OPMA’s requirement should not expose it to plaintiffs’ legal attack, state court papers.

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The Board argues that Kratovil could only “comment” or “present” or speak “only on the agenda item for which he is registered.” By questioning the Board about matters that were not on the Board’s agenda and demanding answers to his questions, Kratovil exceeded the limits on his participation,” state court papers.

“Neither the Bylaws [of the Board] nor the Secretary’s email indicates that Kratovil or any member of the public, would be permitted to engage in a question

-and-answer session with the Board or would be able to address a topic other than the specified agenda item,” the Board’s lawyers wrote in court papers.

University Senate slow to act against Board of Governors

Asked about the response of the University Senate to the Board of Governors’ apparent disrespect of a Senate member, Shinbrot said the Senate was very slow. In an email to “Local Talk” dated October 27, Shinbrot wrote, “The Senate is moving typically glacially: the

Structure & Governance Committee (Peter Gillette chair, Perry Dane cochair) took up a charge on how relations between the Senate and the Board could be improved. Eventually there will be a recommendation; by that time probably there will be a new chair of the BoG anyway.”

Neither Dr. Sam Rabinowitz, Shinbrot’s successor as University Senate representative to the Board of Governors, nor Jon Oliver, the president of the Senate, responded to “Local Talk’s” previous emails for comment. Oliver referred to matter to University Media Relations, which did

not respond.

According to court papers, minutes and video of the Board of Governors meetings are to be submitted by both plaintiff and defendants no later than 5:00 p.m. November 19, 2021. All parties are ordered to appear via telephone conference in New Brunswick on November 30, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

“Local Talk” will keep its readers updated as to the progress of the Kratovil and Shinbrot v. Rutgers Board of Governors lawsuit.

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Mayor Green has also started a Community Holiday Collection for Jashyah and her brother here at City Hall, 44 City Hall Plaza, now through Dec. 17. Items and donations for her and her brother are to be made out to or labeled

as: Jashyah Moore Collection. Clothing sizes include M/L and 7.5 Medium Woman's Shoe and 5T-6T and Toddler 10 Shoe.

A scholarship fund is also being considered as of press time.

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West Orange Finance Director John Gross, at the Nov. 9 Township Council meeting, said that "over \$200,000 have been spent to date" in aiding the displaced. That money was not drawn from the mayor's sunshine fund but from the township budget's surplus.

Ron Jolyn Realty had refunded tenants' security deposits, October rent and \$1,250 per person in relocation costs Oct. 14. The WOHS Fight for Green Club and Our Green West Orange are among other groups that have been independently raising funds for the displaced.

Gross added, on Nov. 9 that the Township Council may have an emergency appropriation before them "soon." Parisi said the township will work with them and FEMA to find permanent housing. Thirty of the 45 tenants, whose apartments were damaged by a Tropical Storm Ida-related rockslide Sept. 1-2, have meanwhile hired a lawyer to represent them.

SOUTH ORANGE - A Philadelphia economics consultant has recently put figures on the economic impact of the village's single largest employer - Seton Hall University.

Econsult Solutions, Inc., in

its Oct. 14 report, tabbed SHU's annual economic output within South Orange at \$270 million. About \$150 million of that figure are wages for the main campus' 2,160 jobs. Another \$23 million is spent by students and visitors for "ancillary spending" in the village's neighborhoods, supporting another 120 jobs with \$7 million in wages.

SHU, founded here in 1856, average \$39 million in annual capital improvement spending. That investment for large-scale renovations or new buildings generates 160 construction jobs and \$9 million in wages.

SHU's annual economic impact - when adding its law school and Prudential Center arena use in Newark and its joint medical school with Hackensack Meridian Health Medical Center in Nutley-Clifton - climbs to \$1.6 billion.

The school's annual overall operating output is \$504 million, supporting 3,680 jobs and earning \$234 million among all three campuses. Ancillary spending on SHU cultural and sports events among all four municipalities rise to \$68 million.

SHU alumni, said ESI, enjoy a \$927 million "wage premium" in New Jersey thanks to the university's education and degrees. The consultant also figured SHU gives "almost 50,000 of aggregate community service" by 3,000 volunteers.

MAPLEWOOD - A quality of life group wants township elders to take the next step with the partial gasoline-powered leaf blower ban by completely and permanently banning them.

"The time is now for Maplewood to phase out gas-powered leaf blowers over the next two years," declares Quiet Maplewood on its website. "Our mission: to provide residents with a safe, quiet, clean air community by reducing the use of gas-powered leaf blowers in favor of environmentally sound alternatives.

Quiet Maplewood attempts to make against the said blowers on noise (users are to wear ear protection against 85 decibels and shut off when people approach within 100 feet), emissions (one gas blower generates more emissions in an hour than a 2017 Toyota Camry being driven 1,100 miles) and other environmental grounds (including pollinating insects being blown away at 200 mph).

The group's website lists manual raking and electric motored blowers as among alternatives. They cite Green Wheels and New Generation lawn care companies, which serve Maplewood customers, using all-electric equipment - including blowers.

The Township Committee's year-round Sunday ban is the

nearest the current seasonal law gets to Quiet Maplewood's goal. The 2017-passed law bans commercial use of gas-powered blowers May 15-Sept. 30. Oct. 1 -May 14 use is limited to 8 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays and 10- a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays. Residential/individual use and the Maplewood Country Club are exempted.

Quiet Maplewood has 405 signatures towards its 500-signature goal. The petition, as pointed out by critics on a community message board, lacks comprehensive ban language - or whether the ban would be extended to gas-engined lawn mowers and snow throwers.

BLOOMFIELD - A quick-thinking service station employee locked in a shoplifting suspect until township police officers, from around the block, arrived Nov. 5.

The employee at Akar VII Exxon at 491 Bloomfield Ave., told responding BPD officers that he has the suspect inside. He also held a pair of broken glasses he said he was wearing until the suspect hit him in the face during an escape attempt.

The worker added that Khalil Holland, 18, of Montclair, had tried to steal a \$15 Juul vape pen.

Holland was charged with robbery and was remanded to

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deliver a 78% reduction in emissions by 2035, and fully net zero by 2050.”

One example of a current site which follows the principles of the Playbook is the recently opened DWP hub in Tŷ Taf, Wales. The new site is leading the way in sustainability with energy efficient solar-powered technology. The site also has electric vehicle charging points for staff, putting it at the forefront of the UK Government’s commitment to using Ultra Low Emission transport.

The guidance, which will be applied to

both existing and new properties, will also help the Department of Health and associated public bodies improve sustainability of their hospitals through the use of low carbon materials and improved understanding of a building’s environmental impact over its entire lifespan.

The Playbook can be used as a guide by anyone responsible for managing government property across the public sector.

The Net Zero Estate Playbook supports existing policies designed to drive the UK towards achieving Net Zero emissions by 2050, including the 25-Year Environmental

Plan, the Greening Government Commitments, and the Net Zero Strategy, which was published in October 2021.

This announcement comes after COP26 concluded with 197 Parties agreeing the Glasgow Climate Pact to urgently keep 1.5° C alive and finalize the outstanding elements of the Paris Agreement.

The pact will speed up the pace of climate action this decade, with all countries agreeing to return improved emissions targets in 2022, as well as doubling climate finance for action on adapting to climate change by 2025.

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Newark's Essex County Correctional Facility until he had posted bail.

MONTCLAIR - That the township's traditional two-hour "free" holiday parking begins on Nov. 27 will come as a relief to motorists who have had to play "parking meter roulette" lately in municipal lots or on curbsides.

Those attempting to use the 1,300 "smart" parking meters may find 11 percent - or 143 meters - broken or nonfunctioning this season. That "out-of-service" figure or rate is up from 59, or 4.5 percent, in June. The industry standard is two percent - or 26 meters in Montclair.

One can avoid playing roulette by using the Park Mobile app - but that is not foolproof. Some meters do not have app instructions. The current meters still use 2G cellular telephone technology in a 4G-5G world, draining the meters' batteries.

Add Montclair police's enforcement of parking at broken meter ticketing and it is no wonder that three Bloomfield Avenue businesses have been ordering and wearing "Montclair Parking Sucks" t-shirts.

The Township Council has directed the Montclair Parking Authority to start erecting parking kiosks in municipal lots. The meters' upgrade to 4G technology will be completed by the end of 2022.

The council, however, did not act on a move to stop parking at broken meter enforcement. Nor has "liable for jail time" language has been struck from tickets.

GLEN RIDGE - Montclair Fire Department officials are seeking the cause of a borough house fire that displaced a family here Nov. 19.

Montclair firefighters, said Deputy Chief Robert Duncan, were responding to a fire call along Woodland Avenue at 7:08 p.m. Friday. They found the family outside and fire coming from the house's third floor.

The MFD incident commander pulled a second, "all hands" alarm while the first unit set to extinguish the fire. Units from

East Orange, Orange, West Orange and Clifton supplied MFD station coverage. (MFD has supplied fire services to Glen Ridge since 1991.)

Duncan said there were no reported civilian or service personnel injuries. The last MFD unit went home at 9:06 p.m.

BELLEVILLE - The township honored past and present resident veterans Michael Donnelly and with proclamations and honorary street renamings here during November.

Veterans groups and civic officials renamed a block of Riverdale Avenue for Vietnam Veteran Michael John Donnelly, among other Veterans Day observances, Nov. 7. Donnelly, 75, was a Belleville High School Class of 1963 graduate and had attended Lincoln Technical Institute in Newark before entering the Army.

Donnelly - who was born in Newark Dec. 26, 1945 and who recently summered in Clearwater, Fla., but was otherwise a lifelong Belleville resident - came home by 1968. He was a 35-year New Jersey Highway Authority maintenance supervisor who raised daughters Trecia and Susan with wife Joyce here.

Donnelly's exposure to Agent Orange, however, led to Type II Diabetes that cost him both his legs by 2016. Although the amputations prompted Donnelly's retirement from the NJHA, he joined several amputee groups. He was able to walk, with the help of physical therapists onto Yankee Stadium for the latter's Aug. 28, 2016 "Veteran of the Game."

Donnelly died here Aug. 7. His Funeral Mass was held at St. Peter's Church and burial at Glendale Cemetery Aug. 12. A grandson and three granddaughters are also among his survivors.

Mayor Michael Melham and the Township Council had meanwhile honored surviving World War Two veteran Bernardino Colasurdo with their Nov. 9 proclamation.

Colasurdo, who turned 101 in August, served in the European and North African Theater with the 135 Infantry Regiment's First Battalion, Company B. He has been a Belleville resident for the last 65 years.

NUTLEY - Those who were at the Township Commissioners Nov. 4 meeting live or online may have witnessed the start of Nutley's divorce from Prism Capital ON3/ Hoffman-La Roche redevelopment project.

The commissioners passed Resolution No., 299-21 authorizing Inglesino, Webster, Wyciskala & Taylor LLC to study the feasibility of Nutley buying back its part of the Roche Pharmaceutical headquarters' 117 acres. That buy-back, pending results of the \$25,000 study report, may be by condemnation or eminent domain.

That buyback will not affect the structures already renovated or built: the Hackensack Meridian Health School of Medicine, Modern Meadow, 100 and 200 Metro Boulevard and its parking garage.

The state's largest redevelopment project, south of Route 3, was to be a collaboration between Nutley and Clifton vis ON3 in 2015. Relations between Nutley and Prism's ON3 had deteriorated over the last three years.

A State Superior Court-Newark judge had recently ruled that Nutley could not block an internal roadway. That decision ended the township's three-year claim that the road would be used as a bypass to/from Route three, adding traffic onto Nutley streets. (Nutley wanted a Route 3 "flyover" ramp instead.)

A war of words has erupted between the township and developer over "piecemeal" development and the frequency of development meetings.



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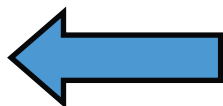
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