



TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN
4233 KENNEDY BOULEVARD
NORTH BERGEN, NJ 07047
Phone: (201)392-2000

Purchase Order

THIS NUMBER MUST APPEAR ON ALL INVOICES,
PACKING LISTS, CORRESPONDENCE, ETC.

NO. 18-02650

ORDER DATE: 05/09/18

DELIVERY DATE:

REQUISITION #: R8-01659

VENDOR ACCT NUM:

VENDOR PHONE #: (201) 798-7800

VENDOR FAX #: (201) 798-0018

DELIVER TO

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER
4233 KENNEDY BLVD.
ROOM 203
NORTH BERGEN NJ 07047

VENDOR

Vendor #: HUDSO235

HUDSON REPORTER ASSOC. LP
447 BROADWAY
BAYONNE, NJ 07002

PAYMENT RECORD

CHECK NO. 52955

DATE PAID 6-13-18

NOTICE: TAX EXEMPT - TAX ID: 22-6002151

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT NO	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
6.00/EA	SENIOR ADS- FEB 2018 BILLING PERIOD 2/2018 . DATES: 2/18/18 - 3 ADS 2/25/18 - 3 ADS .	8-01-20-122-000-1080 ADVERTISING	398.4000	2,390.40
1.00/EA	SENIOR CALENDAR AD DATE: 2/25/18 . . . ATTACHED: BRC POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION FORM	8-01-20-122-000-1080 ADVERTISING	610.0500	610.05
			TOTAL	3,000.45

CLAIMANT'S CERTIFICATION & DECLARATION

I do solemnly declare and certify under penalties; of the law that the within bill is correct in all its particulars; that the articles have been furnished or services rendered as stated therein; that no bonus has been given or received by any; person or persons within the knowledge of this claimant in connection with the above claim; that the amount therein stated is justly due and owing; and that the amount charged is a reasonable one.

X Shawn Metro
VENDOR SIGN HERE
Bookkeeper 5/18/18
OFFICIAL POSITION DATE

APPROVED FOR PURCHASE

Suzanne Taylor 5/9/18
SUZANNE TAYLOR, QPA DATE

VENDOR MUST SIGN CERTIFICATION STATEMENT ON THIS
VOUCHER, MAIL VOUCHER & ITEMIZED BILLS TO:

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
4233 KENNEDY BLVD, RM 211
NORTH BERGEN, NJ 07047

OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that there are sufficient funds available in the accounts of the Township to enable the commissioners to authorize the entering into this contract between the Township of North Bergen and the above vendor. By this certification, I have encumbered the above named accounts for the amount of the contract pending action by the Board of Commissioners.

Rein 5/11/18
SIGNATURE DATE

Having knowledge of the facts in the course of regular procedures, I certify that the materials and supplies have been received or the services rendered; said certification is based on delivery slips acknowledged by a municipal official or employee or other reasonable procedures:

[Signature] 5/23/18
SIGNATURE DATE

HUDSON REPORTER ASSOC. LP
447 BROADWAY
BAYONNE NJ 07002

(201) 798-7800

Fax(201) 798-0018

Advertising Invoice

1 Billing Period 05/2018		2 Advertiser/Client Name TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN	
23 Total Amount Due 16772.55		*Unapplied Amount	3 Terms of Payment net 20 days
21 Current Net Amount Due 10223.85	22 30 Days 3797.25	60 Days 2751.45	Over 90 Days .00
4 Page Number 1	5 Billing Date 05/31/18	6 Billed Account Number DAVE UNGER	7 Advertiser/Client Number 2210

8 Billed Account Name and Address TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN ATTN: ART SCHWARTZ 4233 KENNEDY BLVD NORTH BERGEN NJ 07047	Amount Paid: Comments:
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Please remit immediately. Your account is now 60 days overdue

Please Return Upper Portion With Payment

10 Date	11 Newspaper Reference	12 13 14 Description-Other Comments/Charges	15 SAU Size 16 Billed Units	17 Times Run 18 Rate	19 Gross Amount	20 Net Amount
02/18/18 04	231714 D	RABIES NBR	4.0X 8.00 32.00	1 12.45	398.40	149.40
02/18/18 04	231848 D	FREE MOVIE NBR	4.0X 8.00 32.00	1 12.45	398.40	398.40
02/18/18 04	231849 D	RANCHO MATEO NBR	4.0X 8.00 32.00	1 12.45	398.40	398.40
02/25/18 04	231905 D	CALENDAR NBR	7.0X 7.00 49.00	1 12.45	610.05	610.05
02/25/18 04	231906 D	EMPIRE CITY NBR	4.0X 8.00 32.00	1 12.45	398.40	398.40
02/25/18 04	231907 D	WOODBIDGE MALL NBR	4.0X 8.00 32.00	1 12.45	398.40	398.40
02/25/18 04	231908 D	BIRTHDAY BINGO NBR	4.0X 8.00 32.00	1 12.45	398.40	398.40
03/04/18 04	232009 D	FREE MOVIE R8-01194 NBR	4.0X 8.00 32.00	1 12.45	398.40	398.40
03/04/18 04	232010 D	BINGO LUNCHEON 03/09 R8-01194 NBR	4.0X 8.00 32.00	1 12.45	398.40	398.40
03/04/18 04	232011 D	BINGO LUNCHEON 03/07 R8-01194 NBR	4.0X 8.00 32.00	1 12.45	398.40	398.40
03/11/18 04	232139 D	EMPIRE CITY R8-01194	4.0X 8.00 32.00	1 12.45	398.40	398.40

Statement of Account - Aging of Past Due Amounts

21 Current Net Amount Due	22 30 Days	60 Days	Over 90 Days	*Unapplied Amount	23 Total Amount Due

* UNAPPLIED AMOUNTS ARE INCLUDED IN TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

24 Invoice Number	25 Advertiser Information
1 Billing Period	6 Billed Account Number
	7 Advertiser/Client Number
	2 Advertiser/Client Name



TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

4233 KENNEDY BOULEVARD, NORTH BERGEN, N.J. 07047

TEL. NO. (201) 392-2040 FAX NO. (201) 392-8358

REQUEST FOR CHANGE OR VOID TO A PURCHASE ORDER

FROM: Art Schwartz

PURCHASE ORDER NO.

DEPT/DIV: Public Affairs / Public Information

REQUISITION NO. R8-01659

DATE: March 23, 2018

ORIGINAL AMOUNT \$611.05

VENDOR NAME: Hudson Reporter Assoc. LP

ACCOUNT NO. 8-01-20-122-000-1080

VENDOR NO: HUDSO235

PLEASE [X] CHANGE [] VOID THIS PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON:

[X] AMOUNT IS WRONG \$_____ \$611.05 [] INCREASE BY \$_____ \$2,389.40
IT SHOULD BE \$_____ \$3,000.45 [] DECREASE BY \$_____

[] ACCOUNT IS WRONG _____
IT SHOULD BE _____

[] VENDOR NUMBER IS WRONG: _____
IT SHOULD BE: _____

[] VENDOR NAME IS WRONG: _____
IT SHOULD BE: _____

[] VENDOR ADDRESS IS WRONG: _____
IT SHOULD BE: _____

[] SHIPPING CHARGE IS WRONG: \$_____ IT SHOULD BE: \$_____

DESCRIBE IN DETAIL REASON FOR CHANGE OR VOID:

Six quarter-page ads at \$398.40 each = \$2,390.40 (entered in req at just \$1)

PURCHASING OFFICE:

Date Change(s) were made: _____

Ref. Code #: _____

Initials: _____

SUZANNE TAYLOR, PURCHASING AGENT

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN

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ORDER DATE: 03/23/18
DELIVERY DATE:
STATE CONTRACT:
F.O.B. TERMS:

QTY/UNIT	DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT NO.	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL COST
1.00 EA	6 SENIOR ADVERTISEMENTS	8-01-20-122-000-1080	1.0000	1.00
	PURCHASING - NEED TO CHANGE PRICE TO	ADVERTISING		
	\$398.40 X 6			
1.00 EA	CALENDAR	8-01-20-122-000-1080	610.0500	610.05
		ADVERTISING		
			TOTAL	611.05

REQUESTING DEPARTMENT

DATE

Good genes

"This is my second grandmother that's lived to 100," said Susan Capone, Feinhals' granddaughter, showing that longevity runs in both sides of her family. Her maternal grandmother survived to 101, though her mother passed at 65.

"It's amazing that she remembers me," Capone said. "She still can have a conversation with me. And it's wonderful that she knows all of my boys, and remembers all their names and can still have a conversation with them."

"It's the Secaucus air that keeps her here," son Edward Feinhals Jr. said. "It's great to have a mother who lived to 100, and she can see her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. I come and see her a couple times a week."

Keeping true to the family's roots, Edward still lives in Secaucus, though his daughter is now a Parsippany resident.

American transplant

"On this day, I feel sick," declared DeFilippis—born on Feb. 12, 1918—when asked how she felt about turning 100. "Tomorrow, I'll feel much, much better. Today, there's too much going on."

Born in Italy's Trentino province, DeFilippis first immigrated to America via cruise in 1961, arriving in New York. She worked there, but has lived in North Bergen since arriving stateside. She moved into Hudson Hills in Oct. 2016.

DeFilippis took work as a caretaker for wealthy people and their families in the city, managing their wardrobes and any parties they held, switching families once every 10 years. She held that position until retiring at 80. Her boss was angry about seeing her go, she said.

During the ceremony, DeFilippis briefly conversed in her native Italian with North Bergen Parking Authority Director Robert Baselice.



Fellow seniors lined up to congratulate the ladies on their milestone.



Feinhals, with son Edward and granddaughter Susan Capone.

"When she speaks, she has the same accent that my grandmother had," Baselice, whose mother made him and his sister learn Italian, said. "My mother also. I try to speak to them in their language."

Life doesn't end at 100

"They have a great sense of humor," said Hudson Hills Manager Stacey Wilbur, of Feinhals and DeFilippis. "Emma is excited because her family is coming from Italy. They're coming to spend 12 days with her. All she wants is for them to take her into New York for dinner. That's her thing."

Of Feinhals, she has a "dedicated son," Wilbur said. "She's funny; she looks forward to him, and she's part of the community downstairs."

Since Hudson Hills took over the senior center from former manager Fritz Reuter Altenheim last year, the new management has focused on debunking the misconception some may have

that a senior citizen center is essentially "God's Waiting Room." The center has an exercise program, and a guitar player who plays around the building for the seniors.

"A lot of times, people, they come into facilities like ours, and think that because they're here, they don't have to live a vibrant life," Wilbur said. "Why can't they go to New York, if they want to, for the day? We have somebody who goes everyday—she takes the bus. That's part of what helps with the longevity. We go to Aldi's, and Trader Joe's and all the stores like that. They're part of the community."

Hannington Dia can be reached at hd@hudsonreporter.com or leave a comment on this story at hudsonreporter.com

ATTENTION CAT AND DOG OWNERS:

MAYOR SACCO ANNOUNCES FREE RABIES CLINIC

Thursday, February 22 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.
EMS Building 1812 43rd Street
(Corner of 43rd Street and Tonnelle Avenue)

2018 ANNUAL PET LICENSES

Licenses can only be issued with rabies vaccination certificate.
License fee is \$8.00 if spayed/neutered or \$11.00 if unaltered.

Cash, checks or money orders will be accepted.
Checks must be made payable to the Township of North Bergen.

Please contact the North Bergen Health Department for further information.
(201) 392-2084

Mayor Nicholas J. Sacco
Commissioners

Frank Gargiulo, Hugo Cabrera, Allen Pascual, Julio Marengo
Janet Castro, Director, North Bergen Health Department



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Federal Transit Administration grants a Record of Decision for the project.

Upcoming schedule for parenting classes at Palisades Medical Center

Palisades Medical Center has announced its upcoming schedule for parenting classes for new moms, and moms to be.

The hospital will hold its Childbirth Education Series two day courses on March 17 and 24, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Additional courses will follow, at the same times, on May 5 and 12, then June 9 and 16. Cost is \$125 per couple if delivering at Palisades Medical Center; \$150 if delivering elsewhere.

The class covers topics such as understanding the labor process, breathing and relaxation techniques to work with your body, the role of the support person.

Newborn Baby Care classes will run on Feb. 24, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; March 27, from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.; May 19, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and June 12, from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. These classes cover basics of newborn care, starting with the appearance and characteristics of a newborn. Cost is \$35 per couple if delivering at Palisades Medical Center; \$50 if delivering elsewhere.

Key to Successful Breastfeeding classes will run on Feb. 27, from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.; April 7, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; May 8, from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.; and June 23, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Topics include the importance of skin-to-skin contact, latching techniques, supply and demand as it relates to breastfeeding, positioning for breastfeeding, indications for breast pumps.

Dads are encouraged to attend. Cost is \$35 per couple if delivering at Palisades Medical Center; \$50 if delivering elsewhere.

There will also be Sibling Preparation for Birth Classes, \$25 per family. Contact Robin Petrick for more info on this class at (201) 295-4823. For more information in general, please call (201) 854-5000 or visit palisadesmedical.org.

Union City residents killed in Tonnelle car crash

A stretch of Tonnelle Avenue known for accidents saw the death of two Union City residents on Sunday, Feb. 11. The northbound lanes between Manhattan Avenue and North Street were closed for hours as authorities investigated the wreck.

According to the Hudson County Prosecutor's Office, the two fatalities were Mario Guevara, 25, and Heather Acosta, 24, both from Union City. They were pronounced dead at the scene shortly after the crash.

The crash occurred at about 3 a.m. The Hudson County Regional Fatal Collision Unit, which was established earlier this year, responded to the scene.

One car flipped over and the other jumped the curb, hitting a telephone pole and destroying the gate of a nearby building.

This came two days after Mayor Steven Fulop announced the city's adopting of a "Vision Zero" policy in an effort to eliminate deaths and serious injuries.

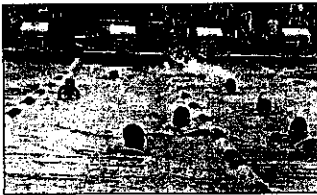
Fulop issued an executive order that allowed Jersey City to join with more than 30 municipalities seeking to establish traffic safety strategies. The crash occurred in the same section of Tonnelle Avenue where a police chase last June resulted in a vehicle bursting into flames.

2210 Township of NB

BRIEFS

Upcoming community flu clinics will be Feb. 21

Mayor Nicholas Sacco and the North Bergen Health Department invite you to the Adult Community Flu Clinics on Wednesday, Feb. 21 in the Terrace Apartments Community Room, 6800 Columbia Ave., from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., and at the North Bergen Public Library Main Branch, 8411 Bergenline Ave., from 2 to 4 p.m.



Registration for swim team conditioning for kids ages 5 through 17 begins Feb. 20. See briefs for more information.

The North Bergen Health Department, in collaboration with North Hudson Community Action Corporation, will also provide the influenza vaccine to children at school. There will be no cost for this vaccine, and the school will send a form that will include options allowing you to either accept or refuse the vaccination for your child.

If you have any questions about the vaccine or the vaccination clinics, please call (201) 392-2084 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Registration for swim team conditioning opens Feb. 20

Mayor Nicholas Sacco and Commissioner Hugo Cabrera announced that registration for swim team conditioning for boys and girls ages 5 to 17 will be open from Feb. 20 through March 29.

This is a program to improve competitive swimming skills, racing starts, flip turns, and stroke technique. Children must be able to swim and pass a swim test. This is not a learn-to-swim program.

Register between 2 and 9 p.m. Monday to Friday at the North Bergen Recreation

Center, 6300 Meadowview Ave. Practice will be held on Tuesday evenings from April 3 through May 22.

Proof of residency is required, along with a birth certificate/passport, and a non-refundable \$35 registration fee. All forms of payment are accepted. For more information call (201) 861-9601.

Get free income tax preparation help

United Way of Hudson County is teaming with the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide program and HOPES to prepare and file federal and state income taxes for locals. The service runs through April 13.

To be eligible, participants must have been New Jersey residents for all of last year. They must also have a Social Security number, work in New Jersey or New York (or have taxable income like pensions, IRA distributions, interest, or stock trades.), and not have an income from a rental property or a business with employees, inventory, a loss, or over \$25,000 in total expenses.

The AARP Foundation will be offering walk-in filings Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The Foundation is located at 855 Bergen Ave. in Jersey City.

HOPES will be offering filings Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., by appointment only. HOPES has locations in the Hoboken area, including 532 Jackson St., Unit 1B and 300 Bloomfield St.

Call (201) 468-8805 for more assistance and information

NJ Transit approves proposed alignment for light rail expansion into Bergen County

The Hudson-Bergen Light Rail's (HBLR) expansion into Bergen County received a major boost this week, as NJ Transit has just approved the plan's proposed alignment, per a press release.

The approval for the project's Locally Preferred Alternative, detailed in its 2017 Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement, is mandatory in the federal environmental review process.

The route is a 10-mile, seven station extension from HBLR's current Tonnelle Avenue terminus in North Bergen. It would include an additional North Bergen stop at 91st Street, and others in Ridgefield, Palisades Park, and Leonia, all the way to the Englewood Hospital and Medical Center.

NJ Transit's Board of Directors also authorized the route's submission to the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority Board of Trustees for designation and inclusion in their Long-Range Regional Transportation Plan.

By choosing this route, NJ Transit will be able to begin design and engineering activities once they complete the Final Environmental Impact Statement, and the

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Mayor Nicholas J. Sacco

Announces for North Bergen Senior Citizens Only...

FREE MOVIE DAY!

Must present Mayor's Council on Aging Card

Friday, February 23rd

Located at:

32nd Street and Kennedy Blvd. in North Bergen, Empire 12 Cinaplex

FOR PICK UP LOCATIONS AND TIMES PLEASE CALL COMMUNITY SERVICE AT 201-392-2159.

calendar

The North Bergen Reporter welcomes entries of community interest for its weekly Calendar listings. To be considered for publication, entries must be received one week prior to publication date. No information will be accepted over the phone.

Ongoing

Narconon - Drug overdoses have become the leading cause of accidental death in the United States with heroin and other opiates being the largest contributor. If your loved one is struggling with drug abuse of any kind, now is the time to get them the help they need. Learn more about the signs of heroin addiction. If you believe one of your loved ones is abusing drugs, learn how you can make a difference by visiting <http://www.narconon-newlifetreat.org/drug-rehab/> **ADDICTION SCREENINGS**. Narconon can help you take steps to overcome addiction in your family. Call today for free screenings or referrals. 1-800-431-1754

Narconon - Top excuses for substance abusers who fail to seek treatment include: not ready to quit using, too scared to kick, their habit is not that bad. All result in continued abuse and all

boil down to one real excuse - they want to use drugs. If you are suspicious one of your loved ones is abusing drugs or alcohol call us today for free information on the signs of drug abuse. **Narconon** can help you take steps to overcome addiction in your family. **Call today at 1-800-DRUG FREE** or by visiting <http://www.narconon-newlifetreat.org> for free screenings, referrals, or your free copy of signs of addiction.

Free breast cancer screenings available at three locations in HC to **uninsured & under insured women ages 40-64**. Screening locations: Hoboken Family Planning, 124 Grand St., 1st fl. Hob.; Hoboken Family Planning Summit Center, 1206 Summit Ave., UC; Family Planning of West New York, 5305 Hudson Ave., WNY. Program is for **residents of HC** who meet specific criteria. Info call (201) 963-0300.

North Bergen Public Library - To get the latest information about library news, programs, special events, or volunteer work visit WWW.NBPL.ORG or call: (201) 869-4715.

Pet adoptions - every Sunday 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. - Petsmart, 400 Mill Creek Mall, Secaucus - for more info. call Charlene (201) 200-1008 or Kathleen (201) 895-3874.

Toastmasters en Espanol meets the 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month - 9:30 a.m. at the Burger King, 3501 Bergenline Avenue, Union City. Improve your Spanish and your speaking skills in a friendly, supportive atmosphere. Meetings conducted in Spanish. Contact (201) 334-2713 for more information.

St. John's Episcopal Church, thrift store open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. We accept donations during business hours. All items are carefully inspected and cleaned for resale. All proceeds go to St. John's Episcopal Church at 1514 Palisades Ave, Union City, for community and church services. Stjohnsthift@gmail.com

St. Augustine's School, Union City will be having **ongoing school registration** - Mon. - Fri 9 a.m.-5 p.m., pre school, ages 3 & 4 and k-8, for more info. (201) 865-5319.

Alzheimer's Association Support Group: Secaucus Library, 1379 Paterson Plank Rd., Secaucus, Louise Munsch and Eydie Shapiro, (201) 340-2238, meets every first Monday at 7:00 p.m. 24-hour helpline, 1-800-272-3900, or visit www.alz.org/nj

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2210 Township of NB

What's your emergency? Town adds fourth EMS ambulance to fleet

By Hannington Dia
Reporter Staff Writer

Expect better response times from local EMT's if your bike crashes on Bergenline Avenue, now that officials recently debuted a brand new ambulance for North Bergen's EMS division.

The new rig, which cost \$137,000, is the latest ambulance to join the town's emergency medical services since last year. It is needed to better help serve North Bergen's bustling population, as well as Guttenberg when needed, officials said.

Town EMT's currently use two of the fleet ambulances 24/7. Eight months ago, they added a third ambulance that runs 12 hours a day, seven days per week.

911 calls sent to local responders

Though North Bergen is home to the Palisades Medical Center on River Road, all medical 911 calls in town go to local responders.

They respond to around 8,000 calls annually. If all town ambulances are too busy to respond to an emergency, dispatchers will then request assistance from EMT's in neighboring towns such as Union City, West New York, and Weehawken.

"It's depending on where the call is needed for," said Mike DeOrio, North Bergen's deputy director of public safety. "If it's a patient downtown, we're going to call Union City first. If it's uptown, we're going to call West New York first."

For emergency calls, such as someone suffering from a heart attack, North Bergen responders will take patients to the closest hospital. Responders also take non-emergency patients, such as those vomiting, to the closest hospital first.

For trauma calls, such as shooting or car crash victims, responders will take patients to either Jersey City Medical Center or Hackensack Meridian Health Center in Hackensack. Stroke victims go to specialized hospitals, such as Palisades, Christ Hospital in Jersey City, or the Hoboken University Medical Center.

The EMT's take all rape victims to Christ Hospital.

"We work very closely with all the towns," EMS Chief Frank Travisano said. That agreement isn't one sided—if those towns request ambulance assistance from North Bergen, they happily oblige, officials said.

North Bergen's EMS program operates at a profit, and takes whatever medical

insurance residents have, and does not bill any uninsured residents. The town uses a third-party billing agency.

"Even with that, we still operate in the plus," DeOrio said. "That buys us more equipment."

The town has included costs for another ambulance in its capital budget to replace a previously broken down one, according to Public Safety Commissioner Allen Pascual.

More trunk space

The new ambulance is larger in the back, to allow for easier patient treatment, according to Travisano. These are known as Type 1 ambulances.

The debuting vehicle also has a four-wheel drive, to better deal with North Bergen's notorious topography. "With the hills in North Bergen, you need four-wheel drive trucks," Travisano said. "We have two that we always keep as four-wheel drive trucks. It makes it a lot easier in the winter."

"There's a lot of wear and tear on these vehicles," added DeOrio. "In snowstorms, we have very few incidents where we get stuck with our ambulances."

By summertime, the town is set to receive another Type 1 ambulance, DeOrio said. Currently, the other ambulances are known as Type 3, smaller and better suited for tight curbs.

Type 1 ambulances are more difficult to park in the EMS garage than Type 3 ambulances, DeOrio said.

New rear camera

In 2016, officials installed dashboard cameras in all the ambulances to monitor and record drivers and passengers, and the driver's view of the road. They also use another camera for patients which does not record, due to HIPAA (federal privacy) rules.

The cameras can also capture drivers' speeds, whether they're using sirens, and see whether or not they're doing things they shouldn't, such as using cell phones while driving. They also record any hard turns and North Bergen police can use the recordings if needed, to investigate car accidents.

The new ambulance does not yet have the dashboard camera. However, it has a rear camera that activates whenever the driver backs up. This is due to its larger size making it more challenging to see the back.

Hannington Dia can be reached at hd@hudsonreporter.com or leave a comment on this story at hudsonreporter.com



Public Safety Commissioner Allen Pascual (pictured center), EMS Chief Frank Travisano (pictured right of Pascual), and Deputy EMS Chief Dave Prima, with the newest ambulance to the North Bergen EMS services.

Mayor Nicholas J. Sacco

invites North Bergen Seniors to



9011 Palisade Ave. North Bergen, NJ 07047

Wednesday, February 21st
1:00pm-3:00pm, \$16.00pp

(Includes Gratuity)

Appetizer:

Choice of soup of the day or Salad.

Soda/Coffee/Tea

Choice of Entrée:

1. Mini bandeja paisa

(is made with rice, beans, sweet plantain, arepa, chorizo, avocado, top butt sirloin, chicharrón and egg)

2. Grilled Tilapia Fillet / With choice of 2 sides

(rice, beans, fries, tostones, sweet plantain)

3. Grilled chicken breast / With choice of 2 sides

(rice, beans, fries, tostones, sweet plantain)

4. Grilled top butt steak with sautéed onions / With choice of 2 sides

(rice, beans, fries, tostones, sweet plantain)

5. Pork ribs with llanera salad

(house special salad), boiled potato and sweet plantain.

Dessert:

Choice of flan or tres leches cake with regular coffee.

For additional information, reservations or transportation regarding this event please call the Office of Community Service at 392-2157



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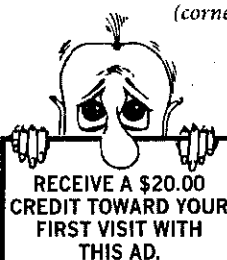
Vincent J. Picone, D.D.S.

1001-79th St., North Bergen, N.J.
(corner of 5th Avenue)

(201) 861-2400

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- Evening hours and Saturdays
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- Emergency patients accepted



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2210 Township of NB

Non-residents banned from Weehawken streets

Mayor restricts drivers on 495 alt-route at evening rush hour

By Hannington Dia
Reporter Staff Writer

Due to traffic congestion in Weehawken during 3 to 7 p.m., the Town Council adopted an ordinance in January restricting all except for Weehawken, Union City, and Hoboken residents from making right turns from Hackensack Plank Road onto Pleasant Avenue, from 3 to 7 p.m. weekdays. The turn is often a shortcut for drivers wanting faster access to 495 westbound to the Jersey suburbs, leaving the New York area.

The route ultimately takes them toward highways such as the NJ Turnpike and Route 3.

The ordinance went into effect Feb. 13. Officials posted electric signs notifying residents of the change on Hackensack Plank Road a few weeks ago.

Union City and Hoboken residents with resident parking stickers or placards will be allowed to make the turn during the evening rush, officials said. North Bergen and Guttenberg residents were not included because they can go south on John F. Kennedy Boulevard to access 495, Weehawken Mayor Richard Turner said.

Officers will redirect non-residents wanting to make the turn to Hackensack Plank Road. But in the offset chance a non-resident makes the turn in spite of police presence, they are subject to a ticket.

When asked about a resident traveling to a doctor's office, business, restaurant, or hotel in Weehawken or nearby towns, Turner responded that "if they're going somewhere else, they have some other routes to use."

GPS sending them there

The town noticed that the intersection has been seeing more traffic than usual within the last year, which Turner said was prompted by GPS navigation software Waze.

"Waze sends people to where there's least traffic," Turner said. "So it started to send people up Hackensack Plank Road. So within the last six to nine months, traffic on Hackensack has been getting worse and worse."

It became bumper to bumper, Turner said.

"People can't make the left turn onto Pleasant, you can't go down Pleasant Avenue," Turner said. "It's becoming a bigger problem."



A Weehawken police officer directs traffic by Pleasant Avenue on the first night of a new ordinance banning right turns onto the avenue from Hackensack Plank Road, for non-residents at rush hour.

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 MAYOR NICHOLAS J. SACCO COUNCIL ON AGING PROUDLY PRESENTS EVENTS FOR: March 2018 						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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BRIEFS

Deadline to file for North Bergen school board election is Feb. 26

The deadline to file for this year's North Bergen Board of Education elections is Feb. 26, at 4 p.m. Those interested must file with the North Bergen Board of Education's board secretary. Candidates will run for three open seats on the nine person board, with each term lasting three years. The election will be held on April 17, from 2 to 8 p.m. For more information, contact the Board at 201-868-1000.

Football award winners celebrated

Close to 500 kids participated in the township's in-house and traveling football teams and cheerleading teams last season, and they were honored at a series of events at the Recreation Center on Feb. 10.

The afternoon started with about 300 kids ages 7 to 9 packing the big gym for the in-house awards, with the Cowboys celebrated as the winners. Joining the three cheerleading teams were the Pom-Poms, ages 5 and 6.



North Bergen honored its in-house and traveling football and cheerleading teams at the Recreation Center on Feb. 10. See briefs on this page for more information. (Photo credit: Art Schwartz)

Then it was time for the traveling teams, who filled the Pop Warner Building and the small gym. Of the three participating teams representing ages 10 to 14, the Eagles won the division and the championship, while the Red Raiders won the league.

Everyone who participated received a meal and an award, plus photos with Mayor Nicholas Sacco and Parks and Recreation Commissioner Hugo Cabrera.

Annual Dr. Seuss celebration coming to both libraries in March

It's time for the North Bergen Public Library's annual Dr. Seuss Celebration. Enjoy "Storytime with Mayor Sacco" and a fun-filled magic show, and receive goodie bags and more.

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Mayor Nicholas J. Sacco

invites North Bergen Seniors to enjoy a day at

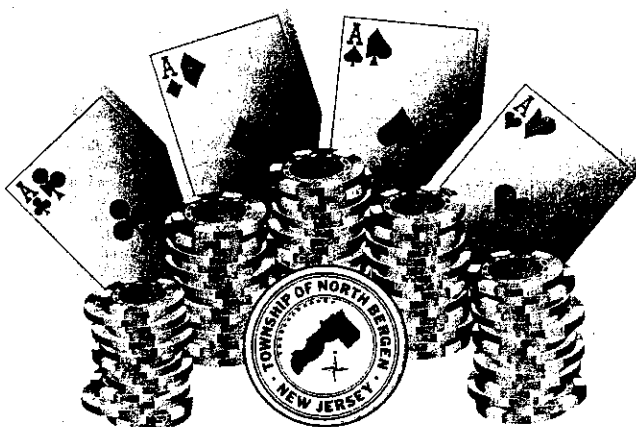
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Lite snacks will be served on the return trip home.



Payment must be made in advance. North Bergen seniors only, proof of residence is required. Seating is limited.

For reservations or more information please call Linda Cecchini at 201-869-9595 or 201-869-5001

calendar

The North Bergen Reporter welcomes entries of community interest for its weekly Calendar listings. To be considered for publication, entries must be received one week prior to publication date. No information will be accepted over the phone.

Ongoing

Narconon - Drug overdoses have become the leading cause of accidental death in the United States with heroin and other opiates being the largest contributor. If your loved one is struggling with drug abuse of any kind, now is the time to get them the help they need. Learn more about the signs of heroin addiction. If you believe one of your loved ones is abusing drugs, learn how you can make a difference by visiting <http://www.narconon-newliferetreat.org/drug-rehab/> **ADDITION SCREENINGS** - Narconon can help you take steps to overcome addiction in your family. Call today for free screenings or referrals. 1-800-431-1754

Narconon - Top excuses for substance abusers who fail to seek treatment include: not ready to quit using, too scared to kick, their habit is not that bad. All result in continued abuse and all

boil down to one real excuse - they want to use drugs. If you are suspicious one of your loved ones is abusing drugs or alcohol call us today for free information on the signs of drug abuse. **Narconon** can help you take steps to overcome addiction in your family. Call today at 1-800-DRUG FREE or by visiting <http://www.narconon-newliferetreat.org> for free screenings, referrals, or your free copy of signs of addiction.

Free breast cancer screenings available at three locations in HC to uninsured & under insured women ages 40-64. Screening locations: Hoboken Family Planning, 124 Grand St., 1st fl. Hob.; Hoboken Family Planning Summit Center, 1206 Summit Ave., UC; Family Planning of West New York, 5305 Hudson Ave., WNY. Program is for residents of HC who meet specific criteria. Info call (201) 963-0300.

North Bergen Public Library - To get the latest information about library news, programs, special events, or volunteer work visit WWW.NBPL.ORG or call: (201) 869-4715.

Pet adoptions - every Sunday 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. - Petsmart, 400 Mill Creek Mall, Secaucus - for more info. call Charlene (201) 200-1008 or Kathleen (201) 895-3874.

Toastmasters en Espanol meets the 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month - 9:30 a.m. at the Burger King, 3501 Bergenline Avenue, Union City. Improve your Spanish and your speaking skills in a friendly, supportive atmosphere. Meetings conducted in Spanish. Contact (201) 334-2713 for more information.

St. John's Episcopal Church, thrift store open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. We accept donations during business hours. All items are carefully inspected and cleaned for resale. All proceeds go to St. John's Episcopal Church at 1514 Palisades Ave, Union City, for community and church services. Sjohnsthrift@gmail.com

St. Augustine's School, Union City will be having ongoing school registration - Mon. - Fri 9 a.m.-5 p.m., pre school, ages 3 & 4 and k-8, for more info. (201) 865-5319.

Alzheimer's Association Support Group: Secaucus Library, 1379 Paterson Plank Rd., Secaucus, Louise Munsch and Eydie Shapiro, (201)340-2238, meets every first Monday at 7:00 p.m. 24-hour helpline, 1-800-272-3900, or visit www.alz.org/nj

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Car sharing nearby *Uber opens office on Meadowlands Parkway*

The ride-sharing service Uber celebrated the official opening of its new driver support center on Meadowlands Parkway in Secaucus on Feb. 20. Mayor Michael Gonnelli and Town Council members were on hand for the official ribbon cutting outside the specialized center, the first one in Secaucus and the only one in New Jersey.

First established in Hoboken in 2015, Uber said they moved the local office to Secaucus because it has ample space for the office and parking. The center expects to serve 2,000 drivers weekly, according to Uber spokesman Craig Ewer.

To use Uber, customers must tap an app on their phones and put in their address and destination. The company gives them a price for the trip, as well as a price if they want to share the trip with other riders.

The company has had some controversy, as its drivers often do not have to get the expensive licenses and follow the same regulations as taxi drivers. They often head to their destinations by using a GPS system and don't always know the local area the way taxi drivers do. However, some find Uber much better priced and more convenient than calling a local cab service.

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The mayor and Town Council join Uber officials in a ribbon cutting for the company's first driver support center in Secaucus.

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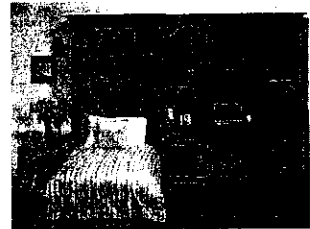
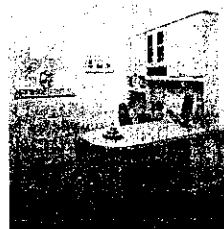
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Instead of just driving locally, the man drove all the way to Maine that evening, according to NB's Focaraccio, who coordinated the rescue effort.

"What happened was, early Friday morning, one of the women from the senior building, she reported her husband and her car missing," Focaraccio said. "They had been trying to reach him, calling him all day, and he wasn't answering his phone."

The department contacted the man's phone provider and "pinged" his phone, so it would send out a GPS signal. That's when they discovered he had ended up north, Focaraccio said.

A Silver Alert for the man was also issued. That alert focuses mainly on seniors with Alzheimer's, dementia, and other mental disabilities. North Bergen police remained in contact with Maine law enforcement through the ordeal.

"The state troopers found him, and he was extremely disoriented," Focaraccio said. The troopers contacted NBPD, and brought the man to a hospital.

She said, "He drove all the way to Maine, but they couldn't imagine how he drove so far and he was eight hours away. It was just crazy."

Focaraccio kept Mayor Nicholas Sacco informed of the situation.

"It was just crazy." – Aimee Focaraccio

"He was like, 'See how we're able to help him, and figure out what we're able to do.' It's a difficult one, because our resources are local. Also, you have a patient who has dementia. Someone they don't know may not be the right person to help them get back. It may not go so well."

Complicating matters was that the couple only spoke Spanish, according to Focaraccio.

Getting help

Focaraccio reached out to the Act Now Foundation for Alzheimer's Awareness, based in Jersey City. The Nicholas J. Sacco Foundation and CarePoint Health also got involved in the effort, pooling their resources.

"We flew the wife and their homemaker to Maine," Focaraccio said. "They checked him out of the hospital [on Monday], we got them a hotel, they stayed overnight in the hotel, we gave them money for food, gas, and tolls. Then they drove home altogether."

NB CARES is funded by the town budget.

The man was in the hospital from that Friday night through Sunday night, Focaraccio said. "We were under the impression they were going to hold him three more days, and he was going to be released on Wednesday," Focaraccio said.

But things changed, perhaps a strong indictment of America's current health care system.

"Monday morning, we got a call from the hospital, and they told us he had to be out by midnight, or they were going to charge him \$1,600 a night," Focaraccio said. "They had already discharged him, so we had to scramble to get the wife up there that night."

The couple stayed in a hotel, and drove back the following day.

Welcome back

Officials held a welcoming party for the man at his senior building on Thursday, complete with cake and a meet-and-greet.

"The mayor was literally so concerned, because they don't have any family around here," Focaraccio said. "They are older, they only have family in Cuba, and they're in the senior building, so fixed income, no assets. It was really difficult."

The man was quiet and reserved at the party. "He was kind of still in a shock," Focaraccio said. "The wife was just very appreciative. She was in tears. She was very grateful to the mayor and the people that worked on it so hard."

To help prevent any more sudden adventures, the Act Now Foundation will be working with the man to make sure he's getting the help he needs, and giving his wife the resources to deal with his condition in the future.

The NBPD called Focaraccio specifically because "they call me with all the crazy situations," she said. "You know, the NB CARES program, we deal with so many different kinds of emergencies. And we have so many resources and such a big network, that I guess I was their best hope at that point."

NB CARES holds annual charity events for residents, including Thanksgiving and Christmas giveaways.

"Thanks to Aimee Focaraccio and NB CARES for handling the difficult and complicated process of arranging for his care and return to North Bergen," Sacco said in a statement. "This could not have been accomplished without the cooperation of ACT NOW and CarePoint Health, who contributed financial and logistical support to the effort."

No word yet on if Tinseltown execs are calling the man for the rights to his story.

Hannington Dia can be reached at hd@hudsonreporter.com or leave a comment on this story at hudsonreporter.com

BIRTHDAY



Mayor Nicholas J. Sacco

invites North Bergen Seniors to a Birthday Bingo!

Friday, March 2, 11 a.m.

North Bergen Senior Nutrition Center

1441 45th Street in North Bergen

Suggested Lunch Donation:

\$1.75 per person

Lunch Includes:

Entree
Coffee/Tea
Milk
Dessert



Reservations are not required for Bingo, just for the meal.

Please call 201-866-8791 by 11am the day before to reserve your meal.

For transportation please call 201-869-9595.

obituaries

BARILLAS, ELVIRA. A funeral mass was held Feb. 19 at Our Lady of Fatima Church for Elvira Barillas of North Bergen. She passed away Feb. 15 with her family at her side. She worked for the township of North Bergen as the mayor's executive secretary. She was also a Hudson County Democratic Committee person from North Bergen. She was the wife of Erick Barillas, mother of Erick and Erin, grandmother of Angel and Ava, and sister of Peter, Armando and Maritza.

Services arranged by the Vainieri Funeral Home, North Bergen.

BRYANT, ANDREW E. Funeral services took place Feb. 16 for Andrew E. Bryant, 22, of Jersey City. He passed away suddenly on Feb. 7 from a venous sinus thrombosis (blood clot). Andrew was a graduate of Dickinson High School and attended Hudson County Community College. He was a certified lifeguard and was employed by Zinburger as a chef. Andrew was also a member of The Church in Nutley. He was the son of Elliot Bryant and Deborah Jeter; stepson of Shalanda Bryant; brother of Jasmine Bryant and Briana Jeter; grandson of Virgil Bryant, Sr., Laura Bryant, Gloria Jeter, and the late Reverend William C. Jeter, and great-nephew of Rita Holder. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Services arranged by the McLaughlin Funeral Home, 625 Jersey City.

CERRETA, KAREN M. A memorial mass was celebrated Feb. 17 at Our Lady of Grace Church, Hoboken for Karen M. Cerreta, 61 of Jersey City, formerly of Hoboken. She passed away Feb. 6 after a courageous battle with cancer. Born in Jersey City, she lived most of her life in Hoboken, she lived in Florida for a few years before moving back north to Jersey City recently.

She was last working as an accounts receivable clerk. She was preceded in death by her mother, Martha DeMarco, her daughter, Jennifer Cerreta and her uncle, Francis White. Surviving to cherish her memory are her sisters, Missy DeMarco and Carol Condello, her uncle, Ronald White, her niece, Stephanie Rosso (David) and many other cousins and friends.

Services arranged by Levandoski-Grillo Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Bloomfield.

DALLESSANDRO, ALICE M. A funeral mass was held Feb. 21 at St. John the Baptist Church, Jersey City, for Alice M. Dallessandro, 90, of Jersey City. She passed away Feb. 17. She was born and raised in Jersey City where she lived for the entirety of her life. Alice worked at St. Francis Hospital, before being employed by New York Telephone from where she retired. She was a devout Catholic, and parishioner at St. John the Baptist Church in Jersey City. She had a caring heart, and cared for her ailing parents and husbands at their times of need. Alice will always be remembered for the love she showed to her family and friends. Alice was predeceased by her first husband, Joseph Dallessandro, and her second husband, Leo Michael Spangenberg.

Services arranged by the Riotta Funeral Home, Jersey City.

GERRITY, MADELINE. A funeral mass took place Feb. 22 at St. Annes RC Church for Madeline Gerrity, 89, of Jersey City. She died peacefully surrounded by her family on Feb. 18. Madeline was born in Jersey City and lived here her whole life. She was a secretary for St. Annes School in Jersey City for over 30 years, retiring in 2009. Madeline was predeceased by her husband.

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