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Public Information Service of the Township Committee

Harvest Festival Draws Record Crowd

• *Warm Days Draw Over 30,000 to Celebrate America and Hometown Heroes*

The 33rd celebration of the Harvest Festival on Oct. 7, 8 and 9 was an overwhelming success as warm weather and a line-up of great entertainment brought more than 30,000 visitors to the Township over the three-day event

Celebrating America and Hometown Heroes was this year's theme including recognition of Farmer of the Year, commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the attacks on America in 2001 and spot-

lighting of dozens of hometown heroes submitted by the public.

"The Township Committee and Recreation Committee thank all the volunteers, township employees, sponsors and everyone who attended," said

Mayor John Stanzone.

National, regional and local musical entertainment including Uncle Kracker who has transitioned from rock and roll and hip hop to become a popular country music star, drew the second largest crowd ever on a Saturday night at the festival. Only Lonestar in 2008 drew more.

Saturday also included performances by Randy Montana, Jaron and the Long Road to Love and the Idol Kings.

Sunday's musical entertainment on the Comcast Stage included Sensational Soul Cruisers, The Lunabelles, The Henningsens, Bruce in the USA and country stars Love and Theft.

The Festival opened with family night

on Oct. 7 featuring the family-friendly midway of Skelly's Amusements and the preliminary SingFest contest.

Farmer of the Year

To honor farming, the festival included recognition of Deerfield Farmer of the Year, Joe Olsen of J & J Family Greenhouses.

J & J Family Greenhouses began as a project of Joe Olsen's late wife Julie Olsen and Barbara Orcsi, the wife of Pete Orcsi in 1978, over 33 years ago. As the greenhouse business grew, Joe and Pete took over the operations growing flowers.

In 1993, Joe took over operation of the greenhouse business on a full-time basis and Mr. Orcsi left the business. Today, J & J Family Greenhouses covers about five acres of land on Maxom Avenue, near Stillman Avenue, in Deerfield Township. They raise mums in the fall and variety of flowers in hanging baskets and potted plants in the spring.

The festival's "American Celebration and Salute to Hometown Heroes



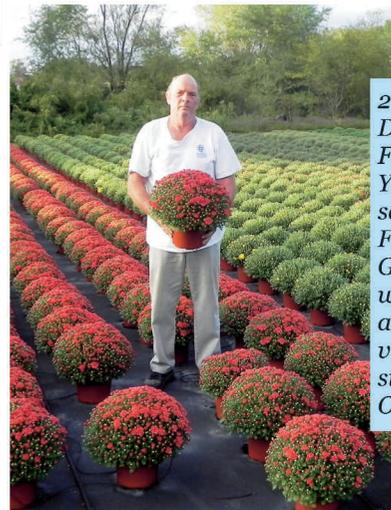
2011 Festival Paid Tribute to 10th Anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001 with Video Tribute and Candle Light Ceremony.

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Uncle Kracker



2011 Deerfield Farmer of the Year Joe Olsen of J & J Family Greenhouses was honored at the Festival's main stage on Sat., Oct. 8.

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**MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR
John Stanzione**

I would like to express my appreciation for the chance to serve the Township as Mayor in 2011. I look forward to continuing my service on the Committee in 2012.

This was a year of many challenges created by record rain storms in July and August followed by flooding rains as part of Hurricane Irene in late August. My thanks to Deerfield Township Emergency Management under the direction of John Barbagello, all the men and women of Rosenhayn Fire and Rescue, Deerfield Township Public Works employees, led by Mike Laurla, NJ State Police officers and officials and State and County road departments for all they did to help our residents and people driving through our community.

We are still working with the County and others to find ways to alleviate future flooding in several areas of the Township.

2011 saw progress with the construction of new businesses and additions to existing businesses. Hopefully this is a sign of an improving economy and better tax revenues for the Township in the future.

As the year ends, we are saying goodbye to employees and leaders who have served the Township with distinction over many years. Mike Laurla, Joe Macera and Beth Yacovelli are retiring. Due to Deerfield's participation in a new regional municipal court in 2012, we will also be saying goodbye to Judge John Casarow, who has been an outstanding judge for us.

With Committeewoman and past Mayor Carol Musso's recent election to the Cumberland County Board of Freeholders, her many years of outstanding service on the Township Committee in Deerfield will come to an end when she begins her term as a Freeholder.

On behalf of the Township government and the people of Deerfield, I wish all of them well in retirement and/or in their new roles and responsibilities.

Honorable Mayor John Stanzione

Harvest Festival Draws Many

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included a beautiful and touching photo and music tribute to area heroes and a moving video and photo tribute to the heroes of Sept. 11, 2001.

The video tributes were produced by festival volunteer and festival assistance publicity chairperson Linda Ferrara. They were shown on the jumbo video screen called Fest-a-Vision, which was sponsored by Colonial Bank.

DESSERT CONTEST



Briana Robinson (above), and Linda Hodor, baking contest winners.



First place prize was awarded to Jennifer Bates of Bridgeton, NJ, for Peach Pound Cake. A tie was awarded for second place; Briana Robinson of Millville, NJ, for her Pumpkin Toffee Cheese-

cake and Linda Hodor, of Buena, NJ, for Carrot Cake Cupcakes. Jennifer Bates of Bridgeton, NJ, took first place in the cookie category, with Nana's Italian Iced Cookies.

Laurene Reuter, of Clayton, NJ, won first place in the pie category with Nana's CranApple Pie. Pauline M. Smith, of Bridgeton, NJ, won first place in the brownie category with Fudgy Brownies and Sylvia Coleman, Bridgeton, NJ, was awarded second place for Sylvia's Peanut Butter Brownies.

PARADE AND SINGFEST

Hundreds of people watched the Festival's SingFest Contest sponsored by WSNJ Radio on Friday night and Sunday afternoon. Ashleigh Neileo of Magnolia won in the age 4-12 category. Samantha Fox of Bridgeton finished first in the 13-18 age cate-

gory. Chris Disario of Port Norris won in the 19 and over age group.



More than 60 units filled Morton Ave. with music and fun as the Festival Parade kicked off the Saturday festivities.

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Prepare for Winter Storms

Winter storms can be very dangerous. Being prepared in advance is a good way to protect yourself and your family. Pay attention to the winter storm watches and warnings issued by the National Weather Service and take precautions.

Make sure you have winter clothes on hand, blankets, flashlights, extra batteries, a battery-operated radio, food and drinking water. A backup heat source or an emergency electric generator are a good idea and make sure you know how to use them. Know your local emergency radio stations and pay close attention to wind-chill factors as frostbite and hypothermia can be dangerous.

Do not use charcoal or gas grills indoors to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning and avoid using candles for light or heat due to the fire danger.

Contributed by John Barbagello, Emergency Management Director





News From Charlotte Brago Senior Center

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Spreading Holiday Joy

Charlotte Brago Senior Center Craft Club, pictured with the 80 stuffed kittens that were handmade for patients of the Eagleview Nursing Home in nearby Pittsgrove and 150 Christmas Cards written to thank overseas Soldiers.



The center is open Monday thru Thursday and offers Line Dancing, Exercise, hot lunches Wii Games, Dominoes, Card Games, informative speakers and warm and caring social interaction for seniors from all over the county. Call 455-6902 for more information.

Lorene Thompson, Director



Local Business Spotlight



Top left: The Bank is now known as Fulton Bank of New Jersey as new signs show at its branch at Landis and Morton Avenues.



Top right: New building nearly complete which will house Crop Production Services, Inc. of Colorado which will sell and distribute farm products like herbicides and pesticides from the 28,000 sq. ft facility on Landis Ave. near Star Bound Gymnastics.



Left: Sunnyside Vegetable, now part of F & S, is enhancing its water treatment facilities at its Lebanon Road plant.



Bottom left: F & S Produce recently completed a major expansion of its office, production and distribution plant on Bridgeton Avenue, just east of Morton Ave.

Bottom right: Bridgeton Restaurant Equipment completed new addition to its facilities on Irving Ave. in Carmel, just east of Sugarman Ave.



Buy Local: Support All Deerfield Township Businesses Whenever Possible.

For free business assistance in Deerfield Township, contact Township Economic Development Agency, Cumberland Development Corporation, Tony Stanzione, Executive Director, 856-451-4200, tony@cdc.nj.com.



Rosenhayn Fire and Rescue - Ready to Serve

Deerfield Township has an outstanding group and fire and rescue personnel at Rosenhayn Fire and Rescue who help protect and save lives and property. The Township Committee thanks them and they deserve the thanks and support of all of our residents. Mark Cifaloglio, Fire Chief and Pete Jilinski, Rescue Chief, thank everyone who provides support and everyone who supported the 50th annual Chicken Barbecue this summer. To help the company or if your are interested in volunteering, call 451-1391.

OUTDOOR WOOD BOILERS - continued from pg. 4

6. Government sanctioned test methods show EPA certified stoves have a net efficiency between 60 - 80% and conventional wood stoves between 40 - 65%.

When you are considering a heating alternative PLEASE be aware of the environmental Impact of your choice. If you do decide to install an outdoor wood boiler here is a list of our recommendations:

- a. Look for a unit that has a secondary combustion for more efficiency.
- b. A lot of firebrick within the firebox is a good thing to look for so the unit can burn at a higher temperature.
- c. Make sure your chimney is at least as high as the chimney on your house.
- d. Check out the performance claims on your unit. If it seems too good to be true it probably is!
- e. Use the right type of fuel; seasoned, dry wood.

Call the Township Construction Office before purchasing an outdoor boiler to make sure you know the rules of installing and owning one in the township.

SPECIAL NOTE ON SNOW CLEARING - It is against the law to remove snow from a private driveway and push it into an already plowed roadway. Snow from a driveway should be pushed to the **RIGHT SIDE OF THE DRIVEWAY** so that when the roads are plowed, the already clean driveway will not be plowed in. Please keep this in mind to help keep drivers safe.



Keith Lauermann (left) and Frank Spatola, Jr.

Frank Spatola, Jr. and Keith Lauermann Are Re-Elected; Carol Musso Elected to Freeholder Board

Karen Seifrit, Township Clerk, reports the following election results from November 2011.

Frank Spatola, Jr. and Keith Lauermann were re-elected to the Township Committee for 3-year terms beginning Jan. 2012 and ending December 2014.

Both Keith and Frank expressed their thanks to all who supported them in the recent election and look forward to serving the people of Deerfield Township again.

Long-time Committeewoman and past Township Mayor Carol Musso will leave her seat on the Township Committee in January as she is installed as a Cumberland County Freeholder following her election in November. The Committee will vote to fill the vacancy based on a recommendation or recommendations from the County Political Party Organization that the person who is leaving is affiliated with per N.J.S.A. 40A:16-5.



Carol Musso

REORGANIZATION MEETING ON JAN. 4th

The Township of Deerfield will hold its annual reorganization meeting on Wednesday, January 4, 2012 at 7 PM in the Louis Pizzo Community Meeting Room in the Deerfield Township Municipal Hall on Landis Avenue in Rosenhayn.

The meeting will include swearing in of Frank Spatola, Jr. and Keith Lauermann to new 3-year terms on the Township Committee and selection of an oath of office to the Mayor and other local officials. Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

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Smiles at Breakfast with Santa

The Deerfield Township Recreation Committee hosted more than 200 seniors, youngsters and other

residents at its annual breakfast with Santa held at the Charlotte Brago Senior Center and the municipal hall on Dec. 3. Recreation Committee members and Township Committee members cooked breakfast and hosted visits with Santa including helping Santa give gifts to each child who visited Santa.

Less Street Lights to Save Thousands

Deputy Mayor Cosmo Laurella and Committeeman Keith Lauermann led the review of street lights that has resulted in elimination of almost 25 lights in 2011 with as many as 75 more under review. Savings in 2012 could reach an estimated \$12,000 from the \$45,000 the Township spends annually on street lights. For road safety, lights will be provided at intersections and at curves only in most locations going forward.



Mike Laurella (front, right) who has been a key to the success of the Harvest Festival for many years and who is retiring as Public Works Supervisor for the Township at the end of 2011, is thanked by Mayor John Stanzione (left) on the Festival Stage as festival volunteers and Township officials show appreciation.



These young festival volunteers have grown up with the Festival. Left-right: Roy and Trisha Spoltore, children of Roy Spoltore and Cara, Deanna and Brian Stanzione, children of Tony Stanzione. Their fathers have spearheaded the festival for all of its 33 years.

Convenience Center to Be Moved Soon

The County Improvement Authority advised the Township that the convenience center at the landfill will be moved for safety reasons sometime between Jan. 15 and Feb. 1. Signs will be posted.

Festival SingFest winners beam with excitement as they are announced on Sunday at the Festival.



Many Festival volunteers gather for photo with Sunday night music stars The Lunabelles and Love & Theft.





SAVE THE DATE

FEBRUARY 4, 2012 @ 6:00 PM

Centerton Country Club, 1022 Almond Road, Pittsgrove, NJ

COMEDY SHOW & DINNER

Returning by Popular Demand: MAUREEN LANGAN & Featuring Vic Dibitto

Reserve Your Tickets NOW @ 856-451-6610 Ext. 101

Presented by Deerfield Township School

All proceeds benefit the Deerfield Township School Co-Curricular and Field Trip Restoration Fund

New Cumberland Salem Regional Municipal Court to Begin in 2012

Deerfield Township will join with seven other municipalities to form the Cumberland Salem Regional Municipal Court in a new shared service that should help save thousands of dollars for the partnering municipalities. Also known as C.S. Regional Municipal Court, all court sessions will be held in Upper Deerfield Municipal Building. The other participating towns include Greenwich, Hopewell, Lawrence, Pittsgrove, Shiloh, Stow Creek and Upper Deerfield. By Jan. 31, all the local courts in these towns will stop operations. According to projections, Deerfield should save about \$10,000 in the first year. This is one outcome of a shared services study in 2011 led by Cumberland Development Corp. and Triad Associates.

Please note that all residents and others going to court, paying fines or conducting any other business with the courts in these towns after Jan. 31, will do so in the Upper Deerfield Municipal Building.



Area municipal leaders meet to announce new regional court. First row, l-r, Deerfield Committeewoman Carol Musso, Hopewell Mayor Bruce Hankins, Pittsgrove Mayor Linda Dubois. Second row, l-r, Lawrence Deputy Mayor Skip Bowman, Upper Deerfield Committeeman Terry O'Neill, Shiloh Mayor Harold Davis and Upper Deerfield Mayor Jim Crilley.

Township Retirements

Michael Laurella, Public Works Supervisor and Dog Control Official since 1983, Joe Macera, Public Works Employee since 1997 and Beth Yacovelli, Land Use Board Secretary since 1992, are retiring as 2011 comes to a close. Mike and Joe have been keys to the success of the Harvest Festival, preparing all facilities and leading the clean-up afterward.



Mike Laurella (left) and Joe Macera

January when the Township Court is closed and the new regional court opens.

The Township Committee thanks all of them for their service to the Township and wishes them well.



Judge John Casarow

Outside Wood Boilers May Pollute

The top 5 pollution problems with outdoor wood boilers are:

1. Incomplete combustion issues causing a large amount of fine particulates to enter the air.
2. In most cases the combustion chamber is completely surrounded with water which makes complete combustion almost impossible.
3. A heavy dark plume of smoke happens whenever the boiler water temperature falls below a certain temperature.
4. Many times a boiler is oversized, which is a very common condition for most installers.
5. Manufacturers of wood boilers have a history of making exaggerated claims concerning the performance of their product, especially concerning the percentage of combustion efficiencies. *continued on pg. 6*



House Decorating Contest

The Recreation Committee traveled around the Township in December and selected the following homes as winners in the annual holiday lighting contest:

- 1st Place - Matthew & Kathy Bruckler, Garton Rd.
- 2nd Place - William & Glenna Matkowsky, Pindale Dr.
- 3rd Place - Daniel Lodge, Morton Ave.