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LT. GOV. KIM GUADAGNO SPEAKS AT GATEWAY DINNER

Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce marks 100 years at annual awards dinner

Lt. Gov. Kim Guadagno was the keynote speaker at the Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce 100th Anniversary Awards Dinner Tuesday, January 25, at the Newark Liberty International Airport Marriott. Guadagno provided an overview of the state of New Jersey, the state budget and the Christie administration agenda.

"Having Lt. Gov. Guadagno speak at our dinner is a reflection of both the role the Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce has played in development of the region and New Jersey during the last century and the importance the Christie administration places on the opportunity to speak to more than 600 business professionals about the governor's priorities and agenda," said James Coyle, Gateway president. "We are very honored to have had her."

The chamber also honored its three businesses of the year for 2010: PSE&G, New Jersey's oldest and largest regulated gas and electric delivery utility, serving nearly three-quarters of the state's population, as large company of the year;. Overlook Hospital, a 504-bed not-for-profit community hospital located in Summit with more than 1,200 attending physicians, as medium company of the year; Bombadil, founded by sales expert Andy Gole, who has developed breakthrough selling techniques and management strategies for a variety of businesses based on his proprietary urgency-based selling approach, as small business of the year.

ABOUT THE GATEWAY

The Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce is the largest business association in the New York/Northern New Jersey Region, comprising 13 regional and local chambers. With 1,500 members, the Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce has a 95 percent retention rate, the highest in the country.

(below) Linden was represented by many businesses at the Gateway 100th dinner including the following who reserved tables: Epicor, Infineum, Linden Chamber of Commerce, Northfield Bank, Linden LIA.



(above) Lt. Gov. Kim Guadagno addresses the audience at the Gateway Chamber awards dinner.



(above) Linden Chamber members (back) Janet Miller, Angie Tsirkas, Lucille Disano, (front) Benjamin Sheedy and Marcelo Adinolfi.



(above & below) Guests seated at a table sponsored by Infineum.



Photos from the event can be viewed on-line at LifeinLinden.com (above & below) Guests seated at a table sponsored by Epicor.





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Message from the Mayor



On December 26, 2010 the City of Linden experienced a blizzard that dumped 31 inches of snow on our community. This created monumental problems for our police, dispatching, and ambulance services due to the numerous car accidents, stranded vehicles, downed power lines, and an electrical failure that had all the traffic signals out on Route 1&9 for about an hour.

Our Public Works/Community Property plowing crew did a Herculean task removing the snow from our streets. Within 24 hours Linden streets were passable, although every street was not perfect and

problems did arise. These employees should be commended for their hard work and dedication during this emergency. Their efforts may not have produced perfection, but considering the amount of snow and the conditions they had to work under, I am proud of each and every one of them. Then on January 11, 2011 we again experienced another 9 inch snowfall and again our employees excelled during snow removal.

So that residents have an understanding of how streets are plowed, our normal procedure is to clear the middle of primary roads first and then the middle of secondary roads next. After this has been accomplished, two plows working in tandem begin to push the snow to the curb. Once again, primary roads are done first and secondary roads next.

The Police Department will be strictly enforcing the "no parking during snow emergency" regulations on streets that have those signs posted on them. These vehicles will be ticketed and towed. Whenever possible, residents should park their vehicles in their own driveway or that of a neighbor. This makes it a lot easier for our plows to clean our streets more efficiently. If everyone cooperates, our residents, employees, and vehicle operators will all benefit from the extra effort extended by all.

Mayor Richard J. Gerbounka

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GATEWAY CHAMBER EVENTS

For additional event information call the Chamber at 908-352-0900 or visit www.gatewaychamber.com

8:00 AM FEBRUARY 8 VETERANS BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Perkins of Green Brook, 297 Rt. 22 E, Green Brook

8:30 AM FEBRUARY 9

KENILWORTH CHAMBER MEETING

Access Self Storage, 750 Boulevard, Kenilworth

8:45 AM FEBRUARY 10

WORKFORCE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chamber Office, 135 Jefferson Avenue, Elizabeth

8:30 AM FEBRUARY 11

LOCAL & COUNTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Visit our website for location
6:00 PM FEBRUAR

6:00 PM FEBRUARY 15
IRISH BUSINESS ASSOCIATION (IBA) MEETING

Molly Maguire's, 1085 Central Avenue, Clark

8:00 AM FEBRUARY 16

EMPLOYER LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Kenilworth Inn, Boulevard & S. 31st Street, Kenilworth

11:45 AM FEBRUARY 17

GATEWAY ASSN OF BUSINESS WOMEN

Garden Restaurant, 943 Magie Avenue, Union

8:30 AM FEBRUARY 22 LINDEN CHAMBER MEETING

Hampton Inn@Aviation Plaza, 501 W. Edgar Rd, Linden Hosted by Mercer Coating & Lining Company, Inc.

8:30 AM FEBRUARY 23 CLARK CHAMBER MEETING

Hosted by Shop Rite of Clark, 76 Central Avenue, Clark

8:00 AM FEBRUARY 24 NEW JERSEY PROPERTY TAXES:

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Olde Mill Inn, 225 Route 202, Basking Ridge

TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

LINDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

Conference meetings will be held in the Council Office. Regular meetings will be held in the Council Chambers, LindenCity Hall. Conference Meeting: Feb. 14 at 6:00 p.m. Prior to Conference Meeting:

Feb. 15, 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting: Feb. 15 at 7:00 p.m.

PLANNING BOARD: Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Planning Room, City Hall, Linden, New Jersey. **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:** Meetings are held at City Hall, normally on the first Wednesday of each month at 7 pm.

All meetings are open to the public.

LINDEN BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 16 Soehl Middle School

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RENT LEVELING BOAR: Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm in the Planning Board Room at City Hall.

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SPAGHETTI DINNER

The American Legion Auxiliary - Unit 102 located at 112 W. Elizabeth Avenue Linden will be sponsoring a fund raiser
Spaghetti Dinner
Saturday March 5, 2011
4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Advance ticket purchase is preferred.
Tickets will also be available at the door that day.
There will also be a Tricky Tray and a bake sale on the same day.

FISH & CHIPS & CHICKEN TENDERS DINNER

The Linden Knights of Columbus
Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting
their annual fundraising dinner
Sunday, March 13, 2011
2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Catering will be provided by Argyles of

Kearny and the menu will include Fish and Chips or Chicken (tenders).

Donation will be \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children 12 and under.

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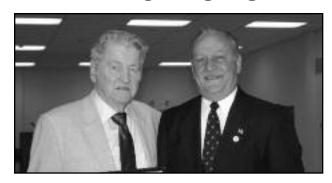
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(above, l-r) The 2010 Outstanding Senior Citizen of the Year Pail W. Werkmeister with Mayor Richard J. Gerbounka.

The Department of Public Property and Community Services is currently accepting applications for nominations for this years' Annual Outstanding Senior Citizen of the Year. The purpose of the award is to recognize the Linden senior citizen who has displayed exceptional service to the community.

A permanent plaque inscribed with the purpose of the award is displayed at the JTG Recreation Center and is engraved with the name of each year's Outstanding Senior Citizen. A similar plaque will be awarded to the person selected.

The Department of Public Property and Community Services has appointed a committee, composed of the Mayor's Senior Citizen Advisory Committee, Recreation Committee and local civic organizations to make the final selection.

limited to one recipient. If the committee Citizen Buses and in local stores participating in

determines that no applicants meet the awards criteria, no outstanding senior will be designated. The Department of Public Property and Community Services has contacted all Linden organizations to acquaint them with the project and to invite them to submit nominations on official entry forms. Nominations from the organizations, naming the candidates and listing detailed reasons for their nomination must be received by the Department of Public Property and Community Services by March 18, 2011. All nominees must have attained a minimum age of 65 by January 1, 2010 and must be Linden residents. The candidate's signature must be affixed to the letter of nomination. The award is presented each year at the Annual Senior Citizens Day Celebration in May. Any organization wishing to submit a nomination may do so by contacting the Department of Public Property and Community Renewal Services at (908) 474-8627.

FREE JOB TRAINING

Project Ready will be accepting applications for its free six week job preparedness program on Tuesday, February 15th at 9:30 sharp. Applicants should be prepared to stay until 1:30PM. Basic computer skills will be taught including Microsoft Word, Excel and navigating the internet as well as resume writing and interview techniques. Project Ready is located within St. Joseph Social Service Center at 118 Division St. in Elizabeth.

For information please call (908) 353-1045 or visit www.stjosephelizabeth.org

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

The Caregivers Support Group meets at the Linden Public Library on the last Thursday of each month at 7 P.M. All caregivers are welcome to attend.

For information, please call Carol Hohl at 908-355-4643 or email her at hohlcarol@yahoo.com

SENIOR CITIZEN I.D. CARD PROGRAM

Linden residents fifty (50) years of age or the Merchant Discount Program. older may register for a Senior Citizen Identification Card Tuesday, March 1st at the existence since 1975, is sponsored by the JTG Recreation Center, 330 Helen St.

From 9am to 12 noon.

Senior citizens must bring proof of age, proof of Linden residency and their Social Security The I.D. cards are necessary for The outstanding senior citizen award will be identification on the City operated Senior

The I.D. Card Program, which has been in Department of Recreation and Community Services and conducted for Linden senior citizens. Nearly 2,000 identification cards have been issued to the senior citizens of Linden.

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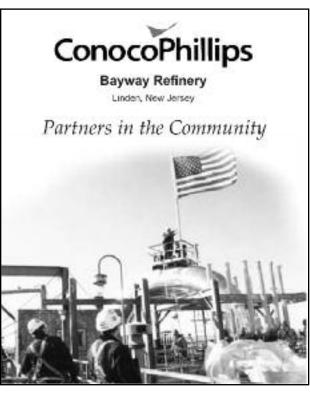
(left, l-r) Mary Phillips, ConocoPhillips Bayway Refinery Community Relations Coordinator; Rocco G. Tomazic, Ed.D., Superintendent of Linden Public Schools; and Bryan Kaus, President, BlueKom Strategic Communications.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The Bayway Complex Community Advisory Panel (CAP) will be awarding four \$1,000 scholarships to eligible students living in Linden, Rahway, Elizabeth, and Staten Island. High school seniors who are planning on attending college and studying for a career in the engineering, industrial, or process technology fields can apply for the scholarship.

Applications can be obtained from guidance counselors at the high schools. The deadline for application submission is March 31, 2011.

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CHINA DELEGATION FROM CHONGQING CITY VISITS CITY OF LINDEN

China is attending a Kean University Public Administration training program government personnel who are responsible for administering government functions. Chongqing City has been given a unique status by China's central government. This status designates Chongqing City as a self-governing entity allowing the City greater autonomy to govern itself and manage business development. This places Chongqing City in the same group of cities as Beijing and Shanghai who moved from central government policies to self-ruling polices.

The delegation specifically requested a visit to the City of Linden to meet with the Mayor and representatives from the Planning Board, Economic Development, Security Management departments and the Superintendent of Linden Schools. The Delegation's specific interest was to learn American public administration and organizational practices in the city.

Mayor Gerbounka presented to the group how the City of Linden is administratively organized and functions on a day-to-day basis.

A delegation from the City of Chongqing Ron Stefanowicz, the Linden Economic Development Executive Director, discussed major economic development project strategies. Planning Board Chairman, Joseph LaPlaca presented the role and responsibility of the Planning Board in approving construction permits that are permissible under City zoning and ordinances. Superintendent of Schools Rocco Tomazic explained how the Linden school system functions administratively and operationally. Superintendent Tomazic talked about the student exchange program between China and Linden. The China delegation was given a tour of the Linden High School. The tour included the delegation meeting and talking with students. Linden Police Chief Michael Boyle responded to the delegation's questions related to public safety and security.

> The topic of government and business relations has recently become one of the major public policy issues for many developed, developing and economic transition countries. For developed countries, the interest in government and business relations is connected to the impact of the global financial crisis and



(above) Linden Mayor Richard Gerbounka speaks to a delegation of Kean University public administration students from the City of Chongqing China

the need for government intervention in the financial system. In addition to the problem of financial crisis, developing and economic transition countries such as China emphasize the issue of government and business relations because of their special concerns about economic development. For these countries, it is important for them to reform their governments to establish a sound modern market system and implement good development policies to attract the needed foreign capital and investments. China and other developing countries look to the United States as the economic model to emulate for business development.

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Fines for violating the new law range from \$25 to \$75. No motor vehicle points will be assessed for this offense. If failure to remove ice

and snow results in injury or property damage, motorists face fines ranging from \$200 to \$1000, while commercial motor vehicle drivers face fines ranging from \$500 to \$1,500, for each offense.

In anticipation of inclement weather, motorists are encouraged to:

- Tune up and winterize their vehicles, as well as check the radiator, battery, antifreeze, and all other fluid levels.
- Check tire treads and replace them if they're unsafe.
- Check and replace windshield wiper blades if the rubber is cracked and/or brittle. Be sure to also check and refill the washer fluid reservoir.

• Maintain at least a half a tank of gas during the winter to prevent the fuel line from freezing.

Motorists should also keep a winter driving "safety kit" in their vehicles that is easily accessible in the event of an emergency. The kit should include: an ice scraper/brush; shovel; jumper cables or battery starter; warm blanket; sand, salt or cat litter (for traction in ice and snow); de-icer; safety flares/warning devices; flashlight and new batteries; extra windshield washer fluid; cell phone with a charged spare battery; water and non-perishable food (i.e. granola or protein bars); and, paper towels or a cloth.

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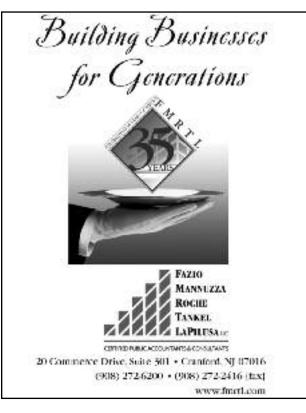
Mr. Sheedy has been active in the Linden EMS organization for 15 years as an active, certified EMT. He has served in operational posts with Linden EMS as Lieutenant, Assistant Captain and Captain.

In 2003, he joined the Linden EMS Board of Trustees, and served as the organizations treasurer since 2003.

Outgoing Linden EMS President Thomas Angelo said "I'm happy to announce Ben Sheedy's new position as President of LEMS. As a local resident, business owner and taxpayer he understands the tough budgetary times the community we serve is working through. As an active EMT for 15 years, he understands the emergency medical needs of the City which will continue and will only increase as the City continues to grow. I can't imagine a better leader for Linden EMS going forward."

"I'd like to thank Tom Angelo for his leadership during an important time for both our organization and the City of Linden. I can pledge that Linden EMS's core mission- to provide the highest quality emergency medical service to the community, at a minimal cost to the taxpayers will continue, and only get better" said new Linden EMS President Ben Sheedy.

organization with an over 65 year history of service to the community. From its start as a volunteer ambulance service, LEMS has grown with the City of Linden into a 24 hour, professional emergency medical service with a staff of 23 highly skilled and qualified medical professionals and is supported by another 19 local volunteers. LEMS staff members hold some of the highest professional credentials available, and respond to over 3,000 emergency calls per year. Because of the group's status as a nonprofit, the highest quality medical service can be provided to the community at a minimal cost to the taxpayer.









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The Ultimate Fire Department Cook-off was an integral part of the evening as Fire Departments from Bayonne, Belleville, Carteret, Cranford, Hamilton Twp., Linden, New Brunswick, North Hudson, Trenton and Union all competed against each other. WABC-TV's Eyewitness News Team Bill Evans, Ken Rosato and Lori Stokes were the celebrity guest judges.

Established in 1987, Saint Barnabas Burn Foundation serves as the education, research and fundraising arm of The Burn Center. It provides essential financial support to burn patients and their families, fire safety programs for the community, educational and training programs for professionals, as well as medical equipment for The Burn Center.



(above, l-r) Linden Fire Department's Cooking Brigade consisted of firefighters Brian Ferraro, Jon Holobinko and Christopher Lukenda.

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LINDEN HIGH HOSTS MARTIN LUTHER KING NJROTC DRILL TOURNAMENT

How early would you think High School for a twelve hour long competition. Students would want to get up to go to take an academic test?

On 17 January 1,300 NJROTC Cadets from as far away as Seaford, DE, Southold NY, and Boyertown, PA, woke at 0200 to travel to their home high schools and got aboard buses to travel to Linden High School's Martin Luther King Drill Tournament. Those Cadets, along with Cadets from 13 other high schools, were on their way to a drill meet intended to qualify three teams to compete in the Regional Drill Championship Meet this spring. Linden High School hosted 16 units from around the northeast at its 26 annual Martin Luther King Drill Meet. The meet brought over 1,300 Cadets, in addition to 30 Naval Science Instructors, 60 parents and many LHS alumni to the high school

The MLK drill meet honors the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King by bringing the best NJROTC units together to participate in friendly competition. The competition began at 0800 and included a variety of team and individual events such as armed and unarmed exhibition drill, trick drill, color guard, personnel inspection, physical fitness, in addition to the academic test. The competition was extremely intense with most of the best teams in the Northeast in attendance. At the end of the day the two best teams were separated by only two hundredths of a percent, with the top six teams all within 1.5 percent of each other. It was a close competition.

Linden's Cadets, Naval Science Instructors and Parent Boosters conducted the competition

for the other 16 teams with the assistance of many Linden staff members. Marine and Army recruiters gave up their day off to serve as judges for the events. Linden's Cadets did not compete for trophies on this occasion. demonstrated their ability to conduct a complex tournament by coordinating the activities of the other 16 teams, assisting in judging events and tabulating the results. Over 150 Linden Cadets joined in to manage what many visitors called the best run drill meet conducted in the region yet this year. This was high praise since three teams joined the competition at the last minute complicating the schedule.

The stalwart Linden Parent Boosters ran the galley and kept everyone well fed with a variety of popular lunch and breakfast meal options. Linden Superintendent of Schools Rocco Tomazic and Board of Education member Mrs. Susan Hudak stopped by to observe the competition. Several Linden parents who were themselves alumni of the Linden NJROTC program came by to observe the events. The Captain of Linden's Academic Team, Cadet Hersh Shah, pointed out to his Naval Science Instructors First Sergeant Mike Philibert and Petty Officer Juanita O'Neal that though Linden's Drill Teams did not compete for trophies Linden's Academic Team had taken the Academic Test and would have finished in second place had they been ranked, having been surpassed by Southold by only two points. The top three teams overall were: Southold High School, Mattituck, NY; Marine and Science Technology, Sandy Hook, NJ; and Rancocas Valley High School, Burlington, NJ.



(above) Linden High School Naval Junior Reserve Training Officers Corps (ROTC) salute during the presentation of colors at the Linden High School 2010 Veterans Day Observance.

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LINDEN SEES 11% INCREASE IN DWI ARRESTS IN 2010

While taking part in this year's holiday "Over campaign. This campaign helped Linden and had a total of 132 DWI arrests compared to 119 the Limit. Under Arrest." crackdown, the Linden Police Department arrested a total of 17 people for driving while intoxicated. In addition, the department also wrote a total of 377 motor vehicle summonses.

"I'm really pleased with the way our department stepped up this holiday season," said Linden Police Traffic Bureau Commander Michael Babulski. "With all the traveling people do during the holiday season, we helped do our part in making the roads safer which is our main priority."

The Linden Police Department participated in the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety funded "Over the Limit. Under Arrest."

other state agencies increase the number of patrols during a 28 day period from December 6th through January 2nd.

"Drunk driving is a problem that we as a department will continue to address," said Sergeant Babulski. While 1.5 million people per year are arrested for driving under the influence, that accounts for only 1 arrest for every 772 occurrences of driving while under the influence of drugs or alcohol. "Our officers do their best to be vigilant when it comes to drunk driving," Added Sergeant Babulski.

During this 28 day campaign, the department made 17 DWI arrests and wrote a total of 263 tickets. In 2010 the Linden Police Department in 2009, which is an 11% increase. When asked about this increase, Sergeant Babulski stated "It's not all about the tickets or the raw numbers, it's about protecting the public."

"Sergeant Babulski and I would like to commend not only the officers involved in the campaign, but the entire department with doing a great job during the "2010 Holiday Over the Limit, Under Arrest" campaign, said Police Chief Michael F. Boyle.

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The Board of EMS and LEMS Auxiliary. Lena J. Degatana Ladies Auxiliary, they have also held fashion Haligowski Augustine died Wednesday, January 26, 2011 at age 91, she was still an active member of the LEMS Auxiliary.

> Mrs. Augustine was born in Elizabeth, raised in Roselle Park, and later moved to Linden, where she resided for over 70 years. After marrying Walter Haligowski, they and about ten other fellow city residents realized the need for an emergency ambulance service in the City of Linden. They subsequently started the Linden Volunteer Ambulance Corps. and later the Ladies Auxiliary, a non-profit group to support the Corps. The Ladies Auxiliary, established February 6, 1955, raised funds for the Ambulance Corps. and continue to do so to this very day.

Throughout the years, Mrs. Augustine and her group were able to raise funds for such items as defibrillators, portable radios, computers for electronic charting, and many other pieces of EMS equipment as well as a hydraulic lift for the larger oxygen tanks. Most of the funds were raised by ticket sales to their annual fish or pasta dinners but throughout her tenure with the

shows, tricky trays, jewelry shows, and Tupperware parties.

In addition to being an active member of the LEMS Auxiliary for over fifty years, Mrs. Augustine was instrumental in raising several thousand dollars to build the ambulance squad building on North Stiles Street which remains in use today.

Mrs. Augustine is remembered for her generosity to Linden EMS but also for her friendships with those she touched along the way. She is described as a good friend, an excellent leader, and a "champion ticket seller" by those who know her well and will miss her the most. Our thoughts and prayers are with Mrs. Augustine's family as she is survived by her daughters, Linda M. Augustine and Patricia Zezza and their husbands, Henry Augustine and Richard Zezza. She is also survived by her two step-sons, Andrew Augustine and Robert Augustine and her three grandchildren, Richard, Joseph, and Nicole Zezza. She was predeceased by her husbands, Walter Haligowski (1960) and Andrew Augustine (1979).







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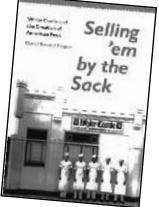
Jersey location 1935. The "slider" was served by operators at the counter or to your vehicle by young woman "carhops" who speedily delivered their orders while on roller skates. The company was by that time all ready 14 years old, having begun with its first store in Wichita, Kansas in March of 1921 under the direction of founding partner Billy Ingram. White Castle Systems grew quickly starting up new store locations across the Midwest and then opening locations rapidly in the northeast. Through brilliant marketing, fairness and good common sense Ingram and White Castle Systems nearly single handedly elevated the once-scorned hamburger to a U.S. institution and in doing so created the "fast food" business.

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White Castle Systems opened up its first New locations. The company continues to be family owned and many of the top executives bear the founder's last name, Ingram. There are no franchises in White Castle Systems and with few exceptions, anyone in management began their career behind the counter as White Castle promotes from within. As early as 1924 White Castle was leading the way in American business by offering to its employees both health care and profit-sharing and it continues that same tradition today by providing excellent employee benefit programs. We still find today in White Castle Systems that same caring spirit for its employees as well as its customers and that perhaps explains in part why White Castle enjoys such deep customer and employee loyalty.

A BOOK FOR **ALL YOU CRAVERS**

(right) Selling 'em by the Sack is a book that chronicles the history of the White Castle business and how it defined an industry.





White Castle Memorable Moment Contest

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All "Cravers" are invited to submit a story. The story can be any length and be about any White Castle location.

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Include the location and time of the event in the story if possible. You are also welcomed to submit any photos taken at any White Castle location. Original photos will be returned.

So if you are a "White Castle Lover," share your most memorable moment with us. All stories and photos will be displayed on the contest website and the winners will be published in Rahway Chamber of Commerce Newspaper "Our Town".



Submissions may be made on-line at: OurTownRahway.com/WhiteCastleContest Mail to, or drop off in person at: White Castle NJ Regional Office 245 East Inman Avenue, Rahway, NJ 07065 1-732-381-4343 9am-4pm M-F

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Cabernet Sauvignon Tasting Notes: Beautiful and lively ruby red color with brilliant hues. The expression of cassis in this wine perfectly represents the Central Valley and its richness in fruit such as cherries and plums. Initially it shows its structure due to strong tannins that end elegant and juicy. The fruit flavors are confirmed by the long, elegant taste. (MUST PRESENT COUPON)

RUFFINO CHIANTI 1.5LT \$13.20

Tasting Notes: As always this Chianti features a deliciously vinous bouquet. where the floral and fruity notes lead towards a finish of slightly spicy scents of white pepper and hazelnuts. It is medium-bodied and is pleasantly fruity, harmonious and persistent. (MUST PRESENT COUPON)

SMOKING LOON (ALL TYPES) 750ML \$8.02

Cabernet Sauvignon Tasting Notes: Cedar, sandalwood, plum and cherry flavors carry over nicely to the palate, where the flavors are intense and well proportioned. Long, complex aftertaste. (MUST PRESENT COUPON)

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Merlot has gotten a bad rap as of late but there is no denying the wine's appeal. Packed with deep, dark berry fruit and nuanced hints of cocoa, herb and earth with a soft structure. Its velvety texture makes Merlot instantly appealing and an obvious alternative to similar, more tannic Bordeaux varieties. (MUST PRESENT COUPON)

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ESTANCIA CABERNET 750ML \$12.10

Tasting Notes: Pours deep garnet with crimson hues. Aromas of ripe, dark black cherry, chocolate and currant complement the spicy, peppery notes and hints of tasted sweet oak. On the palate, one gets jammy dark fruit accompanied by soft velvety tannins, followed with a long rich finish (MUST PRESENT COUPON)

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