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WILLIAM PARENTI JR. IS FOURTH GENERATION TO SERVE

The swearing in of a new officer to the North Plainfield Police Department had special meaning for Chief William Parenti and his family. Both the Chief's father and grandfather were officers and his son William Jr. "Billy" was to become the fourth generation of the family to serve.

Chief Parenti delivered a heartfelt speech in which he said "Today we are continuing the Parenti legacy with an incredible 4th generation by giving the oath of office to William Parenti Jr."

"Being a cop is a way of life and we can never really forget we are policemen. We think a special kind of way and we talk a language of our own. Some people will say we even walk a special way. Certainly when we are together, we have a lot in common."

William Parenti Jr. was born in North Plainfield, before moving to Green Brook. He wrestled for North Plainfield in the REC program and now returns to work here. He graduated from Watchung Hills High School in 2009 and obtained an Associate's Degree in Law Enforcement from Raritan Valley Community College. He is currently enrolled in Thomas Edison State College to complete his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice.

William Parenti Jr. enrolled, paid all his expenses and graduated from the Monmouth County Police Academy in May of 2012. He is the only Somerset County resident to be Police Training Commission Certified and had offers to be a police officer from other municipalities. His father stated, "I am happy he chose North Plainfield. Having worked here as a parking enforcement officer and his unpaid internship during college, Billy knows the community. He will save us months of training and will be able to fill the void created when Officer Monahan retired last month."

Chief Parenti credited his wife Eileen, who witnessed the ceremony, as the main reason his son is the fine young man he is today. Also present were the Chief's parents Anthony and Sarah, and Eileen's Mom, Mrs. Betty Lockwood. Billy's sister Danielle is attending college in Florida and could not be there. The Chief made mention of Eileen's father who is deceased but would have been very proud of Billy.



(above, l-r) Mayor Michael Giodano Jr., Patrolman William Parenti Jr., Chief William Parenti and Chief Anthony Parenti, Ret. at ceremony of Officer Parenti Jr.'s taking his oath of Office on January 14, 2013.

In closing, Chief Parenti offered this advice to his son, "Whatever the reason you joined the police force with all that implies. Keep in mind we work hard and sometimes that work is dangerous. Yet the rewards are there in the face of an accident victim or lost child we've consoled or a rape victim we have helped. Put simply being in the police force is very worthwhile work and the truth is the community needs you and it will expect a lot of you. Always wear your badge with honor, dignity and remember North Plainfield's motto "A PROUD COMMUNITY".

TOP SHELF TO HOST NPBA 1ST NETWORKING EVENT

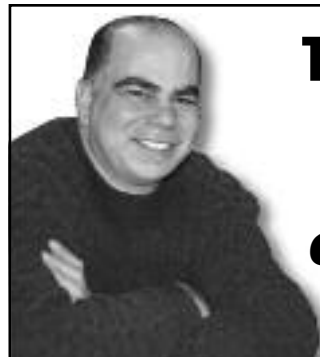


The North Plainfield Business Association will hold its first networking event on March 5, 2013. It will be hosted by Top Shelf Tavern, located at 164 Somerset Street, North Plainfield from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm.

The event is free for any business, member or non-member. Appetizers will be served and there will be a cash bar.

(left, l-r) Top Shelf is owned and operated by Gerry and Gary Levenduski and has been family owned for 37 years.

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Message from the President WHO ARE YOU? WHAT DO YOU DO? AND HOW CAN I GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU?

Even I as president, I don't know the answers to these questions. Here is your chance to let the residents of North Plainfield find out about you and your business. On March 5th the NPBA will be having a meet and greet business card exchange. This will be held at The Top Shelf 164 Somerset Street. Owners Gary Levenduski and his wife Gerry will host the event with appetizers and a cash bar.

When someone new moves into town, and even those who have been living here for a while, don't know the businesses in town, they ask me to refer a business and if I don't have your info I can't refer you. That's when the customer goes to the phone book or Google to look and they may find someone out of town.

The NPBA wants nothing more than to help you succeed. We want the economy in North Plainfield to grow. Think of all the people you hand your card to or the 6,500 homes and businesses who receive The Pride of North Plainfield newspaper as your sales force.

The NPBA will also be joining the Tri-County Chamber of Commerce, which represents Middlesex, Somerset and Union counties. Believe me that's a lot of contacts.

You got into business not to have off on weekends and worry about where to go on vacation. You got into it to WORK as much as you can. We reduced our membership fee to \$25.00 a year and as a member you will receive a discounted price to place an ad in this newspaper.

If you plan to attend please RSVP Peter Eddy@peplastics@gmail.com or call 908-757-1909.

Peter Eddy

President

Contact NPBA c/o P&E Plastic Fabrication Co., 24 Craig Place, North Plainfield, NJ 07060

The NPBA's mission is to promote the economic, professional and civic welfare of North Plainfield. It will provide an opportunity for all types of local businesses to band together and promote commerce in our town. The Business Association will work closely with North Plainfield's government (and with trade organizations throughout Somerset County and NJ) to ensure our local business interests are protected. There is strength in numbers: member businesses will take advantage of shared marketing costs, as well as a rich community of neighbors to help them network and get their brand out in the market.

LIST OF NEW NPBA MEMBERS

New members of the North Plainfield Business Association will be listed in the The Pride.

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Please come out and join us in support of a great event. If you wish to participate you can register as a "shavee" at www.stbaldricks.org

We are also still in need of BARBERS to assist in the head shaving. Interested Barbers need to be licensed and should also register on the website.

Thanks to all who have helped the North Plainfield Firefighters and the St. Baldrick's Foundation conquer kids cancers. Registration is easy, and it is the perfect time to get involved and jump into fundraising among your friends, coworkers and family. There are links on the St. Baldrick's website that will make it easy to share your page in social media and email messages.

If you have questions about the event, please feel free to contact Captain Robert Beattie at NPFH Headquarters – (908) 769-2935.

WORKPLACE SAFETY

Submitted by Chief William Parenti

Crimes can occur at your place of employment just as easily as they can on the street or in your neighborhood. In fact many people let their guard down at work, making their possessions available to people who would not think twice about taking them. However, there are certain things we can do to make our work places safer and possessions more secure.

While at work keep possessions such as your pocketbook, keys, wallet, or cell phone with you at all times. If you can try to lock the items in a desk, closet, locker, or other secure area. If they can't be locked and you can't keep them with you, at least make sure they are not in plain view of all to see. Personal items such as calculators, tools, radios, or coffeepots should be marked with your name or an identifying number, (don't use your social security number). Report broken or flickering lights to the maintenance department or the appropriate authority. Request immediate attention and mitigation of doors and windows that are not in proper working order. See to it that the exterior of the facility is in order, and report abandoned vehicles, or overgrown vegetation to the appropriate authority.

If your employment puts you in a place where you are by yourself, be sure to have a cell phone to summon public safety, (police, fire and medical rescue personnel). Consider programming in the security department's phone number or fellow co-workers at the same facility. Reception areas should be equipped with a panic button and a camera that can be

monitored at another location within the facility. If your employer does not require visitors to be escorted, or to identify themselves upon arrival request management consider implementing a policy mandating same. Many businesses require non-employees to wear visitor badges.

Use stairway and elevators with another person that you know. If an unknown person in the facility is making you nervous, alert other people or the security and police department if in doubt. Restrooms should be kept locked, so outsiders can't gain access and hide in a stall.

When working late try to coordinate with another employee so that you are not alone. When walking to your car in a parking lot or garage do so with a companion or request an escort from security. Always lock your car and look inside both the front and back seats before getting in. Always have your key ready, fumbling around for keys may appear to be an invitation to a thief or mugger. Once in your car, lock it. Try to park in an area that will be well lit after dark. Although talking on a phone while driving is illegal in New Jersey, have your cell phone ready in the event you need to summon authorities or emergency response personnel.

Finally let someone from your family, or friends know what your work schedule will be. In the event of a problem, someone will become concerned if you don't show up when you should and hopefully sound an alarm to locate you. Common sense, personal awareness, and prudence can prevent or reduce danger.

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NOTH PLAINFIELD CITIZENS FOR COMMUNITY RIGHTS

A Non-partisan Organization Working for Our Community. Submitted by Antoinette Rinehart

North Plainfield Citizens for Community Rights is a non-partisan and non-profit organization working for our community. It is open to all citizens of the borough. It was officially founded in April 2007 by seven long-time residents to protect the destruction of the Villa Maria, a nursing home owned by Franciscan nuns since the early 30's, and previously operated as a health sanitarium by Dr. Justus Cooley circa 1870. NPCCR successfully delayed the building of 325 condominium units and today a single housing plan calling for 51 single family homes is still pending.

Although this was its primary purpose, it has since expanded its interests and provides citizens a monthly meeting where they can vocalize opinions and questions without fear of reprisal, and provides a check and balance to our one-party administration. Its topics are always of current interest and provide valuable instruction on how to address whatever problems confront our residents.

The list of past speakers includes John Paff, OPRA specialist and former Libertarian candidate for New Jersey Governor; Borough Tax Assessor Flannery addressing property revaluations; a tax specialist discussing property values and assessment appeals; Jack Ciattarelli: Somerset County Freeholder on Consolidation of Community Services for Somerset County towns. Our Police and Fire Chiefs have spoken on how residents can avail themselves of the Borough's services.

We videotape all council meetings and post them on our website www.NPCCR.com, and we have conducted an annual Meet the Candidates night for the past three years. We also sponsored a Board of Education Candidates Roundtable. Resident's questions and respondent answers are always a part of our monthly meetings.

We addressed property maintenance by photographing and submitting more than seven dozen property violations to assure ordinances would be enforced. We initiated and petitioned for a Borough Sunshine Ordinance, a Tree Advisory Board, and most recently Alternate Side of the Street Parking so that our streets can be effectively and efficiently cleaned.

We invite all our residents to attend our monthly meetings. There is no charge. We encourage all who would like to actively participate in NPCCR to email communityrights@gmail.com.

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Police Chief William Parenti

7 pm

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WASHINGTON ROCK POP WARNER PREPARES FOR ITS 2013 SEASON

Washington Rock Pop Warner, a prominent Football and Cheering Youth Organization who has been serving the boys and girls of North Plainfield, Green Brook and Dunellen for over 40 years will be holding open house registrations.

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PSE&G WARNS CUSTOMERS ABOUT PAYMENT SCAM

HISPANIC CUSTOMERS AGAIN TARGETED

PSE&G is alerting its customers not to be defrauded by a scam in which individuals misrepresenting themselves as PSE&G employees threaten to turn off electric and gas service if payment is not made to them that day.

The scam, which has been reported across the country, involves payments using Green Dot MoneyPaks and seems to be targeting Hispanic neighborhoods in PSE&G's service territory. As noted on the MoneyPak packaging and on the company's Web site (www.moneypak.com), to protect themselves from fraud, consumers should treat the MoneyPak like cash and only use the MoneyPak number with businesses on their approved partner list.

"We take very seriously any attempt to defraud our customers," said Joseph A. Forline, vice president of customer solutions for PSE&G. "We are working closely with law enforcement to investigate these scams. In the meantime, we ask our customers to be wary of callers who demand immediate payment and threaten service termination. When in doubt, hang up and call PSE&G directly at the phone number listed on your bill."

PSE&G alerted the public to a similar scam in January 2012. Reports indicate that this scam is again targeting Hispanic customers, but this time not exclusively.

HERE IS HOW THE SCAM WORKS:

- A Spanish- or English-speaking individual pretending to be a PSE&G employee calls customers saying their service would be disconnected if they do not make a payment using a prepaid debit card. In some cases, the call is prerecorded.
- Customers are told to purchase a Green Dot MoneyPak at a pharmacy or convenience store, use cash to put money onto the card, and then provide the number on the card to the person who called them.
- Customers are advised that if they do not

immediately call back and provide the MoneyPak information, their service will be turned off that day.

- Typically, after the customer provides that MoneyPak number, the scammer transfers the funds to a prepaid card, and cashes it in at an ATM.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU GET A CALL

When PSE&G makes an outbound phone call to customers, customer-specific information is shared with the customer. That information includes the account name, address, number and current balance. If customers do not receive this correct information, they likely are not speaking with a PSE&G representative. If customers feel uncomfortable and they know they have an outstanding balance that needs to be resolved, they should hang up and call PSE&G directly at 1-800-436-7734 or visit a local PSE&G Customer Service Center. Service Centers are open Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM with locations listed on customer bills and online at: <http://www.pseg.com/centers>

Any customer who has doubts about the legitimacy of any call from PSE&G, especially one in which payment is requested, should call the utility directly.

PSE&G is working with law enforcement to investigate the matter and is also reaching out to its contacts at local community service agencies asking them to spread the word to their clients.

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CHILDREN'S

STORY & CRAFT (Ages 3-5)

Tuesdays at 10-10:30 AM

March 5 and 12; April 16, 23, and 30

Have fun at Miss Nancy's Storytime! We will read fun stories and compete complete a great craft!

TODDLER TIME (Ages 18 months to 3 years)

Wednesdays at 10-10:30 AM

March 6 and 13; April 17 and 24.

Sing songs and read a story with Miss Amy. We will also do an easy crafts suitable for little hands!

DIY FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS (Grades 4-5)

Tuesday, March 5th 4:00-5:00 PM

Registration begins February 19.

Come and learn how to make a variety of your own friendship bracelets! We will be using embroidery floss in many different colors.

AFTER SCHOOL ADVENTURES: PRINTMAKING (Grades 1-5)

Thursday, March 7th at 3:30-4:30 PM

Registration begins February 21.

Learn to make your own collograph prints. All you need to bring is your creativity! You might get messy at the program, so please wear old clothes or bring a smock!

I CAN DRAW! (Grades 3-5)

Tuesday, March 12th at 3:30-4:30 PM

Registration begins February 26th.

Tuesday, April 23rd at 3:30-4:30 PM

Registration begins April 9.

Everyone can draw! Come to the library and learn to draw simple but cool stuff. All supplies will be provided.

SCIENCE WIZARDRY (Grades 1-5)

Thursday, March 14th at 3:30-4:00 PM

Registration begins February 28.

Open your eyes to science while performing experiments! Take a look at science and magic and discover some of the magician's secrets.

TEENS

Game Day (Grades 6-12)

Mondays, March 4 and 11 at 3:30

Come join us for a variety of board games and video games. No registration

Elementary Flashback Game Day (Grades 6-12)

Wednesday, March 6 at 3:30

Registration begins February 20

Ever miss playing games from elementary school? Come join as we relive our childhood through playing with the parachute, doing coloring sheets and playing games such as Duck Duck Goose and Seven Up.

Spring Party (Grades 6-12)

Wednesday, March 13 at 3:30

Registration begins February 27

We will be celebrating spring with fun games and warm weather snacks.

Teen Baking: Chocolate Chip Cookies (Grades 6-12)

Wednesday, March 20 at 3:30

Registration begins March 6

Come and learn how to bake your own chocolate chip cookies with Miss Nancy!

Movie Afternoon (Grades 6-12)

Wednesday, March 27 at 3:30

Wreck it Ralph

ADULTS

All programs require registration

INTRODUCTION TO THE INTERNET

Mondays: March 4th @ 7:00-8:00pm

This class will cover the basics of the Internet, including browsers, search engines, and the general categories for websites.

BASIC YOGA WITH JILLIAN

Wednesday, March 13th @ 7:00-8:00pm

Experience the well-being and relaxation that yoga can provide. No experience necessary. This class will be taught on the floor, so please bring a yoga mat or large towel. Wear comfortable clothes.

Presented by Jillian Keller, RYT 500. Adults and children ages 12 and up accompanied by an adult.

NIGHT BOOK DISCUSSION

Thursday, March 7th @ 7:00pm

Seating Arrangements by Maggie Shipstead

DAY BOOK DISCUSSION

Thursday, March 14th @ 1:00pm

Winter Garden by Kristin Hannah

JAZZ TRIO CONCERT

Saturday, March 16th @ 2:00pm

Join us for an afternoon of jazz with musicians from Rutgers Mason Gross School of the Arts.

SHAKESPEARE COMES ALIVE

North Plainfield High School English teacher, Ms Kristyn Rosen, received a grant funded by the National Endowment for the Arts to enable students to see a live Shakespeare performance. The goal for the program is to have every student see four different live performances before they graduate.

On February 20, 2013 students had an excellent opportunity to see a professional theatre troupe perform either Comedy of Errors or Romeo and Juliet.



Actors from Shakespeare LIVE!, a professional touring company duel in NP HS stage. Their mission is to provide a live Shakespearean performance to students as part of the Shakespeare Theatre of NJ program.

SENIOR BUS SCHEDULE

The North Plainfield Senior Citizen Bus is available to all North Plainfield Seniors.

To arrange to ride the bus and for more information, please call 908-753-0707.

The following is the bus schedule:

Monday: Shop Rite

Tuesday: North Plainfield Senior Citizens Club

Wednesday: Stop and Shop & Wal Mart

Friday: Sears and Somerset Farms

The bus starts picking up passengers at about 9:00 A.M.

Please call at least 24 hours before you need the bus.

**North Plainfield Girl Scouts is holding
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