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SCISCIONE IN ONE OF A THOUSAND PICTURES

Photographer Paul Fusco took over a thousand photos of the mourners who lined the tracks of Robert Kennedy's funeral train. Elizabeth Police officer Joe Sciscione and daughter Eileen appeared on an HBO documentary to reflect on the tragedy that occurred as the train passed through the Elizabeth, NJ station when two people died.

The body of Robert Kennedy was taken by train from his funeral at St. Patrick's Cathedral

The body of Robert Kennedy was taken by train from his funeral at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York to Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, DC. The train route was lined with hundreds of thousands of people, packed along the track in urban hubs and dotted long the rural settings. For the photojournalist Paul Fusco, who was on board, the scene was breathtaking and he began shooting as he left the tunnel leaving New York and kept shooting for the length of eight-hour journey.

Fusco's work resulted in a portfolio of over one thousand pictures. HBO has produced a documentary of the event featuring interviews with people who appeared in the photos. The subjects were just faces in a crowd that stretched 225 miles forty three years ago but producer Jennifer Stoddart found dozens of them to reflect on that solemn day.

The photos taken as the train passed shows the platforms on both sides of the tracks packed with onlookers. The crowd overflowed into the parking lots. Mayor Tom Dunn was in the center of one shot flanked by lines of Elizabeth Police and Firemen. Standing at attention, to his right was Police officer Joe Sciscione. His twelve-year-old daughter and her friends went off to find their own vantage point.



(above) Paul Fusco's photo of the Elizabeth train platform taken from Robert F. kennedy's funeral train with Officer Joe Sciscione holding a baton in the center.

The Elizabeth Station was a busy hub for commuters riding on several train lines using four tracks. Those on the platform craned their necks to get a view; others stepped from the platform and stood on the outer set of tracks.

This set the stage for a tragedy no one anticipated. Though the center track was cleared for Kennedy's slow moving processional train there was still services using the other tracks and prior to the funeral train's arrival panic ensued as a commuter train traveling 45 mph barreled towards the crowds standing on the tracks. A mad scramble was made towards the platform to safety. In the middle of the chaos Eileen Sciscione was pulled off the tracks from behind. She felt the wind of the speeding train brush across her face. She never knew who it was that saved her that day.

The incident ended badly as the train that brushed Eileen hit two other trying to leap away. John Curia was unsuccessful in trying to get Antoinette Severini off the tracks. Miraculously, Antoinette's granddaughter, who she was holding, was spared when she was able to fling the baby towards a crowd of waiting arms.

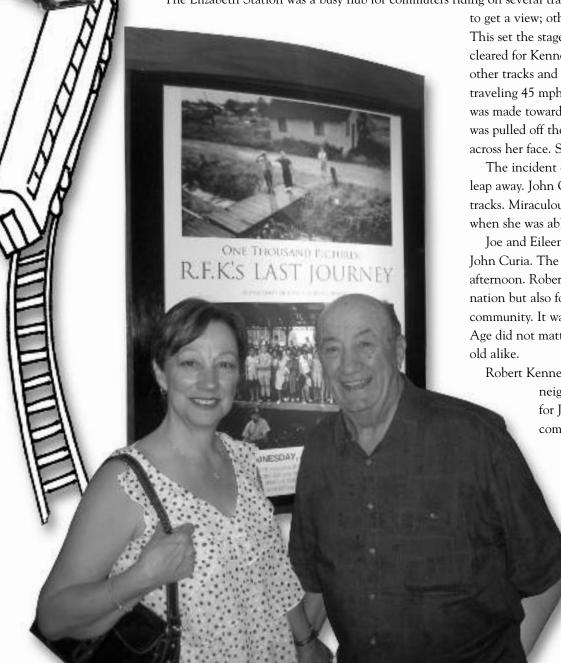
Joe and Eileen share their experiences in the documentary as does the two sons of John Curia. The HBO documentary brings back vivid memories of that Sunday afternoon. Robert Kennedy's assassination was a defining event not only for the nation but also for many individuals. It was foremost on the minds of everyone in the community. It was discussed at the workplace, in the schools and on the playground. Age did not matter; the days following his death caused everyone to pause, young and old alike.

Robert Kennedy had two special ties to Elizabeth, and the Peterstown neighborhood in particular. Carmine Bellino works at various positions for John and Robert Kennedy. He had a long relationship on staff and in committees. He started his career as an FBI agent in 1948. Robert

Kennedy recruited Carmine's sister-in-law Angela Novello to be his secretary. She had worked as a secretary for the FBI and worked on committees in 1955 and in 1957. Angie was a loyal and close friend to the Kennedy family up to her death on January 18, 2011 at the age of 93.

To those living in Elizabeth at the time of the accident references to Robert Kennedy today inevitably evoke memories of that fateful day, that week, that month.

(left, l-r) Eileen Sciscione and her father Joe stand in front of the movie poster at a reception for the release of an HBO documentary about the scenes captured by photographer Paul Fusco from the funeral train of Robert Kennedy. Eileen and Joe were subjects in one of the photos and were interviewed for the film.





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President's Message

It's nice to see young faces becoming active in some of the community service organizations. I'd like to congratulate Courtney Villani on becoming the new

president of UNICO. Many organizations are struggling for new members, especially the older established ones that are seeing their life-long members fading out and no one stepping up to relace them. Our community still has a solid understanding of the value of charity. It's not the norm for kids these days but our families always bucks the trends and keeps rooted in tradition.

We grew up in the culture of helping our community.

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UNICO is a good example of one generation following in the footsteps of their parents. Dee Villani, Courtney's the footsteps of their parents in helping when he saw the father was always generous in helping when he saw the need. In the same way, Enza Marciante, who has dedicated her time to helping veterans, follows in her father Luigi's footsteps, who was very active member of UNICO.

There is a thing called "Volunteer Burnout" I know from experience that it hits harder as you get older. These young folks are coming in the nick of time.

John Sacco, President

Sons of Peterstown Sports Club

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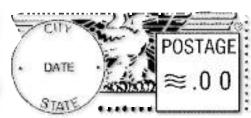
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Dear Joe,

We always look forward to the day the "Around About Peterstown" newspaper arrives in our mailbox here in Florida. My favorite part is the "Letters to the Editor" which prompted my letter to you hoping that one of your many readers would have further information or a photo they can share with us.

Here's my story: After completing volume one of my family history (Milano, Vivona, Cottone, Giliberti), my husband, Vito Colicchio, finally decided it was time to start on his. I've been doing research for decades and know there are always roadblocks, but didn't know it would be this soon.

Vito's grandfather, Angelo Colicchio, died in Jan 1950, four years before Vito was born. So, Vito has no photos of his grandfather, no birth certificate and only the information we have been able to research.

The folks at the Elizabeth Public Library have been wonderful, very patient and were able to find Angelo's obituary in the Elizabeth Daily Journal archives. It stated that Angelo Colicchio was 69, a fifty year resident of Elizabeth, a member of the Vallatese Society of Newark and had children (John, Anthony, Joseph, Domenic, Charles and Francis). A family friend said the children were from his marriage to Concetta Leone Colicchio before she passed away.

WWI draft records show that he worked as a lamplighter for Elizabethtown Gas Company in 1918 and lived on South Street in Elizabeth. The obit stated he worked as a laborer for the State Highway department for five years before his death.

My research of Ellis Island records show that in July 1926 Angelo, a U.S. citizen, arrived in NY aboard the ship Conte Biancamano with his 2nd wife Maria "Adelina" Leone Colicchio. Angelo and Adelina had two children, Mary and Vito, my husband's father.

We would appreciate any help that you and your readers can give us.

Best regards, Celia Milano-Colicchio Vero Beach, FL celia.milano@gmail.com

Dear Mr Renna,

Enclosed is photo of me saluting at my sixth birthday party in 1942. Seated with my dog Tippy is Jake Labrutto. Across from jack is Charlie Panchery and Vita Calabreese is next to him. Dominic "Tiny" Balboa and Mike "Fish" Barone are at the end of the bench. Standing with his leg on the chair is my father Richard Anzivino, Sr. and his pal Jim Hennesy, who owned a cab company in Elizabeth is next to him.

We lived on John Street, in Rose Buckley's house by the bocce ball court, behind the Italian Club.

Years ago, in the early 50's, I went into the Army. I said "So long" to all my friends on Fourth Avenue. I was told then, and I will never forget it, "Nobody ever leaves Peterstown. You will always remember it." How right they were.

Now, at 75 years old, my heart and mind drifts back to a happy place called simply "The Burg".

Thanks for the memories. God bless all, Richard Anzivino, Jr.

Belford, NJ

(below) Anzivino's photo referenced in his letter.

Hi Joe and Tina,

Cousin Tommy and the kids stopped over Aunt Angie's for an Easter visit. Tommy had asked if I was the "Cousin Diane" who's letter was in the last issue.YES...that's MEEEE! I am very proud of your daughter Mia and very proud of my participation with the Military Affinity Group (MAG) here in Suffern.

My brother Bobby and I both work for Novartis. He works in E. Hanover but I opted to work up here in Suffern, NY (Rockland Country) and have been here for over ten years now, total of 25 years with this company.

The efforts of my MAG group up here are directed to the local VFW and American Legion chapters and accredited to Novartis as good faith towards the local community.

Operation Cookie Drop sends cookies sold by Girl Scout Troops to the troops. We also send barrels of goods collected outside of supermarkets. Our troops love toilet paper, shampoos, toothbrushes, etc. The packages go to troops from Rockland County, NY who are overseas.

We do not give our military "saviors" enough credit on an everyday basis and anytime and every time a reminder goes out to the public (such as your newspaper), it helps all of us civilians to remember that what we have does not come free and should not be taken for granted. Someone out there is missing their husband, wife, or child, and it wouldn't hurt folks to say "thank you" to them all every now and then for their great sacrifice.

Love you all... Cousin Diane (Renna) Kenilworth, NJ

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(above) Diane Renna gathers Beanie Babies donated by Helen Cullen, a collection that her now adult daughter agreed to part with, to be sent along with the care packages that Diane's MAG group send to troops over seas. American soldiers like to give the stuffed animals to the children affected by the war as a friendly gesture. The toys are preferred because they are easy to carry in their pockets and are adored by the children.



Editor's Opinion



everybody has one - this is mine - by Joe Renna

The prime principles of unions are liberty, human dignity, opportunity and equal rights and justice. When the actions of the union stray from its principles a correction needs to be made.

These principles were laid out in a speech by President Eisenhower in 1955. He also included the following "The second principle of this American labor philosophy is this: the economic interest of employer and employee is a mutual prosperity." and "The third

this: labor relations will be managed best when worked out in honest negotiation between employers and unions, without government's unwarranted interference."

This last principle is where things get complicated. Public employee unions are in the forefront of the daily news. The pending doom of the economy is putting the blame on the government's benefits and pension system. The public workers unions fought hard through the years for better benefits but when the line between the employer and union is blurred or sometimes erased the system breaks down. It has happened in every level of our government where the elected officials are in bed with the labor bosses, in the case of Governor Corzine and Carla Katz, president of New Jersey's largest state worker union the phrase is more than a metaphor. The effects of this is illustrated best by what happened in Greece over the past year.

Greece's public employees enjoyed the most generous benefits of any country; to a point that the country went bankrupt. The government officials could not afford to pay what they promised themselves, and so they went on strike and rioted. The only problem was that there was no one to wave their pitchforks and torches at.

Many think that America is on the same path if our system goes unchecked. I agree. Government has been negotiating on both sides of the table and politicians are enriching themselves. Tax payer's money is a bargaining chip in return for votes and campaign contributions.

Now that the pool of tax money is diminishing the government is bailing on the unions.

The New Jersey State legislature is advancing a bill that will make every government employee pay into their health plan. Cheers for this corrective action can be heard from the masses of stressed taxpayers but what this action does is legislate benefits that were always

decided at the bargaining table. Surprisingly the bill which also rolls back pensions and pushes back the retirement age of public employees, was introduced by the padders. Union County is a perfect example starting Democrat majority of the state senate and assembly who have been reliant on the support of the unions for their voter base and political support. There must be some reason for them to throw the unions under the bus, but I don't think we will know the reason for sure. The bleeding has to stop sometime but that has been the case for decades.

The taxpayers are the obvious winners. The not so obvious winners are the union workers themselves. Like in Greece it is their own pensions and benefits at risk. In the long run, collectively, they will be much better with modest salaries and ordinary benefits that the rest of Americans tolerate.

I was inspired to write about unions because I read today that a corrections officer in Union County, Steven Nagy, was stabbed multiple times by an inmate who ambushed him. The risk that COs face is much different than that of an office worker yet County management pays little respect to that difference. There are over 20 public worker unions operating in the Union County Government. When it serves their political purpose, county management will be generous with some contracts and the Teamsters Union. but not others.

Government finances are a colossal mess caused by corrupt politicians. Unions can't be criticized for taking what is given them, but by the same token they can't expect any sympathy for losing their bounty either. Union workers need to swallow the pill when things start rolling back, like the rest of working class Americans do. The protests by public employees in Wisconsin over similar issues was an embarrassment for this country.

Rest assured the politicians will take care of their own. In Union County the hordes of patronage jobs filled by political operatives and family members of elected officials are exclusionary; non-contractual.

Their excessive raises and promotions circumvent any union agreement.

For the rest of the capable county employees who must work subservient to the appointed employees the system is void of liberty, human dignity, opportunity and equal rights and justice.

The problems with the state pension and benefits

system, is not the rank and file worker but the politically connected, double dippers, pay-to-players and pension with the appointed County Manager, George Devanney, who is the nephew of State Senator Lesniak. State Assemblyman Joe Cryan is also the Union County undersheriff. The there are countless number of Freeholder relatives on the payroll.

In February the Union County freeholders voted in to give "free" lifetime health benefits to the families of 650 non-union workers. If the Unions really wanted to save their benefits and pensions they shouldn't protest the rollbacks in their contracts, this is the symptom of the problem. They should attack the problem and fight the political corruption in the places where they work. Every time they are passed over for a promotion behind a political hack or politican's relative they should be outraged. Every time a politically connected worker has a job created for them or their pension padded, they should be on the forefront of exposing it.

After writing the cover story about Robert Kennedy, I imagined that if he was alive today that he would go after George Devanney and Union County Government with the same intensity that he went after Jimmy Hoffa

Freeholder Sullivan family have a reunion around water cooler in the Courthouse. County



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WASHINGTON INSIDER ANGELA MARIE NOVELLO



Angela Novello worked for one of the most powerful men in the nation but her charm and good nature made the office of her boss, Attorney General Robert Kennedy, a lot less intimidating.

Angie was the point person for lobbyists, politicians, and reporters wanting access to Kennedy. She handled her job with class and dignity but was remembered more for the personal touch she applied. It was so genuine that Angie was Godmother to Robert's daughter.

Angela was originally from the Peterstown section of Elizabeth, NJ. Her parents Leonard and Catherine Novello operated a bakery on Fourth Avenue. She was one of six children, three boys and three girls. She was the last surviving sibling.

Her brother Charles was killed in action in WWII at the age of 26. Her brother Joe was a medical doctor who had a neighborhood practice on Second Avenue. He died at the young age of 52. Her other brother was named Paul. Her sisters were Josephine and Santina.

All three brothers were overseas during the war at the same time. News of Charles' death crushed her mother's spirits. Not knowing where her other two sons were for a while after that took its toll on her health. Catherine was running the bakery on her own after Leonard died. She eventually sold it to her cousins, the Saracino family. Her granddaughter Catherine Melchione said she died of a broken heart over the loss of her son.

Santina was married to another Peterstown native Carmine Bellino who was an FBI agent and who worked closely with President John Kennedy and his brother Robert. Bellino encouraged Angie to move to Washington, DC and found a position for her at the FBI in 1955. In a few years she was working as Robert's personal secretary and stayed in the position until his assassination in 1968. She continued to work for various Washington operatives until her retirement.

Angela was affectionately known as Aunt Angie by her ten nieces and nephews and their spouses. Catherine Melchione was the daughter of Paul. She has a sister Joanne Stock and a brother Paul. Santina and Carmine had seven children, Francis, Robert and Joseph Bellino, Mary Catherine VanDeven, Mary Joan Mastrangelo, Mary Sandra Foster and Mary Joice Bellino.

Two days after she passed a group of Kennedy White house staff members gathered to celebrate the 50-year anniversary of John F. Kennedy's inauguration. As reported in the New York Times Angie was toasted along with the president and Sergeant Shriver, Kennedy's inlaw who died the same day as Angie. Attorney General Eric Holder speaking at the 50th anniversary of Robert F. Kennedy's swearing in as the 64th Attorney general also acknowledged Angie's passing.

Robert Kennedy's widow Ethel and her daughters Kerry and Courtney attended her funeral. Missing were the hordes of lobbyists, politicians, and reporters that fell over each other trying to be her best friend when she held her position of influence. When founding editor of the Washington Monthly Charles Peters wrote about who attended the funeral besides "her retirement home friends and her wonderful Italian family, originally from Calabria" he said "Still, when you remember the legions of pals she had in the '60s, you realize just how cruel Washington can be. The Washington Post didn't even deem her worthy of an obituary. Angie had a warmer heart and more common sense than most of us will ever possess. She deserved better at the end.

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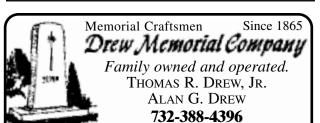
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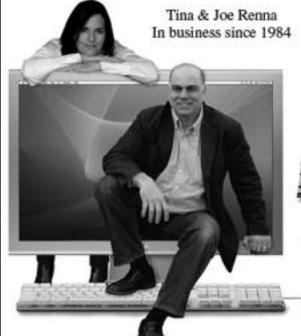
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N — NEIGHBORLINESS

her proud father Dee Vallani by her side.

I — INTEGRITY

C - CHARITY

O — OPPORTUNITY

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The Elizabeth Chapter of UNICO National has named Courtney Villani as their new president heading the slate of 2012 officers installed at a ceremony on June 8, 2011 at Costa's Restaurant in Roselle Park, NJ.

Courtney has dedicated countless hours of volunteer service over the years for UNICO and other organizations through out Union County. She is also Co-Chairperson of the Linden Chamber of Commerce where her family business, Villani Bus Service is located. Courtney is the first female president in the chapter's history.

Serving as officers with Courtney are Vice-President Lou Bani, 2nd Vice president Joe Chiari, 3rd Vice President George Marretta, Treasurer Pat Arena, Treasurer Pete Paolucci, Secretary Andrew Marcantonio, Sergeant at Arms Paul Rinaldi and Chaplain Deacon Joe Caparoso.

The ceremony was held as part of an awards dinner where UNICO presents their scholarships and where UNICO presented their annual gifts to worthy causes part of the objective of their fund raising efforts. The following organizations receiving gifts are listed along with their representative. They are Fr. Thomas Provenzano of St. Anthony's Church, Art Grand of Occupational Center, Deb Dreher of The ARC of Union County, Diane Coloney of Center for Hope Hospice, District Gov. Bill Hearon of Cooley's Anemia Fund, and the Lorenzo Marciante Fund.

UNICO awarded six scholarships to graduating high school seniors planning to enter college in the fall of 2012. They were honored in recognition of superior scholarship, initiative and resourcefulness, a distinguished personality, outstanding leadership and the ability indicative of success in higher education. The recipients demonstrated excellence in work performance and behaviors consistant with Unican values and contributions.

Scholarship recipients, listed with their major of study and school, are Rebecca Cuzzola, Nursing, Mt. St. Vincent College, NY; Mark Keyasko, Business, Raritan Valley Community College, NJ; Joseph Patrick De Rosa, Sports Management, Becker College, MA; Alex Marcantonio, Biology, Lynn University, FL; Kristen Anne Kelly, Psychology, Maywood College, PA; Marissa Elizabeth Candelorio, English, Grove City College, PA.

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James S. LaCorte was a practicing attorney in the City of Elizabeth for 25 years prior to becoming the Surrogate of Union County in the year 2000. Through the office of the Surrogate he has assisted a countless number of families in the Probate and Estate process as they attempt to cope with the loss of a loved one.

James is a graduate of Fordham University and the Southern Methodist University School of Law. He has been recognized in the past by Community and Professional Associations for his contributions to the community and the legal profession.

(left, 1-r) UNICO's selection for Citizen of the Year James LaCorte was introduced by Joe Amato pictured along with his wife.

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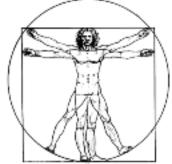
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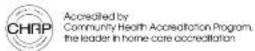


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(above) Elizabeth Chapter of UNICO President Joe Marretta, Joseph Patrick DeRosa, Kristen Anne Kelly, Arlene Fatigati Award Recipient Marissa Elizabeth Candiloro, Rebecca Cuzzola (also an Brian Piccolo Award Recipient), Marc Daniel Keyasko, Alex Marcantonio, Elizabeth Chapter of UNICO Scholarship Committee members Rocco DiPaola & Deacon Joe Caporaso.



(above, I-r) 2012 Elizabeth Chapter UNICO Officers Joe Chiari, 2nd Vice-President; Lou Bani, Vice-President; Pat Arena, Treasurer; Paul Rinaldi, Sergeant at Arms; Deacon Joe Caporaso, Chaplain; Pete Paolucci, Treasurer; Drew Marcantonio, Secretary being sworn in by District X Governor Bill Heron.



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CUZZOLA ALSO WON BRIAN PICCOLO AWARD



(above) George Abruzzo, Rebecca Cuzzola and Paul Rinaldi.

In May of 2011 Rebecca Cuzzola was presented with the Brian Piccolo Award by the Elizabeth Chapter of UNICO. She was the only person to receive the award from Elizabeth. There were a total of 20 recipients in Union County.

Rebecca went to Mother Seton High School in Clark and played varsity softball for four years. She started out as a freshman pitcher then played her sophomore, junior and senior year as varsity 3rd base.

Criteria for nominees of Brian Piccolo award presented by UNICO each year are that the student must be a graduating seniors of Italian-American heritage who plays a varsity sport. They are evaluated on Athletic Ability, Leadership Ability, Courage, Perseverance and Moral Character.

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(above, seated, I-r) Maria, Marcella, Giovanni and Giovanni Gallo, (standing, 1-r) Christina and Freddy Gallo, and Cristina Roberto Gallo.



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INGREDIENTS:

- 4 pounds of chicken
- 3 large lemons
- 1 tablespoon of kosher salt
- 2 teaspoons of fresh rosemary leaves
- 2 large cloves of garlic
- 2 teaspoons of fresh sage
- 1/2 teaspoon of black pepper
- 2 teaspoons of fresh oregano leaves
- 2 tablespoons of olive oil
- 2 tablespoons of butter
- Splash of white wine
- 1 cup of vegetable oil
- 1 tablespoon of finely chopped shallots
- Salt and pepper to taste

PRE-DAY MARINADE PREPARATION:

- 1) Begin by washing and patting dry the 12 pieces of chicken. Place the chicken pieces into a large bowl that will both hold it and allow for mixing.
- 2) Chop half of the herbs and mix with the chicken. Cut two of the lemons in half, squeeze out all of the juice, and throw the squeezed lemons in with the chicken and herbs. Add olive oil, kosher salt, black pepper and mix well.
- 3) Cover and refrigerate at least 24 hours although 48 hours will make it even better. Between two and three times a day, unwrap the chicken and toss thoroughly; return plastic wrap to cover.

COOKING PREPARATION:

1) Take a saute pan (this will prevent a lot of the fat from splattering all around the oven top) and add the vegetable oil. While the oil is heating up over a medium flame, take the chicken out of the marinade and shake off as much of the herbs and liquid as possible. These herbs will burn during cooking.

- 2) When the oil is just smoking, add each piece of chicken slowly, sliding them into the oil and cooking all of the pieces of chicken at one time. Make sure to use a pan large enough so that the chicken can sit in the oil without overlapping another piece. Do not turn the chicken over until it is very brown and crusty; this can take at least 10 minutes to 12 minutes.
- 3) Once the chicken is very brown and crusty, turn the pieces over and continue cooking the other side until once again, all sides are all very brown and crusty.
- 4) While the chicken is browning, throw at least eight cloves of the marinated garlic with the chicken into the oil, cooking them until they are brown and tender. Take out the garlic pieces and reserve.
- 5) Remove the chicken pieces and place onto a bakeproof dish. Once the chicken is very brown and crusty, place into an oven and either continue cooking or keep warm on a low heat.
- 6) With the saute pan that was used for browning the chicken, empty the oil or discard. Toss in one tablespoon of butter and slowly cook the chopped shallots.
- 7) Next, add the roasted browned whole garlic cloves, previously reserved, and add the remaining chopped herbs; lightly saute for one minute over low heat.
- 8) Add a splash of white wine and cook for 30 seconds over high heat.
- 9) Add the chicken stock and reduce until the liquid becomes dark and the taste is strong.
- 10) At this point, on low heat, add the remaining butter, lemon juice, salt and pepper to taste. Add more lemon according your palate.
- 11) Place the chicken onto a platter one piece at a time and then pour the sauce over the chicken.



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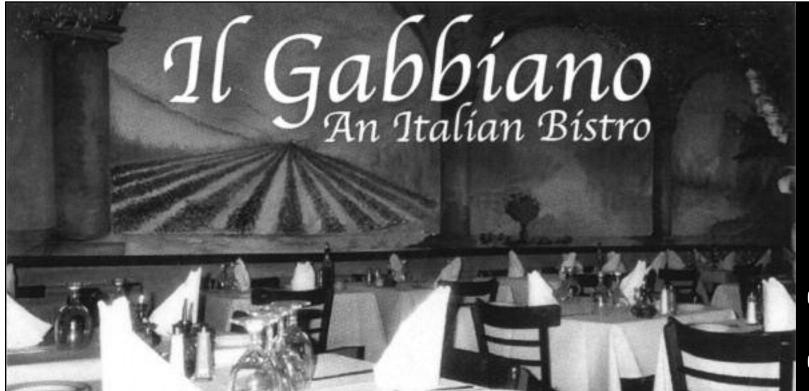
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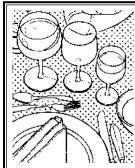




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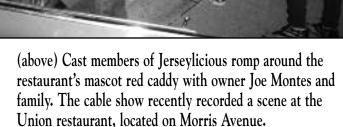
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Jerseylicious actually filmed a scene for their show at the Red Cadillac. It aired on Sunday June 4, 2011. 💢

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(left, 1-r) Joe Renna added to The Red Cadillac's decor by hanging a sculpture he created much to the delight of owner Joe Montes. The piece is a five foot image of the state of New Jersey made of garden state licence plates. The art fit in with the car/garage theme of the restaurant that is designed and crafted by Montes's wife Jamie. The collection of plates is at home among the muffler flower pots and gas can water pitchers.

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Submitted by Rosanne Barone

A long history of parochial schooling and involvement with ministry brings to mind the statement, "To sing is to pray twice." I began singing publicly at age three while on bus rides with my parents from Newark to visit my maternal grandmother in Elizabeth, then onto church choirs, the Irish Minstrels and variety shows both in grammar and high schools. Singing has been a part of my education, not formally, but as an inspiration of the heart and mind engendered by my parents, church, and extended family of Italian heritage, an offering of voice. In that era, my favorite female vocalist was Joni James.

As a 12-year-old, graduating from Blessed Sacrament School in Elizabeth, I was selected to audition for the Metropolitan Opera Company in Sacred Music. Though I was happy to be chosen, the audition in New York was more of a lark. In the late 1950s it was not likely a young girl would travel to New York regularly while living an ordinary life in suburbia. My parents made the decision, after careful and guided consideration, to refuse the scholarship, which had been granted after the audition. They believed to accept it would upset the normalcy of my young life. This was not traumatic for me; I just loved to sing and would continue regardless.

Life has a way of presenting us with steppingstones along the journey, some decisions are made for us, and others we are responsible for making ourselves. So while studying at Yokohama HS, Japan, I participated in music appreciation classes and competing chorus with other schools, meeting people who also shared the same love for music. It was a special time of growth and expansion My deep sense of intuition and inner call kept moving me towards this kind of verbal and lyrical expression as does writing and calligraphy, the importance of words.

Two seasons ago, my eyes and ears were opened while attending a spring concert of The Celebration Singers, an ensemble of two choirs...youth and adult. The sound and the conducting mesmerized me. I didn't stop clapping and moving in my seat the entire time.

At the intermission Sean Berg, the wonderfully talented and energized conductor, offered an invitation to the audience, "Anyone who may have an interest in joining the ensemble, please meet me in the reception area and give me your contact information, as we will be having auditions in September." I could hardly contain my enthusiasm, and my husband urged me to sign up for the call. I know the Spirit gave rise for my immediate response without giving it deeper thought. Imagine this group has been in existence for 72 years, and I was hearing it for the first time!

Time is like a breath away from the next invitation, the next song, and the next new day. September came; I auditioned, and was accepted in the second soprano section. Last season was my first concert; it was difficult work. However, the result was overwhelming to my senses and my soul. The world of music and song is both reflective and enlivening; it is difficult to express in mere words. The lyrics and the sound as delivered by the mix of the various parts bring the music to life, as does the one who is conducting. For the conductor has to feel so to lead, to understand so to convey the meaning of the lyrics. And so one season ended with the Holiday Concert, as another practice began every week during the winter ushering in the "sold out" January Thaw Dessert Cabaret, and ending with the Life is a Journey Spring Concert this past Memorial Day weekend.

What can I say? You had to be at the Harvest Center in Cranford to appreciate both the colorful and varied musical selections, a tribute to our country, the fighting spirit for our cherished liberties, and the spirituality that has made us the great welcoming melding pot to the world. Renditions by the youth choir, led by Ms. Jennifer Sellman, and the adult ensemble, led by Mr. Sean Berg, were stirring and powerful. The entrée of "The National Anthem," through other selections as "You'll Never Walk Alone," "There Will Be Rest," "Tell My Father," "New Day," "That Lonesome Road," as well



as Billy Joel's "And So It Goes," were just a taste of the splendid and colorful music rendered in harmony. Perhaps one of the more soulful selections was "Walk Together Children," a traditional spiritual arranged by Moses Hogan. Not only are the hand clapping, foot stomping lyrics lively, they are true and have been throughout history. We are all God's children and unless we walk together and support one another on this journey of life...through the good times and the hard times, that prayer, that song will not ring true.

For me, to sing is to pray twice...over and over again. I am humbled and thankful for the song my parents placed in my heart and to be life's journey with The Celebration Singers, if only for one season at a time. At the end of the month we will be off to Scotland and London to share and to celebrate the music. All are welcome to come to audition and to join in the song.





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St. Mary of the Assumption High School in Elizabeth, NJ congratulates the 47 seniors who have successfully completed the prescribed course of studies. On June 3, 2011, Msgr. Robert Harrington, Pastor, and Ms. Janet Malko, Principal, awarded diplomas to the following students: Jaime Alicea III, Pyrrhus Alsas, Maria Alvarez, Erica Auguste, Nathalie Augustin, Shaniece Bannister, Nicolette Bonhomme, Alan Castillo, McHenhley Clervoyant, Nicole DeLaCruz, Joseph DeRosa, Natalie Didier, Sherby Duvestil, Eric Escobar, Harry Espiritu, Dionna Fabbo, Francis Fojtik, Rafael Garcia, Malisa Gaudin, Ruben Guaman, Maya Igus, Aaron Issac, Bryan Johnson, Gaensly Joseph, Jerry Joseph, Da'Shon Joyner, Barnny Leiva, Argenis Lopez, Nicholas Merced, Yvana Monnay, Jarret Mustafa, Jeffrey Nest, Jasmine Noel, Calvin Okoli, Edgar Peraza, Yessica Porras, Andrea Prado, Ashley Ramirez, Carlos Rodriguez, Propser Seshie, Eduardo Siguenza, Javonni Smith, Emani Stewart, Jon Torres, Dana Valentin and Amber Washington.

(left, 1-r) Mike DeRosa and his son Joe, a St. Mary's class of 2011 graduate. Joe was a recipient of the Elizabeth UNICO Scholarship.

Francis Foitik Valedictorian Award Salutatorian Award Jasmine Noel • Religion Aaron Issac Yvana Monnav • English • Spanish Andrea Prado

• Social Studies Maya Igus • Science Francis Fojtik Mathematics Jasmine Noel

Scholarships amounting to over six million dollars were awarded to the class of 2011. St. Mary's students will be continuing their education at the following colleges and/or universities: Arizona State University, Caldwell College, Chestnut Hill College, College of St. Elizabeth, College of the Holy Cross, Drew University, Drexel University, Fairleigh Dickenson University, Georgian Court University, Johnson & Wales University, Manhattan College, Marist College, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Penn State University, Rutgers University, St. John's University, Richard Stockton College and the University of Rhode Island, to name a few.

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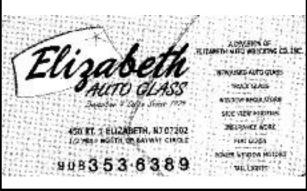
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On Friday, June 10, 2011, Our Lady of Guadalupe Academy held its second graduation exercises at St. Anthony's Church. There were twenty-two students in its graduation class.

Many of the students will be attending Catholic high schools such as: St. Mary's; Benedictine Academy; St. Patrick's, St. Benedict's Prep and Roselle Catholic.

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gave the commencement address in the evening and spoke to them on always striving to do their best in all types of situations that life had in store for them. Deacon Joe, their principal, had words of congratulations and encouragement and reminded the students that Our Lady of Guadalupe will always be home for them and will always have a place for them if they ever want to return to visit. 🎇







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(above, r-l) Our Lady of Guadalupe Academy Principal Deacon Joe Caporaso assists St. Anthony's pastor Fr. Tom Provenzano as he receives gifts from Academy Graduates.

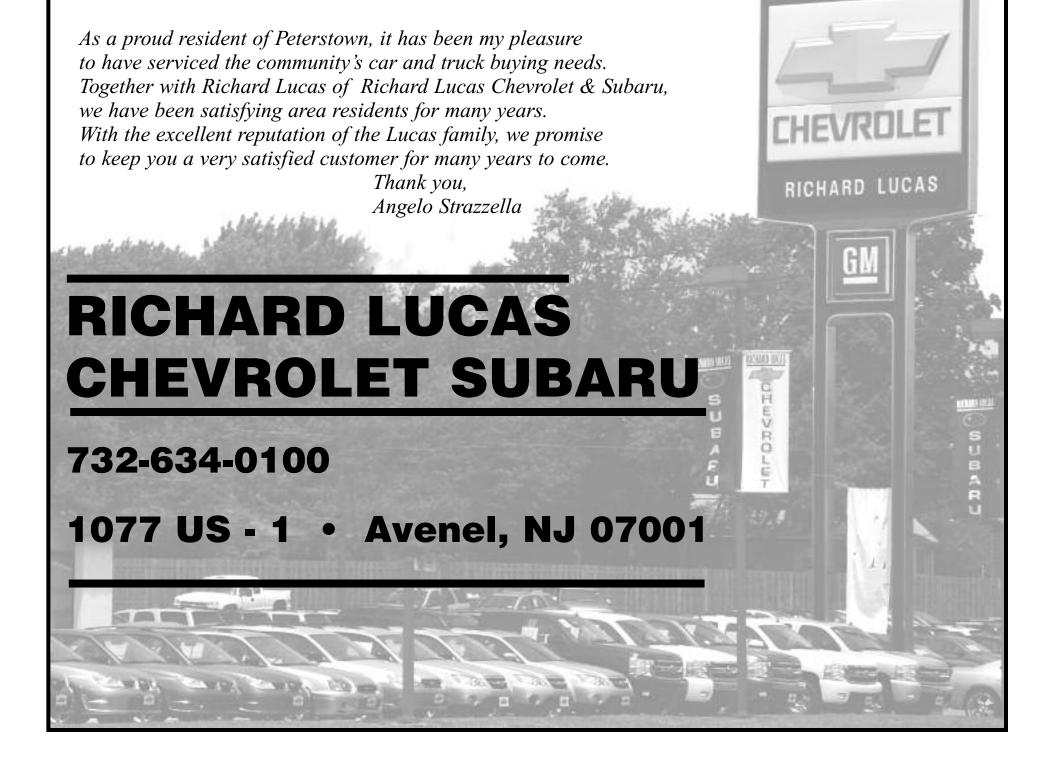
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Around About Peterstown publisher Joe Renna will be running in the Hope & Possibility 5 Mile event on Sunday, June 26, 2011 in Central Park, NYC. Guess what place he will finish in. Closest Guess wins.

All donations go to the Achilles Freedom Team of Wounded and Disabled Veterans in memory of Cpl. Luigi Marciante Jr.





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The motivation behind Team S.O.S. is Enza's brother, Cpl. Luigi Marciante Jr. who lost his life on September 20th, 2007 in Muqdadiyah, Iraq.

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(left) A recipient using one of



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Businesses and all guesses will be posted on at joerenna.com

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| Hope & Possibility 5M June 27, 2010 | Renna, Joe | M50 | Cranford. | 909 | 5.0 | | 56:49 | 11:21 | 2474 | 1991 | 106 | 42.9 % |
| Achilles Hope & Possibility SM June 28, 2009 | Renta, Joe | 1949 | Cranford, NJ | 906 | 5.0 | | 52:39 | 10:31 | 1479 | 800 | 62 | 45.9 % |

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