New Community Hosts 24th Annual Golf Classic

Golfers braved the heat Sept. 6 to participate in New Community Corporation’s 24th Annual Golf Classic, held at Montclair Golf Club at Rock Spring in West Orange. Proceeds from the event benefit Harmony House, NCC’s transitional housing facility for homeless families; the Monsignor William J. Linder Scholarship Fund; and NCC’s youth and education programs.

Platinum sponsors for the event were Greystone Affordable Development and Withum Audit Tax Advisory.

This was the first golf event held since the passing of New Community Founder Monsignor William J. Linder. Attendees recognized him with a moment of silence during the evening reception, at the request of New Community Board President Dr. A. Zachary Yamba.

“This event is very important, not just as a means of fundraising, but also to continue the legacy that Monsignor Linder left for us,” Yamba said.

New Community CEO Richard Rohrman told participants that while no one will be able to help us celebrate and remember him.”

Space is limited. If you’re interested in attending, please call 973-623-2800 to RSVP and pick up tickets at 233 West Market St., Newark, NJ, 07103, Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. There is a limit of two tickets per person.

Immaculate Conception Seminary Mass Celebrates NCC Founder And Queen Of Angels Church

Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology at Seton Hall University held a mass Sept. 24 celebrating New Community Founder Monsignor William J. Linder and parishioners of the now closed Queen of Angels Church. The Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd at the school houses refurbished pews and stained glass windows that were part of the now demolished Queen of Angels Church.

Monsignor Linder attended Immaculate Conception Seminary School and was ordained in 1963. Shortly after his ordination, he was assigned to Queen of Angels as the pastor. He was part of that church community when he founded New Community Corporation with many of the parishioners involved.

Reverend Monsignor Joseph R. Reilly gives the homily during mass Sept. 24 at the Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd. The chapel houses refurbished pews and stained glass windows that were at Queen of Angels Church in Newark where NCC Founder Monsignor William J. Linder was pastor.
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Ready For A New School Year

Jersey City resident and volunteer Sally Milad held a back to school event at Harmony House Aug. 27. This is the second time she organized such an event. She brought donated backpacks and school supplies for the children living at the transitional housing facility for homeless families. Children also received free haircuts and got the hairstyle of their choice. Pizza and refreshments were provided for the children and their families to enjoy for the evening. Photos courtesy of Sally Milad.

Labor Day/ Patriot Day BBQ

New Community Associates, 180 South Orange Ave., Newark held a barbecue celebrating Labor Day and Patriot Day Sept. 7. Residents enjoyed hamburgers, hot dogs and conversation with their neighbors.

Manor Senior, 545 Orange St., Newark, held a Fish Fry Fundraiser Sept. 14 in the Community Room. Residents were able to purchase fried fish and French fries for lunch. Proceeds from sales will help offset the costs of upcoming holiday parties.

Associates Care Coordinators Flavia Pinheiro, left, and Anne Moran, right, organized the barbecue and prepared food for residents.

Raising Money For Resident Parties

Maureen Davenport, left, and Walterine Hatton, right, cook for the Manor Senior Fish Fry Fundraiser Sept. 14. Both women are residents of the building and frequent volunteers.

Around The Network
EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH: Marycomfort Opara

Marycomfort Opara, known to the children as Ms. Mary, has been a teacher at Harmony House Early Learning Center for four and a half years. This year, she has taken a new challenge of teaching in the infant room. Harmony House Early Learning Center is the first job Opara has had. When her children were young, they attended Community Hills Early Learning Center, also run by New Community. Since she wasn’t working, she would stay behind after drop off and watch the teachers interact with the children. That piqued her interest and she decided she wanted to work in an early childhood environment as well. She started off volunteering at Harmony House Early Learning Center and then applied for an open position and was hired.

Center Director Sister Maurice Ligouru Okoroji said Opara, who is known as Ms. Mary to the children, is an asset to the facility.

“She goes beyond her job description and is barely absent from work. She is always willing to work extra time whenever we are short of staff,” Okoroji said.

“She uses best practices and has excellent classroom management.”

Opara’s favorite part of her job is interacting with the children. She currently oversees infants ages 4 months to 14 months in her classroom.

“We teach them, we nurture them, we show them love and care, we play with them. We show them how to explore, how to play, how to mingle, how to socialize, make friends,” she said.

Staff members also read to the children and encourage them to begin making sounds and talking.

“If they make any sounds, we praise them for doing that,” Opara said.

Opara has personal experience with children as a mother of three. Her daughter is 12, her older son turns 10 this month and her youngest son is 8. She lives in East Newark with her husband and children and enjoys spending time with them when she’s not at work.

Opara sees Harmony House Early Learning Center as a special place.

“I love our school. It’s so nice. We have an amazing director. We have nice teachers,” she said. “We help each other. And we love our kids and the families.”

In addition to teaching and caring for the children, Opara said the teachers assist the families when they can. If families are in need of supplies like diapers, staff members refer them to places where they can receive those items. She said parents will confide in them at times and the teachers offer advice.

“All of us, we work like a family,” she said.

Residents of New Community Associates, 180 South Orange Ave., Newark, learned exercise techniques meant to increase their strength and balance and therefore reduce the risk of falling. Michael Porter, Healthy Living Coordinator for the Newark YMCA, met with residents Sept. 12 and Sept. 19 to discuss and demonstrate the exercises.

Residents of Associates learn how to strengthen their leg muscles to help prevent falls from Michael Porter of the Newark YMCA, left.

Michael Porter of the Newark YMCA, right, demonstrates an exercise to residents of Associates meant to build strength and balance to help prevent falls.
to fill Monsignor Linder’s shoes, leadership is working to bring the organization to even greater heights. He cited the ongoing renovations at four Newark housing properties, participation in strategic planning and strides at New Community Workforce Development Center, the accredited post-secondary career and technical school.

“We’re really putting ourselves in a position to preserve Monsignor’s legacy and to move it forward in the areas where he taught us we should go,” Rohrman said.

Yamba highlighted the many services that NCC offers to the community, including housing, job training and health care.

“You name it, New Community is involved in it. But more importantly, the belief in empowering people to do for themselves so they can provide a better future for themselves and their families and the communities that they serve,” Yamba said.

Mary Livermore is one of the people improving her situation with the help of New Community. She shared her story during the Golf Classic reception. Livermore lives at Harmony House with her husband and daughter. The family needed housing assistance after her husband became sick and she had to quit her job to care for him and their daughter. They couldn’t pay their rent and welfare was unable to pay the back rent owed.

Now at Harmony House, the family has a place to stay and they can focus on the future. Livermore was a day care teacher for 16 years before she had to quit her job. She is currently attending Essex County College to get her Child Development Associate degree which will help her get hired again in that field.

“Harmony House is a really nice facility that has helped us through a difficult time,” she said. “I’m grateful for what the staff has done for us and I’m looking forward to the future.”

In addition to the brief remarks, the evening reception included dinner, dessert and a silent auction with a variety of items, including purses, scarves, tickets to events and signed photos and memorabilia.

The hole-in-one sponsors were The Blau & Berg Company, Ferry Carpet and Dr. A. Zachary Yamba.

Golf Classic organizer Tracey Battles, Rohrman and Yamba thanked all attendees for their continued support of New Community.
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The team put together by NCC Special Assistant to the CEO Tony Tolles, left, with NCC CEO Richard Rohrman, second from right, and NCC Board Member and Outreach Coordinator Madge Wilson, center.

A team from Withum finished in second place at the event. Members pose with NCC CEO Richard Rohrman, center.

The winning team at the Golf Classic was put together by NCC Board President Dr. A. Zachary Yamba, left. The team poses with NCC CEO Richard Rohrman, right, and NCC Board Member and Outreach Coordinator Madge Wilson, third from left.

A foursome made up of representatives from Aetna and USI with New Community CEO Richard Rohrman, left, and NCC Board Member and Outreach Coordinator Madge Wilson, third from right.

The Philadelphia Insurance Team with NCC CEO Richard Rohrman, left, and NCC Board Member and Outreach Coordinator Madge Wilson, second from right.

The Cali Carting Team with NCC CEO Richard Rohrman, left, and NCC Board Member and Outreach Coordinator Madge Wilson, third from right.

Bill Passarotti of Palmer and Cay looks at some of the items available during the silent auction that was also part of the Golf Classic.

Golf Classic participants get information from Kessler Institute before the event begins.

Harmony House resident Mary Livermore shares her story at the 24th Annual NCC Golf Classic.

The Palmer and Cay Team with NCC CEO Richard Rohrman, third from right, and NCC Board Member and Outreach Coordinator Madge Wilson, second from left.

The Cali Carting Team with NCC CEO Richard Rohrman, left, and NCC Board Member and Outreach Coordinator Madge Wilson, third from right.

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Social Security News

Why Social Security Retirement Is Important To Women

By Ammy Plummer
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Social Security plays an especially important role in providing economic security for women. In the 21st century, more women work, pay Social Security taxes and earn credit toward monthly retirement income than at any other time in our nation’s history. But, women face greater economic challenges in retirement.

Women:
• tend to live longer than men. A woman who is 65 years old today can expect to live, on average, until about 87, while a 65-year-old man can expect to live, on average, until about 84;
• often have lower lifetime earnings than men; and
• may reach retirement with smaller pensions and other assets than men.

Social Security offers a basic level of protection to all women. When you work, you pay taxes into the Social Security system, providing for your own benefits. In addition, your spouse’s earnings can give you Social Security coverage as well. Women who don’t work are often covered through their spouses’ work. When their spouses retire, become disabled or die, women can receive benefits.

If you’re a worker age 18 or older, you can get a Social Security Statement online. Your Statement is a valuable tool to help you plan a secure financial future, and we recommend that you look at it each year. Your Statement provides a record of your earnings. To create an account online and review your Statement, visit our website at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount.

If your spouse dies, you can get widow’s benefits if you’re age 60 or older. If you have a disability, you can get widow’s benefits as well. Women who don’t work are often covered through their husbands’ work. When their husbands retire, become disabled or die, women can receive benefits.

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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: Joseph Gyulay

Joseph Gyulay may be 96 years old, but that doesn’t stop him from remaining active. He goes ballroom dancing every Tuesday at Starlight Dance Center in Nutley and participates in activities at New Community Associates, where he’s lived for the past seven years. Gyulay is well known at Associates, 180 South Orange Ave., Newark. He’s the oldest resident in the building and catches the attention of neighbors when he gets dressed up to go to the dance studio. Associates Care Coordinator Anne Moran called Gyulay a nice gentleman who tries to get along with everybody.

“Whenever he comes down to the office, he always tries to make us laugh,” she said.

Gyulay used to live in Hawthorne with his family. Since his wife passed away in 1998, he’s been living alone. He has four children (two sons and two daughters), six grandchildren and one great grandchild, though he only sees them for special occasions.

In his younger days, Gyulay described himself as a workaholic. He spent 10 years as a police officer and did additional work on the side. When he felt he couldn’t advance as a police officer, he left that career behind and began doing ceramic tile installation full time. He also remodeled homes.

“I built 13 homes and lived in three of them,” he said.

The activity he loves the most, however, is ballroom dancing, which he’s been doing for 78 years.

“Ballroom dancing is the best thing that ever happened in my life,” he said.

His wife was his partner for many years and the pair danced professionally, winning numerous competitions.

“I’d have to have a room just for the trophies,” Gyulay said.

While some might think continuing to dance would be a burden at his age, Gyulay said it helps him.

“I enjoy it. It’s invigorating,” he said. “When I get dressed, I feel I’m on a high.”

Gyulay keeps busy in other ways as well. He rides his scooter around, filling the basket with cans and metals. He donates the money he gets from what he collects to the Boy Scouts because he used to be a scout leader years ago.

He attributes his good health to his good genes and a multitude of vitamins. His mother died one month before she turned 100. When he turned 60, Gyulay began taking vitamins and now takes about 60 per day.

“When all the vitamins, I’m feeling even better than I did before,” he said. “So now I’m shooting for 105 and I honestly feel I’m going to get it.”

Limit These Foods for Healthy Teeth

Candy
This may come as no surprise. Candy contains sugar that can cause tooth decay. Softer candies have a tendency to stick to your teeth, increasing the chance for decay.

Oranges, grapefruits and lemons may be tasty and packed with vitamin C, but they also have a high acid content that can erode enamel. Eat & drink in moderation & rinse with water afterwards.

Soda
Drinking soda enables plaque to produce more acid to attack tooth enamel. It also dries out your mouth, meaning you’ll have less saliva that we need to keep our teeth healthy. Finally, dark colored sodas can stain or discolor your teeth.

Bread
When we eat bread, our saliva breaks down the starch into sugars. This bread paste easily sticks to our teeth & between crevices, causing cavities.
Launching Careers For New Community Workforce Development Center Automotive Students

When students complete the New Community Workforce Development Center Automotive Technician program, sponsored by Ford Motor Company, the goal is to find a job. Strong employer partnerships help link graduates to employment opportunities and make the program more beneficial.

One strong and lasting partnership is with Rich Liebler, Chief Administrative Officer and Veteran Coordinator for Sansone Auto Group. Liebler helped start NCC’s Automotive Technician program in 1996.

“I was friends with Edsel Ford, the great grandson of Henry Ford. I represented all the Ford dealers in the United States. And I got together with him and said that we need to do more in the urban areas for helping at-risk youth and plus we need technicians and employees for the automobile business,” Liebler said.

Ford Motor Company and Liebler put together funding and came to New Community with a proposal to start an automotive training program. Twenty-two years later, the program is still going strong.

In 1996, Liebler owned Hillside Auto Mall. He sold that dealership in 2008 and later was recruited by Sansone Auto Group, where he started working in 2010. Throughout the changes over 22 years, Liebler remained involved in the automotive training program at New Community Workforce Development Center.

“I love working with New Community because there’s genuine interest there,” he said.

In his current role at Sansone Auto Group, Liebler helps connect graduates to open positions. He is also working to institute a program with Sansone that allows students to work part-time while enrolled so that they have income and are more easily able to complete the training.

New Community Workforce Development Center Director Rodney Brutton said he is grateful for the partnership with Liebler and Sansone Auto Group.

“Rich’s history with our program and ongoing advocacy for our students should be applauded,” Brutton said. “Thanks to employer partners like Rich, Sansone and others, New Community Workforce Development Center’s automotive training program, sponsored by Ford, has been able to maintain its status for over 20 years.”

One of the graduates who has a job with Sansone Auto Group is Noah Deverel. He is 20 years old and completed the Automotive Technician program in 2017. He currently works at a Hyundai dealership doing pre-delivery inspections on new vehicles.

Deverel has always been interested in cars and wanted to learn how to fix them. He was part of Newark Deputy Mayor of Employment Rahaman Muhammad’s mentoring program and that’s how he became a student at New Community Workforce Development Center.

“We appreciate the deputy mayor’s office referring quality young men like Noah to our programs,” Brutton said. “Noah was ready to work and committed to completing the program. He knew what his career goals were.”

Deverel felt prepared for his work after receiving the training.

“Mr. Z [John Zaccheus, Lead Automotive Technician Instructor,] and Winston [Thomas, Automotive Technician Instructor,] are very, very good teachers. They never let me down. They stayed with me 100 percent of the way,” Deverel said. “You just have to trust the process and they’re going to help you. Everybody is very supportive.”

Liebler said Deverel is making progress in his career and as an automotive technician has the potential to earn $50,000 in five years.

Deverel has high aspirations.

“My overall goal is to be a head tech somewhere,” he said.

Brutton said Deverel is on his way to achieving that goal.

“We’re proud of Noah’s growth and the entire staff sees a wealth of potential in his future as an automotive technician,” Brutton said.

Those interested in enrolling in any New Community Workforce Development Center program should fill out an intake form at www.newcommunity.org, call 973-824-6284 or visit the main offices at 274 South Orange Ave., Newark.

New Community Is Hiring!

There are a number of open positions available with New Community Corporation in a variety of departments, including Youth Services, Environmental Services and Extended Care.

To see all job listings, along with descriptions and requirements of each position, visit www.newcommunity.org and click “Jobs at New Community.” Click “Apply” next to the position of interest to see the full description and then “Apply Now” to complete the application process.

NCC requires job applicants to fill out an online application for consideration. If you don’t have internet access, you can use computers at New Community Has designated for job application purposes. Those are located at NCC headquarters, 233 West Market St., Newark, NJ 07103. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For additional information, call 973-623-2800.

Noah Deverel, a graduate of New Community Workforce Development Center’s Automotive Technician program, currently works at a Hyundai dealership for Sansone Auto Group.

Capital One Awards New Community Financial Opportunity Center $15,000 Grant

Financial Coach Tamara Brown, right, meets with a New Community Workforce Development Center student for a one-on-one session as part of her work with the Financial Opportunity Center. File photo.

New Community Workforce Development Center received a $15,000 grant from Capital One for its Financial Opportunity Center in September.

The money will be used to facilitate financial literacy workshops and help clients establish credit, increase their credit scores and set financial goals.

The Financial Opportunity Center is open to New Community Workforce Development Center students, New Community Corporation staff members and community residents. It is located at 274 South Orange Ave., Newark.

For more information about the services offered, contact Financial Coach Tamara Brown at 973-585-9648 or tamarabrown@newcommunity.org.
University Hospital (UH) and the Newark Public Schools (NPS) have launched a long-term partnership to address the health of students and their families, which will include medical screenings, health education, workshops, smoking cessation classes and insurance enrollment.

The new venture kicked off at an event on Aug. 29 at the Rafael Hernandez School with Newark Mayor Ras Baraka, Newark Public Schools Superintendent Roger León and officials from University Hospital.

“Good health, wellness and public safety require that health care providers form meaningful, long-lasting relationships with the communities they serve,” said Baraka. “The new partnership between University Hospital and Newark Public Schools is a step in the right direction.”

León said, “Schools are much more than just places of learning because they serve as community hubs where teachers and families can work together to create a better environment for our children. Partnering with University Hospital to expand health education and access to medical services is not only good for the 55,000+ students attending Newark’s schools — it’s good for Newark as a whole.”

During the August event, school nurses and security personnel began receiving training in emergency bleeding controls from UH staff. The training program, part of a national initiative known as “Stop the Bleed,” will eventually prepare nearly 5,000 NPS employees in emergency bleeding response.

University Hospital is the region’s only Level 1 Trauma Center, and to date the only New Jersey hospital to offer a training program of this kind. Dr. Adam Fox, a committee member on the Stop the Bleed Board and a surgeon in the trauma division at University Hospital, led the first training session.

In support of this effort, The Foundation for University Hospital is donating more than $30,000 to cover the cost of the training and to purchase nearly 550 bleeding control kits that will be distributed to each of Newark’s 66 public schools. The bleeding control kits contain tourniquets, pressure dressing, hemostatic agents, chest shields, gloves and scissors, and can treat up to four patients each, depending on the severity of the wounds.

The Stop the Bleed campaign is funded by grants from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the New Jersey Department of Health. Stop the Bleed is designed to equip bystanders with the skills needed to assist wounded individuals in the critical period before medical help arrives. According to research conducted by the National Health Service in the United Kingdom, around 40 percent of trauma-related deaths result from uncontrolled bleeding and hemorrhaging as victims await medical attention.

University Hospital President and CEO John N. Kastanis said the hospital and its foundation were “extremely proud of this partnership with the Newark Public Schools. We believe our duty as health care providers extends beyond the walls of the hospital and necessitates a greater presence in the Newark community. Ensuring the health and safety of Newark’s students will help to develop a culture of health in the city.”

Dr. Adam Fox explained the ‘Stop the Bleed’ program to school officials.
Maa Efia Nyarkoa Ampiaw is working to obtain her high school diploma and hopes to become an auto mechanic in the future.

Maa Efia Nyarkoa Ampiaw may only be 19, but she knows the career she wants. She has always been interested in cars and wants to become an auto mechanic.

Ampiaw grew up in Ghana and is the youngest in her family. Her mother moved to the United States before her. She stayed behind, living with her grandmother and siblings. She came to the United States from Ghana in August 2017 to further her education. She currently lives in Newark with her mother and grandfather. She said her siblings plan to make the move to the United States as well, but not right now.

Ampiaw was an honor roll student at Seven Great Princes Academy High School in Ghana, where she studied business and English. She also played soccer. Even though Ampiaw took English classes at her high school in Ghana, she felt she needed additional help with the language after moving to the United States. Her uncle’s friend introduced her to New Community and she enrolled in the English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) class at the Adult Learning Center.

Because of her past experience, she enrolled in the Level 2 class, taught by Anthony Forte. He said she is a wonderful young person to have in class.

“She’s very steadfast,” Forte said. “She sits in front of class and helps me out.”

Ampiaw enjoyed the ESOL class. “Everybody contributes and makes class lively,” she said. “We help each other in class. It makes class interesting.” She also was glad to have Forte as her instructor.

“He’s a very nice person,” Ampiaw said. “He teaches so you understand. You really understand what he’s teaching.”

Since completing the ESOL class, Ampiaw has started taking Adult Basic Education courses at the Adult Learning Center to prepare to take the High School Equivalency Test.

She’s keeping up her car skills while she continues her education. Her grandfather has a car that she works on in her spare time. “I look and I can fix some things by myself,” she said.

With a strong foundation, Ampiaw has a bright future ahead of her. “Her diligence, dedication, intelligence and wit indicate success in fulfilling her goal — to study automotive engineering,” Forte said.

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It was comforting for former Queen of Angels parishioners, New Community staff members and seminarians gathered for the evening mass at the chapel in South Orange, which was led by Reverend Monsignor Joseph R. Reilly. “The mass at Immaculate Conception Seminary Mass Celebrates NCC Founder And Queen Of Angels Church”

Queen of Angels parishioners, New Community Board President Dr. A. Zachary Yamba called the mass beautiful. “The chapel, with its ornately refurbished pews and gorgeous, stained glass windows from the demolished Queen of Angels, was indeed a perfect setting. The service was made even more special by the presence of the many young seminarians and priests,” he said. “It was indeed a reminder that Monsignor Linder continues to live in us and the objects he touched.”

Reverend Monsignor Reilly began his homily talking about the journey the items now in the chapel have taken.

“If these pews could talk, what they’d tell us, I believe, would be a beautiful and inspiring story of faith, of courage and of witness to Jesus Christ,” he said. “New generations of men now preparing to serve the church as priests — as generous, dedicated, holy priests like Monsignor Bill Linder — now find their place in them.”

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It was comforting for former Queen of Angels parishioners to see the items they knew so well and held dear being used again in a place of worship.

“Seeing the stained glass windows and pews from Queen of Angels, which were donated to the seminary chapel, brought tears to my eyes, but also a peaceful feeling,” said Cecilia Faulks, who attended Queen of Angels Church and also was the first employee for New Community Corporation. “It was a wonderful celebration, enhanced by the voices of the seminarians singing the songs of praise during mass.”

The stained glass windows in the Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd at Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology at Seton Hall University used to be in the now demolished Queen of Angels Church in Newark. NCC Founder Monsignor Linder served as pastor.

The pews were full during the mass at the Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd Sept. 24.

All the stained glass windows and the pews in the Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd were previously housed in Queen of Angels Church in Newark.
October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and Family Service Bureau is committed to helping those who are impacted by domestic violence. When people think of domestic abuse, they often focus on domestic violence. But domestic abuse occurs whenever one person in an intimate relationship or marriage tries to dominate and control the other person.

Domestic violence and abuse are used for one purpose and one purpose only: to gain and maintain total control over you. An abuser doesn’t “play fair.” Abusers use fear, guilt, shame and intimidation to wear you down and keep you under their thumb. Your abuser may also threaten you, hurt you or hurt those around you.

“I’m sorry. It won’t happen again.” If you have been a victim of domestic violence, don’t believe it. It is likely that it will happen again! This is because apologies may be a stage in the Cycle of Violence.

The first stage of the cycle is the tension phase. Things are building up and the victim may try to placate the abuser. Then the incident occurs. The next stage is the reconciliation one, in which the abuser may apologize, blame the victim or deny that the abuse occurred. The last stage is the “calm” phase, in which everything seems fine ... until the cycle begins again.

If you or someone you know is being affected by domestic violence, contact the Family Service Bureau of Newark for assistance at 973-412-2056. Our services include discovering choices for well-being, building healthier decisions in your relationship, effective communication and planning safety at home for yourself and your children. We are equipped to provide support and assistance to address individual needs in a safe and confidential setting.

Members of the New Community Security Department organized a surprise ceremony Sept. 18 recognizing Security Operations Manager John Wade for his one year of service to NCC.

Security Officer Shakirah Williams spoke on behalf of the department, expressing gratitude for Wade’s leadership and guidance.

“We stand here as one to thank you for all the support that you have extended to us during your time here at New Community Corporation as our Security Manager,” she said. “From the time you started this job you have been nothing but helpful and support and it means more to us than you’ll ever know.”

Security personnel presented Wade with a plaque commemorating the occasion, held at St. Joseph Plaza.

Wade was surprised by the recognition and thanked everyone for their cooperation and support over the last year.

“We’re moving in the right direction and we’re going to keep moving,” he said. “As long as I’m here, we’re going to do the right thing and we’re going to make it happen.”
New Community Workforce Development Center Launches New Diesel Technician Program

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Our Mission – To help residents of inner cities improve the quality of their lives to reflect individual God-given dignity and personal achievement.

Keep The Change?

Are you steeped in traditions or patterns (bound by routines) that make it difficult for you to consider another way of doing things? Do you resent not being included in the decision in which the change will result (insulted you weren’t consulted)?

There are several reasons why people find themselves resistant to change. A few of the more common reasons have been provided. If we take a moment to really be honest with ourselves, we would probably admit that we have all, at one point in our lives, struggled with change.

Just imagine what life would be like if we never changed our methods of communication. We might still be using rotary telephones. Can you imagine life without your smartphone? Or what about the internet? Even with some of the dangers associated with it, who among us would prefer to research a subject using an encyclopedia?

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Staff members of the Family Service Bureau of Newark participated in a training course that taught topics of how to save a life, including CPR, first aid and what to do if a person is choking. Employees also learned how to properly use an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). George Greenberg, president of Rapid Response Training LLC, led the course Sept. 24 at the NCC Health Care Complex, 274 South Orange Ave., Newark.

George Greenberg shows the proper way to perform CPR.

George Greenberg demonstrates how to check for signs of breathing during a training session.

FSB staff members learned how to properly dislodge an object from an infant’s mouth from George Greenberg.

George Greenberg explains how to properly secure a projectile stuck in a person’s eye with help from FSB staff member volunteers.

George Greenberg, president of Rapid Response Training LLC, explains life saving skills to FSB staff members.

FSB employees watch and listen to Rapid Response Training LLC President George Greenberg as he teaches them life saving skills.