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Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce Foundation Establishes Business Hall of Fame

The Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce Foundation has established the Hunterdon County Business Hall of Fame to honor current and past business leaders, businesses and organizations, who have made important contributions to the community. The first class of Hall of Fame laureates will be honored during an induction ceremony at the Ryland Inn on September 14th.

The Hunterdon County Business Hall of Fame will have a permanent display at the historic Reading-Large House in Flemington, home to the Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce and its Foundation.

"The Hunterdon County Business Hall of Fame will bring a spotlight to those that have demonstrated exceptional leadership, innovation, ethics and vision," said Foundation Board Member Rosemary Fellner, Chief Marketing Officer with Unity Bank. "Hunterdon County has a rich history of business and industry and we hope to share and preserve these great stories. Part of the Foundation's mission is to inspire entrepreneurs and one way we can do that is to recognize the many successful leaders we are fortunate to have in the business community."

The Business Hall of Fame will have a permanent display at the Foundation, in the historic Reading-Large House in Flemington. ¬A traveling kiosk for the Hall of Fame will be exhibited throughout the county at businesses, public locations and schools. ¬The kiosk will share videos featuring honorees and their contributions to Hunterdon County.

The Hall of Fame induction ceremony will begin at 6 p.m. at the Ryland Inn, 115 Old Highway 28, Whitehouse Station. Tickets are $200 each for the fundraising event, which will also include a silent auction with donated items from local artists available. Sponsorships are also available ranging from $500 to $5,000. The event is black tie optional with hors d'oeuvres, elegant serving stations, beverages and dessert provided. For more information, please contact the Foundation at (908) 782-7115 or visit www.hunterdon-chamber.org.

The Foundation Board annually will select inductees to

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the Hall of Fame in several categories. The 2017 inductees and the honor they will receive are:

• Custom Alloy: Pioneer Award – a business established 100 or more years ago that brought growth, prestige and new industry to early Hunterdon County;

• Peter G. Verniero, former New Jersey Supreme Court Justice and Attorney General; and the Creter Family, Flemington Granite and Architectural Supply: Distinguished Leader – individuals that have enhanced the community, fostered business and community partnership through their leadership, courageous thought and entrepreneurial spirit;

• ShopRite of Hunterdon County: Contemporary Award – a commercial, for-profit business established less than 100 years ago currently operating and based in Hunterdon County that brings economic growth, prosperity and innovation to the community; and

• George Large and Edwin Large; and Red Mill Museum Village: Essence of Hunterdon – an organization or individual that has enhanced the community, fostered business and community partnership through leadership, courageous thought and entrepreneurial spirit.

"The Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce the Hunterdon County Business Hall of Fame and the inaugural inductees for 2017," said Chris Phelan, Chamber Foundation President. "The mission and goal of the Hunterdon County Business Hall of Fame and the Chamber Foundation is to support the growth of business and entrepreneurism in Hunterdon County. The Hunterdon County Business Hall of Fame will be inspirational based on the inductees individual legacies and contributions to the County business community. I think it will be a great tool to fuel momentum as we strive for economic growth in Hunterdon County."

The mission of the Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce Foundation is to effectively focus the skills and resources of the Greater Hunterdon County business community and advance the interests of the Hunterdon County business community through business resources, economic & workforce development, leadership development, tourism, philanthropy, and the promotion of civic, educational, cultural and economic interests of the region. The Foundation recently has purchased the Historic Large House located in Flemington and is undergoing a massive restoration to establish the Unity Bank Center for Business & Entrepreneurship.

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The Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce is very excited to be hosting their 16th Annual Golf Classic on Tuesday, October 3rd at Hawk Pointe Golf Club located in Washington. This is a great way for our membership to come together, conduct business and strengthen their business relationships. Check in is at 8:30 am with a light breakfast and a shotgun start at 10:00 am. The format is a scramble with a twist and the winning foursome will claim the Hunterdon Cup! The outing will conclude with a Post Networking Luncheon, silent auction, networking, and announcement of the winning foursome.

Golfers may participate in foursomes or as individuals. Per golfer Chamber member rates are $185 and general admission rates are $225. Foursome Chamber member rates are $700 and general admission rates are $800. Companies and individuals can also participate by donating a door prize or by participating as a sponsor.

Tee Sponsorships are available for $50 each or two for $75 and Green Sponsorships are available at $150 to have your company logo printed on a course flag.

Not a golfer? Not a problem! Businesses and professionals can join us for the Networking Luncheon after the Golf Classic for a delicious barbeque prepared by the Hawk Pointe culinary team. Luncheon only tickets are $35 for Chamber members and $45 for general admission.

Sponsors of this event include: Hunterdon Healthcare, the Signature Sponsor; Mercedes-Benz of Flemington, a Hole-in-One Sponsor; Norris McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A., a Supporting Sponsor; and Northfield Bank, the Lunch Sponsor. Additional sponsorship opportunities for this event are available.

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The Healthy Hunterdon Workforce Initiative Presents…

Creating a Culture of Health with Dr. Paul L. Marciano

Dr. Paul L. Marciano, author of the internationally acclaimed leadership books "Carrots and Sticks Don't Work" and "Super Teams: Using the Principles of RESPECT to Unleash Explosive Business Performance," will be a special guest speaker during the Healthy Hunterdon Workforce Initiative's quarterly meeting. During this presentation, Dr. Marciano is going to discuss how businesses can create and nurture a culture of health in the workplace.

When: Friday, October 6, 2017
Where: Hunterdon Medical Center – Main Lobby Auditorium
Time: 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Both Chamber members and non-members are welcome to attend this Healthy Hunterdon Workforce Initiative event. Please note that space is limited. For more information, please call the Chamber office at 908-782-7115 or visit: www.hunterdonchamber.org

Dr. Paul L. Marciano is a leading authority on employee engagement and retention. He earned his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Yale University where he specialized in behavior modification and motivation. Paul has served on the faculties of Davidson College and Princeton University where he has taught courses in Leadership, Industrial-Organizational Psychology, Survey Development, Research Methods and Statistics. For more information on Dr. Marciano, please visit: www.paulmarciano.com

In January of 2016, the Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce launched the Healthy Hunterdon Workforce Initiative. The goal of this initiative is to continue to maintain and improve the health of our workforce in Hunterdon County so that we will remain economically competitive, grow and prosper. Another goal is to provide and promote the various community resources for healthy living and habits, to create a "Culture of Health" throughout the county.

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Flemington Community Partnership Taps Ann Meredith As Executive Director

Flemington Community Partnership ("FCP") is pleased to announce that Ann Meredith, a seasoned business and community development leader, is joining FCP as its new Executive Director.

After reviewing over 70 candidates, Paul Marciano,FCP Chair, said, "We areconfident that Ann is precisely the innovative, mission-driven and results-oriented leader to continue to build the great momentum FCP has generated in just one short year."

Meredith was selected by Philadelphia Mayor Ed Rendell to serve as CEO of Lights of Liberty, Inc., a non-profit which produced Historic Philadelphia's acclaimed $15 million sound and light show attraction and operated a thriving visitor and retail center. While leading Lights of Liberty,

Meredith also organized business and civic leaders to create the Independence Mall Business and Residents Coalition ("IMBARC"), a non-profit for which she served as founding President.Under her leadership, IMBARC was responsible for successful federal and local lobbying efforts and volunteer initiatives that enhanced the accessibility and beautification of the Independence Mall area.

When Meredith was recruited from Lights of Liberty in 2007 to lead a merger of three regional Girl Scout councils, The Philadelphia Inquirer's editorial board penned a tribute that called her "a shining light of Liberty".

As the first CEO of the Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania, Meredith took the helm of anorganization that wanted major change. While merging a staff of 150 employees, nine camps, 40,000 volunteers, 45,000 girl members, five service centers and three organizational cultures to create one higher performing entity,

Meredith led major operational improvements, dramatically grew earned and contributed income, and opened new pathways for participation. She also collaborated with the national cookie supplier to create the nation's first "Online CookieLocator"-- featured in Forbes and BusinessWeek—an innovation that resulted in increased sales and changed selling practices nationwide.

"I am thrilled to be joining FCP at a time of so much positive growth and look forward to working with the all of the stakeholders to making Flemington's exciting, prosperous future a reality," said Meredith, who will begin her tenure on July 3. Judy Goodwin, the outgoing Executive Director, will serve in a consulting role through the transition period.

Flemington Community Partnership is a non-profit corporation that was established to develop and implement a plan to revitalize the local business community. FCP works in strong alliance with commercial building owners, retailers, civic leaders and municipal departments to create a better quality of life for residents and a thriving business environment in the Borough of Flemington. For more information about FCP visit www.exploreflemington.org .

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Roxey Ballet's "Nutcracker" production is a joyous and magical way to begin the holiday season. This show provides the perfect introduction to ballet for children of all ages, with timeless classical music, beautiful costumes, special effects, and an accessible story. Clara and her friends will take you on an enchanting voyage to meet magical mice, giant rats, marching soldiers, swirling snowflakes, waltzing flowers and the beautiful Sugar Plum Fairy. Save the Date for Nutcracker open auditions: September 9th, 2017. Location: Auditions take place at Roxey Ballet's Canal Studio Theaters, 243 North Union St., Lambertville, NJ 08530. For more information visit the website: www.roxeyballet.org/auditions.

The new Frenchtown Community Service and Outreach I**nitiative (CS&O) is joining forces with the Harvest Family Success Center** and hosting a FREE Senior Lunch & Learn every Tuesday from 11:30 to 1:30pm! The Free Senior Lunch & Learn will take place at the Frenchtown Presbyterian Church on 4th street in Frenchtown, and all seniors are welcome to attend! The Senior Lunch & Learn begins at 11:30am, with a class of NIA (No Impact Aerobics) "Moving to Heal" class that can be done while seated or while standing, see the description below! Next up we all enjoy a delicious free lunch, then play a game of bingo, talk or have a visiting speaker. The Senior Lunch & Learn is a great way to meet other seniors, enjoy a delicious lunch and just relax and have fun! Please join us! Registration for the Senior Lunch & Learn is required, please call 908-237-0465 and ask for Penni.

Hunterdon County Library: Join us on Tuesday August 15 at 7 pm as we welcome best-selling author & adventure Kara Richardson Whitely to the meeting room of the Headquarters Library. Kara will discuss her book Gorge: My Journey Up Kilimanjaro at 300 Pounds which chronicles her three hikes up Mount Kilimanjaro. Kara will be interviewed on the Library Show on www.hunterdonchamerradio.com at 11:15 on August 10.

Grape Finale is hosting several open houses August10th, 11th, 23rd & 24th from 7 - 9 pm. Grape Finale welcomes you to sample award winning wines made by former students, enjoy light appetizers, tour our winery, meet former students, staff & other prospective winemakers, and order grapes and sign up to make wine at Grape Finale this Fall! There is no cost to attend and reservations are not required. For more information you can visit the website: http://www.grapefinale.com/upcoming-events/.

United Way is once again asking individuals, companies, and organizations to participate in its annual Tools 4 School supply drive by either donating school supplies or providing a monetary donation to support the program. Any amount of supplies or dollars donated will help a Hunterdon County student in need. Donations will be turned into basic school supply kits suitable for each student's grade level. Supplies ranging from erasers and crayons to backpacks and scientific calculators are all in high demand. Consider partnering with United Way of Contact Amy Andersen for details:

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Hunterdon and Mercer Counties Crown New Dairy Princesses at the Chamber

On Monday, June 19th, in celebration of Dairy Month, Hunterdon County crowned its newest Dairy Princess. Gianna Novak, of Flemington, New Jersey, will serve as the 2017-2018 county princess, and will move on to compete in the State Dairy Princess competition in November. Gianna completed an in person interview, gave a formal speech about the benefits of dairy products, and took a product knowledge test during the competition in order to win the title.

Gianna is the daughter of Ken Novak, and together they run Outlaw Farms. Gianna owns and cares for 9 Brown Swiss dairy cows that she keeps at Spring Run Dairy, located in Pittstown, New Jersey. She shows her dairy cows across the east coast, competing in shows at the Hunterdon County Fairgrounds, as well as at the All American Dairy Show in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Sadie Strober, of Stockton, New Jersey, will serve as the 2017-2018 Hunterdon County Alternate Dairy Princess. Sadie is an active member of the Mt. Airy Dairy 4-H Club, and has served as a Hunterdon County Dairy Ambassador for the past four years. Sadie is a very active leader in the New Jersey Dairy Industry. She has represented New Jersey on many Dairy Quiz Bowl and Dairy Judging Teams, served on numerous dairy councils and committees, as well as served as a mentor for younger 4-H members. In addition, she is an active member of the Junior Leaders 4-H Club.

Sadie leases dairy cows from Fulper Farms, and has been very successful in the show ring. She attends Hunterdon Central Regional High School where she is a member of both the varsity Field Hockey and Track teams.

Carly is the daughter of Dino and Cynthia Persichilli and is currently serving as the Vice President of the Mt. Airy Dairy 4-H Club. She has previously served as the club Secretary and Treasurer, and has spent many years as a committee member on the Hunterdon County Dairy Council and the Hunterdon County Livestock Committee. Carly leases Guernsey dairy cows from Hun Col Guernsey's as well as Holstein dairy cows from Fulper Farms, located in West Amwell, New Jersey and volunteers her time in the summer as a lead counselor for the farm's youth summer camp program.

Gianna, Sadie and Carly will be at the Hunterdon County Fair, Aug. 23rd – 27th.

Take a Fresh Look at Your Finances

Remember those financial resolutions you committed to at the beginning of the year? If they seem like a distant memory, the start of summer can be a great time for a reset. Follow the tips below to refocus on your financial goals during the dog days of summer.

1.Start with a clean slate. Review your financial situation and recent spending patterns. Is your spending aligned with your financial goals? Re-evaluate any bad money habits that may be holding you back from making better financial decisions. Remind yourself that healthy financial behaviors can become part of your daily routine.

2.Commit to financial stability. It's easier to do something when you are intentional. Just like you set aside an afternoon to clean out the garage, set aside a few hours to clean up your finances. During this time, reflect, organize and make a conscious commitment to take responsibility for your financial future.

3.Create, update or review your plan of action. A financial plan provides a road map for spending and saving, and encourages you to allocate your money toward the items or experiences that matter most to you. Your plan should include how you will handle your day-to-day finances, achieve long-term goals such as paying off your home mortgage, retiring on your terms or going on your dream vacation. If a large expense comes along, you may need to re-evaluate your financial priorities. Adjust as necessary and then get back on track as soon as possible. Likewise, if you receive a raise or windfall, consider how the additional funds can be applied to your financial plan.

4.Spend within reason. Your plan can provide you with guardrails to keep long-term goals in sight as you satisfy near-term wants and needs. When you know your emergency fund, retirement and other goals are on track, you can purchase tickets to the big game or plan a family trip without any financial guilt.

5. Prepare for the unexpected. Life can throw challenging curveballs. Unexpected events such as unplanned medical bills or losing your job can greatly impact your bottom line. Although you may not know when these curveballs are coming, assess your insurance policies to ensure you're fully covered, and make an "emergency fund" one of your priorities. Consider reviewing your life, disability health, home and auto insurance policies with a financial professional, who can help you identify and close any gaps in coverage. If you've acquired artwork, collectibles, technology or other valuables, make sure they are covered under your current home insurance plan. Also, use this as a time to update beneficiaries on your policies if needed.

6. Find joy in the process. The desire to keep your finances in good order is an admirable aspiration, and it has lasting impacts. Focusing on your finances today may help you to secure a more comfortable financial future for you and your family tomorrow. Consider working with a financial professional to help create a plan to reach your goals. With renewed energy and a well-defined plan, you can feel good about your financial choices.

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"Mark and John are proven leaders in the company and industry and will continue to build on the results we have achieved to deliver customers the safe and reliable service they expect and deserve," said Jim Fakult, president of JCP&L.

Anderson started his career with JCP&L in 1993 as a forestry supervisor and has held a variety of managerial positions in Forestry, Operations and External Affairs. Since 2007, he has served as an area manager, most recently for parts of Hunterdon and Somerset counties, and was the outreach lead for JCP&L's "Energizing the Future" transmission enhancement program.

He serves on the boards of the Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce, Somerset County Business Partnership and Hunterdon County Shade Tree Commission. He also is co-chairman of the Somerset County Employer Legislative Committee. Anderson earned a bachelor's degree from Rutgers University and is a native of Bridgewater Township, N.J.

Annmarie Simeone, a Member of **Norris McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A.,** has been elected President of the New Jersey Women Lawyers Association (NJWLA) for the 2017-2018 term. She has served in various leadership positions with the NJWLA, including President-Elect, 2016-2017; Vice President, 2015-2016; Chief Financial Officer, 2014-2015; Secretary, 2013-2014; Co-Chief Operating Officer, 2010-2011; Co-Director of the Women's Leadership Resources Committee, 2008-2010; and Chair of the Women's Initiative and Leaders in Law Gala, 2011-2013.

THE QUEEN FOR A NIGHT 2017 is ALYSON KOVACS! Congratulations to our beautiful and gracious queen! THANK YOU to all the participating businesses and community organizations! The event raised over $1,000 for **Hunterdon Prevention Resources!!** We are still collecting donations at **Attachments** through next week. Donate $10 and choose a FREE pair of earrings! A SPECIAL THANK YOU to THE GRILL SHACK for the amazing food and to M&M DUET for the fabulous live music! See you at Queen for a Night 2018!

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More than 300 reasons exist to visit the Hunterdon County 4-H and Agricultural Fair. That's the number of young people involved in the county program, and just about every member will participate in this year's fair, which runs Wednesday Sunday, Aug. 23-27.

The 18th annual fair takes place on South County Park (home of the Chamber's Community Day) on Route 179 south of Ringoes. This year's schedule includes special tributes to Roger Everitt, its president from the start, who died in March at the age of 86. The Freeholders agreed recently to name the Fairgrounds in memory of Mr. Everitt.

Whether showing sheep, demonstrating robots, performing with their horses or talking on stage about their projects, members in the 22 4-H clubs will be busy. The fair is the highlight of their 4-H year. Besides the members themselves, the program includes more than 150 adult volunteers, plus the nearly three dozen people who are involved in the non-profit Fair organization.

Many contests are open for the public to enter. One contest that always attracts scores of entries is the Biggest Specimen Show, for vegetables and fruits. A perennial favorite, it has 38 classes, ranging from the biggest beet to the longest carrot to the largest sunflower head. And there's also a class for what the judges determine is the "most unusual looking" vegetable. Separately, there are show sto select the best fruit and vegetable specimens, based on uniformity, quality and other attributes.

Other public shows include quilting and other forms of needlework, jellies, preserves, baked goods, farm crops, dairy cows, beef cows and goats. For details on any of the contests, go to the website at HunterdonCountyFair.com.

People who enjoy some smoke, dust and noise should check out the two tractor pull contests (daytime and evening) on opening day. The evening version includes a class for 4-wheel-drive trucks. Garden tractors compete on Saturday morning at the fair, and on Sunday afternoon, kids get to test their leg power in the Pedal Tractor Pull, with the Fair providing the tractor.

In a promotion for the dairy farmers, a different milk product (milk, cheese, yogurt or ice cream) will be given away each afternoon, at the Dairy Den.

All kinds of Main Stage entertainment is planned. "Tractor Dave" Bond, a Delaware Township farmer, and his Real Country Band take the stage Thursday night. Dan "Dr. D" Torrone of Clinton, a former Hunterdon 4-H Sheep Club member, arranges the Main Stage activities and plans a variety of acts and attractions each day and night. There'll be oldies and musical tribute groups, Bob Lloyd's "More Than Magic" shows, the Happy Tappers senior tap dance group, a Mexican Mariachi band and a Hawaiian fire dance show.

"Hunterdon's Got Talent" each day is residents displaying their abilities in singing, playing music and so forth. And "4-H Live on Stage" features members demonstrating or discussing something related to their projects.

The Wednesday night tractor pull is the only event with a charge, $5 per spectator. Fair admission is free and includes all the Main Stage shows. Parking is $10 per vehicle; the money is shared with the volunteer fire companies whose members supervise the parking fields. The fairgrounds is at 1207 Route 179.

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Hunterdon County Library will be participating in the 2017 Manhattan Short Film Festival, September 28 through October 8. Joining other libraries and theaters around the world, the library will screen the 10 short films that are the Finalists in the 20th Annual MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival. Viewers may then vote for their favorite. This full week's run means every film selected as a Finalist in the 2017 MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival is eligible to enter the Oscar competition for 2018. MANHATTAN SHORT is in compliance with the rules governing the Oscar Awards set forth by the Academy of Motion Pictures of Arts and Sciences (AMPAS).

Mill Ballet School's Summer Dance is just around the corner! We have programs from June 26 to August 18. Junior Dance Camp gives young creative students a chance to experience dance, from learning the basic techniques to performance. During camp, students will see how their knowledge of dance technique can be used to create choreography. It's not too late to join the fun, now accepting fall registrations! To learn more visit the website at www.millballetschool.com/summer-dance-programs.

Applications sought for farmland preservation program; interested landowners are invited to regional meetings. Agriculture Secretary Douglas H. Fisher today announced that the **State Agriculture Development Committee** (SADC) is seeking applications for the Farmland Preservation Program and will hold a series of regional meetings for interested landowners who want to learn more about the process. "Farmland preservation can help landowners meet certain financial goals while ensuring that the land will be permanently protected for agriculture," said Secretary Fisher. "Anyone considering farmland preservation, now or in the future, is encouraged to attend one of the upcoming meetings to learn about the application, selection and preservation process." For more information contact the SADC directly at (609) 984-2504 or sadc@ag.state.nj.us

tax tidbits

Tax Tidbit: Casualty & Theft Losses

When an individual or a business incurs either a casualty or theft loss, questions often arise as to the deductibility of the loss, on their tax return. A casualty loss occurs when property is damaged, destroyed, or lost from any unexpected or sudden event, such as a fire or hurriane. A casualty loss does not occur where there is normal wear and tear on the property.

The deductible amount of a casualty or theft loss is determined by comparing two calculated amounts. In the first calculation, you must subtract from the adjusted tax basis (cost less depreciation) of the property, the amount of all insurance reimbursements that are received. In the second calculation you must subtract the amount of the fair market value (if any) after the casualty or theft from its fair market value before the casualty or theft. The lesser of the two calculated amounts is your casualty or theft amount.

However, if the loss is related to personal use (non-business) property, there is yet another calculation that has to be made before you can determine if the casualty or theft loss is deductible. In this calculation you must subtract $100 from the casualty or theft amount, as determined from the first and second calculations described above and then you can only deduct the result in excess of 2% of your adjusted gross income. For example, if you had a $10,000 casualty or theft loss and had $100,000 of adjusted gross income, you would have no deductible casualty loss, because $10,000 minus a deductible of $100 is $9,900 and 10% of $100,000 is $10,000, which is more than the $9,900 casualty loss amount. This is why most personal use casualty and theft losses are not deductible.

However, in recent years, there have been very large casualty and theft losses resulting from incidents such as Ponzi scheme theft losses (Madoff) and from casulty losses (Hurricane Sandy). If your casualty or theft loss results in a net operating loss (for individuals, this can happen when they have both a large casualty/theft deduction and negative taxable income). Individuals can carry back that net operating loss three years and apply those losses against the prior tax years' taxable income to get Federal tax refunds. Any remaining net operating losses that are not used up during the 3 year carryback is available to be carried forward. Casulty losses that occur in a later determined federally declaired disaster area sometimes provide additional tax benefits.

If you encounter a situation where you may have a casualty or theft loss, you should consult with an experienced tax professional as to how to maximize your Federal income tax deductions from these types of losses. Our firm is well positioned to help you deal with these issues. If you have any questions about casualty or theft losses, please contact Andrew Ross, CPA of BKC, CPAs, PC (Bedard, Kurowicki & Co., CPA's) at adr@bkc-cpa.com or 908-782-7900, x113, or visit us at www.bkc-cpa.com.

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