



NJAPZA Newsletter

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Message from Ilene Cutroneo, NJAPZA President

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Thanks to all who participated in the planning and preparation of our 2006 Spring Continuing Education Seminar. Those who were able to attend were presented with a broad brush of topics which we face on a daily basis. My thanks are also extended to our Education Chair, Adele Lewis, for establishing our mentoring program (full article within). To be eligible for a mentor or to become a mentor, you must be a member in good standing. Many of our new certificate holders have received their mentor pairing and are on their way to a smooth transition. For those

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NJAPZA ELECTED OFFICIALS

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certificate holders who have not yet received their assignment, it is not too late to become a member of NJAPZA and have a mentor assigned to you.

Please be sure to note on your calendars that our 2006 Annual Luncheon

Meeting will be **ATTENTION**
RUTGERS CERTIFICATE
HOLDERS:

Please remember that **YOU** are responsible for tracking your CEU's and applying for the renewal of your Certificate

As a reminder, the Continuing Education Requirements for:

Planning Board/Zoning Board
Secretary Certificate

15 hours of continuing education every 5 years
Up to 5 hours of credit may be sought for administrative topics*
At least 10 hours must be from land-use related classes, seminars or lectures

Zoning Official Certificate

20 hours of continuing education every 5 years
Up to 6 hours of credit may be sought for administrative topics*
At least 14 hours must be from land-use related classes, seminars or lectures

Land Use Administrator Certificate

30 hours of continuing education every 5 years
Up to 10 hours of credit may be sought for administrative topics*
At least 20 hours must be from land-use related classes seminars or lectures

*If you hold more than one type of certificate,

administrative hours from a single continuing education session may be credited toward the renewal of each certificate up to the administrative limit for each type of certificate.

As a general note, request for CE approval cannot include material that is covered in the certification courses given by Rutgers.

Board Secretary	1 hour
Land Use Administrator	2 hours
Zoning Official	2 hours

held on Wednesday, November 15th, also at Trump Plaza. We have an exciting program to bring to the membership luncheon and this year we will be offering two hours of continuing education credit for our program. This credit will be in addition the one hour of continuing education credit for any other program you attend during the League Convention.

Many of the newly implemented ideas came from you the members and I want to keep that line of communication open. So, if any of you have an idea or a topic that you would like to see covered as a part of our Continuing Education Seminars, please let us know and use our contact link on our website ... www.njapza.org.

Let me take this opportunity to thank

NEW TO NJAPZA **Mentoring Program**

We are pleased to announce that NJAPZA, in conjunction with the courses offered at Rutgers, has begun a Mentoring Program. The purpose of this program is to offer new Board Secretaries, Board Administrators and Zoning Officers the support they need to become competent and confident professionals. The mission statement of the NJAPZA is to educate, enhance and assist members. Mentoring promotes and further establishes another resource for membership assistance.

We are very fortunate to have within our organization, many competent and highly qualified individuals who meet the criteria established and have agreed to serve as Mentors. Through their continued involvement and support, the mentor will offer guidance, and be a valuable resource to the new member as they face the challenges of their position.

There are benefits to the Mentor as well - professional growth is stimulated in mentors as they reexamine their own practices and as they develop the competencies to share their expertise. to encourage new members to become active in the association

We hope this program will be well-received and continue to grow. Any member who is interested in being considered as a Mentor contact Adele Lewis at (973) 762-8120 ext 3201, or via e-mail at adele@twp.maplewood.nj.us.

Beginning with the recipients of certificates issued in 2006, each newly certified Board Secretary, Zoning Officer, and Land Use Administrator has also been assigned a Mentor.

The opportunity for mentors to pass along the knowledge and skills they have gained through experience can be extremely rewarding and fulfilling, with both the Mentor and the Mentee striving to achieve and maintain the highest level of professionalism. The Mentoring program will serve a two-fold purpose as a method to share knowledge and offer assistance as well as a means

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We welcome participation in our Association at all levels whether it be through the new Mentoring program or with one of the other committees. Thank you.

"It is one of the most beautiful compensations of life, that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself."

--Ralph Waldo Emerson



NOVEMBER 15, 2006

**TRUMP PLAZA
THE BOARDWALK AT MISSISSIPPI AVENUE
CHELSEA BALLROOM**

Our EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL LUNCHEON MEETING will be held as indicated above during the NJ State League of Municipalities 91st Annual Conference. During this conference you will be able to attend panel discussions of various topics related to Planning and Zoning.

Our league session will be held on Wednesday afternoon in the Chelsea Ballroom of the Trump Plaza immediately following our luncheon. Two certification credits will be issued to all certified Board Secretaries, Land Use Administrators and Zoning Officials for your attendance.

Registration will begin at 11:30 a.m. and our luncheon will begin begins at 11:45 AM SHARP!

This year the cost of the luncheon is \$50 for members whose dues are current and \$65 for non-members. Please watch your mail for the menu/registration/scholarship form. This year the forms are to be **RETURNED BY OCTOBER 23rd, 2005 to:**

**Dawn Hernandez, Treasurer
Township of Old Bridge
1 Old Bridge Plaza
Old Bridge, NJ 08859**

We are excited to present this year's program to our members. Our topic this year is redevelopment. The Honorable Cory Booker, Mayor of Newark has tentatively accepted our invitation as a speaker to address issues concerning redevelopment in a major city. We will also have a Pro/Con Session about Redevelopment led by Peter Steck, PP/AICP and David Roberts, PP/AICP to raise the level of understanding on the topic.

We hope you can join us in November.

Your Convention Committee: Kathy Dossena, John Fugger, Geniece Gary-Adams, Dawn Hernandez