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# GOP team raised nearly \$800,000 in district campaign

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CAPEMAY COURT HOUSE – First Legislative District Republicans raised nearly \$800,000 in combined efforts in the Nov. 5 election.

Last week, the Sentinel reported the Democratic incumbent team of Senator Jeff Van Drew and Assemblymen Bob Andrzejczak and Nelson Albano raised over \$1 million as part of a joint committee to recapture their seats.

Van Drew and Andrzejczak won re-election; Albano lost to Republican challenger

Sam Fiocchi. The First Legislative District includes Cape May, Cumberland and parts of Atlantic counties.

In separate fundraising efforts, Republican Senate candidate Susan Adelizzi-Schmidt and Assembly candidates Kristine Gabor and Fiocchi raised more than \$700,000, according to reports filed with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC).

Candidates in primary races are required to submit reports to ELEC reporting certain campaign contribu-

tions 29 days and 11 days before an election and 20 days following an election.

Adelizzi-Schmidt did not file a 20-day post election report with ELEC.

According to her 11-day pre-election report submitted on Oct. 25, Adelizzi-Schmidt raised a total of \$343,808 at that point. These contributions included \$11,809 in monetary contributions of less than \$300 and \$291,700 of contributions over \$300. Her campaign received \$27,056 in in-kind contributions over \$300, and \$13,242 transferred from a prior campaign.

Those who contributed to Adelizzi-Schmidt's campaign include Friends of Diane Allen of Cinnaminson (\$5,000); Janice Betts of Woodbine (\$1,300); MSNJ SPINE PAC of Lawrenceville (\$5,000); John Aneson of Manahawkin (\$2,000); Remington Vernick Walberg Engineers of Pleasantville (\$2,600); Richard Adelizzi Jr. of Cape May (\$1,300); Cape May County Regular Republican Organization of Wildwood (\$28,000); NJ Republican Chairmen Association of Egg Harbor Township (\$2,500); Charles Pessagno

of Cape May (2,600); Pan American Hotel of Wildwood (\$2,600); Kline Construction of Galloway (\$2,600); Barbara Wilde of Cape May (\$1,300); Marcus Karavan of Wildwood Crest (\$1,300); James Byrne of Wildwood (\$1,500); and William Layton of Riverton (\$600).

Gabor's campaign raised \$202,598, according to a 20-day post-election report submitted Nov. 26.

According to the report, Gabor's campaign received \$166,220 in monetary contributions over \$300, and \$22,455 in in-kind contribu-

tions over \$300. The report also includes \$7,433 in funds transferred from a previous campaign.

Gabor's Nov. 26 report doesn't list information of contributors who gave \$300 or above, but her 11-day pre-election report, submitted Oct. 25 does.

Gabor's campaign received contributions from Cape May County Regular Republican Organization of Wildwood, (\$25,000); Webber for Assembly of Parsippany (\$500); Election Fund of Assemblyman Dave Rible of Wall (\$8,200); William



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Above, officials from Lower Township, Cape May County, the DRBA and elsewhere gathered at Hanger No. 1 at Naval Air Station Wildwood for its designation as a historic site.

## Naval Air Station now part of new historic district

By CAIN CHAMBERLIN  
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CAPE MAY – In 1997, when Dr. Joseph Salvatore purchased a rundown hangar for \$1 at Cape May County Airport, few believed it had the potential to be what it is now – a non-profit aviation museum at the heart of a newly established historic district.

On Wednesday, Dec. 4, county officials, representatives of the Delaware River and Bay Authority (DRBA), the Naval Air Station Wildwood (NASW), Lower Township and the New Jersey Historic Preservation Office gathered at Salvatore's Hangar No. 1 to recognize the establishment of the new NASW Historic District.

Salvatore and his wife, Anne, have spent years restoring the vintage hangar that was a training facility for dive-bombers and fighter planes during World War II. With the help of grant money, Lower Township, state and local organizations, the hangar has been transformed

into an aviation museum that is home to 26 retired military aircraft.

The new NASW Historic District encompasses both World War II era hangars and the terminal building, which once functioned as a control tower and operations center. Penn Turbo, a firm that restores DeHaviland cargo aircraft, currently rents Hangar No. 2.

Also included is a buffer zone consisting of preserved space that does not interfere with airport operations or the business and industrial section of the airport.

"It's really a big deal – I don't know how else to say it," Cape May County Freeholder William Morey said. "The challenge was to balance the real desire of so many of us to preserve a very important part of our history in this county and at the same time, pave the way for future development."

In 1999, the DRBA entered into a 30-year agreement with the county to operate, man-

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## Santa Claus came to town

Above, Santa Claus made a stop in Cape May before the weather turned foul – obviously checking on the status of some good and bad girls and boys. The right jolly old elf paused at the Cove Beach, a favorite among locals, and obviously his as well.

# ACC 'legend' has Cape May ties

By CAIN CHAMBERLIN  
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CAPE MAY – Before he was inducted into the Wake Forest Sports Hall of Fame, became an ACC football legend and was drafted by the Baltimore Colts, Jay Venuto was just a boy playing football with the neighborhood kids by the water tower in Cape May.

A native of Salem, N.J., Venuto and his family vacationed in Cape May every summer, while he was growing up, at his grandparents' home on Michigan Avenue. He still returns to Cape May each summer where he and his wife, Laurie, share a house with his sisters, Becky and Missy, on New York Avenue.

Over the weekend, Venuto was honored during the



Atlantic Coast Conference Championship Game in (ACC) 9th annual Dr. Pepper Charlotte, N.C., where he

Photo courtesy of Jay Venuto

Above, Jay Venuto rides on a motorcycle behind the Wake Forest Demon Deacon mascot as part of a ceremony honoring him as an Atlantic Coast Conference football legend.

was named to represent the Wake Forest Demon Deacons as an ACC Legend for 2013. Already a member of the Wake Forest Sports Hall of Fame, Venuto was the Deacon starting quarterback in 1979 and 1980 following two seasons watching from the sideline as a redshirt.

The coaching staff soon realized they should have been starting him all along.

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