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By CHRISTOPHER SOUTH Cape May Star and Wave

LOWER TOWNSHIP - The Lower Township Rescue Squad's attorney addressed township council, Monday, saying the not-for-profit serv-ice amended its Certificate of

Incorporation in 1985. Neighbors of the squad's Georgia Avenue facility recently questioned the rescue squad's fees, saying its 1959 Certificate of Incorporation requires it to of offer its services at no charge. Attorney Frank Corrado said he researched the matter and found the squad's bylaws were amended in 1985 to read

'As best as I can determine, the deed was supposed to be amended as well (as the bylaws).'

-Attorney Frank Corrado

they would charge no more than cost for their services. The Lower Township Rescue Squad is a 501(c)(4)charitable organization. Neighbors have raised numerous questions about the rescue squad's operation, including the operation of its food pantry, after initially

complaining about code violations. Complaints included trash overflowing or being placed by a dumpster, derelict vehicles on the property, and double parked vehicles. The matter was brought to the attention of township council after the rescue squad began clearing two lots

of brush and debris. The rescue squad has said its clearing of the lots, which has taken longer than they would have liked, was in response to neighbor complaints.

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Cardinal Avenue resident Bob Weber said he was not aware of any complaints from neighbors, and the LTRS cleared the lot for its own purposes. Corrado acknowledged clearing the lot also led to a citation from the Department of Agriculture, on Monday, for a violation of the Sediment and Erosion Control Act.

In addition to the Certificate of Incorporation, Corrado said he also researched the

deed, but could not find anything other than the original 1961 deed, which transfers the property from the Charles Buddy Lewis Veterans Home Association to the Lower Township Rescue Squad. Corrado said the deed does contain a "contingent revert-er," as Weber pointed out at the last council meeting in May. This clause, called a "contingent remainder" in the in the deed says the rescue squad must operate "with no charge to the beneficiaries." It further says if the rescue squad discontinues its operation on this basis, the

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LTMUA solar project advancing

By CAIN CHAMBERLIN *Cape May Star and Wave*

LOWER TOWNSHIP - The fencing and a large portion of the conduit for the 750kW Solar Array Project near the Wastewater Treatment Plant is complete according to Executive Director Matt Ecker of the Lower Township Municipal Utilities Authority. "They're making good progress," he said at last

Wednesday's meeting. "The

which was awarded to Calvi Electric of Atlantic City. Since February 2010, the LTMUA has been saving an average of \$1,200 a month because of the first project.

The new 750kW project is similar to the first, costing the LTMUA zero capital dol-lars for construction. lars for construction. According to the LTMUA website, the new solar unit will produce electric at a cost to the MUA of \$0.0375 per kW for electrical power generat-

'They're making good progress. The largest runs of the conduit are done.' – LTMUA Executive **Director Matt Ecker**

largest runs of the conduit are done.' The Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) contract for this project was awarded

tract. Cambria Solar of Pleasantville. It is the second

ed by the unit for the first five years with an escalation rate to \$0.05 per kW during the fifteen year term of the con-

Both of the MUA solar projects have the 15-year con-



Tragedy on Wildwood Boardwalk

WILDWOOD - On Friday, June 3, Star and Wave photography intern Patrick Hyland was on the Wildwood Boardwalk shooting pictures for our beach publication, the Sure Guide, when I I-year-old Abiah lones of Pleasantville fell over 100 feet from the Ferris wheel at Mariner's Landing. The accident happened around 12:30 p.m., and the youngster, who was visiting the pier with a school group, was pronounced dead at 1:14 p.m. at Cape Regional Medical Center. Law enforcement officials have not been able to determine why the girl fell. Will Morey issued a statement saying the cause of the incident had not been determined, but it did not appear to be mechanical or operational in nature. "On

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Cape May roadwork continued

By CAIN CHAMBERLIN *Cape May Star and Wave*

CAPE MAY – City Manager Bruce MacLeod said USDA funded road projects throughout the city would be completed, to a certain extent, by June 17, before the peak of the tourism season.

He said construction will resume in the fall. Water, sewer and storm sewer main replacements as well as grating, individual home services and a base layer of pavement will be completed on a large section of streets by the target date. Broadway, Grant, Windsor, Park, Congress, Capehart, Claghorn, and Mt. Vernon will all reach the same level of completion.

MacLeod said the second

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panel project the LTMUA has taken part in, the first being a 50kW solar unit,

tract but have a life expectan

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behalf of the Morey Family and staff, I offer our sincerest thoughts and prayers to the family," Morey said. Above, Wildwood police officers investigating the incident.

Doran and kids come home again to Cape

By CHRISTOPHER SOUTH Cape May Star and Wave

CAPE MAY – Dave Doran has a lot of his history in Cape May, including pranks played on a local pool hall owner when he was a teenager. However, most of the memories were of good times spent at the Jersey Shore with his extended family - one that includes him, his wife and six children.

Doran was born in Greensberg, Pa., in 1929. When he was 10, his family moved to Cape May because doctors thought the climate would be better for his mother's asthma. His parents bought a house at 38 Jackson St., where he lived until he joined the U.S. Marines.

Doran attended Cape May High School, where he played football and ran track. He played right guard on the varsity team as a freshman. At 16 he began spending summers in the Merchant Marines, and after he graduated high school in 1948, he joined the USMC. In 1950 he was sent to Korea, where allied forces were holed up in the city of Pusan. He took part in an offensive that pushed the North Koreans back home. At the time, he said, the U.S. government denied China was in the war, but Mao Tsetung had vowed to cram whatever was left of the U.S. Marines 1st Division into a phone booth.

"USMC-1 gave a devastating blow to the Chinese," Doran said.

Doran had perhaps developed the gumption displayed by such an attitude by playing pranks on Wally



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Dave Doran, 81, seated in photo, visited Cape May with his children to relive myriad memories of living in and visiting Cape May. Dave, a 1948 graduate of Cape May High School, is shown with five of his six children, left to right, Edith, Mary Frances, David, Maureen and Kathleen. Isabelle, not pictured, arrived later. Doran holds a photo of his late wife, Edith.

Hoebenthal, who owned Wally's Pool Hall. Doran denies being the prankster, but has knowledge of a Coca-Cola bottle of urine being thrown in a pot-bellied stove in the pool room.

"If you want to clear out a pool room, just put a Coke bottle of urine in the stove," Doran said.

As if that wasn't enough, Doran said they once rigged a trash can at Wally's back door. Doran said they filled a trash can with trash they took from the convent at Our Lady Star of the Sea, which was where he attended elementary school. He said they filled the can with liquid and leaned it against the back door, which opened inward. When Wally opened the door the soupy garbage mix was dumped in the door and ran all over the floor.

Doran was not the ring leader of the group, however. That distinction might have gone to another Cape May

kid whose claim to fame might have been setting a new taxi on fire while siphoning gas. He allegedly wanted to check the flow and used his cigarette lighter for light, resulting in a fire that burned up the taxi and the garage.

According to Doran, if this acciden-tal arsonist was standing on a street corner, there were probably two policemen nearby keeping an eye on him

Doran left all this behind when he joined the Marines, but he was still a go getter; or shall we say, "get her." As a 19-year-old marine, Doran was assigned to Naval Hospital Bremerton (Wash), which was grounded by the (Wash.), which was guarded by the Marines. One night a Navy nurse, Lt. Edith Hall, went out for her dinner. Doran told her, "I'm not going to let you back in the gate unless you buy me a strawberry milkshake and a hamburger."

Hall, A Navy officer nine years his senior, refused the demand of the insolent marine, but later relented. She eventually accepted his proposal of marriage.

The Dorans first lived in Navy housing in Philadelphia, and later moved to Collingswood, starting a family that included Mary Frances (1952) Edith ('54), Kathleen ('55), Isabelle ('56), David ('59) and Maureen ('60). All the kids have memories of good times in Cape May, which include visits to Petroff's Taffy on Beach Avenue between what is now Carneys and Cabanas. Petroff's featured "Big fat

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