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The law, which Congress passed and President Barack Obama signed in 2010, has an individual mandate requiring everyone to purchase health insurance or pay a penalty.

He said the law "seriously jeopardizes the doctor-patient relationship" and is burdened with more than 100 new boards and commissions with 25,000 pages of regulations.

LoBiondo said the law sets a "dangerous precedent" because the president arbitrarily changed it 34 times. The Supreme Court upheld the law's individual mandate in 2012.

The law will return to the Supreme Court over a series of issues ranging from religious freedom, contraception and corporate rights. LoBiondo said the Supreme Court case will determine

"far-reaching implications" regarding Obamacare.

When we've got a family that's got a father they're afraid is going to die because he can't get treatment, I don't know how it doesn't get any more serious than that," LoBiondo said. "We've got to get our priorities straight."

Responding to a question from the audience, LoBiondo said he agreed the president violated the Constitution with Obamacare. He said the Senate would not attempt to impeach Obama over the law.

"This is going to be resolved by the Supreme Court," LoBiondo said. "If the Supreme Court rules on this, it doesn't just solve it for this president, it solves it for any president."

Real estate agent Gary Jessel, of Fox Real Estate, said the local market rebounded from the negative

effects of Hurricane Sandy, with home sales and rentals "doing extremely well." He credited LoBiondo's efforts to secure U.S. Army Corps of Engineers beach-replenishment funds with that success. LoBiondo said New Jersey topped \$40 billion in tourism revenue, a feat that could not have been accomplished without the shore communities.

"This has nothing to do with getting a tan. It's jobs and the economy," LoBiondo said. "If you don't have a beach, you don't have tourists. If you don't have tourists, you don't have small businesses. How many small businesses in Ocean City rely on those months in the summer for people who will come here and know that they will have a clean, sustained beach with cleaned water? It doesn't happen by accident. It's not about beach-replenishment dollars, it's about all those jobs.'

Regarding the Ocean City Housing Authority waiting to repay Ocean City for \$1.2 million worth of renovations to Peck's Beach Village following Hurricane Šandy, LoBiondo said he was "dismayed" the issue was not settled.

The Housing Authority will seek advice from the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Newark after issues were raised that the work performed did not conform to HUD's guidelines. Housing Authority representatives were set to meet with HUD officials March 22 but the meeting was postponed.

"I think the city acted in good faith. I don't want to get into the complications of it. I know it's a minefield. I fail to understand why this can't be fixed and settled, and it should be," LoBiondo said.

LoBiondo said an Army Corps beach-replenishment project for Ocean City's south end will begin this fall.

The city received word from the Army Corps that the project, which replenishes sand from Great Egg Harbor Inlet to Townsends Inlet, including Strathmere, Sea Isle City and southern Ocean City, was delayed from December 2013 to March 2014. South-enders were told the project would commence after the summer season.

"I know there are some folks who want to see it sooner than the fall," LoBiondo said. "The project is authorized, it's funded, it's on board."

Asked his opinion on a \$90 million project to extend a natural gas pipeline 22 miles through Maurice River Township, Estell Manor and Upper Township to the Generating Station, LoBiondo

said he supports the pipeline. The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities and South Jersey Gas applied to construct the pipeline, but the New Jersey Pinelands Commission split their votes to approve the project 7-7 on Jan. 10. The agreement needed eight votes to pass.

'I understand environmental concerns. You can't convince me there isn't a solution that accommodates both. If you turn this plant off, and you have July or August and you flip your switch and don't have power, what's going to happen? It's got to come from somewhere," LoBiondo said. "Every opportunity I get, I express my strong support for seeing this completed

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11th term, was unable to attend the convention. LoBiondo spokesman Robert Geist told attendees his boss is "pleased" to have their support.

"In his time in Washington, D.C., he has been a proven leader for South Jersey, bringing our common-sense values and our ideas back down to D.C. into the Congress, and making sure we find solutions that work," Geist said.

Geist said LoBiondo's work during Hurricane Sandy recovery, reducing "needless regulation" for small businesses, and making govern-

#### ment more responsible were hallmarks of his legacy. Geist said LoBiondo voted to repeal the Affordable Care

Act and would continue to do so in order to "find a more common-sense solution." Republican U.S. Senate

candidates Murray Sabrin, Richard Pezzullo, Brian Goldberg and Robert "Turk" Turkavage were not present, but had representatives who spoke on their behalf.

County Republicans will choose their Senate candidates in the June 3 primary election to challenge incumbent Democratic Sen. Cory Booker in November.

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said.

Martin, who attended the press conference, will be part of the Summer Concert Series. Martin is a singer, whose act incorporates stories of growincorporates stories of grow-ing up in a house filled with celebrities, including "Uncle Frank" (Sinatra) and "Uncle Sammy" (Davis Jr.).

Also in attendance was George Muller, operations manger and artistic director for Peter Nero. Nero is slated to perform May 24 with the Philly Pops. Speaking over the phone, Nero said he goes through his extensive data base of songs and tries to narrow it down for an individual concert. Being held over the Memorial Day Weekend, Nero said he tries to include a patriotic element to his pro-

gram. "I always keep that in

Nero is a two-time Grammy Award winning pianist who has been the conductor of the Philly Pops for over three decades.

Nero's is the first of six special concerts between May 24 and Dec. 13 (see schedules below). He is being followed by The Savoy Company performing two Gilbert and Sullivan productions. After that are three shows titled "An Evening at the Cape May Supper Club," featuring Cape May native Jeff Coon.

"We're putting together three distinct cabaret-style variety shows," Coon said via Skype. Coon said he wanted to

put together a variety show

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Christopher South/Cape May Star and Wave Above, Mayor Ed Mahaney with performer Deana Martin at Monday's press copnference to announce the 2014 concert/show schedule.

with music that would make people want to get up and dance. Coon has been acting in Philadelphia, mainly, for the past 21 years and has been in 30 productions at the Walnut Street Theater. He recently had the lead in "Music Man," a musical in which he performed while a student at Lower Cape May Regional High School.

Coming in October is the Philadelphia German Brass Band, followed by Rubylee Productions "Broadway and Beyond," a production of well known Broadway hits.

The special series ends in December with the Poperazzi Holiday Concert, featuring three vocalists performing "opera with a twist." Their song list mixes tradition and emporary music them will be the Wildwood Catholic High School choral group.

Every Monday for eight weeks, Convention Hall will host its Summer Concert Series, beginning June 30 with The Hit Men, featuring former singers with Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. The lineup also includes Mellissa Manchester, who is recording her 20th album; Deana Martin; Rubylee Productions doing "Broadway at the Beach"; The Grass Roots (Midnight Confessions, Temptation Eyes, Feeling); Poperazzi; Rita Coolidge; and The Kingston Trio.

"These are all being produced and sponsored by the City of Cape May," Mahaney said.

Chait outlined a series of ticket packages that offer a discount to repeat customers. The Early Summer Productions Broadway at the Beach. Series, July Summer Concert Series, Mid-Summer Concert July 28, at 8 p.m., The Grass Series, and Late Summer Roots. Aug. 4, at 8 p.m., Poperazzi. includes one ticket for the Philadelphia Boys Choir concert on Saturday, Aug. 23. The Loyalty summer Concert Series Plan offers all nine concerts with a \$39 discount Chorale.

To purchase tickets, call toll free at (855) 708-9699 or locally at (609) 884-9563, or stop by Convention Hall. Tickets can be purchased online at www.discovercapemaynj.com.

The 2014 Special Concerts and Shows schedule includes (all on Saturdays):

May 24, at 8 p.m., Peter Nero and the Philly Pops.

July 5, at 7:30 p.m., The Savoy Company presents Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Sorcerer" and "Trial by Jury.

July 26, at 8 p.m., An Evening at the Cape May Supper Club featuring Jeff Coon.

Aug. 16, at 8 p.m., An Evening at the Cape May Supper Club featuring Jeff Coon.

Aug. 30, at 8 p.m., An Evening at the Cape May Supper Club featuring Jeff Coon.

11, at 7:30 p.m., Oct. Philadelphia German Brass Band.

Nov. 15, at 8 p.m., Rubylee presents Productions Broadway and Beyond.

Dec. 13, at 8 p.m., Poperazzi Holiday Concert.

The 2014 Summer Concert Series includes (all Mondays except noted):

June 30, at 8 p.m., The Hit Men.

July 7, at 8 p.m., Melissa Manchester. July 14, at 8 p.m., Deana

Martin. July 21, at 8 p.m., Rubylee

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Aug. 11, at 8 p.m., Rita Coolidge. Aug. 18, at 8 p.m., The Kingston Trio. Saturday, Aug. 23, at 8 p.m., Philadelphia Boys Choir and

# Millman Center hosts community meetings, parties

VILLAS- Lower Township's renovated Millman Community Center is providing free meeting space to 10 community groups ranging from the Optimist Club to the Sons of Italy.

The Millman Community Center received a complete rewiring, new commercial kitchen, floors, heating and air conditioning, a fire suppression system, paint, siding and a lawn irrigation system in 2013.

"All of the improvements have been a great suc-cess," said Lower Township Manager Mike Voll.

He said prior to renovations in 2013, upgrades to the building had been ignored for 50 years.

Voll said he believed the building's namesake, Joseph Millman, would be proud of the community center.

The center is equipped with Smart TV, wireless internet and a sound system with wireless microphones. The kitchen includes an ice machine, eight-burner stove, oven, microwave, refrigerator and a Beer Meister. The cost of renovations was \$393,000.

Spring weather will bring new sod to the center.

Lower Township's Millman Community Center is available for rental for birthday parties, anniversary celebrations, bridal and baby showers, banquets, receptions, meetings and luncheons. Rental fees for the Millman Community Center are very competitively priced.

The township participat-ed in a Bridal Fair at the Wildwoods Convention

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