Seminar details how officials and their families safe were can safeguard their proper-

response and how citizens understanding how officials

In order to comply with the regulations set by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and scheduled to go into effect July 1, 2018, a new program is a regulatory requirement that will raise the flood insurance premium for homes that are in the flood insurance zone to qualify for outdoor seats.

The City of Cape May Point has put a temporary outdoor seating ordinance into effect.

The Fire Prevention Bureau will be using various means including education to help individuals be aware of the new ordinance.

By ERIC AVESSIDIAN

Ocean City, New Jersey — Undersrating how officials and emergency responders and how citizens can prepare themselves for natural disasters and how to keep themselves safe in the Ocean City Free Public Library.

Ocean City Emergency Management Coordinator Frank Donahue said when events occur multiple depart-

ments and agencies, local emergency management department get involved in events such as natural disasters, blizzards, flooding and hur-

ricane. Donahue said every New Jersey Emergency Management Coordi-

nating County Coordinator: Cape May County Coordinator Mark Paulk.

The Ocean City Police Department performs the Search and Rescue functions for the state, Do-

nato said “If we need a resource from the state, our re-

quest goes to them (State Police) through their chain of command.” Donato said Donato noted the state’s emergency management headquarters is in Trenton, in a building called the Regional Operations and Intelligence Center (ROIC). During natural disasters, the governor of New Jersey is located in ROIC.

“The worst thing is, if there’s no communication, that’s where the decisions are made,” Donato said.

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Vetern from Millville charged with threats to LoBiondo, staff

By ERIC AVESSIDIAN

Cape May Point, NJ — A Millville man was charged Sept. 28 with threatening to as-


Joseph Brodie, 38, was charged with a federal crime-

nial complaint with one count of threatening to as-

sault a U.S. official. Brodie has been in state custody since he was arrested Sept. 20 and is slated to appear before U.S. Magistrate Judge Joel Schrader in federal court in Camden at a later date.

LoBiondo represents New Jersey’s 2nd Congressional District, which encompasses Cape May, Cumberland, Atlantic and parts of Ocean, Gloucester and Camden counties.

According to documents filed in the case, on Sept. 15 and 19, Brodie allegedly made various threats via telephone and email to murder and assault a New Jersey member of Congress and the congres-

man’s staff. LoBiondo’s office confirmed to the Cape May Star and Wave that he was the congressional threatened. The count to which Bro-

die has been charged is punishable by a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a $250,000 fine.

LoBiondo, a Republican, has been a member of the U.S. Congressional delegation since 2005.

On May 5, New Jersey State Police troopers par-

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Rising insurance rates could force raising of homes

By RACHEL RUBIN

Special to the Star and Wave

CAPE MAY POINT — Borough Manager Michael vanHeeswyk said homeowners opting not to pay more than 50 percent of assessed value for flood insurance. In some cases, it might be cheaper to demolish rather than rebuild if you sell your home.

The previous city administration will now be going through the process of starting the department, he said. “We will be utilizing consulting, current employees and help from other municipalities to ensure a smooth transition come

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