

# Join Us in Welcoming Our New Board Members!



*Gwendolyn O. Love,  
Executive Director, Lunch Break*



*Thomas Piniński, Former Director,  
Monmouth County Office on Aging*

## Direct from the Director (from back panel)

Several more of our Youth Corps students now can say they earned a high school diploma (GED) while many have been hired as full-time workers. This is the result of an incredible staff that works tirelessly at preparing students for work and urging employers to give them a chance. I can only say, God bless them!

Our small business institute is up and running. Several local business people are mentoring them. These are truly special people who realize that some just don't get the same start as others.

Very shortly we will be opening a restaurant in the Springwood Center called the Kula Café. It will be a community restaurant whose primary purpose is to train locals including our Youth Corps graduates in how to be part of a restaurant's wait staff as well as in food preparation. We hope you will join us for breakfast or lunch.

If you have been following this column you will note that I always say this organization belongs to our donors, those people who truly care about their less fortunate neighbors. I hope you are pleased with our work. We are most proud to continue to say that 97% of our donations directly support our programs!

*Joe Marmora,  
Executive Director*

P. S. June 12, 2013: *twenty-fifth anniversary*—stay tuned!

## Donate Your Vehicle and Help Interfaith Neighbors!

You can turn your unwanted vehicle, running or not, into a tax deductible contribution to Interfaith Neighbors through our Car Donation Program. Just follow these simple steps to donate your vehicle:

1. Have your vehicle title handy.
2. Call 1-877-CARS-4-US
3. Request extension #2479
4. Provide your name, address, phone # and vehicle information from the title.

## Direct from the Director

I hope that summer has gone well for all. While our economy is in a slowdown mode, we at Interfaith Neighbors are heading well into the opposite direction. Each division is running on all cylinders and full speed ahead. God has blessed us with an incredible staff. They know that the harder they work, the more people are getting the assistance they need.

Our rental and mortgage assistance program is working non-stop. The phones are ringing off the wall and some people just come in to our office from all parts of Monmouth County.

Meals on Wheels has been inundated with requests. We found it necessary to put a freeze on new meal recipients as we were running way over our budget. Fortunately, an unexpected funding source was sent directly from heaven (I have always maintained that the Higher Power is looking out for us), and the freeze was immediately lifted.

Our affordable housing division completed and sold three new houses and immediately started three more. The Springwood Center was also completed and has become our flagship project. Tenants are moving in, the Asbury Park Senior Center is in full swing and ground floor occupancy is filling up.

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## Donating to Interfaith Neighbors Just Got Easier!!

Did you know you can donate to Interfaith Neighbors online? Just visit us at [http://www.interfaithneighbors.org/how\\_to\\_donate.asp](http://www.interfaithneighbors.org/how_to_donate.asp) and click "Online Donations". You will then be taken to "Network For Good"—a secure site that processes donations for Interfaith Neighbors. Making a donation is just a few clicks away!

### Interfaith Neighbors, Inc.

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## A Dream Come True



*Back Row (L to R) Tom Hayes, Joe Marmora, Kathy Ellis, Mayor Ed Johnson, Karen Escobedo. Front Row (L to R) The Nelson Family: Marie, Kathlunda, Rinskie, and Jean.*

Congratulations to our new homeowners at 1501 and 1503 Stratford Ave (pictures inside). Interfaith Neighbors has now completed 45 units of affordable housing. These include for-sale single-family detached homes and for-rent units in the new Springwood Center.

Interfaith Neighbors launched its affordable housing program in 1996 with help from an initial investment from New Jersey Natural Gas. Since the inception of this program, Interfaith Neighbors has built 45 total units of high quality, affordable housing. Over \$5 million has been invested in the construction of our "for sale" affordable housing units, with an additional investment of over \$1.5 million in eight affordable rental units. In the next 3-5 years, IFN is planning to produce some 30-35 additional units of housing for low-income families.



## JOIN US!!! 30th Annual Run/Walk Thru Deal 5K

presented by Deal Fire Company #2  
and Point Pleasant Distributors  
to benefit Interfaith Neighbors

**Sunday, October 7, 2012**

A 5-k (3.1 mile) Road Race—Walkers welcome  
Followed by Post-Race Party for all ages!

Registration and Check-In begin at 8:30 AM  
1 Mile Fun Run begins at 10:00 AM  
5-k Run begins at 11:00 AM

Five Mile Run Awards in several categories!  
Special Fun Run Awards!

Register online: [www.jerseyrunner.com](http://www.jerseyrunner.com)  
For more information, call: 732-531-1994

Make checks payable to:  
Deal Fire Co, P.O. Box 233, Deal, NJ 07723



## 2012 Business Academy

### FALL AND WINTER SCHEDULE

Join Fellow Entrepreneurs at  
Business Workshops in Asbury Park.

Acquire the knowledge to become a successful  
entrepreneur. Interfaith Neighbors of Asbury Park  
is sponsoring a series of workshops for current and  
aspiring entrepreneurs.

#### Entrepreneurial Training Program:

This six-week course will guide you through  
the early stages of the entrepreneurial process. It  
is conducted by UCEDC who is the entrepre-  
neurial training arm of the New Jersey Economic

### Neighbors Helping Neighbors Golf Outing

**Monday, September 24, 2012**

Deal Golf and Country Club  
1 Golf Lane, Deal, NJ 07723

#### To Benefit Interfaith Neighbors

##### Schedule:

11:30 AM Lunch  
12:30 PM Shotgun Start  
5:00 PM Reception and Dinner

Golf and Dinner Fee:

Individual Golfers: \$300

Reception/Dinner attendees: \$75  
(does not include golf)

Sponsorship opportunities are available!

Checks payable to: Interfaith Neighbors  
810 Fourth Ave., Asbury Park, NJ 07712

Please Contact Heather Schulze  
for further information:  
732-775-0525

Development Authority (NJEDA), charged with  
helping start-ups and established businesses to  
position them for success. This special workshop  
will give you the tools to provide you with the best  
chance to turn your business idea into a reality.

Fee: \$225.00

Dates/Time: September 19th & 26th, and  
October 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th.  
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

#### Start Up Business Workshop:

This is for anyone who is planning to start a small  
business. Examine legal forms of business owner-  
ship, how to register a new business, understand  
money needs, among other relevant topics.

Fee: \$55.00

Dates/Time: September 29th  
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### Financing a Small Business:

This workshop will help you address the needs for  
financial assistance, whether to start up or expand  
your existing business.

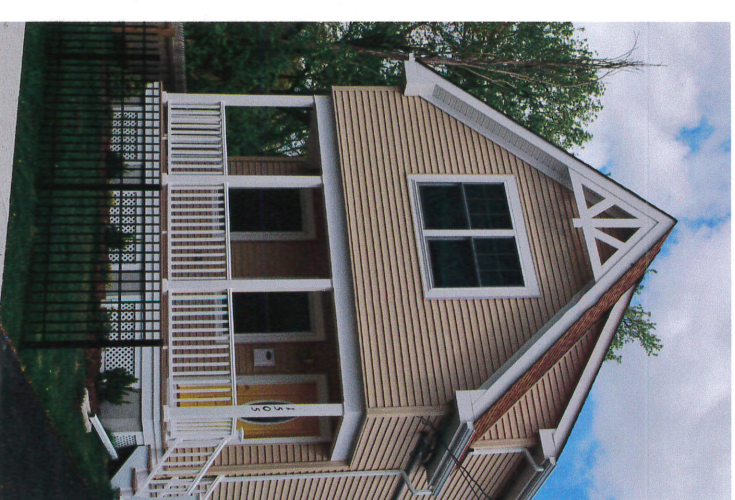
Fee: \$35.00

Dates/Time: October 18th  
7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

### Save the Date!

## Interfaith Neighbors 25th Anniversary Celebration!

Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013  
at the Berkeley Hotel in  
Asbury Park, NJ 07712



#### A Business Plan:

Learn how to form a business plan that can help  
you convince the most skeptical banker.

Fee: \$40.00

Dates/Time: November 19th & 20th  
7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

### REGISTRATION REQUIRED

#### Registration Information:

Workshops are conducted at the Business  
Development Center located at the Springwood  
Center, 1201 Springwood Avenue, Asbury  
Park, NJ 07712.

Directions can be found at:

<http://www.businessdevcenter.org/directions/>  
More information at:

[www.BusinessDevCenter.org](http://www.BusinessDevCenter.org) or contact:  
[marshaf@interfaithneighbors.org](mailto:marshaf@interfaithneighbors.org)  
732-775-0525 extension 210.