

COMEDY NIGHT!

Buena Vista Township Special Events Committee presents our

One Night Only!

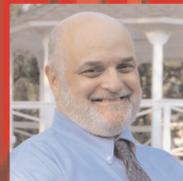
13th Comedy Gala Saturday, April 5, 2014

One Night Only!

Reservations are

\$35 per person

There will be a 10% discount for anyone booking a table of 8 or 10.



MC & Host
Joey Novick

The event will be held at the

Buena Vista Country Club

Doors Open at 6:30 pm

Show Begins at 8:00 pm

Price includes a Comedy Show featuring
Host and MC Joey Novick
along with 2 other comedians plus...



Comedian
Leighann Lord



Comedian
Kevin Bartini

There will be a full Buffet Dinner featuring:

Roast Turkey Breast in gravy, Sausage and Peppers, Penne Pasta in Marinara,
Green Beans, Peas and Carrots, Caesar Salad, and
New York Style Cheesecake.

Cash Bar

Buena Vista Country Club 301 Country Club Lane Buena, NJ 08310 (856) 697-1200

SAVE THE DATE, ORDER TICKETS NOW

For tickets stop by the Buena Vista Township Municipal Building (Administration Office) 890 Harding Highway or mail check or money order to Buena Vista Township Special Events, PO Box 605, Buena, NJ 08310. Please include the name of guests that you are paying for.

Reserve early -- last year's show was a sell out!

For more information call Lisa Tilton in Administration at 856-697-2100 or 609-561-5650 option 8 or Dolores Comparri at 856-697-1482 after 6pm.

Benefits the Buena Vista Township Special Events Committee -Great Events All Year Long!



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Events In This Issue and Coming Attractions

- * Miss Buena Pageant, Sunday, March 9th
- * BVT Comedy Night, Saturday, April 6th
- * BVT FREE Rabies Clinics - 2 dates, 4 locations - see inside
- * 20th Annual Easter Egg Hunt & Coloring Contest, Saturday, April 12th

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20th Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Coloring Contest April 12th

On Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 12:00 noon the Buena Vista Township Special Events Committee invites all Township children ages 1 -12 to the 19th Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Coloring Contest at the Michael Debbi Park in Richland. Your children can help find over 2,000 prize filled eggs and special bonus eggs with super prizes.

Buena Vista children are encouraged to bring their Easter Coloring Contest pictures to the park for judging.

Entries should be received no later than 12:00 noon on the day of the hunt. Entry forms will be distributed to all Buena Regional District Elementary Schools, St. Mary's Regional School, and will also be available at the Township Municipal Building on Route 40. Coloring Contest prizes will be given in three age groups: 5 to 6; 7 to 9; and 10 to 12 years old.

Rain date for the event is Saturday, April 19th at 12:00 noon. Kids must bring their own baskets or bags. Refreshments will be available for sale. Family fun for all.

* **Buena Braves:** The 2013 Buena Braves award banquet was held at Buena Regional High School on Wednesday December 11, 2013. The Cheerleaders and all the players were honored. Pictured is the Junior Varsity Team that made it to the playoffs. Coach Jan Anderson and Head Coach Aldo Falasca are at the podium. Coaches Jan Anderson and Brett Artz were also honored for 25 years of dedicated service.

BVT Community News Briefs

* **Buena Historical Society Gala:** The annual Holiday gathering was held at Martin's Custom Catering in Landisville on Wednesday, December 18, 2013. The event honored the careers of Ron Ruggeri, Joe Rosemont and the D'Andrea family. It was a wonderful event with many memories and presentations.

* **Buena Regional Athletic Hall of Fame:** This annual event was held at the Buena Vista Country Club and highlighted the careers of many deserving Buena Regional athletes and coaches. The induction included Christopher Meyrick, Coach Barbara Meyrick, Robert Coia, Irena Burgos Fischer, Clifford Groce, Samantha Horner, Kiesha Mack, Dr. Kris Rainear, Robin Gilmore Woodie and the 1988 Boys Cross Country Team.

* **The Anderson Family:** School Board President Dave Anderson (center) retired after 38 years of service as a Board Member and President of the Buena Regional School District. Presentations were made at the school board meeting on Tuesday, December 17, 2013. Pictured with Dave are son Jan (left) and grandson Erik (right). Thanks for a great career Dave!



* **Richland Fire and Santa Express:** The Richland Volunteer Fire Company gave a gift to 16 students and their parents or guardians of a special ride on the Santa Starlite Express on Tuesday evening December 17, 2013. The students were from the John C. Milanese Elementary School. Before the train ride the students received a tour of the Fire Company and some special treats. They were then taken with a State Police escort in Fire Trucks to the Train Station in Richland Village. The children had a magic night with Santa on the train.



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A Pinelands Clean Community

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Deputy Mayor Teresa Kelly

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Steve Martinelli
John Williams

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Chief Financial Officer -
Susan A. Quinones

Township Clerk - Linda Gonzales

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Welcome to 2014

by Mayor Chuck Chiarello



First, I would like to wish a belated Happy New Year to all the residents of Buena Vista Township. The last few years have been a difficult time in the Township's history with many negative topics and infighting within the Township Committee. Contrary to anything that you may have heard or is being said, my goal is to get Buena Vista off to a fresh start. For years we were known for being the "Kindest Town in New Jersey" after we won a State-wide competition. We want people to be proud that they live here and not to see their town caught up in political turmoil. There are many issues that need to be resolved in the coming months. I would like to see a renewed effort in finding grants for our community, building a better relationship with our school system and attracting some new business ratables. Many of our residents know the difficulties we face with Pinelands Regulations and the great growth limitations they place on our community. Things that people take for granted in most other communities just cannot happen in the restricted areas of the Pinelands. While Richland Village has been the center of many controversies in the past two years, I believe with some improvement in the economy and new interest in the Village we may be able to improve the success rate by bringing tourists and some new jobs to our community. I know it has been said before but I still hear it several times a week that people are concerned about certain issues that will impact our community. There are no sewer plants coming, no big developers moving in and no HUD Housing being built in Buena Vista Township. The reality in our type of community which is situated within the Pinelands is that these things just can't happen. With those thoughts, I am proud to be back as your Mayor and will strive to make you proud of living in Buena Vista Township.

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Buena Vista Township Reorganization 2014



Newly elected Committeeman Steve Martinelli is sworn-in to office by State Senator Jim Whelan as his wife Patty holds the bible as his sons Kevin and Steve look on.

On Monday, January 6, 2014, the annual Reorganization Meeting of the Buena Vista Township Committee was held. An overflow crowd of over 150 were in attendance to see the swearing in of the two newest members of Township Committee. Steve Martinelli of East Vineland and John Williams of Collings Lakes were elected last November. Their election lead to a change of leadership back to Mayor Chuck Chiarello and Deputy Mayor Teresa Kelly. State



Newly elected Committeeman John Williams is sworn-in to office by State Senator Jim Whelan as his wife Sue holds the bible.

Senator Jim Whelan, Assemblyman Vince Mazzeo and Freeholder Colin Bell swore in all the officials. They also participated in the annual "group swearing-in" where everyone who was appointed to an office is sworn in together at the same time. Continued, see Buena Vista Township Reorganization 2014... page 2.



A mass swearing-in was held on Monday, January 6, 2014 of all the appointed officials and volunteers at the annual Reorganization Meeting of Buena Vista Township. A large crowd of over 150 was on hand for the event.

Also in attendance was Reverend David Mallory who gave the Invocation, Richard (Jingles) Ferrant of VFW Post 158, Eugene Moore who sang the National Anthem and Reverend Ken Albert who gave the closing prayer. Mayor Chuck Chiarello presented brief "State of the Township" remarks. Each member of the Township Committee spoke and brought greetings for the New Year to the residents of Buena Vista.



The Bud Dennis Duo

Assemblyman Vince Mazzeo

Committeeman Chuck Chiarello is sworn-in for his 18th term as Mayor by State Assemblyman Vince Mazzeo as his wife Cheryl holds the bible.

Township Committee Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month.



Committeewoman Teresa Kelly is sworn-in for her 17th term as Deputy Mayor by Freeholder Colin Bell as her husband Joe holds the bible as her mother Marion looks on.

Buena Vista Township Welcomes the Lazy Eye Distillery - Coming this Summer

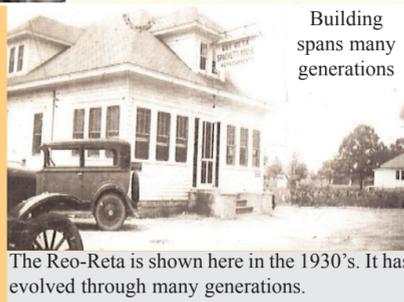
A unique new business is coming to the Richland Village section of Buena Vista Township in the summer of 2014. The Lazy Eye Distillery will be located at 1328 Harding Highway (US Route 40). The site was best known as a local restaurant called Giacomo's. It is now planned to be the first licensed "craft distillery" in the State of New Jersey.

The business will be operated by Axios & Sons LLC., a Northfield based company. They will be making small batch hand crafted spirits, including vodka, grappa, moonshine and bottled vodka specialty martinis. This facility will offer tours, tastings and on-site sales of the products they will produce.

The Lazy Eye Distillery received their Federal Permit to operate in December 2013. The "craft distillery" legislation for New Jersey was co-sponsored by Senator Jim Whelan. The Microdistillery business is flourishing in other states and will support the state and local economy with tourism and the purchasing of local products.

Axios & Sons LLC selected Richland Village in Buena Vista Township for many reasons. As residents of Atlantic County, they knew of the great accessibility for tourism along Route 40 and the quaint "Main Street" atmosphere that is reminiscent of the prohibition era. The theme of the building would be in keeping with the old fashioned atmosphere of Richland Village.

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Building spans many generations

The Reo-Reta is shown here in the 1930's. It has evolved through many generations.



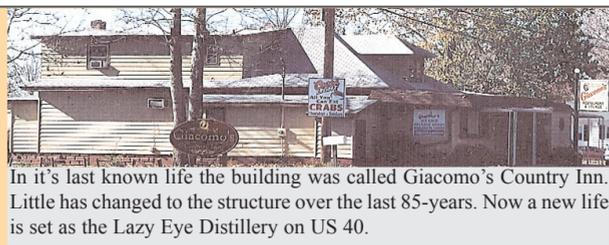
In the 1940's it was known as the Rio-Rita with some changes to the front of the building.



By the 1960's the building became known as Giacomo's Restaurant and Lounge.

LazyEye Distillery...continued from page 2.

The location of the Lazy Eye Distillery has historically been a tavern and restaurant since the 1930's. It has been formerly known as Reo-Reta, and also Rio-Rito in the 1940's. The location became known as Giacomo's Restaurant and Lounge in the 1960's and then Giacomo's Country Inn. Mayor Chuck Chiarello stated, "I was excited to learn of this



In it's last known life the building was called Giacomo's Country Inn. Little has changed to the structure over the last 85-years. Now a new life is set as the Lazy Eye Distillery on US 40.

unique private enterprise locating in our area. We are in Atlantic County, yet close to Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem Counties. Richland Village is noted for many attractions such as the Historic Richland General Store, Patcong Valley Model Railroad, Cape May Seashore Lines Train and It's a Toy Store with farm fresh produce and fine eating establishments nearby. We want people to come to our area for things they cannot find anywhere else."

Township Recognizes Hometown Heroes

by Deputy Mayor Teresa Kelly
Galloway Township - A ceremony was held on February 9, 2014 to honor members from our region who served in active duty overseas in the Air National Guard 177th Fighter Wing. Mayor Chuck Chiarello and Deputy Mayor Teresa Kelly recognized four Airman from Buena Vista Township at the event held at Absegami High School. Staff Sergeant Nathaniel Hollander, Senior Master Sergeant Christopher Ridolfi, Staff Sergeant Darrell E. Chambers, and Master Sergeant Alexander Trombetta were presented with certificates for "Making Buena Vista Township Proud."



Martin Luther King Community Center celebrates

Dr. King's Birthday on Monday, January 20, 2014. The event was hosted by the Seniors of Newtonville. A highlight of the King Day celebration was an appearance by 91-years young Evelyn Hunter of Newtonville. She spoke about her memories of attending Dr. King's March on Washington in 1964.



Miss Buena Pageant Contestants Cheer on your favorite - Sunday March 9th



Victoria Cox, 16 East Vineland; Angela Del Collo, 17 Buena; Asia Dockery, 17 Newtonville; Eva Estlow, 15 East Vineland; Courtney James, 18 Minotola; Ashley Julia, 17 Collings Lakes

On Sunday, March 9th the Miss Buena Pageant will be held at the Buena Vista Country Club at 1:00 pm. This year marks our 9th Pageant and will be open to girls who are Buena Vista Township AND Buena Borough residents in grades 9 thru 12. These young ladies will vie for the title of Miss Buena 2014. The pageant gives the young ladies an opportunity to show off their talents and offers them the experience of a lifetime.

A panel of judges will select a winner based on oral presentation, talent, poise, casual and formal dress. The winner will receive a prize package that includes: \$500, a crown, sash, and a trophy. 1st place receives \$300 and a trophy and 2nd place receives \$200 and a trophy. All participants will receive a gift package, compliments of area businesses.

Tickets can be purchased from the contestants, Buena Vista Township Municipal Building, or at Buena Borough Hall. For more information, call Dolores Comparri at 856-697-1482 after 6 pm or call Lisa Tilton at the Buena Vista Administration Office; 856-697-2100 or 609-561-5650, press option 8.

	DATE: Sunday, March 9, 2014	PLACE: Buena Vista Country Club	TIME: 1:00 p.m.
	TICKETS: \$25.00 per person, includes a full buffet with cash bar.		
	MENU: Meatballs with Marinara Sauce, Rigatoni, Baked Ham, Caesar Salad, Sweet Corn with pimento, Italian Vegetable Medley, Oven Roasted Redskin Potatoes and an Ice Cream Sundae		

REGISTER YOUR DOGS AND CATS NOW! Clip Below

FREE Rabies Clinics Scheduled for BVT

2 DATES, 4 LOCATIONS
Mark your calendar!!



Saturday, March 8, 2014
● Newtonville Fire Hall
10:00 am - 12:00 noon
● Richland Fire Hall
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Saturday, March 22, 2014
● East Vineland Fire Hall
10:00 am - 12:00 noon
● Collings Lakes Fire Hall
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm



If your dog or cat is not currently protected against rabies, please take advantage of this opportunity. Vicious dogs must be muzzled and an adult must accompany the dog.

Cat licenses are \$4.00 (spay/neuter) or \$6.00 (non-spay/neuter) and Dog licenses are \$9.00 (spay/neuter) or \$12.00 (non-spay/neuter) they will be sold at the Rabies Clinics and at the Township Clerk's Office, Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (Tuesday evening until 7:30 pm). You can also obtain a license through the mail by sending a valid rabies certificate and proof of spaying/neutering with application shown below to Buena Vista Township, Clerk's Office, PO Box 605, 890 Harding Highway, Buena, NJ 08310

2014 N.J. CAT LICENSE

TOWNSHIP OF BUENA VISTA ATLANTIC COUNTY

NAME _____ DATE _____
ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____
CAT: SEX M F BREED _____ AGE _____ SIZE: S M L (circle one)
COLOR & MARKINGS _____ NAME _____

	Spayed/Neutered	Non-Spayed/Non-Neutered	Rabies Vaccination Compulsory Vaccination Expires _____
Cat License Fee	\$4.00	\$6.00	Spayed/Neutered <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			Spayed/Neutered by _____ Date _____
LATE FEE	+\$ 7.00	+\$ 7.00	

Licensing Official

THIS LICENSE EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND IS SUBJECT TO RENEWAL DURING JANUARY, 2015

2014 N.J. DOG LICENSE

TOWNSHIP OF BUENA VISTA ATLANTIC COUNTY

NAME _____ DATE _____
ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____
SEX M F BREED _____ AGE _____ SIZE: S M L (circle one)
COLOR & MARKINGS _____ NAME _____

	Spayed/Neutered	Non-Spayed/Non-Neutered	Rabies Vaccination Compulsory Vaccination Expires _____
License Fee	\$ 7.80	\$ 7.80	Spayed/Neutered <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
N.J. Registration Fee	1.00	1.00	
N.J. Pilot Clinic Fund	.20	.20	Spayed/Neutered by _____ Date _____
N.J. Pet Population Control		3.00	
Total	\$ 9.00	\$ 12.00	
(Late Fee if applicable)	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.00	

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SPECIAL ATTENTION

There will be a late fee of \$7.00 charged after March 31, 2014. Dog and Cat owners found without licenses after March 31st will be subject to a fine according to our local ordinance.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.2A, animal rabies vaccination immunization must extend thru at least the first ten months of the twelve month licensing period in order to purchase a current license.

