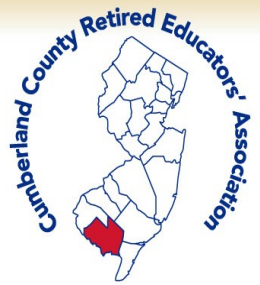




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A Message from our President

Wow, it was so wonderful to see so many members attending our Fall Luncheon at the New Jersey Motorsports Park. I hope all that attended enjoyed our "new location" or as my students would say our "new digs"! The staff seemed very accommodating! Some members commented about the food being, "Fresh, very tasty, best soup ever, and the bread pudding was better than their grandmothers!" I personally want to thank Connie Cossaboom for making all the arrangements for our luncheon!

Kudos to my Executive Committee: Pam Garwood, Marlene Walker, Leslie Trucano, Connie Cossaboom, and Nancy Wagner-Jenkins for coming early and guiding our members to our 2nd floor location, signing members in, as well as, the election petitions for Sean Spiller, Steve Beatty, and Petal Robertson. It takes a whole team to make things run smoothly and you guys were super... Thank You!

When members contact me requesting guidance as to whom they should speak to when it comes to resolving some problems they are encountering... I always try to find the person(s) that would best answer their question(s) at NJEA. I think it is safe to say that Sarah Favinger, the NJEA Associate Director of Research and Economic Services, did a fabulous job sharing all the information in reference to Medical Insurance, Membership Cards, and going back to work after retirement. I have heard from many of our luncheon attendees how much information Sarah was able to provide. They felt good that NJEA had their backs.

Pat Provnick, one of our CCREA Members, gave a fabulous report on our County's PAC contributions. For a small county we did great! Our challenge is to do even better this year.

Remember our benefits are determined by the State Legislature. They vote to support it but they can also vote it away! Your contribution to PAC can help us pick the best candidates that have our best interests in mind. We voted them in and we can also vote them out!

Welcome to Adam Sheridan, our new NJEA GR contact. Hopefully, we made him feel welcome and that he will be back with us very soon! Adam, it was great to have you with us.

I also received many calls regarding the NJEA Membership Card. It is on its way! In case you need it now, you may print it out by doing the following steps.... I tried it and it does work!

TO PRINT YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD:

1. Type NJEA.org in the URL Bar after you see: <https://www.NJEA.org> click on it and it will take you to the NJEA home page.
2. Log into njea.org using your pin and password. Your pin is 2 letters, 2 numbers, 2 letters. Your password is the last 4 digits of your social security number.
3. Hover the cursor over your name, then right click on your membership card. Then hit print.
4. When the print preview comes up ... print page 1 only.

If you have any issues following the above directions, don't hesitate to contact myself, Pam, or Tina.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you at our Holiday Luncheon/Meeting on Wednesday, December 7, 2022 at 11:00 am. Our Holiday entertainment will be provided by the Millville Women's Club Chorus.

Lastly, please remember to VOTE on November 8th.

Thank you for all your support!

Irene Savicky,
CCREA President

A REMINDER:

**Directions to Motorsports Park Events Building:
GPS 8000 Dividing Creek Road**



- **Take Buckshutem Road or 555 to Dividing Creek Road**
- **Turn onto Motorsports Blvd.**
- **Go through security booth, make left**
- **Go over bridge. Looks like a hill**
- **You will see event building in front of you**
- **OFFICER'S CLUB, second floor**
- **Do not go to Finish Line Restaurant**



Meet NJEA Endorsed House of Representative Candidate:

TIM ALEXANDER

Tim Alexander Website

Tim Alexander was born in Newark and made Southern New Jersey his home in 1980. Tim married Anna, his wife of 34 years, and together they raised three children.

Tim enjoyed a long and distinguished career in law enforcement for the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office in Mays Landing, New Jersey, as a Detective Captain in charge of the Criminal Investigation Section. As a public servant, Tim participated in programs that encouraged collaborative relationships between law enforcement, individuals, and the organizations they serve. Tim was motivated to a lifelong career to bring change to the way law enforcement agencies interacted with the communities. His motivation was personal, Tim was racially profiled by the police wherein he was shot at, assaulted, and falsely arrested because of misidentification.

During Tim's career, he focused on programs that worked to develop alternative solutions to problems within communities and increase trust in law enforcement. At the core of every community, Tim learned people want to feel safe, have the opportunity to provide for themselves and their families, practice their faith, and be accepted by others in the community.

Tim earned a B.S., summa cum laude, in Business Management from Drexel University in 2006, and an M.B.A. from Drexel University LeBow College of Business in 2008. When envisioning the future, Tim wanted to continue his work of helping others when his law enforcement career was over. It became clear that he would best be suited to become an attorney where he could bring his experiences as a law enforcement officer, combined with his knowledge of policing to a formal legal career. Tim went on to earn his J.D. from Rutgers University School of Law in Camden, New Jersey, in 2012.

After retiring from the Prosecutor's Office, Tim immediately began working for the Philadelphia District Attorney, ultimately as a Major Trials Prosecutor. During his tenure with the Philly DA's office, Tim was a member of the Philadelphia Youth Aid Panel. The Youth Aid Panel is a Juvenile Diversion Program to give first-time juvenile criminal offenders the option of appearing before a panel of community volunteers, rather than entering the juvenile court system. Additionally, during his career with the District Attorney's Office, Tim joined his colleagues in interacting with the communities they served, making the office accessible to citizens of Philadelphia.

Later, Tim joined the Civil Rights Unit for the Philadelphia Solicitor's Office. Eventually, Tim left public service and went into private practice handling civil litigation and currently is "Of Counsel" for Helmer, Conley & Kasselmann, P.A.

Tim continues to provide legal service in many aspects of law but concentrates his practice on Civil Rights and Employment Discrimination.



Member Benefits

Nancy Wagner-Jenkins

Maximizing Your Membership Webinar Series

NJEA/NEA Member Benefits and partners will be presenting a series of webinars to help members maximize the benefits of membership. To register for the webinars log on to NJEA.org/mbwebinars.

Holiday Hacks & End-of-Year Car Buying Tips is presented online December 7, 2022 @ 4:30 PM.

Dollars & Debt : Meeting Your Personal Finance Goals is presented online January 25, 2023 @ 4:30 PM.

Unlocking Member Benefits for NJREA is presented online February 8, 2023 @ 10 AM.

Acceso a Sus Beneficios para Miembros de NJEA/NEA (Espanol) Febrero 8, 2023 @ 4:30 PM



Tuesday, November 8th

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Marlene Walker - Treasurer

Our website is: CumberlandCREA.org

COFFEE CANS FOR HOLIDAY GIFTS

Again, we need your help! We continue to work with the Vineland's Women Club to help our veterans during the holidays.

We were alerted a few days ago that the Veteran's Home will NOT take homemade cookies this year because of COVID-19 and it's uncertainty.

WE WILL BE COLLECTING:

- 2023 calendars and soda tabs
- Donations for the "Veterans Christmas Wish". Please make checks out to Women's Club of Vineland and **mail it to: Connie Cossaboom, 96 Sentry Dr., Bridgeton, NJ 08302.** The Women's Club will present the money to the Veteran's Home.

We will still be collecting coffee cans this year. **On November 25 (Friday) from 9-10 am Connie will be at the CCREA Office in Vineland to collect calendars, donations, and coffee cans. She then will be at Aldi's in Bridgeton from 11 to 11:30 am to continue collecting donations and coffee cans.**

If you have any questions, contact Connie Cossaboom at 856-455-8340.



DECEMBER MEETING AND LUNCHEON Wednesday, December 7, 2022

The meeting will begin at 11:00 AM. Lunch will be served following the meeting. Our meeting and luncheon will be at **New Jersey Motorsports Park, OFFICER'S CLUB, 8000 Dividing Creek Rd., Millville, NJ 08332.**



Please return this portion of the form with your payment or send your payment with your name, address, phone and email on paper. Thank you.

Name: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Classic Caesar Salad - Minestrone - Chicken Piccata - Slow Roasted Pork Loin - Yukon Gold Mashed Potatoes - Broccoli Au Gratin - Warm Apple Cobbler

The cost will be \$30.00 per person.

Return this form with your payment to **Irene Savicky, 312 Princeton Road South, Glassboro, NJ, 08028, by November 18, 2022.** Make checks payable to **CCREA**. Reservations must include payment. Payment will not be accepted at the door.

ONLY CHECKS NO CASH NO REFUNDS NO TAKEHOME

Election Editorial

Congressman VanDrew has served Cumberland County for many years. He was elected to the United States Congress as a Democrat, but after contacting his highest Democratic donors, gave his “undying support” to President Donald Trump and decided to represent the Republican Party, Donald Trump’s Republican party, not the Republican Party I had many friends a part of.

His voting record at that time was one of concern. He voted against the House Stimulus Bill, a bill with more dollars than the Senate bill, that would have helped many in Cumberland County, the poorest county in the state of NJ! He voted against an oversight committee that would have made sure that the stimulus money went to small local business owners, not the rich and large business, and now with all the research on where that money went there is great evidence that a lot was stolen and given to businesses with connections. He supported the last US President letting him get away with a clear violation of the US Constitution with his Ukraine phone call, asking a foreign government for help to win an election, then supporting the January 6th insurrection.

Recently, his voting record again goes against bringing money to Cumberland County and NJ, along with not serving the needs of his constituents in his region. To name a few:

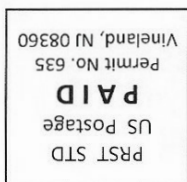
- He voted against the Affordable Insulin Now Act.
- He voted against the Chips and Science Act. This act would have increased domestic manufacturing and strengthened National Security.
- He voted against the Women’s Health Protection Act.
- He voted against the 2022 Assault Weapon Band.
- He voted against the Paycheck Fairness Act.
- He voted against Mental Health Matters Act, this would provide school based services.
- He voted against the Wildfire Response Act.
- He voted against the Infrastructure Act which 24 Republicans broke party rank and supported.
- He voted against Build Back Better Act, this would have provided daycare for our poor families to just get out and work or find better jobs.

Please give our area a new chance and a promise for better days. *PLEASE VOTE FOR TIM ALEXANDER!*

All this and more voting information can be found at: www.billtrack50.com/legislatordetail/16197



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